

Commissioners Court Meeting; Burn Ban Re-Instated Thursday

The Wheeler County Commissioners' Court met in regular session on Monday, September 26, 2005, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Courtroom, Wheeler County Courthouse, Wheeler, Texas. Fifteen items were on the agenda.

The court approved the payroll time sheets as presented for payment. The commissioners voted to pay the bills as presented. Tommy Puryear, commissioner, p. 2, requested permission to transfer \$14,000 from the equipment fund to lateral road fuel. Puryear also requested permission to transfer \$12,500 from salaries to lateral road supplies. The signs for the courthouse offices are to be on location by the end of September. The court voted to reinstate the burn ban as of Thursday, September 29, 2005. A request by Kelly Wilson, Enbridge Oil and Gas Company requested the county consider changes in the county road crossing policy. This will be on the agenda for the next meeting of the court. Commissioner Puryear requested a speed limit of 40 mph be posted on Co. Rd. 22 from Hwy. 152 for 7 miles north to Co. Road E. The speed limit on Co. Rd. E will be changed from 35 mph to 40 mph. The county voted to enter into a maintenance contract with Otis Elevator Company at a cost of \$300 per year. The court voted to enter into a memorandum of Understanding (MOU) agreement between Panhandle Regional Planning Commission (PRPC) on the Interoperable Communications System. The new equipment will be paid for with a grant. With the installation of the new equipment, it is hoped portable radios can communicate throughout the panhandle. The court also entered into a MOU agreement with Texas Department of Public Safety, giving TDPS control of the new radio equipment operation. Chesapeake Energy Marketing Inc. was given permission to cross County Road A for the installation of an oil and gas pipeline. The county entered into a contract with J. R. Villarreal to trim the trees on the courthouse square, removing only those limbs which are dead, low hanging or broken. The cost will be \$7500 with the work to be done before the leaves fall. The commissioners voted to increase the salaries of Sandie Bond, Art Taylor's Secretary, and David Baker to \$1,616.96 per month. Frank Moya was removed from the payroll as a part time employee, effective September 30, 2005. The court approved a resolution to apply for the Indigent Defense Formula Grant. The next regular meeting of the commissioners court will be Monday, October 10, 2005, in the Wheeler County Commissioners' Courtroom.

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CWECHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas.

Okay, Mustangs, you had a week off. Now get back in the winning mode!

—cwe—
Congratulations, Josh Britt!
—cwe—

It was an oversight last week. In the *Globe-News High School Football Honor Roll* Josh Britt was recognized for his play as an offensive line of center in the Silverton game.

—cwe—
And, it was right there one line above the others. Sorry, Josh!
—cwe—

This week, Josh is recognized as a Commended Student in the 2006 National Merit Scholarship Program.

—cwe—
It looks like Wheeler was well represented at the Tri-State Fair. Congratulations to those youngsters with winning entries.

—cwe—
Our family and extended families' in the Houston area survived Hurricane Rita.

—cwe—
Jessica Stas and the Michael Kenney family are in the Nacogdoches area. Jessica said the windows rattled in her apartment on campus and the electricity was off for a while.

—cwe—
The Gillettes in Lovelady were without electricity for several days. Very warm there. Dorcie's school at Huntville closed on Thursday of last week and is still closed.

—cwe—
Michelle Cross Smith and son, David, of Katy tried to get to Waco when they were told the storm was headed to Houston. After 3 hours on the road and only going 15 miles, they turned around. No damage.

—cwe—
We went bluegrassing this past weekend on Saturday and Sunday with the Meriwethers at Duncan. We got to visit with Melba and Gene Arnold while there and several from Wheeler County.

—cwe—
We went to OKC Friday and spent the night with the Bryants.

Go Mustangs, Beat Higgins!

Ben Dollar Completes DPS Academy

Robert S. Ben Dollar graduated August 5, 2005, from the Texas Department of Public Safety's 130th Training Academy.

"Today's graduation ceremony marks a new beginning in your career and in your life, but it is important to remember that it's only the beginning of your responsibilities as a trooper," said Col. Thomas A. Davis Jr., director of the DPS at the graduation. "The public now holds you to a higher standard, and we know that you will make us proud."

Colleen McHugh, Chairman of the Public Safety Commission, spoke to the graduates about their chosen career. "For all of your life in this profession, you will dress in uniform, leave home and stand in harm's way for people you have never met."

Lt. Col. David McEathron, DPS assistant director, also participated in the ceremony along with DPS training officers.

The 27-week school is the longest continuous training academy offered by any law enforcement agency in Texas, and one of the longest in the nation. The cadets entered the Academy in October and completed 1,214 hours of instruction—more than twice the training required by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Of-



CROSS COUNTRY: Wheeler's Cross Country team competed in a meet at Darrouzett on September 24, 2005. Pictured here with their placings are (back row, l. to r.) Coach Bailey, Taylor Sparks—4th place Jr. High Girls; Macie Miller, Braden Moore—5th place Jr. High Boys; Sarah Miller—2nd place JV. High Girls; Dianna Corral—6th place JV Girls; Giovanna Luna; (front row) Hayley Sparks—2nd place Jr. High Girls; Kaylea Marion and Kayla Andis—1st place JV Girls.

Meeting To Discuss Hwy. 83 & 152 Project

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will host a public meeting on October 4, 2005 at the Wheeler City Hall, 505 Alan Bean Blvd. in Wheeler. This meeting will begin at 6:30 pm and the

public is invited. The purpose of the public meeting is to discuss the rehabilitation project on US 83 and SH 152, through the City of Wheeler. The public meeting will be con-

ducted in English, and the Wheeler City Hall is handicap accessible. Any request for language interpreters or other special needs should be made at least two days prior to the public meeting by contacting Barbara Seal, Public Information Officer at (940) 937-7145, or Tracy Cain, Wellington Area Engineer at (806) 447-5137. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs. Any comments following the public meeting may be submitted in writing to Terry Keener, Childress District Engineer, at 7599 US 287, Childress, TX 79201.

Wheeler School Board Meeting

Unapproved Minutes
The Wheeler I.S.D. Board of Trustees met for a regular scheduled meeting September 20, 2005. Dr. Mike Smith called the meeting to order at 6:34 P.M. Kent Vise led the pledge; Lee Ann Hillhouse offered the invocation.

All board members were present. School personnel present were Roy Baker, Doug Rives and Toby Tucker. Guests included Carlos Hernandez.

Carlos Hernandez spoke to the board about his experience at the summer leadership conference in Washington D.C.

Motion by Dr. Hillhouse, second by James Masters to approve the August 18, 2005 and August 29, 2005 board minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Angie Ware, second

by Ravonda Hardcastle to ratify payments of the August accounts. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kent Vise, second by Todd Moore to accept the resignation of Maria Minga Betancud. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by James Masters, second by Dr. Hillhouse to employ Ruby Appel as a teacher's aide. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Todd Moore, second by Ravonda Hardcastle to accept the audit proposal of Charles F. Kuntz, CPA. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Ravonda Hardcastle, second by Kent Vise to defer adopting TASB delegate to a later date. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rives and Mr. Tucker gave the principals' reports.

Mr. Baker gave the superintendent's report. Motion by Angie Ware, second by James Masters to adjourn at 8:16. Motion carried unanimously.

As appropriate, the Board may enter in Closed Meeting as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Chapter 551. Before any meetings are convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section on the Act authorizing the closed meetings. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meetings.

Xi Upsilon Eta Plans Ferguson Benefit

Xi Upsilon Eta is sponsoring a Mexican-pile-on dinner and an auction to help with expenses for the Rhonda Ferguson family.

The benefit will take place on Saturday, October 8, at the Wheeler County Show Barn north of Wheeler on Hwy 83. The cost of the meal is a donation with serving to begin at 6:00 pm. The auction will start at 7:00.

If you have an item you would like to donate or if you would like to make a donation, please call Gina Seitz at 826-3213 or 669-5615.

Local Blood Drive Set For October 3

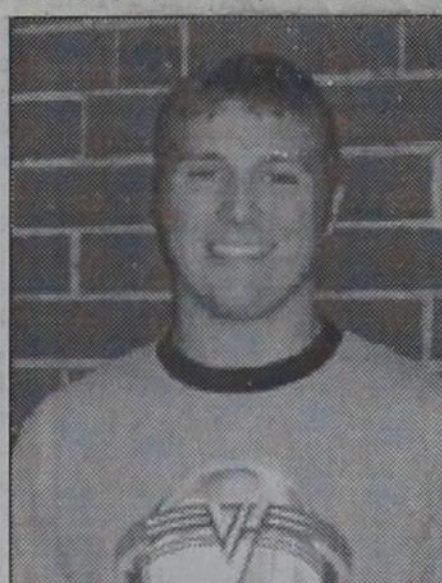
Wheeler Community Blood Drive will be Monday, October 3, 2005 from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, located at 601 Main Street. For an appointment to donate, please call 1-877-574-8800 (toll free).

The need is real. There is no substitute for blood. It can only come from volunteer blood donors. Please support the patients of the High Plains Region... Give the Gift of Life!

WHEELER COUNTY FARM BUREAU

The Wheeler County Farm Bureau invites you to attend an Ag Appreciation Day and Annual Meeting on Friday, October 7, 2005 at the Wheeler County Show Barn in Wheeler.

All Farm Bureau members are invited to attend this meeting. Farm Bureau is a grassroots organization and your opinion counts.



Josh Britt

Josh Britt Given Nat'l Recognition

The principal, Toby Tucker of Wheeler High School announced today that Josh Britt has been named a Commended Student in the 2006 National Merit Scholarship Program. A Letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program, will be presented by the principal to this scholastically talented senior.

