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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

MUSTANGS WIN FIRST CONFERENCE GAME

CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR
By Louis C. Stas

Yes, it can rain. The measurement for the weekend was 0.69. This was about average for the area with reports of over an inch east of town.

—cwe—
Way to go Mustangs! Keep up the good work!

—cwe—
Congratulations, Bret Goad! Bret was named 'Globe News Player of the Week' for his efforts in the game against Claude. He made the only two points in the game.

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Congratulations, Caleb Finsterwald! Caleb received 'Honorable Mention Player of the Week in Class 2A.'

—cwe—
Congratulations, Wheeler Mustang Band! They competed over the weekend at Canadian. They received a II and an excellent critique. We will be seeing great things from them this year.

—cwe—
Congratulations, WHEELER I.S.D. Students and Faculty! The school was named a T.E.A. Exemplary School District—in top 16% of the public schools in Texas.

—cwe—
Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Meriwether! The wedding was Saturday, October 14, 2000, on the canal in Oklahoma City. Mrs. Meriwether is the former Rhonda Blanchard.

—cwe—
Congratulations, to those students listed on the honor roll.

—cwe—
We need children's pictures for the Eastern Panhandle Ad. Bring in those new pictures of your child, grandchild or friend. No charge and we will return the pictures.

—cwe—
The trees are beginning to turn. I noticed my Caddo Maple is nearly red and the American Elms in front of Peggy Ford and Billy McWhorters are a bright yellow.

—cwe—
If this year is like most, you had better look at the foliage as it turns, because it won't last long with our wind.

—cwe—
Ronal Wayne, Juanita, Jessica and Ronal Jr. were in OKC for the wed-
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4-H & FFA Members To Have Lambs Validated

All 4-H and FFA members who plan to show lambs in the Wheeler County Junior Livestock Show or the major state stock shows must have the lambs validated in October.

The validation session is scheduled for Monday, October 23, 2000 in the Wheeler County Show Barn. The session will be from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. Lambs for the major shows will be tattooed, ear tagged and nose printed.

Anyone needing more information on lamb validation program may contact their agricultural science teacher or the county Extension office at 826-5243.

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.

10th Annual W.H.S. Cheerleading Camp

Pre-Kindergartners through 5th Graders are invited to participate in the 10th Annual W.H.S. Cheerleaders Mini-Camp. The camp is slated to be held Saturday, October 28 from 3:50 p.m. at the Wheeler High School Gym.

The basic camp will include instruction on performing cheers, chants, and a line dance at half-time of the Wheeler-White Deer game on Friday, November 3rd. Campers will also receive a spirit stick or megaphone, a cheerbook and a chance to win awards.

Items available for purchase are button pictures (by themselves or with a cheerleader), audio cassette tape of cheers, chants and line dance music, a video tape of cheers, chants, line dance, and highlights of camp, and an official camp t-shirt.

The cost of the camp is \$20. A picture button is \$3.00. Cassette Tape is \$3.00. Video Tape is \$6.00. Camp T-Shirt is \$10.00.

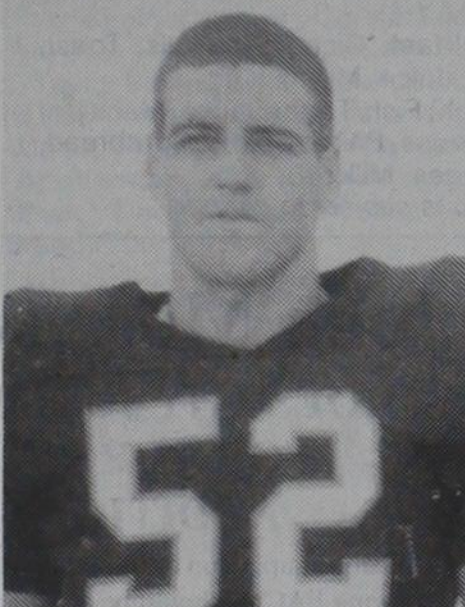
The deadline to register is October 26.

WHEELER I.S.D. T.E.A. EXEMPLARY



EXEMPLARY SCHOOL: Wheeler School Superintendent Brooks Symank recently received word that Wheeler I.S.D. is in the top 16% of the public schools in Texas. The Exemplary rating is determined by the Academic Excellence Indicator System taking into account TAAS test scores, attendance, dropout rate, and SAT scores for the year 1999-2000. A plaque was presented to the school by Wheeler Thriftway. Brooks Symank is shown here after presenting the plaque to Elaine Martin (left) and Betty Rives in front of a gathering of the Wheeler students at Nicholson Field Tuesday afternoon. Wheeler will get to fly the banner in the background in front of the school for the remainder of the school year. If the school receives the same rating next year, the banner can continue to fly in front of the school.

Amarillo Globe-News Player of the Week



Bret Goad, Wheeler Mustang Linebacker and Center, was named *Amarillo Globe News* Player of the Week for his play in the game against Claude Friday, October 13.

Goad scored the only points in a 2-0 win against Claude. Goad made 18 solo tackles, had nine assists and recovered a fumble.

Goad's tackle of a Claude running back in the end zone early in the fourth period represented the only points in the game as Wheeler started district play 1-0.

"I have never had a middle linebacker do the things that he did the other night. He was all over the field, playing off blocks, making tackles. It was fun to watch. That play where he got the safety looked like he was shot like a rocket," commented Wheeler Coach Jim Verden.

Fellow Mustang, Caleb Finsterwald, was given honorable mention in the 1A "Players of the Week". Finsterwald gained 117 rushing yards.

Wheeler Co. Islanders To Play In Tournament

The Wheeler County Islanders will be bowling in the Pampa S. O. Tournament on the 21st of October at the Harvester Lanes on Hobart and the athletes and their supporters urge you to go cheer for your favorite team member.

Team members are Kris Bradley, Amanda Childress, Cole Browning-Nall, P. J. Ford, Wade Hampton, Jerat Moore, Diana Risner, Teresa Soto and Otis Stuart, along with Pat Childress, Coach.

These athletes always have a great time showing off their skills at bowling. We urge parents and other supporters to go to this local tournament. If interested in assisting in some way, please contact Pat Childress, Wheeler, or Mary Stevens, Shamrock, or any team members or their parents. Your time and your donations can make a difference.

Dr. Robert Ingli Plans To Begin Practice Here In Dec.

October 9, 2000
The meeting was called to order by Dean Tipps, Chairman at 7:00 P.M. in the Hospital Board Room.

Those present were: Dean Tipps, Chairman; Thomas Helton, Vice Chairman; Dave Britt, Secretary; Jim Batton, Member. ABSENT: Bob Duker, Member

Also present: Larry Anderson-Anderson Associates Accounting Firm, Lubbock, Texas and Billy Robertson, Administrator

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Everyone is invited to the 2nd Annual Family Fun Night on Saturday, October 21, 2000, at 6:00 P.M. at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, Allison, Texas.

Come join us for a night of games, food, fun and fellowship. Absolutely Free!

There will be a box set up for a free will canned good offering to go to the Faith City Mission in Amarillo. Also if you have any coats that you do not wear, we will take those also.

The event is sponsored by United Methodist, United Pentecostal and First Baptist Churches of Allison.

Wheeler Co. Range & Pasture Seminar Thurs.

Beef cattle producers and other interested people are invited to attend the annual Wheeler County Range and Pasture Seminar, Thursday, October 26, 2000. The seminar will take place in the Church of Christ Multi-Purpose Building. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. and the program will start at 10:00 a.m. Evergreen Feeds will sponsor a meal during the seminar.

The Texas Department of Agriculture will discuss pesticide laws and regulations. J. F. Cadenhead, Extension Range and Brush Control Specialist, will explain brush control programs and controlling problem brush and weed species in rangeland. Dr. Ted McCollum, Extension Beef Cattle Specialist, will discuss cow nutrition and alternative feeds. Those attending the seminar will earn 3 CEUs toward the renewal of their Commercial, Noncommercial or Private Pesticide Applicator licenses.

Those planning to attend the seminar should make meal reservations by Tuesday, October 24 by calling the Wheeler County Extension Office at 826-5243.

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Larry Anderson from Anderson Associates in Lubbock, Texas presented the audit report for fiscal year ending May 31, 2000. After a lengthy presentation and discussion of the report, Thomas Helton made motion to accept the report as presented. Jim Batton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: Dave Britt made motion to approve the minutes. Jim Batton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Payment of Bills: Dave Britt made motion to pay the bills. Dave Britt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial Statement and Statistics: Financial Statement and Statistics were reported by Mr. Robertson. Thomas Helton made motion to approve the Financial Statement as presented. Dave Britt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Executive Session: No business transacted.

Quality Improvement Minutes: The Quality Improvement Minutes of the meeting of October 4, 2000 were discussed and reviewed. Dave Britt made motion to accept the minutes as presented. Jim Batton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Administrator's Report:

(1) Mr. Robertson reported that Dr. Robert Ingli has officially accepted the contract from the hospital, and he will be coming to Wheeler to set up his Family Practice beginning December of this year.

(2) Mr. Robertson recommended to the Board that Dr. Calvin Caspitt be granted temporary privileges for emergency room coverage for a period of 6 months, beginning October 2, 2000 to April 2, 2001. Jim Batton made motion to grant these temporary privileges. Dave Britt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

Hospital Notes

Old Admissions
Estelle Orr
Virginia Frye
Ruth Ledbetter
Susie Lohberger
Verne Lohberger

New Admissions
10/9 Addie Brown
10/11 Tobytha Wiggins
10/13 B. F. Meadows

Dismissals
10/9 Faye Mayes
10/11 Clethal Steen
10/12 Tobytha Wiggins
10/13 Addie Brown
Cathrine Dick

BEAT GRUVER!

