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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

## CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

And another month of 2008 has passed.

**Congratulations, Jared Messer!** For the third time this year he has been named to the *Globe-News* 'Athlete of the Week'. This time he scored 33 points in the Mustang's bi-district victory over Quannah.

Since the Feb. 21 issue of the *Times* was put to bed, the Wheeler Mustangs played two playoff games. They defeated Quannah for bidistrict and lost to Sudan for area. We are proud of you, Mustangs.

Mobeetie's program for Black History Month is Thursday, Feb. 28—not last Saturday. I had the date wrong in my column last week. Make plans to be in attendance, it will be both enjoyable and educational.

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**BI-DISTRICT CHAMPS:** The Wheeler Mustangs are shown here with the Bi-District trophy they received after their 51-35 win over Quannah in Wellington on February 19, 2008. They met Sudan in Canyon on Saturday evening and lost 34-4, closing the 2007-08 season with a 19-7 season record and 2-4 district.

## Wheeler Mustangs Win Bi. Dist. Game

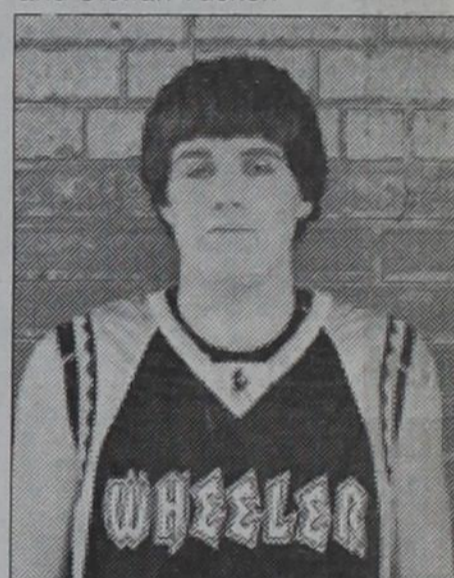
The Wheeler Mustangs met Quannah in a Bi-District playoff game at Wellington on Tuesday, February 19, 2008.

The Mustangs with a third place standing in 1-A District play took on Quannah and won 51-35, qualifying for a place in the Area playoffs.

Scoring for Wheeler in the bi-district game were:

- Jared Messer ..... 33
- Tyler Richardson ..... 4
- Johnny Venzor ..... 11
- Omar Gonzalez ..... 2
- Terry Menefield ..... 1

Also playing in the game were Collin Hampton, Robert Lewis, Dyron Brown, Jesus Gonzalez, Brock Sabbe, Michael Mendoza and Steffan Tucker.



**RECOGNIZED:** Wheeler's Jared Messer was recognized in the Tuesday, February 26, 2008, *Globe-News* "Athlete of the Week Honor Roll". Jared scored 22 of his game-high 33 points in the third quarter in a bi-district victory against Quannah. This is the third time this season, Jared has received this recognition.

## Mustangs Season Closes With Area

The Wheeler Mustangs met Sudan in an area playoff game at Canyon on Saturday, February 23, 2008. The 34-41 loss ended the season for the Mustangs, leaving them with a 19-7 season record and a 2-4 district record.

Scoring for the Mustangs in the area game were:

- Jared Messer ..... 2
- Tyler Richardson ..... 5
- Johnny Venzor ..... 10
- Omar Gonzalez ..... 7
- Terry Menefield ..... 10

## Who's Who Names E. Moore Of Kelton



Elizabeth Moore

the achievements of our students are what earn their recognition. It is our mission to promote students for their effort and hard work by awarding them recognition and honor through a listing in *Who's Who Registry of Academic Excellence*.

## STORM REPORT

As Reported By Stormie Meniwether Pre-Kindergarten

It's too cold to play outside. Too many kids are sick. I don't like to be sick. I want all my friends to get well.

We play in centers and do the computers. We do rhyme words. My frog is pink. His name is stink. He is my friend, I think.

## Wheeler H.S. Golf

Feb. 25	Wellington	Girls
Feb. 26	Wellington	Boys
Mar. 3	Clarendon	G/B
Mar. 10	Shamrock	Girls
Mar. 11	Shamrock	Boys
Mar. 26	Sayre	Girls
Mar. 27	Sayre	Boys
April 4 & 7	Borger - Dist.	Tourney

## Wheeler Tennis

Mar. 3	Mon. Gruver
Mar. 4	Tues. Gruver
Mar. 10	Mon. Panhandle Boys
Mar. 11	Tues. Panhandle Girls
April 3 & 5	Thurs. & Sat. Amarillo Tennis Center (Bell Street), Amarillo

## Jr. Hi. Track

Mar. 7	Miami
Mar. 13	Lefors
Mar. 22	Saturday Shamrock
Mar. 29	Dist. Saturday White Deer

## Wheeler Hi. Track

Mar. 8	Mami
Mar. 14	Lefors
Mar. 21	Booker
Mar. 25	Shamrock
Mar. 31 & April 1	Dist. White Deer
April 18-19	Reg. Levelland
May 9-10	State Austin



**FIRST BUCK:** Hale Hughes is shown here with the first kill of his deer hunting career. The kill was on the 4K Land and Cattle Ranch near Brady, Texas. Hale commented, "Guess I did alright... for a fella who had never been hunting before... (hit it first shot—one shot). No kidding, it was like the hunter's version of the '40 Year Old Virgin'. Hit this one with a borrowed rifle. I am real proud of the shot I took, but I am humble too. I am sure 'beginner's luck' had a little something to do with it." Hale is a former resident of Wheeler.

## Wheeler Chamber Installation Banquet Set For Sat., March 8

The Wheeler Chamber of Commerce will hold their Annual Installation Banquet on Saturday, March 8, 2008, at the Wheeler School Cafeteria.

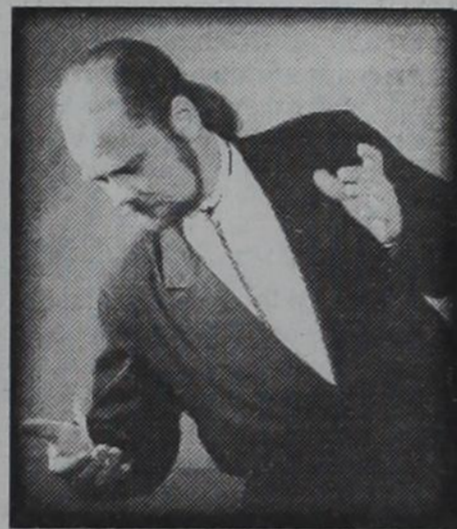
At this banquet, the chamber officers for the 2008 year will be installed and the "Outstanding" individuals will also be named.

The entertainment this year will be "The Magic of Montgomery".

Award-winning Lubbock magician Monte Holder, performing as "The Magic of Montgomery," has entertained and delighted audiences across the Southwest US, performing professionally for corporate events, conventions, fairs, festivals, malls, and schools.

Montgomery believes that magic is one of the true forms of entertainment that is capable of breaching language and cultural barriers, and he takes great pride in offering his audience family-oriented entertainment that can be enjoyed by all ages.

His greatest joy comes from watching the faces of his audience and knowing that, if only for a little



Montgomery

while, he has helped them to see that all things are possible if you only believe.

Cost of the tickets for the evening will be \$15.00 per person. Tickets are on sale at the chamber office, located at the City Office at 505 S. Alan L. Bean Blvd.

Everyone is urged to attend and enjoy a great meal and an evening of entertainment and fellowship.

## Commissioners' Court Meeting

Wheeler County Commissioners' Court met in regular session on Monday, February 25, 2008, at the Commissioners' Courtroom in the Wheeler County Courthouse.

Eleven items were on the agenda for the 10:00 a.m. meeting.

The hourly payroll time sheets were approved for payment. The court voted to pay the bills as approved.

No action was taken on the budget.

The burn ban remains in effect.

Note: One citizen of south Wheeler County had asked his commissioner what the procedure for getting permission to burn was. With the state burn ban in effect, it will be necessary to contact the State Attorney General.

No action was taken on the Tax Assessor's Report.

There were no minutes for the court's approval.

Sherri Jones, District Clerk, presented her Continuing Education Certificate to the court for their approval and acceptance.

El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.P., was given permission to cross Co. Road "N", County Road "P", County Road "R" and County Road "S" for installation of an oil and gas pipeline.

Elk City, Oklahoma Pipeline, L.P., was given permission to cross County Road "EE" with an oil and gas pipeline.

