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Graveside Rites Sat.,
Feb. 16 For Sallie Harris

Graveside services will be held
Saturday, Feb. 16, 2002, at 2:00 p.m.
for Sallie Harris at Wheeler Com-
munity. Under the direction of Wright
Funeral Home.

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CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

Typical spring weather for the area. 60-75 mile per hour wind swept the area Saturday.

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One day warm, the next cool.

—cwe—

Have you checked the jars lately in the Chamber's Cute Baby Contest? The totals are changing. \$100 savings bonds will be awarded the lucky boy and girl.

—cwe—

Tickets are at the chamber office for the annual Chamber of Commerce Installation Banquet. Have you picked up your tickets yet?

—cwe—

Wheeler's seventh graders will be putting on a play Monday evening. Take some time from your busy schedule to enjoy this production.

—cwe—

And, Wheeler School's Library Book Fair runs Monday thru Thursday.

—cwe—

It is Valentine's Day. Did you remember your sweetheart?

—cwe—

Congratulations, Halee Cross, on winning your school's spelling bee. Halee has been a reader of the Times for many years.

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Services In Ada, Okla., For Alma Ryan, 101

Services for Alma Ryan, 101, of Ada, Oklahoma, were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, February 5, 2002, at Criswell Chapel, Charles Wortman officiated. Burial followed at Memorial Park Cemetery in Ada.

She died Feb. 1, 2002, at her home. She was born July 31, 1900, at Wardville, Indian Territory to Nathan Oliver and Sally Margaret Fink Rhyne. She came to the Ada area in 1940 from Wink, Texas. She attended school in Ashburn, Georgia and Cairo. She and John Louis Ryan were married Feb. 14, 1920. He died May 30, 1987, at Ada. She was a homemaker and a member of the Primitive Baptist Church.

Two sons, John William Ryan and Louis Kenneth Ryan preceded her in death, both of Ada.

Survivors include two sons, Richard Ryan of McAlester, and Leland B. Ryan of Tulsa; three daughters, Evelyn Louise Ennis of Cerritos, Ca., Wilhemina M. Sherrell of Mobeetie, TX and Iris A. Abbott of Ada; a brother, Virgil Rhyne of Coalgate, Ok.; two sisters, Ethel Ennis of Coalgate and Mary Lee Atkins of Chickasha, Ok.; 19 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren. Criswell Funeral Home of Ada was in charge of the arrangements.

Shea Weatherly Named On Amar. Col. Honor Roll

Shea Weatherly of Wheeler has been named to the Fall 2001 honor roll at Amarillo College. Weatherly is one of more than 330 students who were enrolled in 12 or more hours in academic courses at Amarillo College and earned a grade point average of 3.6 or higher. More than 8700 students were enrolled in academic courses at Amarillo College last Fall.

Makalli Jo Marshall Won "Baby Personality" Event

Makalli Jo Marshall won the title "Baby Personality" for the 0-11 month old age division Saturday at the Greater Panhandle Cinderella Baby Pageant. She is the daughter of Heather and Mack Marshall of Wheeler.

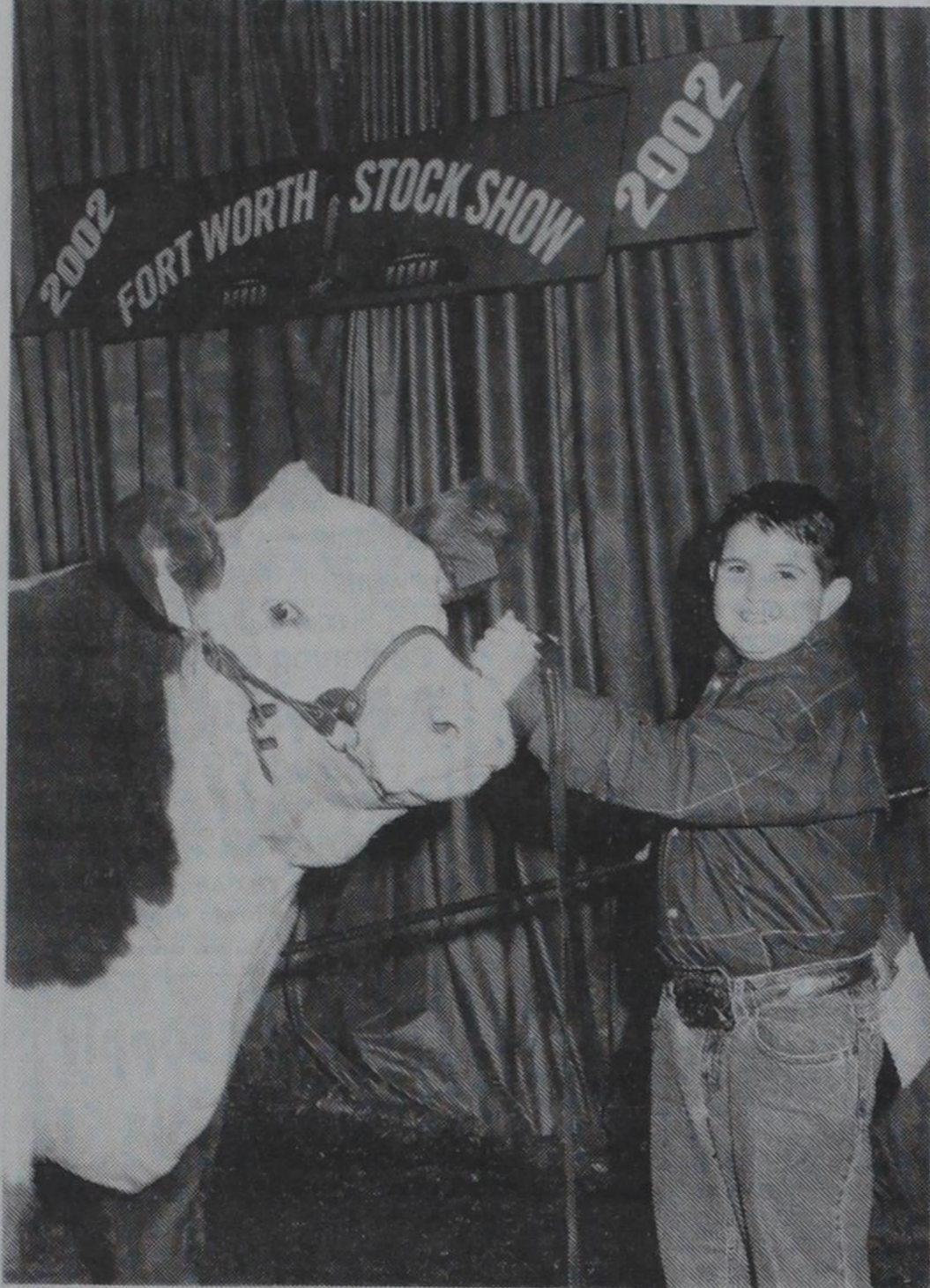
Hospital Notes

Extended Care

Estelle Orr
Ruth Ledbetter
Verne Lohberger
Ardie Martin
Sallie Harris
Faye Risner
Charles Nelson

New Admissions

2/4 Dorothy Walker
Sindy Chapman
Jane Sheplap
Bailey Walker
Lula Buice
2/7 Chad Breeding
2/8 Ruth Kenney
2/9 Mae Welsh
Dismissal
2/5 Billy Bybee
Martha McQueen
2/6 Sindy Chapman
Jane Sheplap
2/7 Dorothy Walker
Lula Buice
2/8 Chad Breeding
Ruth Kenney
2/10



FIRST PLACE HEREFORD: Matthew Kiker, an Allison 4-H'er is shown here with his First Place Hereford in the Junior Steer Show at the 2002 Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show.