About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the 2006 competition for Merit Scholarship awards, Commended Students placed among the top five percent of more than one million students who entered the 2006 competition by taking the 2004 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

A spokesperson for the National Merit Program commented, "It is important to acknowledge the attainments of academically talented students and to credit schools for the key role they play in their development. We hope the recognition received by these able young men and women who are commended in this rigorous, nationwide competition will encourage them to take advantage of opportunities for higher education and to diligently pursue their professional goals."

Hospital Notes

Assisted Living
Odra Christopher
Verne Lohberger
Opal Hefley
Alvern Hutchison
C. B. Brotherton
Iona May

Admissions
9/22 Chloe McMullen
9/24 Barney Graham

Dismissals
9/25 Chloe McMullen

Sept. 16 Accident Results In 1 Injury

An Allison woman was injured Friday, September 16, 2005, after her car was struck by a semi-truck 3.5 miles west of Allison on FM 1046.

At 8:10 a.m. Friday, 23 year old Juan Reyes of Booker, TX, was driving a 2005 white Mack semi-truck eastbound on FM 1046 3.5 miles west of Allison. Reyes noticed a 2001 silver Mercury Sable approaching him traveling west. The Sable crossed over the center stripe into his lane. Reyes then

took evasive action to avoid the Sable and struck the Sable on the right side.

The driver of the Sable, 86-year-old Irene Keys, of Allison was seriously injured. Reyes has some minor injuries. Keys was ill and traveling to the doctor's office. Keys was issued a citation for driving on wrong side of the road.

4-H, FFA Members Place At Tri-State

Wheeler County 4-H and FFA members take Top Honors at the Amarillo Tri-State Fair

Art
Matthew Kiker—junior 4-H Best of Show—Pastels
Dawson Clark—Junior 4-H 3rd Charcoals

Junior Helder Show
Payton Austin—Reserve Champion—Other Breeds and Crosses
Bo Compton—1st place Charolais Heifer

Junior Lamb Show
Josh Hardcastle—2nd place Fine Wool Cross
Justin Hardcastle—2nd place South Down

Stormy Moore—3rd place Fine Wool Cross
Nick Hardcastle—3rd place Fine Wool Cross

Amber Maddox—3rd place Medium Wool
Braden Moore—5th place Medium Wool

Darby Oldham—5th place Medium Wool
Sheldon Hall—6th place Medium Wool

Nick Hardcastle—7th place Medium Wool
Josh Hardcastle—8th place Medium Wool

Darby Oldham—9th place Medium Wool
Madalyn Brdecko—11th place Medium Wool

Amber Maddox—11th place Medium Wool
Also participating in the Lamb Show was Austin Hall and Amber Oldham

Junior Market Hog Show
Jonathan Hobbs—Reserve Champion York

Tommy Meek—5th place Duroc
Tommy Meek—7th place Cross
Amber Maddox—5th place Duroc

Amber Maddox—7th place Cross
Jeremy Hobbs—6th place—Cross
Junior Market Goat Show
Winona Parsley—7th place

Bo Compton—9th place
Junior Market Steer Show
Kaylynn Kiker—Reserve Champion Angus

Matthew Kiker—2nd place European Cross
Matthew Kiker—3rd place European Cross

Meagan Edwards—7th place Shorthorn
Seith Lee—7th place European Cross

Kayla Gallardo—10th place Hereford
Katie Richardson—12th place European Cross



Carolyn B. Kite

Funeral Services For Carolyn Kite

Carolyn Bonnett Kite, 65, died September 22, 2005, at Amarillo, Texas.

Services were at 11:00 A.M. on Wednesday, September 28, 2005 at Brooks Chapel with Dr. David Lowrie, Jr., pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Graveside services were at 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday at Wheeler Cemetery in Wheeler, Texas with Rev. Johnny Crawford, pastor of Briscoe Community Church, officiating.

Interment was under the direction of Brooks Funeral Directors. Burial was in the Wheeler Cemetery, Wheeler, Texas.

Carolyn Bonnette Kite was born on January 25, 1940 in Beaumont, Texas to Aubrey and Elizabeth Lea Bonnette. She graduated from Sour Lake High School in 1957.

She taught at the state school for girls in Gainesville in 1960 and married Kirk Kite at Gainesville on September 3, 1961. She graduated from the University of Texas at Austin in 1962 with a bachelors degree in music and later graduated from West Texas State University with a Masters Degree. She taught music in the Friona ISD in 1962-1963 and then in Amarillo ISD until her retirement in 1995.

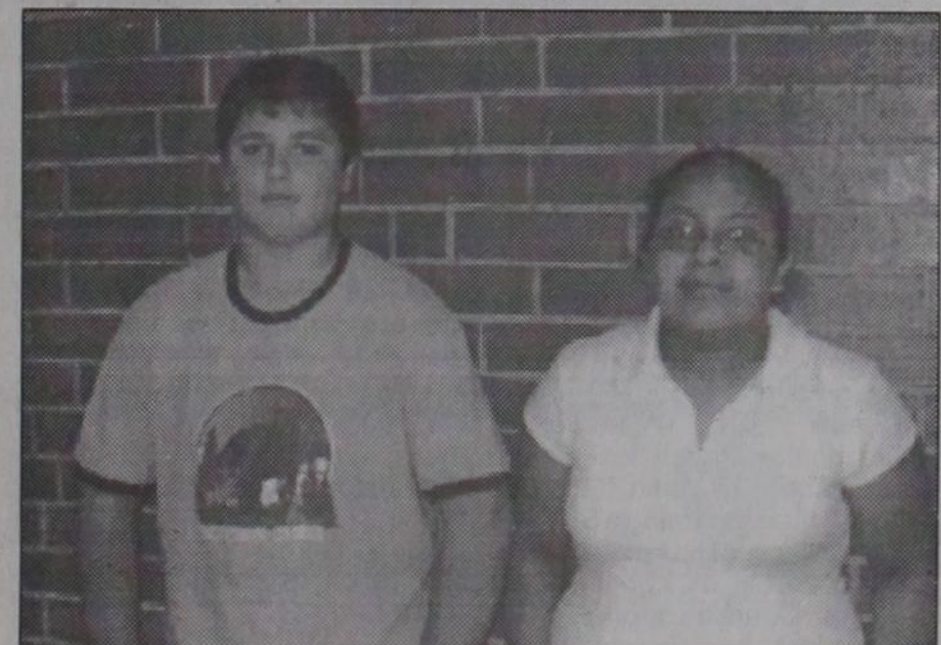
She was an active member of Canyon Fine Arts Club and the Sue Hite Study Club, and she played the piano for Canyon Rotary Club. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Canyon where she played the piano, taught Sunday School, and was involved in prayer ministry.

Survivors include: her husband, Dr. Kirk Kite of the home; one brother, David Bonnette of Katy, Texas; numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles and her beloved pet dog, Casey.

Memorials may be sent to the First Baptist Church Building Fund, 1717 4th Avenue, Canyon, Texas 79015, or a favorite charity.

PERRYTON SATELLITE ARTS & CRAFTS FESTIVAL
Applications are now available for booth rental during the 2005 Perryton Satellite Arts and Crafts Festival.

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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK: Wheeler I.S.D. named Nick Hardcastle and Danna Gallardo Students of the Week. Nick is the 13-year-old son of Danny and Ravonda Hardcastle. He enjoys showing sheep, playing football, taking art class and judging livestock; he is a member of the Wheeler County 4-H and is county treasurer. Danna is the 13-year-old daughter of Maria and Rafael Gallardo; she plays basketball.

We would like to welcome Jack Brown to Mobeetie. Jack's new trailer house was delivered and set up on Tues. He bought the land

east of the post office that used to belong to John McGinty. On Wednesday a fencing company already had his privacy fence up on the west side of his land and the poles set for the backyard fence. Will be so nice when he gets it all set up the way he wants it. Jack is moving from Amarillo. Actually he's been living in Valle de Oro and working in Amarillo and the area.

Jack is the son of Charlie Brown and the late Shirley Brown of Mobeetie and Valle de Oro. Please keep Charlie Brown in your prayers. His diabetes has caused him to have to have two toes amputated. Although he is home and receiving great care from the home health care nurses, just that recuperation is slow. Hope this finds you feeling much better this week

and your wounds healing faster. Take care.

Jackie Thrashers knee replacement surgery went very well on Monday. Her progress has been exceptional. Fred brought her home Thursday evening. Her flexibility is way ahead of schedule. Friday, Susan Leflew got Jackie all set up with the home health care nurses and physical therapy. Jackie appreciates all the nurses, they are so helpful and put her mind to ease about so many things that crop up. We are so fortunate to have the Parkview Home Health team available to us. Makes recuperation so much easier and more comfortable in our own homes. Thanks gals.

Sorry to hear that Bonnie Davidson had to have a knee replacement done too. But she is already back to work at home health on a half day schedule for now. She is so amazing. Nothing slows her down much. Take it easy though.

Saturday Drew Johnson, son of Amanda Mick and "Little John" Johnson, made his debut at a shower held for him at his great-grandparents in Pampa. Drew's whole name is John Andrew Johnson IV. He made quite a hit with family and friends in Pampa. Most of his Dad's family is from the Pampa area. Drew has made a hit with his whole family and everywhere he goes. Don't know who was minding the fire department. Most of John's crew and his captain were at the shower. Since John has been in Iraq they take advantage of every chance to visit with him.

