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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

## CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

With such cold weather the last of the week, Tuesday was back to spring, including the wind.

The little bit of moisture that fell Friday was caught only by walls and fences; the wind blew so hard.

Tuesday is election day. It is important that you vote!

Local citizens will have the opportunity to attend the performance of Wheeler's one-act play. A local performance has been set for Thursday evening at the auditorium.

And if you haven't had the opportunity to purchase Girl Scout Cookies, you can do so Thursday afternoon at Thriftway.

Congratulations, Halee! The young lady finished third in Canyon's elementary spelling; seven schools competed.

Barbara and I went our separate ways over the weekend. She went east to visit Jennifer and I went south with the Crosses to visit the Dale Kidd family in Waco.

Yes, I played cards with Rachael and Sarah.

The results of the Monday night card game were not to my liking. Barbara, Leroy and I started out really well with a win right off. But, Rhonda, Mike and Dwight did not give us much of a chance the last two games.

Remember to Vote! Your candidate needs your support.

### NOTICE

Wheeler County Appraisal Dist. will be closed 3-19-02 for Staff Training

## West Texas Christian Third Quarter Awards

March 1st marked the end of our third quarter of school. WTCS would like to congratulate the following Elementary Students for making A Honor Roll: Danie Clawson, Jessica Egner, and Jessica Jernigan. The student with the highest average was Danie Clawson with 98.71%. Danie Clawson was also the Outstanding Student of the Quarter with 1000 points.

WTCS would like to congratulate the following Junior and Senior High Students for making A Honor Roll: Shannon Bailey, Dylan Doebele, Michelle Doebele, Josh Forgy, Vanessa Gearhart, and Joanna Jernigan. The student with the highest average was Joanna Jernigan with 98.92%. Josh Forgy and Joanna Jernigan were the Outstanding Students of the Quarter with 1000 points each.

## 'Thank You' Is Extended For Help At Tournament

A great big thanks to everyone who helped with the project Graduation Little Dribblers Tournament February 28 thru March 2. It was a team effort and everything ran smoothly.

Individuals who helped are too numerous to mention, however we would like to thank the following organizations for their donations:

Great Plains Regional Medical Center, Elk City  
McLean Feedyard  
Heritage Beef Cattle Company Inc.  
Wheeler Thriftway  
Wheeler Feedyard  
Wal-Mart Pampa  
Wheeler Banking Center

We would like to especially thank the parents, students, and friends from Allison and Wheeler, who worked tirelessly from Thursday at 3:00 p.m. until we wrapped it up at 10:30 p.m. Saturday night.

A special thanks to Billy Wiggins for cooking our Briskets for us!

Thanks to the Wheeler County Sheriff's Office for spearheading the project Graduation Chemical Free Party.

We appreciate the use of the Wheeler School facility and would like to thank all of the teachers and administration, who helped with the tournament.

Signed, Allison and Wheeler Parents

## Deadline For Ordering Windbreak Trees 3/10

Only one week left to order windbreak trees, lilac bushes and honey-suckle. The last day to place an order for any the trees/shrubs listed below will be March 10th. Below is

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Lyssa Kate Dunnam, 2 Months Old



Cody Cook, 15 Months Old

## Wheeler Chamber's "Cute Baby Contest"

# Lyssa Dunnam and Cody Cook Named Winners

After several phone calls from concerned grandparents, parents and other family and friends the results of Wheeler Chamber of Commerce's "Cute Baby Contest" were finally in.

We had a total of 18 babies, who entered the contest. Each week the jars were at a different location for four weeks. Each week the money was counted and recorded.

The winner for the boys, who

raised the most money, is Cody Cook, son of Travis and Marcie Cook of Canyon. Local grandparents are Mike and Sharon Miles of Wheeler.

The winner for the girls is Lyssa Dunnam, daughter of Aaron and Cassi Dunnam. Local grandparents are Scott and Jannell Dunnam and Richard and Linda Wallace.

Each baby received a \$50.00 dollar savings bond and a trophy. Thanks to First State Bank of

Mobeetie and Wheeler, Wheeler Banking Center for buying and donating the savings bonds.

The total money raised by the "Cute Baby Contest" was almost \$1,000, which will be used to fund Chamber events that are held for the community. The Chamber appreciates all who helped and participated. The baby jars can be picked up at the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce office.

## Ft. Elliott Fourth 6-Weeks Honor Roll

Kindergarten—All A's—Jessica Alls, Haley Barton, Kasey Barton, Jayton Childress, Cody Clark, Ty Ford, Keele Ralston, Zane Zybach

1st Grade—All A's—Houston Barr, Brandon Hathaway, Derrick Hungate, Kathy Kelley, Tyler Schaub, Tracy Winter, Emily Wyant, Hannah Tabor

2nd Grade—All A's—Jada Hathaway, Andrea Martinez, Kinsie Ralston; A's & B's—Carl Jahnel, J. T. Smith, Jonah Tabor, Shelby Tabor

3rd Grade—All A's—Dawson Clark, Gatlin Duncan, Sarah Horn, Karen Kelley, Adrian Reis, Alexis Zybach; A's & B's—Charity Baird, Davis Corse, Kory McLaughlin, Roland Neman, Ailene Wyant

4th Grade—All A's—Payton Alls, Blake Baker; A's & B's—Hayden Duncan, Colbey Hanson, Karly Lovelace, Cody Selby

5th Grade—All A's—Bailey Estes, Hailey Estes, Stormi Lancaster, Amber Maddox, Kaylie Ralston; A's & B's—Brandon Finsterwald, Sarah Hathaway, Megan Horn, Veronica Hungate, Tisha McLaughlin, Kelsi Minnick, Kaleigh Schaub

6th Grade—All A's—Jordan Alls, Mayci Meadows; A's & B's—Lauren Baird, Tommy Meek, Nathan McLaughlin, Chance Newman

7th Grade—A's & B's—Steven McAlpine

8th Grade—All A's—Blaine Baker, Graden Schaub, Kelsey Zybach; A's & B's—Cari Pigg, Jake Puryear, Sarah Zybach

9th Grade—All A's—Andrea Hathaway, Andria Keelin; A's & B's—Justin Bryant, Tamara Hefley, Steven Kephart

10th Grade—A's & B's—Holly McCurley

11th Grade—All A's—Tamera Hartline, Wesley Hathaway; A's &

B's—Junior Gonzales, Jason Hathaway, Seth Meadows, Brittney Mick, Jocelyn Meek, Kenzie Watkins, Kade Zybach

12th Grade—All A's—Stephanie Baker; All A's & B's—Monty Hand, Aaron Hartline, Justin Hefley, Chris Lee, Amanda Mick, Casey Zybach

## Wheeler Co. SWCE Hosts Semi-Annual Panhandle Assoc. of SWCD's Meeting

Wheeler Co. SWCD was the host for the semi-annual Panhandle Association of Soil & Water Conservation Districts meeting on February 19th. The meeting was held at the Shamrock Community Center. The meal was sponsored by First Ag Credit and First State Bank of Mobeetie and was catered by Mr. BBQ, Steve Walker. There were 62 people from all around the Panhandle that attended the meeting.

Paul Macina, Chairman of the Wheeler Co SWCD welcomed the group and then introduced Noel Walton, Mayor of Shamrock. Mr. Walton also welcomed the group and then spoke briefly about points of interest located in Shamrock, such as Route 66 and the St. Patrick's Day celebration held each March.

Guest speaker was C.E. Williams from the Panhandle Groundwater District located in White Deer, Texas. Mr. Williams gave a slide presentation on some of the programs that they do, such as flow testing, rural water quality testing and legislative tracking.

Others that spoke were Jose' Dodier, Jr., President of the Association of Texas SWCD; Dayton Elam, Board member of the Texas State SWCD Board; Aubrey Russell, Vice-president of the Association of Texas SWCD; Bob Buckley, executive director of the Texas State SWCD Board and Mickey Black, Assistant State field operation for NRCS.

We would like to say "THANK YOU" to First Ag Credit and First State Bank of Mobeetie for sponsoring the meal. Also we would like to

## Girl Scout Cookie Sale Thursday At Thriftway

Girl Scout Cookies will be on sale at Thriftway in Wheeler on Thursday afternoon—after school.

