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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride"

## Wheeler County Election Results:

(Contested Races)  
REPUBLICAN:  
Comm., Pct. 3: Richard Kincannon, 67; Paul Thomas Macina, 41  
Constable, Pct. 2: Bill Turnbow, 137; Jerry Don Allen, 59

DEMOCRAT:  
Constable, Pct. 2: Jerry Bob Jernigan (I), 319; Julian Torrez, 280  
County Attorney: Jim Fling, 642; Bobbye Hill (I), 406

## CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

The Ft. Elliott Lady Cougars closed their basketball season in Austin on Thursday. Lost the game for the state title. They had a fantastic year and we are proud of them.

The good news is: **IT RAINED!** Not just a shower, a good general rain.

The official amount for Wheeler was 2.13". Reports in the area were as much as 3". And, it fell so nice and slow with very little runoff.

We have been having beautiful spring weather with temperatures in the 70's.

The Wheeler County commissioners were able to lift the burn ban.

The Wheeler Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors met on Tuesday. The group voted to purchase...

## Sybil Alice Fish, 89, Buried Fri. In Ark.

Sybil Alice Fish, 89, of Bartlesville passed away March 2, 2004 at Jane Phillips Hospital in Bartlesville.

She was born May 3, 1914, in Carlan, Arkansas to Charlie D. and Myrtle E. Love Brown. She lived in Siloam Springs, Arkansas and in Texas before moving to Bartlesville, Oklahoma in 1987. She was a homemaker and a lifetime member of the United Pentecostal Church. She attended the United Pentecostal Church in Bartlesville for seventeen years. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ira Robert Fish, in March, 1965 and a son, Johnny Fish later.

Survivors include two sons, Robert Fish of Siloam Springs, Arkansas; Lloyd Fish of Dyer, Arkansas; three daughters, Beulah Burns of Tulsa, Oklahoma; Geraldine Townsley of Bartlesville, Oklahoma; and Linda Hendrick of Lufkin, Texas; twenty grandchildren; sixty-eight great-grandchildren; several great-great-grandchildren; two brothers, Warren Brown of Amarillo, Texas; Len Brown of Dumas, Texas; two sisters, Opal Boydston of Allison, Texas; Billy June Brown of Allison, Texas.

Services were at three p.m. Friday, March 5, 2004, at Wasson Funeral Home in Siloam Springs, Arkansas with Pastor Roy Moss and the Rev. Donnie Hendrick and the Rev. Robert Hendrick officiating. Burial was in Oak Hill Cemetery.

## Horace A. Fillingim Services Are Thurs.

Horace Albert Fillingim, 80, died Monday, March 8, 2004, at Allison, Texas.

Services will be at 2:00 P.M. Thursday, March 11, 2004, in the First United Methodist Church in Allison, Texas, with Rev. Ricky Carstensen, pastor, officiating. The burial will be under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Mr. Fillingim was born October 5, 1923, in Wheeler County, Texas, to Irving Gillis and Laura Fillingim. He has been a farmer for most of his life. Mr. Fillingim graduated from Canadian High School in 1942 and attended Watch Makers School in Amarillo. He married Juanita Boren September 19, 1954, in Olney Springs, CO. After marrying Juanita, they moved to the Allison Community from Colorado in 1967. Mr. Fillingim was a veteran of WWII, serving in the U.S. Navy and a member of the Allison United Methodist Church, Allison, Texas.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Judy Roman; his parents; one sister, Leola Root; and four brothers, Leon, E. G., William and Hugh Fillingim.

Survivors are his wife, Juanita of Allison; one son, Lawrence Fillingim of Tatum, Texas; one daughter, Bonnie Maddox of Tatum, Texas; two brothers, Talmadge Fillingim of Providence, Utah and Willis Fillingim of Wheeler, Texas; two sisters, Eula Mae Newman of Saginaw, Texas and Laura Cornelia Lehman of McGaeger, MN; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. The family requests memorials be made to the Adam Tipps Fund, 9575 CR 15, Briscoe, Texas 79011-9612.

## Local Students On Nat'l Dean's List

There are students from this area that are among the approximately 170,000 students included in the 26th Annual Edition of *The National Dean's List, 2002-2003*. The *National Dean's List*, published by educational communications, Inc., Austin, Texas, is the largest recognition program and publication in the nation honoring high achieving college students.

Students are selected for this honor by their college deans, registrars or honor society advisors and must be in the upper 10% of their classes, on their school's "Dean's List," or have earned a comparable honor. Listed students are eligible to compete for \$50,000 in scholarship awards funded by the publisher, an may also use a referral service for future employment opportunities.

Local students selected include: Betty R. Chapman, Clarendon College and Kara Emmert, Oklahoma State University.

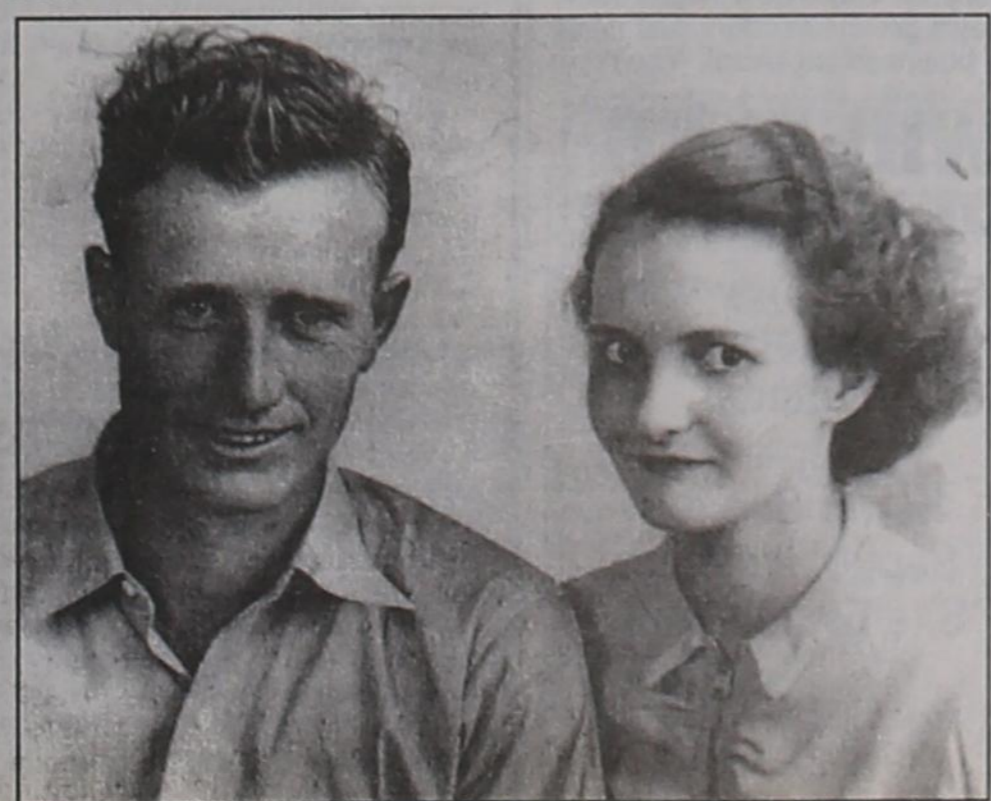
## It was love at first sight

(The following article was taken from the GUYMON DAILY HERALD, Guymon, Okla. It was written by Myrna Campbell. The Grimes are former Mobeetie residents.)

GUYMON, OKLA.—They met on a blind date but Doyle Grimes knew that very night that Bulah Beatrice Brewer was the girl for him. "You might say it was love at first sight," he said.

Because Doyle had a sister who lived at Mobeetie, Texas, where Bulah's family lived, he had become acquainted with some of the young people there. One night, Doyle drove his Model-A coupe the 60 miles from his home in Loco, Texas, to Mobeetie to see a former girlfriend who happened to be a friend of Bulah's. Doyle took her to a movie and to the ice cream parlor. Within the week, Bulah had received her first letter from Doyle.