Area Young Person Winner At Ft. Worth Stock Show

Matthew Kiker, a 4-H member from Allison, exhibited a 1st Place Hereford in the Junior Steer Show at the 2002 Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show on January 31. Jack Ward of LaGrange, Indiana judged this outstanding event.

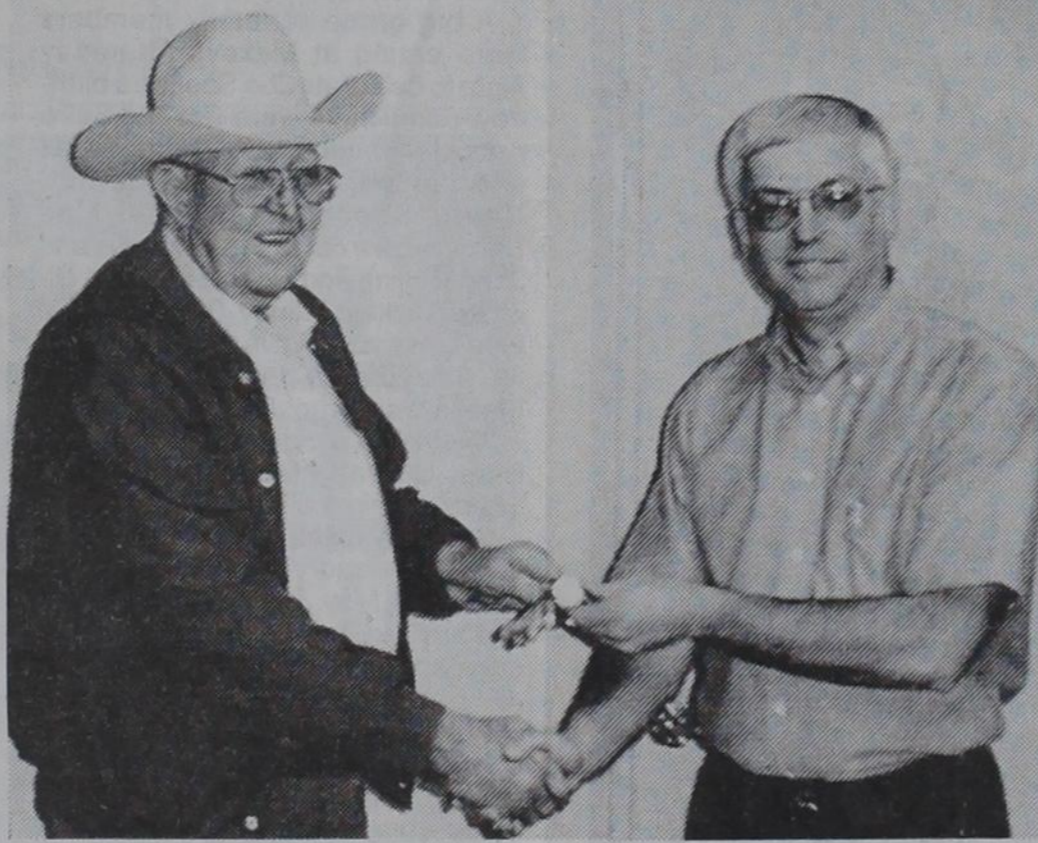
The Stock Show's Junior Division this year is hosting 9,130 entries by young people of Texas as the culmination of yearlong agricultural educational projects in various areas of livestock production. Junior premiums will exceed \$62,465.

The junior entry list is part of the overall count this year is more than 25,000 head of cattle, sheep, swine, horses, mules, donkeys, llamas, goats, poultry, pigeons, and rabbits. The 106th Annual Stock Show, underway at the Will Rogers Memorial Center in Fort Worth, will continue through February 3. Total prize and premium money for the Livestock Show and its accompanying World's Original Indoor Rodeo is in excess of \$950,000.

The Stock Show provides an annual opportunity to showcase the livestock industry and the growing Metroplex. The hundreds of thousands of visitors who attend the Show during its 23-day run will include many people from nations outside the United States. Last year the show hosted over 900 visitors from more than 50 other countries.

Tickets to the family oriented event are available at the Will Rogers box office at the Center's north entrance. Ground admission is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children ages 6-16. Rodeo tickets, which include admission to

the grounds, are \$16 for weekday matinees and evenings, and \$18 for Friday nights and all weekend performances. Matinees are at 2 p.m. and all night events begin at 7:30 p.m.



TOKEN OF APPRECIATION: Charles Bartram is shown here accepting a watch from Randy McCurley, president of the First State Bank of Mobeetie. Bartram is retiring from the bank's board of directors after 14 years.

Charles Bartram Retires As Bank Director

After serving on the Board of Directors for 14 years, Charles Bartram announces his retirement. Charles was born in Mobeetie in

Patriotism Is Annual Banquet Theme

Chamber Seeks Photographs of Military Personnel For Display at Annual Chamber Banquet Feb. 23

The 2002 Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be held Saturday evening, February 23, 2002, in the Wheeler School cafeteria. "Patriotism" will be the theme for the evening. Lewis Britt will give a short talk on patriotism and Damon M Whaley will also entertain those in attendance.

To recognize individuals both past and present who have served their country in the military, the school bulletin board of individuals presently serving their country will be moved into the cafeteria. Invitations are extended to local citizens to make their military service information available. Pictures and information of yours or your family's military service can be taken to the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce office at 101 East Oklahoma in Wheeler (H & R Block). The information will be used as part of the decoration.

Lewis Britt, U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry's District Representative, will return to Wheeler to address his hometown Chamber of Commerce. Britt, a '74 graduate of Wheeler and Texas A&M, has been with Rep. Thornberry for the past several years. Lewis lives in Amarillo with his wife, Jennie, and two sons, Jeff and Tom. Damon M. Whaley, a pianist and celebrity impersonator, is a native of Wewoka, Ok. He graduated Dalhart High School in 2001, and is currently attending Amarillo College, where he is taking basics. "Making people laugh and smile is my favorite thing to do in life. I feel as though God gave me a purpose, and that purpose was to make people laugh. And I thank Him for this gift He's given me each and every day. It is my strong belief that laughter is the best medicine, and it's the cheapest medicine on earth."

Damon recently won the Texas Farm Bureau State Talent Find in Waco. He composed the D.H.S.

Class of 2001 graduation song, was a member of the 5 States honor Band 99-2000 and All Region Band 2000-01.

Damon has played the piano by ear since he was little and has been taking lessons for the past 18 months. While living in Las Vegas, NV, he taught himself to play the piano while at home alone. He spent a lot of time watching Jimmy Stewart movies and started talking like him. "He (Jimmy Stewart) is without a doubt my favorite actor of all time," Damon said.

His list of celebrities and politicians he impersonates include Jimmy Stewart, Louis Armstrong, Harry Caray (former announcer for the Chicago Cubs), Al Gore, Bill Clinton, Tom Brokaw (NBC news), George Bush Sr., Ross Perot, Ronald Reagan, Richard Nixon, Kermit the Frog, Sean Connery, Roger Moore, Gomer Pile and Don Knotts.

Recognized each year at the Chamber banquet are the outstanding citizens. The recipients of these awards are not known until the announcement at the banquet; this has become a highlight of the annual event. The Outstanding Man, Woman, Teenager, Employee and the Farmer/Rancher will be named and plaques will be presented. Added also is the Pioneer Award.

The officers for the 2002 year will be introduced. Marla Ford will take the reigns as president from Maggie Marshall. Marshall has served as president for the past two years. The vice president will be Gary Ware. Members of the board are Maggie, Ben Ed Hillhouse, Randy McCurley, Larry Jones, Jay Randel, David Cross, Louis Stas, Ravonda Hardcastle and Ed Hershman.