The commissioners voted to approve the Law Enforcement Contract between City of Wheeler and Wheeler County.

The purchase of a 2008 Chevrolet pickup for Precinct 4 was approved. The cost was \$20,309.51 with the county to receive a \$500 rebate.

The next meeting of the commissioners' court will be Monday, March 10, 2008, at 10:00 a.m.

## Hospital Notes

<b>Admissions</b>	
2/18	David Britt Toni Kuehler Sue Seitz
2/19	Melisa Scales Richard Brown
2/20	Keelynn Longbine
2/21	Duane Bradford Emma Rogers
2/22	Julia Buckingham
2/24	Carl Prater Dorothy Ellis
<b>Dismissals</b>	
2/19	Ruth Holdaway
2/20	Sue Seitz
2/22	Toni Kuehler Richard Brown Keelynn Longbine Emma Rogers Duane Bradford
2/23	Teresa Rose
2/24	David Britt

There will be a Blood Drive at the First Baptist Church in Wheeler on Monday, March 03, 2008 from 2:00-7:00 p.m. Please, consider giving. It's about LIFE!!

## Buffalo Soldier Presentation To Honor Black History Month

The Old Mobeetie Jail Museum will host a performance by Billie Miller, a buffalo soldier reenactor, on February 28. There will be two sessions, one at 10 a.m. and one at 1:30 p.m. Area schools have been invited to attend and individuals are welcome. Response has been strong from the area schools, so please call 806-845-2028 to make reservations for groups so everyone may have a seat. There is no charge for this performance. It will take place at the newly renovated Old Mobeetie Grade School, two blocks east of the Old Mobeetie Jail Museum.

Private Miller is a member of the Regiment of the High Plains, a cavalry reenactment group focused on preserving the memory of Fort Elliott and the

early settlement of the Texas panhandle. His presentation will focus on the Buffalo Soldier's role during the Red River War which began in 1874. Miller is a retired career Army veteran and will appear in period uniform and share the life and times of Buffalo Soldiers stationed at Fort Elliott in the 1870's.

Buffalo Soldiers played a leading role in civilizing the Texas Panhandle and containing the Native American within the reservations of Oklahoma. On July 28, 1866, congress established the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Black Cavalries. The influx of settlers into Texas required new forts to protect them against the Native Americans, thus starting the Indian Wars in Texas. The two

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## Masters Receives Recognition For Sales

James Masters, of Wheeler County Farm Bureau, was recognized in Jackson, MS as a Charter member of the Southern Farm Bureau Sales Leadership Council, February 2, 2008.

Masters has been with Farm Bureau insurance since 1994. He has been recognized as a Master Agent in 2006 and 2007, Texas Farm Bureau's highest level of achievement.

The Sales Leadership Council is represented by an elite 2% of the Southern Farm Bureau agency force.

"We recognize our agents for their commitment to help secure the financial futures of our policyholders," said Gino Gianfrancesco, CLU, ChFC, Senior Vice President of Marketing for Southern Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company.

## Local Students On TTU Honor Rolls

Texas Tech University presented degrees to approximately 1,800 graduated students the fall 2007 commencement in the United Spirit Arena on campus on Saturday, Dec. 15, 2007, and approximately 5,100 students qualified for either the President's List or the Dean's List in the spring semester. To make the President's List, a student has to take at least 12 qualifying credit hours and have a 4.0 grade point average (GPA). Students qualifying for the Dean's List also must take at least 12 qualifying hours and have a GPA of 3.5 to 3.9.

Graduates from Wheeler are Jacob Minden Britt with a Master of Business Administration degree in General Business and Hayley Johanna Hipkins receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in Human Development & Family Studies.

Amber D. Oldham, Shamrock sophomore, majoring in Agricultural Communications was named to the President's List. Samantha Ashden Chapman, sophomore Nutritional Sciences major from Wheeler, was named to the Dean's List.

Masters was greeted with a reception, presentations from senior

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## Time To Sign Up For Walk Across Texas

This is your year to develop a healthy habit that will last you a lifetime. Walk Across Texas team packets are now available at the Extension office and Sweat Shop. T-shirt sizes are due March 1st so the shirts will be ready for the kick off. Just get together with seven other people- friends, neighbors, coworkers or family members and start walking. Keep track of your mileage and turn it into your team captain each week. You can walk together with your team or individually. The Kick Off will be April 1st at the Wheeler Track. Call the Extension office for more information 826-5243.

## Who's Who Names

The *Who's Who Registry of Academic Excellence* is noted as the premier program for giving outstanding students the recognition they have earned. Each year our nation's top students step into the spotlight to accept one of the most prestigious awards in academic excellence. Commending the achievements of students and spurring them on to greater accomplishments is the driving force behind our organization.

In an effort to encourage academic excellence among honored students the *American Who's Who Association* provides additional opportunities to deserving students by involving foundations, organizations and individuals. *Who's Who Registry of Academic Excellence* not only recognizes students but also offers college scholarships through its scholarship program, the *Student Scholarship Foundation*. There are no fees of any kind associated with being listed and honored. Solely,

"Blessed is the man that walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law does He meditate day and night. And He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that brings forth fruit in his season; His leaf shall not wither, and whatever he does will prosper" (Psalm 1:1-3).

"Happy Birthday" Heath Eliason, Scott Luttrell, Austin Johnson, Rebekah Morrison, Danny McNeil, Jan Newland, Dwight Tipps, Tiffaney Hawkins and Mitch Meadows, Feb. 24; John Williams, Cooper Foreman, Ashley Gallagher, Savannah Hampton, McKalli Marshall, Jim Hill, Wes Hatley, Lauren Baird, J.D. Tindol and Andy Gonzales, Feb. 25; Ray Brazael, Kent Ware, Elsie Glazner, Tom Christner II, Caitlin Kroeker, Susan Leflew, Ryan Henson, Sam Meadows, Jim Sides, Steven Bleakley and Dale Pulpan, Feb. 26; Barbara Anderson, Vanessa Buice, Beverly Bryant, Abby Jordan,

Benjamin Sword, Robert Willis, Reuben Shaw, Jackie Don May, Kenney Wallace and Austin Waters, Feb. 27; Carolyn Buckingham, Brian Coate, Kyle Hall, Heide Coomer, Heath Mitchell, Mary Whitener, Shea Weatherly, Yreva Topper, Kenneth Smith, Marcie Rose, Don Rose, Dixie Cook and Heide Marshall, Feb. 28; Alex Dougherty, Feb. 29, and Payton Alvey, Jeff Herd, Barbara Koelzer, Elizabeth Horton, David Hale and Rozena Zybachi, Mar. 1.

"Happy Anniversary" to Robert and Dena Brown, Lacy and Chad Crompton and Jim and Tivian Sides, Feb. 25; Steve and Joy Zybachi, Feb. 26, and Dallas and Krystal Fillingim and Don and Mary Edwards, Mar. 1.

First Sunday Singing will be at Allison Baptist Church next Sunday, Mar. 2, 6:00p.m. Come sing and fellowship with us. Everyone invited. Always a good program and good food.

Enjoying Sunday lunch a Buddy and Dianne Sparks' home were Rev. O.K. Bowen, Dixon and Dillon Lair, Wes and Cindy Bradstreet and Buddy and Dianne.

Earl and Betty Huestead and Joyce Wood were out to Wheeler Care Center Tuesday morning for a good sing-along, message from the Bible and prayers for the resi-

dents. Several residents were out to enjoy it.

Dollie Johnson has been in the hospital at Amarillo. She and Daylon have moved to an Assisted Living facility in Amarillo. Pray for them. Best wishes! They had been in Wheeler Care Center for a while.

Teddy and Ruth Tucker lived and worked in Friona for 40 years and still have many friends there. Recent visitors to the Tuckers were Laura Coffey, from Logan, NM, Charla Chesher and Doneta Martin, from Friona and Twila Hitt from Lubbock. They enjoyed the visit. Teddy and Ruth's son, Mark, and family live in Wheeler. Mark and Misty Tucker have Stefan and Mikel... fine young men and good athletes. Teddy and Ruth Tucker are proud grandparents.

Teddy has cattle east of Wheeler and raises a big garden. Leon and Augusta Brown's daughter, Glenna Brown, from Rockwall, TX., came Thursday to visit them a few days. Pray for Leon who has not been very well. Leon and Augusta live in Pampa.

