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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

Second 'Cash' Drawing Will Be Saturday

CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR
By Louis C. Stas

Christmas is fast on the way. There is work to be done.

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Congratulations, Wheeler Mustangettes! The girls won the Samnorwood Basketball tournament.

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Congratulations, are also in order for the Ft. Elliott Cougars! The boys were tournament winners at Samnorwood also.

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Newspaper Deadlines For Holiday Issues Told

The upcoming holidays, Christmas and New Year's, all on Tuesday of this year and require changes in deadlines items to be placed in *The Wheeler Times* for those weeks.

The annual "Christmas Edition" of *The Wheeler Times* will be put in the mail on Christmas Eve, Monday. This will be the publication for the week, Dec. 23-29. Deadline for items to be in the paper will be Friday, December 21, 2001.

The staff of the *Times* will be in the process of contacting businesses and individuals for their annual Christmas greetings.

Santa letters will be printed in the paper at this time.

Deadline for the *Times* for the following week will be Monday, December 31. The January 3, 2002 edition of the paper will go in the mail on the third.

Your cooperation on these "holiday deadlines" will be appreciated.

Remember to **Shop Wheeler** before the holidays and we wish for each of you joyous holidays.

Nathaniel Hillhouse Memorial Toys For Tots

The Fifth 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. Money will be used for toys, clothing or food, as the donor wishes.



RESIDENT & STAFF: Hestel Killingsworth and Jim Downie were named Resident and Employee of the month respectively at Wheeler Care Center for the month of November. Hestel has been a resident of Wheeler County for 73 years and has been a resident of Wheeler Care Center since July 20, 2001. She loves to play cards and dominoes and her favorite thing is to be able to go to church on Sunday morning. She has two children, Virgil Simmons and Elwanda Gille. Jim has worked at Wheeler Care Center for nine years. He is a certified nurse aide and is also a Restorative aide. He is the team leader for shifts 6-2 and 2-10. His wife, Bonnie, works in the laundry department. His daughter, Corinne and son-in-law, Carlos, also work at the care center.

The second of the \$1500 Chamber of Commerce Christmas drawings will be held Saturday, December 15, 2001. \$400 will be given away. The first three drawings will be on Saturday and the final drawing will be on Christmas Eve.

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.

First State Bank To Give 23 Cash Gift Certificates

At the end of the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce 'Cash' Drawing, the First State Bank will be giving away 23 Gift Certificates. Each of the Gift Certificates in the amount of \$25.00 will be redeemable at one of the 23 businesses participating in the 'cash' drawing.

The winners of the Gift Certificates will be drawn from the drawing tickets used for the 'cash' drawing.

The First State Bank has been involved in the giving of Gift Certificates during the Christmas season for the past seven years. Last year was the first time the winners of the gift certificates were drawn from the chamber tickets. This is a great way for the First State Bank and Chamber of Commerce to show appreciation to all the businesses in Wheeler.

Brady Meadows Seeks Re-Election As Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1

Brady Meadows seeks re-election as Justice of the Peace, Pct. 1.

Justice of the Peace, Brady Meadows, has announced that he is seeking re-election to the office of Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1.

Judge Meadows believes in a fair and just system for all.

Judge Meadows would like to thank all the voters for their support in his present term.

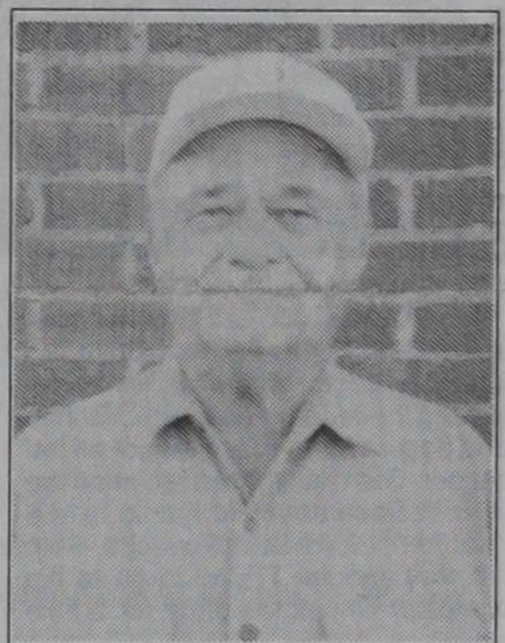
He asks for your vote in the March Democratic Primary election.

(Political ad paid for by Brady Meadows, Box 511, Wheeler, Texas, 79096.)

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

Allison Comm. Choir To Present Program Dec. 16

The Allison Community Choir will present the Christmas Cantata, *What Child Is This?* at the Allison United Methodist Church, Sunday, December 16, 2001, at 6:00 p.m. *What Child Is This?* brings a combination of traditional carols and several new songs that tell the story of the birth of a Child that would change the course of history forever. The musical is directed by Ariel Lohberger and accompanied by Darenda Begert. Come join us as we celebrate the birth of the Christ Child with music and song.



Brady Meadows

'Cash' Drawing Winners Named For Saturday

The giving away of the sixteen envelopes containing \$300 in Wheeler Chamber of Commerce 'Cash' required the drawing of eighteen tickets. Two individuals did not come forward when their name was called.

The first ten tickets drawn were for \$10.

Melanie Alls was called forward twice to receive an envelope containing \$10 'cash'. Hers were the fourth and fifth envelopes handed out.

Vernel Prater had his name drawn twice Saturday. He claimed the seventh and eighth envelopes.

The other six \$10 envelopes went to Connie McMinn, Dallas Deluna, Cheryl Richardson, Rozena Helton, Elva wood and Josh Couch.

Winners of the \$25 envelopes were Robert Jones, Omar Gonzales, Wanda Williams and Clem Helton.

Two envelopes containing \$50 in Wheeler Chamber of Commerce 'cash' went to Robert Jones and Barbara Furler.

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

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 13.

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 November 24, 2001. 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 8, 15, 22 and Monday 24 Christmas eve. 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 Monday, December 24.

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

Wheeler Mustangs Are Named To All-District

Wheeler High School Football—Academic All-Dist. 2001

The following football players have achieved an average of 90 or above in each subject through the end of the second six weeks reporting period: Jake Britt, Dirk Chapman, Gavin McQueen, Tyler Lewis, Dagen Moore, Evan Watts, James Chapman, Blaine Rutherford, Landon Sams.

All District
Defense M.V.P.—Brian Knocke, White Deer

First Team
Defensive Line: Jesse McCellan, Claude; Dirk Chapman, Wheeler; Kirk Kelp, White Deer.

Defensive End: Nick Ball, White Deer; Kade Carthel, Gruver

Linebacker: Gavin McQueen, Wheeler; Jeff Story, White Deer; Lee Eddleman, Claude

Secondary: Ryan Abernathy, Gruver; Dustin Harper, White Deer; James Chapman, Wheeler; Aaron McKean, White Deer

Kick Returner: Aaron McKean, White Deer

Second Team
Defensive Line: B. J. Bonner, Shamrock; Blaine Rutherford, Wheeler; Cody Owens, White Deer

Defensive End: Brad Masters, Wheeler; D. R. Corwell, Claude

Linebacker: Jonathan Robertson, Shamrock; Jody Ferguson, Booker; Zack Christian, Gruver

Secondary: Marcus Haggard, Claude; Eric Eddleman, Claude; David Hernandez, Gruver; Garrett Travis, White Deer; Issac Reyes, White Deer

Honorable Mention
Linebacker: Jake Britt and Joe Salas

Secondary: Brenton Goerend, Wheeler

Offensive M.V.P.: Aaron McKean, White Deer

Offense First Team
Quarterback: Matt Henderson, White Deer

Running Backs: Nick Ball, White Deer; Jody Ferguson, Booker; Eric Eddleman, Claude

Receiver: Dustin Harper, White Deer; Travis Rogers, Booker; Tight End: Gavin McQueen, Wheeler; Kade Carthel, Gruver

Offensive Line: Dirk Chapman, Wheeler; David Ferguson, Booker; Jesse McCellan, Claude; Kirk Kelp, White Deer.

