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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride"

By Louis C. Stas

Congratulations! We have the honor roll for Wheeler and Kelton in the paper this week. Note the number of 'All A' students, especially seniors. Keep up the good

Congratulations, Ft. Elliott

Basketball Teams! Both the Cougars and Lady Cougars are No. 1 in district with quite a good lead. -cwe-

Thanks, once again for all the pictures.

-CW8-The call is going out for entries in the 'Cute Baby Picture' contest. This is an excellent opportunity to show off that baby picture.

-cwe-Have you named the individuals you think most deserving of the Chamber of Commerce 'Outstanding' awards. Nominations are needed for man, woman and employee! The most deserving might be overlooked, if you don't let us

-cwe-And, rules are given for the cen-

know.

tennial photography competition. The winning entries will be made into postcards to promote the Wheeler area. -cwe-

West Texas Christian School is to begin selling citrus fruit. You can help the school and have some good fruit at the same time. -cwe-

We made a trip to OKC over the weekend to visit Jennifer and KeiKei. The grandpuppy needed girl.

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Allison Livestock Show Jan. 18 At County Barn

The Allison local show will be held Jan. 18, 2:30 p.m., the Shamrock local show will be held Jan. 18, at 11:30 a.m., the Wheeler local show will be held on Jan. 23 at 5:00 p.m. at the Wheeler County Show Barn with the Fort Elliott local show to follow.

Special Election Set For Mobeetie Is Cancelled

Notice of cancellation of Special Election, that was to be held on February 1, 2003, for the City of Mobeetie. The election was cancelled because only two candidates signed up to fill the two vacancies, so the city has no need to hold the election. **Wheeler Centennial Celebration**

taken of scenes in Wheeler County

that best depict the beauty, lifestyle

and places in Wheeler. The photo-

graphs will be used as post cards

to sell to raise funds for the 100th

anniversary of the City of Wheeler.

NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN FOR

The Wheeler Chamber of Com- and also list the reasons why the merce is once again taking nomi- individual should receive the nations for the five outstanding individuals who will be recognized at the annual Chamber of Com- ered by the committee appointed Saturday, February 22, 2003

It is the desire of the Chamber outstanding Woman, Man, Em- serving. ployee, Teenager and Farmer/

Your nominations will be considmerce Installation Banquet on to select the respective individuals to be named.

Each nomination is to be acto recognize the most deserving companied by a list of reasons for individuals in each of the five cat- the nomination. The list will be egories. To be recognized are the used in determining the most de-

> It is necessary that the nominations be returned by Friday, Janu-

The Wheeler County Junior Live-

stock Show will be held Friday,

January 24 through Saturday,

January 26. This year there will be

125 market Hogs, 17 Steers, 7

Heifers, 14 Goats, and 53 Lambs.

Please make note of the change of

8:00 a.m.- Weigh in of lambs,

9:30 a.m.- Lamb Show followed

Hogs weigh in after Heifer Show

6:00 p.m. - Awards Program and

Lou Elia Clemens Dies

Jan. 8 In San Angelo

92, of San Angelo, Texas died at

2:56 A.M. Wednesday, January 8,

2003 in San Angelo. She was born

July 23, 1910 in Chilicothe, Texas.

three children Wanda Newkirk of

Grand Junction, Colorado, Bryan

Clemens of Lafayette, Louisiana

and David Clemens of San Angelo,

at 1:00 P.M. Sunday, January 12,

2003 at the Kelton Cemetery in

Kelton, Texas directed by Wright

Funeral Home in Wheeler, Texas.

Johnson's Funeral Home of San

Angelo, Texas was in charge of

Top WTCS Students Are

Named For 2nd Qtr.

of our second quarter of school for

West Texas Christian School.

WTCS would like to congratulate

the following Elementary Students

for making A Honor Roll: Danie

Clawson and Shonda Moya. The

student with the highest average

was Shonda Moyer with 98.38%.

Shonda Moya was also the Out-

standing student of the Quarter

late the following Junior and Se-

nior High Students for making A

Honor Roll: John Armstrong, Philip

Chandler, Jessica Egner, Vanessa

Gearhart, Jessica Jernigan and

Joanna Jernigan. The student with

the highest average was Vanessa

Gearhart with 97.32%. Vanessa

Gearhart and Jessica Egner tied

for Outstanding Student of the

Quarter with each having 980

WTCS would like to congratu-

with 810 points.

December 20 marked the end

local arrangements.

Graveside funeral services were

Mrs. Clemens is survived by

Mrs. B. T. (Lou Ella) Clemens.

by Goat Show, Steer Show and

the schedule.

Heifer Show

Premium Sale

Friday, January 24

Saturday, January 25

8:00 a.m.- Hog Show

5:00 p.m.- Barbecue

oats and cattle

merce at 101 W. Oklahoma St. Set For January 24-26 (H&R Block).

to a new location, the money will be removed and the amount the can contains will be credited.

amount of money in the can. Rules:

ings bond donated by the First

nesses and rotated weekly.

The winners will be announced at the Annual Chamber Banquet on February 22, 2003, at 7:00 p.m.

at the H. S. Cafeteria.

Please make your ideas known ary 31, 2003. Wheeler Chamber of Commerce **Cute Baby' Contest Information**

The Wheeler Chamber of Com- ber office at 826-3408. Thanks merce will conduct a "Cute Baby Audrey Kinnaman Contest". Anyone is eligible to en-Wheeler Chamber of Comter a picture. There is no entry fee. Cans for donations can be picked merce up at the Chamber of Commerce **County Livestock Show** office for decorating, and are to be returned to the Chamber of Com-

The cans will be placed in the businesses of the chamber members for the collection of "votes". From time to time the cans will be moved to a different location. The cans with the most money prior to the annual Chamber of Commerce Installation banquet will be declared the winners—a \$50 saving bond will be awarded a boy and a

At the time the cans are moved

Take time to look at the pictures and help the baby of your choice win a savings bond by placing any

Includes infants 2 and under (cannot turn 3 by 1-01-03) 1 girl and 1 boy will be chosen. Each winner will receive a \$50.00 sav-State Bank, Mobeetie and Wheeler and Wheeler Banking

Proceeds go to Wheeler Chamber events. Each child's entry will be displayed at various local busi-

For entry details call the cham-

FIRST PLACE: The Ft. Elliott Junior High girls proudly display their first place plaque won in the McLean tournament on Jan. 11. The girls defeated Groom 25-20 and McLean 25-4. Pictured are (back row, I. to r.) Cherie Shupert, Glory Hartsfield, Jordan Alls, Allison Bray, Chynna Atherton, Coach Schaub, (front row) Lauren Baird, Crystal Pigg, Randi Barr and Mayci Meadows. John Alvin Forrest, 90 Dies Dec. 21 in Portales

John Alvin Forrest, 90, of Portales, NM died Saturday, December 21, 2002. He was born August 19, 1912 in Wheeler County, Texas to John Wesley and Clara Bertha (Bessire) Forrest.

He grew up on a farm in Zybach and Allison, Texas, where he went to school. He spent his senior year in Wheeler. On August 12, 1936, in Canadian, Texas, he married JoeAnna Margrette Miller. They lived in Wheeler County, farming until 1941. The family then moved to Portales, NM. Alvin worked as a carpenter and roofing contractor until the mid 40's, when he went to work at Cannon Air Force Base. He retired from Civil Service after 30 years. He was a Preventive

Maintenance Supervisor. Alvin enjoyed hunting and camping in the mountains with his sons, grandsons, and friends. He also loved raising horses. Alvin and Margrette spent many years enjoying traveling with the GOOD SAMS RV CLUB.

Alvin became a member of the Methodist Church when he was a teenager. He was a member of First United Methodist Church at the time of his death. He was a member of and Past Worshipful Master of Portales Lodge #26 AF&AM. He was also a Scottish Rite Mason. Alvin was a Past Worthy Patron on the Order of Eastern Star.