The shower was wonderful and Drew and Mom and Dad received many useful, wonderful things. John sure knows how to top off a great party. John surprised Amanda with a beautiful engagement ring on a pacifier and formally asked her to marry him. Wow! Lots of happy tears. Congratulations Amanda and John. It was quite a weekend.

The Johnson family celebrated with Drew, Amanda and "Little John" on Saturday and then John I celebrated his 80th birthday on Sunday. Congratulations and many more.

The View of a Southern Woman

.... Southern California that is.

Those new chickens might be a problem or maybe they already are. I had planned to let them have the run of the yard when they get big enough to leave the garage and that better be soon as Glenn Forrest Frosty thinks they are changing the smell of the place. They are in pens, but they do have a rather chicken odor. I am sure it will not be more than a couple of more weeks and they can go into their chicken house and pen. Of course we need to get some sunshade for the top of the pen as they might get too hot and we need a heater in the cold winter. They eat like pigs and seem to put everything into their water bottle. I cannot figure out how they can scratch the chicken feed out of those little holes in the feeder and get it into everything. Now I worry that if I let them into the back yard, they might fall into the shark tank of Glenn's and those big bass and other wild fish will eat them with one swallow. Some of those fish have a mouth big enough to swallow a tennis ball. I do not remember having this much concern with my bantams back when I was in my 20's. We were in a store in Clinton, OK yesterday and I actually saw Glenn looking at the baby chickens. I yelled NO MORE at him and he backed off. As the chicks grow, I am seeing signs of roosters, so there probably is more problems than I thought. Brother Johnson said he would take all the roosters I did not want, but think he might be thinking of dinner instead of pets. And roosters will not lay eggs so there must be another motive for him wanting them.

Well we just found out that I worried needlessly about Eddy Walker moving away and leaving us. I was really upset about training another neighbor. We are all so happy to hear it from the man himself that they are not selling and moving away. At least not for now. Sheila is a real nice person and we all love her already. And Eddy is not picking on me right now. Think we have called a truce for a while at least. We are all so happy to hear of their staying here. Guess we will cancel the going away party for him. Oh well, I will have a birthday party for Glenn in mid-November. Think I will do it all in black as he will really be over the hill! I do not know what to get him as he has everything and will not take a chance by asking him. He might come up with something.

Met a really nice couple lately from California by the name of Garrett that bought David Gilmer Jr. house just out of town. I knew I would eventually meet those California people. He said he spent 30 years in New York, 30 years in California and now is ready to spend 30 years in Allison and I hope both of them are here that long. Think I should have told them about the ice and snow in the winter, but guess they will find out like I did 2 years ago.

With love from the former California woman ... Betty Boydston.



Friday Leola Stuart drove to Wheeler to see her mother, Gladys Richardson. This was quite a mile stone as it was the first time since her knee replacement surgery that she has been able to drive. Getting in and out of that tall pickup was a bit of a challenge, but the rest of it went very well. Now she really feels like she is making progress. Way to go.

Monday Leola and Iva went to Berger to take care of Leola's eye appointment. She got a pretty good report and an extra month between visits. Sounds much better.

Dennis, Vanessa, Garrett, and Braydon Stuart were up for a short visit the last weekend of August. The Stuarts live at Wylie Texas. Garrett and Braydon are enjoying school. Braydon would have stayed with Granny, but he had to go back and go to school. But when he gets his drivers license he'll come back and stay with

Granny so he can drive for her. How cute. He is only in kindergarten but already planning for his drivers license. Granny sure enjoyed their visit.

Leola talked to Randy on Monday, they were lucky and had missed too much back lash from hurricane Rita. They had some of the wind, but no moisture. Monday they had a temperature of 106 there in Kyle, TX. They had several of the hurricane refugees from hurricane Katrina and Rita.

We have been so lucky up here in the panhandle this year. I gripe about our wind but I certainly don't have that much to gripe about. Randy's have been staying busy and trying to make all of the football games now that Zach is playing ball. His team is having a fairly good year so far. Zach really enjoys football.

One of Leola's nieces and her
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Gathered around the table are (l. to r.) James Bobo, Dorothy Walker, Earnest Maddox and Wilma Maddox.



Enjoying hamburgers are (l. to r.) Johnnie Bird, John Moore, Gwen Loyd, Angie Kincannon, LVN ADON, and Wayne Stunton.



Linda Garner is shown here serving Zoah Britton, a nursing home resident. Dale Garner is in the background.



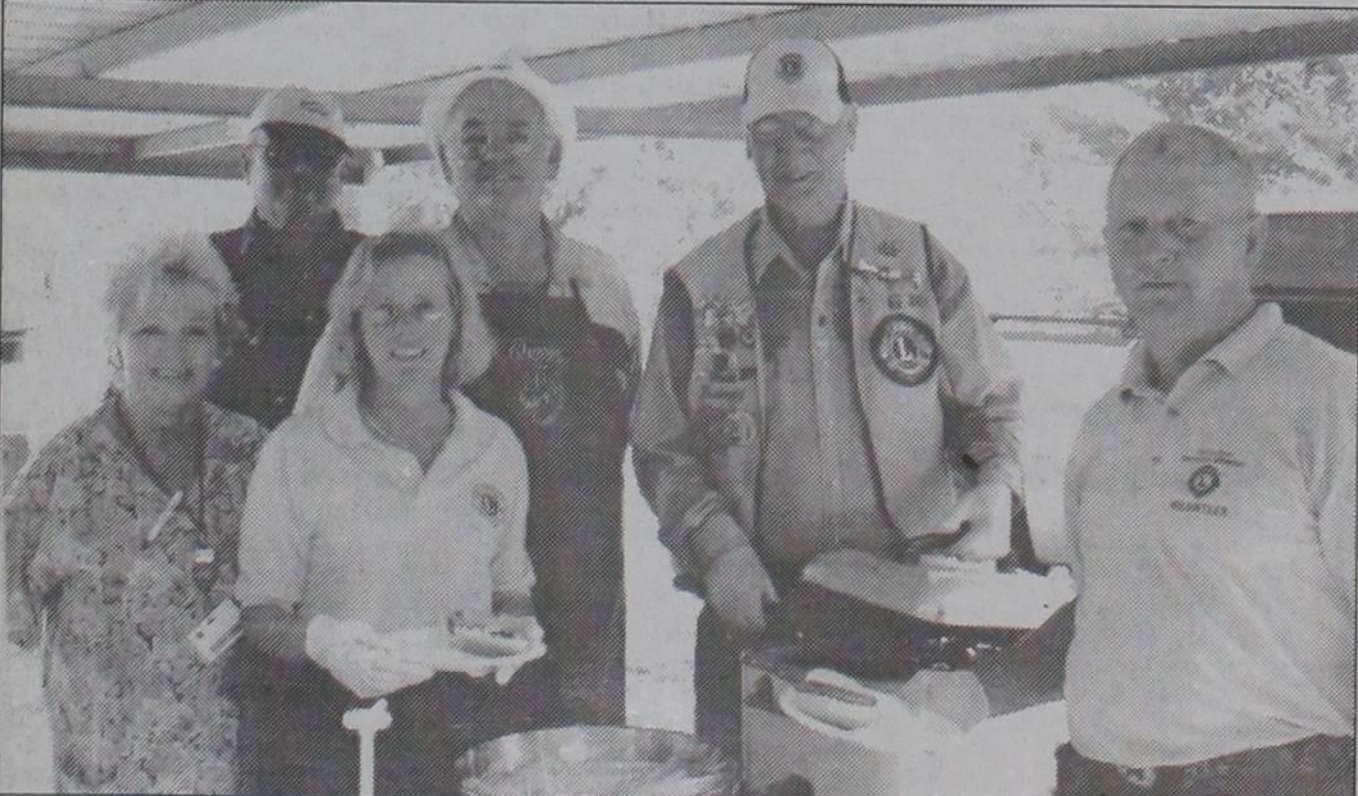
W.J. Lisle enjoys the hamburger.



Lucy Ricketts also enjoyed the cookout.



Wheeler Lions (l. to r.) Bob Wills, Lonnie Kenney and Donald Finsterwald.



Serving grilled hamburgers to the residents at Wheeler Nursing Rehab recently were the Wheeler Lions Club. Shown here are (l. to r.) Donna Cox, RN DON, Donald Finsterwald, Linda Garner, Charles Kuntz, Charlie Finsterwald and Dale Garner.



GRANDPARENTS DAY LUNCHEON: The Fort Elliott Pre-K and Kindergarten class of Allison hosted a Grandparents Day luncheon on Friday, September 9. They performed two songs and recited a poem. There were 30 family members in attendance. Becky Herren and Daphne Zybach are the Pre-K and Kindergarten teachers. Top picture (l. to r.) Rachel Huff, Mykah Jasmin, Tatum Meadows, Janie Poindexter. Bottom picture (l. to r.) Emily Coulter, McKinley Begert, Shyana Zybach, Hannah Shepard, Rachel Huff.

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Wheeler Church of Christ

The Church of Christ in Wheeler sponsors a Missionary in Thailand by the name of Kim Vorartikul. Please don't ask me to pronounce his last name (I've tried but failed to get it completely accurate). When Kim was college age he came over to the states from his native Thailand and attended Oklahoma Christian University. He even married an American woman who was mission-minded. Kim and Rebecca went back to Thailand and started evangelizing many souls. Along the way they ended up with over twenty children (many were adopted). They will be with us this Sunday, October 2 to update us on the work that is going on over there.

