

### Memorial Day Service

Memorial Day Services will be held in Wheeler on Monday, May 29, 2000, at 10:00 A.M. The service will be at the monument on the northeast corner of the courthouse square.

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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

## Wheeler High School Commencement Is Friday

# 31 Seniors To Receive Diplomas

Wheeler High School Commencement service will be Friday, May 26, 2000, 8:00 P.M. at Wheeler Public School Gymnasium. Processional and recessional will be played by Mrs. Sylvia Shuler. The invocation will be given by Makenzie Chick.

The salutatorian address will be given by Lauren Weaver, daughter of Tommy and Sharla Weaver. The valedictorian address will be given by Sandy Bradstreet, daughter of Wesley and Cindy Bradstreet.

The seniors will be escorted by Caleb Finsterwald and Lacey Bryant. Stephanie Lee will present a song at the graduation.

Mr. Dale Pulpan, high school principal will present the scholarships.

The senior slide show will be presented by Rhonda Blanchard.

The 2000 graduating class will be presented by Mr. Brooks Symank, superintendent of schools.

The diplomas will be presented by Gail Ledbetter, president of the Wheeler School Board.

Brooks Brown will lead the benediction.

Members of the class are: \*#Craig Bert Bass, \*#Sandy Gail Bradstreet,

#Brooks Cole Brown, \*#Makenzie Jean Chick, Kenneth Duane Childress Jr., Robert Samuel Ben Dollar, \*#Suzanne Carol Galutia, Norma Cristina Gonzales, \*#Jennifer Dawn Haning, Michael Paul Hawks, \*#Hayley Johanna Hipkins, \*#Jared Lynn Holland, Donald Lee Hudgins III, \*#Jennifer Dawn Johnson, \*#Kara Kay Keelin, Darin Charles Kuntz, Stephanie Jo Lee, Shea Lynn Lewallen, Stephen Kyle Marshall, \*#Lorena Martinez, \*#Jason Kyle Holt Masters, Rachael Michelle Montgomery, \*#Rebekah Dea Morrison, Krista Jane Murray, Wendy Lynn Pender, Mary Whitney Simmons, Donald Mathew Sullivan, \*#Brooke Rene Verden, #Nicholas Daniel Ware III, Lynna Marie Watson, \*#Lauren Diane Weaver.

Ushers for the ceremony will be Megan Hampton and Rachel Riemer.

Class sponsors are Suzanne Hampton and Judy Woollard.

Class parents are Greta Bass, Shelley Hudgins and James and Belinda Masters.

The Class of 2000's class colors are Silver and Purple. Their motto is

"Do not follow where the path may lead, Go instead, where there is no path and leave a trail."

\* Denotes National Honor Society # Denotes Honor Student Gold Cord denotes Valedictorian and Salutatorian.



**SANDY BRADSTREET**  
... Valedictorian



**LAUREN WEAVER**  
... Salutatorian

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

It is graduation time once again. Thirty-one diplomas will be handed at commencement exercises Friday evening. **Congratulations!**

Sandy Bradstreet and Lauren Weaver are to be congratulated. They are the valedictorian and salutatorian of their senior class.

James Chapman and Blaine Rutherford are the valedictorian and salutatorian of their eighth grade class. **Congratulations!**

We received a news release from SWOSU that nursing student Angie Martin received an award for her nursing abilities. She received her degree

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## Lions Schedule Annual Golf Tournament June 3

The Wheeler Lions will be sponsoring a golf tournament on June 3 at the Shamrock Country Club. This will be a 3 person team event, 2 person scramble, and yellow ball format. The golf tournament will begin at 9:00 am and the entry fee is \$30 per person. Lunch and refreshments will be served, but carts will not be furnished. Entries are limited to 54. Call Charles Kuntz at 826-5516 or Bob Wills at 826-5721 for more information.

## Wheeler School Bd. April, May Minutes

The Wheeler ISD Board of Trustees met on Monday, April 10, 2000. Members present were Gail Ledbetter, Mike Smith, Lee Ann Hillhouse and Chris Osborne. Administration present were Brooks Symank, Dale Pulpan and Doug Rives. Guests present were Jimmy Adams and Cecil

Thomas. The meeting was called to order and the guests were welcomed. There was no public comment. 1. Motion by Dr. Hillhouse, Seconded by Dr. Smith, To approve the minutes of the March 14 board meeting. Mo-

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## Pvt. 2nd Class Copeland Given Recognition

Private 2nd Class Andres L. Copeland was selected as the 187th Ordinance Battalion "Soldier of the Week" on May 11, 2000. This honor is in recognition of his appearance, poise and military bearing during keen company and battalion level competition.

In a letter to Andy's mother, Lt. Col. D. Michael Whitecotton stated, "PV2 Copeland, Andres L. greatly impressed me with his competitive nature and his desire to excel in all of his military endeavors. As PV2 Copeland's mother, you have every right to be exceptionally proud, as I am, of your son's most recent accomplishment.

PV 2nd Class Andres Copeland was selected as the 4th Training Brigade Advanced Individual Training Soldier of the Week.

In a letter from Col. J. Michael Bednarek, dated May 15, 2000, the Colonel commented: "Due to the extremely competitive nature of our program, I can assure you that this was no small accomplishment. Andres proved to us that he is a professional soldier in every sense of the word. His excellence is recognized and appropriately rewarded.

"Having clearly demonstrated his professionalism, Andres is an example of what it takes to be successful in today's Army. You can be proud of him. We certainly are," concluded Col. Bednarek.

## SWOSU Names Students On Dean's List for Spring

Southwestern Oklahoma State University at Weatherford has announced both the President's and Dean's Honor Rolls for the 2000 spring semester.

There were 643 students on the Dean's Honor Roll after completing 15 semester hours of undergraduate work with a grade point average of 3.0 ("B") or higher, with no grade lower than a ("C").

Among other on the Dean's Honor Roll spring semester lists were: Sweetwater—Jason Wade Brittain, Matthew Eric Carlson and Jason Lee Stewart; Sherman—Ronald Wayne Stas Jr.; Wheeler—Jeremy Loyd Davis, Courtney Elizabeth Girdley and Hillary LeAnn Mitchell.

## Monty Long Is Inducted Into WTA&M Zeta Chap.

West Texas A&M University's Texas Zeta Chapter of Alpha Chi National Honor Society inducted 70 students in a ceremony on April 9.

Membership to Alpha Chi is by invitation only and is limited to juniors and seniors with an overall grade point average of 3.5 or higher who rank in the top 10 percent of their class.

The purpose of Alpha Chi is to recognize students who have maintained a high level of scholarship, according to Dr. Duane Rosa, Alpha Chi faculty sponsor and director of Planning and Analysis at WTAMU.

Area students who were inducted with their hometowns, classifications and majors are as follows. Wheeler—Monty Long, a junior finance major.

Andy is a 1997 graduate of Wheeler High School and went into the army in January of 2000. He completed boot camp at Ft. Sill, Oklahoma, in March of this year.



**Andy Copeland**

## Raffle To Benefit Amer. Cancer Soc.

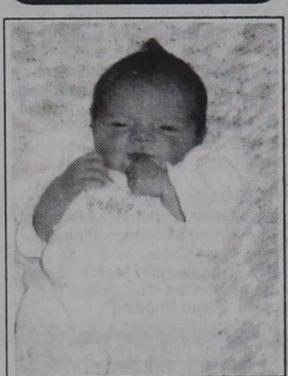
A raffle is being held to benefit the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. The winner will receive a full color print, signed and numbered, 250 limited edition lithograph. The size of the framed print is 24x18.

The title of the print by Liz Shipp is "Diligence and Determination".

Tickets are \$1.00 each and the drawing will be Sunday, June 16, at the Relay for Life in Shamrock, Texas.

Tickets may be purchased at Wheeler Banking Center in Wheeler.

## New Arrival



## TATUM CHAREEN MEADOWS

Landry Meadows is proud to announce the arrival of his new baby sister, Tatum Chareen. Tatum was born April 26, 2000 at Baptist St. Anthony Hospital in Amarillo. She weighed 6 lbs. 13 oz. and was 19 1/4 inches. Proud parents are Mark and Mandy Meadows, proud grandparent are Gene and Rhonda Ferguson and Sam and Barbara Meadows.

## Twenty-four to Graduate Eighth Grade at Wheeler

# Jr. High Commencement

## Kay Atkins Terminated As So. Amb. Coordinator

The Wheeler County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, May 22, 2000, with 10 items on the agenda.

First was the approval of the hourly payroll and the approval of the payment of the bills.

Third on the agenda was personnel. Lori DeBose had completed her provisional period of employment in the County Clerk's office. She will receive a \$50.00 per month pay increase.

Speed limits on all county roads was the fourth on the agenda. A public hearing has been set for Monday, June 12 at 10:30 a.m.

Two bids were received for the painting of the county jail. Both bids were rejected.

The commissioners went into executive session at 11 a.m. and returned at 11:17 a.m. Subject of the session was the personnel. Upon returning to the open meeting, a motion was made and seconded to suspend Kay Atkins, Ambulance coordinator for South Wheeler County Ambulance Service. The suspension will be until May 27, at which time she will be terminated without cause.

