

THE WHEELER TIMES (USPS 681-960)

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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

Second Cash Drawing Sat. All-District Recognition



The All-District Teams were announced this week for football. Ten of our Mustangs were named and several more than once. Congratula-

Most impressive, eight were named Academic All-District. -cwe-

Congratulations, Coach Verden, on-being named District 1-1A Coach of the Year.

-cwe-Several people noticed and some (Continued Page 5)

Meteorite Lights Sky Sun. Evening About 10

What was apparently a meteorite moved across the sky Sunday evening, around 10:00. A blue glow and "sonic boom" were reported.

The Wheeler County Sheriff's Department was called to have the Wheeler Volunteer Fire Department Int to the Kellerville Area, but nothing was found.

Reports of the meteorite came from across the panhandle.

Paul Macina of the Pakan community was quoted in the Amarillo Daily News, "It was very bright, like the northern lights almost," Macina said. "It was like the coming of daylight

The Wheeler Livestock Boosters

held the annual Wheeler County

Warmup Show last weekend, De-

cember 2-3. The show is sponsored

by the Wheeler Livestock Boosters.

and gives exhibitors an opportunity to show their lambs, steers, and heifers

prior to their county shows and the

major spring shows. Thirty-six steers,

eleven heifers, and 115 lambs en-

tered the show. Paul Smith, Ag Sci-

ence Teacher from Friona served as

the lamb judge and cattleman, Chad

Breeding, of Miami served as the

cattle judge. Many exhibitors trav-

eled from all over the Panhandle outh, Plains and Western Oklahoma

Brad Masters, of Wheeler County

4-H won the Supreme Champion

Heifer with a September 9, 1999

Maine-Anjou. Morgan Nall, of Wheeler

FFA had the Grand Champion Steer,

Grand Champion exhibitors were

awarded buckles donated by Wheeler

Banking Center, First State Bank,

Mobeetie and Wheeler, and the

Wheeler Livestock Boosters. Cliff

Wright, a Dimmitt FFA member do-

nated plaques for the champion lamb

howmen. First Ag Credit supplied

the ribbons and rosettes. Exhibitors

took home over \$1,700. in prize

the announcer.

Doug Corse of Mobeetie served as

Members of the Wheeler Livestock

Boosters, mostly parents of livestock

exhibitors, managed the show and

operated the concession stand.

Stacey McCasland of Wheeler Feed

Yard donated the hamburgers meat

The staff of Wheeler County office

of the Texas Agricultural Extension

Service, including Kenny Brdecko,

CEA-Ag., Karen Tellman, CEA-FCS,

for the concession stand.

a 1080 pound European breed.

to exhibit their livestock

The light moved from the west to

Seventeen Envelopes To Be 'Handed Out'

The second of the \$1500 Chamber of Commerce Christmas drawings will be held Saturday, December 9, 2000. \$400 will be given away. Each

The drawings will be at 2:30 P.M. Seventeen individuals will be called forward for the second and third drawings. The division of the money will be 10-\$10, 4-\$25, 2-\$50 and 1-\$100.

The annual Christmas Drawing is again being 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 \$5.00 spent, you will receive an additional ticket up to 100 tickets per purchase.

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 December 23, 2000.

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

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

B. Masters, M. Nall Win Co. Warmup Show

of the drawings this year will be held on Saturday.

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.

The merchants giving tickets are: Hefley Hardware, Hyland's Pharmacy, L. & F. Repair, Marshall Discount Auto, McIlhany Dry Goods. Thriftway, Wheeler Flower Shop and Wheeler Lumber Co.

Those merchants sponsoring the drawing, but not giving tickets are: Ag Credit of Texas, PCA, Britt Ranch, County Star News, Cross Car Center, Eastern Panhandle Insurance Agency, First State Bank of Wheeler and Mobeetie, H&R Block Tax Service, Heritage Beef Cattle Co., Hibler Implement Co., Inc., Honey Inn. Jennings' Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning, Jones Fuels, Charles Kuntz, C.P.A., Maxey's Steakhouse, Dr. Louie Mendiola, Mr. Bar-B-Que, Mel's Diner, Parkview Hospital, R. & M. Quality Car Wash, Dr. Mike Smith, Soto's Family Restaurant, Speedi-Mart, The Wheeler Times, Ware Chevrolet-Buick-Olds & Pontiac, Inc., Weatherly Heating & Air, West Texas Gas Co., Wheeler Banking Center, Wheeler Plumbing, Wheeler TV, Wheeler Vet. Clinic, Wright Funeral Home and Zodell's Pizza, Bar-B-Q & More.

First State Bank To **Give \$25 Certificates**

The First State Bank will be rewarding merchants with a \$25.00 gift certificate to be used in their businesses. Immediately following the December 23, 2000, Chamber of Commerce 'Cash' drawing, tickets will be drawn for a certificate to be used in each of the participating busi-

A total of \$600.00 will be rewarded to twenty-four lucky people whose names will be drawn. This is just one more way the First State Bank of Mobeetie is promoting shopping with the local merchants.

Tax Assessor/Collector

Attends Cont. Educat'n Some 240 County Tax Assessor-Collectors and tax office personnel from across the state came to College Station to participate in the 18th Annual County Tax Assessor-Collectors' Continuing Education Seminar. The seminar was held at the College Station Hilton Conference Center, November 13-16, 2000, near the Texas A&M University campus.

Taking part was Scott Porter, Wheeler County Tax Assessor-Col-

The training was conducted as a program of the Institute of County Government at Texas A&M of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. The Texas A&M University System, in cooperation with the Tax Assessor-Collector Association of Texas and the Office of Continuing Education of Texas A&M University.

Scott Porter said, "County Tax Assessor-Collectors can prepare to meet the future challenges and do a better job today by taking part in professional certification by successfully completing continuing education

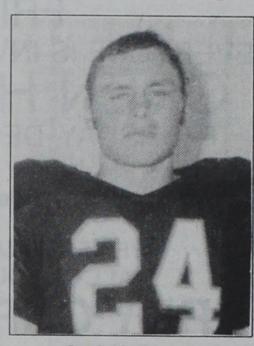
Those attending the November seminar received continuing education credit from Texas A&M's Office of Continuing Education and from the State Board of Tax Professional Ex-

Discussions covered a wide range of timely topics, including: "Preview of the 77th Texas Regular Legislative Session", "Overview of Texas Taxes", "Motor Vehicles", "Property Tax Update", "Records Management" and "Vehicle Sales Tax", along with updates from various state agencies.

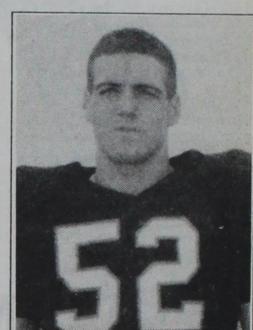
The 2000-2001 officers of the Tax Assessor-Collectors Association are Kristeen Rose, Coke County, President; Patrick Kubala, Wharton County, President-Elect; Marion "Bid" Smith, Polk County, Vice President-External; Bea Westbrook, Newton County, Vice President-Internal; Bill Shanklin, Angelina County, Secretary-Treasurer and Joyce Gray, Irion County, Past President.