I know that he will address much of the church work that takes place in Thailand, filling us in on details concerning a School of Preaching that he helps direct, as well as tell us about some personal Christian stories that exist in a place where Christianity is not the primary religion of the population. But there is another thing I am interested in right now. It wasn't all that long ago that a devastating tsunami hit his country. So many people dead. So much destruction. So much displacement of people and families. So many opportunities for the church to become more involved in the lives of hurting people. Now that our nation has experienced a natural disaster on par with a tsunami (Hurricane Katrina, but by the time this article is in the paper we may discover that the hurricane Rita has been just as bad), we need to hear about efforts of recuperation. Here is just another opportunity for us to see how the church is such a necessary entity in our world today. We look forward to the things that Kim will share with us, as well as the day we will get to enjoy our fellowship with the Vorartikul's.

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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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: Week Ending September 22, 2005 Intentions to Drill

Week Ending September 22, 2005

HEMPHILL (BUFFALOWALLOW Granite Wash) Noble Energy Production, Inc., #6803P Meek '68', 467' from North & 1650' from West line, Sec. 68, M-1, H&GN, PD 13500'

HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) Latigo Petroleum Texas, L.P., #3113 Yarnold, 2310' from North & West line, Sec. 113,41,H&GN, PD 8500'. Recompletion

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & HEMPILL Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star, L.P., #507 Cheek, 1770' from South & 660' from Westline, Sec. 7,1,I&GN, PD 13500'

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & HEMPILL Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star, L.P., Hobart Ranch '50', Sec. 50,A-2,H&GN, PD 13500', for the following Directional wells:

#18, 1475' from South & 561' from West line of Sec. (BHL: 1130' from South & 1100' from West Sec. line)

#19, 1544' from South & 367' from West line of Sec. (BHL: 467' from South & West Sec. line)

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Gruy Petroleum Mgmt. Co., #961 Myrtle Flowers, 2280' from North & 467' from Eastline, Sec. 61,B-2,H&GN, PD 11000'

ROBERTS (WILDCAT) Latigo Petroleum Texas, L.P., #1 Morrison Potomac 'A999', 2813' from S/ South line & 324' from East line, Sec. 9,44, M.S. Brazil.

ROBERTS (WILDCAT & ALPAR LIPS St. Louis) Latigo Petroleum, L.P., #2 Courson Ranch '156', 1450' from South & 2300' from Eastline, Sec. 156,13,T&NO, PD 9500'

ROBERTS (COURSON RANCH Upper Morrow) Range Production Co., #1158 Courson Ranch S. PA-8, 2276' from South & 2310' from East line, Sec. 157,C,G&M, PD 9267'. Recompletion

ROBERTS (WILDCAT & RED DEER CREEK Cherokee) Gruy Petroleum, Mgmt. Co., #1626 Marion Osborne, 317' from North & 2280' from Westline, Sec. 26,B-1,H&GN, PD 11000'. Rule 37

WHEELER (WILDCAT & IVESTER Atoka) Sanguine Gas Exploration, L.L.C., #1058 Keith, 660' from North & 467' from West line, Sec. 58,A-7,H&GN, PD

16200'. **Application to Re-Enter GRAY (WILDCAT & THORNDIKE Lower Missourian) Maxwell Operating, Inc., #2074R Mathers, 1960' from North & 1738' from Westline, Sec. 74,A-6,H&GN, PD 8600' (BHL: 1760' from North & 1738' from West Sec. line) Directional well**

Amended Intention to Drill ROBERTS (CLARK MARTIN Granite Wash) Wheeler Energy Co., #1093 Flowers Unit, 428' from South & 2536' from Westline, Sec. 93,C,G&M, PD 9600'. Amended to change well Location

Oil Well Completions HEMPILL (N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Pablo Energy, Inc., #5011 Campbell Ranch '11', Sec. 11,1,I&GN, spud 6-20-05, drlg. compl 7-9-05, tested 9-12-05, flowed 293 bbl. of 43 grav. oil + 1168 bbls. water thru 32/64" choke on 24 hrs test, GOR 5894/1, TD 11200' --

ROBERTS (DUTCHER Cleveland) Questa Energy Corp., #2039 Hodges, Sec. 39,43,H&GN, spud 8-18-05, drlg. compl 8-20-05, tested 8-31-05, pumped 6 bbl. of 48 grav. oil + 1 bbl. water on 24 hr test, GOR 6/1, TD 8254', PBD 7950' -- Form 1 in Deep Reef/Industries - Plug-Back

ROBERTS (ST. CLAIR Granite Wash) Crest Resources, Inc., #3 W.H. Martin, Sec. 83,C,G&M, flowed 40 bbl. of 51 grav. oil + 2 bbls. water thru 32/64" choke on 24 hour test, GOR 2400, TD 9728', PBD 8706' --

Gas Well Completions HEMPILL (BUFFALOWALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #7053 Barker, Sec. 53,M-1,H&GN, spud 3-30-04, drlg. compl 7-22-04, tested 10-4-04, TD 12315', PBD 12156' -- Form 1 in Peak Operating

HEMPHILL (BUFFALOWALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #9059 L.A. Johnson, Sec. 59, M-1,H&GN, spud 1-17-05, drlg. compl 2-2-05, tested 3-15-05, TD 12227', PBD 12114' -- Form 1 filed in Peak Operating

HEMPHILL (BUFFALOWALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #2048 Irene Dixon, Sec. 48, A-2,H&GN, spud 1-28-05, drlg. compl 2-16-05, tested 4-22-05, TD 12868', PBD 12754' -- Form 1 in Peak Operating

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HEMPHILL (FELDMAN Atoka) Strat Land Exploration Co., #107 Bertha E. Wilson, Sec. 7,43, H&GN, spud 2-9-05, drlg. compl 8-18-05, potential 1270 MCF, TD 11960', PBD 11920' --Plug-Back - Form 1 in Tri-Ex Petroleum

ROBERTS (N.W. MENDOTA, S.W. Granite Wash) Devon Louisiana Corp., #1007 Flowers 'D', Sec. 7, --, BS&F, spud 3-11-05, drlg. compl 4-29-05, tested 5-30-05, TD 10656', PBD 10609' --

ROBERTS (ST. CLAIR Granite Wash) Questar E&P Co., #2070 Christie Tipps 'A', Sec. 70, B-1,H&GN, spud 5-11-05, drlg. compl 6-2-05, tested 8-11-05, potential 2797 MCF, TD 10070', PBD 9964' --

ROBERTS (ST. CLAIR Granite Wash) Texakoma Operating, L.P., #1 McMordie '84', Sec. 84, C,G&M, spud 7-5-05, drlg. compl 8-5-05, tested 9-10-05, potential 7000 MCF, TD 9875', PBD 9678' --

ROBERTS (WEST LIPS Cleveland) BP America Production Co., #14 Courson 'B' 14, Sec. 168,C,G&M, spud 6-2-05, drlg. compl 7-26-05, tested 7-26-05, TD 8800', PBD 8765' SWR #10 approved

ROBERTS (WEST LIPS Cleveland) BP America Production Co., #61 Courson 'B' 14, Sec. 168,C,G&M, spud 6-2-05, drlg. compl 6-14-05, tested 8-16-05, TD 8720', PBD 8675' SWR #10 approved

WHEELER (SILVER CREEK Hunton) Kaiser-Francis Oil Co., #1 Goad, Sec. 15,A-4,H&GN, spud 11-6-04, drlg. compl 2-27-05, tested 9-6-05, potential 1540MCF, TD 17000, PBD 16084'.

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filed in Peak Operating HEMPILL (BUFFALOWALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #4030 Peak-Walser, Sec. 30, A-2,H&GN, spud 11-6-04, drlg. compl 11-23-04, tested 1-3-05, TD 12850', PBD 12803' --Form 1 in Peak Operating

HEMPHILL (BUFFALOWALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #5029 Peak-Walser, Sec. 29, A-2,H&GN, spud 2-3-05, drlg. compl 2-20-05, tested 5-31-05, TD 12922', PBD 12881' --Form 1 filed in Peak Operating

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Wheeler County COURT RECORDS

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SEPTEMBER 19, 2005
ROW—Woodson Oil & Gas LP to Chesapeake Energy Marketing Inc., 9-2-05, Pt. N 1/2 Sec. 20, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

MD—Robert J. Johnston to Arrowhead Resources Inc., 9-15-05, NW 1/4 Sec. 22, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ROW—E. Keith Coltharp, et ux to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 9-1-05, NW 1/4 Sec. 58, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

QC ASSIGN./B. OF SALE—John K. Hayhurst to Hayhurst Investmnt Ltd., 9-15-05, See Instrument.

ASSIGN./B. OF SALE CONVEY.—Genco Oil Company to Patco Energy Ltd., 8-12-05, See Instrument.

RDT—Josephine Lilly to Joe Stulir, et ux, 9-15-05, Lot 6, Blk. 24, Shamrock.

MML—Stanley M. Mayes, et ux to Boyd Melton, 9-2-05, N 40' Lot 10 and S 1/2 Lot 11, Blk. 17, Shamrock.

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Happy Anniversary to Lewis and Tammy Newman on Oct. 4; Mark and Angela Forward on Oct. 7; Carl and Peggy Carter on Oct. 8; Delbert and Brenda McWhorter on Oct. 8.

First Sunday singing will be postponed to the second Sunday because of the Annual Meeting at Pampa Central Baptist Church for the Baptist Churches. It will start at 3:00 P.M. at Pampa for music with a meal at 5-6 and short business meeting and service on Oct. 2. Singing will be at Gageby Oct. 9 at

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We are looking forward to a visit next weekend from Dallas and Krystal and Keaira and Lindsey and Blain and Dagen Criswell.