"If I could speak in any language in heaven and on earth, but didn't love others, I would only be making meaningless noise like a loud gong or a clanging cymbal. If I had the gift of prophecy and if I knew all the mysteries of the fu-

ture and knew everything about everything, but didn't love others, what good would I be? And, if I had the gift of faith so that I could speak to a mountain and make it move, without love I would be no good to anybody. If I gave everything I have to the poor, but didn't love others, I would be of no value whatsoever" (1 Corinthians 13:1-3).

"Our God is an awesome God; He reigns from Heaven above With wisdom, power and love, Our God is an awesome God."

Ed Hershman got to come home Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 19, from Hospital at Amarillo. Keep praying for Ed that he will be all O.K. Kinda rough recovering from back surgery and heart bypass surgery in 7 days. His back surgery was Feb. 6, then his heart bypass surgery was Feb. 12. Keep praying.

Glad to know that Geoff Caldwell is home from Amarillo Hospital and doing better. He was at Amarillo several days. Keep praying for Geoff and wife, Fredia. God bless you! Hope Geoff will soon be able to be back to play with the "Nearly Brothers Band" at Wheeler Care Center.

Nice to see Billy Robertson and his wife at Hyland's Pharmacy. He used to carry many medical supplies, like walkers, oxygen, etc. He has sold his stock of supplies to Vickey Nelson, if you need items. Her phone is 375-2238 or may be reached at Parkview Hospital. Vickey's cell phone is 806-662-8681.

"I'm so glad I'm a part of the family of God: Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod. Washed by His fountain, cleansed by His blood, I'm so glad I'm a part of the family of God."

Glad to hear that Mary Jones is home and doing well after her surgery in Amarillo. He husband, Buck, is in Wheeler Hospital. Pray for them.

Totty School quilters didn't meet Thursday because weather was pretty threatening; they will be back.

There were Little Dribblers playing basketball at Wheeler Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Many were eating at Maxey's in between games Friday. Nice to have Dallas and Krystal Fillingim and Keaira and Kamry come visit me and take me out to eat at Maxey's.

**Master** (from Page 1) leadership, a tour of the Jackson home office and an evening banquet and awards ceremony.

"This is a great honor, given by our company. It's a pat on the back for the way we take care of our insured's needs, and encouragement to keep it up in 2008," said Masters.

Masters added, "our clients make it easy for us; we want to take care of them and make sure their family is protected."

Farm Bureau was founded in 1933 and has grown to one the world's largest organizations supporting ranchers, farmers and rural families. It is totally controlled by its members and set up to serve their interests of from insurance, financial planning to political representation.

For more information on becoming a member of Farm Bureau or their insurance services and financial planning, please contact 806-826-3563

**Buffalo** (from Page 1)

newly formed regiments of Black Soldiers were dispatched to assist in this effort with the 9<sup>th</sup> Cavalry taking the field in Texas in 1867 with the 10<sup>th</sup> Cavalry later that year. These soldiers would soon come to be known as Buffalo Soldiers, an honorable name given to them by their Cheyenne adversaries who were impressed with the fierce fighting ability the soldiers had shown.

The 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Cavalries were entrusted with many duties on the open plains including the building of new forts and the restructuring of abandoned forts which would provide protection to the settler's coming west. They were also responsible for escorting stage-coaches, cattle drives and wagon trains and even capturing outlaws. The public is encouraged to attend this special presentation recognizing Black History Month and discover how the Buffalo Soldier aided in the settlement of Wheeler County. For more information call the museum at 806-845-2028 or OMTA board member Ada Lou Lester, chairman of the event.

**Wheeler County COURT RECORDS**

List of instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's office from February 18, 2008 - February 22, 2008.  
**FEBRUARY 18, 2008**  
 Holiday  
**FEBRUARY 19, 2008**  
 DVL-John W. Sparkman, et ux to John Wadsworth, 2-15-08, Pt. W 1/2 Sec. 49, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
 DT-John R. Wadsworth to First State Bank of Miami, 2-15-08, Pt. W 1/2 Sec. 49, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
 RDT-Wheeler Banking Center to Debora Gail Glazner, 2-12-08, 79.5' x 170' SE 1/4 Sec. 60, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
 ASSIGN.-Devon Energy Production Company LP to (Continued Page 7)

Nice to see Jack and Pat Morgan at Maxey's. Think they live near San Antonio. They had come up for the funeral of sister-in-law, Lorhae Morgan, 80. They lived in the Mobeetie-Briscoe area many years and taught school.

Cindy Bradstreet went to Pampa Friday and took her mom, Lois Barrett, out to eat at the China Dragon to celebrate her birthday. After lunch, they went out to sister, Cheri Frees, for birthday cake. Happy Birthday!

Some going to the special D. Now overnight worship service at Panfork were Stacie Hanson, Claudia Marion, Sindy Chapman, Tansia Brown, Ilene Butler, Paige Jones, Callie Eddens, Breann Robinson, Alyssa Kinnaman, Mayci Miller, Aaron and Darren Gaines, Haylee and Taylor

**To The Editor**  
The Wheeler Times  
Wheeler, TX 79096

Citizens of Wheeler County:

I have been employed as a Deputy Sheriff with the Wheeler County Sheriff's Office since 01-15-2004. During this time I have had the pleasure of working with multiple agencies in Wheeler County including all the volunteer fire departments, EMS, County Hospitals, Shamrock PD, County Commissioners, County Judge, JPs, Texas Dept. of Public Safety, Texas Dept. of Transportation and all employees of Wheeler County.


It is extremely nice to be a part of such wonderful communities. Each of these departments goes out of their way to work together in all circumstances for the good of all citizens of Wheeler County.

Thanks again for everyone who makes these communities what they are.  
 Deputy Sheriff Bill Britton  
 Wheeler County Sheriff's Office.

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**Wheeler Church of Christ**

CHURCH OF CHRIST  
 This is the final regular article that we are placing in *The Wheeler Times*. We are going to try a few different ways to communicate with the Wheeler community. In the next month, you will notice two specific things. First, we are getting a new sign placed out in front of our building. We will be able to put messages on it that will offer inspirational or thought-provoking words, maybe a scripture from the Bible or an announcement of some upcoming activity. We will try to change the message every two weeks or as necessary.

And, second, everyone in Wheeler and Mobeetie will be receiving a bulletin entitled, *House to House/Heart to Heart*, in the mail. This will be sent out every other month and will have eight pages of articles, humorous stories, helpful advice, life strategies, Bible quizzes and more. We believe this will be a positive and challenging aid for all families. We will have additional copies available at the building for free to anyone else (such as those in Briscoe or, at least, out of the Wheeler and Mobeetie mailing routes). In addition, we will have about 250 copies of the exact same thing written in Spanish.

Even though we will no longer have a regular article in *The Wheeler Times*, we will still use the paper for advertising different events from time to time. We have had a good association with the local paper and are grateful for the space that has been allocated to us for these many years. Although we are trying a few new methods to reach out here in Wheeler, we as a church will continue to strive to be as constantly close to the Lord's will as we read in the Bible. That is something that doesn't change. Come join us at the Church of Christ!

**Shawn D. Johnson**

**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

**Services:**  
 Sunday Bible Study ..... 9:30 A.M.  
 Sunday Morning Worship ..... 10:30 A.M.  
 Sunday Night Worship ..... 6:00 P.M.  
 Wednesday Night Worship ..... 7:00 P.M.

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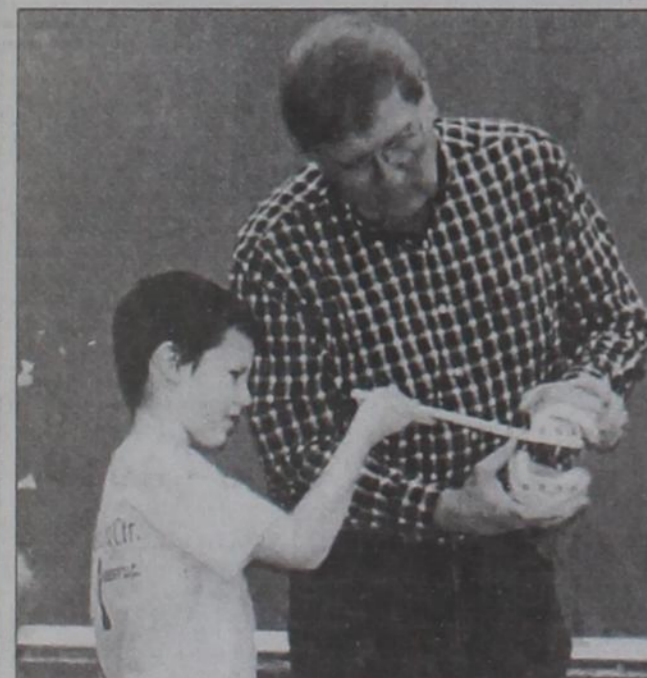
**WHEELER JV GIRLS:** Members of the Wheeler's 2007-08 Junior Varsity Basketball team are (back row, l. to r.) Gladys Zapata, Presley Thomas, Taylor Sparks, Ashley Gallagher, Haley Sparks, Makenzi Stiles, (front) Karen Mendoza, Carla Mendoza, Gio Luna, Bailey Richardson, Tania Flores and Diana Corral. Coaches are Bailey and Saenz.



