

# THIRD 'CASH' DRAWING IS SAT.

The annual Christmas Drawing will again be offered by the progressive merchants of Wheeler. The past years the Chamber of Commerce has asked for an received \$1500.00 in Christmas cash donations. The Chamber directors would like to express their sincere appreciation for the businesses and merchant's donations to this cause, support in our efforts, and love for our community.



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### CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

**Congratulations, Ft. Elliott Lady Cougars!** Once again, these young ladies were the tournament winners. They were the champions at the Ft. Elliott tournament held this past weekend.

**Congratulations, Ft. Elliott Cougars!** They took second place in the Ft. Elliott tournament.

Our 'blizzard' Friday did not amount to much or last very long. The moisture content from the blowing sleet was 0.3". And, it was all gone by the time we returned home Sunday evening.

We did see some snow still on the ground in the OKC area. But, just a slight ground cover in some areas.

Remember, next week is the Christmas Greeting Edition of *The Wheeler Times*. We will be putting the paper in the mail on Tuesday afternoon, so it is necessary we have your news in **first thing** Monday morning.

Many Thanks to Melba Corcoran for the many years of writing Mobeetie News. She has turned the job over to Sue Mayfield. Sue has written for us before; Thanks, Sue, for 'volunteering'.

Thanks, for the cooperation in getting the Santa Letters in to us for publication. Children, parents and grandparents love to see the children's letters in the paper.

This is a great opportunity to say Merry Christmas to your friends with out having to address envelopes and stamp envelopes. Give us a call!

We went to see the granddaughter, Dorcie, in "The Nutcracker". Her dance school puts the production on each year. She had three appearances as a guest at the party, a soldier and a flower. Naturally she was the star of the show.

We left Thursday morning and headed south. We went as far south as Abilene and stopped for 'coffee' with Don Earney. It had been quite awhile since we had seen each other.

I worked for Don when I was a senior in high school and then came to Wheeler to run the linotype for him February, 1960.

We traveled on to Lovelady Thursday, arriving at the Gillette Ranch about 8 p.m.

Rehearsal was Saturday morning and the production Saturday evening.

The return trip was Sunday with dinner at Sherman with Ronal Wayne and Juanita and a stop in OKC to check on Jennifer and the grandpuppies.

Mike and I did really well the first game Monday evening at cards, but apparently used up all our luck. Barbara and Dwight won the second and third games.

Here is Sharon Wright's Address  
**Sharon Wright**  
 %Surgical Intensive  
 Care Unit  
 Covenant Medical  
 Center  
 3615 19th Street  
 Lubbock, TX 79410



**FIRST PLACE:** The Ft. Elliott Lady Cougars display the trophy they received after winning the Ft. Elliott Invitational Basketball Tournament, held over the weekend. Pictured are (back row, l. to r.) Glory Hartsfield, Chynna Atherton, Laura Lohberger, Holly McCurley, Alicia Reis, Vanessa Huff, (front) Tamara Hefley, Andrea Hathaway, Jessica Helton, Katie Donaldson, Shealee Coulter and Sarah Zybach.



Payton Austin

### Payton Austin Places 4th At District

Top youth representing counties in the Panhandle participated in the District 4-H Food Show. Each participant prepared a dish, served it to a panel of adult judges, and answered questions in an interview format concerning the preparation skills needed to make their dish, the food safety concerns in preparation and storage of their dish, the nutrients in the product and the effect of the nutrients on their bodies.

### New Arrival



### RILEY ELIZABETH GILMER

Abby Gilmer is proud to announce the birth of her baby sister, Riley Elizabeth. Riley was born October 2. She weighed 8 lbs. 4 oz. and was 19 1/2 inches long. Her proud parents are Casey and Misty Gilmer of Elk City, OK. Grandparents are Jim and Vicky Gilmer of Briscoe, James and Martha Ogle of Canadian and the late Charles Morgan.

### Hospital Notes

- Assisted Living**  
 Gladys Pannell  
 Glen Elmore  
 Odra Christopher  
 Ruth Ledbetter  
 Neta Evans  
 Glen Williams  
 Verne Lohberger  
 Garnett Gunter
- New Admissions**  
 12/11 Helen Sloss  
 12/12 Bill Coberly  
 12/14 Irene Rogers  
 Riley Atwood
- Dismissals**  
 12/10 Jerry Billingsley  
 12/12 Flo Beaty  
 12/13 Bill Coberly

### Prairie Rivers Musical Show Sat.

Prairie Rivers Musical will present its Holiday Season show on December 20, 2003, at 7:30 p.m. in Canadian, Texas. The show's location is at the Middle Auditorium at 404 S. 6th Street. "We have been in regular contact with the North Pole and Santa Claus has promised he will make another appearance at the show," reported Jay Godwin, one of the founders of Prairie Rivers Musical. "He was here last year and apparently enjoyed the music as did several hundreds of regular folks!"

Regular performers who are presently committed include Scott Campbell, Frankie McWhorter, Mary Lynn Schafer, Phil Ridgway, Hank and Venita McPherson, Wayne Wright, George Briant, and Jay Godwin. Guests who are presently committed include Dale Jenkins and daughter, Kayla. David Jenkins, fiddle player from Leedy, Okla., is returning; possibly with his wife and two children, all of who play fiddle! "If things

workout, we may have as many as 7 or 8 fiddle players at one time, at least for a couple of tunes," Jay Godwin said. "It promises to be a really good show. Christmas songs will be featured for the first half and Jolly St. Nick is expected to arrive just before the intermission to visit with the children."

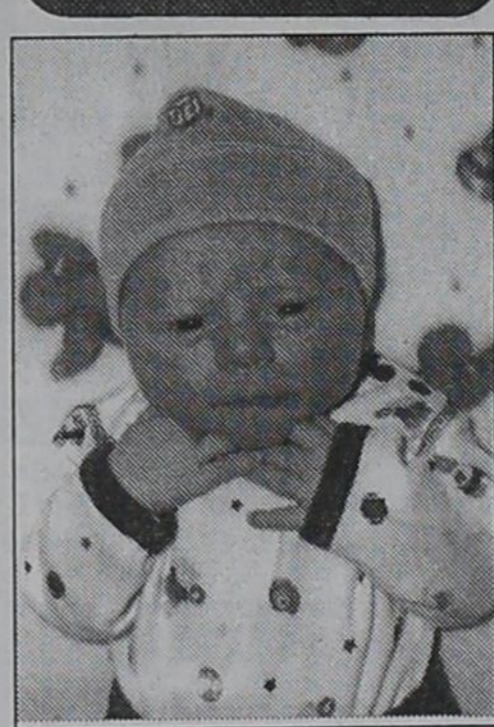
There is no admission charge and the auditorium features theatre type seating in an alcohol and smoke free environment. Coffee, hot chocolate, soft drinks, and cookies will be available at intermission. Godwin reminds everyone to come and enjoy an evening full of LIVE classic country, western swing, honky tonk, gospel and traditional Christmas music. "We promise you a great atmosphere and good music!" he exclaims. For information, call 806/323-3213.

Those merchants sponsoring the drawings are: Bitt Ranch, City Drug Bed & Breakfast Hotel, Cross Car Center, E & L Enterprise, Eastern Panhandle Insurance, First State Bank, Mobeetie & Wheeler, First Ag Credit, H & R Block, Hefley Hardware, Heritage Feeders LP, Hibler Implement, Hidetown Trading Company, Honey Inn Motel, Hyland's Pharmacy, Bobby Hill-Attorney, Jennings Plumbing and Air Conditioning, Jones Fuels, Charles Kuntz, CPA, Lyndon Loyd Auctioneers, Marshall Discount Auto, Maxeys Steakhouse, Mel's

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### New Arrival



### CAMERON AVERIL ISAAC BRYANT

Sarah Grace Bryant announces the arrival of her little brother, Cameron Averil Isaac Bryant. Cameron was born November 19, 2003, at 10:05 A.M. weighing 8 lbs. and 5 oz., and was 19 3/4" long. Parents are Gary and Regina Bryant of Amarillo, Texas. Grandparents are Mike and Beverly Bryant of Kelton, Texas and Brad and Tricia Whitney of Hugoton, Kansas. Great-grandparents are Doyle and Peggy Munkres of Wheeler, Texas, George and Lorene Plaster of Amarillo, Texas, Fred and Alice Phillips of Amarillo, Texas, Norma and Ronald Ross of Sarasota, Florida, and Viona and Duward Whitney of Haviland, Kansas.

