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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

## CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

**Contratulations, Brentney Taylor!** Brentney was named to *Amarillo Globe-News* Athlete of the Week.

Remember the Wheeler County Junior Livestock Show gets underway Friday evening and continues Saturday.

And, Saturday evening is the Barbeque, awards and sale.

Show your support for the youngsters, who have spent so much time preparing for this show.

Wheeler's basketball teams are having a good year. Their pictures and information is in the First State Bank Adv. on page 5.

Lonnie Kenney will be the guest  
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## Landon Sams Is On Pres. Honor Roll

Landon Craig Sams of Wheeler TX qualified for the President's Honor Roll at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford during the 2005 fall semester.

Sams was honored with 450 students on the President's Honor Roll after completing 12 semester hours of undergraduate work earning all A's.

## Clarendon College Honor Roll Posted

Clarendon College's outstanding academic students have been named to the President's and Dean's Lists for the Fall 2005 semester. A total of 52 students achieved this honor.

The President's List, which highlights full-time students who maintain a 4.0 grade-point average through the fall semester, includes Guagalupe Salas of Wheeler and Kerry Williams of Mobeetie.

The Dean's List, which highlights full-time students who maintain a 3.6 grade-point average through the fall semester, includes Candy Hilburn and Teri Williams of Mobeetie.

Clarendon College is a community college located in the Texas Panhandle. For more information about Clarendon College please call 1-806-874-3527 or visit [www.clarendoncollege.edu](http://www.clarendoncollege.edu).

## Hospital Notes

### Assisted Living

Verne Lohberger  
Opal Hefley  
Alvern Hutchison  
C.B. Brotherton  
Iona May  
Vea Fillingim  
Lillian Lee

### Admissions

1/15 Wanda Herd  
Doretta Moore  
1/16 Fred Gallagher  
1/17 Ceara Wright  
1/18 Victoria Porras  
Edwin Gaucin  
1/19 Roy Bradstreet  
Charlie Sullivan  
1/20 Jessica Hogan  
1/21 Dean Tipps  
1/22 Dalila Mendoza  
Liz Austin

### Dismissals

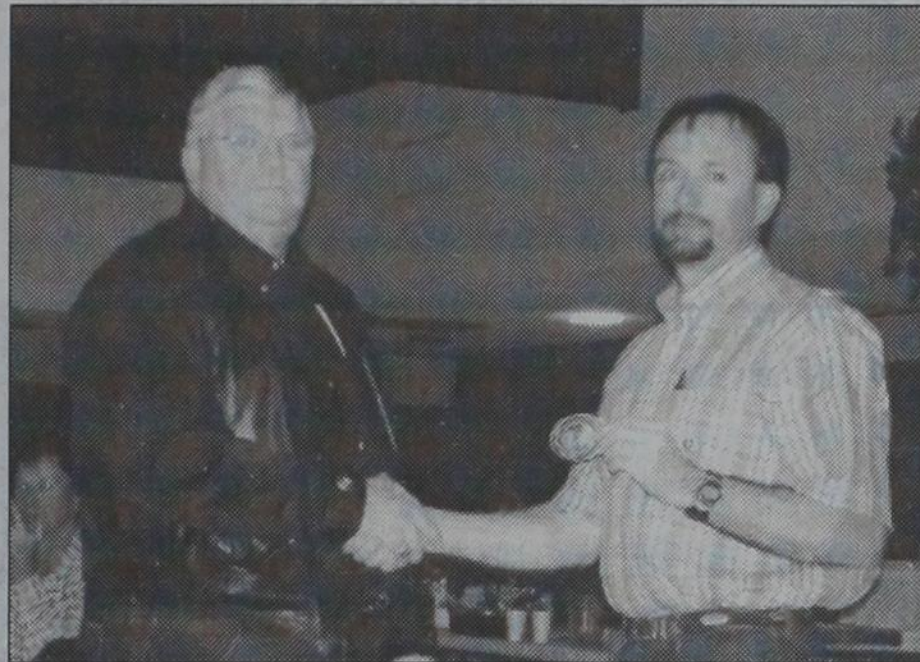
1/16 Chasey Lane  
Gabrielle Garcia  
1/18 Billie Ferguson  
Doretta Moore  
1/19 Ceara Wright  
Victoria Porras  
1/21 Fred Gallagher  
1/22 Dean Tipps  
1/23 Jessica Hogan  
Dalila Mendoza



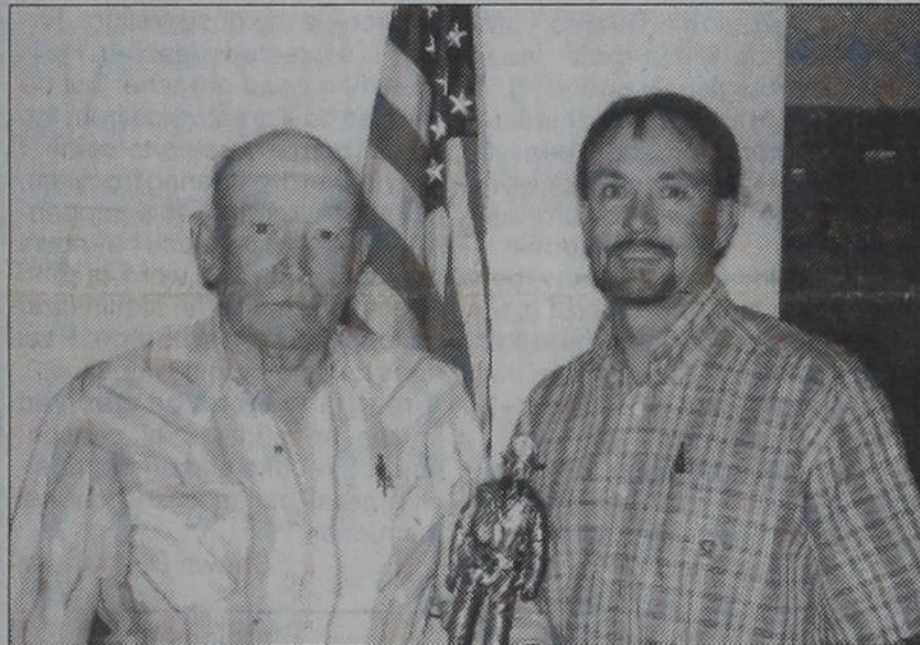
**STUDENTS OF THE WEEK:** Wheeler ISD students of the week are Jessica Darnell and Samuel Hillhouse. Jessica is the 18-year-old daughter of Debra Ford and Stanley Mayes. Samuel is the 17-year-old son of Ben Ed and Lee Ann Hillhouse. His activities include basketball, tennis, and Student Council.



**FIREMAN OF THE YEAR:** At the recent Wheeler Volunteer Fire Department awards banquet on January 7, 2006, Mark Marshall (right) was presented a plaque as the 2005 Fireman of the year. The award was presented by Robert Ford.



**10 YEARS SERVICE:** Jerry Horton (right) was recognized at the Wheeler Volunteer Fire Department awards banquet on January 7, 2006, for his 10 years service to the department. The award was presented by Robert Ford.



**40 YEARS SERVICE:** K. D. Ford (right) has been a member of the Wheeler Volunteer Fire Department for the past 40 years. He was recognized at the Wheeler Volunteer Fire Department awards banquet on January 7, 2006, and presented a plaque. K. D. also responded to the most fires in 2005. The presentation was made by his son, Robert Ford.

## DPS Issues Amber Alert

The Texas Department of Public Safety has issued an Amber Alert for a 16-year-old girl abducted from Cedar Park, Texas, at 9:30 p.m. on Monday.

Jessica Olvera, a 16-year-old Hispanic girl, is 5 feet, five inches tall and weighs 110 pounds. She has brown hair and brown eyes was last seen wearing a black T-shirt, black sweatpants and black flip-flop sandals.

Jessica is believed to have been abducted by Daniel Andrade Jr., a 22-year-old Hispanic male. Andrade has brown eyes and black hair. He has tattoos on his arms and shoulder. One of the tattoos says "Andrade."

A 1993 gray Chevy Caprice with Texas license plate L26-NYC was seen leaving the area.

Anyone with information about the whereabouts of Jessica Olvera, Daniel Andrade or the 1993 gray Chevy Caprice with Texas license plate L26-NYC should contact their local police department.

The Texas Amber Alert Network is designed to work in coordination with local abduction alert plans and is not intended to supersede activation of local plans. To activate the Texas Amber Alert Net-

work, the law enforcement agency with jurisdiction must determine that an abduction meets the following state criteria:

\* The abducted child must be 17 years of age or younger.

\* The local law enforcement agency must believe that the child has been abducted, that is, unwillingly taken from their environment without permission from the child's parent or legal guardian or by the child's parent or legal guardian who commits an act of murder or attempted murder during the time of the abduction.

\* The local law enforcement agency must believe that the missing child is in immediate danger of serious bodily harm or death.

\* The local law enforcement agency must confirm that an investigation has taken place that verifies the abduction and has eliminated alternative explanations for the missing child.

\* Sufficient information is available to disseminate to the public that could assist in locating the child, the suspect, or the vehicle used in the abduction.

## Ag Credit Declares Patronage Dividend

The board of directors of First Ag Credit, Farm Credit Service declared approximately \$7.4 million in cash patronage payments at their December meeting for 2005. The patronage will reduce most members' cost of borrowing by approximately 70 basis points, or almost three-quarters of a percent. This marks the eighth consecutive year that over 6,500 First Ag Credit stockholders will receive a cash payment and they can expect their checks in early 2006.

With this year's declaration, First Ag Credit has returned \$49 million in cash patronage and stock retirements to its stockholders as a result of the 2001 merger. Keith Vandivere, chairman of the board from Lubbock, said, "The refund is a result of the financial strength of the association as well as the value

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## Co. Livestock Show Friday & Saturday BBQ, Awards, Sale Saturday Evening

The Wheeler County 4-H Clubs and FFA Organizations have been busy preparing their animals for the local shows and the County Show.

The Fort Elliott local show will be held on Thursday, January 26, at 5:00 PM at the Wheeler County Barn. The Wheeler local show will follow the Fort Elliott local show.

The County Show will kick off on Friday, January 28 at 8:00 AM with

the weigh-in of the lambs, goats and cattle. The Lamb Show will begin at 9:30 AM followed by the Goat Show, Steer Show and Heifer Show. The hogs will weigh-in after the Heifer Show. The Pig Show will begin at 8:00 AM on Saturday, January 29, 2006. The BBQ will begin at 5:00 PM with the Awards and Premium Sale beginning at 6:00 PM on Saturday, January 29, 2006.

## Commissioners' Court Meets

The Wheeler County Commissioners' Court met in regular session on Monday, January 23, 2006. Eleven items were on the agenda.

The court approved the hourly payroll time sheets for payment. The bills presented to the court were approved for payment.

Two items were presented for court approval on the budget. TxDOT returned funds to Precincts 1 and 2 in regard to the Hwy 152 project. It was decided the precincts did not have to pay this amount and the money was returned. A check in the amount of \$7,941 was placed in Pct. 2's Road and Bridge Fund (Equipment). A check in the amount of \$5,842 was deposited to Pct. 1's Parts and Supply Account.

No action was taken on the burn ban.

Enogex Gas Gathering, LLC, was given permission to cross County Road 22 for installation of an oil and gas pipeline upon receipt of the check.

## Thank You, Wheeler Farmers, Ranchers

The appraisal district would like to thank all the farmers and ranchers who responded to the AG Survey. We have had about a 19% return ratio. There are still several of you that haven't responded. If you want us to have accurate expenses and you want your information to be included in the survey, please respond today. The deadline is Feb. 15th but the sooner you get it in the better.

Also, we are out checking properties again. If you see a tan colored Honda or a little white Saturn driving thru your neighborhood or out on the country roads, please DO NOT be alarmed. We have signs on our cars and we carry identification.



**Brentney Taylor** was named to the *Amarillo Globe-News* "Athlete of the Week" Honor Roll on Tuesday. Brentney scored 29 points in two District 2-1A Division II wins, including 18 in a 64-43 win over Miami.

## Ben Britt Memorial Fund

A memorial fund has been established in memory of 1st Lt. Ben Britt at the Wheeler Banking Center. Donations will be used to start a scholarship in Ben's honor and may fund other projects as the family sees fit. Checks may be made payable to the Wheeler Area Activities and Improvement Council and are tax deductible. Anyone with questions may contact Dr. Ben Ed Hillhouse at 806-826-5821.

## Cigarette Butts Are Fire Hazard

Motorist urged to "Keep Your Butts in the Car"

Nearly all wild fires are intentionally or carelessly set. Precautions should be taken to prevent fires from starting. Avoid activity that could start a fire ... such as outdoor welding and tossing out lit cigarettes. Keep in mind that area wide burn bans are in effect.

"The scant rainfall, strong winds and low humidity are maintaining

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## Odra Christopher Graveside At Kelton

Odra "Ode" Christopher, 97, died Friday, January 20, 2006, at Wheeler, Texas.