Richardson, preceded him in

Survivors include his wife, Margrette of the home; 3 sons, Johnny Lee and wife Sondra of Clovis, NM, Van Bruce and wife Connie, of Ruidoso, NM, Glenn (Continued Page 5)

Kelton Students On 3rd 6-Week Honor Roll

Kinder: All A's-Trenton Angton Cheyenne Powell

Kinder: A/B's-Trekas Angton, Mariana Badillo, Kayla Duncan, Cecilia Guerrero, Jacob McNeil, Thomas Meadows, Brady Presley 1st: All A's-Don Butler, Chantelle Hampton, Charmayne Hampton, Angelica Lopez

1st: A/B's-Cierra Alvarado, Miguel Badillo, Kristen Garner, Payton Leffew, Hannah Stiles, Tammye Lumpkin, Terra Taylor 3rd: A/B's-Benjamin Hodges, Jr.

4th: All A's-Paige Lister 5th: All A's-Alyssa Alvarado 6th: A/B's-Mari Bustinza, Katie Leven, Jessica Luna



Katie Donaldson

Local Girl is Picked To Play in All-Star Tourn. Katie Donaldson, a junior at

Allison High School, has been chosen from over 1500 girls in the United States to participate with 39 other girls in a national invitational basketball tournament held in Ha-

This is a once in a lifetime experience that she would love to take part in, but she needs everyone's help to do so. Her expenses are \$2500.00. To raise the funds needed, she is accepting donations and selling raffle tickets for a chance to win trips and cash. If you would like to make a contribution, buy or sell tickets, you may His parents and a sister, Edna send check, money order, or credit card information (American Express, Master Card, Visa, or Discover) to:

Katie Donaldson

P.O. Box 88 Allison, TX 79003

or by phone (375-2437). Please make payments payable to: Team All-Star USA or her personally.

She would greatly appreciate your support.

Commissioners Court Conducts Jan. Business Wheeler County Commissioners met Monday, January 13, 2003, in the Courthouse Annex at 410 South Main Street in Wheeler.

Ten items were on the agenda. The minutes for the past meeting were approved as read. The J.P. reports were accepted as read. Justice of the Peace, Pct.

2, Art Taylor reported a collection \$463,122.12 for the year with \$324,254.84 as the county part of the collection. The hourly payroll time sheets

were approved for payment. The county's bills for the month

were approved for payment.

A consideration of budget amendment was tabled. Item #6 was consideration of

Courthouse Restoration Project. The Texas Historial Commission, Wharry Engineering and architect, (Cointinued Page 6)

Free Throw Contest Set Here January 26

All boys and girls ages 10 to 14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2003 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. The local competition will be held on January 26, 2003 at 2:00 pm at the Wheeler High School gymnasium.

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship is sponsored annually with winners progressing through local, district and state competition. International champions are announced by the K of C international headquarters based on scores from the statelevel competitions. All boys and girls 10 to 14 year old are eligible to participate and will compete in respective age divisions. Last year more than 247,000 sharpshooters

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Third Six-Week Period

Wheeler I.S.D. Names Honor Students

High School All A Honor Roll Twelfth Grade: Rachel Bass. Colby Brickey, Cassi Brown, Josh Bryant, Trevor Burton, Lupe' Duenas, Lyndi Finsterwald, Kandra Gaines, Ben Howard, Heather Leven, Tyler Lewis, Keri Marion, Hadley Mitchell, Dagen Moore, Amy Osborne, Ericka

Eleventh Grade: James Chapman, Josh Miller, William Rutherford, Jose Salas. Tenth Grade: Saharay Barboza,

Jarrod Haning, Shanna Horton, Rachel Howard, Landon Sams, Carl Scales.

Ninth Grade: Josh Britt, Bo Compton, Lezli Finsterwald, Heather Hampton, J'Shay McCasland, Katie Richardson

High School A & B Honor Roll Twelfth Grade: Amanda Childress, Ryan Duncan, Miriam

Garcia, Janet Kuntz, Tanner McWhorter, Jeret Moore, Garett Rhine, Juan Salas, Julio Salas, Paola Villalba, Evan Wats Eleventh Grade: Chelsea

Brooks, Joe Glassey, Brenton Perez

Claudia Garcia, Savannah Hamp- Taylor Sparks ton, Sugey Hernandez, Lindsay Jandie Taylor

Jansen Moore, Jennifer Jones. Jr. High A Honor Roll

Sixth Grade: Diana Corral, Kelby Vise, Chandler Osborne Jr. High A & B Honor Roll

Eighth Grade: Cole Nall, Lauren Fite, Cole Hathaway, Lacee Henson, Ryan Henson, Dennise James, Dana Mendoza, James "Chucky" Rivera, Mikel Tucker Seventh Grade: Jake Benefield,

Omar Gonzalez, Wade Hampton, Aspen Hathaway, Chace Horton, Veronica Salazar, Jennifer Scales Sixth Grade: Zach Andis, Marisela Duenas, Nicole Moore, Blake Randels, Stefen Tucker, Mattie Back

Wheeler Elementary Second Grade: All A's: America Almanza, Lane Erwin, Daniel Gonzalez, Elizabeth Horton, Shawn Hudson-Crow, Zay McCasland, Jason Pike, Brooke Randels, Breann Robinson, Jesus Zapata; A & B: Zack McCasland,

Josue Perez, Miguel Rincon Third Grade: All A's: Alyssa Johnson, Tayt McCasland, Kallen Moore: A & B: Tanzia Brown, Gabi Menefield, David Ramirez, Banesa Sapon

Fourth Grade: All A's: Zachary Goerend, Dustin Hampton, Taryn Verden; A & B: Payton Austin, Harmon, Josefina Lira, James Caitlyn Burch, Spencer Ford, Masters, Devin Parker, Adriana Shawna Hampton, Omar Lopez, Kaylee Marion, Carla Mendoza, Tenth Grade: Amanda Bond, Karen Mendoza, Jaten Moore, Cameron Burton, Jose Flores, Chris Schubert, Haley Sparks,

Fifth Grade: All A's: Josh Lewis, Savanna Shipp, Yuri Soto Hardcastle, Nick Hardcastle, Jessica Hubbard; A & B: Eddie Ninth Grade: Samantha Chavez, Dana Gallardo, Cesar Chapman, Tyler McWhorter, Gonzalez, Josh Henson, Tracy Keelin, Braden Moore, Bailey Richardson, Adam Robles, Sara Eighth Grade: Samuel Hillhouse Salazar.

CROWNED: Chelsea Archer and Sammy Case, both seniors, were crowned 2003 Allison High School Homecoming King and Queen. The coronation was Friday, January 10, 2003.

16 cards will be selected, 1 for the cover post card and 15 for post upper left-hand corner. cards to be sold in the packet. Name RULE ONE: Anyone can enter. Address Those seventeen and under must Age have a parent's signature. Telephone Number RULE TWO: All photographs must be made in Wheeler County. RULE THREE: A fee of \$5.00 per picture must accompany each labeling procedures will be disentry. Please make one check out qualified. to Wheeler Centennial Celebra-

tion Committee. RULE FOUR: By entering the contest the participant grants permission to the Wheeler Centennial Celebration Committee, ownership of the photograph and the rights associated to use the photograph

in any promotional publication and any other media without compen-RULE FIVE: All prints must be 8" x 10", permanently mounted on solid photographic mount board or a board of like thickness, suitable

for hanging without an additional-

Photography Contest Explained PURPOSE: The purpose of this frame. Each print shall be accomcontest is to select photographs panied by a 3" x 5" original and a

negative, transparency, or disk. RULE SIX: Each entry must include all of the following information to ensure proper entry. The information must be legibly printed or typed on a label securely affixed to the back of the photo in the

Location of Subject in Photograph, Where Photograph Taken Entries that do not follow the

RULE SEVEN: Judges will determine the Cover, and place 2 and place 3. Decision of the Judges

will be final. RULE EIGHT: A prize of \$50.00 will go to the Cover Winner, \$35.00 to Second Place and \$25.00 to Third Place

RULE NINE: The contest begins January 1, 2003 and ends December 31, 2003. All entries must be postmarked or hand delivered by 5:00 p.m. to P.O. Box 3O2, Wheeler, TX 79096 or 410 Main Street, Wheeler, Texas, Attention: Bobbye Hill.