Ladies' Day out will be at Maxeys Thursday, Oct. 6 at 11:30 p.m. All ladies invited.

Wheeler Senior Citizens will meet Tuesday, October 4, at 6:00 p.m. for a potluck meal and games. You are invited. Visitors always welcome.

James Chapman from University of Oklahoma at Norman and Dirk Chapman from WTAM were weekend visitors to Von and Sindy Chapman and Samantha. Good to see James at Wheeler Baptist Church.

We welcome new residents, Charles Bartram to Wheeler Care Center. He grew up at Mobeetie and is the father of Betty Rogers of Mobeetie. Go by and visit with him at Wheeler Care Center.

Visiting Willa Fillingim Saturday were Dan Logan and two sons and

one of them had his wife with him. They put out feed for the wild turkeys. Hunting season starts November 8. Don Logan said he would take all the rabbits she had to give away and took one white minx cat.

Enjoy the fine singing and message on the Billy Graham Classics program each Saturday night on TBN, Channel 20, on cable, when I don't forget it. Saturdays was from 1983 at Orlando, Fla. It airs at 9 to 10 p.m. each Saturday night.

No Sunday night church at Wheeler Baptist Church Oct. 2. Messengers and others will go to the Baptist Conference at Central Baptist Church in Pampa, starting at 3:00 p.m. for music, supper and business meeting and a service.

Anne Killingsworth prepared the delicious Wednesday night supper of pork chops (tender and tasty), corn casserole, potatoe casserole and green beans. Thanks, Anne. Others brought desserts.

Sincere sympathy to Pat Popham and other family and friends of Bill Popham, 75, of Canadian. Bill was very active in many helpful things. He will be missed. Funeral was Sunday at the Methodist church in Canadian with burial at Canadian.

Nice to have Evalyn Free come visit me Friday and bring a fine big watermelon. Thanks, Evalyn! You are sweet!



Dallas Fillingim won a free trip to Cancun, Mexico for him and Krystal and Keaira. They left Thursday, Sept. 22, from home at Wichita Falls and were to fly to Dallas and then to Cancun. Dallas' company, MARC Mid-America Research Company, was having their fall meeting at Cancun. So far the storm has gone the other way. They were to get back to Wichita

Falls Monday evening, Sept. 26. Nice to have Rita Pearson visit me Friday and go over to visit Willis at the Care Center. Thanks, Rita.

Enjoying quilting and chatting at Totty School Thursday, Sept. 22, were Kandi Jones, Augusta Brown, Betty Haynes, Sydney Lynch, Audrey Seitz and Jane Seitz. They were quilting on Kandi's quilt.

Pray for Kay Donaldson, who had hip replacement surgery Tuesday, Sept. 20 and is doing pretty well. She was at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo, but having therapy now.

Pray for Delores Donaldson Whitten. She had a stroke Saturday, Sept. 17, and is not doing well. She also is at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. Doctors have removed breathing tubes. Think she is doing a little better.

Keep praying for Irene Keys, who has been in Lubbock Hospital because no beds in I.C.U. closer. Some of her family has been staying with her. Irene is some better. Patty Ann Shields and Teresa Powledge have been with her and Bo Keys.

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8-19	Paducah-Scrimmage	Wheeler	5:00
8-26	Valley	Paducah	W-28 V-46
9-2	*Trinity Fellowship	Wheeler	W-46 T-0
9-9	Megargel	W-50	M-0
9-16	Silverton	Silverton	W-78 S-33
9-23	Open		
9-30	#Higgins	Wheeler	7:30
10-7	#Lefors	Lefors	7:30
10-14	#Miami	Wheeler	7:30
10-21	#McLean	McLean	7:30
10-28	#Samnorwood	Samnorwood	7:30
11-4	#Follett	Wheeler	7:30

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WHEELER COLTS 2005 Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
9-1	Amarillo Trinity	Amarillo	5:00
9-8	Holy Cross	Amarillo	5:00
9-8	Follett	Follett	5:00
9-15	Silverton	Wheeler	5:00
9-22	Ft. Elliott	Wheeler	6:00
9-22	Follett	Wheeler	5:00
9-29	Higgins	Higgins	5:00
10-6	Lefors	Wheeler	5:00
10-6	Higgins	Wheeler	6:00
10-13	Miami	Wheeler	5:00
10-20	McLean	Wheeler	5:00
10-20	Amarillo Trinity	Wheeler	6:00
10-27	Samnorwood	Wheeler	5:00

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11	Richard Watler	RB/LB	9
12	Carlos Hernandez	E/S	11
15	Zach Andis	E/E	9
16	Mikel Tucker	QB/E	11
17	Josh Britt	RB/E	12
20	Hayden Hartsfield	RB/LB	12
21	Miguel Ramirez	RB/LB	10
22	Cole Hathaway	RB/LB	11
24	Clint Orr	E/E	9
25	Kelly Timmons	E/E	12
28	Dyron Brown	E/E	10
30	Jake Benefield	RB/LB	10
32	Tanner Collins	RB/LB	12
35	Brandon Gallagher	QB/E	10
37	Chucky Rivera	RB/LB	11
39	Randall Hatcher	E/E	9
40	Josh Couch	E/N	12
50	Caleb Gaines	C/E	10
52	Vincent Ruiz	C/E	9
55	Jonathan Hampton	C/E	11
60	Jamie Taylor	C/N	9
61	Justin Lee	C/N	12
63	Ricardo Gallardo	E/E	9
75	Derek Murray	E/E	12
80	Antonio Porras	RB/E	10
82	Chace Horton	RB/LB	9
85	Aaron Rincon	RB/E	10
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Country (from Page 4)

Sincere sympathy to Leta Mae Gatlin and other family members and friends in the death of Leta's sister, Velma Faye Carter, 96, of Lefors in her death. Funeral was Thursday at Pampa.

Friday doctors did surgery to remove blood clots from Irene Keys' lungs. She also has some broken ribs. Keep praying for her.

GOD'S DARK

"God made the dark so Daytime Could close its tired eyes, And sleep awhile in comfort Beneath the starry skies.

The daytime, just like children Needs rest from work and play, So it can give us children Another happy day.

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All in the dark, He watches And guards us while we rest."

Congratulations to Payton Austin, Bocompton and Kayla Gallardo for placing well with your fine heifers at the Tri State Fair at Amarillo.

Nice to have Sue Chandler come Friday and visit me. We ate lunch at Maxeys. Good to see Kathryn Underwood eating there with son, Darren, and Steve and Joyce Walker.

Sue had her windshield replaced at Wares. They let her drive a loaner.

It's always a blessing to have Earl and Betty Husted come for

Sing-a-long and church on Tuesday mornings at Wheeler Care Center. Good to have Rosalie Keelin back playing the piano for the singing. Good job, Rosalie. Tuesday morning, Sept. 20. Several residents out to enjoy it.

Many thanks to "Our Band" for coming to make beautiful music at Wheeler Care Center Tuesday night. All of "us kids" enjoy it. Some playing were Gene Keelin, Jim Jackson and Jay Godwin on Guitars, Geoff Caldwell played Mandolin, Robert Jones played the Bass and Chuck Hartline played the fiddle. Jay, Chuck, Jim and Martha Meek sang. Hope you will

come back soon. Thank you. Guests to listen included Joyce Perkins, Donna Jenkins, Fat and Wanda Childress. Good to see Ashley and Jackie Lane and Chasey there. They visited Addie Swift, great-grandma.

Weekend visitors to Arvid and Joetta Sword were Joetta's sister, Melinda and Pete Jempton from Oklahoma City. Good to have them all out to Wheeler Baptist Church.

Singing beautiful specials Sunday at Wheeler Baptist were Nicols Moore and Samantha Chapman. Thanks!

Linda Harvey from McLean was a weekend visitor to long-time

friends, Lavenna and Eddie Pannell. Always nice to have Linda out to Wheeler Baptist and our Berean Sunday School class.

Sincere sympathy to family and relatives of Robert Wiley of the Houston Area in his death. He was a brother-in-law to Emma Williams.

Nice to visit with Darville Atherton on the phone. He is doing pretty well, but lonely. He doesn't have a driver's license, but has someone to drive for him some. He enjoys seeing the deer around his place in the country east of Wheeler. Darville turned 80 on June 17, 2005. He and Sammie (Dougherty) had four boys. Only Russell survives and he works 2 weeks away and two weeks home. Deceased are Lee, Michael and Arville Dean. Best wishes to Amanda Mick and John Johnson on the birth of their son.

THE WHEELER TIMES
PAGE 5—Thursday, September 29, 2005
"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

Maternal grandparents are Terry and Sheila Mick. John got to come home from Iraq for two weeks to be with his family.

Several residents out to church service Tuesday afternoon at Wheeler Care Center. Some there from Wheeler Baptist were Bro. Dennis and Emma Williams, Wesley and Helen Steen, Buddy and Dianne Sparks, Darrell and Sue Gaines and Gracie, Martha Meek and Verna Fillingim. Dennis played his guitar and helped Wesley Steen with leading several songs. Buddy Sparks read scripture. Darrell Gaines led in prayer

and Gracie Gaines played the piano and sang. Others helped with singing. Some residents out for the service and helping sing were Reba Wofford, Aline Frisbee, Ferne Kidwell, Wilma Mattox, Opal Hutchison, Norma Bowerman, Wayne Stanton, Dorothy Walker, Mildred Pierce, Willis Fillingim, Johnnie Bird, Gelemmia Beck.

