

# Christmas Open House Mon. Dec. 2



## THE WHEELER TIMES

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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride"

The Christmas Season will officially begin in Wheeler this year on Monday, December 2, 2002. Several businesses on the square will remain open until 8:00 P.M. on this day; the event will officially get underway at 4:00 in the afternoon.

Santa Claus has arranged his schedule to be in Wheeler on Monday afternoon; he will be in the gazebo on the southwest corner of the courthouse square or in the front part of Shear Delight Boutique, the building at 412 S. Main. The children will have an opportunity to visit Santa and receive a gift from the jolly old elf. Pictures with Santa will be made at the cost of \$2.00 to the youngsters.

Coffee and spiced tea will be available at the gazebo for the shoppers, parents and/or children.

The city's Christmas lights will be in place and lighted on Monday evening. Lights are strung from the top of the courthouse on each of the corners, in addition to lights outlining the top. The gazebo will also be decorated with lights.

Businesses open for the Open House will be Wheeler Flower Shop, Mustang Video, Thriftway, Hefley Hardware, Hyland's Pharmacy and Antique Cupboard.

Wheeler Flower Shop will have their annual Christmas Open House on Monday evening from 4:00 until 8:30.

Two Mini Crafts Malls will offer locals to display and sell their craft and/or other items. The front part of the building at 412 S. Main has been marked into 8'x8' spaces, as well as the gymnasium at West Texas Christian Academy at 108 E. Texas. A number of booths will be located at the 'malls'. A listing of the booths reserved was not available at press time.

Reservations for a space in the Crafts Mall can be obtained by contacting the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce at 826-3408—the sooner, the better. The cost for a space is \$10 for a non-chamber member. There is no charge for members to operate a booth.

The Wheeler Banking Center will once again this year be holding

ing a drawing at the end of the evening on Monday, December 2nd for \$250.00 To enter the drawing each time a purchase is made at an Open House booth the merchant signs his/her name to a ticket and places it in the box.

The Open House is for the purpose of giving Wheeler shoppers an opportunity to see what Wheeler merchants have to offer in the way of Christmas gifts.

Earn some extra money for Christmas. Did you make more plum jelly than you need? Sell it at the crafts show.

Wheeler is the place to shop; excellent selection, fine people and competitive prices—right AT HOME!

### Nathaniel Hillhouse Memorial Toys for Tots

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

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

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

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

Your help and contributions are appreciated.

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



**REGIONAL TROPHY:** The Ft. Elliott Cougars proudly show their Area trophy won Thursday evening, November 21, 2002, at Happy. The Cougars won the game 28-22. Whitharral won the state title last year and Ft. Elliott brought an end to their 26 game winning streak. The Cougars meet Sands Friday, November 29, at Happy at 7:30 p.m.

### CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

**WAY TO GO, COUGARS!** The Ft. Elliott Cougars go into quarterfinals in Texas 6-Man Football with the game scheduled at Happy at 7:30 p.m. They play Sands.

Bring home the title, Cougars, we know you can!

This has been a short, busy week. You will notice all the pictures and we do appreciate them

However, we had a time getting some of the articles off the email. They were a little too large, even for Centra Media.

I was having trouble Monday evening and had about resigned myself to the fact that I was going to have to wait until morning. I called to make sure; Centra Media has someone in the office at night to help you. Many thanks for  
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### Allison Honor Roll

- Second Six Week's Honor Roll Superintendent's Honor Roll All A's**
- 4th Grade**—Vicky Goldsmith
- 10th Grade**—Jason Boydston
- 11th Grade**—Laura Lohberger.
- Principal's Honor Roll A's & B's**
- 2nd Grade**—Jade Forward, J. W. Goldsmith
- 4th Grade**—Grant Archer, Matthew Kiker
- 5th Grade**—Cody Essay
- 6th Grade**—Leslie Archer
- 7th Grade**—Cody Dupont
- 9th Grade**—Jessica Helton, Vanessa Huff
- 10th Grade**—Logan Chupp, Sabrina Dupont, Russell Lohberger
- 12th Grade**—Chelsea Archer, Sammy Case, Bronwyn Dukes

### Hospital Notes

- Extended Care**
  - Estelle Orr
  - Ruth Ledbetter
  - Verne Lohberger
  - Ardie Martin
  - Gladys Pannell
  - Andrew Wilson
- New Admissions**
  - 11/16 Charlotte Coward
  - 11/18 Diana Jones
  - 11/19 Rhonda Ferguson
  - Betty Reid
  - 11/20 Betty Howard
  - Mabel Tabor
  - 11/22 Hayley Markham
  - James (Bob) Moore
  - 11/24 Avis Parker
  - Bill Wheeler
  - Gwen Loyd
- Dismissal**
  - 11/19 Ruth Hoggard
  - Rosalee Atwood
  - Charlotte Coward
  - Diana Jones
  - 11/21 Mabel Tabor
  - 11/22 Betty Howard
  - Rhonda Ferguson
  - Betty Reid
  - Bob Moore
  - 11/25 Timothy Andris
  - Hayley Markham



**DONATION:** The First State Bank of Mobeetie was proud to assist in donating money for the flags and markers for the graves of the veterans buried in the Mobeetie Cemetery. The First State Bank recognizes the efforts of Doug and Aline Corse, who have annually, since 1955, placed flags on the graves every Memorial Day and assisted family members of the veterans with placing flag markers at the cemetery. Doug and Aline Corse donated the flag pole that is located at the cemetery about 15 years ago. When the American Legion disbanded the money that was left was used for flags and markers. There are 90 veterans graves dating back to the Civil War, located in the Mobeetie Cemetery.

### Ft. Elliott Honor Roll

- 2nd Six Weeks Kindergarten:** All A's—Blake Hathaway, Larami Lancaster, Brayden Trimble
- First Grade: All A's**—Jessica Alls, Haley Barton, Kasey Barton, Jayton Childress, Cody Clark, Ethan Johnson, Zane Zybach
- Second Grade: All A's**—Brandon Hathaway, Kathy Kelley, Tyler Schaub, Shelby Weber, Emily Wyant; All A's & B's—Houston Bair, Derrick Hungate
- Third Grade: All A's & B's**—Davis Corse, Jada Hathaway, Andrea Martinez
- Fourth Grade: All A's**—Dawson Clark, Gatlin Duncan; All A's & B's—Charity Baird, Sarah Horn, Marissa Keelin, Kory McLaughlin, Roland Newman, A. J. Reis, Ailene Wyant, Alexis Zybach
- Fifth Grade: All A's**—Blake Baker; All A's & B's—Payton Alls, Hayden Duncan, Cody Selby
- Sixth Grade: All A's**—Hailey Estes, Stormi Lancaster; All A's & B's—Bailey Estes, Sarah Hathaway, Megan Horn, Amber Maddox, Edward Reeves, Kaleigh Schaub, Clay White
- Seventh Grade: All A's**—Mayci Meadows; All A's & B's—Jordan Alls, Tommy Meek, Crystal Pigg, Isaac Wyant
- Eighth Grade: All A's & B's**—Allison Bray, Glory Hartsfield, Steven McAlpine, Cherie Shupert
- Ninth Grade: All A's**—Gradon Schaub, Kelsey Zybach; All A's & B's—Blaine Baker, Hayden Hartsfield, Sarah Zybach
- Tenth Grade: All A's & B's**—Andrea Hathaway, Tamara Hefley
- Eleventh Grade: All A's & B's**—George Helton, Holly McCurley
- Twelfth Grade: All A's**—Tamera Hartline, Jason Hathaway, Wesley Hathaway, Kade Zybach; All A's & B's—Larry Lee Horn, Caleb Kirkpatrick, Seth Meadows, Jocelyn Meek, Brittney Mick

**WHEELER CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT WILL BE CLOSED FRIDAY, DEC. 6, 2002 FOR STAFF TRAINING**

### Wheeler's Annual 'Cash' Drawing Planned; Tickets Available Mon.

The annual Christmas Drawing will again be offered by the progressive merchants of Wheeler. The past years the Chamber of Commerce has asked for and received \$1500.00 in Christmas cash donations, at press time we have received \$1120.00. The Chamber of Commerce recognizes that there are fewer merchants but we sincerely hope to receive the intended amount to continue our Christmas traditions and efforts. However, if the \$1500.00 is not received prior to the first drawing the chamber will make adjustments and divide the money that has been allocated to the drawing. The Chamber directors would like to express their sincere appreciation for the businesses and merchant's donations to this cause, support in our efforts, and love for community.

Merchants will begin giving tickets on December 2, 2002. You are eligible for a ticket each time you enter a sponsoring business; with each five dollars spent, you will receive an additional ticket—up to 100 tickets per purchase.

Four drawings will be held. The drawings will be held on Saturdays, December 7, 14, 21 and Tuesday 24 Christmas eve. The drawings will begin at 11:00 A.M. this year. This time change was made to enable merchants to be  
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### Sorority Sets Benefit For Coach M. Bailey

Win a 27" picture-in-picture color television w/remote.

Donated by: Wheeler Banking Center, First State Bank Mobeetie/Wheeler, and Citizens Bank-Shamrock.

Tickets are 1 for \$1 or 6 for \$5.

They may be purchased from any XI UPSILON ETA Sorority member: Sallie Adcock, Dena Brown, Jane Dukes, Stacie Dukes, Pat Graham, Linda Hall, Cathy Hunt, Patricia Kephart, Kathy Knibbs, Rita Pearson, Kara Richardson, Shonda Rose, Gina Seitz, Bobbie Walker.

Drawing will be held downtown immediately after the Chamber drawings December 24. Need not be present to win.

### MEXICAN PILE ON

The St. Mary's Catholic Church will be holding a Mexican Pile On dinner at Moore's Mainstreet Cafe building on Main Street. It will start at 5:30 and continue through the evening. Dinner is free but donations are appreciated and will be accepted at the door.

### BIRTHDAY PARTY

Edith Levitt, a resident at Wheeler Care Center will observe her 101th birthday on Wednesday, November 27. She will be honored with a party at 2:00 p.m. at the Care Center.



Ravonda Hardcastle

### Santa Letters To Be Published In Times

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

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

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

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

Kids, read these instructions carefully. Write your letter, using 30 words or less, mail it to *The Wheeler Times*, P.O. Box 1080, Wheeler, Texas 79096, so that the "Times" will receive it by December 13.



