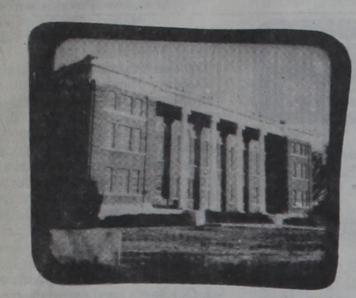
# HAPPPY NEW YEAR



# THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1997 "Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

"When we got into district play we

started doing things right as far as the

turnover ratio," Verden said. "The kids

became more comfortable with our

option game. The kids' whole attitude

changed. It didn't matter who they

stepped out onto the field with, they

thought they could win the football

soon as the playoffs started.

That confidence was evident as

Wheeler upset heavily favored

Kress, which was one of the top-

ranked teams in the state all season.

O. L. 'Woody" Wood, 67,

**Rites Read In Canadian** 

O. L. "Woody" Wood, 67, of Cana-

dian, died Saturday, December 21,

1996. Graveside services were Mon-

day, December 23, at 2 p.m. in Edith

Ford Memorial Cemetery with the Rev.

David Mark, pastor of Believers Cov-

enant Fellowship Church, officiating.

Burial was in Edith Ford Memorial

Cemetery under the direction of

Stickley-Hill Funeral Directors of Ca-

Mr. Wood was born September 18

1929, at Cement, Okla., to Elzy Ely

and Ethel Elizabeth Simonds Wood.

He married Dean Robb on June

8,1946, at Anadarko, Okla. The couple

moved from Canadian to Wheeler in

1964, returning to Canadian in 1974.

He worked for Mobil Oil Company for

game."

nadian.

# Mustangs Selected as Globe News Surprise Team of the Year

(Editor's Note: This article, by Dave Henry, appeared in the December 22, 1996 issue of the Amarillo Globe-News.)



We made it through the holidays, now to catch up.

-cwe-We had the paper 'finished' when I left Saturday, December 21, for Oklahoma. It was then Monty's responsibility to send it on it's way-with a few changes.

#### -cwe-

These few changes turned out to be more than I had anticipated. You did a GREAT JOB, MONTY.

-cwe-

I believe I had mentioned the painting of the trim on the courthouse and the gazebo. It is looking great, and seems whiter than before.

#### -cwe-

The sale of Lee Hardware & Furniture was finalized during the past week. Certainly will be different without **Annie Ruth, Nancy** or **Cecil** in the store to greet me as it has been.

-I am sure Carolyn and Jerry Hefley will carry on the tradition of quality merchandise and fine service. WEL-COME to the Wheeler business world. After starting the season 1-3, the Wheeler Mustangs' run to the Class 1A state semifinals was a surprise to

almost everyone. Except to the Mustangs themselves.

# NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN FOR "OUTSTANDING INDIVIDUALS"

The Wheeler Chamber of Commerce is once again taking nominations for the five outstanding individuals who will be recognized at the annual Chamber of Commerce installation Banquet in February.

It is the desire of the Chamber to recognize the most deserving individuals in each of the five categories. To be recognized are the outstanding Woman, Man, Employee, Teenager and Farmer/Rancher.

Please make your ideas known and also list the reasons why the individual should receive the honor.

Your nominations will be considered by the committee appointed to select the respective individuals to be named. A form is printed, but it is not necessary for the form to be used.

Each nomination is to be accompanied by a list of reasons for the nomination. The list will be used in determining the most deserving.

It is necessary that the nomination be returned by Friday, January 31, 1997

To: Wheeler Chamber of Commerce

#### P.O. Box 221

Wheeler, Texas 79096

I would like to nominate the following for the Outstanding (Woman,
Man, Employee, Teenager and/or Farmer/Rancher)

Long know as a traditional power in Class 1A, Wheeler made believers out of its opponents, winning nine consecutive games after a rough start and reaching the state semifinals for the first time since winning the Class 1A state championship in 1987.

After their impressive season, the Mustangs earned the Amarillo Glove-News Super Team surprise team of the year honor.

"We were forced to play four quarters in every ballgame we were in, and I think down the stretch that helped us," Wheeler head coach Jim Verden said. "We never had a game situation where we could sit back at half and relax. We had to work four quarters in all of our non-district ballgames."

"Even with the start we had, I knew we weren't playing the way we were capable of playing. We averaged six or seven turnovers in our first few games. I didn't feel like the other teams were beating us as much as we were beating ourselves."

Wheeler opened the season against Class 2A teams Stratford, Sunray, Wellington and Memphis, beating only Wellington.

Following a 33-25 loss to Memphis to cap off a 1-3 start, Verden had what he calls "a patented locker room

speech." Whatever he said, it worked.

The District 1-1A race started the next week, and the Mustangs exploded.

by a 27-13 score in bi-district.

"The Kress game set the tone for us for the rest of the season," Verden said. "No one gave us a chance to win. I told our kids we could beat Kress, that they were just as good a football team as Kress was, they just had more publicity. That worked to our advantage as far as motivation goes."

Following Wheeler's upset of the Kangaroos, the Mustangs toppled Petersburg in the area round then beat another state-ranked team in Munday in the state quarterfinals.

The Mustangs had their turnaround season come to an end to eventual Class 1A state champion Windthorst in the state semifinals. Windthorst won a wild offensive shootout by a 48-33 score.

The Mustangs had several stellar performances throughout the season, including quarterback Travis Stevens.

Stevens led the Mustang option attack with 930 yards rushing on 190 carries and 10 touchdowns. Through the air, Stevens was 50-of-130 for 896 yards and nine touchdowns.

Running back Bryan Judd led (Continued Page 6)

## Rites To Be Read Today For Melvin Farrar, 62

Melvin Ray Farrar, 62, died Monday, Dec. 30, 1996 at Parkview Hospital, Wheeler, Texas. Gravesides services will be Thursday, January 2, 1997 at 1:30 p.m. in the Wheeler Cemetery with Rev. Gary Ward, a nephew of Houston, Tex., officiating. Burial will be in the Wheeler Cemetery by Wright Funeral Home. Mr. Farrar was born December 16, 1934 in Indian Creek, Texas. He had been a resident of the Texas Panhandle and Wheeler most of his life. He married Faye Dick on Dec. 26, 1959 at Lefors, Texas. He had dedicated some 20 years with the Texas School system and retired in 1994. He was preceded in death by his father, Alton, 1 brother and 2 sisters. He was a member of the Country Chapel in Wheeler. Survivors include his wife, Faye of Wheeler; 3 sons, Donald and David, both of Pampa, and Danny of Round Mountain, Nev.; his mother, Thelma of Wheeler; 1 sister, Pat Stanton of Pampa; 8 grandchildren, and many other family members and friends. The family requests memorials be made to the American Cancer Society.

#### -cwe-

As was planned when we left, we traveled to Sherman and spent Sunday night with Ronal Wayne, Juanita, Ronal and Jessica. We sent Cathi and Dorcie on their way home on Monday.

The Christmas with the Meriwethers was disrupted with the death of Leroy's dad, Carl, 91. He had not been is good health, but was looking forward to the big feast on Christmas day. He will be missed.

The oldest granddaughter, Jessica, made the 6-weeks and Semester All A Honor rolls. Congratulations!

-cwe

# Winners of 3rd & 4th Chamber 'Cash' Drawings

The third of four Chamber of Commerce drawings was held Saturday, December 21, 1996. Winners of the \$10 certificates were Katie Shipp, Mary Blackburn, Marshall Andis, Connie Reeves, Dan Langdon, Floyd George, Spencer Ford, Sarah Crouch, Marvin Walker and Susan Huckert.

\$25 certificates were won by Winnie Gilmer, Dan Langdon, Jacob Crouch and Randy Ford.

\$50 winners were Heather Hampton and Amanda Mick.

The winner of the \$100 certificate was J. T. Tidwell (Continued Page 4)

# Memorial Services Held For Ely Kirvin Roper, 52

Ely Kirven Roper, 52, of Amarillo, died Saturday, Dec. 28, 1996.

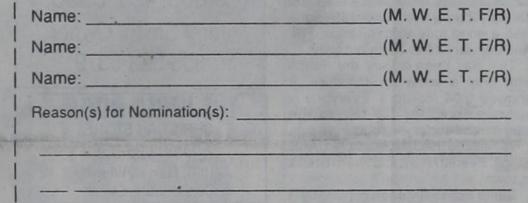
Private memorial service was at 10 a.m. Monday, December 30, 1996 in St. Paul's Methodist Church. The body will be cremated. Arrangements are by Holley Funeral Home of Canyon. Mr. Roper was born in Amarillo. He had worked in law enforcement and sales most of his life. He was a Methodist.

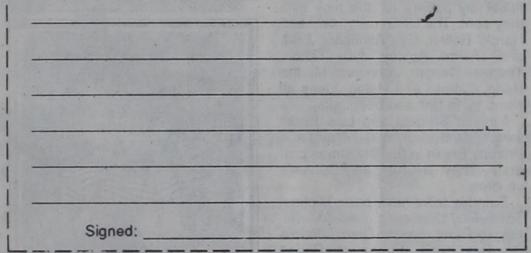
Survivors include his wife, Susan Norris Roper of Amarillo; a daughter, Kelly Roper of Tucson, Ariz.; and a sister, Claudine Osteen of Childress.

### **Hospital Notes**

#### New Admissions

- 12-14 Jane Rives 12-16 Bud Simpson
- 12-17 Kalli Bradstreet
- 12-17 Kalli Bradstre
- 12-18 Jana Chandler Ruby Keys







#### ATHERTONS TO CELEBRATE 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Darville and Sammie Atherton will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception honoring them on Sunday, January 5th, from 2:00-4:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church. Reception hosts are LaDell and Ted Atwood of Pampa, Russell Atherton of Duncan, Okla., Mick Atherton of Wheeler, and Lee Royce Atherton of Princeton, Tx., and Wheeler friends. The couple will renew their marriage vows at 4:00 in the afternoon by Pastor Toby Henson. Wheeler scored at least 33 points in five consecutive games and captured the district title with a perfect 5-0 record.

# The ARC of Tex-Wheeler County Holds Meeting

On December 6, at 6:00 p.m., the ARC of Texas-Wheeler met at the Methodist Church. Members present were Ann Jones, Shirley Tindol, Cathy Burrell, Mary Ford, Dell Ford, Rhonda Blanchard, and Christie Jones.

The meeting was lead by Mary Ford. We discussed putting articles in the newspaper so that the community can be aware of what we would like to accomplish for our group; Christie Jones volunteered. We talked about providing childcare at our meetings, several options were mentioned and Cathy Burrell and Rhonda Blanchard volunteered to look into the matter. At our meeting in November, we created two committees: Promote Employment/Public Awareness and Membership/Fundraising. We asked everyone to volunteer for one of the committees. During our December meeting we also discussed possible fund raisers; several ideas were mentioned by Ann, Shirley, and Dell. We decided to appoint committee chairmans for the two committees at our next meeting on January 6, at 6:00 p.m. at the Methodist Church in the fellowship hall. We would like to invite anyone interested to come and join us, if you are interested, you can call any of the members above. At our meeting in November, we also created the following mission statement. MISSION STATEMENT

The ARC of Texas in Wheeler County is a non-profit volunteer organization, composed of caring individuals dedicated to providing community awareness and education in order to enhance the lives of people with disabilities so that they may achieve and/or exceed their dreams to work, live, and play in our community.

