



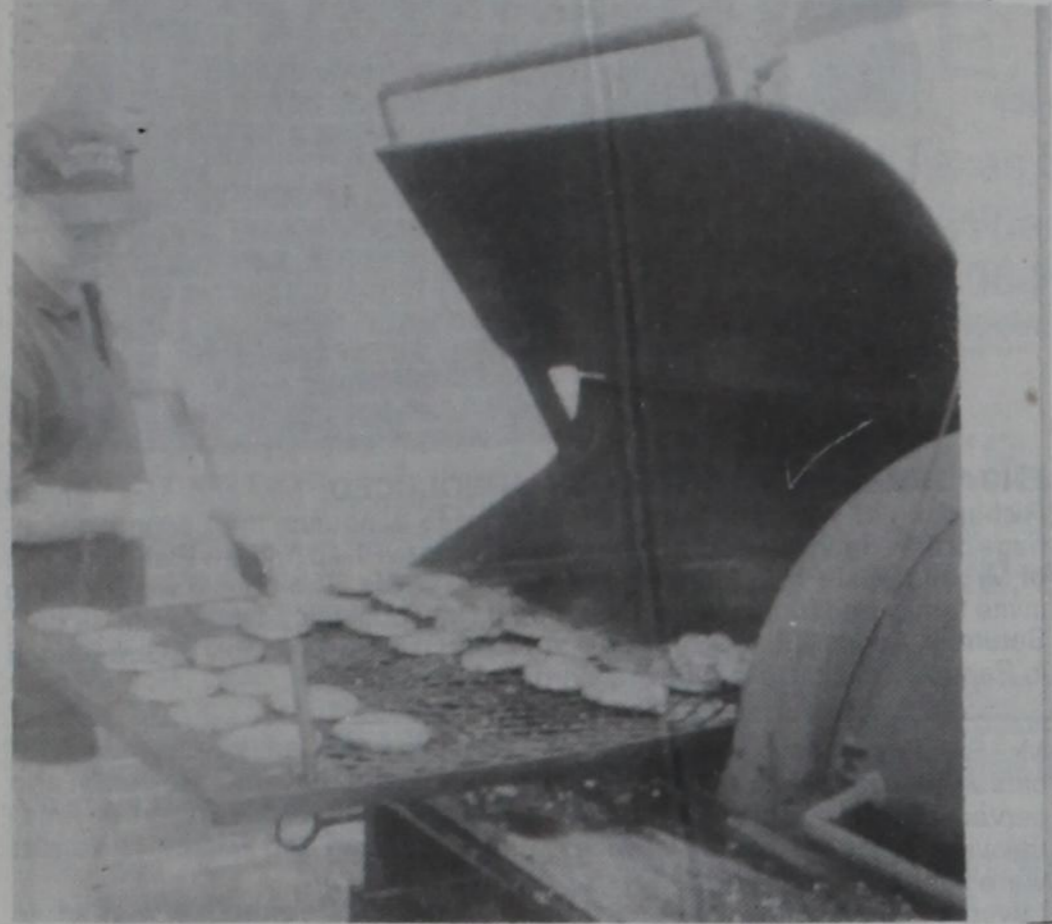
# THE WHEELER TIMES

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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."



**LOTS OF GOOD EATING:** The Mustang Boosters held their annual "Meet the Mustangs" Tuesday evening, August 25. The 89 degree weather was excellent for hamburgers and the trimmings and spending a little time in the stands to meet Wheeler's athletes for 1998-99. Athletes, cheerleaders and band members were introduced. Buck Dollar is shown here turning a few of the hamburgers cooked for the event.

## CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

Volunteer Services in Wheeler, both Ambulance and Fire Department, are a success, due to the people willing to give of their time. And, 'Roses' and a 'Tip of the Hat' to these individuals.

But, there are those we have forgotten. The Employers of these volunteers deserve a 'Tip of the Hat'. For letting their employees take time from their jobs to volunteer. THANKS!

This was brought to my attention by Mary K. this past week. We had eight ambulance calls this past week. Parkview Hospital, Bill Robertson, Wheeler County Precinct 2, Tommie Puryear, and Hyland's Pharmacy, Tommie and Sharla, all let employees take time from their jobs. THANKS again!

I had an early appointment Wednesday morning—6:00 A.M.—to take a picture of Wheeler's Cross Country team.

Problems. After two tries to take the picture, the athletes were sent out to complete their assigned running for the morning. As I returned to the office, it dawned on me that I had just put in a new box of film and the film could be the problem. Problem solved.

Rob Schaffer is back behind the cameras for football pictures. He took time from Azzip to make group pictures earlier for me and this week offers pictures of the scrimmage with Canadian. Thanks, Rob.

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## Wheeler County-Wide Better Bake Workshop

The Wheeler County Extension Service will conduct a better baking workshop on Saturday, August 29, 1998 at the Coin and Copper Room at the Wheeler Banking Center. The workshop will start at 9:30 a.m. Joan Gray will be conducting the workshop. This workshop will be a warm-up for those wanting to participate in the County-Wide Bake Show. Everyone is invited to participate. If you have any questions, please call Joan Gray at the Wheeler County Extension Office. 826-5243.



**COUGAR VOLLEYBALL:** The Lady Cougars at Ft. Elliott will be giving their opponents on the volleyball court some tough competition this season. Team members are (back row: l to r) Marliana Helton, Jennifer Maddox, Carissa Dukes, Candy Hilburn, Amber Estes, Ashley Estes; (middle) Samantha Rowe, Reagan Meadows, Casey Zybach, Lee Scales, Kirbie Kinnaman; (front) Stephanie Baker, Julie Zybach, Susie Luttrell, Ja'Nae Goad, Amanda Mick, and Coach Russell Schaub.

## MOBEETIE EX-STUDENT REUNION, OLD SETTLERS REUNION PLANNED

The Old Mobeetie Jail will be the site of the 47th annual Mobeetie Old Settlers Reunion on Labor Day, September 7, 1998. In addition to the Old Settlers Reunion, Mobeetie Ex-Students will be sharing memories Saturday, following a parade in downtown Mobeetie to kick-off activities over the weekend.

The 15th annual parade will be held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday. Those interested in being in the parade are urged to be across the street north from the First State Bank of Mobeetie at 9:00 to get their place and numbers. Parade entries will be judged and prized awarded.

There are several categories open for all area students: preschoolers, adults, businesses and clubs. Come join the fun. Plaques or ribbons to all winners and participants.

The categories available are: 1. Costumes: Birth to 5th grade; 2. Costumes: 6th grade to adult; 3. Skates; 4. Tricycles; 5. Bicycles; 6. Horses and Horseback riders; 7. Wagons and Buggies; 8. Non-Commercial Floats; 9. Motorcycles and 3 & 4 Wheelers; 10. Antique Cars and Tractors; 11. Commercial Floats.

Your participation is greatly appreciated.

The school gym will open at 10:00

a.m. for registration and visiting to begin. All former students and teachers are invited to attend. There will be sandwiches for lunch. The business meeting will be held at 4:00 p.m., followed by a catered barbecue dinner by Steve Walker at 5:00 p.m. Drawing for door prizes will be held during the meeting. Chances on a quilt will be offered throughout the day and the drawing will be held at the business meeting. The Gary Morris Fighting Hornet Award will be awarded to person traveling the most miles. A plaque will be presented to the oldest in attendance. Old Fighting Hornet basketball suits will be for sale. They will be on display throughout the day on the stage at the Gym.

All classes ending in 8 will be honored this year.

Saturday evening, the annual dance will be held at the Arbor at the jail in Old Town. The dance will begin at 9:00 p.m. and continue to 1:00 a.m. "Snyders" will furnish the music for the evening. Admission will be \$5.00 per person.

Sunday will be a day of visiting and remembering labor days past, as families and close friends get together.

On Monday, the 'Old Settlers' will begin gathering at the old jail for a day of activities and visiting. Registration will begin at 9:00 a.m. in the Lodge Building. Barbeque will be served at noon and entertainment will be from 1:00 until 3:00 p.m.

RV hookups are available for \$6.00 per night.



**LINED UP:** Two serving lines were set up at the annual "Meet the Mustangs" Tuesday evening. Athlete's mothers kept the tables full of food, while the athletes and fans fixed their hamburgers.



**COUGAR FOOTBALL:** The Ft. Elliott Cougars will open their football season on September 4 with a game with Lefors. The team scrimmaged last Friday with McLean and Follett. Team members looking forward to an excellent season are: (back row: l to r) Richard Rowe, 14; George Reeves, 33; Michael Hilburn, 55; Aaron Hartline, 30; Nathan Hefley, 1; Curt Smith, 8; Clay Zybach, 21; (front) C. J. Bryant, 22; Justin Hefley, 50; Andy Finsterwald, 12; Tanner Smith, 88; Monty Hand, 34; not pictured Charly Helton, 12.

## St. Jude "Wheels for Life" Sept. 19

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital has announced plans for the



**WHEELER JR. HIGH CHEERLEADERS:** This summer the Wheeler Jr. High Cheerleaders attended a one day cheer camp at West Texas A&M University. During the day the girls learned many cheers, sideline chants, and three dances. At the completion of the camp, a competition was held among all the participants. Wheeler Jr. High was awarded the trophy for "Best Sideline Chant". Other activities the girls have been working on include selling ads for the Top of Texas Football magazine and decorating the junior high halls. The football magazine is expected to be in at the end of August or the first of September. The cheerleaders will deliver the magazines to those who purchased an ad of \$15.00 or more. (back row: Rachel Bass (8th), Cassi Brown (8th), Lyndi Finsterwald (8th), Tammy Moore (sponsor) Keri Brown (8th), Drew Emmert (8th), and Megan Ford (7th). Thank-you for your continued support.

## R. St. John Celebrates 100th

The children of MR. R. ST. JOHN

hosted a get together Saturday at the Mobeetie City Hall. Friends from near and far came to visit with him. Kelley and Edith Cross, Bob and Betty St. John, Louise Hogan, and Byron and St. John hosted the event. There were several grandchildren and great-grandchildren present also. Then Sunday he was honored with a special church service and potluck dinner at the First Baptist Church. The church and his children hosted it. Mr. St. John has been a deacon of the church for many years. Katie Shipp and Dinzel Leonard's grandson Trent Brunson of Canadian provided special music. Rob Hogan gave a brief history of Mr. St. John's life. Terry Mick read his favorite chapter in the bible Psalms 23. Dinzel Leonard preached. He was presented with a grapevine money tree. He was also given a card shower. He was 100 August 24, 1998. There was about 75 for lunch. Bob and Mr. St. John are going to spend a few days in Mobeetie before going back home. Everyone else left Sunday. They all toured the Museum after the get together on Saturday.

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## Bake Sale To Benefit Little League Football

Bake Sale at Thriftway Saturday August 29, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM. All proceeds go to buy new equipment for the Little League Football.

For more information call Buford or Karen 826-5293.

## Vera K. "Pollye" Chaffin Services Are Held Tues.

Vera K. "Pollye" Abbott Chaffin died Saturday, August 22, 1998.

Services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday in First United Methodist Church in Shamrock with the Rev. John Dorn, pastor, officiating. Interment was in Shamrock Cemetery by Wright Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Chaffin was born in Taylor. A longtime resident of Shamrock, she was employed by several doctors as a registered nurse. She was a member of First United Methodist church, the Order of the Eastern Star, Daughters of the Nile and the Senior Citizens Center.