**WHEELER COUNTY FOOD SHOW:** The Wheeler County Food Show was held Thursday, Nov. 21. Shown here are the winning individuals and their entries. They are (l. to r.) Payton Austin, Ilene Butler, Hayley Sparks, Heather Hampton and Winona Parsley.

### Wheeler Co. Food Show Held Nov. 21

On November 21st, 4-H youth who have participated in the Foods and Nutrition Project competed in the County Food Show. The entries were Payton Austin, Main Dish

Junior Category, Ilene Butler and Haley Sparks, Fruit and Vegetable Junior Category, Winona Parsley, Main Dish Senior Category and  
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# WELCOME to the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE Mon., December 2,

4:00 - 8:00 P.M.

**REMEMBER:** With each purchase, you will receive a drawing ticket, making you eligible for a **\$250.00 CASH** drawing on Monday.

**SANTA** will visit with the youngsters in the gazebo on the courthouse square at 412 S. Main, on the west side of the square and Christmas Treats will be given to the youngsters. Pictures of the youngsters with Santa will be taken at a cost of \$2. Spiced Tea and Coffee will be available at the Gazebo.

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## COUNTRY NEWS

By Verna Fillingim

Psalm 36:1 Sin lurks deep in the hearts of the wicked, forever urging them on to evil deeds. They have no fear of God to hold them back. They think they can hide their evil deeds and not get caught.

Happy Birthday Pat Childress, Pam Thompson, Vicky Nelson and Becky Vise Wilson on Dec. 1, Kulani McDerment, Josh Miller, Pam Jones, Ed Uyril Luttrell, Royce Marion and Carol Gordon on Dec. 2, Lee McCaslin, Dean Meadows, Amber Estes, April Goad, Michael Snelson and Odessa Mooney on Dec. 3, Gena Hargrove, John Clyde Helton, Jerrrie Moore, Kellie Babb, Dennis Moore, and Joe Ellison on Dec. 4, Amanda Mick, Dave Britt, Misty Glassey Ondelacy

and Cody Gaiens on Dec. 5, David Hefley, Dennis Hefley, Earnest Lancaster, Kay Luttrell, Vernal Densberger, Cassie Meadows, Jennifer Wood, on Dec. 6, Kay Gatlin, Rhonda Ferguson and Tex Copeland on Dec. 7.

Happy Anniversary to Kevin and Cammie Ralston on Dec. 2, L. D.

and Wanda Childress on Dec. 3, Shawn and Amy Everett on Dec. 4, Mike and Alice Wesbrooks on Dec. 6.

First Sunday Sing will be at Allison Sunday night Dec. 1 at 6:00 p.m. Everyone invited.

Next Monday night Dec. 2 will be Wheeler Senior Citizens at 6:00

at the building. Everyone invited to come to a delicious pot-luck meal, visiting and games of 88 and others.

Wheeler High School will play basketball at Briscoe with Fort Elliott Tuesday night Dec. 3 with J. V. boys at 5:00 and Varsity girls 6:30.

Fort Elliott High School will play in the Miami Tournament Dec. 5, 6, 7.

Fort Elliott H.S. girls defeated Booker there Tuesday night Nov. 19 with score of 51 to 42. Congratulations. Many fans journeyed all the way.

Ines Lancaster Loveday from Tyler, TX and her 9 year old grandson Nick Wilson from Claude recently spent the long 4 day weekend at the Lancaster farm west of Mobeattie. Nick had a day off from school on Monday. Nick went fishing at the creek. After seeing a snake coming across the water, he decided to go feed the ducks and geese over under the bridge. Much fun.

Linda and Scot Wilson from Claude came on Monday and picked up Nick. They enjoyed a visit with Estelle Hodges while there.

Estelle Hodges and Ines Loveday had lunch Monday at the Cowboy Oasis Restaurant in Mobeattie, and enjoyed visiting with friends there. Ines Loveday returned to her home in Tyler on Tuesday.

Nice to see Christy Tindol and Deraduh's little cuties (her grandchildren) at Maxeys Monday night. Think they all live in Wheeler now.

Fort Elliott Football boys will play Sands at Happy at 7:30 Friday night Nov. 29. Good Luck!

Rosalie Keelin visited with Sammie Atherton at Wheeler Care Center one day. Sammie looked so pretty. When Rosalie started to leave she told Sammie she was in kind of a hurry, but would come back again. Sammie usually doesn't talk, but she said, "Well what is your hurry?" and didn't



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want her to leave. Rosalie visited a little with others at Wheeler Care Center and played the piano for them. Keep praying for Sammie and her family.

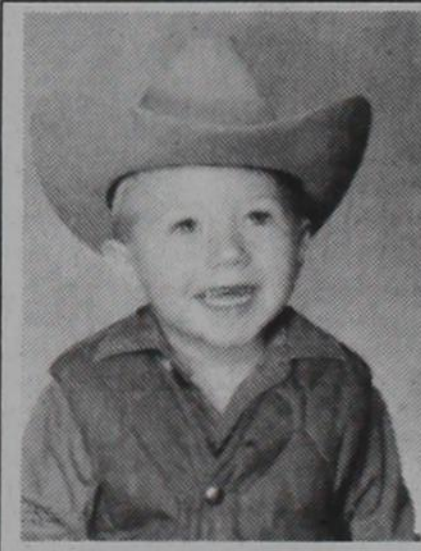
Willa Fillingim wants people to know that she found the dog with the chain on. David Young called to say it was at his house and

brought him to the Washita River to meet her. Willa wasn't sure where David lived. Thanks, David. Willa still hasn't found the younger pyrenees dog, but would like to.

Doris Finsterwald is hoping to have most of her family for Thanksgiving and include Bill and Tonya Finsterwald and Brandon, Courtney and Randy Finsterwald and Courtney's brother, Jarrett, who is living with them and attending Wheeler school, Bob and Mary Nell Finsterwald and April and Andy, C. B. and Maurine Brotherton, Dorothy and Elmer Honath. It was 24 degrees at Doris' Monday A.M. I believe it!

Bob and Gayle Riley are coming Tuesday to take Ed and Erma Riley to Oklahoma City Wednesday and will come back and spend Thanksgiving here. Keep praying for them. Ed is some better. They are going for Ed's doctor's appointment. Pray for Ty and Crystal Henderson. She is very ill and don't know what the problem is. Ty is Annie and James Henderson's son.

Nice to get a few Christmas cards. Thank you much. I'm poky,  
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Happy 34th Birthday!  
Love, Mom

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**Bath & Body Department**  
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**McCalls Candles—Dreamer Candles**  
Reg. 13.00 Sale 2 for \$12.99

**Sterling Silver—Turquoise—Coral—Onyx**  
Bracelets - Necklaces - Rings

**WATCH SALE! Reg. \$25 Sale \$15**

**Wheeler Texaco** —24-Hour Pay At The Pump  
Open 6 A.M. - 10 P.M. & Corner Deli

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Serving: 1/3 lb. Hamburgers, Fries, Tator Tots, Hot Dogs,  
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Many More Items On Sale

**MEALS ON WHEELS MENU**

MONDAY, December 2, 2002 —  
FRIDAY, December 6, 2002  
MONDAY: Pinto Beans W/Ham, Fried Potatoes, Stewed Tomatoes, Cornbread/Butter, Fruit Cocktail  
TUESDAY: Barbecue Beef On Bun, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Apple Crisp  
WEDNESDAY: Enchiladas/Sauce, Spanish Rice, Tossed Salad/Dressing, Cornbread/Margarine, Pineapple Upside Down Cake  
THURSDAY: Fried Veal Patty, Baked Potato, Gravy, Mixed Vegetables, Plum Cobbler  
FRIDAY: Fried Catfish, Spinach, Au Gratin Potatoes, Bread/Margarine, Gingerbread/Topping

**Wheeler Church of Christ**

For the past two weeks I have talked a little about a violin. I mentioned that I purchased a violin as a memorial to help me remember my mother who recently passed away. Last week I talked about how the Lord's Supper is a memorial feast that helps Christians remember and focus in on Jesus and his loving sacrifice on our behalf. This week I want to talk about the violin again but with a different twist.

When I bought the violin a few weeks ago, I knew that my three young children would be fascinated by it. Our oldest is already musically inclined and can play the piano pretty well. Our infant daughter smiles real big when she hears that violin play (even though the screeching noises I make with it are not the most pleasant sound in the world). But our first-grader son was especially taken with the violin. He would frequently ask if he could hold it and play it. I want to encourage his opportunities with it, but at the same time, I am very cautious with it because I want the violin to stay in excellent condition.

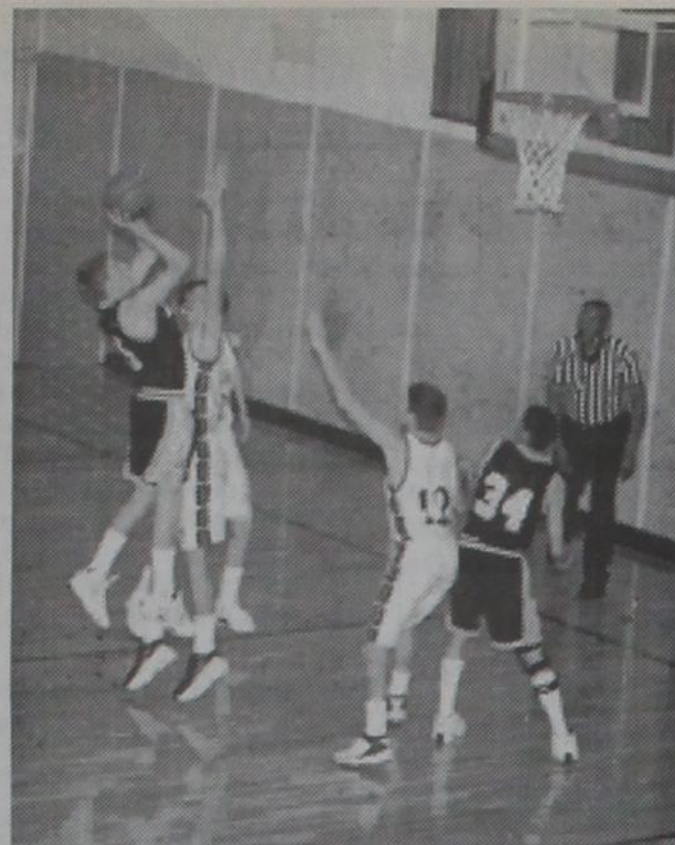
I found another violin in a pawn shop the other day. It is somewhat beaten-up, and certainly doesn't sound as nice as my violin (but the way I play it there is still very little difference in quality), but the price was so extremely low that I bought it for Zack. I don't know if Zack will grow up to be a concert violinist or a country band fiddler, but I hope to pass on to him my love for this instrument and the music it can play.

