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for  
Wheeler County  
Tax Assessor/Collector

- ★ STRONG CHRISTIAN FAMILY VALUES
- ★ WORKING HARD TO SERVE YOU

*Your vote on March 14 will be greatly appreciated. Thank You.*

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## ALLISON NEWS

By Christine Gilmer

Matthew, 6-19, 33 & 34 Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal.

But seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take

thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

Foggy early this Monday morning here in Allison, and very little wind.

Darrel and Johnnie Harrison of Amarillo were in Allison last Saturday and were dinner guests with Darrel's mother, Pearl. Johnnie spent part of the afternoon with me. Darrel and Pearl took a pleasure drive over in Oklahoma.

Betty Dyer left last Saturday moving to Lubbock where she will be near her daughter, Betty Ann, and family. We will miss Betty. She is a dear little lady.

Opal, Juanita and Curtis Boydston were in Wheeler last Wednesday and

they also visited Edith Levitt at the Care Center. On Thursday, Opal, Juanita and Curtis and Vance Boydston were dinner guests with Roma and Billy Brown. Friday they were in Canadian and Opal bought a new hot water heater.

Vance Boydston spent the weekend in Oklahoma City with Caroline at the hospital. Doctor says she is doing good.

Visitors in Edna May's home last Friday were Lori and Lance Sharp and Linda and Dean Leib from Gruver and Stinnett. Edna, Lou Dean Douthit, Virginia Puryear, and Irene Keys ate dinner at Hill Top restaurant last Saturday. Sunday, Bret and Hiram Begert

and their wives Darena and Hayley took Edna May to dinner at the Hill Top restaurant and had fried chicken. Edna said it was very good.

Last Saturday, Bob and Lou Cornell, Tammy Newman, Junior, Chance and Roland all traveled to Bessie, Oklahoma to help celebrate Bob and Lou's great-grandson, Austin Lee Pennington's, first birthday. Austin is the grandson of William and Vicki Cornell.

Ruby Craig took Wilma Gilmer to Wheeler last Tuesday to see the doctor.

Justin and Stephanie Walker and Tyler went to Tulia, Texas, February 19th and spent the night with Stephanie's mother and children.



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From there they went to Denver, Colorado for business reasons, and also did some skiing while there at Ayrsho Basin. Tyler spent the week with his grandmother Langston at Tulia.

Pete and Margaret Gilmer went to Amarillo last Thursday and did some shopping and spent until Saturday with Becky and Jeannie Gilmer. Rodney and Linda Ingersoll and Andrew of Lefors spent Friday and Saturday also with Becky and Jeannie.

Glen and Nona Elmore were in Canadian last Thursday to get graden plants.

Pearl Harrison rode with Clifton and Louise Boydston as far as Stinnett Tuesday afternoon and was supper guest with Pearl's brother and his wife, Elmer Lee and Peggy Sanford. Clifton and Louise went on to Dumas and visited some friends and relatives. They came home with Pearl on Tuesday evening. On Wednesday Pearl's dinner guests were, Eddy Walker, Louise Boydston and Bro. Mc. Pearl was supper guest Thursday with Louise. Christine Gilmer visited a while Friday night with Pearl.

Sunday dinner guests at Pearl's were Clifton and Louise Boydston, Bro. Mc., and Cheryl Dupont, Sabrina and Cody. Sunday afternoon Gary, Bennie and Jason Boydston visited a while.

Virginia Miller spent a week recently in the hospital at Spearman. Her son, Jim and his family lives

there. Virginia is at home now. She will go back this Friday for a check-up with the doctor.

Stephanie Walker is an accessory specialist with Home Interiors. She will be glad to assist you with any gift and decorating needs. You may choose a In-home show, brochure show or even just a personal appointment. Call her today 375-2224.

The First Baptist Church of Mobeetie and Gageby church and the Briscoe Community Church met at the Allison First Baptist Church last Sunday night for the gospel singing. They reported a good singing.

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

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A chaotic scene is sometimes referred to as "bedlam" from a 16th century madhouse of that name, set up in a former Priory of St. Mary of Bethlehem, belam being a corruption of Bethlehem.