Justin Chapman Second Team Secondary Defense Second Team Quarterback . . Academic All District



Caleb Finsterwald Off.-Most Valuable Player 1st Def. Secondary Academic All District



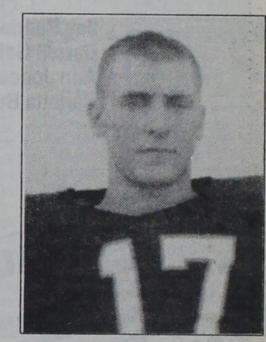
Bret Goad Def.-Most Valuable Player 1st Kicker 1st Center . . . Academic All District



Kelby Ledbetter 1st Defensive End 1st Offensive Lineman Academic All District



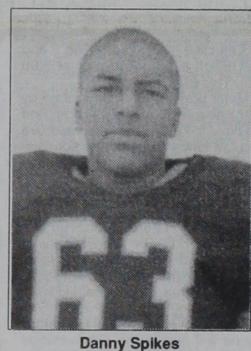
Dirk Chapman 1st Defensive Line



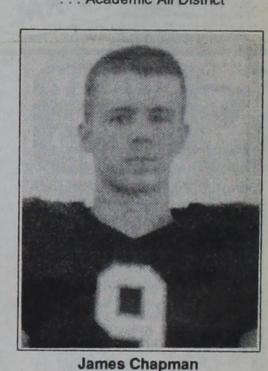
Jacob Britt Second Team Def. Linebacker . . Academic All District



Gavin McQueen 1st Tight End Offense



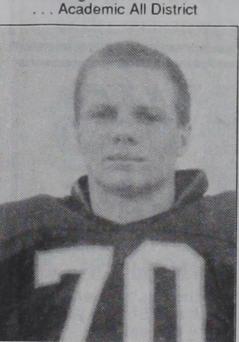
Second Team Off. Lineman



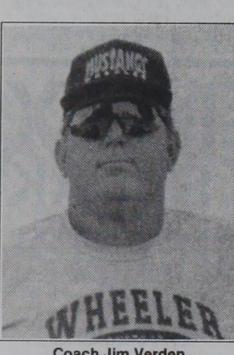
. Academic All District

Second Team

Honorable Mention



Blaine Rutherford . Academic All District



Coach Jim Verden

.Dist. 1-1A Coach of the Year

Sixteen Come Forward To Claim Wheeler 'Cash'

The first of four Christmas 'Cash' drawings to be held in Wheeler during December was held on Saturday, December 2. Sixteen envelopes were handed out with three going to the same individual. Thirteen Wheeler shoppers came away with a little more money to spend.

Rhonda McWhorter came forward three times for \$10, \$25 and \$50 envelopes. Billy McWhorter's name was drawn for the \$25; Rhonda

The first ten tickets drawn were for \$10 in Wheeler 'Cash'. Stepping forward to claim their winnings were Nancy Morrison, Eufa Mae Sorensen, Rhonda McWhorter, Cooper Ellison, Mayra Martinez, Sue Ann Johnson, Hector Badillo, Ed Riley, Melissa Kephart and J. T. Tidwell.

Four envelopes handed out had a value of \$25 each. They were claimed by Jamie Taylor, Louise Boydston, Billy McWhorter and Rafael Benito.

Two \$50 envelopes were given out at the end of the drawing. They went to Rhonda McWhorter and James

Hubble. Remember, husband and wife can claim each other's tickets; everyone else must claim their own.

Defensive Linemen . . Josh Miller Chris Hutchison Defensive End ... Donnie Phipps Secondary ... Cory Jewell James Chapman Second Team Honorable Mention . Running Back Chris Gallagher ... Tight End Donnle Phipps

Nathaniel Hillhouse Memorial Toys for Tots

Defensive Linemen

Dirk Chapman

Tyler Lewis

The Fourth Annual Nathaniel Hillhouse Memorial Toys for Tots drive is underway in Wheeler. Sponsors are the Wheeler County Sheriff's Department, Wheeler Banking Center, First State Bank, Mobeetie & Wheeler, and United Methodist Church.

New or good serviceable used toys are needed, Items are being collected for youths from 0-15 years of age. if you wrap a gift, please include sex and age on the gift tag on each gift.

These gifts may be the only Christmas some children may receive. Your gifts will be greatly appreciated.

If someone is aware of needy families. Please contact Wheeler Sheriff's Department or Lee Ann Hillhouse with families names, ages and sex.

Your help and contributions are appreciated.

Monetary donations may be left at the Sheriff's Office, Methodist Church of Wheeler, and Wheeler Vet Clinic. Monies will be used for toys, clothing or food, as the donor

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 Decemwer 15.

assisted with the show. Money raised from the Warmup

and Liz Austin, Office Coordinator,

Show will be used to purchase animals shown by Wheeler 4-H and FFA members in the Wheeler County Junior Livestock Show January 26-27, 2001.

Many local youth exhibited livestock throughout the show. Blaine Baker of Ft. Elliott FFA placed 4th in the steer classes. Shealee Coutler of Allison FFA placed 4th in the steer classes. Levi Swafford of Allison FFA placed 2nd in the steer classes. Kandra Gaines of Wheeler 4-H Club placed 8th in the lamb Fine Wool Cross class. Shantell Meek of Wheeler County 4-H Club placed 3rd in the lamb Southdown class. Tommy Meek of Wheeler County 4-H Club placed 4th in the lamb Southdown class. Nick Hardcastle of Wheeler County 4-H Club placed 2nd in the lamb Southdown class. Sheldon Cornett of Sharmock FFA placed 9th and 6th in the lamb Medium Wool class. Amber Oldham of Shamrock FFA placed 11th in the lamb Medium Wool class. Trenton Gaines of Wheeler 4-H Club placed 4th and 11th in the lamb Medium Wool class. Mike Gaines of Wheeler 4-H Club placed 12th in the lamb Medium Wool class. Cole Browning-Nall of Wheeler FFA placed 7th in the lamb Medium (Continued Page 5)

Approximately 196 students from Southwestern Oklahoma State University at Weatherford will complete requirements for either bachelor's or master's degrees after the current Fall 2000 semester.

These students had the opportunity to participate in the 2000 SWOSU graduation ceremony or go through convocation exercises in 2001 on Saturday, May 12, at 11 a.m. at Milam Stadium on the Southwestern cam-

Among students who complete requirements for their degrees this December include: Wheeler-Joannie Hibler, B.S. in administration of allied

Hospital Notes

Old Admissions

Estelle Orr Virginia Frye Ruth Ledbetter Susie Lohberger Verne Lohberger Ardie Martin

New Admissions Elmer Ware 11/28 Pearl Williams Susie Erwin 11/30 Christine Hooser

Dismissals Siegal Henderson Sammie Atherton 12/1 Odra Christopher 12/3 Elmer Ware

Christine Hooser

New Arrival Victoria Danielle Shipman

Garrett Shipman wishes to announce the birth of his beautiful baby sister, Victoria Danielle. She was born on November 21, 2000, at 12:27 p.m. at Longview Regional Hospital. She weighed 8 lbs. 1 oz. and was 22 inches long. Proud parents are Daniel and Misty Shipman of Kilgore, Texas. Grandparents are Robert and Juanita Shugart of Kelton, Texas, Joel and Isabel Shipman of Calera, Okla. Great-grandparents are Opal Hutchison of Wheeler, Ollie Shipman of Blanchard, Ok., and Joe Shipman of Purcell, Ok.