Name: Address: Telephone Number: Age: Parent's Signature (if under 18) _ Signature Black and White Photos: Number of Entries @5.00 \$ Color Photos Number of Entries @5.00 \$

Total Amount Enclosed Please make one check payable to: WCC Committee

Those working Tuesday at the Totty Schoolhouse were Don Cross, Bob Meller, Don Burke, Burke, Danny and Betty Rogers,

FT. ELLIOTT (Mobeatie Campus)

MONDAY, January 20, 2003 -FRIDAY, January 24, 2003

MONDAY Teacher In-Service

TUESDAY Breakfast: Cowboy Bread, Cereal, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Pizza, Salad, Corn Furit, Milk/Tea WEDNESDAY

Breakfast: Biscuits/Gravy, Bacon, Sausage, Jelly, Juice, Milk Lunch: Baked Chicken over Rice, Carrots, Rolls, Fruit, Milk/Tea **THURSDAY**

Breakfast: French Toast, Ham, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Burritos w/Chili & Cheese, Pinto Beans, Salad, Fruit, Milk/Tea

Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, Juice, Lunch: Fish Nuggets, Green Beans, Mac & Cheese, Rolls,

Fruit, Milk/Tea (Menu Subject To Change)

NOKIA

Dale Corcoran. Betty Rogers fixed Melba Corcoran went to Elk City dinner for them. to visit Lorene Rector in the hospi-Working on Wednesday were tal Tuesday morning. Melba Danny and Betty Rogers, Paul Hathaway, Bob Meller, Tom Cross, Corcoran went to Wheeler Tuesday night and took Tyler and Caitlyn Don Burke, Bill Elliott, and Dale Burch out to supper and visited Corcoran. Melba Corcoran fixed with them till Sissy got home from dinner for them.

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Hodges fixed dinner. The group

Kay Batton is sub teaching at

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got the tile all down on the floor.

Kelton School for about 6 weeks.

Oklahoma City. C. W. Burch was taken to Oklahoma City to the hospital. He is Danny and Betty Rogers, Dale and doing well. He got to go back to Melba Corcoran, Paul Hathaway, William and Sissy in Wheeler on Jane Seitz, and Scott Neighbors. Saturday.

> Lorene Rector got home from the hospital Thursday afternoon. Sissy Burch brought her home. Those visiting her Saturday were Jerry and J Rector, Amy Garcia,

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First Baptist Church got started

back Wednesday at 5:30. Those attending were Payton May, Shelton May, Haley Barton, Kalsey Barton, Jayton, Garrett and Jarrett Childress. The workers were Sallie Adcock, Gay Hale, Nadine Lane and Melba Corcoran. Children 4 years through 5th grade are invited to attend the meetings. The children are learning the books of the Bible, Bible Drills and Bible stories. They also learn new song, have refreshments and do a craft. Melba Corcoran went to Ama-

Lynn and Emily Rector all of Ama-

rillo, Cleo Pierce and Dale of Chey-

enne OK and Dale and Melba

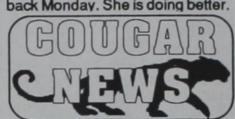
The Good News Club of the

rillo and attended the Preview of the Playa Lake Traveling Exhibit. Gladys Richardson and Leola

Stuart visited in Shamrock Sunday with Mrs. Bulah Stuart and

Jerry Richardson of Wheeler came Friday and Saturday and help Leola Stuart with some repairs around the place. He visited with his mother Gladys Richardson.

Gladys Richardson went to the doctor on Friday and had to go back Monday. She is doing better.



Events for the week are: January 16 General Store @

Elementary January 17 High School Basketball at Allison at 6:30. January 17 AR points due 5th

January 20 6 PM Junior High Basketball with Samnorwood at

January 20 is Teacher Inservice

January 21 at 5:00 PM Junior Varsity boys and High school Basketball with Miami at home. January 22 is Yearbook.

January 23 is Fort Elliott Stock Show and the start of Wheeler County Stock Show.

... from the Wheeler Superintendent January is School Board Appreciation Month. I am thankful for the board of trustees that you have elected in Wheeler. These men and women, who all have very busy careers and family responsibilities, give of their time and energy to serve in a very thankless position. When things are going well they are hardly noticed, but when things are not going well they are always found out and addressed with pressing concerns from the community. They are asked to make difficult decisions that sometimes do not have a good answer. They are asked to consider what is best for our children and make objective decisions

based on policy that they set. We have "entrusted' these people with a very important task. Everyone will not agree with every decision that the board makes. But let's trust them and encourage them to do what they believe is best for our children.

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to take this time to say Thank You to the Wheeler Hospital staff, Dr. Mendiola, Dr. Galutia, and Dr. Houseal for taking care of Edith McLaughlin during her time of illness. We say Thank You! To the Wheeler Ambulance Crew for taking care of Edith on her trip to Amarillo. We say Thank You! We would also like to Thank everyone who called, came by, sent food, flowers, cards or memorials to us during our time of sorrow. We Thank you! We would also like to Thank You for your prayers while we were in Amarillo at Hospice we needed your prayers and we felt all your prayers.

Thanks Again for everything. May God Bless You All Kent, Debble, Nathan and Kory McLaughlin

FT. ELLIOTT (Briscoe Campus) MENU

MONDAY, January 20, 2003 — FRIDAY, January 24, 2003 MONDAY

No School **TUESDAY** Breakfast: Sausage, Biscuits, Gravy, Hash Browns, Juice, Milk Lunch: Chili Con Carne w/Beans, Corn on the Cob, Waffle Fries,

Cornbread, Apple Pie, Milk/Tea WEDNESDAY Breakfast: Waffles, Bacon, Juice,

Lunch: Hawaiian Chicken, Red

Potatoes, Steamed Broccoli, Hot Rolls, Blackberry Cobbler, Milk/ **THURSDAY**

Breakfast: Canadian Bacon, Biscuits, Fruit, Juice, Milk Lunch: Pizza, Salad, Corn, Peach Cups, Milk/Tea

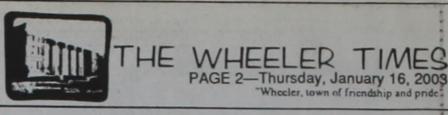
Breakfast: Cinnamon Rolls, Fruit, Juice, Milk Lunch: Philly Steak on a Bun,

Potato Chips, Baked Beans, Carrot Sticks, Mixed Fruit, Milk/Tea (Menu Subject To Change)

On August 27, 1965, the Beatles visited with Elvis for several hours at his home in California for an informal iam session.

FRIDAY

Listen to . . .



Co. Emergency Planning Com. Meets

January 6, 2003

Ken Daughtry, Chairman of the Wheeler County Local Emergency Planning Committee, welcomed the members and guests and brought the meeting to order. The official sign-in sheet is attached and for the purposes of having a quorum for conducting an official meeting of the LEPC there were 33.75% of the members in atten-

The Minutes of the October 7. 2002 meeting were read to the committee by Chairman Daughtry. Wanda Herd motioned the minutes be approved as read and David Rushing seconded with the committee in agreement.

Due to the resignation of Bill

Robertson as Administrator of

Parkview Hospital in Wheeler, Ann

Fagan-Cook the new administrator was asked to replace Mr. Robertson on the Response and Resources Committee. The change was duly noted in the committee membership role. With no new business from the committee members or the public, the ad-hoc committee progress

reports were given by Chairman Daughtry. He also reported to the committee that Annexes N, Q, F, R, D, and the Basic Plan all have been mailed to the state and by the 1st of February 2003, Annexes C, 0, E, A and B will be ready to be mailed.

Chairman Daughtry reported that under Annex I, the Memphis, Texas radio station is ready to be added.

The Public Education & Information Committee with David Rushing as Chairman will meet within the month to finalize plans to approach Valor and Southwestern Bell telephone providers with a goal to include Wheeler County's emergency information on the inside front cover of the local phone directories. The committee will also include this information semi-an-

nually in the local newspapers for community awareness.

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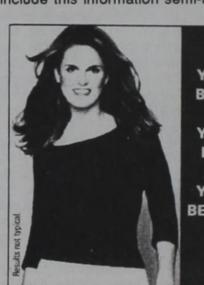


Caltlyn and Zachary Childress, are the children of Duane and Gena Childress of Whiteoak, Texas. Grandparents are Donnie and Susan Huckert of Wheeler.

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Sunday

Community Evening Praise Service (180 Youth Center)...... 7:00 p.m.