She married Fred Abbott in 1934 at Shamrock. He died in 1968. In 1977, she married Curtis R. Chaffin, M.D., at Wellington. She worked with Dr. Chaffin in his private practice until his death in 1984.

Survivors include a daughter, Fredericka Barbour of Wheeler; a sister, Marie Louise Eaton of Napa, Idaho; three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the American Cancer Society, First United Methodist Church, Shamrock Cemetery Association or First Baptist Church Youth Building Fund.

## Hospital Notes

### Old Admissions

Estelle Orr  
Winifred Buckingham  
Monroe Seitz  
Virginia Frye  
Ruth Ledbetter  
Hazel Patton

### New Admissions

8-19 Joe Rogers  
8-20 Jessica Puryear  
Elbert Smith

### Dismissals

8-21 Oral Helton  
Cliff Helton

8-22 Verna Abernethy

8-17 Rudene Davis

8-18 Mary Morris

8-21 Jessica Puryear

8-22 Charles Nelson

Virgil Jamison

Elbert Smith

## George Hugh Hibbits Rites in Abilene Tuesday

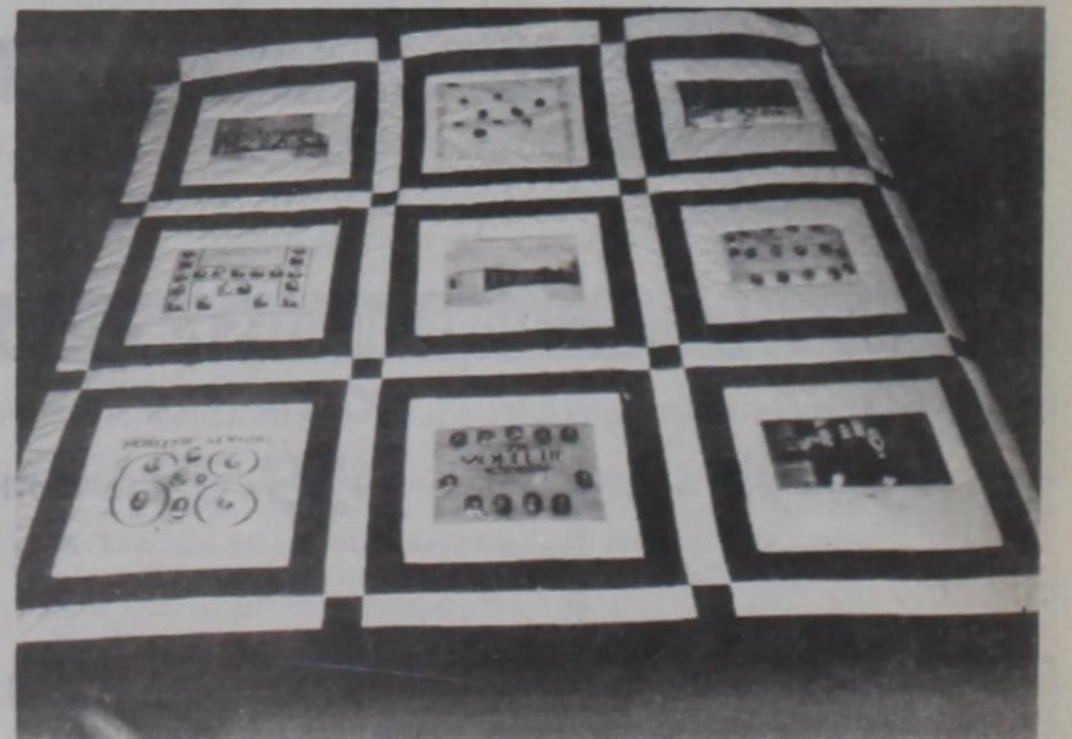
George Hugh Hibbits, 65, of Abilene, died Saturday at a local hospital.

Graveside services were at 10:30 A.M. Tuesday in the Elliott-Hamil Garden of Memories directed by Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home in Abilene. Mr. Hibbits was born in Throckmorton, TX, and graduated from high school in Wheeler, TX in 1950. In 1951, he moved from Wheeler to Abilene, where he graduated from Abilene Christian College, now Abilene Christian University in 1958.

In Abilene, he worked for Nucorp Energy, General Dynamics, KRBC, and Treanor Equipment, and was controller of Ab-Text Beverage Corp. from January, 1985, until the time of his death.

He married Betty Bethel in Abilene on June 5, 1953. Mr. Hibbits was a member of the Church of Christ in Wheeler. He was active in the Abilene Chamber of Commerce, serving on the Aviation Committee and Small Business Committee. He served on the City Planning and Zoning Commission, served as Director and Treasurer of Abilene Community Theater, Inc., served on the Budget Committee and as director of United Way of Abilene, and served on the Physical Education Committee of the YMCA. He was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean Conflict.

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**MOBEETIE EX-STUDENT QUILT:** Shown above is the quilt being used as a fund raiser for the Mobeetie Ex-Student Association. The quilt depicts the graduating classes of years ending in 8. Tickets to win this quilt are \$1.00. The quilt is on display at the First State Bank of Mobeetie. The Ex-Student Reunion will be Saturday, September 5 at Mobeetie's Ft. Elliott campus.

# MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Melba Corcoran

**NOTICE** to water customers of Mobeetie the bill you got for water everyone was just charged the minimum for July of \$23.00 for the first 4 thousand gallons. Then for August you were charged the minimum plus \$1.00 for every thousand gallons over. If you only used 8 thousand or less you were billed for the minimum for two months. From now on the meters will be read about the 20th of the month.

Sheryl Estes has began her new job at Texas A&M Corpus Christi campus. She is setting up a new basketball women's team. The team will be called The Islanders. They will go into a conference next year. This year will be a year of building and getting ready for the conference.

Monday August 17th.  
Dale and Melba Corcoran and Pauline Barnes visited with Francis Grove, Agnes Barnes and Rayburn Corcoran. That night Dale and Melba Corcoran visited with Pauline Barnes and Joey Stone in Wheeler.

Aaron and Claudia Laverly visited in Amarillo with Lester Leonard. He came though the surgery that morning.

Jerry Simpson of Skellytown visited with Byron and Novelene Simpson.

Tuesday August 18th.  
Mary Ruth Morris was released from Parkview Hospital. We are glad she is home.

## KELTON MENU

MONDAY, August 31, 1998 — September 4, 1998

**MONDAY**  
Lunch: Steak Fingers, Cream Potatoes/Gravy, Green Beans, Roll, Fresh Fruit, Milk.

**TUESDAY**  
Lunch: Meat Nacho's, Corn, Salad, Gelatin/w Fruit, Milk.

**WEDNESDAY**  
Lunch: Chicken Spaghetti, Salad, Peas, Toast, Sugar Cookies, Milk.

**THURSDAY**  
Lunch: Hamburgers, Tator Tots, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Onions, Strawberries, Ice Cream, Milk.

**FRIDAY**  
Lunch: Tuna or Ham Sandwiches, Chips, Baked Beans, Strawberry Short Cake, Milk.

Orville Greenhouse and Lorene Rector visited in Parkview Hospital with Monroe and Jane Seitz.

Wilhelma Sherrill went to the eye doctor for her checkup after her surgery.

Bill and Dutch Elliott of Pampa came down and Bill worked at the cemetery. Dutch worked at the museum. Dale and Melba Corcoran and

Denzel and Fern Reed visited with Pauline Barnes.

Robert and Lois Bull and Becky Holden went to Bossier, LA and visited with Lois' son Edward Reeves and family. They came back home on Wednesday.

Alvin Reeves stayed with Jess and Deanna Mixon and Michael McLaughlin while his grandparents

were gone.

Wednesday August 19th.  
Dale and Melba Corcoran visited in Amarillo with Alford and Jolene Corcoran.

Thursday August 20th.  
Mr. St. John was in the hospital in Las Cruces, NM.

Friday August 21st.  
Dale and Melba Corcoran went to Amarillo and visited with Alford and Jolene Corcoran. Others there were Susan Wynn and girls from Forgan, OK. They also visited in Pampa with Rayburn and Geneva Corcoran. Dale visited with Marilyn at Wal-Mart. She said Ella was doing better and adjusting to the changes she had to make. That night we visited in Wheeler with Pauline Barnes and Joey Stone. Debbie Alexander of Amarillo was there also.

Mt. View quilting club met at Totty School House with Betty Haines as hostess. Those attending were Estelle Hodges, Orville Greenhouse, Audrey Seitz, and Martha Meek. Betty's quilt is a hot air balloon and kite quilt.

Bill and Dutch Elliott and George and Marie Kilcrease of Pampa came to camp at the museum grounds over the weekend.

Shorty Amador of Pampa came by and visited with Lorene Rector. Shorty worked with Daddy on the railroad.

Jerry Simpson of Skellytown visited with Byron and Novelene Simpson.

R. C. and Martha Parker of McLean visited with Byron and Novelene Simpson. They went to supper in Wheeler. Marie Gudgel and Joe and Melba Darnell joined them for supper.

Ivy Richardson of Erick, OK visited with Calvin and Leola Stuart and Gladys Richardson.

The picking and grinning group met at the Richardson house. Those enjoying playing and listening were Geoff Caldwell, Austin Caldwell, Marion Grimes, Jerry Lister, Ada Lou Lester and Jill Lee. The group meets and plays every Friday at the Richardson House.

Saturday August 22nd  
Dale and Melba Corcoran visited in Pampa with Martha Corcoran and Samuel.

It was good to see Kelley and Edith Cross, David and Dana Graham, Caleb and Justin of Abilene, Mr. St. John and Bob St. John of Las Cruces, NM and Louise Hogan and family. The visit was too short.

Loy Burke took Don and Willene to Albuquerque. Don is to see a surgeon about his back.

Sunday August 23rd  
Sunday was a big day at the Baptist Church. We had lots of visitors for



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**ENGAGEMENT AND INVITATION ANNOUNCED:** Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Richardson of Wheeler, Texas are pleased to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter Paula Renee Richardson to Philip Andrew Elsheimer son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Elsheimer of Pampa, Texas. The couple would like to invite family and friends to join them on this joyous day as they unite as one, Saturday, August 29, 1998 at 2:00 p.m., at the Calvary Assembly of God Church in Pampa, Texas. (corner of Crawford and Love street)

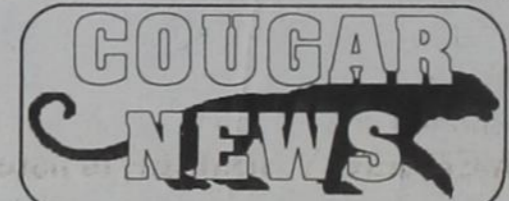
Mr. St. John's day. Following the church services a potluck dinner was served in the fellowship hall. Some of the visitors for the church services were Norman and Versie Dysart, Laverne and Holcomb all of Amarillo, and Earl and Audrey Alexander of White Deer. After church Bro. Lewis and Tula Ellis of Lefors and J. P. and Martha Meek came to see Mr. St. John.

Joe and Melba Darnell drove to Erick, OK for supper. Then came by the museum and visited with George and Marie Kilcrease, Bill and Dutch Elliott and Dale and Melba Corcoran.

The report on Lester was better. They said he had got all of the tubes out and was breathing on his own now. Remember him in your prayers. He is still in ICU.

Doris Finsterwald visited in the afternoon with Estelle Orr in Parkview Hospital. Other visitors with her were Chuck and Louise Hogan, and Rob and Geniva Hogan. Estelle was 95 that day. Happy Birthday to a sweet lady.

