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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

## IRISH RUN OUT OF LUCK. . .

### Mustangs win battle of Wheeler County 44-0

Friday night the Wheeler Mustangs traveled to Shamrock to challenge the Fighting Irish for the county championship. Wheeler entered the game 4-3, and 2-0 in district, while Shamrock entered the game at 0-7 and 0-2 in district play. But as everyone in this county knows, you can throw out records when it comes down to the showdown between Wheeler and Shamrock.

The Mustangs opened the game by locking to the Irish. But the Mustang defense held tough and gave the ball over to the Wheeler offense. The Mustang offense wasted no time in getting on the score board as they took the ball down the field and scored their first touchdown of the night on a 28 yard pass from Aaron Dunnam to Bryan Judd. Ben Dollar's kick was good, and with 7:08 left in the first quarter the Mustangs lead 7-0. Once again the Mustang defense stepped up and forced the Irish to punt.

The Mustangs then erupted by scoring 29 points in the second quarter. Jeremy Davis started things off by lunging in from one yard. Ben Dollar added the extra point and the Mustangs lead 14-0 with 8:56 left in the second quarter. After an inside kick the Mustang offense got rolling again as Aaron Dunnam completed a 31 yard touchdown pass to Jeremy Davis. Brooks Brown then completed a pass to Michael Montgomery for the two point conversion and the Mustangs lead 22-0 with 7:35 left in the half. Once again the Mustang defense completely shut down the Irish offense and forced them to punt. Once again the Mustangs drove the ball down the field and this time Bryan Judd capped off the drive with a 28 yard touchdown run over the right end. Ben Dollar's kick was, once again, good and the Mustangs lead 29-0. Aaron Dunnam ended the Mustangs "scoring test" by running over the left end for a six yard touchdown. Dollar's kick was good and the Mustangs went into the half leading the Irish by a score of 36-0.

When the second half began the offense picked up where it left off by taking the ball down the field and Casey Childress added his name to the list of Mustangs players to hit pay-

dirt, by going over from one yard out. The kick failed and the Mustangs lead 42-0. On Shamrock's next possession the Mustang defense stood tough and forced the Irish to punt from deep in their own territory. Unfortunately for the Irish the snap sailed over the punter's head and flew out of the end-zone resulting in a safety and increasing the Mustang lead to 44-0. The Mustangs had one more scoring opportunity in the third quarter but on a dive play from the one yard line the ball was fumbled and Shamrock recovered.

The Mustangs racked-up 26 first downs, 325 yards rushing, and 124 yards passing for a total of 449 yards. The Mustangs were 5-10 passing, with one interception. Wheeler fumbled two times and lost one. They were flagged 4 times for 50 yards. Bryan Judd had 9 carries for 110 yards, Jeremy Davis had 10 carries for 43 yards, Casey Childress carried the ball 16 times for 87 yards, Aaron Dunnam had 68 yards on 10 carries, and Jorje Salas added 21 yards on 5 carries. Dunnam was 5-9 passing, with one interception for 124 yards, and Brooks Brown was 1-1.

The Shamrock Irish gained 7 first downs, 82 yards rushing, and 45

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HERE THEY COME: Donald Phipps is chased down by a couple of Irish defenders.

— Photo compliments of Azzip Pizza



ON THE RUN: Jorge Salas tries to elude the Shamrock defense.

— Photo compliments of Azzip Pizza

### Local Methodist Women Sale, Dinner Sat., Nov. 1

The Wheeler United Methodist Women will be having a combined bake sale and garage sale and their annual Thanksgiving Dinner on Saturday, November 1st at the Wheeler Methodist Church. The bake sale and garage sale will begin at 9:00 AM and will continue all day. The Thanksgiving Dinner will begin at 5:30 PM. Tickets for the meal will be \$5.00 for adult and \$3.00 for children age 12 and under. Everyone is invited to attend.

### Wheeler Care Center To Have Halloween Party

Wheeler Care Center will observe Halloween. They are planning a Halloween Party for Friday, October 31. The staff and some of the residents will be decked out in costumes. Judging will be at 9:30 Friday morning.

The public is invited to stop in and see the costumes and decorations.

Parents are invited to bring their youngsters by Friday evening between 6:00 and 7:00 for trick-or-treating.

Wheeler Care Center will have a theme meal at noon Friday.

### W. R. "Billy" Hefley Is Buried At Shamrock

W. R. "Billy" Hefley, 78, died Friday, Oct. 24, 1997. Celebration of life services were Monday, October 27, in the Church of Christ with the Rev. Joe Jernigan, pastor of Calvary Christian Fellowship Church of Shamrock, officiating. Burial was in Shamrock Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.

Mr. Hefley was born at Twitty, Texas. He had been a lifelong Wheeler County resident. He married Rose Welch on Nov. 27, 1937, at Sayre, Okla. He was a farmer and a member of the Church of Christ.

He was preceded in death by three brothers and by a sister.

Survivors include: his wife, Rose, of Shamrock; a daughter, Joy Balcom of Wagner, Okla.; a son, Gary Hefley of Choctaw, Okla.; a sister, Peggy Agan of Salado; a brother, J. R. Hefley of Twitty; four grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

### Joe "Cad" Bowerman Is Buried at Amarillo

Joe "Cad" Bowerman, 78, of Mission, died Thursday, Oct. 23, 1997.

Services were at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Memory Gardens Mausoleum in Amarillo with Dr. Charles Jones of Second Baptist Church of Amarillo officiating. Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery in Amarillo by Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors, Memorial Chapel, Fifth Avenue and Pierce Street, of Amarillo.

Mr. Bowerman was born in Nocona. He worked for Texaco Refinery for 17 years. He and his wife, Evelyn Bowerman, owned and operated a motel in Breckenridge for several years. His wife died in 1988.

Mr. Bowerman was a member of First Presbyterian Church. He was an Army veteran of World War II.

Survivors include two sons, Dewayne Bowerman of Amarillo and Larry Bowerman of Mission; a daughter, Janet Loyless of Amarillo; a brother, O.L. Bowerman of Wheeler; nine grandchildren; and 25 great-grandchildren.

The family requested memorials be to the American Heart Association or the Potter/Randall Chapter of the American Diabetes Association.

### West Texas Christian School First Quarter

West Texas Christian School announced its First Quarter Awards for the 1997-98 school year.

In the Primary Learning Center (elementary students) making the "B" Honor Roll were Vanessa Gearhart and Brady Ware. The following students made the "A" Honor Roll: Danie Clawson, Joshua Forgy, Chace Horton, Jessica Jernigan, Joanna Jernigan, Kade Zybach and Kelsey Zybach.

Students with the highest PACE average were Kade Zybach with 99.29; Chace Horton with 99.42; and Jessica Jernigan with 99.53.

Outstanding students of the quarter were Kelsey Zybach with 1190 points, Chace Horton with 1210

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IT'S ALL OVER: The Mustangs stand basking in the glow of their 44-0 win over the Irish.

— Photo compliments of Azzip Pizza

### Firemen Set Annual Pancake Breakfast

Wheeler Fire Department will hold its annual Pancake Breakfast Saturday, November 1, 1997 at the fire department. They will be serving from 6:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m.

**CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR**  
By Louis C. Stas

CONGRATULATIONS, LAYNE McCASLAND and MIKE JOHNSON. Layne was awarded the Texas Cowboy Rodeo Association Champion Bull Riding title and Mike was named the Bull Fighter of the Year.

—cwe—

Go Mustangs! We knew all along that you were the County Champions.

—cwe—

You are still #1 with us, Mustang Band. The weather did not cooperate with Saturday's competition in Amarillo.

—cwe—

Show those Greyhounds how to play football!

—cwe—

Don't forget the Pancake Breakfast Saturday morning at the Fire Station. You will be glad you remembered. You don't even have to get up early; they will be serving until 10 a.m.

—cwe—

And, that night you need to attend the ARC Fall Festival north of Wheeler.

—cwe—

The Methodist will hold their Bake Sale, Garage Sale and Annual Thanksgiving Dinner on Saturday, beginning at 9:00 A.M. the Thanksgiving Dinner will be at 5:30 P.M. Don't miss it.

—cwe—

Welcome home! Larry Finsterwald returned home Thursday to continue his recuperation.

—cwe—

An error pointed out to us in last week's paper was the outline under a picture on the front page. Taylor Wright is in Kindergarten and the tree in full bloom is a fruitless pear tree.

—cwe—

There have been several inquiries if Halloween was going to be moved to Saturday since we would be playing football on Friday night. We have not been notified of a change.

—cwe—

Make the Wheeler Care Center one of your stops for Trick-or-Treating. The residents will enjoy the visit from the youngsters and receive a treat.

—cwe—

We left Thursday for a long weekend. Early Saturday we arrived in

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### ARC of Texas To Hold Annual Fall Festival

The ARC of Texas of Wheeler County will be holding the first annual Fall Festival on Saturday November 1, from 6 p.m. till 11 p.m. at the white barn north of the show barn in Wheeler, that is owned by Johnny Velasquez. This will be a fun filled evening to be enjoyed by all ages and families. There will be food and game booths. Money will be exchanged at the door. Each ticket will be worth .50¢. If you are a non-profit organization and would like to rent a booth to earn some money for your organization please contact Mary Ford 826-5976 or Christie Jones 826-5935.

Some of you may not know about our group. We are a non-profit volunteer organization that is dedicated to providing community awareness and education to make things better for individuals with disabilities so that they may be able to work, live and play in our community. We are all very

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## 1/2c Tax for Wheeler on Ballot

The voters of the City of Wheeler will go to the polls Tuesday, Nov. 4, to decide the fate of a proposed 0.5% Economic Development Sales Tax. The funds derived from the tax would be used to promote the economic development of Wheeler.