# Tom Christner Eligible For Bachelors In Biology

Fort Hays State University Registrar Dr. Pat Mahon announced the names of 252 students eligible for bachelor's degrees and two-year associate degrees for the 1996 fall semester. Nine are expected to receive associate's degrees; 243 students will receive bachelor's degrees.

Among those to receive bachelor's degrees is Tom Christner, Wheeler, who has earned a B.S. in Biology.

# Wheeler County DARE

eight years and for Phillips Petroleum for nine years. He and his wife owned and operated Qwik Stop in Canadian for 13 years.

Survivors include his wife, Dean Wood, of Canadian; two daughters, Sue Ford of Mustang, Okla., and Robin Frey of Shreveport, La.; two sons, Buddy Wood of Shamrock and Keith Wood of Canadian; two sisters, Juanita Walker and Zella Harris, both of Chickasha, Okla.; and six grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to American Heart Association or to Alzheimers Association.

# Jasper 'Jap' Bailey, 86, Is Buried Sat., Dec. 28

Jasper E. "Jap" Bailey, 86, died Wednesday, December 25, 1996, at Wheeler. Services were at 1 p.m. Saturday, December 28, in Mobeetie Methodist Church with the Rev. Gary Jahnel and the Rev. Ralph Hovey, retired Baptist minister, officiating. Burial was in Mobeetie Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Bailey was born July 19, 1910, at Mobeetie and had been a lifelong Mobeetie resident. He married Alice Morgan on December 14,1946, at Miami. He was a U.S. Navy veteran, serving during World War II. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post of Miami and the Old Mobeetie Association.

Survivors include his wife, Alice, of the home; two daughters, Betty Sue Glover of Clarendon and Judy Faye Parker of Pampa; a son, John Bailey of Pampa; two brothers, Bill Bailey of Pampa and Hugh Bailey of Mobeetie; 10 grandchildren; and two greatgrandchildren,

The family requests memorials be to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch or to the Mobeetie Methodist Church.

# Services Are Held Friday For Gladys 'Rene' Dunnam

Gladys Irene "Rene" Dunnam, 78, died Friday, Dec. 27, 1996, at Amarillo. Services were at 4:30 p.m. Monday in First Baptist Church of Lefors with the Rev. Lewis Ellis, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Memorial Heights Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Dunnam was born Feb. 8, 1918, at Midlothian, Texas. She married Alfred "Jug" Dunnam on Feb. 25, 1937, at Archer City; he died Feb. 29, 1976. She had been a Lefors resident for over 50 years, moving to Wheeler Care Center three years ago. She was a homemaker and a 50-year member of First Baptist Church of

# Edwin Watts, 71, Buried Sat., Dec. 28, At Wheeler

Edwin Watts, 71, died Wednesday, December 25,1996, at Amarillo. Services were at 2 p.m. Saturday, December 28, in First Baptist Church with the Rev. David Fletcher, pastor of Northwest Baptist Church of Amarillo, and Ted Lawler, with Caprock Health Services of Amarillo, officiating. Burial was in Wheeler Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Mr. Watts was born Aug. 5, 1925, in Somerton, Ariz., to Richard and Annie Watts. He attended school at Kelton. He worked in the ship yards in Portland, Ore. He married Luella E. Sherfield on Aug. 13, 1947, at Wheeler; she preceded him in death. He was a longtime Wheeler County resident. He farmed, was a master carpenter and worked at Twitty Gas Plant and Ashland Chemical Company near Shamrock, retiring in 1983. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving with the 817 Bombardment Squadron in Europe and North Africa during World War II. He was a top turret gunner and engineer, on a B-17 airplane and was honorably discharged April 3, 1946, as technical sergeant.

He was also preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Richard Watts, in 1990, and Julian Watts, in 1921; and a great-grandson, Holden, in 1994.

Survivors include his children, Linda and Curt White of Cheyenne, Okla., Richie and Judy Watts of Hammon, Okla., Jerry Bob and Teresa Watts of Wheeler, Nancy and Randal Patterson of Groom and Amy Carter of Amarillo; his siblings, Elmeda Elder of Oklahoma City, Okla., Virginia Patterson of Blackfoot, Idaho, Gariand (Pete) Watts of Pampa, Dale Watts of Hull and his baby sister, Monta Boyd of Amarillo, his caregiver for the past four years; his mother-inlaw, Myrtle Deen, of Tulsa, Okla.; 11 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren, several brothers-and sisters-inlaws; and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

Horace Fillingim Willie Morris 12-19 **Robert Jones** 12-20 Ariza Corcoran 12-21 Bob Moore **Renita Holland** 12-23 **Tessie Clark** 12-24 Trent Ware Hayley Markham -25 Sarah Crouch Kelton Green 12-26 **Christina Rains** 12-27 Wayne Bybee **Donald Finsterwald** 12-29 Wade Hampton (Continued Page 4)

Darville E. Atherton and Sammie Lee Dougherty were married in the home of Mrs. and Mrs. Sam Dougherty. They have been lifetime residents of Wheeler County, where Darville continues to farm and ranch.

Darville is a 9 yr. member of Committe 100 for the State of Texas, the American Legion, and the 1st Marine Div. Association of the United States of America. During World War II, he saw service in the Marines in Peleliu, Okinawa and China. He has served on the Wheeler County Soil Conservation Board for 19 yrs. and the Masonic Lodge #1099 of Wheeler for 50 yrs. He was selected the 1973 Comeback Farmer of the Texas Bankers Association and the Farmer-Rancher of the year in Wheeler Co. in 1994. The Atherton's are members of the First Baptist Church.

Darville and Sammie have three children: Russell Atherton of Duncan, Okla., Mick Atherton of Wheeler, and Lee Atherton of Princeton, Tx. They have six grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. Meeting Set For Jan. 3

A county-wide meeting concerning the funding of a DARE officer for Wheeler County is scheduled for Friday, January 3rd, at 7:00 p.m. in the Shamrock City Annex at 116 W. 2nd, Shamrock.

The Wheeler Co. DARE officer will be an employee of the 31st District and will only work the drug task force and DARE program. Representatives of the Panhandle Regional Planning Commmission will be on hand to hear the pros and cons of this issue from county residents. All are encouraged to attend. Letors.

She was preceded in death by a brother, two sisters and a grand-daughter.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Janis and Winfred Cates of Andover, Mass.; a son and daughter-in-law, Scott and Janell Dunnam of Wheeler; four sisters, Juanita Harkcom of Lefors, Lorene Helm of Fort Worth, Bobbie Hokom of Lake Jackson and Jerry Mannbeck of Surfside; a brother, Clarence Jernigan of Saginaw; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church of Lefors.

The family requests memorials be made to Wheeler Fire Department, to Wheeler Volunteer Ambulance Service or to a favorite charity.



(Written for Dec. 24 edition) Everyone has been sitting by the fire these cold days and not much going on. Well, they say No News is Good News so here goes. MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

The electricity went off at 5:15 this AM until after 8. The outage covered quite an area. We really appreciate those REA boys who went out in below zero weather to get us back on. We have had about 3 inches of snow plus several days of 20 plus for a high and 2 below zero for a high.

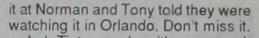
Our young folks have been on the ball lately. Santa is listening, you know. The school children presented their Christmas program Wednesday night. There was a good crowd out despite the bad weather. After the program, all enjoyed refreshments and visiting. Sunday the young folks at the Baptist Church served a Christmas dinner to the congregation.

I had a nice note from Mickie Shelton of Cheyenne. Seems her dad Doug Kendall was gin manager at Cotton Store many years ago and she started school at Sweetwater. They lived in the house where Eb and Eba live now. At that time, Benton had the store. Her dad was then transferred to Cheyenne where he stayed until he retired.

Richard McEntire is home after heart surgery in an OKC hospital. Theresa Nabors came by with Christmas treats and reported that Wilber's brother Donald is improved in a Dallas hospital. Editha Hildebrand fell and injured her leg. Had to have a number of stitches.

School is turning out for a two weeks vacation. Brendon Atkinson is home from OSU.

A lot of folks are watching Touched by an Angel. Paul said they watched



Judy Tipton was by with some goodies. Said she saw an emu-the other day on her walk. Several have reported seeing some bobcats. Coyotes are plentiful. They have thinned out the house cat population.

Our brother and wife, Paul and Doris, came Saturday from Norman



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bringing a Kentucky Fried Dinner. We

enjoyed that and the good visiting. Cousin Andrew McCathern called to say they were on the way to winter in Zapata. They missed the storm.

The Erick-Sweetwater Lady Bearcats beat Sayre and the Bearcats beat Burns Flat-Dill City to win the Burns Flat Invitational Tournament. Katrina Cox with 12 points and Leann Keathley with 10 were top scorers on the girls team. Warren Mayfield was high with 15 points and Andy Davis

Reydon won the Wheeler Tournament with Les Pyeatt scoring 41 points. Cheyenne beat Canute with Brad Atkinson making 21 points.

(Written for Jan. 2 Edition) Happy New Year. Just three more

years until 2000. A lot of arguments are going on about what we will call it. Seems the first year will be a zero since 2001 starts the century or so they say.

One of the highlights of last week, was the Baptist Church Carollers coming around to sing awhile and leave a sack of treats last Sunday afternoon. Members were Barry, Joy, Christie and Mindy Cappleman, Greg and Jan Henson, Gail Sutton, Joan Hagerman

and Ashley, Ruth and Kendra Holland, Judy Tipton, Louise Perry, Rhonda Arrington, Terri and Andrea Calverley, Kim and Tara Boswell, Kathy and Cindy Perry, and Lisa Alexander. They visited seventeen homes in the community. Leonard Bryan said they were twice blessed since the New Liberty Singers also came to their home, Betty Anderson had cookies and cocoa for them at the church.

Lois and Leonard Bryan wish to thank everyone in the community for their love, support, prayers and the nice benefit program given for them last Sunday.

The Buffalo Church had their Christmas dinner last Sunday. The Assembly of God had theirs Sunday night. the little children had a wonderful pageant of the birth of Jesus. They were really sweet. It was directed by Carolyn Coots.

We stopped by Cal's Saturday and an Australian couple was there on their way to a wedding at Canyon. She really spoke a different lingo than us and was taking pictures of everything. Pretty cute.

Mrs. Bruce Harrison, Allison, stopped by to visit Bonnie Rice at the post office last week.

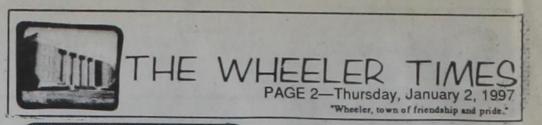
Dr. Maurice Coffey, Tulsa, Janet and David Brownley, North Carolina, came to see Bertha Coffey Sunday.

A lot of us have seriously ill relatives. My brother, Frank Haag, is out of ICU in a Little Rock hospital but is still very sick. Berniece Harrington, Campbell, sister of Ed Logan is in the Sayre Hospital.

Sharon, Robert and Natalie Shoffner, Washington, DC, Lynette, Charles and Stacey Bryan, Edmond

Pat, Debby and Jamie Anderson

January has some important days for us besides New year's Day. On January 8 we will be married 59 years. Had a good tune written for us, HA. And January 18 is Joe's birthday. This has been a very dry month with only a snow for moisture. It showed 0.04 moisture. Everyone is nervous about the fire hazard. Be very careful about your burning trash. We visited the J. M. Gambles, Arlis Stagg, Everett Niller, and Helen Shultz in town. Santa has really been coming by. I thank my papers for the nice gifts they sent. The UPS man, Mary and Harold Bollen, Eva Atkinson, J. M. and Thelma Ashley, Judy Tipton, Theresa Nabors, John and Martha Haag, Clifford and Helen Jones all came by to visit and bring gifts. Patricia Sargent and Lois Bryan went up to Briscoe to see Travis and Brittany Bryan in the Christmas program. They are Ken and Connie's children Birthday folks have been Michael Smith, Floyd Pickering, Johnny Davis, Louise Perry, Beuna Davis, Jeanie Sanders Irene Burkhalter, Royse Rose, Dusty Elam, Margie Banks, Ruth York, Laquense McArthur, Faye Mong. Anniversaries are Mr. and Mrs. Earl Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. Durwood York, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Sutton. Happiness to all.