CLAUDE MUSTANGS FALL 2-0

The Wheeler Mustangs traveled to Claude last Friday night to open district play. In past years, this game has proven to be a tough one especially at Claude. This year would prove no different, as the game would turn out to be a defensive battle with very little fireworks.

For most of the first half, the game would be played on the Wheeler end of the field as the Mustangs had trouble getting anything going on offense, and the defense would have to play with their backs to the wall.

The defense bent, but never broke as they held the Claude offense out of the endzone the entire first half. The Mustang defense would surrender a field goal just before half, which would appear to give Claude a 3-0 lead. A roughing the kicker penalty would change that though as Claude elected to take the penalty instead of the points in hopes of getting a touchdown. Two plays later, Claude misses another field goal, and the half time score would read 0-0.

The second half was very much like the first as the Mustang defense would dominate. The Wheeler offense would move inside the Claude five yard line, but turn the ball over on downs at the one. Two plays later, the defense would rise to the occasion, as Bret Goad tackles the ball carrier in the endzone for a safety, giving the Mustangs a 2-0 lead.

This Friday night, the Mustangs will host Gruver at Nicholson Field.

Score by Quarters

Teams	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	To.
Wheeler	0	0	0	2	2
Claude	0	0	0	0	0

4th Quarter—11:07—Safety

Statistics

	Wh.	Cl.
First Downs	10	9
Yards Rushing	162	105
Yards Passing	16	49
Total Yards Gained	178	154
Comp-Att-Int	1-2-1	4-8-0
Punts-Avg	4-32	1-36
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	
Penalties-Yards	6-47	9-73

Senior Parents To Have Pre-Game Supper Fri.

Wheeler Senior Parents will sponsor a Pre-Game Supper Friday evening, prior to the game against Gruver.

The meal will be Taco Meat Pile On

Serving at the Wheeler School Cafeteria will begin at 5:30 p.m. and continue until 7:00 p.m.

The cost will be \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 12. Everyone is invited to come by and enjoy good food and fellowship.



117 YARDS: Caleb Finsterwald, #24, breaks free for a gain of 117 yards in the game against the Claude Mustangs.

—Photo by Rob Schaffer

WHEELER I.S.D. BOARD HAS MEETING

October 12, 2000

A regular meeting of the Wheeler ISD Board of Trustees was held with all members present except: Dr. Hillhouse, Mr. Ledbetter, and Dr. Smith. Vice-President Dell Ford presided at the meeting that was called to order at 6:35 PM. School personnel present were: Supt. Brooks Symank, Business Manager Donna Walser, Principals Doug Rives and Dale Pulpan, Judy Woollard, Connie Porter, Rhonda Blanchard and Becky Hardcastle. Guests present were Rhonda McWhorter and Delores Simmons.

Mr. Ford issued a welcome and invited public comment.

1. Motion by Mr. Sams; Seconded by Mr. Burch; To approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Motion by Mr. Burch; Seconded by Mr. Osborne; To approve the September accounts as presented for payment. Motion carried unanimously.

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Wheeler High School HONOR ROLL

A Honor Roll

Ninth Grade: All A's—James A. Chapman, William B. Rutherford
Tenth Grade: All A's—Cassi S. Brown, Lyndi J. Finsterwald
Eleventh Grade: All A's—Jacob M. Britt, Gavin D. McQueen, Lauren D. Sams

Twelfth Grade: All A's—Lacey Diane Bryant, Justin W. Chapman, Caleb J. Finsterwald, Brad Allen Frame, Megan J. Hampton, Kelby B. Ledbetter, Mechelle R. Marshall, Ana L. Salas, Jotana D. Simmons
A/B Honor Roll

Ninth Grade: A/B—Karry Amanda Fite, Joe D. Glassey, Brenton A. Goerend, Andrea M. Jones, James H. Masters, Joshua M. Miller, Jose S. Salas
Tenth Grade: A/B—Gary D. Alston, Colby R. Brickey, Joshua S. Bryant, Trevor D. Burton, Kandra B. Gaines, Benjamin C. Howard, Janet L. Kuntz, Keri E. Marion, Tanner W. McWhorter, Hadley D. Mitchell, Amy L. Osborne, Erika A. Trevino, Diva Paola Villalba
Eleventh Grade: A/B—Raymond S. Gentry, Taylor M. Huggins, Corey Allen Jewell, Dustin T. Puryear, Diana Fay Risner, Christopher J. Simmons, Natasha A. Stribling
Twelfth Grade: A/B—Jennifer R. Carpenter, Amanda Louise Childress, Jordan T. Emmert, Bobbi L. Gentry, Bret M. Goad, Shannon D. Lewallan, Creede E. McQueen, Tina E. McWhorter, Jacinda Leigh Parker, Martha Joe Patterson, Rachel R. Liemer

Galatians 5:22: But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, long suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith.
Happy Birthday to Shyanna Zybach on Oct. 22; Londa Crowover, Tanner Smith, Lacy Hathaway and Jim Kirkpatrick on Oct. 23; Diane Dukes, Cody Helms, Jill Johnson Hammer on Oct. 24; Dale Dyson, Justin Hefley, Shantell Meek, Kevin Ratliff and Elnita Atkins on Oct. 25; Dick DeArment, Liz Atchley and Carol Roberson on Oct. 26; Barbra Helton, Tommy Meek, Patrick Hudson, Keri Grayson, Dukes and Joe Willingham on Oct. 27; Lee Brown, Charles Finsterwald, Margaret Oldham and Caylen Willingham on Oct. 28.

Happy Anniversary to Scott and Kay Luttrell on Oct. 23; Bill and Elnita Key on Oct. 24; George and Dixie Cook on Oct. 25.

Be sure to vote this year. You can vote absentee starting Oct. 23 at County Clerk's office.

Jason Cockran and Brandi Luttrell Coomee were united in marriage recently. Best Wishes!

Nice to have Preston and Elsie Glazner meet us for supper at Maxey's Thursday night and a good visit. Also got to visit with Joe and Sherry Waggoner and Curt and Carolyn Warren, all from Canadian. Also there were Gaye Hale, Pam Jones and Carolyn Nicholson. Paul and Clarice Hathaway, Gary and Linda Hall with a group. New waitress was K-9 Deputy Scott Morgan's wife. She was a Lindsey from Wellington.

Don't forget the Ft. Elliott Fall Festival at Mobeetie Campus this coming Saturday, Oct. 21, starting at 6:00 p.m. with all sorts of games and contests and interesting costumes for all ages. Everyone is invited to enjoy the good food and fellowship, bingo, cake walk, etc.

McLean High School six man football team will come to Ft. Elliott this Friday night, Oct. 20, at 7:30 at Briscoe. Childress J. V. and Varsity Volleyball teams are scheduled to come to Ft. Elliott Tuesday, Oct. 24, at 5:00. Full concessions always. Delicious.

Enjoying a delicious potluck meal and games of 88 at the Evelyn Meek home Monday night were C. B. and Maurine Brotherton, J. P. and Martha Meek, Olaf Siviage, Doris Finsterwald, Lois Meadows, Lou Dean Douthit, Nova Powledge, Willa Fillingim, Willis and Verna Fillingim. It was fun.

Rosalie Keelin visited Pat Smith one day. Pat had to have neck sur-

gery at Amarillo recently and still isn't able to do much. Remember Pat in your prayers. Rosalie also goes to the Wheeler Care Center every week and visits with some of the residents.

Rosalie Keelin enjoyed visits from Daniel Keelin Sunday night and Gene Keelin earlier. They are always helpful. We miss seeing Kara Kay around.

Marion Grimes and Doris Finsterwald played music for the Wheeler Care Center Sunday and then Melba Corcoran and Tish McLaughlin and Andrea Martinez came and helped sing. They visited with some of the residents, too. Singers were from Mobeetie Baptist Church.

Susan and David Reichardt and Debbie Hall from Grand Canyon were weekend visitors to Sybil and Iva Alexander at Lefors. Other Saturday visitors were Larry and Vickie Nelson, Keri and Greg Koelzer, Sheri Cox from Tulsa, Danny and Jimmy Nelson. Good dinner and a good visit.

Dallas Fillingim from Vernon was a weekend visitor to Ken and Lindsey Criswell at Canyon and attended homecoming activities at WTAMU at Canyon. They also had a big cookout for lots of friends.

Visiting Dean and Georgia Tipps Saturday were grandkids, Zach, Adam and Casey. They also visited David and Rita Pearson Sunday night.

Rita Pearson attended a Farm Bureau meeting at Amarillo Friday.

J. P. and Martha Meek had a call from Shawn Everett, Shawn and Amy and Dakota, Codi and Colton have



gotten moved into their new house in San Antonio. Shawn is a diesel mechanic there. Best Wishes!

Glen D. and Estelle Hodges are home from the hospital. He is improving. She can't get her eye worked on for awhile. Keep praying for these sweet people. They got over an inch of rain. We are thankful for the over 1/2 inch we received. Had been months since a nice rain like that Sunday. We prayed for rain Sunday morning, as we have for most Sundays.

Ed and Laurel Hershman went to Amarillo Sunday after Sunday School (they both teach classes) to help Gayle and Helen Singleton get things packed up. They are moving Thursday to near Dallas. Gayle has a transfer to a prison there and they will be near (or much closer) to Andy and Lisa and Phillip and Katie and Randy and Kathi Singleton and Sarah. They don't get to see their grandkids near enough.

Childress 7th grade and 8th grade J. V. and Varsity volleyball teams all came to Briscoe Tuesday night. Ft. Elliott Junior High defeated 7th and 8th in 4 games. Our J. V. defeated theirs easily as did the varsity, but they are improving. Our girls did lots of good serving and playing. Congratulations! Many there to watch. Good to see Kevin and Cammie Ralston and children there.

Bobbie Horn was there looking good after her gall bladder surgery. Doctor dismissed her.