Diner, Dr. Louie Mendola, McCain's Auto Body, Mustang Video, Parkview Hospital, Paradise Cove, Peso Dollar Store, Joe & Carolyn Sabbe, Sabbe Construction, Novedades Saharay, Dr. Mike Smith, Speedi-Mart, 3-H Cattle Co., The General Store, Thriftway, Ware Chevrolet, West Texas Gas, Wheeler Banking Center, Wheeler Flower Shop, Wheeler Lumber Co., Wheeler Shell, Wheeler Times, Wheeler Title & Abstract Company, Wheeler Vet Clinic, Wheeler TV System, Wright Funeral Home, Wheeler Nursing & Rehab., Zodell's Pizza, BBQ & More.

### Winners Are Named For 'Cash' Drawing

A large crowd was in attendance for the second of the four 'Cash' drawings being sponsored by the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce. \$400 was given away Saturday to seventeen lucky Wheeler shoppers.

The drawings are being held this year at 11:00 A.M.

Ten tickets were drawn for the ten \$10 envelopes. Ida Miles was called forward twice to claim her winnings. Others claiming the \$10 in Wheeler 'Cash' were Cassidy Andis, Lori Selby, Ted Tucker, Christine Atherton, Mitchell Ford, Amy Hunt, Roy Bradstreet and Kathy Frankenberg.

Four envelopes with \$25 in Wheeler 'Cash' were Ida Miles, Billie Holcombe, Paula Helton and Heather Schmitt.

Cassidy Andis and Jane Dukes each received \$50 for being present at the drawing Saturday.

The big winner for the day was Kathy Knibbs.

It does pay to shop in Wheeler. Remember, you have to be present to win. Husband and wife may claim each other's winnings.

### First State Bank To Give \$25 Certificates

Once again, First State Bank, Mobeetie, will be donating Gift Certificates redeemable at Wheeler businesses. This year First State Bank will donate thirty-one \$25.00 gift certificates for a total of \$775.00. These Gift Certificates will be given away December 24, 2003, immediately following the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce drawing. Winners will be drawn from the Chamber of Commerce tickets.

First State Bank is happy to continue this program; this is the year for the certificates. It is one of the ways that we can say Thank You to the people and businesses of Wheeler.

First State Bank would like to wish everyone Happy Holidays and remind you to come to the Christmas 'Cash' drawings.

### Chamber To Sponsor Lighting Contest

This year the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring a Christmas Light Contest. Prizes of \$75.00 to first place, \$50.00 to second place and \$25.00 to third place will be awarded to the best decorated houses. The houses will be judged Thursday, December 18, by three out of town judges.

To enter you must call the chamber office and register your house. There is no entry fee. Contact the chamber office at 826-3408 and Decorate, Decorate, Decorate!

Remember, you **must** register with the Chamber office in order to be included in the judging on the 18th.

### Donneta Dollar Is Class III Field App.

Donneta R. Dollar, has been on staff of the Wheeler County Central Appraisal District for two and half years. The chief appraiser of the district registered Dollar with the Board of Tax Professional Examiners (BTPE) in order to be in compliance with the Texas Civil Statutes, Article 8885, Sec. 11. Upon completing all the required courses and passing an extensive four hour Class III exam, Dollar has received the classification of a Class III Field Appraiser.

She will continue her education with the Board of Tax Professional Examiners (BTPE) to advance to a Class IV Appraiser. This will require her to pass more courses and take a very extensive eight hour Class IV exam. Upon completing all required courses and exam, Dollar will receive the certification of a Registered Professional Appraiser (RPA) with the state of Texas.

### Farewell Reception To Honor J. Adams

A Farewell Reception in honor of Jimmy Adams, Sheriff and Friend, will be held on December 23, 2003, from 12:00 to 2:00 P.M. in the Temporary Commissioners' Courtroom at 410 S. Main in Wheeler, Texas.

Please come and join us as we say, "Goodbye and Best Wishes" to Jimmy as he leaves Wheeler County to take the position of Chief of Police in Borger, Texas.



**PERFORMS HOLIDAY SONGS:** Tuesday, December 16, 2003 at 2:00 P.M. the Third and Fourth Grades of Wheeler Elementary traveled to Wheeler Care Center to sing for the residents there. The group performed holiday songs. Third Graders singing were America Almanza, Garrett Andis, Ismael Buenrostro, Lane Erwin, Irving Flores, Daniel Gonzalez, Elizabeth Horton, Zack McCasland, Zay McCasland, Patricia Padron, Josue Perez, Jason Pike, Eduardo Ramirez, Miguel Rincon, Breann Robinson, Mary Cruz Rocha, Aby Rodriguez, Damian Salas, Jesus Zapata. Fourth graders singing Tanzia Brown, Ilene Butler, Aidee Emiliano, Alyssa Johnson, Brett Johnson, Paige Jones, Trevor Marshall, Tayt McCasland, Genaro Mendoza, Kallen Moore, Timothy Padron, David Ramirez, Jacob Thomas, Jason Thomas, Victoria Watson, Janeth Porras.

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Russell Lohberger, #23, works to get ball inside.



Jason Boydston, #4, makes the free throw. Russell Lohberger, #23 and Justen Bryant, #14 are ready for the rebound.



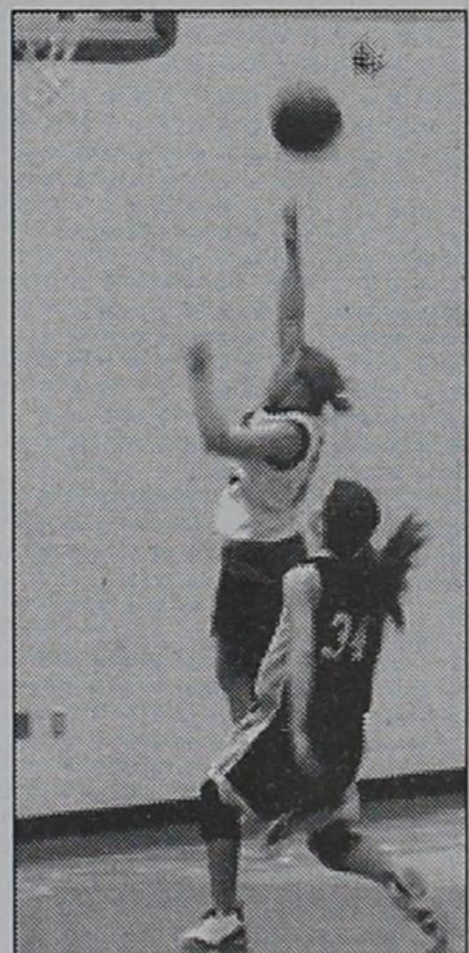
Alicia Reis, #14, is up for two points. Sarah Zybach, #15, and Katie Donaldson, #4, are ready.



Calvin Helton, #44, fast breaks for two points against White Deer.



Russell Lohberger, #23, is up for two. Junior Newman, #12, is in the foreground.



Jessica Helton fast breaks for two points against Miami. Ft. Elliott defeated Miami 71-37 for the title.



Ft. Elliott's Lady Cougars took on Booker for first place in the tournament. Alicia Reis and Katie Donaldson stretch for rebound. Holly McCurley, #10 and Tamara Hefley, #12, are ready to take possession.



Junior Newman, #12, has the ball in the first game of the Ft. Elliott tournament.

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## MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Melba Corcoran

The First State Bank Hospitality Room was full of red hats Tuesday night when the Red Hatters held their Christmas Party. The tree was decorated with little red hats. Even Santa Claus came with his red hat on. The group had a pot luck dinner. They had each bought one gift for \$1.00 and wrapped it in a brown sack, which was decorated. The gifts were picked up one at a time and then the next one could take your gift unopened or get one from the roll of sacks. Several sacks were taken away by another till finally everyone got a gift. Then the numbers were drawn for the serious gifts. There were 4 from Canadian there plus Leona Coates, Betty Howard and Martha Meek from Wheeler. Arica Lancaster, Betty Rogers, Gaye Hale, Sallie Adcock, Leola Stuart, and Melba Corcoran from Mobeetie.

Arica did a great job of decorating the room. Aaron helped her, but couldn't come to the party.

Aaron and Arica Lancaster went to Amarillo Wednesday for Aaron's doctor appointment.

We have had a rock and roll week. Cold one day with some snow and high wind then real warm day then back to cold. Monday was a day you were lucky, if you had some weight to hold you up against the wind.

Clint and Maurita Stribling went to Dumas to see Buddy and Debbie Stribling, Jerome, Brittani, and Darius. It was the Christmas play at Buddy's church. Buddy and Debbie will be moving to Happy in February.

There was a big crowd at the 25th wedding reception for Bill and Virginia Ridgway on Sunday. It was held at the First State Bank Hospitality Room.

Leola Stuart attended the Christmas Party at the Care Center in Wheeler with her mother, Gladys Richardson, on Sunday.

