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“Wheeler: town of friendship and pride”

Wheeler’s Hibler Finds Success

ATHENS—Zack Hibler of Wheeler has won the pro and collegiate rodeos in the past year at the Henderson County Fair Park Complex in this East Texas community.

At the 2017 County Go Texan Rodeo, a Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association show in that was conducted in April, Hibler clinched the bareback riding title after turning in a score of 83 atop the former Wrangler National Finals Rodeo bronc Cool Water, who is owned by Sammy Andrews.

Hibler also clinched, the

bareback riding title at the 2018 Trinity Valley Community College Rodeo, a National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association show that was conducted over the weekend in Athens. Hibler finished No. 1 in the average after turning in scores of 79 and 77.

“Athens has treated me well,” Hibler said.

After winning last weekend’s college rodeo in Athens, Hibler is ranked No. 1 in the NIRA’s Southern Region 2017-2018 bareback riding title race. If he finishes in the top three at the end of the season, he will advance to the College National Finals Rodeo in Casper, Wyo., in June.

Hibler has competed at the

Casper championships the past two years while competing for Western Texas College in Snyder. Hibler completed a degree in landscaping at Western Texas last spring. He currently is enrolled at Hill College in Hillsboro, where he’s pursuing an agriculture business degree.

Hibler currently competes on the NIRA’s collegiate circuit and the PRCA’s pro circuit. Unlike the NCAA, competitors are allowed to compete on the college and pro circuits at the same time.

Hibler, who turns 21 today, has a busy life. In addition to competing in rodeos, he runs a family landscaping business in Wheeler. One of his clients

is Dr. Mike Smith, a longtime Wheeler dentist who also is an avid rodeo fan.

As a college student, Hibler is taking 13 hours online at Hill College while riding on the school’s rodeo team. Hill College rodeo coach Paul Brown said Hibler excels because he’s highly determined.

“He just works hard,” Brown said of Hibler. “He’s so aggressive. He tries his heart out every time.”

Hibler said being a success on the rodeo circuit is a tremendous challenge.

“It takes a lot of hard work and determination,” Hibler said. “You have to stay gritty. It takes a long time for things

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BUCKLE: Zack was presented this buckle Sunday, February 11, 2018, in San Antonio for winning the 2018 College Rodeo Showdown. Zack is a student at Hill College in Hillsboro, Texas; he is seeking an Agriculture Business Degree.



CONGRATULATIONS, I failed to tell you last week that Dorcie is going to be an Aggie. She was accepted into Texas A&M School of Medicine. She starts in July.

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CONGRATULATIONS, Fort Elliott Lady Cougars on their District Championship!

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CONGRATULATIONS, Zack Hibler for his success in Rodeoing.

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CONGRATULATIONS, Fort Elliott’s Emily Coulter on her Globe-News Recognition.

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We are proud of all of you.

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STORM REPORT



As Reported by...
Stormie Meriwether,
Eighth Grade Student

Dear Friends, It was -2 degrees at my house! It is time to run for track, but it is just too cold! Too many people are sick already. I hope everyone gets well fast. Teachers and students are sick.

One good thing is that a lady from Miami, who danced with me at the museum party when I was very young, is beating cancer! She is doing great! Her name is Teda (Judge Seuchs). That really makes me happy because she is one sweet lady! I hope she stays in and doesn’t catch the flu or anything else that people have.

This is an exciting week! It’s Valentine’s Day! I love

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AREA PLAYOFF: The Fort Elliott girls basketball team will play for Area Friday night at 6:30 in Childress. They will be playing Silverton.



2018 LADY COUGARS: Fort Elliott’s Lady Cougars have earned a first place position in District Basketball. Pictured here are: (back row) Coach Lana Swafford, Kaylye Coffman, Jacy Hughes, Kamryn Chesher, (front row) Audra Reeder, Kiara Patton-Powledge and Emily Coulter.

Friday—Last Day To File For Place On City, School & Hospital Ballots

On May 5, 2018, local voters will go to the polls to elect members to area school boards, Wheeler City Council and North Wheeler County Hospital Board. Filing deadlines for names to be placed on the ballots for these positions is now open.

Parkview Hospital.

Two places on the Parkview Hospital Board are to be filled with the upcoming election. Positions are: Precinct 1 and Precinct 2. Roger Brown and Tommy Puryear presently hold these places on the board.