Nice to visit with Virginia Puryear at Furr's Wednesday. Also Diane Norris and Laura Lee Walser and Brittaney. Also saw Troy and Betty Treadwell from Groom and visited a little. He has had some health problems and lost a lot of weight. Also saw Robert and Lois Bull from Mobeetie. Little Brittaney Walser is a cutie. Troy went to Briscoe School most of his growing

up years.

Ray and Glenda Hudson from Midland were weekend visitors to their home in Briscoe. So nice to have them out to church at Gageby Sunday. Also Sonya Hudson and Patrick. We had dinner at Gageby church so we could all visit. Sonya and Patrick are happy living in Wheeler in Sylvia Brown's house. Patrick goes to kindergarten all day and loves it. Sonya works at the hospital on different shifts and hopes to find a house to buy.

Ray will be taking more tests for cancer in November. Keep praying for them.

Pray for Red Dukes. He was having chest pains and taken to Amarillo Saturday. He had a heart cath and 2 stents put in. Might get to come home Monday, Oct. 16. Seems to be doing O.K.

Enjoying a potluck supper and games of 42 at the home of Doris Finsterwald Saturday night were Jo Redding, Lou Dean Douthit and Virginia Puryear.

Willa Fillingim and Laurel Hershman went to Amarillo Thursday for Willa's doctor appointment and visited Willa's sister, Faye Sell at the Bee Hive Care Center. Willa checked out good. They also saw Boyce Crowover and Sarita Dawson and family. Willa's bones are good. Faye

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MAXEY'S STEAKHOUSE

SUNDAY BUFFET

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Wheeler Co. Retired Teachers Hold Meeting

The Wheeler County Teachers met Wednesday, October 11, 2000, at the Pioneer West Museum in Shamrock.

Mary Morgan, association president presided. Mr. Brooks Symank, Superintendent of the Wheeler Schools was the guest speaker. He brought a very informative program concerning current school activities and problems of schools during these times. A question and answer session followed.

Those in attendance were Roy and Leveda Burcham, George Gandy, Thomas Helton, Daylon and Dollie Johnson, Mary Morgan, Ed and Margaret Pagan, Myrtle Stages, Dorothy Vearner, Ruth Wiley, Boyd Williams, Bob and Evangeline Wills.

The next meeting will be a catered Thanksgiving dinner at the home of Judith McQuay in Shamrock. All retired school personnel in the county are invited. A number count is needed. Call Mary Morgan at 256-2096 or Evangeline Wills at 826-5721.

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KELTON MENU

MONDAY, October 23, 2000 — FRIDAY, October 27, 2000

MONDAY
Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Peas, Hot Rolls, Applesauce, Milk

TUESDAY
Breakfast: Waffles, Syrup, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Meat/Nacho's w/Cheese, Salad, Corn, Jellin/w Fruit, Milk

WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Biscuits, Gravy, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy (Brown), Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Choc. Pudding, Milk

THURSDAY
Breakfast: Eggs, Sausage, Biscuits, Jelly, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Hamburgers, Cheese, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Onions, Ice Cream, Strawberries, Milk

FRIDAY
Breakfast: Cinnamon Rolls, Toast, Jelly, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Fish/Tartar Sauce, Macaroni & Cheese, Baked Beans, Cornbread, Oranges, Milk
Menu is subject to change.

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John Morrison says . . . DOES ANY JUSTIFICATION EXIST FOR THE PAYMENT OF AN ADDITIONAL \$10,000.00?

In any comparison of the candidates for Wheeler County Attorney the following **FACTS** should be considered.

The Wheeler County Attorney receives a salary of \$53,484.00 per year.

One of the duties of the County Attorney is to advise and assist the Commissioners Court concerning the legality of any matter.

On September 11, 2000, the County Attorney presented to the Commissioner's Court for acceptance by Wheeler County (thereby making such document a part of the Wheeler County public records) a contract (prepared by the County Attorney) which provided that Wheeler County would pay the County Attorney an additional \$10,000.00 for "redistricting" services. Such services were to consist of advising the Commissioner's Court whether or not the boundary lines of the Commissioners/Justice of the Peace/Constable Precincts, and/or the location of polling places, should be changed (because of population changes disclosed by the last census) and (if such changes were to be made) to assist the Commissioner's Court in redrawing the precinct boundary lines and in relocating the polling places.

The justification offered for such additional payment at the time the contract was presented to the Commissioner's Court was that the employment of an "outside party" to so advise and assist the Commissioner's Court would cost more than \$10,000.00. Such purported justification is without merit because it is a comparison of apples to oranges. Any such "outside party" would not be already on the Wheeler County payroll at a salary of \$53,484.00 per year and any such "outside party" would not be already obligated to perform the very same services which he/she was being employed to perform.

In the event I am elected Wheeler County Attorney, and in the event it appears at any time that the interests of Wheeler County would be best served by having an "expert" furnish assistance with respect to precinct redistricting (which I deem most unlikely), I will obtain such "expert" assistance. The primary difference between that arrangement and the arrangement embodied in the County Attorney's contract would be that I would personally pay all of the fee charged by such "expert", so that Wheeler County would not have to pay an additional \$10,000.00 or any other additional amount. Since such "expert" would be assisting in the performance of one of the duties of the County Attorney, it would be only fair that I "put my money where my mouth is" and pay for such assistance.

I fully recognize that I am just an ordinary person with most of the faults inherent in mortals. I hope, however, that I have achieved a degree of serenity which came, at least in great part, from an unqualified acceptance, quite a few years ago, of the Biblical admonition against the love of money. (1 Tim. 6:10) You can vote for me with complete confidence that you will never find me worshipping at that altar.

I solicit the vote of every Wheeler County voter in the General Election on November 7, 2000. I will sincerely appreciate each vote which I receive.

Any person who has any question, suggestion or comment is cordially invited to contact me at 1112 South Main, Wheeler, or to contact me by telephone at 826-3243.

Sincerely yours,
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List of Instruments filed in Wheeler County Clerk's Office from October 6, 2000 - October 16, 2000.
OCTOBER 6, 2000
C/C PROBATE—Gerald D. Tate to Ex Parte, 8-28-00, See Instrument.
D—Emma Jean Tate McDonald to Mark A. Tate, et al, 9-15-00, NE 1/4 Sec. 85, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
DVL—Harry Edgar Tate to Orphan

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DVL—Lee Ann Tate Feenstra to Orphan Tate Jr., et ux, 9-26-00, NE 1/4 Sec. 85, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Com-
pany Survey.
DVL—Kara Lynn Tate Fox to Orphan Tate Jr., et ux, 9-27-00, NE 1/4 Sec. 85, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
DVL—Nancy Yvonne Master, et al to Orphan Tate Jr., et ux, 10-4-00, NE 1/4 Sec. 85, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
DT—Orphan O. Tate Jr., et ux to First Ag Credit, FCS, 9-26-00, NE 1/4 Sec. 85, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT—J. C. McAnear, et ux to First Ag Credit, FCS, 9-29-00, NE 1/4 Sec. 85, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
TRANSFER A. of JUDG.—Steve White, et al to Sprouse, Smith & Rowley PC, 9-29-00.
EXECUTORS ROY/MD—John F. Ahrens, et ux to J. D. Minerals, et al, 9-18-00, All my interest in Wheeler County Land.
DT—Deborah Sue Ross Carter to John Gordon Ross Sr., 9-26-00, 5 acs. SW 1/4 Sec. 37, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
CONVEYANCE—Bristol Resources Corporation, et al to Chaparral Oil LLC, et al, 9-26-00, See Instrument.
HEIRSHIP AFF.—Helen Cullers, et al to John R. Cullers, 10-4-00, Lot 1, Blk. 5, Mont-Lew Add., Shamrock.
C/C PROBATE—Ralph Riggs to Ex Parte, 10-3-00.
EXECUTOR CD—Frank Rogers to Jerry Wats, 10-2-00, E 1/2 N 1/2 Lot 4, Blk. C-11, 1st Add., Wheeler.
RATIFICATION OL—Kayla Sue Richardson to Crest Resources Inc., 8-8-00, N 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 58, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
RATIFICATION OL—Flint B. Coltharp to Crest Resources Inc., 8-14-00, N 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 58, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
RATIFICATION OL—Shelia C. Reynolds to Crest Resources Inc., 8-14-00, N 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 58, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
RATIFICATION OL—Mary Deborah Owens to Crest Resources Inc., 7-28-00, N 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 58, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
RATIFICATION OL—John Oren Coltharp to Crest Resources Inc., 7-19-00, N 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 58, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
RATIFICATION OL—Craig Keith Coltharp to Crest Resources Inc., 8-18-00, N 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 58, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
OCTOBER 9, 2000
Holiday