Dale and Barbara Richardson of Elk City came by Friday and visited with Leola Stuart.

Leola Stuart visited with Cheryl Richardson on Saturday in Wheeler.

Leola Stuart went to Shamrock and visited Mrs. Bulah Stuart on Monday.

Leola Stuart visited Monday in Wheeler with Rita Smith.

Densel and Fern Reed and Dale and Melba Corcoran visited Saturday night with Pauline Barnes.

Pauline and Dale and Melba Corcoran visited Thursday with Densel and Fern Reed.

The First Baptist Church was saddened to have Brother Mike Blackburn resign Sunday. He will be going back to work for a gas company in Kansas. He will have insurance coverage and his wife has cancer and they need the insurance for her. We wish him well. Remember him and his family in your prayers.

Remember Opal Hefley in your prayers. Jack and Bernice Hefley have been with her in the hospital for a while now. She has pneumonia again.

Dale and Melba Corcoran visited with Laverne Corcoran at Wal-Mart on Saturday.

I will not be the writing the news after the first of the year. Sue Mayfield will be taking my place. I will be writing articles for the museum from time to time. I have enjoyed doing the news, but am tired and need a change of pace. Thanks Sue for taking the job.

## COUGAR NEWS

The Christmas play was held Monday night at the Mobeetie Campus.

Dec. 18 at 3:03 to 4:00 Boys and Girls Basketball workout. This week is also 6-week test. The end of the first Semester will be on Friday the 19th. It will also be the JR FFA & 4-H Christmas Dance.

Christmas Holiday starts on the 22nd. The Gym will be closed to UIL Rule.

## OLD JAIL MUSEUM NEWS

This has been a slow week at the museum. Ruby Caviness has worked several days. Melba Corcoran worked on Tuesday, Friday and Saturday.

Jim Hill, Joe VanZandt and Dale Corcoran went to Canyon to Panhandle Plains Museum Monday to pick up some of the display equipment and some artifacts they were given. They got a World War I uniform, an Asarco fire wagon, and some other textiles.

The museum still has several good gift items for sale. They have the box of toys for tots ready to take to Wheeler for Christmas.

## Last Week's News . . .

Lorene Rector and Melba Corcoran visited Monday in Midwest City, OK with Jay and Johnnie Rector. Then they went on to Dardanelle, Arkansas and visited with Ada Rector. Bud Rector came by on Wednesday afternoon and visited with them. They return home

**Old Time Gospel Music**  
**On KPDR, 90.5**  
... in Wheeler  
Sundays 6 a.m. to 8 a.m.



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on Thursday.

Anita Sims was honored with a welcome party Sunday afternoon at the Methodist Church. She is the wife of Lynn Sims. She had just arrived here from the Philippines. She got lots of helpful gifts.

Ernest and Brenda Lancaster attended the rodeo in Las Vegas over the weekend. They returned home on Sunday night. Stormi and Larami spent the time with their grandparents Aaron and Arica Lancaster.

Janie and Tabathia Blackburn of Kansas visited with Pastor Mike Blackburn over the weekend. They will be moving here after the first of the year. Janie is training someone to take her place as clerk.

Dale Corcoran attended the post office party in Pampa Saturday night.

Densel and Fern Reed and Dale and Melba Corcoran visited Fri-

day night in Wheeler with Pauline Barnes.

Bill and Tonya Finsterwald and Brandon have been sick with the flu. They are all better. Bob and Mary Nell Finsterwald have also had the flu, but were better.

Peggy Dunn and Leola Stuart went to Lawton to see Ronnie and Tanya Stuart and Todd for Thanksgiving. Chad and Jeremy were also home. They return home Monday. They spent time shopping and playing games and had a good time.

Dale and Barbara Richardson of Elk City Oklahoma called Leola Stuart Sunday morning. She met them at Mel's for breakfast. Dale and Barbara were on their way to Red River.

Monday Wanda Childress of Briscoe and Leola Stuart spent Monday with Mrs. Bulah Stuart

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Great Holiday

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## Wheeler Church of Christ

December is, for many people, the busiest month of the year. Travel plans, family plans, shopping plans, the weather makes all of those things unpredictable. For many people, it increases a level of Christianity and spirituality, as well as good will toward our fellow man. Many people think about the beginning of the life of Jesus while I choose to reflect on the entirety of Jesus' life and wonderful accomplishments that greatly benefit us all. Here are some other things we can do (I am adapting the rest of this from an article in the latest edition of a magazine called *Kindred Spirit*).

- 1.) Prepare room for Jesus. Read the Bible and study about Jesus.
- 2.) Pray. Always appropriate to do, make a list of those who you know need prayer and then spend as much time as possible engaged in this wonderful activity.
- 3.) Correspond. Write to those you haven't written to in a while. Call those who you need to

spend some time with.  
4.) Invite. Go out of your way to invite your friends to church or even over for dinner, either at your home or at one of the good restaurants in town.  
5.) Give wisely. Plan on what you want to give to others. Spontaneous buying can still be nice, but when things are planned out you will know that the recipients are getting precisely what you want to give them.

6.) Give of yourself. This is the best gift of all.  
7.) Give food. Who do you know that doesn't really need anything new, but would find a gesture like a warm casserole or pecan pie a great blessing?  
8.) Clean your attic. Perhaps this will take you on a pleasant stroll down memory lane. Maybe you can clear out some things that are only occupying space but might be of great service to Goodwill or any other similar agency.  
9.) Go. Do all of your Christmas activities, but also go to church, go to the Savior.  
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.

Make a joyful noise unto God, all ye lands; Sing forth the honour of his name; make his praise glorious.

Roma and Billy Brown traveled to Amarillo Monday and visited with her brother and his wife, Warren and Charline Brown, they stayed the night there. The next morning Roma and Billy Brown journeyed on to Lubbock, Texas where they stayed the night in the Country Inn. Early the next morning Roma underwent surgery on his finger for skin cancer. The type of surgery was Mohr Microscopic. They had to go deep to get all the cancer so they had to take skin from his arm to graft into his finger. Roma said that the arm where the skin was taken hurts more than the finger hurt. We pray he has a fast as possible recovery. After the surgery, they journeyed back to Amarillo and stopped and visited with Warren and Charline Brown and then traveled on to Pampa where he stopped and got medicines for his pain and dressings.

Thursia and Delores Poindexter of Cheyenne, Oklahoma visited in the home of Roma and Billy Brown Sunday after the great meal at the United Pentecostal Church Fellowship Hall, their Christmas meal.

Reta Grayson stayed from Wednesday to Sunday morning in Elk City, Oklahoma with Hattie and Jason Hughes and their son, Colton, who was sick with the flu.

Monday, Forrest and Betty Boydston enjoyed some shopping in Amarillo.

Forrest and Betty Boydston attended a Gun Show in Amarillo at the Civic Center. While there they met up with Bob and Mary Cornell and visited awhile with them.

Sunday dinner guest of Pearl Harrison were: Bennie and Debbie Boydston and son, Jason. After a delicious meal, Bennie and Jason put Pearl's Christmas lights up for her. She says she really did appreciate their help.

Last week, Darrel Harrison of Amarillo came to Allison and took Pearl Harrison to Amarillo where she stayed Sunday night and Monday night with Darrel and Johnnie Harrison. While Pearl Harrison was in Amarillo she visited her sister, Grace Henson, on her birthday, Edell Tedford of Amarillo, Elmer Lee and Peggy Sandford of Stinnett, Texas were there also.

Darrel Harrison of Amarillo brought his Mom back to Allison on Tuesday and they had a very delicious meal at the Cowboy Cafe in Mobeetie before coming on to Allison.

Wednesday, Eddy Walker was dinner guest of Pearl Harrison.

Heard thru the grapevine that Eddy Walker hasn't been feeling well. We wish him a speedy recovery. We are praying for you Eddy.

Thursday, Jimmy and Vivian Wallace of Elk City, Oklahoma journeyed to Pampa to attend the funeral of Agnes Hall. On their way back home they stopped by Allison and visited Pearl Harrison and Vivian fixed her mothers hair.

Pearl Harrison was dinner guest of Louise Boydston on Thursday. Thursday evening Cheryl Dupont helped her grandmother, Pearl, defrost her deepfreeze. Pearl says that she appreciates Cheryl's help very much.

Saturday night, Louise Boydston cooked a delicious meal and took it and shared it with Cheryl Dupont. Pearl Harrison stopped by just in time to enjoy the meal with them.

Dorothy Welch called Edna May and asked her to join her at the Wheeler Care Center. So she did, they were having a Christmas party there and Santa was there and residents were unwrapping gifts and refreshments were enjoyed by all. Edna enjoyed visiting with several people that she knew there.