**CARE CENTER** 

COMMENTS

By A Resident Reporter

(Week of December 15-20, 1996)

Sunday, the First Baptist Church

Monday, Barbara read us the news-

A report came to me that we could

use some things for our beauty shop.

Perms, curling irons, combs, sham-

poo and conditioner. Everyone of us

Tuesday, Barbara read us the pa-

Then we played a game where

music was played and gifts were

wrapped and passed. When the mu-

sic stopped you had a limited time to

open the gift before the music started.

It was lots of fun. Everyone received

afternoon. We made angels and

Christmas trees for door decoration.

Wednesday, we did arts and crafts.

Tom Helton and Shorty Crawford

Rozena Zybach, Fern Young, Ila

Janice Sparlin came for Bible Study.

came for Bingo. Zinnie Bailey was

Collins were here for inspirational.

Gennell York our administrator and

Cletus Green served us grapefruit

and oranges. They were really good

Friday, Barbara read the paper to

Saturday, Cletus read to us then

Jean and Barbara took several of

us. Then we had sing-a-long of Christ-

mas carols. Then some of us played

we played cards. Bingo Blackout win-

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ner was Helen Sloss.

Sure passed a cold day.

blackout winner.

Arts and crafts were made in the

per. Was a cold, snowy day. So glad

paper, then that afternoon we played

from Mobeetie came here for ser-

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a gift.

eating.

cards.

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likes to look nice.

to be where its warm.

us ladies to see the Christmas Lights around town.

(Written for January 2 Edition) Sunday, Trinity Lutheran Church from Shamrock was here to do services.

Monday, Barbara was gone to Amarillo. We sure had a long day.

Tuesday, Gennell York read us the paper. Then after lunch, Barbara played cards with several of us: Anna Haper, Mattie McQueen, Margaret Heide, May Bell Childress; Ruth Hoggerd, Mae Welch and Zinnie Bailey.

We were served egg nog and cookies. Old Santa has been visiting several of us at the care center. Lots of candy and new clothes are showing up. Also lots of families visiting.

Hyland was visiting Ona Mae Weaver. Wayne and Joyce Edwards had lunch with Eunice Édwards and Pearl Williams. Viola Carlton had lunch with Zinnie Bailey. Pearce Walker had lunch with Nettie Walker. Richard and Carol Kiker came to visit Winnie Kiker. Lots of residents went out with family for the day. Zinnie's daughter Bernice and granddaughter was here from Pampa. Mae Welchhad a granddaughter Denise Murlin. and daughter Kyla here to visit.

Thursday, Cletus read the newspaper to us. Barbara and Genell did manicures.

After lunch, Cletus played cards with us. While Barbara, Ruth, and Jac took down decorations.

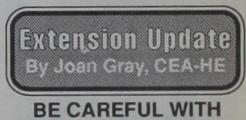
Barbara popped us some popcorn. That's always a treat.

Friday, we had a new resident, Hestell Killingsworth. She is going to be with us for a while. We welcome her

Also this past week, we were saddened by the loss of three of our residents. Joe Garcia, Jap Bailey and Irene Dunnam. Our sympathy goes out to these families. We will miss each one of them.

Saturday, Cletus read us the paper, then we had bingo. Ruth Hoggard, Pearl Williams and Zinnie Bailey were Blackout winners.

We want to wish everyone a Happy New Year.



sister of Clara Lou McGuire, has been in an OKC hospital. Butch Brown, brother of Lois Bryan, had bypass surgery at Beaumont, Tx. Leta

were out Sunday for an early Christmas with Ed and Eileen Logan.

spent Christmas with Helen Smith, Michael had supper with her one evening.

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# THOSE LEFTOVERS

Once you've put away that big holiday meal into your belly, you need to put the leftovers into the refrigerator. One of the biggest health problems around the holidays is food that's left out too long. Extension nutrition specialist Dr. Peggy Van Laanen recommends perishable goods not be left at room temperature for more than two hours. Failing to follow that basic rule could give your guests food poisoning. The symptoms are upset stomach, stomach cramping, vomiting, diarrhea and sometimes fever and chills. For the elderly, the very young and the chronically ill, that can be a serious medical problem. Turkey will keep in the refrigerator for three to four days-after that the quality diminishes. Cut it off the bone. The smaller pieces will cool better and keep better. Store the dressing separate from the turkey since dressing tends to go bad faster.



January 6 thru January 10, 1997 MONDAY: Roast Turkey and Gravy, Dressing, Squash, Cranberry Sauce, Plums.

TUESDAY: Salisbury Steak, Mushroom Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Stewed Tomatoes, Bread Pudding. WEDNESDAY: Veal, Baked Potato, Peas and Mushrooms, Apple Sauce. THURSDAY: Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Broccoli, Peach Cobbler.

FRIDAY: Fried Fish, Au Gratin Potatoes, Capri Vegetables, Chocolate Pudding.

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#### (December 24th Issue) Luke 2:20 "And the shepherds re-

turned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen."

Happy Birthday to Pauline Hefley, Maurine Brotherton and Andy Maslik on Dec. 29; Evelyn Hale, Elva Wood, T. J. Cole, Isabell Moore, and Mike Wash on Dec. 30; Martha Helton, Liz Shipp, and Anna Rebecca Johnson on Dec. 31, Jeannette Jahnel, Evalyn Free, Billy Finsterwald, Larry Lee Horn and Randy Barr on Jan. 1; Annadell Myers, Davis Corse and Katie Jo Hennig on Jan. 2; Daphne Zybach, Deidre Dukes, Clifton Fletcher, Jr., Katie Finsterwald, Inez Moore and Mike Bell on Jan. 3; Novalene Loyd, Shane Goad, Angela Forward and Derek Murray on Jan. 4.

No more basketball games in 1996. Fort Elliott High School Basketball Tournament will be January 2-4 at Briscoe with Higgins, West Texas Christian, Samnorwood, Shamrock, Wheeler, McLean, Fort Elliott, Pampa Christian boys and Fort Elliott J.V. girls expected to play Thursday to Saturday.

Happy Anniversary to Cliff and Polly Hefley (62) and Danny and Mary Nelson on Dec. 29; Terry and Sheila Mick and Raymond and Isabel Moore on Dec. 30 (61); Al and Sharon Ryan and Thad and Tammy Greene on Dec. 31. We hurried around and came up on Monday for Willis' hip replacement surgery on Wednesday. We were afraid the weather might make it hard to come Tuesday, the 17th. Nice to have our grandkids, Dallas and Lindsey Fillingim come over Tuesday and visited and took us to lunch at the Golden Corral and supper at Luby's. They also took us over to Canyon to see their apartments. Fixed up nice. Lindsey and Leigh Ann Wyatt really had their house decorated up Christmasy.

Nice to have Bro. Aaron Laverty, Dallas and Lindsey and David and Winnie Gilmer over for the surgery. It was a long surgery. They took Willis out at 6:30 a.m. It was over by 12:00. All went O.K. Took awhile to get old cement, etc., out. Had to have three transfusions of blood. Keep praying.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Clark Reagan, 89, in his death. They ran the Gageby Store for awhile.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Angie Freeman, 83, in her death. She and husband Ralph and Roger and Lois lived on the Teas place in our community many years ago.

In games at Briscoe with Lefors Tuesday night, Fort Elliott girls won 60-15 and our boys won 51-33.

Pray for Ted Cooper and family. He was having by passes Wednesday at High Plains. Sharon Horton was there with him.

Nice to see Fat Jones. He hadn't been to the Dairy Queen since about Nov. 2, but hopes to be home from the hospital soon. Keep praying for him. He's had a rough time. May be at Wheeler Hospital some. We always enjoyed visiting with Fat at the Wheeler Dairy Queen.

"A generous man will prosper! He who refreshes others will himself be refreshed." —from a cartoon.

Grace Irvine seems to be doing well after suffering a broken leg. Nice to visit with Truman and Becky Price from Lubbock here with Grace Irvine at High Plains. Dick and Ruth Irvine have also visited with her. Grace was moved to Rehab at St. Anthony's Thursday night. A granddaughter, Mary Grace from Washington, D.C. has been visiting her, a lovely girl.

Nice to have Wilma Bible take me





to lunch at Luby's Thursday. Others visiting were Glenn and Mozelle Thomas, Gayle Singleton and Dick Irvine.

We moved to Rehab Saturday afternoon at St. Anthony's and supposed to go home Christmas Eve. Sounds good! Dan and Chris Fillingim visited us Saturday night. Also visit... ing Saturday were Olaf Sivage and Aaron Laverty and Dallas, Lindsey and Leigh Ann Wyatt.

Friday, nice to have son Danny come to visit. He has been working on a pipeline in New Mexico with Okemah Construction. He has time off during the holidays. We played some games of Chicken Foot.

Sue Chandler and Bridgett were shopping in Amarillo Friday and came



to visit. Always good to see everyone. God bless you everyone.

Lois Meadows was happily making preparations for a visit from Lucy and Rick Lucas and Charissa and Russell from Westport, Kentucky.

We are so very thankful Willis is doing so well. Many thank for all your prayers and caring, friends and relatives and calls and cards.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Lyssa Dunnam Brewer, 28, in her death.

"God be with you till we meet again."

Happy Birthday to Lou Dean Douthit, and Rhonda McWhorter on Jan. 5; Nikki Scott Robinson, Annie Ruth Lee, and Tommy Whitlow on Jan. 6; C. B. Brotherton and Leonard Fulks on Jan. 7; Sue Reames, Brenda Smith, Michael Shorter and Sam Watson on Jan. 8; Leta Meadows and William Cornell on Jan. 9; Bonnie Maddox and Curt Smith on Jan. 10; Sallie May and Thomas Helton on Jan. 11.

Happy Anniversary to Darv and Sammie Atherton on Jan. 5; Rob and Geniva Hogan on Jan. 7; Larry and Vickey Nelson on Jan. 8; Steve and Bertie Eudey on Jan. 8; Roy and Judy Moran on Jan. 11.

Jan. 6 at 6:00 p.m. Fort Elliott Junior High will play at Follett. Tuesday Jan. 7, Samnorwood High School will come to Fort Elliott and play basketball at 6:30. Friday, Jan 10, Amarillo Christian will play at Fort Elliott at 6:00. Don't forget Fort Elliott Tournament will be Thurs. to Sat. Jan 2-4 for High School.

Isaiah 41:10 "Fear not, for I am with you. Do not be dismayed, I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will help you; I will uphold you with my victorious right hand."

Irene Keys hosted a Christmas celebration Christmas night for her family and included Don and Bonnie Hall, Patty and Mack Sheilds, and John and Amanda, Kevin and Heather Sheilds, and Eric, Teresa and Leonard Powledge, Sara and Bobby Ford and Ty; Bo and Brenda Keys and Lindsay and Jarred, Dean and Karen Keys and Toby and Terry, Cindy and Bob Fulgham and Keri Grayson, Jerome and Jo Anna and Hunter Grayson, Candice and Josh Fulgham. Lots of delicious food and fun games. Also there was Clint and Amy Huff and Andrew.