It is even more important for parents to teach their love for God and Christ to their children. Parents are more of an influence than they realize. Take advantage of these wonderful opportunities. Read Deuteronomy 6 some time for more on this.

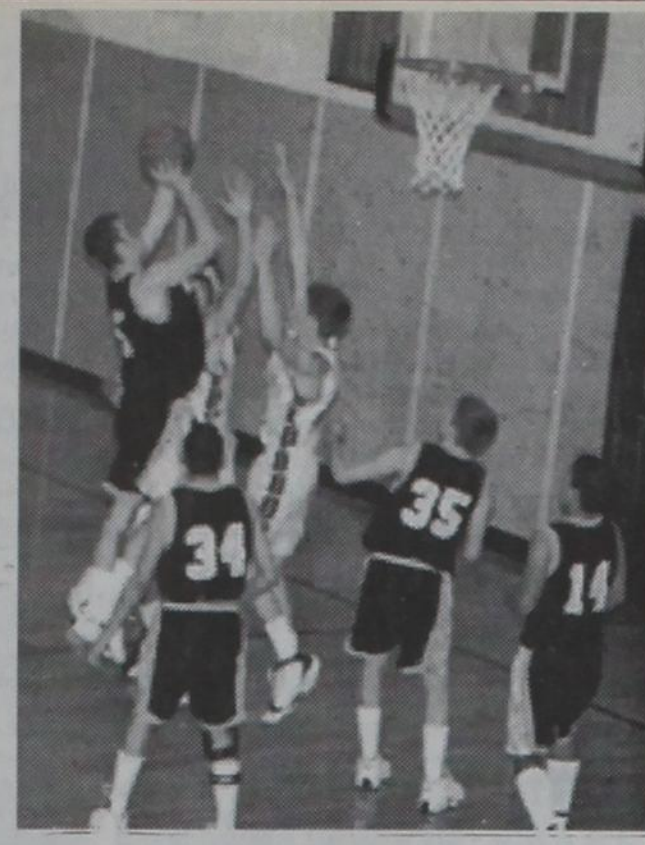
Shawn D. Johnson

Services:  
Sunday Bible Study ..... 10:00 A.M.  
Sunday Morning Worship ..... 10:55 A.M.  
Sunday Night Worship ..... 6:00 P.M.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:00 P.M.

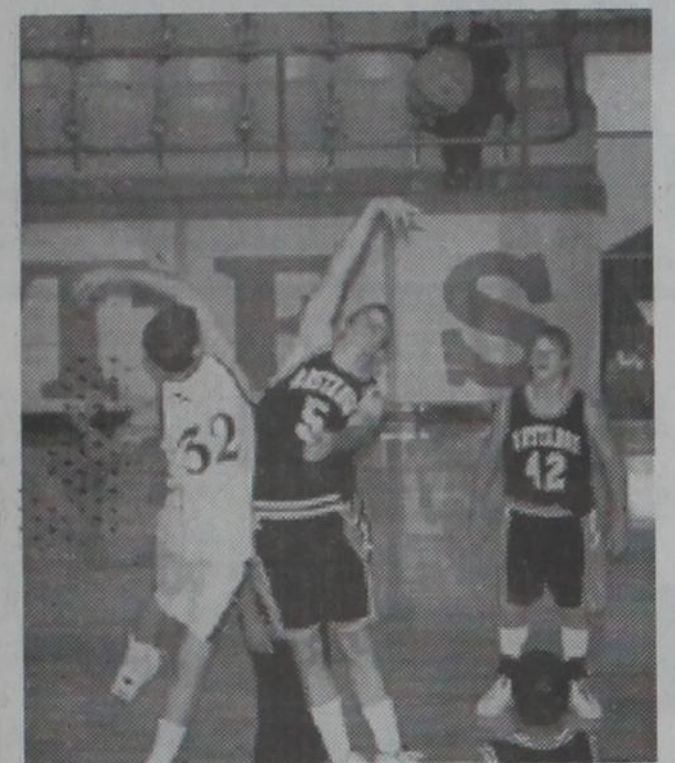
An Invitation: You are cordially invited to attend any of the weekly services of the Wheeler Church of Christ which meets at 1001 S. Alan Bean Blvd, in Wheeler, Texas



Wheeler Mustang Landon Sams, #35, shoots in the Wheeler Miami game. Wheeler won 56-43.



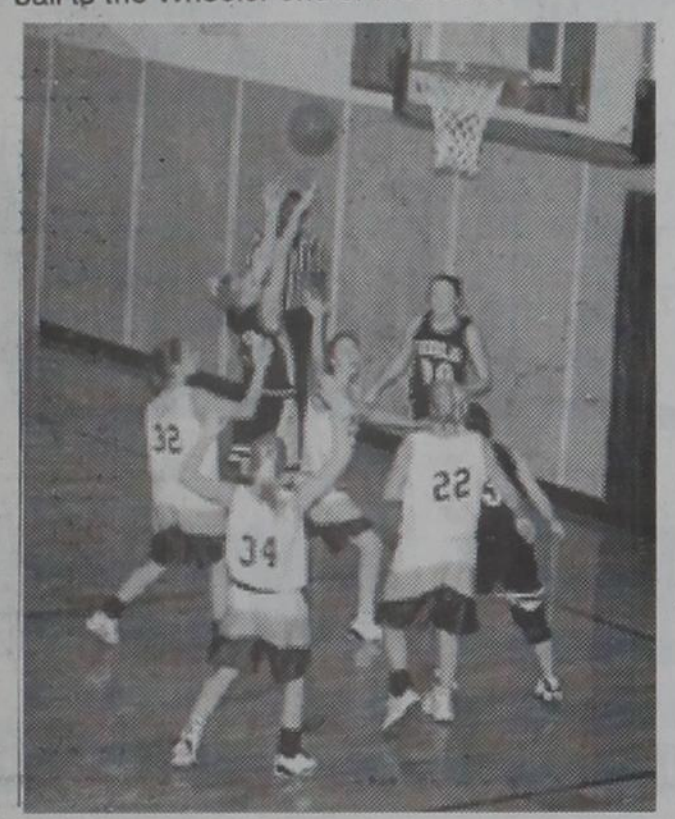
Wheeler's Evan Watts, #5 tries for a basket in the Wheeler Miami game on Tuesday, Nov. 19.



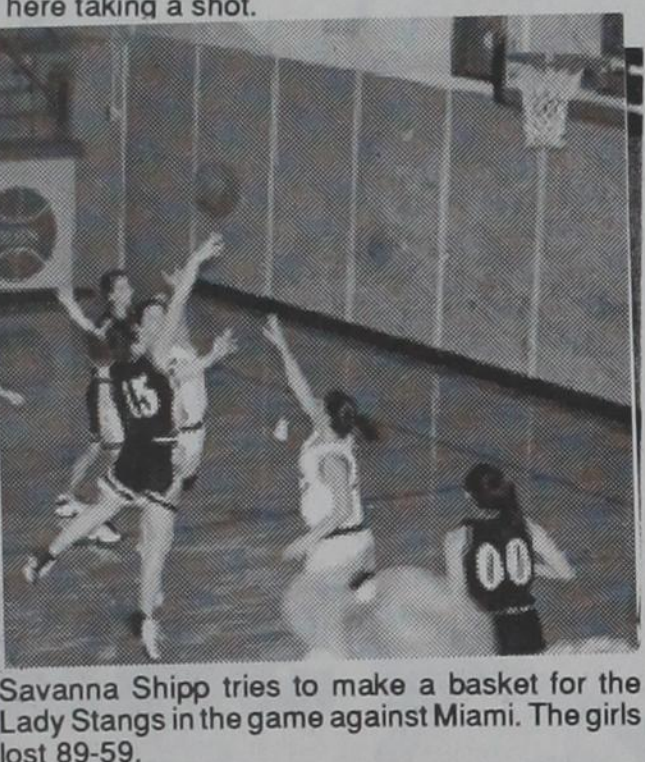
Play begins with Evan Watts, #5, knocking the ball to the Wheeler end of the court.



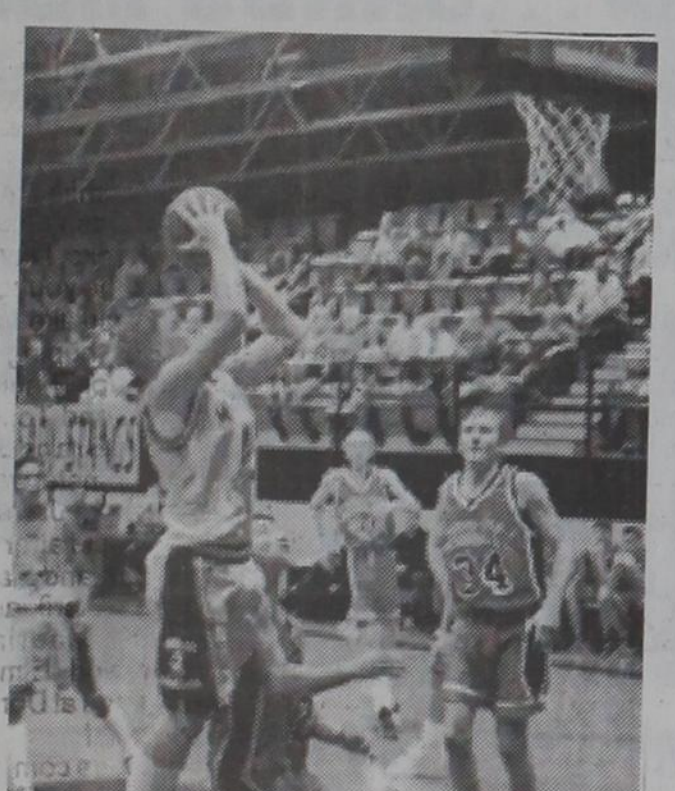
The Wheeler high school girls met the Miami girls Tuesday, Nov. 19. Lezli Finsterwald, #10 is shown here taking a shot.