OCTOBER 10, 2000
REL. A. of JUDG.—Amarillo Hospital District to W. H. Littlejohn Sr., 9-20-00.
D—Robert L. Roark to Tom Henry Frye, 10-10-00, E 1/2 Sec. 60, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
OCTOBER 11, 2000
MD—3V Inc. to Stalewide Minerals Co., et al, 8-16-00, Sec. 1, Blk. 1, Brooks & Burleson Survey.
MD—Charlene Marie Phillips to Statewide Minerals Co., et al, 8-15-00, Sec. 2, J. Poitevent Survey.
AMEND. CONVEYANCE—ECC Energy Corporation, et al to Range Energy Finance Corporation, et al, 9-27-00, No Land Given.
TRUSTEE QCMD—Ethan C. Graham Testamentary Trust to Patricia L. Thompson, 8-7-00, SE 1/4 Sec. 10, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
OL—Earl Koehn, et ux to Orion Oil & Gas Properties, 6-15-00, N 1/2 Sec. 39, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
OL—Earl Koehn, et ux to Orion Oil & Gas Properties, 6-15-00, S 1/2 Sec. 39, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
C/C PROBATE—Laura Etta Crabtree to Ex Parte, 9-26-00.
MD—Allan A. Gilbert, et ux to Gwendolyn M. Gilbert, 9-14-00, See Instrument.
MD—Gwendolyn M. Gilbert to Indenture of Trust of Gwendolyn M. Gilbert, 9-14-00, See Instrument.
EXT.DT—Kenneth C. Shaffer, et ux to National Bank of Commerce of Shamrock, 9-27-00, Lots 12-14, Blk. 84, WSSA, Shamrock.
D—Dan Cullers to Helen Cullers, 10-6-00, Lot 1, Blk. 5, Mont-Lew Add., Shamrock.
D—Janet Cullers Covington to Helen Cullers, 10-6-00, Lot 1, Blk. 5, Mont-Lew Add., Shamrock.
D—David Cullers to Helen Cullers, 10-5-00, Lot 1, Blk. 5, Mont-Lew Add., Shamrock.
D—John Henry Payne to Terry Tidalgo, 10-9-00, N 65'S 140' and the S 75' of Lot 2, Blk. LXXXII, Shamrock.
D—Orphan O. Tate to Orphan Tate Jr., 9-29-00, NE 1/4 Sec. 85, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
CD—Wheeler Community Cemetery Association to Susan P. Callaway, et al, 10-8-00, SW 1/4 Lot 2, Blk. K-12, 1st Add., Wheeler.
OCTOBER 12, 2000
D—Raymond Boyd Burks to Bob Weatherly, 10-11-00, Pt. 20 acs. SW

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District: Childress
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Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or District Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract (s) are available at reproduction companies in Austin, Texas at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 1771

NOTICE
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MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Melba Corcoran

of Kent and Connie Bryan on the death of his grandfather.

Julian and Jerry Martinez, Trish and Andi went to Amarillo to see Julian's father who is in ICU in the hospital.

Orville Greenhouse and Lorene Rector visited in Wheeler Wednesday.

Densel and Fern Reed and Dale and Melba Corcoran visited Saturday night with Pauline Barnes in Wheeler.

Those from the First Baptist Church singing for the residents of the Wheeler Care Center Sunday was Doris Finsterwald, Marion Grimes, Melba Corcoran, Trish McLaughlin and Andi Martinez.

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Kevin Corcoran of Pampa visited with Dale and Melba Corcoran Monday.

Gary Grimes of Amarillo visited with Doyle and Bulah Grimes on Saturday. He helped them with some jobs.

Leola Stuart visited Friday with Bulah Stuart in Shamrock.

Monday Doyle and Bulah Grimes visited with Leslee Austin in the Briscoe Community.

Ivy Richardson of Erick OK and Cloise and Rita Richardson Elk City, OK and Leola Stuart attended the

funeral in Borger of Gordon Richardson Saturday.

Visiting with Doyle and Bulah Grimes were Arlie Brown and her son Gene Brown and her sister Ocie Dart all of Lubbock. They visited them Tuesday. Arlie and Bulah graduated together on 1936.

Doris Whaley, Calvin and Evelyn Kinnamon and Evan and Ida Miles went to the Whaley Reunion at Margo, Ok. Then they spent Saturday night with Tom and Elaine Dennis and Hailey at Cache, OK.

Sunday Jerry Richardson and Leola Stuart were honored with a domino party at the home of Ivy Richardson in Erick, OK. Those attending were Dale



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and Barbara Richardson, Cloise and Rita Richardson of Elk City, Michael and Rhonda Richardson, Cynthia, Chris, Heather and Michael, Ivy Richardson, Marsha Richardson and William all of Erick, Eddie and Amy Richardson, Jerry and Cheryl Richardson, Katie and Tyler all of Wheeler, Leola Stuart and Gladys Richardson both of Mobeetie.

Tim and Sallie Adcock spent the weekend in Albuquerque NM.

Gene D. and Estelle Hodges are home from the hospital Wednesday.

Trystan and Quin Newman, Great-Aunt Mae and Great-Uncle Hugh Bailey, Cheyenne Shelton, Jean and Steve McAlpine, Bailey and Taylor, Mom Amanda Childress and big sister Jayton, Antonio Salas, Lenizza and Dedria.



AND IT IS GOOD: Gavin McQueen, #28, makes the reception.
—Photo by Rob Schaffer

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WHEELER MUSTANGS

9	James Chapman	QB/DB	9
10	Joe Don Glassey	WR/DB	9
11	Justin Chapman	WR/DB	12
17	Jacob Britt	QB/DB	11
21	Donnie Phipps	WR/DB	12
22	Brenton Goerend	WR/DB	9
24	Caleb Finsterwald	RB/DB	12
28	Gavin McQueen	TE/LB	11
32	Kendall Hefley	RB/DB	11
35	Chris Gallagher	RB/DB	10
39	Josh Miller	RB/LB	9
50	Dirk Chapman	OT/DT	11
52	Bret Goad	OC/LB	12
57	Nic Gaines	OT/DT	9
58	Evan Watts	OG/DE	10
60	Joe Salas	OG/LB	9
61	Trenton Gaines	OG/DT	9
62	Tyler Lewis	OT/DT	10
63	Danny Spikes	OG/LB	10
70	Blaine Rutherford	OC/DE	9
72	Chris Hutchison	OT/DT	10
74	Danny Glasgow	OT/DT	10
75	Kelby Ledbetter	OT/DE	12
85	Corey Jewell	WR/LB	11
88	Brad Masters	TE/DE	9
89	Michael Hall	WR/DB	11

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Asst. Coaches: Shane Whiteley, Kenny Rutherford, Cory Lynch
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Band Director: Kloette Henson
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Mascot: Amy Osborne

WHEELER MUSTANGS 2000 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Aug. 25	Scrimmage—Farwell	Claude	6:00
Aug. 31	Scrimmage—Clarendon	Here	6:00
Sept. 8	Paducah—W-0—P-50	There	7:30
Sept. 15	Sunray—W-0—S-14	There	7:30
Sept. 22	Memphis—W-12—M-6	Here	7:30
Sept. 29	Dalhart—W-19—D-20	Here	7:30
Oct. 6	Childress—W-0—C-35	There	7:30
Oct. 13	*Claude	There	7:30
Oct. 20	*Gruver	Here	7:30
Oct. 27	*Booker	There	7:30
Nov. 3	*White Deer	Here	7:30
Nov. 9	*Shamrock	There	7:30

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Hope all of you had a good Friday 13th. I have had a hard time getting my computer to work. No rain yet or any promise of any. They say rain in Oklahoma then put us on the dry side.

Had a nice chat with Editha Hildebrand. She stays busy acting as a volunteer at the Elk City Hospital.

Had several calls (some long distance) asking why I wasn't in the *Record*. Blame it on the holiday. I'll try to do better.

Jewel Harrell, Tulsa, was out to spend the weekend with Helen Smith. They have been penpals for years. Jana Henson and her mother were out yesterday delivering FFA sausage to patrons.

One of my papers was days late. Found out it had been visiting in Bessie, OK.

Had visitors this morning. The wild turkeys came thru the yard. About 20. Haven't seen any deer lately but the rabbit and squirrel come regularly plus various birds.

Verna Ford writes me that granddaughter Sabrina and Charles Smith are getting married December 16 at Wanette.

Ollie Anderson and Norma Zellmer have been to Mesa, Ark., to see their granddaughter be crowned queen in a school event.

Our volunteer Fire Department received a \$2347 grant from the state. We appreciate all of them.

I see Beckham County has been allocated over a quarter of a million dollars for a county bridge and ap-

proaches over Middle Buffalo Creek, 3.5 miles east and 2 miles south of Sweetwater.

Angela Joy, Reydon, will attend the National Young Leaders Convention in Washington, D.C.

Funeral services for Everett Miller were Friday at the Texola Baptist church. Burial was in the Texola Cemetery. He and Crede lived in this community several years.

Lester and Clara King Davis received the Oklahoma Centennial Ranch award at Enid. They are owners of a ranch near Reydon that has been in the King family since 1900.

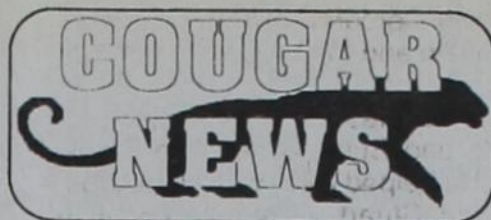
Heard from Betty Brothers. She is still making music at the Cheyenne Nursing Home. Was very thankful for the ice package from her Aunt Dor-

othy Brown. Her Aunt Mary Brown is ill. Betty is having a birthday soon and the Home is having a party for her. Happiness to Betty and all my readers.

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to thank everyone who helped us so much while I was in the hospital. Thanks for all the flowers, cards, food, books and the Teddy Bear. I really appreciate all the visits to the hospital and since I have been home. Thanks to everyone who came back to the hospital Tuesday night to be with my family. I especially want to thank you for all your prayers. We won't forget your thoughtfulness.