Fort Elliott High School girls will west lexas Unristian in Dasketball Thursday, Jan. 2 at 11:30 at Briscoe. Boys will play West Texas Christian at 10:00 Thurs., Jan. 2. Good concession. Getting together at the home of. David and Rita Pearson Thursday for Christmas were Dallas and Lindsey Fillingim, Jerry and Marion Lackey, Jeff and Jennifer Lackey from At-lanta, Texas; Pat and Christie Steffek and Bailey and Clayton from Hallettsville; JoAnn and Carrol Lackey from Abilene and Joe Lacey from Amarillo for the weekend. Nice to have Caroline Cornett and Katie come Monday and take me to lunch and visit in Amarillo. Others visiting were Ed and Laurel Hershman, Bro. Aaron Laverty, Gaye Hale and Sarah, Mozelle Thomas and Micah. Thanks. Pray for Claudetta Laverty. She has had such a painful, miserable time with arthritis. Aaron brought her to the doctor in Amarillo Monday. Mobeetie XYZ will meet Friday, Jan. 3 at 6:30. All Senior Citizens are invited to First Baptist Church Mobeetie. Come earlier for blood pressure checks. Delicious pot luck supper, devotional, and games of Chicken Foot and 42. Ya'll come. Wheeler Senior Citizens will meet Monday Jan. 6 at 6:00 p.m. for delicious pot luck supper and games of 88 and visiting. David Hale and David McDonald went hunting and got an eleven point buck deer and dressed him out. Yea! Rick and Lucy Lucas and Russell from Westport, Kentucky were last weekend visitors to Lois Meadows and Eddie and Leta Meadows and Amy and Laura. The Lucas family were also visitors to Gageby Church Sunday. Rick preached Sunday night. Other visitors to church were Sarita Dawson and Micaela and Dallas and Laurel Hershman. Grace Irvine got moved to Parkview Hospital Wheeler extended care Mon-day by Hemphill County Ambulance. She is doing well since her broken leg, but still needs someone with her. Go by to see her. Pray for Grace and her family. Welcome back Ray and Pat Hudson. So good to have you back home soon to Briscoe. Their phone is 375-2390, and Box # 189. Not all moved yet. We enjoy so much all the Christ-mas cards. Just wish I had time to sit right down and write a letter back to each of you dear and precious people. Many, many thanks for all your prayers and concern as Willis had his 6th hip replacement surgery, Dec. 18. He has done great and we got to go home on the 6th day after surgery (compared to a month on the other hip in February.) We are so thankful. I also got to have a cot in his room all the time. Thanks to Dallas for helping

them visiting us and helping especially while in Amarillo.

Christmas Day guests at the home of J. P. and Martha Meek included Don and Cindy Hartsfield and Hayden and Glory, Chuck and Phoebe Hartline and Tamara and Aaron, Mack and Linda Sides, Suzanne Everett and Mary Morgan.

Clifford and Pauline Hefley had their family together Christmas night and included Jim and Beth Alvey, Tina and Rick Taber, David and Phyllis Hefley and Kristi and Darren. They also got to see Todd and Misty Alvey and Paige, Payton and Patterson another day.

Christmas Day guests of Venson and Fay Smith were David and Winnie Gilmer and Davy, Walter and Patricia Hand and Monty, Daryl and Tillie Snelgrooes, Marlin Thomas from Borger, Julie Gilmer, Bill and Tonya Finsterwald and Randy and Brandon.

Evelyn Meek's family got together Christmas Eve and included Mark and Annette Meek and Caleb and Jocelyn, Saundra Meek and Kathy Meek. Other visitors on Christmas Day were John C. Vise, Kent Vise and Keith Meek.

Kevin and Jona Meek and Shantil and Tommy and Mrs. John Stages and granddaughter Candy Stages visited Wayne Meek. Kevin's family are from Clinton, Missouri and plan to be here for awhile. Keith Meek also visited.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Jap Bailey in his death.

Nice to have Clifford Helfey and Joyce Carr come by and visit Friday afternoon.

Monday night Dec. 23, Ruby Zybach enjoyed having her family home for Christmas and included David Zybach, Jane Ann and Curtis Hall and Kent, Kathy and Kyndal Murray and Krista and Derek, Bob and Gena Zybach and Steve, Wayne and Kathy Zybach and Clay and Casey, Bevard and Diane Dukes and Diedre.

Fat and Wanda Childress hosted their family get together Christmas Eve and included Clyde and Jane Dukes, and Stacie and Jackie, Jer-(Continued Page 5)



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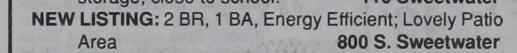
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#### Drawing

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e Texas Department of Public ty will require drivers to furnish social security number in order ocess their driver license applin or renewal beginning January 97, the DPS announced today.

e Texas Transportation Code ires the DPS to collect the social rity number of any person who es for a driver license in this "The law has been in effect 1993 and we have been colg the number on a voluntary s", said Jimmy Tillinghast, driver license captain, Lubbock. "However, to be in compliance with state law, we will require this information after January 1, 1997."

Tillinghast also stated that proper documentation of the number will be

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necessary. Acceptable documentation would include your social security card, payroll or employment records, income tax documents and certain identification cards where the social security number is used and proper identification can be made. Facsimiles and employer lists will not suffice. "Without proper documentation of the number, no license will be issued", Tillinghast said.

While state and federal law allows for the use of social security numbers for driver licensing purposes, driver license personnel will not require the number for department issued identification cards. They will continue to request the number on a voluntary basis in those instances.

"Hopefully, by getting this information out now, the public can avoid unnecessary delays by having the proper documentation in hand

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The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Parkview Hospital, 901 S Sweetwater in Wheeler

on January 14, 1997.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual Breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

Participants will receive a lowcost screening that includes a mammogram and instruction in selfexamination by a registered nurse. The total cost is \$70. A minimum of fifteen women needs to register in order for the mobile mammography clinic to come to area towns. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Call 359-4673 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information

#### days of turning 18 in accordance with Federal law. More than 35 million men have registered since 1980, however none has been drafted. The last draft ended in 1973. By having the names and addresses of men ages 18 through 25 on file in the Selective Service System database, America remains ready to face any threat in the future.

## **High Plains Irrigation** Conference Set Jan. 8

The 29th annual High Plains Irrigation Conference and Trade Show has been scheduled Jan. 8 at the Civic Center, Third and Buchanan Streets, Amarillo.

The conference is sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in cooperation with a host of industry service companies.

The noon break features a catered lunch and allows time for trade show tours.

The afternoon program moderated by Jim Bob Reynolds, Hutchinson County agent, will resume at 1:30 p.m.

Managing irrigation capacity to fit crop water use will be discussed by New, a Texas A&M professor of agricultural engineering and Extension irrigation specialist, from Amarillo.

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and Charlotte Coward.

Along with the chamber drawings, other organizations were holding drawings of their own.

Winners of the \$250 certificates to Thriftway given away by the Lions Club were Andy Wilson and Dr. Larry Barbour.

Kevin Andis won a bread machine given away by the Country Chapel Youth.

Rachel Moore was the recipient of a prize given away by Shear Delight. Giant Stocking given away by Hyland's Pharmacy was won by Randy Ford.

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Once again, it's a small world. Frankie Ratliff found Juanita's name on the membership list at their church in Sherman and ask if Juanita was related to the Stas he knew in Wheeler. Evert and Frankie moved from Wheeler in '89.

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inton, Terry (Blue). /erneal and Juanita Prater and annette Jahnel and Carl Lee and ry Lou Carter and Irene Zybach ve all been sick with flu and constion, as have many other people. y didn't do much Christmas. Helen Howell, Pampa visited them ristmas. Christmas Eve at Bob bach's were Bob and Gena, Diane 1 Bevard Dukes and Diedre, Andre d Carissa, Kathy and Wayne bach and Clay and Casey and ve Zybach.

Some enjoying a Childress family nion at Pampa catered by Dyers rbeque Saturday were Fat ildress, Kay Luttrell and Susie and undi, Cathy Hunt, Shawn Hunt, Kimly Winter and Tracy and Trenton. hard and Helen Dyson, Bo and rtha Childress, Wynola and Lindon nders, Rondel Childress and wife, Ann and Bus Breciani, Kenneth d Brenda Childress and other chiln and grandchildren.

Correction: (I blew it!) Colby ildress and Stephanie Dollar were rried recently and live at Rock rings, Wyoming.

Mark and Annette Meek and Kaleb Jocelyn visited Annette's sister, Lou and James Hackbirth at Frisco ring the holidays.

Christmas Day guests of Dennis d Brenda Hefley and Nathan and ra were Thurman and Bobbye rn, Justin Wesbrooks, Keith and na Horn and Larry Lee, Megan and rah and Andrea Sims and Gayla. On Thursday Keith and Tyna and Idren celebrated Christmas at her ks, Lee and Genise Young. It was o Lee's 60th birthday. Others there re Craig and Cindy Young and vid, Matt and Tracy and Jeff Young m California. Visiting later were f and JoAnn Miller.

ou Dean Douthit's family were It ing together over the weekend for ristmas at the home of LeAndra d Monty Whittenberg at Arlington. Ray and Pat Hudson spent Satury night at the elevator office in scoe and ate lunch Sunday with len and Lois Hudson. They haven't t all moved yet.

Christmas Day, Oden and Lois dson visited Sharon Grandstaff in narillo. Also there were Randy and ri Gatlin and Rob and Debbie Gatlin d daughter and grandson. Ma Mary In't feel like getting out, so they and visited her. They also visd Venson and Fay Smith Thurs-

Dean and Georgia Tipps were Terry and Becky Tipps and Zackary, Adam and Casey, Iona May, Jimmy and Tammy Maddox and Jennifer and Amber and Dwight Tipps. The guys did some hunting. Adam and Zachary each got a deer earlier.

Earl and Shirley Jolly had all their families home for Christmas Day and included Larry and Vickey Nelson and Jimmy and Keri, Chris Beard, Danny and Mary Lou Nelson and Danielle and Amy, Frank and Cathy Hooper, Brad Harrison, Mi Maria Yowell, Steve and Christy Patterson and Jeffrey, Jennifer and Jordan, Gary and DeAnn Nagel and Tanner, Ashton, Makenzie and Madison, Myron Jolly and Kendra and Angelia, Brenda and Craig Martin and Kyle.

Visiting us Sunday afternoon were Ed and Laurel Hershman, Leon and Vea Fillingim, Estelle McAdams, Clifford Hefley and Yvonne Topper. Visiting Evelyn Meek Saturday were Kevin and Jona Meek and Shantil and Tommy from Clinton, Missouri, Saundra Meek and Lois Meadows. "Good Morning, Dear Lord. This is

your day. I am your child. Show me, the way." -- Willa Fillingim.

At the Bob and Mary Nell Finsterwald home on Christmas Day for supper were David and Linda Gilmer and Crystal, Jeremy Dean, Melanie and Ross Mathis and Paul, Audra, Nathan and Bethaney from Woodland, Colorado, Jim and Vickie Gilmer and Casey, Bill Gilmer and Toby, Jimmy and Johnny, Carol and Roy Dominey and Dustin and Savannah, Mary Williams, Melody and Misty



Morgan, Doris Finsterwald, Randy Finsterwald and Bob, Mary Nell and

Andy and April. Edna May enjoyed having her daughter Linda and Dean Lieb from Morse and all their children and grandchildren for Christmas Day. They even brought lots of delicious food.