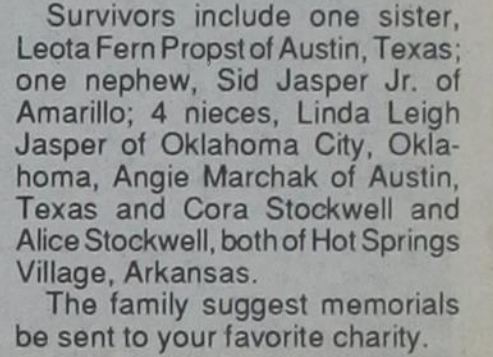
Graveside services were at 2:00 p.m. Monday, January 23, 2006, at the Kelton Cemetery, Kelton, Texas, with Rev. Ernon Mercer, pastor of the Cornerstone Church in Wheeler officiating.

Burial was in the Kelton Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler, Texas.

Mrs. Christopher was born November 10, 1909, in Holt County, Missouri to Sam and Cora Parker, the oldest of four children. She came to Texas in June of 1929. She married Roy Christopher on August 8, 1930, and lived in Skellytown until 1945. She was a member of the Skellytown Community Church. They moved to Wheeler County and lived and worked a farm East of Wheeler from 1945 until 1948, when they bought the 9 Mile Store east of Wheeler, near Kelton. She was a member of the Kelton Methodist church until it closed in 1991. She then became a member of the First United Methodist church in Wheeler. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband in 1984, and one brother and one sister.

Survivors include one sister, Leota Fern Propst of Austin, Texas; one nephew, Sid Jasper Jr. of Amarillo; 4 nieces, Linda Leigh Jasper of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Angie Marchak of Austin, Texas and Cora Stockwell and Alice Stockwell, both of Hot Springs Village, Arkansas.

The family suggest memorials be sent to your favorite charity.



Velma Jewel Hunsucker

## V. J. Hunsucker, 90 Buried At Mobeetie

Velma Jewel Hunsucker, 90, died Saturday, January 21, 2006, at Lockhart, Texas.

Graveside services were at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 24, 2006, at the Mobeetie Cemetery with Rev. Ricky Carstensen, pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Wheeler, officiating.

Burial was in the Mobeetie Cemetery in Mobeetie, Texas, by Wright Funeral Home in Wheeler, Texas.

Velma Jewel Wright Hunsucker was born March 30, 1915, in Jan, Oklahoma. She passed away at her home in Lockhart, Texas, on January 21, 2006. She was preceded in death by her parents, George C. and Georgia T. Wright, her loving husband, George Thomas Hunsucker, daughter, Georgia Juanita Hunsucker, and a grandson, Jon Hunsucker, son of Lee and Nell Hunsucker. She lived her life with love and laughter, always finding something good in each and every day. She touched many lives during her stay on this earth, and will always be thought of with love. She will be dearly missed.

Survivors include four daughter, Joyce Ann Hunsucker Record and husband, Lewis, of Houston, Texas, Sherry Hunsucker Ballenger and husband, Tommie, of Eunice, New Mexico, Patricia Hunsucker Leonard and Kay Hunsucker Brandl, both of Lockhart, Texas; two sons, Harry Thomas Hunsucker and wife, Alice, of Neiderwald, Texas, and Lee Wayne Hunsucker and wife, Nell, of Amarillo, Texas; eleven grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the SPCA or your local animal shelter.

## Dallas Fillingim Receives Awards

The following students have been named to the Fall 2005 Dean's List and Dean's Honor Roll. To be eligible for the Dean's list, a student must have maintained at least a 3.5 grade point average while taking 12 or more credit hours. To be eligible for the Dean's Honor Roll, a student must complete 6-11 hours with at least a 3.5 grade point average.

Among other students on the Dean's List is Alicia Marie Lohberger of Briscoe, Texas—Senior, Multidisciplinary Std. EC-4.

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# ALLISON NEWS

By Juanita Boydston

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved; he that keepeth thee will not slumber. Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore. I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord. Psalm 121:1 - 8 & 122 & 1. The weather here in Allison has been beautiful. Can't believe that it is January that's for sure. Would

have never known it is suppose to be winter time. Couldn't ask for more beautiful days as we are having now. I'm thankful for that. But I'm afraid that this weather is spoiling us and when we do get cold, snowy or icy weather we won't like it. Ha!! But we do need rain in the worse of ways. Louise Boydston enjoyed hamburgers in the house of her mother, Pearl Harrison on Saturday. Opal and Juanita Boydston's dinner guests on Wednesday were Vance and Carol Boydston and Curtis and Lil Boydston. Curtis and Vance did some repair work on the garage and threshold of the back door for their mother. She appreciated it very much. Thanks boys!! Louise Boydston enjoyed eating with her mother, Pearl Harrison, on Sunday after church. Pearl Harrison accompanied Darrel Harrison to Amarillo, Texas on Monday where she stayed two nights with Darrel and Johnnie Harrison. Pearl had dental work done by her grandson, Greg Harrison.

Thursday, Opal Boydston accompanied Glenn and Betty Boydston to Reydon, Oklahoma where they enjoyed a very delicious meal of chicken fried steaks, creamed potatoes, gravy, corn and green beans and chocolate cake for dessert. After returning home from eating, Vance and Carol Boydston, Opal Boydston and Curtis and Lil Boydston gathered at Glenn and Betty Boydston's house and played a game of spinners. Friday, Glenn and Betty Boydston came by Opal Boydston's house and did some more work on the car garage. Ronnie Hall and Juanita Boydston journeyed to Amarillo, Texas on Saturday on business. Vance and Carol Boydston visited in the home of Curtis and Lil Boydston on Saturday and yes they played a game of spinners. Louise stopped by and visited awhile also. Vance and Carol Boydston and Pearl Harrison and Lousie Boydston enjoyed a meal in the home of Curtis and Lil Boydston. Glenn and Betty Boydston and Eddy and Sheila Walker traveled to Wheeler, Texas after Sunday School and enjoyed a delicious meal at Maxey's Steakhouse. Larry Brown and Verna Byrd of Odessa, Texas came by and visited Roma and Billy June Brown recently and Larry and Verna journeyed on to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma where Verna had a doctor's appointment. Tuesday, 17th, Roma and Billy June Brown journeyed to Lubbock, Texas where Billy June had a doctor's appointment, a check up on her leg. They stayed the night in Amarillo, Texas at Motel 6 before coming home on Wednesday. Thursday, Vance and Carol Boydston took food to Roma and Billy June Brown and ate with them. Thursday night, Curtis and Lil Boydston took Roma and Billy June Brown supper from Reydon Senior Citizens Building. Louise Boydston attended the funeral of her Great-Aunt Mary Myers in Cheyenne, Oklahoma on Monday. Sunday, 22nd, Juanita Boydston and Opal Boydston fixed a birthday meal for Ronnie Hall. Others helping Ronnie to celebrate were Helen Forshee and Juanita Tincher. Juanita had made Ronnie a chocolate birthday cake with



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hear what God is doing in the ministry. There are now over 70,000 Cowboy Churches. There were about 300 Cowboy Pastors and Ministers attending the Conference. Some from Russia, Sweden, Afganastan and the U.S. was well represented. Pat and Alberta had met and sit with Coy Huffman, the President of Cowboy Church International and former World Champion Bull Rider, in 2003 at Rod Parsley's Conference in Columbus, Ohio. Coy Huffman invited Pastor Alberta to preach at the Conference Tuesday morning. It was an exciting oppor-

tunity and well received with other opportunities coming forth. Pat and Alberta's first trip to Las Vegas, Nevada and it was to preach the Word of God, Wow! What a Blessing! Amen! Guy Bowers, a friend who now lives in Las Vegas, formerly of Allison, TX, joined Pat and Alberta several evenings, reminiscing of days past and also toured us thru some of the city lights. Lori DeBose filled the pulpit while her parents were away and did an awesome job ministering the Word. God Bless and Keep ya'll till next time.

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## Wheeler Church of Christ

One of the missionaries we support has family living in Wheeler. Jeremy Pierce's grandparents are Charlie and Daphine Sullivan. Jeremy and his wife Amanda are doing a two-year mission stint in Italy. They originally went over there to help teach English to Italian speakers by using the Bible. Shortly after they arrived Jeremy found the opportunity open to him to preach with the congregation in Taranto, Italy. This sounds like a good situation, and religiously speaking, it certainly was. However, this situation also brought about considerable red tape. Since their work visas was specific toward another work, the Italian government decided to not renew their visa. Jeremy and Amanda have been forced to return to the states and start over at step one so that they may return and complete their obligations. That is frustrating news to them, but they are making the best of it; and taking advantage of their time back in the states. They are visiting their supporting congregations and family while they are state-side. That means they will at some point in the next month be with us here in Wheeler. We look forward to visiting with Jeremy and Amanda. I don't know Jeremy other than the few times we have talked on the phone or through e-mail plus the time prior to their initial trip to Italy when they visited us here, but here is my observation. Jeremy is a talented preacher. He is already a good preacher but he will also be a great voice from the pulpit for many years to come. I look forward to hearing from him, not just to learn what is happening in Italy, but because he knows how to deliver the word of God effectively. I will offer to him (and anyone else) the charge Paul does to Timothy in II Timothy 4:2: "Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage - with great patience and careful instruction." 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 ..... 9:30 A.M.  
Sunday Morning Worship. 10:30 A.M.  
Sunday Night Worship ..... 6:00 P.M.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:00 P.M.



Twins Cheyenne (left) and Savannah Passmore at the church's Halloween carnival.

# She cares for them. We care for her.

Frances Jo Martin, a retired health care professional and now volunteer *extraordinaire* at the United Methodist Church of Sayre, is no stranger to the services offered at GPRMC. She's been taken care of by a number of our doctors and has had several surgeries.

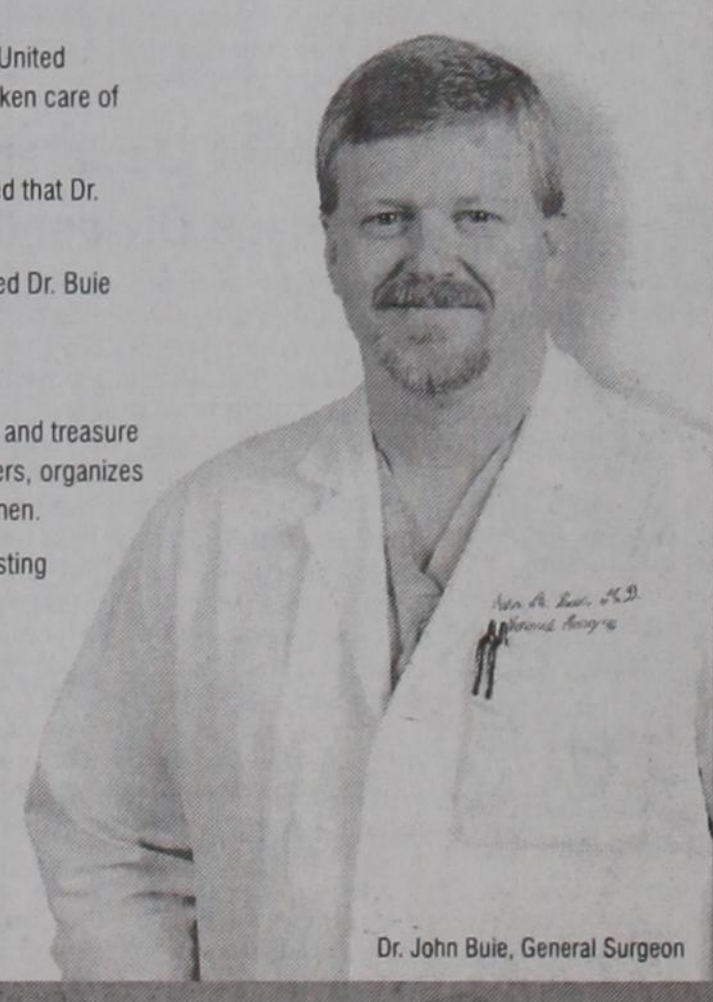
In 1998 Jo was diagnosed with breast cancer. Her family physician, Dr. Featherston, recommended that Dr. John Buie perform her surgery, a lumpectomy.

GPRMC "was close to home, close to my family at the time, and Dr. Featherston had recommended Dr. Buie very highly," Jo says. After the surgery, she received radiation therapy at Westoak Cancer Center.

"I received excellent treatment. What helped me survive were the people involved who give care."

That was seven years ago, and not only is Jo surviving, she's thriving. She gives her time, talent and treasure to the church, where she helps with the Halloween carnival, the Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners, organizes the bereavement dinners, and serves as the coordinator of missions for the United Methodist Women.

Jo Martin would agree that there is a lot to be thankful for. We at GPRMC thank you, Jo, for entrusting your health to us.



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## Cigarette (from Page 1)

the high fire danger. Tossing a smoldering cigarette on our Texas highways could ignite a wildfire and endanger lives and property," said Darwin Lankford, Childress District Director of Operations.