At the time they met, Bulah was working for Doyle's sister. "Times were hard," Bulah said, "and the only payment she could offer me was 100 baby chicks." But that was fine with Bulah, since she wanted them for a 4-H project. The Grimes were married on July 9, 1938, in Wheeler, Texas. That was almost 66 years ago. Two days after their wedding, they went to Childress, Texas, to see Franklin D. Roosevelt who stopped there when he was passing through on a train. Their first home was a one-room house at Loco, near Wellington, where Doyle worked as a farm laborer. In 1941, Doyle began farming for himself at Mobeetie. They bought their first land in 1943, starting with just 200 acres. It was there that they raised two sons and a daughter. They were active members of the First Baptist Church where Doyle served as an usher for more than 40 years and Bulah taught Sunday School. They lived on their farm in Mobeetie until August, 2002, when health concerns caused them to move to Guymon to be near their daughter, Phillis Tucker and her husband, Jerry. Their granddaughter, Dixie Purdy and her husband, Chris, also live in Guymon. Their two sons, Jerry Grimes and his wife, Beverly, and Gary Grimes and his wife, Marilyn, both live in Amarillo. They have nine grandchildren, all of whom are college graduates and 13 great-grandchildren. The number one highlight of their marriage, Bulah said, was Doyle becoming a Christian shortly after they were married. She attributes the success of their marriage to "being considerate of others and of each other." Doyle said, "It is loving each other and our children."



Doyle and Bulah Grimes begin their life together.



Rebekah Griswold, Miss Southern Virginia

## Rebekah Griswold Is Candidate For Miss Virginia In June Pageant

Rebekah Griswold of Ruckersville, VA was crowned Miss Southern Virginia on Saturday, February 28th in Keysville, Virginia. Miss Southern Virginia is one of 28 preliminaries held throughout the state of Virginia. Rebekah was one of seven contestants vying for the crown of Miss Southern Virginia that would lead her to the Miss Virginia pageant in June.

Rebekah is the daughter of Richard and Brenda Griswold of Ruckersville, Virginia and the granddaughter of Mrs. Peggy Munkres and the late Tom Bryant of Kelton. She is a home schooled graduate and currently an 18 year old freshman at Liberty University where she is majoring in physical fitness and exercise science.

Each contestant was judged on interview 40%, talent 30%, gown 10%, swimsuit 10% and on stage question 10%. Interview questions

are designed around current world issues and each girls platform that they are currently undertaking to better their communities, state and country. Rebekah's platform is C.A.N.D.Y., Creating Activities and Nutritious Diets for our Youth. Rebekah's talent was playing on the piano "Prelude in C-sharp Minor" by Rachmaninoff with a theatrical flare, seizing the talent award and a \$200 scholarship. Rebekah also received a \$1000 scholarship for winning the title of Miss Southern Virginia.

Rebekah will be at the state pageant in Roanoke, Virginia on June 24th, 25th, and 26th. The winner of Miss Virginia will then compete in Miss America in September. Tickets go on sale June 1st. Anyone wishing to sponsor Rebekah may contact her director, Kyla Silver at 434-547-9403 or Brenda Griswold at 434-985-4464.

## Walk Across Texas Will Kick-Off Tues. March 16

We will kick off Walk Across Texas at the Wheeler track at 6:30 p.m. on March 16th. We will be headed to Port Isabel 748.7 miles. Join the fun! Come by the Extension Office to get a registration packet.

Port Isabel is on the point where Texas Highway 100 meets the

Laguna Madre in southeastern Cameron County, sixteen miles northeast of Brownsville. It is connected to South Padre Island by the two-mile-long Queen Isabella Causeway. The Point Isabel Lighthouse was authorized by the U.S. Congress, first lit in 1853 and is open to the public. On the same grounds is the Lighthouse Keeper's Cottage which houses the Port Isabel Chamber of Commerce and a display of lighthouse related historical items.

Walkers can still register at the Kick Off. The cost of registration is \$10.00. Each participant will receive a free t-shirt and will have the opportunity to win prizes at the ending celebration. The top four winning teams will win a prize for each of their team members. Thank you to our sponsors!

The Gold Sponsors are Britt Ranch, Great Plains Breeders Service, Inc., Dr. Mike Smith, DDS and Thriftway, Tom Velasquez. The Silver Sponsors are C & H Supply, Inc. and Lee's Refrigeration.

We would like to thank these sponsors for their support and encouragement of a healthy community.

Everyone can follow the success of the Walk Across Texas Teams by logging on to the Wheeler Extension website <http://wheeler-tx.tamu.edu> and going to the Walk Across Texas link.

## Hospital Notes

- Assisted Living**  
Glen Elmore  
Odra Christopher  
Ruth Ledbetter  
Neta Evans  
Glen Williams  
Verne Lohberger  
Garnett Gunter  
Opal Hefley
- New Admissions**  
3/1 Fat Childress  
3/2 Gwen Loyd  
3/5 Janice Folley  
Betty Arrington  
Mary Cornell
- Dismissals**  
3/2 Vera Baker  
3/3 Fat Childress  
3/5 Gwen Loyd

## County Commissioners Meet Mon.; County Burn Ban Has Been Is Lifted

The Commissioner's Court of Wheeler County met in regular session on Monday, March 8, 2004, at 10:00 a.m. in the Courthouse Annex at 410 South Main Street in Wheeler.

There were fourteen items on the agenda.

The commissioners approved the minutes of the previous meeting.

The monthly reports of the Justices of the Peace, County Tax Assessor, County Clerk and District Clerk were accepted.

The hourly payroll time sheets were approved for payment.

The bills presented to the court were paid.

There was no action taken on the budget.

The restoration of the courthouse was the sixth item on the agenda. Everything is reported to be going along fine with no changes to be added at this time. The project is three weeks ahead of schedule. The demolition work is complete and workmen are starting on the top floor and working down on the finish work. The well drilling is completed and the heating and air condition systems are to be delivered shortly.

With the general rains received last week, the commissioners voted to remove the burn ban for the time being.

The Wheeler Volunteer Fire Department Meeting Room at 205 E. Sixth in Wheeler will serve as an auxiliary County Courtroom during the time the courthouse is being renovated.

## Farmers', Ranchers' EQIP Sign-Up Starts

The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) is a voluntary conservation program that promotes agricultural production and environmental quality. Through EQIP, ranchers, farmers, beginning farmers or ranchers and limited farmers or ranchers could receive cost-share and technical assistance on their farm.

Your local NRCS office has been allocated around \$102,000.00 for their local ranchers and farmers in the district, to make environmental quality improvement to their land. The Natural Resource Conservation Service is taking applications at this time.

Calvin would like to urge farmers and ranchers to call their local NRCS to make appointments ASAP. The number to call is 806-826-3565 (ext. 3) between 8:00 am and 4:30 pm, Monday-Friday. The last day to sign up is April 15, 2004.

We are looking forward to working with you.

## Clarendon College To Offer EMT Class

Clarendon College will offer basic emergency medical technician (EMT) training beginning April 12, 2004. Classes will be from 6-10 p.m. on Monday and Thursday nights at the Wheeler EMS building in Wheeler. Cost for the 15-week course is \$300 for tuition and fees and \$75 for the textbook. Continuing education credits are earned upon completion of this course. To register for the class, contact Clarendon College at (806) 874-3571.

## Weekly Exercise Class Will Begin March 22

Start Exercising Monday, March 22nd at 6:00 p.m. location to be announced. The exercise program will include weight strengthening exercises and the SMILE Program (So Much Improvement with a Little Exercise). The exercises are by no means high impact and are not aerobic. Anyone can do these exercises! Please call the Extension Office to be included in this eight-week class.

The location of the exercise class will be the West Texas Christian School.

## T-BALL

### BASEBALL SIGN UPS GOING ON NOW

You can stop by Dori's Salon next to Hyland's in Wheeler to sign up or come to the last sign up at Wheeler ISD on March 15th from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. This will be the last day to sign up. Dori Butler 826-5646 Work 826-0046 Home

ing renovated.

County Sheriff Rick Walden met with the commissioners to have Pat Childress' name removed from the payroll as of February 29, 2004.

Sheriff Walden also ask for Kathleen Frankenberg's name be removed from the payroll as of March 15, 2004. Kathleen has taken a dispatch job in Oklahoma.

The Sheriff also ask that Jason Miller be transferred from a part-time employee to full time, effective 3/16/04. Jason will serve as a dispatcher at a starting salary of \$1,616.96 per month.

The commissioners also approved the transfer of Jimmy Tallant from part-time to full time. Jimmy will serve full time as a dispatcher at a starting salary of \$1,616.96 effective 3/16/04.

Hubert Moore, Commissioner, Pct. 3, presented his Certified Commissioner Court Member certificate.

Tom Puryear, Commissioner, Pct. 2, has completed his hours of certification, but did not present his certificate at the March 8, 2004, meeting.

The court was adjourned with the next regular session to be March 22, 2004.