Retiring from the board is David Wright.

Wheeler School Board Accepts Resignations of Supt., Principal

Feb. 6, 2002
Special Board Meeting
The Wheeler ISD Board of Trustees met in a special scheduled meeting on Feb. 6, 2002, in the boardroom of the Administration office.

The meeting was called to order by vice-president Mark Tucker at 6:00 p.m.

A welcome was given by Mr. Tucker.

Invocation by Mrs. McWhorter. Pledge was led by Mr. Tucker.

All board members were present except Mr. Sams.

School personnel present were Brooks Symanck, Dale Pulpan, Doug Rives, Suzanne Hampton, Judy Woollard, Connie Porter, Dianna Johnson, Janette Umsted, Jim Verden and James Hubble.

Guests were Don Dean, Harrison Hall and William McKinley.

Considerations of reduction in force caused the board to retire to executive session as authorized by the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code section 551.071 and 551.074 at 6:05 p.m.

The board returned to open session at 7:30 p.m.

Motion by William Burch, seconded by Dr. Hillhouse:

RESOLVED, that the Board of trustees has determined that it is in the best interest of the District to implement a reduction in force because of both financial exigency and program change; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Board of Trustees has determined that personnel costs must be reduced by approximately \$190,000.

and,

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Superintendent shall make recommendations for personnel reduction and the affected employment areas to the Board of Trustees.

Motion carried unanimous.

Principal contract renewal (Mr. Pulpan) was presented by Mr. Symanck.

Motion by Dr. Hillhouse, second by

Etta Kate Hubbard, 93 Buried In Wheeler Tues.

Etta Kate Hubbard, 93, of Canyon died Saturday, Feb. 9, 2002.

Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2002 in Wheeler cemetery of Wheeler with the Rev. Todd Dyess, pastor of First United Methodist Church of Pampa, officiating. Arrangements are by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors, 2820 Virginia Circle.

Mrs. Hubbard was born Jan. 9, 1909, in Allen. She married V.B. (Bernice) Hubbard at Wheeler in 1926 where they lived until moving to Canyon in 1954. She was a member of First United Methodist Church of Canyon. For the last several years she had resided in Bivins Memorial Nursing Home.

She was preceded in death by her husband in January 1984; and two sons, Gene Hubbard in 1984 and Charles Hubbard in 1987.

Survivors include a son, Edgar Hubbard of Pampa; three daughters, Pat Johnson of Pampa and Kay Barnard and Jo Richards, both of Amarillo; a brother, H. O. Crowder and wife, Juanita, of Anton; nine grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to First United Methodist Church, 1818 Fourth Ave., Canyon, TX 79015; or to Bivins Memorial Nursing-Home, 1001 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79106.

William Burch; motion carried unanimous.

Consideration resignation, Mr. Symanck read Mr. Pulpan's resignation letter. Motion by Dr. Hillhouse, second by William Burch, to accept with regrets. Motion carried unanimous.

Mr. Symanck then read his resignation. Motion by William Burch, second by Jauna Benefield to accept with regrets. Motion carried unanimous.

Next regular scheduled board meeting is Feb. 14, 2002, at 6:30 p.m. in the boardroom.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Wheeler Seventh Grade To Present Play Feb. 18

"Lucky, Lucky Hudson and the Twelfth Street Gang" is the title of the play to be presented Monday, February 18, 2002, at 7:00 p.m. in the Wheeler School Auditorium.

The play is being presented by the seventh grade class. The sponsors are Betty Graves and Kloette Henson. Admission will be \$1 for students and \$2 for adults.

Janice Newland Inducted Into Sports Hall Of Fame

The Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame will induct three prominent sports figures from this area - Larry Dawson, Janice Irby Newland and Greg Sherwood - at the 44th annual ceremonies set for 2 p.m. Sunday, February 17, 2002, in Ordway Auditorium at Amarillo College. The public is invited to attend, and there is no charge.

The Hall of Fame, co-sponsored by the Amarillo YMCA and the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce Sports Committee, also will name the Dick Risenhoover Award winner, recognize outstanding athletes and coaches for 2001, and honor others for special achievements.

This year's ceremonies will be dedicated to the memory of John Heetland, longtime Amarillo advertising executive and sports enthusiast who served as founding chairman of the Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame and co-

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SPELLING BEE WINNER: Halee Cross, the daughter of Roger and Cindy Cross of Canyon was the winner of the Canyon's Oscar Hinger Elementary Spelling Bee, which was held Feb. 1, 2002. Twenty-four fourth and fifth graders competed. Halee will be one of three advancing to competition at Crestview Elementary in Canyon on Feb. 28; representatives of the seven Canyon elementary school will compete at this time. Halee is the granddaughter of David and Kathleen Cross.

out to do much. They want to put a "For Sale" sign at Doyle and Bulah's

gate. The kids feel they need to sell their place and cows and move to

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Happy Birthday to Diana Risner, Teresa Shelton, Shy Bailey, Verline Currie and Eugene Boydston on Feb. 17; Pam Hill, Charles Tatyrek, Sarita Dawson and Mary Hartley on Feb. 18; Dee Barr, Jean Meadows and Andy Singleton on Feb. 19; Doris Gatlin, Clay Zybach, Nancy Pierce, Larry Zamora, Shauna Hector, Chad Morgan and Benonia Maddox on Feb. 20; Bertha Hollis, Curtis Pigg, Mack Shields, Jada Hathaway, Dick Irvine, Steve Zybach and Ruth Kenney on Feb. 21; Sallie Harris, Bailey Richardson on Feb. 22; Jeanie Hennig, Evie Aderholt and John Moffett on Feb. 23; Tristian Rose on Feb. 18; Kara Keelin, Larry Zamora and Kelsi Wiggins on Feb. 20.

Happy Anniversary to Keven and Janet Romines on Feb. 19; Ed and Jeanie Hennig on Feb. 22; Jerry and Becky Jewell on Feb. 20; Daryl and Tillie Snelgrooves on Feb. 13.

Doyle and Bulah Grimes' sons, Jerry and Gary Grimes visited them Saturday. They came to help with jobs, but it was too cold and windy

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day, the granddaughters hosted a lovely 90th birthday party for the family to celebrate Addie Swift's birthday. Cathy Hunt baked a beautiful cake and Kay Luttrell and Mary Jane Dukes helped with decorating, etc. at the school cafeteria. Happy Birthday, Addie. You are special.

So sorry to see Wheeler Dairy Queen close. We will really miss it. Friday was the last day. Hope someone buys it.

Jeff Herd has visited Glenn Scott in Amarillo. He is still in I.C.U. and poorly. Remember him in your prayers. Is on a ventilator. Jeff gets to go in and see him.

Sincere sympathy to Toots South

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Amarillo to be near the boys. Doyle has fallen twice in the past few months and is 86 years old. We would hate to see them leave, but know they need to be near their family and quit working. Their place is for sale. It is a nice house and place west of Mobeetie.

Noveta Atherton and Chynna went to Amarillo Thursday for a doctor's appointment. All O.K.

C. B. and Maurine Brotherton went to Amarillo Monday for doctors appointments. Keep praying for them. Doris Finsterwald went with them and they got to visit with their mom, Ina Mae Brotherton and sister and husband, Dorothy and Elmer Honath.

Some going to the San Antonio Stock Show were Kevin and Jona Meek and Shantell and Tommy and Monty Hand and Justin Hefley. Later Jimmy and Tammy Maddox and Amber went to the show on Wednesday, Feb. 13. They all had pigs to show.