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."

WEWANT TO EXPRESS OUR APRECIATION TO OUR **CUSTOMERS AND** FRIENDS. **EVERYONE IS INVITED TO OUR** OPEN HOUSE THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14 for Holiday Treats **Register for Door Prizes!** WE PERSONALLY WISH **ALL OF YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS** AND HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON FROM EACH AND EVERYONE OF US. Jay Randels Stacy McQueen **Brenda McWhorter** THE BANK KIDS: (back row, I. to r.) Tina McWhorter, Creede McQueen, Gavin **Darrell Gaines** Liz Shipp Ann Long McQueen, Trevor Burton, Katie Shipp, Tracy Jones, (second row) Blake Randels, Aaron Gaines, Darren Gaines, Bailey Richardson, Jennifer Jones, **Bobbie Sue Baker Ann Jones** Kara Richardson Savanna Shipp, Nicole Moore, Paige Jones, (front row) Brock Randels, Brody **Carletta Burton Sharon Miles** Richardson, Gracie Gaines, Blayne Richardson, Shelby Jones, Maggie Jones, **And The Board of Directors** Brooke Randels, Katie Jones, Jaten Moore. Wellington State Bank SANTA CLAUS er Banking Center during Open House Wellington, Texas Wheeler • Memphis • Childress • Canadian 2:00 to 3:00 P.M. Wheeler Banking Center 405 Alan L. Bean Blvd. • P.O. Box 1040 • Wheeler, Texas 79096 • Phone: 826-5566 Member: F.D.I.C.



IJohn 4:9 This is how God showed his love among us: He sent His one and only Son into the world that we

might live through him. Happy Birthday to Juanita Prater and Bronwyn Dukes on Dec. 10, Dallas Fillingim, Wesley Hathaway and Diane on Dec. 11, Lindsey Criswell, Eddie Pannell, Melba Corcoran on Dec. 12, Doyle Grimes, Joshua Purcell, Greg Estes, Brady Meadows, Phil Jones and Byron Light on Dec. 13, Melody Goad, Keri Hudson, Peggy Thompson and Georgia Corse on Dec. 14, Karen Meek, Kathy Jackson, Stacie Haiduk and Amy Meadows on Dec. 15, Amy Huff on Dec. 16.

Happy Anniversary to Shane and April Goad and Lawrence and Clara Beckel on Dec. 10, and Bill and Virginia Ridgway on Dec. 16.

Monday Dec. 11 Follett Junior High will come to play basketball with Fort Elliott at Briscoe at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday Dec. 12 Booker High School Basketball teams will play at Fort

Nice to have Ed and Laurel Hershman, Delilah Hershman and Iona May and Lola Holcomb join us for lunch at Maxeys Sunday. Also there were C. H. and Judy Long and Jerod, Rebecca and Elizabeth and John and Angie Huff and family, Elaine Bowar with Preston and Elsie Glazner and Leona Coates, Mike and Melody Goad with granddaughter, Shayla

Wanda Prater from Abilene spent several days during Thanksgiving holidays with Verneal and Juanita Prater and family. Verneal met her at Childress, and took her back there. Some others at Verneal's were grandchildren Johnny and Shannon Prater from Oklahoma City, Mary Lou Carter and Morris and Jeannette Jahnel and Carl Lee and Dereray.

In the Samnorwood Basketball tournament Fort Elliott girls are to play

> **MEALS** on WHEELS

MONDAY, December 11, 2000 -FRIDAY, December 15, 2000 MONDAY: Pinto Beans W/Ham, Fried Squash, Cornbread/Margarine, Fruit

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

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

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

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

McLean at 3:30 Thursday Dec. 7 and Fort Elliott boys are to play at 5:00 p.m. Thursday.

Many prayers have been said by many people about the election. And we need to keep praying as we move into the new year and new administration. George W. Bush's Sunday night Nov. 28 speech was very good. God is in control!

Jeremy Hefner is now living with grandmother Laura Vandever and attending Fort Elliott school. We welcome you, Jeremy. Rick and Janet Hefner have moved from Colorado to the Dallas area. God bless and keep you all!

Fort Elliott High School basketball teams will play in the Samnorwood tournament Dec. 7-9 as we have for many, many years. At least since the 1960's that I know of.

Fort Elliott Elementary Christmas

program will be presented Wednesday Dec. 13 at 6:30 at the gym in Mobeetie. Everyone invited. They always have a great program with all the Elementary staff and children in-

Sunday, Dec. 3 was Fat and Wanda Childress' 51st Wedding Anniversray. They came to the singing at Briscoe. Saturday they went by Pampa and got Wanda's brother, Dub Swift and they went to Amarillo and shopped a little and visited and ate at the Golden

Edna May is doing pretty well. Irene

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them on the same day. Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Mary Jane Ray, 68, of Pampa in her death. She is survived by husband, James. Jerry Ray of

Keys, Nova Powledge and Lou Dean Douthit visited her Thursday and played 42. Tuesday Lou Dean and Virginia shopped in Shamrock. Saturday Lou Dean went to Miami with Debbie and Bob Kinnaman to see

Fort Elliott play and win both games. Pray for Bob Puryear. He had surgery Nov. 30 at Northwest Texas Hospital to replace a leaking valve in at Pampa Monday. his heart. Virginia and Linda Davis went up and visited him one day. Virginia went 3 days. Hope you are soon o.k., Bob. He will probably be

Sorry to hear Miami Baptist Church pastor has accepted a church at Whitney and resigned the Miami church. Wes and Kim Welborn and Art and Alyssa and Amber will be missed. Kim gave voice and piano lessons to many in the area. There was a recital Sunday afternoon.

JoAnn Morgenstern just returned from spending the holidays with Kathy and Kelvin at Halletsville and really enjoyed the visit and the fun things they did. She was gone a week.

Pray for Sid Talley. A mother cow really "whupped up" on him for getting to close to her calf. Sid has some broken ribs and bruises and hurts. He is lucky to be alive.

Visiting J. P. and Martha Meek Tuesday were Shane Everett and Mayci and Suzanne Everett.

At Reydon Tuesday night Fort Elliott High School girls defeated Reydon girls 76-22. Fort Elliott boys defeated Reydon boys 58-39. Congratulations

Ed and Laurel Hershman left after dinner Thanksgiving Day to go to Indiana to visit family and bring Ed's mom, Delilah back for a visit. They got back Wednesday night, all safe and sound. Thursday they all went to Amarillo to visit Sarita Dawson and Micaela and Shelby and take an antique cabinet that Delilah was giving her great-granddaughter. It had belonged to Sam Hershman's grandmother, Delilah had used it sixty years.

Sincere sympathy to Sarah Gill and family and many friends in the death of her beloved Terry, after a hard battle with cancer. Funeral was Saturday at Miami Baptist Church. He wanted an old pine box with his rope and old time things. He was dedicated to helping with Fellowship of Christian Cowboys.

