

# Tornado Sweeps County



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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."



**A FUNNEL:** Shown here is one of the funnels which danced across Wheeler County Thursday evening.

—Photo by Tommy Puryear

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

The weekend of excitement is over and we can live without a duplicate of some of the activity.

Final arrangements were being made by many for the events scheduled for the weekend in Wheeler when the sirens were sounded Thursday evening. We had the scanner on, so we were aware of the possibility of some bad clouds later in the evening. The siren was a total shock.

We discussed the situation and decided to take some precautions—like getting mother to the cellar. We remained in the cellar watching what clouds we could see and enjoyed the beauty of a neatly trimmed back yard with many trees.

The lights went out and the lamp was lit.

The ambulance pager was our first indication that we had been a little too close to a storm. The ambulance was needed at the Wheeler Feed Yard for a search and rescue.

While we were out on the ambulance run the storm was continuing across the county.

We certainly do miss the water when the well runs dry. No electricity and not even a battery operated radio. As it turned out not for just a night, but for 25 hours and 15 minutes.

We as numerous other citizens of Wheeler were scheduled to have company over the weekend. (Yes, I know it is a shock, but we intended to stay home.)

When we learned we might possibly be without electricity for a long period of time, we delivered the extra books, packed and loaded to skip town. At the last stop before exiting the city limits, Barbara rolled down the window to bid adieu at Cross Car Center—the window would not roll back up.

We left the vehicle and returned to the dark, quiet, house and tried to figure out how to spend time without modern conveniences. And hoping the window could at least be manually raised and secured in place—NOT!

Determined to leave as soon as possible rather than remain without the conveniences, I made a trip into Oklahoma to get the needed part. Shortly after I returned, the electricity was restored.

A big **"THANK YOU"** to the individuals responsible for the restoration of the service.

Company arrived only slightly later than planned Friday night. Ronal Wayne, Juanita, Ronal, Jessica and Jennifer were here.

There was still activity in the house when the prisoners escaped and Barbara heard the news on the scanner.

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**SHELTER:** The Bevard Dukes family took shelter in this basement at Allison. In the far corner is the table, which offered the family their only protection after the floor of the house was pulled away by the storm.

—Photo by Dustin Puryear



**VOLUNTEERS:** The Wheeler Volunteer Firemen were called to help with the work at Wheeler Feed Yard, 6 miles west of Wheeler.

—Photo by Tommy Puryear

### ESCAPEES CAPTURED AFTER 18 HOURS OF FREEDOM

Two Wheeler county prisoners escaped the county jail Saturday morning around 2:00 a.m. They remained at large for about 18 hours.

The escape route was the ducting from the cell. Using a tool fashioned from a piece of metal they had obtained, the men removed the screws holding the cover and climbed into the ceiling area. They dropped down into the hallway and took the jailer briefly to obtain the keys to her car.

Before they could get access to the car, they spotted a deputy's vehicle approaching the jail. The pair fled on foot.

The deputy became aware of something unusual about the jail. He entered the jail and secured each room. He made contact with the jailer and notified other officers of the situation. It was determined the escapees were in jail clothing and one was possibly barefoot. A spot check of the immediate area was made immediately.

The biggest concern of the department was a possible hostage situation.

With the arrival of daylight, the volunteer firemen were called to help with a door to door canvass of the town. The men went to each house and informed the occupants of the situation. The search was called off



**COUNTY'S OLDEST LIVING VETERAN:** Wheeler County's oldest living veteran was called on to place a wreath on the Veterans Memorial at Saturday's dedication. R. St. John, 95, is a veteran of W.W.I and the father of one of the 120 county residents, who gave their lives for their country. Mr. St. John was helped up the walk and with the placing of the wreath.

### WHEELER COUNTY HERITAGE DAY SET FOR JULY 1

The second annual Wheeler County Heritage Day activities will officially begin at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 1, 1995 at the Jail and Museum in Old Mobeetie, Texas. Master of Ceremonies will be author-historian, Bob Izzard.

The living history exhibits and reenactments will depict life during the 1870's - 1880's. Friday evening the Cavalry, Texas Ranger, Buffalo Hunters, Indian Traders and Trappers will make camp on the museum grounds in preparation for the event.

On Saturday visitors will view mounted cavalry drills and artillery demonstrations presented by the 4th U. S. Cavalry Regiment E. Company (memorial) led by 1st Sargent Mike Vandeventer. The 4th Cavalry is a reenactment group that is dedicated to the Indian Wars period, specifically to the period of time that Colonel Ranald S. Mackenzie and his 4th Cavalry actually operated in Texas from 1871 - 1875. All of their uniforms, equipment, saddles and gear are period replicas and/or authentic originals. The men of the 4th Cavalry pride themselves in historical authenticity as they recreate the trooper as he actually was.

A special Cavalry exhibit on loan from Vandeventer and Ed Benz, curator of the Square House Museum in Panhandle, Texas, will be displayed adjacent to the diorama of Fort Elliott on the second floor of the Jail Museum.

TEXAS RANGERS of the 1880's will be brought to life by R. J. Preston and Wild Times Living History. Preston, Major Jenkins, in *Return to Lonesome Dove*, has recreated scenes of the American West for film, television,

### Methodist Church BIBLE SCHOOL

Come sail with us! All sailors welcome that have been in Kindergarten thru 5th grade.

"Seaside with the Savior" is the theme for this year's VBS. It will be June 19-23 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. With a "sack lunch picnic" Sat. 24th at 6:00 p.m.

If rides are needed contact the church office 826-3114.

Thursday evening, June 8, a storm front came into the southwest corner of Wheeler County in the direction of Wheeler. The sirens in Wheeler were sounded at 6:28 p.m. for citizens of Wheeler to begin taking shelter.

The Wheeler County Sheriff's Department reported 28 locations receiving major damage. Using Sheriff Adams information, the rough map of the county was drawn to show the path of the storm.

The locations are marked 1 through 28. The computer drawn map is the work of Paul Jones of Allison from the locations indicated by Sheriff Adams.

1-4. The Crockett house was cleaned away to the dirt. Across the road cattle were killed selectively. The barrow ditches were full of debris. This would indicate the ditch is not such a good location to seek shelter in case of an emergency.

5. The Vega place was totally wiped clean of buildings, leaving only one tree with two branches—the bark was stripped away.

6. Trident Pumping station is gone. 7. Ronnie Brown had his out buildings destroyed. This was on the west edge of the tornado.

8. A mile of Southwestern Public Service and Greenbelt lines and landowner's fences were picked up.

9. The funnel was on the ground for approximately 4 miles in open country taking a strip of fencing belonging to Hiltbrunner and Mann. At this point the storm crossed the river and was 1/2 to 1 mile wide.

10. The Dunnam house suffered extensive damage to the east side, top story was blown out. The garage wall is also bowed.

11. The barn at F. M. Grimes was destroyed and huge, old trees were uprooted.

12. The Andy Shipp place suffered the loss of out buildings. The trees were cropped and some uprooted.

13. Storm traveled along Co. Road 9 & L, taking electrical lines.

14. The W. A. Funderburk residence

was hit by a funnel possibly paralleling the main storm. At this time the storm consisted of one large funnel and possibly six smaller funnels. Sever wind damage to trailer home, trees and outbuildings.

15. Christine Underwood had damage to a trailer and barns. There was more damage to transmission lines along county road 10 and Hwy 152.

16. Wheeler Feed Yard was badly damaged. The mill, office, pens and three trailer homes used by the employees were destroyed. A large number of cattle were killed and several had to be destroyed. One estimate of damage to the feedlot was \$5 million. The business is in the process of rebuilding. Two of the families occupying the trailers had come to Wheeler to take shelter in the basement of the courthouse. One family remained and was in their car at the time the storm hit. Wheeler County Sheriff's deputies rescued them after their car was carried across Hwy. 152 by the storm. One individual was seen running across Hwy. 152 ahead of the storm. He was also rescued.

The Wheeler County Ambulance was called to Wheeler Feed Yard at 7:31 p.m. The ambulances were turned back, after it was determined there were not injuries.

17. Back in open country on county road 11 and K, a 1/4 mile sprinkler system is moved 1/4 mile and with such force to cut the system in half as it crossed a highline pole. This could also have been a separate funnel.

18. The big tornado crossed Hwy. 152 and struck a vacant house on county road I. The roof was removed and damaged on the inside. Trees were also destroyed.

19. Passed the Bell place and took barns, vehicles and part of the house at the Joe Kelley place.

### Historical School Site Project Nearly Finished

Historical Society Nears Completion of Project!

Representatives from the Wheeler County Historical Society met with the Wheeler County Commissioners Court Monday June 12, 1995, to present them the money collected to erect signs for abandoned school sites in Wheeler County.

In a truly unprecedented effort, the Historical Society and the County Commissioners, under the direction of Judge Wendell Morgan, identified and made signs for over fifty abandoned school sites throughout the county.