Visiting with Doyle and Bulah Grimes were Chris and Dixie Purdy,



Mobeetie campus has 48 students registered. Each week they will be picking a student of the week. This week the candidates were Chelsea Selby for kindergarten, Blake Baker for first grade, Hailey Estes for second grade, Lauren Baird for third grade, Calvin Lane for fourth grade, and Gardon Schaub for fifth grade. The student of the week was Hailey Estes.

Briscoe Campus has an enrollment of 67. There are 27 in junior high and 40 in high school. This past week the football team had scrimmage with McLean and Follett. The coach said the boys did real well. The volleyball team played in a tournament. They won 3rd. The girls will be playing in another tournament August 29 at Dumas. The first game will be at 8 A.M. The events for September 1 are a volleyball game with San Jacinto at home. The game starts at 6 p.m. September 4th the football team will play Lefors at home. Games start at 7:30 P.M.



Tuesday, Dutch Elliott, Bobbye Hill and Melba Corcoran worked. Dutch worked on the obit book, Bobbye worked on putting things away and Melba worked on the pictures and cataloging items bought in recently.

Saturday, Bill Elliott and George Kilcrease mowed all of the park area.

Saturday will be work day for the museum. We will be going out to the Huselby house and removing two porches to get the house ready to move. If you want to help be at the museum before 9 A.M. Bring your lunch, drinks and tools, if you can't help with the removing of the porches and want to help there will be work to be done at the museum.

Dyllion and Carli of Guymon, OK, Henry and Laverne Holcomb and Norman and Versie Dysart of Amarillo and Earl and Audrey Alexander of White Deer.

Orville Greenhouse visited in Wheeler with Alvern Hutchison.

Monday August 24th  
Jerry Richardson of Wheeler visited with Calvin and Leola Stuart and Gladys Richardson.

Claudetta Laverly visited with Lester Leonard. He is holding his own but is still very disorientated.

Dale Corcoran visited Monday afternoon with Agnes Barnes in Pampa. Peggy Dupy was also there.

Monday night Dale and Melba Corcoran visited in Wheeler with William and Patricia Burch, Christopher, Tyler and Caitlyn.

## Top O' Tex CattleWomen Conducts Aug. Business

The Top O'Texas CattleWomen met August 4, 1998 at the Sirlin Stockade. The meeting was called to order by our president, Sally Youngblood, asking Amelia Sims to give the invocation. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as corrected.

Anita Brown gave us a report of the Beef Ambassador contest at State. Pat Youngblood gave us The Beef Check Off Story and handed out some cards giving the history and pros and cons for the Beef Check Off.

Amy Brainard moved we do a web site. It was seconded and carried.

Diane Buckingham was nominated for Texas State CattleWomen of the year as she has done so much work on Beef Gift Certificates. It was seconded and carried.

The president had a sheet of paper to write down the number of hours everyone had spent doing CattleWomen's work.

The next meeting will be at Wheeler. We had sixteen at the meeting, and we are hoping for more at the next meeting.

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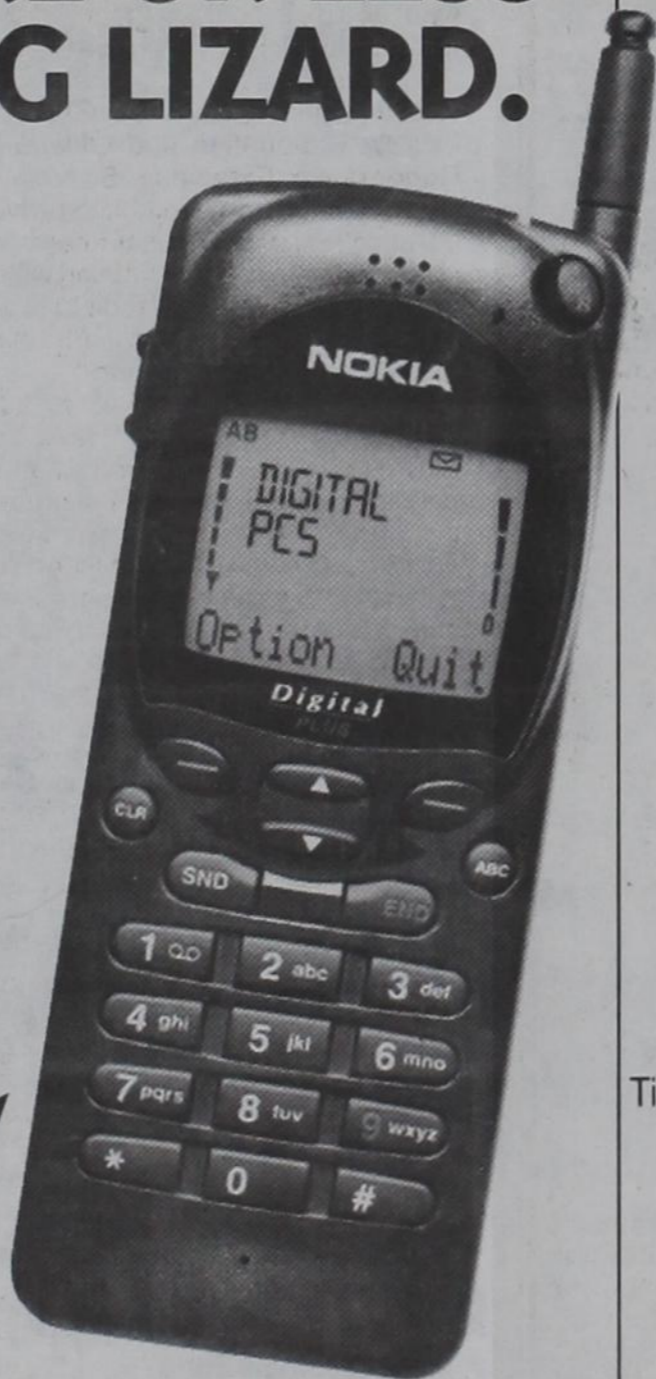
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Deuteronomy 28 - 1, 2 & 3 And it shall come to pass, if thou hearken diligently unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth.

And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God.

Blessed shalt thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou be in the field.

A nice cool Monday morning early here in Allison, but is going to be another hot day.

My last Sunday guest were Jerry and Cathy Gilmer from Amarillo. After church Sunday morning we went to Wheeler and ate dinner at Maxeys came back to Allison and visited and Jerry changed the oil in my car, and we did have a nice afternoon of visiting.

Edna May and Aliene Parman from Reydon visited Mae Kiener at the Sayre rest home. Mae is from the

Berlin community and is an old friend of the Begert family.

Last Sunday night after church Virginia Puryear, Nova Powledge and Homer Sanders played 42 at Edna Mays home.

Vance and Caroline Boydston's weekend guest was Kyle Boydston from Clovis, New Mexico.

Neal and Tia Boydston, Corinna and Kendra, Opal and Juanita Boydston attended a gospel concert at Borger last Friday night to hear the McKamey's from Tenn. Then they went out to eat before coming home.

Clifton and Louise Boydston's last Sunday dinner guests were Gary and Julie Boydston, Bennie and Debbie Boydston, Heather and Jason, H. B. and Cheryl Dupont, Sabrina and Cody, Kim Thompson, Kimber,

Brittney and Chase from Amarillo, Opal and Juanita Boydston and Pearl Harrison, Henry and Dora Lea Dupont from Muskogee, Okla., and Shalea and Jon Langston.

Roma and Billy Brown last Wednesday's overnight guest were Warren and Charlene Brown from Amarillo.

Roma and Billy were in Pampa one day last week doing some shopping. Warren and Charlene came back again last Monday morning to help Billy can peaches.

I think there is an abundance of peaches everywhere so many seems to be busy canning them or freezing them.

Judi Cornell went to Cheyenne, Okla., last Monday morning and picked up her second grade teacher,

Glenia Bell Crane and brought her home with her and she was Judi's dinner guest.

The Church of Christ had a meeting recently which started August 12th, and they closed Sunday night the 16th. The speaker was Terry Newell from Shawnee, Okla. Saturday the 15th, Jim and Shirley Pawitt from Paradise, Tex., got her to Red and Anna's on Saturday morning and attended the meeting with Red and Anna. They all went with them to the school cafeteria for the Sunday dinner. They left on Monday morning going on a trip to Colorado. Friday Red and Anna went to Shaw, who was in the hospital from a fall she had. From there they went to Elk City and ate supper at Braums and then attended a gospel Church of Christ meeting there. On Sunday they attended a Gospel. Saturday evening Red and Anna visited at Parkview Hospital in Wheeler with J. O. Helton. From there they went to the Care Center and visited with Charles Nelson and others there. And they also visited with Jack and Doris Hayes at their home in Wheeler. From there they went to Hoyle Heltons and visited with her at her home. On Sunday they attended a Gospel singing at Elk City Church of Christ and also attended an early evening church service there. Then came home back to Allison and attended the evening Church of Christ services here.

David Jr. and Linda Gilmer helped get their son, Hank, moved back to Wayland Baptist University College at Plainview.

Pete Gilmer took his sister, Peggy Chandler, last Monday to see a doctor in Amarillo.

Pearl Harrison went to Higgins last Thursday and spent three days helping care for her sister-in-law, Jeanette Sanford, who has cancer. Pearl came home Sunday morning.

Virginia Miller's Sunday guests were her son, Jim, and Marlene Miller, Landon and Colton. They all went over to Wheeler on Sunday and were dinner guests with Marlene's dad, Spud, and his wife, Virginia Moore.

Hiram and Darendra Begert spent part of last week in Kansas City, MO, where Hiram attended the North American Limousin Foundation Board of Director's meeting. Hiram is serving as vice-president of the board.

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

Proverbs 16:32: Better a patient man than a warrior; a man who controls his temper than one who takes a city.

Happy Birthday to Verneal Prater, Kathy Shorter, Travis Eudey and Brandi Hawkins on Aug. 30; Pearl Riley on Aug. 31; Mabel Parker, Kathy Murray, Joe Woodward, Shanna Wagener and Wanda Walker on Sept. 1; Joyce Aycock, Phyllis Hefley, Tamera Hefley and Julia Williams on Sept. 2; Sarah Hale, Leta Mae Gatlin and Blaine Baker on Sept. 3; Morgan Hanes, Sept. 4; Elizabeth Johnson on Sept. 5; Cecil Pierce, Mary Nell Finsterwald and Lana Richmond on Sept. 6.

Happy Anniversary to David and Winnie Gilmer on Sept. 1; Ray and Mary Corcoran on Sept. 2; Dan and Chris Fillingim on Sept. 5.

Ethel Erickson from Miami expects to move soon to Seattle, Wash., to be near a son and his family. We will miss you and pray you will enjoy it. Keep praying for Lester Leonard. He is still very ill at Baptist-St. Anthony I.C.U.

E. G. and Willa Fillingim are expecting Gayle and Helen Singleton and Maralee to come visit over the weekend.

Orvel Brewer is recovering nicely from surgery on his left carotid artery about two weeks ago.

There will be special speakers at Gageby Church at 6:00 p.m. Sunday night, Aug. 30. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Clark have a ministry to the dump people across the border into Old Mexico. Whole families of all ages actually live in the dump ground in horrible conditions. The Clarks try to help them, especially the children with clothing, food, baths and telling them about Jesus. Everyone is invited to come and hear their presentation. Someone left a baby on their doorstep and they adopted it and will bring it.

