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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride"

CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

Spring is almost here! One day nice and warm and the next day cold!

—cwe—

And, we certainly could use some spring rain.

—cwe—

The last measurable weather for Wheeler was the .52" received in snow on December 24.

—cwe—

The big St. Patrick's Day celebration will be in Shamrock Friday and Saturday.

—cwe—

It is gardening time. Ed Hershman already has his corn planted.

—cwe—

I have been commenting that I will get a job as a 'Walmart Greeter' in my retirement years. But this weekend may have changed my mind; I may be a 'dog walker'.

—cwe—

For some time now, it has been my practice to take the 'grandpuppy' for a walk morning and evening when we are in the city.

—cwe—

Jennifer now has two dogs; one twice the size of the other. And, she has a double leash.

—cwe—

Friday evening was my first time to walk both dogs. As you can probably guess, it was an experience. Several time I had to untangle them, with Stitch running under, around or over Kie. However it was not as bad as it might have been.

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Little League Subject Of Meeting March 17

Anyone interested in little league coaching or helping there will be a meeting March 17th at 5:30 p.m. in the Wheeler School lunch room. Myself, Dori Butler, will be forming a NEW league in Wheeler County. Mr. Larry Dunums from Canadian will be here to answer any questions we have. This is not a sign up; it's just to get the league started for the year. I will be needing a lot of help to make this a great time for our children. Any questions you can call me at 826-0046.

Hope to see you there,
Dori Butler

Child Safety Seat Checkup Set

There are rear-facing car seats, forward-facing car seats, belt-positioning booster seats and high back booster seats. All these are critical in keeping a child safe in a vehicle, but they are not the most important factor.

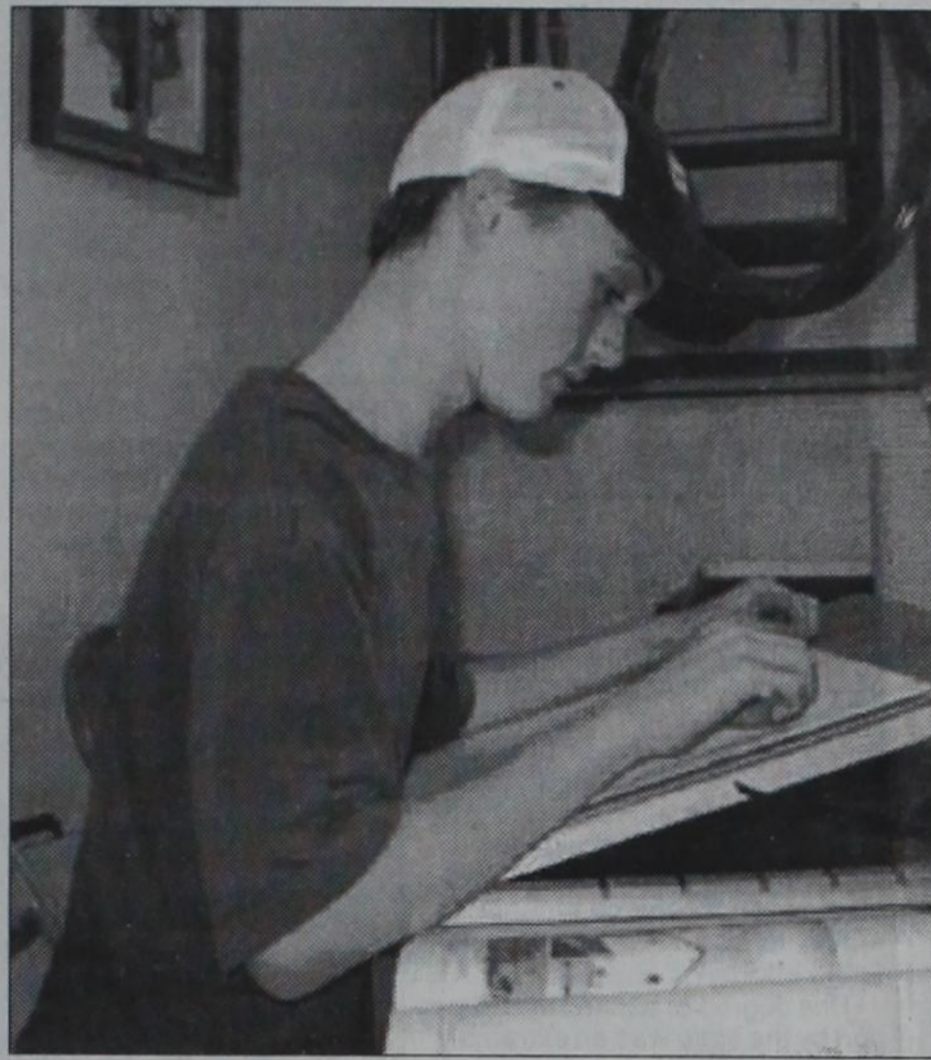
According to Karen Tellman, "parents are the most important factor in ensuring that children are securely placed in the proper child safety seat for the child and the proper child safety seat for the car."

On March 19th, the Texas Cooperative Extension will conduct a child safety seat checkup event at the McDonald's parking lot.

"Four out of five car seats are used incorrectly," Karen said.

"You don't just put it in the car and snap it," she said. The safety belt must be routed through the correct slots on the child safety seat, and the child safety seat should be secure enough that it doesn't move more than an inch from side to side or toward the front of the vehicle.

Certified child passenger safety technicians will go over the checkup form with parents and point out what is correct and incorrect with each child safety seat. They will then properly install the child safety seats, take them back



LOCAL ARTIST: Calvin D. Lane recently won first place in the International Aviation Art Contest for the State of Texas. He and his family and art teacher, Sibyl Clark, have been invited to attend the twenty-first Annual Texas Aviation Conference in Austin March 20, 2003 to receive the award. Calvin is seeking donations to cover expenses of travel, lodging and Aviation Conference activities. If you are interested in helping with the youngster's expenses, please contact Calvin Lane "Aviation Conference", P.O. Box 1174, Wheeler, TX 79096, phone 806/375-2229.

Teams Are Being Organized For 4th 'Walk Across Texas'

Walk Across Texas is an eight-week program that will spark some friendly competition in Wheeler County. Last year 16 teams walked a total of 8,673 miles with the Happy Hikers and The Movers and The Scrappers walking away with first and second place prizes. This year the entry fee will remain \$10 and participants will receive a lime green t-shirt with the Walk Across Texas logo. Children's sizes are available. T-Shirt order forms are due to the Extension Office by March 24th at the very latest. Prizes will be awarded to the top four teams at the awards picnic.

The teams of eight will compete to see who can log the most miles walking, jogging, or even biking. The kickoff for Wheeler County is March 25th at the Wheeler Track behind the school. Remember to

have all your entry forms and money paid by this date or you will miss out on the competition. Teams members will keep track of their miles and the team captain will phone them in each week or enter them on the web site. The map will be updated at the Extension office to track our progress across the Texas map. To participate in Walk Across Texas, first get a team together. Walking teams consist of eight people. Biking and jogging teams are limited to four people. Choose a team captain and name your team. Fill out a registration form available at the Texas Cooperative Extension Office, Wheeler County, 112 Oklahoma. This is a good opportunity for local businesses to challenge other businesses to see which team can walk the most. If you want to participate but can't find a team, call the extension office and we'll find you a team.

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

Competition kicks off on March 25th!

Come out and plan to have lots of fun.

For more information, call the Extension office at 826-5243. Walk Across Texas results will be posted at the Extension office, in the local newspapers and on the new website <http://walkacrosstexas.tamu.edu>.

Wheeler County Extension has a webpage. <http://wheeler.tx@tamu.edu>.

Lauren Sams Named On Dean's Honor Roll

Lauren Sams from Wheeler has been named to the Dean's Honor List for the fall 2002 semester at South Plains College.

Students named to the President's Honor List must maintain a straight A or 4.0 grade point average while carrying a minimum full-time load of 12 semester hours of college-level work. Students named to the Dean's Honor List must maintain a minimum 3.25 GPA while enrolled in at least 12 semester hours of college-level work with no failing grades.

"It's always a pleasure to recognize the students who have been named to our honor lists," said Dr. Kelvin Sharp, vice president for academic affairs. "They have worked hard and demonstrated excellent study habits in order to maintain high grades, and SPC is very proud of them."

COUNTY WIDE BURN BAN WITH SPECIFIC RESTRICTIONS

The Wheeler County Commissioners Court adopted a County Wide Burn Ban **EFFECTIVE MARCH 10, 2003, THROUGH JUNE 10, 2003**. Specific restrictions will apply. Those producers wishing to burn crop residue on land designated for Ag use will have to follow the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission guidelines as set out below AND contact the local Sheriff's Office or Police Department BEFORE ANY burning may be done.