As the runners in the race round that final curve in the track they head to the tape at the finish line. Just on the other side of the line, or off to the side, or up in the stands, the runners coaches or parents are screaming things like "C'mon, only a few more yards to go! Push yourself! Push! Kick up those legs! You can do it!" And most of these athletes respond by kicking it into a gear that usually doesn't exist. They ignore their pain, they grimace with determination, their renewed strength helps get them across the finish line.

One thing you don't hear at these moments from the coaches or parents is "You look awfully tired! Don't you think you should quit? You're not going to win anyway! Maybe this isn't your sport!" What type of response would the athlete give forth then? Certainly they would not find that renewed vigor and determination to press forward to the victory

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

Unfortunately, a lot of sons and daughters hear these words though. Perhaps not at the finsh line, but long before that. And it is not only in a track and field competition where these words of negativity are pronounced. The single most important factor for most to finsh the race, or even continue in the race, is encouragement. It is the same way in the Christian race.

The Apostle Paul said in I Thessalonians 5:11 to "Encourage one another, and build up one another, just as you also are doing." In Hebrews 3:13 we read "But encourage one another day after day, as long as it is still called 'Today,' lest any one of you be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin." This week, go out of your way to encourage someone, to build them up, and to help them as they stretch forward to the glorious finish line.

Shawn D. Johnson

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FOR FIRST VISIT

Services:

Sunday Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Sunday Morning Worship

Sunday Night Worship

Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 P.M.

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Leaps: Holly McCurley, #10, leaps to get controll of the ball in the game against LeFors.



Good Jump: Tamera Hartline, #24, jumps for controll of the ball in the Ft. Elliott/Lefors game Jan. . Ft. Elliott won 58-17



Up For 2: Nathan McLaughlin, #11, goes up for two in the game against Groom in the McLean Tournament Jan. 11.

Two Points: Randi Barr, #33, jumps to shoot in

the McLean tournament. Also pictured are Jordan

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Alls, Allison Bray and Mayci Meadows.



It's In: Kade Zybach, #4, makes a free shot in the Jan. 7 Ft. Elliott's game against Lefors. Jason Hathaway is #11, and Seth Meadows s #10. Final score was 74-32, Ft. Elliott's favor.



Maintaining Control: Tamara Hefley, #12, has the ball and is moving down the court in the Ft. Elliott/Follett game on January 10. Sarah Zybach is #21 and Brittney Mick is #35. Ft. Elliott won 36-45.



Shooter: Justen Bryant, #14, gets a free throw



Makes Free Throw: Steven McAlpine makes the point with his free throw in the game with Follett.



Block: Gradon Schaub, #5, leaps into the air to block a shot. Other Ft. Elliott players pictured are Justen Bryant, #14, Haydon Hartsfield, #30, Blaine Baker, #34, and George Helton, #21.



Playing Defense: Brittney Mick, #35, and Sarah Zybach, #21, play defense in the Ft. Elliott/Follett



Good Shot: Jason Hathaway, #11, makes the point for Ft. Elliott in their game against Follett. Junior Newman is #12, Wesley Hathaway, #31, and Caleb Kirkpatrick #20.



Reaching: Jordan Alls is reaching for the ball in the McLean tournament. Ft. Elliott girls in white are Cherie Shupert, Randi Barr, Allison Bray and Mayci Meadows.

By Verna Fillingim

from the wicked, but He hears the prayers of the righteous.

Happy Birthday to Aspen Hathaway, Brittney Mick, Charles Crownover, L. D. Childress N. D. Ware on Jan. 19; Zetha Dougherty, Garrett Andis, Ronny Alls, Hunter Brice, Kristi Kay Pierce, Joe Darnell, Landon Sams, Landry Umsted and Jason Porton on Jan. 20; Dirk Chapman, Will Snelgrooes, Bob Downs, Shelby Dawson, Russell Atherton, Minerva Jones on Jan. 21; Liz Stfles Rogers, Cody James, Bo Compton, Lynna Koelzer, John Collins on Jan. 22; Mark Cornett, Jordan Moore, Alvin Reeves, Andrea Auldridge, Randy Martin, Mac Christner on Jan. 23; Caroline Cornett, David Zybach, Emma Swigart, Lisa Bennett, Susan Reichsladt and Kathy Knibbs on Jan. 24; Jackie Cummings, Carlene Steward, Brad Masters and Chad Dunnam on Jan. 25.

Happy Anniversary to Ted and Dortha McCurley and Kenneth and Vernal Densberger on Jan. 19; Dean and Georgia Tipps on Jan. 20; Mike and Melody Goad

on Jan. 24.

Congratulations to LeAndra and Montie Whittenberg of Corinth (near Ft. Worth) on the birth of their new baby girl, Kenna Michele, born January 7 at Arlington Memorial Hospital and weighing 7 lbs. 13 ozs. Proud grandparents include Donald and Billie Stuckey. Kenna is welcomed by big brother Mathew, 5, and great-grandma Lou Dean Douthit. The Stuckeys are visiting the Whittenbergs and helping with Kenna.

Sunday dinner guests of Martha Meek were Iona May and Lessie Austin. They had a nice visit.

Sunday dinner guests of Gene and Norma Keelin were Rosalie Keelin and Jimmy and Darlene. Visiting Laurel and Ed

Hershman Friday were Evertt and Estelle McAdams and Ken and Kimberly McAdams and Abigale. Enjoyed their visit.

Ft. Elliott High School will play basketball at 6:30 Friday night, Jan. 17 and Miami at Briscoe Tuesday night, Jan. 21 with J. V. boys at 5:00 p.m. followed by varsity girls and boys. They will go to Lefors Friday night, Jan. 24 to play

Casey Tipps played in a basketball tournament at Spearman last weekend. Becky Tipps and Ruth Irvine went to watch and cheer for her. They did not win, but played

Pray for Mrs. Audie Siviage. She has been in Wheeler Hospital for several days, but is some better. God bless you, Audie. Think she will be 100 on February 24. Isn't that something? Such a dear lady.

Pray for Maurine Brotherton. She is in Mercy Hospital in Oklahoma City, where their son, Gary, works. Maurine has had a rough time for several years with MS and complications, but she is no quitter. God bless you and keep you, Maurine and C. B. She may have had a stroke; not sure yet.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Lou Ella Clements, 92, in her death at San Angelo. She was a former resident of the Kelton/Wheeler area. Funeral was Sunday at Kelton Cemetery. Several family members were at Wheeler Baptist Church and ate lunch at Maxeys after graveside services.

Pray for Lake Ledford, son of Jack and Pam Ledford of Twitty. He was found to have two brain tumors. No treatments yet. He is a young man, only about 20 or so. Pray! A donation fund has been established in Shamrock at the National Bank of Commerce.

Keep praying about the future of Allison School. We hope these fine people come to Ft. Elliott. They would add in many ways. They are our neighbors. We want the best for all our kids. It has been a blessing to have Mobeetie and Briscoe together.

At Allison School Homecoming Friday night Sammy Case was king and Chelsea Archer was

queen. Bob and Gena Zybach went to Elk City recently and met old friends, Chester and Oleta Noah, and son, Dennis, for lunch and had a good visit. They all used to dairy. The Noahs live in Leedey, Okla. Dennis has had MS for several

Pray for Willa Fillingim. She was not feeling well Tuesday and was coming to Wheeler to see the doc-

Laurel and Ed Hershman were planning to go to Amarillo Wednesday and visit Sarita and celebrate Shelby's third birthday. Laurel was making a heart shaped cake for Shelby's birthday. Ed also had a doctor's appointment. Hope the weather stays good.

Saturday night visitors to Irene Keys were Edna May, Virginia Puryear and Lou Dean Douthit for pancake supper and 42.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Dicie Prater, 96, of Shamrock in her death. She was Verneal's aunt. Some of them went to her funeral.

Thursday supper guests at Vea Fillingim's home were Horace and Juanita Fillingim, Martha Meek, Aaron Hartline, Willis and Verna Fillingim and Estelle and Evertt and Ken and Kimberly and Abigale McAdams. Good visits and good food.

