

Sharon Worley on Jan. 14, Larry and Pam Meadows and Chuck and Ann Jones on Jan. 15, Melvin and Helen May on Jan. 16, Bob and Becky Blackburn on Jan. 17 and Boyce and Jill Crossover on Jan. 6.

Tyna Horn was subbing at Fort Elliott Tuesday.
Larry and Sharon Zamora and Cassie went to Dallas to a family reunion of Larry's family during the holidays. Sharon visited Neta and Forace Evans, Fannie Mae Bradstreet and Tom and Alice Bell Helton Monday. All doing pretty well. Betty Zybach and Martha Helton took their mom, Neta, to Amarillo for a doctors check-up Tuesday.

Fort Elliott Junior High will play Higgins at Briscoe Monday Jan. 13 at 6:00 p.m. Fort Elliott High School will play Miami there Tuesday Jan. 14 at 6:30; at Briscoe Amarillo Christian Friday Jan. 10 at 6:00 and Hedley there Friday Jan. 17 at 6:30.

Sybil and Ivy Alexander hosted Sybil's family Christmas New Year's Day at their home in Lefors. Some there were Susie Nelson and Sheri and Debi, Larry and Vickie Nelson and Jimmy and Keri, Danny and Mary Nelson and girls and Margaret Rust. We didn't have a big crowd at Wheeler Senior Citizens Monday night, but we had a delicious supper and two tables of 88 and fun visiting in spite of the chilly night.

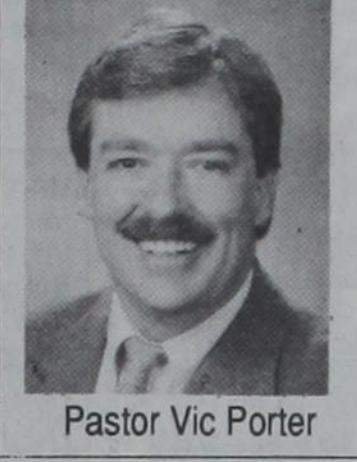
Officers were elected. New president is Lou Dean Douthit with Joyce Perkins and Lois Meadows as back-up vice presidents. Elva Wood will continue as secretary. Evelyn Meek

will be reporter. Come and join us. Larry and Vickie Nelson will be celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary on Jan. 8. Family members surprised them with a party Saturday at Maxeys. Some there were Frank and Cathy Hooper, Danny and Mary Nelson and Danielle and Amy, Keri and Jimmy Nelson, Shirley and Earl Jolly, Sybil and Ivy Alexander, Margaret Rust, Susie Nelson, Brad Harrison and Brenda Martin from Elk City.

Pray for Mildred Treadwell who has been ill and on oxygen at the home of her daughter Carolyn Price and family at Glazier.

Lou Dean Douthits family had their Christmas celebration on the week-

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and chips. Some others there were Carl Lee Jahnel, Morris Jahnel, Mary Lou Carter, Irene Zybach, Tia Boydston and Kendra and Corina, Bobbye Jones, Wanda Walker and Willis and Verna Fillingim.

Nice to have Aaron and Claudetta Laverty and J. P. and Martha Meek visit us Monday, Lois Meadows and Mack Shields on Thursday.

Congratulations to Brett and Christy Hall of Miami on the birth of their new baby boy, Dylan Osborne on Dec. 18 at Pampa. Jo Ann Morgenstern is a proud grandmother.

Sincere sympathy to Chuck Hogan and other family members in the death of his brother, Bud Hogan, 78, of Granbury, Chuck and Louise went to the funeral on Friday. Geniva did blood pressures at XYZ and Rob stayed to feed the cattle. We missed Chuck and Louise at XYZ.

"He hadn't time to pen a note, He hadn't time to cast a vote. He hadn't time to sing a song. He hadn't time to right a wrong. He hadn't time to love or give. He hadn't time to really live. From now on, he'll have time on end.

He died today, my busy friend." We enjoyed going to XYZ at Mobeetie Friday night. Very delicious food and a good crowd. So good to have Mr. St. John and Bob and Betty St. John from Las Cruces there. Also Mr. St. John's special friend, Tracy Densburger, was there. Good devotional by Lester Leonard. Games were played. We couldn't stay for games, but so good to see everyone.

It's been a hard year for the St. Johns. They lost a son and Betty broke a leg, that took 5 months to heal. They are such lovely people. Remember them in your prayers. B. F. and Margie Meadows visited Oden and Lois Hudson a little while Saturday and went to the ball games at Briscoe. Granddaughters playing were Dana Trimble and Reagan Meadows.

In the Fort Elliott Tournament Fort Elliott boys defeated West Texas Christian, lost to Pampa Academy 57 to 64 and lost to Shamrock 40-54. Our girls defeated West Texas Christian and Wheeler girls, but lost to Shamrock girls.