Wheeler's Cassi Brown, #22, goes for points in the Miami game.



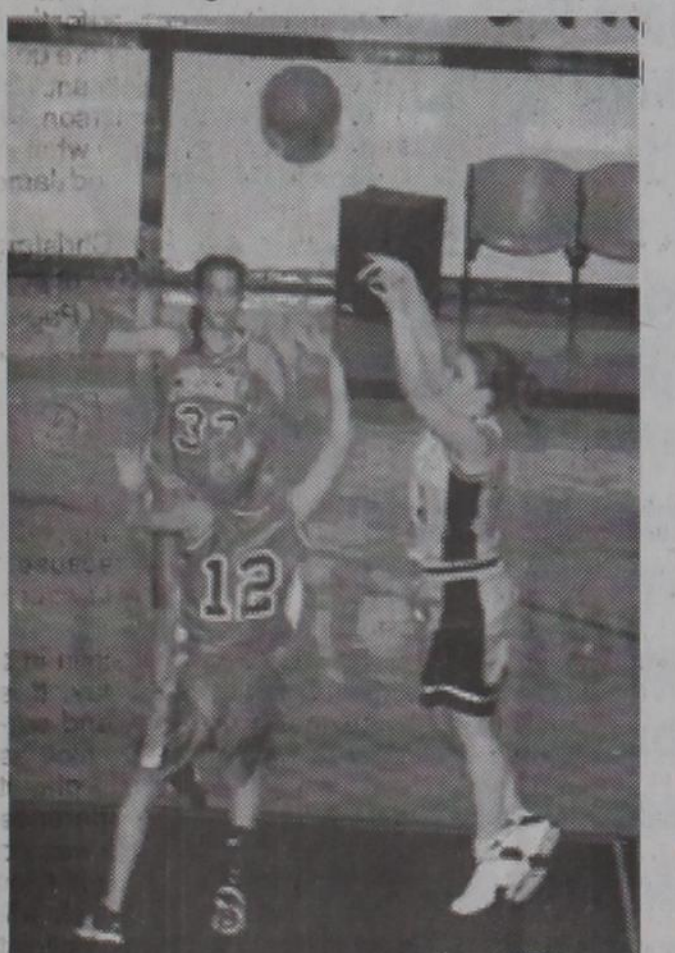
Savanna Shipp tries to make a basket for the Lady Stangs in the game against Miami. The girls lost 89-59.



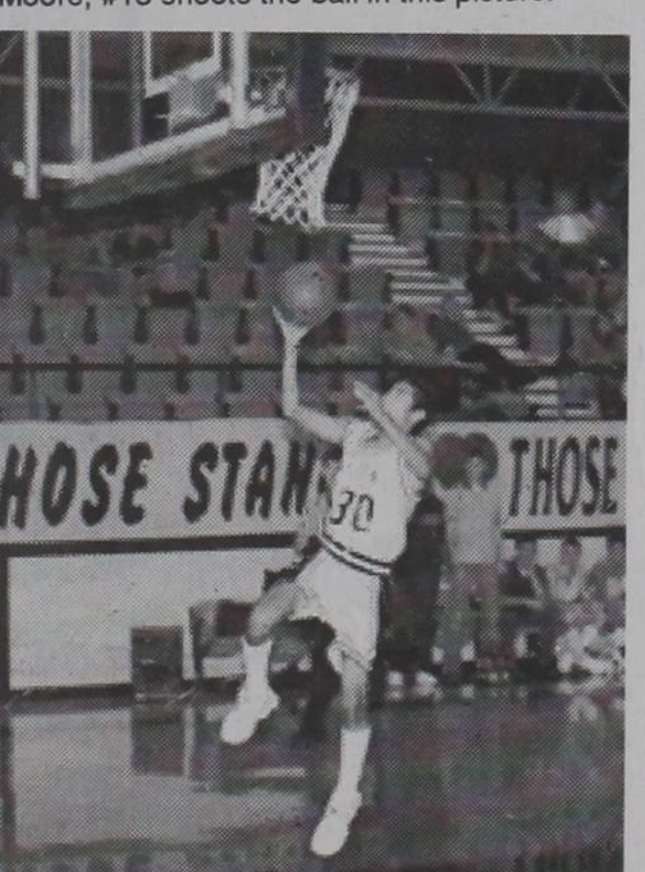
Joe Don Glassey, #42, takes a shot at the basket for the Mustangs.



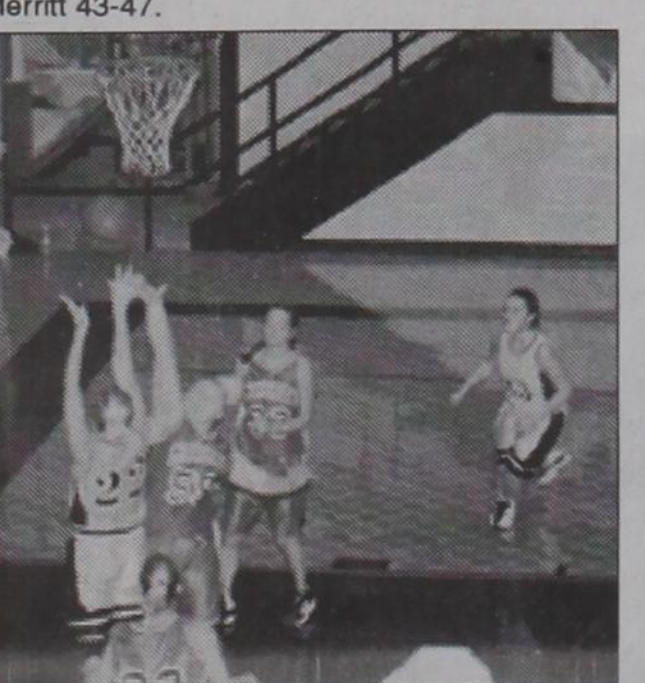
Wheeler played Merritt Friday, Nov. 22. Dagen Moore, #13 shoots the ball in this picture.



The Lady Stangs played Merritt on Friday, Nov. 22. Cassi Brown, #22, tries for a basket in this picture.



Hector Emiliano, #30, takes to the air to make this shot for the Mustangs. The Mustangs lost to Merritt 43-47.



In a close game against Merritt, the Lady Stangs had a one point lead, 49-48. Cassi Brown, #22, throws the ball in this photo.

—Photos by Rob Schaffer

**Country** (from Page 2)-

but hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and a blessed, happy New Year! And many thanks to all who are willing to contribute to this column and don't mind having their names in the paper. Helps a bunch! And sorry if I have offended others who don't want their names in the paper. And thanks to all who have nice things to say about the column. God bless you everyone.

Fort Elliott girls won't be having High School J. V. team, so no 4:00 o'clock games. J.V. boys at 5:00 p.m.

Dean and Georgia Tipps will have their family and Iona May at their house for Thanksgiving, if weather permits.

Bob and Gena Zybach are looking forward to having most of their family home for Thanksgiving.

Good to see Nona Jones Friday. The trip to the grocery store with daughter-in-law Clydene Hall was her first outing. She fell some time ago and her thigh bone was shattered. Had to have complete hip replacement. But she can get around pretty well without a walker. Uses a cane some. We are thankful. Keep praying for Nona.

Congratulations to Mark and Dr. Karen Cornett of Puyallup, Washington on the birth of their new baby girl, Mary Gabriele, born October 20, 2002 and weighing 8 pounds 7 ounces and 19 inches long. Proud grandparents include Dan and Caroline Cornett. Their first grandchild.

Fat and Wanda Childress are

hoping to have most of their family for Thanksgiving.  
Friday night Lou Dean Douthit, Edna May and Virginia Puryear visited Irene Keys for supper and games of 42 and visiting. Lou Dean plans to go to Debbie and Bob Kinnaman for Thanksgiving, with their family.

Sincere sympathy to Barbara Austin and other family and friends in the death of Barbara's sister, Sue, 70. Recently a daughter had moved Sue and husband Scott to Norfolk, Virginia near them, because of their health.

Congratulations to Fort Elliott High School football boys for winning Regional Round against Whitharral 28 to 22 at Happy Thursday night. They are not big guys, but they do the job. We are proud of these fine fellows.

Nice to see Lucille Helton from Briscoe Thriftway in Wheeler Friday. She and daughter Lucy have had some serious health problems. She said Lucy is doing really well and Lucille is doing much better and can walk without her walker.

Looking good! Praise the Lord! Keep praying.

Also good to visit with Diane Sparks at Thriftway. She is always doing nice things for people. And always has a smile.

Amarillo Sunday News had a nice write up about Fort Elliott Six Man football team defeating Whitharral Thursday night at Happy. Score was 28 -22. They will play Sands Friday night Nov. 29 at Happy for quarter finals. Whitharral was the defending 6-Man champion. Congratuations to all!

Shelby Dawson spent last week with grandparents Laurel and Ed Hershman. Her parents, Brad and Sarita Dawson and Micaela came down Friday. Brad did some hunting. Good to see the girls out to church. Brendan Fillingim also visited the Hershmans and came to church with them Sunday night. He also visited Willa Fillingim.

Ed and Laurel Hershman, Willa Fillingim, Sarita Dawson and Micaela and Shelby and Harold and Katherine Jones plan to spend

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**FT. ELLIOTT MENU**  
(Briscoe Campus)

MONDAY, December 2, 2002 — FRIDAY, December 6, 2002

**MONDAY**

Breakfast: Malt O Meal, Toast, Milk/Juice

Lunch: Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Peaches, Milk/Tea

**TUESDAY**

Breakfast: Sausage, Biscuits, Gravy, Milk/Juice

Lunch: Potato Bacon Soup, Grilled Cheese, Carrot Sticks, Mixed Fruit, Milk/Tea

**WEDNESDAY**

Breakfast: Waffle Sticks, Syrup, Lil-Smokies, Milk/Juice

Lunch: Beef Fajitas, Red Beans, Salad, Applesauce, Milk/Tea

**THURSDAY**

Breakfast: Cinnamon Raisin Bagels, Peanut Butter, Baked Beans, Milk/Juice

Lunch: Popcorn Chicken, Macaroni & Cheese, Baked Beans, Garlic Bread, Pineapple Chunks, Milk/Tea

**FRIDAY**

Breakfast: Eggs, Toast, Hash Browns, Milk/Juice

Lunch: Chicken on a Bun, Cole Slaw, French Fries, Rice Krispies, Milk/Tea

(Menu subject to change)

You're Invited to a come and go **JEWELRY SHOW** with **Customized Jewelry** Designed by Beckey Zybach

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- Personalized Name Bracelets
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Ephesians 5, 17, 18 & 19 Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is. And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit; Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and Spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord.