Center: Joe Salas, Wheeler
Punter: Nick Ball, White Deer

Second Team
Quarterback James Chapman, Wheeler

Runningbacks: Chris Gallagher, Wheeler; Jonathan Robertson, Shamrock; Issac Reyes, White Deer; Zack Christian, Gruver

Receiver: Brian Knocke, White Deer; Marcus Haggard, Claude; Ryan Abernathy, Gruver

Tight End: Byron Norton, White Deer; Offensive line: B. J. Bonner, Shamrock; Jeff Story, White Deer; Tyler Lewis, Wheeler; Joshua Abernathy, Gruver

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 ar-

Masters Named 'Outstanding College Player'

Tarleton State tight end Kyle Masters has been the Outstanding College Football Player of the Month by the Sports Committee of the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce, it was announced Monday.

The Sports Committee will present Masters with the award, which goes to Amarillo area standouts, this Thursday at its monthly gathering. Masters, a 6-2, 220-pound redshirt freshman, is a native of Wheeler, Texas, which is located about 100 miles east of Amarillo in the Texas panhandle.

Masters is being honored for the month of November, when he helped the Texans to their first-ever Lone



Kyle Masters

Melvin May, 68, Buried In Pampa December 18

Melvin May, 68, died Saturday, December 8, 2001. Services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Central Baptist Church with Dr. Derrell Monday, pastor and the Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor, officiating. Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery by Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mr. May was born January 22, 1933, in Wheeler. He graduated from Wheeler High School in 1952. He married Helen Marie Johnson on Jan. 16, 1953, in Wheeler by Rev. M. B. Smith.

He served in the Army during the Korean Conflict as an anti-aircraft artillery radar operator. He was a resident of Wheeler-Mobeetie area until 1995, when he moved to Pampa.

He worked in the sand and gravel business as well as custom harvesting with his dad, Amos. He also was involved in farming and ranching and was an independent insurance agent and bank president.

He worked for a while with his son, Gary, in oil field contracting and worked with various auction services. He served as deacon at First Baptist Church of Mobeetie and First Baptist Church of Wheeler, and served as congregational song leader in Mobeetie.

He was a member of Central Baptist church, where he served as an usher and was a member of the Adult Six Men's Sunday School Class. He was a Gideon. He was a member of the Tex-Mex Diablos of the Carriage Travel Club, serving as president.

He was a loving and loved husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He had a special place in his heart for children.

He was preceded in death by his father and mother, Amos and Faye May.

Survivors include his wife, Helen; a daughter, Debbie Stribling and husband, Tom, of Dumas; two sons, Jackie May and wife, Pat of Amarillo and Gary May and wife, Carolyn of Diana; two sisters, Lois Harris and husband, Charles, of Pampa and Melba Robertson and husband, Glenn, of Bay City; grandchildren, Jackie Don and Kellie May, both of Fritch, Tony Salas and Amanda Salas, both of Mobeetie, Brandee Stribling of Olton, Wesley Stribling and Anna Stribling, both of Canyon and Travis May and Clayton May, both of Diana; three foster grandchildren, Darius, Brittani and Jerome, all of Dumas; five great-grandchildren, Peyton May and Shelton May, both of Fritch, Jayton, Garrett and Jarrett Childress, all of Mobeetie; and two step-great-grandchildren, Lynessa and Deirdra Salas, both of Mobeetie.

The family suggests memorials be to Central Baptist Church Building Fund, 513 E. Francis, Pampa, Texas 79065.

Star Conference football championship and NCAA playoff appearance. He caught six balls for 54 yards in November, including a 3-yard touchdown pass in Tarleton's 28-24 playoff win at Chadron State (Neb.).

For the year, Masters was one of seven Tarleton players to rack up at least 20 receptions, finishing with 24 grabs for 390 yards and two TDs. He also was a key blocker on Tarleton's high-powered offensive unit that tallied at least 400 yards in 10 of 13 games.

This honor is just one of several in recent weeks for Masters. He has been named Daktronics first team All-West Region and honorable mention All-LSC South Division, in addition to gaining LSC South Division Freshman of the Year acclaim.

Tarleton's football squad reached the national quarterfinals and finished with a 10-3 record, marking the second-most victories in school history.

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Wheeler Meth. Youth To Hold Ping-Pong Tourney

The Wheeler United Methodist Youth invite everyone in the area 6th grade all the way to 100 years of age to participate in their Holiday Ping-Pong tournament. This tournament is free and refreshments will be served.

When: December 29th, 2001
Practice from 5:00pm to 5:45pm; tournament starts at 6:00pm Where: United Methodist Church in Wheeler

Age Divisions: 6th to 8th grade (boys and girls divisions) 9th to 12th grade (boys and girls divisions) Adults (men's and women's divisions) Doubles (can be any age and gender)

For more information or to enter the tournament contact: Church Office (9:00am to 3:00pm) 826-3114 William Burch 826-5926 Bob Stiles 826-5244

Come out and join us for a fun time and good fellowship!

Girl's Basketball Game Statistics Are Reported

The Wheeler girls basketball team took on Higgins Wednesday, December 5, 2001, at Wheeler. The final score was Wheeler 68, Higgins 24.

Scoring

Player	2's	3's	FTA	To.
Andrea Jones	3	3	0	6
L. Finsterwald	5	4	5	24
K. Marion	1	1	2	2
Cassi Brown	5	3	1	11
Heather Leven	3	2	2	8
Amy Osborne	3	3	1	15
S. Shipp	1	0	0	2
S. Hampton	1	1	0	2
Team	21	7	14	58

Score by Quarter

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Wheeler	19	31	53	68	
Higgins	4	16	18	24	

The Wheeler girls basketball team participated in the Samnorwood Tournament over the weekend. They were awarded the first place trophy, having defeated McLean, Miami and Ft. Elliott.

The final score in Wheeler vs. McLean was Wheeler 66, McLean 33.

Player	Points	Reb.	Ass.	St.
A. Jones	4	5	2	10
L. Finsterwald	5	2	4	3
T. Hudgins	3	4	1	7
C. Brown	8	1	1	17
H. Leven	2	1	0	4
A. Osborne	3	2	10	

Score by Quarter

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Wheeler	25	31	14	7	
Miami	10	18	27	33	

The final score in Wheeler vs. Maimi was Wheeler 69, Miami 34.