Sincere sympathy to the family of Bob Forrest, 82, in his death. He was our Hemphill County Commissioner several years. Funeral was at Canadian Tuesday.

Pray for Sarah Hale who is to have some repair work on a knee Friday at Pampa.

Adam and Zachary Tipps each got to spend a few days with grandparents Dean and Georgia Tipps during the holidays. Terry and Casey Tipps came for the weekend and took Zach home and went to some ball games at Briscoe.

Risa Keelin and Matt from Pasadena and Tammy Cobey and Shelby from Goldthwaite came Friday and spent nights with Rosalie Keelin and also visited, Darv. and Sammie Atherton, Pearl Williams and others. They went to the Atherton's celebration.

Many relatives and friends gathered at First Baptist Church Wheeler Sunday, January 5 to help Darville and Sammie Atherton celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. Congratulations to you two! Good to see Darv's brother Darrel and wife, for first time in many years, son Lee and Debbie Atherton, cousins Kirk and Carolyn Kite and Margaret and Frank Martin and many more! Winnie Gilmer and Rosalie Keelin sang and played at the reception.

Nice to visit with Mardi Ogle. Her daughter Mindy and family in Washington State are doing O.K. Their house wasn't flooded, but had to dodge ice bergs in the road when going to work. They had snow and ice before the rains came and broke it loose. A niece and her family there were packing up to move to Arizona.

Misty Morgan is working 5 days a week at Mel's diner now. Frankie Fletcher is working some at Pampa. Mi Marie Yowell works some at Mel's and some at Speedy Mart in Wheeler.

We had a real good singing Sunday night at Gageby Church with Willa Fillingim in charge. Many readings about the New Year and lots of good singing. Good to have Ray and Pat Hudson back Sunday morning and Pat sang for us Sunday night. The Hudsons did get mostly moved to Briscoe and will be living here. Always good to have Winnie Gilmer and Rosalie Keelin sing and play for us. Nice to have Ed and Laurel Hershman and Teresa Trimble visiting home folks. Next time February 2, Winnie Gilmer will be in charge. Lois, Evelyn and Martha sang for us, good!

Lou Dean Douthit got back Thursday after spending a week visiting Monty and Lee Andra Whittenberg at Arlington, Peggy and Don North at Tolar, Don and Billy Stuckey at Boerne.

She ate lunch Sunday at the home of Bob and Debbie Kinnaman and Kirby to celebrate her "39th" birthday. Corey was also there. The Kinnamans were also at Arlington for their Christmas celebration. Best wishes to Monty Ray Waters and Crystal Gideon who were married Dec. 14, 1996 at Central Baptist Church of Pampa. Monty is the son of Speck and Cheryl Waters, and the grandson of Maudie Wheeler and the late Roy and Willene Waters and Melvin Wheeler.

Lots of people in Parkview Hospital Tuesday night. Some there Grace Irvine, Fat Jones, Donald Finsterwald, Verneal Prater, Anna Bell there with husband Ariza Corcoran, Charlene Rainey, Birdie Hudson. Pray for them.

Some enjoying supper at Maxeys New Year's Eve were Truman and Lena Bradstreet, Wesley and Clevel Steen with Wayne and Jolene Jones and other family members. Geneva Snelgrooves with Mary Gibson and granddaughter Brittney and Ella Mae Wood. Annie Ruth Lee with Cecil and Nancy Pierce and Marsha.

New Year's Eve guests at the home of Larry and Vickie Nelson were Mack and Patty Ann Shields, Jimmy and Tammy Maddox and Jennifer and Amber and David and Rita Pearson. "God be with you till we meet again."

WHEELER MENU

January 13, 1997 to January 17, 1997
Monday: Breakfast: Juice, Cereal/Oatmeal, Toast/Jelly, Milk.
Lunch: Burrito/Cheese, Chili Beans, Salad, Spanish Rice, Milk/Tea, Apples, Juice Pops.
Tuesday: Breakfast: Juice, Biscuits/Gravy, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Peanut Butter/Honey, Milk.
Lunch: Fish Nuggets, Corn, English Peas, Macaroni & Cheese, Bread, Milk/Tea, Pears.
Wednesday: Breakfast: Juice, Toast/Jelly, Cereal, Blueberry Muffins, Milk.
Lunch: Cheeseburgers, Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Pickles, French Fries, Milk/Tea, Peaches.
Thursday: Breakfast: Juice, Pancake Pups/Syrup, Toast/Jelly, Sausage, Oatmeal, Milk.
Lunch: Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Green Beans, Hot Roll/Butter, Milk/Tea, Mixed Fruit.
Friday: Breakfast: Juice, Cereal/Oatmeal, Toast/Jelly, Milk.
Lunch: Baked Potatoes, Ham & Cheese, Celery & Carrot Stick, Sour Cream/Butter, Cracker/Bread, Milk/Tea, Pineapple, No Bake Cookies. (Menu Subject to Change)

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... days of the New Year gone is still summertime. Quite a deal of snow. Must fix the onion cups for New Year's Eve rain forecast. The fog, all were damp but June, and November were the that has water in them. ... to realize that 1996 is consid- a wet year and we had five that barely had a trace of rain. ... says December was the driest recorded. The ducks were ... and circling today. They don't whether it is summer and go ... head south to be sure. ... on the resolutions. That isn't so Just try to do better and remem- be thankful every day. Get out ... ew calendar and transfer all the ... from the old calendar. Birth- and such. Always sad to see ... come are no longer with us. And ... important—Be Sure there are ... eyed peas for good luck. Prob- nothing to it, but no use taking ...