It's very cold and cloudy here in Allison this Monday morning, the wind is not to bad here early.

Ruby Craig and Rhonda McWhorter were in Elk City last Friday shopping. They also ate dinner at the Mexican restaurant.

Christine Gilmer visited with Pearl Harrison awhile last Saturday evening.

Peggy Chandler, Brad and Sue Chandler and Bridget Weatherly, Audra and Hayden of Wheeler were in Canyon at the home of Tony and Cindy Burrus for a early Thanksgiving. All the other of Peggy's family were also there this past weekend. Brad took his mother Peggy to the dentist at Cheyenne, Oklahoma last Monday morning.

Vance Boydston's weekend guest was Kyle Boydston from Roswell, NM. They did some shopping at Pampa and also at Elk City. Last Saturday, Opal, Juanita, Forest and Curtis Boydston visited with Robbie and SaRita Green and Kelton at Binger, OK. Opal spent

the day and awhile Saturday night with the Greens. Curtis, Forest and Juanita went on to Moore, OK and attended a United Pentecostal service there. They returned home Saturday evening.

Roma, Billy and Larry Brown's Sunday dinner guest were Melissa and Jessica Brown from Clinton, OK. Opal and Juanita Boydston visited Roma and Billy Brown after church Sunday night.

Red and Anna Dukes took Minnie Bell Vinson to Elk City last Friday to see the doctor with a place on her leg where the doctor removed a knot; it required six stitches to sew it up.

Red and Anna attended a bridal shower at the Briscoe school cafeteria last Sunday afternoon for Carissa Dukes. Anna said she got a real nice shower.

Rita Grayson's Sunday dinner guest were her daughter and husband, Debbie and Tim Jones.

Rita visited her granddaughter, Haley Markham, last Saturday at Parkview Hospital at Wheeler.

On Thursday Rita's son, Johnnie Grayson, from Amarillo visited with Rita. On Thursday Rita's son Johnnie Grayson from Amarillo visited with Rita.

Pearl Harrison was in Elk City Thursday, November 14. She spent Thursday night with Vivian and Jimmy Wallace and on Friday Vivian and Pearl went to Tulsa,

Oklahoma and attended the United Pentecostal Ladies meeting at the Double Tree Motel. They also spent the night there. On Saturday afternoon Willis and Mary Harrison of Claremore, OK picked Pearl up at the motel and she returned home with them and spent four nights with them at their home. They went shopping in Tulsa at different places and ate dinner at Jason Dilley restaurant. They also went to an antique sale while there. Pearl's grandson, Ward Harrison,



brought Pearl back to Elk City on Wednesday the 20th. Pearl spent Wednesday and Thursday night with Jimmy and Vivian and came

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Pearl's Sunday dinner guests were Clifton and Louise Boydston, Kim Thompson, Kimber, Britteny and Chase from Amarillo and H. B. & Cheryl Dupont, Sabrina and Cody. Some of them helped Pearl get her Christmas tree put up Sunday afternoon. She appreciated their help.

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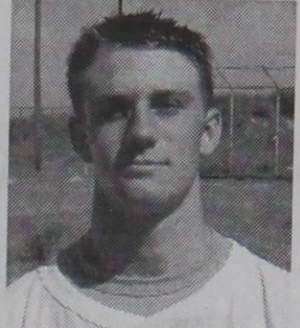
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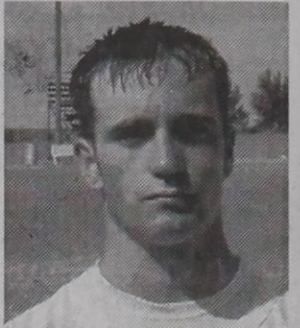
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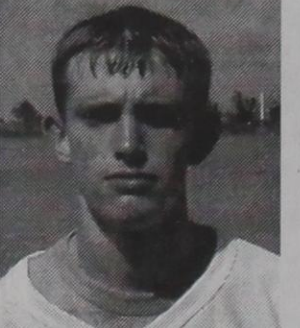
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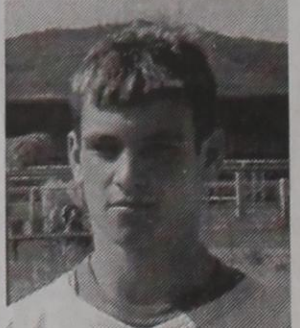
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## CattleWomen Meet In McLean

The Top O' Texas CattleWomen and their guests met the evening of November 11, 2002 at the Red River Steakhouse in McLean, Texas. They dined on fabulous steaks and salads with peach cobbler for dessert. Mr. and Mrs. Kent Ware provided Kent Ware and sons; Jake and Levi for musical entertainment with violin, guitar and harmonica. Stephanie Sullivan and Dustin Lee entertained the group with song. All enjoyed the get-together and fellowship.

Notable among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Jake Hess. Mr. Hess was the first president of the Top O' Texas Chapter of CowBelles in 1973. (We became CattleWomen in 1986.) We enjoyed very much seeing them again.

Members and guests attending were: Reverend and Mrs. Bill Stiles, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Adcock, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Austin and boys and their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Maret, Mrs. Ed Brainard, Sena, Amy and Edy Brainard, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Buckingham, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Buckingham and guests, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sims, Mrs. Tom Christner and guest Mrs. Tommie Hennard, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Clements, Shelby and Elysa Clements, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Coulter

Jr., Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Mitchell, and Ms. Andra Taylor.

Top O' Texas CattleWomen will meet December 2, 2002 at the Cattle Exchange Restaurant in Canadian, Texas at 10:30 a.m. After the meeting, we will meet at the home of Mrs. Wayne Haygood for dessert and shopping!

## THANKS FOR MY HOME

Lorene G. Males

Take time as the Thanksgiving season approaches to count your blessings. Sing this song: "Count your many blessings, see what God has done".

Count your house. Count the roof that keeps out the snow and the rain; count the floor that makes your house sturdy, strong and safe.

Count the windows that let in sunlight.

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Robert Frost said it: "Home is a place where when you go there they have to take you in."

"There's no place like home," is a line from a favorite old song. Music scholars disagree about who



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wrote the words. No matter who wrote it, we all agree: There is no place like home, be it castle or hovel.

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Today we're thankful to have a home. We're thankful to our pioneer ancestors who made it happen. We're thankful for religious freedom.

In unity there is strength. We must hold on tight.

God, help us carry our share of the load as we march up life's steep highway, singing as we go. "God, bless America."  
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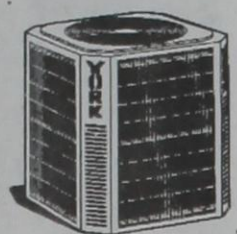
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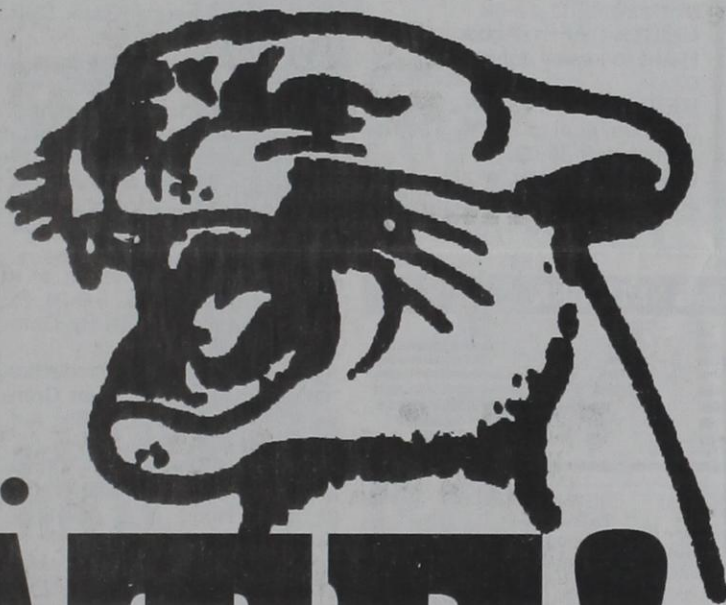
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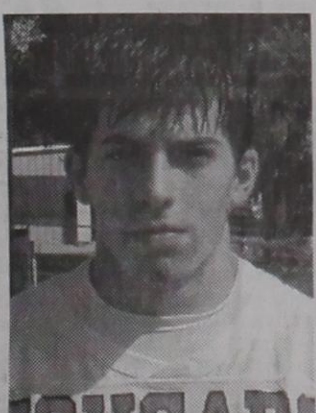
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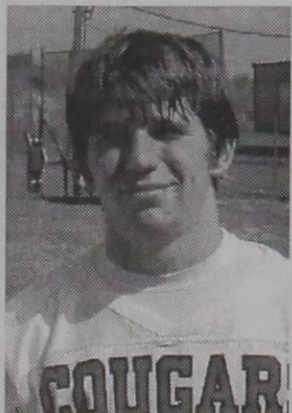
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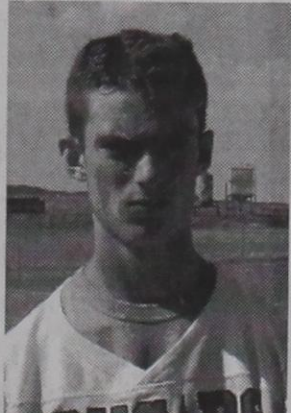
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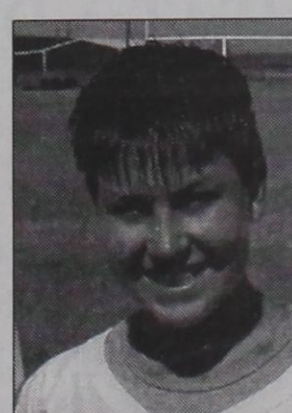
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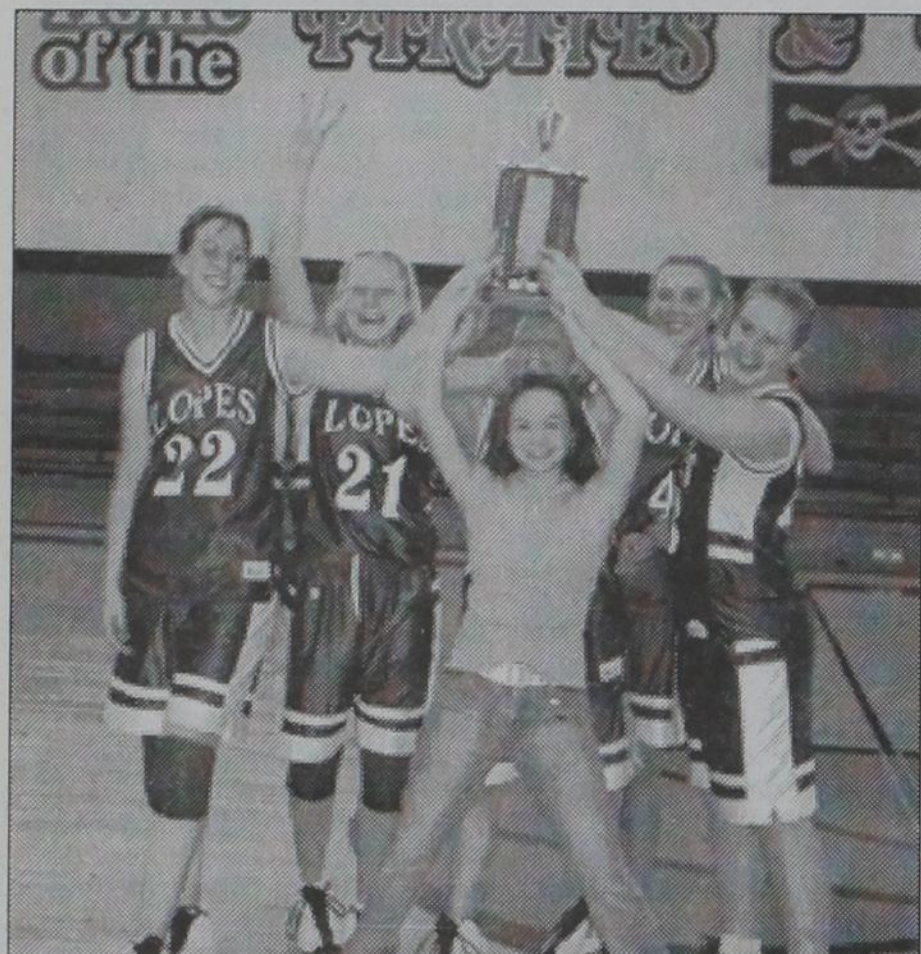
RECEIVES BOOM BOX: Allison ISD's FCCLA sponsored the St. Jude's Bike A Thon in October. For raising the most money Alexis Greene receives a boom box from Mrs. Forward.