## Wheeler FCCLA To Host Variety Show

The Wheeler FCCLA Variety Show has been scheduled for Monday, March 29, 2004, at the Wheeler High School auditorium at 6:30 P.M.—? Proceeds go to the Rainbow Room—a service for children in need.

People of all ages are invited to participate. Acts may include lip-sync, singing, poem reading, etc.

If you are interested, call the Wheeler School office to obtain an entry form or contact Judy Woollard.

Deadline to enter is March 24, 2004.

This event has no judges. This is strictly for the Rainbow Room.

## RC&D Holds Annual Membership Meeting

Wheeler County Soil and Water Conservation District #141 hosted the Annual Membership Meeting of the North Rolling Plains Resource Conservation and Development Council on Tuesday, February 24, 2004 (10:00 a.m.) at the U-Drop Inn at Shamrock, Texas.

This meeting was a great success and there were approximately 40 people in attendance.

We would like to thank the Wheeler Soil and Water Conservation District Board, North Rolling Plains RC&D Council, and the Wheeler Natural Resource Conservation Service for all their assistance in the preparation of the meeting.

We would also like to thank the following businesses that contribute to this meeting by providing various door prizes:

Shamrock Chamber of Commerce, Shamrock U-Drop Inn, Shamrock Economic Development Board, James Reneau Seed Co., Bob Gober of Canadian, Wheeler Times, First State Bank of Mobeetie/Wheeler, Wheeler Farm Bureau, C&H Supply of Shamrock, General Store of Wheeler, Mel's Diner, Wheeler Economic Development Board, Frontier Seed of Abernathy, Wheeler Lumber Company, Bartlett's of Shamrock, Zodel's Pizza of Wheeler, Market Square Thriftway of Shamrock, Thriftway Supermarket of Wheeler, Hyland's, New Heirlooms of Shamrock.

## Wheeler Co. Islanders Special Olympics Set

Wheeler County Islanders Special Olympics will be hosting a Special Olympics Saturday, April 3, 2004 at Wheeler Track Field.

Volunteers planning meeting at Soto's on Wednesday, March 17, at 6:30 p.m. All interested people are urged to attend.

You may contact Pat Childress @826-0201.

## CPR Certification Class To Be Offered

A CPR Certification Class is being offered Tuesday, March 23rd and 30th from 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. at the Wheeler School. The two-day class is being taught by Mary Britt and Judy Woollard. There is no charge to take the class but you must register by phone with the Extension Office 826-5243. The class has a limited size and will close when full.



# Congratulations, Ft. Elliott Lady Cougars & Cougars



**STATE FINALS:** The Ft. Elliott Lady Cougars played in the State Finals on Thursday morning, but were defeated by Fayetteville. Shown here with their Area trophy are (back row, l. to r.) Tamara Hefley, Laura Lohberger, Shealee Coulter, Vanessa Huff, Glory Hartsfield, Sarah Zybach, (front) Alicia Reis, Andrea Hathaway, Holly McCurley, Katie Donaldson and Jessica Helton. Chynna Atherton is not shown. The final score was 63 for Ft. Elliott and 58 for Hedley. The Lady Cougars played Spur at Texan Dome in Levelland.

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## MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Sue Mayfield

It was a great year, Lady Cougars! We're very proud of your accomplishments! Sorry the year didn't end like it looked like it might and we all had hoped it would for you. But it was a great year and a great experience. (Except for the final score.) Sorry that had to be your "off day".

But you were an awesome team this year. You gave us something

to remember!! for a long time. What an experience.

Bro. Harvey Patterson, Don

Burke, Toney Dickey and Hugh and Mae Bailey treked off to Austin. They took a break in Waco and

visited about an hour and half with Brother Harvey's parents. A very enjoyable visit. Delightful people.

The Lord blessed the whole state with moisture. We are so fortunate to have gotten part of our share and no severe weather. Water standing in fields all the way to Austin. But evidence of severe weather in several places coming back. But thankfully the Lord protected them throughout the whole trip.

The First Baptist Church of Mobeetie is very excited about an upcoming concert. Kalob Cox will be flying in from Houston March 15 to Amarillo so he can be here at 7:00 p.m. to have a special concert for the youth before they end their spring break and head back to school, but it is open to everyone. You won't be disappointed. He is only 20 years old, but very gifted and dedicated to the Lord.

Kalob has several relatives and friends in the Canadian and Wheeler area.

What a way to start the week. Mark March 15 on your calendar now. 7:00 P.M. First Baptist church of Mobeetie. Kalob Cox Concert.

Recently Geoffrey and Frieda Caldwell celebrated with Drew and Beverly Godwin and family, the return of their grandson, Sgt. Chad McLaughlin from Iraq. Chad is son of Les and Michelle McLaughlin and has 2 sisters, Courtney and Kayla, all of Amarillo. All of whom were also at Drew and Beverly's celebration. It was a wonderful day. They are all so proud of Sgt. Chad and all the boys of the 101st Screaming Eagles. (As we all are of all the men protecting us in our Armed Forces.)

The 101st Screaming Eagles initiated the attack on Baghdad. Sgt. Chad has been there, stationed just outside of Baghdad ever since the beginning of the war. We are so thankful he is safely home with his family.

After a month home with his family, he'll rejoin his troop at base. They'll get their orders and it will be business as usual. You're in

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our prayers, Chad. Thank you for all you've done for us.

The Godwins and McLaughlins are in our prayers. It's really hard to know that all you can do as a human is put Chad in the Lord's hands. But so comforting that God is with Chad no matter where Chad is.

Melody Sherrell came from Eastern Oklahoma Sunday to be with Wilhelmina Sherrell on Monday while she had another heart catheterization. Good Luck, Wilhelmina. Hope you get good news.

Fred and Jackie Thrasher went to Amarillo to see their son and family. Tony and Pat Goodnature are always prepared for Paw and Naw Naw. Pat made her famous enchiladas. Granddaughter Jordan always likes to sing for Paw and Naw Naw, and as long as Joshua can be where ever Paw is,

he's happy. Tony got their taxes ready for them. They had an enjoyable visit.

Sorry to hear that Lorene Rector had a bout with pneumonia and had to be hospitalized for a few days. But she is home and doing some better. Talked to her Tuesday morning and she said she can get her own meals, but mostly just rests. Take care Lorene. Please keep Lorene in your prayers.

We spent the weekend in Wister, OK with Bob's sister and brother-in-law, Ollie Ruth, and Buck (Jasper) Williams and family. Had a B.B.Q. Sat. evening with 3 sons, 2 daughters-in-law, a friend, 6 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren and a friend. Really a fun time.

They'd had so much rain wasn't worth trying to fish. The fish already had plenty to choose from. Sure good to see lake and rivers up and creeks actually running. They actually have green grass in places down their way. (South-eastern Oklahoma) Even some dogwood trees blooming and lots of daffodils. Really pretty.

Have a great week!

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

## Wheeler Church of Christ

It is Spring Break week. For some that means escaping for a few days: going down to the coast or to the mountains for skiing. It means that there is a relaxing of usual responsibilities for a couple of days. Families getting to spend a little more time with each other. If you are putting a number of miles on the car and you've got several smaller children with you, it can be a stressful and hectic experience.

If I search the recesses of my memory I can recall a couple of Spring Break trips. When I was 8 and my family lived in Ohio, we came down to Texas for our Spring Break for two reasons:

1.) All of my parents family are from Texas, but also 2.) I had an uncle (my Dad's older brother) who was dying of cancer, and actually did pass away during this visit, so we ended up staying down here for two weeks. Forget the somberness of the visit for just a moment and concentrate on the amount

of time spent in that small car while making that 2,000+ mile roundtrip. It was me, my younger sister, and my parents. There were arguments. There was the obligatory "are we there yet?" and the "stay on your own side" statements. I'm betting that momentarily none of us enjoyed that trip.

But thirty years later I look back upon these times of family being together with different types of memories. The fun of staying in a hotel where my parents actually let me jump on the bed. Going through parts of this country I had never seen before and seeing things like the Mississippi River for the first time. The car games we would play (like looking for different state license plates). Being with my family. What I wouldn't give now to re-live those times, but of course, I can't. Oh, well, I guess I'll just enjoy this Spring Break right now with my wife and children!

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.

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# Wheeler County COURT RECORDS

List of Instruments filed in Wheeler County Clerk's office from March 1, 2004 — March 5, 2004.

**MARCH 1, 2004**  
D—Veterans Land Board State of Texas to Boyd N. Austin, 11-25-03, 18.88 acs. Sec. 5, IRR Company Survey.

SHERIFF'S D—City of Shamrock, et al to Grover Mack, 2-10-04, Lots 20 and 21, Blk. XIII, Shamrock.