Player	Points	Reb.	Ass.	St.
A. Jones	2	4	4	
L. Finsterwald	7	3	4	1
T. Hudgins	3	5	4	10
C. Brown	5	12	6	16
H. Leven	5	10	10	
A. Osborne	2	3	1	5

Score by Quarter

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Wheeler	33	54	69		
Miami	7	12	22	34	

The final score in Wheeler vs. Ft. Elliott was Wheeler 40, Ft. Elliott 38

Player	Points	Reb.	Ass.	St.
L. Finsterwald	10	6	4	24
T. Hudgins	1	4	1	3
C. Brown	3	6	6	
H. Leven	1	1	0	2
A. Osborne	1	1	2	0

Ft. Elliott:

Player	Points	Reb.	Ass.	St.
Mick	1	7	6	8
McCurley	5	3	0	10
Hartline	8	8	4	20

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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your family and come see us December 26, 2001, for all your banking
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FIRST STATE BANK

MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Melba Corcoran

Several of the residents have their Christmas lights up. It is nice to drive around and see the lights. Antonio and Amanda Salas have theirs in blue when just down the street Ernest and Brenda Lancaster have their

house in red. Eugene and Lois Shorter also have quite a few lights up. Gaylord and Pam Thompson, Mr. & Mrs. Jim Love, Judy Cloud, and Fredrick and Jackie Thrasher also have up their lights.

The Wheeler County Sheriff department broke up a drug house in Mobeetie this week. Rocky Ricketts was arrested at the scene.

The Fireman and Police officers group that were bicycling across the country to thank people for their support in New York City interviewed

Dale Corcoran. The spokesmen for the group were in a car and were doing a tape of their trip across the country. They came to the Museum and interviewed Dale.

Dale and Melba Corcoran took Lorene Rector to Amarillo to see about her eyeglasses and to take a water sample for the city. They also visited with Lynn Rector.

Pete and Sue Seitz left Wednesday to go see Barry and Terri Corcoran, Cody, Justin and Nolan in Biloxi, MS.

Melvin May was transfer to the Hospital in Amarillo. He is on a respirator. They can not get the fluid out of his lungs and oxygen into his blood. Melvin passed away Saturday night. Remember his family in your prayers. Our sympathy goes out to the family.

Mt. View Quilting Club met Thursday with Audrey Seitz as hostess. Those attending were Jane Seitz, Elva Wood, Estelle Hodges, Audrey Seitz, Augusta Brown, Charlotte Coward and Melba Corcoran.

XYZ met Friday night with President Marion Grimes in charge of the meeting. Birthday persons were Doyle Grimes, Martha Meek and Melba Corcoran. The program was presented by Martha Meek, which was singing of Christmas songs with Doris Finsterwald playing the piano. Those enjoying the meal were Marion Grimes, Orville Greenhouse, Lorene Rector, Doris Finsterwald, Estelle Hodges, Doyle and Bulah Grimes, J. P. and Martha Meek, Willis and Verna Fillingim and Dale and Melba Corcoran. Games of 42 and

Chickenfoot were enjoyed by all.

Mae Bailey reported that her son-in-law Glen Hughes got a good report from the doctor in Dallas. They removed the feeding tube and stitches and assured him they had got all the cancer. Glen has to start radiation the 26th of December. He has to take 5 treatments a week for 7 weeks. Glen felt well enough Friday to go to his company Christmas party for a little while.

Hugh and Mae Bailey took their great granddaughters Bailey and Taylor McAlpine for a ride Saturday. The girls wanted to go fishing while they were at Skipout Lake instead of going on to Cheyenne for dinner.

Donna Kay Dickey of Wheeler and Mae Bailey shopped in Elk City Thursday and had lunch.

Densel and Fern Reed and Dale



THE WHEELER TIMES

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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

and Melba Corcoran visited Saturday night with Pauline Hooker in Wheeler.

Patsy Caswell took Karly and her cousins to see the nutcracker on Saturday. They all reported having a real good time.

Jess Mixon fell and skinned his arm Saturday. Jess is in Parkview Hospital in Wheeler for being dehydrated. They are trying to get his heart medicine regulated.

Peyton and Shelton May of Fritch were with grandparents Tim and Sallie Adcock for church Sunday.

Aaron and Arica Lancaster visited in Pampa Monday with Helen May and at the hospital with Maida Allen.

Those enjoying a birthday party Sunday afternoon at the home of Earnest and Brenda Lancaster in honor of Earnest, Brenda and Aaron Lancaster were Harry Sims, Laura Fern Selby, Ada Lou Lester, Andrea Taylor and Michelle Selby, Felix and Jean Taylor, Paul & Clarise Hathaway, Wade and Gayla Hathaway, Kent and Debbie McLaughlin, Carroll and Debbie White, Curt and Mindy Duncan, Aaron and Arica Lancaster, Bill and Virginia Ridgway, Earnest and Brenda Lancaster, Dale and Melba Corcoran. Those enjoying a children party at the home of Aaron and Arica Lancaster at the same time were Dustin and Cole White, Jason, Andrea and Brandon Hathaway, Nathan and Corey McLaughlin, Hayden and Gatlin Duncan, Stormi and Lamari Lancaster. There were several good gag gifts for the birthday people.

Bill and Patsy Caswell visited Sunday afternoon in Pampa at the home of Helen May.

Dale and Melba Corcoran went to Elk City Monday for Melba's laser surgery to remove some cloudy tissue from behind her eye. She will have the other eye done next Tuesday.

Ray and Mary Helen Corcoran of Weimar visited this week with Marie Gudgeon in Wheeler, Ariza Corcoran in McLean, and with Aaron and Arica Lancaster and Ernest and Brenda Lancaster, Stormi and Lamari.

Maida Allen is in the hospital in Pampa. Remember her in your prayers.

Monday afternoon Dale and Barbara Richardson of Elk City and Ivy Richardson of Erick visited with Gladys Richardson and Leola Stuart.

Brother Bob Meller was honored Friday night with a birthday party at

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FRIDAY NIGHTS

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ALLISON MENU

MONDAY, December 17, 2001 —
FRIDAY, December 21, 2001

MONDAY
Breakfast: Breakfast Sandwich,
Ham, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Chicken Strips, Broccoli n
Cheese, Fries, Hot Rolls, Ice Cream,
Milk

TUESDAY
Breakfast: Pancakes, Waffles, Bacon,
Juice, Milk
Lunch: Chef Salad, Macaroni Salad,
Cherry Salad, Grilled Cheese Sandwich,
Fruit, Milk

WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Breakfast Burrito, Juice,
Milk
Lunch: Ravioli, French Bread, Fruit,
Milk

THURSDAY
Breakfast: Cereal, Malt o Meal,
Toast, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Corn Dogs, Fries, Fruit, Milk

FRIDAY
Breakfast: No School
Lunch:
(Menu subject to change)

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OLD JAIL MUSEUM NEWS

Tuesday Bill Elliott, Joe VanZandt, Dale Corcoran and Jimmy Hill went to Pampa and moved three desks given to the museum Bill Finsterwald joined the group at the museum and helped get the desk moved upstairs. Dutch Elliott and Melba Corcoran got every thing ready for the desk. Louise Hogan came after lunch and helped putting things up. The desks are nice wood and will be a big help to the workers. Bill Elliott and Dale Corcoran cut two trees down at the museum Saturday. They were getting ready to set out the new trees. Don Burke cut and fixed a hanging file boards for Melba's desk. He also put up a key holder for the museum keys. Willene Burke helped him with the items.