Help the local scout troop with your purchase.

## Breast Cancer Screening Clinic In Wheeler 3/26

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Parkview Hospital, 901 S Sweetwater in Wheeler on March 26, 2002.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month. Participants will receive a low-cost screening mammogram. Each woman screened will receive a breast health risk appraisal and individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. To schedule an appointment or for more information call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

## Wheeler Chamber Seeks Landowners To Lease Land For Turkey Hunters

The Wheeler Chamber of Commerce is seeking farmers, ranchers or land owners willing to lease their land for the hunting of turkeys. The project has been an annual event since 1988 and offers the individuals an opportunity to earn extra money for the use of their land.

Turkey season this year is April 6 thru May 12.

Landowners receive payment for each hunter on their land. The hunters are screened and sign liability releases. The number of hunters on an individual piece of land is determined by the bird population. Five farmers and ranchers participated in the hunt last year, representing 4,400 acres of land.

The Wheeler area has an abundance of wild turkeys and the annual turkey season draws the attention of hunters from over the nation. Wheeler hosted 10 hunters from over the nation last year and has received national coverage over the past years

through magazine newspaper articles.

At the present time 12 hunters have registered for this year's hunt. More hunters are expected to register between now and turkey season. Several of these are repeats from last year. The inquiries and/or hunters have come from South Carolina, Oklahoma, Utah, Minnesota and Missouri.

This would be an excellent opportunity for an alternate income for farmers and ranchers. Last year farmers and ranchers were paid 1,755 dollars.

Darrel Gaines and Robert Ford are the chamber representatives for the turkey hunt. Any landowner or individual needing more information on the hunt or leasing may contact the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber number is 806/826-3408.

The Chamber will also contract land for deer and quail hunting, during season.

## Saturday, April 20 Selected As Date For Ja'Nae Goad Golf Tournament

The Fourth Annual Ja'Nae Goad Memorial Golf Tournament will be held Saturday, April 20 at the Shamrock Country Club. This tournament will be an 18 hole scramble format and will offer tee times of 9AM and 2PM. To enter please contact Cecil Thomas at 826-5809, Ida Goad at 826-5254 or Bobby Jennings at 826-3153. The entry fee is \$25 and teams will be drawn from the first 120 paid contestants.

Donations of \$25 from businesses will go toward special prizes such as closest to pin, longest drive and longest putt. Donations from individuals

or businesses of \$50 or more will sponsor a tee box. Individual gifts for door prizes are also accepted.

Tournament proceeds will benefit the Ja'Nae Goad Memorial Golf Scholarship. This scholarship was designed to financially assist a Wheeler County high school senior who has participated in golf. The first scholarship was awarded to Alan Segura of Shamrock, J. J. Johnson of Wheeler and Curt Smith of Fort Elliott received the awards in 2000. Last year's recipients were Nathan Hefley and Julie Zybach of Fort Elliott and Kacie Schlegel and Amanda Reeves of Shamrock.

## "Walk Across Texas" Program To Get Underway Thurs., April 11

KICKOFF April 11th Don't miss it this year!

Walk Across Texas is an eight-week program that will spark some friendly competitions in Wheeler County. Last year 13 teams walked a total 8,765 miles and the teams from Mobeetie walked away with first and second place prizes. This year the entry fee will remain \$10 and new participants will receive the yellow t-shirt in large or x-large. All participants receive a prize at the awards picnic with the first, second and third place teams receiving a bonus prize.

The Teams of eight will compete to see who can log the most miles walking, jogging, or even biking. The kickoff for Wheeler County is April 11th. Teams members will keep track of their miles and the team captain will phone them in each week. The map

will be updated at the Extension office to track our progress across the Texas map. To participate in Walk Across Texas, first get a team together. Walking teams consist of eight people. Biking and jogging teams are limited to four people. Choose a team captain and name your team. Fill out a registration form available at the Wheeler County Cooperative Extension Office, 2nd floor in the county courthouse. This is a good opportunity for local business to challenge other businesses to see which team can walk the most. If you want to participate but can't find a team, call the extension office and we'll find you a team.

Many people are unaware of the positive benefits of exercise. According to the American Heart Association, heart disease is the No. 1 problem in the United States. The risk of heart disease could be significantly reduced by regular exercise. According to the Texas Department of Health, the positive effects of physical activity are not limited to lowering the risk of heart disease. Not only does regular exercise help relieve stress and anxiety, "physically active people outlive inactive people," a TDH report stated. Participating in Walk Across Texas is not only a great way to get involved with our community, it's a health habit.

Competition kicks off on April 11th! Come out and plan to have lots of fun.

For more information, call the Extension office at 826-5243. Walk Across Texas results will be posted at the Courthouse in the Extension office and in the local newspapers.

## Hospital Notes

### Extended Care

Estelle Orr  
Ruth Ledbetter  
Verne Lohberger  
Ardie Martin

### New Admissions

2/25 Donald Finsterwald  
2/26 Mickey Atherton  
2/28 Charles Ballard  
Jane Rives  
3/1 Mae Helton  
Jewel Moore  
3/2 Natasha Robinson  
3/3 Nellie Lackey  
3/4 Charlie Sackett  
Ann Cole  
Elsie Hughes

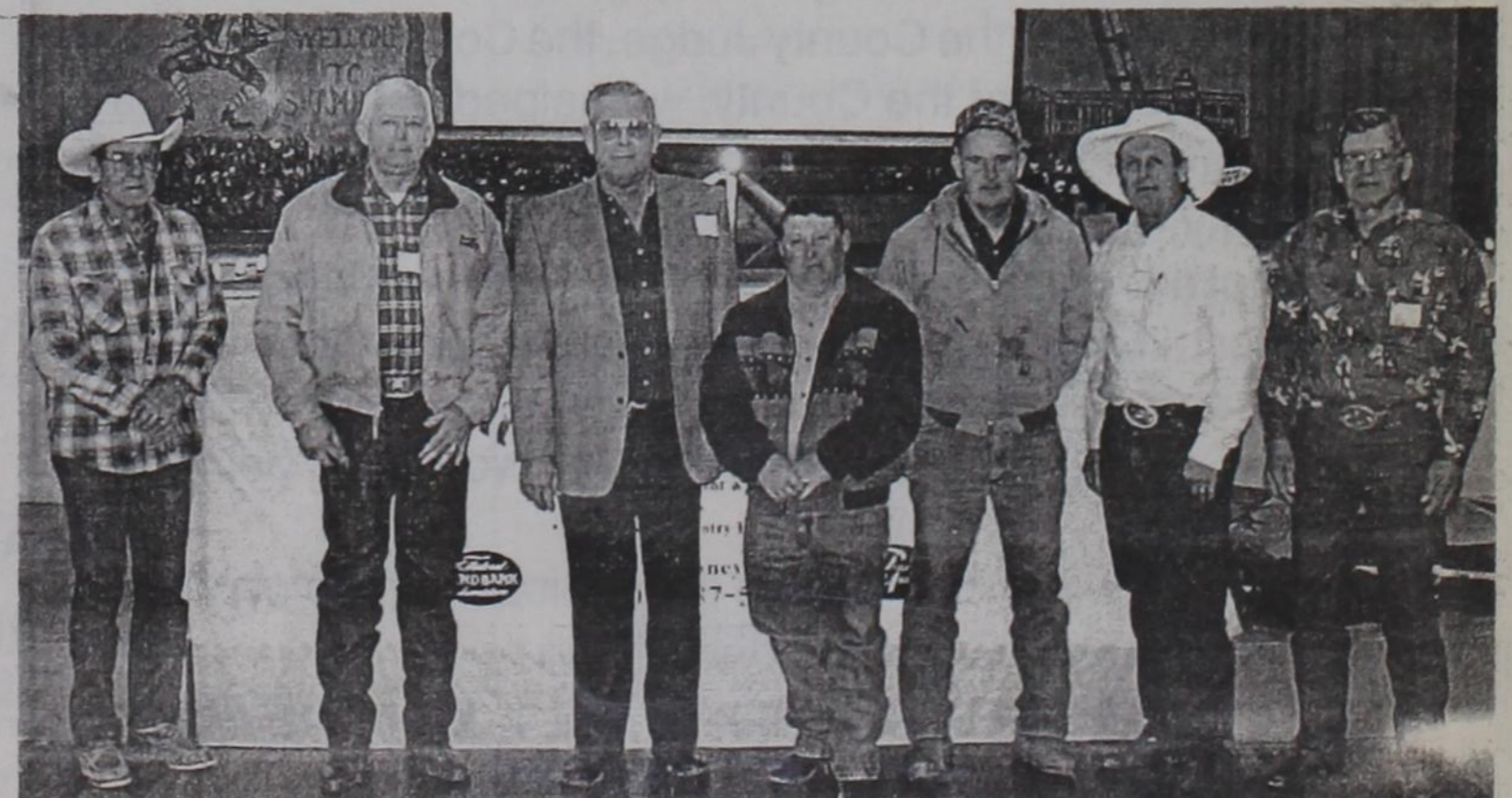
### Dismissal

2/27 Mickey Atherton  
Donald Finsterwald  
Charles Ballard  
Jewel Moore  
3/1 Natasha Robinson