Seventh on the agenda was the discussion on a resolution and order for zoning tax abatements in re-investment zones and eligibility to participate in tax abatement.

Sunny Hillburn and Wanda Herd, a tax abatement committee of two recommended the approval of the tax abatement.

After some discussion, the commissioners voted to adopt a resolution in support of a tax abatement for International Wind Companies. The abatement will be for a period of ten years in the amount of 100% the first seven years, 66% the eighth year, 33% the ninth year and 0% the tenth year.

The final item on the agenda also had to do with personnel. The Wheeler County Sheriff's Department. Morgan Hightower, formerly of Sunray, has been hired as a deputy sheriff, beginning May 22.

## End of the Year High School Awards Are Given

Tuesday, May 16, 2000

### Honor Roll 90 and above

### Twelfth Grade:

Suzanne Carol Galutia, Michael Paul Hawks, Brooke R. Verden, Craig B. Bass, Brooks Cole Brown, Hayley J. Hipkins, Jason K. Masters, Stephanie J. Lee, Jared L. Holland, Lorena Martinez, Lauren D. Weaver, Nicholas D. Ware, Mary W. Simmons, Rebekah D. Morrison, Rachael M. Montgomery, Shea L. Lewallen, Darin C. Kuntz, Kara K. Keelin, Mackenzie J. Chick, Sandy G. Bradstreet, Krista J. Murray, Stephen K. Marshall, Jennifer D. Johnson, Jennifer D. Haning, Lynna M. Watson

### Eleventh Grade:

Bobbi L. Gentry, Lacey Diane Bryant, Rachel R. Riemer, Ana L. Salas, Kelby B. Ledbetter, Jotana D. Simmons, Tina E. McWhorter, Megan J. Hampton, Bret M. Goad, Caleb J. Finsterwald, Jordan T. Emmert

### Tenth Grade:

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**JAMES CHAPMAN**  
... Valedictorian



**BLAINE RUTHERFORD**  
... Salutatorian

Eighth grade commencement will be Thursday, May 25, 2000 at 8:00 P.M. at the Wheeler High School Auditorium. The processional and recessional will be played by Sylvia Shuler. The invocation will be given by Jose Salas. Doug Rives will give the address. The benediction will be given by Josh Miller. Salutatorian of the graduating class is Blaine Rutherford. The Valedictorian of the graduating class is James Chapman. The eighth grade class will be escorted by Rachel Howard and Sue Hernandez.

### JAMES CHAPMAN

James Chapman is valedictorian of his Wheeler eighth grade class. He is the 14 year old son of Von and Sindy Chapman. Hannah Fae Chapman is his grandmother. He has been active in Wheeler Junior High football, basketball, track, and tennis. He has played Wheeler Colt football for 2 years, basketball for 2 years, track for 2 years, and tennis for 2 years.

### BLAINE RUTHERFORD

Blaine Rutherford is the 14 year old son of Kenny and Ronda Rutherford. He has participated in football, basketball, and track. He is now the salutatorian for the Wheeler Junior High.

The ushers are Saharay Barboza, Shanna Horton, Lindsey Lewis and Landon Sams.

The class colors are Black, White, Aqua.

The class motto is "Look for us at the top!"

You are invited to a reception honoring the graduates in the school cafeteria immediately following the graduation ceremony.

Members of the Eighth Grade Class 1999-2000 are: Chelsea Brooks, Robert Brown, Julieta Buenarastro, Jordan Burrell, \*James Chapman,

## Hospital Notes

### Old Admissions

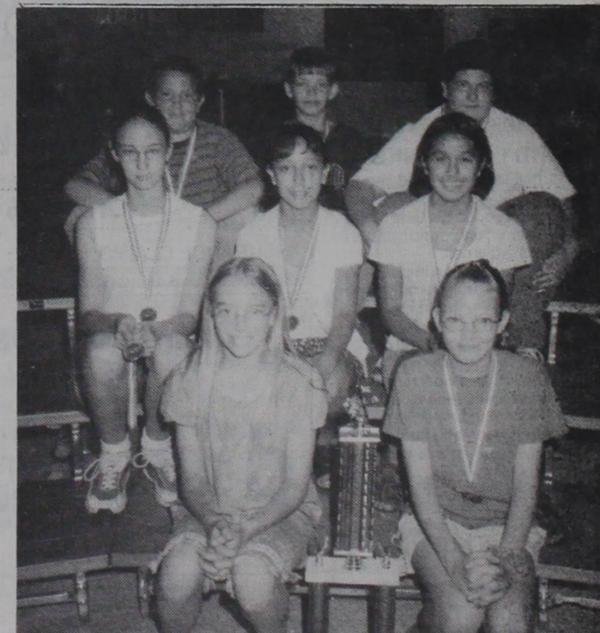
Estelle Orr  
Virginia Frye  
Ruth Ledbetter

### New Admissions

5/15 Dondle Fuller  
5/17 Rudene Davis  
5/18 Verna Abernethy  
5/19 David Bradstreet  
John Holcomb  
Dean Lane  
Exie Jones

### Dismissals

5/15 Gwen Robertson  
Clara Holmes  
Faye Mayes  
5/16 Dondle Fuller  
Irene Taylor  
5/17 Gladys Pannell  
Rudene Davis  
5/20 David Bradstreet  
5/21 Exie Jones



COMPETED: Junior High Band students pictured competed in the Solo and Ensemble competition held in Dumas on May 13. Pictured from front left to back are: J'Shay McCasland, who received an "excellent" rating on duet with Heather Hampton; Heather Hampton, who also received a "superior" rating on a flute solo; Rachel Howard, who received a "superior" on a solo and on a duet with Sue Hernandez; Saharay Barboza received a "superior" for a trumpet solo; Sue Hernandez "superior" duet with Rachel; Zane Hubble, who received a "Superior" on a duet with Josh Lindley; Jarrod Haning; who scored a "superior" rating on a snare drum solo; and Josh Lindley, who performed with Zane for their "Superior". The group is also pictured with the "Sweepstakes" trophy the Junior High Band won for receiving all "Superior" ratings on their stage performance and a "Superior" in sight-reading.



**AWARD RECIPIENT:** Nursing students at Southwestern Oklahoma State University received honors at the SWOSU Division of nursing awards/pinning ceremony held May 12 on the Weatherford campus. Among the students receiving awards was Angie Martin of Wheeler; she received the Dopson Award. Angie received her diploma at commencement exercises.

# MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Melba Corcoran

Dennis Hilburn went back to work and closed the store-cafe-gas pumps. The business will be missed. The coffee drinkers started Wednesday having coffee at the fire station in the mornings.

Melba Corcoran went to the doctor in Amarillo Wednesday with her shoulder. The problem was not the rotor cup; it was a frozen shoulder. They put a shot in the top of the shoulder and started a medication to help free it up, if this doesn't take care of the problem she will start therapy.

Wilhelmina Sherrill and Michael Hilburn attended the graduation of James Wilson in Ada, Oklahoma last weekend. James is the son of Gene and Glenda Sherrill Wilson.

Dale and Melba Corcoran visited in Wheeler Wednesday night with Jimmy and Bobby Hill.

Bob Bull, Lois Reeves and Alvin went to Amarillo Thursday for Bob's doctors appointment. They spent the night since Alvin had an early appointment with the doctor on Friday. They had to go back Monday for another appointment.

Dale and Melba Corcoran went to Perryton Thursday and picked up the Kubota for the city.

Camping at the Museum grounds over the weekend were George and Marie Kilcrease, and Bill and Dutch Elliott and grandsons.

Frances Dickey took Pierce Walker out to supper Friday night at Mels.

Sunday, George and Marie Kilcrease, Bill and Dutch Elliott and Dale and Melba Corcoran went to lunch after church at Mels.

Those from the Mobeetie First Baptist Church having the services at the Care Center were Doris Finsterwald, Dale Corcoran, Lorene Rector, Jane Seitz, Leta Mae Gatlin and Ina Mae Brotherton.

Sunday afternoon saw the youth and adult workers for Vacation Bible School busy in the afternoon getting the church ready for Bible School to

## News from ...

### Around the County

by Kenny Brdecko,  
Wheeler County Extension Agent

Make plans to attend the Texas Panhandle's Annual Ag Day, slated June 1, at research facilities operated by the USDA Agricultural Research Service and Texas Agricultural Experiment Station. The site is 3/4ths of a mile west on 1-40 near Bushland on Experiment Station Drive.

The event will start with registration and refreshments at 8:30 a.m. then ends by 1:30 p.m. Morning tours include stops where a scientist or specialist will present information and answer questions. At noon, the program includes lunch followed by an economic outlook and crop insurance update.

Between 200 and 300 people attend this popular field day designed to showcase Texas panhandle agriculture. Continuing education units (CEUs) will be awarded.

Ag Day 2000 will feature results of ongoing grazing and planting date studies. Stops and discussion with wheat breeders at the irrigated and dryland nurseries will showcase varieties under development to foster greenbug, herbicide and drought resistance.