**WHEELER JV BOYS:** Members of the Wheeler's 2007-08 Junior Varsity boys basketball team are (back row, l. to r.) Nick Hardcastle, Brock Sabbe, Kelby Vise, Braden Moore, Robert Lewis, Jorge Porras, (front) Jaten Moore, Pedro Hernandez, Aaron Gaines and Colin Hampton. Coaches are Markham and Brady.



**WHEELER SECOND GRADERS:** On February 14, 2008, the Thomas R. Helton Elementary second grade students, under the direction of Tammy G. Moore sang for the residents of Wheeler Nursing and Rehab. Pictured here are (back row, l. to r.) Clay Wilson, Dillon Laire, Landry Umsted, Jayton Smith, Anaid Pichardo, Shelby Jones, Leslie Engles, Kala Turner, Luis Enriquez, Jordan Herrera, Will Stiles, (front) Marvin Ramirez, Alex Dougherty, Kaitlyn Helton, Korbin Austin, Lizeth Monarrez, Jesenia Alcantar, Maria Lira, Rachel Huff and Cambri Moore.



**DENTAL HEALTH MONTH:** February is Dental Health Month. Wheeler's Dr. Mike Smith visited Thomas R. Helton Elementary on February 22, 2008. Dr. Smith is shown here demonstrating the proper way to brush ones teeth to Alex Dougherty, a member of Mrs. Thomas' second grade.

**CONGRATULATIONS, WHEELER MUSTANGS, ... on a great basketball season!**

## The View of a Southern Woman

... Southern California that is.  
We just spent two days going and from Fort Cobb Lake looking for a place to buy. It is about a hundred miles to the

southeast from our home and is the mating season or if the about 23 flat skunks on the road of like suicide by car or truck. Some of these skunks were almost all white and others were two strippers and of course some were only recognizable by the odor.

Anyway, we have looked at so many nice homes, mobile homes and just plain, old, depilated cabins that almost makes us lose hope of finding a place. We are meeting a lot of nice people, though, and getting the lowdown on where the best fishing spots are. One man said he caught a 16-inch crappie just down from his house and I did not know they even got that big. Loved the outside of that house, but inside was rather hopeless. Some homes



had long, rolling lawns down steep hillsides to the lake that you could only mow with a big insurance policy. I sure would not try it with my riding mower for it would surely tip over. Besides who wants to mow lawns at the lake? One cabin had a staircase inside about two feet wide and so steep that I had to crawl up it. That would never work! Our daughter, SaRita, and husband, Robbie, are looking for a place for us for they would love for us to be that near them and, besides, Robbie is a

top-notch fisherman and he knows Glenn is always ready to go fishing or at least until deer hunting season.

If I am not mistaken, Blackie seems to be setting in a nest again. Goldie acts like she needs to hang around the nests, too, for when I let them out today to roam the yard, those two stayed inside and that is unusual. Henry had a hard time finding the door to get out of the pen into the yard. I wonder if he has cataracts like I do. My cataract will be removed in two days. Maybe Henry was just too excited to get out after a long spell of being locked in because of the cold weather. All of the chickens were so glad to get loose that they flew to the lilac bushes. That is their favorite place to scratch and dig and dust bathe. Not much dust, though, for it rained yesterday. When it is cold or snowing or icy, Glenn takes care of the chickens and gathers the eggs. I asked him if Henry has been attacking him lately and he said, "Yes, he has." I guess Silver's attack on Henry was a one-time deal and now Henry is back to his old tricks, although I feel that both Glenn and Henry would be unhappy if the attacks stopped. We would think Henry is ill or just too old and that would be a sad day for us. With love to each and everyone of you, Betty Boydston.

## MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Sue Mayfield

I certainly hope that the crazy weather of these last few weeks will continue when summer comes. We need to have a few nice warm days and then cool off for a couple or three days every week. Seems only fair after a whole winter of indecisive ups and downs, that it gives us the same chance and some rain this summer. We have noticed several yards and our own that have daffodils and jonquils poking their little green shoots up. Along with these beautiful days, like Sunday, they sure give you spring fever. The gardening catalogs are such a temptation. Not all of us have the green thumb of Leola Stuart, Louise Shorter, Arica Lancaster or Betty Boydston, though. But, it is fun trying.

Have y'all been getting the Hillary Clinton calls? We haven't gotten any other of the candidate calls, but she has a persistent staff. We quit counting at 7. Hope you can take advantage of the early voting that is allowed until this Friday, if you can't take advantage of the primaries on March

4. Either way let your voice be heard; every vote counts. Our forefathers and our military families have given much so that we are guaranteed this right to vote, speak freely and practice our religious beliefs with out retribution, along with our other inalienable rights. Don't forget to vote!

Praise the Lord! He is healing Geoffrey Caldwell every day. Geoffrey and Fredia got to come home Wednesday night after 21/2 weeks in Amarillo at BSA hospital. All but one of those days was spent with Geoffrey in CCU. Geoffrey and Fredia want to thank each of you that sent up a special prayer for Geoffrey. That got them through this very difficult time. Amazing how just being at home can make such a difference. Welcome home!!

Glad to hear that Vera Walker of Dumas is at home and doing much better. She had a bout with the cold and flu crud and ended up spending several days in Moore County Hospital fighting off pneumonia. Glad you're home and, hopefully, getting stronger every day. You're in our prayers, Vera.

It's good to hear that Venita Weiss of Shamrock is home and doing better after a few episodes with her heart and recovering from knee replacement surgery. It's been a rough several weeks. Since the medicines didn't work at controlling her heart rhythm, and after having the knee replacement done, they gave her a pacemaker that will, hopefully, solve her problems. Hope this finds you feeling much better and gaining strength every day. She was released from the hospital and got to come home on Sat. Venita was disappointed that she didn't get to go to her mother's birthday party in Amarillo on Saturday. Family and friend's of Vitula gathered in Amarillo to celebrate her 96<sup>th</sup> birthday. She had a wonderful time. It was a big day for her. Belated birthday wishes and many more, lovely Aunt Vitula! Iva and Marsha Richardson of Erick, OK., and Leola Stuart of Mobeetie were just part of the family that got to go help Aunt Vitula celebrate. Another happy event to turn into a mini-family reunion with such wonderful memories. Since their carpenter that is working on remodeling Iva's kitchen was busy on Saturday that also gave Iva and Marsha a chance to run parts and pieces down before he got back to the kitchen project. It is going to be so nice when he gets done.

Belated congratulations to David and Kathleen Cross on their retirement. (I really can't feature David or Kathleen retired.) Have a great time and enjoy every minute of it. You can finally do some of the things you want to do.

Good Luck to Dale and Monica Kidd. They are going to carry on a great family business. Thanks for carrying on the tradition of good service and dependability. You are a great asset to our communities. Welcome home, Monica. She is the youngest daughter of David and Kathleen Cross. David and Kathleen raised all four of their children there in Wheeler while they ran the station and body shop, stayed active in all of the kids' school and church activities and supported the downtown growth effort. Dale and Monica finished college and provided well for their growing young family while they both worked for different companies. Now, their path has changed and they are beginning to face the world of college parents as daughter, Ann Marie, continues her education and the boys will soon follow her. The challenge of being owner-

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Two districts will elect directors this year; Kelton district, currently represented by Dale Garner, and Wheeler district, currently represented by Thomas Helton. Any qualified taxpayer desiring his or her name to be placed on the ballot as a candidate for director shall file a petition with the secretary of the board of directors or office of the administrator, signed by not less than five qualified voters, residing in the candidate's voting precinct, asking that the said name be printed on the ballot. Petitions for filing may be obtained from Ann Fagan-Cook, RN, BSN, Administrator, Parkview Hospital, 901 S. Sweetwater, Wheeler Texas, beginning Monday, February 18, 2008. 2/21-28

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Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you,

than he that is in the world. They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them. We are of God; he that knoweth God heareth us; he that knoweth not God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error. Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and everyone that loveth

is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love. In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son unto the world, that we might live through him. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought to love one another. No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us. Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world. I John 4:4-14

The weather here in Allison on this Tuesday morning is windy, but sunny and not bad otherwise. A cold front came thru and cooled us off to forty for today. It was sixty on Monday, but the wind was like a storm. Reminding us we live in the Texas Panhandle. We hope better weather is on the way.