The 1/2 cent tax is the equivalent of 50 (fifty) cents on a \$100.00 purchase. This would yield about \$30,000 each year for the Economic Development Commission.

If the tax passed, Wheeler would join several other panhandle towns in collecting a local tax. Booker, Panhandle and Shamrock each have 1.50% tax. Amarillo, Borger, Canadian, Groom and Pampa each have 2.00% tax.

City voters will be asked to vote "For" or "Against". The adoption of Section 4B sales and use tax at the rate of one-half of one percent to undertake projects as described in Section 4B of Article 5190.6, including but not limited to, projects for promotion of amateur athletics and sports including stadiums and ball parks, auditoriums; projects related to entertainment; convention, tourist and exhibition facilities, amphitheaters, concert halls, and public parks, park facilities and events; open space improvements; learning centers; municipal buildings; museums and related stores; restaurant, concession, and automobile parking facilities; related area transportation facilities; related roads, streets, and water and sewer facilities; recycling facilities and projects to promote new or expanded business enterprises, including public safety facilities, streets and roads, drainage and related improvements; demolition of existing structures; general improvements that are municipally owned; development and ex-

pansion of affordable housing, as well as any other improvements or facilities that are related to any of the above projects and any other project that the board determines will promote new or expanded business enterprises, and the maintenance and operations expenses of any of the above described projects.

The passing of the proposal would allow the City of Wheeler to establish an Economic Development Commission. This commission would be composed of seven members, appointed by the council. The members of the commission would all have to be residents of Wheeler and would serve two year terms.

The passing of the tax would give the commission money to work with in an effort to attract industry and/or additional businesses to Wheeler.

Go to the polls Tuesday, November 4, and VOTE!

### Wheeler Care Center Has Change In Personell

Wheeler Care Center has some new personnel, and has added a resident pet. A complete renovation is scheduled to begin in November.

Vickie Craven, R.N., has been named Director of Nursing at the care center. Vickie is a resident of the Miami area and commutes each day.

Pattie Daniels, R.N., will be the Medicare Coordinator for Wheeler Care Center. She is a resident of Cheyenne, Okla., and will also be commuting.

Dr. Larry Barbour is the Medical Director for the nursing home.

A complete refurbishing job is scheduled to begin in November. Sunrise Health Care, owners of the Wheeler Care Center, will be having the work done. Remodeling and some new furnishings are planned for the inside and work, including additional landscaping, is planned for the outside.

A resident pet has been added.

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### Weekend Burglary Is Reported

A burglary over the weekend in Wheeler netted the perpetrators only a few CD Disks, Jewelry, a CD player, keys, cologne, a cassette player and a few other personal items were taken from the Bobby Ware Home at 200 East Eleventh.

Everything except the CD Disks were recovered. The items were found along a county road close to town. An individual looking for cans made the discovery and reported it to the County Sheriff's Department.

This is the second such burglary investigated by the County Sheriff's Department recently. The other bur-

glary was on West Texas Street. The items taken were similar to those of the Ware incident. It is believed entry was gained through an unlocked door or had access to the key.

Sheriff Jimmy Adams urges everyone to make sure their doors and windows are locked before they leave the house.

Sheriff Adams further urged those leaving their homes for a period of time to make arrangements to have it checked periodically. The Sheriff's department would be more than happy to make a check of residences or businesses of those citizens who are out of town.

### Layne McCasland, Mike Johnson Win State Rodeo Recognition

Layne McCasland and Mike Johnson, both of Wheeler, were recognized at the Texas Cowboy Rodeo Association at the October 10, 11 & 12 finals in Wichita Falls.

Layne received the Bull Riding title and Mike Johnson was named the Bull Fighter of the Year.

T.C.R.A. is a Semi-Pro Rodeo Association composed of cowboys and cowgirls from all over Texas. The T.C.R.A. holds some 50 to 60 rodeos over Texas, New Mexico, Kansas and Oklahoma during the year. The top money winner is crowned champion of the event.

### Drawing for Harvest Quilt Slated for Friday, Oct. 31

A drawing for the Harvest Quilt donated to West Texas Christian School by Mary Ann Gearhart will be held at noon on Friday, October 31, at the school.

The tickets are \$1.00 a piece or six for \$5.00 and are available at the school (826-345), or from a student or staff member.

The students are having a contest for special prizes so you can call one if you would like to participate or you may call the school.

"We're so glad for all the support the community has given us on the quilt. It is an encouragement to us," said Susan Gearhart, monitor at WTCS.

The full size quilt in fall colors (mostly gold and black) was pieced in the Cross and Crown design by Susan Gearhart's mother-in-law, Mary Jane Gearhart.

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NEW EMPLOYEES: Wheeler Care Center announces the employment of a Director of Nursing and Medicare Coordinator, Vickie Craven, R.N. (left), is the Director of Nursing and Pattie Daniels, R.N. (center), is the Medicare Coordinator. Betsy Vick will continue as Assistant Director of Nursing.

meet her husband, Shawn Zybach. Nelda and Becky went on into Amarillo and did some shopping.

Glen and Nona Elmore went to Wheeler last Sunday afternoon and visited Nona's sister, Myrtle Dorman.

Pete and Margaret went to Lefors this past week helping Rodney and Linda Ingersoll and Andrew work on their home and help them get straighten up and cleaned the house. Linda and Andrew were last Sunday dinner guests with Pete and Margaret.

Mike and Teresa Dyer and Amber's weekend guests were Ron and Danette Weller and Zachary and Scott Dyer from Canyon. Sunday afternoon those there to help Zachary celebrate his first birthday were Tom and Dianna Weller and Paul from Amarillo, Betty Dyer, Betty Ann and M.C. Kabry from Amarillo. Zeland and Charlene Rainey, Winston and Janette Rainey and Nathan of Allison.

Pearl Harrison went to Elk City last Tuesday and visited with Jimmy Wallace and Rev. Steve and Lynette O'Donnel, Missionaries of Hong Kong, China. They all took the O'Donnells to Oklahoma City, where they ate supper at the Olive Garden

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Il Peter 3: 12 & 13: Looking for and hastening into the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

Ole Man Winter paid us a quick visit over the weekend. We got a freeze on Saturday night and a frost on Sunday, it has been a nice sunny day this Monday, here in Allison.

My overnight guests Friday night were Darrell and Johnnie Harrison from Amarillo. They were Saturday dinner guests with Pearl Harrison and went home Saturday afternoon.

Sorry to hear of the death of Danny Stinnett. Our sympathy is for his parents, Virgil and Jean (Walsh) Stinnett of Dumas and the rest of the family, relatives and friends. Danny lived in Colorado and that's where the funeral was and where he was buried.

Opal and Juanita Boydston's last Monday dinner guest was Sybil Fish from Bartlesville, Okla. Roma and Billy Brown and Opal and Juanita Boydston and Sybil Fish attended the funeral service for Shanna Brown at Amarillo last Tuesday.

Last Friday night Juanita Boydston celebrated her birthday at Roma and Billy Brown's home with birthday cake and ice cream. Opal was also there.

Neal and Tia Boydston took Sybil Fish to near Mustang, Okla., where her daughter, Beulah Burns of Tulsa took her home to Bartlesville.

Opal and Juanita were last Sunday dinner guest with Roma and Billy Brown.

Peggy Chandler and Jennie Walker visited Sue Chandler last Thursday at her home near Wheeler.

Red and Anna Dukes attended the Fall Festival at the Allison school last Friday night. Red and Anna's Saturday afternoon guests were Clyde and Minnie Bell Vinson and they also played some cards while there.

Nelda Dukes and Becky Zybach went to Amarillo and took Daphne Zybach and her two children to the airport where they flew to Houston to

Restaurant and Shirley Chadwick met them there. They spent the night at a motel in Oklahoma City and the O'Donnells left by plane from the airport, going back to Hong Kong.

Pearl's last Sunday dinner guest were Gary and Julie Boydston and Amie.

Lee and Sharon Hall and Nona Jones went to Wheeler last Sunday and ate dinner at Maxey's.

Eddy and Wanda Walker's last Wednesday evening supper guests were Harold and Elena Walker,

Shaleah, Jonathan and Hannah Langston.

Jonathan Walker from Canyon also visited over the weekend. He also had supper in Shamrock last Sunday evening with Eddy and Wanda and the children, where they met Roger and Donna Langston.

Allen and Nadine Reynold's weekend guests were Heather and Jason Boydston, Christy Montgomery and Adam Martin from Jones, Okla.

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

**Fall Lectureship**

Date: Saturday, November 1st  
Sunday, November 2nd

Place: **Wheeler Church of Christ**  
1001 Alan L. Bean Blvd., Wheeler, Texas

Topic: **The History Of The English Bible**  
Speaker: **Dr. Neil Lightfoot** will be the speaker for this lectureship. Dr. Lightfoot has been a Bible professor at Abilene Christian University since 1958.

He has also written several books and scholarly articles for various religious magazines. Some of his books are: How We Got The Bible, Lessons From The Parables, Jesus Christ Today: A Commentary on Hebrews, and The Role of Women: The New Testament Perspective.

Dr. Lightfoot has served as the Greek text editor and one of the translators of The International Children's Version and The Word: The New Century Version.

He holds B. A. and M.A. degrees in philosophy from Baylor University and the Ph.D. degree in religion from Duke University.

Schedule: **Saturday night, November 1st**  
7:30 p.m.—The Bible and Ancient Manuscripts.

**Sunday morning, November 2nd**  
10:00 a.m.—The Early English Bible  
11:00 a.m.—English Translations

Noon --- At the conclusion of the morning worship service, a fellowship luncheon will be held in the multi-purpose building. Following this fellowship luncheon, a question and answer session will be held.

**Delta Kappa Gamma Holds Meeting**

Jane Bright, curator, guided members of the Delta Kappa Gamma educational society through the Roberts County Museum last week.