GUIDELINES:

1. Burning shall be commenced and conducted only when wind direction and other meteorological conditions are such that smoke and other pollutants will not cause adverse effects to any public road, landing strip, navigable water, or off-site structure containing sensitive receptor(s).

2. If at any time the burning causes or may tend to cause smoke to blow onto or across a road or highway, it is the responsibility of the person initiating the burn to post flag-persons on affected roads.

a. The initiation of burning shall commence no earlier than one hour after sunrise. Burning shall be completed on the same day not later than one hour before sunset, and shall be attended by a responsible party at all times during the active burn phase when the fire is progressing. In cases where residual fire and/or smoldering objects continue to emit smoke after this time, such areas shall be extinguished if the smoke from these areas has the potential to create a nuisance or traffic hazard conditions. In no case shall the extent of the burn area be allowed to increase after this time.

b. Burning shall not be commenced when surface wind speed be less than six miles per hour (mph) (five knots) or greater than 23 mph (20 knots) during the burn period.

c. Burning shall not be conducted during periods of actual or predicted persistent low level atmospheric temperature inversions.

111.221 RESPONSIBILITY FOR CONSEQUENCES OF OUTDOOR BURNING.

THE AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT OUTDOOR BURNING UNDER THIS REGULATION DOES NOT EXEMPT OR EXCUSE ANY PERSON RESPONSIBLE FROM THE CONSEQUENCES, DAMAGES, OR INJURIES RESULTING FROM THE BURNING AND DOES NOT EXEMPT OR EXCUSE ANYONE FROM COMPLYING WITH ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS OR ORDINANCES, REGULATIONS, AND ORDERS OR GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES HAVING JURISDICTION, EVEN THOUGH THE BURNING IS OTHERWISE CONDUCTED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS REGULATION.

Signed this 10th day of March, 2003.

Jerry Dan Heffley, Wheeler County Judge
Daryl Snelgrooves, Commissioner, Pct. 1
Tommy Puryear, Commissioner, Pct. 2
Hubert C. Moore, Commissioner, Pct. 3
Robbie Robinson, Commissioner, Pct. 4

ATTEST:
(Signed) Margaret Dorman, Wheeler County Clerk

15th Annual 'Chemical Free' Project Graduation Party

The Wheeler County Sheriff's Dept. Wheeler, Fort Elliott, and Allison Senior Parents are hosting a Project Graduation Celebration on May 23, 2003. This celebration is a Chemical Free Project for graduating seniors and their guests.

Participation in this project requires the students and their guests to come tobacco, alcohol and drug free, and remain so throughout the evening.

We are seeking donations for door prizes and sponsorship for this party. We are soliciting all the businesses throughout the community. A generous donation would be greatly appreciated.

Please make donations payable to: Project Graduation, %Wheeler Banking Center, Wheeler, Texas 79096.

Alternatively, they may be sent to Wheeler County Sheriff's Dept., P.O. Box 88, Wheeler, Texas 79096.

For any questions, please contact Sheriff Jimmy Adams or Carrie Gaines.

Going to high school is a time for growth, decision making and celebration for young people. Unfortunately, many students decide to celebrate by drinking alcohol or using mind altering chemicals. Too often, this produces disastrous results.

With help and encouragement, young people can break this tradition!

Project Graduation was initially developed in Maine, under the title "Project Celebration" as a way to stem the deaths and disabilities associated with drinking, taking drugs and driving. In 1985, 95% of the school in Maine hosted successful chemical free parties.

This project celebration planning guide provides ideas, resources, fund raising and promotion tips and much more. It can be used to play prom/graduation celebrations as well as other parties during the school year. At the end of the 1983-84 school year, two schools in Texas piloted Project Graduation with great success. At the end of the 1985-86 school year approximately 200 Texas High Schools reported that they had successfully hosted chemical-free celebrations around graduation time.

Description of Project Celebration

A statewide project celebration campaign spreading through Texas helps youths, parents, schools and communities help themselves. Local planning, organization, promotion and fund raising are necessary to successfully implement this idea. Committees of youths, parents, school personnel and community leaders pro-

vide to tailor ideas to fit their needs.

The primary aim of project celebration activities is to reduce the number of young people involved in drug and/or alcohol related driving accidents. Communities can offer an alternative method of celebrating special occasions. In many communities a Chemical Free Party is in stark contrast to a tradition of student/parent sponsored drinking or keg parties. Implementing a local version of Project Celebration will often involve changing many established norms, attitudes and behaviors related to alcohol and other drug use.

A factor in drinking and driving behavior is the lack of accurate information concerning alcohol. Adult and youth drivers have a lack of knowledge in the areas:

Effects of alcohol on teen's driving skills

Amount of alcohol needed to produce impairment

Alcoholic content of various drinks

Time required to oxidize alcohol

Ineffectiveness of popular methods of sobering up

Penalties of drinking and driving

Nature and effectiveness of chemical tests

Some parents who sponsor drinking parties for young persons are unaware of their moral and legal responsibilities for the health and safety of their minor guest. Typical excuses have offered for serving alcoholic beverages to minors are:

"I'd rather have the kids drink here—it's safer"

"It's my kids turn to have a party and all her friends have had a keg at their parties"

"We won't serve hard liquor, just beer"

"All the parents allow it"

"If my kid doesn't drink at home, he'll do it some place else"

"I'd rather know what's going on"

"High school kids are under a lot of pressure, I want our kid to think of us as friends"

Project Celebration involves establishing a new tradition in many communities. Students and adults can learn that it is possible to have a good time at a party without drinking or using drugs. In many Texas communities, the Chemical Free Party idea has transcended graduation night and now includes proms, end of sport season parties and other special activities.

This guide provides some specific suggestions for successfully implementing project celebration. Suggestions are provided for various tasks a school or community committee should accomplish. These suggestions have been

City of Mobeetie Council Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Members present: Gaylord Thompson, Patricia Kephart, Louise Shorter, Emma Swigart, and Gordon Estes.

Guests Present: Judy Cloud
Minutes for the February meeting were read by Patricia. A motion to accept minutes as read were made by Louise, seconded by Gaylord. Motion was approved unanimously 4-0.

Financial reports were read by Patricia. A motion to accept the financial report as read was made by Gaylord, seconded by Emma. Motion was approved unanimously 4-0.

A motion to accept monthly bills as presented was made by Patricia, seconded by Emma. Motion was approved unanimously 4-0.

A motion was made to open a tax account for BFI at the First State Bank of Mobeetie by Gaylord, seconded by Louise. Motion was approved unanimously 4-0.

A motion to hire Phil Richmond to spray pre-emergence herbicide around well, City Park and City Hall was made by Patricia, seconded by Gaylord. Motion was approved unanimously 4-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

(Signed) Mayor
Gordon Estes

Prairie River Musical

To Close 4th Season

The fourth season for PRAIRIE RIVERS MUSICAL ends with the regularly scheduled performance at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, March 15, 2003. As with each of the previous twenty-three performances, the very popular and live music show will play at The Middle School Auditorium in Canadian. Tx at 404 S. Sixth St. The show features a format of Classic Country, Western Swing, Rockabilly, and some Gospel, a venue of variety that apparently appeals to very appreciative and large crowds. "It is very difficult to believe PRAIRIE RIVERS MUSICAL has already had a run this long—it seems, in some ways, that the idea to do this was "kicked about" by some music loving, community minded individuals just a short time ago," noted Jay Godwin, a director of the show. "All of the original organizers who still live in the area are very much mainstays in the shows. Several really good performers who have been on board for different lengths of time have been the "icing on the cake".

At press time, the appearance of most of the regular performers seems to be assured. "Those who have just been so much on the scene include Frank McWhorter, Scott Campbell, Wayne Wright, Lonnie Cox, Phil Ridgway, George Briant, Hank and Venita McPherson, Pat Popham, Mary Lyn Schafer, and Jay Godwin. At the last show in February, we had good friends Harold Studebaker and Lee Hibler join us, both of whom play steel guitar and fiddle," reported Godwin. "They are both welcome back anytime! One thing about this show—we have quite a number of other folks who have performed in past shows and several who have never appeared but really want to perform. It gets real interesting trying to preserve most of the time for the regulars who have made the show successful, while also bringing some new talents to our fans."

There is no admission charge for the performances. Soft drinks, coffee and cookies are available during an intermission. The atmosphere is definitely one for the entire family.

The show usually runs about two and one-half hours.

Contact Jay Godwin at (806) 323-6213 for additional information.