The Poetry Club will meet Monday, Aug. 31, at 7:00 p.m. at E. G. and Willa Fillingim home. Everyone is invited to come listen your favorite poems, or just read and visit. The club meets the last Monday of each month.

Great to have Brad and Sue Chandler and Shea and Bridget Weatherly join us for supper at Maxeys Friday night. Also at Maxeys were Lori and Shane Baird (the grandmas took Lauren and Charity to a movie), Grainger and Dorothy McIlhany, Mae Nash and Lillian Lee. Shea and Bridget expect to be moving soon to Clarendon, where he will attend college and study feedlot management. Shea works at Heritage Beef Cattle.

Sue Lehman had knee replacement surgery at Baptist/St. Anthony's West. Doing O.K., but pray for her.

FT. ELLIOTT's new annuals and birthday calendars are in. Tyna Horn has the annuals for \$5.00 each and Curtis Smith the Birthday Calendars. Both in the main building at Briscoe.

The football game for this Friday night, Aug. 28, has been cancelled. They hope to find another opponent.

Christina (Ogle) Sorrell has been visiting James and Mardi Ogle. Some others who came to visit them were Shellie Ogle, and Jeremy Johnson and son from eastern Oklahoma, Andrea Hershnerader from Weatherford College and Janet Hershnerader from Dallas.

Enjoying a picnic and visiting at Elk City Lake Sunday were Larry and Vickey Nelson, Keri and Jimmy Nelson, Greg Koelzer, Danny and Mary Nelson and Danielle and Amy, Earl and Shirley Jolly, Myron Jolly, Shelia, Kendra and Angela, Gary and DeAnn Nagel and Tanner, Ashton, Makenzie and Madison, Cathy and Frank Hooper, Brad and Mi Harrison and Lexie and Chad Harrison.

Ray and Pat Hudson spent the weekend in Amarillo. Pat was taking training for the Census Bureau from Friday night til Sunday noon. Ray ate supper with his sister, Sharon Grandstaff Friday night.

Joe and Anna Dell Myers from Gulf Shores, Fla., are spending time with Leon and Vea Fillingim and other relatives a few days. Relatives and friends dropped by Sunday for a surprise celebration for Joe and Ann's 26th Wedding Anniversary. Some there were Ruth and Dick Irvine, Horace and Juanita Fillingim, J. P. and Martha Meek, Fern Gitchell Young (Anna's classmate at Briscoe), Tom and Alice Bell Helton, Watson and Aldena Burgess, Doris Finsterwald, Willa Fillingim, Mozelle

and Glenn Thomas and grandson, Cole, from Amarillo, Rich and Connie Irvine and Justin and Marie from White Deer.

Gena Keelin and Daniel ate lunch with Rosalie Keelin Daniel. Then they helped with several jobs: mowing and fixing well and air conditioner. Really helps Rosalie out. She enjoys their visits and their help.

Ed and Laurel Hershman should be home this week. We surely have missed them. Think they left about July 30 to go to Indiana. Ed's daddy was very ill and died. They stayed on to run the shuttle bus at the Indiana State Fair. It pays good and they

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**The Adventures of Willa Fillingim**

This is Thursday night, 8/20/98 at 9:00. I just came in from doing chores. Recently Laverna Fillingim asked me to write a paragraph or so on the happenings around here. I didn't think there would be enough to write about very often, but I have another snake story.

I went to the big pen I use to raise the bobcats in to feed the 5 rabbits in there I went to the front and the dogs went to the back and began barking like crazy. I thought they were barking like there was a snake in there, but I couldn't see any. So I got in there and moved a former rabbit house, wooden and about eaten up and a rabbit ran out. I said to the dogs, "Is that all your barking was about?" But I raised another wide board and sure enough, there was a rattlesnake. I had very little in there to kill him with, and when he moved around, it made me a little nervous. But I got him killed. Not a big snake—had 8 rattles. I was going to skin him, and laid him on the flat top of the dog house.

That's my feeding place for the 3 cats. They jumped up there and when I moved the snake and the tomcat saw it, he leaped about a foot straight up and left there. I got a good laugh out of that. The two kittens were curious but didn't leave. They even wanted to eat it, so I cut them a piece and took the rest to the garbage disposal pen. You know what that is? That's the Blackshield rat pen. They'll eat anything. In the morning there'll be nothing but bones.

Over the years we haven't found very many rattlesnakes on this place. But some years ago when Sue Helms and family lived in the old house, we found a mother rabbit dead and she had babies in a cream can. I use to not raise the cream can up to look into it, just felt in there to see if the little rabbits were there. I went to church or somewhere and when I came back the Helms met me and said, "We know why the mother rabbit died. She was bit by a rattlesnake." They had killed it. A mother rabbit will fight for her babies and she probably jumped on him and he bit her. I've had mother rabbits jump on my hand when I got near the babies.

Postscript: Friday, 8/21: When I checked on the rabbit in the pen where the rattlesnake was, I found 2 dead rabbits. They were bit by the snake, 4 left.

Extension Update  
By Joan Gray, CEA-HE

CHILD CARE CHALLENGES

An area wide child care conference and training session will be held September 19, 1998, 9:00 a.m.-3:45 p.m. at the Exposition Center in Perryton. This educational event, "Child Care Challenges", will provide training for workers in day care settings, mothers who provide in home care for children and for parents. It is co-sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Hemphill, Ochiltree, Gray and Lipscomb Counties and Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service in Beaver County. In addition to providing excellent training for all interested persons, certificates of training will be provided for 4.5 hours credit to those who need annual in-service training to keep current certification.

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

**CHILD CARE CHALLENGES**

Registration will be held at 9:00 with a keynote address, "Have You Blown Up Lately?" by Dorothy James beginning at 9:30 a.m. Ms. James is the Family Life Specialist, with Texas Agricultural Extension Service. You will learn new skills to use personally and in teaching children how to handle anger—conflict management. Participants may attend two sessions in the afternoon. "Music Across the Curriculum" will include resources and how to incorporate music into your day care setting by Mary Raven, Extension Educator, Family and Consumer Science Beaver County and Joanna Blackwell, Director of Kids Corner Daycare, Goodwell, OK. The next session will be "Easy Arts and Crafts"—"hands on" ideas for learning centers in pre-school and after school programs by Cathy Campbell, Activity Coordinator and Instructor, Canadian YMCA. Each session will have handouts for participants to take home.

Pre-registration is encouraged. A \$5.00 registration fee is to be sent to Cynthia Shattles, County Extension Agent—Family & Consumer Sciences, P.O. Box 647, Perryton, Texas 79070. For more information, contact your County Extension Agent.

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**FT. ELLIOTT MENU**  
(Briscoe Campus)  
MONDAY, August 31, 1998 - FRIDAY, September 4, 1998  
MONDAY: Ravioli, Fried Okra, Corn, Rolls, Cake, Milk-Tea  
TUESDAY: Chicken Quesadillas, Salad, Red Beans, Fruit, Milk-Tea  
WEDNESDAY: Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes W/Gravy, Carrots, Peach Cobbler, Rolls, Pudding, Milk - Tea  
THURSDAY: Bar-B-Que On Bun, Cole Slaw, French Fries, Fruit, Rice Crispies, Milk - Tea  
FRIDAY: Holiday  
(Menu Subject to Change)

**PIPELINE SAFETY INFORMATION**

**PHILLIPS PIPE LINE COMPANY** is committed to the safe operation of our pipelines and those pipelines we control and/or maintain for other companies. We transport refined products, crude oil, and natural gas liquids through our pipeline systems. Crude oil is also transported by trucks. You can help keep your community and the environment safe from a pipeline leak or accident by following these safety guidelines.

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Everyone should contact the One-Call system at least 48 hours before you DIG, AUGER, CULTIVATE, OR BLAST. The One-Call System will notify the underground pipeline and utility companies in the area so that they can locate their lines in advance of any excavation project. The LOCAL ONE-CALL NUMBER is listed below.

**LOOK FOR PIPELINE MARKERS**

Pipeline markers are located throughout the pipeline routes and at sites like roads and railroad crossings to help identify the approximate location of pipelines. Line markers list the commodity transported, the company name, and a 24-Hour telephone number. Our 800 EMERGENCY NUMBER is listed below.

Line markers have limited information and are placed near the pipelines, but not necessarily directly on top of them. The line markers may be surrounded by painted fence posts.

**CALL OUR 800 NUMBER FOR EMERGENCIES OR WHEN ANY OF THESE OCCUR NEAR OUR PIPELINE:**

- Any excavation activity.
- Minor damage to our pipeline such as a scrape, crease, gouge, or dent to the pipe or its coating.
- Our pipeline exposed in washes, ditches, stream, etc.
- Accidents or acts of nature such as floods, earthquakes, mud slides, etc.
- Damaged or missing pipeline marker.
- Transport truck accidents.

**USE YOUR SENSES OF SIGHT, HEARING, AND SMELL AS WAYS TO RECOGNIZE A LEAK**

**LOOK** around the pipeline area for these signs:

- Accumulation of petroleum products on the ground.
- Dense white cloud or fog.
- Spot of discolored or dead vegetation.
- Rainbow colored sheen on the surface of water.
- Fire and smoke if the petroleum product has ignited.

**LISTEN** for unusual noises—from a slight hiss to a roaring sound.

**DETECT** a strong petroleum scent or other pungent odor.

**IF YOU CAUSE OR DISCOVER A PIPELINE LEAK, YOU SHOULD:**

1. IMMEDIATELY SHUT OFF and abandon any machinery / equipment.
2. AVOID creating sparks.
3. LEAVE the area at once to a safe upwind location.
4. DO NOT drive into or near a leak area or vapor cloud. If your automobile stalls, DO NOT attempt to restart it. Instead, ABANDON the vehicle and leave to a safe upwind location.
5. CONTACT the local emergency response agency for assistance.
6. NOTIFY the pipeline owner or operator. Give your name and phone number, a description of the leak, and its location.

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MONDAY, August 31, 1998 - FRIDAY, September 4, 1998  
MONDAY: Pinto Beans W/Ham, Fried Squash, (Alternate: Baked Chicken, Peas, Mashed Potato), Cornbread/Margarine, Fruit Cocktail  
TUESDAY: Chicken Fried Steak, Gravy, Baked Potato, Seasoned Green Beans, (Alternate: Baked Ham, Cauliflower, Sweet Potato), Roll/Margarine, Carrot Cake W/Frosting  
WEDNESDAY: Baked Lasagne, Salad, Garlic Bread, (Alternate: Beef Stew, Broccoli, Bread/Margarine), Ice Cream  
THURSDAY: Chicken Nuggets/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, (Alternate: Veal Cutlet, Gravy, Corn, Broccoli), Bread/Margarine, Pineapple Slices  
FRIDAY: Fried Fish, Macaroni and Cheese, Stewed Tomatoes, (Alternate: Beef Ravioli, Salad), Hush Puppies, Fruit Festival



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Dorcie Ann Porter Gillette, 3 3/4 years old, is the daughter of Dorcie and Cathi Gillette of Lovelady, Texas. Dorcie is the granddaughter of Louis and Barbara Stas of Wheeler, Texas and Guy and Doris Gillette of Yonkers, New York. She is the great-granddaughter of Cecilia Porter of Hinton, Oklahoma.