Highlights of the tour included a display of wedding dresses and other formal attire, intricate handwork, and a permanent wave machine.

Toys of the yesteryear also caught the eyes of the ladies. Bright said that the eight inch teddy bear is worth \$400.

Also on display was a quilt commemorating Miami's 100th birthday. It was pieced by the local ladies with help from some school children.

The museum is made up of seven "rooms"—the Depot established in 1979; the Middle Room, in 1980; the Barn, in 1981; the Dugout, in 1984; the Indian Room, in '86, the Pioneer Room, in '91; and in '92, the Art Gallery, where the DKG group picnicked.

Inclement weather prevented the group's visiting the Dugout and the Barn.

The museum was financed partially by the sale of brands, Bright said, which are on display at the entrance.

Kenda Faulkner, of Miami, pre-

**Extension Update**  
By Joan Gray, CEA-HE

**GUARD THOSE NUMBERS**

As consumers, we should safeguard our credit card and ATM numbers to avoid unauthorized use. Today, those numbers can be obtained through direct theft of the cards or indirect theft of the numbers. Indirect theft of the numbers happens when a counterfeiter finds your account number on a discarded credit card statement or carbon. Still another direct way for the number to reach the counterfeiter is directly from the consumer. A consumer may unwittingly disclose this number to an unscrupulous telemarketer during a telephone conversation.

Counterfeiters love to get their hands on carbons! That way they can steal the number without your knowledge. Since you never report the card missing - it is still in your possession - the number won't show up on hot sheets that retailers use to check on stolen cards. The counterfeiter is likely to make up supporting identification to go along with a stolen number.

"Always ask for the carbons on receipts that still rely on carbon paper to make the second copy," suggest Nancy Granovsky, who is a Professor and Extension Family Economics Specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, and a Certified Financial Planner.

How much can consumers be liable for in case of theft or loss? Under Federal Reserve regulations, a credit card holder is liable for only \$50 in unauthorized charges but you must report the loss of an ATM card within two business days of the day you learn of the theft. If you wait longer than two days but less than sixty days, your liability is up to \$500. And if you wait longer than sixty days, you may be required to pay the full amount fraudulently withdrawn by another party.

It's very important to stay alert about your use of ATM and debit cards. Always review your charges. If you don't review your charges, you may never notice unauthorized use.

The best protection for consumers is to guard both the cards and the numbers very closely. Keep unauthorized people from handling your cards or learning your account numbers. The following Best Practices Checklist for handling your credit, ATM and debit cards, offers suggestions for protecting yourself.

\*\*\* Read your monthly credit and bank statements carefully to identify any unauthorized charges. Remember that waiting too long to report losses on an ATM card can result in full liability.

\*\*\* Be alert during every transaction with your credit, debit or ATM card. Make sure that sales clerks don't make two copies with your credit card in an effort to obtain the number. And, make sure that you get your cards back.

\*\*\* Never sign an incomplete receipt. An incomplete receipt will permit someone else to add numbers you have not authorized.

\*\*\* Treat your cards as carefully as you treat cash. After you use your cards, put them immediately back where you keep them. Don't just stuff them in your pocket or into an open flap on a purse or bag.

\*\*\* Keep a separate list of your cards, account numbers, and phone numbers of the card companies. If you need to report a loss, having the information in one place will make the notification task easier. Keep the list updated and keep it in a safe place. It is not necessary for you to take out special insurance or sign up with a special plan if you keep your own information updated.

\*\*\* Keep your account numbers confidential. Never give out your numbers to a telephone solicitor, unless you have initiated the call, for a mail-order item, for instance. Never write your number on the outside of an envelope.

\*\*\* Always tear up the carbons from separate sales receipts, since they contain all the information on your card an unscrupulous person needs to make fraudulent use of your card.

\*\*\* Guard your "PIN" (Personal Identification Number) for your ATM or debit card very closely. Never tell anyone your PIN number. Memorize the number, don't write it on your ATM or debit card or keep it with your card. Otherwise, it's like giving the thief a blank, signed check.

\*\*\* Keep close track of receipts you receive from retailers when you use your debit cards. Depending upon the type of receiving system in use by the store, your debit card number may appear directly on the receipt. Just as it does when you use a credit card. Be careful about handling those receipts with your number on it. Being too casual with your cards can cost you money.

**SPS Move to Maintain and Improve Level of Service in Area Towns**

Jim Fuller has been named manager for construction, operations and maintenance for SPS's Pampa district, which includes Pampa and the SPS communities in the eastern and northeastern Texas Panhandle.

In his new position, Fuller's time is completely devoted to ensuring reliable, safe and inexpensive electric service.

He oversees all operations functions for SPS in the Pampa area, including the construction and maintenance of distribution lines within the cities of White Deer, Groom, McLean, Wheeler, Canadian, Miami, and Follett. He is assisted by field service representatives in each of those cities.

Fuller also oversees operations in Perryton, which includes Booker, Darrouzett and Higgins. He is assisted in Perryton by supervisor Brian Elliott.

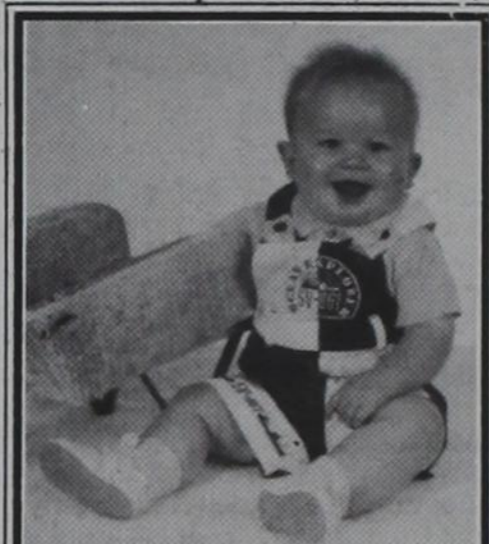
"Based on feedback from our customers, we have restructured our operations to be more responsive to our customers' needs," said Joe Augustine, SPS general manager for Panhandle operations. "By devoting Jim entirely to service functions, we will continue to improve reliability and service while keeping costs down."

Fuller earned two associate's degrees from Amarillo College, one in management development and another in electric utilities technology. He worked for Gate City Rural Electric Cooperative in Childress for one year before joining SPS in May 1974 as an lineman apprentice in Amarillo. He became a lineman journeyman in 1977, and in 1980 he was named line working foreman. He was promoted to line general foreman at Amarillo's Northeast Service Center in 1993.

Fuller serves on the advisory board for Amarillo College's electric utilities technology degree plan, he is a member of the Pampa Rotary Club, and he has served as coach in the Panhandle Soccer Association and for Kid's Inc. Softball. He was named the SPS outstanding trainee in 1978, and he earned awards for safety for 13 consecutive years as a line working foreman. Fuller also served as president of SPS's Employees Club.

He and his wife, Beverly, have two children: Jennifer, a senior at Texas A&M University, and Dustin, a junior at Pampa High School.

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**WHEELER MENU**

**MONDAY NOVEMBER 3 - FRIDAY NOVEMBER 7, 1997**  
**MONDAY BREAKFAST** : Cereal, Toast, Jelly, Milk, Juice  
**LUNCH** : Pig in The Blanket, Pinto Beans, Tater Tots, Appriots, Milk, Tea  
**TUESDAY BREAKFAST** : Juice, Biscuits and Gravy, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Milk  
**LUNCH** : Beef and Vegetable Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwiches, Celery and Carrot Stick, Crackers, Peaches, Milk, Tea  
**WEDNESDAY BREAKFAST** : Juice, Cereal, Toast, Jelly, Blueberry Muffins, Milk  
**LUNCH** : Cheeseburgers, Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Pickles, French Fries, Pears, Milk, Tea  
**THURSDAY BREAKFAST** : Toast, Jelly, Pancake Pup, Syrup, Sausage, Juice, Milk  
**LUNCH** : Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Butter, Fruit Cocktail, Milk, Tea  
**FRIDAY BREAKFAST** : Juice, Cereal, Toast, Jelly, Milk  
**LUNCH** : Beef Taco Pie, Cheese, Salad, Chili Beans, Crackers. Chops, Pineapple, Milk, Tea  
(Menu Subject to Change)

**VOTE TUESDAY**

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Wednesday ..... 7:00 P.M.

*Pastor Vic and Robin Porter*

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# MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Melba Corcoran

ished and Audrey it hers. Those attending was Betty Haines, Estelle Hodges, Audrey Seitz, Martha Meek, Orville Greenhouse and Melba Corcoran.

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Dale and Melba Corcoran went to Amarillo Tuesday on business. That night they visited in Wheeler with Jimmy and Bobby Hill. Bobby had got home from the hospital. Their granddaughter Meredith Schooner of Amarillo came home to help Bobby for a few days.

Robert and Geniva Hogan was in Amarillo Tuesday for Geniva's test. The test will determine the type of back surgery she will have to under go.

Dale Corcoran took Ray and Velma Forbes to Pampa Wednesday for Ray's test.

Lois Reeves took Alvin Reeves to Amarillo for his regular checkup on Thursday. Diane Reeves went with them.

William and Patricia Burch, Christopher, Tyler and Caitlyn of Wheeler visited Tuesday night with Jud and Lorene Rector.

Mary Carter from Colorado is here visiting with Jack and Bernice Hefley and Carl and Peggy Carter for a few days.

The First Baptist Church had lunch at the church following the morning services. Doris Finsterwald, Marion Grimes, Rob Hogan, Johnny Crawford and Dale and Melba Corcoran went to Wheeler Care Center for the church service. They all visited with Claudy and Ina Mae Brotherton.

Rev. Johnny Crawford attended the Promise Keepers rally Friday and Saturday.