Good to have Lance and LaJuana Caroland and Lucas from Lubbock come Sunday night to



Proverbs 15: 29: The Lord is far visit. They came Saturday to visit at Miami Monday. LaJuana and LaJuana's folks, Don and Mayme Lucas went to Canadian with us McElroy on the King Ranch, north and ate lunch at the Pizza Hut with

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of Canadian. Lance had business us and Rita Pearson. We enjoyed Pray for Ray Hudson. He had a results for awhile.

catscan and needle biopsy about a lump on his neck. Won't know

Brad Chandler was getting back to Amarillo Friday night, Jan. 10, from Nigeria. He left after Thanksgiving. Sue met him there and they spent the night. Welcome back, Brad. Hope to see you soon. Sat-urday was Audra Weatherly's 4th birthday. They celebrated with a party. Some there were Shea and Jet Weatherly, Susie Lee and Ashton, Andy and Tiffaney Copeland, Mique Snelgrooes, Brad and Sue Chandler and Bridget and Shea Weatherly and Hagen.

Congratulations, Mellie Kelly on

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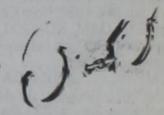
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HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & BUF-FALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Chevron U.S.A., Inc., #3 Melvin Helton, 467' from South & East line, Sec. 21,M-1,H&GN, PD 12500'

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & BUF-FALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #11 Meek '67', 2050' from North & 2550' from West line, Sec. 67,M-I,H&GN, PD 12125'.

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & N.W. CANADIAN Douglas) Bracken Operating, L.L.C., #1-91 Nix 'A', 1800' from South & 660' from East line, Sec. 91,42,H&TC, PD 7000'. HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) BP America Production Co., #2085 Hoover, 1900' from South & 2250' from East line, Sec. 85,41,H&TC, PD

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) BP America Production Co., Hoover '52', Sec. 52,41,H&TC, PD 8150', for the fol-

#3, 660' from South & West line of

#4, 1200' from North & 900' from West line of Sec.

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) Mewbourne Oil Co., #2 Jones Trust '21', 900' from South & 1980' from East line, Sec. 21,1,G&M, PD 8200'. (This same well was filed last week with a different location)

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & HEMPHILL Douglas) BP America Production Co., #2023 Ramp, et al, 2095' from North & 2226' from East line, Sec. 23,41,H&TC, PD

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & HEMPHILL Douglas) BP America Production Co., #8150 Shell. Fee, 1690' from South & 936' from East line, Sec. 53,41,H&TC, PD 8150'. **Gas Well Completions**

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Bravo Natural Resources, Inc., #2041 Hefley, Sec. 41,M-1,H&GN, spud 9-19-

02, drlg. compl 10-5-02, tested 11-27-02, potential 2099 MCF, TD 11710', PBTD 11625' --

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Bravo Natural Resources, Inc., #2 Meek '70', Sec. 41,M-1,H&GN, spud 8-26-02, drlg. compl 9-17-02, tested 11-12-02, potential 2670 MCF, TD 11725', PBTD 11680' --**HEMPHILL** (CANADIAN Douglas)

Questar E&P Co., #5038 Humphreys, Sec. 38,1,G&M, spud 9-29-02, drlg. compl 10-29-02, tested 11-7-02, potential 8982 MCF, TD 7400', PBTD 7301' --**Plugged Wells**

CHILDRESS (WILDCAT) Kermit L. Waters, Sec. 533,H,W&NW, spud in 1998, plugged 10-2-02, TD 8464' (dry) --GRAY (PANHANDLE) Bradley

Operating Co., Inc., #36-W Morse Waterflood Project, Sec. 2, 26, H&GN, spud unknown, plugged 11-26-02, TD 2800' (oil) --

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DT-Joe D. Montgomery, et ux to Wells Fargo Financial Texas, Inc., 12-27-02, Lots 9-11, Blk. 26,

D-Mike Hobbs to Alva Clark, et ux, 12-31-02, Lot 8, Bradley Add., Shamrock. D-Alva Clark, et ux to Hobbs

Earth Moving Company, Inc., 12-31-02, Lot 7-9, Second Bradley Add., Shamrock. D-Bob Quincy Weatherly to Bob

Weatherly, 12-31-02, Pt. Sec. 32, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Sur-

Company Survey.

DT-Melvin Wade Tindol, et ux to H&GN Ry. Company Survey. First State Bank of Canadian, National Association, 1-3-03, N 240 acs. Sec. 32, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry.

Company Survey D-Dudley V. Miller, et ux to Richard Kiker, et ux, 1-6-03, S 1/2 Sec. 12, Blk. 1, Brooks & Burleson Sur-

D-Dudley V. Miller, et ux to Miller Family Trust, 1-6-03, E 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 10, Blk. 2, Brooks & Burleson

D-Lester A. Gibbs to Kimala F. Gibbs Hill, 1-6-03, 1 ac. out of SW 1/4 Sec. 4, BLk. A-4, H&GN Ry.

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A. of JUDG.—Steve Johnson to Robin Hill, 12-6-02.

JANUARY 7, 2003 D-Dwayne Darwin Watson to

Linda Lee Watson, 12-6-02, Lots 11-13, Blk. 7, HSA, Shamrock. TDT-Amarillo National Bank to Charter Bank, 11-18-02, Lot 6, Blk. 1, Parklane Estate, Wheeler.

TDT-Shell Capital Inc. to Royal Bank of Scotland PLC, 10-17-02, See Instrument.

POOLING CONSENT—Evelyn Meek Trust to Newfield Exploration Inc., 12-18-02, S 20 acs. E 1/ 2 SE 1/4 Sec. 2, Camp County School Land.

ASSIGN.—Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company LP to Cordillera Energy Partners, LLC, 1-2-02, Sec. 13, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey and W 160 acs. Sec. 48, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company



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1. The District will require a permit for new domestic and livestock wells on 10 acres or less with existing wells exempt.

ing permits, especially a high-impact production permit.

3. The addition of certain requirements for high-impact production

4. An additional application required for Transportation of Groundwater Out of District.

5. Addition of smaller and larger pump sizes to the spacing rules. 6. Comprehensive revision of the notice and hearing process for high-impact production permits.

7. The addition of an alternative dispute resolution procedure for hearings.

8. The addition of a rule regarding a water transport fee.

9. Addition to the aquifer depletion rule establishing an acceptable decline rate as a percentage, removal of lower limit on production limitations and changes allowing board discretion in decreasing the time period for limiting production under the deple-

A complete copy of the current Rules of the District and proposed rule changes are available at the District office, 201 W. 3rd St., P.O. Box 637, White Deer, Texas 79097, or call 806/883-2501. 1/9-1/16c

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AFF.-Bank of America, NA to Jack Sisemore, et al, 12-11-02, Sec. 45, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

CORR. DT-Jack Sisemore to Boatmen's First National Bank of Amarillo, 7-5-95, Sec. 45, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. CORR. EXT. DT-Jack Sisemore to NationsBank NA, 7-5-98, Sec. 45, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company

JANUARY 8, 2003

RDT-First Ag Credit FLCA to Charles W. Rushing, et ux, 12-18-02, See Instrument.

REL. A. of JUDG .- Randy Lee, et al to Shamrock Apartments, 11-19-

D-Charles Walker, et ux to Toby Brooks, et ux, 1-7-03, S 100' Lot 4, BLk. 48, Shamrock.]

REL. A. of JUDG.—Terry Canada DVL-Bob Weatherly to Melvin to Bob Weatherly, 12-16-02. MD-Donald R. Walberg, et ux to Wade Tindol, et ux, 1-3-03, N 240 MD—Donald R. Walberg, et ux to acs. Sec. 32, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Stacy Dawn Hood, 12-11-02, W 1/ 2 N 240 acs. Sec. 32. Blk. A-5.

> MD-Donald R. Walberg, et ux to Bob Quincy Weatherly, 12-11-02, W 1/2 N 240 acs. Sec. 32, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. CORR. A. of JUDG.—Pro Energy Feeds LLC to Crocket Feeds, 12-

27-02. MD—Robert B. Lyon, et ux to Lyon Family Royalty Trust, 10-23-02, See Instrument.

OL-Loreta Faye Grayson to G H Land Company LLC, 12-27-02, Pt. W 1/2 Sec. 22, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

DVL-Jon Paul Steffey, et ux to Arturo Gonzalez, et ux, 1-8-03, All of Lot 5 and the S 10' Lot 4, Blk. 40, Wheeler.