Amber Maddox and Stormi Lancaster were entered in the gymnastic practice meet at Dumas Saturday morning. Amber won first in trampoline and second in tumbling. Stormi won first in tumbling and second in trampoline. Adults going were Tammy Maddox, Georgia Tipps and Ernest Lancaster.

Nice to have Carolan Aycock and niece, Veronica Hungate, meet us for supper at Maxeys Monday night and a good visit. Carolan has started college at Pampa Center of Clarendon College and is still working nearly 40-hours a week at Heard-Jones downtown Pampa. She is working more in the office now.

There was a big crowd out to Country Chapel Church Sunday night for a crusade celebration and renewal with Bro. Rick Gage, Bro. Rick Stanley, Bro. Rodney Weatherly, Bro. Joe Jernigan (song leader), Bro. Jerry Jewell and other pastors, Bro. Johnny Crawford, Bro. Jack Lee, Bro. Toby Henson, Bro. Bill Stiles, Bro. Bob Meller and others. Lots of good singing and testimonies and preaching.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Gene Miller, 79, in his death. He married Marcelle Farmer, a Wheeler girl, in 1950. She was the daughter of the Fred Farmers.

Dale Meadows preached at Wheeler Church of Christ Sunday morning and evening. Nice to see him eating with Cecil and Jean Meadows at Maxeys Sunday.

Dr. Jason and wife, Billie, of Shamrock were honored with a birthday supper at Maxeys Monday night, hosted by their staff and included Joe and Kathy Montgomery, Pam Kilpatrick, Tex and Candy Farris, Kim Andis and Rhonda Shortnacy.

Becky Tipps spent a few days with Dick and Ruth Irvine and Zach, Adam and Casey. Ruth took Becky back to Amarillo Monday and Adam for his doctor's check-up. Adam checked out O.K. We are thankful.

Nice to have Preston and Elsie Glazner join us for supper at Maxeys Thursday night. Good to see Preston feeling perkier. His leg is doing better but will have to be very careful for another two weeks. Good to see them out to Sunday School and church Sunday.

A big group of family members were eating at Maxeys Thursday night to celebrate Joe Shelton's birthday. Some there were Tim and Sallie Adcock, Amanda and Antonio Salas and Jayton, Garrett and Jarrett, Nancy Shelton, Hugh and Mae Bailey, Mae's daughters, Frances and John Collins and Donna Kay and Richard Dickey. Happy Birthday, Joe! God bless you! Sallie is Joe's daughter, Amanda is a granddaughter and Mae is a sister to Joe.

There was a big group of guys to a Farm Bureau Meeting at Maxeys Thursday night also.

Saturday night, Lou Dean Douthit, Irene Keys and Virginia Puryear visited Edna May. Irene brought a pot of soup and they had cornbread and cake and other goodies and played 42. They enjoyed visiting together.

Pray for Marty Ogle. She is having serious trouble with her heart beating too fast and going into cardiac arrest. She may have to go to Dallas in March to have a new wire inserted to help with getting it to beat right. We love you, Marty.

Pray also for Dylan Hendrixson, 5 month old son of Melody and Hickory Hendrixson. He has been in the hospital at Shattuck, Okla., with bronchitis. He is some better.

Correction: It was Addie Swift's brother (not brother-in-law) that died: Hap Castle. Saturday Hap's wife, Claudia, and daughter, Sarah, came up to visit Addie. Sunday they went to church at Briscoe with Fat and Wanda Childress. Sarah played her guitar and sang some songs beautifully at church. In the afternoon Sun-

WHEELER MENU

MONDAY, February 18, 2002 — FRIDAY, February 22, 2002

MONDAY
Breakfast: Cold or Hot Cereal, Buttered Toast, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Chicken Fajita, Grated Cheese, Salad, Corn, Onion, Green Peppers, Fruit, Milk

TUESDAY
Breakfast: Biscuits/Gravy, Sausage Patty or Frozen Yogurt, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Veg. Beef Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Pickle Spear, Fruit, Milk

WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Pancake Pup or Waffle w/Syrup, Toast, Milk, Juice
Lunch: Steak Fingers w/Gravy, Mash, Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Roll, Fruit, Milk

THURSDAY
Breakfast: Biscuit and Gravy, Sausage Patty, Milk, Juice
Lunch: Pizza, Pickle Spear, Corn on the Cob, Fruit, Milk

FRIDAY
Breakfast: Cold or Hot Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk
Lunch: President's Day Holiday (Menu subject to change)

ters, Becky and Jeannie Gilmer. Stopped in Pampa on their way home Tuesday for Margaret to see the eye doctor. They celebrated their birthdays on Saturday by eating a steak dinner at Maxeys in Wheeler.

Nona Jones, Shorty and Helen Crawford, Mary Cornell and Nadine Reynolds and Bro. Bill Stiles and Judi Walser entertained the residents last Sunday afternoon at the Wheeler Care Center with gospel singing and Bro. Bill, their pastor, gave a Bible study. All those except Mary went to the Country Chapel Church at Wheeler Sunday night for services there.

Edna May's visitors Thursday and Friday were her daughter and husband, Linda and Dean Lieb from Stinnett. Take time to pray—it is the greatest power on earth.

The biggest news is electricity is back on after a six day absence. It was bad. Couldn't see, couldn't cook, no water, some folks with no heat.

We truly thank the REA folks, who worked so hard in such bad weather to get everything going.

My friends, L. G and Ann Reed, who live near Wheeler took me home with them until Iva Thompson called to say we were on again.

The Reeds raise and sell Chihuahua dogs. The puppies were really cute. People were coming from Amarillo and around to buy them.

I've been throwing grain out the back door for the birds. Can watch through a window. Counted 19 once.

Juanita Gordon of Elk City called to tell me of the death of Roxie Hanks. Funeral and burial were at Wheeler. The husband, Bill, was a second cousin of mine.

I had a nice letter from Nadine Duke, a reader in Oldsmar, Florida, about my views on cloning. Think she agreed. She used to live at Reynodon.

The ground hog saw his shadow on Ground Hog day. Supposedly 6 weeks of bad weather, then spring from then on. I don't have too much faith in him. I can remember one of the worst snow storms we ever had came about the fifth of April in '39.

Services were Tuesday at the Buffalo Church for Leon Crook, 62. He was survived by his wife, Lisa and several children. Burial was in the Buffalo Cemetery.

Iva Thompson spent several nights with Joe and Faye Mong while power was off.

Grandson Mike called from St. Jo, Mo. Snowing there too.

AN APPLE FOR THE TEACHER

Lorena G. Males

One of our biggest national problems—local problems is how to improve our schools. Every body has an answer.

Fine buildings and equipment won't do it—the administration can't do it—the key person is The Teacher. The teacher molds the human clay day by day, dreaming of a better tomorrow.

The teacher must not only be well-versed in the subject matter but he or she (the teacher) must be concerned and love each and every student in his or her care. The caring is very important.

Suppose the six year old child has a snotty nose? Wipe it, give him a smile, a pat on the back and make a man of him.

Suppose a seventh grade girl is an out cast because of her clothes? Who can remind her how smart she is and that one day, if she'll work hard she can earn enough to wear the very best?

The slightly retarded Freshman needs only to be told over and over that there's plenty of work in the world for boys like him.

The extra bright girl, with a king sized ego, needs the teacher to remind her that nobody likes a show-off and a smart aleck.

The pioneer one-room school had little material things. They had a slate, a slate pencil, an ink well, a wash pan, a dipper, lye soap, a paddle, a flag, a bible, a song book.

They had good dedicated teachers, teachers who came up the hard way and went to the top and took their students with them.

Teachers are human. A good teacher sometimes goes to bed and makes the pillow wet as the teacher sees signs that an unapproachable student is failing. Is there no way I can help him get back on the right track? Such a gifted boy!