D—Gaye Georgann Millet Burrell, et al to Cledith Burrell, 2-10-04, Lot 6, Blk. 34, Wheeler; and lots 24-26, S30' Lot 27, Blk. 3, Stanley's Second Add., Wheeler.

PARTIAL RDT—Bank One, NA to Hunt Petroleum Corporation, 1-23-04, See Instrument.

RDT—Wheeler Banking Center to J. R. Hefley Jr., et ux, 2-24-04, Sec. 18, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

TDT—First Ag Credit FLCA to AgFirst Farm Credit Bank, 2-27-04, 51.24 acs. SE 1/4 Sec. 51, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Mary Ella Westmoreland Greene to G H Land Company LLC, 1-13-04, E 36 acs. S 56 acs. SW 1/4 Sec. 27, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**MARCH 2, 2004**  
EXT. OL—Patina Oklahoma Corp. to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 1-13-04, S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 96, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ASSIGN.—Gene L. Jeary, et ux to Gene Lane Jeary Revocable Trust, et al, 2-20-04, See Instrument.

EXECUTRIX MD/ROY. OVERRID. ROYALTY—Thomas S. Carl, Deceased, et al to Carl/White Trust, 2-17-04, See Instrument.

HEIRSHIP AFF.—Ruth M. Kuhlmann, et al to Harry L. Kuhlmann, 2-23-04.

OL—Jane Franklin Austin to Continental Land Resources LLC, 1-13-04, NE 1/4 Sec. 5, Camp County School Land.

OL—Steven Jack Austin to Continental Land Resources LLC, 1-13-04, NE 1/4 Sec. 5, Camp County School Land.

OL—Lonnie Francis Kelly, et ux to Continental Land Resources LLC, 1-16-04, NW 1/4 Sec. 1, Blk. 4, Brooks & Burleson Survey.

MEMORANDUM OL—John Paul Gilles IV to Green River Exploration Company, 3-9-04, NE 1/4 Sec. 9, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey.

OL—Chester Jones, et ux to Green River Exploration Company, 7-11-03, 30 acs. S 1/2 N 1/2 Sec. 10, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

OL—Leslie H. Fry Trust to Green River Exploration Company, 10-22-03, N 1/2 Sec. 17, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

OL—Larry Lee Helm Trust to Green River Exploration Company, 10-22-03, N 1/2 Sec. 17, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

C/C PROBATE—Mary Alice Wittenburg to Ex Parte, 11-24-03, See Instrument.

MD—Mary Anna Beard, et al to W4 Limited Partnership, 1-30-04, See Instrument.

MD—Mary Alice Wittenburg, Deceased to Paula Louise Sage, et al, 1-19-04, See Instrument.

OL—Hubert T. Wilkins III to Capital Land Services Inc., 1-19-04, N 1/2 SE 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 4, AB&M Survey.

OL—Royalty Exchange Inc. to Capital Land Services Inc., 1-19-04, Pt. E 1/2 Sec. 4, AB&M Survey.

RDT—National Bank of Commerce to Ronnie Pat Bailey, 2-24-04, Lot 2, Blk. 56, WSSA, Shamrock.

PARTIAL INTEREST MD—Lorene Jenkins to Linda Warrick, 2-27-04, See Instrument.

RDT—National Bank of Commerce to Gwendolyn Newkirk Hensley, 2-26-04, S 1/2 Lot 7 and all Lot 8, Blk. 78, WSSA, Shamrock.

C/C POA—Margillu Grayson Reynolds to Bobbie Joe Grayson, 10-31-96.

**MARCH 3, 2004**  
OL—Henry Clay Walsler Jr. to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 2-17-04, NE 1/4 Sec. 6, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

UNIT DESIGN.—Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc. to Dorothy Helen Honath, et al, 2-25-04, Sec. 75, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Joyce Marie Greene Shahan to G H Land Company LLC, 1-13-04, SE 1/4 Sec. 27, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Michael Roy Wyatt to G H Land Company LLC, 1-10-04, SE 1/4 Sec. 29, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Benischek Properties LLC to G H Land Company LLC, 1-14-04, S 1/2 Sec. 30, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

RDT—United States of America - Rural Housing Service to George G. Harris, et ux, 5-13-02, See Instrument.

**MARCH 4, 2004**  
ROW—Ruth Porter Smith, et vir to Herbert Harrison Hall, et ux, 6-29-95, Sec. 45, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ROW—Ruth Porter Smith, et vir to Joe Richard Hyatt, 6-29-95, Sec. 45, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

MD—Robert I. Hink, et ux to Arrowhead Resources Inc., 1-29-04, E 1/2; SW 1/4 Sec. 28, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

MD—James R. Groves to James R. Groves Revocable Trust, 3-1-04, NE 1/4 Sec. 39, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

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D—H. Wayne Cross to Cross Family Trust Agreement, 3-1-04, See Instrument.

CORR. OL—Robert E. Edwards, Jr. to G H Land Company LLC, 12-4-03, NW 1/4 Sec. 31, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Gale Saddy to Glasgow Resources LLC, 9-9-03, NW 1/4 Sec. 21, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

C/C PROBATE—Donald Kimberling Burton to Ex Parte, 11-10-03, See Instrument.

OL—Basin Royalty Company to LaCima Exploration Company, 1-29-04, E 1/2 Sec. 31, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

OL—Basin Royalty Company to LaCima Exploration Company, 2-9-04, NE 1/4 Sec. 96, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—William M. Cotton to Texhoma Land Consultants, Inc., 2-2-04, W 1/2 Sec. 25, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—B & G Operating Ltd. to Texhoma Land Consultants, Inc., 2-4-04, SE 1/4 Sec. 25, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

UCC DT—Mariner Energy Inc. to Union Bank of California NA, 3-2-04, See Instrument.

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HEIRSHIP AFF.—Sally Anne Wright Bedow to Annie Frances Wright, et al, 3-3-04, Sec. 5, Blk. E, T&NO Survey; Sec. 40, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

DVL—Douglas Y. Robertson, et ux to Kayla Coleman, 2-19-04, All of Lot 12 and the N 1/2 Lot 11, Blk. 32, Shamrock.

DT—Kayla Coleman to Douglas Y. Robertson, et ux, 2-19-04, N 1/2 Lot 11 and all Lot 12, Blk. 32, Shamrock.

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# LADY COUGAR



**LADY COUGARS:** The 2003-04 Lady Cougars pictured above are (back row, l. to r.) Coach Smith, Alicia Reis, Katie Donaldson, Holly McCurley, Vanessa Huff, Laura Lohberger, Glory Hartsfield, (front) Jessica Helton, Sarah Zybach, Tamara Hefley, Andrea Hathaway and Shealee Coulter.



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BI-DISTRICT, AREA  
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**Glenn & Frankie Newman**

**Bob and Mary Cornell**

Bob, Debbie, Kirby,  
Corey, Audrey, Zane & Zoey Kinnaman

**Donnie Barr**

**Richie, Twanna, Matt & Kaylynn Kiker**

**Lisa Haley & Kasey Barton**

Shawn, Daphne, Alexis, Zane  
& Shyana Zybach

Curtis, Stacie, Jordan, Colton, Kaymi  
& Kristin Robison

**Curt, Mindy, Hayden & Gatlin Duncan**

**Jimmy, Tammy, Jennifer & Amber Maddox**

**John C., Charly & Calvin Helton**

**Shiela, Marlana & Keaton Helton**

**Mark, Mandy, Landry & Tatum Meadow**

**Bill & Kay Donaldson**

**Cindy, Don, Hayden & Glory Hartsfield**

**John, Angie & Vanessa Huff**

**Terry, Terri, Robby, Jay, Daniel & Tiffany Hovey**

**Keith, Tyna, Larry Lee, Megan & Sarah Horn**

**Kevin, Jona, Shantell & Tommy Meek**

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**Bill & Patsy Caswell & Karly**

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**Bevard & Diane Dukes**

**Randy, Carol, Collin, Matt & Holly McCurley**

**Ted & Dortha McCurley**

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Alton, Ariel, Alicia, Laura & Russell Lohberger

**Martha Meek**

**Wanda, Justin & Tamara Hefley**

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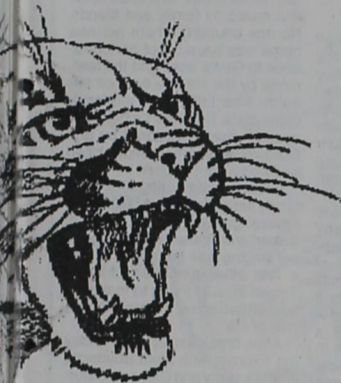
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# COUGARS & COUGARS



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**COUGARS:** The 2003-04 Ft. Elliott Cougars pictured here are (back row, l. to r.) J. W. Helton, Junior Newman, Steven McAlpine, Justen Bryant, Jason Boydston, Russell Lohberger, (front) Calvin Helton, Jake Puryear, Blaine Baker, George Helton, Kelsey Zybach and Coach Smith.

