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Santa Claus Will Be On The Square Sat.

—In the Gazebo from 1:00 - 3:00 P.M.

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FIRST 'CASH' DRAWING IS SATURDAY

CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR
By Louis C. Stas

CONGRATULATIONS, MUS-TANGS! We are proud of you. You can be proud of your accomplishments. You are a fine group of young men.

—cwe—
Now show them what you can do on the basketball courts.

—cwe—
The lights have been turned on on the square and the decorations are in place on the streets. Looks great.

—cwe—
Ben Ed Hillhouse, David Cross and James Verden got the gazebo enclosed for Santa's visit. Thanks, men, it was a whole lot warmer for the time spent Monday evening. It gets cold, when the sun goes down.

—cwe—
Over 100 youngsters filed in for a visit with Santa and a treat Monday evening.

—cwe—
Thanks to Gene Ferguson for his part in the visit from Santa.

—cwe—
Remember, he will be back Saturday afternoon for another visit, in case you did not get to stop by Monday.

—cwe—
I went to take pictures Tuesday
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Mustang Football Season Ends With Area Game Against Springlake-Earth

Wheeler head coach, Jim Verden, stared in silence at the cinderblock wall in the visiting locker room of Dick Bivins Stadium. He then took off his cap, rubbed his fingers through his hair and stared some more. "This was not a situation when one player lost the ballgame," he said. But one play, an improbable one at that, with 1:35 remaining broke a tie and gave Springlake-Earth a 23-21 victory at dusk Friday in a Class 1A area-round playoff game.

With overtime looking more and more likely, the Mustangs were forced to punt from their own 18 with 1-42 left in regulation. S-Earth had used its last two timeouts during the Mustangs' possession, hoping for one more offensive crack to break the 21-21 deadlock.

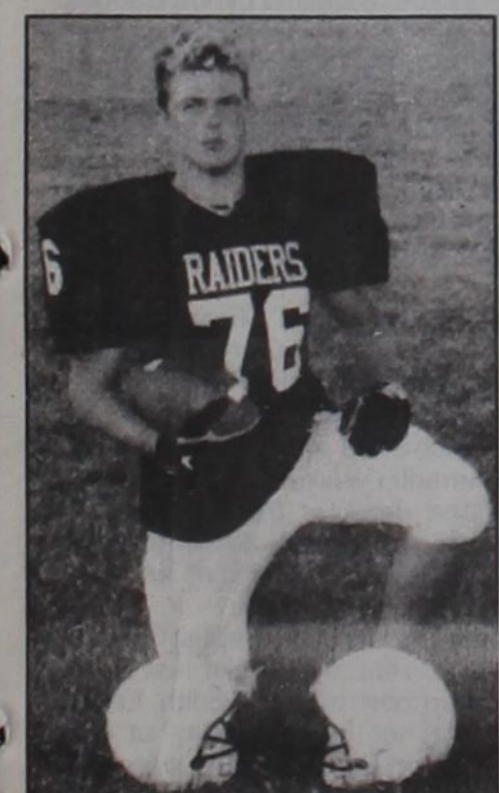
"We wanted the ball with one more shot at it before it went to overtime," said Wolverines coach Rick Hulett. "We thought we'd get the ball around the 40 or 50 with enough time to do something with it."

But the next time S-Earth got the ball, all the Wolverines had to do was kill the remaining 1-33. That's because of one of those unexpected plays that was as sudden as it was shocking.

Freshman punter James Chapman, also a starting safety and earlier this year the starting quarterback, dropped to punt at the Wheeler 3. The snap came to Chapman at about eye level but slipped through his hands and rolled toward the back of the end zone. Chapman picked up the loose football about 8 yards deep.

His momentum took him near the end one for a safety. Normally, that would have been the correct disaster-control procedure, but that safety was two points the Mustangs could not give up in that situation.

"We knew they'd come after it," Verden said, "and we had tight-punt formation on. I don't know if he looked u and took his eye off the ball, but the



GRANDSON: Ben Westmoreland of Wheeler and Carolyn Westmoreland of Amarillo are proud to brag about their grandson, Colt Johnson. Colt is a member of the Randall Raider's freshman team, playing nose guard. He has compiled 11 sacks, 23 assisted tackles and over 50 assisted tackles. He is 15 years old, 6'1", weighs 190 pounds and what really makes his grandparent's proud is that he maintains an "A" grade point average.