Let the teacher know how much you appreciate what he or she is doing to build tomorrow. Its your precious child!

We all work better when we're appreciated!

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to say Thank You to the North Wheeler County Ambulance crew, to Dr. Mendiola, and to the excellent nursing staff at Parkview Hospital for taking care of Addie(MawMaw) Swift during her stay. Thanks to everyone for your prayers, phone calls, and cards. MawMaw is at home and doing lots better.

The family of Addie(MawMaw) Swift

MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Melba Corcoran

Dale and Melba Corcoran visited in Pampa Wednesday with Bill and Dutch Elliott. They went out to lunch. After dinner they visited with Francis Grove. They also visited with Kevin and Martha Corcoran.

Aaron and Arica Lancaster went to Amarillo Wednesday on business. Doug Corse went to Amarillo Wednesday.

Maurita Stribling went back to the doctor Wednesday. She had to have her hip redone. She had surgery on Thursday. The bone had crumbled where the shaft was put. They put a longer shaft and put bands around the bone to keep it in place. Remember her in your prayers. She is in Rehab now and reported as doing well. Clevel Sluder had been here helping Maurita out. She had to go home Wednesday.

Lynn Rector of Amarillo visited Thursday with Lorene Rector and Joyce Aycock.

Bill and Dutch Elliott, Aaron and Arica Lancaster and Dale and Melba Corcoran went to supper at Maxey's Thursday night.

John and Frances Collins are back home visiting after spending some time at their home in California. They left for California again Sunday.

Also enjoying supper at Maxey's in honor of Joe Shelton's Birthday were Hugh and Mae Bailey, Nancy Shelton, Tim and Sallie Adcock, Antonio and Amanda Salas, Payton, Garrett and Jarrett Childress, Joe Shelton, Richard and Donna Kay Dickey and John and Francis Collins.

Densel and Fern Reed and Dale and Melba Corcoran visited Friday night with Pauline Barnes in Wheeler. They also visited with her Saturday night. Joey Stone of Shamrock was also there Saturday night.

Arica Lancaster, Virginia Ridgway and Virginia's sister Darlene Asencio attended the Affairs of the Hearts craft show in Oklahoma City over the weekend. Janie VanZandt also attended the event.

Those enjoying a birthday supper Sunday night for Payton at the home of Tim and Sallie Adcock were Jackie Don and Kellie May, Payton and Shelton of Fritch, Nancy Shelton of Pampa, Joe Shelton, Antonio and Amanda Salas, Jayton, Garrett and Jarrett Childress and Tim and Sallie Adcock of Mobeetie.

There was a good crowd at the Country Chapel Sunday night to hear Rick Gage preach. He had his crew from the crusade there. Those from Mobeetie were Francis Dickey, Paul Hathaway, Bill and Patsy Caswell, Karla Lovelace, Patricia, Melissa and Steven Kephart, Johnny and Patty Crawford, Bob Meller, Curt and Mindy Duncan, Hayden and Gatlin, Nadine Lane, and Melba Corcoran.

Our sympathy goes out to the family of Hollis Dockins Sr. He is the brother of Leon Dockins of Mobeetie and Katy Humprey of Wheeler.

Don and Willene Burke visited Sunday in Amarillo with David and Angie Mullins and Amber.

Bob Meller took Nadine Lane, Frankie Miller and Alene George to the valley to visit their sister. They left Monday morning.

Visiting with Gene and Sue Harrison Monday were Gene's Uncle Ralph Wildman and friend Daphne Mingo of Kermit, TX.

Ivy Richardson of Erick spent Friday with Gladys Richardson and Leola Stuart.

Sunday Eddie and Amy Richardson, Jennifer, Vanessa and Josh of Wheeler visited with Gladys Richardson.

Sunday Leola Stuart went to Shamrock and picked up Bulah Stuart and Otis and took them to Briscoe to attend Addie Swift's 90th birthday dinner held at the school cafeteria. Some of the others there were Claudia Castle, Sarah Johnson, Fred and Edith Castle all of Shannon, Morris Castle of Chico, and Fred and Frankie Castle from Nocano, Annynce and Fred Moore of Joy.

Bernice Hefley has been ill with a real bad cold. She has already been to the doctor twice for shots and will get another one Tuesday. Remember her in your prayers also.

Word has been received on the death of Richard Lancaster in Auburn CA. He died Monday morning. He graduated from Mobeetie in 1933. They will have a memorial service for the family and very close friends at a later date. Remember his family in your prayers.

Jerry Grimes and Gary Grimes from Amarillo spent the day Saturday with their parents Doyle and Bulah Grimes. Doyle and Bulah Grimes and Estelle Hodges went to the Senior Citizens in Miami Monday night.

Claudetta Lavery had to go to the emergency room at Parkview Hospital Friday night. She had a bad reaction to the antibiotics she had been on. She is going back to Amarillo

Tuesday to her regular doctor. She had a sinus infection and ear infection and had been on the antibiotics for a week when she had the reaction. Remember her in your prayers. Gary Morris was honored on his 67th birthday with a party on February 9. He got several nice gifts. They played dominoes. Caaron Neighbors made his cake and Michael Killingsworth made Baptist Champagne. Those attending were Linda Davis, Charles and Lajo Crownover, Caaron Neighbors, Michael Killingsworth and Gary Morris.

OLD JAIL MUSEUM NEWS

Wednesday Janie VanZandt and Melba Corcoran took the wedding dress off display. The dress had got in bad shape. Janie is going to reproduce the dress. The dress is put in storage to preserve it. Janie will be shopping for the material that matches the dress as close to the original.

Thursday Dutch Elliott worked on the reservations charts for the Music Festival. Bill Elliott vacuumed and cleaned on the lodge and restrooms. Dale Corcoran helped Bill on the restrooms. They also put some things into the storage trailer: Melba Corcoran worked on the archives and cataloged some items. Bill, Dale and Melba put some of the older newspaper into the sleeves.

COUGAR NEWS

I was sorry I didn't get the schedule in the paper last week. I received my copy after I had delivered my news.

The Seniors Little Dribblers Tournament was held the 5th to 9th.

Girls Bi-District Basketball game were held on the 12. The One Act Playgroup took a field trip to Amarillo on the 13th.

The San Antonio Stock Show was the 11th to the 13th.

Events for the next week are Lefors Little Dribblers Tournament the 14th to the 16th.

The Girls Area Basketball will be on the 15th.

The Boys Practice game with Randan will be the 16th.

On the 19th the 4th and 5th TAAS writing, Boys Bi-District Basketball game, Girls Regional Semi-Finals and TAAS Exit Writing.

On the 20th TAAS Exit Math and the Houston Stock Show will start.

Congratulations to the Basketball teams on their season.

Several of the students are at the San Antonio Stock Show this week.



Matthew, Briteny, Everett, and Garrett Steward. Matt 8, Briteny 2 1/2, Everett 12, and Garrett 4 months are the children of Richard and Carlene Steward of Tuscola, Texas. They are the great-grandchildren of Elva Wood and Zoah Britten.

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Breakfast: Breakfast Bake, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Chicken Strips, Mashed Potatoes, English Peas, Hot Rolls, Ice Cream, Milk
TUESDAY
Breakfast: Cinnamon Biscuits, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Chef Salad, Macaroni Salad, Pasta Salad, Grilled Cheese, Fruit, Milk
WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Sausage Gravy, Hashbrowns, Biscuits, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Mexican Pile-On, Chuckwagon Corn, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Cheese, Sour Cream, Spice Cake, Milk
THURSDAY
Breakfast: Cereal, Oats, Toast, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Polish Sausage, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Onion Rings, Chocolate Sheet Cake, Milk
FRIDAY
Breakfast: Banana Nut Bread, Juice, Milk
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List of instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's office from February 4, 2002 - February 8, 2002.