Good service. Dennis did a devotional, too.

Next Sunday, Oct. 2, at 3:00 p.m. Wheeler Methodist will have church service. Visitors welcome.

Glad to hear Cecil and Jean Meadows are doing pretty well. Cecil no longer goes to Canadian for therapy 3 days a week. Dean and Shannon Meadows from Canadian and Dewayne Meadows from Pampa came down Saturday afternoon and helped Cecil learn to manage his crutches and visited. He mostly uses a walker or wheelchair. Vicky gets off work at the Hospital to help Cecil learn to manage his crutches on week days. Donna's husband, Jerry, works for Slumber J in Louisiana. They evacuated them to Dallas and put them up in a motel 6 until

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Mobeetie (from Page 2)

family had to flee their home between Galveston and Houston. They went to San Antonio first. It took them seventeen and a half hours to get there. After finally getting there they found out that Corpus Christi was out of harms

way so decided to go down there to her brother-in-laws. Sunday afternoon they returned to find their home in pretty fair shape, considering everything. Most of the damage was confined to the roof of their house and loss of food in the refrigerator and freezer due to the electricity being out. When they returned home the electricity was

just coming back on. The Lord was good. Good to talk to Jackie Don May Shelton and Payton are doing good in school. Payton always stays so involved. Shelton is really enjoying being back in classes with his friends. Shelton has to go back to his doctors in Amarillo on Thursday to have all his bloodwork re-

done and other tests and scans to be sure everything is staying good and maybe schedule removal of his port. Best of luck Shelton. You deserve some really good news. You too Dad and Mom. Please keep our friends and neighbors in your prayers: Don and Mary Edwards, Shelton May and family, Earl and Mabel Tabor,



Country (from Page 5)

they could safely go back. My, these storms are scary. Pray for safety for the displaced ones.

Cecil had one leg amputated some months ago. He has an artificial leg.

Willis and I were married 62 1/2 years Sunday September 25 — from March 25, 1943 while Willis was in the army. Imagine putting up with me that long! I am thankful for all the good times and family and friends.

Pray for Marilyn, nurse at the Care Center. She takes treatments for cancer, but they can't get it all. She is so sweet and helpful. She does medications at the Care Center.

Ed and Laurel Hershman and Ray and Glenda Hudson went with a group of about 50 from different places on a tour bus to Branson, Missouri, leaving early Thursday and getting back Sunday. They saw several shows and had an enjoyable trip.

Jackie Cummings is recovering from her broken hip and is having rehab at Amarillo and visiting a niece.

Sincere sympathy to Dr. Kirk Kite and other family and friends in the death of Kirk's wife, Carolyn Kite, 65, of Canyon. Kirk grew up at Briscoe and graduated there. Kirk lived where Johnny and Patty Crawford live. Funeral was Wednesday at Canyon with burial at Wheeler. Rev. Johnny Crawford officiated. Carolyn was very talented in music: teaching, playing for church and other activities.

Sunday dinner guests at Cleidith Burrell's home were Heather Schmidt and Ashtyn, Chancton, Quinlan and Emmi, Mike and LaDonna Honeycutt and Courtney and friend Riley Woodruff. They sang Happy Birthday to Emmi. She turned 2 on Sept. 17. Happy Birthday, Emmi.

Ella Mae Wood had a good visit with Reba Wofford at Wheeler Care Center Monday.

LaDonna is Ned's daughter and Heather is a granddaughters. Her kids are Ned's great-grandchildren.

Ashtyn Roberts Birthday

Friends and family helped Ashtyn Roberts celebrate her 13th birthday (a teenager!) at City Park Saturday September 24th in Wheeler. They ate pigs-n-blanket, chips and dips and sugar cookies. Some there were Jarett Towles of Pampa, Courtney Honeycutt of Pampa, Riley Woodruff of Pampa, Tess Mills of Laverne, OK, Gladys Zapata, Carla Mendoza, Karen Mendoza, Haley Sparks, Taylor Sparks, Omar Lopez, Janneth Porres, Robert Lewis, Pedro Hernandez, Collin Hampton, Spencer Ford, Payton Austin, Chris Schubert, Rolando Salas, Jorge Porres, Adrian Mendoza, Mayra Martinez, Kaylee Marion, Gerardo Diaz, Aaron Rincon, Johnathon Ingels, Maricella Ingels, Aaron Gaines, Darren Gaines, Bailey Richardson, Drew Howard, Tonia Flores, Stacy Burrell, Mike and LaDonna Honeycutt, Quinlan Honeycutt and Chanceton Roberts. Happy Birthday, Ashtyn!

EMMA'S BIRTHDAY

Pastor Dennis Williams took wife, Emma, and John and Justin to Maxeys for supper Thursday night to celebrate Emma's 50th birthday. Dennis got a beautiful cake from Wal-Mart and had lots of ice cream of different flavors. Many cards and gifts for a surprise birthday party in the back room at Maxeys. Some others there for the Happy Occasion were Wes and Cindy Bradstreet, Rick and Tina Bond and Abby, Ray and Mae Brazeal, Ann Ellison, Elaine Quandt, Sylvia Shuler, Leona Coates, Betty Howard, Ella Mae Wood, Cleidith Burrell, Martha Meek, Dolores Simmons, Velda Miller, Dianne Sparks, Verna Fillingim, Mike and Mendy Bailey and Micala and Brady. Happy Birthday, Emma, and many more. Wanda Herd also there.

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I'm sorry that Irene Keyes is having so many problems after her accident. Certainly hope this week has been better.

Saturday Jayden Medley-Mayfield celebrated his 6th birthday at central park in Pampa with many friends and family. They had more fun sliding down the hill on boxes than worrying about anything else that was going on. They managed to gobble up some Ninja Turtle cake and ice cream then it was off to the hill. Happy Birthday Jayden. This is a busy week. Happy Birthday Leah, Jayden and Lori. Have a great year!

To all of the rest of you have a great week.

Court (from Page 3)

rock. TMMML—Boyd Melton to National Bank of Commerce, 9-2-05, N 40' Lot 10 and S 1/2 Lot 11, Blk. 17, Shamrock.

A. of JUDG.—County of Wheeler, et al to Robert Joe Stokes, 9-2-05. RDT—Citizens Bank to Richard Kincannon, 9-9-05, S 50' Lot 3, Blk. LXXXIX, Shamrock.

STIPULATION MIN. INTEREST—Dora Lea Dupont, et al to Dora Lea Dupont, et al, 9-15-05, See Instrument.

RDT—Leota Williams Black to Donald Wayne Williams, 9-19-05, NW 98 acs, Sec. 33, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

D—Lynna Marie Koelzer to Vincent G. Koelzer, 9-9-05, Pt. Sec. 5, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

MML—Vincent G. Koelzer to Jerry Koelzer, 9-13-05, Pt. Sec. 5, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

DT—Vincent G. Koelzer to First State Bank of Mobeetie, 9-13-05, Pt. Sec. 5, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

RECEIVER D—Fredrick Loran McCray Estate to Clyde J. Dukas, et ux, 7-27-05, Lot 7, Blk. 13, Briscoe.

SEPTMBER 20, 2005 TAX DEED—Martha Jeannene Reeder, et al to Wayne Chadick, et ux, 9-12-05, Lot 5 and the N 1/2 Lot 6, Blk. 1, Potts Add., Shamrock.

B. of SALE—Enogex Gas Gathering LLC to Enbridge Pipelines (Texas Intrastate) LP, 6-1-05, Pts. SW 1/4 Sec. 11, Blk. 1, Brooks & Burleson Survey and NE 1/4 Sec. 8, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

OL—Greer Real Tirrill to Samson Lone Star Limited Partnership, 8-12-05, W 1/2 Sec. 30, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

SEPTMBER 21, 2005 OL—Ingmar Sterzing to Ram's Head Energy Inc., 7-1-05, N 1/2 Sec. 63, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Ingmar Sterzing to Ram's Head Energy Inc., 7-1-05, Sec. 62, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Gary Wayne Brewer to Ram's Head Energy Inc., 7-1-05, Sec. 2, Blk. H, W. H. Simpson Survey.

AFF. HEIRSHIP—Mary Jane Kiker to David Luther Kiker, 9-2-05, Mineral Interest in Wheeler County.

SEPTMBER 22, 2005 MD—Arrowhead Resources Inc. to MAP2004-OK, 5-1-05, E 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 18, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

MD—Arrowhead Resources Inc. to MAP2004-OK, 5-1-05, E 1/2 E 1/2 Sec. 3, Blk. 2, Brooks & Burleson Survey.