\$300 'CASH' DOLLARS WILL BE DIVIDED

The annual Christmas Drawing will again be offered by the progressive merchants of Wheeler. Certificates will be given away during December totaling \$1500. The merchants of Wheeler feel this is one way they can thank you, their customers, for the support you have given them during the year and are giving you a chance to share the profits.

Merchants began giving tickets on Friday, November 24. You are eligible for a ticket each time you enter a sponsoring business; with each five dollars spent, you will receive an additional ticket—up to 100 tickets per purchase.

Four drawings will be held. The drawings will be held on Saturdays, December 2, 9, 16 and 23. The drawings will begin at 2:30 p.m. again this year. Some 58 lucky Wheeler shoppers will have Wheeler cash to spend again this year. The drawings will be in the amounts of \$300 on the first Saturday, \$400 on the second and third Saturday and \$400 on Saturday, December 23.

The \$300 'Cash' will be divided between ten lucky Wheeler shoppers. First to be drawn the ten envelopes containing \$10 'cash'. Four \$25 envelopes will then be handed and the last two individuals will receive \$50 when their names are drawn.

As has been the practice for the past several years, script is given away to the lucky individuals instead of cash. The script can be spent like money with any of the participating merchants. The 'money' will be in \$5 increments.

Remember, each time you enter

participating stores, you are entitled to a ticket; ask for it, sign it, deposit the ticket in the containers, which are conveniently located in the sponsoring firms.

You will receive one ticket per each \$5.00 of the purchase value-up to a maximum of \$100.

When the day of the drawing arrives, all of the tickets will be placed in a large container and the winners drawn. You MUST be present to win; however, husbands and wives may claim each other's prizes.

Each sponsor giving tickets will display a poster in their window, indicating they are giving drawing tickets.

Drawing tickets have been available since Friday, November 24, 2000 at sponsoring businesses.

A list of the merchants and individuals sponsoring the drawing was not available at press time.

Wheeler Council Votes Help With Cost Of Sweetwater Dam Project Feasibility Election

November 20, 2000
Wanda Herd called the regular meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Barbra Koelzer made motion, seconded by Kathleen Frankenbery, to approve the minutes as written. The motion carried.

Bob McCain made motion, seconded by Barbra Koelzer, to pay the bills as presented. The motion carried.

Marci Wright presented receipts and disbursements and discussed same.

Frank Clymer reported on the activities of the city employees.

Kathleen Frankenbery made motion, seconded by Barbra Koelzer, to help with the cost of an election to vote on a maintenance tax for the feasibility study of the Sweetwater Dam project. The motion carried.

Bob McCain made motion the meeting adjourn. Kathleen Frankenbery seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 a.m. Those present: Mayor Wanda Herd, Councilmembers: Kathleen Frankenbery, Barbra Koelzer and Bob McCain; Marci Wright, Frank Clymer and Claudine Finsterwald.

Baptist Children's Choir Will Present Musical

The Children's Choir at First Baptist Church of Wheeler, Texas will be presenting the musical "MK Christmas Special," this Sunday, December 3, at 6:00 pm. The musical lifts up the work of missionaries and their missionary kids as they daily lift up the name of Christ. The musical includes interviews with six missionary kids, plus music from around the world. The choir consists of children from grades 1-6. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Ft. Elliott Accelerated Reading Prog. Report

The Accelerated Reader Program is going great! The Fort Elliott Elementary students are reading, reading, reading. We are getting new books and tests all the time. We have about 1500 books and tests on our Accelerate Reading program.

Students in the 25 point club are Jordan Ails, Colbey Bryant, Bailey Estes, Hailey Estes, Brandon Finsterwald, Megan Horn, Sarah Horn, Veronica Hungate, Stormi Lancaster, Kory McLaughlin, Mayci Meadows, Tommy Meek, Chance Newman, Roland Newman, Crystal Pigg, Kaylie Ralston, Adrian Reis, Kaleigh Schaub, Cody Selby, Ailene Wyant, Alexis Zybach.

Students in the 50 point club are Pate Ails, Blake Baker, Isaac Wyant. Keep reading!