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**Devin, Kenna, Cody & Kori Howard**

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God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah. Psalm 46: 1, 2 & 3

Bret and Hayley Begert and Bennie and Debbie Boydston and Heather and Jason journeyed to Austin, Texas and attended the Ft. Elliott Girls Game on Thursday.

Friday, Bret and Hiram Begert flew to Houston to attend the Livestock Show.

Bret was re-elected to the Texas Limousin Association Board of Directors. Bret was also elected Vice President of the Texas Association.

Pete Gilmer and Peggy Chandler enjoyed a tasty meal at Mel's in Wheeler on Sunday.

Judi Walsler and Julie Boydston traveled to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and took Amie Purcell and her son, Ryne, to eat at "On the Border" Restaurant. Then Judi, Julie, Amie and Ryne visited Ruth and Ronnie Chadwick in the Baptist Hospital in Oklahoma City. Judi reported that Ruth is in Intensive Care.

Don and Donna Vinson of Cordell, Oklahoma traveled to Allison and took his mother, Minnie Belle Vinson, on Monday and traveled back to Cordell, Oklahoma with them for a couple days visit. They brought her back on Wednesday.

Edna May's nephew, Vance, and his wife Lou Donaldson of Macon, Georgia visited Edna on Tuesday and Bill and Kay Donaldson came by and invited them all to a very great meal at Calvert's Hilltop in Reydon, Oklahoma.

Roma and Billy June Brown traveled to Cheyenne, Oklahoma and shopped and then on to Canadian, Texas and shopped some there and enjoyed a nice meal at the Dairy Queen on Monday.

Larry and Carrie Brown of Malvern, Arkansas stayed a few days last week with Roma and Billy June Brown. Carrie traveled back to Arkansas on Sunday. Larry remained with his folks, Roma and Billy Brown to tend to business and more visiting.

Pearl Harrison left Friday and stayed till Monday with her daughter and son-in-law, Vivian, and Jimmy Wallace in Elk City, Oklahoma.

Sunday dinner guests of Jimmy and Vivian Wallace were Thersia and Delores Poindexter of Cheyenne, Oklahoma, Pearl Harrison of Allison, Texas, and Justin and Stephanie Walker and Tyler, Addison and Alyssa of Elk City.

Sue Martin of Jones, Oklahoma, Kristy Hansbro and daughter, Briana, of Mangum, Oklahoma and Caroline Montgomery of Crawford, Oklahoma and Pearl Harrison of Allison, Texas visited in the home of Jimmy and Vivian Wallace in Elk City, Oklahoma.

Bennie Boydston was dinner guest of Pearl Harrison on Monday.

On Tuesday, Glenn and Betty Boydston's guests were Opal and Juanita Boydston and Vance and Carol Boydston. They had a nice evening of refreshments and a couple games of spinners. Bennie and Debbie Boydston came by for a nice visit.

Opal and Juanita Boydston accompanied Glenn and Betty

Boydston to Siloam Springs, Arkansas on Thursday for the funeral of their aunt and Opal's sister, Sybil Fish. She was 89 years and a lovely lady with a lot of family and friends. They all returned on Saturday evening.

Juanita recalls what a trip to Arkansas was on Thursday. Opal, Juanita, Glenn and Betty started out early Thursday with rain pouring down hard. And it rained hard on them the most of the way to Arkansas. Some fog was even encountered on the way, pretty dense at times. Juanita was thankful that her brother, Glenn, was driving at the time instead of her. Seven different wrecks were spotted on the way. Again we were thankful that it wasn't us off in the ditch. Before we arrived in Siloam Springs tho it quit raining

and the roadway was even dry. After checking into the Holiday Inn Express tho, not long after that, it started raining again and rained most of the night. But all the rest of the time there, it was beautiful weather.

While in Siloam Springs several of the kinfolk and friends traveled to the home of Robert and Orene Fish's house and enjoyed some playing of instruments and singing. Guitars were played and a homemade bass with big bucket and string and handle from broom, sounded just like a bass. Good job Robert! Found out that several of our cousins could really do a beautiful job in singing. Was pleased to see so many of our kin and friends there. A large crowd attended the funeral, with two of Sybil's grandsons helping with the funeral and

her pastor, Bro. Moss preaching the funeral. Several songs were sung by grandchildren and great-grandsons.

Opal and Juanita Boydston traveled to Amarillo, Texas on Sunday and visited in the home of Warren and Charline Brown. They went to church at Jubilee Tabernacle with them and stayed the night.

**THE VIEW OF A SOUTHERN WOMAN**

(Southern California, that is)

The other day some people were talking about how they got engaged and I sitting there hoping that discussion would never get to me. Well my luck in Texas is iffy at best and my turn came up. Now the dilemma of the whole truth or a California half tale. I must admit the first marriage proposal was more romantic than the second,

but it did not work. I told Glenn, Forrest, Frosty Boydston that I was not getting married again ever! That was in San Clemente, California where the palm trees sway in the SOFT breeze and the ocean kisses the shore with a whisper. Guess I should have figured he was not going to take no for an answer and except that romantic proposal. Next, he said he wanted me to see his home in Allison and see his way of life, even if I could not understand the language, so off we went. Now down to the next marriage proposal. As I remember it, he had some dirty clothes in the hamper in the hallway and I offered to wash them. That was the time he picked! Now just how romantic was that? Maybe it was the shock of it all and I think I understood every word for a change and I just could not turn down that Texan, dirty clothes and all.

**Love, Betty**

A Vance and Carol sighting? Yes, they are still next door to the Post Office in Allison but they mostly only go out of the neighborhood by phone or for groceries or prescriptions. Seems there's been lots of people going to meet their maker lately. Hope they all have good report cards. Better heaven than the alternative. Right? Everybody! Be ready when He comes!!! Don't leave room for any hardbreaking surprises. Just February 29th Dorothy Newman of Solsberry, Indiana lost her only brother, Amos John Abrams. He is the beloved Uncle of Carol Boydston. She always made a point of visiting with him when in Indiana. Last visit, Amos (Uncle Bud) met Vance and he requested Vance and Carol sing some Johnny Cash songs. They stumbled through and left him a happy man. Regrettably, Vance and Carol were not able to attend the funeral but love and condolence to Mother Newman and all the family. She keeps up on the Allison news by subscribing to the Wheeler Times as does Anna Goad, another of Bud's sisters. You would be surprised to know how many people all over the U.S. are interested in what is going on in Allison, Texas. One year subscription to Wheeler Times is only twenty dollars. That is a deal and if you are interested in a subscription just contact Juanita Boydston at 375-2205 to help her out and she will set you up or contact Wheeler Times at 826-3123. Makes a great gift and is even less for locals.

Just two days after Carol lost her Uncle, Vance lost his Aunt, Sybil Alice Fish. Sybil is Opal Boydston and Billy June Brown's sister. Our prayers go out to them, the rest of their siblings and families. Opal, Juanita, Glenn and Betty, Curtis and Lillian and Vance and Carol all traveled to Siloam Springs, Arkansas for Sybil's funeral.

On the way, Thursday evening, Vance and Carol stopped to see a dear friend, Keli Stiles, in Oklahoma City. It was so good to visit with her. And to Vance's surprise, when they turned into Krispi Kremes the red hot light was flashing! That means those yummy greasy doughnuts are rolling right off the line. And when you go in you are handed a delicious, fresh as you can get, hot melt in your mouth doughnut. Smiling from ear to ear Vance and Carol snuffed them down like there would never be another and got in line to purchase a couple dozen to go, when to their surprise, there in front of them were two more and a voice saying, "how about a hot one?" Carol, almost falling down saying, "We already had one as Vance ran over her grabbing for one more and the pale gentleman saying, "Oh, thats ok as he reached the second one to Carol's hand. And you think God's not special to those two.