DT-Arturo Gonzalez, et ux to Wheeler Banking Center, 1-8-03, S 10' of Lot 4 and all of Lot 5, Blk RDT-Wheeler Banking Center to

Larry L. Jones, et ux, 1-3-03, See Instrument.

JANUARY 9, 2003 RDT—First Ag Credit, FLCA to W.

H. Riley, et ux, 12-24-02, See In-

C/C DIVORCE DECREE-Delford Leon Earl, et ux to Marry Christine Earl, et vir, 10-21-02.

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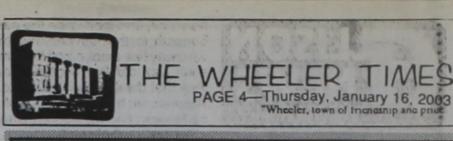
All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. c/o: James Alvin Babb

7880 Co. Rd. 15A Wheeler, TX 79096 DATED the 13th day of January,

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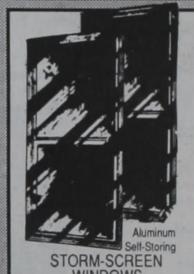
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Vance Boydston's weekend Had a big frost last night. Kinda looked like a little snow, but the from Roswell, N.M. sun is shining this Monday morn-

Roma and Billy Brown's last ing, so it is warming up.
This is some of last week's news Sunday dinner guests were Thursa Poindexter from Cheyenne and that got left out of the paper, so will her daughter, Delores Poindexter, put it in this week. Roma and Billy from Oklahoma City. They also Browns visitors Tuesday, Jan. 7, attended both morning and were grandson, Sgt. Larry Brown, evening services at the U.P. and his children, Sadie and Brock. church. Bro. Johnson has really They are in the process of moving been doing some good preaching his family from Beatrice, Neb. to and Sis. Johnson has blessed us with some good special singing. They are filling in for Pastor This also should have been in McDaniel, since his surgery some time ago, until he gets to feeling

Will try to do better.

Last Friday night Opal and Juanita Boydston visited with Louise Boydston. Others there were Shirley Chadwick from Oklahoma City, Pearl Harrison, Sue Martin from Jones, Okla. Opal and Juanita and SaRita Green from Binger, Okla. Also visited Louise on Saturday night.

and Colin from Enid, Okla., visited with Harold and Elina Walker from

day the 3rd was Vivian Wallace from Elk City. Sunday the 5th, Pearl spent the night in Amarillo with her sister, Grace Henson and she spent Monday night with Darrel and Johnnie Harrison. Pearl had gone to Amarillo with Louise Boydston and Shirley Chadwick. They returned home on Tuesday. Wednesday they were in Wheeler. They and Eddy Walker, H. B. and Cheryl Dupont all went to Maxeys and had dinner together. Pearl went to Elk City Thursday and spent the night with Jimmy and Vivian Wallace. Others that spent the night were Walt and Teressa Hodge from Nicoma Park, Okla. Pearl came home on Friday.

Louise Boydston's Saturday dinner guests were Pearl Harrison and Earnie and Sue Martin from Jones, Okla., and Shirley Chadwick from Oklahoma City. Shirley has been spending some time with Louise, her mother, Gary Boydston, Bennie and Debbie

Pearl's Sunday dinner guests were Shirley, Earnie and Sue Martin, Pastor McDaniel and Bro. and Sis. F. R. Johnson, Louise ready for an auction sale Boydston and Bennie and Debbie

Crawford, Mary Cornell and Nadine Reynolds and Judi Walsher, all from Baptist Allison Church, went to Wheeler to the Care Center and entertained the residents with gospel singing and music Sunday af-

Lanora Morse and Dick and Cletus Green's visitor from December the 21, to January the 13th, was Martha Chapman from

Sorry I haven't put a "Thank

last week's paper: Joy Walker from Country (from Page 3) Lubbock spent from Tuesday, Christmas Eve, until Thursday with becoming a citizen of the United her parents, Harold and Elena

States. Proud to have youl She Walker. Sorry about that being left hasn't finished the proceedings out; I suppose I just over looked it. yet, but has taken tests.

Several Mobeetie guys have guests were Kyle and Bernadette been working to put new flooring and linoleum tile in the old Totty School building. Some ladies taking dinner to them were Betty Rogers, Estelle Hodges and Melba Corcoran. Now, they can get back to their quilting.

> Ft. Elliott won all three games at Follett Friday night. Congratu-

> Keep praying for Adam Tipps. Having some problems. Pray that a transplant kidney may be found. Grandchildren

,Who put the "grand" in grandchildren? It surely was God above!

He knew there would be a time in our lives, When we would need their kind

So we must always be there for

With a love, tender, yet strong, Teaching them the things we taught our kids,

While "passing the faith along"! —Thanks, Dallas Dallas Fillingim's Chemical Company, Marc, flew him to San Diego, Calif., last weekend to a

other? It was his favorite. Nice to see Lucille Cozart and daughter, Ruth Ann at Pampa Walmart Thursday and visit with them. Lucille used to play the piano at Fellowship of Christian Cowboys. Such beautiful playing all "by ear", I think She was at Mobeetie last Labor Day and played the piano for the singers and she and Ruth Ann plan to be back this coming Labor Day in September. They also enjoyed the delicious barbecue. Labor Day will

grounds. Always good to see everyone there. Brad and Sue Chandler had their family Christmas Sunday, Jan. 12, with turkey and dressing and all the trimmings and a real Christmas dinner and gifts as Brad spent Christmas in Nigeria as rig manager. Others there were Jana

Chandler from Amarillo and Bridget and Shea Weatherly and Hagen and Audra. Peggy Chandler was unable to be there as she got sick and was in Amarillo Hospital. Had to miss Audra's party, too. Pray for Peggy.

Happy Birthday, Lanette Lewis. Eating together at Maxeys Friday night to celebrate Lanette's birthday were Katie Weatherly and Jhea and Jet and Jamie Chick and Lanette and her mom, Beverly Lewis. Lanette was 47, just a kid!

After Christmas, Lanette Lewis and Katie Weatherly and Jhea and Jet went to Wings, Kentucky, and visited Blue and Sue Coomer and Andrew and Eric a few days and enjoyed having Christmas together. Blue drives a truck for Tyson and they live on a farm.

Nice to see Lyndon Loyd and Johnny Wilson eating at Kentucky Fried Chicken. They were working in the K-Mart Building getting

In games at Briscoe Tuesday night, Ft. Elliott girls won over Lefors 58-17. Ft. Elliott boys won

74-32. Congrats!

Good to have Ken and Kimberly McAdams and Abigaile, 4 1/2 mo.,

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them as they return in February to

China for 1 1/2 years. Such a dedi-

cated young couple. Ken's par-

ents, Estelle and Evertt McAdams

are also here spending a week

with Vea Fillingim and visiting with

other relatives. Estelle and Evertt

also spent a few months in China

with Ken and Kimberly and en-

joyed being with them and the

granddaughter. So precious. Nice

to have them visit us Friday. They

also visited with Dick and Ruth

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those morning and evening walks.

We did manage to work in some

Stopped by the hospital to see

Mother Smith (Willetta). She has

since been moved back to the

We had six at the table for cards

Monday evening. Leroy and

Rhonda arrived just before we

started playing. Leroy, Rhonda

and I started out really well with a

win, but lost the second and third

games. Barbara, Dwight and Bob

were the winners for the evening.

-cwe-

Nelson of Dallas, TX; 2 daughters,

DeAlva and husband Gary Blocker

of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and

Donna Sue Carbonari of

Alamogordo, NM; 2 sisters, Agnes

Brumfield of Pampa, TX and Ruby

Risley of Grover Beach, CA; 10

grandchildren, and 14 great-grand-

Portales with the Rev. Harry Risner

officiating. Portales Masonic Lodge

performed the graveside service.

Donnie Blocker, Mark Forrest, Clint

Forrest, Case Forrest, Brett

McIntire and great-grandson, Chris

Honorary Pallbearers were John Gentry, Earl Walker, Bill Ohlssen, Mac Taylor, Polk Clark, and mem-

bers of Portales Masonic Lodge.

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Pallbearers were his grandsons.

Funeral services were held in

(from Page 1)

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Corn, Okla., nursing home.

card games. Players included the

Meriwethers, Rhonda's cousins

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from Page 1)

Martinez, 12-11-02, Divorce.