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## MEALS on WHEELS MENU

MONDAY, March 13, 2000 — FRIDAY, March 17, 2000

MONDAY: Lima Beans W/Ham, Spinach, Cornbread/Margarine, Pineapple Slices

TUESDAY: Barbeque On Bun, Potatoe Salad, Coleslaw, Roll/Margarine, Jello

WEDNESDAY: Chicken and Dumpplings, Fried Zucchini, Cornbread/Margarine, Rice Pudding

THURSDAY: Enchiladas/Sauce, Spanish Rice, Tossed Salad, Cornbread/Margarine, Peach Cobbler

FRIDAY: Tuna Casserole, Carrots, Bread/Margarine, Bread Pudding

# VOTE PHIL PENDLETON REPUBLICAN DISTRICT ATTORNEY MARCH 14, 2000

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## Extension Update

By Debbie Epperley, CEA-HE

### FATHER'S ABSENCE

I would like to share with you some disturbing facts about father absenteeism in the home compiled by Steve Wages from Abilene Christian University.

Did you know that more children will go to sleep tonight in a fatherless

## COUGAR NEWS

**Briscoe Campus:** The boys lost their game Tuesday night 48-40. Boys we are proud of you for the team you are.

Events on March 9 will be Abstinence Program J. H. Art Field Trip Puberty Program 5th grade.

March 10 Canyon Tennis Tournament Singles  
March 11, Canyon Tennis tournament doubles

March 9-11 will be the Little Dribblers tournament.

March 13, will be Girls Golf at Shamrock.

March 14, will be Boys Golf at Shamrock.

March 15, 6:30 PM will be the FCA Meeting.

home than at any other time in our nation's history. Today, research indicates that nearly 40% of all American children - more than 19 million - do not live with their fathers.

Over half of all white children and three-quarters of all African-American children are likely to spend a significant portion of their formative years living apart from their fathers.

Among children of divorce, half have never visited their father's home, and in a typical year, 40% of them don't see their father.

Statistics lead David Blankenhorn, president of the Institute for American Values to call fatherlessness "the most urgent social problem of our generation."

Studies indicate that pervasiveness of father absence and the resulting

proliferation of mother-headed homes is a profound social crisis.

Children raised without fathers are far more likely to live in poverty, drop out of high school, run away from home, get pregnant as teenagers, abuse drugs, instigate crimes, and commit suicide. There is evidence that their difficulties persist into adulthood. Discovery of the enormous damage uninvolved fathers have done in their children's lives.

Child specialists now advocate that the father's presence or absence is a prime determinant of a child's development. Where father's are actively involved in their children's lives, beyond the role of being financial providers and disciplinarians there are definite cognitive, emotional social and spiritual benefits. Research

shows that children with highly involved fathers are involved in their children's lives, beyond the role of being special providers and disciplinarians there are definite cognitive, emotional social and spiritual benefits.

Research shows that children with highly involved fathers are characterized by an increased sense of competence, a stronger self-esteem and better school performance.

In addition, they demonstrate greater empathy, less rigid gender stereotyped beliefs and an internal

## WILDLIFE BIOLOGIST PRESENTS PROGRAM TO TOP 'O TEXAS CATTLEWOMEN GROUP

Bob Rogers, Wildlife Biologist from Canadian, presented a very interesting informative program to Top 'O Texas CattleWomen, February 14 at their regular meeting.

CattleWomen members were divided into two groups and Mr. Rogers presented them with questions concerning wildlife found in the Panhandle. The team with the most correct answers won. Much discussion followed some of the answers.

Spring is a busy time for CattleWomen members. Plans were made to participate with Wheeler County Agent in a program to be presented in March or April on "Quick and Easy Beef Dinners". These dinners are prepackaged and provide



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sense of direction and drive.

If, according to the historic proclamation, "we need a chicken in every pot," then certainly we need "a father in every household."

This article was taken from, "The Newsletter of the Texas Council on Family Relationships."

quick, nutritional meals for busy families. CattleWomen will present their Food Safety program in conjunction with this.

CattleWomen discussed Ag Week which is March 20th to 28th. This week is set aside by our government to honor those people who contribute to agriculture so that American consumers spend less of their total income on food than any country in the world.

Sandra Christner gave out scholarship applications to be placed in all the area schools. If you need a scholarship application, you may contact her at 826-3572.

Discussion was also held concerning our Beef Ambassador Contest which will be held before May 1. The winner of our local contest will compete on the state level in San Antonio, June 5th and 6th. This contest is open to all youth 15 to 19 years old in our area. They must present a 5 to 8 minute illustrated talk on beef or the beef industry. For more information call Berkley Clements at 274-6073.

Following the meeting a delicious lunch was prepared and served by

the Hughey House in Pampa. We will meet again March 20th. Anyone interested in joining us to promote beef, call Dianne Buckingham at 256-3887.