On down the road from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma to Beggs, Oklahoma to spend the night with son, Kevin, and his family. Getting there late, daughter-in-law, Theda, had given up on Vance and Carol's arrival and retired for the evening. Kevin met them at the door. Come in, come in. Vance hustled in enough bags for several people and put them in Chelsi's newly painted bedroom where Papa Vance and Grammy Carol were to sleep. How lovely it was all in lavender. And all of Chelsi's collector Barbie dolls collected by her Nona, Caroline, for her before her passing. Then down the hall comes Chelsi tightly hanging around her Daddy's neck. She just couldn't go to sleep without seeing Papa Vance! And she wanted to show

him and Grammy Carol her playroom where her many toys live and she has a daybed for a couch. Drawers full of DVD's and videos and her Kariokie material. In a little while she was passed going and so off to bed she scampered. Oh the way those little ones engrave themselves into a grandparent's heart! Morning soon came and more Krispi Kremes and milk was enjoyed. Theda gave Vance the best directions to Siloam Springs. Goodbyes were said and off to Arkansas went Vance and Carol.

Visited the funeral home and then took lunch with the family at the church. Visited and had quite a picture taking. Carol met many of Vance's family for the first time. Everyone went to the funeral at three o'clock. There were so many wonderful memories of Aunt Sybil as her grandsons and her pastor, Bro. Moss spoke. And such beautiful music by family and friends. No one doubting where her new home was because of her obedience to God's word and the testimony by the life she lived on this earth. After the funeral the family came back from the cemetery to another church pastored by Bro. Cornwell where they fellowshiped and had a light supper.

Later, remembering the good family times Sybil always enjoyed, several gathered at the home of Robert and Orene Fish where gospel singing was shared by all and a few other tunes and funnies thrown in. Just trying to make the best of hard times. That was Sybil's way of life.

After breakfast at the Holiday Inn Express with Mom Boydston, Juanita, Betty and Glenn on Saturday morning, Vance and Carol decided since it was such a beautiful day, just to drive on over to Van Buren and visit Galen and Sharon Mason and their children, Jonathan and Mariah. Was Galen's forty-ninth birthday so it was decided the celebration would be at Western Sizzlin. Granddaughter, Jessica, went too. The steaks, tacos and blackberry cobbler were excellent. Cousin Bobby Boydston and his family and others came by to see Vance and meet Carol. What a fun time was had!

Vance and Carol arrived at Curtis and Lillian's home in Oklahoma City quite late, but not to late for a game of spinners before bedtime. Would you believe, Carol won?

Sunday morning, Bro. R.D. Whalen taught a marvelous Sunday School lesson at Southern Oaks United Pentecostal Church in South Oklahoma City. Then a wonderful message was preached by Bro. Mark H. Parker. After church Curtis, Lillian, Julia Sullivan, Vance and Carol all enjoyed a tasty mexican dinner at Casino

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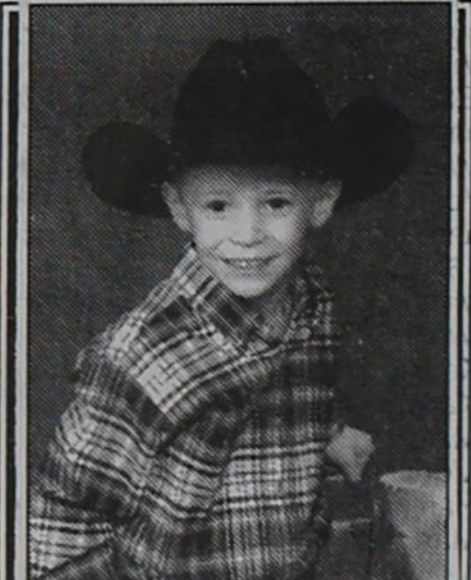
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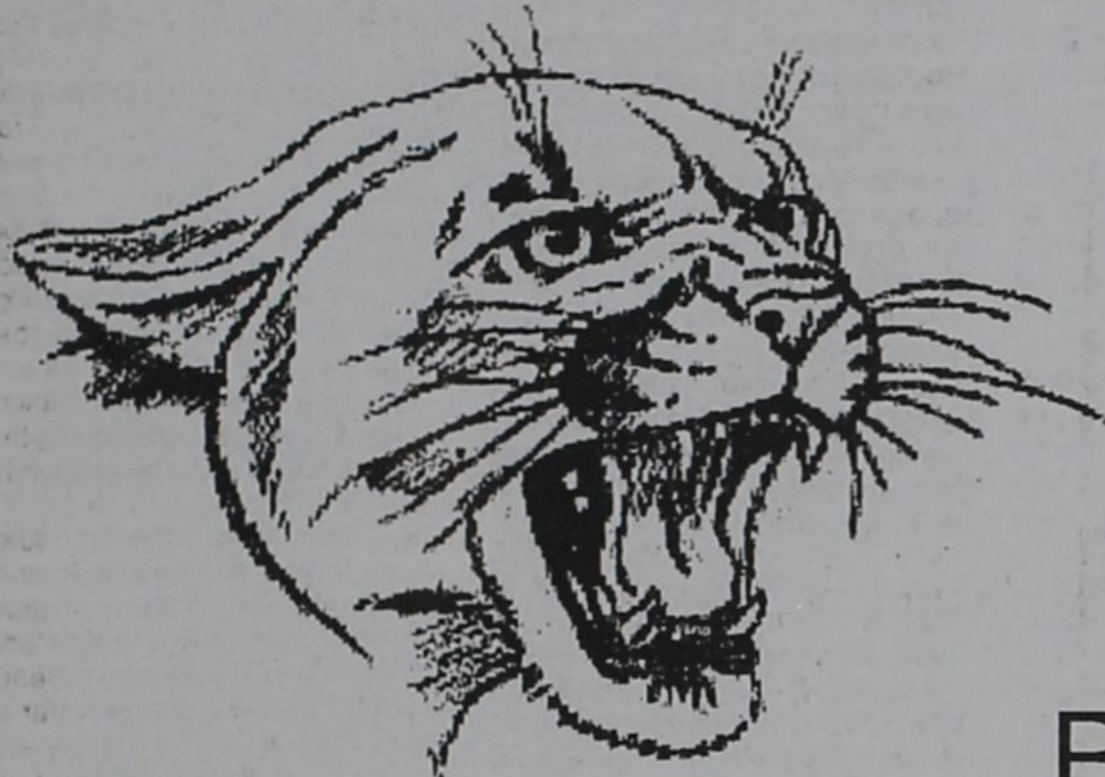
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## COUNTRY NEWS

By Verna Fillingim

I Peter: 1:4,5 God has reserved for His children the priceless gift of eternal life; it is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay. And God in His mighty power will make sure that you get there safely to receive it, because you are trusting Him.

Happy Birthday to Dana Trimble, Lori Selby, Andrea Hershenrader, Mickey Macina and Brad Moran on March 14, Robbie Bleakley, Michele Shorter, Heather Marshall, Ellie Wilkerson and Tim Adcock on March 15, Mary Wofford, Ella Mae Wood, April Mick, Genise Young, Mardi Ogle, Travis May and Gaylord Thompson on March 16, Ruth Wiley, Landry Meadows, Matt Helms, Logan Harris, Kaleb Meek, Steven Corcoran, Keith and Kenny Boydston on March 17, Karla Murray, Blake Horton on March 18, Ike Finsterwald, Todd Moore, Julie Zybach, Debbie Haning on March 19, Valoise Massey, Calvin Lane, Cendie Newman, Ada Lou Lester, Stephanie Zybach Dolittle, Lillian Lee, Chase Helton and Will

Woollard on March 20. Happy Birthday to you!

Happy Anniversary to William and Vickie Cornell, Joe Bob and Katrina Kinnaman, and Keith and Tyna Horn on March 17, Kyndal and Kathy Murray on March 18, John and Jill Baker on March 19. God Bless you everyone.

What a wonderful rainy day this Wednesday morning. We are thankful!

Good to see William and Rose McKinley and beautiful granddaughter, Katie, at Thriftway. Also Inez Moore and daughter, Wanda Helley, on their way to Austin to see Tamara Hefley play for State Competition. We are so proud of all our kids and the way the teams have "melded" together. Not just good basketball players; they are good kids. On to Victory, Fort Elliott. Sorry you lost.

David and Rita Pearson were in Amarillo Tuesday for an insurance meeting. They also visited Ken and Lindsey and Blain and ate supper with them and Joe Lackey, Rita's brother. Joe came home with them to stay till Sunday.

Bob and Gena Zybach left February 9 to go to South Padre Island for a nice relaxing "get away". Bob enjoyed fishing. They also picked up sea shells and grapefruit. Gena took a little portable sewing machine and enjoyed making baby

blankets and an afghan. A relaxing thing to do. They got back home Tuesday March 2. Welcome back! We've missed you. Gena enjoyed walks on the beach, too.