Old Mobeetie Texas Association held their regular meeting Thursday night with President Dale Corcoran calling the meeting to order. Louise Hogan gave the opening prayer. Secretary Bobby Hill read minutes for October and November. Motion by Jay Godwin and second by Maurita Stribling to accept as read. Carried. Louise Hogan treasurer gave the financial report. Motion by Maurita Stribling and second by Bill Finsterwald to accept the report as given. Carried. Melba Corcoran gave the visitors report of 198 with 20 from out of state. She also reported that 126,5 volunteer hours for November. There is 15827 catalog sheets completed with 32901 items.

Louise Hogan reported that we had 10967 hits on the Internet web site with an average of 365.5 a day.

Old business was the restroom policy. Jay Godwin presented a draft for the restroom policy. Melba Corcoran made a motion to accept the policy. Second by Dutch Elliott. Motion carried.

Melba Corcoran reported on the music festival plans.

Bobby Hill reported a grant had been sent in for funds to preserve the old newspaper. The Grant if received will provide \$1,000 to a \$3976.00 project the Association will have to come up with the balance. This grant will only preserve the oldest newspapers at this time. It includes a cabinet to put the papers in and sleeves to put the papers in where they can be read with out touching the papers.

Bobby Hill presented some books that she picked up at the Travel Bureau where the Museum can be advertised. She will look into some of these.

Joe VanZandt reported that 4 oak trees had been purchase for the museum to be put out in the seating area to help replace the elms that have been damaged by the ice storms.

Mobeetie (from Page 2)

the home of his mother Betty Meller in Higgins. His children were there to help him celebrate along with Nadine Lane from Allison.

Estelle Hodges, and Doyle and Bulah Grimes attended the Senior Citizen in Miami Monday night.

Word has been received that Vercie Godwin Dysart is in the hospital in Amarillo with her heart remember her in your prayer.

Our Sympathy goes out to the Newman Family of the death of their youngest sister Lenora. She passes away recently in California.

Jack Hefley went to Elk City on business Monday. Then he had lunch with Billy James and Mark Hefley.

Bernice Hefley went to White Deer Monday to watch Heather Hampton play basketball.

Dale and Barbara Richardson of Elk City visited Saturday with Gladys Richardson and Leola Stuart.

Sunday Leola Stuart and Gladys Richardson visited in Wheeler with Gerald and Sheryl Richardson Katie and Tyler.

COUGAR NEWS

Events for the week High School Basketball Tournament at Fort Elliott start Dec. 13 to 15. Dec. 15 is Perryton Jackpot Stock Show.

Dec. 17 is 2nd hour semester test. Dec. 17 to Dec. 21 is Dead Week no activities after 4 P.M.

Dec. 18 9:30 K - 5th to Kelton (Christmas Program) 3rd and 6th hour semester tests

Dec. 19 1st. and 5th hour semester tests

Dec. 20th 4th and 7th hour semester tests.

Dec. 21 4:00 P.M. High School Basketball Varsity and junior varsity in Shamrock Tournament. End of third 6 weeks and 1st Semester.

New Business; The museum now have gift certificates that can be sold in quantities of \$5.00.

Louise Hogan is to reorder the new pens for sell. This will be the 3rd order.

It was suggested that we try to get the "The Last Roses" to perform at the museum. The Last Roses is a program put on the base of some old love letters found after the Civil War. Jay Godwin will report on how it was received at Lipscomb when it was put on there.

Fund raising ideas were discussed. Bobby Hill reported on the meeting on the Red River Wars that were attended by Louise Hogan, Maurita Stribling, Bobby Hill and Melba Corcoran.

There will be no workday this month. Motion to adjourn by Bill Finsterwald and second by Joe VanZandt.

Those attending were Bill Finsterwald, Joe VanZandt, Bernice Hefley, Maurita Stribling, Louise Hogan, Jay Godwin, Geoff Caldwell, Don and Willene Burke, Bill and Dutch Elliott, and Dale and Melba Corcoran.

ALLISON NEWS
By Christine Gilmer

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Been having some cold mornings but warms up pretty nice into the day. Ruby Craig and Rhonda McWhorter were in Amarillo last Friday doing some shopping, and they also visited with Lisa Farmer and boys, Calvin was working.

Jerry and Cathy Gilmer from Amarillo visited with me Sunday afternoon. They did attend the United Pentecostal Sunday morning. The church had their church Christmas dinner early this past Sunday. Had several visitors to come in and eat with us and visit. It was a very blessed and enjoyable day. We had two visiting ministers, Rev. Crawford Coon from Jena, La., and his son, Greg Coon from Lufkin, Tx. They did some wonderful and spiritual preaching both Sunday morning and Sunday night as well as last Wednesday night.

Last Monday Opal and Juanita Boydston attended Edith Levitt's 100th birthday celebration at Wheeler Care Center. Juanita and Penny Brown went with Billy Brown to Pampa to see the eye doctor. Last Saturday Opal and Juanita shopped in Wheeler.

Roma and Billy Brown's last Thursday overnight guests were their son, Larry Brown from Melvern, Ark., and Larry's son, Gehrig, and his family from Oklahoma City. Roma and Billy shopped in Elk City last Saturday and ate dinner at Long John Silvers.

Peggy Chandler, Melvin and Betty Sue Stinnett took Jennie Walker to the doctor at Elk City last Monday. On Sunday Peggy, Betty Sue and Melvin were dinner guests at Brad and Sue Chandler's home.

Others there were Jana Chandler and Shea and Bridget Weatherly, Audra and Hogan from Amarillo. They also had an early gift exchange for Christmas.

Red and Anna Dukes and Minnie Bell Vinson were in Elk City last Monday for Red to see the doctor. Last Wednesday Red and Anna attended the funeral of Worth Shields at Dozier, Tx. On Tuesday Red and Anna went to a ball game at Samnorwood. Sunday Red and Anna and Minnie Bell Vinson went to the Hill Top Cafe after Sunday morning and ate dinner and also visited Ruth Hughes Sunday Afternoon in Reydon.

Pete and Margaret Gilmer were in Amarillo last Tuesday doing some Christmas shopping and Margaret also saw the doctor. They spent a couple of nights with Becky and Jeannie Gilmer and did visit Rodney and Linda Ingersoll and Andrew. On Pete and Margaret's way home they stopped in Pampa for her to see the eye doctor.

Armenda Jones from Tulia came to her sister's home, Rita Grayson's last Tuesday, and spent Tuesday and Wednesday night with Rita. On Thursday morning they drove to Dallas and spent the night with Peary and Vicki Hall and on Friday morning Rita and Armenda flew to Nashville, Tenn., and spent two nights at Opraland Hotel then flew back to Dallas Sunday afternoon. They drove back to Allison Monday morning. Armenda spent the night with Rita and drove home to Tulia on Tuesday. Rita said they had a wonderful time.

Bryant and Tess Markham of Shamrock have a new baby boy, born December 6 at Elk City. He was Welcomed by his older brother, Ky. The new baby's name is Paden Louis. Grandparents are Tim and Debbie Jones of Allison and Darrel and Kathy Heinsohn of Sweetwater, Tx. Great grandparents are E. L. and Wilma Fouiler of Sweetwater, Ok and Rita Grayson of Allison.

Pearl Harrison, Louise Boydston and Wanda Walker attended the funeral of Edrae Berry of Cheyenne last Monday. Pearl, Louise and Wanda also visited Della Schmith, who was

The ornament of a house is the friends who frequent it. There is no event greater in life than the appearance of new persons about our hearth, except it be the progress of the character which draws them.