Mt. View Quilting Club met Friday at Totty School House with Estelle Hodges as hostess. Her quilt was fin-

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**LUNCH:** Hamburgers, Hamburger Trimmings, Potato Wedges, Cookies, Milk, Tea

**TUESDAY BREAKFAST:** Cinnamon Twist, Cereal, Juice, Milk

**LUNCH:** Chicken & Noodles, Peas, Corn, Rolls, Fruit, Milk, Tea

**WEDNESDAY BREAKFAST:** Breakfast Burrito, Juice, Milk

**LUNCH:** Hot Ham and Cheese, Tater Tots, Fruit Salad, Milk, Tea

**THURSDAY BREAKFAST:** Cinnamon Toast, Cereal, Milk, Juice

**LUNCH:** Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Rolls, Chocolate Cake, Milk, Tea

**FRIDAY BREAKFAST:** Pancakes, Bacon or Sausage, Juice, Milk

**LUNCH:** Pizza, Salad, French Fries, Banana Pudding, Milk, Tea

(Menu Subject to Change)

Friday night at the old Richardson house was Marion Grimes, Ada Lou Lester, Dixie Sims, J. B. Duckworth, John Thierstein and Jill Lee. They have jam session starting at 7:30 P.M. every Friday night except the 3rd Friday night of the month. They meet on Thursday night instead because of the Country Gospel Jubilee that meets on the 3rd. Friday night.

Lester and Cleo Pierce and Dale of Cheyenne, Ok. visited with Jud and Lorene Rector Sunday night.

Our sympathy goes out to Jack and Bernice Hefley on the death of Jack's cousin W. R. "Bill" Hefley of Shamrock.

Dale and Melba Corcoran went to Amarillo Monday. Melba got her cast off but will have to wear a brace for at least 2 weeks. Melba attended the meeting that afternoon of the traveling exhibit, held at the Quarter Horse Museum.

Be sure to get out and vote Tuesday. The city election will be to elect a mayor and one alderman. Ray Forbes and James Kephart are running for Mayor. Lois Reeves is running unopposed for the alderman spot. The ones elected will have to run again in May. In May the City will have a mayor and one alderman running for a one year term and three aldermen running for two year terms.

Sunday night will be the first Sunday night singing. It will be the

Mobeetie First Baptist Church's time to hold the meeting. Gagby and Allison Churches rotate meeting with Mobeetie. Everyone is welcome to come and join in. If you can't sing a special and would like to read a poem or tell a story come prepared to join in. This is not limited to members of the church only everybody is welcome. There will be fellowship afterwards. The singing will start at 6:00 P. M.

## WCSWC Annual Report Is Given

The Wheeler County Soil and Water Conservation District was formed on April 6, 1948, with the protection and enhancement of the available renewable natural resources as its primary purpose.

Its boundaries coincide with the boundaries of Wheeler County. It is governed by a board of five elected directors who are resident land owners in the District and are actively engaged in farming or ranching.

The current Board of Directors consists of Paul Macina, Jim Batton, Darville Atherton, Eric Zybach, and John McDowell, Jr.

The District entered into a memo of understanding with the Natural Resources Conservation Service in 1948 to provide personnel specially trained in the field of erosion control.

The current NRCS staff consists of Fred Allison Jr., District Conservationist; and Calvin Devereaux, soil conservationist. Rhonda Ferguson and Elizabeth Griego are employed as District Clerks. Don Humphreys is a Green Thumb employee and Earth Team volunteer. Kenneth Reed, Range Conservationist, who served the district for thirteen years was transferred to Stephenville in June. His assistance is missed badly.

The SWCD works closely with the NRCS to promote all phases of conservation. Your SWCD is proud to present this report of some of the work and accomplishments during the 1997 fiscal year.

Wheeler County SWCD has been involved with the development, servicing, and revising of Food Security Act (FSA) plans. The Conservation Reserve Program Sign up 15 was

## November Constitutional Amendment Election

Here we go again. Another constitutional amendment election is coming up on November 4, 1997. Will we disappoint ourselves at the polls, like we did with the poor voter turnout in August (6.9% - the lowest for a Constitutional Amendment Election ever)? That dismal turnout should be a wake-up call for all of us.

Granted, voter turnout for constitutional amendment elections is historically bad. It generally hovers around 12% to 15%. And it is pretty pathetic when even a 15% turnout starts to look good in comparison.

People do, take action when an issue affects them in a relevant way. 30.6% turned out to vote in 1987, when horse racing was on the ballot. And 26.2% showed up at the polls in 1991 to decide on the Texas lottery. Have you ever heard of someone refusing to buy a lottery ticket because "just one won't make a difference" the way people use the same excuse to stay away from the polls on election day?

The 14 proposed amendments on the November 4 ballot are all relevant. Among them are amendments that would allow homeowners to secure loans using the equity of their homes, to pave the way for tax relief for those who initiate water conservation measures on their property, and to constitutionally protect the Texas Tomorrow Fund prepaid college tuition program to prevent it from going broke.

The right to vote, once a patriotic duty, has become an important to some people as a weekend chore that never seems to get done. "Yeah, yeah, I'll do it - if I get around to it." At a time when many already believe that there are to many elections on too many issues, it's no wonder some people ask, "What's the point?" But when it comes to the Texas Constitution, the "point" has and will always will be, its role in shaping the very way all Texans live today.

If you are concerned about how state government utilizes your tax dollars, your vote is crucial. If you consider the economic future of you and your children a priority, your vote is significant. Your vote allows our State Constitution to remain a living document. But it lives only if all Texans chose to play an active role in shaping it.

Yes, our State Constitution is rather lengthy, but in a sense that's part of the beauty of this grand old parchment. Texans voting on amendments in 1997 play just as significant a role as those who took part in drafting it so many years ago.

Thanks to our State Constitution, we remain forever linked to our proud Texas' past. It is the people of the State of Texas who have always decided what goes in and what remains out of our Constitution. It is the people of the State of Texas who must now decide whether they will keep playing this essential role in our government.

Will we disappoint ourselves on November 4th? Let's not. Let's wake up and let our voices be heard on election day. By combining your voices with many others, before long there will be a loud clamor that's hard to ignore. Make your approval or disapproval clear where your voice still speaks loudest - at the ballot box.

By Tony Garza  
Secretary of State

**CAST YOUR VOTE  
TUESDAY, NOV. 4**



THE WHEELER TIMES

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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

The museum held their work day Saturday. They got a lots of work done toward the new exhibit and lots of filing done. Those working were

Louise Hogan, Bernice Hefley, Maurita Stribling and Melba Corcoran. The group was getting ready for more training.

few of the conservation accomplishments for 1997.

All services of the Natural Resources Conservation Service and the Wheeler County Soil and Water Conservation District are available regardless of age, sex, race, color, religion, handicap or national origin.

## CARD OF THANKS

Words cannot begin to express our "Thanks" for all the kindness shown to us during Peeler's illness and death. We want to thank everyone for the flowers, the memorials, the food, the phone call and visits, and your prayers.

A special thanks to Dr. Mendiola and the nursing staff at Parkview Hospital. Also Parkview Home Health Care, the Wheeler Volunteer Ambulance Service and Wright Funeral Home.

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November 7, at 6 for blood pressures, delicious food, devotional and games of 42 and Chicken Foot. Ya'll Come. Fort Elliott Fall Festival will be Saturday night November 1, about 6 or 6:30 at Mobeetie. Come have fun. There will be many different activities. That is the main fundraiser for several of the classes. Always lots of delicious food and games for all ages. Bob and Gena Zybach hosted a fish and frog leg supper at their garage Friday night to celebrate daughter, Mary Diane Dukes, birthday (is it 45? she looks more like 25.) All their family was there and included Bevard and Diane, Carissa, Deidre and John Paul Harris, Andrea Dukes and Tracy Aldridge from Amarillo, Wayne and Kathy Zybach and Clay and Casey and Steve Zybach. For John Paul Harris' bachelor party, the guys took him frog giggering for most of the night before they got married. Frog legs taste like chicken and were very delicious. They rolled the fish in mustard and then in different batters before frying. Congratulations to Kevin and Heather Shields on the birth of their new baby boy, William Walker, at Elk City, Oklahoma, Tuesday night October 21, 1997. He was welcomed by