Jay Godwin
Prairie Rivers Musical

Hospital Notes

Extended Care

Ruth Ledbetter
Verne Lohberger
Ardie Martin
Gladys Pannell

New Admissions

2/28 Lillie Billingsley
3/3 Sarah Risner
3/4 Irene Dixon
3/5 Maurine Brotherton
Leon Brewer
Janet Ingli

Dismissals

3/4 Lillie Billingsley
3/5 Stormy Kelley
Ollie Brock
Sarah Risner
Irene Dixon
Leon Brewer
Janet Ingli



DEMONSTRATION: Karen Tellman is shown here demonstrating the correct way to use a child's safety seat.

Remember: **Save Your Cans**

Jude 20 & 21: But Ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost. Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

This Monday morning here in Allison is another one of them cloudy cold days, after a nice Sunday.

Edna May's house guests last Tuesday and Wednesday were Dean and Linda Lieb. They did some work around the place for Edna, which she appreciated very much, their willingness to help. The usual four ladies that get together to play games at each other's home, were at Edna's home last Thursday. She said her and her partner lost the majority of the games. I'm sure they have a lot of fun just being together.

Vance Boydston was in Elk City last Friday afternoon to see the doctor concerning a mole on the side of his face, and then back to Elk City Monday morning for the removal of the mole and also one that was on his back.

Opal and Juanita Boydston shopped in Wheeler last Saturday. Sunday dinner guests with Opal and Juanita were Vance and Curtis Boydston.

Roma and Billy Brown took their son, Larry, to Elk City last Tuesday to see the doctor about a growth near his eye. Then the doctor there

sent him on to Altus, OK, on Wednesday. The doctor there wants him to go to an eye institute at Oklahoma City this coming Thursday.

Roma and Billy's last Friday evening visitors were Curtis, Opal and Juanita Boydston to celebrate Curtis' birthday with refreshments and visiting.

Peggy Chandler, Jennie Walker and Betty Sue Stinnett went to Wheeler Wednesday and did some shopping and ate dinner at Maxey's restaurant.

Pearl Harrison's last Monday dinner guest was Bennie Boydston. Pearl went with Cheryl Dupont last Monday afternoon to take care of some business there. Wednesday Pearl went to Elk City and spent from Wednesday to Saturday with Jimmy and Vivian Wallace and attended church with them Wednesday night. On Friday night they attended a fellowship meeting at the U. P. Church at Clinton, OK.

Pearl came home on Saturday Saturday evening she visited with Eddy Walker and his family, Kevin and Melissa Fleming, Meagan and Ashton from Lufkin, TX and also Melody Drapper, Victoria, the twins, William and Elizabeth from Brian, TX and another young lady that came. They will be spending a few days with Eddy.

Pearl's house guest from Monday until Wednesday was her sister, Grace Henson from Amarillo. Bret Begert has flown to Houston the last two weekends attending Limousin Cattle events at the Houston Livestock Show.

Jennie Walker's Sunday afternoon visitors were Steve and Joyce Walker from Wheeler.

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

Life is either a daring adventure or nothing at all. Security is mostly a superstition. It does not exist in nature.—Hellen Keller

Tourism Ponies Up In Panhandle Area

When Erin Kerley visits a town to discuss economic development, she comes prepared to demonstrate what she means: after a professional, provocative, and informative discussion about tourism and rural economic development, she took a tour of Main Street and cleaned up at the after-Christmas sales. Now that's the kind of economic development that speaks with authority.

Kerley's presentation to the thirty-eight attendees of the Panhandle Tourism Marketing Council's Stratford meeting stressed new twists on well-known facts, and handed out a bombshell or two. Tracking tourism-related spending impacts in the Panhandle, her data revealed that total direct spending in Hutchinson County exceeds twenty million dollars. More impressively Panhandle tourism spending in 2001 actually increased after 9/11, demonstrating that a tight economy and fears about mega-destinations are causing more and more people to discover America first—and traveling in the Panhandle is nothing if not discovery.

Kerley's presence marked a tremendously positive piece of outreach by TxED—the department's willingness to send its limited staff out to the very edge of the state made a big impression on attendees. More importantly, Kerley explained that an important part of tourism development involves tourism assessments offered by TxED. Specialists go to a community or region, conduct an assessment of resources and an evaluation of infrastructure, and produce a complete report for the community or region to use as a blueprint for future efforts.

This degree of backup and support by the state was an extremely welcome piece of news for attendees. Erin noted that given the large geographic area of the Panhandle and the sparse population, it might be more effective to put together an assessment plan for a multi-county region rather than for a single community. This presents a significant state-supported resource for Panhandle communities to efficiently develop their tourism resources.

Contact Erin Kerley at erink@txed.state.tx.us or at (512) 936-0436 to schedule an assessment. The department pays for all travel, assessment, research, and writing. Participating communities are asked to defray food and lodging expenses.

Help With College Tuition Is Available

College tuition—two simple words which together can cause unwanted stress and unwelcome headaches. As college costs continue to increase each year, the need for financial aid increases as well. The Opportunity Plan, Inc. of Canyon is a non-profit organization, whose sole purpose is to assist college students in defraying educational expenses.

Thanks to the generosity of area businesses, civic groups, families, and individuals, the Opportunity Plan awarded 376 students with more than \$375,000 in scholarships for the 2002/2003 school year. Students in the panhandle area are given first priority for more than 100 scholarships which are administered by the program.

The Opportunity plan, Inc. is currently accepting scholarship applications for the 2003/2004 school year. Deadline to submit applications is April 1st. Students can access the scholarship application online at www.opportunityplan.com or through the Opportunity Plan offices at 504 24th Street in Canyon, (806) 655-2528.

KELTON MENU

THURSDAY, March 17, 2003 — FRIDAY, March 21, 2003

MONDAY
Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Steak Fingers, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, English Peas, Hot Rolls, Fruit, Milk

TUESDAY
Breakfast: Biscuits, Gravy, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Chicken-n-Dumplings, Corn, Salad, Toast, Jeltin/w Fruit, Milk

WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: French Toast Sticks, Syrup, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Polish Sausage, Macroni & Cheese, Blackeye Peas, Bu. Toast, Spice Apples, Milk

THURSDAY
Breakfast: Eggs, Sausage, Biscuits, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Hamburgers, Cheese, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Onions, Ice Cream, Strawberries, Milk

FRIDAY
Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast, Applesauce, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Ham or Tuna Sandwiches, Tator Tots, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Carrots & Celery Sticks, Grapes, Milk

Menu is subject to change.

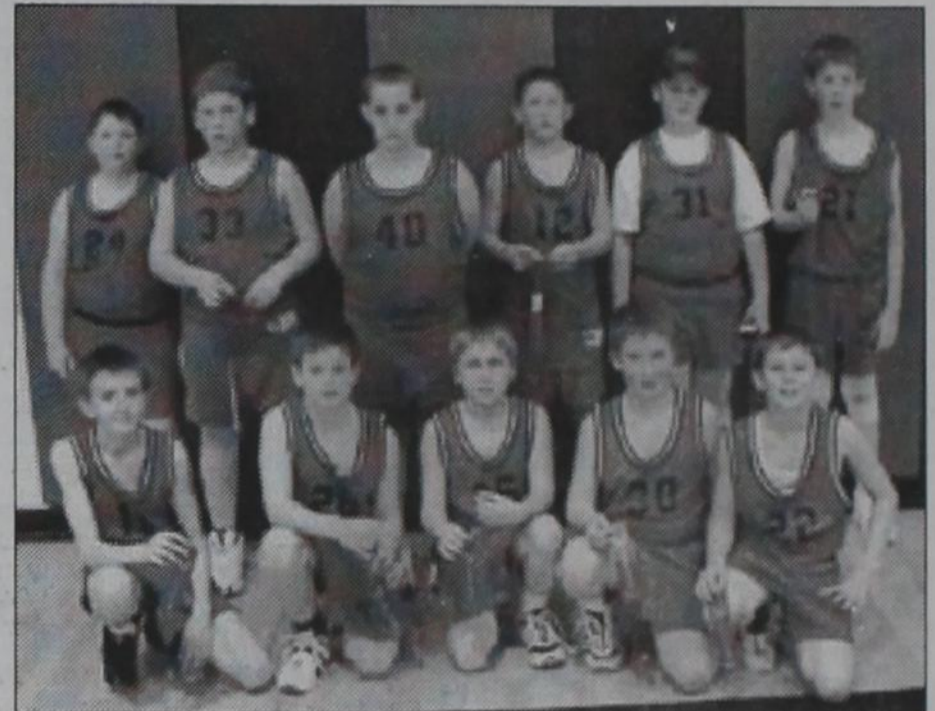
More than 1,000,000 acres of land have been planted with Christmas trees.

L. Frank Baum came up with the name for Oz in the "Wizzard of Oz" from the lapel on a filing cabinet: O-Z.

Three out of four American families own a barbecue grill.