Claremore. Everyone was here for the reunion. Brenda, Ryan and Laura Foshee came after her. Ricky and Glenda Walden brought her home. Brenda and Jeffrey Smulcer spent several days in Arkansas visiting her seven brothers and sisters. Brenda has a new baby granddaughter, Daylee Dodd. Parents are Dennis and Debby. She is welcomed by a brother, Dalton. Other grandmother is Ruth Williams. With Theresa and Wilbur Nabors over Christmas were Larry and Gail Nabors, Linda, Bill, Julie, Jill and Danielle Foreman, Pampa, John, Phyllis, Mark, and Laura Doucette, Amarillo, Jerry, Linda, Rusty, and Randy Nabors, Pafosa Springs, CO., Ben, Jennifer, Brittany, and Todd Weinheimer, Grimes, TX. Funeral services for Donald Nabors, brother of Wilbur were Satur- day at Waxahachie, Tx. Attending from out here were Wilbur and Theresa, Larry and Gail, Jerry and Linda Nabors. Graveside rites were Tuesday at the Buffalo Cemetery for Goldie Sil- ver Barnett. She was raised in the Bulo community and a member of the Baptist Church. Services were Saturday for Thurston Coffey, 88, at the First Bap- tist Church in Elk. Burial was in the Brookside Cemetery. He lived most of his life in this community. Bonnie and Arnold Rice had Christ- mas with the Donnie Estes family. With Pauline Roberts were Janet and Rick Fuller, WI. Dale and Sue Roberts, KS. Royce, Anna and Tan- ner Roberts, OKC, Anne and Lynn Wingfield, Elk, Don and Mike Tillman, Michael, Kimberley, and Abby, OKC, Jim and LolaBel Elliot, Clovis, NM came by and they all visited Don and OraLee Roberts. Betty and Hersel Anderson went on a bus trip to Branson. Enjoyed the

Lawrence Welk show. My cousins Andrew and Marjorie McCathern went up there recently. He's in his late 80's. Anita Bryant got him up on the stage and danced him around. Kissed him on the top of his bald head and gave

him a picture of the occasion. Majorie said he is still walking on air. We watched the 70th anniversary of the Grand Old Opry this week. Back about then my folks had about the only radio in the community. Ev- ery Saturday night the neighbors would gather in to listen to Nashville and play 42. Joe and I were so Opry happy that once we took the kids out of school and went off in a snow storm to see the show at Wichita Falls. Esther Dickey spent the holidays at Shamrock with Don and Elinor

Meares. All their children were there. Betty Sites, Mike and Sally, Megan and Cade Sites, Ben Suthers, Michael and Sheila Smith, Jerry and Radonna Christopher, Kaylon and Jeremy, of Bonham spent the week at Red River where they had a fine time skiing. Went over to Taos, too. Home for Christmas with Gerald and Judy Tipton were Jerry and Lisa Alexander, Jada and Joel, Jan and Jeff Franks, Vince and Eric, Watonga, Tammy and Randall Fuchs and Jacob, Lewisville, TX. With Tonya and Dale Hargrove, Elk City, were Albert and Lorene Bryan, Leonard, Lois, Kent and Dale Bryan, Patricia Sargent, Larry Owens, Terry Davis and Tricia. Connie and

children visited her folks, the Jim McClellans, while Misti and her kids visited her parents, the Billy Tiptons, Sayre. L. G. and Anne Reed had dinner with his mother, Pearl, in Elk. Other guests were Joy and Smitty Smith, Lavonda and family, Cleavie and Allen, Reed. Ollie Anderson, Norma Zellmer, Iva Thompson, and Ruth York went up to Amarillo for Ollie to see the doctor. Stopped at WalMarts to shop when they started running everyone out because they had a bomb threat. Things got pretty exciting for a while. They got home earlier than expected and with more money than they had planned. Have you noticed that nearly every show on TV is a repeat. Even the same news is on three days at a time. Alton Tignor has been a patient in the Cheyenne Hospital. Jan Lowder is home from surgery in OKC. The flu patients seem to be improved. Larry West told Bonnie Rice that they got a good report on the little boy. His tu- mor had shrunk greatly. Donna Mercer and Betty Brothers were out to see us Sunday. Iva Thompson dropped by with a cake.