FEBRUARY 4, 2002 EXT. DT—Michael D. Dee, et ux to National Bank of Commerce, 1-28-02, Pt. E 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 37, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

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Walter Jackson Bass Jr. to P. R. Bass, 1-16-02. C/C FINAL ACCT.—Walter Jackson Bass Jr. to Ex Parte, 1-16-02.

FEBRUARY 5, 2002 RDT—Amarillo National Bank to Al Cunningham, 1-31-02, See Instrument.

Kevin L. Romines, 2-1-02, 10 acs. out of 80 acs. S 1/2 Sec. 45, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

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Democratic Primary For District Clerk Sherri Jones For Commissioner, Pct. 2 Bill Atherton Tom Puryear Dwayne Baker For County Judge Jerry Dan Hefley For County Clerk

For County Treasurer Juana Benefield For Justice of the Peace (Precinct - 1) Brady Meadows

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The women, middle-aged, looked so severe, so serious, so stern. The men looked so old, with their long dark beards. Sometimes, as a child, I'd sneak in that dark parlor and look at my ancestors hanging on the wall. It was so eerie, so weird, I'd feel like some terrible monster was ready to grab me and eat me alive. Looking at the adorable six year old boy saved

my skin. He would grow up to become our papa. I loved him when he wore that buster brown hat and seemed to smile at me. Gradually pictures of this type went out of style. They're stored away with memories in somebody's old barn. "A picture is worth a thousand words."

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tin. Pray for Charlotte and her family. Charlotte has some weakness on her left side. She is home but has to go for therapy three days a week.

Such a beautiful snow falling this Tuesday morning, Feb. 5. No wind. Also snowed some during the night, melting some. It is really coming down. Probably 4-5 inches. Thanks for the moisture.

Debbie Kinnaman and grandson Zane visited Lou Dean Douthit and Billie Stuckey Friday night. Zane was the entertainment. He is Cory Kinnaman's little boy.

Lou Dean visited Addie Swift at Kay and Scott Luttrell's house. Addie can now walk some with a walker and help. Keep praying for Addie.

Nice to see Deidre Harris and Logan, Tyson Aldridge and Carissa Dukes out to the ball game to Wheeler Friday night with Bevard and Diane Dukes. Deidre and Logan and Carissa had to go back Saturday but Tyson stayed over till Sunday afternoon. They took him back to Amarillo. Tyson is a pretty strong and active 2-year-old. I would like to have seen him pulling Granny Gena Zybach in a wagon Saturday afternoon, when they visited Bob and Gena. Bevard and Diane and Tyson went to Briscoe Saturday to see Alexis Zybach play basketball with the Little Dribblers.

Saturday when it was so windy the wind planted a beautiful purple artificial pansy plant in our yard. Willis brought it in the house. But if the wind stole it from you, call us at 826-0186 and come by 907 Kiowa, across from the Care Center and we will let you have it back.

Friday night there was a big crowd out to Wheeler School Gym to the play-off for second place between Allison and Ft. Elliott girls. It was a hard-fought game, but Ft. Elliott girls prevailed and won 51-31 and got a big gold basketball district trophy. Congratulations! It looked like most everyone from Allison, Briscoe, Mobeetie and a whole lot from Wheeler were there and also relatives and friends from many places. What's next? Follett girls won first in

Dr. Michael Barnett Will Practice in Shamrock

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the district with Ft. Elliott second. They all played their hearts out! They expect to play Texline at Fritch for Bistrict Tuesday night, Feb. 12. Hello to the Van Vrankens at Texline!

Visiting Charlotte Coward Saturday, Feb. 9, to celebrate Charlotte's 90th birthday with a nice dinner were Granddaughter Diana Jones and daughter, Carol Culwell from Borger. Very enjoyable. Charlotte got 3 pots of beautiful flowers for her birthday and calls from several grandchildren and others. Happy Birthday, Charlotte!

There was a very large crowd at Ft. Elliott Saturday for the Little Dribblers tournament with teams from many places. Some we saw there were from Wheeler, Lefors, McLean, Spearman, Canadian, Ft. Elliott, Shamrock and Hedley.

There were K-2 through 6th grade teams of girls and boys. Fun to watch. They really played good.

Ed and Laurel Hershman went to

Amarillo after church Sunday to watch granddaughter, Micaela's last soccer game and do a little shopping. Laurel also took a birthday cake for daughter, Sarita Dawson's, birthday, coming soon. Laurel will be helping at the flower shop this week with flowers and corsages for Valentine events, etc.

Glenda Hudson went to Canadian to the Emmaus Community meeting one night.

From *Progressive Farmer*—very tasty ...

Spiced Apple Oatmeal Cookies
1/4 cup butter or margarine
1/2 cup shortening
1 1/4 cups firmly packed brown sugar
3/4 cup sugar
2 eggs
1 1/4 cups cinnamon applesauce
1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla
1 1/2 cups flour
1 tsp. soda
1/2 cup chopped pecans
1/2 tsp. salt
2 tsp. cinnamon
1/2 tsp. nutmeg
1/2 tsp. cloves
3 cups quick oats, uncooked
1 cup chopped apple, may be dried
1 cup raisins

Beat together sugars, butter and shortening. Add eggs, applesauce, spices, vanilla, soda, salt. Add flour and stir. Stir in oats, apples and raisins and nuts. Bake in 9x13 sprayed pan 350 for 30 min. cut in bars. Or make into drop cookies. Very good.

Nice to meet Luther and Arlene Thompson at Maxeys Tuesday night. He was manager of Canadian Lumber yard for many years. Luther grew up at Samnorwood and still had a farm there. When he retired at Canadian, they moved to Shamrock to be near their farm and close to town. Luther and Arlene were going to the Shamrock-Wheeler girls game at Wheeler. Know it was good as both teams are strong. Lovely people, the Thompsons. Shamrock won.

Also visited with William McKinley at Maxeys. He retired from teaching school in Oklahoma. He and wife, Rosemary, moved to Wheeler to be

near their daughter, Crystal and Bobby McNeil and family and son and family. Rosemary is the daughter of Lena and Richard Jackson and the sister of Katie and Terri. William works for County Star News.

Also good to see Kathy and Danny Kliever and Jeremy and Amy from Allison at Maxeys.

Addie Swift celebrated her 90th Birthday Sunday February 10th with family and friends. Red Velvet cake and punch were served to those helping celebrate her special day, including L.D. and Wanda Childress, Melvin and Cathy Hunt, J.R., Shelly and Junior Gonzales, Scott and Kay Luttrell, Brandi, Kayleigh, and Ransley Cochran, Billy, Susie and Brody Umsted, Clyde, Jane and Jackie Dukes, Stacie Kidwell, Walter and Trisha Hand, Bob and Debbie Kinnaman all of Briscoe. Pat and Amanda Childress, Kenneth and Brenda Childress, Bob and Zedell Swift, and Aspen Hathaway, Ed Uri Luttrell, Tammy and Timmy Andris, Chuck Hutchinson of Wheeler, Dub and Mary Swift, Morris, Nicki and NaKayla Swift and friend, and Bill Shelton of Pampa, TX. Ty, Chris, Cassey, and McKayla Swift, Leola Stuart of Mobeetie, TX. Shawn and Nicki Hunt, Bulah and Otis Stuart, John Hal and Claudia Christner of Shamrock, TX. Roy and Jane Swift of Eastland, TX. Claudia and Sarah Castle, Morris and JoLynn Castle, Fred and Edith Castle, Freddie and Anesse Moore, and Mary Nell Castle all of Shannon, TX. Fred Allen, Frankie and Jean Castle of Nocona, TX.