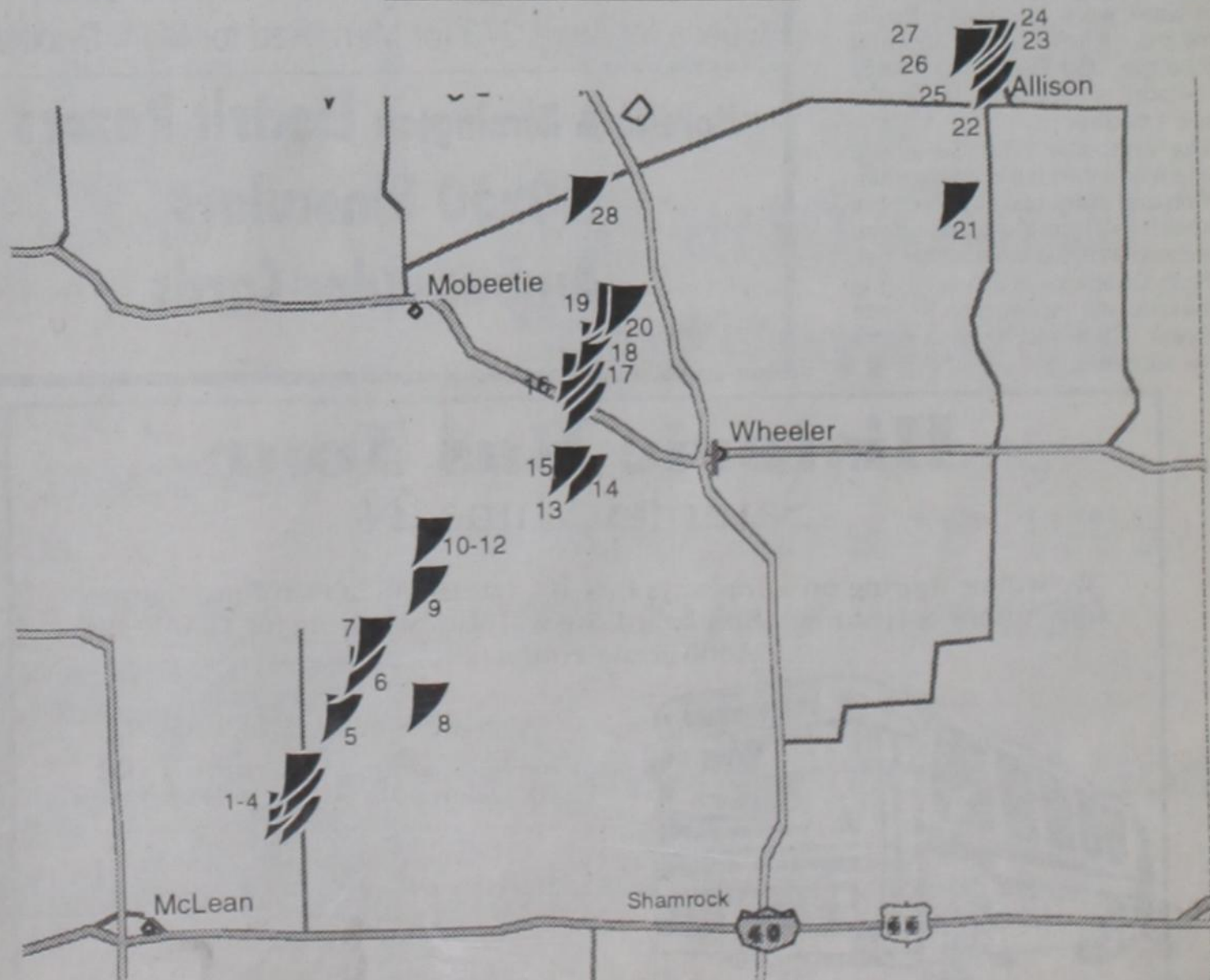
Margaret Dorman, president of the Wheeler County Historical Society, acting as liaison to the Commissioners Court, did yeoman duty coordinating the project. Harrison Hall, projects chairman, and Paula Britt, secretary-treasurer and publicity chairman, both served most effectively.

At this time all materials are purchased and prepared. Actual erection of the signs will begin when work on rural roads and bridges caused by recent torrential rains is completed. This is estimated to occur around the middle of August.

Both the County Historical Society and the Commissioners Court express their sincere gratitude to those donors who gave a collective \$690.00 to help defray the costs of this project. Labor and materials furnished by the county were essential to the project's completion. Donors included: Kirk Kite, Barbara Austin, Paula Britt, Louise Hogan, David Britt, Dean Tipps, and Britt Ranch.

The Historical Society, whose members are appointed by the County

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THE PATH OF THE STORM—Paul Jones

### WEATHER

DATE	DAY	Hi	Low	Pre
6-07	Wed.	95	65	0.62
6-08	Thurs.	?	71	0.00
6-09	Fri.	?	?	0.00
6-10	Sat.	80	56	0.00
6-11	Sun.	79	51	0.00
6-12	Mon.	86	51	0.00
6-13	Tues.	92	58	0.00
<b>Low for the Year:</b>		03-07	12	
<b>High for the Year:</b>		04-08	93	
<b>Total Moisture for June:</b>			4.37"	
<b>Total Moisture for the Year:</b>			14.67"	
<b>Total Snow:</b>			15.02"	

Courtesy: KPDR-FM Radio

### Funds for Tornado Victims Established

Accounts for Wheeler and Hemphill Counties Disaster Relief Fund have been opened in local banks in Wheeler, Mobeetie and Canadian for anyone wishing to make a donation for the Wheeler and Hemphill Counties Tornado Victims. Checks may be made payable to the Allison United Methodist Church Disaster Fund and can be left at a local bank or sent directly to the Allison United Methodist Church, Box 28, Allison, Texas 79003.

All donations are tax deductible and appreciated.



Deuteronomy 4-39 & 40: Know therefore this day, and consider it in thine heart, that the Lord he is God in heaven above, and upon the earth beneath; there is none else.

Thou shalt keep therefore his statute, and his commandments, which I command thee this day, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, and that thou mayest prolong thy days upon the earth, which the Lord thy God giveth thee, forever.

A nice sunny Monday morning here in Allison, after a very stormy last week.

Bruce and Pearl Harrison went to Elk City for a Dr.'s appointment, they spent the night with Jimmy and Vivian Wallace. Last Sunday, dinner guest with the Harrison's were Louise Boydston, Gary and Julie Boydston.

My overnight guest Friday June 2nd was my daughter Peggy White from Clovis, New Mexico and her son Mark White from San Francisco, California, I returned to Amarillo with Peggy and Mark Saturday evening. We visited Peggy's daughter and husband Marsue and Dean Roush, Peggy and Mark spent the night with them before returning on to Clovis I spent from Saturday night to Tuesday evening with Jerry and Cathy Gilmer and their daughter Kerri Glass, Kayci and Krislyn from Houston were also visiting with Jerry and Cathy.

The Allison Community was hit last Thursday evening with a tornado that demolished four homes west of town and done a lot of other damage as well as uprooting a lot of large trees in the tree row west of Bessie Giddens place and some very large trees by the road on the County line, and also Judy and Anthony Cornell had a lot of damage, Bessie Giddens house was badly damaged also, the Jim and Dawn Donaldson's house was completely destroyed and Larry and LaDonna Elmore, Bevard and Dianna Dukes and Lee and Sharon Halls, and lots of cattle and other animals were killed our hearts go out to those that lost every thing and got damage to their homes, our thoughts and prayers are with them.

Darrel and Johnnie Harrison from Amarillo were my Saturday guests, was real good to have them, they also visited Bruce and Pearl Harrison before going home.

Leota Black spent last Thursday night at Texhoma, Texas with Jeffrey and Tracy Black, Robert and Nathan to help celebrate Nathan's third birthday.

Opal and Juanita Boydston's last Thursday dinner guests was Sybil Fish of Bartlesville, Oklahoma. Opal, Juanita and Sybil, Roma and Billy Brown attended a Brown Reunion at Amarillo last weekend.

Roma and Billy Brown's house guest this past week was Sybil Fish.

Peggy Chandler's last Saturday guests were Sue Chandler, Jana and Bridget and a friend from Wheeler. Peggy and Jennie Walker visited Gertie Cornell last Sunday at the Wheeler Care Center.

Red and Anna Dukes attended gospel meetings at the church of Christ in Pampa two different nights last week, Minnie Bell Vinson went with them one night.

Red and Anna attended the 100th birthday celebration for Julia Dillon at Wheeler Care Center last Saturday.

Henry and Cheryl Dupont, Sabrina and Cody were in Amarillo last Friday visiting Kim and Chuck Thompson, Kimber and Christen, Henry and Cheryl attended Youth Camp Friday night at the U. P. Camp grounds.

Glen and Nona Elmore's weekend guests were Beverly Bowman from Silverton, Texas and Carl and Phyllis Williams from Saginaw, Texas, others there were Larry and La Donna Elmore of Allison and Melissa Elmore from Amarillo, Kathy and Wayne Zybach, Clay and Casey from Briscoe, Mark and Nancy Britten, Christina, Sammy, Jennifer and Lindsey from Amarillo, Ray and Sue Giddens from Britt Ranch. Bus and Myrtle Dorman and their daughter Becky from Wheeler visited Sunday afternoon.

Weekend guests with Pete and Margaret Gilmer were Becky and Jeannie Gilmer from Amarillo.

Those flying to Perris, California to attend the funeral of Ray Sims last week were Verne and Susie, Howard, Alton and Suzanne Lohberger, Joe Rucker and Andy Anderson of Mobeetie, Ray was Susie's brother.

Our sympathy is for Susie and her family in the loss of her brother.

Bob and Mary Lou Markham are both at home from the hospitals and are doing well, we are glad for that.

Ruth Chadwick is still staying at Allus to be with her daughter Rhonda Puryear, Ruth had to have some knee surgery.

Edna May and Edith Donaldson attended a Richardson Family Reunion in Amarillo last weekend at the Garden Center, Edna's brother Lee Richardson of Stinnett was also there, there were 72 present.

Terry Walker and Brandon from Pampa visited Jenny Walker last Saturday and did a lot of yard work and some work on her roof for her, Jennie said to put in she really appreciated neighbors lifting the cellar door for her after the storm was over last Thursday evening and also others that came and checked on her.

(Marginal Note) In digging other's out of trouble, you can find a place to bury your own.

Saturday June 3rd Caroline and Vance Boydston's dinner guests were Pastor and Mrs. Roy Jones and Rev. Doug Morgan from Pasadena, Texas. Last Tuesday Vance and Caroline spent the night in Can-

yon with Kyle Boydston and Vance attended a postmaster's meeting in Canyon on Wednesday. Kevin Boydston spent four days last week with Vance and Caroline and went back home to Lubbock Sunday evening. Ray and Anna Ruppner from Dalhart visited Sunday afternoon with Vance and Caroline, they also visited Lanora Morse and Dick and Cletus Greene and Jamie.