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AGEMENT ANNOUNCED: Mr. and Mrs. Terry Cook of Guilford, IN, announce the engagement of their daughter, Cynthia Lynn Cook to Troy Carroll. He is the son of Edwin and Laurel Hershman of Wheeler, TX and son of E. G. and Willa Fillingim. Miss Cook is a 1989 graduate of Mersville Senior High School. She received her B.S. in Telecommunica- and M.S. in Information Communication Sciences from Ball State Univer- sity in 1993 and 1995 respectively. She is currently the Multimedia Specialist at Saint Joseph's College in Rensselaer, IN. Mr. Hershman is a 1987 graduate of Northern Boone High School. He received his B.S. in Athletic Training from Ball State University in 1992 and his M.S. in Sports Management from the University of Indiana in 1995. He is currently the Head Athletic Trainer at Saint Joseph's College in Rensselaer, IN. A July 19, 1997 wedding has been planned at the Francis Smith Memorial Chapel at Ross Camp in West Lafayette, with a reception following at the Radisson in Lafayette, IN.

ALLISON NEWS
By Christine Gilmer

Jeremiah 32: 17 & 27: "Ah Lord God! behold, Thou hast made the heaven and the earth by Thy great power and stretched out arm and there is nothing too hard for Thee." "Behold, I am the Lord, the God of all flesh; is there anything too hard for me?"

It seems winter is back with us this Monday morning. Maybe some snow. Ronnie and Marki Stringer and chil- dren spent Sunday night, Dec. 22, with Peggy Chandler and Peggy re- turned home with them on Monday and spent the Christmas holiday week with them and Peggy came home on Sunday, the 29th. Darrel and Johnnie Harrison of Amarillo visited with me last Friday afternoon. They were down to their farm over by Mobeetie to take care of the cattle and came on over to Allison. They have been coming over on the weekends for quite some time and Johnnie does my hair for me. Sure appreciate that. Ruby Craig's Friday overnight guest was grandson Tyler McWhorter from Wheeler. His mother, Rhonda, and Tanner came and picked Tyler up Saturday and took him home. Pearl Harrison's New Year's din- ner guests were Mike and LaQuinta Hulise, Michelle and Michael from Maryland and Louise Boydston. Others there for supper on New Year's were Bennie and Debbie Boydston, Heather and Jason and Wanda Walker. On Friday, Louise and Pearl took Mike and LaQuinta and children to Oklahoma City. They all spent the night at a motel Friday night. Mike and LaQuinta and children left by plane from Oklahoma City on Satur- day. Louise was Pearl's last Sunday dinner guest. Opal and Juanita Boydston were in Shamrock last Friday taking care of business. On Saturday Forrest Boydston, Opal and Juanita were in Shamrock also and from there they went to Pampa and did some shop- ping and ate supper there. Billy Brown spent the New Year's day and that night in Parkview Hospi- tal at Wheeler. She is now home, doing very well. All of Fred Cordell's family cele- brated Christmas at his home in Cheyenne. Red and Anna Dukes went to Dill City, Okla., on New Year's Eve and attended the church of Christ there. They sang out the old year and in the New Year. Red attended the basketball tour- nament last weekend at Silvertown. He went with Bob and Peggy Dukes. Anna went with them on Saturday afternoon. Last Sunday after church they went to Pampa and ate dinner and then did some shopping. Nelda Dukes family were all at her home New Year's Day for their Christ- mas gift exchange, except David and Becky Zybach; Becky hasn't been doing too well since her last surgery. Mike and Teresa Dyer spent a few days with Ron and Danette Weller and Zachary at Canyon and attended the basketball tournament at Silvertown. They returned home Satur- day night. Ray and Sue Giddens last week house guests for a few days were their daughter and family, Tonia and Ray Young, Brittanie, Nathian and Emily from Bastrop. Mark and Nancy Britten, Sammy, Jennifer and Lindsey from Amarillo spent some time with Ray and Sue and Tonia and family and also Wayne and Kathy Zybach, Clay and Casey visited on the week- end. Others there were Glen and Nona Elmore. Rita Grayson went to Silvertown with Tim and Debbie Jones last Saturday to the basketball tournament to watch the grand kids play ball. Lee and Sharon Hall went to Silvertown last Friday to the basketball tournament and spent Friday night with Bill and Armenda Jones at Tulia. Ronnie Hall joined them Saturday at Bill and Armenda's home and they all went back to Silvertown Saturday afternoon to the ball tournament. Vance and Caroline Boydston's weekend houseguests were Leonard and Susan Berbee and Kevin Boydston from Lubbock and Kyle Boydston from Weatherford. Satur-

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MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Sue Mayfield

Happy Birthday: to Leta Meadows and William Cornell on January 9th, to Norman Morgan, Curt Smith on January 10th, to Sallie Adcock, Mary White, Anthony Hodges, Thomas Helton and Cody Tyler Ford on January 11th, to Jodie Crowner, Jimmy Hooker and Bonnie Long on January 12th, to Donnie Barr, Georgia Smith and Shawn Everett on January 13th, to Judy Watts, Rolanda Meadows, Irene Rogers and Esther Brown on January 14th, to Alicia Hefley, Betty Zybach, Lawrence Fillingim, Zachary Copeland and Michael Cotter on January 15th, to Dean Tipps, Randy McCurley, Maybelle Childress,

Allison (from Page 5)
day Dick and Cletus Greene and Jaime were breakfast and supper guests.