Dallas Fillingim from Vernon spent the weekend at Abilene visiting friends Clay and Tammy Gentry. He also visited Albert and Mary Pearson.

Ken and Lindsey Criswell went to Ida Lou Sunday and visited with Ken's family and attended his great-

day and Wednesday. Couldn't get

Amarillo is a son. Elissa Ray, J. W.



PAGE 2—Thursday, December 7, 2000

Ray and Lori are grandchildren. David and Rita Pearson went to the furneral

Nice to have son Danny meet us for lunch at the Pizza Hut in Canadian Friday. He came out later and visited. He was starting work Wednesday on a fiber-optic pipeline from Tulsa to Fort Worth.

We had a good crowd out to XYZ

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(but number down) Friday night. Doris Finsterwald gave the devotional, sang a song and got everything ready. We had a real good meal, but not enough could stay to play games. Lorene Rector had the misfortune to fall over a concrete bar in front of her car. Really banged her up, but she was

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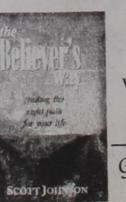
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Dale Corcoran took Lorene Rector to Elk City, OK, to the doctor Tuesday. She got some spots taken off her

Our sympathy goes out to the family of Harold (Buck) Hooker. He was buried Thursday.

Ernest and Brenda Lancaster left Thursday for Las Vegas to attend the National Rodeo Finals. Felix and Jean Taylor of Crowell came to stay with Stormi and Lamari while their parents were gone. They took the girls home with them Friday and Jean brought them home Sunday and is staying with them till their parents get home. Our sympathy goes out to the family of Terry Gill. He passed away

Teardrops In My Dishpan

By: Lorena g. Males There's been times when I've cried teardrops in my dishpan. Through tears, I'd look at my hands-chapped with strong soap-rough and red.

How many hours have I invested in my hands at the piano? Now I waste all my good training, working as a dishwasher. Once upon a time my hands were flexible, dexterous, eager to run up and down the piano keys. Now they trod, walk, hesitiate, stumble. Did my piano skill wash down the drain?

No work is more important than washing dishes. If the cleaning women of our country failed to appear one morning there'd be more chaos than if the doctors and lawyers all overslept. But playing the piano and washing dishes are not compatible. Neither is picking cotton. It ruins your

During pioneer days many young people, especially boys, were kept out of school to help earn the daily bread for the pioneer family. Boy power made it possible to keep the free 160 acres they had recently acquired, but it robbed the boys of their chances. Today those boys, turned old men, still grieve for what might have been. At the time it seemed the only way. Bright minds busted the

Many would—be artists are buried in the grind of daily toil. There's no time to dream, to think, to wirte-to create-so that little spark of talent that is so essential, dies on the vine.

That spark of talent in Augusta Metcalfe, Western Oklahoma's great pioneer artist, were discovered by her mother. Her mother urged and encouraged Augusta to PAINT, regardless of the farm work that was Augusta's. At night the mother held the flickering lamp so that Augusta could see to paint what is now cherished and loved far and wide-its a record of our people.

Do you have the urge to create—to paint-to sing-to write-to build a Cathedral? Somehow make room for that talent to surface and grow. Don't bury your talent with your tears.

Get busy. Write. Sing. Build. I know exactly what I must do to stop the flow of tears in my dishpan. I must seat myself on the piano bench and PRACTICE!

P.S. The dirty dishes can wait.

ALLISON

MONDAY, Dec. 11, 2000 - FRI-DAY, Dec. 15, 2000 MONDAY

Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, Juice,

Lunch: Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Vanilla Yogurt, Milk TUESDAY

Breakfast: Waffle Stix, Juice, Milk Lunch: Spaghetti/w Meat Balls, Tossed Salad, Corn, Garlic Bread, Rice Krispies, Milk WEDNESDAY

Breakfast: Breakfast Burrito, Juice,

Lunch: Chicken Noodle, Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli Rice Casserole, Hot Rolls, Peanut Butter Brownies,

THURSDAY

Breakfast: Cereal, Cream of Wheat, Toast, Juice, Milk Lunch: Soft Tacos, Refried Beans, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Cheese, Sour

Cream, Fruit, Milk FRIDAY Breakfast: Sausage Patty, Biscuits,

Juice, Milk Lunch: Pizza, Tossed Salad, Fruit, Lemon Cookies, Milk

(Menu subject to change)

pressures. Birthday people were Listen to . . .

Wednesday.

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WHEELER, TEXAS

Mobeetie XYZ met Friday night at

the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist

Church. Melba Corcoran took blood

Doyle Grimes and Melba Corcoran. Doris Finsterwald presented the program. Those enjoying the covered dish meal were Willis and Verna Fillingim, Doyle and Bulah Grimes, Dale and Melba Corcoran, Doris Finsterwald, Orville Greenhouse and Lorene Rector.

Clifford Walser was in a one-vehicle wreck Monday near the roadside park at Mobeetie. He was taken to Wheeler by ambulance and then transferred to Amarillo. The report we

Siviendo & Panhandle - Consultorio Familiar

ROBERT GALUTIA,

Feliz Dia Festivo!

Tis Knight's before Christmas.....

Mountain Fresh Greenery

Poinsettias - from 3-inch clay pots &

to beautiful, lush plants in 10-inch pots

Barcana Artificial Trees

Seraphim Angels

Fontanini Nativity Collectibles

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pelvis and internal bleeding. Aline Corse is doing as well as can be expected. She is having trouble with her blood count being low. She has to stay in and away from colds and etc. She takes another treatment the 19th.

Leola Stuart and Gladys Richardson met Jimmy and Patsy Richardson of Oklahoma City and Patsy's parents, Isaac and Oleta Snow of Erick at the Windmill in Texola

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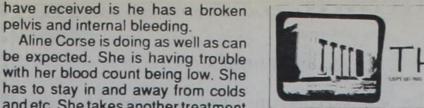
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Saturday. Leola and Gladys came back to Shamrock and visited with Bulah Stuart and Odis.

Monday night Leola Stuart went to the ball game in Wheeler, where her niece played for Wheeler and her nephews, Michael Richardson and William Billingsley, played for Sweetwater. She visited with Eddie and Amy Richardson and Cheryl of Wheeler, Ivy and Marsha Richardson

The Clifton Boydstons Celebrate 50th Anniver.

Clifton and Louise Boydston celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on November 25, 2000, at the Allison School Cafeteria. Their children and grandchildren hosted the event. The couple renewed their vows by request of their children. Pastor M. C. McDaniel read the vows and put one in that they promise to never run off and get married again. The crowd had a chuckle on that.

Their sons, Gary and Bennie escorted their mother to the arch and gave her away. The cake was baked by their daughter-in-law, Julie. It was a very beautiful three layered-Italian cream, strawberry and yellow cake. The cake was served by the couple's granddaughters, Heather Boydston and Michelle Hulse. The punch was served by Kristi Montgomery and Kimber Thompson.