Kevin and Melissa Fleming and Meagan from Lufkin and Melody Draper of Houston were here for Jonathan Walker's graduation the last part of May, Wanda returned

home with them to spend three weeks with her daughters and families, Eddy Walker, Jonathan and Justin went to Lufkin on June the 4th. The boys attended Youth Camp while there Justin stayed over for a longer visit in Lufkin with Melissa and family, Eddy, Wanda and Jonathan returned home early last Saturday morning. Wanda while at Houston with her daughter Melody attended a gathering at the Summit Convention Center in honor of Pentecost Sunday, over six thousand people attended and more than five hundred received the Holy Ghost. It is estimated that more than two hundred received the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in tongues in different churches.

Take to pray - its the greatest power on earth.

**Aint It The Truth**  
By Ab Gunter

Sorry we couldn't be with you at the Reunion. Hello everyone.  
Ab and Benita

Been so long and again not so long that Mama and I lived in northern California. I was to go out there and be a cowboy and cat skinner on a ranch in Marine Co. We were to have a house, a garden spot and a beef when we needed it. I had talked to this foreman on the phone and found what the wages were and all the conditions and me and Mama headed West for our futures. We got there, found the foreman wasn't in charge and the job wasn't punching cows but milking them. We found that the job was getting up at 0300 in the morning and help to milk and feed 800 milk cows. This of course was a twice a day job and in the middle of the day you would muck, you guessed it right, recycable bovine waste.

The house, if you could call it that was just two rooms and a path, so to speak and much need of repair. The pay was quite a bit less than quoted and Mama was expected to work too, for nuthin.

We had some friends living near there that made us come live with them and hunt for another job. I had known Mrs. Lupton and her husband for some years. He was president of the American Medical Society of California and I had run with their son Earl Land in Alaska. Dr. Lupton had passed away an Nell, the wife was living with her elderly father John Denman there on his home place. What a wonderful place it was. He had 800 acres in the rolling hills and had apple trees that had been planted in 1862 that were still producing delicious apples. I learned more from that gentleman about how to do this and that and still have the knowledge of how not to hurry but how to make every move count. Granddad smoked a pipe and as he puffed on the old corncob he would be thinking what to do next. We never had to tear down a job and redo it. Recon Granddad figerd it wuz better to do a job in a machine shop in Bolinas, an old seacoast town nearby. We bought us a house and made a home out of it. Lots of folks don't realize there is a difference tween a house and a home, Do you??? I have seen many houses that cost a bundle that wasn't a home.

I recon our neatest home was one we bought in the mountains of New Mexico. We had been runnin The Old Tony Lama courts, yep, it was one that the old Tony had bought there in Ruidoso many years ago. We were working trying to get the place in shape for the tourist season and everything there needed throwin out or redoin and the season was gettin nearer and all of a sudden a friend I had known in Texas bought the darn thing and had to move his family in immediately. Golly we had no place to go and were frantic. We found a house we could buy but when we looked at it it wuz a hell uv a hull uv a house, no doors, no windows, no pluming er wiring, wow, could we do it, yep we did.

The first thing we did was to buy a water meter, run a hose from the meter toward the house. We had a card table for the kitchen cabinet, a small butane cook stove and a small butane bottle, had a few nails to hang our clothes on an a dadburned #2 was tub to bathe in. Any feller that couldn't afford a #3 tub ought to be hung. Have you ever tried to sit down in one uv them #2's and bathe, well you can't, least not if you er six ft. tall. Anyhow Mama, the kids and I made a dream home out of that darn chickenhouse and when we got through with it all our friends were envious of us. We had a deck that ran from one end to the other, we had three bedrooms and all that a flowers all about the place and in the winter it was very cosy, hardly took any heat to keep it warm. In the summer we had a gentle breeze filterin through it. I had made some stair treads out of old wooden bridge timbers, the rails out of pine post and even to this day our children wonder why did we ever sell that wonderful home, honest me an Mama even wonder why. I still shudder when I see one ov them #2 wash tubs.. Enjoyed the visit. **Ab and Mama**

**MEALS on WHEELS MENU**

June 19 thru June 23, 1995  
**MONDAY:** Breaded Pork Chop, Cream Gravy, Macaroni and Cheese, Breaded Okra, Plum Cobbler.  
**TUESDAY:** Veal Parmesan, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Fruit.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Tossed Salad, Garlic Bread, Peach Crisp.  
**THURSDAY:** B B Q Beef, Baked Beans, Broccoli/Cauliflower Salad, Carrot Cake with Icing.  
**FRIDAY:** Salmon Croquettes, Egg Cream Sauce, Corn Pudding, Italian Vegetables, Lemon Pudding.  
(Menus are subject to change)

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**ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED:** Amanda Carolyn Smith and Matthew Douglas Nelson of San Antonio are pleased to announce their engagement. Their parents are Mr. & Mrs. Greg Smith of Wheeler and Mr. & Mrs. Bryant Nelson of Hewitt. The bride-elect is a 1988 graduate of Wheeler High School and attended McMurry University and the University of North Texas. She is employed as a trainer with Advantage Software, Inc. of San Antonio. Her fiance is a student attending the University of Texas - San Antonio pursuing a degree in political science. The couple plan a July 22 wedding in Dallas.

**Hospice Offers Advice For Those Experiencing Loss**

Grief is a natural reaction to loss, and the grieving process is the emotional journey we make as we travel through our shock, denial, anger and depression toward acceptance. To be a friend is to be there during that process and to understand that the reactions, both physical and emotional are a necessary part of the journey.

Although wanting to bring comfort to our grieving friends, we often feel inadequate and ill prepared. After all, generally, we do not seek death education until death touches us personally. So what compassion may we offer our friends?

Consider:

- \* Your being there is vital, not just at first but in the coming months and years. If you don't know what to say, don't; your presence, your touch will be long remembered and appreciated;
- \* Allow your friends' tears to fall without looking down or away, even when your tears, too, begin to fall. Our tears are therapeutic;
- \* Encourage conversation about the deceased, ask open-ended questions such as "tell me about your courtship," "your favorite activity or tell me about your loved one." Remember, the repetition of these remembrances is a part of the process;
- \* Look for something that needs to be done and get busy! Wrap leftovers for freezing or refrigeration (small portions), return serving dishes, dust, go to the grocery store, address thank you notes. It is important to remember the tedium of everyday tasks is often unsurmountable to the grieving;
- \* Remember the deceased with a memorial, flowers or a plant; It says that you cared for the deceased and recognized the loved ones' grief. And, continue to remember in the time that follows when "all is back to normal";
- \* Offer an opportunity to get out of the house; arrange a luncheon, movie or shopping, and if the tears begin to flow, don't worry; you did not cause the tears, they are healing and a normal part of the process;
- \* Provide professional recommendations for the business ahead. If you are an attorney or a CPA, offer your services. Inquire as to most difficult tasks and either perform them or find someone who may;
- \* Finally, remember that the grieving process is tedious, individual, somewhat predictable, laborious and very necessary work; accompany your friend through the journey.

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**Here & There**  
By Laura Guthrie

If I'm ever to have another news paper column called Here and There I'd better get with it. I'm sure a lot of you, who are less than 94 years old wonder why I don't write every week. You will know when you reach 94. It is hard to control a pen or pencil. Typing was out a long time ago (arthritis) and besides that I don't know what is going on in the village. I am almost completely at home - and in my rocking chair. My brain is quite dry and I don't have any inspirations. I certainly can't make it just a personal column because I don't know what is going on around town, or when Mrs. Jones went over to see Mrs. Smith.

But I did have a good weekend. The School Reunion was going on. Now I was never a Wheeler School student nor a Wheeler School teacher. But I sure did have a lot of friends who were students and teachers. So every time the Reunion is held I get some of the "back lash". In other words there is always old friends who "remember" and come to see me. This time Huffman Walker, of Kansas, was the first to show up. I remember him from way back. I was in a hospital in Okla. City in 1941. Huffman and Grady Anglin were young men either working or going to school in the city. Some how they found out I was at the hospital and came to see me. I shall never forget

that. Then Doris Wilson Brady Shroeter and her granddaughter Lisa of El Paso came. The mother of Doris was Mrs. Wilson who lived next door to us. Lisa and her brother Tony would sometime visit their great grandmother. They had fun with our kids. Lisa is grown up and is soon going to the Philippine Islands to teach and do mission work. What a future she may have!

Mae Puett Johnston of Abernathy and her sister Orveta Puett Parsons of Tulsa came. They seem more like my daughters. We have been very close friends for over 60 years.

Dorothy Tolliver Robinson of Soccoma, N. M. and her sister Wanda came. She lives in Denver, CO., but I can't remember her name. Anyway the Tollivers lived in Wheeler when we came here in 1930. We rented a house from Mr. Tolliver near the South end of Main St. Today (Mon.) another dear friend from El Paso, came. He is Wallace Pendleton, who (I think) was born in the community NE of Wheeler. He never had a job with us but his brother Ray was a projectionist at one time. That means Wallace was around the theater lot and was one of our "kids" - like Ab Gunter. I guess Ab wasn't at the Reunion or he would have been to see me.

Grandson Bobby Guthrie and his family from Amarillo came Sat. afternoon. He went downtown for a while, but said he didn't see anybody he knew. He graduated here in 1978.

I've heard of several other people

(about the age of Wallace) who had lived here. I would have loved to have seen them.

But I'm so grateful for the fact that some came. Probably some thought that I couldn't still be around.

Melinda drove me to the Dedication of the Memorial Saturday afternoon. We didn't get a close up parking place. I hobbled up the steps for a little while, but I couldn't stay. We just came home while we could get the car out of the jam. I'll go see the Memorial Structure some other day.

I'll write again some day when my hands and brain can coordinate.

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Dear Dad,  
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Your truly,  
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**THE WHEELER TIMES**

Page 3—Thursday, June 15, 1995  
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Dear Dad,  
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Savannah Hampton

Dear Dad,  
I am so glad that you are my dad. I wish you never have to die and that you can play with me everyday. But the best thing about you is that you love me.