big brother Eric and grandparents Mack and Patty Ann Shields and Tim and Debbie Jones. The baby is named for great-grandpa Shields at Wellington. In the three-way volleyball games at Fort Elliott Tuesday night, Fort Elliott defeated Lakeview 15-0 and 15-1 and Lefors 15-1, 15-8. Lefors also defeated Lakeview to be second in district. Fort Elliott is first, so will be in play offs. Lefors, also. Last scheduled volleyball game Tuesday October 28. Fort Elliott Junior High will play their last football game of the season Thursday November 6 at Briscoe with Higgins at 6 p.m. On Thursday October 30 they will travel to Miami to play at 6 p.m. Basketball season starts in mid November. Don't forget to vote November 4, on Amendment. Or vote early in town at the courthouse. Next Monday night, November 3, at 6 p.m. will be Wheeler Senior Citizens with everyone invited for food, fun and games of 88. Try it, you'll like it. Friendly people, delicious food. "There aren't many ways into heaven; The Bible says there's only one: Confessing Christ Jesus as Savior, Believing in God's only son." Sper. Heard on television: The best moisturizing face cream is Crisco Shortening. Betty Farnsworth keeps a little jar of Crisco in her bathroom to use daily. More inexpensive than most things, too. Nice to have Clifford Hefley and Brandi (Mrs. Michael) Hibler come by for a little visit Thursday. Clifford likes to ride around and see the country. Perryton Volleyball team had to cancel their trip to Briscoe Saturday because of the weather. Perryton had snow. Lou Dean Douthit has not been feeling well. Pray for her. Recent weekend visitors to Walter and Patricia Hand's to celebrate Monty Hand's 14th birthday were Buddy (Mark) Murray and Justin Hefley. They ate and played games. Buddy and Monty started kindergarten together, so they always try to get together for birthdays. Visiting Justin Hefley Saturday to celebrate his 14th birthday were Jason Hathaway and Monty Hand. Mary Lou Carter is looking for a job sitting with an elderly person. She has stayed around the clock with Irene Zybach except for a few days off. Irene is now in the hospital extended care at Wheeler. Mary stayed with Irene for four years. They got along good. Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Ted Rackley, 82, of Amarillo in his death. He was married to Stella Sollock, who lived on the north end of our place where Ratliffs lived many years ago. Sharon Grandstaff spent Friday and Saturday night with Lois Hudson. Saturday morning Lois and Sharon went to Wheeler to the cemetery and also visited Margie and B. F. Meadows. Wayne Greear also spent Saturday night with them and helped with the party at Ray Hudsons. They all went to church at Briscoe Sunday and then ate at Ray's. Evelyn Meek visited her Aunt Jewell Holloman Thursday in Wheeler. Also there for lunch were Fannie Mae Bradstreet and Mary Lea Cole. Brad and Sarita Hershman and Dallas and Micaela spent Saturday night and Sunday with Ed and Laurel Hershman. They also visited E. G. and Willa Fillingim. Terri and Londa Crownover and Jed Brooks also visited at E. G.'s. Monday dinner guests at E. G. and Willa's were Leon Fillingim and Laurel Hershman. We had fun at Miami Senior Citizens Monday night - four tables 42, two of Canasta and one of Chicken Foot. Cathy Hunt and granddaughter Brooke visited Addie Swift. Addie goes to all the ball games she can. Not bad for a kid like her. Jeremy and Stacie Fitzer spent Friday night with Clyde and Jane Dukes and Jackie. Saturday they went by and visited Fat and Wanda Childress a little while. Groom Junior High Football team came to Fort Elliott Thursday. The game ended in a tied score. 24 to 24. Both teams still undefeated. Shawn and Amy Everett and Dakota and Coda were weekend visitors to J. P. and Martha Meek. Other Sunday dinner guests were Chuck and Phoebe Hartline and Tamera and Aaron and Don and Cindy Hartsfield and Hayden and Glory. The Everetts are from Grand Prairie. The Hartsfields also spent Saturday night with J. P. and Martha. Other Friday night visitors were Leonard and Bertha Hollis to J. P.'s. Sunday dinner guests of Rosalie Keelin were Gene and Norma Keelin and Tracy, Kara Kay and Daniel. Congratulations to Kay and Scott Luttrell on 21 years of marriage. They celebrated by working cattle and eating supper at Maxey's with Fat and Wanda Childress. Pray for Rosalie Keelin's sister, Thelma Bailey at Dexter, New Mexico. She had a serious heart attack Saturday. She felt so much pressure and pain in her chest and is in the hospital. Weekend visitors to Dean and Georgia Tipps were Terry Tipps and Zachary and Adam. Zach got a turkey with a shot gun. It's all dressed (or undressed) and in the freezer. Other Sunday dinner guests were Jimmy and Tammy Maddox and Jennifer and Amber. Glad to hear that Georgia Tipps is feeling much better. She had a little spell with her heart Tuesday and went to Amarillo to the doctor. Tests were run and her medicine changed. Keep praying for Georgia. Ray Hudson had to work Tuesday

and Wednesday in Colorado. Think he was happy to get back home before that early blizzard hit. Several Jones' gathered at Maxey's Sunday for lunch to celebrate Harold Jones' 70th birthday and before Troy and Lona go back to Arizona. Some others there were Kathryn Jones, Nona Jones, Bill and Kay Donaldson, Sharon and Lee Hall and Dean Donaldson and Katie. Happy Birthday, Harold, and many many more. Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Alma Laverne Stickle, 87, of Canadian in her death. Pat Hill of Canadian is a daughter. Happy Birthday Tommy and Shantell Meek. Tommy was eight on October 25 and Shantell 11 on October 27. Some who gathered at the Wayne Meek home on Saturday night to help them celebrate with cake and ice cream were Lois Meadows, Evelyn Meek, J.P. and Martha Meek, Chuck and Phoebe Hartline and Tamera and Aaron, Shawn and Amy Everett and Dakota and Coda, Don and Cindy Hartsfield and Hayden and Glory, Kevin and Pam Ratliff and Kevin and Jona Meek. Kevin Ratliff also had a birthday on Saturday. Nice to have Brad and Sue Chandler join us for lunch at Maxey's Sunday. He is just back from New Guinea. They have several chimneys to clean. Hard working people. George and Helen Gordon from Oregon visited with Olaf Siviage recently. They went to school at Mobeetie and Canyon together for several years. Olaf and George played football for Mobeetie. Think Clinton Meek was their coach. J.P. Meek also played football for Mobeetie and went to college at Canyon and played football on a scholarship. George was over seas during World War II in a prisoner of war camp for over a year. They had lots of things to visit over. They hadn't seen each other in many years. Tia Boydston and Jeannette Jahnel went to Elk City, Oklahoma one day and visited Christian Stinett Brown and Shaylie. Think Cassidy Stinett is planning a wedding. Best wishes. Nice to have Frank and Evelyn Heare meet us for lunch at Furr's in Pampa Friday. Also there Pat Helton and cousin (Tump Helton's son) We also had a refreshing swim (exercise for me) Willis swims. Margaret called back Sunday. She said it was sunshine and very still there today and pretty warm, but huge drifts blocking everywhere. She did have a grandson that came and shoveled a little sidewalk for her. There was a very nice wedding shower for Brandi and Blue Coomer Monday night at Wheeler Church of Christ. Blue (Terry) even helped with the package and made a little speech. Ray and Pat Hudson had a big weekend. Friday night Cheryl Fraley and Steven John, Sonya Hudson and Patrick and Cindy Sweet came for the weekend. Other guests for a Saturday night party were Lois Hudson, Sharon Grandstaff, Wayne Greear, Phil and Becky, Payne and Chris and Pat Mendenhall from Perryton and Michael and Sherry Johnson from Canadian and Michael George. (Lee and Cary George's son). This was for Ray's company party - the Weatherford Compression Service. Ray and Wayne grilled fish and calf fries in spite of the chilly day. Guests brought salads. Sunday the Hudsons celebrated Cheryl's 27th birthday and Patrick's 3rd birthday. Cheryl made him a fancy jeep cake and also brought food for dinner. Some Allison Baptists who come to Wheeler Care Center Sunday to help the Mobeetie Baptists sing and visit with the residents. They were Rev. Bob Meller, Shorty and Helen Crawford and Nadine Lane. They had a church service. "God be with you until we meet again."

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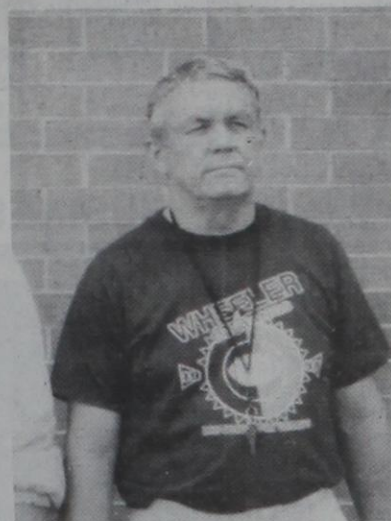
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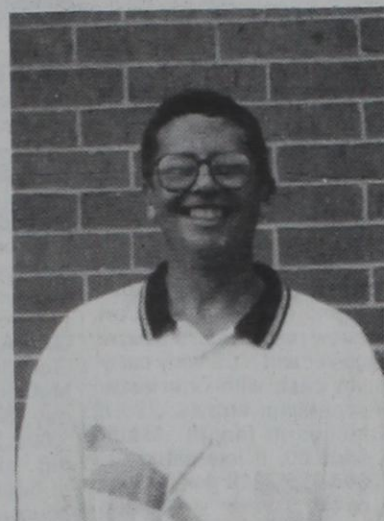
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Brown	5' 11"	165	10
Jerra	5' 6"	130	9
Chapman	5' 7"	130	9
Shorter	5' 6"	140	9
Pass	6' 0"	145	10
edecker	6' 0"	160	11
Dunnam	6' 0"	195	11
Childress	5' 9"	165	10
Phipps	5' 10"	160	9
ones	5' 10"	150	11
Judd	6' 2"	190	12
Davis	5' 10"	180	12
Montgomery	6' 1"	215	11
Dollar	5' 10"	200	10
pad	5' 11"	165	9
Finsterwald	6' 0"	175	9
Judgins	6' 2"	260	10
ivan	5' 11"	175	11
Copeland	5' 10"	190	11
ee	6' 0"	190	12
dollard	5' 11"	210	11
ullivan	5' 8"	165	10
Ledbetter	6' 2"	230	9
oods	5' 10"	195	9
itt	6' 0"	200	11
asters	6' 2"	180	10
al Hawks	5' 9"	145	10

Head Coach: Jim Verden  
 Assistant Coaches: Phil Bailey, Kenny Rutherford, Shane Whiteley  
 Managers: Paul Arganbright, Creede McQueen, Brad Childers, Blaine Rutherford  
 Cheerleaders: Brad Mitchell  
 Band Sponsor: Cathy Burrell  
 Sponsors: Kristen Marion, captain, Ashley Ware, Jen-  
 Shepard, Whitney Simmons, Haley Hipkins,  
 Der Hanning, Lauren Weaver, mascot