Wonderful rains in these parts. Wheat fields are the greenest and prettiest I've seen them in years (whether for grazing or harvesting). Sure lessens the fire hazard. We are very thankful.

We are looking forward to a visit from our daughter, Mary, and Katie and John this weekend.

Patrick Hudson played in the Little Dribblers basketball tournament at Wheeler Saturday. Grandparents Ray and Glenda enjoyed going and watching.

Ray and Glenda and Sonya and Patrick went to Canadian Saturday night to a movie called "Hidalgo". Pretty good. It was set in the late 1800s.

So nice to have Kulani (McElroy) McDermott from San Diego and LaJuana (McElroy) Caroland come Monday and eat lunch with me. We also visited Willis. They were visiting their folks, Don and Mayme McElroy north of Canadian. Kulani's husband is in the Navy and they have 4 children. LaJuana's baby, Anneka, 9 months also came. Lucas, 3, stayed to play with Kulani's kids.

Hayden Hartsfield from Military Academy at Delafield, Wisconsin was home to Don and Cindy Hartsfield and Glory's for a few days. They celebrated his 17th birthday at Grandma Martha Meek's Sunday. Also there were Chuck and Phoebe Hartline and Aaron and Tamera. They ate lunch at Soto's and also celebrated Cindy and Chuck's birthdays.

Friday night visitors, to Dick and Ruth Irvine were Dick's sister, Delores and Bill Rinke from near Branson, Missouri. They were going to visit their son at Houston and get some work done on their travel trailer and visit some others.

Other weekend visitors to the Irvines were Becky Tipps and Zach from Amarillo. Casey is on Spring Break from Canadian School this week and has mono, so she went home with Becky to be nursed and try the city life.

Saturday Willa Fillingim enjoyed a visit from Charles and Lajo Crownover and granddaughter, Rose Crownover, daughter of Boyce and Angie from Amarillo.

Bob Zybach had over 2 inches of rain the last one and thankful there was no snow or ice. Would have been several feet of snow. God is good. We are very thankful for the moisture.

Nice to visit with Hannah Faye Chapman. She got a shot for arthritis and is feeling much better. I've known Hannah since we were kids (a few years ago.) A doctor at Shamrock, Dr. Juson, did the arthritis shot.

Irene Roger's life-long friend, Lela Humphries, is now in the nurs-

ing home at Stillwater.

Pray for the coming election. We want God's choice for President and other offices.

Everyone is welcome to the Free Concert by Kalob Cox Sunday, March 14 at 7:00 p.m. at Mobeetie Baptist Church. Refreshments and food served at 6:00 p.m. before the concert. Kalob is the grandson of Gene and Judy Coward of Canadian and great-grandson of Charlotte Coward of Wheeler.

Danny Fillingim visited Willis and me Saturday. Thanks.



THE WHEELER TIMES  
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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

Weekend visitors to David and Phyllis Hefley were Kristi Hefley and Darren and Chalone Hefley and Dawson and Logan. They had a party for Dawson's 5th birthday. Just family there.

Lady Cougars, sorry you lost to Fayetteville Thursday morning at Austin. But how awesome that you

got to go to state as young as you are, and to be second in division II. We are so proud of you. You had a good game at 41 to 48. There's always next year. Congratulations to Coach Smith!

Enjoying Ladies Day Out in spite of the rain Thursday at Mel's Diner were Sharon Wright, Katie Christy, Inez Wright, Marie Baker, Leona Coates, Martha Meek, Betty Howard, Nancy Pierce and Shari Gayle Porter.

So glad to hear that Sharon Wright is doing wonderful now after her bout with aneurysms. Praise the Lord!

Ashley and Jackie Lane live at Allison. Ashley works on a rig and Jackie works at Canadian as a care giver.

Mark Thomas preached at Briscoe Community Church Sunday. Johnny and Patty Crawford were on a little vacation.

Gordon Laverty was speaker at Gageby Church Sunday.

Ray Hudson will be ordained a deacon at Gageby Church Sunday, March 28th at 2:30. God bless you, Ray. You've always been a good "kid".

Bouquets to Wheeler Care Center. You are taking good care of Willis and the others. I know it isn't easy. God bless you.

Wayne and Joline Jones visited Wesley and Helen Steen Sunday.

Wesley and Helen Steen went to singing at Allison last night. Good program and good crowd. Some singing were the Misfits from Mobeetie, Jill and Jerry Lister, Evelyn Meek, Harvey Patterson, John Huff, Nadine Lane and Paul Hathaway. Readings by Aaron Laverty, Helen Steen and Willa Fillingim. Always good food and fellowship. Next month, April 4, at 6:00 p.m. will be First Sunday Sing at Gageby Church. Everyone invited. Days will be longer.

Roy and Nell Bradstreet's daughter, Kathy, and Paul Janzen, from Colorado came Friday to visit Roy and Nell and took them to Newton, Kan., to see the farm they recently bought. It had rained everywhere, a wonderful rain with rivers and creeks flowing. They did lots of riding and eating and visiting. They got back to Roy's Sunday and planned a family fish fry for Monday night. They will probably go back to Colorado Tuesday, where Paul has a job with the Forestry Service. Kathy and Paul have also visited with Wes and Cindy Bradstreet and Miles.

Weekend visitors to David and Rita Pearson included Lindsey and Ken Criswell and Blain from Can-

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**Country** (from Page 5)

yon and Dallas and Krystal Fillingim from Wichita Falls and Joe Lackey from Amarillo. Nice to eat lunch with the kids at Soto's Saturday. David Pearson had to go to Stamford to help his 94-year-old uncle, whose trailer house was demolished by the storm. Wichita Falls was without electricity for over 24 hours. Several poles were blown down. David Pearson and cousins helped the uncle get settled in a rent house. They salvaged 3 pickup loads of stuff from the uncle's trailer to unload and sort through. So David had to miss the company at home. But was lots of help at Stamford.

Nice to have Rita Pearson and Dallas and Krystal visit me and Willis Sunday afternoon. Good visit. Lindsey and Ken and Blain also visited Willis. Tim Jones from Allison has been remodeling Sam and Barbara Meadows house. It once was headquarters for a large ranch. They built on to their bedroom, built on a garage and small upstairs and re-did the kitchen. They got moved into the new part Saturday with help from Mike and Rolanda and Mark and Mandy and the grandkids. Barbara's mom, Essie Powell, remembered riding horse back to dances there when she was a girl. Tim does great work. The house was built in 1911.

Rolanda Meadows and Mayci and Dusty White and his mom drove to Austin to see the ball games. Huge crowd there. Bro. John and Eulis Denton were on a little vacation Sunday. So Glen Switzer from Shamrock was our preacher. Glen preached a powerful sermon on faith from Hebrews 11. Wesley Steen sang a special that fit right in.

Best wishes to Caaron Laverty and Kent McNeely in their marriage Saturday afternoon at Gageby Church, March 6. Caaron's oldest brother, Richard, pastor of First Baptist Church in Perryton, officiated. Julie Keelin was flower girl. Caaron's attendant was Shaleena Laverty. Kent's attendants were Justin and Cody. Some others there were Karen Laverty and Trey and Brenee, Gordon Laverty and Casey, Tracy Keelin, Andria Keelin, Jason Hathaway, Ty Ferguson, Willa Fillingim, Evelyn and Kathy Meek, Kim Coleman, Ray and Glenda Hudson, Sonya Hudson and Patrick, Cheryl Fraley and Steven John and Claudetta and Aaron Laverty and Claudetta's sisters, JoAnn Dixon from Pampa and Mary Louise Rodgers and family from Vici, Okla., and Jerrie Moore from Wheeler.

Cake and punch and cream puffs were served. Caaron and Kent spent Saturday night at Wheeler Bed and Breakfast. They will be making their home in Mobeetle. God bless you!

"I don't know about tomorrow

I just live from day to day. I don't borrow from its sunshine For its skies may turn to gray. I don't worry over the future, For I know what Jesus said. And today I'll walk beside Him For He knows what is ahead. Many things about tomorrow I don't seem to understand. But I know who holds tomorrow And I know who holds my hand." Our daughter, Mary, used to sing this song at church.

So nice to have a little visit from Gina Mendiola Monday. Thanks for coming, Gina and for the delicious fruit. Come again! I've missed seeing you.

Nice to visit with Jackie Cummings on the phone. She is so upbeat in spite of having cancer and chemo and losing her hair. Her hair is coming back a little.