Wheeler's  
One-Act Play,  
**"Mr. Flannery's Ocean"**  
will be presented  
**Thursday, March 7**  
7:00 P.M.  
High School Auditorium  
Adults: \$2.00  
Students: \$1.00

## Candidates for Federal, State, District Offices

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Pictured (l. to r.) Darville Atherton, Dan Hennard, Aubrey Russell, Erick Zybach, John McDowell Jr., Jose' Dodier and Paul Macina.

# MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Melba Corcoran

Our sympathy goes out to the family of Fayette Seitz.

Dale and Melba Corcoran spent a week in Fort Hood with Scott and Neva Corcoran, Kayle, Nathan and Brandon. Scott and family will be sent to Germany in March for three years. On the way down they spent Thursday night with Kelley and Edith Cross in Abilene. They also got to visit with Dana and David Graham, Caleb and Justin while at the Cross's.

Lynn Sims went to Lubbock to visit his mother Elton and Wilma Wyatt over the weekend.

Friday night Hugh and Mae Bailey went to a birthday party for Tom Kitchen at the Senior Citizens in Pampa. Tom 90 years old, it was interesting to find out Grandpa Shelton had been the doctor there with Mrs. Kitchens when some of the boys were born.

Glen Hughes son-in-law of Mae Bailey has finished radiation and has been allow to go back to work on light duty. He goes back to Amarillo to his doctor on the 16th and back to Dallas in 3 months from the last treatment.

Dale and Melba Corcoran picked Pauline Barnes up in Wheeler and they all visited with Densel and Fern Reed Thursday night.

Aaron and Arica Lancaster left Saturday to go to Ray and Mary Corcoran for a visit.

Stephen and Jean McAlpine have

moved to the Dennis Hilburn house. They purchased the place from Dennis and Frannie.

Harry Sims bought the Hamilton Cafe Building in Old Town. He is fixing it up and going to put in gas and diesel pumps. He also bought Mac Strickland place and Mac will be moving his trailer in a few weeks.

Visiting in Wheeler with Pauline Barnes Saturday night was Densel and Fern Reed and Dale and Melba Corcoran.

Mt. View Quilting Club met Thursday at Totty Schoolhouse with Estelle Hodges as hostess. Her quilt was finished. They put in the club quilt to give away in June. Those attending were Augusta Brown, Estelle Hodges, Audrey Seitz, Charlotte Coward,

Bobbie Ehmann and Melba Corcoran. Dale and Melba Corcoran went to Amarillo Friday. Melba attended an executive board meeting for Northwest Museum Association. Dale went shopping.

The first Sunday night singing was held in Mobeetie at the First Baptist Church Sunday night. There was a good crowd in attendance. There was a real nice program.

Dale Corcoran took Lorene Rector and Orville Greenhouse to Elk City Monday for Lorene's doctor appointment.

Lori Selby took Cody Selby to Pampa Monday to the doctor.

Jerry and Gary Grimes of Amarillo visited last Saturday with his parents Doyle and Bulah Grimes. This week

Doyle and Bulah both have bad colds and have been staying home out of the weather.

Melba Corcoran had a doctor appointment in Pampa Monday. She shopped and visited with Kevin, Martha and Samuel Corcoran. Others there were Jeff Corcoran and Robert Remy.

Betty Talley got out of the hospital this Monday. She had an infection in her lungs and was having heart problems. She has been in and out of the hospital for over 2 months. She hopes she is on the road to recovery now. Remember her in your prayers.

Gladys Richardson visited with Jerry and Cheryl Richardson, Katie and Tyler last Saturday.

Gladys Richardson and Leola Stuart visited in Shamrock with Mrs. Bulah Stuart one day this week.

Dale Richardson of Elk City, Ok, Ivy Richardson of Erick, Ok and Leola Stuart all attended the 90th birthday for their Aunt Vitula Davis in Amarillo. After the party they visited their Aunt Eral Pond in Rehab.

Chuck and Louise Hogan took supper Thursday night to Clint and Maurita Stribling. After supper they played Chickenfoot.

Jack and Bernice Hefley went to Amarillo Monday.

Maurita Stribling went back to the doctor last Tuesday. That she was doing fine to keep using the walker. She can put 20% of her weight on her

## LET IT SNOW!

Lorena G. Males

What does the snow do for you? I saw the La Fonda Hotel in Santa Fe once covered with snow. Like a Christmas greeting card it sparkled and shone, shaped like a big square box. The children ran and squealed with delight for they had rarely seen it snow! The snow seemed to scatter joy everywhere.

For the sleeping tulips and daffodils the snow is like a clean blanket covering them until spring arrives.

For the little birds it's time to search for a morsel of food.

Truck drivers, who earn their daily bread in the truck, dread to see the highways piled with snow.

For those who go to work in the snow it is not so beautiful. Electric lights go out. Little calves freeze, elderly people suffer and die.

Snow suggests a sleigh ride to some. Others make ready to ski.

Meal planners in the cafes automatically plan the menu: "We'll have soup or chili."

Merchants begin to smile broadly as they sell out of over shoes, rain coats and umbrellas.

School teachers and their students clap their hands in glee if the snow gets deep for they know the superintendent will call to give the glad tidings: "No school today."

Mother Nature rescues us from the drought of despair and gives us another promise—Things will be better next year.

"Let it snow! Let it snow! Let it snow."

## OLD JAIL MUSEUM NEWS

The Old Mobeetie Texas Association held their monthly workday February 23. The women worked on putting old document into sleeves. The men worked on the grounds. Those attending were Frances Dickey, Louise Hogan, Dutch Elliott, Bobbie Hill, Jim Hill, Bill Elliott, Bill Finsterwald, Brandon Finsterwald, George Kilcrease, Keith Oliphant, and Joe VanZandt.

## Spring Break Exploring 4-H Activities Planned

Do you have nothing to do for Spring Break? Did you attend the Exploring 4-H summer activities? You'll love the Spring Break Exploring 4-H. Activities are for age 9 and older. We will meet March, 11th, 13th, 15th Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the Extension office, Wheeler County Courthouse, 2nd floor 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. You must call the Extension office 826-5243 to reserve your place. You can come one or all days. We'll cover learning how to shop, sew, and how to take pictures (photography project). We'll have a great time!! If you would like for the Spring Break activities to come to your community, be the first group of two or more to call the Extension office to schedule activities for Tuesday and/or Thursday. Please RSVP so that enough materials will be available.

## 4-H Photography Project

If you are interested in learning about photography and taking pictures, join the 4-H photography project. Call the Extension office 826-5243 for more information. Photographs are due no later than April 10, 2002 for the Panhandle 4-H Photography Contest (for all 4-H ages) and the State 4-H Photography Exhibit (for Seniors only). All photographs must have been taken by 4-H members and should not be photos which were in prior Texas or Panhandle 4-H Photography displays. The categories are people, animals, landscape and scenic, flora and plants, humor, promoting 4-H (pictures that capture 4-H members or leaders in action, demonstrate 4-H programs or activities, and communicate the meaning of 4-H to exhibit viewers), digital photography.