FIRST PLACE: Ft. Elliott's 6th grade girls took first place honors in the Little Dribblers' Tournament, held on Saturday, February 22, 2003, at Briscoe. Pictured here are (back row, l. to r.) Stormi Lancaster, Amber Maddox, Tisha McLaughlin, Coach Greg Estes, Megan Horn, Karly Lovelace, Kayleigh Schaub, (front row) Sarah Hathaway, Bailey Estes, Hailey Estes, and Veronica Hungate.



SECOND PLACE: Ft. Elliott's 5th & 6th grade Little Dribblers took second place honors in the Little Dribblers' tournament on Saturday, February 22. Pictured are (back row, l. to r.) Hayden Duncan, Brandon Finsterwald, Edward Reeves, Donnie Hunt, Morgan Lane, Clay White (front) Pate Ails, Cody Essay, Blake Baker, Cody Selby and Colby Hanson.

TxDOT Holds Safety Awards Banquet

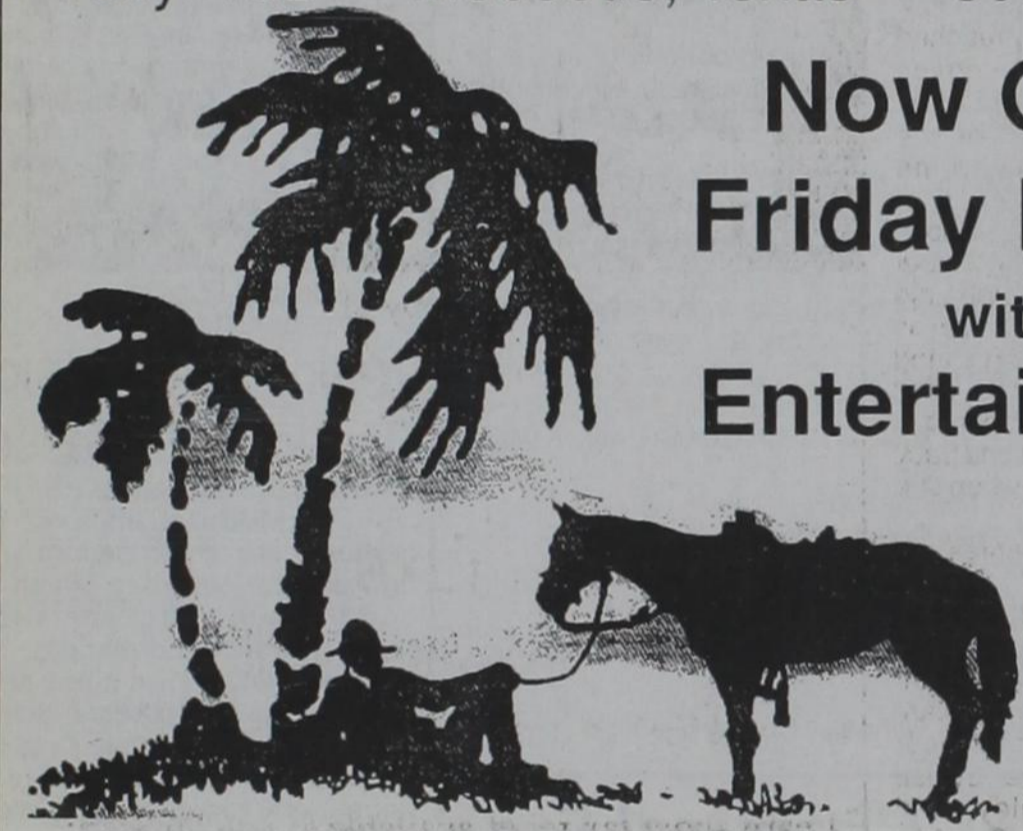
CHILDRESS - The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) recently held their annual Safety Awards Banquet at the Fair Park Auditorium in Childress. This banquet is held annually to recognize employees outstanding efforts in the operation of TxDOT vehicles and equipment and for having no work related injuries. The Wheeler County Maintenance employees were recognized for the combined totals of 82 years as safe operators and 74 years of no injury. Members of the Wheeler County

Maintenance Section who received these awards are: James Balbas, David Bennett, Marcia Henard, Justin Rose, Bill Warren, Kenneth Whitaker, Mike Doss, Otis Franks, Kurt Gilbert, Tony Kidd, Jimmie Lax, Bobby McNeil and Willie Wright.

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At any one time I've got several books that I am actively reading. Some of these books are what I would call work-related (meaning that they are actively read to help me accomplish my usual tasks, such as coming up with sermons, Bible class lessons, strategies utilized in other congregations, etc.). Some of these books are what I would call entertainment reading (Tom Clancy novels top my list). Some of these books are what I would call wishful thinking reading (like the books I have been reading about the state of Alaska). Some of these books are ones that challenge me (and although I might still get some sermon ideas out of them, they are not primarily intended for that purpose). I read newspapers daily, magazines weekly, journals quarterly. I enjoy spending time in bookstores and in the library (and I am very impressed by the Wheeler Public Library). Step into my office sometime and you will see that I own quite a number of books.

But the book I have that I treasure the most is a book that I won while I was in the sixth grade. Yes, it is a Bible. There is nothing particularly special about it because of the study notes in it or the intricate binding or gold lettering. It was just a cheap pew Bible that was awarded to me because I invited the most guests to Vacation Bible School one summer. But I have read from that Bible constantly since then. A few pages have been doctored with tape. I have underlined and highlighted a number of places. The sides have yellowed a bit over the years. Three different times it has had to be recovered (and I may have to do it again soon, too). It is a marvelous Bible that seems to always open to the page I want to go to. Within this Bible of mine are the words of life. I bet you have a Bible, too. Read your Bible and you will discover the words of life, too. If you don't have a Bible, come see me and I'll give you one - if you will read from it.

Shawn D. Johnson

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

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.

Romans 10: 9-10: If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.

Happy Birthday to Macie Miller, Ella Mae Wood, Mary Wofford, April Mick, Travis May, Gaylord Thompson, Mardi Ogle, Luke Horton and Genise Young on March 16; Logan Harris, Kaleb Meek, Matt Helms, Landry Meadows, Keith Boydston, Kenny Boydston, Steven Corcoran, Ruth Wiley and Morris Jahnel on March 17; Karla Murray, Blake Horton, Ike Finsterwald, Todd Moseley, Julie Zybach and Vaughn Christner on March 19; Valoise Massey, 83 (my Sister), Calvin Lane, Cendie Newman, Ada Lou Lester, Chase Helton, Stephanie Zybach Dolittle, Lillian Lee and Will Woollard on March 20; Ruby Zybach, Sonya Holder, Dorothy Hink, Jean Mason, and Ryan Parsley on March 21; Mark Helton, Matt Helton, Glenda Galutia, Delmar Newman, Bob Stiles, Everett Punk Childress and Tippi Smith on March 22, and Juanita Shugart on March 21.

Happy Anniversary to William and Vicky Cornell, Keith and Tyna Horn and Joe Bob and Katrina Kinnaman on March 17, Kyndal and Kathy Murray on March 18, John and Jill Baker on March 19, and Paul and Clarise Hathaway on March 21.

Nice to have Rita Pearson meet us for lunch at Canadian Pizza Hut Tuesday and a good visit. Also Monday, March 10. Thanks!

Enjoyed visiting with Bertha Hollis of Bolivar, Mo., on the phone. They hope to be coming back to Texas in March. But a big job to get everything ready and getting off. Hope to see you soon.

Welcome to James and Diane Terrell who bought Doyle and Bulah Grimes place. She bought the Shamrock Greenhouse and is running it. Laurel Hershman has been helping her some. Laurel has had training in arrangements and many years experience in Indiana and Wheeler. Think James works at a feedyard.

Maurine Brotherton got back home Friday, February 28. Tuesday morning she had a bad spell-shaking and not able to eat or drink. Doris Finsterwald came to help out for awhile and spent the day. Maurine got to doing better. Keep praying for C. B. and Maurine. Maurine also fell and has been in Wheeler Hospital. Her blood sugar gets very low at night. Thinking of you, Maurine and C. B. Bruises but no broken bones.

Everyone is invited to be at a Bridal Shower honoring Heather Ratliff, bride-elect of Shane Stanton on Saturday, March 15, from 10:30 to 11:30 at First State Bank in Canadian. Wedding will be Saturday, April 12, at First Bap-

list Church in Canadian. We met a nice friendly couple at Vernon, R. C. Sloss and his wife. R. C. grew up east of Shamrock in the Bethel Community and dated a girl from Allison, but I didn't get her name. He is related to Slosses around Shamrock.