Bob and Mary Cornell enjoyed a good visit with Kiley and Sally Griffin in Amarillo Saturday.

Monday, Opal and Juanita Boydston, Curtis and Lillian Boydston visited Vance Boydston in the Shamrock Hospital.

Opal and Juanita Boydston shopped in Shamrock and Wheeler and then visited in the home of Roma and Billy Brown for awhile on Thursday, then went on to the home of Curtis and Lillian Boydston and had a delicious meal with them. Of course we played spinners at-

wards. Happy to report that Vance Boydston was released from the Shamrock General Hospital on Saturday. Opal and Juanita visited Vance and Carol for a while Saturday night.

Allison received quite a bit of sleet on Friday. Sure made it slick out.

Juanita Boydston enjoyed an early Christmas with the precious woman she checks on twice a day, Minnie Belle Vinson. Her son and his wife, Don and Donna Vinson were in his mothers home as well. We had a great time of visiting and gift exchange. It was a great start to the Christmas holidays for Juanita.

Kevin and Theda Boydston and daughter, Chelsi of Beggs, Oklahoma and Alexis Greene of Sayre, Oklahoma journeyed to Allison on Friday, where they visited in the home of Dick and Cletus Greene and Jonathan.

Saturday guests in the home of Dick and Cletus Greene were Kevin and Theda Boydston and daughter, Chelsi of Beggs, Oklahoma, Kyle Boydston of Clovis, New Mexico, Alexis Greene of Sayre, Oklahoma, Jonathan Greene, Vance and Carol Boydston, Jamie Greene. In their Christmas celebration they had prepared a few of Caroline's desserts. They had made a fresh orange cake, a german chocolate cake and strawberry salad. Eat your heart out Bobby Greene.

Sunday dinner guests in the home of Dick and Cletus Greene and Jonathan were Roy and Reba Greene and daughters, Lorinne, Becca and Alexis of Sayre, Oklahoma and Kyle Boydston of Clovis, New Mexico and Jamie Greene, Kevin and Theda Boydston and daughter, Chelsi of Beggs, Oklahoma.

Just wanted to let everyone know that Opal and Juanita finally got their water going again. It's bad to be without water for sure. But we are soooooo thankful for our neighbor, Bob Cornell who came and checked the electrical part of the well and after doing lots of checking he checked out the breaker box and there is where the trouble was. Thank you very much Bob, we appreciate it very much.

Roma and Billy Brown are proud to announce that their grandson, First Class SGT is in the 4th Army Iron Horse Division. He was one of the two hundred men that help get Hussain out of the hole. Glad we got him finally.

It was an awful day to be traveling anywhere yesterday with the wind so high. But heard that Bob Cornell traveled along with Pete Gilmer as Pete was taking his car to be repaired in Amarillo and Bob went along to bring him back home. I know they had a great battle to get there and back with the wind like it was. Bob said there was flying debris and lots of tumbleweeds. Rough day to be out. We are thankful that they made it home just fine.

My sister in law's Carol's news: Plans are good to make but sometimes they abruptly get turned all around at the last minute! Like on Sunday night, December 7th,



2003 when Vance and Carol Boydston were frantically looking for a song to share with the community of Allison at the local First Baptist Church where a musical evening for all was being held to celebrate the birth of Christ. The song we were looking for was, "When He Comes" sang to the tune of Silver Bells. Before it was found, just a little before the songfest was to begin, Vance suddenly began to chill, but he felt hot, so Carol his wife, took his temperature immediately. WOW!!! It

was over one hundred! With the flu so rampant, that was the first thought. Even though Vance and Carol each had taken the flu shot and also a pneumonia shot too. It's been reported the flu, that many are dying from wasn't covered by the vaccinations. Vance's temperature continued to climb quickly so Carol called and made arrangements to meet Dr. Blacketter at the hospital in Shamrock. The doctor crawled out of his van just as Vance got to the emergency door  
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**SEVENTH GRADE:** Participating in U.I.L. Literary competition in Allison and Lefors recently were members of the Ft. Elliott Seventh grade. Pictured and their placings are (back, l. to r.) Edward Reeves, 4th in Listening and 3rd in Science; Brandon Finsterwald, 5th in Dictionary and 1st in Impromptu; Clay White, 2nd in Number Sense; Megan Horn, 2nd in Modern Oratory, 1st in Oral Reading, 2nd in Art Team and 6th in Calculator; Stormi Lancaster, 1st in Dictionary, 2nd in Impromptu, 4th in Listening, 5th in Maps, Graphs & Charts, 5th in Science and 2nd on Art Team; (front) Veronica Hungate, 6th in Oral Reading; Leslie Archer, 3rd in Dictionary; Bailey Estes, 1st in Calculator, 6th in Listening, 1st in Spelling and 2nd on Art Team; Sarah Hathaway, 5th in Modern Oratory; Hailey Estes, 3rd in Spelling; 2nd in Number Sense and 2nd on Art Team, and Amber Maddox, 2nd in Calculator.



**SIXTH GRADE:** Members of the Ft. Elliott Sixth grade recently participated in Literary U.I.L. competition in Allison and Lefors. Participating and their placings are (back row, l. to r.) Hayden Duncan; Blake Baker, 1st in Calculator, 3rd in Dictionary, 3rd in Mathematics, 2nd in Maps, Graphs & Charts, and 3rd in Oral Reading; Pate Alls, 6th in Calculator and 6th in Maps, Graphs & Charts; Cody Selby (front) Morgan McDowell, 1st in Calculator; and Karley Lovelace.



**EIGHTH GRADE:** The Ft. Elliott Eighth Grade recently participated in U.I.L. Literary competition at Allison and Lefors. Students and their placing in the competition are (back row, l. to r.) Cody Dupont; Chance Newman, 3rd in Modern Oratory and 5th in Number Sense; Nathan McLaughlin, Tommy Meek, 5th in Science, 6th in Maps, Graphs & Charts and 6th in Oral Reading; Hank Hunt and Michael Bell; (front) Kayla McDowell, 6th in Calculator; Jordan Alls, 2nd in Impromptu, 1st in Editorial, 1st in Dictionary, 1st in Maps, Graphs & Charts and 3rd in Ready Writing; Mayci Meadows, 1st in Calculator, 3rd in Dictionary, 3rd in Listening, 1st in Number Sense, 6th in Science, 3rd in Mathematics and 1st in Oral Reading; Lauren Baird, 4th in Oral Reading, and Tina Covalt, 3rd in Impromptu, 5th in Listening, 2nd in Science and 5th in Ready Writing.

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# Wheeler County COURT RECORDS

List of instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's office from December 5, 2003 - December 10, 2003.

**DECEMBER 5, 2003**  
**MODIFICATION AGREEMENT**—William W. Edwards, et ux to Wheeler Banking Center, 12-4-03, Pt. SE 1/4 Sec. 6, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**OL**—Martha Alice Wiley Hutchins to Green River Exploration Company, 7-23-03, NE 1/4 Sec. 59, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**AGREEMENT LIEN HOLDER**—First Ag Credit, FLCA, et al to Albert Lee Parsley, et al, 12-2-03, See Instrument.  
**SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT**—United States of America-Farm Service Agency to First Ag Credit, FLCA, 12-2-03, See Instrument.  
**MML**—Albert Lee Parsley, et ux to Arrow Water Well, 12-1-03, 322.530 acs. N 1/2 Sec. 32, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**TMM**—Arrow Water Well to First Ag Credit, FLCA, 12-1-03, 322.530 acs. N 1/2 Sec. 32, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**DT**—Albert Lee Parsley, et ux to First Ag Credit, FLCA, 12-1-03, 322.530 acs. N 1/2 Sec. 32, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**DECEMBER 8, 2003**  
**MD**—PMC Trust to Christopher C. Carey, et ux, 12-1-03, S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 11, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.  
**D**—PMC Trust to Christopher C. Carey, et ux, 12-1-03, S 1/2 SE 1/4 SE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 11, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.  
**HEIRSHIP AFF.**—Margie L. Thomas to Bobby Holden, 12-3-03.  
**D**—Priscilla Vermillion to Priscilla J. Vermillion Trust, 12-1-03, Lots 2 and 3, Blk. 1, Mont-Lew Add., Shamrock.  
**DT**—Loin Energy Corporation to Citizens Bank - Kilgore, Texas, 11-21-03, Sec. 74, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**ASSIGN. TO TRUSTEE**—Loin Energy Corporation to O. Dean Bingham, Trustee, 11-21-03, Sec. 74, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**OL**—Eugene Zack Miller to Continental Land Resources LLC, 9-26-03, NW 1/4 Sec. 22, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**OL**—Curtis Rex Miller to Continental Land Resources LLC, 9-26-03, NW 1/4 Sec. 22, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**OL**—Patricia Lounel Rose to Continental Land Resources LLC, 9-26-03, NW 1/4 Sec. 22, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**OL**—Richard Dyson to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 9-30-03, S 200 acs. W 1/2 Sec. 100, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**OL**—Pauline Evans Hefley to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 8-21-03, NW 1/4 Sec. 79, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**OL**—Marilyn Kay Gatlin to G H Land Company LLC, 11-4-03, NE 1/4 Sec. 21, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**RDT**—Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation to Steven Wayne Bentley, et ux, 11-20-03, See Instrument.  
**C/C PROBATE**—Lena Rushing to Ex Parte, 11-21-03.