Rodney and Linda Ingersoll, Andrew and Rodney's daughter, Paula, all went to San Deigo, Calif., to attend Tony Ingersoll's graduation from Marine Boot Camp and Tony returned back to Amarillo with them for a week's furlough visiting his mother, brother and sister. Linda, Rodney and Andrew returned home Sunday night.

Take time to pray—it's the greatest power on earth.

family from the Houston area came by for a visit while in the area for the holidays.

Teresa Sundve and Aaron and Allen had been in Pampa visiting her mother, Mabel Stuart, and brother Donald. They tried to surprise Uncle Calvin and Aunt Leola. Sorry it didn't work out better. Leola had to work.

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The Hooker family had their family Christmas on Saturday, December 28th, at the Mobeetie City Hall. Looked like they were having fun. (They have quite a crowd even when they aren't all together at one time.)

Congratulations to Wade and Christina Rains. They are expecting their own bundle of joy in late summer.

Please keep Christina in your prayers. Wade and Christina were home for the holidays with Grandma Betty and Grandpa Bill Rains. Christina caught the flu bug and dehydrated so had to be hospitalized at Wheeler a few days. Christian wasn't feeling to perky yet on New Years Eve.

I'm sorry I probably still missed some good Christmas news. Maybe we'll get together yet.

So sorry to hear that Evelyn Kincannon is starting the New Year on crutches. The Whaley and Kincannon families celebrated their Christmas together with a few days of skiing at Red River, New Mexico. (Their were 20 of them in a condo-

minium. Wall to wall fun!)
They missed Jamie Mixon and Ashley and Tim Kincannon. Jamie and Tim had to work this year.

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ALLISON MEN

January 13 thru January 17, 1997
MONDAY: Beef Brisket, Pinto Beans, Potato Salad, Hot Rolls, Cream, Milk.
TUESDAY: Macaroni Goulash, Tossed Salad, Breaded Squash, Texas Toast, Rice Krispie Treat, Milk.
WEDNESDAY: Barbecued Weiners, Potato Wedges, Cole Slaw, Biscuits, Cake, Milk.
THURSDAY: Burritos W Chili & Cheese, Tossed Salad, Fruit Cobbler, Milk.
FRIDAY: Hot Ham & Cheese Sandwiches, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Potato Rounds, Fruit & Cookies, Milk.
(Menu Subject to Change)

Wheeler Church of Christ

Congregational Concerns:
On this coming Sunday night, January 12th, this congregation will host annual "Evening With Friends". At the conclusion of the evening worship service, a chili supper will be held in the multi-purpose building. Follow the chili supper, Mrs. Loreale Cooley, a professional storyteller from Pampa will provide the entertainment.

The men's monthly business meeting will be held in the multi-purpose building on this coming Monday night, January 13th. A fellowship meal will be served before this business meeting is held. This fellowship meal will be served at 7:00 p. m.

The grocery truck from Tipton Home will be in Wheeler the week of January 13th. If you would like to make a donation to their grocery fund, please give your money to Mark Frankenbery.

On Saturday, January 11th, representatives from the National Marrow Donor at Cook Children's Medical Center of Fort Worth will conduct marrow drive from 10:00 a. m. to 2:00 p. m. in the school cafeteria. The only requirement for participation in this drive is a simple blood test. Drew Hillhouse is the local coordinator for this drive. If you have any question about this marrow drive, please contact Drew.

A thank-you note from the family of Clark Reagen has been received. This thank-you note is posted on the bulletin board in the lobby.

Congratulations must be expressed to Katie Finsterwald who celebrated her eighty-second birthday on Friday, January 3rd.

The latest mission report from India is posted on the bulletin board in the lobby. This report was written by Ron Clayton, a former minister of this congregation.

Sympathy must be expressed to John and Linda McCoy upon the recent death of John's dad. He died on Tuesday, December 24th, and his funeral was held in Brownfield, Texas on Friday, December 27th. The McCoy's mailing address is: 175 Deer Ridge Court, Madisonville, Kentucky.

Sympathy must be expressed to Al Griffin upon the death of his sister, Tessie Clark. The funeral was held last Wednesday afternoon in Wheeler. Fat Jones has been released from the local hospital. He is now recuperating at his home.

Karla Belote is hospitalized in the local hospital. Her condition is improving.