It is also against the law to toss any kind of litter on Texas Highways. You can be fined up to \$500 if a law enforcement officer catches you littering. Repeat the act and you could face a fine of up to \$2,000 and up to 180 days in jail.

Each year 140 million cigarette butts are tossed out on Texas highways, and cigarette butts are considered litter. The state spent over \$36 million last year to clean up highway litter. Contractors pick up litter on 90 percent of state maintained highways and adopt-a-highway volunteers pick up the remaining 10 percent.

Every piece of litter counts. If you lined up all the cigarette butts tossed on Texas highway each year, you would have a line of litter, going from Beaumont to El Paso six times. It takes up to TEN YEARS for a cigarette butt to biodegrade.

Personal involvement has proven to be the best way to keep our Texas Highways clean. Acting responsibly will help to prevent deadly wildfires.

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# MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Sue Mayfield

From last week: Another week has breezed by in more ways than one. Makes us think that March is here already. Can't imagine what March will really be like if we already have this much wind so many days in a row. Maybe we will be pleasantly surprised.

Our deepest sympathy to Ralph and Maudie Alexander of Lefors in the death of his mother in Kansas. She was in her 90's and has been a resident of a nursing home near her daughter for several years. She liked her "home". Rhonda Gallagher filled in for Ralph while he was with his family and attending to his mother's business. I'm sure she was glad to have the freedom from the post office itself. She'd much rather be outside on the route and able to go home when she is done with her job for the day.

Last Saturday Ada Lou Lester visited with Euphia Mae Sorensen in Wheeler. Euphia Mae is a Stanby Products distributor, if you need any of their wonderful products. Some of their cleaners and mops and brushes are great. Thank you very much for your donations to the museum Euphia Mae. She gave the museum a beautiful old leather vest that had been her father's, Charles Hill. Mr. Hill had been a very popular cowboy in the Mobeetie area for many years. She also donated a very nice oak student's desk to the restoration project at the old school. Your donations are greatly appreciated and will be an asset to keeping the past a tangible memory for so many in the future. Our museum is something everyone should experience. They have read so much about the history of the plains, Indian country, and the cowboys and indians, this is a whole new dimension for them. Our docents have so much information to share about the area and the people that make this area so interesting. They spend a lot of time researching people, places and things, along with events of the past to give us a better perspective of our heritage.

So sorry to hear that Leonard Hollis has been having such a rough time I hope this finds you doing much better and well on your way to better days. We really missed our visits this year with Leonard and Bertha. They are such an enjoyable couple and an asset to our community. Your in our prayers.

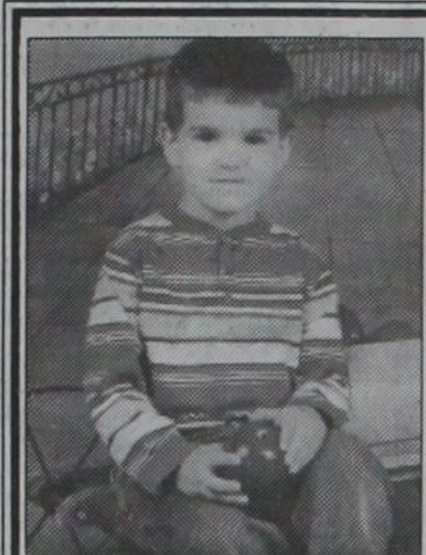
Jackie Thrasher was moved to the S. C. C. I. Hospital in Amarillo for a little while. She needs to gain some strength in her arms so she can get around with a walker until her knee heals properly and can be replaced again.

Sorry I missed ya'll last week. I'm one of those people that can only do one thing at a time and don't do that to well at times. Without a list I forget what I had hoped to get done. Sorry.

We finally got the call to go Lubbock to see a heart specialist down there and didn't know if we were going down to stay or what was going on. Not sure we do even yet. But at least no surgery for now. Hurray. The Lord does answer prayers. Thought about you Mary Margaret and Kathy. But didn't want to take the chance of stranding you. Maybe next time we'll have more warning and we'll have a better idea of a time frame.

We were very fortunate that we got back to Amarillo in time on Tuesday to see Todd and Lori Mayfield from Richland Hills and her parents, Ron and Phyllis Jackson of Amarillo, and Tim Mayfield

of Pampa for a late dinner. We met the crew at Jorge's Mexican food restaurant off of 34th and Bell Street. Very good food and nice and clean with good service. We had a great visit and celebrated surgery. Todd and Lori were on their way to Denver, Colorado on the truck and Tim had loaded at Asarco to go to Illinois. It was good to talk to Maurita



Bradley Dodd is the 4-year-old son of Joel and Laura Dodd of North Richland Hills, TX. He is the grandson of C. G. and Rosemary Dodd and great-grandson of Mary Margaret Dodd.

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Stribling. She is getting around quite well after her hip surgery. She has managed to get the tax reports done for the Methodist church while she has been laid up. She is amazing. Takes a lot to slow her down. Just can't keep a good woman down.

Buddy (Rev. Tom) had an ankle operated on Jan. 11th was to repair an old injury. He is doing quite well and handles those crutches like a pro. I understand he has had his share of practice over the years. Even does the steps at the church. He got the first cast off last week. This week he hopes to get the stitches out. Then he'll have to have another cast for several weeks. Your in our prayers Tom. It was hard to find a good time to get this done with all of his church duties and the kid's school activities. Jerome is playing junior high basketball this year and Britanni and Darius are on the varsity teams.

Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of sweet little Odra Christopher. She will be greatly missed. She made many friends in Wheeler county while she and her husband ran the grocery store out at Kelton corner on highway 152 for so many years. Odra made special friends where ever she went. Services to celebrate Odra's life will be out at the Kelton Cemetery on Monday at 2:00. Friday turned out to be a really bad day. Matthew Myrick of

Hereford was killed Friday night in an on duty car accident. Matthew had only been a DPS officer since 2004. He had served in the Naval Armed Forces then married Chisty Alison, and went on to get his B.S. degree and Masters degree from UT. They moved from Tenn. to Hereford about 2000. He is survived by his beautiful wife Christy, a daughter and three sons. His parents, Steve and Judy Myrick of Clovis, New Mexico and both grandmothers, along with his sister, Amanda, of Albuquerque. Services will be Monday at the Church of the Nazarene in Hereford with burial in Clovis.

Sorry to hear that Jackie Thrasher will have to have surgery again on Tuesday to do some plastic surgery to repair some dead skin on her knee. She celebrated her birthday last Tuesday in the hospital. Even got a birthday call from her sister and brother-in-law from Hawaii. Bitsy and Bob were having a great time. They had celebrated Bob's birthday at a luau. Jackie appreciated all the cards, calls and gifts. Fred had bought her three dozen roses on top of everything else. Her oldest grandson, Cody, in Wisconsin has joined the National Guards while he is still in high school. Her oldest granddaughter, Krista, is in the first semester of college for forensic sciences and really enjoying it. Granddaughter, Jordan, who lives there in Amarillo is very active in The Amarillo Girls Choir and the dance group Pizzaz. Last week was super busy, with the practices for the opening and initiation of the Amarillo Globe Fine Arts Center. It was a huge success. Grandson, Joshua, has big plans for when he grows up and can join some clubs by himself. Jackie and her roommate, Grace, enjoy and appreciate Tony, Pat Jordan and Joshua coming by for their visits.

Sorry to hear that Virginia Murray, mother of Gaylord Thompson, and grandmother to Kandi Jones, will have to undergo surgery on Thursday in Amarillo. The doctors finally feel that all of the infection is gone from her arm and it is safe to do the cancer surgery



## To The Friends And Relatives Of Lonnie Kenney

The Family of Lonnie Kenney extend an invitation for you to celebrate with them the occasion of **Lonnie's 80th Birthday** on Saturday, January 28, 2006 2-4 P.M. at the Coin and Copper Room Wheeler Banking Center

No gifts please.

now. Your in our prayers. Virginia will have to undergo several weeks of radiation later.

Our sympathy to the family and friends of Venita (McCain) Duncan. She was raised here in Mobeetie. She had been quite ill the last little while. Her funeral was Saturday in Pampa with burial in the Mobeetie Cemetery. She was 97 years old and will be greatly missed. Noel and Emma DeWitt of Pampa had

come over to the service and stopped for a short visit with Lorene Rector. They enjoyed getting caught up on news of families and friends.

Leola Stuart met Iva Richardson in Sweetwater, OK last Thursday and they went on to Elk City for lunch with Dale Richardson and a short visit. His wife, Barbara, was at work at the hospital so Leola and Iva would get to visit with her there. Leola had a doctors appointment to have her knees checked since her surgeries. There was such a three ring circus to get her seen by the doctor. Almost worse than phone tag. But they got a better visit with Barbara. When they first arrived for Leola's appointment the receptionist informed her that they had tried to call her but guessed she was already on her way over. The doctor had an emergency surgery so he would be tied up about an hour. So they went to check with Barbara. The doctor caught up with them later at Barbara's office and said they had just missed each other earlier. Now he was called back into surgery and would be about another hour. The girls thought they would have time to go do some shopping, but he ordered an ex-ray, so off they went to do the paper work and get in line. Much to their surprise they called her back down the hall to Barbara's office and the doctor checked her legs right there. That was a first for Leola. Good thing she is such a good natured person. Also pays to have "connections" at the hospital. She got a good report and was on her way.

Saturday Iva and Marsha Richardson came over from Erick, OK and Jerry and Sheryl Richardson came from Wheeler for lunch and a few games of dominos. They had a lot of fun. Jerry and Sheryl went easy on them the first few games, but then they lowered the boom and made short work of it. They never would have been able to do that if they hadn't had such good teachers. Ha! ha!

Monday Leola had an eye appointment over at Borger. Iva came over to go with her. They met Iva's brother and sister-in-law, Richard and Kennie Powell from Fritch, and Leola's cousin, Ruby Brown, of Borger at the doctors office so Iva would have some company while Leola got her exam. After a satisfactory report they all went to TK's for lunch. They enjoyed the visit and good food. After lunch Leola and Iva went back to Ruby's to do some catching up. The day went so fast. Leola and Iva stopped in Pampa to do a little shopping before heading home. That was short and sweet as Iva needed to be home by dark. They always have such a great time together.

It's good to hear that Mrs. Bulah Stuart of Shamrock is doing well this winter.

Our postmasters and employees have survived another rate change. It was a rough week but they handled it well. Thanks for always being there and making our part of it so easy. Hope this week is much better.

Our niece, Debbie Taylor, of Gage, Ok had a heart cath in OKC at the University Hospital on Monday. Praise the Lord, they think that the best thing for right now is a new medicine that is out. She was on her way back to Gage at 5:30 that evening. It's amazing the things they do now days. In just two years it went from not moving for 12 hours after a heart cath to just being still for two hours. It's really cool to see that little wire snaking through your veins. Of course from a person that thinks an echo gram is interesting, even if I don't know what all the measurements mean.

Please keep our friends and neighbors in your prayers: Leonard and Bertha Hollis, Don and Mary Edwards, Earl and Mable Tabor, Bill and Patsy Caswell, Peggy Dunn, Jackie and Fred Thrasher, Clinton and Maurita Stribling, Tom and Debbie Stribling, Virginia

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>CROSS CAR CENTER</b> • 24 Hour Wrecker Serv • A to Body Repair Phone: 806/826-5515 Intersection Hwy. 152 & 83 Wheeler, Texas	<b>FIRST STATE BANK OF MOBEETIE</b> Mobeetie & Wheeler Member: F.D.I.C. 	<b>HYLAND'S PHARMACY</b> 109 East Texas — Wheeler Phone: 826-5561 DOUBLE COUPONS EVERYDAY Limit: 75c-\$1.00 \$1.00 Coupons: \$1.00	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Wheeler Fire Dept. ... 7:00 P.M. <b>WHEELER LADIES' DAY OUT—11:30 A.M.</b> Maxey's Steakhouse (Dutch) ... All Ladies Welcome	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> Family Visits Wheeler Care Cntr. ... 2:00 P.M. Church Wheeler Care Ctr. ... 3:00 P.M.	<b>6</b> AF-AM Lodge ..... 7:30 P.M.	<b>7</b> Wheeler Lions Club Mel's ..... 6:00 A.M. Wheeler S. Citiz. .... 6:00 P.M. Driver's License Trooper SE Corner Courthouse Square ..... 9:00-4:00 Chamber of Com. .... Noon	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Old Mobeetie, Texas, Assoc. Lodge Bldg. at Jail 7:00 P.M. Wheeler I.S.D. Bd. .... 6:30 P.M.	<b>10</b> End of Fourth Six-Weeks For Wheeler I.S.D.	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> Family Visits Wheeler Care Cntr. ... 2:00 P.M. Church Wheeler Care Ctr. ... 3:00 P.M. Wheeler Nursing & Rehab	<b>13</b> Kelton I.S.D. Bd. .... 7:00 P.M. Comm. Court ..... 10:00 A.M. AF-AM Lodge ..... 7:30 P.M. Mobeetie City Coun. 7:00 P.M. Fl. Elliott C.I.S.D. Bd. .... 7:00 Fl. Elliott Holiday	<b>14</b> Mobeetie Fire Dept. .... 7:00 P.M. Wheeler Lions Club Mel's Diner ..... 6:00 A.M. American Legion Whlr. Vol. Fire Dept. . 7:30 P.M. Birthday Party ..... 2:30 P.M. Care Ctr. (Meth. Women)	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Wheeler Fire Dept. ... 7:00 P.M.	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> Family Visits Wheeler Care Cntr. ... 2:00 P.M. Church Wheeler Care Ctr. ... 3:00 P.M. Mobeetie Baptist Church WCC ..... Sunday Afternoon	<b>20</b> AF-AM Lodge ..... 7:30 P.M. Wheeler City Council City Hall ..... 7:00 P.M.	<b>21</b> Wheeler Lions Club Mel's Diner ..... 6:00 A.M. Driver's License Trooper SE Corner Courthouse Square ..... 9:00-4:00	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> Family Visits Wheeler Care Cntr. ... 2:00 P.M. Church Wheeler Care Ctr. ... 3:00 P.M.	<b>27</b> AF-AM Lodge ..... 7:30 P.M. Comm. Court ..... 10:00 A.M.	<b>28</b> Wheeler Lions Club Mel's Diner ..... 6:00 A.M.	<b>Wellington State Bank</b> <b>WISB</b> Wheeler • Memphis • Childress • Canadian Wheeler Banking Center 405 Alan L. Bean Blvd. P.O. Box 1040 Wheeler, Texas 79096 Phone: 826-5566 Member: F.D.I.C.			