Not much news this time, but maybe people will get out there and make some for next time. Opal and Juanita Boydston are very thankful that they are feeling better now. Praise God!!

Seems there is so much sickness going around everywhere. We have much to pray for these days.

Juanita Boydston and Opal are thrilled that they have been receiving phone calls from their grandson and nephew Neal Boydston who lives in Milliken, Colorado, that is North of Denver, Colorado.

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Opal and Juanita are also proud of their granddaughter and niece, SaRita Green who lives in Binger, Oklahoma, and she just started working at the bank there in Binger. Opal and Juanita are also proud of their other neices and nephews who have good paying jobs as well. They are truly blessed.

**Clarendon's Spring Production Planned**

The Clarendon College Theatre Department announces the opening of its spring production, "Close Ties."

Performances are scheduled for Friday, March 7, and Saturday, March 8, with curtain at 8 p.m. and a matinee on Sunday, March 9, with curtain at 2:30 p.m. The performances will be in the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Center Auditorium on the Clarendon College campus in Clarendon.

The cast includes Jaci Copelin of Hedley, Carrie Thompson of Clarendon, Katrina Richards of Hedley, Jacob Thornton of Clarendon, Mark Edgerton of Childress, Tamara Loya of McLean, and Andrew Sater of Groom.

Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for students, and free to all Clarendon College Board of Regents, Administration, Faculty, Staff, CC Students and High School Theatre groups.

The play in two acts was written by Elizabeth Diggs and is produced with special arrangement with Dramatists Play Services, Inc.

The scene is a country home in the Berkshire Mountains of New England, where three generations of the Whitaker/Frye family have gathered for the summer. Josephine Whitaker, the matriarch of the family, still bustles about energetically tending her garden and issuing orders to the others, even though she has long since given the house to her middle-aged daughter, Bess Frye, and her husband, Watson, who is now a senior partner in the law firm founded by his late father-in-law.

Also present are the Frye children, three daughters and a teen-aged son, and Ira Bienstock, the unlikely lover of one of the Frye daughters, who arrives uninvited but quickly ingratiates himself with Josephine and the others. While concerned with family ties, and the tensions, misunderstandings and good-natured bickering which arise from such closeness, the ultimate focus of the play is on Josephine, who is edging into senility and, in the family's view, must no longer be allowed to live alone. It is the resolution of this problem, which so many must face in today's world that provides the very believable - and deeply moving - conclusion of this most human and genuinely affecting play.

• Take your bananas apart when you get home from the store. If you leave them connected at the stem they will ripen faster.

Tuesday, Opal and Juanita Boydston enjoyed a delicious meal in the home of Louise Boydston.

Friday, Juanita Boydston accompanied Roma and Billy June Brown to Wheeler, Texas where they attended to business and did some grocery shopping.

Saturday, Cheryl and Cody Dupont stopped by and visited in the home of Louise Boydston for awhile. Also Gary Boydston and later Juanita Boydston and Julie Boydston and Gary and Julie and Juanita enjoyed a delicious meal in the home of Louise Boydston.

Sunday after church service, Opal and Juanita Boydston accompanied Louise Boydston to Elk City, Oklahoma where they enjoyed a very delicious meal at Pedro's Mexican Restaurant. After the meal Opal, Juanita and Louise visited with Pearl Harrison in Elkwood Assisted Living for awhile. Then they stopped by Wal-Mart on the way home.

Juanita was the only one that went in to do the shopping. Then we stopped and got gas and drinks before heading on home.

Glenn and Betty Boydston came by and visited awhile in the home of Opal and Juanita Boydston on Monday. Enjoyed their visit.

Monday evening, Opal and Juanita Boydston enjoyed a delicious meal in the home of Louise Boydston. After the meal they played a game of spinners. And yes, Opal won again this time. She is good at playing spinners.

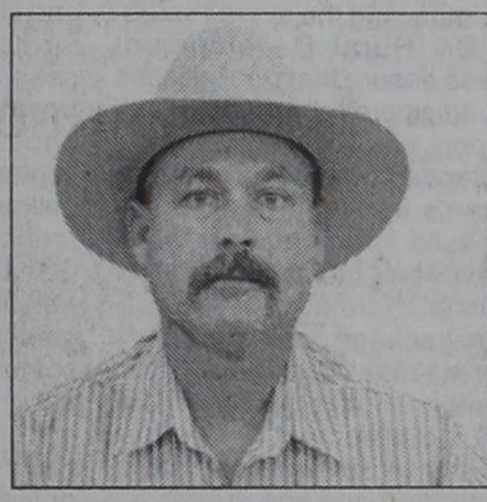
God Bless and Keep ya'll till next time.



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To The Editor  
The Wheeler Times  
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My name is Israel Luna. I am from Wellington, Texas, my family is from Wellington and I graduated as a proud Wellington Skyrockets student. My Aunt, Maria Granados and I have been anxiously preparing for my niece's Quinceanera. A Quinceanera is a Mexican traditional Church ceremony followed by a huge dance reception celebrating a young girl's 15th birthday, welcoming her into womanhood. It's very much like a Sweet Sixteen Party.

I recently got a distressing phone call from my Aunt Maria. Here's the story.

She had called to reserve the Community Center in Shamrock, Texas for July 19th. The date was strategically planned to follow another family Quinceanera in another city. This way all family could attend both events.

The receptionist checked the calendar and said the date was available so my Aunt booked it. After confirming the date my aunt and I began calling family members, creating invitations, buying decorations, etc. Since this is a big event, it requires months and months of preparation and planning. In our case, we have family coming in from Lubbock, Texas, Dallas, Texas, Colorado Springs, Colorado, Kansas City, Missouri and Las Vegas, Nevada.

A month later we were informed by the receptionist that her boss, by the name of Becky, said that we could not have the Community Center because of another event by the Ex-Students Reunion. After informing the receptionist that we had already gotten the word out she said, "Well, the date was open in the calendar so I'll see what I can do." A few days later she called back saying that her boss Becky and the Shamrock

City Mayor had said that the Ex-Students Reunion Event was a big event and that they were not going to change it. We would have to either change the date of the Quinceanera or move it to another location. End of story.

Now we have no idea where to have the event, we don't know what to do about the invitations or how many family member will be able to make it in case we change the date. Is this fair?

I understand that the Ex-Students Reunion event is a well-known event and I'm not trying to lessen its importance at all. I'm upset and disappointed at how we followed the rules and the proper steps to book the date for our event and how easily two people pushed it aside just because they can.

Does the Community Center boss, Becky, feel that this is a fair way to handle a customer?

Many Quinceaneras are held at this building. Will Becky push them all aside if she considers another event "more important," regardless of who booked it first?

Should my 14 year old niece's event have to suffer because of something THEY overlooked?

Should the mayor use his status to "put his foot down" and keep the problem from continuing?

I'm not a troublemaker, I'm not trying to stir up anything...I'm just trying to make things right. If this happened to us, it makes me wonder how many other families this has happened to. I'm not a lawyer, I'm not a judge, yet I don't feel you have to be either of them to know who the guilty party is in this matter. I rest my case.

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operators of your own business is daunting at times. They will make a big success of a much-needed service in our communities. It's great to have young families moving back home to strengthen our communities. Good luck with all your new adventures.

Monday night, Arica Lancaster hosted a Pampered Chef party at the hospitality room at the First State Bank here in Mobeetie. She had invited several family and friends to see all the new items they have available now and try some really neat, tasty, quick recipes. They all had a great time and enjoyed the tasting bee. Ralph Mayfield is home with us and doing very well after pneumonia and a heart attack. He got very good care and a thorough "going over" while he was in the hospital in OKC. For a man of 80, he is doing really well, but he has never had to take medication on a regular basis before, so scheduling is a task for him. Monday we were back at Cheyenne for his checkup and getting more medicine. He gets a 2-week reprieve, so that is good and made him feel better.