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## ALLISON MENU

**MONDAY, March 11, 2002 — FRIDAY, March 15, 2002**

**MONDAY**  
Breakfast: Cheesy Bacon n Apple Bread, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Chicken Strips, Mashed Potatoes, Glazed Carrots, Hot Rolls, Ice Cream, Milk

**TUESDAY**  
Breakfast: Breakfast Skillet Bake, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Chicken Fajita, Salad, Corn Salad, Black Bean Salad, Ham n Cheese Sand., Grapes, Milk


**WEDNESDAY**  
Breakfast: Breakfast Burrito, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Pigs n Blanket, Black-eyed Peas, Mac n Cheese, Peach Cobbler, Milk

**THURSDAY**  
Breakfast: Cereal, Rice, Toast, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Cowboy Casserole, Green Beans, Corn, Hot Rolls, Fruit, Milk

**FRIDAY**  
Breakfast: Donut, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Fish Sandwich, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Fries, Choc. Chip Cookies, Fruit, Milk  
(Menu subject to change)

# ELECT BILL ATHERTON

## CANDIDATE FOR WHEELER CO. COMMISSIONER, PCT. 2



"A County Commissioner has many duties to perform, making informed decisions on the expenditures of Tax Dollars, maintaining and improving the county roads, also making important rules and duties involving county government."

"With the help of the County Judge, the Commissioners, and all Other Employees of the County, we helped establish the 911 in the Panhandle, which has been a great benefit for the people of the County."

"I'm not a professional politician, I'm a hard working man with basic values, like common sense, honesty, commitment, integrity, loyalty and experience. Around here, a man is only as good as his word, and I give you my word that I'll work hard being your Commissioner."

"I have enjoyed being your Commissioner before, and I would like to be your Commissioner again."

**YOUR VOTE AND SUPPORT WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED ON MARCH 12.**

(Pol. Adv. paid by Bill Atherton, 7935 Co. Rd. 16, Wheeler, Tex. 79096)

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Hebrews, 13-14, 15 & 16, For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come. By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name. But to

do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.  
It's a cold-cold Monday morning here in Allison. March certainly came in like a lion-Wonder if it will go out like a lamb? That's some kind of ole saying I have heard for years.  
Opal, Juanita and Curtis Boydston visited after church Wednesday with Roma and Billy Brown. On Thursday evening they also visited with Roma and Billy. Others there were Len and

Betty Brown from Dumas, Larry Brown from Melvorn, Arkansas. On Friday evening Opal and Juanita Boydston visitor's were Len and Betty Brown and Curtis Boydston. Supper guest with Len and Betty at their Allison home Saturday evening were Opal, Juanita and Curtis Boydston.  
Roma and Billy Brown's weekend guests were Larry Brown from Malvorn, Arkansas and their daughter, Troy and Lola Fuller from Hugo, Oklahoma and their son Troy Fuller

from Ada, Oklahoma.  
Pete Gilmer took his sister, Peggy Chandler, to Pampa last Wednesday for her dental appointment.  
Bob and Lou Cornell went to Wheeler this past weekend to watch their grandson's in the Little Dribblers basketball tournament.  
Ruby Craig and Rhonda McWhorter went to Amarillo last Friday morning. They visited Calvin and Lisa Farmer, Ryan, Matthew and Cory. They also took care of business and returned back to Wheeler Friday night. Ruby then came on home to Allison.  
Sunday afternoon Red and Anna Dukes visited with Clyde and Jane Dukes and their daughters at Briscoe.  
Pete and Margaret Gilmer were in Shamrock last Wednesday and ate dinner at the Mexican restaurant. On Friday Pete and Margaret were back to Shamrock for Margaret's doctor appointment, and also ate dinner again at the same place. They say the food is very good there.  
Last Tuesday Eddy and Wanda Walker were dinner guests with Pearl Harrison. Wanda stayed the afternoon and helped Pearl get her freezer defrosted. Wednesday Bennie Boydston ate dinner with Pearl. Pearl went to Elk City last Thursday. She did some shopping and also visited an aunt, Violet Burns. Pearl spent Thursday and Friday night with Jimmy and Vivian Wallace. They attended United Pentecostal Fellowship meeting at the U. P. Church in Elk City. Pearl came home Saturday.  
Louise Boydston's Sunday dinner guests were Len and Betty Brown of Dumas, Shirley Chadwick, Cheryl Dupont, Sabrina and Cody, Pearl Harrison and Pastor McDaniel. Clifton and H. B. Dupont were both working with Bob Cornell and Gary Boydston with the Steam machines. Bro. T. H. Chapman was in Amarillo filling the pulpit of Pastor Royce Elms at the United Pentecostal Church in Amarillo.  
Tim and Debbie Johns visited Rita Grayson last Sunday night after church services at the Church of Christ.  
Jon and Connie Steffy's Saturday night visitors were the Robles from Wheeler. They also visited a while on Sunday with Jon and Connie and grandson. Bryon Scales from Perryton spent the weekend.



**ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT:** Leroy and Rose Parker of Wheeler announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Lynna Watson, to Vince Koelzer. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Jerry and Barbra Koelzer of Wheeler. The wedding is set for May 4, 2002, in the Wedding Chapel at Amarillo. Both Lynna and Vince are graduates of Wheeler High School. She is assistant manager at Mel's Diner in Wheeler and he is employed with Arrow Water Well Service of Wheeler.

Pearl Harrison visited Lanora Morse last Monday afternoon.  
Janice Boydston's last week's

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# Wheeler County COURT RECORDS

List of instruments filed in the Wheeler County's Clerk Office from February 25, 2002—March 1, 2002.