Jo Ann Witcher and Brewer from Bryan visited the Bob Ratliff family. Others there were Timm and Melody Rodgers and Nikki and Gabe, Kevin and Pam Ratliff, and Bob, Sue, Keith and Heather.

At Mary Finsterwald's Christmas Day were John C. and Rosemary Vise, Kent Vise and Will, James Vise, Doris Finsterwald, Bob and Mary Nell Finsterwald and Andy and April, Bill and Tonya Finsterwald and Randy and Brandon.

We are hoping the weather stays nice so that Bob and Betty St. John and Mr. Ronald St. John from Las Cruces can come up for XYZ Friday night.

Holiday visitors at the home of Bill and Kyla Walker were Misty Walker from San Angelo, Dusty Walker and Allison Lyles from Amarillo, Lacy and Steven Horton and Blake and Shayla from Tulia, Cliff and Dorothy Walker and Ellie Wilkerson. Lacy worked for the Canadian Ambulance one weekend.

Amanda Shields spent 3 days with Keri Grayson in Amarillo and they Christmas shopped and had fun.

Visitors in the Dick Irvine home over the holidays were Terry and Becky Tipps and Zachary, Adam and Casey, Rich and Connie Irvine and Marie and Justin, Craig and Stephanie Brock and Bryant, Timothy and Joshua from Maybank, Sharron and Charles Gowin and Dakota, Bob and Judy Irvine from Alamosa, Jenny and Hardy Cole from Throckmorton.

Doris Finsterwald's family were at her house Christmas Eve and included Bob and Mary Nell Finsterwald and Andy and April, Bill and Tonya Finterwald and Randy and Brandon, Claudy Brotherton, Gary and Kathy Brotherton and Ryan and Janae from Oklahoma City and Maurine and C.B. Brotherton.

Visiting Doris Finsterwald Sunday were Shirley Dyson and Debbie Hammer and Thomas.

Tom and Alice Bell Helton enjoyed having many of their family home for the holidays. Christmas Day for dinner were Joyce and Joe Paul Smith and Bill and Phyllis Helton from Amarillo. Later, Gayle Lewallen and Sandy, Shea, Shannon and Shonda Harrison made a short visit and also Thomas and Martha Helton at night.

Saturday visitors were Joyce and Joe Paul, Doug and Marsha Mitchell and Brandon, Ashley and Brooke,

Christmas together.

Mary Ruth Friar from Roswell has been visiting her sister Audie Siviage. They've had fun getting ready for Christmas feasting with Audie's family. Others there Christmas day were Gaye Hale and Sarah, David and Elizabeth and Olaf Siviage. Others. expected later were Vernon and Sandie Siviage and Amy and Keri and Larry and Sue Snider and Issac, Zachary and Courtney from Houston to visit all the family.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Maydell Spruell, 71, of Canadian in her death.

Nice to have Dan and Chris Fillingim and Dallas and Lindsey to spend Christmas Day with us. Dan and Chris even prepared the delicious meal, cooking pork chops, hamburgers, onions, cauliflower, broccoli and potatoes on the grill. Finished off with delicious pumpkin and pecan pies. Thank you! Visiting us later were Olaf Siviage and Gaye Hale and Sarah, David and Elizabeth. Also Jo Ann Morgenstern. She and grandson Kelvin also visited Sue and Darrell Gaines and Aaron and Darren at Wheeler.

Getting together Saturday, Dec. 28 at E. G. and Willa Fillingim's were Ed and Laurel Hershman, Brad and Sarita Dawson and Micaela, Gayle and Helen Singleton, Maralee Singleton, Charles and Lajo Crownover and Terri and Londa. Andy and Lisa Singleton and Phillip, Jodie Crownover and Maralee's dog, Monique. Several came back on Sunday for dinner.

"Imagine all the joy that filled That stable long ago And spread until the world was

warmed By the richness of its' glow.

And still today we all can feel Christ's presence ever near, Not only during Christmas time, But each day throughout the year."-Marj Mitkos

Pauline Hefley's family honored her with a surprise 80th birthday party Saturday night at Maxey's with supper and a beautifully decorated cake. It was also hers and Cliffords 62nd wedding aniversary. Their daughter Thelma Earline flew in from California for the occasion. Others there were Jim and Beth Alvey, David and Phyllis Hefley and Kristi, Darren Hefley and fiancee Chalone Stack, Tom and Alice Bell Helton, Marie Gudgel, Helen Sabbe, Earl and Leola Farris, Verna Fillingim and Yvonne Topper.

"God be with you till we meet again."





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Craig and Melissa Helton and Brittany and Hannah, Kate Kramer and Chad Helton and Connie Johnson from Amarillo. Grandchildren from Graham visiting Thursday were Chris, Khile and baby.

Congratulations to Al and Sharon Ryan on the birth of their new baby daughter born December 28 at Stillwater. Kristen Alicia weighed 9 lbs. 4 oz. and is welcomed by big sister Ellen Marie, 15 months. Grandparents include Murl and Eula Kuhlman. We claim them, too.

Michelle and Shannon Wood and Ty from Wichita Falls and Sue Branum and Candace and Cassidy from Tyler spent Saturday night Dec. 21 with their brother, Glenn and Angela Keelin and Andrea, Marissia and Megan.

Visiting Rosalie Keelin Saturday were Michelle and family, Sue's girls and Glenn's girls. Later Perry and Paula Helton and Elaine Pettit visited.

Christmas Day at Rosalie's were Jerry and Sharon Keelin from Shamrock, Katrina Culler and Kayla and Shelby from Darrouzett, Dan Dear from Canadian, Kent, Kendra and Austin Sharp from Stamford, Leo and Jerilyn Segura and Jerrad and Sherilyn from Amarillo and Gene and Norma Keelin and Kara Kay, Tracy and Daniel.

On their way home Sunday, Sue and Michelle and families came by to see Rosalie. They all had a wonderful

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Tuesday: Breakfast: Juice, Biscuits/ Gravy, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Peanut Butter/Honey, Milk. Lunch: Beef & Veg. Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwiches, Carrot Sticks, Pickle Spears, Crackers, Milk/Tea,

Pears. Wednesday: Breakfast: Juice, Cereal, Blueberry Muffins, Toast/Jelly, Milk. Lunch: Cheeseburgers, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Onion, Milk/Tea, Apricots. Thursday: Breakfast: Juice, Pancake Pups/Syrup, Toast/Jelly, Sausage, Peanut Butter, Milk. Lunch: Chicken Patty, Mashed Po-tatoes/Gravy, Green Beans, Hot Roll/ Butter, Milk/Tea, Mixed Fruit. Friday: Breakfast: Juice, Cereal/ Oatmeal, Toast/Jelly, Milk. Lunch: Tuna or Pimento Cheese Sandwiches, Tater Rounds, Pork & Beans, Milk/Tea, Pineapple. (Menu Subject to Change)

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CARD OF THANKS I would like to express my thanks and appreciation to everyone who came by to wish me a "Happy Retirement." And also for all the cards, gifts, floral arrangments, calls and especially the "hugs"!

A special thanks to my co-workers who planned the reception and did such a good job. I may go back to work so I can retire again! Thanks again, Peggy Ford

enjoyed throughout the years.

As we close this chapter in our lives, we want to express our thanks to you again for these many years of warm and happy memories.

Annie Ruth Lee Lillian Lee

Cecil and Nancy Pierce

# MOBEETIE NEWS By: Sue Mayfield

Happy Birthday: to Davis Corse, Katie Jo (Mabry) Hennig, Annadell Meyers, Avis Parker, Steven Rector and Shai Marguis Patterson on Jan. 2, to Mike Bell, Inez Moore, Daphne Zybach, Katie Finsterwald and Deidre Dukes on Jan. 3rd, to Shane Goad, Josh Couch, Derek Murray, Angela Forward, Novalene Loyd, Kenny Lancaster, Steven Morris and Zachary Grimes on January 4th, to Lou Dean Douthit, Rhonda McWhorter and Chandler Watts on January 5th, to Nikki Scott, Tommuy Whitlow and Annie Ruth Lee on January 6th, to Leonard Fulks, C. B. Brotherton, Carol McCurley and Donyell (Bendle) Brown on January 7th, to Sam Watson, Sue Reames, Michael Shorter, Ramee Aranda and Tristen Gatlin on January 8th, to Leta Meadows and William Cornell on Janaury 9th, to Norman Morgan and Curt Smith on January 10th, and to Sallie (May) Adcock, Mary White, Anthony Hodges, Thomas Helton and Cody Tyler Ford on January 11th.

Happy Anniversary: to Ray and Freda Boyd on January 4th, to Darville and Sammie Atherton on Janaury 5th, to Boyce and Jill Crownover and Marcus and Heather Hardcastle on January 6th, to Robert and Geniva Hogan on January 7th, to Joe and Lois Flowers and Larry and Vickey Nelson on January 8th, to Roy and Judy Moran and Lynn and Paula Reed on January 11th.

Happy New Year Ya'll!!! Certainly hope the new year brings you health, wealth and happiness.

I hope ya'll could find some joy this holiday season and counted your blessings. Many of our friends weren't so fortunate. So much sorrow. But the Lord doesn't give any one more than they can bear. We all just have to pray harder for their comfort and strength.

We still have so many ill, hospitalized and recuperating at home.

Our sympathy goes out to Ray and Velma Forbes, Tommy, Christy and Ryan Forbes in the death of Ray's sister, Eva "Jo" Gunter of McCauley, Texas.

Jo passed away Thursday afternoon, December 19th, at her home. Jo had suffered many years with rhuematoid arthritis. Just recently she had broken some ribs which has been guite an ordeal for her.

Many years back Jo had made arrangements with Tommy to do her ties. Monta had been his caregiver through all of this.

Our condolences to Alice Bailey and herfamily and friends in the death of Jap Bailey also on Christmas Day. He will be greatly missed.

Rev. Gary Jahnel had been by the Care Center to deliver some Christmas goody boxes and reported back that Jap wasn't well on Sunday.

The Mobeetie Methodist Church had their regular Sunday service on the 22nd, then had a delicious fellowship dinner and then they all filled 16 goody boxes to take to special friends. They may not be able to get out and attend church, but they are thought of often and missed. Several volunteered to deliver the boxes Sunday afternoon and Monday so they'd all have some extra goodies.

Thanks for taking time from your harried schedules to share with these special friends.

Saturday, December 21st, Ella Trout had the majority of her family at her house for a wonderful dinner and lots of fun and visiting. The weather was a little chilly after the wind got up but otherwise quite cooperative. I don't know where she put all those people for all the cars that were in her yards. But Ella always manages and the house wasn't even bustin' at the seams.

Ariza Corcoran had several bad days the week before Christmas. He tried hard to ward off the "bug" but finally gave in to go see the Dr. He had a very long day at the clinic and hospital. He went on home Thursday evening awaiting some test results and confirmation and consultation from a doctor in Amarillo. He was so miserable. Between coughing and hiccupping, Ariza got no rest. Friday, Dr. Barbour admitted Ariza to the hospital. He has been awfully sick and couldn't eat anything for days. But seems to be doing some better December 26th.

Poor Arica Lancaster. She had been trying to be up with her Mom and Dad. Then her husband Aaron had to be admitted to an Amarillo hospital with pneumonia.

So the Lancasters and the Corcorans spent Christmas in the hospitals this year.

Certainly hope this finds you guys both home and recuperating nicely, Aaron and Ariza. Your in our prayers.