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**Democratic Primary**  
**For District Clerk**  
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## Wheeler County COURT RECORDS

List of Instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's office from January 3, 2006 — January 6, 2006.

**JANUARY 3, 2006**  
DVL—Timothy A. Farris, et ux to Katherine Weatherly, 12-27-05, S 1/2 Lot 13 and all of Lots 14 and 15, Blk. 3, Stanley's Second Add., Wheeler.  
DT—Katherine Weatherly to Franklin American Mortgage Company, 12-27-05, S 1/2 Lot 13 and all of Lots 14 and 15, Blk. 3, Stanley's Second Add., Wheeler.  
D—Lee Hibler, et ux to Joannie Lynn Adams, 12-29-05, 100' x 150' SW 1/4 Sec. 4, T&NO Ry. Company Survey.  
D—Iris Alvern Hutchison to Leroy Hunt, et ux, 12-27-05, W 1/2 S 85' N 1/2 Lot 7, Wheeler.  
RDT—Sandra S. Christner to Jerry Koelzer, et ux, 12-30-05, Pt. 5.7 acs. NW 1/4 Sec. 4, T&NO Ry. Company Survey.  
DT—Nona Ann Faulkner to National Bank of Commerce, 12-20-05, NW 1/4 Sec. 22, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.  
**JANUARY 4, 2006**  
D—Wayne Alan Bell to Rebecca Jean Bell, 1-4-06, Lots 14 and 15, Blk. 10, Shamrock.  
D—Rebecca Jean Bell to Wayne Alan Bell, 1-4-06, 1 ac. S 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 10, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
ROW—Davis Family Trust No. 1 to Chesapeake Energy Marketing Inc., 12-15-05, Pt. N 1/2 Sec. 65, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
EXECUTRIX MD—Double Double Partners to James A. McAuley Estate, 12-7-05, Sec. 39, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
EXECUTRIX OL—James A. McAuley Estate to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 12-5-05, Sec. 39, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
ROY./MD—Joe Allen Osborn to William S. Osborn, et ux, 12-28-05, SE 1/4; N 1/2 Sec. 69 and SE 1/4 Sec. 36, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
ASSIGN.—Melanie Leslie Mills to Pogo Panhandle (2004) LP, 10-26-05, S 1/2 Sec. 3, Blk. 5, Brooks & Burleson Survey.  
AFF.—Vickie Lee Lay to The Public, 12-20-05, Sec. 25, Camp County School Land.  
EXT. OL/PAYMENT AGREE.—Trauet Christian Boles, et ux to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 12-14-05, See Instrument.  
EXT. OL/PAYMENT AGREE.—Patricia Ann Ogden to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 12-9-05, See Instrument.  
EXT. OL/PAYMENT AGREE.—Herbert F. Boles, et ux to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 12-7-05, See Instrument.  
EXT. OL/PAYMENT AGREE.—Darrell Moore, et ux to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 11-18-05, See Instrument.  
MD—Joseph N. Richardson to Susan Elizabeth Richardson, 12-13-05, N 1/2 Sec. 3, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleland Survey.  
MD—Gary D. Hall, et ux to Arrowhead Resources Inc., 11-30-05,

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**HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash)** Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #5 Carr '235', 467' from North & East line, Sec. 235, C,G&MMB&A, PD 13700'.  
**HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash)** Noble Energy Production, Inc., #4210P Teas '42', 2300' from South & 2050' from East line, Sec. 42, M-1, H&GN, PD 13500'.  
**HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & N.W. MENDOTA, S.W. Granite Wash)** Unit Petroleum Co., #2 Isaacs 'B', 1500' from North & 1000' from East line, Sec. 191, C,G&MMB&A, PD 11200'.  
**HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & SOUTH RED DEER CREEK Upper Morrow)** Pablo Energy, Inc., #309 Wiggins '9', 1707' from South & 933' from West line, Sec. 9, 1, H&GN, PD 12600'.  
**HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & SHREIKEY Morrow)** Range Production Co., #3 Make Believe Gas Unit, 805' from North & 1566' from East line, Sec. 78, A-2, H&GN, PD 11500'. Rule 37  
**ROBERTS (RED DEER CREEK Granite Wash)** Bluegrass Energy, Inc., Byrum, Sec. 5, B-1, H&GN, PD 10600', for the following wells:  
#505, 1002' from South & 467' from West line of Sec. #605, 1667' from North & 660' from West line of Sec. #705, 1877' from North & 2050' from East line of Sec.  
**ROBERTS (WILDCAT & REYNOLDS CREEK Granite Wash)** Latigo Petroleum Texas, L.P., #1 Jacobs Tallahone 'A' 852, 1354' from North & 418' from East line, Sec. 8, D, EL&RR, PD 9350'.  
**ROBERTS (WILDCAT & SHREIKEY Morrow)** Range Production Co., #4 Make Believe Gas Unit, 683' from NW line & 552' from East line, Sec. 29, 44, A.P. Smith, PD 11500'.  
**ROBERTS (WILDCAT & TWITCHELL Middle Morrow)** Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #3 James Wilson '160', 467' from South & West line, Sec. 160, 13, T&NO, PD 12000'.  
**ROBERTS (WILDCAT & LARD RANCH Granite Wash 'C')** Grayhawk Operating, Inc., #202 Lard Ranch, 2605' from North & 660' from West line, Sec. 2, --, BBB&C, PD 11000' (BHL: 500' from South & 660' from West Sec. line) Horizontal  
**WHEELER (WILDCAT & FRYE RANCH Granite Wash)** Questar E&P Co., #2013 (RE) Puryear, 467' from North & East line, Sec. 13, A-3, H&GN, PD 16000'.  
**WHEELER (WILDCAT & SILVER CREEK HUNTON)** Kaiser-Francis Oil Co., #1 Bluebird Ranch, 544' from South & 910' from West line, Sec. 23, A-4, H&GN, PD 20000'.  
**WHEELER (WILDCAT & STILES RANCH Atoka)** Chesapeake Operating, Inc., PD 16000', for the following wells:  
#4 Legg '7', 2085' from South & 1133' from East line, Sec. 7, E, G.W. Jacobs.  
#7 Stiles '67', 2173' from North & 467' from West line, Sec. 67, A-7, H&GN.

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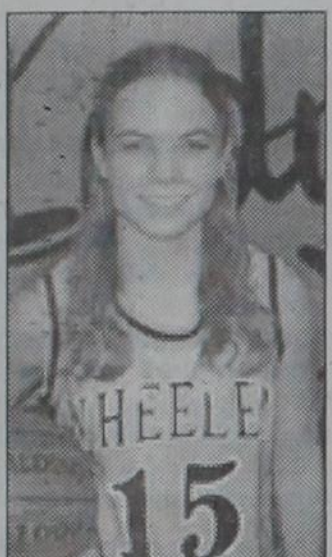
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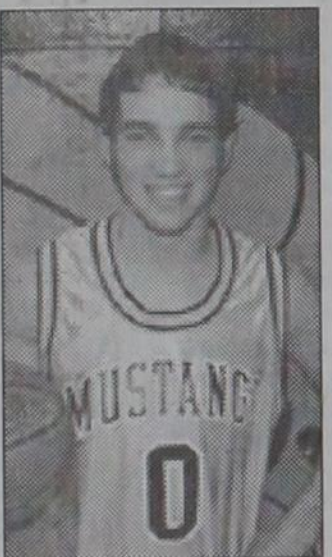
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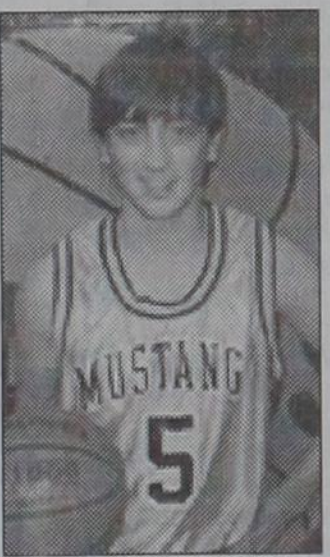
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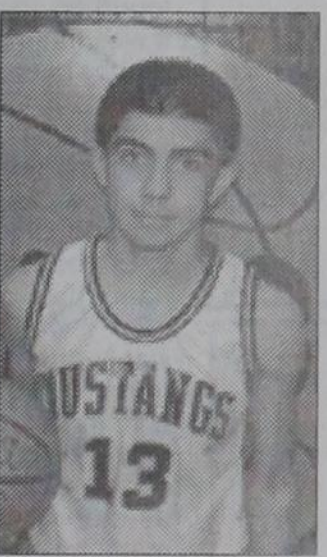
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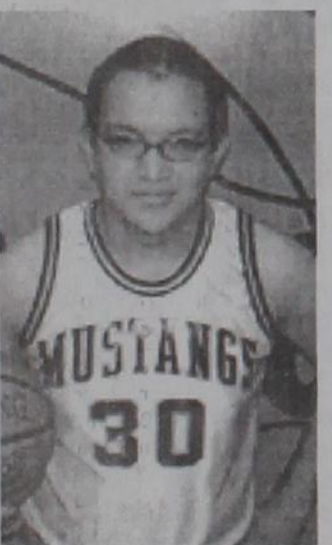
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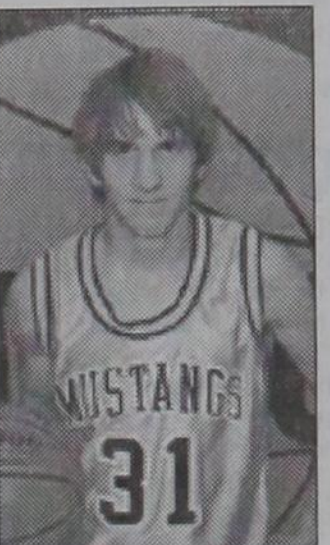
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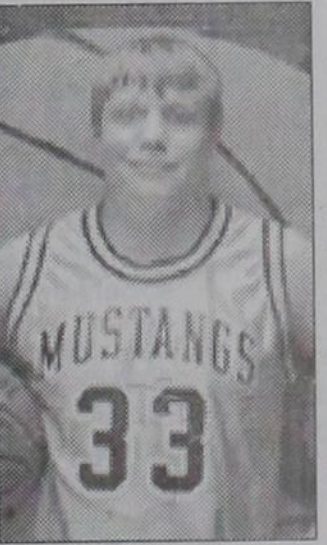
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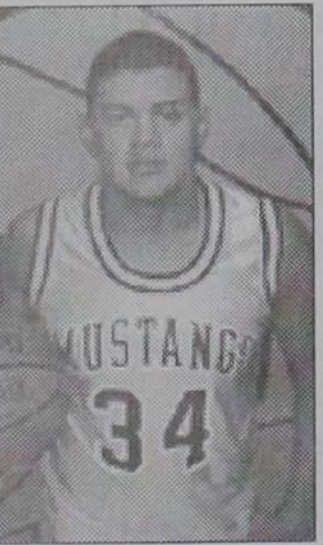
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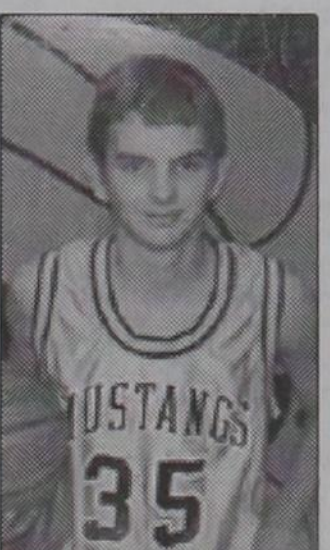
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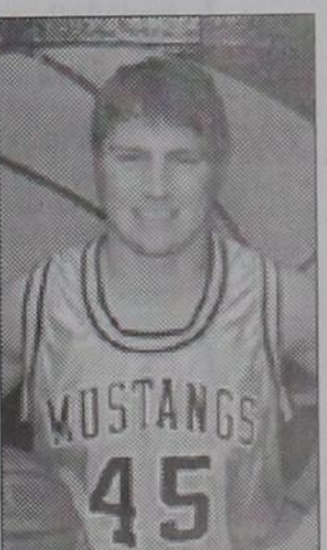
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James Rivera



John Williams



Josh Britt

**Team Standings:**

District — 4-1 Overall — 12-5  
 Ranked 2nd in Dist.