Nice to visit with Estelle and Dennis Surber of Shamrock at Pampa Wednesday. They used to live near Sayre, OK at the Buffalo Church. Dennis was a preacher and mail carrier, but is having some

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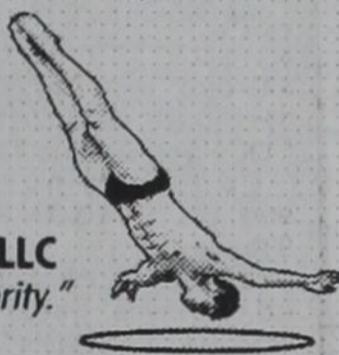
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TUESDAY
Breakfast: Biscuits, Gravy, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Chicken-n-Dumplings, Corn, Salad, Toast, Jellin/w Fruit, Milk

WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: French Toast Sticks, Syrup, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Polish Sausage, Macroni & Cheese, Blackeye Peas, Bu. Toast, Spice Apples, Milk

THURSDAY
Breakfast: Eggs, Sausage, Biscuits, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Hamburgers, Cheese, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Onions, Ice Cream, Strawberries, Milk

FRIDAY
Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast, Applesauce, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Ham or Tuna Sandwiches, Tator Tots, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Carrots & Celery Sticks, Grapes, Milk

Menu is subject to change.

health problems and weakness. He had some heart by passes, but one has closed back up. Estelle was a Clay, sister to Lottie and Vivian and others. Estelle also has health problems. Pray for these sweet people. Girls are cousins to Rosalie Keelin.

Pray for Doyle Grimes. He is in the hospital at Guymon with trouble with his esophagus and had to have a feeding tube to his stomach. We miss Doyle and Bulah and hope he will be o.k. Doyle did get to go home from the hospital, but has help from a home health nurse that just lives across the street. Isn't that handy?

Pray for Susie Fulks. She has been in an Amarillo Hospital, but is some improved. She lived in Briscoe area many years and is married to Leonard Fulks and is a sister to Margie Meadows and Lois Hudson.

Estelle Hodges and Anna Seitz and Betty Chapman went to Boulder, Colo., Friday to visit Von Dell Martin, who has cancer; planned to come back about Tuesday.

Horace and Pauline Rivers were honored with a 65th wedding anniversary celebration at the Abraham Home at Canadian, March 1, hosted by their five children and families. Cake and punch were served. Happy Anniversary to you two fine people. Pauline volunteers many hours at the Abraham Home.

Gospel Hour is held Monday mornings by Fern Young and Annette Meek at the Abraham Home. Fern plays the piano and gives the devotional. Annette leads singing.

Kathy Meek frequently plays the piano for the Abraham Home residents at Canadian. Isn't that nice?

Estelle Hodges recently flew to San Diego, California with her daughter, Glenda Dickey and Randy and Bobbye Stalls from McLean. At San Diego they took a taxi across the border into Old Mexico to see a doctor about Estelle's asthma. She is feeling much better and more energy. No longer has to take breathing treatments. The doctor sent her home with a year's supply of medication. She can send money next year and get another year's supply. Randy Stalls has been on the medication for 3 years and has been helped very much. They have to go only a very short distance into Old Mexico to see the doctor.

The Totty School House quilters are enjoying their newly painted and carpeted building. Good group there were Estelle Hodges, Jane Seitz, Audrey Seitz, Charlotte Coward, Laura Vandever, Elva Wood, Elaine Martin, Augusta Mathews, and Betty Rogers for Thursday quilting. The Totty School House has a new floor put in by the men of the community.

Preacher at Wheeler Baptist Church Sunday was Bro. Les Sharp, youth minister from First Baptist Church Borger, a good friend of Kyle Goldsmith, our youth minister. Subject was "How to make a comeback from any setback" with scriptures. Timely message. Good job! Kyle preached Sunday night, a good sermon about God choosing David to be King of Israel. God looks on the heart. He is doing better all the time. (God & Kyle)

Sunday afternoon Willa Fillingim enjoyed a visit from Lacy Amber Crowover and Charles and Lajo Crowover. They went to Dallas and got Lacy to visit during spring break. Lacy is in first grade. They also planned to visit Gary Morris at Mobeetle one day. Willa and Lacy always have a tea party when she comes.

Dorothy Ogle visited James and Marty Saturday.

Ned Burrell and daughter, Ladonna Honeycutt of Pampa went to Lubbock Wednesday and spent the night with Ned's son, Mark Burrell. Meeting them for supper at Golden Corral were Christi Honeycutt and Ashley and Courtney and a niece. Good to see everyone.

Ned Burrell went to Pampa Sunday to see granddaughter, Nyrie Burrell, who was on spring break from college at Austin. Also there were granddaughter, Heather Roberts, and Ashton, Chancton and Quinlyn from Amarillo.

Ned was going to Shamrock Monday to get granddaughters, Kelleen and Louringna from Wichita Falls, who are visiting an aunt while on spring break.

Lorene Rector went to Sayre Tuesday and visited her sister-in-law, Myrtice Pierce and saw the eye doctor. Lorene and Myrtice also visited Lorene's brother, Luther Pierce, of Reydon and Carl Pierce of Cheyenne. Lorene came back home to Mobeetle Thursday.

Willis and I enjoyed going to Little Dribblers games Saturday night. Ft. Elliott boys defeated Lefors in overtime to win. Ft. Elliott girls won 9-5.

All proceeds from the concession stand and door admission will go to Project Graduation, a worthy thing to do. Nice to visit with Janet Stevens and Nikki Robinson at concession stand. They were working.

Ray and Glenda Hudson went to Perryton Sunday. Three of their grandkids were being baptized: Jessica and Taylor Sparks and Ashley Jones. Good news!

Ray and Glenda went to Abilene to see Glenda's beloved aunt and uncle, Wilber and Georgette Miller. Georgette has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and is not expected to live but a few weeks.

Glad to hear the knots on Ray Hudson's neck are benign, but



were removed. Praise the Lord!

There was a big group at the Cowboy Oasis Restaurant Friday night. Lots of good music and singing. Now open till 9:00 p.m. on Fridays. Steak special. Entertainment.

Everyone is invited to game night at Briscoe Community Church next Thursday, March 20, at 6:00 p.m. Pot luck meal bring games you like to play. Each third Thursday night at Briscoe.

Everyone is invited to Golden Agers Pot Luck meal and a program at Wheeler Baptist Church Thursday, March 20, at noon. (50

plus)

Gary Brotherton of Yukon was a weekend visitor to his parents: C. B. and Maurine Brotherton, checking to see if she was doing o.k. She will probably be in the hospital a week or so yet and have therapy. Keep praying for them.

Fat and Wanda Childress went to some of the little dribbler games at Wheeler to see grandsons Donnie Hunt and Jordan Robinson play basketball.

Pray for Mae Bailey. She has not been feeling well.

Melba Corcoran went to Germany to see Scott and Nava Corcoran and family. Lots of train over there. Scott is in the Army and may be called out anytime.

There was a big group at Maxeys Thursday for the Ladies Day Out luncheon. I couldn't name them all. Some I didn't know. Nice meal and visiting. Some there were Fredia Pond Caldwell (Mrs. Geoffrey), Emma Rogers, Elva Wood, Mary Mitchell, Lula Buice, Frances Hefley, Joyce Perkins, Vea Fillingim, Opal Hefley, Irene Rogers, Linda Hink, Sharl Gayle Porter, Annie Ruth Lee, Diane Sparks and Camryn, Diana Risner, Rosalie Atwood, Mrs. Jackson, Wilma Barker, Hannah Chapman, Leona Coates, Betty Howard, Katie Christy, Mary Margaret Dodd, Marie Gudge, Paula Britt, Clara Holcomb, Dorothy Hink, Evelyn Meek, Ruth Wiley, Celeste Wiley, Marie Baker, Bobbie Sue Baker, Erma Riley and Verna Fillingim and many others. In April, first Thursday, April 3, the Ladies' luncheon will meet at Mel's Diner. Also at Maxeys was Iona May.

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MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Melba Corcoran

Notes from the past taken from Mobeetie Outlook February 3, 1938.

Home EC II Girls Faint

The Home EC II girls all fainted over their examination last week. As quick as one girl was revived another one fainted. The object of this test was to see if the girls knew how to give artificial respiration.

Wind Cause Disturbance

The terrific wind, which came over the caprock and swept Mobeetie January 25, caused considerable disturbance just south of the O. E. Sims home when it broke the wheel off his windmill. All that kept it from being hurled off into space was the tail.

Old Flagpole Sways before Strong Gale

Veteran Standard Bearer of Panhandle bends but stands against blasts in the fierce gales which swept over their school grounds on January 24 and 25 the oldest flagpole in the Panhandle swayed before the blast, but withstood it all. And from all indications it can stand many more blasts. This old flagpole was hauled by ox team to its first location at Old Fort Elliott, the fort was abandoned in 1891 and need for the standard bearer at that place ceased. After several years in which many hazards threatened it, the old flagpole was given to the Mobeetie School, where it occupied place of honor on the grounds.