Thanks all of you that braved the cold windy weather to participate in our Customer Appreciation Day at the Post Office, Thursday, December 19th. (It turned out to be Pam's appreciation day. I was no help at all.) A great big thanks to Wilhelmenia Sherrell. She fixed the postal employees a very nice card and some melt in your mouth, out of this world The holiday spirit and decorations hold such magic for little ones.

Did ya'll get a chance to see the Festival of Lights the Pampa Jr. League fixed out at Park on the east side of Pampa behind the National Guard Armory and Clyde Carruth Arena? It was quite a display. They did a wonderful job. All the company's, the individual volunteers and some of the prisoners from the Jordan Unite of the Texas State prison system did a fantastic job.

The family that owns the land on the southside of Hwy. 60, right across from the Schwan's warehouse should be applauded too. It's hard to explain the feeling it gives me. But the white gold lights in the dark night are sort of breath taking. A simple cross, flying angels, by the cross, angels standing by the semblance of a quaint old fashioned country church and a horse and carriage rolling up to it get your attention. Even the little Christmas tree is done in just white and lights. Very effective. Great job, ya'll.

Christmas Eve and Christmas Tommy and Christy Forbes and Ryan hosted family members and members of Jap Bailey's family at their home. Everyone was welcome to come and go at their convenience. With Jap being so ill and then so many arrangements to be made, the family didn't want to be too far away.

The family sort of made Hugh and Mae Bailey's home base. Hugh and Mae are always so gracious.

Little Ryan Forbes is a cutie. He always enjoys his big brothers John and Allan. He was sad that their other Grandpa was sick and died. Because he is so close to his Grandpa Forbes. Ryan is in kindergarten at Fort Elliott and doesn't miss a thing. A very loving child. He may not realize it yet but his Grandma and Grandpa Forbes thinks he's extra special, too.

John and Melody and Allan came back over to Tommy and Christy's to have their Christmas dinner on Thursday December 26th along with Ray and Velma. They all got the honor of meeting Ryan's new best friend, Happy. Don't know who's more attached already. Happy to Ryan or visa versa. Doesn't make any difference because they're both happy now.

This was the year for puppy's I guess. Our Harley got a cream and tan part chow puppy from Santa.

But—Santa had to leave it at Grandma and Grandpa's for a week. I teased Pam about babysitting her "grand dogs". Well, the shoe's on the other foot now. (Shee! What we won't do for our kids.)

He was a really good puppy and cute as could be. Smart little fella! Always knew when he was in trouble. Christmas surprise. Ron and Debbie Willis brought Chris, an 8th grader, and Scottie, a 4th grader, up from Clarendon to spend some time. They had a wonderful visit. The day just went much too fast.

Friday afternoon, December 27th, Tommy, Christy, Ryan, Ray and Velma Forbes all journeyed to Panhandle to join Velma's brother's family for another holiday celebration.

Norman and Carolyn Patton pastor the First United Methodist Church Panhandle. All of their children and grandchildren were home for Christmas. This family had 5 preachers under one roof at a time. (All related.) Then Velma has another brother-inlaw in South Dakota that is also a preacher.

Their son Kerry Patton has a boy and a girl and pastor's three churches in the Weatherford, Texas area. They are such good kids.

Norman and Carolyn's son, Jeff, and their daughter-in-law Denise are expecting their first child somewhere around January 21st. Jeff pastors at Sundown, Texas. Denise persues a career in the psychology field in Lubbock.

Their daughter Michelle and her husband David Williams live in Ruston, Louisiana. They have a precious 3 month old son that made a big hit at his family debute. David teaches at a college in Ruston.

Norman and Carolyn's daughter Melissa and her family are from Corpus Christi. Melissa and Tommy Nugent have two darling little girls.

They all had a wonderful visit. Norman and Carolyn are always the perfect hosts, but really out did themselves. Carolyn is a wonderful cook.

I think we missed one of the best Christmas parties in town. The Shorter family were all together and had lots of food, games and fun.

They decorated one of the rooms at the old school house. Fired up a wood stove. They stayed to asty warm, had plenty of room to stretch out and cooked hamburgers, hot dogs and corn dogs, then had all the trimmings. With all the other boliday meals

With all the other holiday meals some of them had to attend, this was a real treat.

Those in attendance were Gene and Louise Shorter of Mobeetie, Neal Shorter of Pampa, Judy Cloud, her son Kerry and her daughter Cynthia from Missouri, Tina and Terry Whitely, their son, T. J., his friend, Jessica, their daughter, Katrina, and her friend, Tim, all from Pampa, Donnie and Kathy Shorter and Michael, and Michelle and John Jones all of Mobeetie.

It's not very often that Gene and Louise get all of their children together so they treasured every minute. Due to other commitments, Neal's wife and six children were unable to attend. But the other 6 grandchildren



**RETIREMENT RECEPTION:** Peggy Ford was guest of honor at a reception honoring her retirement at the Wheeler County Appraisal District on Friday, December 20, 1996, after 10 1/2 years of service. She is shown here with coworkers Bobby Jennings, Jeannine Hawkins and Larry Schoenhals.

Clay, from Shamrock came by for a visit, bearing gifts. They had a real nice visit. Loretta couldn't stay long as she had a houseful of company waiting for her in Shamrock.

Loretta brought Choice a beautiful blue flannel nightie with ruffles and lace and a nice warm robe to go with

Choice got several other goodies and gifts from special friends.

Choice's hearing is getting so bad. She is trying to get some help to get a hearing aid hopefully and get to see a specialist. It may have to be after she sees the eye doctor Jan. 13th. Saturday, Dec. 28th, was a pretty fair day for Ruth Hathaway's Auction Sale. She had so many goodies. Some people got some really good buys.

Really enjoyed seeing old friends and acquaintences. What a nice surprise to see Gary May and Travis. Gary doesn't look any worse for the wear from all the studying and intern preaching. Travis is catching up fast to his Dad in height and weight. He has really filled out to be some football player. Just as handsome as ever.

Grandpa Melvin was sure looking good and working the sale.

What a nice surprise to see Judy and Rick Woollard out checking out surprise December 21st. Their son LeRoy came in from Arlington, Texas. He and his family stayed until Monday the 23rd. Oden and Lois got to go to Amarillo for the day, Dec. 25th. They ate dinner with Oden's sister and family. Then went out to spend some time with Ma Mary. She was doing fair. Just not up to getting out in the weather. Just not up to parr.

They both made the trip quite well. Just very tired.

Lois is trying to fight off a cold.

Clifford and Euline Walser spent Christmas Day in Dumas with Carolyn and Earl Corse, Georgia Corse, Kenny Corse and his girl friend, and Candy Walser. They all had a wonderful time.

They really missed Eddie Corse and Debbie and her family. But they had in-law commitments.

They also missed Connie Quimby and herfamily. But they called Connie to wish them all a Merry Christmas. It was 2:00 Christmas afternoon here and Christmas was already over with in Singapore. It was 6:00 a.m. December 26th over there and Connie was cooking breakfast. They are all well and happy over there. Really enjoying the experience.

Connie wants Nanny and Grandpa Walser, Ann Walser, and Candy to all come to Singapore. She has so much

graveside rites if at all possible.

Ray and Tommy went down to McCauley on Sunday afternoon to be with the family. They returned on Monday evening after the graveside rites.

Tommy's back did quite well after driving that many miles. Thanks to Aaron and Claudetta Laverty for loaning Tommy a special magnatized back and seat cushion for the car. It really helped make the trip a little easier.

After visiting with the nurses the decision was made for Velma to stay here. Lots of miles and not much time to rest.

Christy and Ryan also had to make the decision to stay home as Christy was working at the Morris'. Christy and I are sort of in the same boat with our jobs. We're not indispensable but we are the relief so that leaves no one else to call. I'm really lucky because Pam always comes to my rescue if necessary. So I can't complain. I've never had a boss as good as she is. Except some very special ladies I kept house for.

Christy and Ryan kept tabs on Grandma while Grandpa was gone. She must have been a really good girl 'cause Ryan didn't have any stories to tell on Grandma when the guys got back.

The "boys" made the trip to McCauley quite well. They even had some time to rest before the holiday trek.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to Scott and Janell Dunnam in the loss of their daughter, Lyssa Brewer. Lyssa was only 28. Our condolences also go out to Cami and Charles Ellison and Chad and Aaron Dunnam. Sisters are a very special part of our lives. Our prayers are with you all.

Because of this stress full time, Cami went into labor about six weeks early. Little Cooper Scott scared Mommy and Daddy and both sets of grandparents.

Cooper was truly their Christmas blessing. He has done exceptionally well in the neo-natal unit of Northwest Texas Hospital. In fact by the time you read this, he may be home with Mommy and Daddy. If I got my second hand facts right, Cooper Scott Ellison entered this world early on the morning of December 24th. (The best most precious, Christmas present they'll get.)

Congratulations, Charles and Cami. You'll find a whole new meaning to the word love. (And feeling.) These little ones are God's most precious gifts. Treasure each one.

Grandchildren are us grandparents reward for getting old. We can treasure every moment.

Scott and Janell have been on such a roller coaster the last couple of weeks. Please keep their family in your prayers. candy. (Even if I had the recipes it would never come out like that.) That was so nice. Thanks!

A very special thanks to Jackie Thrasher and Steve Walker for helping Pam set it up. But poor Pam had to handle the rest of it herself, along with all her other daily tasks and janitorial services. But she handled it beautifully, as usual.

What in the world would we do without our friends? Jackie braved the early morning <u>cold</u> to come take my donation to the project to Pam for me. THANKS

Sorry to hear that Dr. Mendiola contracted a case of possible food poisoning while on business in Amarillo on Thursday so was out of the office Friday. Sure glad he's feeling better. Afraid we forget (all to often) that our Drs. are only human too.

We always expect them and their nurses and the hospital staff to be Johnny on the spot and fix everything right now. They can't work miracles. But their prayers and knowledge have gotten many of us and our families over some real rough spots. Thanks ya'll. Each of you are a God send to our community. Your dedication and sometimes determination can't be matched. Your appreciated more than we ever show.

Without your wonderful office staff, and those at the hospital, lab, X-Ray, and dietary and housekeeping, the home health unit, our community would really suffer.

They were all so helpful over the holidays to the patients that had to spend Christmas in the hospital and the home health care patients confined to their homes. You helped brighten their day a little.

You'll never guess who called me from HOME the Tuesday of Christmas Eve. Estelle Hodges! Her Christmas wish came true. She was home and enjoying every minute with her family and every inch of her nice, clean, memory filled, love filled house. She sounded wonderful. More like our Estelle again.

Getting her walking time in everyday is not a problem. She walks every room of her house savoring every memory that arises.

Congratulations and Welcome Home. We sure have missed you. Just don't over do it.

Glenda and Terry Dickey from McLean had been there to help her get settled back in. Also Brad Dickey and friend, Amber Callun from WTSU in Canyon. They had a wonderful visit and played 42.

Glenn D. had been a sweetheart and had the house professionally "spring" cleaned from top to bottom. Even had paneling and carpets cleaned and windows done inside and out. How nice! But he knows his wife and knows she'd be setting there suppose to be resting and she'd spy some chore she thought she just had to get up and take care of. (He's a gem.) 10:30 Sunday night Michelle called to say that they had already had their Christmas so we could pick up the grandchildren Monday, December 23rd. Of course, we aren't going to turn down a chance to get to have Michael and Brianna for a visit. Put a bit of crimp in our plans. But they're only young once. So Monday found us in Amarillo and Hereford. We got to finish up some shopping while Michael and Brianna spent a little time with Dad.