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## GRUVER GREYHOUNDS

4	Victor Luciano	5' 6"	135	Rec-DB	Sr
12	Dallas Henson	5' 10"	140	QB-DB	So
18	Jim Potts	6' 3"	195	QB-LB	Jr
20	Kyle McNett	5' 9"	150	RB-DB	Sr
21	Clint Robinson	5' 6"	130	RB-DB	Jr
22	Brant Armes	5' 9"	150	RB-DB	Sr
24	Travis Bayless	6' 1"	163	RB-DB	Sr
32	Jason May	5' 9"	170	FB-LB	Sr
48	Bray Armes	5' 11"	160	TE-LB	So
49	Justin Johnson	5' 10"	150	TE-LB	Sr
50	Luke Johnson	5' 9"	180	OL-DL	Jr
51	TJ McClure	5' 9"	180	OL-DE	Jr
52	Jeff McClure	5' 9"	183	OL-LB	Jr
53	Jason Tebeest	5' 9"	160	OL-DE	Jr
54	Jody Robinson	6' 0"	175	OL-LB	Sr
55	Rob Murrell	6' 3"	198	OL-DL	Sr
56	Jared Johnson	6' 3"	200	OL-DE	Sr
57	Clayton Henson	5' 8"	160	OL-LB	Jr
58	Roland Herrera	5' 9"	160	OL-DL	Sr
80	Greg Slough	5' 8"	140	Rec-DB	Jr
88	Buster McLain	5' 11"	150	Rec-DB	Sr

Head Coach: Doug Frick  
 Assistant Coaches: John Duncan, Lonnie Burnam, Jim Davis, and Glenn Hallum  
 Superintendent: Barry Haensch  
 Managers: Kevin Harris, Scott Hindergardt, Guy Paul Hindergardt, and Kasey Harris  
 Cheerleaders: Steffany Simon, Holly McCloy, Becky Cassidy, Erika Salmans, Annie Mayhew, and Cayla Simon  
 Band Director: Todd Parker

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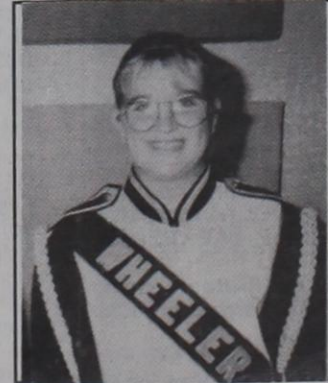
TINA MCWHORTER  
 Fresh. — Trumpet



RACHEL RIEMER  
 Fresh. — Clarinet



JOTANA SIMMONS  
 Fresh. — Clarinet



JACINDA WATSON  
 Fresh. — Clarinet



quet. She brought \$175 in the sale ring.  
Congratulations to our Cynthia Dolloff, Kimberley and Kelli Austin of Erick, Oklahoma. They won a week in London where they will appear in

the New Year's Parade and do a dance routine with some 1,000 other young folks from the states. Cynthia's folks are Mike and Rhonda Richardson.  
Billy Doss called to say she and

Basil were doing better. Her brother Bob Copeland is out of ICU after surgery. His wife Joyce fell and broke her ankle and has her foot in a cast.  
Our neighbors Judy Tipton made a misstep while visiting Tammy and family in Texas. She is getting around rather slowly.



Eva Atkinson and Brad went to Stillwater Friday where Brad attended Scholar Day at OSU.  
This is Fall Back Day. Hope everyone remembered and enjoyed the extra hour of sleep. One time the church decided not to fall back until the evening service. We didn't know and did it on Saturday. They were half done when we got there.  
Saw quite a few folks in town on Saturday. Ollie Myers, Ann Mills, Nyla Tenney, Colleen Gordon and Mrs. Thomson from Lawton who used to live at Sunny Point.  
Woody Miller was honored with a reception Sunday at the cowboy banquet room on the occasion of his 85th birthday. Hosts were his children and grandchildren.  
Memorial services for George Kerr, 92, were held at the Erick Baptist Church Friday. He was one of our old timers and the school custodian for years. I went to school with some Kerr boys that I think were his younger brothers. Burial was in the Erick Cemetery.  
Funeral services were at Carmichael Whitley Colonial Chapel in Pampa for Weldon Terry, 78. Back in the late '20's the Owen Terry family lived in the Mayfield Community and we all went to school at Friendship. A few years ago we got to see all of them at the reunion. Burial was in the Fairview Cemetery. His broth-

ers were Foy, W.O. and Leon. Sister were Juanita, Vastalee and Ida May.  
Visiting Ray and Doris Smith during the week were Keith and Marguerita Kinder, Cordell and Brad and Stephanie Marcum, of Elk City, Oklahoma.  
Millie and Kirsten Greene were driving five miles south of Sayre, Oklahoma when a deer ran in front of them. He caved in the hood and grill of the car and was killed. Kirsten had a bruised arm that was treated at the Elk City hospital emergency room. The highway patrolman told them that if they had been going any faster that the deer would have gone through the car windshield.  
Lori Thompson visited Birdie Whipkey this week. Birdie, 105, is doing well. Helen Smith and Lisa Cox stay with her during the week.  
Iva Thompson spent the weekend at Sayre with Peggy and Leroy Dunlap. Peggy had a birthday supper for Leroy.  
Other guests were Darin home from OSU, Dale and family from Wellington, Texas and Harry and Melba Dunlap, of Sayre.  
Birthday folks are A.B. Witt, Frank Haag, Dub White, Sabrina Ford, Gerald Tipton, Tommy Tucker, Joel Welch, Gay Fowler, Dusty Drake and Kevin Davis. A.B. and Laurell Witt had an anniversary on the 31st. Happiness to all.

**Wheeler Church of Christ**

**Congregational Concerns:**  
The fall lectureship of this congregation will be held on Saturday night, November 1st, and Sunday morning, November 2nd. Dr. Neil Lightfoot, a Bible professor from Abilene Christian University, will be the speaker. His topic will be, "The History of the English Bible." Some copies of the schedule of this lectureship are on the table in the lobby.  
Following the morning worship service on Sunday morning, a fellowship luncheon will be held in the multipurpose building. At the conclusion of this luncheon, Dr. Lightfoot will hold a question and an answer session. Following this question and answer session, the evening worship service will be held in the multipurpose building.  
The Church of Christ in Sayre, Oklahoma will host a "Ladies Fellowship" on Tuesday night, November 4. Information about this fellowship is posted on the bulletin board.  
Congratulations must be expressed to Eunice Edwards who celebrated her ninety-third birthday on Tuesday, October 28th.  
Larry Finsterwald has been released from the hospital in Dallas. He is now recuperating at his home.  
Lewis Rogers is hospitalized in the local hospital. His condition has improved and he may be released in the next few days.  
Watson Burgess recently suffered a heart attack. He is hospitalized in Corpus Christi. His condition is slowly improving.  
Sympathy must be expressed to Joyce Perkins upon the death of her sister-in-law, Lou Cox. The funeral was held last Tuesday in Lubbock.  
Sympathy must be expressed to Monk Bowerman upon the death of his brother, Cad Bowerman. The funeral was held last Wednesday in Amarillo.  
Sympathy must be expressed to the family of Billie Hefley. Mr. Hefley died last Saturday night and his funeral was held last Monday afternoon in Shamrock.

**From the Minister's Desk:**

A great Biblical truth is stated on the bumper sticker that says: "Christians are not perfect—just forgiven." Yet this great truth is misunderstood by people who are not Christians and it is misunderstood by people who are. The reason for this misunderstanding is that they believe Christians are sinlessly perfect.  
To correct this misunderstanding, there are two observations that must be made. These two observations are:  
1. The New Testament affirms that salvation is by the grace of God not man's attainment. Ephesians 2:8-9 says: "By grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is a gift of God; not as a result of works, that no one should boast. There are two phrases in this text that must be emphasized.  
The first phrase is: "—By grace—." Salvation is by the grace of God which is a demonstration of the love of God that is unearned, undeserved, and unpayable. Salvation is not the result of a business transaction between God and man. It is "—the free gift of God—" that man receives. (Romans 6:23)  
Then the second phrase is: "—Through faith—." Salvation is by the grace of God which is found in Jesus Christ. And access to this grace is "—through faith—" in Jesus Christ. Such a faith is tangible, expressing itself through obedience and service to the Lordship of Jesus Christ. (James 2:14-26)  
Salvation is rooted in the grace of God not the perfection of man.  
2. The grace of God is a continuous need in the lives of Christians. Someone has observed that there

are only types of sinners—lost and saved. Christians are not people who are sinlessly perfect. Rather they are forgiven sinners—forgiven by their obedient faith in Jesus Christ.  
For example, consider the Apostle Paul. This man is usually idolized as a "super Christian". But he evaluated himself by saying: "—I was formerly a blasphemer and a persecutor—" and then he said: "It is a trustworthy statement, deserving full acceptance, that Jesus came into the world to save sinners, among whom I am foremost of all." (1 Timothy 1:13,15)  
Notice the change in tense that the Apostle Paul used. He changed from past to present. He said: "—Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, among whom I am foremost of all." The Apostle Paul realized that he had daily sins, but he also realized that these sins could be forgiven. He said: "—Yet for this reason I found mercy, in order that in me as the foremost, Jesus Christ might demonstrate His perfect patience as an example for those who would believe in Him for eternal life. (1 Timothy 1:16)  
For Christians, the grace of God is not only the purging power for past sins. It is the purging power for present sins. Christians are saved by the grace of God and it is the grace of God that keeps them saved.  
The bumper sticker is Correct! Christians are not perfect; they are forgiven—by the grace of God.

Bill Morrison, Minister  
Church of Christ  
Wheeler, Texas

Services:  
Sunday Bible Study ..... 10:00 A.M.  
Sunday Morning Worship ... 11:00 A.M.  
Sunday Night Worship ..... 6:00 P.M.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:30 P.M.

An Invitation: You are cordially invited to attend any of the weekly services of the Wheeler Church of Christ which meets at 1001 S. Alan Bean Blvd, in Wheeler, Texas

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Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.