Love,  
Jarod Scott

Dear Dad,  
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Love,  
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Love,  
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Dear Dad,  
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Love,  
Hector Emiliano

Happy Father's Day!  
Love,  
Lindsey Lewis

Dear Dad,  
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Love,  
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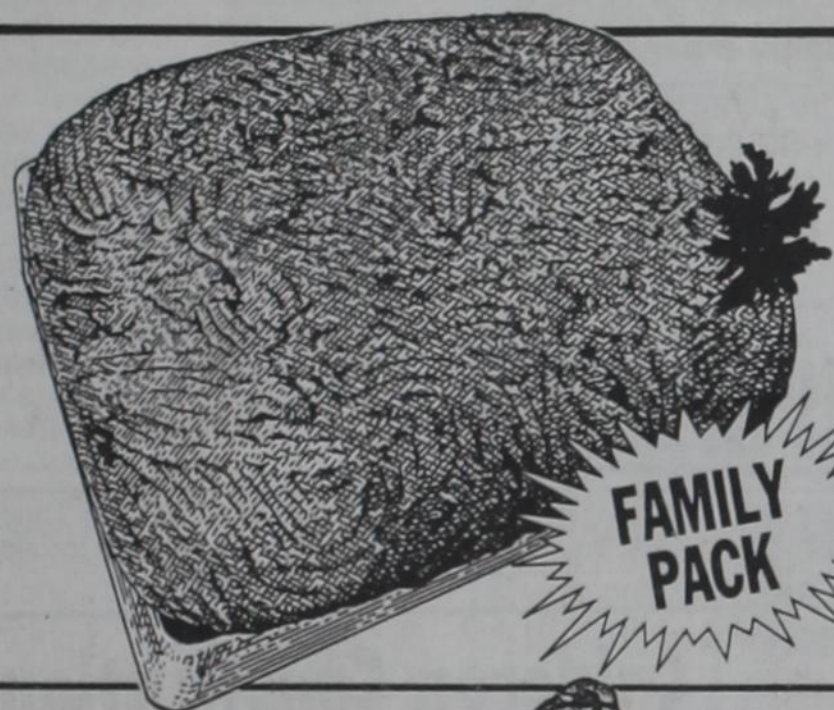
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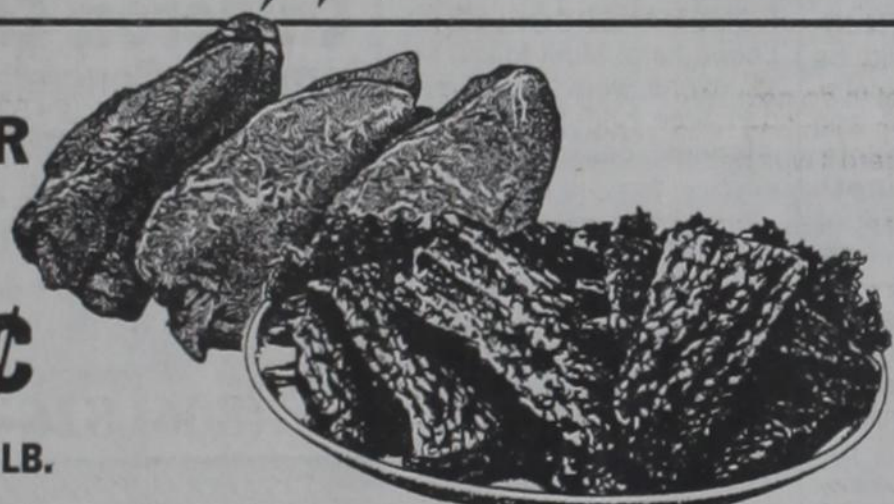
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**Wheeler County COURT RECORDS**

List of Instruments filed in Wheeler County Clerk's Office, June 2 thru June 8, 1995

**JUNE 2, 1995**  
D—James Harold Hill, et ux to Pedro Soto, et ux, 6-2-95, Pt. NW 1/4 Sec. 4, T&NO.

AOL—Kidd Oil and Gas to A & M Partnership, 6-1-95, NE 1/4 Sec. 97, Blk. 17, H&GN.

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**JUNE 5, 1995**  
HEIRSHIP AFF—Ruth H. Hollifield to Lawrence E. Kelly, 12-9-94.

C/C AFF—Marcia W. Kelly to Lawrence E. Kelly, 12-9-94.

C/C WILL—Lawrence E. Kelly to Ex-Parte, 12-8-94.

C/C DEATH CERT—Lawrence Edwin Kelly to Ex-Parte, 10-28-94.

D—A. W. Lankford to Iva Dell Rippy Kohls, 5-31-95, Pt. SE 1/4 Sec. 113, Blk. 23, H&GN.

D—A. W. Lankford to William K. Lankford, 5-31-95, E 64 acs. SW 1/4; Pt. SE 1/4 Sec. 113, Blk. 23, H&GN.

D—A. W. Lankford to Michael K. Jackson, 5-31-95, S 1/2; NW 1/4 Sec. 45, Blk. 23, H&GN.

CD—Wheeler Community Cemetery Association to John Holcomb, 6-5-95, NE 1/4 Lot 1, Blk. L-6, 1st Add. Wheeler.

MD/ROY D—Ruth Borel Fahmy to Judy M. Grinager, 5-10-95, Sec. 23, Blk. M-1, H&GN.

APP SUB TRUSTEE—Beneficial Business Corp. to James C. Fling, 5-22-95, Pts. of Lots 1 and 2, All of Lot 4, Blk.

LXXXIV, Shamrock.

**JUNE 6, 1995**

CD—City of Shamrock to Max Pipes, et ux, 1-2-95, SW 1/4 Lot 35, Blk. J11, Shamrock Cemetery.

D—Bryan Morgan, et ux to James Bailey, et ux, 5-25-95, All of Lot 13, N/2 Lot 12, Blk. 82, WSSA, Shamrock.

SUB TRUSTEES—Govindbhai Dahyabhai Patel, et al to Beneficial Business Credit Corporation, 6-6-95, Lot 4, Pts. Lots 1 and 2, Blk. LXXXIV, Shamrock.

SUB TRUSTEE—James Fling to Govindbhai Patel, et al, 6-6-95, Lot 4, Pts. Lots 1 and 2, Blk. LXXXIV Shamrock.

AFF—Arron Jewell to Wheeler Care Center, 6-6-95.

D—John W. Kassap, et ux to T. Boone Pickens, 6-6-95, Sec. 40, Blk. A-3, H&GN, Exc. Mins.

**JUNE 7, 1995**

DVL—Lyman G. Benson, et ux to Jackie Graham, 6-5-95, Lot 12, S 1/2 Lot 13, Blk. 1, Aldous Add., Shamrock.

DT—Jackie Graham to Lyman G. Benson, et ux, 6-5-95, Lot 12, S 1/2 Lot 13, Blk. 1, Aldous Add., Shamrock.

REL FTL—United States of America to Glenn Exum and Skyline Motel, 5-19-95.

C/C PROBATE—Lee Bivins II to Ex-Parte, 6-5-95.

District Clerk's Filings

#10074—In the matter of marriage of Cory Augustus Cornett and Gayla Diane Maddux, 6-2-95, Waiver.

#10075—Kenneth Richard Allen vs. Rebecca Lynn Allen, 6-2-95, Divorce.

#10076—Earl Tabor vs. Loyd McKnight, 6-7-95, Declaratory Judgement.

**Library Offers Annual Summer Reading Program**

The Summer Reading Program, Once Upon A Planet, is scheduled for

**Blanche Clotteen Keller, 75, Buried Last Monday**

Blanche Clotteen Keller, 75, died Friday, June 9, 1995.

Services were at 10:00 A.M. Monday at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with Bishop Roger Roundy, Pastor of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Officiating. Burial was at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Blanche Keller was born June 11, 1919 in Searcy County, Arkansas. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1954 moving from Peoria, Illinois. She married Thomas Elmer Keller on August 29, 1937 in Mountain View, Arkansas. He passed away on November 14, 1974. She was a Homemaker and a Baptist.

Survivors include four daughters, Fran Nichols of Pampa, Ruby Stafford of Breckenridge, Texas, Betty Grayson of Allison and Sally Britten of the Home. Eight grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

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**PRESENTING CHECK:** Paula Britt is shown here presenting a check to County Judge Wendell Morgan. The check is for the amount collected for the placing of markers at each of the locations of Wheeler County Schools. Pictured are (l. to r., back row) Kenneth Childress, Tommy Puryear, Hubert Moore, and Boyd Hiltbrunner. (front row) Harrison Hall, Margaret Dorman, Paula Britt, and Judge Wendell Morgan.

**Late Classifieds:**

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
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# GAGEBY NEWS

By Verna Fillingim

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Happy Birthday to Heather Ratliff and Brian Lehman on June 18, B. A. Hyatt on June 19, Carl Baker on June 21, Jane Ann Hall, Darren and Aaron Gaines and Jennifer Light on June 22, Preston Glazner and Butch Murray on June 23, J. P. Meek, Oleta Jones, Todd Meek and Emma Rogers on June 24.

Happy Anniversary to Bob and Mary Nell Finsterwald and Ed and Laurel Hershman on June 20, Jim and Pam Light on June 21.

Mobeetie Parents Night Out game night with snacks, 42 and Chicken Foot will be Saturday night June 17 at 6:00 at Mobeetie City Hall with everyone invited.

Amanda Shields is playing basketball with a Canadian League.

Kenneth and Lou Dean Douthit went to Amarillo Monday and took a camper to be worked on and brought a pickup back from the shop. They celebrated Kenneth's 73rd birthday with lunch at the Golden Corral. He caught up with us! The Douthits had some hail in the Thursday storm, but did little damage to the garden.

There is a girls softball team from Briscoe newly organized. They will play Monday night June 19 at 9:00 at Shamrock. Some on that team are Dana Trimble, Alicia Hefley, April Purcell, Tera Hefley, Stacie Dukes, Misty Morgan, Andrea Dukes and maybe Deedy Zybach and Lana and Becky Richmond.