YOUNG ARTISTS: These four young men are art students of Sibyl Clark. They are doing charcoal and water color drawings to be entered in Arts and Kids Contest December 9, 2000, in Maryland. The local youth will be in competition with others in an age group of 4-17, vying for medals and scholarships. The youngsters have been taking lessons for a little over a year. Shown here are (l. to r., standing) Josh Hardcastle and Spencer Ford, (seated) Nicolas Hardcastle and Zachary Verden. We will run the drawings at a later date.



RECEPTION: Dr. and Mrs. Robert Engli were the guests of honor at a reception held by the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce on Monday afternoon, November 27, 2000, in the Coin and Copper Room of the Wheeler Banking Center. Marla Ford (left) and Kathleen Cross are shown here serving Dr. Robert and Janet Engli. Dr. Engli plans to open his practice on December 4, 2000, at the Parkview Clinic. A number of people came to greet and welcome the couple.

Elementary Ft. Elliott Musical Program Is Dec. 13

The Ft. Elliott Elementary students grades K-5 will present this year's Christmas program on Wednesday, December 13th at 6:30 P.M. The scheduled performance will be held in the Mobeetie Gymnasium. Everyone is invited to attend this presentation of "Holiday in Bethlehem."

Katie Shipp Places In Dist. 4-H Roundup

Panhandle 4-H members from 19 of the twenty-one counties in Extension Panhandle District 1 competed on November 18 in the District 1 4-H Roundup Competition. This year's program was sponsored by New Century Energies Foundation on behalf of Southwestern Public Service.

4-H Roundup is a public speaking and decision making event providing 4-H members the opportunity to share their knowledge and skills learned through 4-H projects. Goals of the project include:

- Learning about organization of materials to present in a speech or performance,
 - Acquiring the ability to speak convincingly in public,
 - Becoming aware of one's relationship to others—family, peers, state, nation, world,
 - Acquiring life skills that are essential for an individual to become an active, responsible, citizen,
 - Learning about vocational choices and career opportunities and preparation related to the focus of a project.
- Over 160 boys and girls competed in the 23 activities, including speaking events, illustrated talks, method demonstrations and performing arts. Recognition awards were given in ceremonies at the Ballroom of the Activities Center at West Texas A&M University in Canyon. Award medals were presented to all first, second and third place entries by New Century Energies Foundation.

Katie Shipp, daughter of Andy and Liz Shipp of Wheeler placed second in the Share the Fun Vocal Competition. We are very proud of Katie and her accomplishments.

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.

Santa Letters To Be Published In Times

Hey Kids! Christmas is just around the corner and Santa Claus is so busy at the North Pole in his toy shop that he has asked the "Times" to help him out with his Christmas mail.

All you little boys and girls through the third grade are asked to help Santa also by sending your letters to Santa Claus to "The Wheeler Times" to be published.

Teachers, if you would like to help the children with their letters as a class project, please see that the letters are clearly printed and that they reach the "Times" office on time.

Ole Santa will read all the letters in one issue, thus cutting down on the mail. Also you won't be taking a chance of your letter getting lost in the snow.

Kids, read these instructions carefully. Write your letter, using 30 words or less, mail it to *The Wheeler Times*, P.O. Box 1080, Wheeler, TX. 79096, so that the "Times" will receive it by December 15.

Speed Limits On Co. Roads Receive Damage

The Wheeler County Commissioner's Court recently enacted speed limits on several county roads for public safety reasons and placed speed limit signs on those road. Most of those signs have been stolen or shot with a gun by vandals. There are several offenses that the perpetrator can be charged with depending on the circumstances of the offense: Disorderly Conduct, Class B or C Misdemeanor; Criminal Mischief, Class A, B, or C Misdemeanor depending on the value of the damage; Reckless Damage or Destruction, Class C Misdemeanor; and/or Theft, Class A, B, or C depending on the value of the property. The punishment imposed can be up to one year in jail and/or a fine of up to \$4,000.00. If you have any knowledge regarding the destruction of the road signs, please contact the Wheeler County Commissioners or the Wheeler County Sheriff's Department so that charges can be filed by the County Attorney.

CONGRATULATIONS! WHEELER MUSTANGS

2000 District & Bi-District Champs

We congratulate you on your season!