**OL**—Candy Leigh Waiser to Raydon Exploration Inc., 9-8-03, Sec. 81, Blk. M-2, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**OL**—Candy Leigh Waiser to Raydon Exploration Inc., 9-8-03, E 1/2 Sec. 3, BS&F Survey.  
**OL**—Nancy Shelton to Raydon Exploration Inc., 9-29-03, Sec. 97, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**OL**—Mildred Janeca Duke to Raydon Exploration Inc., 9-29-03, Sec. 97, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**ASSIGN.**—Momentum Energy LLC to Momentum Energy Corporation, 10-16-03, See Instrument.  
**DT**—Momentum Energy Corporation to Compass Bank, 10-16-03, See Instrument.  
**ASSIGN.**—Hal French, LLC to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 9-15-03, Sec. 5, AB&M Survey.  
**ASSIGN.**—Hal French, LLC to

Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 8-1-03, Sec. 5, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.  
**ASSIGN.**—Hal French, LLC to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 8-25-03, Sec. 6, AB&M Survey.  
**ASSIGN.**—Hal French, LLC to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 10-29-03, Sec. 39, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**ASSIGN.**—Hal French, LLC to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 8-1-03, Secs. 40 and 41, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**ASSIGN.**—Hal French, LLC to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 8-1-03, Sec. 41, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**ASSIGN.**—Hal French, LLC to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 7-7-03, Sec. 52, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**ASSIGN.**—Hal French, LLC to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 9-17-03, Sec. 62, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**ASSIGN.**—Hal French, LLC to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 7-1-03, Sec. 58, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**ASSIGN.**—Hal French, LLC to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 8-29-03, Sec. 59, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**ASSIGN.**—Hal French, LLC to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 8-29-03, Sec. 66, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**UCC DT**—Blake Production Company Inc. to Bank of Oklahoma, NA, —, Sec. 22, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**UCC DT**—Blake Production Company Inc. to Bank of Oklahoma, NA, —, Sec. 22, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**UCC DT**—Blake Production Company Inc. to Bank of Oklahoma, NA, —, Sec. 22, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**LIEN AGREEMENT**—Brigham Oil & Gas LP, et al to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, et al, 10-16-03, Sec. 30 and S 1/2 Sec. 31, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**MEMORANDUM**—Mills Ranch & Co. Ltd., et al to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 10-30-03, Sec. 97, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**MEMORANDUM**—Lynn Hale, et al to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 10-30-03, Sec. 97, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**EXT. OL**—Kay Neuhaus Pitcock to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 10-10-03, NE 1/4 Sec. 96, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**ASSIGN.**—Wentz Oil Company LLC to Coastal LLC, 9-26-03, Sec. 35, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**DECEMBER 9, 2003**  
**RDT**—First Ag Credit FLCA to A. D. Downs, et ux, 12-2-03.  
**D**—Sonia Ruiz Alfaro, et al to April Sarah Ruiz, 12-8-03, S 1/2 Lot 3, Blk. 45, Shamrock.  
**D**—April Sarah Ruiz, et al to Abelardo Guadalupe Ruiz, 12-8-03, Lot 10, Blk. 29, Shamrock.

**DECEMBER 10, 2003**  
**D**—Marcelle Payne to Janie Martinez, 12-10-03, Lot 13, Blk. G, Potts Add., Shamrock.  
**RELEASE STATE TAX LIEN**—State of Texas to Terrys Flowing Services LC, 12-5-03.  
**MD**—Farm Credit Bank of Texas to MAPFCB 13-NET, et al, 11-25-03, See Instrument.  
**ASSIGN.**—Michael H. McClintic to Katherine McClintic Howard, 11-23-03, Sec. 21, Blk. 24, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**DT**—Mary E. Nelson, et al to First State Bank of Canadian, 12-8-03, 100' x 179.1' x 50' x 179.1' x 50' x 179.1' out of SE 1/4 Sec. 60, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**EXECUTORS MD**—Lloyd Evans to Harold L. Evans, et al, 12-8-03, E 1/2 S 400 acs. Sec. 6, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey & E 1/2 Sec. 95, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**MERGER AFF.**—Diane Rebstock to Younger Energy Company, et al, 11-24-03.  
**AOL**—G H Land Company LLC to Bravo Natural Resources Inc., 12-2-03, E 1/2 E 1/2; E 1/2 W 1/2 E 1/2 Sec. 2, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**PART. RDT**—Citizens Bank to James C. Fling, et ux, 12-9-03, N 20' Lot 20 and Lots 21-24, Blk. 2, Shamrock.  
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**DVL**—Stacey R. Morgan, et al to Chris Granger, 12-1-03, Lot 1, Blk. 66, WSSA, Shamrock.  
**DT**—Chris Granger to National Bank of Commerce, 12-1-03, Lot 1, Blk. 66, WSSA, Shamrock.  
**AFF.**—Anita Lois Knoll to Joe Frank Knoll, 12-1-03, Lot 1, Blk. 66, WSSA, Shamrock.

## TIME CHANGE

**Wheeler High School**  
**Basketball games**  
**Friday, 12-19-03**  
**JV girls—3:00 P.M.**  
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**Varsity girls**  
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**Varsity boys**  
**—approx. 7:00 P.M.**

## Oil & Gas NEWS

(New Location, Completion and Plugging Report made possible by Oil & Gas Reporting Service, 3930 Beaver St., Vernon, TX 76384. Doris Harrison, Phone: 940/552-6644.)

Week Ending December 11, 2003  
**Intentions to Drill**  
**HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Peak Operating of Texas, L.L.C., #2052 John C. Vise, 660' from North & West line, Sec. 52, M-1, H&GN, PD 12900'.**  
**HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & HEMPHILL Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star Ltd. Partnership, #4 Hobart Ranch '20', 660' from North & 2170' from West line, Sec. 20, A-1, H&GN, PD 12500'.**  
**HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & MIAMI) Bravo Natural Resources, Inc., #1015 Abraham, 467' from North & East line, Sec. 15, I, H&GN, PD 12000'.**  
**ROBERTS (WILDCAT & COURSON RANCH Upper Morrow) Range Production Co., #2 O.T. Brown, 3608' from North & 3059' from West line, O.T. Brown Survey, PD 1000'. Rule 37**  
**WHEELER (WILDCAT & STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Bravo Natural Resources, PD 14000' for the following wells:**  
**#5069 Atherton, 730' from North & 1667' from West line, Sec. 69, A-7, H&GN.**  
**#602 Miller, 467' from North & 2173' from West line, Sec. 2, A-3, H&GN.**  
**Application to Plug-Back**  
**GRAY (N.E. HOOVER Chase) Newfield Exploration Mid-Con., Inc., #702 Ruth, 169' from South & 212' from West line, Sec. 2, 3, I, H&GN, PD 9252'.**  
**CORRECTED Intention to Drill**  
**HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & N.W. MENDOTA, S.W. Granite Wash) Pablo Energy, Inc., #2-36 Campbell Ranch, 467' from South & 660' from East line, Sec. 36, I, H&GN, PD 11500'. Corrected Lease Name (shown on December 4th. Report)**  
**Gas Well Completions**  
**HEMPHILL (ALPAR Tonkawa) BP America Production Co., #312 Forgy, Sec. 112, 41, H&T, spud 5-14-03, drlg. compl 5-28-03, tested 6-26-03, TD 8353', PBDT 8252' -- Recompletion SWR #10 to commingle was approved**  
**HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) Unit Petroleum Co., #1 Cleveland, Sec. 88, 41, H&T, spud 5-21-03, drlg. compl 6-2-03, tested 9-5-03, TD 7870', PBDT 7820' --**  
**Plugged Wells**  
**GRAY (PANHANDLE) Exxcel Production Co., #15 Baggerman 'A', 330' from South & 1650' from West Lease line, Sec. 173, B-2, H&GN, spud 8-28-51, plugged 10-10-03, TD 3065' (oil) -- Form 1 in Cities Service Oil**  
**GRAY (PANHANDLE) Exxcel Production Co., #3 Combs Worley 'A', 660' from South & 330' from West Lease line, Sec. 39, 3, I, H&GN, spud 12-22-37, plugged 10-20-03, TD 2926' (oil) -- Form 1 in Gibson Oil Corp.**  
**GRAY (PANHANDLE) Production Consultants, Inc., #1317W JDF Unit, 2570' from South & 80' from East Lease line, Sec. 128, 3, I, H&GN, spud 11-27-67, plugged 10-14-03, TD 3328' (inj) Form 1 in Cities Service Oil**  
**HEMPHILL (WILDCAT Sparks Tonkawa) EOG Resources, #3 Humphreys '59', 2413' from North & 660' from West Lease line, Sec. 59, 42, H&T, spud 7-24-00, plugged 5-22-03, TD 7760' (oil) --**  
**HEMPHILL (GLAZIER upper Morrow) Coop Energy, Inc., #6401 Pie In The Sky, Sec. 64, 1, G&M, spud unknown, plugged 9-11-01, TD 11450' (gas)**  
**ROBERTS (WILDCAT) Range Production Co., Courson Ranch (dry) -- for the following wells:**  
**#1-141, 949' from North & 782' from East Lease line, Sec. 141, C, G&M, spud 11-11-02, Plugged 12-16-02, TD 9250' --**  
**#1-142, 737' from North & 484' from East Lease line, Sec. 142, C, G&M, spud 10-20-02, Plugged 11-8-02, TD 9650' --**  
**WHEELER (ALLISON PARKS Douglas) Devon Energy Production Co., #4 Lee Unit, 1000', from North & 667' from East Lease line, Sec. 24, RE, R&E, spud 12-8-90, plugged 7-18-03, TD 9000' (oil) -- Form 1 in Kerr-McGee**  
**WHEELER (GAGEBY CREEK) Cambridge Production, Inc., #108 Treadwell, Sec. 8, --, W.H. Simpson, spud unknown, Plugged 11-4-03, TD 18004' (gas) --**