"God be with you till we meet again."

Surveys Available For Dads Reading to Children

FRED (Fathers Reading Every Day) The surveys have been delivered to all the Pre-K, Kindergarten and some first grade classes across the country.

Fathers complete the surveys and you'll receive a free reading log to keep track of the amount of time you read to your child for 4-weeks starting March 4. If you did not receive a survey, please contact the Extension office at 826-5243. JOIN THE FUN!! Watch for the date for the celebration as we will have a drawing for prizes. As partners, fathers have a unique opportunity to shape the lives of their children. Numerous factors contribute to a child's growth and development; however, among the most important are the daily interactions that take place between a father and child. Communication processes lie at the heart of these daily interactions. Fathers, husband, and men in general, are often portrayed as not being good communicators, yet it is obvious that fathers are capable of communicating effectively with their children.

Being an effective communicator, especially with young children, requires patience, understanding, and practice. Communicating with children, especially very young children, requires a unique set of skills and a basic understanding of child development. Children can be effective communicators; however, they are limited by their development capacities. For example, a newborn cannot verbally articulate his need for a diaper change. Instead, he communicates this need through crying. A basic understanding of while a child lies on the developmental spectrum can prevent a father from having unrealistic expectations concerning his child's language and comprehension abilities. A related recommendation or fathers is that they communicate on the same level as their child. Using language that children understand helps facilitate communication. This can also be done by physically coming down to a child's level for example bending down on one knee so that face-to-face interaction can take place.

Hall (from Page 1) tinued to chair the PSHOF Committee for 42 of its first 43 years. Mr. Heetland died July 1, 2001, after suffering an apparent heart attack.

John Heetland was president of the Y's Men's Club of the Amarillo YMCA when Putt Powell, veteran Amarillo Globe-News sportswriter, proposed the idea of establishing a hall of fame to honor the area's outstanding athletes. He asked Heetland if the Y's Men's Club would be interested in sponsoring it.

Janice Irby Newland, 125th member and girls' basketball coach at Plains High School, was a two-time all-stater at Claude High School, leading the Lady Mustangs to state titles in 1971 and 1972. She played collegiately at Parsons College, then transferred to William Penn College. A member of the U.S. team that played in Lima, Peru, in 1973, she was named to the Kodak All-American team in 1975. Newland previously coached at Wheeler and Dimmitt.

Recognized as the 2001 Golf Coach of the Year was Cecil Thomas of Wheeler.

Chat (from Page 1) We spent the weekend in Oklahoma City, but returned early enough Sunday to help Willetta Smith celebrate a belated birthday. She was 91 on Jan. 31.

cwe Leroy and Rhonda Meriwether hosted the party. Walter and Patricia Hand and Bill Blanchard were there to party also.

Monday night was card night. I don't know which pulled the other down, but Dwight and I lost all three games to Mike and Bob. Two of them were close.

cwe Happy Birthday, Louis on February 14.

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Former Resident Wins Essay Competition

Each year the Douglas A. Smith Lodge sponsors an essay contest in honor of Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday. Winner in this year's contest was Zach Patterson, son of Tim and Terrie Patterson, who won first place.

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—Zach Patterson

WHAT DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR MEANS TO ME

By: Zach Patterson
On April 4, 1968, in Memphis, Tennessee, one of the most influential men in American history was killed by an assassin's bullet. Thankfully, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s dream did not die with him. Dr. King has influenced me through the way he lived. The same godly beliefs that Dr. King strove to uphold, I strive to uphold daily. The things I have learned about Dr. King have taught me how to be a leader, how to be nonviolent in my actions, and how to be hopeful for the future.

Through his many peaceful marches, Dr. King showed how good a leader he was. He paved the pathway for whites and blacks to live side by side. He imitated the principles of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution in his lifestyle. In his many great speeches, he reiterated his belief that all men are created equal, and he taught people that hate is wrong and that they should rise above it. Even though people antagonized him while he was leading the marches and making the speeches, he continued to use nonviolent ways to get things done.

Dr. King's example has shown me how to stay calm and nonviolent, even though someone may be after me to hurt me. He was patient with change; he didn't become angry and violent when his dreams didn't become reality overnight. He kept trying and trying all of his life to make America a safer place. His life teaches me to persevere and not become angry and give up when people don't agree with me. He also reinforced the Golden Rule with his actions. He didn't hate those who hated him; he loved the ones who wanted to kill him, just as Jesus Christ did in His time. Though Dr. King wouldn't see change in his time, he remained hopeful for the future of America.

Dr. King is best known for his speech titled "I Have a Dream." He dreamed of reform in the way whites viewed blacks, Catholics viewed Protestants and citizens viewed immigrants. After hearing his speech on tape, I was in awe of what he said this country could become, and I am hopeful that this country will continue to unite its cultural diversity. Dr. King's example has taught me to keep my head up at all times and to believe in

Comm. (from Page 1)

The commissioners adopted a resolution showing their continued support of the restoration project. The amount of the restoration is estimated at \$3,756,508.00.

RESOLUTION A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF WHEELER COUNTY TO EXECUTE RESTORATION OF THE WHEELER COUNTY COURTHOUSE

WHEREAS, the historic county courthouse, having served the county since the first official commissioners court meeting was held in the building on May 20, 1926, is in need of repair; and

WHEREAS, the county submitted an application to the Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation program (THCPP) seeking funding assistance for the rehabilitation/restoration work described in the Master Plan authored by Wharry Engineering, Wade Ellison, Architect; and the 95% complete plans and specifications dated October 15, 2001; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project has been selected to receive a THCPP grant award in the amount of \$3,756,508 by the Texas Historical Commission, the state agency administering the THCPP, contingent upon compliance with the terms of the Funding Agreement, to which this document is attached.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Commissioners Court of Wheeler County, Texas, affirms by this vote its willingness to accept this funding award, to contribute appropriate local funding, to enter into the aforementioned Funding Agreement, and to hereby declare its complete support for this important project.

Resolved this 11th day of February, 2002

(signed)
Jerry Dan Hefley, County Judge
Daryl Snelgrooves,
Commissioner, Pct. 1
Tom Puryear,
Commissioner, Pct. 2
Hubert C. Moore,
Commissioner, Pct. 3
Boyd Hiltbrunner,
Commissioner, Pct. 4

The commissioners made Patricia Guthrie a full time employee of the County Clerk's office. Starting salary will be \$1446.38 for the six months probation period; the salary will then be increased to \$1496.38.

The Shamrock Fire Department requested assistance in purchasing a 1-ton fire truck. The estimated cost is \$24-\$26,000. The commissioners voted to allow \$12,500 toward the purchase of the truck.

what I think is right. He never gave up on what he believed in, and he hoped one day more people would believe in the same thing. Each person, no matter how diverse, has to do his/her own part to keep Dr. King's dream alive and America progressing toward his goals.

Martin Luther King Jr.'s life reinforced many things that I have been taught in my life. He took pieces of work like the Bible and the Constitution, and used them to show how to live. Other people, me included, have picked up on his example and have used the models he used to help develop our own brand of leadership. The major things Dr. King's life has taught me are to be a good leader, to stay nonviolent, and always to remain hopeful for the future. One of these days, I hope his dreams will become our realities.