Those interested in filing for a place on the ballot in person may do so at the office at 901 S. Sweetwater Street, Wheeler, Texas. (Due to construction, use rear entrance. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

Address to mail an applica-

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PLAYER OF THE WEEK: Emily Coulter, a member of the Fort Elliott Basketball team, was named as a “Player of the Week” in the Amarillo Globe-News. She had a combined 36 points in District 1-1A victories over Darrouzett and Higgins as the Lady Panthers clinched the district’s No. 1 playoff seed.

Wheeler County Commissioners’ Court \$7,500 Truck For Shamrock Fire Dept.

The Commissioners’ Court of Wheeler County, Texas, met in regular session on Monday, February 12, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners’ Courtroom of the Wheeler County Courthouse, 401 Main Street, Wheeler, Texas to consider prior bills and discuss matters of mutual concerns.

At 10:00 a.m. court was reconvened to address the eleven items on the agenda.

- The minutes of prior meetings were approved.
- Two budget amendments

- were revised.
- There were no budget transfers.
- Line item transfers were made.
- Due to the extremely dry conditions, Stage 2 Burn Ban was placed into effect as of the February 12, 2018 date.
- There were no changes to be considered on the Wheeler County Policy Manual.
- The court accepted the Wheeler County Treasurer’s Report. Expenses for the

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Community Care: Determined—Unexpected Obstacles

By George Baldrige

During a recent Sustainable Rural Communities teleconference, a participant who related his personal story caused quite a stir. His comments came during the discussion portion of a session about community obstacles. His story so engaged the other participants, the remainder of the discussion concentrated on the issues his experience presented.

He told how he had recently become a first-time resident of a small town and was anxious to become an active part of the community. He said he quickly began seeking ways he could contribute to his new home, but soon realized

few opportunities existed because there was little desire for improvement. However, he had heard some residents were interested in restoring an existing facility within the community that had fallen into disrepair. He approached those he had been told were leading the effort and offered his assistance and shared his past professional experiences that related to the effort. He noted he had been a construction manager for many years, prior to retiring. Because of that, he had thought his professional knowledge and credentials would provide some proof of his capabilities and be seen as a benefit; however, he said that was not the case.

He explained that Instead of being welcomed to the effort, his offer to assist was completely disregarded. Several weeks after he offered his assistance to a lead member of the project, he learned that a meeting had been held that he had not been invited to attend and was not publicized. He concluded his story by stating that he had visited with other townsfolk who had attempted to be involved who had the same experience and based on local grapevine news, all efforts on the project had been terminated due to a lack of interest.

The moderator of the teleconference then asked the

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DISTRICT CHAMPIONS: FTC 9778 Robotic Chinchillas was district championships in Lubbock Texas. This ensures them a spot at the state championship. (left to right) Mr Herndon, Mark Herndon from Elk City, Aliyah Lopez, Leighanne Cook, Mr Dougherty, Brock Buckingham, Abby Tolbert, Trace Carey from Elk City and Kabir Bkahta.

Fort Elliott Senior Night



Chance Mahan with parents Erick and Jamie Mahan



Kiara Patton-Powledge with parents Jody and Cathie Powledge



Kaitlyn Jennings with Misty Laverty



Tatum Meadows with parents Mark and Mandy Meadows



Adley Gilmer with Shannon Gilmer



Hannah Shephard with Charles Shephard



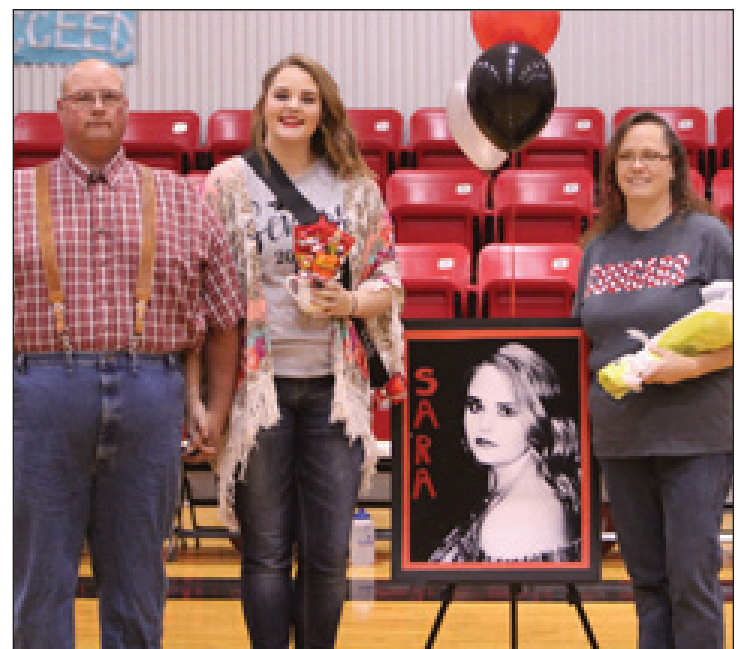
Shyana Zybach - Parents Shawn and Daphne Zybach