Several readings and a poem was read by granddaughter, Melissa Fleming, and their daughter, Cheryl

A song was played by tape and a tape of old movies shown by grandson, Justin Walker. Many beautiful crowd in attendance.

gifts were received. There was a large Registering were Warren and Charlene Brown of Amarillo; Virgil and Jean Stinnett of Dumas; Gerald and Sharon Horton of Dumas; Len and Betty Brown of Dumas; Vickie McCuan of Amarillo; Christi Dhamers and Zackery of Amarillo; Ron and Debbie Brown of Amarillo, Terry, Deana, Teryn and Dezaree Moon of Amarillo; Judi Cornell of Allison; Jack and Freddie Moon of Borger; Grace Henson of Amarillo; Ray and Linda Hendrick of Lufkin; Nadene Reynolds of Allison; Darrel and Johnnie Harrison of Amarillo; Christene Gilmer of Allison; Hiram and Durenda Begert of Allison; Pearl Harrison of Allison; Willis and Mary Harrison of Canyon; Billy and Roma Brown of Allison; Thursia Poindexter of Cheyenne; Delores Poindexter of Oklahoma City; Jimmy and Edell Tedford of Amarillo; Jimmy and Vivian Wallace of Elk City; Sarita, Carissa and Kelton Green of Binger, Ok; Forrest and Janice Boydston of Allison; Elmer and Peggy Sanford of Stinnett; Patty Driver of Reydon; Marquerite Spurlin of Elk City; Juanita Bricker of Allison, Chris Chadwick of Lewisville, TX., Sue Chandler of Allison, Audra Weatherly of Wheeler; Gary and Linda Hall of Allison; Nona Jones of Allison; Curtis Boydston of Allison; D. H. Sanford of Higgins; Juanita Boydston of Allison; Opal Boydston of Allison; Wendall and Gayle Stinnett of Saginaw, TX.; Crystal Stinnett of Saginaw; Bret Begert of Allison; Sharon and Lee Hall of Allison; Kabria and Kevin Chadwick of Choctaw, OK.; Bob and Mary Cornell of Allison; Rita Grayson of Allison; Kevin, Melissa, Meagan and Ashton Fleming of Lufkin, TX; Vance and Caroline Boydston of Allison; Bill and Kay Donaldson of Allison; Henry and Dora Lea Dupont of Okay, OK; Suzanne Lohberger of Allison; Rev. Roy Jones of Elkins, Ark.; Melonie Moon of Borger; Rev. and Mrs. Ben Corbitt and Rebecca of Pampa; Mike, LaQuinta, Michelle and Michael Hulse of Harwood, Maryland; Ernie, Sue and Adam Martin of Jones, OK; Jeremy, Kristi and Tim Montgomery of Jones, OK; Shirley Chadwick of Oklahoma City, OK; Henry and Cheryl, Sabrina and Cody Dupont of Allison; Eddy Walker and Wanda Walker of Allison; Gary and Julie Boydston of Allison; Bennie, Debbie, Heather and Jason Boydston of Allison; Chuck, Kim, Kimber, Brittany and Chase Thompson of Amarillo; Greg, Tara, Tyler, Hannah and Tori Boydston of

drea Walker of Waco. After the celebration, Clifton and Louise had Steve Walker to cater a barbeque supper for the family at 6 o'clock. It was great to have all eight children home and 18 grandchildren out of 22 and eight great-grands out

Borger; Justin, Stephanie and Tyler

Walker of Allison; Jonathon and An-

Had a great day. Thanks to all who came, and those who sent cards. They were married on December 5, 1950, at Wheeler, Texas, by Rev. Ernest Grizzard.

The Oscar for Best Title Writing was given only once-in 1928- before it fell victim to the talkies. The winner was Joseph Farnun, for his work on two MGM films, The Fair Co-ed and Laugh Clown, Laugh.

Composer Cole Porter could play the violin well at six and the piano well at of Erick and Mike and Rhonda Richardson of Sweetwater

Alvern Hutchison of Wheeler visited her Aunt Orville Greenhouse Sun-

day afternoon. Doyle and Bulah Grimes attended the Senior Citizens at Wheeler Mon-

Visiting with Doyle and Bulah Grimes Sunday afternoon were Gary Grimes of Amarillo, Sid and Betty Talley, Joe and Kay Talley and Trinity of Miami.

Those who attended the singing at Briscoe Sunday were Doyle and Bulah Grimes, Hugh and Mae Bailey, Doris Finsterwald, Sallie Adcock, Brandon Finsterwald, Veronica Hungate, Trish McLaughlin, Andi Martinez and Jayton Childress.

Mt. View Quilting Club met Thursday with Audrey Seitz. She got two quilts tacked and they put in the club quilt. Those attending were Audrey Seitz, Betty Haines, Jane Seitz, Charlotte Coward and Estelle Hodges. They got some quilting done on the club quilt.

Remember Old Mobeetie Texas Association will hold their monthly meeting Thursday night at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

The Mobeetie City Council will hold their monthly meeting December 11 at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come to the meetings.

The Mobeetie Fire Department will hold their regular monthly meeting and training December 12 at 7:00

Melody Burch Sherrell had surgery on the right side of her thyroid on November 27. She got the report back December 4 and it was cancer. She will have the left half removed Wednesday, the 6th. Remember her in your prayers.



Events at Ft. Elliott CISD will be December 7 at 7:00 P.M.—Financial Aid Meeting for parents @ Ft. Elliott. December 7 to 9 will be High School

December 8, Junior High and High School Field Trip to see the Nut-

Basketball Samnorwood Tourna-

December 9, 10:00 A.M. Miami

December 11, Junior High Basketball at 6:00 P.M. game with Follett at

December 12, at 4:00 P.M. Junior Varsity boys and girls and varsity basketball with Booker at home. Jun-

ior rings, Senior Invitation, Retakes. December 13 at 6:30 P.M. Elementary Christmas Program @ Mobeetie. English Three Field Trip to Amarillo Museum of Art.

December 14 will be First and Sixth Period Semester Tests.



Teryn Stowers, 15 year old Sophomore Pampa High School Cheerleader for J. V. Team and Trevor Stowers, 17 year old Sr. Cheerleader for Harvester Varisty Team, are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Stowers of Pampa. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Stowers of Pampa and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy D. Atherton of Atlanta, Georgia. Greatgrandparents are Hannah Fae Chapman and the late Albert Chapman of Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Atherton of Houston, Texas.

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List of instruments filed in Wheeler County Clerk's Office from November 27, 2000 - December 4, 2000. **NOVEMBER 27, 2000**

MD-Mary Inez Hodgins to Peyton Oil & Gas Inc., 10-1-00, E 1/2 Sec. 30, Blk: RE, Roberts & Eddleman Sur-

AFF.-James C. Fling to Ronnie C. Bohler, et al, 10-3-00, Lots 8, 9 and 10, Blk. F, Potts Add., Shamrock. ROY./MD-Marjorie Cooper to J D Minerals, et al, 10-6-00, Interest in Wheeler County

TDT-Comerica Bank-Texas to Bank of Texas, NA, 10-26-00, See Instru-

DT-Walter O. Hill to Bank of Texas, NA, 10-27-00, See Instrument. AMEND. CORR. ASSIGN.-Crescendo Resources LP to Midgard Energy Company, 11-13-00, See In-

RDT-Chase Manhattan Bank to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 10-31-00, See Instrument.