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## COUNTRY NEWS

By Verna Fillingim

Isaiah 55:6 Seek the Lord while He may be found; call upon Him while He is near. Let the wicked forsake his way and the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn to the Lord, and He will have mercy upon him.

Happy Birthday to Martha Meek, Barbara Hodges, Patterson Alvey, Lois Hudson on Dec. 22, Carrie Harris, Rick Woollard on Dec. 21, Stacy Horton, Wade Hathaway, Bobbie Kay Greene, Laramie

Lancaster and Patricia Debose on Dec. 23, Jeff Christner, Ken Criswell, Shirlee Christner and Shaunda Paterson on Dec. 24, Wanda Herd, Mack Marshall, Mark Marshall, James Chapman, Robert Brown, Shelia Mick, Debbie Stinnett and Kenny Reed on Dec. 25, Lee Young, Nancy Shelton,

Phyllis Kinnard and Houston Hardcastle on Dec. 26, Lewis Britt, Cinnamon Wood, Anita Brown, Shane Boring, and DeDee Boring on Dec. 27.

"Joy to the World! The Lord is come!  
 Let earth receive her king;  
 Let every heart prepare Him

room,  
 And heaven and nature sing."  
 Happy Anniversary to Bill and Melinda Stiles, Toby and Kloette Henson and Danny and Karen McNeill on Dec. 21, Ann and C. H. Wright on Dec. 22, Rick and Janet Helfner on Dec. 24, and Garland and Charlene Dukes on Dec. 27 and Ken and Rhonda Rutherford on Dec. 27.

Wheeler First Baptist Church has started making plans for their 100 year celebration in the fall of 2004. Hoping to have former pastors and members to come. Everyone is welcome.

Ed Hershman's mom, Delilah, and daughter Tina Cavin and daughter Julie came Thursday from Indiana to stay till Monday with the Hershmans. Good to see them all out to church with Ed and Laurel and Sarita Dawson and Micaela and Shelby at Wheeler Baptist. Tina and Julie went to Amarillo with the Dawsons and spent Sunday night, coming back Monday. Willa Fillingim also visited the Hershmans and ate lunch Saturday.

Rusty and Noveta Atherton expect to have their family home for Christmas and include Darville Atherton, Angel and John Rosson, Sierra and friend Mathew Martin and baby Jayce, DeAnn Aderholt and Teesha and Torree Coone and Kelley Aderholt from Bakersfield, California, Misty and Will Snelgrooves from Dalhart, Wanda and Anthony Francis, Clayton and Darby Brownfield and Asher and Stephen Francis.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of W. D. Cook of Shamrock who was killed in an accident near Lutie Saturday. His wife, Lena Cook was injured and taken to Northwest Texas Hospital. Jan Hill who works at Wheeler Post Office is a relative.

Bob and Gena Zybach were expecting to have most of their family together Christmas at their house and include Mary Diane and Bevard Dukes, Wayne and Kathy Zybach and Clay and friend, Steve and Joy Zybach, Casey Pigg and husband, Deidre and John Paul Harris and Logan.

Willis Fillingim is spending some time at Wheeler Care Center for better care and to give me a little rest. Go by and visit with him. He would love to see you. Thanks Rita for your help. I am thankful he is enjoying the Care Center and old friends there.

Nice to have a newsy letter from Becky Irvine Tipps. She now has an apartment at Amarillo at 3008 W 28th Apt. 2 Zip 79109. Thanks for the nice card and letter, Becky. So good to see you beautiful and happy again. Becky enjoys being with her kids some and hopes to take courses to prepare her to work with Mentally Ill people. Pray for Becky and her family. We love you, Becky, and your family. Zach



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goes to Amarillo college and is taking Respiratory Therapy.  
 Don McElroy preaches Sunday mornings and nights at Locust Grove Baptist Church where he started preaching many years ago. Tracy and husband Clayton live at Canadian and help with motels there. So good to hear from old friends.

Merry Christmas, Happy New Year everyone. My greatest wish for each of you is that you may know God's love and care in your hearts and pass it on to others.

Laurel Hershman and Sarita Dawson and Micaela and Shelby enjoyed a good visit with Naomi Speck in Amarillo recently. Naomi looked so pretty and was glad to see them.

Lou Dean Douthits family are getting together at her house and the Kinnaman's for Christmas this

weekend, since Christmas will be mid week next week. Peggy and Don North are already here and expecting Billie and Donald Stuckey and the Kinnaman family and others.

Sorry to hear that Michael Blackburn has resigned the pastorate of Mobeetie Baptist Church to go back to his job with Enron in Kansas. Michael's wife, Janie also has a job and they have a daughter. Best wishes! God go with you.

There was a big crowd out to Wheeler Baptist Church Sunday night for their Childrens Choir and Christmas Program. Very good. Sandwich supper following the program. Merry Christmas to all!

Vickie Nelson goes to Miami on Wednesday after school and picks up granddaughters, Amy, and Danielle, and takes them to Pampa to eat at McDonalds and visit with their dad, Danny Nelson, and Ashley and Haylee.

C. B. Brotherton's cataract surgery went real well. No pain. C. B. will go to Oklahoma City for checkup on it Christmas Eve and spend Christmas with Gary and  
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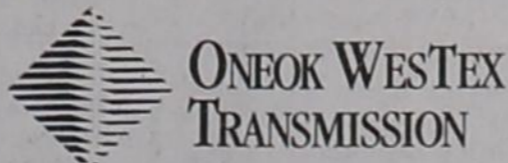
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# Country (from Page 5)

Kathy Brotherton and Ryan, JaNae and Adam at Yukon.

Cindy Sweet and Jessie from Amarillo were weekend visitors to Sonya Hudson and Patrick. Cindy and Sonya visited Ray and Glenda a little while Saturday night. Boys were home watching T.V.

Ray and Glenda Hudson visited Lois Hudson Sunday at Amarillo. Lois hasn't been feeling very well, but is a little better. Remember Lois in your prayers.

Gaye Hale was planning and looking forward to having her family home for Christmas and include Elizabeth Hale from Weatherford, Texas, David and Heather Hale and Sarah Beth and Dawson from Canyon, Sarah Hale from Fort Worth, Olaf Sivage and maybe others. Of course the entertainment will be those precocious babies and Gaye's fine cooking, with help from the girls.

Danny and Chris are preparing and bringing Christmas dinner and we will have Willis over from the Care Center. We will have Lindsey and Blain and Dallas and Krystal sometime during the holidays. Ken may be working on Ospreys. He gets triple pay for the holidays. Hope weather is good.

Nice to have a card from Jeanne (lee) and Wayne Wallis. New address is 4207 Alamo Rd. Amarillo, TX 79110. Wayne has had a bad year health wise. He had to have an artificial vein inserted from his groin to his knee to give more circulation to his foot. There was infection in the toe bone that wouldn't heal until they did the new vein. Pray for them. They would love to hear from old friends.