### KELTON ELEMENTARY VISITS MUSEUM

The Kelton elementary, Pre-K through third grades, have been studying about the Indians this month. These students visited the museum to see how the Indians lived, dressed, and survived the land as they knew it at one time. They also got to see the changes the Indians had to go through to survive living with the white man and his ways. The students also visited the other parts of the museum and learned about the



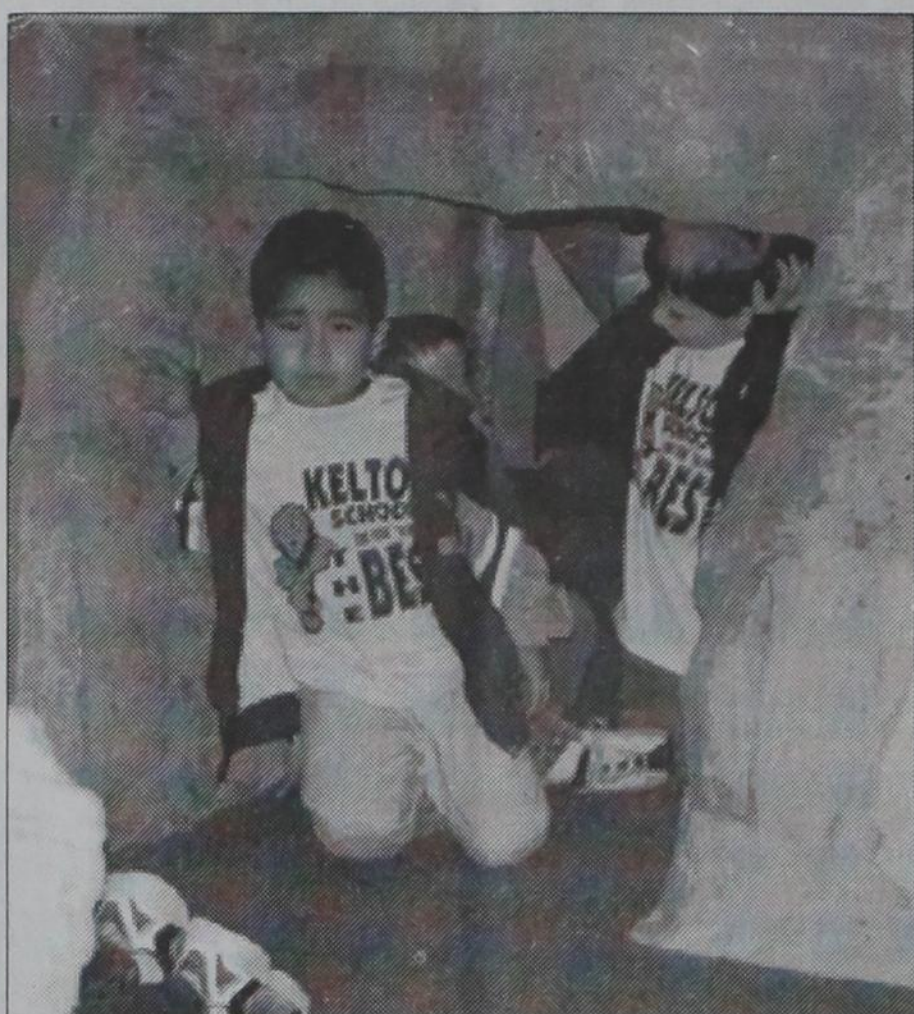
WAITING THEIR TURN: The Kelton Pre-K thru Third grade took a field trip to the Canyon Museum to further study Indians. This picture was taken inside the museum.



ALLISON LADY LOPES placed 3rd in the Lefors Tournament.



ALLISON ANTELOPES: Jason Boydston driving the ball up the court, Logan Chupp moving in for a screen and JW Lane making himself open for a possible pass against the Miami Warriors.



INDIAN SHELTER: Pre-Kay students, Felipe Covarrubia and Blayne Richardson enjoy crawling through the entrance to an Indian Shelter.

### MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Melba Corcoran

Scott Neighbors went to the doctor Tuesday in Altus.

Dale and Melba Corcoran took Lorene Rector to Erick OK to the home of Donnie and Beverly Mayfield for a birthday supper Tuesday. Donnie Mayfield and Carl Pierce were the honorees. Others there were Luther Pierce of Reydon, Donnie's mother and father, his brother and wife, Twila and children Tracy, Dillon and Wade of Erick. On the way home Lorene, Dale and Melba stopped to visit with William and Sissy Burch, Tyler and Caitlyn.

Don and Willene Burke were in Amarillo Wednesday for Don's doctor appointment. Betty Rogers went to Tulia and met her father Charles Bartram for lunch on Wednesday. Dale and Melba Corcoran shopped in Amarillo Wednesday.

Jerry Rector of Amarillo came Monday and got Lorene Rector and took her to Amarillo to spend the week.

Mt. View Quilting met Thursday at Totty Schoolhouse with Bobbie Ehmann as hostess. Those attending were Estelle Hodges, Audrey Seitz, Martha Meek, Elaine Martin, Diana Sparks, Bobbie Ehmann, Sidney Lynch, Augusta Brown and Melba Corcoran.

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

Jack and Bernice Hefley had

### OLD JAIL MUSEUM NEWS

Saturday was workday at the Museum. They men hauled off rock that was in the way of mowing.

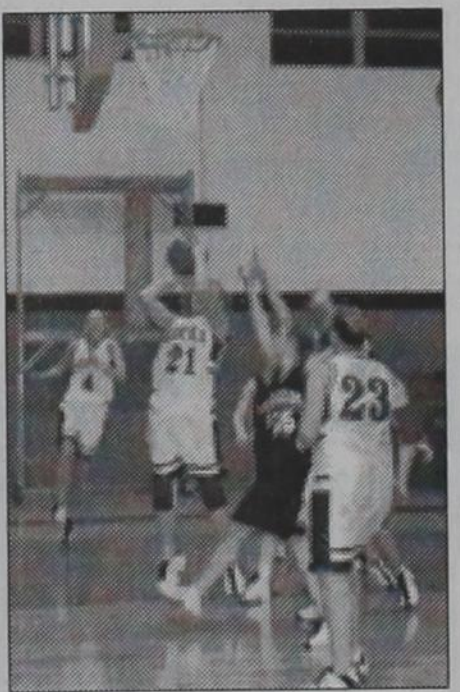
They got the north end of the campground cleaned. The women worked on Archives. Those working were Jim Hill, Bill Finsterwald, George Kilcrease, Joe VanZandt, Maurita Stribling, Louise Hogan, Jack and Bernice Hefley, Bill and Dutch Elliott, and Dale and Melba

### COUGAR NEWS

Fort Elliott Junior High Basketball will play Miami at Briscoe on December 2 at 6:00 PM.

High School Schedule is messed up by the play off.

The Football team will play at Happy on Friday.



ALLISON LADY LOPES: Chelsea Archer going to a shot with Katie Donaldson #4 and Bronwyn Dukes #23 coming in for support.

### Extension (from Page 1)

Board chose Personal Financial and Investment Management as the topic of the program. Richard Russell, Branch Manager of A.G. Edwards and Sons presented the program entitled "Rebuilding Your Wealth - Where do you go from Here". Leanne Hillhouse President of the Executive Board presented a special award entitled "Volunteer of the Year" to Ravonda Hardcastle. The award is intended just as it is entitled, to the most prolific Extension Volunteer. Volunteers play such a key role in Extension programming activities and events, that many would not be possible without their support. The Extension Program Council

LADY MUSTANGS' FAN: Chris was on hand the other evening at the Lady Mustangs' basketball game to show his support for the team. —Photo by Rob Schaffer

been to Amarillo for doctor's appointment for Jack. They went back Sunday for his tests to be done Monday.