Dear friends, Doris Finsterwald and Orville Greenhouse, enjoyed a shopping expedition to Wheeler on Monday. Having special friends to visit with sure makes the task of grocery shopping a lot more fun. They chose a pretty day, except the crazy wind had to get up. Today, Tuesday, is certainly a lot cooler and the wind still lets us know winter is hanging around somewhere, although most of the week is supposed to be mild.

The nice weekend gave the Shorter family spring fever and the opportunity to make plans for their spring fishing trip. Louise has been working on her yard and the garden spot already, although good ol' Mother Nature doesn't always cooperate. Louise is feeling much better and thankful that the shingles seem to be finally clearing up. Judy got her a bottle of L-Lysine at the health food store in Pampa. That has really seemed to help get the shingles under control. Louise plans to keep a bottle on hand at all times, just in case the shingles try to come back. Sorry that Donnie Shorter thought he hurt his hand at work. Come to find out, the tests showed that all the pain and swelling was from gout. The medicine seems to be helping. But you know how it goes when you have a sore toe or finger...no matter what you do, that digit seems to run into everything. Hope you're soon feeling much better and have the gout under control.

Hope y'all have a great week! Please keep our friends and neighbors in your prayers: Don and Mary Edwards, Clinton and Maurita Stribling, Jack and Berniece Hefley, Bulah Stuart, Bill and Shirley Dyson, Lorene Rector, Orville Greenhouse, Jane Seitz, Iona May, Mabel Tabor, Peggy Dunn, Curtis Hendrix, John Thierstein, Peggy Frazier, Earl and Leola Farris, Dick and Ann Graham, Kenneth and Vera Walker, Bill and Patsy Caswell, Leola Stuart, Iva Richardson, John McGinty, Shannon Pool, Chuck Carl, Mary Whitener, Byron Simpson, Shelton May and family, Lou Dean Douthit, Joe Tolle and family, Alvern Hutchison, Jimmy Love, Joann Couch, Fred Castle, Vance and Carol Boydston, Aaron Hartline and family, Charlie Brown, Melba Corcoran, Lonnie Hendrix, Andrea Aldridge and family, John Paul Harris and family, Scott Corcoran and family, Carl and Peggy Carter, Jackie and Fred Thrasher,

Geoffrey and Fredia Caldwell, Jennifer Mayfield, Kourtney Mayfield, Louise Shorter, Sue Seitz, Danny Hendix, Ralph Mayfield, Venita Weiss, Donnie Shorter and Bob Frankenbery.

## Give Beef Heifers A Good Start To A Long, Productive Life

Setting your beef heifers up for a long, successful life in your herd starts before weaning, says Dr. Gary Williams, Texas AgriLife Research, Beeville. Williams will lead the discussion on managing and developing heifers at the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association 14<sup>th</sup> School for Successful Ranching, Mar. 14-15 at the American Bank Center in Corpus Christi.

"We can maximize lifetime productivity of females if they are developed right," says Williams. (Fine-tuning health programs and getting them started with solid nutrition will put producers on the right track. "Heifers must be placed on an appropriate nutritional program after weaning ... to assure that they have adequate opportunity to reach sexual maturity within a specified time period, usually between 12 and 15 months of age, depending upon breed type," Williams says.

A good herd health program will include early-calfhood vaccinations, booster shots and properly timed deworming. ("At our location, a sound immunization program, including a booster to their early-calfhood blackleg vaccination, a broad spectrum respiratory virus vaccine (IBR/PI3/BVD and BRSV) and leptovibrio are administered two to three weeks before weaning or at purchase. Heifers then receive boosters at weaning with the respiratory vaccine, leptovibrio and vibrio."

Williams continues, "Heifers are dewormed at this time and dewormed again 30 days later, because I want them to have the best opportunity to utilize the feed and forages."

Weight at puberty varies with breed type, Williams explains. "In the Gulf Coast region, most cattle have some *Bos indicus* influence and will be later maturing compared to straight English-bred heifers. The typical F-1 Braford will reach puberty at 725 to 750 pounds. If they gain about one and a half pounds per day from weaning until targeted breeding, the majority will be pubertal at the desired time," he explains.

Keeping heifers on track without coming in above or below the magic number will give these animals the best chance. ("Cattlemen are trying to upgrade their herds and improve genetic worth with these females," Williams says. "It is important to develop them right and select for fertility to get maximum lifetime production. Reproduction is at the top of the list when it comes to profit indicators, but breeders have to select replacements for what they want as a brood cow."

This year marks TSCRA's 14<sup>th</sup> annual School for Successful Ranching, a two-day program featuring three educational tracks—animal management, the business of ranching and range management. TSCRA has brought in experts from the Texas AgriLife Extension Service, King Ranch Institute for Ranch Management, Welder Wildlife Foundation, NRCS and Oklahoma State University to lead the sessions.

Registration is \$60 for TSCRA members or \$100 for nonmembers and includes two hot meals and free admittance to the TSCRA



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## 5 Tips For Starting An Online Business

Dr. Dani Babb, Ph.D. who has built her career from helping individuals across the nation learn how to get started in their own business online, provides the following five tips for those considering online entrepreneurship:

1. Do Something you Love.

2. Find Something that Fits your Lifestyle. Need to work 95 percent of the time from home? Prefer handling 80 percent of your work outside the home? After determining one's needs and one's passion, the idea is to choose a career that matches both.

3. Consider Careers that Once Required an Office. Have a creative streak? Consider taking a class on Web development and begin getting paid for designing distinctive Web sites. Enjoy cooking? How about cooking for busy parents? Try turning passion into a money-making endeavor.

4. Make Yourself Known within the Web 2.0 Environment. Post to the blogs, host information, be involved—create a dynamic Web site designed to be the go-to site for individuals looking for information within a community. Want to be a personal assistant? Host forums helping others get into the business. Making a name in the Web 2.0 environment, can be a dynamic conduit toward becoming well-known as an expert.

5. Look to Social Networking Sites to Drum up Business. Advertise business services nationwide via centralized networks of online communities that feature free classified advertisements and forums on various topics.

Each of the above, plus a plethora of additional information vital to the effective up-start of a new online business, will be covered in UC Irvine Extension's online course, "Starting Your Online Business," which begins March 24.

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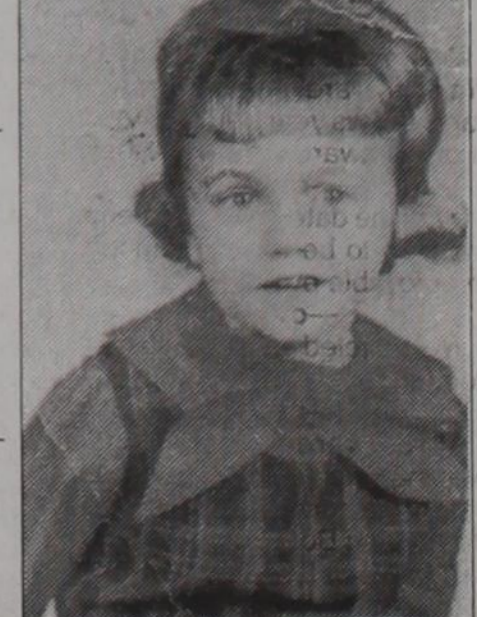
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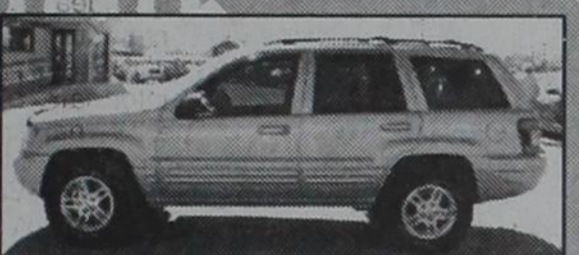
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OL-E. Keith Coltharp, et ux to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 1-14-08, Sec. 35, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OL-Bobby Don Galmor and Shirley Jo Galmor Living Trust to William P. Harris, 1-11-08, E 100 acs. NW 1/4; W 60 acs. NW 1/4 Sec. 76, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OL-7-H Cattle Company to William P. Harris, 1-11-08, E 100 acs. NW 1/4; W 60 acs. NW 1/4 Sec. 76, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OL-7-H Cattle Company to William P. Harris, 1-11-08, W 1/2 SE 1/4; E 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 86, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

## CARD OF THANKS

We would like to take this opportunity to say "Thank You" to everyone for their prayers and acts of kindness during my recent time of illness. It is so wonderful to live in such a fine community.