Kyrah Kelley with Melie and Jeff Kelley



Nathaniel McCoy with parents Carl and Felicity Bowman



Saralyn Richardson - Parents Carey and Shatrel Richardson

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Zack (from Page 1)
to click and so you just have to keep going after it.”
• San Antonio rodeo: At the 2018 San Antonio Stock Show Rodeo, defending PRCA world champion Marcos Costa, a Brazilian who lives in Childress, has advanced to the semifinal round in tie-down



The Doodle Class on Thursday was a huge success! The ladies that attended really enjoyed the relaxed time we spent together. So if you are interested you are welcome to attend every Thursday at 5:15 in the Work Room at the library.

Supplies are provided at the beginning and then as you progress you will be able to provide your own.

New reading materials are trickling in and are on display for you to check out. We still have the One New Book check out rule so that others are also able to check out new books. I appreciate you for helping us in this method.

Happy Valentine's week and enjoy a great romance!
Vicki Ferguson/Librarian
Cindy Hartsfield/Assistant

roping. The San Antonio rodeo, which uses a tournament format to determine its champions, began Thursday. The rodeo concludes on Feb. 25.

Costa advanced to the semifinal as the result of finishing in the top four in Bracket 1. After competing in three performances, Costa earned \$4,756.

In steer wrestling, Matt Reeves, a Pampa native who lives in Cross Plains,

has advanced to the semifinals. The six-time Wrangler National Finals Rodeo qualifier earned \$4,459 during the prelims.

PBR update: On the Professional Bull Riders circuit, 2008 world champion Guilherme Marchi clinched the title at the Feb. 10-11 tour stop in Kansas City, Mo., after earning 475 points throughout the Built Ford Tough Series four stop. Marco Eguchi finished second with 390 and Dener Barbosa came in third with 340.

Barbosa, who lives in the Decatur area, is ranked No. 1 in the world title race with 1,455 points. Claudio Montanha Jr. is ranked No. 2 with 1,036 and Ryan Dirteater is ranked No. 3 with 825.

This weekend, the tour stops in St. Louis. The Ford Series, which is the PBR's top tier tour, also stops in Arlington on Feb. 24 at AT&T Stadium. On

Feb. 25, the PBR's top riders from last year will compete in the RFD-TVs The American at AT&T Stadium.

Brett Hoffman, a Texas Cowboy Hall of Fame member, has reported on rodeos for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram for more than three decades. Email him at bchoffman777@earthlink.net.

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month were \$288,146.58.

• Eric Reames and Louis Acker met with the court asking the court to consider a neighborhood road. Action was tabled until further investigation could be done.

• The court approved a contract with Resound Networks for internet service for Precinct 1.

• The court agreed to purchase a 2004 truck tractor from Texas Building and Procurement Commission at a cost of \$7,500,00 for the Shamrock Fire Department.

• The court agreed to pay the bills as presented by the County Treasurer.

Grins & Snickers

Because they had no reservations at a busy restaurant, my elderly neighbor and his wife were told there would be a 45 minute wait for a table.

“Young man, we're both 90 years old,” the husband said. “We may not have 45 minutes.”

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man if he had any thoughts about why his offer to assist was not welcomed. The gentleman paused for a moment, seeming to collect his thoughts, and stated that based on all circumstances, there were only two logical conclusions. He stated that either the people heading the effort were unable to coordinate that kind of project and their egos kept them from allowing others who had the necessary experience from being involved; or a false impression of limited civic interest was purposefully created to insure the project would not be pursued.

The teleconference moderator then asked him what his take-away was from the experience. He quickly responded, saying that what he experienced was the complete opposite of what he expected, and he realized if his professional experiences were not seen as an asset to that particular effort, they never would be. He then added that based on appearances, those who were spearheading the effort would prefer to leave the project undone, rather than allow a diverse group of community members to assist the effort. He continued, stating that because he knew other members of the community were treated the same, he now understood why little within the town was ever attempted or accomplished.