Other presenters will address harvesting with a combine outfitted with a stripper header, and remote sensing techniques, irrigation management and long term no-tillage findings. Extension specialists will highlight what does or doesn't work for bindweed control.

Sponsors include the Cooperative Research, Extension and Education Triangle (CREET) partners in the Texas Panhandle: USDA-ARS Conservation and Production Research Laboratory, Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory, West Texas A&M University Agriculture Division, Texas Agricultural Extension Service and Texas Agricultural Experiment Station. Make plans to attend this annual event!

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

## CARD OF THANKS

The Cornell families would like to personally thank each and everyone that helped us through the time of the loss of our brother, uncle and brother-in-law, Anthony Cornell.

Since this would be an impossible task, we take this means of saying thank you from the bottom of our hearts to each of you for the time you took to offer condolences, send cards, food, flowers, telephone calls and many prayers offered up for us. It is such a heartwarming feeling to know people really care in times like these and you have never failed us.

Hopefully, in your time of need we can repay the kindness.

The Bob Cornell Families  
The Doyle Cornell Families  
The Larry Cornell Families  
The Janice Cornell Parks Families

start Monday. Monday night at 6:00 Bible School kicked off with 50 in attendance. Terry Mick filled in for the director Sallie Adcock who was out fighting a fire with the fire department.

Monday, Melba Corcoran spent the day in Amarillo at the doctor's office. She got a good report on her thyroid and diabetes.

Lawrence Scribner had his hip replacement Thursday in Amarillo. Bill and Dutch Elliott were there for his surgery. George Kilcrease was there Friday. He was setting in a chair and eating his breakfast. He had already had one therapy treatment that morning and is doing great.

Orville Greenhouse visited Sunday afternoon with Alvern Hutchinson in Wheeler.

Visiting with Doyle and Bulah Grimes was their daughter Phyllis Tucker of Elk Hart, Kansas. She came Saturday and left Sunday. Gary Grimes of Amarillo came to see them. Monday night Leonard and Bertha

Hollis, Doyle and Bulah Grimes, and Glen D. and Estelle Hodges went to Miami to the Senior Citizen's on Monday night.

Doris Whaley and Evelyn Kincannon attended the graduation of Kelley Jo Whaley from college in Shawnee, OK. Kelley Jo is Doris's granddaughter.

Glen D. and Estelle Hodges went to Amarillo Monday for Glen D. check-up.

Visiting with Glen D. and Estelle Hodges was Glen's sister Vonda Martin and daughter Tye and Roger Drumman all of Boulder, CO and Annas Seitz of Pampa. They visited in Pampa and Wheeler also.

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Those attending the Mt. View Quilting Club Thursday were Jane Seitz, Audrey Seitz, Estelle Hodges and Bobbie Ehmann. Estelle Hodges was hostess. They hope to get her quilt done next week.

The Fort Elliott Seniors are on a cruise to the Caribbean.

## LIBRARY NEWS

Our summer reading program will begin on June 1 and continues until July 28. A Party will be held on July 28th, all children in the reading program will receive a prize. The top winners in each age group will win the grand prize. So come on by and sign up for a fun summer of reading.

We have new books ready to be enjoyed. They are as follows: *Before I Say Good-Bye*, By Mary Higgins Clark, *Standoff* by Sandra Brown, *The Gates of the Alamo* by Stephen Harrigan, *The Wedding* by Danielle Steel, *Wicked Widow* by Amanda Quick, *Angel Falls* by Kristin Hannah, *Carolina Moon* by Nora Roberts, *The Secret* by Harold Robbins, *The Moccasin Speaks* by Arlene Jauken, and *Hugger Muggier* by Robert Parker. These are just a few of our selections. Other selections made available to us on the lease program are: *After the Fire* by Belva Plain, *Big Stone Gap* by Adria Trigant, *Horse Heaven* by Jane Smiley, *Patient* by Michael Palmer, *Lethal Measures* by Leona Goldberg, *Storm Track* by Maragret Maron and *Welcome to Temptation* by Jennifer Cruise.

Our first featured book for this month is *Blackout* by John J. Nance. In a

## OLD JAIL MUSEUM NEWS

Monday, Bobby Hill and Melba Corcoran put the finishing touch to the flyers and posters for the music festival. They were given to Bernice Hefley to do the hand drawing on Tuesday. Those working Tuesday on the stage were Jimmy Hill, Bill Finsterwald, Chuck Hogan, Lawrence Scribner, Nathan Lancaster, Lee Brown, and Dale Corcoran. Bernice Hefley and Melba Corcoran served as docent for the second grade students from Wheeler on Tuesday. The flyers and posters are ready for the printers. They will be delivered to Johnny Velasquez Thursday. Louise Hogan, Bernice Hefley and Dale Corcoran served as docents for the sixth grade students of Wheeler Friday morning. Melba Corcoran serve as docent in the afternoon. Saturday was workday at the museum. Joe VanZandt brought his brush beater and mowed all of the museum grounds. George Kilcrease used the weed eater. Bobby Hill put items into the new computer program. Louise Hogan, Bernice Hefley, Maurita Stribling, Donna Velasquez and Melba Corcoran inventoried the downstairs in the Lodge Building. Dutch Elliott was docent Monday.

## THANK YOU

Project Graduation would like to express special thanks to area merchants for recent support and donations to our fund raising trap shoot.

Mark Wright, owner of Four Sport Sporting Goods in Shamrock, Texas, donated a Remington 870-20 Ga Shotgun. Competition for this prize was called Annie Oakley Shoot with twelve shooters entered. Dean Lax won the shotgun.

Special thanks to David Tribbel National Sporting Clays Champion. David gave extensive one on one instruction to all young shooters. David's comments were directed to gun awareness, safety and proper gun handling.

Thanks for donations: Hefley Hardware, Maxey's Steakhouse, Wheeler Banking Center, First State Bank of Mobeetie/Wheeler, Mel's Diner, Ware Chevrolet, Marshall Auto, The Wheeler Times, Wheeler Area News, Wheeler Flower and Gift Shop, Hyland's Pharmacy, Thriftway Supermarket, Hi Viz Gun Sights, Angel Port Gun, Chokes, AR, Olimpia Shotgun Shells, Marietta, Ga., John Morrison, David Tribbel, R. B. Garrett, The General Store, Academy Sporting Goods, Amarillo.

Thanks to Tammy Maddox, Donetta Dollar, Penny Dollar, Ben Dollar, Gene Keelin, Ben Britt, Jake Britt, Bob Stiles, Michael Hawks, Bill Morrison, Nancy Morrison, Larry Nelson, Joel and Larry Finsterwald.

Thanks to All! Every business ask donated something. It is really great to live in a community with so many caring people.

## MEALS on WHEELS MENU

MONDAY, May 29, 2000 — FRIDAY, June 2, 2000

MONDAY: Pinto Beans W/Ham, Fried Squash, Cornbread/Margarine, Fruit Cocktail

TUESDAY: Chicken Fried Steak, Gravy, Baked Potato, Seasoned Green Beans, Roll/Margarine, Carrot Cake W/Frosting

WEDNESDAY: Baked Lasagne, Salad, Garlic Bread, Bananas and Jello

THURSDAY: Chicken Nuggets/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Bread/Margarine, Pineapple Upside Down Cake

FRIDAY: Fried Fish, Macaroni and Cheese, Stewed Tomatoes, Hush Puppies, Bread Pudding



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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

breathless, edge-of-the seat showdown, FBI agent and terrorism specialist Kat Bronsky hunts for a phantom plane that may have been the cause of a horrifying crash over Hong Kong. This may not be a good choice if you have plans anytime soon for a plane trip. Our second featured book is a nail biter and a sleep stealer! A TV reporter stumbles headlong into the most pulse-pounding and heart-warming story of her career. The ambitious Tiel McCoy becomes the sympathetic hostage of a desperate teenage couple on the run. This story has many twists and turns and will certainly hold your attention! Standoff by Sandra Brown, don't miss this! Our audio book collection continues to grow and remain, very popular. Our latest are: *Cradle and All* by Patterson, *Easy Prey* by Sanford, *Baby Would I Lie?* by Donald Westlake, *Kingdom Come* by Jim Houghan and don't forget our videos. We have a nice collection for both children and adults. Our videos are donations and we appreciate them so much! The newest video is *Stuart Little*.

The latest memorials have been made in memory of Skylar Harris, Natalie Kate Christner, Nathaniel Lee Hillhouse, J. W. Buckingham, Gladys Dill Layton and Ned Layton, Loyde Goad, and Vaneta Smith. We appreciate all memorials and donations. Don't forget to register your children for the summer reading program, "Invent the Future! Read!"

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Another nice morning here in Allison. We appreciated the rain we got Saturday night.

My son, Jerry, of Amarillo came down Tuesday for the funeral of his cousin, Anthony Cornell, which was on Tuesday afternoon at the Allison school.

Opal Boydston was in Amarillo on Monday, the 5th, for a check up with her doctor concerning her hand that was broke in a car accident about five months. On Tuesday evening Opal and Juanita visited with Roma and Billy Brown. Others there were Len and Betty Brown of Dumas.