Old Mobeetie Assoc. Has Regular Meeting Feb. 7

The Old Mobeetie Texas Association held their regular monthly meeting February 7, 2002 with President Dale Corcoran in charge of the meeting. Jay Godwin led in the opening prayer. Bobby Hill Secretary read the minutes for the January meeting. Jimmy Hill made a motion to accept as read and second by Jay Godwin carried. Louise Hogan Treasurer gave the financial reports. Motion by Joe VanZandt to accept the reports as given and second by Bill Elliott and carried. Melba Corcoran gave the Collection manager report of 15,910 work sheets that have been done with 32,998 items. She also reported there were 188.5 volunteer hours for January. The Museum had 136 visitors in Jan. with 4 from out of state. Louise Hogan gave the web site report of 21,272 hits in January with one new country. This makes 53 foreign countries that have visited our site. Bernice Hefley read a letter thanking the members for the donations to the Methodist Church in Aline Corse's memory.

Bobby Hill announced that we had received the \$1,000.00 grant from the Texas Historical Commission. Some of the papers have already been put in sleeves waiting for the cabinets to arrive so they can be stored correctly.

Jay Godwin gave a report on "The Last Roses" a civil war program that the museum may try to put on this year. Bobby Hill also had a letter from the owners and she will check to see when they will be coming into the Panhandle and report back to the Association. The Mobeetieoply was discussed the board has been designed with business and ranches before 1900 that will be used. Some of the spaces are already sold. The spots will be sold with old business and sponsored by whoever buys the spot. They will also have a historical sheet about every space with facts and dates.

It was announced that the TAM meeting would be held in April in Lubbock. Everyone is encouraged to attend the Directors and Board Members day.

It was announced that Janie VanZandt, Melba Corcoran and Dale Corcoran got the wedding dress taken down and packed away. Janie is doing a reproduction of the dress.

Bobby Hill and Melba Corcoran attended a meeting in Panhandle for directors and educators from the area museums.

It was announced that Bill Elliott had been selling ads for the Music Festival.

Workday was set for February 23. Those attending were Joe VanZandt, Jay Godwin, Louise Hogan, Bernice Hefley, Arica Lancaster, Jim and Bobby Hill, Bill and Dutch Elliott and Dale and Melba Corcoran.

Prairie (from Page 1)

There's no question popularity of our show confirms a continuing, probably a growing, interest in this type of music, especially for the period of 1940's to 1970's.

"Performers, for example in January, came from Lipscomb to Collingsworth counties and represented professionals such as Cowboys, Bankers, Oil and Gas Industry, Highway Department, Self-Employed individuals and U. S. Agriculture Agency. The audience really seems to appreciate the wide variety of performers we have. We don't take a lot of time away from the music for equipment or people changes. We keep the music coming," Godwin emphasized.

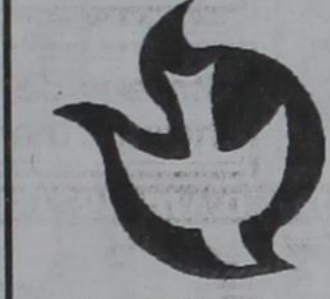
Anticipated performers on Saturday night include, Scott Campbell, Wade Hampton from Wheeler, everybody's favorite fiddler—Frankie McWhorter from Lipscomb, Wayne Wright, Lonnie Cox, Phil Ridgway from Higgins, George Briant, Jay Godwin, Hank & Venita McPherson, Galen Lynch and Jerry Collier. "Joining us for the first time this season are R. D. Beard from Joshua, Texas and Meredith Ausbrook from Manford, Oklahoma—near Tulsa," Godwin said.

"We've got some other really good performers that want to entertain if we can work the time in our schedule. That's a good problem to have. . . and it seems to reflect the quality of the show."

For additional information contact Jay Godwin at telephone (806) 323-6213 or fax (806) 323-8759.

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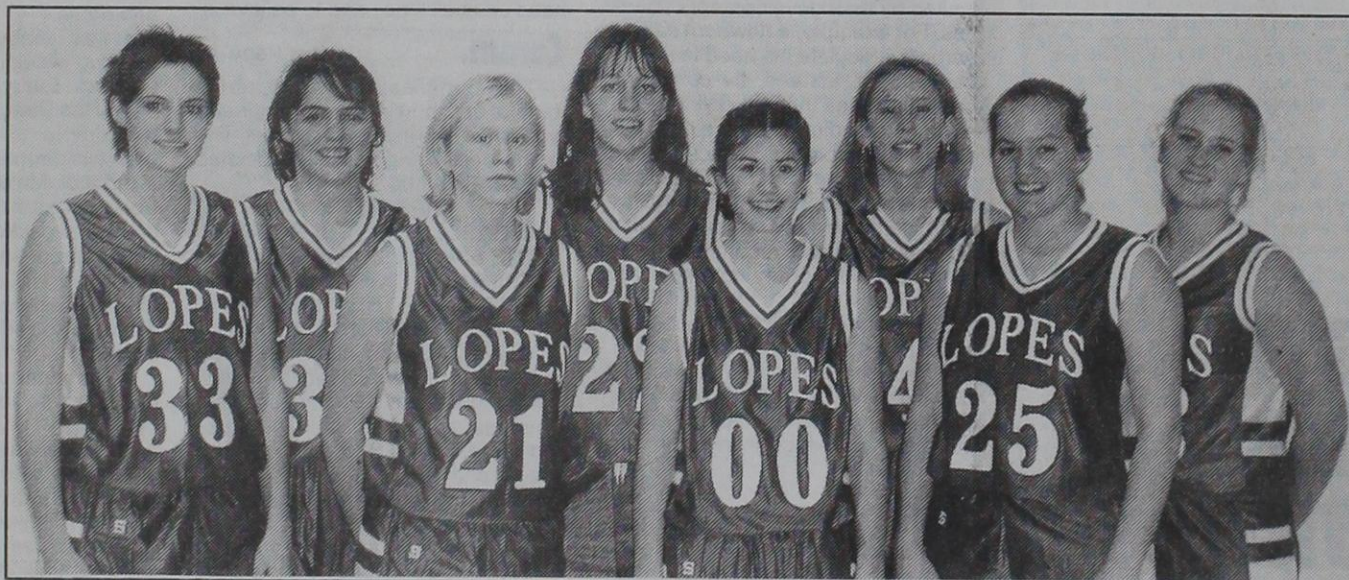
The Ft. Elliott Cougars completed the basketball season 25-5 for a District Co-Champ title. The team will play Channing at Highland Park on Tuesday, Feb. 19 at Highland Park. Team members are (l. to r.) Monty Hand, George Helton, Kade Zybach, Junior Newman, Seth Meadows, Justen Bryant, Larry Lee Horn, Arron Hartline, Junior Gonzales, Jason Hathaway, Caleb Kirkpatrick, Steven Kephart, Wesley Hathaway, Justin Hefley, Coach Smith.

BI-DISTRICT CHAMPS:

The Ft. Elliott Lady Cougars completed the basketball season 16-12 for a Second Place in District. The team played Texline at Fritch Tues., Feb. 12 and won the Bi-District Title, 58-44. The girls will play for Area; opponent and location are undecided at this time. Team members are (l. to r.) Tamara Hefley, Chelsea Selby, Andria Keelin, Amanda Mick, Andrea Hathaway, Brittney Mick, Tamara Hartline, Melissa Kephart, Holly McCurley, Kenzie Watkins, Shantell Meek, Casey Zybach, Stephanie Baker, Jackie Dukes, Jessica Puryear—Manager and Coach Schaub.



Allison Girls' Basketball Team



THIRD IN DISTRICT PLAY:

Allison's Lady Antelopes tied with Ft. Elliott for second in district play. In a play-off game Ft. Elliott took the second place trophy. The Lopes closed the season in third place and a season record of 21-8. Team members are (l. to r.) Heather Boydston, Alicia Lohberger, Chelsea Archer, Laura Lohberger, Kendra Sappenfield, Katie Donaldson, Rachel Chupp and Bronwyn Dukes.

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