RE-ASSIGN. OVERRID. ROY. INT -- ECT Merchant Investmenmts Corp., et al to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 10-31-00, See Instrument.

OL-Leone Hefley Cantrell to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 9-7-00, E 1/2 Sec. 7, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company OL-Leone Hefley Cantrell to

Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 9-7-00, E 1/2 Sec. 7, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company OL-Wilma Hefley to Brigham Oil &

Gas LP, 9-7-00, E 1/2 Sec. 7, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. **NOVEMBER 28, 2000**

ASSIGN.-Lawrence S. Barzune to Reneau Oil Co., 10-3-00, N 1/2 SE 1/ 4 NW 1/4 and SE 1/2 NW 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 9, Blk. 27, H&GN Ry. Company

SHERRIF D-Mobeetie Associates, et al to James Reneau Seed Co., 10-11-00, 20 acs. Pt. Secs. 38 and 43, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Sur-

RMML-Joyce Everson to Louis Martin, et ux, 11-22-00, 100' x 150' Sec. 60, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

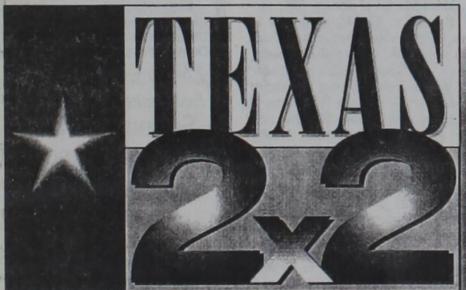
RDT-Amarillo National Bank to Al P. Cunningham, 11-27-00, Int. In. Sec. 13, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company

RVL/RDT-Bill Graham Jr., et ux to Burwin Archer, et ux, 11-14-00, N 55

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D—George C. Keeton to Steve Cleveland, et ux, 11-16-00, 70 acs. Sec. 34, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company

NOVEMBER 29, 2000 RDT—Wells Fargo Home Mortgage Inc. to Daniel W. Debose, et ux, 11-

16-00. Lot 20, Hefley Add. #2, D-Richard Smith, et ux to Rick Wil-

liams, et ux, 10-25-00, W 1/2 Lot 2, Blk. 67, WSSA, Shamrock. HOME EQUITY DT—Roger Stephen Zaiontz, et ux to National Bank of

Commerce, 11-21-00, Lots 1 and 2, Blk. 4, Mont-Lew Add., Shamrock. ROY./MD—Larry D. Parks to Larry D. Parks Limited Partnership, 3-11-98,

ROY./MD—Larry D. Parks to Larry D. Parks Limited Partnership, 3-11-98, See Instrument.

OL-Greg Henson to Amoco Production Company, 7-6-00, E 1/2 Sec. 21, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company

OL-James C. Monteith, et ux to Orion Oil & Gas Properties, 9-27-00, E 1/2 Sec. 21, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL-Harvey J. Hanks, et ux to Orion Oil & Gas Properties, 10-16-00, N 1/ 2 Sec. 39, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

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OL-James C. Monteith, et ux to Orion Oil & Gas Properties, 8-23-00, Sec. 39, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company OL-Linda Cox to Orion Oil & Gas

Properties, 9-20-00, Sec. 39, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. OL-Marilyn Kay Gatlin to Orion Oil & Gas Properties, 9-20-00, Sec. 39, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Sur-

OL-Becky Wilson to Orion Oil & Gas Properties, 9-20-00, Sec. 39, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. OL-John C. Vise, et al to Orion Oil & Gas Properties, 9-29-00, Sec. 39, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Sur-

OL-Margaret Seewald Roberts to Orion Oil & Gas Properties, 9-8-00, Sec. 39, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Com-

OL-Lafov Vise to Orion Oil & Gas Properties, 9-20-00, NE 1/4 Sec. 21, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Sur-

NOVEMBER 30, 2000

AFF.-Alan B. White to Plains National Bank, et al, 11-15-00. OL-Charles C. Tilghman 1979 Revocable Trust to John R. Buckthal. 10-31-00, Sec. 5, Blk. A-2, H&GN Ry.

Company Survey. ASSIGN.—First United Methodist Church, et al to Fred Brown Methanol Inc., 11-21-00, NW 1/4 Sec. 47, Blk.

24. H&GN Ry. Company Survey. DECEMBER 2, 2000 RDT—Federal Land Bank Association of Western Oklahoma, et al to

Max L. Parr, et ux, 11-28-00, See Instrument. MD-Frances Lea Young, et al to Frances Lea Young, 6-6-99, Sec. 20, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey and Sec.

53, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company D-Frances Lea Young, et al to Frances Lea Young, 6-6-99, See In-

DVL-Debra R. Monroe to Miguel A. Martinez, et al, 10-17-00, Lot 5 and E

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Which One? By: Lorena g. Males

In honor of National Adoption Month we're hearing lots of good stories about adoption. Only those who have experienced the stories can truly understand. This is the sweetest story I've heard:

A local man and woman had a daughter of their own and an adopted daugnter. A friend inquired of the father-

"How is your adopted daughter. getting along?' "I've forgotten which one is

adopted.

The role of the writer is not to say what we can say, but what

we are unable to say. -Anais Nin

Garter snakes, though reptiles, do not lay eggs. They bear live young.

It is a beautiful day but oh, that wind! Makes it real cold. A lot of folks are afraid they will get cold on the way to Kansas City and tomorrow night at the game. I'm sure they won't be very warm, sitting out in 25 degree weather. Especially if we lose.

I went over to the Nursing home and visited Joe and Mary Bollen today. They really have the home looking lovely, Christmas tree and all the trimmings.

We have got a few Christmas cards already. Had one today from cousins John and Wanda Haag. They live in Knoxville, Tennessee, now, and really like it. They take the paper so they can keep up with all of us. They will be going on a missionary trip to Venezuella in early February.

Daniel and Tina Smith, Taylor and Eryn, Yukon, were out to see Helen Smith last week.

How do you like all this politicing? It was right in the middle of Want to Be a Millionaire when they broke in with a short speech by Mr. Bush. I'll never know who got the million. They could have waited until the nine o'clock

And what happened to the man they had encased in solid ice for 62 hours. I did hear them say they took him to the hospital but no more mention of whether he lived or not.

See we have a surplus of 200 million barrels of cranberries. We are going to try to interest Japan in them as they like red.

They had a nice retirement party for Peggy Dunlap at Sayre. Attending from here were Iva Thompson, Norma Zellmer, Ollie Anderson and Laurellen

Joe and Faye Mong went to Pryor to the funeral of Ronnie Coffey. My yardlight gave up the ghost. I

contacted the REA and they were out immediately. Even brought a bulb. Do you remember the long ago? I

can remember when they jacked up a back wheel before they tried to crank the Model T.

Ruby Sutton had a real Thanksgiving. With her were Todd, Joyce, Shayla Sutton, Wayne, Sharon and

The Christmas Spirit By: Lorena a. Males

Watchout! You can never tell where you'll get the Christmas spirit!

It was a Christmas during the Depression Days. Groceries were slim. Times were hard. Nobody had any "I'm going to the country on busi-

ness. Come along for the ride," said my husband. "You can tell me what you want for Christmas." We drove a long way through the

I'll just sit in the car and wait." "It's too cold. Go in, I see someone inside.

cold to a deserted looking house.