The Editorial Staff were Editor-in-Chief Ruth Haning, Managing Editor Edna Sims, Feature Editor Vineta McCain, Sports Editor Warren Thompson, Community Editor Dora Goodnight, Exchange Editor Vera Ruff, Reports Odessa Futch, Lois Farmer and Darlene Shanhan. Mrs. M. D. Blankinship was faculty adviser.

This item of the Post History of the American Legion was found in the collection.

Spring 1946 as the boys were returning from the foreign countries their thoughts naturally turned to an organization that would help to keep alive the memories and association of their sojourn in the service. The following Veterans met January 17, 1946 to plan the Organization of a local post. Attending were Grady Harris, Henry Johnston, Hugh Bailey, Lewis Underwood, Johnnie Murrell, Tom A. Beck, Dalton Scribner, Herbert Eisenminger, Jasper Bailey, Glen Gatlin, Carlton Murrell, Rufus W. Beck, Henry Flangan, Jesse W. Dart, Glen Lane and James Hathaway. Only tentative plans were made and it was decided to consult with neighboring Posts before going any farther and a meeting was scheduled for February 14, 1946.

Post History

Enough signers having been secured to secure a Charter were jubilant over the enthusiasm shown and plans were laid for a Post of Our Own. The following veterans signed the Application for a charter Lawrence Scribner, Lewis Underwood, Johnnie Murrell, Archie Ware, Jesse G. Brown, James M. Hathaway, Jasper Bailey, Quinton B. Brown, Henry K. Johnston, Tom A. Beck, William S. Mixon, Arthur Carmichael, Jesse W. Dart, Rufus W. Beck, Arthur A. Patterson, Roner St. John, Grady W. Harris, Roy C. Lee, Roy Leonard Dunn and Rufus J. Tyson.

The meeting was presided over by Grady W. Harris and the name Worthington-Red Post as these were selected for the first casualties of War No. 1 and 2 respectively.

The Shamrock Post offered to come over and hold installation services for us and the following having been elected officers for the coming year were installed. Grady W. Harris Post Commander, Henry K. Johnston First Vice Commander, Tom A. Beck Second Vice Commander, James M. Hathaway Post Adjutant, Carlton Murrell Sgt. At Arms, Arthur W. Carmichael Service Officer, Raymond L. Hooker News Reporter, W. A.

Leonard Finance Officer, Rufus J. Tyson Post Historian and Roy C. Lee Post Chaplain.

The first Thursday of each month was decided upon as a meeting date. The second Thursday was to be for social meeting. The office of Secretary and Treasury was combined with the Post Adjutant.

They were delighted at the interest that the ladies organizing and Auxiliary unit.

Here should be a fitting place to compliment the work of the Vets and especially are we to commend the outstanding efforts of Grady W. Harris; Tom A. Beck and James M. Hathaway these men had the vision and courage to promote the Organization of our post. We were young and every body was busy and it was hard to have enough



Makalli Jo Marshall, 2 years old, is the daughter of Mack and Heather Marshall. Grandparents are Darrel and Maggie Marshall of Wheeler and Glen and Joann Phelps.

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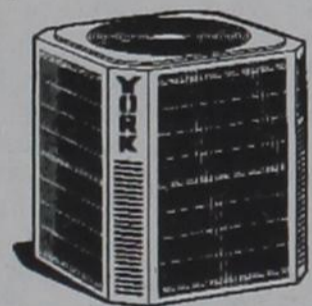
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members to hold our regular meetings, we had no place to meet except through the courtesy of the Masonic Lodge who let us use their home to hold our meetings. Then we meet at the schoolhouse after a while, but we were not satisfied we wanted a home of our own. We tried to consider building but materials were so scarce and high that we were sure that we could not build. All through the summer and fall that was the most common topic under discuss item at all our meetings.

In December we learned that we could buy a building that was fairly cheap and with some labor could be made to serve our needs at present. After some dickering we completed the deal and we were the proud owners of the Vernon Hotel a two-story building located on Main Street. We raised most of the money by donation of our members and by help from outsiders that knew what we stood for, also are we indebted to the Lions Club of Mobeetie

Some News Items Some "Damp" Spots Likely for Wheeler County.

With permission already granted by the County Commissioners and April 21 set as election date, Shamrock is to vote on 3.2 beer for that city. It was also learned today that a petition for a similar election in Mobeetie is before the Commissioners, but had not been acted upon late this afternoon.

Corn Valley News by Mrs. Ebb Farmer: Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Smotherman of near Briscoe spent the weekend with her parents Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Case.

Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Petit of near Briscoe spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ebb Farmer.

Briscoe News by Pauline Evans: Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Meadows entertained many of the Briscoe young people with an egg hunt Sunday.

Dorothy Lohberger and Mardell Tipps have been absent from school this past week with the measles but they hope to return in the near future.

Gracey Community News by Mrs. Blanche Hobson: Mrs. B. B. Ray of Ft. Worth who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Leon Hobson returned home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Linton and family of Mobeetie visited Mr. and Mrs. McPherson and sons.

Under Local News Items: Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Meek, living north of Wheeler were in town Tuesday on business.

C. R. Weatherly and Harry Wofford made a business trip to Amarillo Tuesday.

Magic City News: Pauline Shankle has the honor of being high point student for Magic City with 20 points to her credit. We would like to have more like you Pauline.

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Kelton News by Mrs. Jackie Isbell: J. L. Brown of Shamrock visited his son A. C. Brown here Saturday. A. C. Johnson and J. D. Rutherford made a trip to Hammon Oklahoma Sunday.

Locust Grove News by Clarice Robertson: Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Dewese from China Flat visited in the A. L. Hestilow home Friday night.

Mobeetie News by Wilber Beck: Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Scribner visited

Court

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Noret Trust to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 12-11-02, Sec. 22, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. D—Taylor Wright to Lana G. Winkler, 2-14-03, 52 acs. Sec. 60, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey, out of Sub. Div. # 8.

DT—Lana G. Winkler to First Magnus Financial Corporation, 2-18-03, 52 acs. Sec. 60, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey, out of Sub. Div. #8.

OL—Herbert W. Collier Revocable Trust to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 1-17-03, SE 1/4 Sec. 76, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Nona Ann Faulkner to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 1-21-03, S 1/2 Sec. 85 and N 1/2 Sec. 76, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Virginia Shaffer Gage to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 11-15-02, NE 1/4 Sec. 23, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Glenna Sue Elmore Giddens to G. H. Land Company LLC, 1-10-03, Pts. Sec. 21, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

OL—Larry Gene Elmore to G. H. Land Company LLC, 1-10-03, Pts. Sec. 21, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

OL—Glen and Nona Elmore Living Revocable Trust to G. H. Land Company LLC, 1-10-03, Pts. Sec. 21, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

OL—Jonathan Bowman to G. H. Land Company LLC, 1-10-03, Pts. Sec. 21, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

OL—Mary Phyllis Elmore Williams to G. H. Land Company LLC, 1-10-03, Pts. Sec. 21, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

OL—Brian Scott Bowman to G. H. Land Company LLC, 1-10-03, Pts. Sec. 21, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

OL—Thomas Glen Bowman to G. H. Land Company LLC, 1-10-03, Pts. Sec. 21, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

OL—Truman E. Zybach to EOG Resources Inc., 1-8-03, Sec. 14, Camp County School Land.

OL—Lori Kim Yocum to EOG Resources Inc., 1-2-03, Sec. 33, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

OL—Loyd T. Lee Trust to EOG Resources Inc., 1-24-03, E 1/2 Sec. 31, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

OL—Cecil G. Pierce, et ux to EOG Resources Inc., 1-24-03, E 1/2 Sec. 31, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

OL—Murline Williams to EOG Resources Inc., 1-2-03, Sec. 33, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

MARCH 4, 2003 D—Victor Lopez, et ux to Raul Magadan, 2-27-03, Lot 5, Blk. 26, Wheeler.

HEIRSHIP AFF.—Greg Chaffin, et ux to Robert M. Horne, 2-14-03. D—Lois Horne to Linda Beth Chaffin, et al, 2-14-03, S 1/2 Lot 1, Blk. 33, Shamrock.

MARCH 5, 2003 RATIFICATION OL—Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 4-15-02, NE 1/4 Sec. 2, Camp County School Land.

ROW—George Vinson to Southwestern Public Service Company, 12-10-02, Pt. Sec. 56, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—J. R. Hefley, et ux to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 2-6-03, N 1/2 Sec. 30 and S 12 Sec. 31, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

D—Jerry Killingsworth, et ux to Lessie Ann Austin, 2-27-03, 70.3' x 140' SW 1/4 Sec. 4, T&NO Ry. Company Survey.