So much debris scattered over the fields to be picked up before they can resume farming operations. Many are helping.

Thank you to all the fire departments who braved the storm to warn people. Saved many lives, I'm sure.

Our electricity and water were off about 26 hours from Friday 7:20 to Saturday 9:30 p.m. Thankful to get it so soon with so many lines down everywhere. Some were out much longer. So thankful not to be blown away. Thank you to all who called to check on us. So much for the good ole days!

We enjoyed going to part of the Wheeler School Reunion at the Senior Citizen Building Saturday. I attended Wheeler Schools in the 4th grade in the Legion Hall and 5th grade in the new elementary building about 1930. Especially nice to visit with Bonnie Adams Harmon from Alice and Wilma Riley Barker from McLean and many more. Hadn't seen Amos Page and R. J. Puckett since 5th grade.

Annette Meek and Jocelyn are going to Amarillo each day this week for Jocelyn to go to basketball camp and Annette attend to business.

People from all around have been taking food to Allison to feed storm victims, salvage crews, clean up crews.

The Texas Wildcats of Amarillo had basketball practice at the Fort Elliott gym Saturday afternoon June 3rd and then enjoyed food, fun and fellowship at the home of Mark and Annette Meek. Players attending were Joe Graves, John Haskell, Paul Lewis, Josh Loerwald, Bryson Samuels, Gabe Skypala, Matt Webb, Robert Wooten, Les Pyeatt, and Kaleb Meek. Other family members and friends present were Greg and Sherry Lewis, Steve and Celia Haskell, Sharon, Maggie and Abby Loerwald, and Tahle Mjohls, all of Amarillo; Henry, Ruth and Carl Pyeatt and Brandon Plemons of Sweetwater, OK; and Evelyn and Jocelyn Meek.

As Father's Day draws near, I'm especially thankful for my good father, O. C. Evans, and Willis' dad, I. G. Fillingim, men of caring and integrity. I saw this in a farm paper:

A Tribute to Father  
"Fathers are funny people. They don't say, 'I love you.' Instead they pull your toes when they pass the foot of your bed. Or they pull the covers up around your chin. And smooth your cowlick."

Fathers are funny people. They tie your shoes and hear your prayers. And they stop at your door at night, just to see if you are breathing right.

Fathers are funny people. They don't say, 'I love you.' Instead they buy you an ice cream cone. And brag on your school report card to guests. And discuss the comic strips with you.

But they don't say, 'I love you'. Maybe because they know you know it," by Mary Heinlein, Arkansas.

Floy Garrison of Borger and Sylvia Brown of Wheeler visited Rosalie Keelin while Saturday evening. Sylvia was going to spend a few days with Floy and visit Joy Larkin in Amarillo and go to the doctor there.

Not much other news around except the tornado stories, watching clouds and viewing the destruction. Much of the damage is being bulldozed underground.

Sunday afternoon visitors to Rosalie Keelin included Elaine Pettit and Sue Branum and Cassidy and Jordan from Tyler and Andrea Keelin from east of Canadian. They had all been to a Vick family Reunion at Shamrock.

Mark and Annette Meek and Kaleb and Jocelyn were in Amarillo over the weekend for Kaleb to play in the Panhandle Roundup basketball tournament. They played through Sunday morning and Kaleb's team won third behind Tulsa and Lubbock.

If you'd like to see "TEXAS" in the Palo Duro Canyon without the hassle of driving, a bus will be leaving Canadian Saturday June 24 at 12:30 p.m. at the Museum. Bob Izzard will be the tour guide to battle fields, etc. The cost is \$35 per person and includes transportation and tickets to "TEXAS". You can take your supper and picnic in the

Canyon or eat barbecue there for \$6.00. To call for a reservation call River Valley Museum at Canadian 323-6548 and talk to Lauren Haley.

Clara Cole and Lois Downs of Amarillo came down Saturday to Clara's place south of Briscoe. They brought T. J. Cole's sister, Susie Mae to visit T. J. and Eula. Sunday morning they visited Rosalie Keelin and got some water. Lois is a niece of Beulah Stuart.

Larry and LaDonna Elmore plan to live in Effie Hay's house. She moved to Amarillo a few months ago.

Visiting Oden and Lois Hudson Friday night for supper were Walter and Patricia Hand and Monty, Charlie Finsterwald and Venon and Fay Smith. They had all been over at Ellen Powell's working. Large trees had broken over from the storm and a window was out and door jam broken. They were helping to get things cleared up.

Friday afternoon visitors at Oden's were Margie and B. F. Meadows from Wheeler and Woodrow and Stella Tice from Pampa.

Ma Mary Hudson was put in Northwest Texas Hospital Saturday with pneumonia. Oden and Lois went to see her. Remember her in your prayers.

Londa Crowover spent Friday night with Catrina Wash near Reydon to help her celebrate her sweet sixteen birthday. Catrina, Londa, Michael and Tisha went to Elk City and bowled and ate at the Pizza Hut.

Londa Crowover stays with Grace Irvine while Ruth Irvine teaches summer school at Canadian.

"Why worry? Are tomorrow's skies more blue

If on our beds we restless roll and toss with burning sleepless eyes until the morn,

Just building bridges we may never cross?" anon.

Everyone is saddened about all the home that were blown away. Almost nothing was salvaged at the home of Bevard and Diane Dukes and Andrea, Diedrea and Carissa, of Larry and LaDonna Elmore's home, of Lee and Sharon Hall's home of Jim and Dawn Donaldson's home west of Allison Thursday night. So thankful no loss of life. Lots of cattle killed and furnishings, clothes, fences, vehicles lost. Life is so fragile.

The Donaldsons hadn't moved in to their new house yet. We are so thank-

ful that it didn't go right through Allison itself. So much more damage to life and property. Kay and Dan Gatlin have been helping with the cooking and clean up at Allison as have Teresa and Leonard Powledge, Kay Luttrell and many, many more with trucks and all sorts of equipment. David Pearson, Richard and Bonnie Meadows also helped with rounding up cattle, cooking, etc.

"When feeling down in the mouth, remember Jonah. He came out all right," Thomas Edison.

Fort Elliott seniors and sponsors left Sunday night to go to South Padre Island on their trip. Those planning to go were Mike and Alice Wesbrooks, Brad and Shonda Logan, Jake Swigart, Tim Mayfield, John Moffett, Josh Purcell, Johnny Brannen, Justin Wesbrooks, Misty Young, Keri Nelson, Jany James, Caaron Laverty and Andrea Dukes. Pray for their safety.

Bevard and Diane Dukes and girls have been staying with Bob and Gena Zybach at night. Carissa Dukes has been kid sitting Shaylee Coulter. The Bevard Dukes were hoping to get moved into a duplex on teacher's row at Briscoe Monday. Diane was going shopping for essentials Monday. A cookstove and refrigerator and twin mattresses were in the duplex.

Nice to have Hestell Killingsworth join us for lunch at Wheeler Dairy Queen Monday.

"When there's work to be done, turn up your sleeves, not your nose." By John Randall.

J. P. and Martha Meek went to the Totty Reunion Saturday night and Sunday west of Mobeetie.

Nice to meet up with Deleise Quinton and Verna Abernathy at the Dairy Queen in Wheeler Sunday. We had a good visit over lunch. Also there were Paul and Clarise Hathaway, Rex and Virginia Miller, Ella Trout and son Lonnie. Also there were a lady and her son from Brady, Texas that had come up to help clean up the destruction at the feed yard. Many cattle killed. Pleasant people to visit with.

We went back by and visited a little while with Marion and Ethel Grimes. So many huge trees mangled from the storm and electric wires down, a nice barn destroyed when a large tree fell on it, windmills down and some windows out but they were lucky. They and Liz and Andy Shipp and Katie and Savannah were in the cellar, unhurt. Liz and girls, Leta Mae Gatlin and Mr. Dudley were there Sunday.

"In the midst of everything, take time to love and laugh and pray. Then life will be worth living, each and every day," by Susan Wall.

We enjoyed seeing Tamera Hartline play softball at Wheeler Tuesday. She did a good job. Also on her team were Krista Murray, Jotana Simmons, Whitney Simmons, Holly McCurley and others. They played well and defeated a Miami team. We also watched a Wheeler boys team of 13-15 year old defeat Shamrock. We knew Travis

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We have been blessed. This is a very hard thank you column for me to write. It's not because we can not think of anything to write, but can because of fear that we might miss one of the wonderful people that helped us so very much after the drastic tornado last Thursday evening. Where do we

start? Was it the Wheeler Gas Company that rushed out to shut off a 3 inch gas line that had been broken when a tree was uprooted? Or the brave men who drove up and down the streets of the Fire Dept. minutes before the tornado hit? Or the wonderful emergency help of the county law force? The thanks go on and on. How could S. P. S repair and return electricity to us all when two and a half miles of poles were down among twisted trees and wire? Thanks to the

First State Bank of Canadian for feeding over 120 people and not least in let us thank the many dear housewives who have cooked and fed so many people. There is another group just as precious and thankful to us all. These are the ones who gave money and words of confidence and walked hunting what few things that might be salvaged. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

The People of Allison  
written by C. W. Vinson

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## CARE CENTER COMMENTS

May 29th - June 4th  
This week we have several residents in the hospital, they are Doris Rusk, Bob Bidwell, Verna Corcoran, Irma Wiebe, Vena Hopkins, Clarence Teeters, and Letha Corcoran. We want to wish these residents a speedy recovery.

Our sympathy goes to the Bob Maddox Family. Bob passed away on Friday June 2. We will miss Bob a lot.

Monday, Mary Margaret Dodd and Mary Mitchell served juice to the residents.

Tuesday, Barbara read the paper to the residents in the lobby. Next they had Family Alter in the dining room. Judy Cornell played the piano while Barbara and Mary Cornell led the singing. Judy Cornell filled in for Mrs. Hyatt. Thanks Judy. Mary Cornell is volunteering her time each Tuesday to help out in the activity department. After lunch they worked on Arts and Crafts.