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Lunch: Corn dog, Waffle Fries, Baked Beans, Orange Smiles, Cookies, Milk

TUESDAY

Breakfast: Biscuits, Egg Patties, Sausage, Gravy, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Corn, Tossed Salad, Garlic Bread, Fruit Cobbler, Milk

WEDNESDAY

Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Steak Fingers, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Corn, Hot Roll, Mandarin Oranges, Milk

THURSDAY

Breakfast: Biscuit and Gravy, Sausage, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Pizza, Pickle Spears, Sliced Carrots, Rosie Applesauce, Salad, Milk

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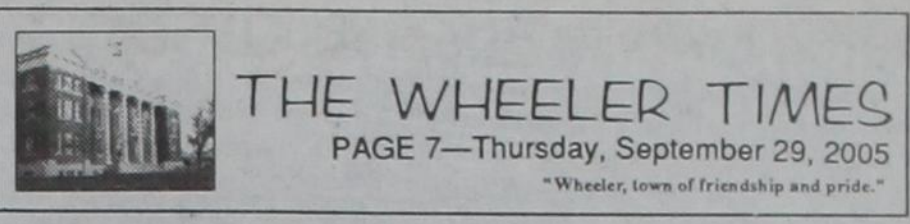
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Local Individuals Enjoy Branson Trip

For those of you who have never been to Branson, Missouri this is the way to go!
 The First National Bank of Canadian recently hosted their third bus tour to Branson, Missouri with a group of 47. The bus loaded and left Canadian at 6:00 a.m on Thursday morning. We ventured down to the Wheeler Thriftway parking lot and picked up a few of our passengers along the way.
 Our first stop was in Ozark, Missouri at Lambert's Cafe, the only home of the "threwed rolls". Earl and Agnes Lambert started this restaurant in 1942. They had 14 cents between them and borrowed \$1500 from a friend. World War II and severe rationing made restaurant operation extremely difficult with many meatless day and supplies were in short demand. However, through trying times, the Lambert family has a total success of a restaurant as their family legacy. Be sure and stop in there when you can.
 We arrived at the Grand Plaza Hotel in time to freshen up and head out again for our first show, "Broadway, A Star Spangled Celebration". This is a gorgeous, glittering action-packed production with a cast of singers and dancers that takes you on a fabulous musical journey through the best song and dance of your favorite Broadway shows.
 Friday, we awoke to a full American breakfast buffet at the Plaza View Restaurant and headed out for our next show. The Brett Family Singers. The Bretts are known for their breathtaking family harmonies, but shine as soloists as well. They are also recognized for their incredible showmanship. One of their sons was on a mission trip with his church and could not be with the show this time. However, Tom and Andrea along with their children, Brianna and Garon made the show a smashing success!
 Our next adventure was making way to the Branson Bell Show-

Bad Decisions On Energy Policy

By Mac Thornberry, U.S. Representative (TX-13)
 Our kids are teenagers now. One of the lessons we are trying to teach them is that the choices they make have consequences. If they choose to do a certain thing, they will live with the results. If they choose not to do something, they will live with the results. Actions and inactions have consequences. It is a hard lesson to learn.
 Our country has had a hard time learning that lesson with energy. In 1973, the OPEC countries refused to sell us oil because of war in the Middle East. American stood in long lines to fill their tanks. I remember my father and grandfather trying to figure out how to ensure that we had the fuel we needed to run the tractor and the pick-ups at the ranch.
 In the 30 years since then, our country has made choices - by our actions and our inactions - about energy.
 We decided we would not allow oil and gas drilling off the East and West Coasts or around Florida, so more of our domestic production has been concentrated in the Gulf of Mexico region.
 We decided to put vast areas of the West and Alaska off limits a well, and now about 60% of the oil we use comes from other countries. (It was 36% at the time of the 1973 embargo.)
 We decided that we did not want to do anything that even appeared to help oil and gas companies, and now we have only a few big companies that dominate the market.
 We decided refineries were dirty, and we made it expensive and difficult to get regulatory approval to build a new one, so none were built. We had 324 refineries in 1980. Now we have 149.
 A new region of the country tried to outdo another in putting special requirements on the composition of gasoline, and so we have ended up with 45 different kinds of gasoline being produced in the United States last year.
 We enjoyed low prices as oil and gas wells were shut-in because it cost more to operate them than the money they generated. Unfortunately, we eventually paid the price as those reservoirs were lost.
 We insisted that new power plants have minimal emissions, which led to most of them being fueled with natural gas, but the supply did not keep pace with the rising use.
 In sum, we took energy for granted, assuming when we flipped the switch, the lights would go on and assuming that there would always be plenty of cheap fuel for our vehicles. Our choices over the last 30 years have had consequences.
 Recently, the situation has been aggravated by two things we could not control - economic growth in China and Hurricane Katrina. China's incredible rate of economic growth and its corresponding increase in energy consumption has made the world supply tight. The world produces 83-85 million barrels of oil a day, and the world uses 83-85 million barrels of oil a day. There is no slack, and the amount used is growing faster than the amount produced. Then Hurricane Katrina knocked out 25% of U.S. oil production, 19% of U.S. natural



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Large Amount Cash Found In Traffic Stop

Item Received Earlier In Month
 A DPS Trooper arrested a California man traveling on I-40 yesterday after he discovered a large amount of ecstasy hidden in the vehicle.
 Yesterday morning around 6:45 a.m., a DPS Trooper stopped a 2005 Buick traveling westbound on I-40 near McLean, for a traffic violation. After the trooper became suspicious, consent to search was given. Later, 13.20 lbs. of ecstasy, was found hidden in a box in the trunk. The ecstasy has an estimated value of \$197,033.00. Also seized was a \$900.00 Western Union check.
 Arrested and booked into the Gray County Jail in Pampa was 27 year old Brian Jonathan Riggs of Vallejo, CA. Troopers believe this load originated in Houston and was headed for Foster City, California.
 "This is just another example of Troopers going beyond the traffic stop and interdicting these criminals traveling through the Panhandle," said Trooper Daniel Hawthorne, Public Information Officer for the Texas DPS office in Childress.

Attending the trip from Canadian were:

- Claudette Hand, Doug and Susan Tennant, Erbin and Dorothea Crowell, Boyd and Pearl Teague Austin, Gena Tubb, Frances Newell, Joe Barnett, Polly Tubb, Gary and Sally Henderson, Warren and Jane Rivers, Marie Maupin, Becky Harper, Bill and Theresia Hodges, Wayne and Shirley Baker, Ronda Bartlett, Ann Walsler, Pat Wagner, Bobby and Angie Martin
- Pampa: Nancy Wilson
- Miami: Merle and Sylvia Tennant
- Hugoton, Kansas: Bobby and Wanda Helton
- Amarillo: Ross and Pat Howe, Janet Howe, Bonnie Myer
- Mobeetie: Hugh and May Bailey
- Briscoe: Ray and Glenda Hudson
- Higgins: Lewis and Rama Deeds, R.B. and Sue Willyard
- Shattuck, Oklahoma: Brenda Harris
- Panhandle: Fred and Marcia Muir
- Wheeler: Ed and Laurel Hershman

gas production, 10% of U.S. refining capacity, and much of the pipeline and transportation system to distribute fuel, at least for a time. In a market with no slack, the effects were immediate. We have felt the consequences in the form of higher prices and even some temporary shortages. Prices will ease in the coming days, but will we have learned from our mistakes?
 No one could have predicted these exact events, but it would have been safe to predict that something would happen to threaten our supplies. It could have been another OPEC embargo; it could have been a terrorist attack in the Houston Ship Channel. We are too stretched, too vulnerable, and without resiliency in a vital sector of our economy.
 For some people, their first reaction is to blame somebody - the oil companies, the service stations, the Administration. If there are those who are taking advantage of other people's misfortunes, they should be held accountable and dealt with severely. But at some level, we all share in the responsibility because relatively cheap and accessible energy has lulled us into a false sense of complacency, and we have not insisted on the steps needed to give us real energy security.
 After four years of trying (longer for some of us), Congress finally passed an energy bill. It is no magic answer, but it begins to take some significant steps in the right direction. Yet recent events illustrate how much more needs to be done.
 We should start by allowing drilling in Alaska's National Wildlife Refuge. It can provide billions of barrels of recoverable oil and trillions of cubic feet of recoverable natural gas. Only one hundredth of one percent (.01%) of refuge area will be affected by drilling equipment and structures. We should complete an inventory of all oil and gas reservoirs around the country, including off our coasts, so we know what we have.
 We should encourage tertiary recovery to get every drop of oil we can out of the ground.
 We should restore a proper balance in environmental regulation and energy production that is based on common sense, not political agendas.
 We must continue research into new forms of energy and into more efficient use of existing energy sources. We are going to have to do more of everything.
 Energy is necessary for economic growth, for a better quality of life, and for human progress. The answer to our problems is not to have government rationing, and the answer is not to settle for slower progress and a lower standard of living. The answer is to produce more energy, safely and securely, here at home. If we do, our actions today will leave our children and grandchildren with a more hopeful and secure future.

Rural Housing For Hurricane Evacuees

USDA Rural Development and the Rural Rental Housing Association of Texas are working together to assist Hurricane Katrina survivors in finding available housing.
 "USDA Rural Development is working closely with the Rural Rental Housing Association of Texas to assist hurricane evacuees relocating to Texas," said Bryan Daniel, USDA Rural Development state Director. "Our primary concern is facilitating the relocation of families into homes where they can begin to rebuild their lives in the aftermath of the hurricane."
 According to state officials, about 240,000 Louisianians have found sanctuary in the Lone Star State in hotels and large shelter. Many more are in church-run shelters and even some in private homes.
 USDA Rural Development continues to work with the Rural Rental Housing Association of Texas to identify privately owned rental housing available to house displaced residents. Currently 2,500 apartments have been identified as property owners have stepped forward to offer their assistance with the long-term relocation of evacuees. To ensure displaced residents are able to move into safe housing as quickly as possible, USDA has established an expedited placement process.
 Additional information and updates about USDA's hurricane relief efforts are posted daily at <http://www.usda.gov/>. For more information about making contributions for disaster assistance go to <http://www.firstgov.gov> and <http://disasterhelp.gov>.

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This Calendar runs the last Thursday of Each Month and is available for Organizations & School Activities. Call: 806/826-3123 for listings.