**FEBRUARY 25, 2002**  
 RDT—Countrywide Home Loans Inc. to Kay Robinson, 12-12-01, See Instrument.  
 C/C WILL—Harold J. Warren to Ex Parte, 1-31-02.  
 C/C ORDER PROBATE—Harold J. Warren to Ex Parte, 1-31-02.  
 MD—Patsy Jeffcoat Knight to Enerlex Inc., 2-19-02, Secs. 42, 58, 59, 63, 77, 82, 97 and 98, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
 POA—Wilma L. Hefley to LeOne Cantrell, et al, 8-29-97.  
 D—Wilma Hefley to Mary Ann Cunningham, 2-22-02, All Lot 16 and the N 35' of Lot 15, Blk. 70, WSSA, Shamrock.  
 PARTIAL RDT—First State Bank of Canadian, National Association to Bob Weatherly, 2-22-02, Sec. 4, Blk. E, H Parris Survey, and Secs. 43 and 44, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
 RDT—First State Bank of Canadian, National Association to Bob Weatherly, 2-22-02, Secs. 43 and 44, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey; and Sec. 4, Blk. E, Harry Parris Survey.  
 D—Bob Weatherly to A. Michael Raticar, 2-22-02, Secs. 43 and 44, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey; and Sec. 4, Blk. E, Harry Parris Survey.  
 DT—A. Michael Raticar to First State Bank of Canadian, National Association, 2-22-02, Secs. 43 and 44, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey; and Sec. 4, Blk. E, Harry Parris Survey.  
 HOME EQUITY DT—C. William Burch Jr., et ux to Cross Point Funding Inc., 2-13-02, 10 acs. Sec. 4, T&NO Ry. Company Survey.  
 HOME EQUITY AFF.—C. William Burch Jr., et ux to Cross Point Funding Inc., 2-13-02, 10 acs. Sec. 4, T&NO Ry. Company Survey.  
 TDT—Cross Point Funding Inc. to Flagstar Bank, FSB, 2-14-02, 10 acs. Sec. 4, T&NO Ry. Company Survey.  
 DVL—Lloyd H. Cogburn, et ux to James M. Graves, et ux, 2-22-02, 9.73 acs. SW 1/4 Sec. 52, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
 DT—James M. Graves, et ux to First National Bank of Shamrock, 2-22-02, 9.73 acs. SW 1/4 Sec. 52, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
 SHERIFF'S D—Wheeler Independent School District, et al to Patricia Childress, 2-25-02, Lots 1-4, Blk. E, Park Add., Wheeler.  
 D—James Lloyd Hamilton, et ux to Harry D. Sims, 2-22-02, Pt. Sec. 45, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**FEBRUARY 26, 2002**  
 CORR. AGREEMENT—Charles W. Rushing, et ux to First Ag Credit, FLCA, 2-20-02, 376 acs. Lot 2-4, Blk. 83, WSSA, Shamrock.  
 MERGER AFF.—Westport Oil and Gas Company LP to Electra Resources, Inc., et al, 1-21-02.  
 D—Terence A. Cook, et ux to Bob Weatherly, 2-23-02, Pt. W 1/2 W 1/2 Sec. 7, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**FEBRUARY 27, 2002**  
 RDT—National Bank of Commerce to Lloyd H. Cogburn, 2-26-02, Lots 4-7, Blk. 8, Shamrock.  
 D—Jack E. Baird, et ux to Bill Beck, et ux, 2-25-02, E 1/2 NW 1/4, SW 1/4 NW 1/4 Sec. 23, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
 CORR. ASSIGN. OVERRID. ROYALTY—SMR Natural Gas Production LLC to Focus Energy Inc., 2-19-02, See Instrument.  
 C/C EXECUTOR AMENDED ASSIGN.—Corwin D. Denney, et al to Tinsman & Houser, Inc., Trustee, et al, 2-12-02, See Instrument.  
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**SIGN.**—Corwin D. Denney, et al to Tinsman & Houser, Inc., Trustee, 2-13-02, See Instrument.  
**C/C ASSIGN.**—Tinsman & Houser, Inc., Trustee to DES Cygene Denney Settlement Partners Limited, 2-11-02, See Instrument.  
**D.**—Billy Mack Strickland to Harry D. Sims, 2-27-02, Pt. Sec. 45, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**RDT.**—First National Bank to Loyd H. Cogburn, et ux, 2-22-02, 9.73 acs. Sec. 52, Blk. —  
**EASEMENT AGREEMENT.**—Chuck Hogan, et al to Wheeler Feed Yard Inc., et al, 11-8-01, Pts. Sec. 11, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**FEBRUARY 28, 2002**  
**D.**—W. B. Cooper, et ux to Jerry L. Fought, et al, 2-12-02, 70 acs. NW 1/4 Sec. 34, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**MD.**—Joyce P. Berry to Joyce P. Berry Revocable Trust Agree., 2-15-02, Secs. 42 and 63, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**TRUSTEES MD.**—Patricia Clara Robertson Trust to Shannon Robertson Patterson, 2-22-02, Secs. 11-13, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey, and Sec. 25, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**D.**—Cledith A. Burrell to Curtis Davis, 2-28-02, Pt. S 214 acs. Sec. 2, D. Tindale Survey.  
**MARCH 1, 2002**  
**TDT.**—First National Bank of Shamrock to Shamrock Economic Development Corp., —, —, See Instrument.  
**POA.**—Bob Puryear to Bill Puryear, 2-28-02.  
**DVL.**—Bar 3S Properties Ltd. to Harry F. West, et ux, 2-25-02, See Instrument.  
**DT.**—Harry F. West, et ux to Panhandle-Plains Federal Land Bank Association, FLCA, 3-1-02, See Instrument.  
**RDT.**—First Ag Credit PCA to Andrew Don McCasland, et ux, 2-25-02, Pts. W 1/2 Sec. 11, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey, and W 1/2 NE 1/4; NE 40 acs. NE 1/4; E 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 20, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**RDT.**—First Ag Credit PCA to Andrew Don McCasland, et ux, 2-25-02, Pts. W 1/2 Sec. 11, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey, and 40 acs. NE 1/4 Sec. 20, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

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The Natural Resources Conservation Service field personnel will be checking newly seeded CRP grass fields for weed problems. There are a lot of tiny weeds coming up in the CRP fields right now. Producers are urged to control weeds in their newly seeded grasses.

CRP producers have the choice to either do chemical or mechanical weed control. Chemical control is a lot more effective on the smaller weeds than the larger weeds. The chemical should be used before forbs or legumes are planted. Mechanical control is a lot more effective on the taller weeds than the smaller weeds. Your local NRCS would like for each producer to strongly consider the chemical control over the mechanical control. When you control weeds with chemical it may take up to 1 to 2 sprayings during the growing seasons. If you consider the mechanical control it make take up to 2 to 4 shredding during growing season. Weed control is a must to stay in compliance with your CRP contract.

The Farm Service Agency will only cost-share one weed control. Please check with either NRCS or FSA to check on the status of your contract. Weed control is required in all of the CRP contracts. If weeds are not controlled in a timely manner, NRCS will turn it over to FSA office. The CRP producers contract could be terminated or fined if weeds are not controlled.

It is the responsibility of the CRP producers to control weeds on their CRP acreage without being told by your local NRCS office. At this time, the NRCS office doesn't have the manpower to check everyone CRP fields for weed problems. We urge producers to look at their field and let us know if you have any weed problems. Calvin and Fred will be happy to assist you.

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 The following is a list of political offices open for election and the names of individuals who have announced in The Wheeler Times their having placed their name on the ballot for the March Primary

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 For Commissioner, Prec. 2  
 Bill Atherton  
 Tom Puryear  
 Dwayne Baker  
 For County Judge  
 Jerry Dan Helley  
 For County Clerk

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 For District Judge  
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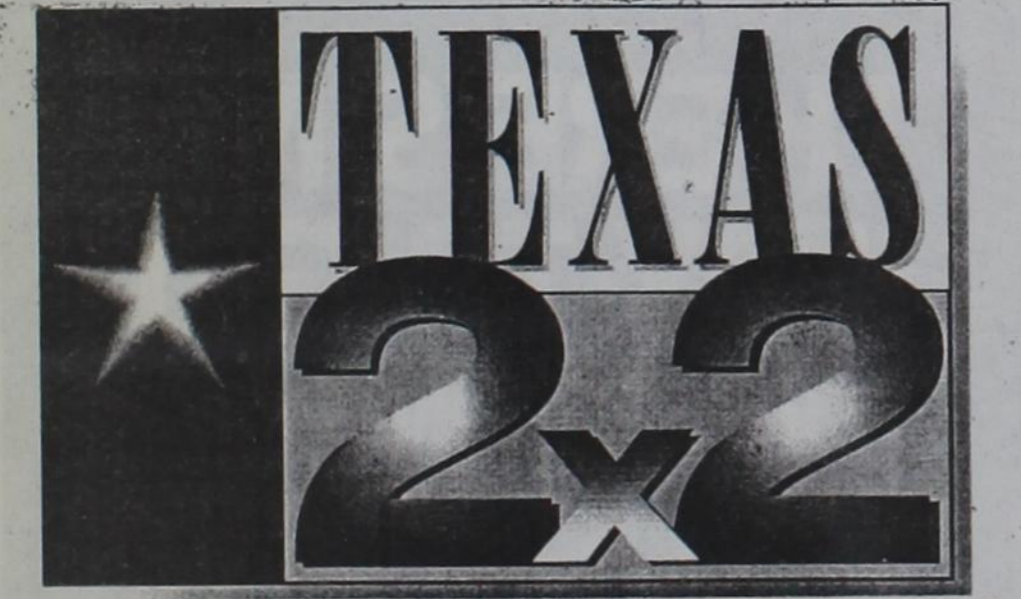
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## Frontier Regiment Of The High Plains

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The public is invited to attend, and refreshments will be served.

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Born in Tupelo, Mississippi, Elvis Aron Presley's first singing experience came in a church choir.

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The peanut came to be known as the gopher because it is a variation of the Congolese word *nguba*.

Over one hundred and fifty years ago Kiowa and Comanche warriors roamed the Texas Panhandle, often moving their villages, hunting buffalo and raiding white settlements or travelers. Very few signs of this period of history can be found today, except in Museums or private collections.

One fascinating artifact which remains is a Kiowa calendar, hand painted on a tanned deer hide, and kept by warriors from the winter of 1832-33 to 1892. It depicts much of the life of the Kiowa tribe from that time period, and remains one of the few accounts of Native American recorded history.

An authentic reproduction of this calendar will be the subject of a program at the White Deer Land Museum in Pampa on Thursday, March 7th, during the regular monthly meeting of the Frontier Regiment of the High Plains.