—Ralph Waldo Emerson

When mind soars in pursuit of the things conceived in space, it pursues emptiness. But when the man dives deep within himself, he experiences the fullness of existence.

—Meher Baba

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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

in the hospital at Cheyenne. From their they went to Wheeler Care Center and attended Edith Levitt's 100th birthday celebration.

Stephanie and Justin Walker helped Pearl put up her Christmas tree last Thursday morning and decorated it. They were also Pearl's dinner guests. Pearl was dinner guest with Clifton and Louise Boydston last Saturday.

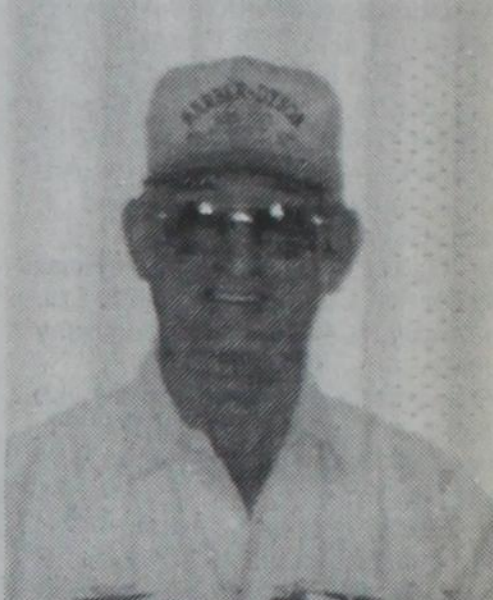
Bill Stiles, the pastor of the Allison First Baptist Church, and some of the Allison ladies went to the Care Center at Wheeler last Sunday afternoon and entertained the residents there. The pastor also gave a little talk.

Justin and Stephanie Walker spent Saturday night in Lubbock to attend a

Christmas celebration. The company Justin works for, Cellular One. They had a good time and got home Sunday night.

Ruby Craig attended the Wheeler school band concert last Sunday afternoon at the school. Ruby's grandson, Tyler McWhorter, plays in the band.

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



AWARDS: Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) recently awarded the Wheeler County Maintenance Sections service awards for their years of employment with TxDOT. Craig Clark, Childress District Engineer, presented these awards. "We appreciate the years of hard work and dedication of these TxDOT employees and look forward to many more years of service", said Clark. Shown here is Jimmie Lax, 25 years. Justin Rose, not pictured received 15 year award.

WHEELER MENU

MONDAY, December 17, 2001 — FRIDAY, December 21, 2001
MONDAY
Breakfast: Cold or Hot Cereal, Buttered Toast, Juice, Milk
Lunch: BBQ Franks, Cornbread, Brown Beans, Calif. Blend Veg. w/ Cheese, Fruit, Milk
TUESDAY
Breakfast: Biscuits/Gravy, Sausage Patty or Frozen Yogurt, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Ham, Breaded Squash, Sweet Potato, Hushpuppies, Fruit, Milk
WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Panckae Pup or Waffle w/ Syrup, Toast, Milk, Juice
Lunch: Chicken Fried Steak, w/ Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Hot Roll, Fruit, Milk
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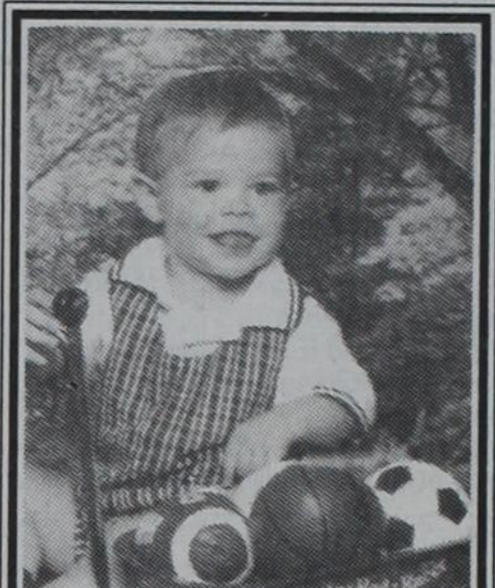
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Wheeler County COURT RECORDS

List of instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's Office from December 3, 2001 — December 7th, 2001.

DECEMBER 3, 2001
 D—M. Glenn Richerson, et ux to Neal Mason Raymond, et ux, 11-30-01, NW 1/4 Sec. 34, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
 RDT—National Bank of Commerce to Harold Dale Estes, et ux, 11-30-01, 1.7 acs. E 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 4, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
 DT—Horsecastle Petroleum Properties LLC, et al to PCF Partners LLC, 11-6-01, See Instrument.
 A. of JUDG.—High Plains Baptist Hospital to Janice Griffin, 11-30-01.
 ASSIGN.—Marlene Juarez to Angelica Cisneros, 11-27-01, Sec. 4, Camp County School Land.
 OL—City of Wheeler to Green River Exploration Company, 8-20-01, Pts. Sec. 5, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
 AFF—John E. T. Ivester to Beulah Gene Ivester, et al, 10-23-01, Secs. 34 and 35, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
 OL—Sebits Properties Trust to G H Land Company LLC, 9-24-01, E 1/2 Sec. 22, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.
 OL—David H. Tripp, et ux to G H Land Company LLC, 9-24-01, E 1/2 Sec. 31, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.
 SUB. TRUSTEES DEED—Dustin D. Weatherly to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, 11-6-01, Lot 3, Blk. 1, Parklane Add., Wheeler.
 TDT—Bank One NA, et al to Union Bank of California NA, 11-27-01, See Instrument.
 SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT—First State Bank of Miami, Texas, et al to First State Bank of Miami Texas, et al, 11-20-01, Sec. 4, Blk. 1, Brooks & Burlinson Survey.
 ASSIGN. OVERRID. ROY.—SMR Natural Gas Production LLC to Focus Energy Inc., 11-1-01, See Instrument.
 DT—Focus Energy Inc. to Bank One, NA, 11-2-01, See Instrument.
 C/C PROBATE—Earl Dee Alexander to Ex Parte, 11-21-01, See Instrument.
 HEIRSHIP AFF.—Diana L. Clinton to Grance Dona O'Neill, 9-24-01.
 REL. STL—State of Texas to Revela L. Emmert, 11-30-01.
DECEMBER 4, 2001
 D—Albert S. Thomas, et al to John W. Sparkman, et ux, 11-27-01, SE 1/4 & Pt. NE 1/4 Sec. 36, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
 D—Demarius Thomas to John W. Sparkman, et ux, 12-3-01, SE 1/4 & Pt. NE 1/4 Sec. 36, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

Querido amigo(a) como te encuentras hoy. **SUFRES POR QUE NO TIENES REY ?**
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DVL—Jake J. Price, et ux to Roger Craig, et ux, 12-3-01, Lots 1 and 2, Blk. E, Potts Add., Shamrock.
 DT—Roger Craig, et ux to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, 12-3-01, Lots 1 and 2, Blk. E, Potts Add., Shamrock.
 DVL—Jerry Dan Hefley, et ux to William W. Edwards, 12-3-01, Pt. SE 1/4 Sec. 6, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
 DT—William W. Edwards, et ux to Wheeler Banking Center, 12-3-01, Pt. SE 1/4 Sec. 6, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
 RDT—Wheeler Banking Center to Jerry Dan Hefley, et ux, 12-3-01, Pt. SE 1/4 Sec. 6, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
 DVL—Donald E. Blackketter, et al to Hamilton Holdings LP, 11-5-01, See Instrument.
 BILL OF SALE—LBH Investments Inc., et al to Hamilton Holdings, 11-