On Wednesday night after church they all gathered at Len and Betty's Allison home and visited. Rev. Dale Brown and family of Dumas was also there. Bro Brown also preached Wednesday night at the United Pentecostal church in the absence of Pastor McDaniel. Dale and family visited Opal and Juanita Thursday morning on their way home. On Friday Opal and Juanita were in Pampa for Opal's eye checkup with the eye doctor and they also did some shopping.

Roma and Billy and Merlyn's Sunday dinner guests were Lou Miller from Clinton, Ok. and Thursa Poindexter from Cheyenne.

Red and Anna Dukes and Minnie Bell Vinson went to Mineral Wells, Texas, Thursday the 17th. Minnie Bell stayed at Mineral Wells with Mary, her sister-in-law.

Red and Anna went on to Bridgeport for Mother's Day. They came back home on Monday. They also attended the Allison graduation last Thursday night.

H. B. and Cheryl Dupont, Sabrina and Cody were in Elk City last week doing some shopping.

Bob Cornell had shoulder surgery last Wednesday at Elk City, Okla. He is now home improving and feeling some better.

Joe and Beverly Smith of Pampa, Lewis and Tammy, Junior, Chance

**CARD OF THANKS**

We are simply overwhelmed by the outpouring of love in the loss of our loved one, Anthony. Words cannot express our gratitude for all the visits, calls, food, flowers, memorials, cards and most of all the prayers. It is our prayer that God richly bless each of you who have ministered to us in our time of sadness.

- Judi Cordell Cornell
- Jamie and Charles Nelson and family
- Julie and Gary Boydston and family
- Jay and Rhonda Robertson and family
- Jody and Carol Robertson and family

and Roland Newman of Briscoe, also Calvin Helton of Briscoe visited Bob and Lou.

Rita Grayson and Hattie were last Sunday dinner guests of Tim and Debbie Jones.

Vance Boydston spent last weekend in Oklahoma City at the hospital with Caroline. Kevin and Theda Boydston were also there to visit with Caroline and Vance.

Lee and Sharon Hall's guest for a few days was their son, Ronnie Hall, from Canyon. Lee and Sharon attended Hayley Daniel's first birthday party at Reydon last Sunday.

Melvin and Betty Stinnett and Don and Patsy Stinnett left May 16. After Anthony Cornell's funeral on their way home to Buena Vista, Colo. They had been here doing some fishing and visiting.

Nadine Reynolds and Nona Jones were in Pampa last Sunday and ate dinner at the Sirloin Steakhouse and visited Nadine's sister, Madilene Terry, at the hospital.

Pearl Harrison went to Elk City last Thursday and spent two nights with Jimmy and Vivian Wallace and Ronnie. Pearl on her way home Saturday came through Cheyenne and visited Thursa Poindexter. Saturday evening Pearl visited at Eddy and Wanda Walker's with Ray and Arlene Nokes from Walla Walla, Wash., while they were here at Eddy and Wanda's The Nokes also attended the U.P. Church Sunday morning. Pearl's Sunday dinner guests were Clifton and Louise Boydston, Hershel Sanford, Pastor McDaniel, H. B. and Cheryl Dupont, Sabrina and Cody and Kristi Montgomery and younger brother, Adam Martin and Kristi's boy friend from Jones, Okla.

Pearl and Hershel went to the Dempsey, Okla., Cemetery and they went this Monday to Midway, Okla., Cemetery to clean the grave of Pearl's sister, Nellie (Sanford) Mills. Take time to pray—it is the greatest power on earth.

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Mother's Day is gone but wasn't it nice? I heard from the kids, grandkids and great-grandson and several, who were not kin. I truly thank everyone for the gifts, cards and calls.

Next holiday is Memorial Day. Used to be the folks would come from afar, bring lunch and tools to clean the cemetery. When done, they would meet at our house to eat and have a reunion. My grandmother made crepe paper flowers all winter and would have 30 or 40 wreaths to put on our relatives graves at the Buffalo Cemetery.

We are getting pretty dry. And the temperature just goes up and down. One day you need the fans on, next day light a burner. The rain crowd hollers a lot but, so far, no avail.

I guess row crops are a thing of the past. Farmers used to hope to have their cotton up by mid May, at least planted. I heard that Leon Coopridge had planted some peanuts and there was cotton over by Texola.

Rex and Susie Johnson, Miami, TX, were down to see the Gerald Tiptons. They all met Jan and Eric Franks, Tammy, Randall and Jacob Fuchs, Lisa, Jerry and Joel Alexander and attended the graduation of Jada Alexander at Weatherford.

Visiting Ray and Doris Smith, Mother's Day, were Bob, Marsha, and Josh Berry, Longdale, Arnold and Janelle Waggoner, Yukon, Jim and Janis Waggoner, Woodward, Doris also had calls from Leonard Smith, Clinton, and Robert Smith, Owasso.

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**ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT:** Keith and Cheryl Morris of Dumas, Texas are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Anna Kate Morris to Clinton Wesley Stribling son of Tom and Debbie Stribling of Miami, Texas. The wedding is planned for August 12, 2000 at the First United Methodist Church in Dumas, Texas. The bride is a 1998 graduate of Dumas High School and a college graduate of West Texas A&M University of Canyon with a nursing degree. The groom is a 1996 graduate of Miami High School and a college graduate from West Texas A&M University with a degree in Animal Science. He is currently employed at Baker Farms Oklahoma. Grandparents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Morris of Dumas and Mrs. Colleen Schaeffer of Canyon. Grandparents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Melvin May of Pampa and Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Stribling of Mobeetie. Great-grandfather of the groom is Edward Bush of Wheeler. His great-grandmother is Iona May of Wheeler.

**Miles Continue to Add Up in "Walk Across Texas"**

- The Walk Across Texas participants have just finished up week eight, which completes their journey toward Corpus Christi and back several times. The mileage report for week eight is as follows:
- Leprechaun Lagers ..... 491 mi.
  - Hot Footers ..... 423 mi.
  - F.S.B. since 1906 ..... 191.8 mi.
  - Shamrock Whirlwinds ..... 160 mi.
  - Chase the Mop Pushers ..... 190 mi.
  - Whipper Snappers ..... 89.5 mi.
  - The Walking Irishmen ..... 70.5 mi.
  - The Unruly Woolly Bullies 78.85 mi.
  - Blue Cats ..... 58 miles
  - Wheeler Banking Center . 60.75 mi.

- Ninth—Unruly Woolly Bullies, Judy Woollard, Orange shoe 644.05 total miles
  - Tenth—Wheeler Banking Center, Liz Shipp, White shoe . 503.25 total miles
  - Eleventh—Government Walking, Bobbie Hill, Dark Blue shoe .... 180 miles
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Week Ending May 18, 2000

**Intentions to Drill**  
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT above 15000') Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas Corp., #1 Meek '67', 500' from South & 1200' from East line, Sec. 67, M-1, H&GN, PD 15000.

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & ALPAR Tonkawa) Upland Resources, Inc., #1 Cannon, 660' from South & West line, Sec. 58, 41, H&TC, PD 8700'.

**Application to Plug-Back**  
HEMPHILL (S.W. CANADIAN Granite Wash) Prize Operating Co., #3207 Isaacs '207', 1100' from South & 1875' from East line, Sec. 207, C, G&MMB&A, PD 10400'.

**Applications to Deepen**  
HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADIAN Upper Morrow) Amoco Production Co., #8 Billy Jarvis & Sons, 1150' from North & 2050' from East line, Sec. 219, C, G&MMB&A, PD 12000'.

**Amended intention to Drill**  
HEMPHILL (WEST CANADIAN Upper Morrow) Sundown Energy, Inc., #2-136 Lisbeth, 1650' from South & 660' from East line, Sec. 136, 42, H&TC, PD 10500'. Amended to change well location.

**Gas Well Completions**  
HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Douglas) Courson Oil & Gas, Inc., #1020 Flowers, Sec. 20, 41, H&TC, spud 3-20-00, drlg. compl 3-24-00, tested 4-25-00, TD 8150', PBD 8098' - Re-Enter

HEMPHILL (RAMP Douglas) Amoco Production Co., #4056 Buchthal, Sec. 56, A-1, H&GN, spud 1-2-00, drlg. compl 1-12-00, tested 3-21-00, TD 8190', PBD 7940' - Form 1 in Crecendo

WHEELER (WEST PARK Upper Morrow) Amoco Production Co., #103 Basin Royalty, Sec. 3, L, J.M. Lindsay, spud 4-13-99, drlg. compl 9-23-99, tested 3-1-00, TD 20358', PBD 18550'

## Wheeler County COURT RECORDS

List of instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerks office from May 15, 2000 - May 19, 2000.