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Same old song. Hot and dry. TV mentioned Wednesday that Sweetwater and Reydon might get a shower. Sweetwater proper did get a smidgeon. We got one of those two inches the weatherman tells about. Four drops, two inches apart. We have hopes since things are stirring up in the Gulf.

O.K. and Elma Henson along with their families met recently in the home of Elma's daughter in Denton, Texas for the celebration of O.K.'s birthday. Hosts were Ronnie and Jan Latham, Marci and Rance Malcom, Kale, Conner, and Keaton, Denton. The

annual affair was enjoyed by all. Those attending were O.K.'s children - Carolyn Ross and sons Kyle, and Chad from Plainview. Daughter, Ashley, and husband Keith, Temple, TX. Dennis and Dena Henson, Jason, Justin, Nicholas, and Nathan, Tulsa. Greg and Jan Henson, Kristina and Jeremy, Sweetwater, OK. Elma's children were Ken and Jane Burrow, Liberty, MO., Mark and Tammy Burrows, Dallas, Debbie and Kaitlyn, Tulsa, Will, Lauren, and Kaitlyn, Tulsa, TX.

Talked to Betty Sites. She was busy canning black-eyed peas. Had been to Weatherford the day before, helping Megan get moved in. Megan will be working in a program at Ft. Cobb.

Our newspapers got off on a Tuesday tangent. The Oklahoman didn't come and the Elk Daily sent the Monday paper two days in a row. The Oklahoman made it on Wednesday but we never did get the Tuesday Elk paper.

We watched the Miss Teen pageant but our entry Kara Baker failed to make it to the top ten.

Ricky Crow, 19, of Erick was killed in a car wreck in Creek County last week. Another sad event occurred when a Missouri mother and her two children were killed five miles east of Sayre. It was almost three days before they were found.

Faye and Joe Mong, and Leroy and Peggy Dunlap have been visiting Iva Thompson. She is doing fairly well.

Ray and Doris Smith have been on the puny list. Leonard has been out from Clinton to see about them.

Naomi Mayfield dropped by to see Mary Bollen Friday afternoon.

Dolores Bockman, Ola Mae Coop, Jaunita Wilcox, and Vera Lee York visited Zuma Sutton last week. Years ago Verda Lee and her husband Bud Kelly were our neighbors. Their son Bobby was a pal of Tony's. She lives in Missouri now with her daughter.

LaQuense McArthur is a patient in an OKC hospital. It was thought he had a heart attack.

We had a nice visit Saturday at Mayfield with Eileen and Ed Logan and Sherman Wilson. Joe and Sherman used to test cream at the Wilson store in Sweetwater. Also chatted with Edith Miller, Floyd and Raylyn

Pickering, and Irene Reed. It's about time to let up on the President. I imagine that around half the married men in the US have dallied around a little and lied about it if they were caught. Be nice if Starr would return the \$50 millions of the tax payer's money that he is said to have spent in his five year vendetta against Clinton.

John and Reba Greer, Burns Flat, were out to have supper Sunday with Mellie Stone.

**CARD OF THANKS**  
The Family of Rocky Compton would like to Thank the Wheeler Fire Dept., for all your help, kindness, and support you have given to us in our time of need. Thank you for giving us the benefit at the park. Thank you to Steve Walker for donating the cook trailer. You all will be in our hearts, forever.

Thank you to all of you who came and supported us. Thank you to all of you who donated to us. We appreciate each and everyone of you.  
God Bless You!

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Dena and Dusty Giles  
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Pauline Roberts and her family had a reunion at OKC recently. Everyone was there but one granddaughter. I see our Northfork REA has several computer experts checking carefully to be sure their computers are on the line in year 2000.

Birthdays folks are Keith McAnally, Lisa Tucker, Clay Pruitt, Justin Lohberger, David Alexander, Kade Sites, S. T. Flowers. Anniversaries are Rick and Carol Lynds, Samye and Larry Steward, Carl and Lavelle Hill, Bob and Mary Haag. Happiness to all.

**XI Upsilon Eta Sorority Plans To Begin New Year**

September is coming quickly! This is the time for our Sorority, XI UPSILON ETA, to get back into the swing of things.

Our sorority meets the first Wednesday night of each month, September through May. We break in the summer so that we can spend this time with our families. During the meetings, we come together to share our lives, discuss the business of our sorority, have cultural or social programs, and always have a really good time just being together.

We are dedicated to one another, our families, and our communities. We have fund raisers throughout the year so that we will be able to support things like the Chemical Free Party, the Tralee Crisis Center, and people in need. We have also donated to the Wheeler Care Center, Hospice, the Tressa Perry Scholarship Fund and to ARC. We have given to families who have illness or other needs such as natural disasters. We give food or fruit baskets each year to deserving families or individuals during the holidays. We also give of our time to sing and entertain for the Care Center residents at Christmas.

XI UPSILON ETA is a non-profit organization, governed by the rules and regulations of Beta Sigma Phi, and is recognized as an International Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi.

We would like to begin our year by saying "Thank you" to everyone who has so graciously supported our fund raising activities. We would appreciate your continued support in our efforts to be of service to our communities. We would like to know about any person, family or organization that could use our assistance. Contact Gina Seitz at 845-2025 in the evenings or Rita Pearson at 826-3740 during the day, or any other Sorority member.



**Wheeler Church of Christ**

**Congregational Concerns:**

At the conclusion of the evening worship service on this coming Sunday night, August 30th, a sandwich supper will be held in the multi-purpose building. The members of the Grace Fellowship Church will be the guests of this congregation at the evening worship service and the sandwich supper.

The Change for Children Campaign for High Plains Children's Home will conclude on this coming Sunday, August 30th. If you participated in this campaign, please put your "can" of change on the table in the lobby.

The Hospice of the Panhandle has begun a series of training classes for this congregation. This series of training classes will conclude on Tuesday night, October 27th. Information about this series of training classes is posted on the bulletin board in the lobby.

On Friday, September 4th, and Saturday, September 5th, a Youth Workers' Retreat will be held at Quartz Mountain Christian Camp. Information about this retreat is posted on the bulletin board in the lobby.

A letter has been received from the Children's Home of Lubbock. This letter, which expresses appreciation for this congregation's participation in their recent Big Heart Campaign, is posted on the bulletin board in the lobby.

Bea Smotherman has moved to Shamrock. Her address is 708 N. Houston and her telephone is 256-5282.

Oral Helton, the father of Juanell Manning, is hospitalized in the local hospital.

**From The Minister's Desk:**  
Throughout history, the adults of every generation have complained about the young people of their generation. For example, Socrates, the Greek philosopher who lived 400 years before Christ, once criticized the young people of his generation by saying: "Our youths love luxury. They have bad manners and contempt for authority. They show disrespect for their elders. They love to chatter in place of exercise. Children are now tyrants not the servants of their household. They no longer rise when their elders enter the room. They contradict their parents. Chatter before company. Gobble up their food and tyrannize their teachers."

Such descriptions are not completely accurate. It is true that every generation has some bad young people. However, it is also true that every generation has some good young people who are like Keli Crockett.

Keli Crockett, the youngest daughter of Bill and Lyanna Crockett, is a nursing student at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford, Oklahoma. She is also a Christian young lady who has a sincere relationship with God:

Her sincere relationship with God can clearly be seen in a poem that she recently wrote. This poem was entitled, "How My Life Has Changed" and it said: ---

"I had a lot of worries,  
So I turned to the Lord.  
He said he wasn't busy,  
So my heart began to pour."

"He said he had been watching,  
And wondering about me.  
He said that He had missed me,  
And I fell down to my knees."

"I told him of the wrongs,  
And the sins that I had done.  
He gently touched my hand,  
And said "Your not the only One".

"He took his glowing finger,  
And wiped my tears away,  
And said he would always be here,  
That I'm the one who strayed."

"My life has changed a lot since then,  
I guess I should admit,  
Just turn your love and faith to God,  
And he will always fix it."

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

**FT. ELLIOTT MENU**  
(Mobeefie Campus)

Monday, August 31, 1998—FRIDAY, September 4, 1998

**MONDAY:**  
Breakfast: Toast/Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Beef Tacos/Cheese, Chili Beans, Spanish Rice, Salad, Apricots, Milk/Tea

**TUESDAY:**  
Breakfast: Biscuits/Gravy, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Fish Nuggets, Macaroni & Cheese, English Peas, Bread, Grapes & Peaches, Milk/Tea

**WEDNESDAY:**  
Breakfast: Toast/Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Cheeseburgers, Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Pickles, French Fries, Pears, Milk/Tea

**THURSDAY:**  
Breakfast: Toast/Jelly, Pancake Pup Syrup, Sausage, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Chicken Fried Steak, M. Potatoes/Gravy, Corn, Hot Rolls, Fruit Cocktail, Milk/Tea

**FRIDAY:**  
Breakfast: Cereal, Toast/Jelly, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Beef & Cheese Nachos, Ranch Style Beans, Salad, Crackers, Pineapple, Milk/Tea

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**Notice of Vote on Tax Rate**

The CITY OF WHEELER conducted a public hearing on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the CITY OF WHEELER by 4.65116 percent on THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, 1998.

The CITY OF WHEELER is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on MONDAY, AUGUST 31, 1998 at 9:00 a.m. at CITY HALL.



Only about 25 percent of the world's people live in countries that have a free press.

**Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase**

The PANHANDLE GROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT will hold a public hearing on the proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll by 4.98 percent. Your individual taxes may increase or decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The public hearing will be held at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 2, 1998, in the Panhandle Ground Water office, 201 W. 3rd St., White Deer, Texas.

FOR the proposal: John Spearman, Frank Simms, Phillip Smith, Jerry Green, Jim Thompson, Robert A. Clark, Danny Hardcastle  
AGAINST the proposal: none  
PRESENT and not voting: none  
ABSENT: Charles Bowers

The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average residence homestead value	\$31,444	\$31,553
General exemptions available (amount available on the average homestead, not including senior citizens' or disabled person's exemptions)	\$0	\$0
Average taxable value	\$31,444	\$31,553
Tax rate	0.012347/\$100	0.012347/\$100
Tax	\$3.88	\$3.90 (proposed)

Under this proposal, taxes on the average homestead would increase by \$0.02 or 0.52 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would increase by \$0.00 per \$100 of taxable value or 0.00 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

**Gageby** (from Page 3)

have fun. They have a trailer house to stay in on the grounds and see all the sights. Welcome back!

Marion Grimes went with us to Fellowship of Christian Cowboys Saturday night. He and seven others made beautiful music with their guitars and singing. Some others were Jack and Carolyn Selby, Bill Pickering, Bob Caddell, and others. Nice to meet J. C. and Ila Griffin, real friendly people.

Visitors always welcome for delicious meal and visiting. They will have a food and music booth in Central Park on Labor Day. Sammy Whatley was there Saturday night but in poor health, unable to work. His daughter Shana and Shari Bell visited him recently. Shana is in the army and going to college, too.

"To walk in fellowship with God and sense His love and care Can put a song within our hearts That we can't help but share".

D.J.D. from Daily Bread

We went to Amarillo Thursday for my check-up with Dr. Chaffin. Doing good. We got through early so came on back to Pampa and ate at Furr's. Some others there were Vergia Reagan and Patty Bradstreet, Wayne and Benonia Maddox from Miami, Nettie Pickens and Carol (Mrs. Jimmy) Adcock from Canadian. Also saw Gene Keelin at Dr. Chaffin's office for a stress test. Dixie Sims was at Frank's Thriftway in Pampa and plans to be at Mobeetle to help make music on Labor Day. Also saw Bill Ridgway at Furr's. (He always has a friendly smile.)