Wednesday, Barbara read the paper to the residents in the lobby. Janice Sparlin came and had Sunday School with the residents in the sunroom. After lunch we played bingo and Shorty Crawford's granddaughter was the Blackout winner. Our bingo helpers were Shorty Crawford, Marie Baker, and Tom Helton. Verna Fillingim served juice to the residents.

Thursday, Barbara read the paper to the residents in the lobby. Next we had church in the dining room with Fern Young, Ila Collins, Rozena Zybach, and Susan Gierhart. After lunch we worked on Arts and Crafts. We started making little dolls out of safety pins and beads and we forgot all about popping popcorn.

Friday, Barbara read the paper to the residents in the lobby. Next we helped Amy out in the Beauty Shop. Barbara and I fixed hair as Amy did perms, so we were pretty busy.

Saturday, Barbara read the paper to the residents in the lobby. Next she did manicures for the residents. After lunch she popped popcorn and served it to the residents. Next they played bingo and Marie Richardson was the blackout winner. Her helpers were Andrea Jones, Shorty Crawford and Tom Helton.

Sunday, the First Baptist Church came and had afternoon services with the residents. Irene Dunnam said they had a good service and really enjoyed the special singing.

I would like to invite everyone out to Wheeler Care Center Saturday June 10 at 2 P.M. we are having a birthday party honoring Julia Dillion who will be 100 yrs. old on June 19th and Dora McGuffin who will be 102 yrs. old on June 13. We will be serving cake and punch and lots of other things will be going on, so come out and help us celebrate.

June 5 - June 11  
All of our prayers go out to everyone who was affected by the tornado. We are so thankful no lives were lost.

Monday, I read the paper to the residents in the lobby. Next I did manicures for the residents. After lunch I made room visits down the halls. Next we worked on arts and crafts.

Tuesday, Barbara read the paper to the residents. Next we had Family Alter in the dining room with Mr. Hyatt. Mrs. Hyatt came and helped us lead singing while Judy Cornell played the piano. Mary Cornell also helped with the singing. After lunch we decided we needed to work on decorations for the 4th of July, so we gathered the resi-

dents up and we drew stars, painted them and cut them out. We worked on stars all afternoon.

Wednesday, Barbara read the paper to the residents. Next we had Sunday School in the sunroom with Janice Sparlin. After lunch Barbara and I made a quick trip over to Shamrock to buy some more bingo prizes. By the time we got back it was time to play bingo. Tom Helton and Shorty Crawford already had the bingo cart out and set up in the dining room and the residents were ready to start. Gertie Cornell was our blackout winner. Our helpers were Tom Helton, Shorty Crawford and Lina Watson.

Thursday, Barbara read the paper to the residents in the lobby. Next we had church in the dining room with Fern Young, Rozena Zybach, Susan Gierhart and Ila Collins. We had a good time singing then Fern had a good lesson for us to listen and learn from. After lunch Barbara and some of the residents worked on arts and crafts. Then at 3 p.m. Barbara popped popcorn and served it to the residents.

Friday, we came to work with no lights. The residents handled the situation really well. We played some games. For lunch the kitchen served sandwiches, it was really a good meal. After lunch the residents went to their rooms and stayed for most of the afternoon, we found a few residents in the lobby but they weren't interested in doing anything. So we were just lazy.

Saturday, was an exciting day for  
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The tournament is open to the first 54 (fifty-four) paid entries from all current and former North Wheeler County residents. (Ladies are included) Entry fees must be received before Thursday, June 24, 8 p.m. Entry fee is \$35. To enter, contact Bob Willis 826-5721, Charles Kuntz 826-5516, or any Lions Club member. Proceeds will be used for Lions Club eyeglasses projects and other community projects.

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# MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Edith Cross

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:** Sue Glover and Lisa Farmer on June 15. Brandon Dukes, Rusty Ferguson, and Lucille Barker on Jun. 16. Darville Atherton, Lottie Reynolds, Maralee Singleton and Luwells Hanning on June 17. Brian Lehman, Heather Ratliff on June 18. James Glover and Hill Bateman on June 19. Amy Rector Garcia and B. A. Hyatt on June 20. Carl Baker, Ray Estes, Glenda Dickey on June 21.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:** Calvin and Evelyn Kincannon, Tom and Debbie Stribling on June 15. Wayne and Cathy Zybach on June 16. Jerry and Linda Dyson, Kevin and Donna Crawford, Alan and Bernie Tapp on June 19. Cody and Jamie Mixon, Bob and Mary Nell Finsterwald, Ed and Laurel Hershman on June 20. Jim and Pam Light on June 21.

Probably the upper most thing on peoples minds the past few days has been the tornado that ripped through this area and left its path of destruction, last Thursday evening. Many people lost homes, big beautiful trees were ripped up by the roots, others were literally stripped of the bark. Power lines were snapped in to. We were without electricity for about 27 hours, for others it was much longer. For those of us that have our homes intact, our hearts go out to those who lost their homes, barns, vehicles and most of their possessions.

The Vacation Bible School at First Baptist Church was a big success. We were able to have four wonderful days of Bible Study, music, games, crafts, snacks, etc. with the children. Our high attendance was 70. We were not able to have our final day of VBS, due to electrical power failure. Our Pastor, Robert Cook is planning later this month to schedule a day for the "Hotdog Cookout" that we didn't get to have on Friday. Everyone will be contacted as to the date and time.

**PARENTS NIGHT OUT** is scheduled for this Sat. June 17 - 7:00 P.M. at Mobeetie City Hall. This is a rescheduled date. Next month we'll go back to our regular 2nd Sat.

**T.E.A.M. KIDS** will meet Sunday evening at 5:00 P.M. at First Baptist Church. This is for children, 1st grade through 6th grade.

Orville Greenhouse visited with Alvern and Dorsie Hutchison in Wheeler Sunday afternoon. She also drove around and saw some of the storm damage.

Dale and Melba Corcoran took Jud and Lorene Rector to Pampa Sat. to visit with Wylie and Cleo Davis. The Davis couple will be celebrating the 70th Wedding Anniversary in the near future.

Doyle and Bulah Grimes went to Amarillo Thurs. to visit Gary and Marilyn Grimes. Gary had surgery last Tues. and is recovering at home. While in Amarillo Doyle and Bulah also visited with D'Wan and Devin Morales and son Jerry Grimes.

Visiting with Jap and Alice Bailey Sat. were Leo and Daisy Moore of Dalhart. Alice and Daisy are cousins and they had not seen one another in

a long time. They had a nice visit. Also visiting the Bailey's during the week were Hugh and Mae Bailey of Pampa.

Calvin Stuart went to Amarillo to the Dr. this past week. He met Judy and Randy Stuart and boys at the Golden Corral for dinner. While in Amarillo he visited in the hospital with nephew Michael Richardson, who sustained injuries after falling from the hood of car. He was riding on the hood helping family members build fence and decided to jump off. He suffered a broken leg and some broken ribs.

Tuesday afternoon Joe and Kay Talley, Reece and Trinity and a friend, all of Miami visited with Doyle and Bulah Grimes.

Darren Grimes of Lubbock, grandson of Doyle and Bulah Grimes visited with them Friday and Sat. nights. He attended his 10th year Class Reunion in Wheeler Saturday. Sunday he attended First Baptist School and Church at the First Baptist with his grandparents.

**THE TOTTY REUNION** was well attended Sat. night and Sunday. David Mullins of Amarillo, son of Willene and Don Burke, did a good job of grilling the hot-dogs and hamburgers Sat. night. Lots of good eating and visiting. Sat. night Martha Meek taught some of us how to play the domino game "Matador" Sunday noon was a potluck meal with lots of good food and more visiting. Some of us played a few games of "Chicken Foot". Door prizes wood "Totty School" napkin holders made by Don and Willene Burke. Those winning the door prizes were: Monty Hand, Estelle Hodges, Bulah Grimes, Bill Elliott, Mae Bailey and Mona Cook. Pig and Chicken wood puzzles were given to the children present Sunday afternoon. Amber Mullins of Pampa, William Cook, Daniel Cook and Artie Cook. Estelle Hodges won the quilt.

Those present one or both days were: Dean and Gina Seitz, Pierce Walker, Doug and Alene Corse, Martha and J. P. Meek, Bill and Dutch Elliott, Willene and Don Burke, David Mullins and Amber, Angie Darling, Doyle and Bulah Grimes, Glen D. and Estelle Hodges, Dale and Melba Corcoran, Hugh and Mae Bailey, Fayette Seitz, Kelley and Edith Cross, Venson and Fay Smith, Walter and Trisha Hand and Monty, Audrey Seitz, Weldon Turner, Marlene Grubb, Elva and Thurmen Ring, Jimmy Walker, Bill Bailey, Louise Walker, Florence Simonton, Robert and Mona Cook, Artie, Daniel and William.

Calvin and Leola Stuart met grandson Jarrod Stuart and friend Brian at the Airport in Amarillo Saturday. The boys will be here for a two week visit. Brother-in-law Dale Richardson of

Elk City came by Friday to see if the Stuarts were OK. Leola Stuart was in Pampa Thurs. evening when the tornado hit. When it started to hail she hit the road for Mobeetie and missed the tornado.

The 18 year old young man that

stepped on the live electrical wire, in Pampa, the evening of the tornado is the grandson of Bill and Dutch (Scribner) Elliott.

We extend our sympathy to Sue and Pete Seitz. Sue's step-father passed away recently in Arkansas.

Prairie Preserve. Tammy is the daughter of our neighbors, Judy and Gerald Tipton.

Our granddaughter Susanne Mance is very ill in the hospital at Kirksville, Mo. She is some better but still in ICU. Joe's sister Elsie is in the hospital in Arkansas.

Our rodeo Cowgirls did real well at Tri state meet in Amarillo. Leann Keathley won 4 buckles, was Rookie of the year, Reserve all around, 3rd in Pole bending year's end, 3rd in finals average. Lana won 2 buckles, 3rd in breakaway finals at year's end, 3rd in goat tying. Matt Carlson won a jackpot. Casey Drake won 5 events and was Reserve All Around Cowboy. They are all at Abilene this week competing in the State finals.