Answering my knock was a pretty little girl, seven or eight. She invited me in and I felt instantly at home. The room looked as if it had seen better days, but it felt cozy with the fire from a wood burning stove.

On the floor I noticed a small china berry tree—also a bucket containing cow chips for the stove.

"We didn't have an evergreen tree this year so I covered this china berry tree with tin foil and put a red ribbon in her hair. See those little paper candy sacks tied on the tree? (sacks like we used to get at the store when we'd buy a nickel worth of candy.) Everyone in the family will get a sack. They'll be so surprised at what's in the sacks."

"Are you ready for Christmas?" she asked me.

"No, somehow I can't get in the mood. I feel like Scrooge.

"I made strings of paper rings and popcorn strings like my grandmother taught me. Santa will be here. I still believe in him. He is the Christmas

About that time my husband called. "Let's go before it snows." I marched to the car singing Little

Drummer Boy.

"What got into you?" asked my husband. I got what I wanted!! From a little girl-and a china berry tree!

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MONDAY, Dec. 11, 2000 - FRI-DAY, Dec. 15, 2000

Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk Lunch: Enchillidas Cassrole, Corn. Salad, Peaches, Milk TUESDAY

Breakfast: Biscuits, Peanut Butter, Syrup, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Stew, Cheese Sticks, Pimento Cheese Sandwiches, Cornbread, Apricots, Milk

WEDNESDAY Breakfast: French Toast, Juice, Milk Lunch: Turkey, Dressing, Mashed

Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Pecan Pie, Milk THURSDAY Breakfast: Eggs, Sausage, Bacon,

Biscuits, Jelly, Juice, Milk Lunch: Hamburgers, Cheese, Tator Tots, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Onions, Ice Cream, Strawberries, Milk FRIDAY

Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast, Applesauce, Juice, Milk Lunch: B.B.Q. on Bunn, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Fruit, Milk

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Eva Atkinson hasn't been very well this week. Marshall Henson carried the mail a few days for Elbert. Brad

and Brendon were home over the holiday. Randa Coffey worked in the post office a few days for Bonnie. Jan McCullough, Virginia, Sue Reynolds, Bartlesville, visited Mary

Iva Thompson had Thanksgiving at Sayre with Leroy and Peggy Darren

Bollen and Mary Ann Harding Satur-

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Gageby (from Page 2) lucky to have no broken bones. She

is still perky. Luke 1:51 How powerful is God's mighty arm. How He scatters the proud and haughty ones! He has torn princes from their thrones and exalted the lowly. He has satisfied the hungry hearts and sent the rich away with empty hands.

Fort Elliott Junior High won both games at Higgins Monday night Nov. 26. Congratulations!

At Miamitournament Thursday Fort Elliott varsity girls defeated Pampa J.V. 56-30. Fort Elliott boys trailed and were just 15 to 28 at the half, but came on to win at the last minute 44-43 against Pampa J. V. Friday at Miami Fort Elliott girls lost to Claude. Fort Elliott boys won over Claude. Saturday Fort Elliott boys defeated Spearman at 1:00 p.m. and went on to defeat Hartley at 8:30 to win first in the Miami Tournament, Yea! Fort Elliott girls won over Follett Saturday night. Congratulations to all!

There was a good crowd and good singing at Briscoe Community Church Sunday night. Delicious meal Mobeetie Baptist Good News Club sang. They are Brandon Finsterwald, Andi Martinez, Tisha McLaughlin, Jayton Childress and Veronica Hungate, directed by Sallie Adcock. Others singing were Elizabeth Meers leading choruses, Johnny Crawford, Winnie Gilmer, Lois Meadows, and Evelyn Meek with Doris Finsterwald



We enjoyed going to Miami Fun Bunch Monday night Nov. 27. There was a delicious meal. JoAnn Morgenstern and Celia Haskell were hostesses. New officers elected were Frank Heare, president, Barbara Alexander, vice president and Evelyn Heare secretary-treasurer. Next meeting will be December 11 at 6:00 p.m. Potluck meal. Everyone invited. Some others there were Vera Murphy, Vera Nolty, Glady Smyth, Jane Bright, Evelyn Huff, Doyle and Bulah Grimes, Lazell South, Carl and Shirley Williamson, Ina Pearson, Irene Shearer and new members Rilla Rhea and Delynne Dunn. Good to have Vera Nolty back with us after 6 weeks away with a broken hip. She is enjoying being back home and getting

one Bridge and 3 tables 42. "God be with you till we meet again."

around good without a walker or a

cane. We had one table Canasta,

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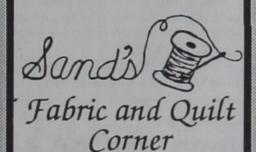
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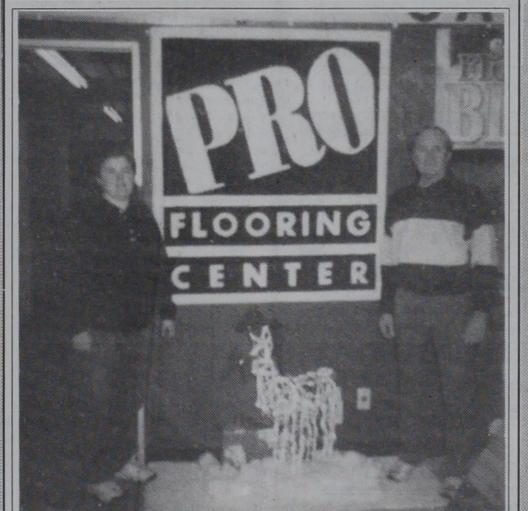
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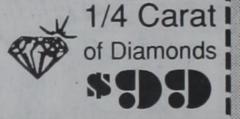
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Chat

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reported the 'sonic boom' type noise Sunday night. Those who happened to be looking outside noticed a bright blue glow. I asked Barbara if she heard the noise-it was not exceptionally loud-it didn't rattle the win-

"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

author of Avalon Books for the month of November. Kent Conwell, the author of 17 books-Westerns, claims to have had a 'Huck Finn' life with his boyhood chums, Jerry Lewis and Donald Oglesby.

census in 1940. It was reported the population was 848, counting 16 Indians camped near a creek on the outskirts of town.

pictures of Sybil's other art class. Again, I was impressed with the talents of some of our local youth. We will run that picture at a later date. -cwe-

The first of the Christmas Drawings went well Saturday. Thanks, Jim and Beth Alvey. Between the drawing and Santa's visit, they were kept quite

'Pampa Business Focus' runs each week in the Times. It requires that I take a picture of each of the businesses listed to be run with the ad. Last week I visited the Art Emporium. Quite a place; if you have an interest in art, make it a point to visit the store. It has only been there since June. -cwe-

Our weekend was short, but enjoybale. We went to OKC and had Sunday dinner with the Meriwether

It was my turn to lose Monday evening at cards. Dwight and I lost all three games; we were skunked. Mike and Bob were the winners. Sometimes nothing goes right.