We do finally have neighbors moved in to the Ratliff house north of us. We welcome Henry T. Leach and wife Margaret. He was in World War II and they have been very active in Veterans organizations. Hope we can get acquainted soon. Hope they play 42. Their phone # is 375-2441. Hope they come to Gageby Church.

The Leaches have a beige and blue couch they would like to sell. They couldn't get it up the stairs. It has hardly been used and is pretty, but is in the way. They spent Saturday night with their children in Amarillo and they helped them being a load down; like washer, dryer, freezer, etc. Henry and Margaret have two children and their families in Amarillo and one in Virginia. They come from Dumas. Henry is retired. Give them a call to 375-2441 if interested in the couch.

Many fans went to Amarillo Saturday to see Fort Elliott High School girls volleyball team win 3rd in the tournament. They have a tournament set for next Saturday Aug. 29 at Dumas. Looking good. Varsity and J.V. teams got to go, but only varsity played at San Jacinto Christian.

**WHEELER MENU**

**MONDAY, August 31, 1998—FRIDAY, September 4, 1998**  
**MONDAY BREAKFAST:** Toast/Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
**LUNCH:** Beef Tacos/Cheese, Chili Beans, Spanish Rice, Salad, Apricots, Milk/Tea  
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**LUNCH:** Cheeseburger, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Onions, Pickles, French Fries, Peas, Milk/Tea  
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**LUNCH:** Chicken Fried Steak, M. Potatoes/Gravy, Corn, Hot Roll, Fruit Cocktail, Milk/Tea  
**FRIDAY BREAKFAST:** Toast/Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
**LUNCH:** Beef & Cheese Nachos, Ranch Style Beans, Salad, Crackers, Pineapple, Milk/Tea  
*(Menu Subject to Change)*

In Friday's scrimmage with McLean and Follett, Fort Elliott High School Football boys looked pretty good, but they didn't keep score.

Verneal Prater will turn 70 on Sunday Aug. 30. He will celebrate his

birthday with lunch at Furr's in Pampa with his family: Juanita Prater, Mary Lou Carter and Jeanette Jahnel and Carl Lee. He didn't want a birthday cake, but a piece of Furr's Coconut Creme Pie, his favorite. Happy Birth-

day, Verneal, and many more!

Fat and Wanda Childress and Richard and Helen Dyson from Sayre left Wednesday on a 1200 mile tour of Colorado. It was cool and rainy most of the time. They went to Walsenberg, Westcliffe, Lake City, Red River and other places of interest. They hoped to see Thad and Tammy Greene and family. Thad has a new job as a ranger. They had moved to Walsenberg and missed them.

Happy 50th Anniversary to Deryl and June Robbins of Pampa. There will be a party Sunday Aug. 30 from 2-4 at Trinity Fellowship Church in Pampa.

I have had a request for this recipe. Maurita Stribling shared it.

Neiman Marcus Bars  
 1 stick margarine  
 1 cup chopped pecans  
 1 yellow cake mix  
 Mix together and pat in 9 x 13 pan sprayed or greased and floured  
 Mix together good



1 8 oz. cream cheese  
 3 eggs  
 1 box powdered sugar  
 Pour over cake mix. Bake 350 degrees for 30 minutes or lightly brown.

Variation: I wonder if lemon cake mix might be good in this or lemon extract.

Thanks for sharing this recipe, Maurita. As I look at my files I'm thankful for all of you who have shared recipes over the years. This is very delicious.

Nico to have several friends over Tuesday night to celebrate J. P. and Martha Meek's 43rd Wedding Anniversary and Willis Fillingim's 79th birthday. They appreciated the nice cards. Willis got calls from Dan and Chris Fillingim at Moline, Illinois and a package. Also calls from Dallas and

Lindsey Fillingim, Leonard and Bertha Hollis and several cards. Ones here to celebrate together were J. P. and Martha Meek, Doyle and Bulah Grimes, Ivoa Powledge, Lois Meadows, Homer Sanders, Edna May, Virginia Puryear, Doris Finsterwald, Olaf Siviage, Frank and Evelyn Heare, JoAnn Mergenstern, Willa Fillingim and Willis and Verna Fillingim. It was fun. We always count on Olaf and Braums to furnish some delicious ice cream. You'd be surprised at how good his "broccoli" ice cream was. It didn't really say broccoli, but it had pieces of green stuff in it. He always brings something "exotic". Thanks, Olaf. Everyone brought something good to our pile-on supper.

"God be with you till we meet again."

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON WHEELER COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BUDGET**

The Wheeler County Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 1999 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on Monday, September 14, 1998 at 6:00 p.m. in the appraisal district office, County Courthouse Square, Wheeler.

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget.	\$ 186,359.
The total amount of increase over the current year's budget.	\$ 1,200.
The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget. (Three full time and part time as needed)	4
The number of employees compensated under the current budget. (Three full time and part time as needed)	4

The appraisal district is supported by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school district, cities and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district.

WHEELER COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT  
 P O BOX 1200  
 WHEELER, TX 79096  
 806/826-5900

**Court** (from Page 4)

Finsterwald, et ux, 8/14/98, 380' x 917' SW 1/4 Sec. 60, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**AUGUST 17, 1998**

LIS PENDENS—Wheeler ISD, et al to Aikman Oil Corp, 8/10/98.

OL—Chella W. Durham to Samedan Oil Corporation, 7/3/98, N 1/2 Sec. 70, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

MD—James W. Reid to Tom L. Scott, 7/10/98, N 1/2 Sec. 18, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

MD—Jerry P. Reid to Tom L. Scott, 6/26/98, N 1/2 Sec. 18, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

MD—Jerry P. Reid to Tom L. Scott, 7/14/98, N 1/2 Sec. 18, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

MD—Charles W. Reid to Tom L. Scott, 7/14/98, N 1/2 Sec. 18, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

MD—Tom L. Scott to Flagstone Petroleum Corporation, 6/30/98, N 1/2 Sec. 18, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

MD—Tom L. Scott to Flagstone Petroleum Corporation, 7/17/98, N 1/2 Sec. 18, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

ROY D—Jean M. Burris to Coastal Management Trust, et al, 7/29/98, Sec. 2, Blk. 1, B & B Survey.

AOL—Mandy Plummer to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 6/24/98, SW 1/4 Sec 18, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

AOL—Cynthia Ann Lively to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 6/22/98, SW 1/4 Sec 18, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

OL—David Truman Clemens to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 6/10/98, SW 1/4 Sec 18, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

OL—Bryan Tillman Clemens to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 6/10/98, SW 1/4 Sec 18, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

OL—Wanda Lou Newkirk to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 6/10/98, SW 1/4 Sec 18, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

OL—Amy Jo Clemens to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 6/10/98, SW 1/4 Sec.

18, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

AOL—Mid-Rift Exploration Inc. to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 6/23/98, SW 1/4 Sec. 18, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

ASSIGN—Brigham Oil & Gas LP to Gasco Limited Partnership, 7/30/98, See Instrument.

RATIF OL—Norman Kelleher to Brigham Expl. Co., 7/13/98, SW 1/4 & N 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 28, Blk. A-8, H & GN Ry. Company Survey.

RATIF OL—Lisa Morales to Brigham Expl. Co., 7/9/98 SW 1/4 & N 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 28, Blk. A-8, H & GN Ry. Company Survey.

EXT DT—Axis Energy Corporation to Citizens Bank, 8/4/98, See Instrument.

D—Jack Ledford, et ux to James R. Tindall Sr., 8/3/98, See Instrument.

RELEASE A OF JUDG—Jack Ledford, et ux to James R. Tindall, 8/3/98.

D—Peggy L. Ford to Glen Waldo, et ux, 3/5/96, Pt. E 1/2 Sec. 60, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey, (being Lot 4, H. E. Cole Sub. Div. Wheeler).

**AUGUST 18, 1998**

RATIFICATION—Robert J. Hogan, et ux to Townes Properties Inc., 8/18/98, Pt. Sec. 11, Blk. A-4, H & GN Ry. Company Survey.

RATIFICATION—Robert J. Hogan, et ux to Townes Properties Inc., 8/18/98, Pt. Sec. 11, Blk. A-4, H & GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Spinnaker Royalty Company LP to Crescendo Resources LP, 8/14/98, S 1/2 S 1/2 Sec. 18, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

EXT DT—Misty D. Baker to Wheeler Banking Center, 8/4/98, 125' x 150' SW 1/4 Sec. 4, T & NO Survey.

OL—Louis H. Witwer III Trust to Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation, 7/22/98, Pt. Sec. 21, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

OL—Glenna Sue Elmore Giddens to Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation, 6/12/98, Sec. 21, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

CD—Jim Wright to Wheeler Community Cemetery Association, 8/18/98, Lot 3, Blk. L-8, 1st Add., Wheeler Cemetery.

MD—Reid Trust to Charles W. Reid, et al, 8/13/98, N 1/2 Sec. 18, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

**District Clerk's Filings**

10620—Wheeler County vs. John Richard Newby, 8/13/98, Tax.

10621—In Re: To a Minor Child, 8/13/98, Termination & Adoption.

10622—Kelli Sue Nuss vs. Dane Lyle Nuss, 8/14/98, Divorce.

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**SEPTEMBER 1998**

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>HYLANDS PHARMACY</b> 109 East Texas—Wheeler Phone: 826-3361 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>1</b> Wheeler Lions Club Sparlins ..... 6:00 A.M. Driver's License Trooper Wheeler Courthouse ..... 9:00-4:00	<b>2</b> Wheeler Senior Citizens Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M.	<b>3</b> Wheeler Sr. Citizens Blood Press. Clinic ..... 9-12 Noon W. Sr. Ctns Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M. Old Mobeetle Ass'n. Old Masonic Lodge Bldg. .... 7:00 P.M. Wheeler Fire Dept. .... 7:00 P.M.	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> First Baptist Church of Wheeler Wheeler Care Cr. .... 3:00 P.M.	<b>7</b> Kiwanis ..... 12 Noon Meth. Fellowship Hall AF-AM Lodge ..... 7:30 P.M. Wheeler S. Citz. .... 6:00 P.M. Mobeetle City Coun. .... 7:00 P.M. ARC of Texas ..... 6:00 P.M. Meth. Fellowship Hall	<b>8</b> Mobeetle Fire Dept. .... 7:00 P.M. Wheeler Lions Club Sparlins ..... 6:00 A.M. American Legion ..... 7:30 P.M. Wheeler Vol. Fire Dept. Birthday Pty (Allison Meth.) Care Center ..... 2:30 P.M.	<b>9</b> Wheeler Senior Citizens Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M.	<b>10</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>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> First Baptist Church of Allison Wheeler Care Ctr. .... 3:00 P.M.	<b>14</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.	<b>15</b> Wheeler Lions Club Sparlins ..... 6:00 A.M. Driver's License Trooper Wheeler Courthouse ..... 9:00-4:00	<b>16</b> Wheeler Senior Citizens Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M.	<b>17</b> Wheeler Senior Citizens Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M. Wheeler Fire Dept. .... 7:00 P.M.	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b> First Baptist Church of Mobeetle Wheeler Care Ctr. .... 3:00 P.M.	<b>21</b> Kiwanis ..... 12 Noon Meth. Fellowship Hall AF-AM Lodge ..... 7:30 P.M. City Council City Hall 9:00 A.M.	<b>22</b> Wheeler Lions Club Sparlins ..... 6:00 A.M.	<b>23</b> Wheeler Senior Citizens Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M.	<b>24</b> Wheeler Senior Citizens Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M.	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> Open Date	<b>28</b> Kiwanis ..... 12 Noon Meth. Fellowship Hall AF-AM Lodge ..... 7:30 P.M. Comm. Court ..... 10:00 A.M.	<b>29</b> Wheeler Lions Club Sparlins ..... 6:00 A.M.	<b>30</b> Wheeler Senior Citizens Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M.	<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 MOBEETLE</b> Mobeetle & Wheeler Member: F.D.I.C.	<b>DONALD FORD</b> 806/826-3106

**CARD OF THANKS**

Thank you for all the love and support that each of you has shown since John's death. We are blessed to count each of you as a friend. All the delicious food and beautiful flowers are appreciated and very comforting. We are fortunate to live in such a caring community.