WHEELER MUSTANGS: (Back Row, l. to r.) Josh Britt and Dwight Arganbright—Managers, Coach Cory Lynch, Gavin McQueen, Kelby Ledbetter, Caleb Finsterwald, Coach Jim Verden, Coach Kenny Rutherford, Coach Shane Whiteley, (Third Row) Joe Don Glassey, Joe Salas, Nic Gaines, Trenton Gaines, Danny Spikes, Danny Glasgow, Kendall Hefley, Michael Hall, (Second Row) Tyler Lewis, Donnie Phipps, Brad Masters, Dirk Chapman, Chris Hutchison, Bret Goad, James Chapman, (Front Row) Jacob Britt, Corey Jewell, Chris Gallagher, Justin Chapman, Brenton Goerend, Blaine Rutherford and Josh Miller.

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ALLISON NEWS

By Christine Gilmer

Romans: 8:31, 35 & 37: What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us? Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.

A cool partly cloudy day here in Allison this Monday morning.

My son-in-law, Darrel Harrison, of Amarillo picked me up last Wednesday afternoon and I went to Amarillo and spent until Saturday with Darrel and Johnnie. We had a very nice Thanksgiving and a dinner with all the trimmings, and a special dinner guest was my great grandson, Chad

Harrison, hadn't seen him in quite a long time. He has now grown up and is now a college boy. Johnnie and I also visited my granddaughter, Marsue, and Dean Roush Thursday night. It was nice visiting with them and being in their lovely home. Johnnie and I did some shopping on Friday. They brought me home on Saturday and we attended Clifton and Louise Boydston's 50th Wedding Anniversary Saturday afternoon.

Peggy Chandler and Jennie Walker were in Pampa last Monday to see the eye doctor. They were also Thanksgiving guest at the Eddy Walker's home with several other relatives being there. They all had Thanksgiving dinner at Papa's Restaurant.

Vance and Caroline Boydstons

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weekend guests were Kyle and Bernadette Boydston from Roswell, N.M., Vance, Caroline, Kyle, Bernadette, Dick and Cletus Green, Lanora Morse, Narvetta Robertson and Roy Greene, Johnathan and Alexis, Shawn and Jammie Donnie all had Thanksgiving dinner at the Grill-Grocery Cafe here in Allison.

Eddy and Wanda Walkers out of town guests for the Thanksgiving holidays were Kevin and Melissa Fleming, Megan and Ashton from Lufkin, TX., Jonathan and Andrea from Waco, Richard and Melody Draper, Victoria, the twins, William and Elizabeth from Whitehouse, TX. Richard took his family back home with him. Melody and children had spent some time here with the Eddy Walkers.

Leota Black returned home last Tuesday from visiting Jeffrey and Tracy Black and children at Tyler. Week guests at Leota's home were Terry Dupont and his daughter from Ft. Smith, Ark., and Jerry and Danny Dupont from Muskogee, OK.

Last Wednesday Opal and Juanita Boydston were in Pampa to see the eye doctor. They also did some shopping while in Pampa. Opal, Juanita and Curtis Boydston, Robbie and SaRita Green, Carissa and Kelton from Binger, OK, and also Juanita were Thanksgiving dinner guests of Forest and Janice Boydston. Opal and Juanita were supper guests at Clifton and Louise Boydstons home Friday night with them and their family.

Sunday Opal, Juanita and Curtis were supper guests with Roma and Billy Brown. Others there for supper were Len and Betty Brown of Dumas, Len and Betty spent the weekend at their Allison home.

Sue Chandler went to Oklahoma City with Becky Harren last Thursday to do some shopping. Granddaughter, Audra Weatherly from Wheeler spent the weekend with Sue.

Bob and Lou Cornell's Thanksgiving day guests were Joe and Beverly Smith and Neal from Pampa, Lewis and Tammy Newman Jr., Chance and Roland from Briscoe and Sally Smith and friend, Kylie Griffen from Borger. Earlier in the week Bob and Doyle Cornell visited their brother,

Larry Cornell, in Boxelder, Texas. Shorty and Helen Crawford's Thanksgiving guests for dinner were Earl Joslyn, Tammy, Tommy and Rachel Poplin from Lefors and also George Crawford and Erika and Mary Rose from Shamrock.