Bobbie Horn



Events for Fort Elliott October 20 at 7:30 PM High School Football against McLean at home.
The Fall Festival will be held October 21 at 6:00 PM
October 23 at 2:30 PM District Cross Country at Allison
October 24 at 5:00 PM Junior Varsity and Varsity Volleyball at Childress.
October 24 Cafeteria Audit.
October 24 TAAS Writing EXIT
October 25 TAAS Math EXIT
October 26 TAAS Reading EXIT
The Schools had Fire Prevention Week last week. They had different events all week.
The poster winners were Kindergarten First place Kathy Kelley, Second place Houston Barr and 3rd place Tyler Schabb.
First Graders were First place Jada Hathaway, 2nd. Place Andrea Martinez and 3rd. Place Kinstie Ralston.
Second Grade First place A. J. Reis, Second place Kory McLaughlin and 3rd place Karen Kelley
Third Grade first Blake Baker, Second Cody Selby and 3rd Colby Henson
Fourth Grade first place Tisha McLaughlin, 2nd place Hailey Estes and 3rd Keliagh Schabb
Fifth Grade first Tommy Meek, Second Crystal Pigg and third Jordan Ails.
The Fire Department took all of the students from the school to the fire station on the fire trucks and SPS gave a show on what happens if you get into electricity that was very good. The Fire Department members help-



WHEELER MENU

MONDAY, October 23, 2000—FRIDAY, October 27, 2000

MONDAY
Breakfast: Toast/Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Soft Burrito w/Cheese, Spanish Rice, Chili Beans, Pickle Spear, Fruit, Milk

TUESDAY
Breakfast: Biscuits/Gravy, Sausage, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Beef, Macaroni w/Cheese Casserole, Pinto Beans, Fried Okra, Fruit, Milk

WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Cereal, Toast/Jelly, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Pizza, Carrot Sticks, w/Ranch Dressing, Corn, Fruit, Milk

THURSDAY
Breakfast: Toast/Jelly, Pancake Pup/Syrup, Sausage, Hash Brown, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Steak Fingers, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Hot Rolls, Fruit, Milk

FRIDAY
Breakfast: Toast/Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Chicken Fajita, Lettuce, Tomato, Vegetable Blend, Fruit, Milk
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Sept. 14	Gruver	Here	JH/JV	5:00/6:30
Sept. 21	Memphis	There	JH/JV	5:00/6:30
Sept. 28	White Deer	Here	JH/JV	5:00/6:30
Oct. 5	Shamrock	There	JH/JV	5:00/6:30
Oct. 12		@Canadian	JH/JV	5:00/6:30
Oct. 19	Gruver	There	JH/JV	5:00/6:30
Oct. 26	Booker	Here	JH/JV	5:00/6:30
Nov. 2	White Deer	There	JH/JV	5:00/6:30

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7	Taos Weldon	RB/DB	Sr.
9	Manual Luciano	SE/DR	Sr.
15	Anthony Villalobos	QB/DB	Sr.
20	Zack Christian	FB/LB	Jr.
25	James Crow	SE/DB	Sr.
26	Cory Schneider	RB/LB	Sr.
30	Aaron Weller	RB/DB	Sr.
33	Jason Shoulder	SE/DE	Sr.
34	Bradley Duncan	FB/LB	Sr.
49	Kade Carthel	TE/DE	Jr.
50	Chad TeBeest	G/DL	Sr.
52	Chad Clift	T/DL	Sr.
53	Kirby Johnson	T/LB	Sr.
54	Chase Lamb	C/DL	Sr.
56	Chase Reid	G/DB	Sr.
57	Israel Arzate	T/DL	Jr.
58	Brady Hart	T/DL	Sr.
70	David Villegas	G/DL	Sr.

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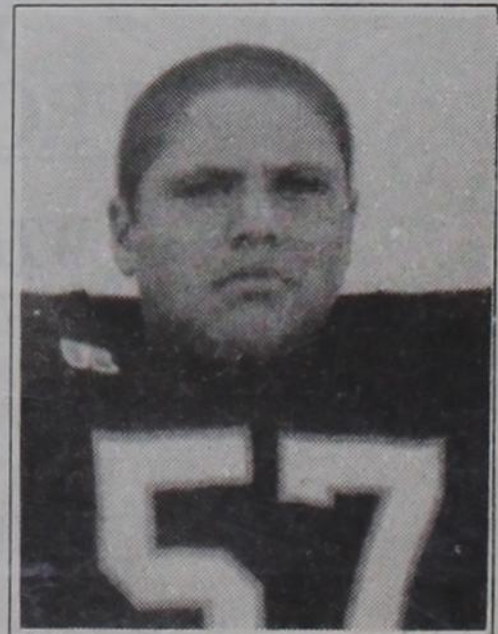
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Matthew 11-15: 28, 29 & 30: He that hath ears to hear, let him hear. Come unto me, all that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light. A cool partly cloudy Monday morning early here in Allison this morning. We got a good rain here Sunday evening, which everyone is thankful for.

The United Pentecostal Church had a visiting minister last Sunday night, Rev. and Mrs. Joe Hall from Pampa. We were blessed with some very spiritual and pointed and timely preaching. And the Boydston quartet sang last night. First time in a long time. Caroline's health has improved enough that she is able to sing again some. We enjoyed it. The Halls visited with Vance and Caroline a while after church Sunday night and enjoyed refreshments with them before going home.

FOOTBALL

Wheeler Jr. High Colts

Teams	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	To.
Wheeler	8	0	0	8	16
Canadian	0	6	0	0	6
1st Score:	J. D. Cole	66	run.	Cole	run.
8-0					
2nd Score:	Canadian	5	pass.	Run	failed.
8-6					
3rd Score:	Cole	27	run.	Emiliano	Hector
to Josh	Britt	16-6			
Statistics:	Can.	Wheeler			
First Downs:	8	10			
Yard Rushing:	24-73	20-233			
Yard Passing:	22	14			
Total Yard:	95	247			
Comp-Att-Int:	3-9-2	1-1-0			
Punts Avg:	2-45	0-0			
Fumble Losses:	1-0	1-1			
Penalties-Yard:	1-5	0-0			
Rushing:					
Cole	15	191			
Burton	2	7			
Emiliano	3	35			
Receiving:					
Britt	1	14			

Falcons

Teams	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	To.
Wheeler	0	22	8	0	30
Memphis	0	0	0	14	14
1st Score:	Cord	Gray	18	run.	Michael
Tucker	to Ryan	Henson.	8-0		
2nd Score:	Michael	Tucker	recovery	fumble	in endzone.
16-0					
3rd Score:	Ryan	Henson	7	pass	from
22-0					
4th Score:	Tucker	37	interception	return.	Gallagher
30-0					
5th Score:	20	run.	Run	failed.	30-6
6th Score:	34	run.	Run	good.	30-14
7th Score:	Called	in	4th	quarter	4:57,
because	of	lightning	and	rain	Thanks
for	Rain.				
Statistics:	Memphis	Wheeler			
First Downs:	7	6			
Yard Rushing:	26-76	12-60			
Yard Passing:	0	7			
Total Yard:	76	67			
Comp-Att-Int:	0-2-1	1-1-0			
Punts Avg:	1-21	0-0			
Fumble Losses:	1-1	2-1			
Penalties-Yard:	1-10	1-10			
Rushing:					
Gray	3	54			
Hathaway	5	5			
Hampton	2	1			
Receiving:					
Henson	1	7			

By: John Earl Simpson

Clifton and Louise Boydston, Opal and Juanita Boydston, Wanda Walker and Juanita Bricker attended a youth rally in Shamrock last Friday night. Forest and Juanita Boydston went to Binger, Okla., last Sunday morning and picked up Sa Rita Green, Carissa and Kelton to spend a few days with Forest and Janice Boydston. Roma Brown spent from last Monday to Wednesday in the Shamrock hospital with a stomach virus. The Brown's Sunday dinner guest was Thursa Poindexter from Cheyenne. Glen and Nona Elmore's weekend guests were Nona's sister-in-law, Argie Green, and her daughter, Gwen

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Cornwell, from Miami, Okla., Also Myrtle Dorman and her daughter, Becky Case, from Wheeler and Sue Giddens from Britt ranch and Larry Elmore. On Saturday night Mark Elmore and son, Travis, visited with the Elmore's and their weekend guests. Saturday, Red Dukes was taken to Amarillo where he was put in the hospital. It was heart problem. Anna is there with him. Pearl Harrison and Wanda Walker were in Wheeler last Tuesday for business reasons. Pearl went to Elk City last Thursday and spent the night with Jimmy and Vivian Wallace and Ronnie and Pearl spent Friday night with Dorothy Osborn at her home. Pearl was a supper guest Saturday night and also a dinner guest on Sunday. Kim Thompson, Kimber, Britteny and Chase from Amarillo were weekend guests at the Clifton Boydston's on Sunday to help celebrate the family's October birthdays.

Nadine Reynolds, Nona Jones and Helen Crawford attended the bridal shower for Laurie (Lane) Poindexter Sunday afternoon at the Wheeler Church of Christ. Others that were there from Allison were Nadine Lane, Wanda Lane, Tina Robinson and Alisha, Vicki Gilmer, Suzanne and Ariel Lohberger, Penny Bray and Amie Huff were both there. They were hostesses. John Harrison was my Saturday visitor. Take time to pray—it is the greatest power on earth.

Gageby (from Page 2)

Lois Hudson's family helped her move to Park Place Towers, a nice retirement place in Amarillo. She has met lots of friendly people there. God bless! But misses Briscoe people. There was a nice 42 and potluck supper at Bertha and Leonard Hollis' home Friday night. Delicious food and lots of fun. Others there were Doyle and Bulah Grimes. Lou Dean Douthit, Lois Meadows, Olaf Sivage, J. P. and Martha Meek, Doris Finsterwald and Willis and Verna Fillingim. They always have everything decorated up so pretty. Carolyn Singleton from Burns Flat visited cousins Laurel and Ed Hershman Friday while husband, Emmitt, made his rounds. Nice to see her out to the Farm Bureau dinner with Hershmans.

I enjoyed a little visit with my sister, Pauline Hefley Saturday night. Beth Alvey, Deborah Ford and others have been working on the inside of her house, painting all the rooms and redecorating. All looks so nice. Always enjoy visiting with "Polly". Her helper was Bessie Calloway. Polly has new carpet throughout, also so pretty.