She is back working in the nursery at the Baptist Church. She enjoys the babies and they love her. Some she has are Kaylie Goldsmith, Maddie Vise and Heather and Marcus Hardcastle's little boy.

Best wishes to Stephanie and Casey Cook on the birth of their new baby girl, Hadlee Elizabeth, on March 1 at Amarillo. Proud grandparents are David and Sandy Cook of Canadian and Brent and Sahra Futrell of Dumas.

Elbie and Diana Wilson used to run the County Line Equity Co-Op. They have three children, who attended Ft. Elliott School: Elbie Dean, 15; Alysha, 13 and Mason, 6. Diana is now head of the Hemphill County EMS, replacing Jonilyn Hanes, who has accepted a position with Air Care out of Sweetwater, Texas, as a flight

paramedic. Best wishes to all.

Irene Rogers enjoyed a visit from nieces, Lillian Cheshier and Mary Louise Denham, from Pampa. Mary went to the Beauty Shop. Lillian ate lunch at Soto's with Irene and visited a long time. Pray for Lillian. She will be having knee surgery at Lubbock soon. Sweet lady.

Glad to hear that Estelle Hodges is some better, but still in Pampa Hospital.

Glad to hear Lorene Rector is home now and doing better. She was in the hospital at Elk City, but home now. Pray for these sweet ladies.

Pastor Harvey Patterson of Mobeetle has been visiting them. Happy 45th wedding anniversary to Jim and Kathleen Greene of Pampa. They had a family dinner.

I lost my "little brother", Horace Fillingim, 80, Monday in a welding accident. So sorry. He was always up beat and ready for a joke. A fine, compassionate man. Children are Lawrence Fillingim and Bonnie Maddox. They and children and grandchildren are planning to be there for the funeral. Horace and Juanita would have been married 50 years September 19. Juanita has always been so helpful to Horace and many others. Out of the ten Fillingim kids, only Eula Newman, A. T. Fillingim, Cornelia Lehman and Willis are still living.

Nice to see Ladell Atwood with her brother, Darville Atherton, at Wheeler Care Center Monday afternoon. He was going to Pampa with Ladell. She and husband, Ted Atwood, were taking Darville to Amarillo Tuesday for doctors appointments. Remember Darville in your prayers. Sammie is doing poorly, too, and not eating much.

Getting together at Roy and Nell Bradstreet's Monday night, were their family for a fish fry and visiting and included David Bradstreet, Kathy and Paul Jantzen from Colorado, Mike and Jan Bradstreet and Wesley and Cindy Bradstreet and grandson, Miles, and Roy and Nell. Pray for Marie Baker's brother, Dale Hillman, 80, who is in the hospital at Oklahoma City. They think they found his problem.

"God be with you till we meet again."

**Allison** (from Page 6)

Dimonos to celebrate Curtis' seventy-second birthday. Next Vance insisted on taking Carol to Dillard's. Hal Hal where she found a few bargains in the ladies department and purchased some sweaters for Vance in the men's department. Then Vance explained he could not afford to save anymore money. Back to Curtis and Lillian's. Time to squeeze in one more game of spinners before church! You guessed it! Carol won.

Bro. Parker preached another awesome message and the presence of the Lord was surely felt by all as the songs of praise went up. If you are ever in Oklahoma City on Sunday, you probably really would enjoy attending the services at Southern Oaks. You can find it just off 240 at 650 South Walker. Just like two kids, Vance and Carol had to load up on lots of coke and hamburgers and fries. McDonalds is our kind of place and then to 1-40 west! Reminiscing and singing all the way to Allison the miles rolled by. Reaching the front step of that blue, blue house by the Allison Post Office, Vance stopped the car and helped Carol to the door. When they walked in, they knew they were home, because there set the three cute little monkeys who had insisted on coming home with them from an Elk City store one day. No telling what they had been up to while Vance and Carol were away. Say no evil had his hand over his mouth. Hear no evil had his hands over his eyes. See no evil had his hands over his eyes. The three of them looked so cute and mischievous, but we don't have the fourth one because there's no place for "Have no fun" around here! Good to be back home in Allison.

God Bless and Keep you till next time!

**W.I.C. Outreach**

W.I.C. Outreach Health Services has rescheduled their March meeting for Tuesday, March 23, 2004 at 9:00 A.M.—4:00 P.M. at Senior Citizens Building in Wheeler. 806-676-7936.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We would like to thank our friends and family for the prayers, phone calls, flowers, food and all of your love, concern and encouragement during our loved one's lengthy illness. We would also like to thank the First Baptist Church of Canadian for the meal and the use of their church.

The Lafoy Vise Family: Marvin & Linda Cox and family Dan and Kay Gatlin and Family Jodie and Becky Wilson and family

**Observations from the Wheeler Supt.**

Do you ever get tired of hearing all that is wrong with our young people today? I know I do. How about some good news with what's happening at Wheeler School?

#1: A veteran from Pampa recently related the following to one of our community members. He served in Vietnam and when he came home, like many veterans of that war, some Americans treated him with disrespect and contempt. This last fall his name was on a list of veterans that our Wheeler High School Student Council had compiled. For the past three November, the Wheeler High School Student Council and other Wheeler students have written cards and letters of appreciation to these US military war veterans thanking them for their service to our country. The veteran from Pampa indicated that the card he received was the first personal word of thanks he had received in the 35 years since he returned from Vietnam.

#2: How about a display of great sportsmanship and Wheeler County comrade? Although Wheeler and Fort Elliott are fierce rivals, on Tuesday of last week our students and staff lined up on the highway and cheered the Lady Cougars as they passed through Wheeler on their way to Austin. On Thursday morning all our ears were tuned to the internet broadcast of the girls' basketball state championship game and we were just as disappointed as all the other fans from Fort Elliott when they fell just

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chase three banquet tables and folding chairs for 21 tables to be used for banquets. It will not longer be necessary for us to hunt and borrow tables and chairs for our banquet and other activities.

Plans are also under way for the City-Wide Garage Sale & Car Show. This is scheduled for Saturday, May 1. Start cleaning out those closets, garages, attics and cellars; here is an opportunity to make a little spending money.

Doodle Phillips sent a note with her check for renewing her subscription. She wrote: "Tell Everyone Hi. I am doing really well and having fun."

It was reported at the Commissioners' Court meeting that the demolition work is complete on the courthouse restoration project and they are starting on the top floor in the reconstruction finish work.

They are presently 3 weeks ahead of schedule.

It is spring break time for local students and several families and groups are taking advantage of the opportunity.

We made a trip to OKC and on Sunday had Sunday dinner at the Meriwether's.

Once again, I have to report that I was skunked during the Monday night card game. Rhonda and Dwight just couldn't pull me out of the slump—they claim they were trying. The winners for the evening were Leroy, Mike and Bob.

a few points short of winning. Again, Congratulations Lady Cougars from all the Wheeler students and staff.

#3: Somebody out there is doing a great job! I continue to be amazed at the quality of young people we have in Wheeler Schools. As an authority figure with them, all they have shown me is the greatest of respect and have responded positively to any correction I have given. When I see them at other schools competing, I am very proud of the way they conduct themselves. I know our coaches and teachers have high expectations for our students and part of the reason our students behave the way they do. But I am convinced the main factor in their character development is the discipline, respect, and expectations that they are seeing and hearing at home. Like I said, somebody out there must be doing a great job.

**Clarendon Accepting Sch'ship Applications**

The Clarendon College Financial Aid Office is now accepting applications for academic scholarships for the 2004-2005 academic year. Scholarships are available to incoming freshman or returning sophomores who are full-time degree-seeking students at Clarendon College. Completed applications along with the most recent academic transcript are due in the Financial Aid Office by April 1. Applications are available online at [www.clarendoncollege.edu](http://www.clarendoncollege.edu) or from the Financial Aid Office on the Clarendon College and Pampa Center campuses. For more information, please contact the Financial Aid Office at (806) 874-3571.

**Cancer Clinic To Be At Parkview Mar. 31**

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Parkview Hospital, 901 S Sweetwater, in Wheeler on March 31, 2004.

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Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only.

Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

**Classmate Search**

The graduating class of 1954 from Fruitland High, Fruitland, Idaho, is looking for our classmate, Shirley Mae Wood. We have some information that she may have at some time in the past been in Wheeler. We would appreciate your help in our search.

Greta Cornell—Fax: 208-278-5640—e-mail: [beaur@fmc.com](mailto:beaur@fmc.com).

**WATERS, HOLT & FIELDS ATTORNEYS**  
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