James Coverdale, a full blood Kiowa from Perryton, who's tribal name is One Moccasin, has hand painted an exact replica of the calendar on a tanned deer hide, and will present the program beginning at 7:00 P.M. Coverdale, who can trace an ancestor back to the Battle of Adobe

Virginia's son, Bill, from Washington State is here visiting. Sunday Bill and Virginia went to Amarillo and visited Bob. Bob has had serious heart problems for many years.  
Sunday night Lou Dean Douthit and Irene Keys visited Edna May. They ate supper and played Chicken Foot and visited.

Glad to hear that Derenda Aranda, Doyle and Bulah Grimes granddaughter, is back at her home after a week at M. D. Anderson hospital at Houston. She had a week of radiation after her surgery. She had thyroid cancer; twenty lymph nodes were removed. She is happy to be back home with her family. Keep praying.

Rosalie Keelin is expecting her son, Joey, and Risa and family from Pasadena to come this weekend to spend a few days.

Mary Finsterwald was taken to Wheeler Hospital Monday with problems with her legs. Pray for Mary. Martha Meek visited her Monday afternoon and others.

Cathy Hunt took her new grandson, Rayden Shawn Gonzales, out to church at Briscoe Sunday. He is tiny, but is gaining. Pray for him. Good crowd there.

Monday Martha Meek visited with Sammie Atherton at Wheeler Care Center. Sammie doesn't usually talk much, but she called Martha by name and thanked her for coming to see her. Great! Keep praying for Sammie.

Monday Verneal and Juanita Prater took Jeanette Jahnel and Deseray to Amarillo for Jeanette to have allergy shots. They ate at the Golden Corral, but Verneal missed Furr's Coconut Cream pie.

We like the nice new sign at First State Bank in Wheeler, showing time and temperature and other information. Thanks!

Congratulations to Mark and Carol Roberson on the birth of their new baby boy at Miami at their home Thursday, Feb. 28, with help from a midwife. Seth Alan weighed 8 pounds and he and his mom, Carol, are doing o.k. He was welcomed by sisters Rebecca, Deborah and Gracie Ann and brothers, Jonathan, Timothy, Daniel and Phillip. Pray for this lovely family.

Pray for Betty Talley of Miami, who has heart and lung problems. Doctors have concluded she has permanent lung damage from the second hand smoke and hair spray in her beauty shop. Remember Betty and Sid in your prayers and their family. She is still in Amarillo in the hospital, BSA, this Monday morning.

So sorry to hear of the death of Jerry Riley Eudey, 62, of Lake Palestine. His wife, Gladys, is a sister to Art Taylor of Shamrock. His son, Steven, is married to Roberta (Maddox) Eudey. May God comfort each of you.

There are many groups eating at Moxeys Thursday night. Coach Curtis Smith with Chris Lee, Jason Hathaway, Kade Zybach, Seth Meadows and others.

Some Zybachs eating together before the Little Dribblers game Thursday night were R. L. and Rozena Zybach, Mac and Gay Purcell, Royce and Deedy Zybach and Sarah Beth, Shane and Charity. (Charity was to play.)

Keith and Tyna Horn and Larry Lee, Megan and Sarah and Thurman and Bobbie Horn and Lee and Genise Young were eating together at Moxeys before the game. Girls would play. Also there, Toby and Kloette Henson and Ryan and Josh. Ryan turned 13 on Feb. 26.

Lee and Debbie Atherton of north of Dallas have been visiting Darville and Sammie Atherton and other relatives. Good to see Lee, Debbie and Darville eating at Moxeys Friday night. Sammie talked to them a little.

Ralph and Mary Hovey of Mobeetie celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary Thursday, February 28. Friday grandson Jeremy Tomlinson and wife, Lacy, and beautiful baby daughter, Lisa, came from Kansas to visit them. Good to see them all eating at Moxeys Friday night.

Also eating at Moxeys Friday night were R. E. and Fannie Jo George from Canadian. Willis rode the bus and went to Canadian to high school with them. Very big crowd eating at Moxeys. Many going on to Little Dribblers at Wheeler Gym.

Rita Pearson's mom, Nellie Lackey, was taken to Wheeler Hospital Sunday morning. They thought she had had a stroke, but decided she was just severely dehydrated. Remember her in your prayers.

Terry and Shelia Mick and Amanda and Britney have gotten moved to a duplex at Briscoe School. Be handier and cheaper in many ways. Their beautiful home in Mobeetie is for sale—double-wide trailer.

Ken and Lindsey Criswell were weekend visitors to David and Rita Pearson. We enjoyed having them come visit us Saturday. We visited and played a game of chicken foot (Ken won) and we all ate lunch at Moxeys. So good to see them.

Also at Moxeys were Toby and Kloette Henson and Ryan and Josh with relatives.

Celebrating Toby's 40th birthday. Happy Birthday, Toby. God bless you everyone! At church Sunday at Wheeler Baptist, the choir wore black robes with black balloons for decorations. Becky Hardcastle read a humorous reading about his great age and needs. A gray-haired old lady (Claudia Marion) hobbling with a cane gave him her cane. The Hensons had 13 relatives besides their family visiting at church. Members put birthday cards in the collection plate. He got a bunch!

Casey and Misty Gilmer and Abbie from Elk City visited James and Marti Ogle Sunday. Monday Melody Hendrixson and Dylan visited the Ogles. All doing O.K. now.

Willa Fillingim's sister, Faye Sell, has been in the hospital at Amarillo with congestion and pretty ill. But is now doing better and is back in Ware Memorial Nursing Center. Keep praying for Faye.

Willa's sister, Eda Bynum's cancer in her liver has spread and she isn't expected to live more than a year. Pray for Eda. But we know these two lovely ladies have a home prepared for them in heaven with no pain or sorrow or sickness. And God is in control.

Dub Swift from Pampa and Wanda Childress visited their mom, Addie Swift, Monday afternoon. Addie is eating good and getting around with her walker and talking to them and acting perky. Keep praying for Addie.

We had a small number out to Wheeler Senior Citizens Monday night, Mar. 4. Joyce Perkins and Jo



Redding had decorated everything up pretty for Easter (March 31). Delicious food and good visits. Some regulars unable to be there. Jo Redding baked the pretty and delicious birthday cake, but no birthday people. The cake was decorated with chocolate mice and cherries. Some others there were Mary Margaret Dodd, Helen Sabbe, Lou Dean Douthit, Martha Meek and Willis and Verna Fillingim. Visitors always welcome. Next meeting will be Monday, April 1, at 6:00 p.m.

Nice to meet Carolyn Corse at Mobeetie at Sue's Beauty Shop. She is the daughter of the late Clifford and Euline Walser and is married to Earl Corse, brother to Doug Corse. They live in the Walser house, north of Mobeetie and enjoy the ranch life. Carolyn enjoys being outside and feeding the cows or whatever needs doing with Earl. However, she helps with running their restaurant in Dumas and usually spends Friday and Satur-

day and Sunday there in Dumas. Her mother-in-law, Georgia Corse, is in the nursing home there.

Nice to have Riley and Deleise Atwood join us for lunch at Moxeys Sunday. Deleise recently went to Misoume and visited daughter, Jill, and family there and was there for granddaughter, Hadley Hammer's, baptism. Hadley's dad is in the service.

Bob and Gena Zybach left Feb. 11, to go to Port Isabel and South Padre. Bob did lots of fishing. They walked on the beach and picked up shells and enjoyed the sunshine, at least some days. There were some cool, damp days. They enjoyed picking fresh oranges and grapefruit for \$5 for a five gallon bucket. So very good. They bought T-shirts for all the grandkids even Logan, that said, "Don't Mess with Texas". It took them two days each way to go and come.

They met cousins, Joe and Sue Miller, for dinner at Kingsville on the way down. The first night they spent at Marble Falls. They called cousins, Norman and Oleta Reid, at a nursing home in Marble Falls and visited with them. They also did some shopping at Brownsfield at the SAS Shoe store and at other places. They enjoyed going to a Methodist Church at Port Isabel two Sundays. And to a Convention Center and Market place to shop. They didn't have to cross the long bridge that was redone to go to Port Isabel, but did cross it to get to South Padre. Bob said all kids like to spend Spring Break at Padre. So they went. Gone 18 days.