**COUNTRY NEWS**  
 By Verna Fillingim

Hebrews 12: 1,2: Therefore since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before Him, endured the cross, despising the shame and has at down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Happy Birthday to Jace Brooks, Danny Benefield, Amanda Childress, Cathi Gillette, Shelly Huggins, Jack Norman, Mark Whitaker, Dean Lane, Jackie Lane, Noah Singleton, Jake Swigart, Mike Westbrook on Feb. 1; Brett Buckingham, Joshua Hardcastle, Nicholas Hardcastle, Mary Jones, Kay Stiles, Jessica Masters, David King, Emma Fain, Andy King, Madison Shields, Devin Debi' McDaniel, Justen Bryant, Jamey James, Daniel Schmid on Feb. 2, Rachel Reimer, Dan Trimble, Melinda Whorton, Gavin Boydston on Feb. 3; Corey Barr, Brittney Robinson, Jeret Moore, Tess Markham, Matt Johnson, Bobbie Emmert, Tyler Cook, Carol DeArment, John Shields, Tom Bible, Sonya Hudson, Sonya Holder on Feb. 4.

Happy Anniversary to David and Phyllis Hefley on Feb. 2; Bobbi and Micah Edwards on Feb. 2; Eddie and Jodie Hughes on Feb. 3.

Everyone is invited to come listen to Our Country Band at Wheeler Care Center next Tuesday night, Jan. 31, at 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. and visit with the residents. Always good.

**Nehemiah**  
 We've been studying the book of Nehemiah on Sundays in January. In Nehemiah 8, the Jews celebrated. So next Sunday evening, January 29, will be a celebration. It will be a time to sing praises and share what God may have shown you through the study of Nehemiah. We will have fellowship, snacks and games afterwards. Please bring snacks and games you might want to play for the fellowship time. Everyone invited. This will be instead or similar to the usual 5th Sunday Singing. Everyone invited to Wheeler Baptist Church next Sunday Evening, Jan. 29 at 6:00 p.m.

Pray for Jackie Cummings, who is not feeling very well, and is losing weight. Jackie is a very special lady and very faithful to help in Wheeler Baptist Church Nursery. They all love "Miss Jackie."

In Friday night's games, Ft. Elliott girls defeated Follett girls 57-47. Ft. Elliott boys lost to Follett 35 to 53.

Wheeler girls defeated Lefors girls 63 to 44. Wheeler boys defeated Lefors 83 to 43.

Congratulations to Mark and Stephanie Bowman on the birth of their new baby boy, January 19 at Arlington. Samuel Mark weighed 9 lbs. Lou Dean Douthit is a great-grandma. Grandparents include Ernie and JoAnn Bowman from Iowa. Billie and Donald Stuckey from Roaring Springs went to see the new baby.

New preacher at Briscoe Community Church is Mark Evatt. His wife is Lacy, a son, Tyler, and daughter, Lisa, and another son. Mark works for Embridge. Best wishes to all.

In Tuesday Jan. 17 basketball games, Ft. Elliott girls defeated Lefors 64 to 39 in district play, making them 4-0 in district. Ft. Elliott boys defeated Lefors 53 to 33 to be 3-1 in district.

Jan. 17, Wheeler girls defeated Higgins 69-15. Wheeler boys defeated Higgins 76-30. Congratulations to all.

Frances Hefley has moved from Seville Estates in Amarillo to Meredith House in Pampa. Her address is 812 West 25th Ave. #125, Pampa, TX 79065. Easier to see her family and friends. Lynn (Hefley) Smith is head of the Community Christian School in Pampa and has been for several years.



Husband, Herb, still plays music and takes pictures. Herb comes to Mel's most Thursday nights for their music session. Son, Jonathan, and wife, Elizabeth Ann (Sprinkles) Smith live in Pampa. Jonathan works for Eagle Rock Energy. Son, Jared, graduated college and is doing some substitute teaching.

Cornerstone Church in Wheeler had a Mini Revival from Sunday, Jan. 15 through Monday, Tuesday and ending Wednesday night with a good meal catered by the Red Rooster Cafe at Shamrock as a celebration and barbeque. The lady who runs the Red Rooster is a sister to Bro. Joe Jernagan. Pastor Erron Mercer did the most of the preaching, but Jim Loper preached Wednesday night.

Terry Seitz and wife, Teri, have been going to Clarendon College, Pampa Center. Terry made the president's list because of good grades and Teri made the Dean's list. Congratulations! Terry is the son of David and Melba Seitz and they live near them. Teri works for Wares and Terry works for several men when needed.

We welcome new resident Odra Christopher to Wheeler Nursing and Rehab. She comes from Assisted Living and is a friendly, perky lady, only 97. Pray for Odra. She recently had a fall that broke her hip and maybe other things. Odra will enjoy her friends at Wheeler Care Center.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Odra Christopher, 97, in her death. Such a sweet lady. We will miss her, but there will be a joyful time in heaven. Graveside funeral was Monday, Jan. 23, at 2:00 at Kelton cemetery.

Pray for the sweet people at Wheeler Care Center at this frustrating time in life.

Thank you to the staff at Wheeler Care for their kind service to everyone.

Enjoying quilting and visiting at Totty School Thursday were Augusta Brown, Bobby Ehman, Melba Corcoran, Jane Seitz, Audrey Seitz, Betty Haines and Betty Rogers. They finished Betty

Haines' quilt and put Betty Rogers' quilt in.

I think I counted about 28 residents at Wheeler Care Center Tuesday night out to listen to the music of Our Country Band. There to make beautiful music were Gene Keelin and Jim Jackson with guitars, Chuck Hartline with fiddle, Robert Jones with the bass and Geoff Caldwell with the mandolin. Singing were Chuck, Jim, Bob Hink and Daniel Keelin. All sounded good. Thank you very much, guys, for coming. We all enjoyed it. They will be back Tuesday, Jan. 31, at 6:30 and visitors always welcome!

Ladies Day Out will be at Maxeys Thursday, Feb. 2, at 11:30. All ladies invited.

Everyone is invited to Sing-a-long and church at Wheeler Care Center each Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m. Also good time to greet the residents and visit. Also Sing-a-long and church at Wheeler Care Center each Sunday afternoon at 3:00 p.m.

Bob Blackburns funeral was at Cornerstone Church in Wheeler. Ladies of the church prepared the good family meal and served it at the Cornerstone academy school.

Martha Meek's cousin, Bill and Dorothy Turner, from Bartlesville, Okla., came Saturday afternoon and ate supper with Martha. They spent the night with Martha and left early Sunday to go visit family at Raton, N.M. Mack and Linda Sides also visited at Martha's Saturday night.

Evelyn Meek fell recently and broke a shoulder. She has a brace that keeps the shoulder immobile and she has not had a lot of pain, praise the Lord! She has just been at her house with a good nurse, daughter, Kathy, cooking for her and helping with things. Pray for Evelyn and Kathy.

Bob and Gena Zybach went to Amarillo Friday and shopped some. They enjoyed eating lunch with grandson, Clay Zybach, and friend, Emily Wood, at the Red Barn Barbecue place. Best wishes! Mark and Mandy Meadows and Landry and Tatum have a new ready-built beautiful house moved in. But will need some brick and other finish work. I'm happy for you all.

Ray and Glenda Hudson went to Amarillo Thursday for a nice weekend away. Coming back Sunday night. They visited Ray's mom,

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**Country** (from Page 5)

Lois Hudson, who is doing pretty well. They ate supper Friday night with Ray's sister, Sharon and, Harold, Bertrand, at Logan's Roadhouse. Glenda got a spa treatment, a belated present from Christmas 2005. They also saw two movies for a relaxing time. God bless you and your family.

Beverly and Mike Bryant are looking forward to having daughter, Lacey Bryant, move to Scottsdale, AZ, about March 1, to a new job there. Will be much closer than where she is now.

So nice to have Sid and Betty Talley from Miami come by and visit awhile Friday morning. They had come to Wheeler for Doctor's appointments. Pray for Betty. She has not been well and now has a bad case of shingles around her waist. Betty had to quit working in her beauty shop in Miami. She had enjoyed it so much. Keep praying for Betty. Betty's daughter-in-law, Kay Talley, runs the Beauty Shop.

Hello Georgia (Cain) Warrick. Thanks for writing. I wish the best for you and your family.

And thank you to each of you for the sweet cards, prayers and kind thoughts.

"Do a deed of simple kindness  
Though the end you may not see

It may spread like many ripples  
Down a long eternity."

Shared by Willa Fillingim  
Some going from Wheeler Baptist Church to Central Baptist Church in Pampa Thursday night to hear the Texas Baptist Mensing were Bro. Dennis and Emma Williams, Ray and Mae Brazeal, Joyce Perkins, Leona Coates, Betty Howard, Marie Baker and Martha Meek. They really enjoyed it.

Good to have daughter, Mary Newman, come Wednesday to visit and spend a few days. Nice to have her go to Wednesday night supper and Bible Study at Wheeler Baptist Church with me and Martha. Mary went to Amarillo and Canyon with Rita Pearson Thursday and enjoyed seeing Blaine and Dagen and Lindsey Criswell. Mary went back home to near Dallas on Saturday.

Glad to hear that Helen Steen's brother, Sid Joslyn, is back at home at Pineville, Mo., after surgery to remove the top lobe of his lung because of cancer. Wesley and Helen were there for the surgery at Bentonville, AK.

The Gary Alston Farm Bureau Insurance Agency won Top honors for the Panhandle District and won a trip to Hawaii in April—all expenses paid. Agents, Rita Pearson and husband, David, James Masters and wife, Belinda, and Gary Alston and wife, Karen, plan to go. Hope you have a fun trip. Congratulations to all!

Enjoying singing Gospel songs and visiting at the home of Leona Coates Saturday night were Wesley and Helen Steen, Mary Galbreath and Lurline Issacs from Shamrock, Marie Baker, Ned Burrell, Verna Fillingim, Doris Finsterwald, Bob and Evangeline Wills and Leona. Leona and Doris took turns playing the piano. Wesley led singing. Delicious refreshments were served. Nice party. Thank you!

Care Center Church  
Lori DeBose played the piano and led singing for Sunday afternoon church at Wheeler Care Center. Johnny and Patty Crawford helped and Johnny brought a good message. Also visiting were Joyce Woods from Shamrock and Martha Patterson and Martha Meek and Verna Fillingim. The good group of residents included Mary Stillwell, Dorothy Hink, Stanley Estes, Johnny Bird, Wilma Barker,

Hannah Chapman, Gwen Loyd, Wilma Maddox, Neta Young, Mamie Loyd, Edna Pearl Abernethy, Rosalie Keelin, Norma Bowerman, Irene Taylor, Lena Sanderson, Woodrow Salmon, Aline Frisbee and others.

Dean Tipps had a little day surgery at Amarillo and then had to spend a day or two in Wheeler Hospital, but is doing okay now.