**MAY 15, 2000**  
RDT—Guaranty Federal Bank FSB to Quince Ray Cogburn, et ux, 5-8-00, 5 a.c. out of E 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 37, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

RDT—U S Bank National Association to Tipperary Corporation, et al, 4-1-00, See Instrument.  
RESOLUTION—Great Plains Breeders Service, Inc. to Leigh Blakemore, 5-5-00, NW 1/4; W 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 36, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

MD/ASSIGN.—Great Plains Breeders Service, Inc. to Leigh Blakemore,

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5-5-00, NW 1/4; W 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 36, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**MAY 16, 2000**  
ASSIGN.—Bank of America N A, et al to Toronto Dominion (Texas) Inc., 5-1-00, See Instrument.

EXT. DT—Roy Lee Henry, et ux to First National Bank of Shamrock, 5-10-00, Lots 17-19, Blk. 6, Shamrock.  
EXT. MML—Roy Lee Henry, et ux to H & H Redi Built, 5-10-00, Lots 17-19, Blk. 6, Shamrock.

TMML—H & H Redi Built to First National Bank of Shamrock, 5-10-00, Lots 17-19, Blk. 6, Shamrock.

DVL—Donald S. Bradley, et ux to Kemp Northcutt, et ux, 5-9-00, S 1/2 Sec. 23, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

DT—Kemp Northcutt, et ux to Western Bank of Clovis, New Mexico, 5-5-00, S 1/2 Sec. 23, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

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**MAY 17, 2000**  
ROY/MD/ASSIGN. OVERRID. ROY-ALTY—Robert Scott Amend to Trinity Production Co., 2-15-00, SW 1/4 Sec. 21, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

TRUSTEES MD—Wallace Living Trust to Wallace & Wallace Family Limited Partnership, 4-14-00, See Instrument.

C/C CERT. OF AMEND.—Norwest Mortgage Inc. to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage Inc., 5-4-00.

DT—Randal Paul Lee, et ux to National Bank of Commerce of Shamrock, 5-16-00, E 1/2 Sec. 3, Blk. 38, Shamrock.

HEIRSHIP AFF.—Sewall H. E. Johnson to Theodore R. Johnson, 5-10-00.

MD—Barbara S. Man to Royalty Clearinghouse Partnership, 5-12-00, N 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 18, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OL—Odus S. Calcote, et ux to Ken-

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c/o: **Bobbye C. Hill**  
Attorney at Law  
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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

**DATED** the 22nd day of May, 2000.

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neth Wischkaemper, 5-3-00, S 1/2 N 1/2 Sec. 114, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

D—Newman Communications Inc. to Joe W. Baker, et ux, 4-27-00, 50' x 140' Sec. 45, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**MAY 18, 2000**  
ASSIGN. OF RENTS—Nationwide Real Estate Inc. to Manufacturers Bank, 7-29-99, Lot 19-23, Blk. 29, Wheeler.

D—Bank of New York to Audrey Luse, et ux, 5-8-00, S 100' W 160' Blk. 55, Stanley Add., Wheeler.

DT—Nationwide Real Estate Inc. to Manufacturers Bank, 7-29-99, Lots 19-23, Blk. 29, Wheeler.

EXT. OL—Roy G. Bessire to St. Mary Land & Exploration Company, 5-1-00, Sec. 33, Blk. OS-2, 99.47 acs. Sec. 32-A, Blk. OS-2.

RMML—Verlin A. Fairchild, et al to Donald C. Tuttle, et ux, 5-17-00, Lots 5 and N 25' Lot 6, Blk. 4, Mont-Lew Add., Shamrock.

ASSIGN.—Cambridge Production Inc. to Phillips Petroleum Company, 3-9-99, NW 1/4 Sec. 13, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ASSIGN.—Cambridge Production Inc. to Phillips Petroleum Company, 2-19-99, E 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ASSIGN.—William P. Harris to Phillips Petroleum Company, 3-25-99, See Instrument.

MD—Martha C. Hunt Steed to Richard Andrew Steed, 4-10-97, See Instrument.

AMEND. DT—Germany Oil Company to Toronto Dominion (Texas) Inc., 4-28-00, See Instrument.

**NOTICE TO OPERATOR**—State of Texas Railroad Commission to BlackJack Oil & Gas Inc., 5-17-00, Sec. 27, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

DT—William P. Harris to Amarillo National Bank, 5-15-00, Sec. 26, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**MAY 19, 2000**  
RDT—Ag Credit of Texas PCA to Jerry D. Hefley, et ux, 5-10-00, Sec. 45, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

RDT—Ag Credit of Texas PCA to Jerry D. Hefley, et ux, 5-10-00, Sec. 45, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

D—Jerry Hefley, et ux to Joe R. Weatherly, et ux, 5-18-00, Pt. N 3/4 Sec. 45, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

QCD—Irvin Pense to Wallace Fields, et ux, 4-11-00, Pts. Secs. 31 and 33, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**NOTICE LIS PENDENS**—Lynn Ramsey to Michael Reeves, 5-19-00, Sec. 79 and NE 1/4 Sec. 78, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

DT—David Wright, et ux to Jessie Ramos, 2-1-00, Lot 4, Blk. 26, Romans Add., Shamrock.

PARTIAL RDT—First State Bank of Mobeetle to Jerry D. Hefley, et ux, 5-18-00, Sec. 45, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

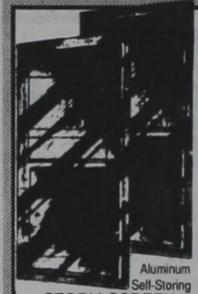
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LA PALABRA DE LA CRUZ ES LOCURA ALOS QUE SE PIERDEN, PERO ALOS QUE SE SALVAN, ESTO ES A NOSOTROS, ES PODER DE DIOS. ponte a pensar cuando dices que locos los Evangelicos pero aunque locos prospero tenemos El poder de Dios porque crees que es locura porque dejamos los vicios esta locura es ganancia, nuestros hijos no sufren de hambre porque loque antes gastabamos en el licor a hora lo ocupamos para nuestros hijos tedas cuenta que biendolo bien no somos locos amigo si ser loco nos lleva al cielo es mejor. o si ser-te lleva al infieno prefiero mejor ser loco para cristo porque ganancia en esta locura ?cual es? la SALVACION Y VIDA ETERNA ven ALA CRUZ DE JESUS HOY

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Fortunately, those who confide such fears to Polk soon hear about a form called "Declaration of Guardian Before Need Arises." This form "lets you disqualify people you don't trust and keep them from making decisions about you, your property, your health care. It also lets you name the people you do want to put in charge in case the need ever arises," Polk says. "People breathe a lot easier after they sign this form and send it back to us."

Only recently, Polk points out, he helped thwart the guardianship efforts that a caller's son was making. "The woman called the hotline," Polk remembers, saying that she'd been in a hospital for six weeks with no medical complaint that warranted hospitalization. She was 87, Polk says, "really sharp and mentally fit." "Meanwhile, her son was seeking guardianship. The woman told me he wanted to force her into a nursing home and sell her house. Another relative of hers also told me the son seemed to be more interested in his mom's money than her welfare."

"I told her that legally she was free to leave the hospital and I sent her one of the Legal Hotline for Older Texans' publications. It had information about the form. She shared it with an attorney the court had appointed to represent her. The attorney pre-

pared the Designation of Guardian Before Need Arises form, and the woman signed it and the son backed off."

Oddly, Polk says, few people realize that such a form exists. There are even some lawyers unaware of it. Signing such a form, however, can ease a lot of fears.

The Legal Hotline for Older Texans provides free legal assistance to persons 60 and over through grants approved by the Texas Supreme Court and administered by the Texas Equal Access to Justice Foundation. Low income Texans who need information about the Designation of Guardianship Before Need Arises should call the Legal Hotline at 1-800-622-2520 toll-free.



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Happy Birthday to Bret Begert on May 28; Garland Dukes on May 29, Willa Fillingim on May 30; Kent Hall, Bonnie Harmon, Nellie Lackey, Andria Keelin and William Hodges on May 31; Eddie Meadows, Donnie Bell, R. L. Zybach, Rachel May and Wanda Childress on June 1; Pat Smith, Dewayne Selby, Jayton Childress, Paula Reed and Harold Salmon on June 2; Pam Ledford, Justin and Dustin Lee, Gary May and Christy Reed on June 3.

Happy Anniversary to Wade and Gayla Hathaway and Bud and Naomi Lowe on June 4; James and Alesha Moffett on May 28; Bevard and Diane Dukes and Sam and Amanda Childress on May 29; Lee and Genise Young on May 30; Robert and Lois Bull, Pat and Alberta Helton and Rick and Lucy Lucas on June 1; Chuck and Phoebe Hartline and Chuck and Louise Hogan on June 3.

Jimmy and Tammy Maddox and Amber went to the State Gymnastics meet at Friendship High School near Lubbock. Amber placed third in tumbling and fourth out of 25 in trampoline. Mighty good for the State Meet. Congratulations!

Mother's Day, Iona May spent the day with her daughter, Georgia Tipps and family. They went to church at Wheeler Baptist, back home to eat and rest and back to church again and then to Baccalaureate at Briscoe.

An old timey doctor's remedy for colic in babies is take one cup chopped cabbage and 1/2 cup water and blend it in a blender or food processor as good as you can. Strain and give in a baby bottle to a crying baby. Laurel Hershman said Sarita drank it, burped a lot, and went right to sleep.