Dustin Drake is at Bozeman, Montana performing in a rodeo. He was on the Dean's honor roll at WOSC, Altus. The Drake boys are grandchildren of E. L. and Wilma Fowler-Jill's.

Tiffany Sanders and Junita Rose will be competing in the Short Grass Rodeo at Sayre. Junita's parents are Henry and Earline. Tiffany's are Jerry and Charlotte.

Clark Wrather graduated at OBU with a BA in religion. His parents are Ed and Jeanie. Misty Keathley graduated from OSU with a BA degree in Animal Science. She hopes to go to Vet school. Her parents are Sue and James.

TV has sort of gone to pot but there will be a good program Friday night, 16th. Garrison Keillor, his Gospel Quartet, Chet Atkins, and Johnny Gimble will entertain at 9pm on OETA. Can't beat that.

The Kitchen Band entertained at the Erick Home last week. On this Wednesday, they went to Elk Home. Those going were Junior Sandusky, Ray Lowry, Margaret Hiller, Bobby and Shirley Holcomb, Iona Miller, Johnnie Blankenship, Roy Swagger, Richard Crawford, and Loyd Addis.

Keathley Korner was broken into twice in two weeks. Getting a little regular. Understand some suspects were arrested.

Our bedroom TV laid down and died this week. Randy said he couldn't bring out a replacement till Tuesday. Seems a lot of antennas were burnt out by lightning and he stays busy replacing them.

The Baptist Church had the devotional services Sunday at the Erick Home. Those going were Ed and Jeanie Wrather, (Nick has been visiting his grandparents), Eileen Logan, Greg and Jan Henson, Kristina and Jeremy, J. E. and Claralou McGuire. Bible school will begin the 19th.

A number of young folks have been to Church Camp at Lugert. Those going were Jeremy Hanson, Chase Arrington, Trevor Boswell, Dylan Perry, Ricky Hanson, Terri Calverley, Tara Boswell, Jimmy and Kim Gracey, Cassie and Joni Perry, Kanema Hill, Robert O'Neill, Steven Brim, Ed and Jeanie Wrather, Lisa Alexander, Kim Boswell.

The Oklahoman said that farmers around Lugert had worried all year that the Lake was too dry to irrigate their crops. Now the lake is running over and the crops are washed away. The roads have really taken a beating around here. Besides washouts at least three bridges washed away.

Had a nice call from cousin Midge Kinnie, Sudan, TX. Think they are like us - running a little slow. We enjoyed visiting with Donna Mercer, Mary Gullede, and Carol Arne in town.

Attending the 69th FFA State Convention at OKC were Brendon Atkinson, Brian Davis, Tiffany Sanders, Mandy Hagerman, Brad Atkinson, Andy Davis, Jennifer Taylor, Colby Hagerman, Dusty Elam, Ed, Jimmy, and Brandee Elam, Becky Gracey, Elbert and Eva Atkinson. Brendon ran for v. president of the Southwest District but lost. Brad was in the quiz contest. Brendon received the State FFA degree.

Judy and James Hutchison of Kingfisher visited Helen and H. E. Smith over Decoration and went on to Wheeler.

Frances McGlothlin of Claremore came for Memorial day. Visited Benny and Zelma Rothenberger, Helen and H. E. Smith, Mary Jo and A. B. Cotton of Sayre.

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The Pampa office is located at 125 S. Gillespie. Telephone 806-669-1010. Office hours are 9 A.M. until 4 P.M., Monday through Friday.

## Sweetwater News

By Lois Flowers

Last week, we were all very thrilled that we had 6 inches of rain in May. Then June came dancing in, and the first 3 days we had nearly 7 inches of rain. I always heard to be careful what you pray for, you might get it. E. L. Fowler said he had eight inches of water in his cellar. Almost worse, we had a waterlog.

Some 70 years ago, the first 'talkie' came to Erick. Seems it was the Covered Wagon. Anyway Daddy put us in our Model T we started over to see it. Lo and behold the river bridge had washed away and the river was rolling. Earl Hill and others were there with teams. Daddy gave him 50c and he towed us across. And we saw and heard the Talkie!

Been all kinds of storms. Lots of trees uprooted on the Clela Coffey place. Houses blown away and other damaged around Allison and Reydon. Dead cattle at the feedlot near Wheeler. Called my Pampa kin. John and Martha went to neighbors cellar. Cousin Margie said she was in the closet on her knees praying when it went over. Heard Terry Davis lost his trailer home but wasn't hurt.

Berniece Harrington of OKC spent the weekend with Claralou J. E. McGuire, Daniece Harrington, Heather and Crystal were out for a day.

We really enjoyed the article by Sue Olson about the folks from Croatia coming to Grimes for a visit. Also the one by Tammy Fuchs and her report on the work and research of Toni Payne on the 37,000 acre Tall Grass

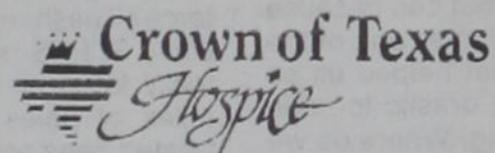
## Care Center

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Julia Dillion and Dora McGuffins. We celebrated their birthdays. Julia Dillion will be 100 years old on June 19th and Dora McGuffin will be 102 years old on June 13th. Both ladies had a large turn out of family. We served cake, homemade ice cream and punch. We sang Happy Birthday and several more songs. We all had a good time.

Sunday, the Methodist Church had afternoon services with the residents. I was told they had a good time.

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# THE WHEELER TIMES

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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

## Reception For Rev. & Mrs. Delmas Jones On June 18

The public is cordially invited to a reception to welcome to our community Rev. and Mrs. Delmas Jones, the new pastor and his wife at Country Chapel. A reception will be held on Sunday, June 18 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the church.

Rev. Jones and his wife Marda arrived in Wheeler on June 3rd for him to assume the responsibilities as pastor of the church.

Both are graduates of Bob Jones University in Greenville, South Carolina. Rev. Jones received his ThM degree from Dallas Theological Seminary, Dallas, TX.

From 1963 to 1972 they served as missionaries in Guyana, South America. From 1972 to 1976 Rev. Jones served on the faculty of Mid-South Bible College in Memphis, TN. From 1976 to 1987 he served as Pastor of Union Valley Church in Hutchinson, KS. From 1988 to 1994 both Rev. and Mrs. Jones served on the faculty of Calvary Bible College in Kansas City, MO.

They have three married sons, one daughter and nine grandchildren. One



Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Jones

son and his family are missionaries in Slovakia. One son is an associate pastor in Stillwater, OK. A third son is an associate pastor in Largo, FL. Their daughter resides and work in Kansas City.

## Wheeler County Bass Club Participates In Tourney

The Wheeler Co. Bass Club held a tournament at Foss Lake on May 6, 1995 with 6 members, 1 guest and 1 Jr. member.

We had good weather for the tournament which was setup to be fished two week prior but, was postponed till the 6th due to lightning and stormy weather.

There were 5 fish brought to the scales over the 14 inch length limit. First place went to Ronny Jones with 2 of the fish weighing a total of 3 Lbs. 1.9 Oz. Second place went to Larry Jones with 1 fish weighing 3 Lbs. 1.6 Oz. Paul Bentley weighed in 1 fish at

2 Lbs. 6.1 Oz. which boosted his total weight for the year. Jim Gilmer also weighed in a keeper fish at 2 Lbs. 2.8 Oz. Big Bass was caught by Larry Jones at 3 Lbs. 1.6 Oz.

Our next tournament is set to be fished at Vanderworks Lake in Oklahoma on June 24, 1995 at first save light. Weigh-in will be at 3:00 P.M. that afternoon at the boat ramp.

- TOP 10
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|-----------------|----------------|
| 1. Von Chapman  | 7 Lbs. 2.6 Oz. |
| 2. Paul Bentley | 4 Lbs. 0.3 Oz. |
| 3. Ronny Jones  | 3 Lbs. 1.9 Oz. |
| 4. Larry Jones  | 3 Lbs. 1.6 Oz. |
| 5. Jim Gilmer   | 2 Lbs. 2.8 Oz. |



**THE CROWD GATHERS:** A large crowd gathered Saturday afternoon, June 10, 1995, in Wheeler for the dedication of the Veterans Memorial on the northeast corner of the courthouse square. The ceremony was held at 3:00 in the afternoon to allow the ex-students and teachers to attend. The monument honors county veterans. The monument lists the names of those 120 who gave their lives in battle to insure the freedoms we enjoy today; the walk lists the names of all veterans who served in any branch of the service during any of the wars. The walk lists the names of over 840 veterans and names can be added as they become available.

## CWE

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As soon as I could get the company on their feet the next morning, we were in the back yard playing croquet. It was a very nice day for being in the yard—even wore a jacket part of the time.

After covering the activities of the day, we returned to the backyard, and William Thomas arrived in time to join us for one game before leaving for the street dance. Yes, we did have ice cream—the flavors for the day were vanilla and rocky road.

The turnout at the street dance was disappointing. In part because of the threat of rain and the temperatures in the upper 50's did not help.

It was rise and shine time again Sunday; we had to get in a few more games. One hand of cards was worked in—we can do that after it gets dark or it's too hot outside.

Monday rolls around and business as usual. Kenneth had installed the newer version of microsoft work and Barbara was not too happy with having to learn how to use it.

I got the great idea of using a computer to trace the path of the tornado (s) across the county. I got the information from Sheriff Adams and went to Allison to obtain the assistance of Paul Jones—he has the maps on the computer and is somewhat more versed with the computer than I am.

This took a bit more time than I expected. Thanks, Paul.

Tuesday dawned and we continued to set the paper, not too impressed with the 'improved' computer program.