Ed and Laura Hershman

## Chat

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The performance Thursday evening will be the first in the new "Old School" auditorium. They have already received numerous reservations for the performance.  
On the sports scene, golf, tennis and track are coming up. Go Mustangs!  
Have you purchased your tickets to the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet? They are available at the chamber office.  
Make plans to attend the annual affair. We are going to have a magician this year to go along with all of the awards presentations.  
Mark the date on your calendar and plan to be in attendance for an enjoyable evening.  
We traveled to OKC this past weekend.  
Cards were played Monday evening. We had six for the first time in a long time. Rhonda, Dwight and Bob won the first two games, but Leroy, Mike and I managed to be on the winning side the last game.  
Remember to VOTE and don't forget your "dam card".

OL-Virginia Greenhouse Mixon to William P. Harris, 1-11-08, N 60 acs. SE 1/4; NE 1/4 Sec. 76, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OL-Lee Roy Hathaway, et ux to William P. Harris, 1-11-08, W 60 acs. NW 1/4; SW 1/4 Sec. 76, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OL-Lee Roy Hathaway to William P. Harris, 1-11-08, W 1/2 SE 1/4; E 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 86, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OL-Royce Doyle Greenhouse to William P. Harris, 1-11-08, N 60 acs. SE 1/4; NE 1/4 Sec. 76, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
RDT-Americquest Mortgage Company to Larry A. Jones, et ux, 2-8-08, See Instrument.  
ASSIGN./CONVEY.-Villa K. Bozeman Trust to Jamar LLC, 2-13-08, 320 acs. Sec. 21, Camp County School Land.  
OL-Frances Willard Mc Nerlin to William P. Harris, 11-20-07, W 1/2 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 Sec. 57, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
DT-Harry Marett, et ux to Citizens Bank, 2-7-08, S 40' Lot 8, Blk. 57, WSSA, Shamrock.  
D-Charles Shields, et ux to Maria Bertanuc, 2-15-08, Lots 1 and 2, Blk. XV, Shamrock.  
D-B. D. Harrington to Chad Lepp, et ux, 2-13-08, All Blks. XLI and VLIX, Shamrock.  
ASSIGN.-Albert Wayne Peters Estate to AWP LLC, 2-8-08, Int. in Wheeler County, Texas.  
HEIRSHIP AFF.-Sue Woodruff, et al to David Morris Woodruff, 2-14-08, Pt. SE 1/4 Sec. 56, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
D-Sue Woodruff to George Davis, et ux, 2-14-08, Pt. SE 1/4 Sec. 56, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
RATIFICATION OL-Le Anne Hanna to Bill Eischeid, 1-9-08, Pt. SW 1/4 Sec. 44, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OVERRID. ROYALTY ASSIGN.-Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC to Richard Lee Hauschild Jr. Revocable Living Trust, et al, 2-13-08, NW 1/4 Sec. 2, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.  
ASSIGN.-Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC to Apache Corporation, et al, 2-14-08, NW 1/4 Sec. 2, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.  
**FEBRUARY 20, 2008**  
AFF.-G. William Haas to Rella Fayé Payte, (deceased), 2-15-08.  
RVL/RDT-Albert D. Dixon to Ginger Abel, 2-6-08, 41.3 acs. NE 1/4 Sec. 52, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
HEIRSHIP AFF.-Karen M. Gurley to Dorothy C. Murray, 2-18-08.  
ASSIGN./CONVEY./BS-Rio Petroleum Inc. to Mis Properties LP, 2-19-08, Sec. 66, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
ASSIGN./CONVEY.-Bennett Masterson Trust # 1 to Bennett Masterson Trusts Limited Partnership, 1-21-08, Sec. 14, Blk. 43, Roberts & Eddleman Survey and Sec. 12, Camp County School Land. (Editor's note: Blk. 43 should be Blk. R.E.)  
ASSIGN./CONVEY.-Beaumont S. Boyce to Bennett Masterson Limited Partnership, 1-21-08, Sec. 14, Blk. 43, Roberts & Eddleman Survey and Sec. 12, Camp County School Land. (Editor's note: Blk. 43 should be Blk. R.E.)  
ASSIGN./CONVEY.-John K. Boyce III to Bennett Masterson Limited Partnership, 1-8-08, Sec. 14, Blk. 43, Roberts & Eddleman Survey and Sec. 12, Camp County School Land. (Editor's note: Blk. 43 should be Blk. R.E.)  
ROY./MD-Sandra D. Hunter to National Royalty Company Ltd., 2-16-08, Sec. 1, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.  
MD-Sunshine Exploration Company to Tommy E. Zachry, 1-21-08, Sec. 26, Camp County School Land.  
MD-Nancy L. Knight to Nancy L. Knight Family Trust, 1-19-08, See Instrument.  
**FEBRUARY 21, 2008**  
ROW-James Thomas, et ux to Enogex Gas Gathering LLC, 1-15-08, Pt. E 50 acs. NW 1/4 Sec. 1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
MEMORANDUM AGREE.-Skyward Energy LLC, et al to Cleveland Laman Sluder, et al, 2-12-08, 200 ac. E 1/2 Sec. 87, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OL-G&A Dorney Family Limited Partnership to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 2-1-08, Sec. 34, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OL-Cynthia Ann Corley Trust dated October 4, 2006 to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 2-1-08, Sec. 34, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OL-G&A Dorney Family Limited Partnership to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 2-1-08, Sec. 35, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OL-Cynthia Ann Corley Trust dated October 4, 2006 to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 2-1-08, Sec. 35, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
ASSIGN.-Mesa Oil & Gas Corporation to Linn Energy LLC, 1-15-08, NW 1/4 Sec. 42, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
ASSIGN.-Mesa Oil & Gas Corporation to Linn Energy LLC, 1-15-08, NW 1/4 Sec. 42, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
POSSESSION AFF.-Norman Dysart to Kathleen Hocutt, et al, 2-18-08, N 60 acs. NE 1/4 Sec. 44, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OVERRID. ROYALTY ASSIGN.-Shackelford Oil Properties Inc. to Doug J. Schutz, 1-15-08, See Instrument.  
C/C PROBATE-W.B. O'Brien to Ex Parte, 2-15-08.

D-Miriam S. Zachman Marital Trust to Thomas F. Zachman, et al, 1-31-08, Sec. 24, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
C/C PROBATE-Bernita Fish to Ex Parte, ———  
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OL-State of Texas to Portege Energy LLC, et al, ———, 17.429 acs. N 1/2 Sec. 44, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OL-Marilyn Salmon Woodress to Cimarex Energy Company, 2-14-08, S 257 acs. W 1/2 Sec. 38, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OL-Linda Umsted to Cimarex Energy Company, 2-14-08, S 257 acs. W 1/2 Sec. 38, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OL-Jean Reeves to Cimarex Energy Company, 2-14-08, S 257 acs. W 1/2 Sec. 38, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OL-George C. Pendleton Jr. to Cimarex Energy Company, 2-13-08, S 257 acs. W 1/2 Sec. 38, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
QCMD-International Interactive Ventures Ltd. to Andras gal Szabo, 7-21-07, See Instrument.  
RATIFICATION OL-Donald C. Waugh to Murexco Petroleum Inc., 1-25-08, Sec. 41, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
RATIFICATION OL-Lori D. Fatheree, et vir to Murexco Petroleum Inc., 1-31-08, Sec. 41, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
RATIFICATION OL-Scott Akin to Murexco Petroleum Inc., 1-31-08, Sec. 41, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
RATIFICATION OL-Granite Operating Company to Murexco Petroleum Inc., 2-4-08, Sec. 41, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
RATIFICATION OL-ACS-ODS Oil & Gas Ltd., et al to Murexco Petroleum Inc., 1-23-08, Sec. 41, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
ROL-Granite Operating Company to O Dale Smith - A.C. Smith Trust, et al, 2-4-08, Sec. 41, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
RATIFICATION OL-Diana Akin Larson to Murexco Petroleum Inc., 2-6-08, Sec. 41, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
RDT-Granite Operating Company to J. D. Akin Residuary Trust, 2-4-08, Sec. 41, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
ASSIGN.-Orion Oil & Gas Properties to Granite Operating Company, 2-19-08, Sec. 41, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
EXT. OL-Jo Beth Davis Pufferfield to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 1-29-08, W 1/2; SE 1/4 Sec. 2, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
EXT. OL-R.A. Noret to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 1-29-08, W 1/2; SE 1/4 Sec. 2, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
EXT. OL-Doris Glynn Bell Taylor

to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 1-2-08, Secs. 8 and 9, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
EXT. OL-Heath D. Mitchell, et ux to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 1-25-08, 77.12 acs. SE 1/4 Sec. 2, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
EXT. OL-Sarah E. Noret to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 1-29-08, W 1/2; SE 1/4 Sec. 2, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
WELLSBONE ASSIGN.-Gloria Altman, et al to Devon Energy Production Company LP, 2-11-08, Sec. 12, Camp County School Land.  
ASSIGN. BS-Ralph H. Smith Restated Revocable Trust dated August 14, 1997 to RHS Energy LLC, 2-1-08, Sec. 65, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
PARTITION D-D and R Ranches LLC to D and R Ranches LLC, 2-12-08, See Instrument.  
**District Clerk's Filings:**  
#12107-Lori Moler vs Cory Moler, 2-13-08, Divorce.  
#12108-Hector Luis Duran vs Erma Duran, 2-19-08, Divorce.  
#12109-Thomas G. Puryear II vs Questar Exploration & Production Co., 2-20-08.