From The Minister's Desk:
Upreach is the title of a magazine that is published by the Herald of Truth, a radio and television ministry that is sponsored by churches of Christ. This magazine usually contains some very thought-provoking articles.

For an example, an recent issue of *Upreach* contained such an article. A young man by the name of Lance Anderson wrote this article as an essay for a school project. The name of the article was "Another Lance Anderson" and it said: ---

"In a small town in Arizona lived a fifteen year-old girl who became pregnant. This particular girl decided to carry her baby to full term and offer her baby to a family who would take it into their home, adopt it, and raise it as their own."

"She found a young Christian couple, and she knew that they would take good care of her little boy. One may ask how I know this to be true; well, I was that baby boy. If my birth mother had chosen the option of abortion, I would not be here today. I have never met my birth mother and will not ever try to locate her. She found a Mon and Dad for me that have given me a good Christian home. On the other hand, I am grateful to her for giving me life."

"I have shared with you this most intimate situation to point out just one of the many alternatives to abortion. If more people like myself spoke up, maybe, we could make a difference in the way people think. Children are very special gifts from God; and if we can help people realize that, we could see this issue turned around."

"The traumatic events and emotions involved in becoming a parent of an unplanned child make this issue highly controversial. But the baby has a right to be born. He is blameless. Ending the life of an unborn child is wrong. Finding out one is pregnant is not the end of the world. Young women have dealt with it for centuries and gladly there are legal and desirable alternatives today without harming the child. Abortion as a means of birth control is very wrong, however, a child does need emotional security. Sometimes love means giving up your baby in order to give him a better life. All in all, an individual's moral beliefs will be the deciding factor in whether the choice is made to keep the unborn child."

"In the end we all lose when a woman has an abortion. One never knows what that child could be. He could be the person God sends to find a cure for AIDS, he could be the next Michael Jordan or the next Abraham Lincoln. Or he could be another Lance Anderson."

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I think this was the year to Christmas all week for many of us. Of course all the kids really enjoyed it. That way they got two or three Christmas' at least.

Holiday guests of Bill and Shirley Dyson were Kevin Morris of Bryan, Texas, Jamie and Bill Morris of Pampa, Jerry, Linda and Libby Dyson of Pampa and Debbie Hamner and Thomas from Chico, TX. They missed Debbie's husband, Todd, who had to work. But he is always gracious and shares Debbie and Thomas.

Estelle Hodges would like to say a big thank you to each of her family and friends for their cards, prayers, visits and all the delicious food brought to the house during her surgery and recovery. (The prayers are being answered.)

The two weeks at High Plains Baptist for the surgery and the six weeks in rehab were made so much easier by all your prayers and thoughtfulness.

Glenn D. and Estelle could not get by without God and the good people of Wheeler and Gray counties in their lives.

The Hodges are so grateful for each of you. May God bless you as you reach out to others. (She said it much better than I could.)

Norman and Carolyn Patton came by and visited with Ray and Velma Forbes after Jap Bailey's funeral. They sure enjoyed their visit.

LIBRARY NEWS

Hope you had a merry Christmas and that Santa came to see you. He came to the library and was very good to us.

We have a new book order that should arrive any day now, some of the books are: "Remember When" by Judith McNaught, "Fallen Men" by Tony Hillerman, "Love Takes Wings" by Janette Oke, "Charity" by Len Deighton, "Airframe" by Michael Crichton, "Vendetta" by Jackie Collins, "From The Heart" by Jackie Collins, "Blood and Honor" by W. E. B. Griffin, "Wild About Harry" by Linda L. Miller, and "Irish Lace" by Andrew Greeley, just to name a few.

We had some books donated by Juanda Patterson, Doyle Hanks and Nancy Clymer. Thanks to these nice people for passing these books along so that more people can enjoy them.

We have had several memorials the past two weeks. These memorials totaled \$100.00 honoring Harold Nash, Lisa Dunnam, Theda Austin and Clark Reagan. We appreciate all memorials and donations.

We are making great progress on the Dewey Decimal section that we are creating a subject file for, this will be so nice when this is completed.

Some volunteers working at the library lately were Kim Goad, Brett Goad, Mika Goad, Britany Gibson to name a few. We appreciate these people giving of their time to the library.

We are looking forward to more progress in 1997 in our library and we are looking forward to serving you. Come see us and get some good reading.