**SURPRISE!** Here is the copy set up and read, ready to be printed in columns and it doesn't work. After several phone calls and quite a bit of time, the work was saved and only part of it had to be read. You may find a few extra mistakes this week, but please forgive us.

How short was my night, let's just say I still had ice in my tea glass when I returned to the office Wednesday morning.

## Gratitude Expressed

The Committee for the Wheeler Co. Memorial is pleased with the participation we received.

We are in the process of correcting errors which were brought to our attention as soon as possible.

Also, names are still being accepted for the Memorial. Any Veteran with Honorable Discharge can have their name imprinted on the walkway.

Anyone who knows any veterans who were killed in action from Wheeler County may still have their names engraved on the Memorial.

Contact Harrison Hall, Wallace Fields, Bob McCain or Mac Christner. Thank you for your participation.

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Such is life at the "Times".

—cwe—

Thanks to Sheriff Adams, Paul Jones, Mary Cornell, an unnamed source, Tommy Puryear, Kenneth, David and Kathleen and everyone else who helped with a somewhat difficult week.

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Yes, you might have noted some complaint in placed, and I am aware that I really have nothing to complain about. I am thankful for what I have.

—cwe—

## New Arrival

Shawn and Sarah Read would like to announce the birth of their son, Quentin Bruce. Quentin was born May 17th in Pampa. He weighed 7 pounds 10 ounces and was 20 3/4 inches at birth.

Grandparents are Leon and Regina Henley of Childress and Darrel and Tish Read of Dumas. Great grandparents are Willis and Mildred Cato of Vernon and Owen and Arlene Patton of Bovina.



**OLDEST STUDENT:** Loyd Anglin, 90, was recognized as the oldest Wheeler Ex-Student in attendance at the 1995 reunion. Loyd was a member of the class of '24. He was given a plaque. The oldest teacher recognized was Vida Brown, she taught 1932-47 and 1962-73.

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**TORNADO** (From Page 1)

20. The home of Rob Hogan received severe damage and outbuildings, vehicles and livestock were destroyed.

The cloud then crossed Sweetwater Creek and moved 10 miles to the east before setting down again.

21. The Andy Reid place was damaged.

The width of the funnel at one point as it approached Allison was estimated to be 1.3 miles wide. Reports of several funnels were reported and these seemed to merge into one.

22. A place belonging to Lee Hall was struck, taking the old house, outbuildings, livestock and farm equipment.

The storm was 1/2 to 3/4 miles across and moved in a north-northeasterly direction across road 23 to the Giddens place.

23. The Bessie Giddens residence, near Allison and south of the Briscoe Highway had the roof taken off and some of the walls were taken away, leaving only a skeleton of the house.

24. Jim Donaldson's house on north side is totally gone. This was a ready-build home the family had been remodeling. They had planned to move in within the next two weeks. The only indication the house had been located there was a sewer pipe sticking out of the ground. They live in a trailer a few miles north of Allison.

Headed for Allison and then turned north

25. The storm continued north on county road 23 and veered west to the Larry Elmore home on county line road. All were in cellar. Took barns and vehicles. All livestock on place is gone. Took cellar door and they had a mattress in front of them

26. Lee and Sharon Hall, across road north from Elmore. All of the barns were taken. The roof was removed and left three walls standing—these appeared to be held up by furniture. The seven individuals at the residence were in basement. Lee had gone to Allison and picked up Lloyd and Nona Hall when word was received of the approaching storm. According to Gary Hall's watch, the storm hit at 8:01 and lasted until 8:08. Tammy Jones of Pampa was on the phone with her mother when the decision was made to go to the cellar—the phone was dropped and Tammy listened to the tornado as the home was destroyed. Tammy told her husband the storm was destroying the home and when he did not believe her, she handed him the phone to listen. The Halls had 70 Ostriches and only twenty were not killed. The storm took all the pens, two new pickups, one older pickup and a suburban—destroying all three vehicles.

27. At this time the storm left Wheeler County and crossed over the road to the Bevard Dukes home, which was completely destroyed. The storm even took the floor leaving the basement exposed. Five individuals had taken shelter in the basement and ducked under a table, which was not large enough to offer much shelter. They had to hold onto each other and Todd Baize was almost pulled out. Part of Larry Elmore's pickup landed in the Dukes basement; this was not discovered until the storm was over.

The home of Anthony Cornell was lifted off foundation and set back down. It will most likely have to be demolished.

Part of a roof was taken from Loretta Holbrook house.

Wheeler County Ambulance Service was paged to go to Allison for Search and Rescue at 8:16. There were no injuries requiring the attention of the service.

Allison was out of electricity until 3:00 Saturday

Everyone turned out to help the tornado victims. People came from Canadian. Four wheelers were brought to help find animals. Several of the farm animals had to be killed because of injury

County equipment was used to bury the debris. Most of the damage was gone through, to salvage what was left and the remainder was buried.

28. A barn at the Billy Finsterwald place was swept away. This was possibly a separate funnel from the main cloud.

Several scouts were camped at the M. K. Brown camp. The camp was notified to bring the scouts in to the basement at the courthouse.

The residence of Ellen Powell is located 15 miles north of Wheeler. She had part the roof of her home taken, outbuildings were destroyed and apple and apricot trees were ruined. She remained in the home during the storm.

Wheeler lost electrical power at 7:15 and service was restored 25 hours and 15 minutes later.

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Only he deserves power who every day justifies it.  
—Dag Hammerskjold



**TEACHER:** Bonnie Harmon of Alice, Texas, was the teacher traveling the greatest distance to the reunion. She and her husband taught in the Wheeler system from 1941-1942 and 1945-1947. Donna Davidson Velasquez, class of '67, took the plaques to the individuals and presented them.

**Wheeler School Ex-Student Reunion Draws Crowd**

A crowd gathered at Wheeler School for the 1995 Ex-Student, Teacher Reunion. Registration began at 10:00 A.M. Saturday morning and continued until noon. Those registering visited until the noon meal was served at 12:00.

Following the meal, the crowd gathered in the auditorium for the business meeting. Bobby Adams Hill, president of the organization called the meeting to order. Bob Riley, Class of '61, was called on to lead the group in prayer.

Fiptian Lott Patterson, Bob Stiles and Elva Wood were recognized for a number of years of work they have devoted to the Ex-Student Association. Patterson and Wood announced their desire to retire from active participation in the organization; Bob Stiles is resigning as secretary-treasurer to take the position as vice-president of the organization. These individuals were presented a \$20 Gift Certificate to Maxey's as a "Thank You".

Marcie Wright was asked to be the speaker stand to introduce the group to Sandhill Estates, Wheeler's retirement center.

At each of the reunions "honor classes" are announced and members of these classes in attendance are recognized. The honor classes this year were those ending in 5 and 6. The 1915, 16, 25 & 26 were not represented. The classes of 1935 and '36 each had 2 members in attendance. Three represented the class of '45. The class of '55 had 12 in attendance '56 was represented by 7. Five were present from the class of '65; 3 from the class of '75, and one from the class of 85. The graduating class of '66, '76, '86 and '95 were not represented.

Andy Copeland entertained the ex-students and teachers with several selections played on the saxophone. Andy will be a junior at Wheeler High School next year and was recently earned top state honors at the State Solo and Ensemble Competition.

Veterans in the audience were asked to stand.

Door prizes were awarded. Alice Cox Hughes, Melannie Lee Gates and Bob McCain each received a \$25 Gift Certificate from the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce. Earl Bowerman received a \$50 Gift Certificate from First State Bank, as did Bob Stiles and Mary Whitener. Stacy Maddux received a gift from Thriftway. Gordon Whitener received a gift from The Upper Room. May Johnston claimed a gift from Appearances, as did Larry. Subscription to The Wheeler Times were won by Halee Cross and Rich Brown. Phyllis Helton received an old photo of Wheeler from the Antique Cupboard. W. O. Herd received a set of dishes from Hyland's Pharmacy.

The next reunion will be June 14, 1997. The honor classes will be those ending in 7 and 8. It is not too early to start contacting you classmates to arrange for everyone to be in attendance. What anniversary will it be for your class?

The meeting adjourned in time for everyone to attend the dedication of the Veterans memorial on the courthouse square.

**Old Mobeetie Jail Will Host Square Dancers**

The Camping Squares will be at the Mobeetie Old Jail Camp Ground on June 16 thru 18. They will be dancing from 8:00 - 10:00 P.M. on the 17th. Experienced dancers are invited to join in the dancing. Everyone else is invited to watch.



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**REGISTRATION:** Janice Jaco Marr, class of 55, is shown here as she registers for the 1995 Ex-Student, Teacher Reunion. Shown at the table are (l. to r.) Gwen Barnes McCain, Teressa Ford Rose and Rachael Stiles.

**Historical** (From Page 1)

Judge, applaud the efforts resulting in the recent erection of a marker at the Tower Building in Shamrock, the building and dedication of the Wheeler County Veterans Memorial on the courthouse lawn, and other efforts to preserve our county's history.

The next project being considered by the Historical Society is to locate and mark all abandoned cemeteries in the area. Those interested in being a part of this project are urged to contact one of your local members. They include: Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Bachmann, Naomi Blakemore, Mr. and

Mrs. David Britt, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Daughtry, Margaret Dorman, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Fields, Mr. James C. Fling, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Gierhart, Mrs. and Mrs. Harrison Hall, Mr. Joe B. Hall, Miss Sallie B. Harris, Durlene Hawkins, Louise Hogan, Mrs. Michael Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Johnson, Ada Lou Lester, Minnie Pagan, Nan Reeves, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Tipps, and Mr. and Mrs. George C. Walker.

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SATURDAY, JULY 29, 1995

Registration Form:

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Box 31  
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Number of persons attending the noon meal: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$6.50 \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Ex-Student or Ex-Teacher dues enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$2.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Donations of Memorial to Scholarship Fund: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Schedule:  
Registration ..... 10:30 A.M., H.S. Gymnasium  
Lunch ..... 1:00 P.M., Catered by Mr. Barbecue  
Program ..... 3:00 P.M.

Please make meal reservations by July 10