**"Halloween House" Will Be Open Wed. & Fri. Eve.**

This year, the "Hallowed House '97", will be three nights: Wednesday, October 29; Thursday, October 30, and Friday, October 31. The hours will be 7-9 p.m. each night.  
Guided tours will lead our guests through this dramatization of the most vicious supernatural battle of all time: Jesus vs. Satan. Each tour will last about 20 minutes.  
This dramatization, which originated in Pampa at Calvary Baptist Church, has drawn local and national appeal. This is the fifth year for the program. In the previous four years, it has drawn over 4,000 visitors.  
In addition, a national magazine did an article, several churches from around the country have called requesting information on the "Hallowed House '97."  
A fully costumed cast and crew of over 100 will participate in this year's

DO YOU RECOGNIZE THIS PICTURE: Thanks to Ruth Dill Wiley these people were identified. Back row in the truck are: C.L. Balch, Joe Meek, Raymond Creekmore, Elizabeth Joss, Thelma Bradstreet, Augusta Guynes, Florene Callan, Willie Mae Hollabough, Ruth Dill, Mary Noah. Middle row, standing are: Velma Pillars, Doreen Woods, Mae Puett, Johnnie Ficke, Marguerite Ficke, Bessie Mae Ficke, Winona Adams-Sponsor, Leota McFall, Christopher McClain, Exie Creekmore, Billie McCarroll, A.B. Turner. Front row, kneeling are Inez Shipman, Walter Adams, Dewey Vise, Early Farris, Earl Sivage, J.C. Turner. Class members not shown are Lorene Roper and John May.

"Hallowed House '97". Professional lighting, scenery, and special effects will be used to create the setting for Christ's battle with Satan. A true to life crucifixion and resurrection scene will close the program.  
The "Hallowed House '97" is directed by Rick Pearson. It is free and is located at Calvary Baptist Church, 900 E. 23rd. Street, in Pampa. (One

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TUESDAY: Chicken Strips, Macaroni and Tomatoes, Coleslaw, Bread, Margarine, Bread Pudding with Lemon Sauce  
WEDNESDAY: Hamburger Steak, Gravy, Black-eyed Peas, Fried Zucchini, Corn Bread, Margarine, Plum Pudding  
THURSDAY: Cheese Enchiladas, Spanish Rice, Refried Beans, Parsley Garnish, Pineapple Tidbits with Cherry Garnish  
FRIDAY: Savory Beef with Roasted Vegetables, Oven-Browned Potatoes, Bread, Margarine, Cheese Cake



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**NOVEMBER 1997**

This Calendar runs the last Thursday of Each Month and is available for Organizations & School Activities. Call: 806/826-3123 for listings.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>CROSS CAR CENTER</b> 24 Hour Wrecker Serv. Auto Body Repair Phone: 806/826-5515 Intersection Hwy. 152 & 83 Wheeler,	<b>FIRST STATE BANK OF MOBEETIE</b> Mobeetie & Wheeler Member: F.D.I.C.	<b>HYLAND'S PHARMACY</b> 109 East Texas — Wheeler Phone: 826-5561 DOUBLE COUPONS EVERYDAY Limit: 75¢-\$1.00 \$1.00 Coupons: \$1.00	<b>Wheeler Banking Center</b> 405 Alan Bean Wheeler, TX Phone: 826-5566 Wellington State Bank Wellington, Texas Member: F.D.I.C.			
<b>2</b> First Baptist Church of Wheeler Wheeler Care Cr. .... 3:00 P.M.	<b>3</b> Kiwanis ..... 12 Noon Meth. Fellowship Hall AF-AM Lodge ..... 7:30 P.M. Wheeler S. Citiz. .... 6:00 P.M. Mobeetie City Coun. .... 7:00 P.M. ARC of Texas ..... 6:00 P.M. Meth. Fellowship Hall	<b>4</b> Wheeler Lions Club Sparlins ..... 6:00 A.M. Driver's License Trooper Wheeler Courthouse ..... 9:00-4:00	<b>5</b> Wheeler Senior Citizens Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M.	<b>6</b> Wheeler Sr. Citizens Blood Press. Clinic ..... 9-12 Noon W. Sr. Ctns. Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M. Old Mobeetie Ass'n. Old Masonic Lodge Bldg. .... 7:00 P.M. Wheeler Fire Dept. .... 7:00 P.M.	<b>7</b> END OF SECOND SIX-WEEKS Wheeler I.S.D.	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> First Baptist Church of Allison Wheeler Care Cr. .... 3:00 P.M.	<b>10</b> Kiwanis ..... 12 Noon Meth. Fellowship Hall AF-AM Lodge ..... 7:30 P.M. Comm. Court ..... 10:00 A.M. Fl. Elliott I.S.D. Bd. .... 7:00 P.M. Kelton I.S.D. Bd. .... 7:30 P.M. Birthday Party ..... 2:30 P.M. Care Center (W. Meth. Ch.)	<b>11</b> Veterans Day Wheeler Sch. Cafeteria Mobeetie Fire Dept. .... 7:00 P.M. Wheeler Lions Club Sparlins ..... 6:00 A.M. American Legion ..... 7:30 P.M. Wheeler Vol. Fire Dept.	<b>12</b> Wheeler Senior Citizens Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M.	<b>13</b> Wheeler Senior Citizens Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M. Allison I.S.D. Bd. .... 7:00 P.M. Wheeler I.S.D. Bd. .... 7:00 P.M.	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> First Baptist Church of Mobeetie Wheeler Care Cr. .... 3:00 P.M.	<b>17</b> Kiwanis ..... 12 Noon Meth. Fellowship Hall AF-AM Lodge ..... 7:30 P.M. City Council City Hall 9:00 A.M.	<b>18</b> Wheeler Lions Club Sparlins ..... 6:00 A.M. Driver's License Trooper Wheeler Courthouse ..... 9:00-4:00	<b>19</b> Wheeler Senior Citizens Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M.	<b>20</b> Wheeler Senior Citizens Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M. Wheeler Fire Dept. .... 7:00 P.M.	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Kiwanis ..... 12 Noon Meth. Fellowship Hall AF-AM Lodge ..... 7:30 P.M. Comm. Court ..... 10:00 A.M.	<b>25</b> Wheeler Lions Club Sparlins ..... 6:00 A.M.	<b>26</b> Wheeler Senior Citizens Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M.	<b>27</b> Wheeler Senior Citizens Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M.	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b>	THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS					

# SWCD Directors Are Elected

Eric Zybach, of Briscoe, was re-elected to the Wheeler County SWCD board of directors on October 2. Zybach represents Zone Five of the District.

The purpose of the Wheeler County SWCD, with headquarters in Wheeler, is to promote sound soil and water conservation programs on agricultural lands within the district.

In addition, the district serves as a voice for farmers, ranchers and local community entities on conservation matters.

The board of directors coordinate the conservation efforts of various local, state and federal agencies and other organizations and has the authority to enter into working agreements with these governmental agencies and private concerns to carry out

its purposes.

The five members serving on the district board of directors are responsible for district policies and procedure for carrying out the district law.

In Texas there are 216 soil and water conservation districts. Each is a legal subdivision of state government organized by local agricultural landowners with the assistance of the

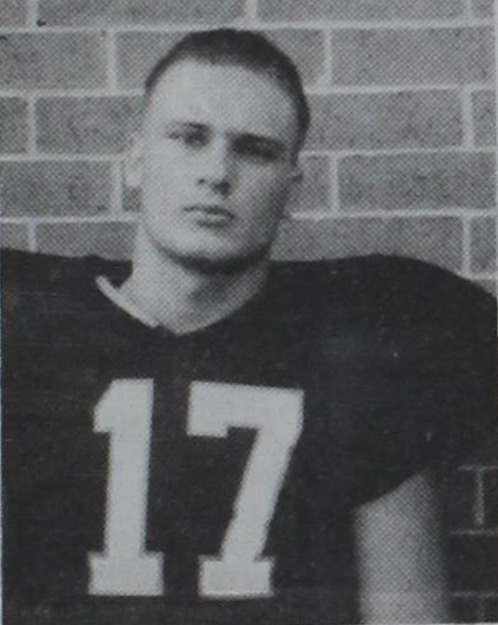
## Jerry Mason To Speak On Financial Planning

The Hemphill County Extension Office will host speaker Jerry Mason, a financial planning specialist with Texas A&M University System and an associate professor at Texas Tech University on Monday, November 3, at 6:30 p.m. at the Canadian High School.

Mason will be discussing two areas of financial planning: college financial aid and mutual funds as an aid to financial retirement. The discussion on college financial aid (using the internet), will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the high school foyer. The discussion on mutual funds will begin at 7:30 p.m.

"Both talks have really broad appeal," Mason said. "The financial aid discussion is important for parents with children of all ages. I can promise you neither parents nor students understand how financial aid works," he said. "Most are eligible for more than they ever receive." Mason recommends the discussion of mutual funds to anyone between the ages of 18 and 65. "It is for everyone who is concerned about retirement," he said. "You can use mutual funds as a major source of financial retirement."

Mason delivers about 80 workshops each year. The workshop on "Financial Management for Students & Families", which is free to the public, is Mason's fourth workshop in Canadian. The community has always benefited from his talks. For more information, call the Hemphill County Extension Office at 806-323-9114.



Wheeler quarterback **Aaron Dunnam** ran for 71 yards on 10 carries and a touchdown and had two touchdown passes in a 44-0 win over Shamrock. Dunnam was given Honorable Mention in the Globe-News 'Player of the Week'.



**Bryan Judd** had 65 yards on eight carries and three touchdowns in the game against Shamrock Friday evening. The final score was 44-0. Bryan earned an Honorable Mention in the Globe-News 'Player of the Week'.