Nelda Dukes had Thanksgiving dinner with Becky and David Zybach and family. Thanksgiving afternoon Nelda visited in the home of Bevard and Diane Dukes and family.

Glen and Nona Elmore, Ray and Sue Giddens went to Wellington and visited Glen's sister, Cora Gragson and Willie and Laurene Gragson. Glen and Nona got back to Allison in time for Sunday evening church services.

Glen and Nona's Thanksgiving dinner guests were Ray and Sue Giddens, Mark and Nancy Britten, Sammy, Lindsey and Jennifer from Amarillo, Wayne and Kathy, Clay and Casie from Briscoe and Mark Elmore and Travis.

Lee and Sharon Hall's Thanksgiv-



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ing guests were Bobby and Tammy Jones, Jordan and Alisha from White Deer, Randy and Jennifer Hall from Amarillo and Ronnie Hall from Canyon. On Thursday Darla Donaldson from Amarillo and Katie Donaldson from Allison joined them for Thanksgiving.

Pearl Harrison went to Tulsa, OK., with Dr. Willis and Mary Harrison and stopped in Oklahoma City and ate supper at Bourbon Street Restaurant at Bricktown. They also visited Pearl's sister-in-law, Daphne Sanford, who is in the hospital. From there they went on to Tulsa and visited with Mory Harrison and his family. Others there visiting were Ward and Diane Harrison and his family. They attended a birthday celebration for Ward at his

home on Friday night. Pearl, Willis and Mary came back to Allison on Saturday and attended Clifton and Louise Boydston's 50th Wedding Anniversary. Willis and Mary were Saturday overnight guests with Pearl. Saturday evening Darrel and Johnnie Harrison, Jimmy and Edell Tedford and Grace Henson all from Amarillo visited Pearl before going on home Saturday evening.

Nona Jones had her family of twenty-seven with her on Wednesday night for a Thanksgiving supper and visiting.

Was good to see Bro. Roy Jones from Arkansas at the school for Clifton and Louise Boydston's 50th Wedding Anniversary. Bro. Jones address is Roy Jones, H.C. 33, Box 77, Elkins, Ark., 72727. Telephone 501-643-2930.

Wilma Gilmer's Thanksgiving dinner guests were Billy and Rhonda McWhorter, Tanner and Tyler from Wheeler and also Ruby Craig. Susan Finney, Jesse and Samantha from Pampa visited Wilma on Friday and also Ruby Craig.

Jimmy and Edell Tedford from Amarillo dropped in for a few minutes and visited Wilma on Saturday. And Grace Henson was also a Saturday visitor and ate lunch there.

Virginia Miller's Thanksgiving guests were Mark and Lynda Bangor from Amarillo, Kelly and Debbie Miller and daughter, Rane Miller from Hugoton, Kan.

Edna May's Thursday afternoon visitors were Hiram and Darena Begert. Sunday afternoon Edna's visitors were Lou Dean Douthit, Virginia Puryear and Irene Keys. They played 42.

Nadine Reynolds' Thanksgiving dinner guests were Gary and Linda Hall, Kevin and Tammy Hall, Kaylee and Tyler, Wayne and Debbie Reynolds, Scott and Tabitha Brown from Amarillo, William and Vicki Lay, Clay and Jennifer from Bushland, Lester and Clydene Hall, Bennie and Debbie, Boydston, Heather and Jason of Allison.

The members of the Baptist Church of Allison went to Wheeler last Sunday afternoon to help Edith Levitt celebrate her 99th birthday at the Care Center. Pearl Harrison was also there and there may have been others from Allison that I don't know about. They served refreshments of cake and punch.

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

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TUESDAY: Barbecue Beef On Bun, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Apple Crisp

WEDNESDAY: Enchiladas/Sauce, Spanish Rice, Tossed Salad/Dressing, Cornbread/Margarine, Pineapple Upside Down Cake

THURSDAY: Fried Veal Patty, Baked Potato, Gravy, Mixed Vegetables, Plum Cobbler

FRIDAY: Fried Catfish, Spinach, Au Gratin Potatoes, Bread/Margarine, Gingerbread/Topping

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!! AUNT RO-RO