He'd jump in his little basket bed and try to look ooh so innocent. Sorta miss the little fella now.

Michael and Brianna discovered "Pugsley" soon after we got back home. Grandma had lots of 'splaining to do. But they finally understood it was Santa's surprise for Harley and Grandma was just babysitting so the puppy wouldn't get so cold. Santa could just pick him up on the way to Harley's (Think fast, Grandma!)

Oops! Another kink in all these good plans. Harley's day care was going to be closed all day the 24th. So here comes Harley in the front door and out goes puppy through the back door. Shh! It's our secret for Harley. Now Uncle Jeff has to babysit the puppy for Santa. Believe it or not, after all the evidence was gone, Michael and Brianna never said another word. I couldn't believe it. (I hope God can forgive me.) Michael knows about Santa and his special love gifts.

Tuesday morning was like a three ring circus around here. The phone ringing off the wall, me trying to get the last minute stuff organized so Bob could load it after I got back from running last minute errands. Grandpa had to babysit all 3 grandchildren. Not a good sign of things to come. But we did manage to make it to Granny and Poppy's in Dumas about 4:30.

The circus continued there but we had fun. Got to see all of our kids for a few minutes at least the 24th or 25th.

Granny was a bit under the weather but Granny and Poppy insisted Christmas must go on as planned.

Grandpa and Poppy got everything in the house except tricycles. (A whole pickup load.

With chili and stew started, relish tray all set and everything else ready to put in place I could start dressing the kiddos. The dressing's a breeze. Remember this is a Grandma that raised 3 boys. The hair thing with the girls. Thank God for mirrors. As long as they can see what Grandma is trying to do they do pretty good. (They're either going to learn to pray for patience at a very young age, or a more talented Grandmother, or learn to do their own hair at a VERY young age.) But we all survived and enjoyed the rest of the evening.

Todd stopped by to see Michael and Brianna and wish everyone a Merry Christmas.

He and his friend Lori Bergen had picked up her grandmother, Mrs. Alice Little, in Borger and were on their way to Topeka, Kansas to have Christmas with Lori's family.

Rachel and Leah were on a ski trip with the Bergen family in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

My brother and his wife arrived with her daughter Sherry Lynn Fleming kept things hopping. Tina and Louise planned and got together most everthing to get the day started. They had gathered 60 prizes for the games and quizzes winners. (Kept them on their toes if they wanted to share in the loot.

Tina is quite a party planner. I'll need to get some tips for our family reunion next summer.

Tuesday, Dec. 24th, I thought I'd get to Dr. Mendiola's office early and get on the waiting. The house was full. But enjoyed greeting old friends. It's just that meeting them there always means some kind of problems. But they all managed a smile.

Lois and Oden Hudson were looking quite well. Oden's back is doing some better so had hope to go Amarillo Christmas Day. If the weather held and his back allowed. Oden looked much more rested than the last time I saw him, which was many moons ago.

Sure hope you made it through the holidays with no problems. And that you got to spend Christmas with your Mom.

Ma Mary, as she is affectionately called, turned 96 recently. She is one special lady.

Soon after the holidays, Ray Hudson will be going overseas with the oil company that he works for.

Ray and Pat had sold their home in Perryton to move back down to their land in Briscoe because he would be working out of this area. Major miscommunication. They never gave him a clue it would be plumb out of this area.

Soon after the first of the year, he and a crew will be going to Argentina, I think. They will be setting up compressors. It started out to be just 3 but it was already up to 7 just before Christmas. Who knows how many they've got on the agenda by now.

They hope to get Pat settled into the elevator office in Briscoe before Ray has to leave.

Their new house won't be ready until at least March. Good Luck, Ya'll.

Nice to see Connie Reeves and her mother, Ruby Brashear, looking so well. Ruby was in for a quick treatment on her toe. All the surgery and treatments hadn't even slowed her down. Amazing.

They were expecting Cindy and Frank Martin, and Angela, and William and Misty Crutchfield from Blair, Oklahoma for a quick Christmas as they had to go right back for Frank to go to work. (We all agreed even a little time together is better than none.)

Hope this finds Dan Sams and his family all healthy and enjoying the holidays.

Sure hope Candy Hilburn's feeling C

the progress. They look so good.

They had all of their children home this Christmas. It will probably be the last one again for a while.

Russell will be heading back to Camp Pendleton, California the 30th or 31st of Dec.

Katie Ann is home from Oklahoma State University at Stillwater.

Will was just getting settled into the "only child at home" mode. But is enjoying having them both around again for awhile.

Glad to hear Katie, Judy's Mom, is doing well. We all are looking forward to helping Katie celebrate a birthday soon. Even if she's not looking forward to the "b" word. (I wish we could all age as gracefully as Katie has.)

One day since we last visited with Calvin and Leola Stuart, Iva Richardson came over from Erick for a nice visit and to check on Grandma Gladys Richardson.

Also Mabel Tabor dropped by. Kathy James brought Calvin a delicious banana cake.

Calvin and Leola took a day and went to Pampa to visit with Donald Stuart and take him to do some last minute Christmas shopping. They ate at the new Kentucky Fried Chicken up by Wal-Mart in Pampa. They have a wonderful new, expanded salad bar.

Saturday, December 21st Calvin and Leola took Bulah Stuart's and Gerald's Christmas gifts to them and had a nice visit. They were real sneaky and packed a popcorn can full of peanuts. But buried their Christmas presents in the can. Made them think they just got peanuts for Christmas. Onery huh? What a surprise and lots of fun discovering otherwise.

Sunday Jerry and Cheryl Richardson from Wheeler and Tyler and Katie came to visit Grandmother Richardson and bring her Christmas surprises. They all had a good time. The day of Christmas Eve Calvin,

Leola and Gladys Richardson took offforLawton, Oklahomatocelebrate with Ronnie and Tanya Stuart and family.

Tanya had the misfortune of really pulling her back out of place just before Christmas. So was flat on her back. Really exasperating for her along with all the pain.

Tanya had already gotten the house and yard fully decorated before her mishap. She does a fantastic job. Everything was just beautiful.

Tanya's mom, Peggy Dunn from Canadian was already down there trying to help out.

Everything went quite well. Everyone really enjoyed being together. They all took turns visiting with Tanya in the bedroom when she felt like some company. So she didn't have to miss everything.

Chad was in from Tucson, Arizona.

she wants to share with them.

Candy's boyfriend was flying into Amarillo then he and Candy were flying on to Las Vegas, Nevada for a couple of days. Good luck kids!!

Euline's best friend (other sister) Vera Forrest called to get Euline to commit to coming out and spending some time in Phoenix with her now that the holidays are over.

This was Vera's first Christmas without Jim so it was kind of hard. But all three of their children were home sometime through the holidays.

Our sympathy to the family and friends of Kervin Roper. His ex-wife Jeanne received word of his death Sunday morning, December 29th.

The local area "Sherrod Kids" all had their own special private Christmas together out at the "homeplace". Bob and Lois always take such good care of things and have it all fixed up. Clifford and Euline Walser and Jeanne Roper and Joe Autry had a wonderful time.

Certainly hope this finds Mildred Treadwell doing much better. She is in an Amarillo hospital on a respirator. You're in our prayers Mildred.

I tried to get hold of Patricia Hand for more current information, but her phone stays pretty busy.

Hope the New Year brings you many Blessings.

It was so good to see Marie Gudge looking so perky Saturday. I'll have to get with her for her holiday news.

Marie, Maurita and Clinton Stribling Aline Corse, Pierce Walker, Clara Ridgway and Virginia Ridgway were serving the family dinner for Jap Bailey.

Our prayers and concerns: the family and friends of Lyssa Dunnam Brewer, the family of Jo Gunter, the family and friends of Jap Bailey, the family and friends of "Ed" Edwin Watts the family and friends of Irene Dunnam, Cooper Scott Ellison and Charles and Cami, Ariza and Anna Belle Corcoran, Aaron and Arica Lancaster, Ray and Velma Forbes Glenn D. and Estelle Hodges, Alice Bailey, Edith McLaughlin, Nettie and Pierce Walker, Ernie Gordon, Wilbu Beck, Jess and Deanna Mixon Choice Scott, Charlotte Coward Melvin and Fay Farrar, Doug and Doris Whaley, Jud and Lorene Rec tor, Dale and Melba Corcoran, the South family, Jeff and Melie Kelley and Karen and Kathy as they prepare to go see Melie's family, Mildred Treadwell, Lois and Oden Hudson Ray and Pat Hudson, as Ray start: his job over seas, Tanya Stuart, Rub Brashears, Dan Sams, and my mom Carolyn Orthman.

Happy 50th Anniversary to Darville and Sammie Atherton on Januari 5th.

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ngs (from Page 1,

Our sympathy to the Dunnam family in the loss of Scott's mother, Irene Dunnam. She had been a resident of Lefors for around 50 years before coming to Wheeler about three years ago. Due to failing health she had been a resident at the Wheeler Care Center. She will be greatly missed. Our sympathy goes out to the family of Edwin Watts formerly of Wheeler in his death Christmas Day. Ed had been in very ill health the last three or four years. He had lived in Amarillo with his "baby" sister, Monta Boyd most of the last four years to be closer to his doctors and the medical faciliand their grandson, Trevon. Keith and Karen had just missed Todd's. Trevon didn't care, he finally had kids to play with.

Trevon is 2 but thought the big boy was great. For some reason, Michael was always "Charlie" or the big boy to Trevon.

They all had fun. Tim made it up from Pampa soon after we got there. But Jeff and Sky didn't come until Christmas Day with puppy in tow. Keith, Karen, Sherry, Lynn and Trevon all went to Stratford Christmas Day to be with Karen's family. Granny and Poppy had an early better.

Jess and Deanna Mixon were in Pampa Thursday for Deanna's check up with Dr. Grabato. But they had to see Dr. Bahtia again about her blood pressure pills and heart pills. But both Drs. released her to go back to work at the nursing home. Keep her in your prayers.

Please keep Melvin and Fay Farrar in your prayers. They had to admit Melvin into the hospital early in the morning on Friday, December 27th. He has liver cancer.

Choice Scott had a nice surprise Christmas Day. Her cousin, Loretta Had to go back Dec. 31st. Dennis, Vanessa and Garrett came up from Lubbock.

Randy and Julie, Jesse and Zach all met at Ronnie and Tanya, Jarrod and Todd's. They all had a great time. All the little boys had a great time together.

Shane Shugart got to come home for Christmas. He had a great visit just much to short. Mom and Dad, Juanita and Robert Shugart and Grandmother Opal Hutchison weren't ready for him to go back. Shane is stationed at Dover, Delaware.

Oden and Lois Hudson had a nice

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# Wheeler County COURT RECORDS

List of instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's office from December 6, 1996 to December 12, 1996.

#### **DECEMBER 6, 1996**

DVL—Beverly Cranston to Clyde Dukes, Jr., et ux, 11-26-96, Lots 3-6, Blk. 13, Briscoe.

DVL—Alice Kelly, et al to Clyde Dukes, Jr., et ux, 11-25-96, Lots 3-6, Blk. 13, Briscoe.

MML—Clyde Dukes, Jr., et ux to L. D. Childress, 11-27-96, Lots 3-6, Blk. 13, Briscoe.

TMML—L. D. Childress to First State Bank of Mobeetie, 11-27-96, Lots 3-6, Blk. 13, Briscoe.

DT—Clyde Dukes, Jr., et ux to First State Bank of Mobeetie, 11-27-96, Lots 3-6, Blk. 13, Briscoe.