Addie Swift enjoys visits from her family. Cathy Hunt came to see her two days. Wanda Childress and granddaughter, Kami Fitzer, came Saturday morning. Wanda and Addie went to Wheeler to the beauty shop Friday. She got to see Erma Riley there. Erma still looks pretty. Addie Swift talked to her sister, Bulah Stuart at Shamrock. Bulah lost her son, Gerald, who lived with her. She misses him, but is doing all right. Sympathy to all! Ed and Erma Riley raised their family in the Briscoe area. Ed drove a truck many years. They are still a handsome couple. Best wishes. Children are Mary Louise (now deceased), Nelda, Bob and Annie.

There was a big crowd out to the Wheeler County Show Barn Friday for Farm Bureau Ag Appreciation Day. Steve Walker prepared his delicious chili and cornbread with fixings, beans and cake. Thanks, Farm Bureau! Very good. Enjoyed visiting with many there. Good to have Terry and Shelia Mick and Amanda and Britney and Justin Hefley join us for supper at Maxey's Saturday night and a good visit.

Terry is to preach 4 more Sundays at Mobeetie Baptist, but he is also on the search committee for a new pastor. Hope it will be Terry.

Also at Maxey's were Patty Jo and Bill Austin and grandson, Devon, with Ruby Beshears and Connie and Bennie Reeves. The Austins are from Guymon area. Patty's son, Robert Hall, is going to school to be a teacher. His wife also teaches in the Guymon area. Robert played ball very well and graduated from Briscoe. "God be with you till we meet again."

FT. ELLIOTT MENU (Mobeetie Campus)

MONDAY, October 23, 2000 — FRIDAY, October 27, 2000
MONDAY
Breakfast: Pancakes, Sausage, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Steak Fingers, Ranch Style Beans, Macaroni w/Cheese, Cole Slaw, Rolls, Cake, Milk or Tea
TUESDAY
Breakfast: Sausage Pups, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Pizza, French Fries, Corn, Fruit, Milk or Tea
WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Cheese Toast, Cereal, Jelly, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Chicken Strips, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Green Beans, Rolls, Cobbler, Milk or Tea
THURSDAY
Breakfast: Biscuits, Gravy, Sausage, Jelly, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Burritos w/Cheese, Salad, Pinto Beans, Corn Bread, Fruit, Milk or Tea
FRIDAY
Breakfast: Blueberry Muffins, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Hamburgers, Hamburger Fixens, Tator Tots, Ice Cream, Milk or Tea
(Menu subject to change)

News from... Around the County
by Kenny Brdecko,
Wheeler County Extension Agent

Do you add a quart of oil to your car or tractor every morning without checking the dipstick, just because you know it's going to need a quart? I would hope not. Just like many farmers would not apply a predetermined mix of fertilizer to a particular farm without the aid of a soil analysis. Most livestock producers, however, are forced to feed based on their best guess of the nutritional quality of forage available to range animals. In the past, information on the quality of that forage has been difficult to obtain or not determined rapidly enough to be meaningful.

With new technology, the Grazingland Animal Nutrition (GAN) Lab on the Texas A&M University campus can analyze livestock fecal samples to help ranchers determine the nutritional quality of what their cattle are eating. Using Near Infrared Reflectance Spectroscopy (NIRS), the lab can evaluate dietary protein and digestibility. All molecules have different light wavelengths they will absorb. Infrared light is projected into the sample and the amount of light not absorbed is measured to determine the compounds in the sample.

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To The Editor
The Wheeler Times
Wheeler, TX 79096

Dear Sir,
This is from J. M. Mixon of Happy TX. Please send our Wheeler paper to Lovington N.M. P.S. As we are moving this weekend. We have taken the Wheeler paper for 64 years. Thank You J.M. Mixon

CARD OF THANKS

Thank you to all the people of Wheeler County, who called, came by, brought food, or just simply said a prayer for Kinslie after her accident in Mobeetie a few weeks ago. She is doing great now. We feel truly blessed to have moved to such a caring community. Thank you all again. **The family of Kinslie Raiston,** Kevin, Cammie, Kaylie, Kinslie, Keelie and Cole (As well as her grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins)

ALLISON MENU

MONDAY, October 23, 2000 — FRIDAY, October 27, 2000
MONDAY
Breakfast: Scrambled Eggs and Sausage in a Pita, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Chicken Glazers, Potato Wedges, English Peas, Hot Rolls, Banana Split Yogurt, Milk
TUESDAY
Breakfast: French Toast, Ham, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Tamales, Refried Beans, Tossed Salad, Pineapple Upside Down Cake, Milk
WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Biscuits, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Corndogs, Tater Rounds, Baked Beans, Dirt Cup, Milk
THURSDAY
Breakfast: Cereal, Rice, Toast, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Soft Tacos, Cheese, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Onions, Spanish Rice, Refried Beans, Fruit, Milk
FRIDAY
Breakfast: Cinnamon Rolls, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Pizza, Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Fruit, Lemon Cookies, Milk
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Wheeler Church of Christ

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The new church directories have arrived. They have been placed on the table in the lobby. Please take one directory per family. From Sunday, October 29th, through Wednesday, November 1st, the Church of Christ in Claude will present a series of video lessons. These lessons will be taken from the lectures that were presented at the recent Red River Family Encampment which was held in Red River, New Mexico. A schedule of these lessons is posted on the bulletin board in the lobby. Ardie Martin is in the local hospital. Her condition is slowly improving. Don Edwards continues to be confined to his home with painful back problems.

From The Minister's Desk:

I recently read an article in a church bulletin that needs to be read by many people. This article was entitled, "Directions For Unhappiness" and it said: ---
1. Make little things bother you; don't let them, make them.
2. Lose your perspective of things, and keep it lost. Don't put first things first.
3. Get yourself a good worry--one about which you cannot do anything but worry.
4. Be a perfectionist. Condemn other people, but especially condemn other people for not achieving perfection.
5. Be right, always right, perfectly right all the time. Be the only one who is right about everything.
6. Do not believe or trust other people. Always think the worst about them and their actions.
7. Always compare yourself unfavorably to others, which is a guarantee of instant misery.
8. Take personally, with a chip on your shoulder, everything that happens to you that you do not like.
Faithfully follow these directions and you will be terribly unhappy.

Bill Morrison, Minister
Church of Christ
Wheeler, Texas

Services:
Sunday Bible Study 10:00 A.M.
Sunday Morning Worship ... 11:00 A.M.
Sunday Night Worship 6:00 P.M.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 P.M.
An Invitation: You are cordially invited to attend any of the weekly services of the Wheeler Church of Christ which meets at 1001 S. Alan Bean Blvd, in Wheeler, Texas



STOP THE RUNNER: Caleb Finsterwald, #24; Gavin McQueen, #28; Dirk Chapman, #50; Donnie Phipps, #21; Josh Miller, #39, and Justin Chapman, #11, bring the Claude Mustangs to a halt in the 2-0 game Friday night.
—Photo by Rob Schaffer



DEFENSIVE PLAY: Chris Hutchison, #72, helps Blaine Rutherford, #70, stop the runner. Josh Miller, #39 and Donnie Phipps, #21 are nearby to lend a hand.
—Photo by Rob Schaffer



HE'S DOWN: Dirk Chapman, #50 and Gavin McQueen, #28, have their man; he just hasn't fallen yet. Donnie Phipps, #21 and Kelby Ledbetter, #75 stop Claude's #12.
—Photo by Rob Schaffer



CLEAR THE WAY: Caleb Finsterwald, #24, has the ball and is relying on fellow Mustang Corey Jewel, #85, to clear the way for him.
—Photo by Rob Schaffer



IN THE GAME: Three Wheeler Mustangs, Gavin McQueen, #28; Dirk Chapman, #50, and Bret Goad, #52, are in the game against the Claude Mustangs.
—Photo by Rob Schaffer



CARRIES THE BALL: Justin Chapman, #11, runs up against a tough defense as he carries the ball during the game against Claude.
—Photo by Rob Schaffer



THANK YOU: In observance of Fire Prevention Week, the Wheeler Volunteer Fire Department gave Wheeler's first and second graders tours of the fire department. They also demonstrated the equipment for the wide-eyed youngsters. Pictured here with members of the local fire department are Wheeler's first grade class. The class says, "Thank You" to the firemen for the experience.



DOWN THE FIELD: Caleb Finsterwald, #24, has the ball and moves down field. The Mustangs are clearing the way. Donnie Phipps, #21 is ready to take out a Claude Mustang.
—Photo by Rob Schaffer

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Sept. Commissioner's Court Minutes

September 11, 2000
The Wheeler County Commissioners Court met in Regular session with Judge Jerry Dan Hefley presiding. Members present were: Kenneth Childress, Tommy Puryear, Hubert Moore and Boyd Hiltbrunner, Commissioners precincts 1, 2, 3 and 4, respectively. Also present were: Margaret Dorman-County Clerk; Jimmy Adams-County Sheriff; Scott Porter-

Chat

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ding. We all invaded the home of Jennifer and Brice.

With the day dawning cloudy and rain falling at different times during the day, the sun came out for the wedding and the winds were calm.

Our trip down the canal started with the recorded theme from 'Titanic'. The last song played was 'Till the River Runs Dry'.

The couple left Monday for a trip to Colorado. I am not sure if they put off the honeymoon because of the Meriwether Sunday dinner or a concert Sunday night in OKC.

The bride was beautiful. The groom was handsome—that's why we look so much alike. I know this is true, because the waiter said so the second time he got us mixed up at the reception.

I can't forget to tell you about the card game Monday night. Barbara and I skunked Bob and Dwight. Not one member of Bob's family remembered to tell him not to get skunked when he left for the game.

Court

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1/4 Sec. 4, T&NO Ry. Company Survey.

D—Linda Wall to Bob Weatherly, 10-11-00, Pt. 20 acs. SW 1/4 Sec. 4, T&NO Ry. Company Survey.