5-01, See Instrument.
 DT—Hamilton Holdings LP, et al to American Bank, 11-26-01, See Instrument.
 DT—Hamilton Holdings LP, et al to American Bank, 11-26-01, See Instrument.
 DT—Hamilton Holding LP, et al to Midway Truck and Travel Center, 11-5-01, See Instrument.
 EXECUTOR RDT RVL—Royce Cantrell, et ux to North Little Rock Medical Properties Inc., 11-28-01, See Instrument.
 RELEASE—Donald E. Blackketter, et al to Texaco, Inc., 11-29-01, E 175' of Lots 24-26, Blk. 1, HSA, Shamrock.
 AFF—James C. Fling to Dr. Joe E. Lester, 11-29-01.
 AFF—James C. Fling to Dr. Donald E. Blackketter, 11-29-01.
 AFF—Joe K. Lester, et al to The Public, 10-8-01, Lots 17 and 18, Blk. 1, Tarbet Add., Shamrock.
 RDT. RVL—National Bank of Commerce to Daryl Conner, et ux, 11-27-01, Lots 7-9, Blk. 19, Shamrock.
 RDT—Wellington State Bank to Joe E. Lester, et al, 11-29-01, See Instrument.
 RDT—Wellington State Bank to Midway Truck and Travel Center, —

Oil & Gas NEWS

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**GRAY (GILL RANCH Brown Dolomite) Ricks Exploration, Inc., #1 Moore, Sec. 1, S,H&GN, spud 3-7-01, drlg. compl 3-18-01, tested 102-01, potential 303 MCF, TD 4505' — GRAY (N.E. HOOVER Ellenburger 'B') Newfield Exploration Mid-Con, Inc., #702 Ruth, Sec. 2,3I&GN, spud 8-22-01, drlg. compl. 9-9-01, tested 10-19-01, potential 306 MCF, TD 9250'
ROBERTS (PARSELL Upper Morrow) Range Production Co., #1 Pioneer, Sec. 31,43,H&TC, spud 6-21-01, drlg. compl 9-13-01, tested 9-25-01, potential 23429 MCF, TD 10409'****

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Chat (from Page 1)

Congratulations, to the young men named on the All-District Football team.

Sorry for the delay in print the teams, but I had missed seeing them. They were brought in Monday.

Congratulations, Brad Masters! He was named Outstanding College Football Player.

This issue of *The Wheeler Times* marks the beginning of our 69th year of publication. I have been at the paper for over 41 of those years. I appreciate each of you, you are family.

Remember the Nathaniel Hillhouse Memorial Toys for Tots. Share with someone not as fortunate as you.

The deadline for the *Times* for the holidays is printed elsewhere on page 1. The holidays falling in the middle

of the week certainly puts things in a mess.

We are busy typing **Santa Letters** for the December 24 edition of the *Times*. If you have not yet gotten your youngster's letter into the office, **time is running out!**

We do appreciate those who sent their letters in early.

Barbara went into the hospital in Elk City Thursday morning for surgery. She came back home Sunday afternoon. She is recovering.

Thanks to the Meriwethers, I did not have to spend much time at the hospital.

Kathleen Cross came early Thursday and stayed until late afternoon. Thanks!

Thanks, Patricia Forrester, for taking time out from retirement this

DECEMBER 5, 2001

DVL—Kay Robinson Anderson et ux to Jerry Don, Horton, Jr. et ux, 12-5-01, Lots 7-9, Blk. 12, OT, Wheeler.
 DT—Jerry Don Horton Jr, et ux to Wheeler Banking Center, 12-5-01, Lots 7-9, Blk. 12, OT, Wheeler.
 DT—Ranjital Vallabh, et al to National Bank of Commerce, Shamrock, 11-1-01, Blk. IXXVII, Lots 1-4, Blk IXXVIII, OT, Shamrock.
 RDT—Pauline Benson to Quinton D. Brown, et ux, 7-6-01, Lots 11,12 Blk. 2, PBA, Shamrock.
 DT—Joe C. Richardson, Jr., et al to PNB Financial Bank, 9-25-01, N 1/2 Sec 16, 17, 25, Blk. A-5.
 AMEND DT—SMR Natural Gas Production LLC to Union Bank of California, NA, 11-29-01, See Instrument.
 DVL—Walter Carranza, et ux to Gerardo Almanza, et ux, 11-26-01, Pt. Blk. 54, Stanley Add, Wheeler.
 DT—Gerardo Almanza, et ux to Wheeler Banking Center, 12-5-01, Pt. Blk. 54, Stanley Add, Wheeler.
DECEMBER 6, 2001
 D—Ruby Amanda Zybach, et al to Shawn David, Zybach, et ux, 12-3-01, 10.12 acs., Sec. 16, Blk. RE.
 ASSIGN—Vintage Petroleum, Inc to Jeff Tasson et al, 11-7-01, Sec. 28, Blk. A-8.
 C C MERGER—J. Cooper West LLC, et al to J. Cooper West LLC, 12-28-01.
DECEMBER 7, 2001
 DVL—Michael Joe Hobbs, et ux to Billie Pasley, 12-4-01, Lot 9, Blk. 4, Mont-Law Add, Shamrock.
 DT—Billie Pasley to First National Bank of Amarillo, 12-4-01, Lot 9, Blk. 4, Mont-Law Add, Shamrock.
 HOMESTEAD DESIGN—Billie Pasley to The Public, 12-4-01, Lot 9, Blk. 4, Mont-Law Add, Shamrock.
 CC PROB PROC—J. Oliver Gooch to Ex-Parte, 12-4-01.
 A OF JUDG—Daniel Dean, et ux to Wade Garner, 12-4-01.
 POA—Annie Ruth Lee to Nancy Ruth Pierce, 12-7-01.

T. Stevens to Play in Regional Tourney

The Division of Recreational Sports at Tarleton State University sent three teams to the Flag Football Regional Tournament held in November on the campus of Baylor University. The "Polywogs" represented Tarleton in the mens division; the "Storm" was the womens division entry; and "BOHICA" was the co-rec team.
 Storm and BOHICA both reached the single elimination pool in the tourney but neither was able to advance.
 The womens team blasted Navarro College's "Power Puffs" 26-0 and downed Baylor's "Fish All Stars" 12-6 before losing to Oklahoma State University 6-0 in the single elimination bracket.

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week and helping with the paper!
 Ronal and Juanita brought Ronal Jr. over Saturday to spend the day at the hospital. Yes, we had the cards.
 Barbara did not have to sit up and play cards Monday evening, but the rest of us played. Mike and I won the first game and lost the second to Bob and Dwight. Rhonda and Leroy arrived in time for the third game.
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FRIDAY: Tuna Casserole, Carrots, Bread/Margarine, Bread Pudding



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Sweetwater News

By Lois Flowers

December 7, Pearl Harbor Day! A lot of us can remember that day 60 years ago. I am surprised it isn't a national holiday, but the mail ran as usual.