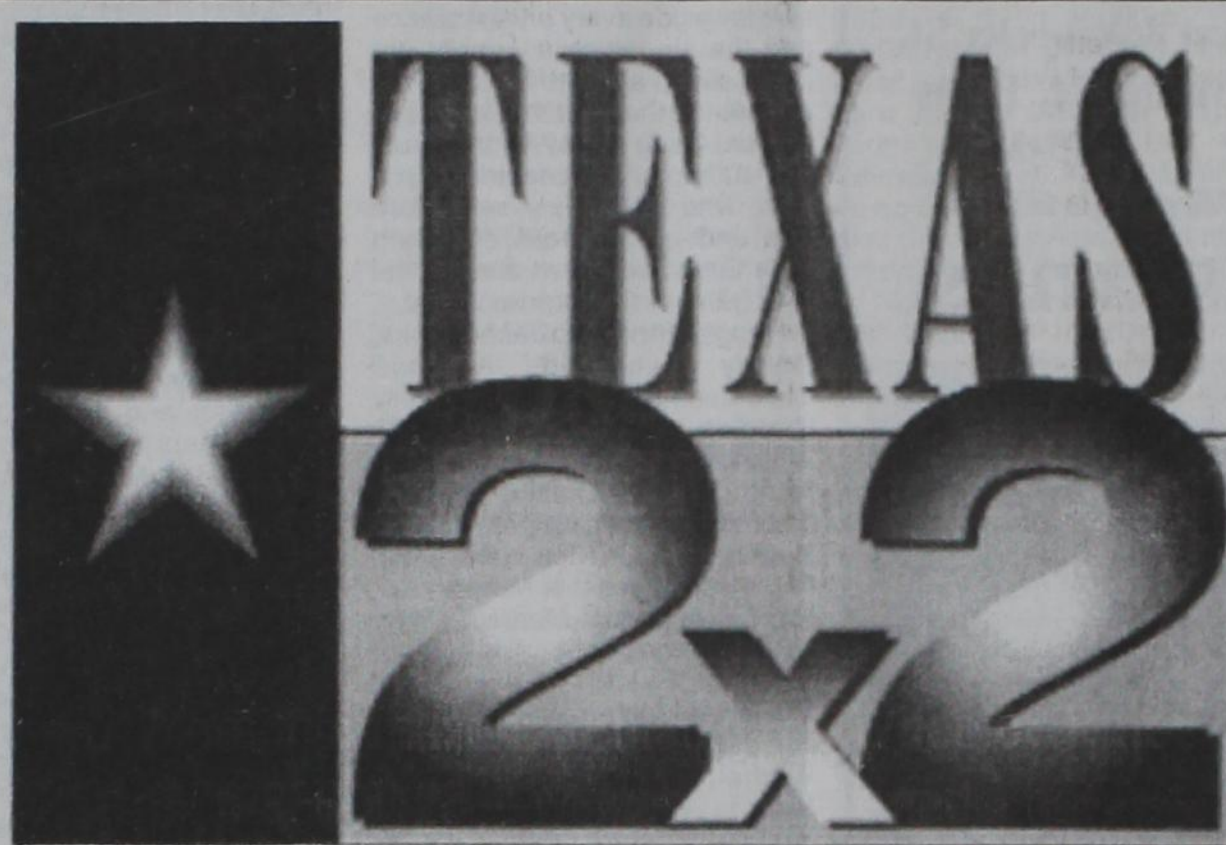
Glad to hear that. Dean and Georgia Tipps celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary quietly, since Dean was in the hospital. Happy 50th, Dean and Georgia.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Doug Groves of Watertown, Wisconsin, in his death. Doug's wife, Glenda, is a sister to Velda Miller. Doug and Glenda lived in Wheeler a few

years and he worked at Parkview Hospital.

Golden Agers

Thursday, there was a nice group out to Wheeler Baptist Golden Agers' good pot-luck meal and singing. Also a good talk from Ray Brazeal about the Israelites as portrayed in the Bible through the years. Thanks, Ray. Good job. We always enjoy visiting, too. Visitors always welcome. Some there were



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Bro. Dennis and Emma Williams, Wesley Bradstreet, Ray and Mae Brazeal, Anne Ellison, Marie Baker, Martha Meek, Joyce Perkins, Juanita Fillingim, Wesley and Helen Steen, Ella Mae Wood, Leona Coates, Dianne Sparks, and Verna Fillingim. Helping serve the food were Leona, Dianne, Ella Mae and Emma. Emma was also in charge of the meeting. Thank you to all! Golden Agers meeting will be Thursday, Feb. 26, at noon. See you there.

**Orlando Trip**

Dallas and Krystal Fillingim and Keaira got to go to Orlando, Florida, a earned trip from Dallas' sales with his company. Some honors were winning \$1,300 for the Disney Bucks Contest, winning First Runner Up in Sales and getting #1,000 for that honor. Dallas was awarded the Outstanding Improvement Award for the third year in a row, winning 8 President's Awards and a plaque and \$4,000 extra bonus and World of Thanks Award for the most new accounts and many other honors. Congratulations, Dallas. We are proud of you.

Keaira enjoyed the rides and to see many animals: elephants, giraffes, cheetahs, lions, rhinos, antelopes, wild hogs, zebras and many, many more. Keaira also enjoyed the Disney characters there too: Mickey Mouse, Minnie Mouse, Goofy, Donald Duck, Cinderella, Snow White, the Mermaid and many others. Keaira was very good to be only about 15 months old. She liked Disney World.

**Hershman Trip**

We finally got back to Wheeler Sunday evening. We had been planning to run away from home for quite a while and left Sat. Jan 7 late in the evening. We got as far as Amarillo, found a camp ground close to Brad and Sarita Dawson's home and they fed us supper. We left early Sunday morning and headed for the New Mexico state line. We ended up at Las Cruces, NM on Sunday night. We stopped at a pistachio Ranch near Alamogordo, NM. It was very interesting and the nuts are very good. We are still eating on them. From there we went to Willcox, AZ. It was very windy and not a good day to be dragging a camper. We saw the white sands along the way. The days were pretty warm but the nights were kind of cold. Our hose froze up there, but we did stay a couple of nights there. We drove the Circle of Cochise and saw monster rocks. The Chiricahua National Monument was wonderful. We forgot the camera that day so will have to go back sometime. We also saw one of the pioneers homes and ranch. We decided it wasn't warm enough for us in AZ, so we turned around and went back to Deming, NM. It is a nice little town and they had a Wal-Mart and a Kmart. We stayed there for three nights and saw Shakespeare's ghost town, Silver City museum and the copper mine near Silver City, and Rock Hound State Park. We were allowed to take home 15 pounds of rocks each. I am now looking for a rock tumbling machine. I don't think we found anything of great value, but it was fun looking for pretty rocks and we found some with crystals in them. We drove the back roads and got to see how the people lived. Interesting country. We went straight South from Deming to Columbus, NM and took 9 across to El Paso. We saw lots of border patrol cars and trucks along this road. It was a good road and very little traffic. We spent the night near Ft. Stockton, TX. It is getting warmer! We made it to Del Rio by taking the back roads. We saw lots of deer along the roads that were dead and when we asked about so many being killed, one man said people aren't smart and don't slow down at night or watch for them. We stayed there three nights and one day drove across the big dam (Amistad National Recreation

Park) into Mexico. We should have turned around and gone back across, but drove on down to Ciudad Acuna and by the grace of God we finally found our way back to Del Rio. Very narrow streets and nothing in English. It did cost us \$2 to get back to the U.S. While on the bridge we took some pictures of the dozens of blacked headed vultures. They are smaller than the ones we have here in the summer. Del Rio has a really nice museum and one day we drove up the Langtry. They have a wonderful cacti's garden, the best we had seen so far. We learned lots of history there. Each museum we visited was so different and so much history about the local people and the world. Our next stop was to Laredo, TX. We stayed at a State park there with a big lake called Casa Blanca Lake. On Friday Jan. 20th we made a big circle and drove about 500 miles. Our goal was to visit a little town called Sarita and go to the Mission area and get oranges and grapefruit. We did both easily. We took the back roads on the way and saw more wild life than we had seen our whole trip. At Sarita, we saw another unique museum. It was small but was so neat and they gave us a hand held speaker and when you keyed in the numbers at the base of the pictures it told the story. The next day we started north and stayed in the little town of Winters near Abilene. They got a little rain during the night. It was cloudy and much cooler as we came back North. As we came through the San Antonio area we saw some exotic animals along the roads. We had a really good trip and enjoyed the warmer weather and made a few new friends. We learned a lot about being a Snow Bird.

from Laurel and Ed Hershman

We had a good group of Wheeler Care Center residents out to Sing-a-long and communion and prayers Tuesday. Some there were Johnnie Bird, Gelemmia Back, Mary Stillwell, Aline Frisbee, Wilma Barker, Wilma Maddox, Reba Wofford, Wayne Stantor, Norma Bowerman, Woodrow Edna Pearl Abernethy and Rosalie Keelin, who played the piano for all the songs. Good job! and Betty Husted led the singing and other activities. Always good to have them there.

Sunday afternoon, Jan. 15, coming to Wheeler Care Center from Mobeetie Baptist Church were Paul Hathaway, Bro. Cole Goldsmith, who brought the message, Gaye Hale, who played the piano, Marion Grimes, who played the guitar and sang and Patsy Caswell. They always do a good job. Thanks for coming.

David and Rita Pearson shopped in Elk City Saturday. Then went to Canadian to the Prairie River Musical Saturday night. Always enjoyable.

Lindsey Criswell and Blain and Dagen went to Windhorst Saturday to visit Dallas and Krystal Fillingim and Keaira in their new house for the weekend, coming home to Canyon Monday. They had a nice weekend.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Velma Jewell Wright Hunsucker in her death. Graveside services were Tuesday January 24 at Mobeetie Cemetery.

Nice to have Ed and Laurel Hershman back home in Wheeler after touring the sights and looking for warm places in the good old USA for about two weeks. Mostly Texas and New Mexico.

Pray for Jackie Cummings. She had recovered well from hip surgery in September, but she keeps having problems with her stomach.

Pray for Liz Austin who has been in Wheeler Hospital with a kidney stone pretty miserable. Hope she will soon be o.k.

"God be with you till we meet again."

**Book Review**

**"Shadow of an Indian Star"**

STRATFORD, Okla. - Cowboy and Indian themes have taken our society by the bootstraps, as evidenced by the hit TNT mini-series "Into the West" and the upcoming release of "The New World," a remake of the classic Disney movie, "Pocahontas." Shadow of an Indian Star, a new novel by Bill and Cindy Paul, takes the Western trend to a new level, with its factual and entertaining accounts of Native American history, particularly the struggle between Native Americans and Whites.

Shadow of an Indian Star is a true story following three generations of Bill's ancestors who intermarry with the Chickasaw tribe and battle tragedy, government corruption, and their own inner demons, all while attempting to save the Chickasaw Nation from annihilation. The Pauls' idea for the book originated out of colorful stories Bill's grandfather told him before he died. After years of research, the Pauls discovered that the tales were true.

The epic begins in 1824 with Smith Paul, who runs away from a broken North Carolina home, courageously saves a Chickasaw holy man from a marauding bear, and is invited into the Chickasaw tribe, who are on the verge of removal from its ancestral lands by the government. Smith then travels the infamous Trail of Tears

with his adopted family and volunteers to scout for the new Chickasaw homeland to escape his guilty love for his adopted father's young Chickasaw bride, Ala-Teecha. Smith eventually forges Smith Paul's Valley, in present-day Oklahoma, where he vows that Whites, Blacks, and Indians will be treated fairly.

Charismatic Sam Paul, Smith's half-breed son, rules with his own renegade posse, including former Billy the Kid sidekick Fred Waite. Sam is brought before "hanging judge" Parker for murder three times before he's finally convicted on manslaughter. His stint in jail opens his eyes to the greed of white men and he returns home determined to rescue Indian Territory from impending white encroachment. Sam's insatiable lust earns him a libertine reputation until he meets the one woman who can sequester his fiery passion—the spirited Jennie Tolbert—the only woman Sam Paul ever truly loved. Sam makes deadly enemies as he rises to political power, but no one bears him as much hatred as his neglected, bitter son, Joe Paul, who possesses all the Pauls' passionate fire but none of his father's charisma nor his grandfather's visionary fair-mindedness. Jealousy drives Joe to seduce Jennie, igniting a bitter

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# 4-H Shooting Sports Meeting

The first step to developing a 4-H shooting sports program is to certify everyone in Hunter Safety. These meetings are scheduled for February 9th, 23rd, March 2nd, 16th and 30th between 6pm and 8pm. The location in Shamrock will be announced. These cost of

the program is \$10 per person. Adults are welcome to participate in the program. If you plan to participate in the 4-H Shooting Sports Program or would just like to get certified in Hunter Safety please contact the County Extension Office at 826-5243.

## Court

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Sec. 26, Camp County School Land.

MD—Gary D. Hall, et ux to Arrowhead Resources Inc., 11-30-05, Sec. 27, Camp County School Land.

MD—Gary D. Hall, et ux to Arrowhead Resources Inc., 11-30-05, Pt. Sec. 8, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

MD—Vickie Lee Lay to Arrowhead Resources Inc., 12-14-05, Sec. 25, Blk. 4, Camp County School Land.

MD—Allen Wayne Reynolds to Arrowhead Resources Inc., 12-14-05, Sec. 25, Blk. 4, Camp County School Land.

MD—Sean Kevin Hall to Arrowhead Resources Inc., 12-27-05, Sec. 25, Blk. 4, Camp County School Land.

JANUARY 5, 2006 MD—Cynthia Ann Lively to Bob Weatherly, 1-4-06, Sec. 32, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

MD—Linda Lister to Bob Weatherly, 1-4-06, Sec. 32, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

MD—Robert Oran Lister III to Bob Weatherly, 1-4-06, Sec. 32, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

EXT. DT AGREE.—Albert L. Parsley, et al to United State of America-Farm Service Agency, 9-7-05, See Instrument.

MD—Raymond Moore to Arrowhead Resources Inc., 11-28-05, Pt. NW 1/4, S 1/2 Sec. 1, D. Tindale Survey.