D—Kenneth Burks to Bob Weatherly, 10-11-00, Pt. 20 acs. SW 1/4 Sec. 4, T&NO Ry. Company Survey.

D—Joyce Findley to Bob Weatherly, 10-11-00, Pt. 20 acs. SW 1/4 Sec. 4, T&NO Ry. Company Survey.

D—Don Burks to Bob Weatherly, 10-11-00, Pt. 20 acs. SW 1/4 Sec. 4, T&NO Ry. Company Survey.

OCTOBER 13, 2000

RDT—United States of America-Small Business Administration to Billy Ray Jones, et al, 10-6-00, NE 1/4 Sec. 6, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

D—Naomi Lane Blakemore to Paul Lee, 10-11-00, Blk. XI and Lots 13-24, Blk. IXX, Shamrock.

NOTICE TO OPERATOR—State of Texas Railroad Commission to Looney Oil & Gas Co., 10-12-00, Lot 12, Blk. 27, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

REL. OPTION AGREEMENT—Amoco Production Company to Davis Living Trust, et al, 9-11-00, Sec. 56, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

D—Leonard Shapiro, et ux to Florine Hamill, 10-13-00, Lot 10 and the S 1/2 Lot 11, Blk. 32, Shamrock.

RDT—First National Bank of Shamrock, Texas to Rody Rives Lummus, et ux, 10-13-00, Lot 12, Blk. 76, WSSA, Shamrock.

DT—John M. Hunt, et ux to Bank of Commerce McLean, TX, 10-13-00, Lot 12, Blk. 76, WSSA, Shamrock.

D—C. E. Wilhelm to Fort Elliott Consolidated School, et al, 10-10-00, Lots 17 and 18, Blk. 11 and Lot 18, Blk. 10, Briscoe.

D—Val Haynes to Fort Elliott Consolidated School, et al, 10-3-00, Lot 16, Blk. 11, Briscoe.

TRANSFER ASSIGN.—Bank of America NA, Trustee to Chase Manhattan Bank, Trustee, 9-29-00, E 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec. 20, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OCTOBER 16, 2000

STIP. of INT.—Josephine Hester, et al to Marilyn Putney, et al, 10-6-00, Sec. 30, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

POA—Verne Lohberger to Joe Rucker, 1-22-00.

RELEASE STL—State of Texas to Royce Cantrell Corporation, 9-22-00.

OL—Mary Helen Daneil, et vir to Green River Exploration Company, 6-13-00, Sec. 56, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Cynthia Ann Corley, et al to Green River Exploration Company, 6-14-00, Sec. 56, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Davis Family Trust to Green River Exploration Company, 6-13-00, Sec. 56, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Neal Champion Davis, et ux to Green River Exploration Company, 6-15-00, Sec. 56, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

District Clerk's Filings

#10944—Universal Compression Inc. vs Wheeler County Appraisal District, et al, 10-10-00.

#10945—Shamrock ISD vs Bill R. Troxell Inc. & DBA Troxell Oil and Gas, 10-12-00.

#10946—City of Shamrock vs Ed J. Campbell, 10-12-00.

County Tax Collector; Bobbie Hill-County Attorney; Ron Gowdy-County Auditor; Kenny Brdecko-County Agent and Jon Sullivan-Ambulance Coordinator.

Court was opened with a prayer offered by Boyd Hiltbrunner.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Kenneth Childress to approve the minutes from the August 14, August 21 and August 28, 2000 meetings as written. Motion carried unanimously.

ACCEPTANCE OF JUSTICE OF PEACE REPORTS

Hubert Moore made a motion which was seconded by Boyd Hiltbrunner to accept the Justice of Peace reports for the month of August 2000 for the following amounts: Brady Meadows-\$1773.00; and Art Taylor-\$40,130.92. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF HOURLY EMPLOYEE TIME SHEETS

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

APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT

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

JON BURRELL SWORN IN AS DEPUTY SHERIFF-Sheriff Department

Sheriff Adams met with the Court to request that the deputization of Jon Burrell be approved and requested that he continue his employment for Wheeler County as a Deputy Sheriff on an hourly basis. Voting FOR: Kenneth Childress, Tommy Puryear and

Hubert Moore. Voting AGAINST-Boyd Hiltbrunner. Motion carried unanimously.

RETIREMENT OPTIONS DISCUSSED

No action taken.

EXTENSION SERVICE-Healthwise Education Program

No action taken.

KAREN TELLMAN EMPLOYED AS EXTENSION AGENT

Donna Brockey, District Extension Agent, met with the Court to recommend that Karen Tellman be employed the Wheeler County Extension Agent.

Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Boyd Hiltbrunner to employ Karen Tellman as the County Extension Agent, effective October 2, 2000, with the salary from Wheeler County being \$8,600.00 per year and the travel allowance being \$3,097.00 per year. Motion carried unanimously.

BURN BAN DISCUSSED

No action taken.

DIESEL PRICING AND BIDDING DISCUSSED

After discussion, Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to allow each commissioner to make "Spot Purchases" for their precincts. Voting FOR: Kenneth Childress, Hubert Moore and Boyd Hiltbrunner; ABSTAINING-Tommy Puryear. Motion carried.

Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to rescind the above motion. Motion carried unanimously.

WHEELER COUNTY AMBULANCE SERVICE-Tri-State Trauma Symposium

Jon Sullivan met with the Court to request assistance with enrollment for 5 people to attend the Tri-State Trauma Symposium. The fee to enroll will be \$783.90. He stated that four will be from Wheeler, 1 from Shamrock and 1 from Briscoe, which will be paid by the Briscoe Fire Department.

Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to allow five people from Wheeler County to attend the Tri-State Trauma Symposium and allow the enrollment fee of \$783.90. Motion carried unanimously.

AMERICAN COLLEGE FUND SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

American College Fund, (a 501 (C) (3) Tax Exempt organization), through the organization's American Citizens, Middle Class (Economically Disadvantaged), Minority, and International Scholarship Programs have set goals and are seeking yearly to award more than 9,000 scholarship awards.

Are you a high school senior, college, trade school or university student? Are you or your family experiencing financial difficulties in meeting the cost of your college, trade school, university, pre-professional or professional licensing education? Your grade point average 2.0 or above on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent)? American College Fund may be the answer to your dilemma.

Scholarship Awards ranging from \$250 to \$15,500 per year are being awarded based on the student's:

A. Typewritten essay of 200 to 350 words explaining "Why the student believe he/she should receive an American College Fund Scholarship Award".

B. Financial need (as determined by the student's American College Fund Registration Application) and

C. Grade Point Average

American College Fund Registration Applications can be printed from the organization's website at www.geocities.com/acfsp2000 or by sending a self addressed stamped envelope to: American College Fund, Application Registration, 5100 Poplar Avenue, Suite 2700, Memphis, TN 38137.

For more information contact: Helen Gollighugh on Thursdays at (806) 256-2164 extension 34 or Panhandle Community Services at (806) 447-5303.

SUNDAES: As a "Thank You" to the students for their part in Wheeler I.S.D. getting an Exemplary Texas School rating, students and faculty were treated to Sundaes Tuesday afternoon. The sundaes are compliments of Wheeler I.S.D. and Wheeler Thriftway. Debbie Finsterwald helps Kindergarteners Garret Andis and Aby Rodrigez determine the ingredients of their sundaes, to the right is Elizabeth Boring, Kindergarten teacher.

Board (from Page 1)

nished by Johnny Velasquez and Velasquez Thriftway, was presented to Wheeler I.S.D.

Rhonda McWhorter, a representative of the Band Boosters, spoke to the board concerning the band trailer.

3. Motion by Mr. Sams; Seconded by Mr. Burch; To approve the overnight trip to Ft. Davis by the Spanish class with 2-drivers being utilized. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Motion by Mr. Burch; Seconded by Mr. Sams; To approve the group health insurance proposal of Alta Life & Health with the school district paying \$125.00 of each employee's premium. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Motion by Mr. Osborne; Seconded by Mr. Burch; To approve the

proposed attendance committees as presented by Mr. Rives and Mr. Pulpán. Motion carried unanimously.

A discussion of dead week and related activities was held.

6. Motion by Mr. Sams; Seconded by Mr. Burch; To schedule the November board meeting for Nov. 14, due to conflict with a high school activity. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Sybank presented information to the board regarding the effects of declining enrollment on our financial planning.

A short report from board members was given concerning the TASB convention. Mr. Sybank gave the Superintendent report. Mr. Rives and Mr. Pulpán gave the principal's reports.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Hubert Moore. Voting AGAINST-Boyd Hiltbrunner. Motion carried unanimously.

DISPATCH CONTRACT-City of Shamrock

Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Kenneth Childress to enter into contract with the City of Shamrock for dispatch services, office facilities, 1/2 of the base telephone and teletype service, long distance service for each respective department for the period of October 1, 2000 through September 30, 2001. This contract will have an increase of \$3,000.00 in personnel salary—from the contract previously approved. Voting FOR-Kenneth Childress, Hubert Moore and Boyd Hiltbrunner. ABSTAINING-Tommy Puryear. Motion carried.

DISPATCH SERVICE CONTRACT

This agreement this day made and entered into by and between the CITY OF SHAMROCK, TEXAS, acting by and through its Mayor and City Council, hereinafter referred to as CITY, and COUNTY OF WHEELER, TEXAS, acting by and through its County Judge and Commissioners' Court hereinafter referred to as County,

WITNESSETH:

SECTION I

That for and in consideration of the mutual covenants and promises herein contained, City will operate and furnish a 24-hour dispatch service system for the County as outlined in Section V.

SECTION II

In compliance with State laws and the regulations of the Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas, the management control of the teletype system shall be vested in the Chief of Police of the City of Shamrock. Operation and supervision of the dispatch system, including the employment of personnel shall be done by a Chief Dispatcher according to policies set out by the City of Shamrock.