Dec. 11 Krystal surprised Dallas Fillingim on his 30 birthday by putting pictures of a young Dallas in the Wichita falls paper and the Archer County news and got him a Satellite Radio to listen to as he travels in his job. Dallas and Krystal went to Canyon Friday to visit Ken and Lindsey and Blain. They ate supper at Ruby Tequilas and spent the night and celebrated Lindsey's 27th birthday. Saturday Dallas and Krystal went on to Lubbock to watch Windhorst play Sunray for Semi finals in football and came back to Canyon to spend the night with the Criswells. Windhorst won 34-12. Ready for state!

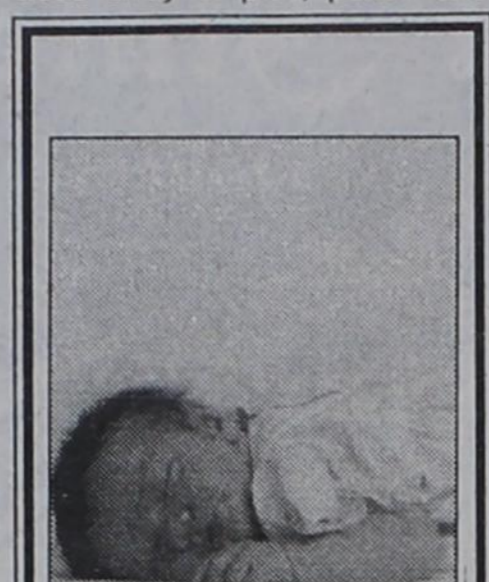
Dan and Chris Fillingim got back to Elk City Saturday after a week's trip to Las Vegas, Nevada to the National Rodeo Finals. They also shopped some at the "Country Christmas" and "Cowboy Christmas" extravaganza. They also went to the rodeo 3 nights. Really good. They saw Mike Meadows and brother-in-law, Tom Hill at Las Vegas. They really enjoyed it all.

So sorry Sharon Wright had to have surgery for aneurysms in her brain at Lubbock. She is doing a little better. Remember this sweet lady in your prayers.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Robertson spent a few days at Lubbock and watched a basketball tournament at Abernathy. Their daughter,

Deanne, coached the Peyton girls, so got to visit some. They also did some shopping. Nice time to get away.

Nice to have Dan and Chris Fillingim come up Sunday. I went with them to the Wheeler Nursing and Rehabilitation Annual Christmas Party. BIG crowd there. Delicious array of pies, punch and



Riley Elizabeth Gilmer, 2 weeks old, is the daughter of Casey and Mandy Gilmer of Elk City, OK. Grandparents are Jim and Vicky Gilmer of Briscoe and James and Martha Ogle of Canadian.

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other goodies. Good to see so many old friends. Santa Claus was there handing out nice gifts to all the residents.

Later Dan and Chris took me to Soto's for a delicious supper. And then they came back and fixed lots of things for me—like light bulbs, heat vents, etc. Thank you very much! They even found the missing lens from his glasses and got them back together. Willis was proud! Nice to have our Santa up.

Some of the Fort Elliott Tournament was cancelled Friday night, because of icy conditions. Fort Elliott girls defeated Booker girls 71-19. Booker boys won first with Fort Elliott boys, second. Congratulations to all. That was Satur-

## Mobeetie (from Page 2)

and Odis in Shamrock. They helped her clean house and had a new carpet put down for her. They went to the Irish Inn for lunch. They had planned on visiting with Ivy Richardson, but she was home sick with cold or flu.

Devin McDaniel had DNC surgery Sunday. She is doing well after receiving four units of blood. Her husband became ill and is in the hospital in isolation. Remember him in your prayers. Pam Jones is in Amarillo with them taking care of the grandchildren. Devin may be released in a day or two.

Gay Hale visited with Pam Jones and Devin in the hospital Sunday afternoon.

Joe Shelton is doing well after his heart surgery. He is walking some each day and was able to drive around a little Monday.

Amanda Salas will have 2 big test this week and then be out of school for Christmas till in Jan. She drives to Amarillo everyday for school.

Hugh and Mae Bailey have colds. They went to Stinnett Monday and Hugh went on to the cemetery to put out flowers in Spearman. Mae went shopping with Lois Hughes.

Orville Greenhouse went to Wheeler Sunday to visit with Alvern Hutchison. They went by to see Marie Gudge, but she wasn't home.

Sue Mayfield is doing better following her heart surgery. Her mother, Carol Othman, will be spending the winter with them. Jeff Mayfield and family of Pampa came by Monday to see them. They had been to Dallas. Sue's brother, Joe Orthman, of

day finals. Fort Elliott girls won first.

Shirley Jolly and daughters, Cathy Hooper from Perryton and Vickie Nelson went to Clinton, Oklahoma to K Mart and Elk City and tried to finish their Christmas Shopping. They always have a great time together. Vickie said they do more laughing than shopping. You'd think they were 3 sisters.

I've had some kind of crud that makes me breathe noisily when I try to sleep and lie down. Medications don't seem to help much. Any ideas anyone? I'm better. Children's Nyquil seems to help.

Saturday Willis Fillingim enjoyed a good visit from long time friend,

Dumas just got married to Twila Leeter. They came by to see Sue.

Carol Orthman went to Dumas for an early Christmas with her son, Keith Sorensen, Jessica and Jamie, Kapka and daughter Emily and son Aaron, and Lori Sorensen of Hereford was also there.

Bill and Patsy Caswell are still in Houston. They are doing more tests on Bill and should have the reports Tuesday. They are ready to come home. Karly rode home with some people from Pampa and stayed with Curt and Mindy Duncan, Haydon and Gatlin till her Aunt Betty could get here to stay with her.

Our sympathy goes out to the family of Bill Hagerman of Pampa. Bill helped the museum for about 2 months on the restrooms. He died sudden of a heart attack.

Jack and Bernice Hefley went to Butler, OK Wednesday to visit with Mark and Darla Hefley. They have been busy going to the hospital to be with Jack's mother, Opal. She has been in the hospital for a month. She has a bad cold again. She told them not to come to the hospital, because of the flu cases. Remember her in your prayers. She entered the hospital with pneumonia.

There was a good turn out for the First Baptist church of Allison. Doris Finsterwald and Betty Rogers visited Monday with Estelle Hodges.

Tina won 3rd place at the livestock show in Wheeler on Saturday with one of her lambs. Betty said she was excited, as this was her first livestock show.

We got a trace of snow and lots of north winds Tuesday morning. It was quite a change from the 70-degree weather. The temperature wind chill factor was in the teens.

## OLD JAIL MUSEUM NEWS from last week...

Several served as docent this past week. Ruby Caviness worked in Melba's place while she was on vacation. Dale Corcoran served as docent Saturday and Sunday. Monday Melba Corcoran worked on the archives. Ruby Caviness served as docent and work on the archives.

The Old Mobeetie Texas Association held their regular monthly meeting Thursday December 4 with President Joe VanZandt in charge of the meeting. Jim Hill led in the opening prayer. Melba Corcoran read the minutes. There being no discussions or correction Joe declared them approved. Joe read the financial report, which was prepared by Frances Dickey. Motion by Maurita Stribling to approve and second by Jim Hill. Motion carried. Melba Corcoran gave the visitors report as 116 with 7 from out of state and 1 from Norway and 1 from Ireland. The volunteer hours were 148. The cataloging report was 17,373 sheets and 35,620 items. Louise Hogan gave the web site report as 24,233 hits with an average of 808 with 1 new country, which was Tuvalu.

The first item on the agenda was drawing for the quilt. Leroy Patton of Yukon, OK won the quilt. David Seitz the youngest person present drew the name.

Joe reported that we have been approved for a grant for half of the roof on the jail we now have to get a project proposal ready. The THC will meet with the group in January or February.

Melba Corcoran reported that the music festival is proceeding ok.

The Cataline School was next on the agenda. There was no report due to the absent of Jay Godwin.

Joe had talked to the Davis' about a bid on the Huseby house. They will give one bid on the two stories and front porch and the other on the older part and south porch.

Louise Hogan reported on a letter from Ronald Dubbs of PA. A relative of Emanuel Dubbs. We have sent them some of the information we have on him.

David Seitz had a request to use some of the information from the web site and the Mobeetie-oply. Motion by Bobby Hill to give him permission to use the information for a tour. Melba Corcoran seconded the motion and it carried.

Louise Hogan made a motion we accept the addressgram that the bank gave to the First Baptist Church and they gave it to us. Maurita Stribling seconded the motion and it carried.

Melba reported she had to return a call to Panhandle Plains Museum to made arrangement for the items the museum is receiving from them to be picked up.