Keep praying for Jacque (Dodd) Foreman, 57, who was critically injured in an accident Mother's Day night. Another woman hit Jacque's car about middle of the door on the driver's side. She has had some surgeries. Mary Margaret Dodd and C. G. Dodd spent last week with her. They came home Sunday, but plan to go back soon. They were very impressed with the good care Jacque was receiving at University Hospital.

Those from Mobeetie Baptist Church going to Wheeler Care Center Sunday for singing and visiting were Marion Grimes, Doris Finsterwald, Dale Corcoran, Lorene Rector, Jane Seitz and Leta Mae Gattlin.

Percy Farmer suffered a broken hip and fell and has been in an Amarillo Hospital. Pray for Percy.

Ina Mae Anglin is back at Wheeler Care Center after her broken hip, but is having pain.

Mary Finsterwald moved to Wheeler Care Center Friday. They all need our prayers and love.

We enjoyed going to the Ft. Elliott Junior High and High School awards program Tuesday night at Briscoe. We are proud of everyone of our fine kids, even the ones who didn't get awards. We know they are all special.

Thank you Ft. Elliott teachers for your dedication and work and caring as you help our youth to achieve. We will be looking forward to school starting back in August and all the activities. Delicious drinks and beautifully decorated cakes were served.

Keep praying for Betty Howard. She was taken back to the hospital with a blood clot.

Some Ft. Elliott girls are playing summer basketball with the Elk City League.

Evelyn Meek visited Mark and Annette Meek Sunday afternoon.

Prairie dogs are trying to take the country and digging holes and multiplying fast.

Good to have Willa Fillingim back out to Gageby church Sunday. Her operated foot is still pretty painful, but tries to keep it up all she can. And still takes care of her animals.

Tuesday dinner guests at the home of Bob and Gena Zybach were a cousin, Donnie Nielson, from Winnetka, CA, and his friend, Bill Allen, from Australia (Brisbane). Bill was very interesting to talk to. He said Australia is much like it is here, geography and homes. He is a winning marksman at target contests and has met the Tubbs from Canadian at rifle contests. Donnie and Bill were on

their way to Ohio to a meet.

Bob and Gena Zybach went to Elk City Saturday to watch Ft. Elliott AAU basketball girls play. Ones playing were Casey Zybach, Ashley Estes, Tamara Hartline, Stephanie Baker, Kirby Kinnaman and Kyleigh Trimble. Also on the team are Jackie Dukes and Julie Zybach. Greg Estes is the coach. Good luck!

Nice to have Don and Cindy Zumstein meet us for lunch at Furr's Wednesday for a good visit. They are busy with last of school activities. Also there were Kenny Ray and Judy Vernon Cook from Miami.

For a few months some of us had been quite curious about the several big bales of hay stacked high very close to the compressor on 1268 just east of the Mobeetie turn off. Terry Mick provided the information. The movie being filmed in that area ("Cast Aways") didn't want the compressor to show in their old time movie. The hay is gone now. But Justin Hefley and Brittney Mick got to have their picture taken with Tom Hanks, star of the movie.

Many relatives and friends from many places were at Briscoe Thursday night for Ft. Elliott graduation. Mike and Cindy Maddox and Melody and Christine from Panhandle and Matt Lowe from Shamrock were out to see Jennifer Maddox graduate.

"This world is not my home. I'm just a passing through. My treasurers are laid up. Somewhere beyond the blue." Congratulations to Adam Tipps. He is graduating from eighth grade at Canadian Thursday night.

Nice to see Pierce Walker and Frances Dickey eating at Maxeys Sunday and lots of other lovely people.

Pray for Henry Leach, who lives north of us. He is to have surgery at V.A. hospital at Amarillo this week for a bleeding mole near his nose.

Nice to visit with Orvel Brewer at Pampa Pool Wednesday. His wife, Rosa, is in Germany spending a few weeks with her family and friends there. She plans to come back June 5. Orvel and sisters, Mary Sue and Audrey, and maybe husbands plan to go to Oklahoma City to see a Big 12 baseball game that Orvel's grandson, who plays for Baylor will be playing in.

I also visited with Zetha Dougherty at the pool. She and husband, Gene, went to Elk City Saturday to visit Gene's sister, Sammie Atherton. Sammie is poorly (Gene, too), but she knew Gene and was glad to see them. Sammy was moved from the hospital to an Elk City Nursing Home and was eating good and smiling.

Sincere sympathy to Wilma Eubanks and other family members in the death of Wilma's mom, Margie Pyeatt, 93, of Canadian.

Mike Castle and Mechelle and Jason and Kaylin came up for T. J. Trimble's graduation. They also visited Addie Swift and Walter and Patricia Hand and Monty.

Friday, Wanda Childress and Addie Swift visited Leola Stuart and enjoyed seeing all her beautiful flowers. Thursday, Cathy brought Addie her mail and visited.

Milton Morlan has resigned as Panfork Camp Manager. We appreciate all he has meant to the camp through the years. Rev. Bob Meller and Rev. Aaron Laverty will be in charge of getting the camp up in shape and running the camp this summer and getting necessary work and repairs done and mowing. They need your prayers. Cooks are still needed.

Rev. Johnny Crawford has been mowing and helping.

Dean and Georgia Tipps hosted an after graduation party Thursday night to honor granddaughter, Jennifer Maddox, with supper and visiting and picture taking. Some there were Jimmy Nelson, Matt Lowe, Jimmy and Tammy Maddox and Jennifer and Amber, Iona May, Dwight Tipps, Rodney and Tamera Walsler and Kaylyn Weldon and Annette Walsler, David and Rita Pearson, Zack, Adam and Casey Tipps, Mike and Cindy Maddox and Chris and Melody and her fiancé, Steve.



The Ft. Elliott Seniors were leaving at midnight Friday on their trip. They were flying to St. Louis to catch a flight to Miami, Florida. There they would board a ship for the Bahamas. Ones going were Kevin and Jona Meek, Russell and LeAnna Schaub, T. J. Trimble, Clay Zybach, Kassy Bradstreet, Carissa Dukes, Jennifer Maddox, Amber Estes, Curt Smith, Andy Finsterwald, Candy Hilburn and Marilana Helton. Pray for a safe trip for them all.

Willis went to Borger with Mack Shields Saturday to get pipe to build

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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<b>4</b> First Baptist Church of Allison Wheeler Care Ctr. .... 3:00 P.M.	<b>5</b> Kwanis ..... 12 Noon Meth. Fellowship Hall AF-AM Lodge ..... 7:30 P.M. Wheeler S. Citiz. .... 6:00 P.M. Mobeetie City Coun. .... 7:00 P.M. ARC of Texas ..... 6:00 P.M. Meth. Fellowship Hall	<b>6</b> Wheeler Lions Club Mel's Diner ..... 6:00 A.M. Driver's License Trooper Wheeler Courthouse ..... 9:00-4:00	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> First Baptist Church of Mobeetie Wheeler Care Ctr. .... 3:00 P.M. Grace Fellowship of Wheeler Wheeler Care Ctr. .... 7:00 P.M.	<b>12</b> Kwanis ..... 12 Noon Meth. Fellowship Hall AF-AM Lodge ..... 7:30 P.M. Comm. Court ..... 10:00 A.M. Ft. Elliott I.S.D. Bd. .... 7:00 P.M. Birthday Party (Wheeler Meth. Ch.) Care Center ..... 2:30 P.M.	<b>13</b> Kelton I.S.D. Bd. .... 7:30 P.M. Mobeetie Fire Dept. .... 7:00 P.M. Wheeler Lions Club Mel's Diner ..... 6:00 A.M. American Legion Wheeler Vol. Fire Dept. .... 7:30 P.M.	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Wheeler Fire Dept. .... 7:00 P.M.	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> Country Chapel, Wheeler Wheeler Care Ctr. .... 3:00 P.M. Wheeler Baccalaureate	<b>19</b> Kwanis ..... 12 Noon Meth. Fellowship Hall AF-AM Lodge ..... 7:30 P.M. Council City Hall ..... 9:00 A.M.	<b>20</b> Wheeler Lions Club Mel's Diner ..... 6:00 A.M. Driver's License Trooper Wheeler Courthouse ..... 9:00-4:00	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b> Nazarene Church, Wheeler Wheeler Care Ctr. .... 3:00 P.M.	<b>26</b> Kwanis ..... 12 Noon Meth. Fellowship Hall AF-AM Lodge ..... 7:30 P.M. Comm. Court ..... 10:00 A.M.	<b>27</b> Wheeler Lions Club Mel's Diner ..... 6:00 A.M.	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	

gates and lots. They had a good visit and ate at Sirloln Stockade, a delicious meal, at Borger.

Visiting Bob and Debbie Kinnaman and Kirby for the weekend were Joe Bob and Katrina Kinnaman and Alyssa and Destrie and Christina and Nicole. They all went to Foss Lake. Lou Dean Douthit visited a little before they left for the Lake Saturday.