May God bless each of you.

Kathy Hill  
Christi Hill  
Mae Hill  
Glenda Hill Webber

**CARD OF THANKS**

The family of Billy Dyer wish to express our appreciation to all of our friends and neighbors, who helped in any way to make our service for Billy a beautiful one. Those of you, who helped set up the church and brought food, those who served us lunch and dinner, those who sang in the choir, those who prayed for us or ministered in any way, we say thank you. May the Lord return to you double the blessings you bestowed upon us during our days of sorrow.

Elizabeth Dyer  
Bobby Dyer  
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# Commissioner's Court Meetings for July

July 13, 1998

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

Court was opened with a prayer offered by Hubert Moore.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**  
Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to approve the minutes from the June 8, 1998 and June 22, 1998 Court meetings as written. Motion carried unanimously.

**ACCEPTANCE OF JUSTICE OF PEACE REPORTS**

Kenneth Childress made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to approve the Justice of Peace report submitted by Doyle Ramsey in the amount of \$3,661.50 for the month of June 1998. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF HOURLY EMPLOYEE TIME SHEETS**

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

**APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to pay the bills as approved and found listed in Volume 11 of the Minutes of Accounts Allowed in the County Clerks office. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION JUDGES & CLERKS-NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION**

Continued until July 20, 1998.

**NEWSPAPER BID/ADVERTISING RECONSIDERATION**

Louis Stas met with the Court to discuss the rotation of advertising in the four (4) county newspapers. Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to continue with the rotation of advertising as adopted in June. Motion carried unanimously.

**DELINQUENT TAX ROLL APPROVED**

Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Kenneth Childress to approve the Delinquent Tax Roll as presented by Ruby McLaurin, Tax Collector, in the amount of \$120,683.51. Motion carried unanimously.

**D.A.R.E. RESOLUTION**

Sheriff Adams met with the Court to present revised D.A.R.E. resolutions for approval. They are for all the schools in Wheeler County.

Kenneth Childress made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to approve the revised D.A.R.E. Resolutions as presented by Sheriff Adams. Motion carried unanimously.

**ANNETTE-WALDEN ADDED TO PAYROLL-Extension Agent**

Joan Gray, CEA, met with the Court to request that Annette Walden be added to the payroll, effective July 13, 1998 with a starting salary of \$1,303.96 for the first six months. Motion carried unanimously.

**K.D. FORD ADDED TO PAYROLL-Precinct No. 2**

Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to add K.D. Ford to the payroll, effective August 1, 1998 with a starting salary of \$1,983.92 for the first six months. Motion carried unanimously.

**WHEELER FIRE DEPARTMENT-Repairs, Burn Ban**

Daryl Snelgroves met with the Court to discuss needed repairs and the Burn Ban that the Court has adopted. No action taken.

**DIESEL BID ACCEPTED**

Bids for diesel were received from: Jones Fuel, Wheelers: Precincts 1 and 2-59 cents and Precincts 3 and 4-61 cents; Jerry Killingsworth, Wheeler: 60.5 cents for all precincts and Royce Cantrell Corporation, Shamrock-54 cent per gallon for all precincts.

Kenneth Childress made a motion which was seconded by Tommy Puryear to accept the bid from Royce Cantrell Corporation for 54 cents per gallon covering July 16, 1998 through October 15, 1998. Motion carried unanimously.

July 27, 1998

The Wheeler County Commissioners Court met in Special Session with Judge Wendell Morgan presiding. Members present were: Kenneth Childress, Tommy Puryear, Hubert Moore and Boyd Hiltbrunner, Commissioners precincts 1, 2, 3 and 4, respectively. Also present were: Margaret Dorman-County Clerk; Ron Gowdy-County Auditor and Jimmy Adams-Sheriff.

**ACCEPTANCE OF JUSTICE OF PEACE REPORTS**

Reports for the months of May 5, 1998 through May 29, 1998 and June 1, 1998 through June 30, 1998 were submitted as was a report for Partial Payments for May and June, 1998 from the office of Guy Hardin, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 2. These reports totaled \$29,061.95.

Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Tommy Puryear to accept the Justice of Peace reports as listed above as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL HOURLY EMPLOYEE TIME SHEETS**

Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to pay the hourly employees according to their time sheets submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

Hubert Moore made a motion which was seconded by Boyd Hiltbrunner to pay the bills as approved and found listed in Volume 11 of the Minutes of Accounts Allowed in the County Clerks office. Motion carried unanimously.

## APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION JUDGES AND ASSISTANT JUDGES-NOVEMBER 1998

Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Kenneth Childress to accept the resignation of Jack Deger as the Election Judge for voting precinct no. 9, Wheeler County, Texas. Motion carried unanimously.

Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Boyd Hiltbrunner to appoint the following Election Judges and Assistants for the November 1998 General Election. Motion carried unanimously.

## DROUGHT RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Tommy Puryear to adopt the following Drought Resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

## RESOLUTION FOR DISASTER RELIEF

On this the 27th day of July, 1998, the Commissioners Court of Wheeler County, Texas convened in open session at the Courthouse of Wheeler County, Texas, with a quorum present, and among proceedings, and the following Resolution passed, by unanimous vote:

WHEREAS, the County of Wheeler has undergone severe drought conditions during the spring and summer of 1998 with no relief in sight; and

WHEREAS, the farm land, crops and livestock in the County of Wheeler as a result thereof have been severely curtailed and damaged; and

WHEREAS, the repair of that damage as well as loss of revenue from crops and livestock due to drought conditions has placed a severe financial strain on many of the land owners in Wheeler County; and

WHEREAS, the farmers and ranchers of Wheeler County are already in financial strain due to low crop prices during the previous year;

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED by this Honorable Commissioners Court that disaster relief be made available to the farmers and landowners of Wheeler County, Texas, and that all agencies in charge of any disaster relief program be furnished a copy of this Resolution and any other information needed from the County of Wheeler in order to make this special relief available.

ADOPTED this 27th day of July, 1998.

Wendell Morgan, County Judge  
Kenneth Childress,  
Commissioner Pct 1  
Tommy Puryear,  
Commissioner Pct 2  
Hubert Moore,  
Commissioner Pct 3  
Boyd Hiltbrunner,  
Commissioner Pct 4

ATTEST:  
Margaret Dorman, County Clerk

**SEAL**

**BUDGET WORK DAYS SET**

Agreed by all to set the budget work days on August 10th and following.

**RESIGNATION OF GUY HARDIN ACCEPTED**

Upon the request of Guy Hardin in a letter submitted to the Commissioners Court, Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to accept the resignation of Guy Hardin as Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 2, effective July 31, 1998 at 5:00 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

**ARTHUR RAY TAYLOR APPOINTED JUSTICE OF PEACE, PCT NO. 2**

Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Kenneth Childress to appoint Arthur Ray Taylor to fill the position vacated by the resignation of Guy Hardin as Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 2, Wheeler County, Texas. The effective date will be August 1, 1998. Motion carried unanimously.

**FT. ELLIOTT ELEMENTARY STUDENT OF THE WEEK:** August 17-21, 1998, Hailey Estes, 2nd grade, parents are Greg and Diane Estes. Hailey's favorite subjects are reading and math.

**Home Health/Long Term Course To Be Offered**

A course to provide training for Home Health/Long Term Care Nurse Aides will start at Western Technology Center, Burns Flat, on September 8, 1998. Students who successfully complete the course are eligible to take the two-part competency evaluation, which leads to Certification. CPR and Bloodborne/Airborne pathogen training is included. The program is approved by the Oklahoma State Department of Health and meets OBRA requirements. Jenny Weckerly, Senior Nursing Instructor, has been active in the health field for ten years. She is a LPN and certified by the American Red Cross and the American Heart Association.

For additional information regarding this class and/or enrollment, call 580-562-3181, extension 2240, or FAX inquiries to 580-562-4523.

An orchestral harp has 46 or 47 strings, and 7 pedals.



Wheeler County's 1998 General Election Judges		
PCT 1	Wanda Hefley	James Batton
PCT 2	Zodell Swift	Jane Thomas
PCT 3	Richard Hefley	Brenda Mitchell
PCT 4	Dwight Tapp	Virginia Puryear
PCT 5	Kim Cadra	Michael Jackson
PCT 6	Dale Wells	Wayne Johnson
PCT 7	Michelle Moore	Linda Calcote
PCT 8	Andy Seward	Boyd Williams
PCT 9	Obie Covington	Glenda Adams
PCT 10	Patricia Hand	Bobbye Horn
EARLY	Rodney Barker	Alvin "Happy" Martin

The above appointments will be subject to their acceptance.

## Hints for Better Homework

A structured environment can turn homework woes into successes.

"If doing homework has been a problem in the past, use the new school year as a time to implement change," said Dr. Florence Eddins, a child psychiatrist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "Work with your child to settle key homework issues of where, when and the surroundings."

One homework essential is adequate study space with good lighting and few distractions.

"Desks in rooms can be fine if they aren't covered with clothes or other belongings," Eddins said. "However, the dining room or kitchen table often works well and makes parental supervision a little easier."

For young children, Eddins encourages parents to sit nearby with work of their own.

However, parents should pull back as soon as possible, so the child can learn to work independently. Check in periodically on older children rather than hovering over them.

To establish a homework time, talk with your children about the time of day that works best for them.

"Many children prefer 'time off' for play or for an after-school snack, but

others will do best completing assignments before television time or engaging in other activities," she said.

Flexibility is another key ingredient to creating the right homework environment. Eddins cautions parents to remember that what works for them may not be right for their child.

"You may need uninterrupted quiet to get work done, but your child may like music in the background," she said. "The important thing is to experiment and learn what works best for your child."

Homework success also depends on good communication between the parents and teacher. Parents should learn what the school expects of the child and of the parents.

If remembering homework has been a problem in the past, ask the teacher to send home written notices of homework assignments. This system allows parents to monitor assignments and reward their child for completing assigned work.

"A minimal reward for remembering assignments four nights out of five puts the focus on the positive, not the negative," Eddins said. "Taking time to notice your child's efforts can make a big difference."

## Buffalo Hunting in the Panhandle

Commercial buffalo hunting was commenced at Fort Hayes, Kansas in 1870 by Charles Rath and A. C. Myers. They shipped the meat without removing the hides to Kansas City and St. Louis. Hides hunted on Walnut Creek and Myers on Pawnee Creek.

J. Wright Mooar started in the fall of 1870 on Smoky Hill River. He shipped from Hayes. In 1871 they hunted on Arkansas River above Ft. Dodge. There were five men in their party. There were several other parties that took up the business.