### Tex. Agri. Commission To Present "Character Counts"

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service will be presenting the program, "Character Counts" in the Shamrock ISD school system in the month of March.

This curriculum helps young people learn the difference between right and wrong and how to make good choices by introducing them to the "Six Pillars of Character."

- (1) Trustworthiness
- (2) Respect
- (3) Responsibility
- (4) Fairness
- (5) Caring
- (6) Citizenship

If you have any questions about this wonderful program or how you can have Character Counts presented in your classroom, call Debbie Epperley at 826-5243.

After all, "It's Your Character That Counts."

Debbie Epperley  
FCS Agent  
Wheeler County

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin. The Texas A&M University System, U. S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.

### Mobeetie

### Sewing Project News

The Ft. Elliott 4-H Sewing Project met on February 4, 2000.

This time in 4-H we made pillows. It was simple. First, we measured material. We marked the spots we needed to sew on. Then, we started to sew. Everyone can sew pretty straight lines. Last time, I shared with you the 4-H motto and pledge. This time, I'm going to share with you the prayer. "Help me, Oh Lord, to live so that the world may be a little better because, thou did'st make me. Amen!"

Written by Crystal Pigg  
Ft. Elliott 4-H Sewing Project  
Reporter

The Fata Morgana is a well known mirage of a city that sometimes appears in the Strait of Messina off the coast of Sicily. Refracted light rays create a mirage.

## ELECT DENNIS HILBURN

to the office of

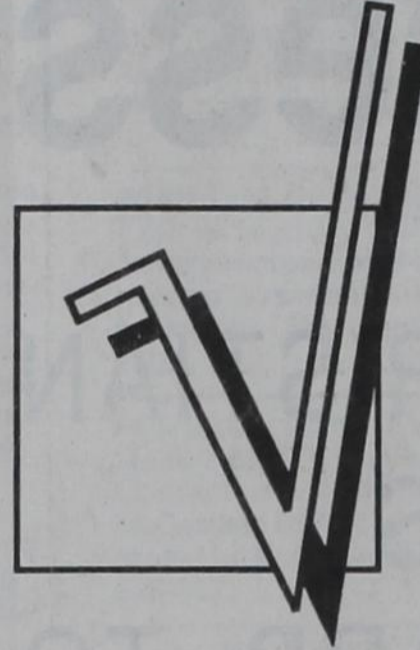
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# VOTE



# Lacy Hathaway

for

# WHEELER COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR

### TO THE VOTERS OF WHEELER COUNTY:

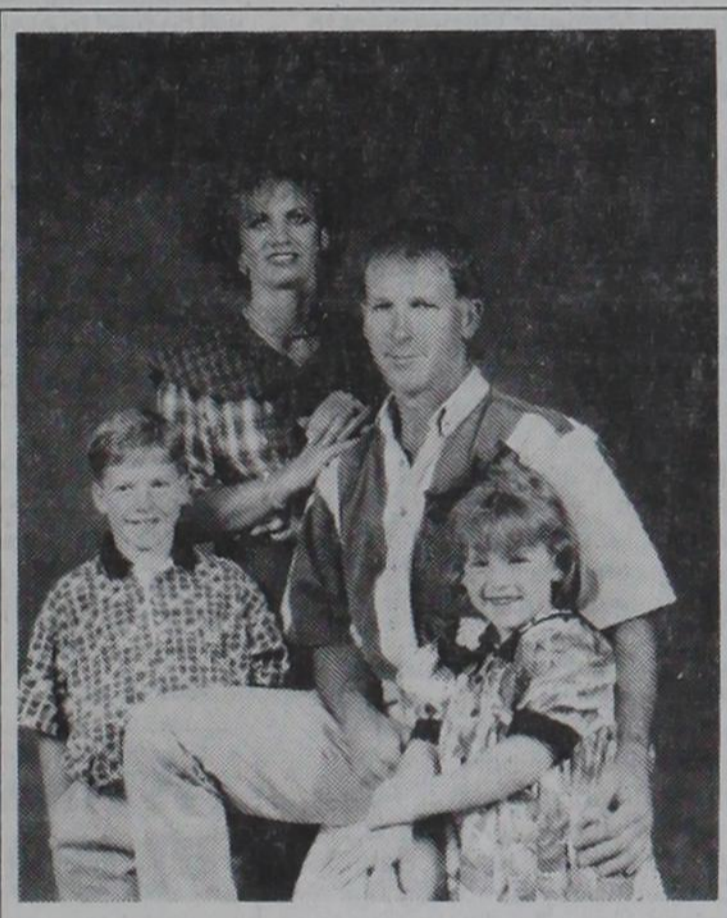
My name is Lacy Hathaway and I am running for the office of Wheeler County Tax Collector. I debated with myself a longtime before making the decision to run for this office. I have been employed by Wheeler County in the Tax Office for seven years and have experience in every aspect of the office. I have worked for two previous elected tax officials, Jerry Hefley and Ruby McLaurin. My husband and I are lifelong residents of Wheeler County and have two children.