Danny and Betty Rogers visited Thursday in Amarillo with friends. Danny and the men went to the ball game in Happy. The ladies watched movies at home.

There was a good crowd at the Community Thanksgiving Services Sunday at the Methodist Church. Bob Meller of the Baptist Church brought the message.

Congratulations to the football boys. Keep going all the way to state. They play Friday night. The game will be at Happy again.

Jess Mixon was moved from Amarillo to Claude nursing home this week.

Patsy Caswell went to Albuquerque NM over the weekend and got her aunt to come and spend a few weeks with her. They got back to Mobeetie Monday.

Paul Hathaway, Bill Caswell, and Bob Meller went to Perryton with Rick Gage Monday. Then they attended a meeting in Borger that night.

Lorene Rector and Orville Greenhouse went to Wheeler Shopping Friday.

Clint and Maurita Stribling went to Amarillo this week for appointments.

Paul and Clarise Hathaway had their Thanksgiving Saturday. They had 29 for dinner.

Aaron and Arica Lancaster went home to Amarillo for a few days. There was a big crowd for the revival at the First Baptist Church. Everyone enjoyed visiting with Lewis and Tulia Ellis and the Keller Family.

Not much going on around Mobeetie except for the ball games.

### THANK YOU

I thank all the doctors, nurses, friends, and neighbors for their help during my husband stay in 4 different hospitals recently.

Also thanks everyone for food, phone calls, flowers, cards since Glens return home.

Thanks kids and families for your love, and good deeds.

May God's richest blessing be with each and everyone.

Glen and Nona Elmore Ray and Sue Giddens Larry and LaDonna Elmore Carl, Phyllis Williams

recognizes Ravonda Hardcastle as a person who seems to be involved in everything and according to the Extension Agents - that is by design. Her dedication to the entire Extension Effort is obvious by her help with a variety of Extension activities. A few of Ravonda's volunteer efforts include serving on the Executive Board and chairs the 4-H and Youth Committee and assisted with AG Day, Summer Youth Programs, Food and Nutrition Project, Concession Stands and Stock Shows. Her enthusiasm is contagious and helps to motivate and encourage those around her.

The pat on the back, the arm around the shoulder, the praise for what was done right and the sympathetic nod for what wasn't are as much a part of golf as life itself. —Gerald R. Ford

One ought, every day at least, to hear a little song, read a good poem, see a fine picture, and if it were possible to speak a few reasonable words. —Goethe

Whenever you are to do a thing, though it can never be known but to yourself, ask yourself how you would act were the whole world looking at you, and act accordingly. —Thomas Jefferson

### Wheeler I.S.D. Board Meeting Is Nov. 12

I. Establish quorum. A. Call to order by Mark Tucker at 6:30 P.M. B. Pledge led by Jauna Benefield. C. Invocation by Mr. White.

All board members present less Dr. Smith, Kent Vise and William Burch.

School personnel present: Daymun White, James Hubble and Jim Self.

Students present Bo Compton and Sahary Barboza.

II. Open Forum: No comments. III. Reading of minutes of Oct. 8 and 23 Board Meetings.

Motion by Rhonda McWhorter, seconded by Jauna Benefield, to approve minutes as read. Motion carries unanimously.

IV. Supt. Report:

A. FFA members who attended National Convention. Mr. White recognized Jim Self who gave a report on recent trip to the National Convention, Jim in turn introduced students Bo Compton and Sahary Barboza who reported on the convention from the students view.

V. Financial Report.

A. Ratification of Bills, motion by Dr. Hillhouse, seconded by Kent Vise, to approve as presented. Motion carries unanimously.

B. Financial Statement given by Mr. White.

VI. Reports/Discussion Items. Mr. White led discussions on the following:

A. DEC letter from TEA.

B. Board Evaluation: Consider Format.

C. Superintendent Evaluation: Consider Format.

D. Lunch & Breakfast Cost.

E. Panhandle Area Association of School Boards.

VII. Action Items.

A. Consider Asking For Bid For Older Vehicles, motion by William Burch, seconded by Kent Vise, to seek bids for the old special ED bus and the Gray Pontiac. Motion carries unanimously.

B. Consider Asking For Bids On Insurance On Vehicles, motion by Dr. Hillhouse, seconded by Jauna Benefield, to seek bids on the vehicle insurance. New Policy Year in February.

C. Adopt Policies EIE (Local) Regarding Student Success Initiative, motion by Rhonda McWhorter, seconded by William Burch, to adopt policy. Motion carries unanimously.

D. Approve Update 68, motion by Jauna Benefield, seconded by Dr. Hillhouse, to approve update 68. Motion carries unanimously.

E. Consider Depreciation Schedule For Assets For Audit, motion by William Burch, seconded by Rhonda McWhorter, to set schedule of depreciation schedule for audit. Motion carries unanimously.

F. Respond To Request From Allison ISD For Information Regarding Possible Consolidation. Discussion with no action on this item.

G. Set Date And Time For Joint Board Meeting With Allison ISD To Discuss Consolidation. No Action.

H. Set Date And Time For December Board Meeting. December Board Meeting will be at regular schedule time 6:30 p.m. December 12, 2002.

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**Food**

(from Page 1)

Heather Hampton, Breads and Cereal Senior Category. Payton Austin received 1st place Main Dish Junior Category and Overall Best Junior with his Roast Beef Cheddar Pockets. Haley Sparks received 1st place in Fruit and Vegetable Junior Category and 2nd overall Junior with her Fruit Salad. Ilene Butler received 2nd place in Fruit and Vegetable Junior Category with her Southwestern-Style Corn in Tomato Shells. Heather Hampton received 1st place Bread and Cereal Senior Category and Best Overall Senior with her Banana Nut Bread. Winona Parsley received 1st place in Main Dish

Senior Category and 2nd overall Senior. The youth received ribbons and cooking supplies donated by locals businesses. Thank you to Homestead, New Heirlooms, Buy for Less Express, Hyland's Pharmacy, and Thriftway for their continued support of youth in our community. All the participants qualified for District in Amarillo. Taylor Sparks, Matthew Flowers, McKenzie King also participated in the Food and Nutrition Project. The Foods and Nutrition Project 4-Her's learned how to make scrambled eggs, coffee cakes, and fruit kabobs. The youth learned the food guide pyramid, how to read nutrition labels, different names for sugar and had a great time. The participants studied very

hard to be prepared for the judges questions. Congratulations to all the participants and Good Luck at District Food Show December

14th! The Wheeler County Foods doubled in size this year and we hope to continue to increase participation in 4-H projects.



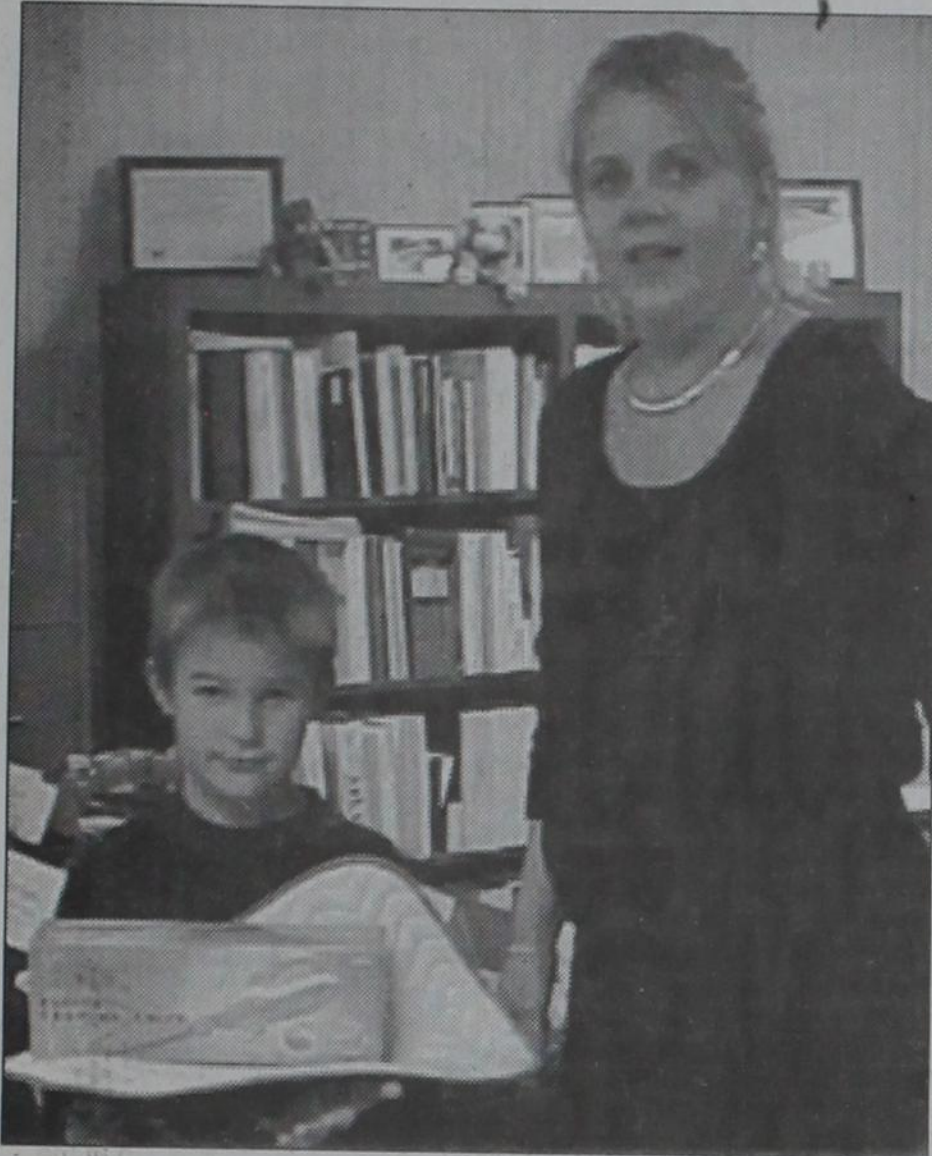
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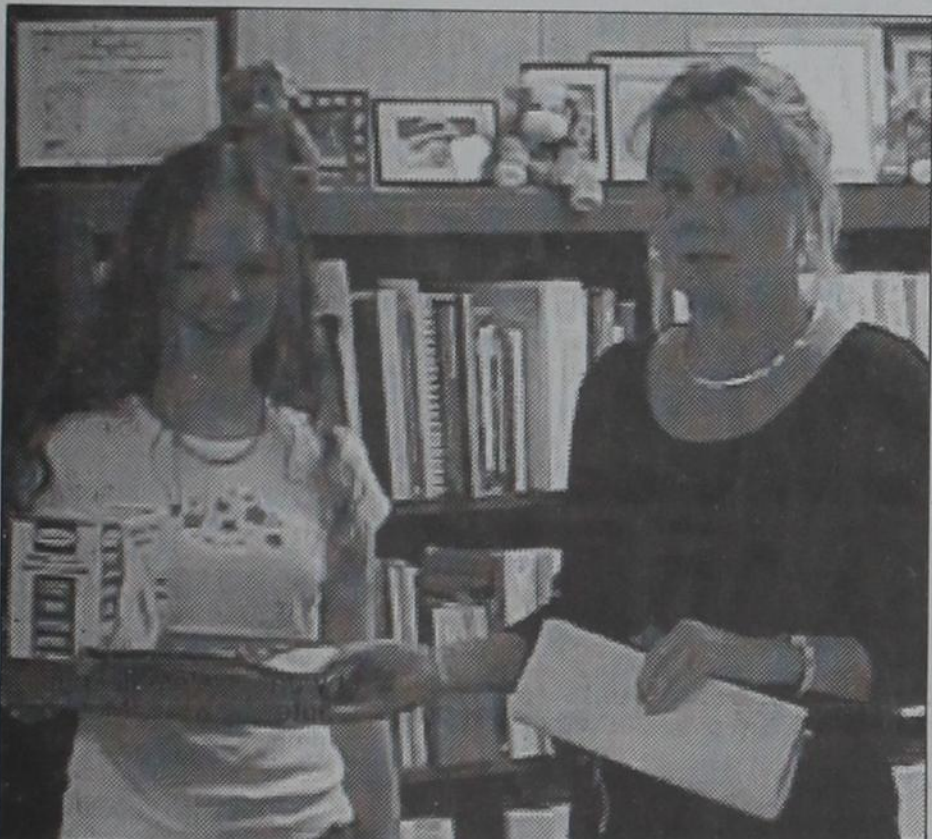
Ilene Butler, Second Place in Fruit and Vegetable Junior Category with Karen Tellman, County Extension Agent.