RDT—National Bank of Commerce to Jerry Killingsworth, et ux, 3-3-03, 70.3' x 140' SW 1/4 Sec. 4, T&NO Ry. Company Survey.

DVL—David A. Wright to Jerry Killingsworth, et ux, 3-3-03, N 90' E 1/2 Blk. 51, Stanley Add., Wheeler.

DT—Jerry Killingsworth, et ux to National Bank of Commerce, 3-3-03, N 90' E 1/2 Blk. 51, Stanley Add., Wheeler.

DVL—Jessie Morren, et al to Sidney S. Bond, et ux, 2-28-03, S 46' Lot 5 and N 16' Lot 6, Blk. 2, Aldous Add., Shamrock.

DT—Sidney S. Bond, et ux to National Bank of Commerce, 2-28-03, S 46' Lot 5, and N 16' Lot 6, Blk. 2, Aldous Add., Shamrock.

HEIRSHIP AFF.—Arthur Taylor, et ux to Mary A. Taylor, 2-25-03, S 2/3 Lot 2 and N 2/3 Lot 3, Blk. 53, WSSA, Shamrock.

D—Michael Wayne Penny, et al to Arthur Taylor, 2-3-03, S 2/3 Lot 2, and N 2/3 Lot 3, Blk. 53, WSSA, Shamrock.

D—Arthur Taylor to Kevin Conner, 2-25-03, S 2/3 Lot 2, and N 2/3 Lot 3, Blk. 53, WSSA, Shamrock.

DVL—Josephine Lilly to Joe Stulir, et ux, 3-3-03, Lot 6, Blk. 24, Shamrock.

DT—Joe Stulir, et ux to Lilly Josephine, 3-3-03, Lot 6, Blk. 24, Shamrock.

D—Ellen Flowers to D. W. Rankins, et ux, 2-10-03, Lot 16, Blk. 71, WSSA, Shamrock.

RVL/RDT—D. W. Rankins, et ux to Ellen Flowers, 2-10-03, Lot 16, Blk. 71, WSSA, Shamrock.

DVL—D. W. Rankins, et ux to Wanda Edgar, 2-18-03, Lot 16,



THE WHEELER TIMES

PAGE 5—Thursday, March 13, 2003 "Wheeler, town of friendship and pride"

in Wellington Sunday.

Misses Lois Baird and Lois Douglas were Miami Shoppers Saturday.

Pleasant Hill by Helen Sanders.

Claude Cox was a business caller in Wheeler Tuesday. Walter Anglin transacted business in Wheeler Thursday.

Blk. 71, WSSA, Shamrock. DT—Wanda Edgar to D. W. Rankins, et ux, 2-18-03, Lot 16, Blk. 71, WSSA, Shamrock.

ROW—Dobson Limited Liability Company to Oneok Field Services Company, 2-26-03, Strip 50' wide across Lot 1, Blk. 1, Brooks & Burleson Survey.

ROW—Richard Kiker, et ux to Oneok Field Services Company, 2-24-03, Strip 50' wide across S 1/2; NW 1/4 Sec. 12, Blk. 1, Brooks & Burleson Survey.

MARCH 6, 2003 D—Legacy Bank to Kenneth Wischkaemper, et ux, 3-5-03, 431.95 acs. Sec. 50, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

POA—Audie Alice Vinson Siva to Olaf Vinson Siva, 3-6-03. D—Tommy Jerroll Lewis Sr., et al to Jerry Lewis, et ux, 3-6-03, S 1/2 Sec. 14, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

A. of JUDG.—Chris Britten to Wendell Miller, et al, 1-10-03. OL—Moon Royalty LLC to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 1-17-03, SE 1/4 Sec. 76, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Jean Reeves to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 1-14-03, SE 1/4 NE 1/4; N 1/2 N 1/2 Sec. 11, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

MARCH 7, 2003 D—Kenneth R. Allen to Joey Pace, 4-2-02, N 100' Lot 4, Blk. LVII, Shamrock.

A. of JUDG.—Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation to O. B. Burton, 2-20-03.

OL—T. G. Reames to EOG Resources Inc., 1-22-03, E 1/2 Sec. 22, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

OL—Wayne R. Zybach to EOG Resources Inc., 1-15-03, W 1/2 Sec. 15, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

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Who must file a rendition?

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Are there any advantages to you?

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- You give your opinion of your property's value. If the appraisal district believes the value is higher, it must notify you in writing of the higher value and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.
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Where do you file?

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402 S. Main P.O. Box 1200
Wheeler, Texas 79096-1200
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VISIT ROCK BARN: The Kelton Pre-K and Kindergarten students recently visited the Stiles Ranch and looked at the Rock Barn, which bears a Texas Historical Marker.

Country

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Everyone is invited. Also Alvern Hutchison there.

Some from Mobeetie Baptist Church going to Allison Baptist to First Sunday singing were Doris Finsterwald, who went by and got Evelyn Meek and Willa Fillingim, Marion Grimes, Lewis and Tulla Ellis, Paul Hathaway and Estelle Hodges.

Willa Fillingim went to the chicken house one morning because the dogs had barked all night. Willa found something had killed a banty hen that was setting on eggs and had eaten all the eggs. So that night Willa took a Live Trap (catches, but doesn't kill) out about dark. And lo and behold a skunk was in there. He went in a hole that must have led under the cement floor of the shop. Willa tied the dead chicken in the trap and set the trap. When Willa went out Friday morning, the skunk was in the trap. She drug the trap out so she could load it in the pickup and take it away off. Willa came back to the house and had a phone call. She told them that she had to go carry the skunk off. (She doesn't like to kill any animal.) But to her amazement, the skunk had gotten out and was gone. It is a "Bill Turnbow" trap, but had set out in the weather and had not shut perfectly. Willa drug the trap back to the chicken house and set it again. But she looked in the nest and found a coon and 2 more dead chickens nearly eaten up. Willa got a cream can with a lid, and poked the coon with a stick until he went in it. Then she put the lid on the can and put the coon in a coon pen. At 7:00 p.m. she checked the trap in the chicken house and the skunk was in it and she didn't think he would get out.

Amber Maddox went to Mulashoe to compete in gymnastics Saturday. Amber won 3rd on the Double-Mini, 4th on the trampoline and 6th on tumbling. Congratulations!

Visiting Rosalie Keelin and Jimmy and Darlene Saturday were Floy Larkin from Pampa, Joy Garrison from Berger and Roy and Nell Bradstreet and Debbie Glazner. They had a great time visiting.

Congratulations to Robin and Kevin Barger on the birth of their new baby girl, named Kashley. She was born at Las Vegas Nev. She's welcomed by brothers, Cody 5, and Casey, 17. Grandparents include Don and Peggy North. Lou Dean Douthit is great-grandma.

Playing 42 at Edna May's Friday night were Lou Dean Douthit, Virginia Puryear and Irene Keys. Lots of visiting. Lou Dean also plays chicken foot some, but they don't want their names in the paper.

Saturday Lou Dean and Debbie Kinnaman went to Wheeler to Audrey Kinnaman's to Zoey's first birthday party. Bog crowd of babies and other relatives. Happy Birthday, Zoey.

"God be with you till we meet again."

WHEELER MENU

MONDAY, March 17, 2003 — FRIDAY, March 21, 2003

MONDAY
Breakfast: Cold Cereal or Hot Oatmeal, Buttered Toast, Jelly, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Sloppy Joe, Curly Fries, Corn, Fruit, Milk

TUESDAY
Breakfast: Biscuits/Gravy, Bacon and Scrambled Eggs, Jelly or Honey, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Wildcat Wraps, Grated Cheese, Scalloped Potatoes, Fried Okra, Fruit, Milk

WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Cold Cereal or Pancake Pup, Buttered Toast, Jelly or Pancake Syrup, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Chicken Strips, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Fruit, Milk

THURSDAY
Breakfast: Biscuit and Gravy, Sausage Patty, Jelly or Honey, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Beef Taco's, Grated Cheese, Lettuce Salad, Chili Beans, Fruit, Milk

FRIDAY
Breakfast: Cold Cereal or Hot Oatmeal, Cinnamon Toast, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Corndogs, Tater Tots, Pickle Spears, Fruit, Milk
(Menu subject to change)



VISIT MUSEUM: Students from Kelton recently made a field trip to the Pioneer West Museum in Shamrock with Mrs. Dorothy Vearner opening the museum and conducting a guided tour.