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Irvine and family.

Mix together

ROY./MD-Donald

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Company Survey.

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Company Survey.

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and the Fishers.

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out to supper and services at 5/8 cup brown sugar Wheeler Baptist church Wednes-5/8 cup white sugar day night. After the business meet-1/4 cups white syrup ing. Ken told of their experiences Bring to full rolling boil. Remove as missionaries in China for 3 year from heat and add she has a real passion to win the 1 7/8 cups peanut butter Chinese people to the Lord. They 1 tsp vanilla teach English in a University in Stir until peanut butter melts and China at Shoaguan. So they are mixes with other ingredients. Add 8 cups cocoa puffs. paid by the Communist Govern-Mix well and drop by spoonfuls ment, but have opportunities to witness about Jesus. Pray for on waxes paper or form into balls.

Very good.

Thanks Estelle.

Allison Graddy from Wichita Falls spent a week with Ray and Glenda Hudson (grandparents) and other grandparents at Canadian. Mike and Brenda Graddy. Ray and Glenda and Patrick took Allison home last weekend. Sunday Sonya and Patrick Hudson ate lunch with Ray and Glenda.

Ray and Glenda Hudson went to the Community Concert at Pampa Saturday. They enjoyed the Ennis Sisters from Newfoundland with their singing, dancing, folk songs.

Logan Harris from Amarillo spent last weekend with grandparents, Bevard and Diane Dukes and kept them entertained. Logan is 22 months old and a lively young

Vickey Nelson enjoyed a visit from Frank and Cathy Hooper Saturday. They ate supper at Maxeys.

Larry and Vickey Nelson celebrated their 31st wedding anniversary with dinner at Lupes in Elk

City. Best wishes and many more! "God be with you till we meet

Hospital Notes

Extended Care Ruth Ledbetter Verne Lohberger Ardie Martin Gladys Pannell

New Admissions Mary Wofford Audie Sivage Mary Luna Dee Kincannon 1/11 Katherine Holt Dismissals

Geneva Hoggard Mary Wofford LLC to Bravo Investments LLC, 1/10 Alexander Watkins Mary Luna Ruth Ware Katherine Holt

Prairie Rivers Musical To Be Sat. In Canadian

Everyone is invited to start the new year right with a fun evening at the Prairie Rivers Musical in Canadian, Texas at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, January 18. As usual, the Musical will be at the Canadian Middle School Auditorium at 404 S. Sixth Street in Canadian.

Prairie Rivers Musical is well into it's fourth season of presenting live classic country, western swing, rockabilly and gospel music and is doing so to large, appreciative crowds from all over the Texas Panhandle and Western Oklahoma. "We are excited about taking our musical program to 2003", said Jay Godwin, an original organizer and director of the program. "We continue to be amazed at new faces we see each month and really cherish the regular fans that seem to show up everytime."

"Most of the regular performers will be there", Godwin indicated, "however, Spencer Ridgway of Amarillo will be playing drums this month. Spence has played with us several times before and the crowd will remember him. We are expecting two good musicians from Wellington, Myron Merz and Bart Sherrill, who haven't been here for a year or so, also. Both are good singers and lead guitarists. There are two other singers who are expected, but not yet confirmed-one from Wheeler and one from Canadian, neither of whom have performed with Prairie Rivers Musical. Regular performers who will perform this month include Wayne Wright, Phil Ridgway, Frankie McWhorter, Hank and Venita McPherson, Mary Lynn Schafer, Pat Popham, Lonnie Cox, and Jay Godwin. Lead guitarist Scott Campbell is "iffy" at press time but may be back from an out of state trip in time to play."

There is no admission charge for the show. "The show usually lasts about two or two and onehalf hours with one intermission where refreshments are available. Comfortable theater type seating is available for several hundred folks," emphasized Godwin.

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Last Saturday Bob and Lou Cornell's visitors were Josh and McCollum Sarah Weatherford, Okla. On Monday evening Bob and Lou met William meeting. Dallas, Willis has lost his Cornell at Cheyenne, where they had supper together. William was blue Marc cap. Could you find anthere to attend a safety meeting. H. B. and Cheryl Dupont, Sabrena and Cody traveled to Okay, Okla., last Saturday and visited his parents, Henry and Dora Lea Dupont. Others there were H.B.'s two brothers and his sister and families. H. B. and Cheryl, Sabrena and Cody returned home Sunday. Rita Grayson went to Sayre last Sunday and visited with her two sisters-in-law, Gladys Hostie and also Margilu Reynolds. be Monday, Sept. 1, at Mobeetie Trevor and Michelle Richardson at the Old Jail and Shelter and

Tuesday to Friday for a late Christ-Pearl Harrison's overnight Fri-

Boydston.

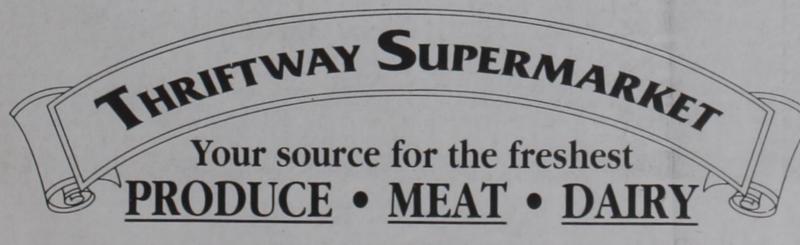
Boydston, Heather and Jason. Rev. Bill and Kay Stiles, Helen

ternoon.

Weslaco, Tex.

You" in the Allison happenings before now to the ones that went around town moving the snow from driveways, there was a lot of snow fell through the Christmas holidays. I just kept forgetting, but was told it was Eddy Walker and David Bray. It was so nice when I got home from Amarillo on Saturday morning after Christmas and my driveway was all clear. Thanks so very much, really appreciate it a lot. It would have taken a while to of had to move that much snow with a shovel. God Bless you both.





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CONSOLATION: The Ft. Elliott Junior High boys took consolation in the McLean tournament on Jan. 11. They were defeated by Groom 28-29, but continued on to defeat Lefors 45-17. Pictured are (back row, I. to r.) Steven McAlpine, Chance Newman, Tommy Meek, Nathan McLaughlin, (front row) Edward Reeves, Brandon Finsterwald, Clay White and Manager Issac Worttz.



QUEEN CANDIDATES: These young ladies were candidates for homecoming queen for the 2003 Allison High School homecoming celebration. Pictured (I. to r.) are Jessica Helton, Katie Donaldson, Laura Lohberger, Sabrina Dupont, Bronwyn Dukes, Vanessa Huff, Jennifer Helton and Chelsea Ar-



KING CANDIDATES: These young men were candidates for Allison High School Homecoming King. The coronation was Friday, January 10. Pictured (I. to r.) are Jimmy Lane, Sammy Case, Jason Boydston, Justin Harris, Logan Chupp, Russell Lohberger, J. W. Helton and J. W. Lane and Kindergartner Andrew Huff, attendant.



ATTENDANTS: These two kindergarteners were attendants at Allison's homecoming activities on Friday, January 10, 2003. They are Andrew Huff and Kaylynn Kiker.



DRIVE: Allison Lady Antelopes play Higgins on Friday, January 10, 2003. Vanessa Huff sets a screen so that her teammate, Jessica Helton, can drive to the hole.



INTENT ON SCORING: The Allison Antelopes play Higgins for homecoming at Allison on Friday, January 10, 2003. Logan Chupp fights his way past the Higgins defense with the intention of scoring for the Allison Antelopes.



Ready, Shoot: Follett players try to stop Ft. Elliott's Tamera Hartline, #24, from shooting.

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The Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District would like to remind everyone that abandoned wells can pose a health threat to you and your neighbors. If abandoned wells have not been plugged or capped, they provide a direct conduit for contaminated water to get into the aquifer. Also, if the holes are left open children and animals can fall into the wells. We urge all landowners to identify abandoned wells on their property and report them to the District. State law requires that any well open or uncovered at land surface be closed or capped.

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Old Mobeetie Texas **Association Meeting**

The Old Mobeetie Texas Association met January 10, 2003 with President Joe VanZandt in charge of the meeting. Jay Godwin gave opening prayer.