Wool class. Morgan Nall of Wheeler FFA placed 5th in the lamb Medium Wool class. Rafeal Robles of Wheeler FFA placed 11th in the lamb Medium Wool class. Josh Hardcastle of Wheeler 4-H Club placed 4th in the lamb Medium Wool class. Nick Hardcastle of Wheeler 4-H Club placed 3rd in the lamb Medium Wool class. Amber Maddox of Wheeler 4-H Club placed 9th and 6th in the lamb Medium Wool class. Cari Pigg of Ft. Elliott placed 9th in the lamb Medium Wool class. Brittany Bryan of Ft. Elliott placed 11th in the lamb Medium Wool class. Caleb Gaines of Wheeler 4-H Club placed 13th in the lamb Medium Wool class. Travis Bryan of Ft. Elliott placed 12th in the lamb Medium Wool

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MONDAY

MONDAY, Dec. 11, 2000 - FRI-DAY, Dec. 15, 2000

Breakfast: Cereal, Waffle/Syrup, Sausage, Toast/Jelly, Juice, Milk Lunch: Fish Strips, English Peas, New Potatoes, Macaroni & Cheese, Fruit, Milk

Breakfast: Biscuits/Gravy, Sausage, Juice, Milk

WEDNESDAY Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast, Cereal, Juice, Milk Lunch: Turkey Breast/Gravy, Green

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

FRIDAY

Breakfast: Toast/Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Lunch: Sloppy Joe, Pickle Spear,

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Breakfast: Biscuits, Gravy, Hash Browns, Juice, Milk

Vegetables, New Potatoes, Crescent Rolls, Cherry Cobbler, Milk - Tea TUESDAY Breakfast: Breakfast Burritos, Salsa,

Lunch: Goulash, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Rolls, Chocolate Cake, Milk - Tea

WEDNESDAY Breakfast: Malt-o-Meal, Toast, Juice, Lunch: Philly Steak Sandwiches,

Onions and Peppers, Waffle Fries, Fruit, Milk - Tea THURSDAY Breakfast: Pancakes, Ham, Syrup,

Lunch: Spaghetti, Salad, Corn, Bread Sticks, Fruit, Milk - Tea FRIDAY

Fruit, Juice, Milk Lunch: Hot Dogs w/Chili, French Fries, Cheese, Pork and Beans, Ice

Cream, Milk - Tea (Menu subject to change)

A Wheeler Native is the featured

-cwe-

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class.

TUESDAY

Lunch: Soft Taco/Cheese, Chili Beans, Salad, Fruit, Milk

Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Hot Roll,

Lunch: BBQ Franks, Corn on the Cob, Fried Okra, Bread, Fruit, Milk

French Fries, Fruit, Milk

MONDAY, Dec. 11, 2000 — FRI-DAY, Dec. 15, 2000 MONDAY

Lunch: Meat Loaf, California Blend

Fruit, Juice, Milk

Juice, Milk

Breakfast: Sausage Biscuit, Cheese,

Conwell's father helped with the

I went back Wednesday and took

-cwe-



And the Lord direct your hearts the love of God, and into the patient wait-Another frosty, cold Monday morn-

ing here in Allison, and cold, but very

Darrel and Johnnie Harrison of Amarillo were down last Saturday afternoon. Darrel went to his mother's and picked her up and they went over to Oklahoma and drove around. They planned to visit a relative, but he wasn't home. Johnnie and I visited. They left, going home about five o'clock Saturday evening.

Jerry and Cathy Gilmer came Sunday and attended the United Pentecostal Church Sunday morning. Then we went to Wheeler and ate dinner at Maxeys. We came back to my house and visited and they left, going back to Amarillo about five thirty.

Janice Boydston went to the hospital last Tuesday at Amarillo and had surgery Wednesday morning for the removal of spurs from the back of her neck and replaced a disc in her spine. Roma and Billy Brown were in Clinton, Okla., last Monday taking care of business. And they also visited a grandson, Alton Brown, and

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank all our friends and loved ones, who have showed their love and concerns for us during our time of great sorrow in losing Wayne. Thanks for your prayers, cards, flowers, calls, food, memorials and visits. It is comforting to know that so many care and share our grief.

We do appreciate your praying for him during the time he was battling the horrible brain cancer. He was on so many prayer lists of all denominations and we are confident he has received the ultimate healing and has no more pain or instability.

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Red and Anna spent Thanksgiving at Mineral Wells with Claude and Pat Pewitt. The other of Anna's children were also there. Red and Anna also visited in the home of the children in Paradise. They came home on Mon-

Pearl Harrison went to Wheeler last Thursday and took care of business. From there she went to Elk City and spent the night with Jimmy and Vivian Wallace and Ronnie. She also visited with Dorthy Osborne. She came back through Cheyenne on her way home and visited Thursia Poindexter. Darrel Harrison and his mother, Pearl, made a drive over into Oklahoma to Texola Saturday afternoon. Darrel put up Christmas lights for his mom, when they got back to

Wheeler Sr. Citizens Meet for Fellowship

On December 4 the Wheeler Senior Citizens met in the Senior Center for birthday celebrations, election of officers and a good potluck supper. Enjoying birthday cake of Angel Food were Elva Wood, Jo Redding and Doyle Grimes.

Lou Dean Douthit president conducted the business meeting during which new officers for next year were elected. President is Joyce Perkins, Vice President Jo Redding, Secretary-treasure Elva Wood and Reporter Mary Margaret Dodd.

We would like more Seniors to join us. We have lots of fellowship and

Those present for 88 and Canasta were: Nova Powledge, Willis and Laverna Fillingim, Doyle and Bulah Grimes, Marie Gudgel, Jo Redding, Joyce Perkins, Elsie Hughes, Lou Dean Douthit, Lois Meadows, Evelyn Meek, Elva Wood, Inez Wright, Helen

and Helen Crawford of Allison with Edna doing some chores there and getting her all fixed up for the day.

est power on earth.

A Christmas Love Letter

By: Lorena g. Males

The stores are already full of glittering Christmas gifts but somehow they don't turn me on. The shine seems like a fake. Isn't there something real in the world?

Maybe I'm thinking about Mama. Christmas was her busiest time.

With a family of eight children she worked in our store, part time. Our grandmother, Muner Conley, as we called her, worked in the store every day, rain or shine.

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the Savage family. We did our piano practice first. We used two piano. Our grandmother, Muner Conley, lived two block away and we used her piano

Mama always managed to be at home when the children were at home. Our place was a bee hive of activity with Mama as the queen bee.

Come Christmas our grandmother would say, "Mary, (that's Mama), I know what I want for Christmas. One of your good Christmas letters. (One more thing for Mama to do).

Never mind that Mama hardly ever had a spare minute, my grandmother always got her Christmas letter-a big fat one, at that.

What in the world could the letter contain? These women, a mother-inlaw and a daughter-in-law, saw each other every day. What could be news? What could she write?

Mama wrote of Christmas memories, remembering the big family dinners we always had at Muner Conley's. Mama gave a current report of the children's school grades. She recalled the awful year of the flu epidemic when we all moved in with Muner Conley so she could help take care of the sick ones. Mama reported some local juicy gossip but most of all she wrote "I love you." Writing the tender words was easier than speaking them. This letter gave Mama a chance to say to her mother-in-law. "I love you. Merry Christmas."

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