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## Rural Development Announces Availability of Guaranteed Loans

USDA Rural Development is accepting applications for the Business and Industry (B&I) Guaranteed Loan Program. Funding in the amount of \$53.7 million is available to create and maintain employment in rural communities.  
"USDA Rural Development is committed to providing economic development opportunities in rural Texas communities," said Daniel Torres, Texas  
USDA Rural Development Business Programs Director. "These loans will help preserve or create jobs needed to maintain the economic vitality of rural communities."  
The B&I Guaranteed Loan Program allows lenders to make larger loans, provide more competitive rates and longer terms, and bring additional capital into the community. Loan proceeds may be used for working capital, purchase of machinery and equipment, purchase of buildings and real estate, and certain types of debt refinancing.  
Banks and other authorized commercial lenders target communities with populations of 50,000 or less and locations not closely associated with urban areas. Priority is given to applications for loans in rural communities with a population of 25,000 people or less.  
Although a borrower may get several loans for a project, Rural Development will not guarantee more than \$25 million in loans. Rural Development will guarantee 80% of a loan of \$5 million or less; 70% for loans between \$5 million and \$10 million; and 60% for loans between \$10 million and \$25 million.  
Loans for working capital must be repaid within 7 years; loans for

machinery and equipment within 15 years (or useful life); and loans for real estate within 30 years. A borrower must have collateral sufficient to protect the interests of the lender and the government. Personal and/or corporate guarantees are required in some cases.  
Interest rates for loans may be fixed or variable and are negotiated between the lender and borrower. The lender performs a credit analysis and determines whether the borrower has adequate equity, cash flow, collateral, history, and the managerial capacity to execute the project.  
USDA Rural Development is dedicated to delivering programs in a way that will support increasing economic opportunity and improve the quality of life of rural Texas residents. For further information regarding USDA Rural Development Business Programs, contact the Texas State Office at (254) 742-9780 or visit our website at <http://rurdev.usda.gov/tx>.  
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**WHEELER MUSTANGS:** Wheeler's 2007-08 Basketball team ended their season with a record of 19-7 for the season and 2-4 in district play. The young men defeated Quannah for the Bi-District title and lost to Sudan in the Area playoff game. Pictured here are (back row, l. to r.) Terry Menefield, Johnny Venzor, Jared Messer, Tyler Richardson, Stefan Tucker, (front) Dyron Brown, Omar Gonzalez, Michael Mendoza and Jesus Gonzalez. Coaches are Markham and Brady.



**LADY 'STANGS:** Wheeler's High School 2007-08 Girls' Basketball team closed the season with a 5-20 record for the season and 0-6 for district play. Pictured here (back row, l. to r.) are Nicole Moore, Bree McCasland, Kaylee Marion, Haley Sparks, Aspen Hathaway, Tania Flores, (front) Whitney Reed, Macie Miller, Katlin Rutherford, Ashley Gallagher and Sarah Miller. Coaches are Bailey and Saenz.

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## Oil

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West line, Sec. 80, B-1, H&GN, PD 11200.  
WHEELER (WILDCAT & DYCO Granite Wash) Linn Operating, Inc., #9 Hunter '34', 1787' from South & 467' from East line, Sec. 34, M-1, H&GN, PD 14700'.

**Oil Well Completions**  
ROBERTS (WEST CANADIAN Upper Morrow 'A') Unit Petroleum Co., #1 Mahler 'A' Sec. 1, Y, A, Studer Survey, spud 8-18-07, drlg. compl 9-4-07, tested 12-4-07, flowed 10 bbl. of 36 grav. oil + 2 bbls. water thru 64/64" choke on 24 hour test, GOR 53200/1, TD 10650' PBTD 10555' —

**Gas Well Completions**  
HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #1145 Meek, Sec. 45, M-1, H&GN, spud 11-25-07, drlg. compl 12-14-07, tested 1-8-08, potential 3344 MCF, TD 13515', PBTD 13377'

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #906 Peak Bourassa, Sec. 6, 4, AB&M, spud 10-29-07, drlg. compl 11-15-07, tested 12-19-07, potential 5089 MCF, TD 12970', PBTD 12820' —

HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Granite Wash) Protege Energy, L.L.C., #1 Hardin, Sec. 77, A-2, H&GN, spud 11-7-07, drlg. compl 12-31-07, tested 1-29-08, potential 212 MCF, TD 12400', PBTD 10960' —  
Recompletion

HEMPHILL (N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #2003 Isaacs, Sec. 200, C, G&MMB&A, spud 11-3-07, drlg. compl 11-18-07, tested 1-21-08, potential 2155 MCF, TD 10700', PBTD 10652' —  
HEMPHILL (N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #7 Mendota '15' NE, Sec. 15, 1, I&GN, spud 8-28-07, drlg. compl 9-22-07, tested 12-18-07, potential 6311 MCF, TD 11432', PBTD 11366' —  
HEMPHILL (N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #9 Mendota '15' NE, Sec. 15, 1, I&GN, spud 8-21-07, drlg. compl 9-9-07, tested 12-4-07, potential 2738 MCF, TD 11660', PBTD 11614' —  
HEMPHILL (N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Samson Contour Energy E&P, L.L.C., #8 Wiggins '9', Sec. 9, 1, I&GN, spud 7-29-07, drlg. compl 8-16-07, tested 1-18-08, TD 11980', PBTD 11876' —  
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## Turkeys

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23 years helping landowners manage and improve the habitat for the wild turkey and other wildlife. He has trapped and relocated more than 1,500 wild turkeys in his career and received numerous awards for his efforts. In his spare time, he volunteers with his local NWTf chapter serving as president of the Pike County Longbeards and also serves on the Missouri state chapter board of directors as vice president. During the fall hunting season, Brooks also operates Missouri's largest countywide venison donation effort, which provides meat for food pantries and needy families across the state.

"A long time ago, when I first started working at the Mississippi Department of Conservation, my boss told me, 'It's not hard to do good things when you surround yourself with good people,'" Brooks said after accepting the award. "I'm proud to work with the MDC and the NWTf - two agencies full of truly great people."

The award is named after Joe Kurz, a former Georgia DNR wildlife chief, for his leadership and

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Inc., #4 Jones '31', Sec. 31, RE, R&E, spud 8-30-07, drlg. compl 9-20-07, tested 12-17-07, potential 5659 MCF, TD 14300' PBTD 14250' —  
WHEELER (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #1051A Finsterwald-Dobbs, Sec. 51, M-1, H&GN, spud 11-25-07, drlg. compl 12-15-07, tested 1-15-08, potential 5254 MCF, TD 13765', PBTD 13656' —  
WHEELER (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #3051A Finsterwald-Dobbs, Sec. 51, M-1, H&GN, spud 11-3-07, drlg. compl 11-21-07, tested 1-4-08, potential 3744 MCF, TD 13710', PBTD 13603' —  
WHEELER (MILLS RANCH Granite Wash) Sanguine Gas Exploration, L.L.C., #1016A Naomi, Sec. 16A, OS2, OK Strip, spud 8-3-07, drlg. compl 8-8-07, tested 9-22-07, TD 16694', PBTD 16651' —  
SWR #10 approved WHEELER (STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #11 Davis '65', Sttc. 65, A-7, H&GN, spud 9-23-07, drlg. compl 10-16-07, tested 1-21-08, potential 1409 MCF, TD 14150', PBTD 14109' —

the vital role he played in improving wildlife management. Kurz was also a principal figure in the wild turkey trap and transfer program across North America.

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