Melba Corcoran read the minutes for the December meeting. They stood approved as read.

Louise Hogan gave the finanal report. Following a discussion the report was approved as given by a motion of Jim Hill and second by Bill Finsterwald.

Reports given were cataloging sheets 16,802 with 34,602 items. Visitors' report showed 83 with one from out of state. Volunteer hours were 154.5 for December. Web Site report showed 14,710 hits for December, which averaged 474.5 hits per day.

Old Business: Joe VanZandt reported that it looked like we will have to put back wood doors on the jailhouse. He has talked several times with the Texas Historical Commission on the doors and on the roof. He will be talking to them more on the roof.

Joe stated the old grade school building is now the property of the Association. The previous owners have the month of January to get what they want of the items in the building out. He then turned the discussion over to Jim Hill. Jim had been in contact with some roofers and has the estimate to fix the flat part of the roof.

Louise Hogan reported the green cookbooks have been ordered and should be in anytime. Bernice Hefley reported that we

had got credit for the short afghans. Bobbye Hill asked if we had received the 12 new Mobeetieopoly games to replace the ones that had mistakes. They have not arrived so she will check-on them.

Bobbye also reported on the Plains Trails committee. They have letters of support from all but 3 of the 52 countries. They only like 9 of the country inventories. They will start working on the grant in

February. Under New business: Louise Hogan reported that she had got the loan agreement with Panhandle Plains Museum renewed for another year. She also reported she had renewed the web site for 5 more years. She has also mailed the Eagle Feather report.

Melba Corcoran read an invitation to the Playas-Gem of the Plains traveling exhibit preview opening January 12 at the Amarillo Botanical Gardens. This is a project that Bobbye Hill and Melba Corcoran had been working on for 5 years.

Bobbye Hill will see about getting Seth Davidson to help get the new brochure done for the museum. The group thought it was time to change the brochure.

Workday was set for January

Jim Hill made a motion to ad-

Those present were Louise Hogan, Bernice Hefley, Joe VanZandt, Bill Finsterwald, Jay Godwin, Clint and Maurita Stribling, Jim and Bobbye Hill, and Dale and Melba Corcoran.



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WILD AND CRAZY: Allison School observes Wild and Crazy Day recently. Pictured here are the winners: (I. to r.) Cody Essay, first; Bronwyn Dukes, second; Kaylynn Kiker, third, and Sabrina Dupont, Matthew Kiker and Leslie Archer, sharing fourth place.

January Business Conducted By **Wheeler School Board of Trustees**

January 9, 2003

I. Establish Quorum. A. Call to order by: Dr. Smith at James Hubble.

B. Pledge led by: Jauna

C. Invocation by: Kent Vise All Board Members Present. School Personnel Present: Daymun White, Doug Rives, Judy

Continuing Education On Pesticide Application

The Wheeler County office of the Texas Agriculture Extension Service will offer a short course of video training worth 2 CEU's for pesticide applicators on Tuesday, January 21st at 10 a.m., at the Country Chapel Church in Wheeler. Topics covered include safe use of pesticides and Inte-grated Pest Management. Please RSVP at 826-5243 by Monday, January 20th to ensure adequate materials.

WTCS To Kick-Off Sale Of Florida Citrus Fruit

West Texas Christian School ning will kickoff its latest fundraising drive on Friday, January 17. During this year's drive, volunteers will take orders by telephone and doorto-door throughout the county for ule: Need to replace a bus fresh citrus fruit from Florida. The drive, themed, "Great Fruit for a Good Cause", will raise funds for the school and will be conducted for 2 weeks from January 17 to January 31.

Buyers may choose between grove-fresh Florida navel oranges or Florida red grapefruit. Sales are by the 4/5(40lbs.) and 2/5(20lbs.) bushel cartons. Volunteers will also take orders at the school, located at 106 East Texas, on Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. You can also send your order via e-mail: gfcw@aol.com

Chamber Says Thanks To First State Bank

The Wheeler Chamber of Commerce appreciates the First State Bank, Mobeetie and Wheeler for its contribution of \$600.00 to 24 lucky people at the December 24, 2002, Chamber drawing. The 24 names were drawn after the final drawing on Christmas Eve. Each person received a \$25.00 gift certificate to be spent at a specified business in Wheeler.

The chamber appreciates both the First State Bank, Mobeetie and Wheeler and Wheeler Banking Center for their continual support of our efforts.

WTCS Extends Thanks For Support in Dec.

West Texas Christian Staff and Students would like to thank all those in the county for purchasing poinsettias this year. The top salesmen were Danie Clawson, selling 47; Jessica Egner, selling 26, and Jessica Jernigan, selling

We hope you were happy with your poinsettias. Please don't hesitate to call us if they are ever damaged or unsatisfactory.

Comm. Court (from Page 1).

paint specialist (specializing in Paint Restoration) were to be in Wheeler Wednesday, January 15, 2003, at 1:30 P.M. for a "walk through". The condition of the courthouse and workability of the drawings will be considered.

Hubert Moore was appointed Safety Coordinator for Wheeler County, as of January 1, 2003.

The discussion on insurance for the county surveyor was tabled until the next meeting

Dean Tipps and Paul Macina, Wheeler County SWCD met with the commissioners to request an increase in the amount of funds available to the SWCD from the county. \$5,000 was allotted the SWCD for the year, compared to \$2,500 last year.

Commissioner Daryl Snelgrooes suggested the commissioners check on the county's cost for health insurance for employees and/or commissioners eligible for medicare. This is to be checked and a report given the commissioners.

Woollard, Cathy Burrell, Connie Porter, Tricia Mitchell, Dianna Johnson, Janette Umsted and

II. Open Forum. No comments. III. District Recognition

A. Mr. White issued a well done in recognititon of the School Board

IV. Approval of Minutes of December Board Meetings

Motion by: Dr. Hillhouse Second by: Rhonda McWhorter To approve minutes as pre-

sented. Motion carries unanimous.

V. Financial Report A. Ratification of Bills Motion by: Mark Tucker Second by: William Burch To approve as presented.

Motion carries unanimous. B. Financial Statement Given By Mr. White.

Mr. White discussed various items that affect the finances: Bus repairs; audit report will

have a special called meeting; Comptroller Law Suit; and 80% local taxes have been paid. VI. Reports/Discussion Items

Mr. White led discussions on the following: A. Information from JR3 Educa-

tion Associates; Retirement plan-B. Mainteance Schedule/plan: ADA compliance items and regu-

lar maintenance C. Vehicle Replacement Sched-

D. Discussion of possible interest in daycare for District Staff Preschool children. VII. Action Items.

A. Consider financial and compensatory education funds audit for 2001-02. No action

B. Consider asking for bids on purchase of vehicle.

Motion by: William Burch Second by: Kent Vise

To ask for bids on the purchase of a new vehicle using specifications recommended by Mr. White. Motion carries unanimous.

C. Consider vehicle insurance

The only bid received on vehicle insurance was from current carrier Farm Bureau.

Motion by: Mark Tucker Second by: Jauna Benefield To accept the bid by Farm Bu-

Motion carries unanimous.

VIII. Personnel A. Discussion of staffing pat-

terns for 2003-04. Review of class size, personnel, and other possible needs. A break was taken at 8:10 p.m.

B. Superintendent Evaluation: The Board retired into Executive Session as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas

Government Code Section 551.074 at 8:26 p.m. The Board returned to open

meeting at 9:26 p.m. C. Consider Superintendent

Contract: Motion by: Dr. Hillhouse Second by: Jauna Benefield

To extend current superintendent contract for 2 years thru 2006. Motion carries unanimous.

Adjournment at 9:35 p.m. (from Page 1)

participated in 4,017 local compe-All contestants on the local level

are recognized for their participation in the event. Participants are required to furnish a birth certificate for proof of age and written parental consent. For entry forms or additional information contact: Jay Randels at 826-5566

The Knights of Columbus is an international Catholic family fraternal service organization with more than 1.6 million members in more than 12,000 local councils. Last Year, Knights donated 57 million volunteer hours and \$116 million to charitable and benevolent causes, sponsoring projects to benefit their church, councils, communities, families and youth.

The name of the prophet Malachi comes from the Hebrew words for my messenger.

The first lead pencils were introduced in Europe in 1500.

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