By the library staff

Everyone else made it. They had two great days of skiing... Mrs. Kincannon has been anticipating this day every since she went back to school for her teaching degree... Ashley Mixon usually gets to stay with "Nay" Kincannon... Doug and Doris will be celebrating their 45th wedding anniversary on February 25th...

ingly well with just basically local anesthetic. She spent the night in the hospital Monday and was ready to come home Tuesday. Compared to what Lorene had been going through before the surgery she barely has a sore throat or anything... Dale is still having alot of trouble with his wrist and alot of pain. Hope you'll find some relief real soon... Our condolences to the family and friends of Tessie Clark... Christmas Day Darren took his grandparents, Doyle and Bulah, to his Dad's, Jerry, in Amarillo... Jerry and Beverly initiated their new home with a family Christmas get together... Darren brought them home via the interstate so they could see the big cross at Groom... Darren is an excellent chauffeur and tour guide... 1997 didn't start out very well for Jerry and Phillis Tucker... Grandma Tucker and Grandmother Arranda are going to help with Rame' while Darendra does her student teaching... Her family is very proud of Darendra as she has been on the Dean's list the whole time she's been in college... After May all three of the "Tucker girls" will be certified elementary school teachers... It's quite unusual to have all three girls major in the same field... Congratulations to Darv and Sammie Atherton on their 50th wedding celebration... Elva Wood and Suzie Hubble did a fantastic job of decorating the beautiful four-story cake... Darv and Sammie had a "houseful" of friends and family out to help them start making new memories... Darv's sister, Dell, is a fantastic coordinator... Rusty had to work... Dary and Sammie had some extra special friends that were behind the scenes that made their party go smoothly... Fred Thrasher is really enjoying his

new job. Lots of long hours. But he likes it that way. Just isn't looking forward to the bad winter weather... Saturday night he got in from work early so we all played cards at their house... They found lots of good bargains. (May have found another reason to come over more often.) Dena Rucker, Hailey and Tommy Polson came by for a visit Monday afternoon... Tommy is a drill sergeant up at the boot camp in Canadian... Dena works as a checker at Johnny's Thriftway... Hailey is already 4 months old and just a doll... The rest of Tommy's family are in the Charlotte and Asheville, North Carolina area... His Dad, J. B., is running heavy equipment... Michael works for a company that does suspension ceilings in commercial buildings... The Polson's lived in the Wheeler and Mobeetle communities while Tommy's Dad worked in the oil field... Thanks for coming by ya'll... Congratulations and all best wishes to Keri Simmons and Jason Beers on their marriage Saturday January 4th... I bet Louis, Barbara and Monty are sure enjoying no early deadlines this week... Friday January 3rd they were playing Hartford, Connecticut... Saturday they travelled to Atlanta, Georgia for their next game Sunday... The Colorado Xplosions are 1st in their division... There is no proposal in the offing to slightly increase the state sales tax... Our state's population has increased to 19 million... There is no need to raise taxes to fund the state government... Texas is working on a balanced budget... Last session the budget was 80 billion dollars... 1.1 billion dollars is received through the lottery... Being the state of Texas is almost the largest state in the union... The worst part is we have the largest prison system in the world... Tax dollars for housing and confinement isn't the answer... Governor Bush seems to be on the right track trying to get the religious organizations and volunteers involved in making a difference in the inmates lives... As Rev. Tommy Forbes put it: Either invest in them now or pay a much higher price down the road... The best medicine for any problem is prevention... I'm afraid there wasn't a very good turnout for the meeting...

Seal were Dale Corcoran, Ray Forbes, Tommy Forbes, John Catt, Kathy James, and Sue Mayfield. Mr. Chisum said he'd check into helping the city resolve the water system issue... We just haven't talked to the right people yet... Jerry Richardson of Wheeler dropped by Saturday, Jan. 4th... Dale Richardson of Elk City made a late Christmas run to Mobeetle... Gladys is always glad to see her family... Hope your feeling better, Dale... It sure was good to hear Calvin sounding better... Our condolences to the family and friends of Bob Forrest... He and his wife Erma lived in the Canadian area for many years... Bill and Shannon Morgette and family chauffeured her to Andrews... Christmas at the Binions was wonderful... I got to see Marie and Mary Margaret Dodd for just a brief hello... Our sympathy goes out to Mary Margaret and the rest of the McCarroll family... Jean has been ill for several years with major heart problems... Mary Margaret got the call about 3:00 Monday morning... So glad to know you're home, Ariza... Ariza has been here visiting with her folks... Ariza and Anna Belle are anticipating the arrival of Ray and Mary Helen Corcoran from Wiemer, TX... Congratulations ladies!!! Your doing a super job... Tuesday morning, Jan. 7th, State Representative Warren Chisum and his general counsel Derek Seal held a town hall meeting at the Mobeetie City Hall... The state legislative session will be convening for the next 140 days... The priority this year seems to be public education... There is a proposal in the offing to slightly increase the state sales tax... Our state's population has increased to 19 million... There is no need to raise taxes to fund the state government... Texas is working on a balanced budget... Last session the budget was 80 billion dollars... 1.1 billion dollars is received through the lottery... Being the state of Texas is almost the largest state in the union... The worst part is we have the largest prison system in the world... Tax dollars for housing and confinement isn't the answer... Governor Bush seems to be on the right track trying to get the religious organizations and volunteers involved in making a difference in the inmates lives... As Rev. Tommy Forbes put it: Either invest in them now or pay a much higher price down the road... The best medicine for any problem is prevention... I'm afraid there wasn't a very good turnout for the meeting... When making clothes: always sew the seams on a garment from the hem up... Listen to... KPDR-FM, 90.5 WHEELER, TEXAS



SWearing in: County officials elected to office in the November 1996 general election took the oath of office Wednesday, January 1, 1997, in the commissioner's courtroom in Wheeler. Shown here are Sheriff Jimmy Adams, Constable Jerry Bob Jernigan, County Attorney Steve Emmert, Constable Joe Montgomery and Tax Assessor Jerry Hefley. The oath was administered by County Judge Wendell Morgan.