## Chat

(From Page 8)

Branson, MO., to visit Raymond and Darla Stas. Making the trip with us were Jennifer and Brice and our chauffeur, William.

—cwe—

A 'fast track', 'slick track' and miniature golf course were the activities early in the day and the "Dixie Stampede" served our dinner and entertained us in the evening prior to the card playing.

—cwe—

Fortunately the weather in Branson was much nicer than reported here Saturday. It was cool and got a little wet before we finished the golf game.

—cwe—

Raymond and Darla was excellent hosts.

—cwe—

We returned home Sunday evening to find 0.2 inches of moisture had fallen; some in the form of snow.

—cwe—

On Monday evening it was back to the card table and **revenge is sweet!** I am sorry Barbara was not on the winning team. Unfortunately Mike was the only one I got revenge on; the other two, Jane and Patsy, were my partners this week. My team won all three games. An unnamed player was third person on the other team.

—cwe—

Now do you remember what you are supposed to do Saturday? Start the day at the Pancake Breakfast, from there you can go to the Methodist Church, shop and go back that evening for the meal. After the meal at the Methodist Church, go out to the ARC Fall Festival.

Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board.

Unlike most other legal subdivisions of state government, SWCD's do not have powers of taxation or

eminent domain. All conservation programs managed by the district are of a voluntary nature to the landowner or operator or other potential users of the SWCD's programs.



# Chamber Urges Vote FOR 1/2c Tax

The Wheeler Chamber of Commerce met Tuesday to discuss the upcoming vote on the half-cent city sales tax to fund economic development for Wheeler. It was pointed out at the meeting that passing the measure could generate revenues that could be used for a variety of projects to improve the quality of life for Wheeler residents. Projects that are already under consideration include a community center with auditorium/banquet facilities, improved library facilities, and meeting rooms for Scouts and senior citizens; improved recreational facilities for the city park with new playground equipment and lighting for the hall fields; and a facility for overnight RV parking.

While revenues generated by the proposed measure would not be sufficient to carry out most of the projects without more funding, the economic development money could be used as matching funds to apply for grants to fund the projects.

A question was raised as to why Wheeler had not brought an economic development sales tax to a vote before now. The answer was that the original legislation allowing cities to fund economic development through a half-cent sales tax was very restrictive in the use of the money. Originally, money generated by the sales tax had to be used to hire an economic development director and attract new business to the city. While this was good in theory, the amount of money generated by a sales tax in a city the size of Wheeler would not be sufficient to hire an economic director.

New legislation allows much more flexibility in the use of the money. It does not require a city to create a salaried position. Instead, the City Council appoints a seven-member board of city residents to determine the use of the money generated. The legislation also lists a wide variety of uses for the money. A city the size of Wheeler would be able to use the funds generated for projects that would benefit the community, but might not directly attract new business to the area. However, anything that improves the quality of life for Wheeler residents would make Wheeler more attractive to a business looking for a place to locate.

Based on past years' sales tax figures, a half-cent increase would generate nearly \$30,000 that could be used by the board to improve life in Wheeler. While that is a substantial amount of money, the cost to the individual consumer would be nominal. Spending \$1,000 on taxable items would only increase the tax by five dollars.

Presently, Wheeler has the lowest sales tax rate in the area. Wheeler is also the only city in the area that does not have an economic development sales tax in effect. Wheeler residents pay for the economic development of cities like Amarillo, Pampa, Canadian, Elk City, and Shamrock every time they shop in those cities. We do not fund our own economic development. A half-cent sales tax increase would bring our tax rate in line with other area cities, and would be an investment in the future of Wheeler.

## Extension Update

By Joan Gray, CEA-HE

### CREDIT, LAYAWAY OR RENT-TO-OWN

Appliances, furniture and other big ticket items present consumers who cannot afford to pay the cash price a costly decision. Some consumers assume that because rent-to-own offers a weekly or monthly payment option with no interest, it is the best buy. Before signing any contract, figure the actual cost of credit, rent-to-own, and layaway if offered as an option.

The following is an example. Your consumer choices may be different.

If you wanted to buy an appliance that cost \$258 cash, and they offered you layaway payments of \$43 a month for six months, the total cost would still be \$258.

If the same store had a credit plan or accepted your payment through a bank credit card on which you paid 21% interest, over the next 20 months you would make the minimum payment of \$15 a month, adding up to a total cost of \$303. If you could pay the creditor \$43 a month as you would have for layaway, it would take 7 months and cost a total of \$270 to buy the appliance using credit.

You may think that you would rather use rent-to-own because you pay only \$18 a week for 78 weeks (18 months) and no interest. However, the total cost is \$1,404. Furthermore while paying 444% in interest, your good faith rent-to-own payments are not recorded on your credit record to build a credit record.

Consider all your payment options when buying something that cost more than you can pay for with cash. Figure the actual cost or ask the sales person to show you the total actual cost before making a decision and signing a contract.

## VOTE TUES., NOV. 4

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**PLAY IT AGAIN:** The Mustang Band plays the Fight Song after the Mustangs score yet another touchdown in Friday's game.  
— Photo compliments of Azzip Pizza



**IN THE MIDDLE:** Casey Childress finds himself in the middle of a pile of Irish defenders.  
— Photo compliments of Azzip Pizza



**AWARD WINNERS:** Winners at the Wheeler County 4-H Achievement Banquet on Wednesday evening are (back row) Katie Shipp, Brad Masters, Kyle Masters, John Hefley, Julia Tice, (middle row) Amy Kliever, Allison Bray, Malorie Tice, Savanna Shipp, Azriel Krulik, (front row) Sabrina Dupont, Sheldon Cornett, Tim Allen, Josiah Krulik and Jerry Tice. The banquet was held at the Irish Inn in Shamrock.

# CAST YOUR VOTE TUESDAY, NOV. 4

- | Pct. # | Location                   |
|--------|----------------------------|
| 1      | First State Bank, Mobeetie |
| 2      | Wheeler Sr. Citizens Bldg  |
| 3      | Commissioners Ct. Room     |
| 4      | Allison School             |
| 5      | Heald Methodist Church     |
| 6      | Lela School                |
| 7      | Kelton School              |
| 8      | Shamrock City Hall         |
| 9      | Shamrock JrHi Gym          |
| 10     | Briscoe School             |
| Early  | County Clerks Office       |

## Hospital Notes

### Old Admissions

Winifred Buckingham  
Estelle Orr

### New Admissions

10-18 Viola Cooper  
Renita Holland  
10-19 Willie Morris  
10-21 Georgia Tipps  
10-23 Lewis Rogers  
Sallie Harris  
10-24 John Holcomb  
10-25 Zonia Zepeda  
Loneta Young  
10-26 Melanie Simmons  
Lina Jackson

### Dismissals

10-21 Georgia Tipps  
Renita Holland  
10-22 Michaela Hubbard  
Mae Helton  
10-24 Viola Cooper  
Gladis Andrews  
10-26 Zonia Zepeda

## Mustangs

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yards passing, for a total of 127 yards. They were 4-11 passing with 0 interceptions. They punted the ball 7 times for a 35 yard average. The Irish fumbled twice but did not lose any of them. They were penalized 6 times for 36 yards.

Friday night the Mustangs will travel to Gruver to take on the Gruver Greyhounds. Both teams enter this game boasting 3-0 district records. The winner of this game will come away with the district lead. The game will begin at 7:30.

## West Tex.

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points and Kade Zybach with 1240 points.

"Our students accumulate points by having academic balance, being on Bible Club, earning honor merits and having "A" or "B" PACE averages. Points are deducted for demerits and detentions," said Pauline Zybach, PLC Supervisor.

In the Upper Learning Center (high school) making "B" Honor Roll were April Forgay, Suzy Galutia, Danielle Gearhart, Douglas Rankin, Clayton Smith, Julie Stone and Marcos Vaquera. Eric Laughlin was on the "A" Honor Roll.

The three students with the highest PACE average were Garret Ware, 95.08; Niki Galutia, 95.65; and Eric Laughlin, 98.23.

Outstanding students of the first quarter were April Forgay, 880 points; Suzy Galutia, 910 points; and Danielle Gearhart with 1120 point. The ULC uses the same point system to determine Outstanding Students as does the PLC.

## Woollard

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navigation, patrols, ambushes and night land navigation.

Woollard's unit is an expeditionary intervention force with the ability to rapidly organize for combat operations in virtually any environment. MEUs are composed of more than 2,000 personnel and are divided into an infantry battalion, an aircraft squadron, a support group and a command element.

With the combination of these teams, Woollard's unit supplies and sustains itself for either quick mission accomplishment or clearing the way for follow-on forces.

The 1994 graduate of Wheeler High School of Wheeler, joined the Marine Corps in August 1994.

## ARC

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caring individuals, some of us have loved ones with disabilities and some work with individuals and disabilities and care very much for their welfare. Here is a list of some of the booths at our Festival:

WHS Cheerleaders - cokes  
Country Chapel Ladies Group - Baked potatoes and Frito Pie  
Country Chapel Youth - Sand treasure game and balloon dart game  
X1 - Upsilon - Eta - cotton candy/snow cones and the duck pond.  
Special Olympics basketball throw and bowling

Girl Scouts - picture buttons  
Arc of Texas - Bingo and cake walk  
Spanish Mission - Enchiladas / Tamales

Come out and support these non profit organization and have fun at the same time.

## Care Center

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Miss Molly, a 2-year-old basset hound, was given to the facility by Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Martindale of Shamrock. She came complete with papers and fleas—she was willing to share the fleas. She is supposed to stay outside, but makes the most of every opportunity to get inside. A new dog house has been ordered to make her more comfortable. Miss Molly of Cedar Town, Ga, making her a true Georgia Peach.

Wheeler Care Center now has 72 residents in the 90 bed facility.