Nice to have Leonard and Bertha Hollis and Ed and Laurel Hershman join us for lunch at Maxeys Sunday. After lunch, the Hershmans went to Amarillo to visit Brad and Sarita Dawson and Dallas, Micaela and Shelby. Laurel had found lots of cute baby clothes for granddaughter, Shelby Elise, at a garage sale. Good excuse to go see the grandkids. Big crowd at Maxeys.

Noveta Atherton was nearly to Elk City Saturday when she went to sleep and veered across the yellow line and slammed into a trailer being pulled by a pickup. It totaled Noveta's car and she got some cuts and bruises, but she is so thankful to be alive and that no one in the other vehicle was hurt. They drove away. Noveta waited for husband, Russell to come and get her. She was so thankful that daughter, Chyna was not with her. She was sick and stayed with brother, Kelly Aderholt. Noveta was going to visit Sammie at Elk City. Sammie was doing pretty well, eating and smiling. Rusty works on rigs.

Nice to have JoAnn Morgenstern meet us for supper at Maxeys Friday night. We also visited with Cecil and Jean Meadows there. Joyce Perkins was eating with Tina and David Deger from Shamrock.

There's a new rig up very close to Eddie Meek's trailer house on 83. Looks like business is picking up.

Bertie Eudey had reserved a flight to arrive in Amarillo in time to get to Jennifer Maddox graduation at Briscoe Thursday night. The flight had been cancelled three days before, but they had not told her. They booked her on a 5:45 flight from Dallas, which would not have gotten her there in time for 6:00 p.m. graduation at Briscoe. If she had known, she could have come on a 2:00 P.M. flight by taking off work earlier. They didn't even want to give her money back or take it off her credit card. Think it took a little "kicking and screaming" and seeing a head man (well, more or less).

Bertie and Steve and Trent and Travis plan to drive up next week and be there for Matt Lowe's graduation at Shamrock Friday night, May 26. Hope we get to see them. Congratulations, Matt.

We enjoyed going to Miami Fun Bunch Monday night. Hostesses were Frank and Evelyn Heare and Cecil and Laverne Smyth. Some others there were Vera Murphy and Vera Nolly, Gladys Smyth, Jane Bright, Evelyn Huff, Martha Meek, Willis and Verna Fillingim Twyla Taylor, Georgia Dea Holland, Leonard and Bertha Hollis, Doyle and Bulah Grimes, Sid and Betty Talley, Lazelle South, Glen D. and Estelle Hodges, Barbara Alexander, Carl and Shirley Williamson, Ina Pearson, Joy Moore and Irene Shearer. We had a delicious meal and 5 tables 42 and 2 of cards. Also there were Esther Bowers and Pearl Skeen.

David and Rita Pearson and Lindsey went to Stamford Saturday to the wedding of David's niece.

Everyone is invited to Cowboy Church at Pampa Saturday night at 6:30 for delicious potluck meal, good music and prayers and visiting at Bull Barn.

Paula and Perry Helton had a big family get-together on Saturday night, May 20, 2000, at their home between Briscoe and Wheeler.

Besides all the wonderful food, she and others brought, there was also music. Rosalie got to play the piano, she learned to play on when she was 4 or 5 years old. (with her dad's demands). Bob Pankhurst from Hobart had restored it recently with new ivory and all. Sounds like a baby grand! Really! Gene and Bob Boyed played the guitars. Other musicians were Amy Hunt and Misty Helton playing guitars and singing beautiful Gospel songs.

Other visitors were Betty Bradstreet from Foss, OK, Pam Bullard, Bob, Neal and Jennifer Boyed from Carter, OK., Gene and Norma Keelin and family, Ray and Nell Bradstreet, Rosalie Keelin and Linda and Loyd Scrivner from OK.

"God be with you till we meet again."

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tion carried unanimously.  
 2. Motion by Mr. Osborne, Seconded by Dr. Hillhouse, To pay the March bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.  
 Sheriff Jimmy Adams discussed the DARE program.  
 3. Motion by Dr. Smith, Seconded by Dr. Hillhouse, To terminate the tax collection contract with Lineberger & Assoc. and engage the firm of Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins, & Mott. Motion carried unanimously.  
 4. Motion by Mr. Osborne, Seconded

**Editorial** (from Page 1)

Atkins as coordinator for the south side. The suspension will be until May 27, 2000, at which time she will be terminated without cause.

I contacted Kay and ask the reason for the commissioners action. She does not know. She was asked to turn in her pager, radios and keys. No reason was given.

She was told that she would be given the opportunity to face her accusers at a meeting of the commissioners on Monday, May 22. That date came and she was terminated "without cause".

Now I might could understand the termination if there had been a series of problems concerning her work on the ambulance service. She has not been "called on the carpet" or advised of any problems in her six years on the service.

The reason for the termination might not need to be made public, but don't you think the individual has a right to know the reason or have a chance to answer the accusation?

One of the commissioners reportedly has made the statement that we will have a paid service within the next year. How much is this going to cost? Can we afford this and how long will we have to wait for the ambulance to get to the scene. Where is the ambulance going to be located? Is this what the tax payers want?

We have had a volunteer service for over 25 years. It has been and still is a good service. The individuals handed by the service are not just victims, they are our family, friends and neighbors.

But, how long are people going to continue to volunteer when their work does not appear to be appreciated by the commissioners and their opinions ignored? I have already seen what my 25 years of service on the ambulance meant to the commissioners. In retaliation, I turned in my pager; but since have been "filling in" when needed. Not for the commissioners, but for my fellow volunteers.

I do believe Kay deserves an opportunity to face her accusers. After six years of service she should be given the opportunity to answer the charges.

I don't know if I feel any better or not, but I expressed my opinion anyway.

Sincerely,  
 Louis C. Stas

Dr. Hillhouse, To not hold school board election. Motion carried unanimously.  
 5. Motion by Mr. Osborne, Seconded by Dr. Hillhouse, To accept the transfer students as presented for the 2000-2001 school year. Motion carried unanimously.  
 6. Motion by Dr. Smith, Seconded by Mr. Osborne, To purchase computers as recommended. Motion carried unanimously.  
 The Board entered into closed session at 8:13 PM to discuss personnel and returned to open session at 9:20 PM as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.074.

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Symank no action was taken on teacher contracts.  
 The Board discussed the TAAS breakfast for grades 3-8.  
 Reports were given by the Superintendent and the Principals.  
 The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 PM.

Regular Meeting, May 9, 2000  
 A regular stated meeting of the Wheeler ISD Board of Trustees was called to order by President, Gail Ledbetter. The meeting began at 6:30 P.M. with all members present.

William Burch and Dr. Lee Ann Hillhouse, newly elected board members, received their Oath of Office from President Gail Ledbetter.  
 1. Motion by Mr. Ford, Seconded by Mr. Osborne, To elect Gail Ledbetter as President. There being no other nominations, the motion was amended to elect Gail Ledbetter by acclamation. Motion carried unanimously.  
 2. Motion by Dr. Smith, Seconded by Dr. Hillhouse, To elect Dell Ford as Vice-President. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Motion by Dr. Smith, Seconded by Mr. Sams, To elect Lee Ann Hillhouse as Secretary. Motion carried unanimously.  
 4. Motion by Dr. Hillhouse, Seconded by Dr. Smith, To proceed with taking bids to demolish the Legion Building. Motion carried unanimously.  
 5. Motion by Mr. Ford, Seconded by Dr. Hillhouse, To accept April accounts. Motion carried unanimously.  
 6. Motion by Dr. Smith, Seconded by William Burch, To join EDNET 16. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board retired into executive session at 6:56 PM and come back into

**End of the Year Summary**  
 By Brook Symank

The 1999-2000 school year has been an eventful and rewarding year. The changes in administration with a new superintendent and high school principal have made this a year of transition. I am very proud of the accomplishments of students and staff.

A clear mission statement and goals for the district have been developed by the school board and have given the district direction and focus. We have developed a District Improvement Plan and a Crisis Management Plan. Our Technology Com-

mittee has applied for and received a \$45,000 grant for technology advancements. Senior students can now receive college credit for AP English IV dual credit class.

In academics, our Literary Criticism Team tied for third at state. We had 9 students qualify for regional UIL academics and one student qualify for state in choir. Our junior high were district champions and our elementary was 2nd in district UIL academics. We had over 90% passing the TAAS test for all three tests: reading 97%, math 95%, and writing 94%. TAAS writing scores improved from 85% passing to 94% passing for all students tested and from 50% passing to 81% passing for Hispanic students.

In athletics, our boys golf team won the state championship and our football team was a state semifinalist. Our junior high were district champions in football, boys basketball, and boys track. Our boys cross country team and a female individual qualified for the regional meet. We had 12 athletes qualify for regional in track and one female qualify for state.

Students have demonstrated excellence in both academics and athletics. It has been a successful school year because of the efforts of board, teachers, administration, staff, students, parents, and community. WHEELER ISD, "Aiming to be the Best."