To The Editor The Wheeler Times Wheeler, TX 79096

While reading the Nov. 24 issue of the Pampa News, I ran across an article on Dalmations. It was printed because of the Disney Movie "101 Dalmations."

Carol Hunter, a spokeswoman for the Dalmation Club of Greater Phoenix gave her reasons why people should not get their children a Dalmation. Some of her reasons were very good, as these cute little puppies grow up very fast. Faster than any dog I have ever had. They are very active dogs and, yes, do take a lot of patience and training, but to me, not as she put it.



DALMATION: Brianna Mayfield is shown here with Zack. Brianna is the granddaughter of Bob and Sue Mayfield of Mobeetie, Texas.

Learned very fast. He's a very affectionate dog and to some extent very obedient. Carol Hunter also stated that Dalmations don't belong in homes with small children. I don't agree with her. I don't have small children, but I do babysit. Zack was 9 weeks old when we got him and I was babysitting for 2 children, ages 1 yr. and 3 yrs. Zack and Brianna became the best of friends. She can do whatever she wants to him. She even crawls on him, pulls his tail, hugs and kisses him while he is eating and all he does is give her a big wet kiss. He gets very excited when he sees her but no longer jumps on her. I would not have a dog that isn't good with children as I love these kids. I also have a small granddaughter. My daughter Patti in Wisconsin also has a Dalmation along with two children. Zack is one of the best house dogs we have ever raised. He also has a big back yard to run in. Carol Hunter might be right in some of what she says, but my husband and I believe Zack is a very unique Dalmation. A fifty pound lap dog. Jackie Thrasher

Wheeler Getting Latest in Telecommunications

GTE has announced plans to modernize the Wheeler telephone switching center in May, 1997. The new telephone office will provide faster and highly reliable service in addition to offering some of the latest optional services.

Chisum (from Page 1)

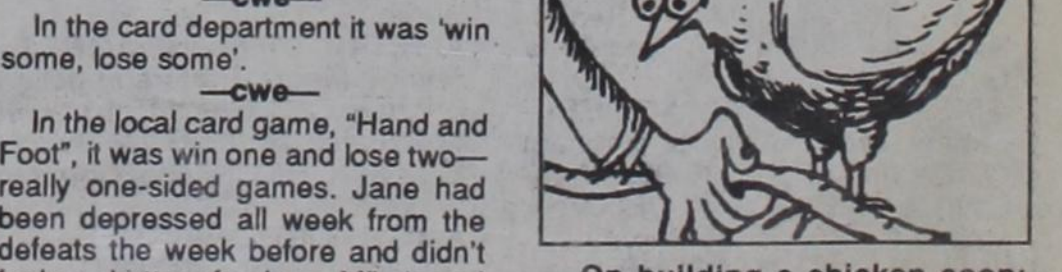
Property taxes headed the list of concerns; landowners pay for the schools and non-property owners pay nothing. Chisum reported that property tax will be discussed and may be replaced with a business tax, value added, gross receipts tax or raise in sales tax by 1/4c. It will be an effort of the legislature to include everybody not included now with income tax not an option. Chisum has a bill to limit property tax to \$2.50 combined; legislature needs to be prevented from passing mandates to local governments without funding and forcing tax increase

Clarendon College Will Offer Farming Curriculum

Clarendon College will offer the 36 hour "Bottom Line Farming" curriculum on financial management in agriculture on two Friday-Saturday week-ends in February. The class will be taught at Clarendon College in Clarendon. The first class will be Friday, February 14, 1997, continuing on Saturday, February 15, 1997. The second weekend will be on Friday, February 28 and Saturday, March 1. All classes will start at 8:00 A.M. and finish at 6:00 P.M.

Chat (from Page 1)

Yes, we made our trip to Okie land Friday and returned Sunday. Friday and Saturday were certainly 'spring like', but did not have anyone to challenge for croquet. In the card department it was 'win some, lose some'... In the local card game, "Hand and Foot", it was win one and lose two—really one-sided games. Jane had been depressed all week from the defeats the week before and didn't feel any better after hers, Mike's and my loss to Patsy, Mimi and Barbara.



On building a chicken coop: provide at least three square feet of floor space for each chicken.