There was a good crowd and very good singing and program at Mobeetie Baptist Church Sunday night with a bountiful supper and fellowship. Some singing were Karly Lovelace, Marion Grimes, Evelyn Meek, Martha Meek and Lois Meadows, Judi Walser, Johnny and Patty Crawford, Nadine Lane and Mark Roberson with Jonathan, Rebecca (playing piano), Timothy, Deborah, Grace Ann, Daniel and Phillip. Also Mobeetie Choir with Don and Willene Burke, Dale and Melba Corcoran, Bill Caswell, Paul Hathaway, Nadine  
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## National Agriculture Week In Texas Celebrating in the Footsteps of Trailblazers

Agriculture begins with the land, but it embraces an industry that provides products essential to our daily lives. It is easy for people to take for granted our agricultural abundance, made possible through the hard work and dedication of farmers, ranchers and many other agriculture professionals.

National Agriculture Week offers Texans an opportunity to step back for a moment to recognize those individuals who touch their lives daily. National Agriculture Week in Texas runs March 17-23.

"You don't have to work on a farm or ranch to be touched by agriculture every day," said Texas Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs. "It's easy to take for granted the abundant and safe food supply available to us every time we open our refrigerator or enjoy the plentiful supplies of clothes, furniture and plants that brighten our lives."

"All of this is due to the efforts of men and women who plant the seeds, cultivate the crops and raise the livestock," Combs said. "Agriculture also has a major impact on our state's economy."

Texas is the second-largest agricultural state, accounting for approximately 7 percent of the total U.S. agricultural income and generating \$80 billion a year for the state's economy. As the second-largest industry in the Lone Star State, agriculture touches every Texan's life in some form or fashion from the food we eat to the clothes we wear to the houses we live in.

Today's Texas agricultural industry starts with the farms and ranches then extends to production, processing, transportation and retail, reaching every Texas home.

"Understanding agriculture gives us a sense of where things come from. It focuses our attention upon the impact that agriculture has on our lives, and should make us more appreciative of the hard work and dedication that make it all possible," Combs said.

Texas' agricultural heritage extends back more than 200 years.

"That is why you can't look at Texas agriculture without seeing real people who are willing to take the risks and brave uncertainties, from the weather to the marketplace, these individuals forged our state's rich agricultural heritage," she said.

## March 3 Starting Date For FRED Participants

Just a reminder to FRED participants to start logging the minutes you are reading to your child. The start date was March 3rd so remember to log those minutes and have fun reading!

### Communicating Effectively

Fathers who are effective communicating with their children are those who are clear and direct. This means that the intended message can be clearly understood by the listener and is directed at the appropriate target (Epstein, Bishop, Ryan, Miller, and Keitner, 1993). Children will be much more likely to develop effective communication skills if their fathers model and encourage clarity and directness. Use "I" messages. I-messages are statements that reflect what a sender is thinking or feeling at a particular moment. I-messages focus on the parent, rather than the child. These statements are typically non-threatening and non-judgmental. I-messages stand in contrast to You-messages, which often put down blame, and nag children (Dinkmeyer, McKay, and Dinkmeyer, 1989). For example, a father may say to a child, "You did a bad job on your homework. The same parent using an I-message, could have said, "I think you could have put more effort into your homework." I-messages tend to be phrased more positively and encourage cooperation.

## Country (from Page 5)

Lane, Karly Lovelace, Marion Grimes and Bob Meller. All sounded great. Some giving readings were Helen Crawford, Willa Fillingim, Mary Cornell, Louise Hogan, Ray Hudson, Glenda Hudson, Aaron Laverty and Chuck Hogan. Great! Playing Harmonicas were Timothy Roberson and Martha Meek. Next First Sunday Sing will be at Allison April 7 at 6:00 p.m. Everyone invited. Some other visitors from Allison were Nona Jones, Nadine Reynolds, Shorty Crawford. From Briscoe were Fat and Wanda Childress, Cathy Hunt, Johnny and Patty. From Panhandle was Aline Stovall, retired from teaching at W.T.A.&M. Good friend of Sandra Meek. Always good to see that lovely lady.

Coming Friday night (think that wind blew them in) to visit Bevard and Diane Dukes were Tracy and Andrea Aldridge and Tanner and Tysen and Deidre Harris and Logan. Tracy is doing better after the 4-wheeler accident, but will have to have physical therapy on his shoulder. They all also visited Bob and Gena Zybach.

There was a party at David and Becky Zybach's Saturday afternoon to celebrate grandson, Zane Zybach's, 6th birthday. His birthday cake was a large chocolate chip cookie that was sliced like a pizza to share. Also ice cream was served. Others there were Shawn and Daphne Zybach and Alexis and Shyana. Joe and Christy Willingham and Caylen, Brenton and Trevor from Lindsey, Daniel and Gena, Great Grandma, Bob, Diane and Bevard Dukes, Andrea and Tracy Aldridge and Tanner and Tysen and Deidre Harris and Logan.

"God be with you till we meet again."

Today cattle still graze on much of the land in Jim Hogg County that Simon De Hinojosa received as a Spanish land grant when he came to Texas in 1740. Generation after generation, Hinojosa's descendants continued to tend the land, initiating conservation practices to protect their agricultural heritage. Today Isidro Gitienez Jr. and his sister Idela are seventh-generation ranchers.

A 200-year-old rock house stands on Jose Luis Gonzalez' ranch in Jim Hogg County. Six generations ago Jose Miguel Crisanto Ramirez, a Mexico born rancher who came to Texas in 1779 to expand his livestock operation, placed it there. Six generations later, the family still uses the historic structure, and cattle graze on the land that has produced livestock and cotton as well as an enduring legacy of land and water conservation and community support that are integral parts of Texas' heritage.

"These are just two of many examples of the legacy of Texas agriculture, of people who have carried our state's agricultural heritage through good times and bad," Combs said. "These are the folks who have stuck through the tough times, whether it was severe weather, pests or economic downturns like the Great Depression, and they persevered, crafting a legacy in which we all can take pride."

"It's the same pioneering spirit we see in our farmers and ranchers today," Combs said. "They are true stewards of the land who utilize technology and research to grow better tasting fruits and vegetables, offer products that are more nutritious and that provide greater convenience for consumers."

It is an industry that continues to meet the ever-increasing needs of consumers throughout Texas and around the world.

## Top O' Tex. CattleWomen Meeting Is Held In Pampa

The Top O' Texas CattleWomen met at the Yellow Rose Cafe in Pampa, Texas on February 11, 2002. President Kay Stiles presided. Dianne Buckingham, Treasurer, and Sandra Christner, Secretary gave their respective reports.

Anita Brown brought up the revision of the Constitution. It was decided that a committee would better serve this revision. Committee members are: Anita Brown, chairman, Liz Austin, Dianne Buckingham, and Glenda Adcock.

The Tralee Crisis Center's Thank You note for the Christmas gift of Beef Gift Certificates was read. Lilith Brainard had presented these certificates to the Center.

Karen Tellman presented the opportunity to participate in a Health Fair which will be held in Shamrock, Texas on April 27, 2002. The group voted to accept this opportunity.

Berklee Clements reported on the preparations for the 2002 Style Show. The group agreed on an early date in September.

Amy Brainard is planning the Beef Ambassador Program. It is open to students ages 16 to 19, and works very well with 4-H, FFA, FHA, Speech Classes, etc. There are excellent monetary rewards for state and national winners. Any students interested in participating should contact Amy as soon as possible at Box 570, Canadian, Texas 79014, Phone Number: (806) 323-6397.

Sandra Christner brought Scholarship Applications to the meeting so members could distribute them to their local high schools. The area eligible to compete for the one \$500.00 and two \$250.00 scholarships is a nine county area consisting of Carson, Collingsworth, Gray, Hemphill, Hutchison, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Roberts and Wheeler. These applications are open to high school seniors planning an agricultural, nutritional or health related major in college. The winning students may attend colleges in any state. If there are questions, please contact Sandra Christner at P. O. Box 522, Wheeler, Texas 79096 or call (806) 826-3572.

Members attending the meeting were Kay Stiles, Dianne Buckingham, Tara Roden, Amy, Sena, and Lilith Brainard, Sally Wicker, Berklee Clements, Julie Watkins, Glenda Adcock, Karen Tellman, Liz Austin, Mary Mitchell, Anita Brown, Pat Youngblood, Sandra, and guests Bobbe Gill and her new daughter Emma.