Our post mistress, Bonnie Rice, hasn't been well this week. Vikki Fowler has been keeping the post office.

We had quite a weekend. Rather hectic. The electricity went off around here Sunday for awhile. When it came back on, my water pump failed to ante. Curtis Austin came Monday afternoon and got it to going.

Everyone is excited about Christmas and Santa Claus. Many years ago he came to our house. Tony was four or so. There was a knock on the door and in bounced Santa, red suit and sack of toys. After a while Joe came in from chasing the cows. Tony started telling him the wonderful news and wound up, "And Daddy, he had shoes just like yours!"

Betty Anderson stopped by for a cup of coffee with Stella Jenkins Thursday.

Saw where Marty Haag won a journalist award. I wonder if he's one of my Haag cousins?

Erick is really getting ready for Christmas. Their nativity group is wonderful.

Funeral services were at the Elk Martin Chapel for Clyde and Lillian Wann with burial in the Fairlawn Cemetery. Their daughters, Louise Kellog and Anne Freeman used to teach at Sweetwater. Our deepest sympathy to them.

We appreciate the FFA members for putting up the Christmas lights, also cleaning and mowing. Kathy Henson tells me they are taking donations.

OETA had a 90 minute program honoring Bob Wills and the Texas Plowboys. They played in the days of radio on a Tulsa Station. My daddy seldom missed a program. While just a kid, I resolved to marry a good fiddler and did.

No real rain since May. Weatherman says chances of showers in 10 days. This is a beautiful day. I still have blue birds, blue jays, cardinals and sparrows, plus 3 squirrels eating grain.

COUNTRY NEWS

By Verna Fillingim

1 Peter 1: 24-25: "All our greatness is like a flower that droops and falls; but the word of the Lord will last forever." Amen!

Happy Birthday to Sue Gaines and Amy Huff on December 16; Leona Coates, Chad Hefner on Dec. 17; Samantha Chapman, Missy Laverly, Ida Mae Goad and Bob Carey on Dec. 18; Rick Hargrove, Rylee Baker, Charlene Dukes, Kimberly Childress and Georgia Dea Holland on Dec. 19;

Jo Redding, Bob Wills and Shelia Touchstone on Dec. 20; Carrie Harris on Dec. 21; Martha Meek, Lois Hudson and Barbara Hodges on Dec. 22.

Happy Anniversary to Bill and Virginia Ridgway on Dec. 16; Bill and Wynema Stewart, Tom and Alice Bell Helton and Royce and Claudia Marlon on Dec. 17; Kevin and Pam Ratliff and Mack and Linda Sides on Dec. 19; Ronny and Melanie Alls and Thurman and Bobbye Horn on Dec. 20; Toby and Kloette Henson and Bill and Melinda Stiles on Dec. 21; and C. H. and Ann Wright on Dec. 22.

Nice to have a Christmas card and letter from Dan and Karon Cogburn of Elk City, Idaho. Many years ago Dan was song leader for revival at

Gageby Church for a week, accompanied by wife, Karon and boys, Jesse, 11, and Jason, 13. I was apprehensive about them staying with us for a week but it was a fun time to have these sweet Christian people. Jason is now married and they have two "deluxe grandchildren" and are going to be home for Christmas.

The Ft. Elliott High School basketball tournament will start Thursday, Dec. 13, at Briscoe. Teams expected to play are Higgins, Wheeler, Allison, Samnorwood, Miami, Shamrock and Ft. Elliott. Holy Cross dropped out, so hoping to find another. Ft. Elliott will play Samnorwood girls at 9:00 a.m. and boys at 10:30 Thursday.

Gageby ladies took pie to Canadian to the Abraham Home Tuesday for a pie party for the residents. Sometimes they have music and singing for the residents. A nice thing to do.

Juanita Prater turned 70 years old Monday. Think Verneal was going to take her to Maxeys to eat. Happy Birthday, Juanita. Thanks for being our friend.

Ray and Glenda Hudson went to Wichita Falls over the weekend and visited their daughter, Jennifer and

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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

Mike Graddy and Allison. They got to watch Allison play basketball and shopped some.

Saturday night Lou Dean Douthit, Edna May, Virginia Puryear and Nadine Reynolds went to Hill Top Cafe in Reydon and ate supper. They came back to Edna's and played 42. They always have fun.

Mickey Atherton went to Wichita Falls over the weekend and visited his cousin, Marty Edwards. While there he had a mild heart attack and was put in I.C.U. in the hospital. Pray for Mickey. Don't know all the details yet.

Mark and Annette Meek are home after a trip to Florida to visit Kaleb and Marti Meek and watch his job and see the sights.

Nice to have J. P. and Martha Meek go with us to Mobeetie Baptist Church Friday night for XYZ. Delicious Meal. Two tables of 42, one of chicken foot.

We also sang Christmas carols and visited. Birthday people were Doyle Grimes, Martha Meek and Melba Corcoran. Some others there were Marion Grimes, Doris Finsterwald, Estelle Hodges, Lorene Rector, Orville Greenhouse, Dale Corcoran and Bulah Grimes. Visitors always welcome. Next meeting will be Friday, January 4, at 6:00 p.m.

Sorry to hear Melvin May has been very ill. Melvin May, 68, passed away Saturday night at the hospital in Amarillo. Sincere sympathy to family and friends. Funeral was Tuesday, December 11, at Central Baptist in Pampa.

Noveta Atherton and Chynna went to the Wheeler School Band concert for grades 6, 7, 8 and High School
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with Noveta's brother, Anthony and Wanda Francis to hear their grandson, Jason Brownfield play and the others. It was a very good concert Sunday.

Anthony and Wanda are expecting Andy and Teresa Francis and Jasmine and new baby, Madelyn Taylor, and Andy's sister, Cassie, a sophomore in college at Hobbs, N.M., to come for a visit.

The Mobeetie Baptist Church plans to have a Children's Christmas program Sunday night, Dec. 23 at 6:00 p.m. The youth will go caroling for awhile and then there will be refreshments at the church. Everyone invited.

Royce Zybach was recognized for 20 years employment with precinct 3 at the Hemphill County Annual Christmas party and awards. The meal was catered by Alexanders. Congratulations, Royce.

Amber Maddox showed pigs at Liberal, Kan., Saturday and got 2 thirds and one sixth. Jimmy Maddox and Georgia Tipps went with Amber. Tammy went to a First State Bank party.

Big crowd at Samnorwood Saturday night for the finals. Fat and Wanda Childress went.

Pray for Dicie Prater, 96. She fell and broke her hip.

Rosalie Keelin visited friends at Wheeler Care Center Friday. She played the piano some for them and she and Doris Finsterwald sang.

Doris was visiting Mary Finsterwald, her mother-in-law. Residents always enjoy them.

Pray for Bill Rains, who had surgery. His daughter, Faith Ann Thompson from Dallas was out to the ball games Monday night and visiting with cousin, Noveta Atherton. She came to take Bill home with her for a while.

I like this poem from *Happiness* booklet. Worth repeating and memorizing.

Keep

- A song in your heart.
- A smile in your talk.
- A twinkle in your eye.
- A spring in your walk.
- A prayer in your pocket.

A light in your soul.
A dream in your head.
A friend new or old.
These are more precious
Than silver and gold.

by Joyce Butler, Davis, Ok.