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Traffic Laws In Effect As Of Sept. 1

Notable traffic and criminal laws that go into effect on September 1 (unless noted otherwise) include the following:

HB 183 states that all children younger than 5 years of age (old law was younger than 4) and less than 36 inches tall are required to be in a child safety seat system. It also classifies safety seat infractions as moving violations for the first time.

SB 1257 prohibits use of wireless communications devices (in-

Award Recognizes Rural Innovation

The Texas Rural Communities, Inc. (TRC), today announced the availability of its annual \$10,000 Texas Rural Best Award. The grant is designed to recognize and reward rural Texans who find innovative ways to address difficult local issues.

Texas Rural Communities, Inc., a nonprofit organization, serves rural Texas communities, individuals and groups, and supports organizations through rural economic development, educational loan and grant programs. The organization has given away \$40,000 over the past four years to resourceful small town Texans.

"We've recognized groundbreaking Texans for four years through our Texas Rural Best program. We've been delighted with the number of programs throughout the state that have submitted applications," explained Sandra Tenorio, TRC's Executive Director. "Rural Texans have a well-earned reputation of working hard to find innovative solutions to local needs. Our mission is to recognize, reward and learn from those innovations."

Rural Texans who live in an area that is not within the outer boundary of any city having a population of 100,000 or more and have a project that has demonstrated success and achieved outcomes for at least one year are encouraged to apply for the no-strings attached grant. Applications for the prize must be addressed to TRC in Austin, and postmarked no later than October 14, 2005.

To date, awarded projects include collaborations, partnerships, education and training endeavors.

Shackelford County Community Resource Center was the first recipient of the award in 2001. The Center was recognized for consolidating services in a one-stop setting, housing approximately 45 agencies, services and programs in an old nursing home.

In 2002, Teach For America, located in the Rio Grande Valley, was awarded the grant for building a movement to eliminate educational inequality by calling upon future leaders to commit two years to teaching in low-income urban and rural communities.

The 2003 award went to the El Paso Collaborative for Community and Economic Development, which, in partnership with the National Endowment for Financial Education, developed innovative and culturally sensitive financial literacy manuals to educate colonia residents about budgeting, saving and borrowing money.

LOCK.NET, a library outreach program located in Lockhart (Caldwell County), received the grant in 2004. The program provides one-on-one computer and printer training and Internet connectivity in two disadvantaged neighborhoods in the community. Computer and Internet training is provided in both.

Texas Education Agency Division of Career and Technology Education

(Public Notification of Nondiscrimination in

Career and Technology Education Programs)

1. Wheeler ISD offers career and technology education programs in Vocational Agricultural Sciences, Family Consumer Sciences, and Computer Technology.

2. It is the policy of Wheeler ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex or handicap in its vocational programs, services or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

3. It is the policy of Wheeler ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap, or age in its employment practices as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title of the Education Amendments of 1972; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

4. Wheeler ISD will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs.

5. For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator, Roy Baker, at #1 Mustang Drive Wheeler, TX 79096, 806-826-5534, and/or the Section 504 Coordinator, Roy Baker, at #1 Mustang Drive Wheeler TX 79096, 806-826-5534.

*These programs are called "Career and Technology Education" in Texas, but the applicable civil rights laws use the term "vocational".

cluding cell phones) for the first six months after teenagers get their driver licenses. The bill also prohibits passenger bus drivers transporting minors from using wireless communications devices, except in emergencies or when the bus is stopped.

HB 1357 creates a six-month driver license (DL) suspension for a person convicted of providing alcohol to a minor (one year for second offense), and increases the DL suspension to one year for minors who are convicted of a second alcohol offense.

HB 1481 makes it a Class B misdemeanor if a person drives around a barricade where a warning sign or barricade has been placed because water is over any portion of a road, street or highway. It also specifically creates a traffic violation for driving around a barricade put in the roadway because of dangerous conditions.

SB 1005 provides that if a driver younger than 25 years of age commits a traffic offense classified as a moving violation, the judge must require the driver to complete a driving safety course—and, if the driver holds a provisional driver license (under 18 years of age), submit to a DPS road test.

HB 1484 specifies that a person commits a traffic offense if they are involved in a crash on the main lane, ramp, shoulder, median or adjacent area of a freeway and don't move their vehicle to an area that minimizes interference with freeway traffic (assuming the vehicle is drivable).

HB 51 requires an ignition interlock device if a driver's blood alcohol level is determined to be .15 or more (upon conviction).

HB 1596 clarifies the definition of neighborhood electric vehicles and motor assisted scooters and allows municipalities to regulate the use of motor assisted scooters on roadways and sidewalks.

SB 1257 disqualifies a person from operating a commercial motor vehicle if the person's driving is determined to constitute an immi-

nent hazard.

HB 754 allows fines up to \$500 for violating the laws for transporting loose material in commercial vehicles.

SB 1258 specifies that an original commercial driver license or commercial driver learner's permit expires in five years instead of six years.

HB 87 allows cities to lower residential speed limits from 30 mph to 25 mph in certain instances. This bill took effect immediately.

HB 2257 allows the TxDOT commission to establish a daytime speed limit of 80 miles per hour on I-10 or I-20 in Crockett, Culberson, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Kerr, Kimble, Pecos, Reeves, Sutton or Ward counties. If established, this speed does not apply to truck tractors, trailers, semi trailers, or trucks, other than light trucks and light trucks pulling a trailer. This bill took effect immediately.

SB 1670 requires the Department of Insurance, in conjunction with TxDOT and other agencies, to establish a verification program for vehicle insurance in order to try and reduce the number of uninsured drivers.

HB 120 creates an organ donor education and registry program. Eventually, Texans will be able to indicate their wish to become an organ donor when they are issued or renew their driver license or ID card.

SB 122 requires peace officers to report notification of ID theft to their employing agency. It provides penalties for the unauthorized use of personal information.

HB 699 increases the penalty for using someone else's DL or ID card to a Class A misdemeanor. It also clarifies that use of a false ID by someone under 21 for purchase of alcohol is a Class C misdemeanor.

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HB 1239 makes DPS more involved with drug task forces operating in Texas, including any "multi-county" drug task forces. (Effective August 1.)

HB 164 places restrictions on the sale of pseudoephedrine products and allows children exposed to meth production to be removed from the home. (Effective August 1.)

HB 867 eliminates mandatory newspaper notification for sex offenders. Another provision deals with postcard notification for high-risk sex offenders. DPS is now required to send the postcards to all addresses within the distribution area, except post office boxes. Prior law specified residential addresses only.

HB 1068 creates an independent commission with investigational oversight involving complaints against DNA crime labs in the state. It also requires DNA sampling from some 60,000 current Texas prison inmates who do not have DNA profiles in the CODIS (Combined DNA Index System) database.

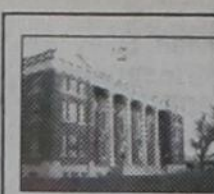
HB 823 describes the conditions under which a person will be presumed to be "traveling" for the first time. It applies to people who have a handgun in their vehicle but do not have a concealed handgun license (CHL). It also places the burden of proof on prosecutors to prove the driver was "not traveling."

HB 225 extends the renewal time for a CHL from four to five years, which will reduce the average annual cost of a license.

HB 322 lowers the age requirement for active duty or retired members of the military applying for a CHL from 21 years of age to 18, and reduces the original license fee and any renewal fees for active duty members of the armed forces by 50 percent.

HB 1038 reduces CHL renewal fees by 50 percent for anyone over 60 years of age.

The texts of these bills can be found at www.capitol.state.tx.us. Select the enrolled version in the regular legislative session.



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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

Maintaining Vision And Mental Health

Today, more than two-thirds of visually impaired adults in the U.S. are over 65 years of age. Nearly 20.5 million Americans age 65 and older are afflicted with cataracts, the leading cause of blindness in the U.S. Alarmingly, the number of Americans with age-related eye disease is expected to double within the next three decades unless somethings is done to reverse the trend.

Moreover, a recent study out of the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston indicates that seniors suffering from poor vision have shown evidence of a premature mental decline. The results of this study clearly bring to light the importance of routine eye care for older adults.

In honor of "Take a Loved One to the Doctor Day," the Texas Ophthalmological Association encourages people to call the EyeCare America Seniors EyeCare Program. This year-round program offers eye exams at no out-of-pocket cost to seniors who are without an ophthalmologist (a medical eye doctor). To see if you, a loved one or a friend, 65 and older, is eligible to receive a referral for an eye exam and care, call 1-800-222-EYES (3937). The EyeCare America help line operates 24 hours a day, every day, year-round.

"Blindness and vision impairment have enormous personal, social and economic costs, limiting the activities of otherwise healthy and active people," said Gary M. Cowan, MD, President of the Texas Ophthalmological Association. "EyeCare America bridges the gap between seniors and the quality eye care they need thereby allowing them to live more fulfilling and active lives."

Here in Texas, EyeCare America and its 373 volunteer ophthalmologists have served more than 24,302.

Through the program those who are eligible receive a dilated eye exam and up to one year of treatment at no out-of-pocket cost to the patient. EyeCare America is able to provide this no cost care through its network of 7,500 volunteer ophthalmologists who have agreed to accept Medicare or other insurance as payment in full.

Stats about Eye Health:
* Approximately 5.5 million people over 65 who are blind or have low vision.

* More than \$22 billion is spent annually on care and services for people who are blind or have visual impairments.

* Unless those with low vision get help, they often suffer from anxiety, frustration and depression that diminish their quality of life.

EyeCare America is a public service foundation of the American Academy of Ophthalmology. The Seniors EyeCare Program is co-sponsored by the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., and Alcon.


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start at **7:00.**

If you have an item you
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