Jim Hill made a motion to adjourn. Those attending were Joe VanZandt, Louise Hogan, Maurita Stribling, David Seitz, Jim and Bobby Hill, and Dale and Melba Corcoran.

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Olaf Sivage at Wheeler Care Center. Thanks a lot, Olaf. Meant so much.

Many thanks to all for sweet Christmas cards and notes. You are special. Sorry I'm poky! David and Rita Pearson went to Canyon Sunday and visited with Lindsey Criswell and Blain (Ken went Pheasant hunting with a group of co-workers-but no pheasants) and Dallas and Krystal and ate at Golden Corral. Dallas and Krystal went home after lunch. For supper the Pearsons and Criswells ate at a new Cafe in Canyon called Feldman's Wrong Way Cafe. Good. Saturday lunch Joe Lackey joined Dallas and Krystal and Lindsey and Blain for a good visit at Furr's. Rita had an insurance meeting at Amarillo Monday, so spent the night. Sunday they saw Randy and

Rodney Garner at Golden Corral. Rita had gone to school at Samnorwood with Randy and Dallas had played basketball against Rodney Garner. Enjoyed seeing them.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Agnes Hall, 90, in her death. She was the widow of Rayburn Hall, mother of Curtis Hall.

Nice to have a call from Don Zumstein. Daughter Carrie will be graduating at Baylor at Waco in a few days with 3.94 grade average and as a Phi Beta Kappa. One of 28 out of 4,000. She is excited about a new job with Hope International Adoptions, something close to her heart. Don's parents from Washington State will be flying down to Dallas to go to graduation with Don and Cindy and William and Daniel. "God be with you till we meet again."

## Allison (from Page 3)

at the hospital. Vance's temperature was already 104.8. That's a little above normal, so a search and tests were fast coming. The only results that evening was Vance wasn't going anywhere fast, except to a hospital bed and I.V.'s were started immediately to combat infection. Of course, Carol stayed with him. Everyone at the hospital did a splendid job! Made Vance and Carol feel right at home. Lacey, Melody, the lady with her puppy stories, Adam and others took a place in Vance and Carol's hearts. The ladies in the kitchen were wonderful. The first night, there wasn't much rest for anyone. The beepers on the machine kept going off and the nurses would reset the machine. Vance finally asked one attendant if he could do something about the beeping and he said, "I can if you don't mind getting stuck with a needle again." Vance's reply was, "Go to it." The young man changed the IV to the left arm and it was find the rest of the stay. Vance won't ever forget that young man! On Thursday, Vance was released to go home with strict orders for rest and some strong antibiotics and proper diet and to drink much liquids. And then he will have more tests. This kidney infection was a tough one. Carol is thankful Vance, not like many men, had the good sense to go for help. They are both thankful for the prayers, cards, visits and gifts from their many friends and family. Guess at the musical celebration many like, Bret Berger were wondering about the absence of Vance and Carol. No, it wasn't the rapture, just an unexpected change in plans. Heard the Christmas Celebration was a blessed time of worship and fellowship for all who made it. Look for the missing couple next year.

Vance is a very dedicated postmaster at Allison. Needless to say he has really been concerned about being absent at work as the post office being one of Santa's leading helpers, is so very busy this time of the year. But dear, dependable, Virginia Puryear has assured him not to fear, she can and will take the reigns until such time Vance's health returns, then he can have it back. Vance can't find the proper words to thank Virginia enough! This is truly another Christmas gift. One that can't be bought or returned. THANKS!! Virginia!

On Saturday a family celebration and gathering had been planned at the home of Dick and Cletus Greene. Vance and Carol were not sure if they could make it, but kept hoping to. They followed doctors orders as closely as they could and when Saturday arrived the time was set for an early afternoon party. So Vance rested all morning. Then he bundled up and he and Carol drove out the road to the Greene's house. How excited they were, not just to get out of the house for a little while, but to be with family. Wonder how much little Chelsi had changed? It had been a while since they had seen her and she will be three in January!

On arrival, Cletus was at the door with arms outstretched and helping to carry in gift as she said, "Come on in, Come on in, we've been waiting!" Everyone was scurrying around with excitement and preparation!! Kevin, Theda, and Chelsi Boydston had traveled the treacherous roads from Beggs, Oklahoma. Kevin is Vance and Carol's oldest son and their youngest son, Kyle Boydston of Clovis, New Mexico had arrived from the other direction. Jamie and Alexis hadn't arrived yet but Jonathan keeps pretty busy on the computer. Even the dogs were excited! Tiffany, Kyle's beautiful white maltess lived with Carol and Vance for awhile and what a welcome she gave them. Oh glad reunion! Sassy, the Greene's maltess had quite a wiggle too. Kevin and Kyle were busy outback preparing steaks in the turkey frier where they had already frier potatoes. Chelsi was all bright eyed on Pa Paw Vance's shoulder and eating salad tomatoes like there wouldn't be anymore. Theda had put together stuffed jalapenos that were so good!! They just added zip to everything! There was delicious creamed corn and salad plate and etc. What delicious punch Cletus makes!! Can eyes believe that dessert bar. Talk about memories! Cletus had made her traditional plum fun cake, banana nut bread and if Carolina could have been there, she would have been proud to see Kyle chuck down the german

chocolate cake, Cletus made from Caroline's recipe. Just one of Kyle's favorites! Theda did a super job on another one of Caroline's traditional recipes and another of Kyle's favorites. Well, that fresh orange cake is almost a favorite of everyone! Also enjoyed was Caroline's recipe of strawberry salad. The Lord may call our loved ones home, but they won't be forgotten. They are in our hearts to stay and we can exercise that by carrying on some of their traditions. And we can share some of the happy times we had with them as we remember. Theda topped everything off later with a very delicious drink with sherbert. It was so refreshing. The fudge and some other foods were excellent, but if you haven't tried cooking steaks in this manner you must! They are the most tender, best tasting you'll ever enjoy! And this bit of information doesn't cost you extra. Ha! Ha!

Well, after stuffing with all the wonderful food, and visiting and talking for awhile someone mentioned opening gifts. Could that be Alexis? Who put her up to it? Huh? She and Jonathan seemed very happy with those miniature radios. Alexis put on her Christmas socks right away and Jonathan what kind of crazy lighted pen was that anyway? Kyle was happy with his oversized Christmas mugs and Kevin and Theda with their clock and traditional knife. Wonder who lost their marbles?? How's Vance gonna lose weight with that new bread machine. And how did Santa know Carol had never had one, but always wished for one? And how Vance and Carol will enjoy those beautiful mistletoe Christmas dishes! Vance already held up a cup over Carol's head and claimed a kiss! Vance, I don't think that was the intended use of those dishes, but I see you are enjoying them! Cletus was proud of her apple basket as well. It was lots of fun watching Chelsi carrying the doll Pa Paw Vance just couldn't leave in the store, because it reminded him of Chelsi, baby. And she had fun with her fluffy purse. Daddy, Kevin seemed to share the doll with Chelsi. Walking dolls are fun right, Dad? What a good husband, Dick is. He was after all the paper and debris after everyone had excitedly ripped open their gifts and left it all over the floor. Grandma Lanora and Aunt Norvita were missed as they couldn't get out for the gathering. They sure are loved and were served all the wonderful traditional foods of the season and received their gifts later.

The family celebration just wasn't complete without a little Kerri-Okie. My what talent!! Kevin and Kyle got to singing and jivin and then Theda did some marvelous Patsy Cline and others. And everyone sang along. Think country topped the charts! Dick led the family in the Marine Hymn and Chelsi and her Daddy too the show with Mary Had a Little Lamb and other favorites of children. Needless to say a joyous time was had by all. A prayer to bless the food was led by Vance. What a lovely time the Christmas Season is!! Families gather as they bond and heal and love grows and memories are made that last always. And all because baby Jesus was born. He came that we might be saved and spend eternity with Him.

The Allison United Pentecostal Church presented their Christmas Program Sunday morning. Juanita Boydston was the one that arranged a play and poems and singing of Christmas Hymns. We had a good Christmas program. The Lord met us there and blessed our hearts and blessed our program. Thank the Lord for his Blessings!! After the program, we enjoyed a very very delicious meal in the Fellowship Hall of the church. Louise always makes those delicious melt in your mouth Hot Rolls and all the other food was great. Thanks to all that helped out on the program and the food.

## CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank all the Wheeler County Fire Departments, Commissioners and road crews that responded to the fire on our property December 15. The fire started from a mal function in a transformer on Highway 1906. A dangerous situation from an extremely high wind was soon under control with the help of fire fighters and commissioners.

Thanks to all, Billy and Carolyn Buckingham

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