SECTION III

The dispatch system shall be separated on the accounting records of the city as an individual department of the City, and personnel of the Dispatch System shall be employees of the City.

SECTION IV

The City shall be responsible for providing all radio equipment, the maintenance and upkeep of such equipment, suitable for the operation of the dispatch system as such system is presently operating.

SECTION V

It is further understood that the County shall receive dispatch service for all County Officers, Department of Public Safety Officers, Texas Parks and Wildlife Officers, Wheeler County Ambulance Service, Shamrock Fire Department and all other County and State Officers operating within Wheeler County, Texas.

SECTION VI

The County shall pay into the City fifty percent (50%) of all personnel services along with fifty Percent (50%) of telephone and teletype expenses, such combined expense not to exceed \$48,760.00 (personnel-\$43,760.00; communications-\$5,000.00), without prior approval of the County, as billed by the City on a monthly basis.

SECTION VII

The county shall provide housing for the dispatch system and shall be responsible for all utilities with the exception of telephone service. All long distance calls shall be paid for by the departments responsible for making the calls. Each party hereto shall be responsible for fifty percent (50%) of the base telephone and teletype charges. The City shall be responsible for insuring the communications equipment of the dispatch system.

SECTION VIII

This contractual agreement shall be for period of one year beginning October 1, 2000 and ending September 30, 2001. At or before the end of such period, the Parties hereto shall meet together for the purpose of renegotiating a similar contract for the ensuing year. This contract may be terminated by either of the parties with such termination to be effective not less than thirty (30) days from date of such written notice.

It witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seal this 11th day of September, 2000.

ATTEST:

COUNTY OF WHEELER

Margaret Dorman, County Clerk
Jerry Dan Hefley, County Judge

ATTEST

CITY OF SHAMROCK

Rebecca Brown, City Secretary
REDISTRICTING CONSULTANT HIRED-Bobbye C Hill

Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to hire Bobbye Hill as a Redistricting consultant if needed, for a total fixed fee of \$10,000.00. voting FOR-Kenneth Childress, Tommy Puryear, Hubert Moore and Boyd Hiltbrunner. Motion carried unanimously.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the Wheeler County Commissioners Court is responsible for the division of the county into Wheeler County Commissioners precincts and justice of the peace precincts under Article V, § 18 of the Texas Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the division of the County into precincts must comply with both federal and state law; and

WHEREAS, County can best fulfill its responsibility by retaining professional assistance;

and WHEREAS, Bobbye C. Hill, Attorney at Law is prepared to provide all necessary professional services to assist County in the redistricting process;

WHEELER COUNTY, Texas Commissioners Court and Bobbye C. Hill, Attorney at Law, HEREBY AGREE to the following terms and conditions;

I. SERVICES PROVIDED

Bobbye C. Hill, Attorney at Law will provide the following services to successfully complete County's redistricting:

1. Gather information from County



necessary to reapportion commissioner precincts, justice of the peace precincts, and voting precincts.

2. Obtain file of VTDs from the Legislative Council. Obtain geographic info on Commissioner & JP/Constable precincts from the county. Build precinct boundaries from VTDs. Develop large county map with VTDs. Commissioner precincts and JP/Constable precincts for county review with TIGER street data as background (precinct boundaries would need to be labeled and some major street and roads, but labeling will be as minimal as possible).

3. Get new PL94-171 data and block data from Census. Build new redistricting database for county using PL data and block data. Load new redistricting database into mapping software and create redistricting mapping files. Create Initial Assessment Report, including tables, charts and graphs and provide a written report to Wheeler County Commissioners' Court of all findings.

4. If existing precincts are in compliance with state and federal law and reapportionment is not necessary following the 2000 census, this contract will be terminated pursuant to II.2 below.

5. Develop not more than three alternate plans using preliminary guidelines and fee back from various sources. Develop maps, tables, and charts, in a consistency format, for use in plan evaluation. Develop up to three alternative plans, including maps and tables.

6. Attend all Public Hearings and Citizen Advisory Committees meetings.

7. Attend Wheeler County Commissioners Court upon request.

8. Produce final maps, tables, and charts for final plan to be submitted to Department of Justice. Create one large map (36"x48") of Commissioner Precincts, Election Precincts, and Polling Places for final submission to the County. Prepare the submission document including supporting document, maps and graphs and submit to the Department of Justice.

9. Prepare and file all necessary maps and documentation to the U.S. Department of Justice for Preclearance under the Voting Rights Act.

10. After Preclearance, file all necessary notices, maps and documents with Texas officials as required by Texas Law.

11. This contract does not cover work required in the event Preclearance is denied. Bobbye C. Hill will provide additional legal services for a fee of \$125.00 an hour plus expenses upon request.

II. COMPENSATION

1. Total fixed fee is \$10,000.00

2. First Payment-January 1, 2001
The fee for the initial assessment includes the cost of obtaining 2000 Census Data and preparing the assessment of Wheeler County Commissioners precincts, justice of the peace precincts, and voting precincts. This fee is \$5,000.00. If the assessment indicates that existing boundaries do not require redistricting under federal and state law, there will be no additional fee due and this contract will be terminated.

3. Second Payment-January 1, 2002

If reapportionment is necessary, the second payment of \$5,000.00 will - due on January 1, 2002.

SIGNED on the 11th day of September, 2000.

Wheeler County
County Judge
Bobbye C Hill
Attorney at Law

DAVID WATSON SALARY ADJUSTED-Sheriff Office

Sheriff Adams met with the Court to request that the salary of David Watson be adjusted by \$50.00 per month due to his completion of the six month provisional employment period.

Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Boyd Hiltbrunner to allow the salary of David Watson to be increased by \$50.00 per month, effective September 1, 2000. The total salary will be \$1933.74 per month. Motion carried unanimously.

CREDIT CARD MACHINE-Tax Collector Office

Scott Porter, Tax Collector, met with the Court to discuss the possibility of installing a credit card machine in the Tax Collectors office which would then allow customers to pay their taxes and auto license by credit card.

Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Tommy Puryear to allow Scott Porter, County Tax Collector to obtain and install a credit card machine in the Tax Collectors office, which would allow customers to pay for their taxes and car registration with an approved credit card. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION DISCUSSED-Penalty Assessment for Collection of Delinquent Taxes

Scott Porter, Tax Collector, met with the Court to discuss the possibility of adopting a resolution which would allow the assessment of a 15% penalty to defray the costs of collection of delinquent taxes in Wheeler County. He advised that this is allowable under Section 33.07 and Section 33.08 of the Texas Tax Code.

No action taken.

MARGARET DORMAN, COUNTY CLERK JERRY DAN HEFLEY, COUNTY JUDGE

September 18, 2000

The Wheeler County Commissioners Court met in Special Session with Judge Jerry Dan Hefley presiding. Members present were: Kenneth Childress, Tommy Puryear, Hubert Moore and Boyd Hiltbrunner, Commissioners precincts 1, 2, 3 and 4,

respectively. Also present were: Margaret Dorman-County Clerk; and Scott Porter-Tax Collector.

Court was opened with a prayer offered by

PUBLIC HEARING -10:00/11:00AM

Those present: Chris Osborne.
BUDGET ADOPTED for 2000-2001

Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Boyd Hiltbrunner to adopt the 2000-2001 budget for Wheeler County, in the amount of \$2,030,397.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to rescind the above motion adopting the budget in the total amount of \$2,030,397.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Boyd Hiltbrunner to adopt the budget for 2000-2001 in the amount of \$1,963,888.00. Motion carried unanimously.

TAX RATE SET FOR 2000-2001

Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Tommy Puryear to set the Tax Rate for 2000-2001 at .50235 cent per \$100 valuation. Motion carried unanimously.

September 21, 2000

The Wheeler County Commissioners Court met in Special Session with Judge Jerry Dan Hefley presiding. Members present were: Kenneth Childress, Tommy Puryear, Hubert Moore and Boyd Hiltbrunner, Commissioners precincts 1, 2, 3 and 4, respectively. Also present was: Margaret Dorman-County Clerk.

APPROVAL OF HOURLY EMPLOYEE TIME SHEETS

No action taken.

APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR HIRED TO PERFORM AUDIT-Thomas H. Grantham

Judge Hefley presented a letter from Mr. Thomas H. Grantham concerning performing an independent audit of all county accounts.

Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Boyd Hiltbrunner to hire Thomas H. Grantham, Pampa Texas to perform the annual independent audit of all county accounts for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1999 and continuing through September 30, 2000. Motion carried unanimously.

W.T.R.C.-Group Health Insurance

Discussion was held concerning outstanding medical claims.

No action taken.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED-Penalty to Defray Delinquent Tax Collections

Scott Porter, County Tax Collector, met with the Court to discuss the possibility of passing a resolution adopting a 15% penalty to defray costs in collecting delinquent property taxes.

Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Kenneth Childress to adopt the following resolution. Voting FOR-Kenneth Childress and Tommy Puryear; Voting AGAINST-Hubert Moore and Boyd Hiltbrunner; Voting FOR-Judge Hefley. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY TO DEFRAY COSTS OF COLLECTING DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAXES PURSUANT TO TEXAS TAX CODE, SECTION 33.07 AND 33.08

WHEREAS, the Commissioner's Court of the County of Wheeler deems it necessary to have a declared policy regarding the expense of collecting delinquent property taxes due to the County; and

WHEREAS, said Court is of the opinion that said expense of collecting delinquent taxes should be borne by the delinquent properties and their owners who are responsible for incurring such expenses; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Legislature in enacting Texas Tax Code, Section 33.07 and 33.08 has authorized the adoption of an additional penalty to be added to delinquent taxes to offset the costs of collection for the current year and each succeeding year thereafter;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners' Court that the County of Wheeler adopts the additional fifteen percent (15%) penalties to defray the