JANUARY 6, 2006 EXT. OL—Jean Reeves to Kaiser Francis Oil Company, 11-25-05, See Instrument.

EXT. OL—Charles R. Pendleton, et ux to Kaiser Francis Oil Company, 11-22-05, See Instrument.

EXT. OL—Richardson B. Gill to Kaiser Francis Oil Company, 11-28-05, See Instrument.

EXT. OL—Elise Maynard to Kaiser Francis Oil Company, 12-7-05, See Instrument.

EXT. OL—Rebecca Lou Boles to Kaiser Francis Oil Company, 12-9-05, See Instrument.

EXT. OL—Michael Killingsworth to Kaiser Francis Oil Company, 11-28-05, See Instrument.

AMEND. EXT. DT—Happy State Bank and Jack Sisemore to Happy State Bank and Jack Sisemore, 12-28-05, Sec. 61, Blk. 24, H&GN Ry. Company Survey and Sec. 45, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey and Sec. 1, Blk. A-9, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

RDT—Nona Ann Faulkner to National Bank of Commerce, 12-23-05, See Instrument.

HOMESTEAD DESIGN.—Nona Ann Faulkner to National Bank of Commerce, 12-23-05, See Instrument.

OL—Shiela Brewer to Newfield Exploration MidContinent Inc., 10-6-05, Sec. 2, Blk. H, W. H. Simpson Survey.

OL—James Ralph Ivy to Newfield Exploration MidContinent Inc., 12-15-05, Sec. 2, Blk. H, W. H. Simpson Survey.

OL—Janice Norman to Newfield Exploration MidContinent Inc., 12-8-05, Sec. 2, Blk. H, W. H. Simpson Survey.

UNIT DESIGN.—Newfield Exploration MidContinent Inc., et al to Thurman J. Horn, et al, 11-10-05, Pt. Sec. 4, Blk. H, J. M. Cooper Survey.

D—Doris Finsterwald to Billy Wayne Finsterwald, et al, 1-3-06 21.97 acs. Sec. 80, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company, exc. 2 acres.

District Clerk's Filings: #11781—First State Bank of Mobeetie vs Forest Oil Corporation, 11-30-05, Accounts, Contracts, Notes.

#11782—Robin Rachelle Luna vs Edward Luna, 12-13-05, Divorce.

#11783—Bob Weatherly vs Chesapeake Operating Inc., 12-20-05, Inj./Damage other. Than Motor V.

#11784—Wheeler Title and Abstract Co. LC vs A.D. Land Development et al, 12-22-05.

#11785—In Re: to a minor child, 12-27-05.

#11786—In Re: to a minor child, 12-27-05.

#11787—Donovin Christopher Last vs Lucila Margarita Gutierrez Last, 1-5-06, Divorce.

List of instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's Office from January 16, 2006 — January 20, 2006.

JANUARY 16, 2006 Holiday

JANUARY 17, 2006 LEASE EXT. PAYMENT AGREE.—Eileen Wilborn to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 12-13-05, See Instrument.

EXECUTOR LEASE EXT./PAYMENT AGREE.—Bryan W. Scott Sr., et al to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 1-4-06, See Instrument.

EXECUTOR LEASE EXT./PAYMENT AGREE.—Glennnda Scott Cook, et al to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 1-6-06, See Instrument.

ROW—Orville Greenhouse to Enbridge Pipelines (Texas Gathering) LP, 12-6-05, Pt. S 1/2 Sec. 4, Blk. H, J.M. Cooper Survey.

ROW—Thurman J. Horn, et ux to Enbridge Pipelines (Texas Gathering) LP, 12-6-05, Pt. N 1/2 Sec. 4, Blk. H, J. M. Cooper Survey and Pt. SE 28.4 acs. Sec. 49, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

MD—Robert J. Hogan, et ux to Robert J. Hogan Jr., 1-13-06, See Instrument.

LEASE EXT./PAYMENT AGREE.—Melba Lee Robertson to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 11-29-05, See Instrument.

LEASE EXT./PAYMENT AGREE.—Thelma Mozelle Kirby to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 12-2-05, See Instrument.

LEASE EXT./PAYMENT AGREE.—Robert Denver May to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 11-28-05, See Instrument.

LEASE EXT./PAYMENT AGREE.—Phyllis Aileen Pearce to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 12-2-05, See Instrument.

LEASE EXT./PAYMENT AGREE.—Kenneth Wayne Lowrie to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 11-22-05, See Instrument.

LEASE EXT./PAYMENT AGREE.—Helen Marie May to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 11-29-05, See Instrument.

LEASE EXT./PAYMENT AGREE.—Elgin Davis, et ux to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 12-1-05, See Instrument.

LEASE EXT./PAYMENT AGREE.—Jack Lynn May to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 11-15-05, See Instrument.

OL—Bob Weatherly to Tandem Land, Inc., 1-11-06, SE 1/4; S 33 acs. NE 1/4 Sec. 32, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ROW—Clint Frye Huff, et al to Enbridge Pipelines (Texas Gathering) LP, 12-16-05, Pt. E 1/2 Sec. 2, Blk. 5, Brooks & Burleson Survey.

LEASE AGREEMENT—Boyd Huff to Enbridge Pipelines (Texas Gathering) LP, 12-20-05, Pt. NW 1/4 Sec. 3, Blk. 5, Brooks & Burleson Survey.

ROW—Boyd Huff to Enbridge Pipelines (Texas Gathering) LP, 12-20-05, Pt. NW 1/4 Sec. 3, Blk. 5, Brooks & Burleson Survey.

ROW—Larry Finsterwald, et ux to Enbridge Pipelines (Texas Gathering) LP, 12-6-05, Pt. West 240 acs. Sec. 50 and Pt. W 1/2 Sec. 49, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

TDT—Swartz & Brough Inc. to Bayview Loan Servicing LLC, 8-15-05, Pts. of Outlots 5-7, Shamrock.

D—Geraldine Hawk to Geraldine Hawk Trust, 1-9-06, W 105 acs. SW 1/4 Sec. 65, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

RDT—Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. to Kara Richardson, et vir, 1-11-06, See Instrument.

EXECUTOR MEMO OPTION AGREE.—Ruth Bell Clark Estate to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 12-27-05, See Instrument.

EXT./MODIFICATION AGREE.—John M. Hunt, et ux to Bank of Commerce, McLean, Texas, 12-13-05, Lot 12, Blk. 76, WSSA, Shamrock.

SALT WATER DISPOSAL LEASE—Bob Hink to Frontier Alliance LLC, 12-29-05, 10 acs. SW 1/4 Sec. 2, AB&M Survey.

JANUARY 18, 2006 RDT—First Ag Credit, FLCA to Jarrell D. Russell, et ux, 11-28-05, See Instrument.

FIELD NOTES—Kenneth R. Allen to Dan Trimble, et ux, 1-13-06, 100'x150' SW 1/4 Blk. LXIII, Shamrock.

ASSIGN. ROW—Valero Logistics Operations LP to Skelly-Belview Pipeline Company LLC, 12-20-05, See Instrument.

Tax Deed—Shamrock ISD, et al to Jack Harris, et ux, 10-18-05, Lots 11 and 12, Blk. 6, PBA, Shamrock.

CORR. TAX DEED—Shamrock ISD, et al to Ravena Fairchild, 10-18-05, Lots 1 and 2, Blk. 4, Bowers Add., Shamrock.

SHERIFF'S D—Nancy M. Hood, et al to Shamrock ISD, et al, 3-10-05, Lots 7 and 8, Blk. D, Potts Add., Shamrock.

SHERIFF'S D—Bill Lang Estate, et al to Shamrock ISD, et al, 3-10-05, Lot 4, Blk. LXI, Shamrock and Pt. Blk. LXIX, Shamrock.

D—D. Gwen Emmert to Burton Woollard Jr., et ux, 1-18-06, M/3 W 1/2 Blk. 53, Standley Add., Wheeler.

JANUARY 19, 2006 SECOND AMEND. DT—Regency Gas Gathering and Processing LLC to UBS AG, Stamford Branch, 11-30-05, See Instrument.

C/C ORDER PROBATE WILL—Joe K. Lester to Ex Parte, 12-7-05. C/C LETTERS TESTAMENTARY—Joe K. Lester to Ex Parte, 12-7-05.

RDT—Donald E. Blacketter, et al to Hamilton Holdings LP, 11-18-05, See Instrument.

EXECUTRIX RDT—Dayle Lester, et al to Hamilton Holdings LP, 11-18-05, See Instrument.

DVL—Richard Smith, et ux to Michael L. Bynum, et ux, 1-13-06, Pt. S 1/2 Outlot 24, Shamrock.

DT—Michael L. Bynum, et ux to Mortgage Electronic Registration, 1-13-06, Pt. S 1/2 Outlot 24, Shamrock.

DVL—Jerry Hefley, et ux to James Dwayne Thomas, et ux, 1-10-06, 75.78 acs. W 1/2 W 1/2 Sec. 8, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

DT—James Dwayne Thomas, et ux to Great Plains National Bank, 1-10-06, 75.78 acs. W 1/2 W 1/2 Sec. 8, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

MD—Linda Lister to Bob Weatherly, 1-17-06, See Instrument.

## JANUARY 20, 2006

D—Stan Lewis, et ux to Harry D. Sims, et ux, 1-11-06, Sec. 19, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

D—Maurice Pettit, et ux to Harry D. Sims, et ux, 1-13-06, Sec. 19, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

D—Pettit Family Trust, et al to Harry D. Sims, et ux, 1-13-06, Sec. 19, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

D—Eugene Pettit, et ux to Harry D. Sims, et ux, 1-11-06, Sec. 19, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

DT—Harry D. Sims, et ux to First Ag Credit, FLCA, 1-18-06, Pt. Sec. 19, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

D—Norval Lavon Williams, et ux to Roger Bryan Dougherty Jr., et ux, 11-22-05, 100' x 100' NW 1/4 Blk. 18, Wheeler.

OL—Mary Midge Lippmann to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 1-

6-06, N 129 acs. W 1/2 Sec. 32, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

D—Mary Lou Skaggs to Billy Dean Skaggs, et al, 1-16-06 Sec. 1, Blk. 27, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ADMINISTRATOR D—Michael A. Atherton Sr. to Russell Atherton, 1-20-06, NW 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 68, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

District Clerk's Filings: #11787—Donovin Christopher Last vs Lucila Margarita Gutierrez Last, 1-5-06, Divorce.

#11788—In Re: To a Minor Child, 1-17-06.

#11789—James O. Sabbe vs Shopsmith Woodworking Promotions Inc., 1-20-06, Inj./Damage Other Than Motor V.

#11790—Ryan B. Reeder vs Ashley Dunlap Reeder, 1-23-06, Divorce.

## Beef's Flavor and Nutrition Drive Message of Dietitians, Beef Industry

Many Texas dietitians are joining forces with the state's beef industry to use Americans' love for beef as a strategy to promote good health. It's a plan to encourage people to eat healthfully by advising them to eat healthy foods they enjoy.

After all, national studies by leading consumer-focused food information organizations indicate that consumer don't want nutritional perfection. They simply want to be healthier tomorrow than they are today. That attitude is why consumer don't accept diets that deprive them of foods that they enjoy.

"Dietitians are discovering that one way to reach people with a nutrition message is to encourage them to eat the foods that they enjoy when those foods are good for them too," says Dr. Shalene McNeill, a registered dietitian and senior nutrition communications manager for the Texas Beef Council (TBC). "The understanding that beef is both a great-tasting and nutritious food is becoming a powerful tool for the health professional community."

In recent months, TBC and several regional dietitian groups have met to expand this concept. Through these beef checkoff-funded conferences, Texas dietitians rediscover that beef is a uniquely satisfying food for those wanting to lose weight or eat healthier. Beef offers great flavor that their clients enjoy combined with important levels of protein and other vital nutrients.

Since September, TBC has conducted eight seminars in Houston, Fort Worth, San Antonio, Austin, the Rio Grande Valley, Lubbock, Amarillo and Wichita Falls that

reached more than 225 dietitians. These interactive seminars will continue through May 2006 to include all the state's 15 regional dietetic associations.

While TBC and Texas dietitians unite to offer healthy beef items at the local level, the American Dietetic Association and the national beef checkoff program are collaborating as well. That partnership recently published the 288-page "The Healthy Beef Cookbook" now available in major bookstores. Some of the cookbook's more than 130 recipes also are used in the TBC dietitian conferences to illustrate healthy beef meal ideas.

"The beef checkoff program continually evolves its message to dietitians so that they always have tools to better influence consumers about diet," McNeill said. "Our message demonstrates the enjoyment side of beef to dietitians, but always in the context of health."

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LOCAL ARTIST: James Williams is shown here with a self portrait he recently completed. James is teaching a class in portraits, using pencils, at Sweetwater Creek Galleries in Wheeler. The class' first assignment was a self portrait. James has always been interested in art and recently began spending more time at the easel. He is presently taking orders for portraits of a loved one to be given as a Valentine's gift.