Payton Austin, First Place—Main Dish, Junior Category with Karen Tellman, County Extension Agent.



Winona Parsley, First Place in Main Dish Senior Category and Second Overall Senior with Karen Tellman, County Extension Agent.



Heather Hampton, First Place Bread and Cereal Senior Category and Best Overall Senior with Karen Tellman, County Extension Agent.



THE EMPTY POCKETS BANK: A few of the Lady Lopes, Jessica Helton, Bronwyn Dukes, Chelsea Archer and Sabrina Dupont get up and sing backup and play hand instruments for The Empty Pockets Bank at the McLean Steakhouse.

**Drawing** (from Page 1)  
in town while businesses are still open, to do shopping before the

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

At the end of the chamber's annual 'Cash Drawing', First State Bank of Mobeetie/Wheeler will be giving away twenty-five \$25 gift certificates—one certificate for each of 25 Wheeler businesses. The tickets will be drawn from the hopper and the lucky individual will have an extra \$25 to be spent with the business specified on the certificate.

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

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

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

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

Drawing tickets will be available December 2, 2002 at sponsoring businesses.

**Xi Upsilon Sorority Thanksgiving Dinner**

Held their annual Thanksgiving Dinner Saturday evening, November 23, 2002, at the Senior Citizens Center. The ladies prepared a traditional Thanksgiving meal and were then joined by their husbands and friends to eat. Everyone then joined in playing a very entertaining game of Pictionary! Thanks everyone for the delicious food and all the laughter! Linda and Raymond Hall were missed by all. We would like to thank the Senior Citizens for the use of their facility.

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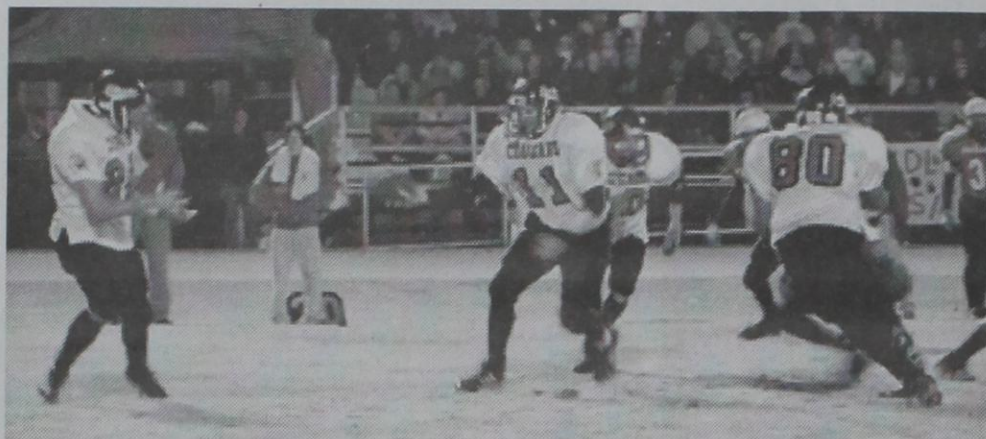
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**HAND OFF:** Jason Hathaway, #11, hands the ball to fellow Cougar, Larry Lee Horn, #24. Other Cougars are close in to help clear the way.



**BALL CARRIER?** It cannot be determined who is carrying the ball here, but his fellow Cougars are right there to protect him.



**HAS THE BALL:** Junior Newman, #12, carries the ball for the Cougars. Larry Lee Horn, #24, clears the way with Jason Hathaway close by to be of assistance.



**MISSED:** The Whitharral player lies on the ground and watches Cougar Junior Newman, #12, continue down the field with the ball.



**STOP:** The Cougars are shown here stopping a Whitharral Panther in the Area playoff game.



**FIRST TD:** Junior Newman, #12, put the first points on the board for the Cougars in the Regional playoff against Whitharral.



**EXTRA POINT KICK:** Ft. Elliott Cougar Junior Gonzales, #80, kicks the extra point. Teammate Jason Hathaway, #11, holds the ball.



**GOING FOR THE OPENING:** Kade Zybach, #23, sees an opening and goes for it with the ball. He continues down the field for a touchdown.



**THE PLAY OF THE GAME:** Junior Gonzales, #80, carries the ball over the goal line for the Cougars in "the play of the game".

**GOOD LUCK, COUGARS!**  
 Good Luck At Quarter Finals! Beat Sands!

**OBSERVATIONS**

... from the Wheeler Superintendent

**Thought #1:** The older I get it seems that the things I need to read are being printed in smaller and smaller print. Actually, it is just my eyes that are changing and it is pretty frustrating not being able to read without glasses after all these years of being blessed with very good vision. As frustrating as life may become for us as we age and our sight, hearing, or other abilities change, it is even more frustrating for our children to keep up in school if they have similar difficulties.

Currently, state law requires that schools do screenings on public school students to check for vision and/or hearing problems. At Wheeler ISD, we screen students in Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, and 9th grades. If you have any concerns about your student's hearing or vision, please contact Nurse Mary Britt. We can and do screen children at any time that a parent makes a request. We are very fortunate to have a full-time nurse on campus to provide these and other services to our students.

**Thought #2:** I am proud of the great job our teachers are doing. One of the great things about good teachers is that they always seek to do things right regardless the circumstances. There are many distractions and things that are frustrating to people in education today. But good teachers have a knack for staying focused on what is really important to them: their students and teaching. They know that they are not being paid what they are worth, but that does not deter them from doing their jobs the very best they can.

**Holiday Lighting Tips Are Offered By Xcel**

It is time to celebrate the season with holiday lighting—and to enjoy the season safely and injury free; so, Xcel Energy offers the following holiday lighting and safety tips:

\* Be careful when hanging decorations—and always remember to look up first for electric power lines, and then, to stay away from them.

\* When stringing outdoor lights on roofs or in tall trees, be sure to keep yourself, ladder and the decorations more than ten feet away from electric lines, and to avoid telephone wires and cable television connections.

\* Avoid stringing lights along aluminum siding, which can conduct electricity.

Watch your step. Use ladders and stepladders carefully. Don't use the highest steps on a stepladder.

\* Trim your tree, home and workplace with safety-certified decorations you know are in good condition. Use only Underwriters' Laboratory (UL) safety-certified lights and decorations that have proper grounding plugs (three-pronged plugs).

\* Never "adapt" a three-pronged outlet plug for use in a two-prong outlet by cutting off the third prong. That creates a hazard.

\* Inspect holiday light strings for frayed wires, cracked insulation or bare spots—and for loose connections or damaged plugs. Do not use damaged, unsafe strings or decorations.

\* Follow manufacturers' guides for use of light strings and decorations. Don't use lights that are labeled "for interior use" anywhere outside. Don't use outdoor lights inside a building. Outdoor lights burn hotter and can create a fire hazard on a tree, or ignite curtains, draperies or furniture.

\* Keep all combustible materials, such as trees and dried floral arrangements, away from candles, fireplaces and portable heaters.

\* Use energy wisely and safely. Unplug tree lights and other decorations, or set a timer to turn them off, when you retire at night or when you are going to be away from home.

**CARD OF THANKS**

I wish to thank all the people, who sent cards, flowers, gifts and most of all prayers, when my brother passed away. Wheeler is truly a caring town. God bless each one.

Leona Coates



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**HEADED DOWN COURT:** Ft. Elliott Lady Cougar Holly McCurley dribbles down the court with the ball in the game against Samnorwood on Friday, Nov. 22. The Lady Cougars won 89-26



**BALL RECOVERY:** Players are on the floor in an effort to get control of the ball. Ft. Elliott players in dark jerseys shown, l. to r. are Jackie Dukes, Shantell Meek, Andria Keelin, Andrea Hathaway and Brittney Mick. Ft. Elliott won 89-26 in the Friday, Nov. 22 game.



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