If I am elected to the office of Wheeler County Tax Collector and Assessor, my job would not be just that TO COLLECT THE TAXES. I, like every other citizen and taxpayer, would like to see the rate of unpaid taxes drop, resulting in a possible lower tax rate. The office I am running for does not set the rate of taxes, but the more taxes that are paid, the more revenue generated for Wheeler County. I know there are people that are in a financial bind and have a hard time paying their taxes. If elected, I would like to work with these people in setting up a tax pay out plan, so as to help them and also help our county. I would also like to work leniently with the elderly citizens of the county, who I feel have earned and need a tax break.

I or one of my campaign volunteers have personally tried to touch base with every voter in Wheeler County. To the ones that were missed, I would like to take this time to apologize. I would now ask each eligible voter in Wheeler County to utilize their rights as citizens of the county, the State of Texas and the United States. Please go to the polls on March 14, 2000 and vote. I would very much like to serve the citizens of Wheeler County as Tax Collector, and feel that my seven years of experience and the training that I have had under previous elected officials will enable me to perform the job in a very accurate, efficient and capable manner.

Again, I would like to ask all of you for your vote and support on March 14th—a vote for experience and accuracy.

Thank you,



- ★ ACCURACY
- ★ EXPERIENCE
- ★ DETERMINATION

- ☆ Served as Wheeler Tax Deputy for 7 years
- ☆ Offers education and training in tax areas
- ☆ A lifelong resident of Wheeler County

(Pol. adv. paid for by Lacy Hathaway, Ruby McLaurin, treasurer, P.O. Box 57, Wheeler, Texas 79096)

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## WHEELER MENU

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MONDAY  
Breakfast: Cereal, Toast/Jelly, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Soft Burrito/Cheese, Salad, Spanish Rice, Ranch Style Beans, Applesauce or Apricots, Milk/Tea

TUESDAY  
Breakfast: Biscuits/Gravy, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Corn Dog, Tater Tots, Pickle Spears, Apple or Peaches, Milk/Tea

WEDNESDAY  
Breakfast: Toast/Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk

Lunch: BBQ Brisket/Cheese, Pinto Beans, French Fries, Pears, Milk/Tea

THURSDAY  
Breakfast: Toast/Jelly, Pancake Pup/Syrup, Sausage, Juice, Milk

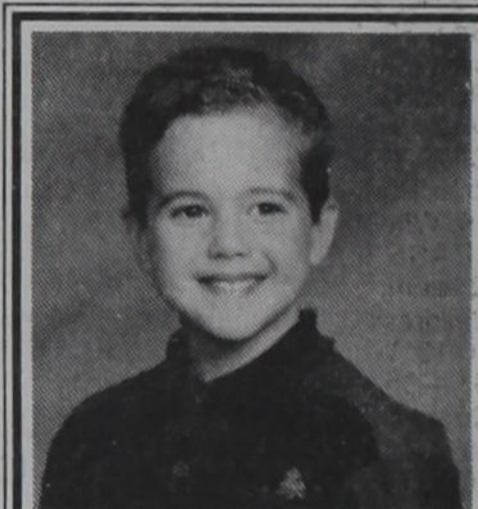
Lunch: Steak Fingers, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Green Beans, Hot Roll/Butter, Fruit Cocktail, Milk/Tea

FRIDAY  
Breakfast: Toast/Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Pizza, Salad, Corn, Pineapple, Milk/Tea

(Menu subject to change)

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Jason Kyle Forrester, 6 years old, is the son of Curtis and Sherri Forrester of Carrollton, TX. Grandparents are Ed and Patricia Forrester of Wheeler and Bob and Willie Johnson of Dallas. Grand-grandparents are Esther Forrester of Wheeler and the late O. L. Forrester, Robert and Drusilla Cosper of Pampa, and the late Ruby Cosper.

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