The next meeting is scheduled to be at The Irish Inn in Shamrock, Texas on March 11, 2002.

## Trees (from Page 1)

a list of the trees available:  
American Plum, Amur Honey-suckle, Aromatic sumac, Bur Oak, Catalpa, Honeylocust, Lacebark Elm, Nanking Cherry, Russian Olive, Sand Plum, Sand Cherry, and Shumand Oak. These sell for \$30.00 for 50 plants.

Cotoneaster, Honeysuckle, Lilac, Native Plum and Sumac. These sell for \$35.00 for 50 plants.

Austrian Pine, Redcedar, Spruce, Ponderosa Pine, Rocky Mr. Juniper, and Scotch Pine. These sell for \$52.00 for 30 plants.

Also, available are wildlife packages for Quail & Pheasant, Deer, Turkey, and Squirrel. These packages sell for \$48.00 per package of 100 plants.

These trees will arrive around March 21st.

Should you need additional information, please come in the Wheeler Co. SWCD office or give us a call at 826-3565 ext. 3.

## Partial Listing On March 12 Ballot Democratic Primary

Candidates for Federal, State and District offices as they appear on the March 12 ballot for the Democratic Primary are as follows:

**United Senator**  
( ) Victor Morales  
( ) Ken Bentsen  
( ) Gene Kelly  
( ) Ron Kirk  
( ) Ed Cunningham  
**United States Representative, Dist. 13**  
( ) Zane Reese  
**Governor**  
( ) John Worldpeace  
( ) Tony Sanchez  
( ) Dan Morales  
( ) Bill Lyon  
**Lieutenant Governor**  
( ) John Sharp  
**Attorney General**  
( ) Kirk Watson  
**Comptroller of Public Accounts**  
( ) Marty Akins  
**Commissioner of General Land Office**  
( ) David Bernsen  
( ) Ray Madrigal  
**Commissioner of Agriculture**  
( ) Tom Ransay  
( ) Ernesto De Leon  
**Railroad Commissioner**  
( ) Sherry Boyles  
( ) Paul C. Looney  
**Chief Justice, Supreme Court**  
( ) Richard G. Baker  
**Justice, Supreme Court, Place 1**  
( ) Linda Yanez  
**Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2**  
( ) Jim Parsons  
**Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3, Unexpired Term**  
( ) William E. Moody  
**Justice, Supreme Court, Place 4, Unexpired Term**  
( ) Margaret Mirabel  
**Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 1**  
( ) John W. Bull  
**Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2**  
( ) Pat Montgomery  
( ) Julius Whittier  
**Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 3**  
( ) J. R. Molina  
**Member, State Board of Education, District 15**  
( ) David Schaeffer  
**Chief Justice, 7th Court of Appeals District**  
( ) Floyd Holder

## Meeting Called To Plan Transportation Services

The Texas Department of Transportation is inviting representatives of local agencies and communities interested in public transportation to help plan transportation services for elderly persons and persons with disabilities. The program, known as Section 5310, provides funds to private, nonprofit organizations, public entities, and associations for transportation.

The program provides up to 80 percent of the cost for capital equipment such as buses, vans, and other paratransit vehicles used to transport elderly and/or disabled persons. Also included are the purchase of vehicles for service expansions, radio and communication equipment, wheelchair lifts and restraints, vehicle rehabilitation, and purchase of transportation services. The funding is appropriated through the Federal Government under the Federal Transit Act. Interested private or non-profit organizations, public entities, and local citizens within the Childress District, located in Briscoe, Childress, Collingsworth, Cottle, Dickens, Donley, Foard, Hall, Hardeman, King, Knox, Motley, and Wheeler counties are invited to attend a planning meeting to discuss the most cost effective use of these funds. This meeting will

## Friend & Family Fund Raiser Planned In Pampa

Community Christian School of Pampa will have its annual Friend and Family Fund Raiser Banquet on Thursday evening, April 11, 2002. Guest speaker for the event is Mr. Marty Cohen of Dallas and Israel. Mr. Cohen is the founder of the ministry *Messianic Messages*, and is a frequent guest on American Family Radio. He produces a radio program called *Messianic Messages out of Zion*. The banquet will be held in the Heritage Room of the M. K. Brown Civic Auditorium at 1000 N. Sumner St. in Pampa. Tickets for the banquet are available from any CCS student or school family, or at the school office at 220 N. Ballard St. in Pampa. Tickets are \$20 each and may be ordered by phone at 806-665-3393. Serving will begin at 6:30.

To The Editor  
The Wheeler Times  
Wheeler, TX 79096

Dear Sir:

My mother, Mrs. Sallie B. Harris, always thought herself very fortunate to live in Wheeler, town and County, a place of interest, and a place where an abundance of goodwill and community feeling abound. We were, most assuredly, on the receiving end of this goodwill and community spirit during her recent hospital stay, and at the time of her death. We want to say "thank you" to the people of the Wheeler community for thereby easing her way and ours.

Vinita Hopkins  
For the Family of  
Ms. Sallie Harris

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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

## Republican Primary

Candidates for Federal, State and District offices as they appear on the March 12 ballot for the Republican Primary are as follows:

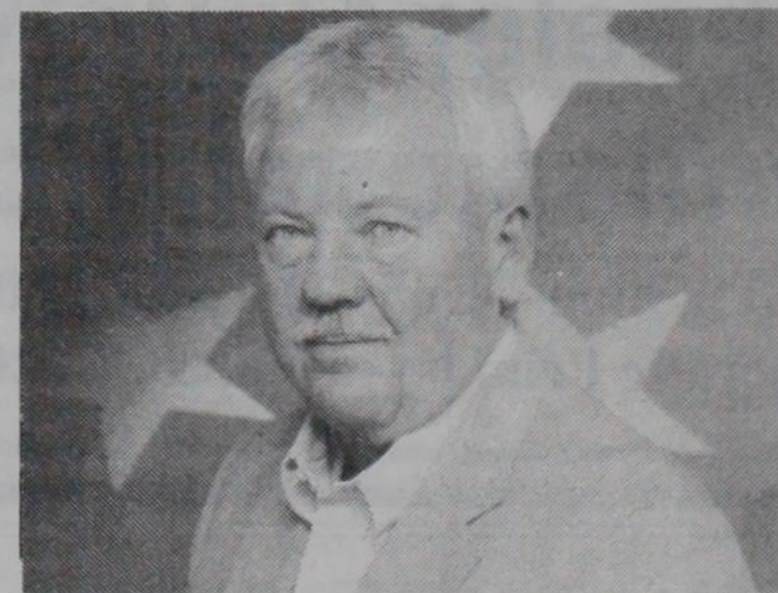
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( ) Mike Schneider  
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( ) Elizabeth Ray  
( ) Dale Wainwright  
( ) John Cayce  
**Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3, Unexpired Term**  
( ) Wallace B. Jefferson  
( ) Sam Lee  
**Justice, Supreme Court, Place 4, Unexpired Term**  
( ) Steven Wayne Smith  
( ) Xavier Rodriguez  
**Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 1**  
( ) Carolyn Denero  
( ) Tim Taft  
( ) Tom Price  
**Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2**  
( ) Steven Mansfield  
( ) David Richards  
( ) Paul Womack  
**Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 3**  
( ) Blair Davis  
( ) Connie J. Kelley  
( ) Guy Williams  
( ) Cathy Cochran  
**Member, State Board of Education, District 15**  
( ) Bob Craig  
( ) Joyce Herron  
**State Senate, Dist. 28**  
( ) Robert Duncan  
**State Representative, Dist. 88**  
( ) Warren Chisum  
**Chief Justice, 7th Court of Appeals District**  
( ) Phil Johnson

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- ★ Commissioner Puryear has attended University Government courses at Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs, the V. G. Young Institute of Government at Texas A&M and the University of Texas at Austin.
- ★ Commissioner Puryear has over 300 hours of continuing education and will become a certified county court member in 2003 as required by law.

**Your Continued Support And Your Vote on March 12, in the Democratic Primary Will Be Greatly Appreciated.**

Remember, Early Voting Starts Feb. 25th!

(Pol. Adv. paid for by Tom Puryear, P.O. Box 299, Wheeler, TX 79096)