DVL—Kristy Lee Grayson, et al to Charles Nelson, et ux, 12-3-96, Pt. Lot 13, Blk. 1, Allison.

DT—Charles Nelson, et ux to First State Bank of Mobeetie, 12-3-96, Pt. Lot 13, Blk. 1, Allison.

D-Manuel Cordova to Daniel Cordova, 5-3-96, N 1/2 Lot 4, Shamrock.

MD—Ellis Rudy, et ux to Ellis Rudy, Ltd., 11-27-96, S 1/2 Sec. 48, Blk. 24, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND ÓPTION AGREE—Lonnelle Kenady to R. D. Davis & Associates, Inc., 10-10-96, N 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 82, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Survey.

TRUSTEE OL—Arno R. Dalby to Midgard Energy Company, 10-21-96, Sec. 23, Camp County School Land. TRUSTEE OL—Arno R. Dalby to Midgard Energy Company, 10-21-96, Sec. 20, Camp County School Land. TRUSTEE OL—Arno R. Dalby to Midgard Energy Company, 10-21-96, S 1/2 Sec. 21, Camp County School Land.

TRUSTEE OL—Arno R. Dalby to Midgard Energy Company, 10-21-96, N 1/2 Sec. 21, Camp County School Land.

TDT—Bank of Oklahoma, National Association to BancFirst, 11-5-96, Sec. 50, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

MODIFICATION DT—TBA Petroleum, Inc. to BancFirst, 9-30-96, Sec. 50, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

RMML—Danny Lee Ault to Bill Ault, et ux, 11-21-96, 70' X 160' S 1/2 Sec. 17, Blk. RE, Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

#### **DECEMBER 9, 1996**

OL—Virginia H. Laurent to Midgard Energy Company, 10-31-96, Sec. 25, Camp County School Land. 22-96, Pts. Sec. 59, NW 1/4 Sec. 46, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survev.

AÓL—Austin Oil Properties, Inc. to Samedan Oil Corporation, 10-2-96, Sec. 72, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AOL—Austin Oil Properties, Inc. to Samedan Oil Corporation, 10-7-96, Sec. 72, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OVERRID ROYALTY RELEASE— Kerr McGee Corporation to Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York, 12-6-96, See Instrument.

AFF—Thomas Peterson, et al to Alfred E. Marlow, Jr., et ux, 11-29-96. D—Laura J. Marlow, et al to James L. Bohls, et ux, 11-23-96, Lots 11 and 12 and S 1/2 Lot 13, Blk. 77, WSSA, Shamrock.

D—David E. Marlow, et al to James L. Bohls, et ux, 11-29-96, Lots 11 and 12 and S 1/2 Lot 13, Blk. 77, WSSA, Shamrock.

EXECUTRIX D—Tom Peterson, et al to James L. Bohls, et ux, 11-12-96, Lots 11, 12 and S 1/2 Lot 13, Blk: 77, WSSA, Shamrock.

DT—James L. Bohls, et ux to First, National Bank, Shamrock, 12-9-96, Lots 11, 12 and S 1/2 Lot 13, Blk. 77, WSSA, Shamrock.

RDT—Rolling Plains Production Credit Association to Joe E. Lee, et ux, 11-18-96, See Instrument.

OL—Sharon Delores Jones Hall to Rob Featherstone, 9-11-96, W 1/2 Sec. 23, Blk. RE, Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

OL—Raymond Moore, et ux to Samson Internation, Ltd., 1-3-96, S 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 26, Blk. RE, Roberts & Eddleman Survey. ASSIGN—J. F. Messenbaugh to Seagull Midcon, Inc., 10-17-96, Secs. 36 and 37, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Com-

#### pany Survey. DECEMBER 10, 1996 No Recording

#### **DECEMBER** 11, 1996

D—Austin Lee Cantrell, et al to Elsie Mae Hollabaugh, 12-9-96, Lots 8 and 9, S 5' Lot 7, Blk. I, Shamrock. HEIRSHIP AFF—Bobbie Jean Burch, et al to Bertha Lee Burkhalter, 11-14-96

DVL—Bobbie Jean Burch, et al to Harold Williams, et ux, 12-9-96, Pt. Sec. 64, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

DT—Harold Williams, et ux to First National Bank, 12-9-96, Pt. Sec 64, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. ROW—Harold Williams, et ux to City of Shamrock, 12-9-96, .02 acs. Sec. 64, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

PARTIAL ASSIGN—Five States Limited-1985 to Five States 1996-B, Ltd., 8-16-96, Secs, 25, 34 and 35, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. C/C PROBATE—Geraldine Bagley to Ex-Parte, 11-15-96. RDT—Elsie Irene Cox Hughes to Francis Bryan Pride, et ux, 12-9-96, SE 1/4 Sec. 11, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. APPT SUB TRUSTEE—United States of America to Donneta R. Dollar, 11-21-96, S 1/2 Outlot 24, Sham-

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According to Carriker, USDA's Rural Development, which was formerly known as the Farmers Home Administration, has programs in all of these areas. The Rural Housing Service (RHS) offers loans and grants to very-low, low, and moderate-income persons in towns or cities meeting certain population requirements. There are several programs offered under RHS with varying requirements to aid qualified persons buy a home, repair their home, or build/maintain multi-family housing units. RHS also administers the Community Facilities programs for the community-type loans.

The Rural Business-Cooperative Service (RBS) offers aid for several different programs relating to business programs. Population limits for RBS assistance range from very small towns to cities up to 50,000. The majority of RBS loans are guaranteed loans which are made in conjunction with a private lender; however, there are other programs which offer direct loans and even some grand funds.

A community's needs for safe and sanitary water and sewage treatment may be met by the rural Utilities Service (RUS). RUS programs offer aid to rural communities of less than 10,000 in population. Public bodies, corporations operated on a nonprofit basis, and Indian tribes that are unable to obtain credit from other sources at reasonable rates and terms are eligible for assistance. There is also a program for aid in emergency situations where a rural community has had a significant decline in quantity or quality of drinking water due to

# DECEMBER 12, 1996

EXT DT—William Leonard Howe, et al to First National Bank of Shamrock, 11-4-96, 9.2 acs. SW 1/4 Sec. 64, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

REL DT—Amarillo National Bank to Alan Lane, et ux, 11-7-96, 2 acs. S 1/ 2 Sec. 6, Blk. RE, Roberts & Eddleman the occurrence of a natural disaster.

"As you can see, Rural Development is a very diverse mission area," said Carriker. "Our purpose is to help,, those people who cannot find help elsewhere. Although we do have some restrictions on our programs, we are proud to be able to help so many people in the state of Texas."

Last year alone, Rural Development programs assisted more than 3,000 people in Texas obtain safe housing, more than 75 communities acquire funding for their water or sewer systems, and 14 new or expanding businesses create hundreds of jobs for rural Texans.

Rural Development is also the administrator of several Presidential Initiatives: the Empowerment Zones, Champion Communities, Water 2000, and Homeownership 2000. These initiatives are in place to empower rural areas and individuals to provide for economic growth, to ensure safe and clean water for all residents by the 2000, and to raise the percentage of homeowners to a new high by the year 2000.

If you are interested in finding out if Rural Development can help you, contact Clyde H. Jenkins, Community Development Manager, at the Rural Development office in Amarillo. The Amarillo Local Office services the following counties: Armstrong, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Childress, Collingsworth, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Donley, Gray, Hall, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Moore, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Sherman, Swisher and Wheeler. Mr. Jenkins can be reached at the following address or telephone number: 3002 East Third Avenue, Amarillo, Texas 79104 - 806-373-6156. Some Rural Development programs are administered through the Area or State office, call the Amarillo Local Office for details.

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will be visiting towns throughout the 16 counties of the 88th legislative district in January. Chisum will conduct town hall meetings for everyone to come and visit, ask questions, and share concerns. Although he will be ready to discuss legislation and any upcoming issues facing the legislature in 1997, Chisum said he would also have pictures of grandbabies on hand if anyone would rather talk about them.

Each meeting will be at a central location, such as a local cafe, bank meeting room or school cafeteria. Chisum's goal in the days of travel is to let the people of the district talk about their concerns and meet together to discuss issues that are important to their community. Chisum wil speak a few minutes to provide a brief overview on legislative issues, then there will be a time of open forum for anyone to speak.

All are invited to attend any meeting. The schedule is listed below. Please note when Chisum will be in your town or nearby, and plan to visit with him on that day.

January 6, 1997: Shamrock—7:00-7:45pm, City Hall Annex

January 7, 1997: Mobeetie — 8:00-9:00am, City Hall; Wheeler — 9:15-10:00am, City Hall

# **County Commissioners Nov. Meetings**

November 8, 1996

The Wheeler County Commissioners Court met in Regular Session with Judge Wendell Morgan presiding. Members present were: Kenneth Childress, Hubert Moore and Boyd Hiltbrunner, Commissioners precincts 1, 3 and 4, respectively. Absent was Tommy Puryear, Commissioner precinct No. 2. Also present were Margaret Dorman-County Clerk; and Ron Gowdy-County Auditor.

Court was opened with a prayer offered by ----.

Approval Of Minutes

Boyd Hilbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to accept the Minutes from October 14, 1996 and October 28, 1996 court meetings as written. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval Of Hourly Employee Time Sheets

Kenneth Childress made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to approve the time sheets for the hourly employees as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval Of Bills For Payment Hubert Moore made a motion which was seconded by Kenneth Childress to pay the bills as approved and found listed in Volume 10 of the Minutes of Accounts Allowed in the County Clerks office. Motion carried unanimously.

Acceptance of Justice of Peace Reports

Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to accept the Justice of Reports for the month of October 1996 as follows: Doyle Ramsey-\$441.75 and Guy Hardin-\$20,254.10. Motion carried unanimously. Independent Auditor Appointed Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to appoint Jerry G. Davis from Pampa, Texas as the Independent Auditor to

perform an audit of all Wheeler County accounts for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996. Motion carried unanimously.

Canvass Of 1996 General Election

Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Kenneth Childress to accept the canvass of the 1996 General Election as prepared. Motion carried unanimously.

November 25, 1996

The Wheeler County Commissioners court in Special Session with Judge Wendell Morgan presiding. Members present were: Kenneth Childress, Tommy Puryear, Hubert Moore and Boyd Hiltbrunner, Commissioners precincts 1, 2, 3 and 4, respectively. Also present were: Margaret Dorman-County Clerk and Steven Emmert-County Attorney.

Approval Of Hourly Employee Time Sheets

Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Kenneth Childress to approve the time sheets for the hourly employees as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval Of Bills For Payment

Kenneth Childress made a motion which was seconded by Tommy Puryear to pay the bills as approved and found listed in Volume 10 of the Minutes of Accounts Allowed in the County Clerks office. Motion carried unanimously.

Mobeetie Fire Department-Funding Request

No representative came to Court. Wheeler Fire Department-Burning Ban

Daryl Snelgrooes met with the Court to discuss a possible ban on burning in the County.

ROY D/MD—Semroc to Elco, 12-6-96, Sec. 2, E. J. Campbell Survey. ROW—Dennis Joe Hefley to Seagull Midcon, Inc., 11-27-96, W 1/2 NW 1/ 4 Sec. 34, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AOL—Magic Circle Energy Corporation to MCEN 1996 Partnership. 11Survey. District Clerk's Filings:

#10340—Dwight Delbert Thomas vs. Susan Lee Thomas, 12-9-96, Divorce. #10341—Brigham Oil & Gas, LP vs. Steven Corse and H. B. Taylor, Jr., 12-11-96, Injunction Relief. ic nanca cyc.

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