Our cousin Katherine Russell is very ill after a stroke and fluid on her brain and has been moved to Hospice south of Old St. Anthony's. She used to volunteer there for many years. Pray for her. She has done so much for others.

Congratulations to Shauna Hector, who is a Canadian High School Wildcat Band Area qualifier, playing alto sax.

A group from Golden Agers from Wheeler Baptist church went to Elk City Saturday night to the First Baptist Church for a musical program and stopped by the Braums on the way home. Very enjoyable.

Sunday dinner guests at J. P. and Martha Meek home were Mack and Linda Sides, celebrating Mack's birthday. Happy Birthday, Mack. God Bless!

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Worth Shields, 86, of Samnorwood. He was an uncle to Mack Shields and always came to the ball games at Samnorwood. He and wife, May B., were such sweet, friendly people.

I am enjoying Christmas lights and decorations in many places. As you see them, remember that Jesus is the "Light of the World". Jesus was Love come Down in human form. He loves us in spite of our sinful ways.



So good to visit with Bea (Ogle) Burkett and Christina Sorrell and Trip (3-boys) and Journey (girl, 2 months) all from Atlanta, Ga., and Shellie Johnson and Tanner (2). Bea and Christina and children drove through, stopping to spend the night each way with Aunt Janet and Uncle Ed Hershtrader and Andrea at Dallas as they came to visit Shellie and Jeremy Johnson and Tanner and other relatives. Beautiful children. They were out to the ball game at Briscoe Tuesday night. Beautiful ladies, too.

Good to visit with Keith Meek at the ball game Tuesday night. He has things sorta moved in and plans to do some work on sound systems equipment from his home here as well as some cow feeding, etc. Welcome Keith.

We enjoyed going to the Ft. Elliott-Reydon games at Briscoe Tuesday night. Our girls won easily 64-27. Our boys won also, 70-26 over Reydon. Good crowd there. Delicious food. Glad Briscoe and Mobeetie consolidated. About half of kids from each place. So sorry Brittney Mick hurt her knee in the Miami tournament and may not be able to play anymore this season. Pray for her.

Best wishes to Jill Harvey and Jerry Lister, who were married at Sayre November 26, 2001. They are making their home east of Wheeler. God bless!

Best Wishes to Matt Crawford and Jolie Robbnet as they plan to marry Jan. 5, 2002, at Matador Baptist Church, where Matt is Youth Minister.

Nice to have a call from Sydney Jackson of Pampa, sister to Betty Fillingim of Grand Prairie. Betty is some better, but still has to have oxygen and respirator some. She is now staying with her son. Pray for them all.

Shelia Mick is quitting her job with Simmons and Simmons in Pampa to work for Charles Kuntz in Wheeler. Will save lots of gasoline and winter driving.

Thursday at Samnorwood Ft. Elliott girls defeated Childress J.V. 61-24 and boys defeated Childress J.V.

Ft. Elliott High School basketball tournament will be Thursday to Saturday, Dec. 13-15.

Friday Ft. Elliott H.S. girls played Samnorwood and won 51-21. Ft. Elliott boys played Hedley and won 67-45. Saturday night in the finals Ft. Elliott girls played Wheeler girls and lost by 2 points to win second.

Ft. Elliott boys played Miami and won the tournament. Congratulations to all!

Wheeler Baptist Church adult choir presented *Sounds of Christmas* Sunday night. Sounded good! Some doing solos were Kyla Lynch, Peggy Munkress, Amanda Bond, Kloette Henson with Stacey Horton, Mike Bryant, Stacey Horton. Some others singing in the adult choir were Wes Bradstreet, Michael Killingsworth, Diana Risner, Larry Hampton, Naomi Speck, Gwyn McCain, Adrian Risner, Sindy Chapman, Beverly Bryant, Claudia Marion, Pam Arganbright, Suzanne Hampton and others. Youth doing narration were Jonathan Hampton, Ryan Henson, Chucky Rivera, Katie Richardson, Samantha Chapman and Lauren Fite. The Youth Choir also sang *Light Your world, Good!*

Best wishes to Phyllis Cole Corteras and Dale Garner, who were married Nov. 21, 2001, at Las Vegas. She is the daughter of Clara Cole (Seedig) and the late Everett Cole. Dale is the son of the late Neil and Calvin Garner of Pearland. They both work for BWXT-Pantex and will make their home in Pampa.

Nice to have Juanita Fillingim drive us to Amarillo Wednesday for Willis appointment with Dr. Pate, urologist. All o.k. Come back in 2 years. We drove back to Panhandle for lunch at the Dairy Queen and shopped a little in Pampa at the New United Store and Walmart. Nice to see J. P. and Martha Meek and Estelle Hodges in Pampa.

Good to have Preston and Elsie Glazner join us for supper at Maxey's Thursday night and a good visit. Preston is looking better. Good to see Gaye Hale and Pam Jones there. Also Ted and Dortha McCurley. There was a large group from Family Life Center, mostly from Shamrock eating there. Also a group from the Appraisal Board. Christmas Parties. Saturday was a Farm Bureau party for directors and staff.

Also enjoying food and fellowship together were Gary and Linda Hall, Kathy Kliever, Helen Crawford, Johnny and Patty Crawford, Nancy Reimer and maybe others Thursday night.

If you aren't tied up on Christmas Eve, think about going to the Christmas Eve Program at Gageby church at 6:00 p.m. Monday, Dec. 24, for singing, readings, and pot luck refreshments. Gageby started pretty early in the 1900's as a school and church. Always on Christmas Eve was a program and a tree with decorations and gifts and treats. Families came home for Christmas and to the Christmas Eve program. For several years, we did not have the program on Christmas Eve because many were going to be gone. A few years ago Sandra Meek with help from Kathy started the traditional program back. Many of us had missed it. Evelyn Meek remembered the program when she was a child. Even though Sandra is gone, she would be pleased that we are carrying on the spiritual program and fellowship together. Everyone cordially invited to Christmas Eve at Gageby Church. I remember once when our Mary was a little girl, she was so scared of Santa Claus, that she kept going back crawling over seats and sat in Exie

Francis lap, a stranger to her.

We enjoyed seeing the Ft. Elliott Junior High games Monday night with Samnorwood at Briscoe. In girls game, Ft. Elliott girls won 37-14. Ft. Elliott boys played a hard game, but lost 22-25.

Congratulations to all. On boys team were Graden Schaub, Steven McAlpine, Kelsey Zybach, Jake Puryear, Blaine Baker with some playing by Nathan McLaughlin, Morgan Lane and Michael Bell. Also there were Tommy Meek and Chance Newman. Many fans there to watch.

Pray for Rita Pearson's mom, Nellie Lackey. She was taken to Wheeler Hospital Monday with a blockage, but doing some better. Nice to have Rita come by for a little visit Monday afternoon and bring our Santa earlier.

Glad to know Tex Copeland is home after his fall and surgery for hip replacement and wrist repair. He was even out to church to Wheeler Baptist church Sunday. Keep praying for Tex.

"God be with you till we meet again."

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Two new performers were on stage at the November show, Wade Hampton, singer and guitarist from Wheeler wooed the crowd and Jerry Collier from Canadian presented some good ole' classic country music. "We are looking at two really young performers from Canadian and are hopeful of surprising the audience with them," said Godwin. "We also expect fiddle player/steel guitarist, Harold Studebaker and Frankie McWhorter, everybody's fiddle player, will be performing."

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