Principal Pulpan discussed the high school activities including graduation, national honor society induction, academic awards program, athletic banquet and the band concert. The meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

open session at 8:00 PM. As authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551-074.  
 7. Motion by Mr. Sams, Seconded by Mr. Ford, To appoint William Burch as TASB Delegate. Motion carried unanimously.  
 8. Motion by Dr. Smith, Seconded by Dr. Hillhouse, To appoint Chris Osborne as alternate delegate. Motion carried unanimously.  
 9. Motion by Mr. Ford, Seconded by Dr. Smith, To approve the school calendar for 2000-2001 school year as presented. Motion carried unanimously.  
 10. Motion by Mr. Sams, Seconded by Mr. Ford, To have bus #3 reconditioned this summer. Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Symank report: There is an upcoming need for a new handicapped bus. Supplemental pay for teachers and coaches should be looked at in the June Board Meeting. The fall TASB convention was discussed. The possibility of having a Board Retreat to discuss goals for the district was discussed as well as summer projects and a preliminary report on TAAS scores. The State Champion boys' golf team and the Literary Criticism team, tied for 3rd at State, were recognized.

**Wheeler Bands Close Year of Activities**

The last part of the year has been extremely busy for all of the Wheeler band classes, and very rewarding. Each group took part in a trip or competition and represented Wheeler in an outstanding way.

On May 5, 6, and 7 the WHS Band traveled to San Antonio for a special trip and to compete in the "American Classic, Bluebonnet Festival". The band arrived on Friday evening and toured the riverwalk and Rivercenter mall with sponsored groups. Early the next morning the group watched a special movie about the Battle of the Alamo in the "IMAX" Theatre and toured the Alamo, itself, just afterward. The group then traveled to Trinity University and performed for the contest before heading to Fiesta Texas for the rest of the day and for an awards ceremony that night. At the ceremony the band was honored with a special "Outstanding" rating, which is given at this competition and is the highest possible rating. The next morning and afternoon was spent at Schlitterbaun water park before heading home.

The students conducted themselves very well all throughout the trip. Hardly any problems were dealt with and the tour company, as well as the hotel staff, complemented Wheeler on the excellent behavior of the students.

On May 13, the WJH Band competed in the Dumas Music Festival and scored a perfect set of 1's (Superior's) both on stage and in the sightreading competition. This is only the second year of competition for the JH, having competed last year for the first time, and receiving an excellent rating. Also, eight students competed with Solos and Ensembles and seven of them received superiors.

The Spring concert was held on Tuesday, May 16. The Fifth Grade Band, Junior Band, and High School Band all performed to a good crowd. The bands director, Brad Mitchell awarded two special honors that evening in addition to the ones given that morning at the all-school awards ceremony. Rachel Howard was honored with the "Band Director's Award", the highest JH award given, and the "John Phillips Sousa" award, the highest given to high school students went to Lorena Martinez.

Mr. Mitchell closed by saying that this has been one of the most enjoyable years he has had and is extremely proud of all the kids for their hard work and efforts throughout the year.

**Chat** (from Page 1)

at the 2000 commencement program. We have seen her in action. Keep up the good work, Angie and Congratulations!

—cwe—  
 We have reports on the success of a number of other college students from our area and we are equally proud of each of them.

—cwe—  
 Of course we are proudest of one student not from our area. Ronal Jr. made the Dean's List this semester at SWOSU.

—cwe—  
 Dwight Thomas is in a Lubbock hospital, following a kidney transplant. The surgery was late Monday and if all goes well, he will be home later this week.

—cwe—  
 101 was the reading on the marquee at the bank Tuesday afternoon. Records were broken in Amarillo, so I am sure they were broken here also. I think winter is over.

—cwe—  
 The city pool is scheduled to open on Saturday, so you can almost count on a bit of a cold front. The opening of the pool often gets a cool reception.

—cwe—  
 We came home Sunday evening under the threat of thunderstorms. We did travel through a shower, but nothing severe. The gauge measured 2.7, most of which had fallen earlier in the weekend.

—cwe—  
 We left Thursday morning on a journey to Lovelady. Dorcie was to be in a dance recital on Sunday. We went to dress rehearsal so we could come on home earlier Sunday. She was the best dancer on stage, naturally.

—cwe—  
 Our return trip included a stop in Sherman for dinner with the Floral Stas family and hamburgers at Hinton with some of the Meriwethers.

—cwe—  
 At last, I can report a win at the card table in the Monday night games. Mike and I had a skunk going, but Bob and Dwight managed to win the third game. I had better brag while I can.

Reimer; Band IV—Sandy Bradstreet  
**UIL Awards:**  
**District Winners—Lincoln Douglas Debate—Amy Hubble, 2nd; Pros Interpretation—Lynn Holland, 3rd; Poetry Interpretation—Hayley Hipkins, 4th; Ready Writing—Cassi Brown, 6th; Calculator Applications—Andrew Hampton, 3rd; Calculator Applications—Lacey Bryant, 4th; Literary Criticism—1st Team—Gavin McQueen, Jordan Emmert, Lynn Holland, Nic Ware, Jake Britt; Literary Criticism—Gavin McQueen, 2nd, Lynn Holland, 3rd, Nic Ware, 4th; Science—2nd Team—Chris Gallagher, Chris Hutchison, Chris Simmons, Dagen Moore, Raymond Gentry, Sandy Bradstreet, 4th Individual; Ben Howard; Science-Biology High Score—Chris Simmons**

**Regional Winners:**  
**Literary Criticism Team—Tied for 3rd at State Contest—Jake, Britt, Lynn Holland, Gavin McQueen, Nic Ware**  
**Miss WHS—Lauren Weaver; Mr. WHS—Craig Bass; Most Friendly—Girl—Lauren Weaver; Boy—Craig Bass; Best Dressed—Girl—Lauren Weaver; Boy—Nic Ware; Most Beautiful—Lauren Weaver; Most Handsome—Nic Ware**  
**Outstanding Girl Student—Sandy Bradstreet; Outstanding Boy Student—Kyle Masters; Girl Citizenship Award—J.J. Johnson; Boy Citizenship Award—Caleb Finsterwald**

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INSTRUCTIONS: Prior to the trap shoot held May 13 for the benefit of the Chemical Free Party, David Tribbel was on hand to give a few pointers to those interested in improving their shooting ability. David Tribbel is the National Sporting Clay Champion. He is shown here with Trevor Burton.

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Aim at the sun, and you may not reach it; but your arrow will fly higher than if aimed at an object on a level with yourself.  
 —Joel Hawes

We should give as we would receive, cheerfully, quickly, and without hesitation; for there is no grace in a benefit that sticks to the fingers.  
 —Seneca

Half of our mistakes in life arise from feeling where we ought to think, and thinking where we ought to feel.  
 —John Churton Collins

We should all be concerned about the future because we will have to spend the rest of our lives there.  
 —Charles Kettering

Government investigations have always contributed more to our amusement than they have to our knowledge.  
 —Will Rogers



PLACES: Amber Maddox placed third in tumbling and fourth in trampolene at the state gymnastics competition in Lubbock. Amber is the daughter of Jimmy and Tammy Maddox of Briscoe.

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**Property Tax Protest and Appeal Procedures**

The law gives property owners the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if you have a concern about:

- \* the value placed on your property
- \* any exemptions that you may apply to you
- \* the cancellation of an agricultural appraisal
- \* the taxable status of your property
- \* the local governments which should be taxing your property
- \* any action taken by the appraisal district that adversely affected you.

**Informal Review**  
 Real Estate - contact Larry Schoenhals  
 Personal Property - contact Jeanine Hawkins both at 806/826-5900.  
 Minerals/Industrial - contact Lewis Henderson both at 806/358-8186.

**Review by the Appraisal Review Board**  
 If you can't resolve your problem informally with the appraisal district staff, you may have your case heard by the appraisal review board (ARB)

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the appraisal district to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You'll receive written

notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. The hearing will be informal. You and the appraisal district representative will be asked to present evidence about your case. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. You can get a copy of a protest form from the appraisal district office at 402 S. Main St., Wheeler.

Note: You shouldn't try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires ARB members to sign an affidavit saying that they haven't talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

**Review by the District Court**  
 After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you're not satisfied with the decision, you have the right to appeal to district court. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 45 days of the date you receive the ARB's order. If the appraisal district has appraised your property at \$1,000,000 or more, you must file a notice of appeal with the chief appraiser within 15 days of the date you receive the ARB's order.

**More information**  
 You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at Wheeler County Central Appraisal District, P.O. Box 1200, Wheeler, TX 79096; PH 806/826-5900. You can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from the appraisal district or from the State Comptroller's Property Tax Division at P.O. Box 13528, Austin, Texas 78711-3528.

**Deadline for Filing Protests with the ARB\***

**Usual Deadline**  
 The 1995 deadline is July 1st. (or 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later).

Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency. The ARB decides whether you have good cause.

Late protests are due the day before the appraisal review board approves records for the year. Contact your appraisal district for more information.

**Special Duties**  
 For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

For ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change didn't result from a protest you filed), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

The 2000 deadline for filing protests with the Wheeler County Central Appraisal District is June 19th.

If you believe the appraisal district, or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually February 1). The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.

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