They used the Springfield Army Rifle; a center fire cartridge, 70 gr. of powder, and a swedge ring ball 50 caliber. In 1872 the hide market was established and Sharps Rifle Manufacturing Company developed the big fifty rifles, 90 gr. of powder, a lug ball 11 to 16 oz. of lead with paper patch, the weight of the gun was from 12 to 16 pounds. It was a success and is the one that exterminated the buffalo herd.

In 1872 the AT & Santa Fe Railroad came to Ft. Dodge and Dodge City was established and became the principal shipping and supply depot for buffalo hunters. A. C. Myers engaged in merchandise, bought hides and meat and shipped to Kansas City. Chas. Rath was his competitor and shipped to W. C. Lobenatine at Leavenworth, Kansas.

Business was rushing and many new hunters.

Early in the spring of 1873 many hunters went south to the Cimarron River, then supposed to be the south line of Kansas and the north line of the Indian Territory, the strip known as neutral strip between Kansas and Texas 34 miles wide. Hunters were all under the impression if they crossed the Cimarron the U. S. Army at Ft. Dodge would seize and confiscate their teams. The river was patrolled once a month by a company of soldiers.

Buffaloes now were very scarce in Kansas. In July of 1873, John Webb and J. Wright Mooar made a trip on horseback south. Each carried 200 rounds of ammunition, big fifty guns and a pocket full of salt. They crossed Beaver Creek 12 or 15 miles below where Beaver City is now in the strip. They went south across Wolf Creek, up the divide between Canadian River and Palo Duro Creek, went west until they could see the brakes of Blue River. Buffalo, a solid herd as far as they could see, all day they opened up before us and came together again behind them. They now turned north across Palo Duro, San Francisco Creek, Cold Water, and Beaver Creek back to the Cimarron River over 100 miles west of our camp, then down the river to home camp. They told other hunters of their trip to Texas and the many buffalo they had seen.

They now went to Dodge City and told many hunters and A. C. Myers and Chas. Rath about the trip to Texas and the many buffalo they had seen there.

All contended it was not safe to cross the strip, as it was Indian Territory. A young hunter named Steel Frazier proposed they go to Fort Dodge and ask the Commanding Officer, General Dodge, what would be the penalty should they cross the strip. They slipped up some, new clothes, to be presentable, went to the Fort, six miles from town, asked for an interview with the Commanding Officer. The Officer of the Day said the General was very busy today but he sent an orderly to tell the General two buffalo hunters desired an audience. The General said bring them right in at once and dismissed his other engagements, received them very cordially. They introduced themselves, was seated and asked the General what his policy would be

to them if they crossed the Neutral Strip to hunt buffalo in Texas. General Dodge was very much interested and surprised as they told him about the trip. He asked many questions about buffalo, their habits, migratory and otherwise, methods of hunting, and profits derived and seemed to enjoy their visit.

Finally they got ready to go. J. Wright Mooar said, General, you have not answered my question. He said, "what was it?" J. Wright repeated the question. General Dodge said, "Boys, if I were a buffalo hunter I would hunt buffalo where buffalo are." He then took their hands, bid them good bye, and wished them success.

Late in September 1873 they crossed the Neutral Strip into Texas with their hunting outfit. Ten men went south to the Canadian River killed some buffalo, moved back to Palo Duro Creek in November and wintered, made a good hunt. Lane and Wheeler with ten men camped six miles above us, they made a good hunt, until late in February they were attacked by Indians and Wheeler was shot, badly wounded, from which he died. Later during the winter several hunters from Dodge came to our camp prospecting, some went as far as the Canadian River but did not make permanent camp.

In March, A. C. Myers moved a branch store from Dodge City, located on Canadian River and gave the new trading post the name of Adobe Walls. Myers bought hunters and built a large stockade corral and storehouse. Chas. Rath his competitor also came with a stock of supplies and hunters and teamsters built a sod house. Nearby James Harrahan built a sod house for a saloon. Tom O'Keefe a blacksmith shop picket house. All got to doing a good business, about May 1st more hunters came from Dodge and the stores did a big business, bought many hides. The Indians were very troublesome, killed out some small outfits. The small parties now began to merge together for strength against the Indians.

Buffalo were plentiful and this plan worked well until June 28th when a large party of Indians attacked the stores, made a desperate fight, were repulsed with great loss to the Indians. In August the stores were abandoned. Indians destroyed all improvements, hunters went to Dodge City but returned to Texas in October and continued killing buffalo for hides until 1879 when buffalo were exterminated, which resulted in the subjugation of the Indians and the civilized occupation of the Pampas of the Panhandle of Texas. From an interview with J. Wright Mooar.

**FT. ELLIOTT MENU**  
(Mobeetie Campus)

**Monday, August 31, 1998—FRIDAY, September 4, 1998**

**MONDAY:** Breakfast: Hot Biscuits, Eggs, Jelly, Juice, Milk

**Lunch:** Spaghetti w/Meat & Cheese, Corn, Salad, Rolls, Fruit, Milk/Tea

**TUESDAY:** Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Jelly, Juice, Milk

**Lunch:** Steak, Broccoli, O Henry Beans, Rolls, Fruit, Milk/Tea

**WEDNESDAY:** Breakfast: Pancakes, Ham, Juice, Milk

**Lunch:** Chicken Strips, Potatoes, Carrots, Rolls, Jello w/Fruit, Milk/Tea

**THURSDAY:** Breakfast: Cowboy Bread, Cereal, Juice, Milk

**Lunch:** Hamburgers, French Fries, Ice Cream, Milk/Tea

**FRIDAY:** Breakfast: No School

**Lunch:** No School  
(Menu Subject to Change)



**SHOW YOUR SUPPORT:** Mustang t-shirts were offered for sale at the annual "Meet the Mustangs" Belinda Masters (left) and Greta Bass discuss sales. T-shirts are either black with white lettering or white with black lettering. Contact James or Belinda Masters if you are needing a Mustang T-Shirt.

## LIBRARY NEWS

Where did our summer go? We sure have some good reading waiting for you who have the time or plan on making the time to read.

Some of our new books are: *Point Of Origin* by Patricia Cornwell, *I'll Be Watching You* by Victoria Gotti, *Bloodstream* by Tess Gerritsen, *The Smiling County* by Elmer Kelton, *Moon Music* by Faye Kellerman, *Lost Innocents* by Patricia MacDonald, *The Tin Man* by Dale Brown, *Die Trying* by Lee Child, *Coast Road* by Barbara Delinsky, *Low Country* by Anne Rivers Siddons, *Gone Baby Gone* by Dennis Lehane, *Reckless Endangerment* by Robert Tanenbaum, *Southwind* by Don Goldsmith, and *Boobytrap* by Bill Pronzini, these are to name a few! Really some great reading.

We have a number of great videos donated to us by Pat Smith, many thanks Pat. We have also had a number of memorials in memory of No-

## Crownover, Shields Take Part in SW Orientation

A total of 156 high school seniors attended Southwestern Oklahoma State University's fifth and final freshman orientation clinic on August 14. The seniors enrolled at the Weatherford university and are among 865 incoming freshmen who attended one of the orientation clinics in preparation for the 1998 fall semester.

Attending the fifth orientation session included: Londa Lynn Crownover and Amanda Dawn Shields, both of Briscoe TX.

## Hugh Bailey Will Be Honored With Reception

Hugh Bailey of Mobeetie will be the guest of honor Sunday, August 30, in honor of his 80th birthday. His friends and relatives are invited to stop in and see if he is "over the hill" yet.

The reception will be from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the school cafeteria.

Cards are welcome, but no gifts, please.

## FORT ELLIOTT COUGARS FOOTBALL 1998

**High School**

Aug. 21 #McLean-Follett H 5:00

28 T 7:30

Sept. 4 Lefors H 7:30

10 Higgins H 7:30

18 Vernon Northside T 7:30

25 +Lakeview H 7:30

Oct. 9 \*Miami T 7:30

16 \*Groom H 7:30

23 \*Higgins T 7:30

30 \*Follett H 7:30

Nov. 6 \*Lefors T 7:30

#Scrimmage \*DistrictGame +Homecoming

**Junior High**

Sept. 10 Higgins H 6:00

17 Lefors T 6:00

24 Follett H 6:00

Oct. 1 Hedley H 6:00

8 Miami H 6:00

15 Groom T 6:00

22 Higgins T 6:00

29 Follett T 6:00

Nov. 5 Lefors H 6:00

## St. Jude (from Page 1)

Eleven year-old Justin Salat of Memphis, TN represents all of the patients who have received the benefits of St. Jude's research. Justin was diagnosed with thyroid cancer in September, 1994. This cancer is rarely seen in children. After surgery to remove his tumor and thyroid gland, he began radioactive iodine treatments. After two operations, Justin is now doing well. He likes to play basketball and enjoys singing in his church choir. His doctor gives him an excellent prognosis of permanent recovery. Thanks to all who support events like the "Wheels for Life" Bike-A-Thon, St. Jude Hospital will always be available for children like Justin.

## Hibbitts (from Page 1)

In addition to his wife of Abilene, survivors include a son, Kerry Ray Hibbitts of Oklahoma City, OK; two daughters, Glenda Parr and her husband, Mark of Plano, and Linda Ann Hibbitts of Clyde; two grandsons, Caleb Paul Straus and Rance Kade Parr; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be sent to American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 41, Abilene, TX 79604; Texas Cancer Center, 1957 Antilley Rd., Abilene, TX 79606; and M. D. Anderson Cancer Research, 1515 Holcombe Blvd., Houston, TX 77030.

vella Vanpool, John R. Hill, Monty Edwards, Rocky Compton and Jewell Holloman. We appreciate all memorials and donations.

Our first featured book for this week is *Moon Music* by Faye Kellerman. This is a spine-tingling thriller. The setting is Las Vegas and a detective must sift through the city's sordid history to solve a series of murders and to save a woman he once loved. Our second featured book is *Point Of Origin* by Patricia Cornwell. This white-hot Kay Scapetta novel pits Virginia's chief medical examiner against an audacious killer who uses fire to mask brutal murders. Both these novels are hard to put down!

Our audio and video collections continue to grow. We have several new audios on order, so watch for them soon.

We have a new display rack that we are very proud of. This new rack holds our audios and the videos are on the old rack. It is nice to have them separated and easier to view. We also have a new rack on the front desk to hold various pamphlets and materials that we are required to have on hand. This will eliminate taking up our counter space. We have the Junior section back in order after our busy summer reading program. Also we have our summer house cleaning completed.

We had 100 patrons last week and checked out 250 books, 10 audios went out and 12 videos. Twenty children's books also were checked out.

That's all for this week. Come see us for some good reading.

By the library staff

## Chat (from Page 1)

I stopped in Pampa Friday at Foto Time to have an enlargement made of the picture of the Wheeler Mustang football team. When I told the clerk the name, he spelled it right. How did he do that? First, I live just down the street from his mother-in-law, Francis Hefley. As the son of a Baptist Preacher, M. B. Smith, he is a former Wheelerite. Herb Smith is the store owner.

Next week will be the start of Mustang Football. Calls are being made for the "Football Page". If you would like your name on the page, please call the office. The cost starts at \$3.50.

The neighbors and several others, who saw us in town over the weekend were shocked. The neighbors were also happy, when I used part of the time to do some much needed yard work. Their next question may well be "Why did you stop?". I was tired and it was hot.

# MUSTANGS SCRIMMAGE CANADIAN AUG. 21

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