## Chat

(from Page 1)

of honor at a reception on Saturday. Happy Birthday, Lonnie.

—cwe—  
Happy Birthday, Cathi! The oldest daughter will be another year older Wednesday, Feb. 1.

—cwe—  
And, Barbara and I will begin our 46th year in Wheeler on February 1.

—cwe—  
We made a trip to OKC Saturday afternoon and then had dinner at the Meriwether 'Oka house' on Sunday.

—cwe—  
Wheeler continues to be dry. Weatherford and Hinton received a shower during the night Saturday. We were in hopes it had also rained in Wheeler. No such luck.

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With other activities going on Monday evening, we did not play cards.

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## FIRE SAFETY TIPS FOR RURAL RESIDENTS

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- Establish fuel breaks along roadways and between buildings and fields or woodlands.
- Keep mufflers and spark arresters on agricultural equipment in proper working order and watch out for rocks and metal when bush hogging or mowing.
- Monitor hay baling operations closely.
- Watch out for sparks when using welding equipment to build fences or repair equipment.
- Avoid driving or parking vehicles in grassy areas where tall, dry grass comes into contact with hot pollution control equipment under your vehicle.
- Postpone outdoor burning until your area greens up and until any bans on outdoor burning have been lifted.
- When debris burning is allowed, establish wide control lines down to bare mineral soil prior to lighting your fire. Burn trash in a burn barrel or other fire-safe receptacle covered with a wire mesh or grid that will help contain burning debris. Stay with your fire until it is out.



## Dallas Fillingim Receives Awards

Mid-American Research Chemical Corporation, known as MARC, held their annual banquet and meeting in Orlando, Florida at the Hilton Walt Disney World Resort Ballroom on January 8th.

Dallas Fillingim, Territory Manager, of Windthorst, Texas was presented many awards and honors, which include... Disney Bucks contest winner of \$1300 (#1 in the company for 2005, third straight year to garner Century club level of \$125,000 plus sales, second straight year to garner Century Club II level of \$200,000 plus sales, and first time entry into the Century Club III level of \$300,000 plus sales. Additionally to earning Century Club III level, \$300 was awarded to Dallas. A third diamond was included onto his Century Club ring, as well as a third diamond was added to his spouses' pendant, for making Century Club

status once again. Furthermore, Dallas increased his sales from \$252,000+ in 2004 to \$333,000+ in 2005, allowing him to earn President's Awards with a \$4,000 bonus and a President's plaque. Also, the World of Thanks award was presented to Dallas for having the most new accounts of those Sales Representatives who have been with the company more than three years, and also receiving a crisp \$100 bill for his accomplishment.

Additionally, Dallas was honored for a record third consecutive year as the Outstanding Improvement Award recipient. This award is given to the Representative who has had the most improved sales increase, closing percentage, volume, average individual sale amount and average sales in a week, period and year.

Even more, Dallas was presented with 1st Runner-up in total

sales for 2005. Dallas was 2nd out of 60+ Sales Representatives from across the Nation, and was awarded a \$1,000 extra bonus for his hard work. Additionally, the gentleman who won the Salesman of Year for 2005, has won the award 29 years, and has been with MARC since 1973, the year Dallas was born.

MARC was founded in 1970, and is located in the heart of the USA in Columbus, Nebraska. The company has grown into a modern blending facility, producing and marketing over 500 chemical products. Learn more at [www.marc1.com](http://www.marc1.com).

Accompanying Dallas to Orlando and Walt Disney World were his wife, Krystal, and daughter, Keaira, who reside in Windthorst, Texas. Dallas has been a Territory Manager for MARC for 3 1/2 years, and made his beginning at Briscoe High School and West Texas A&M University. His parents are Rita and David Pearson of Canadian.

Dallas noted that "you only sell as good as you have been taught, and I was fortunate to have a Mom who knows how to be a honest, highly motivated, morally and ethically sound salesperson who gives their best to a customer." Also, Dallas stated "if only you are motivated by those around you, you can do whatever you set your sights on, and I am blessed to have a beautiful wife and daughter, who I love dearly, and that is what motivates me to work hard every day". Additionally, Dallas goes on to say "I want to dedicate these awards to my late PaPa, Willis Fillingim, who makes me proud to carry his name, Fillingim!"

## Shadow (from Page 6)

feud between father and son. One woman believes she can tame the desperate Joe Paul, brawny Maulsey Stewart, but Joe is already on a one-way path to self-destruction.

Today, the reborn Chickasaw Nation is thriving, and the Paul family rests in peace in Pauls Valley's old cemetery, around which so much turmoil swirled for decades.

"Bill and Cindy Paul paint crystal-clear images and true-to-life characters, transporting the reader back in time in a way that provides unparalleled insight into exciting historical events with far-reaching implications."

-Bill Anoatubby, Governor of the Chickasaw Nation

Bill and Cindy Paul currently live on their ranch near Pauls Valley, Okla. Striving to preserve family tradition, they are members of the Pauls Valley Historical Society, the Chickasaw Historical Society, and the Oklahoma Historical Society. They also maintain the Paul family plot in Old Pauls Valley Cemetery. Bill and Cindy are avid readers and enjoy visiting the beaches of Mexico and spending time with their family. Bill, who is a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation, also spends his free time playing guitar and writing country songs, while Cindy has a passion for playing the piano and cooking. *Shadow of an Indian Star* is the couple's first novel.

To schedule an interview with Bill and Cindy Paul, or to request a review copy of *Shadow of an Indian Star*, please contact Sarah Kocks of BookPros at (512) 478-2028 ext. 222 or [skocks@bookpros.com](mailto:skocks@bookpros.com). For more information about the Pauls and their book, view the Virtual Press Kit at [http://www.bookpros.com/bp/pages/bp\\_ap\\_release.php?bookid=29](http://www.bookpros.com/bp/pages/bp_ap_release.php?bookid=29) or <http://www.shadowofanindianstar.com>.



Dallas Fillingim



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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

## From the Principal's Desk

It is another busy week here at WISD. Our theatre arts class will be traveling to Amarillo to attend the new Globe News Performing Arts Center. Once again our students are able to have learning opportunities outside of the classroom. The TAKS field test will be given to our 11th graders this week. The Wheeler County Stock Show is this weekend. What a great chance to see the results of months of preparation in getting these animals ready to show! Our basketball teams will be home Friday night to do battle with Follett. Drivers Education is getting ready to begin. If you are interested please contact Ms. Masters.

If you get a chance, give your children's teachers a pat on the

back. We are fortunate here at Wheeler to have quality individuals who put forth the effort and time as our teachers do. We have folks who care about your children both in and out of the classroom. Our teachers are role models, mentors, and great listeners. Our teachers go the extra mile.

January is school board appreciation month. This group of men and women do an exceptional job in ensuring that students in Wheeler ISD are being provided a sound education. The administration, teachers, and staff appreciate each of these dedicated individuals.

Toby Tucker  
Principal  
Wheeler ISD

## Birds, Rodents Can Harm Operations

Birds, Rodents Can Cause Significant Damage to Animal Feeding Operations

Thousands of starlings perched on a high wire may be an impressive sight for some, but for livestock operation owners, they are a picture of money flying off the property.

Birds and rodents both cost feed yards, dairies and grain elevators thousands of dollars every day, said Joe Zeller, biologist for the Texas Wildlife Services.

Controlling these pests can mini-

mize not only the amount of grain lost, but also the health risk to humans and animals from bacterial and fungal diseases spread by rodent and bird droppings, Zotter said during the Texas High Plains Grain Elevator Workshop here.

Texas Wildlife Services professionals resolve conflicts resulting from wildlife, Zotter said. The agency is funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Texas A&M University System.

"The European starling is nothing more than a rat with wings," Zotter said. "Thousands can accumulate on a single feedlot or dairy. We helped one feed yard that had an estimated 1 million birds every day from November to February."

If each bird consumes 2 to 3 ounces of grain per day, that means two semi-truckloads of grain are flying off daily, he said. And, because the birds only select certain grains from the rations being fed to the animals, it throws the whole

nutritional balance off, Zotter said.

"It has been reported by some confined animal facilities to have endured economic losses as high as \$5,000 per day due to feed loss and disease in livestock caused by starlings and blackbirds," he said.

Droppings from multitudes of birds, whether they are starlings, pigeons or sparrows, can cause disease, he said.

Avicides, pesticides for birds, are one method of control, Zotter said. DRC 1339 has been the most effective product he has used. The government-restricted powder can be used on corn to bait areas where birds habitually feed. The avicide may take one to three days to effect the birds, he said.

"It is an attractive avicide because there is no secondary poisoning to other animals that come in contact with the poisoned birds," he said.

Pigeon numbers may not be as concentrated as starlings, but they can carry serious pathogens that can cause bacterial and fungal diseases. These can be transmitted to workers who walk through or come in contact with the droppings.

Histoplasmosis, which has pneumonia-type symptoms, can lead to serious problems in humans if not properly diagnosed, Zotter said. Other zoonotic diseases transmitted by pigeons include encephalitis, cryptococcosis and salmonella, he said.

Feral pigeons, European starlings and house sparrows rely on human's habits to live, he said. Grain storage facilities or anything in ill repair can serve as a nesting or resting area.

Eliminating and modifying their preferred perches can be done by adding cat-claw wire on the surface or using a slick material such as metal flashing or plastic at a 45 degree angle, Zeller said.

Pigeons, which often avoid laced bait, might need to be controlled with direct shooting, he said. The wildlife services can utilize red lights, night vision equipment, hollow point ammunition and pellets to help provide control, Zotter said.

"We're not out to destroy anything other than pigeons when we do the indoor shoots," he said. "It's a selective method of shooting birds and can be a good alternative to using toxicants where there is a concern for non-target exposure. It's easy, effective and quick."

"Sometimes shooting is the only solution," Zotter said.

Rodents also cause destruction. Rats and mice can chew holes in grain sacks and gnaw on everything from pipe insulation to electric wires. They also spread disease, he said.

Mouse and rat droppings carry a number of pathogens and parasites, as well as viruses. Anyone who walks through a contaminated area may be exposed, Zotter said.

Traps and toxicants are available to help control this kind of pest. Exclusionary methods, such as keeping plastic pipe on wires, screening off vents and placing a slick surface where rodents climb can be effective in controlling their movement, he said. Traps must be set strategically up against a wall or in confined areas to be most effective.

Whether the pest is the rat on the ground or what Zotter calls "flying rats," he advised to use a mixed bag of methods for control and not rely on just one.

## First (from Page 1)

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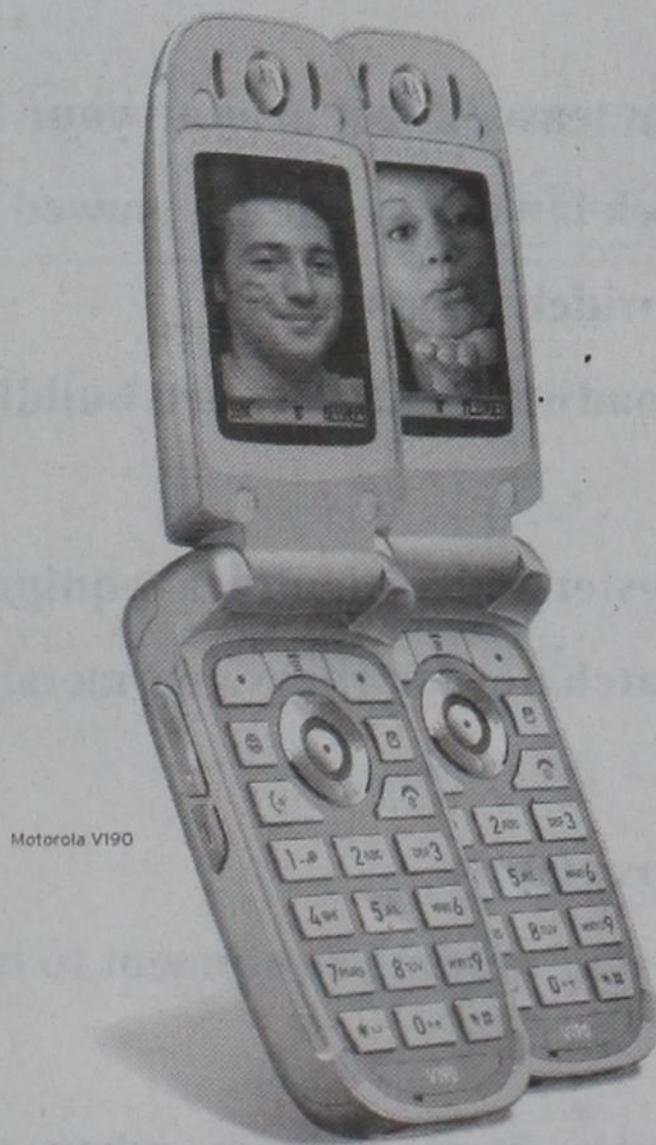
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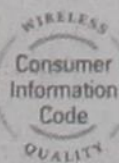
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