Allison Students Learn About Clean Hands

Students at Allison Elementary School learn the proper hand washing technique. The High Five: Five Steps In Handwashing. Step 1: Wet hands with water and then add soap. Step 2: Use friction to work up a lather and wash hands for at least 20 seconds. Step 3: Rinse well under a stream of water. Step 4: Dry hands thoroughly, with a single use paper towel whenever possible. Step 5: Turn off faucet with a paper towel, if possible. Hooray for Handwashing! Always wash your hands after playing outside, after sneezing or coughing, before you eat or pre-

pare food, after bathroom trips, and after playing with pet. Pictured above are Back row: Karen Tellman, Extension Agent, Cody Essay, Grant Archer, Alexis Greene, Vickie Goldsmith, Jade Forward. Front row: J. W. Goldsmith, Landon Helton, Andrew Huff, Kaylynn Kiker and Jace Forward. Practicing good handwashing can prevent the spread of infection and lessen your chance of catching an infection. This time of year germs are spread quickly due to colds and flu. Practice these simple steps and even sing the alphabet song while you wash your hands.

The first practical fountain pen was designed and manufactured by Lewis Edison Waterman in 1884.

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Kelton Students Learn About Life On Ranch

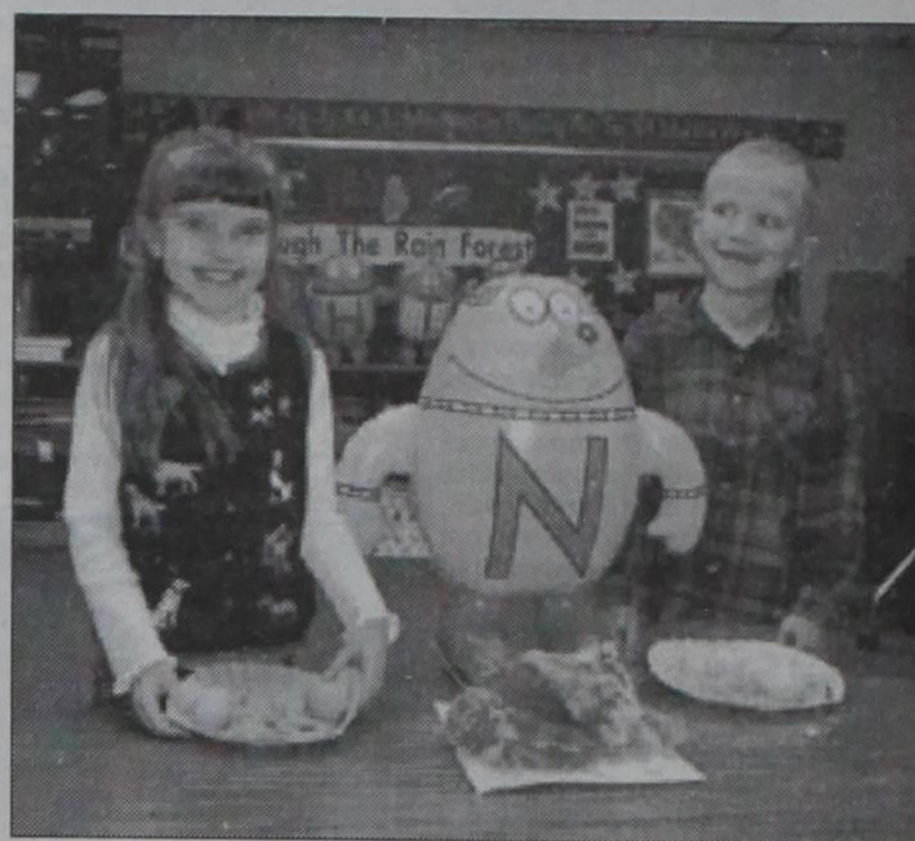
The Kelton Pre-K and Kindergarten students ended their study about Texas and Cowboys this week by going to the Stiles Ranch north of Kelton and finding out first hand how things are done. Bill and Bob Stiles showed the students how the feeding is done on the ranch. Bill then showed the students around the ranch by demonstrating how a horse is bridled and saddled to go out and ride the pastures, the Rock Barn, and Melinda Stiles then showed the students where they put the cattle through the squeeze shoot to brand and vaccinate them. The students enjoyed a cookout for lunch of hotdogs, and smores. The students enjoyed the outdoors and got a taste of freedom out in the open.

Kelton Students Learn Of History At Museum

The Kelton Pre-K and Kindergarten students took a trip to the Pioneer West Museum in Shamrock to discover the past. The students enjoyed Mrs. Vearner taking them through the past and showing them how things were way back when. The students thought it was really cool how people took a bath at home in a metal tub. We would really like to thank Mrs. Vearner for her information and opening the museum for us on Friday morning. The students really enjoy the whole museum and talked about it on the way back to school.

He who builds to every man's advice will have a crooked house. — Danish proverb

People take different roads seeking fulfillment and happiness. Just because they're not on your road doesn't mean they've gotten lost. — H. Jackson Brown, Jr.



NOISY NOSE: Noisy Nose visits the Kindergarten class at Allison to help with the letter "N". The kindergarten make nests, showing the use of the letter "N".



PATRIOTIC HATS: Kelton Pre-K and Kindergarten students show off their patriotic hats they created in class.



TEACHER'S ASSISTANCE: Allison fifth grade teacher, Mrs. Crisman, helps Cody Essay demonstrate a volcano erupting.

Chat

(from Page 1)

Saturday morning it was walk time again; it should be easier this time. **WRONG!**

—cwe—
It was better until we were about four blocks from Jennifer's on the return trip and we were joined by two loose dogs.

—cwe—
Fortunately they did not offer to fight; they just wanted to get to know each other. And, Stitch, being the typical pup, was again up, over, around and through.

—cwe—
A passerby stopped with a cell phone. He called the phone number on the collar of one of the dogs. Wrong number. He then went to the address on the collar and no answer.

—cwe—
I slowly returned to Jennifer's with the four dogs and put her two in the house. After several calls, I decided to walk to the address on the collar and put the dogs in the yard. Jennifer went ahead of me in the car to bring me back to her house.

—cwe—
Keep in mind this neighborhood is not your normal grid, north, south, east and west streets.

—cwe—
Nearing where the house should be located, I meet a man carrying a dog. He thought maybe the dogs belong at the house we were approaching. Yes, the dog he had was hers, but the two I had were not.

—cwe—
Continuing on a couple of blocks, we found the dogs' home. The owner was out looking for his dogs.

—cwe—
On the return trip to Jennifer's we spotted two more loose dogs, but they would not let me close to them. I guess a meter reader had failed to close several gates, or someone was just letting dogs out.

—cwe—
It was an experience.

—cwe—
We had dinner at the Meriwether home in Hinton on Sunday and played cards.

—cwe—
It was cards as usual Monday night. Leroy, Dwight and I got our winning over quickly, winning the first two games. Barbara, Rhonda and Bob came out ahead the last game

—cwe—

McLean Feedyard Introduces Feed Bill

McLean Feedyard has announced changes in its Customer Advantage Program (CAP). The program was started over a year ago to reward customers who place yearling type of cattle in the feedyard. If a customer places a minimum of eighty cattle in a pen and they average consuming 24.5 pounds a day for the period they are in the feedyard, the customer will receive a three cent per head per day rebate on their feed bill. The average consumption used to be 25.5 pounds, but due to feeding a hotter ration, McLean felt the lower amount was fairer.

McLean started the program to reward lower cost customers. "Cattle that eat more are more profitable for the feedyard," said Laphe LaRoe, manager. "We thought the customers should get part of the benefit from yearling type of cattle."

LaRoe also announced Customer Advantage Program Plus (CAP Plus). Customers who place at least 300 head in a 7 day time frame that cattle meet the consumption criteria of the CAP will receive a four and a half cent per head per day rebate, LaRoe explained. "The larger numbers allow us to utilize our pens better and it costs us the same to handle the bookwork on a customer who feeds 80 as it does a customer who feeds 300."

LaRoe said the rebate is available on cattle that are fed in the feedyard whether they are in the alliance with B3R or not. The B3R alliance allows customers to receive substantial premiums for feeding cattle that have not had implants or antibiotics.

McLean Feedyard is a 25,000 head feedyard in northeastern Donley County, Texas.

MEALS on WHEELS MENU

MONDAY, March 17, 2003 — FRIDAY, March 21, 2003

MONDAY: Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Seasoned Broccoli, Pears
TUESDAY: Fried Chicken Livers, Macaroni and Cheese, Mixed Vegetables, Roll/Margarine, Plum Pudding
WEDNESDAY: Smothered Pork Chops, Blackeyed Peas, Fried Okra, Cornbread/Margarine, Pineapple Bake
THURSDAY: Chicken Rice Casserole, Broccoli, Roll/Margarine, Cake
FRIDAY: Frito Pie, Spanish Rice, Tossed Salad/Dressing, Bread/Margarine, Bread Pudding

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