He concluded, saying that the experience greatly affected how he felt about being a member of the town and he could not imagine a time when he would attempt to be involved in his new community again.

Following his comments, there was a noticeable silence among his fellow teleconference participants – many who were professional community development specialists. The moderator broke the silence by reminding all participants that there are expected obstacles to community development efforts, like funding and a lack of skilled workforce; however, the numerous obstacles his story

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tion is Parkview Hospital, Attn: Monica Kidd, P.O. Box 1030, Wheeler, TX 79096.

Deadline for filling an application is February 16, 2018.

Qualifications: A resident of the voting precinct, owns property in the district subject to taxation and is more than 18 years of age at the time of the election.

Individuals wishing to file by mail may do so now.

City of Wheeler

The Mayor and two city council members are to be elected in the May 5 election. Bob McCain is presently serving as Mayor; he has filed for re-election. Place 2 is held by Don Rose; he also has filed. Stacy McQueen has also filed for re-election to place 4 on the board.

Applications to file may be obtained at the City office, located at 505 Alan L. Bean Blvd. between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Wheeler I.S.D.

Qualified persons (including current board members) interested in filing for candidacy may do so at the Wheeler ISD Administration Office, located in Wheeler High School at #1 Mustang Drive. Dates for filing are from 1-17-2018 through 2-16-2018. Office hours are 8:00am-3:30pm Monday through Friday. The election is set for May 5, 2018.

Qualifications are: Must have been a resident of the State of Texas for one year AND have lived in the Wheeler ISD District for six months prior to the filing deadline; must be 18 years of age or older; must be a registered voter at the time of the election.

Places up for Election include:

Place 4—Currently held by Dr. Lee Ann Hillhouse

Place 5—Currently held by Larry Ashurst

included could be instantly erased if community leadership would strive to eliminate the practice of willful exclusion of capable community collaborators.

Teleconferences and other resources in the field of mod-

ern community development offer community members valuable information related to overcoming both expected and unexpected obstacles. The question is: What are the obstacles to progress within your community?



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Wheeler County COURT RECORDS

List of instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's office from February 5, 2018 to February 9, 2018.

FEBRUARY 5, 2018

MD-Cynthia M. Sublett, et al to John W. Sublett and Cynthia M. Sublett Family Trust, 1-31-18, Sec. 66, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

CORR. DEED-Rita Kay Batton, et al to Mark Alan Arrington, 1-26-18, W/2 Sec. 10, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey; N/2 S/2 Sec. 31, Blk. A-9, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

TRUSTEE AND EXECUTRIX DISTRIBUTION DEED-Waymon Owen Herd (Estate), et al to Lee Herd, et al, 2-1-18. MODIFICATION AND EXTENSION DT-TRJ Investments LLC to First National Bank of Gilmer, 11-17-17, See Instrument.

QCD-Russell Hatcher to Angela Howard, 2-1-18, 4.96 acs. SE/4 Sec. 6, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. QCD-Russell Reeder (Custodian) to New Life Church, 9-14-15, N 50' of S/2 Lot 3, Blk. LXX, Romans Addition, Shamrock.

PARTIAL RDT-JPMorgan Chase Bank NA to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, et al, 1-31-18, Sec. 99, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. WELL-BORE OL-Viersen Oil & Gas Co. to FourPoint Energy LLC, 12-18-17, NW/4 Sec. 21, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. WELL-BORE OL-Viersen Oil & Gas Co. to FourPoint Energy LLC, 12-18-17, NW/4 Sec. 21, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. WELL-BORE OL-Viersen Oil & Gas Co. to FourPoint Energy LLC, 12-18-17, NW/4 Sec. 21, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

CORR. MD-Henry Clay Walsler, et ux to Sara Dyan Walsler, et al, 1-23-18, See Instrument.

FEBRUARY 6, 2018
PAYOUT AFF.-Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC to The Public, 1-29-18, W/2 Sec. 23, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

PAYOUT AFF.-Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC to The Public, 1-29-18, SW/4 Sec. 24, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

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Exploration LLC to The Public, 1-29-18, NE/4 Sec. 6, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

PAYOUT AFF.-Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC to The Public, 1-29-18, SE/4 Sec. 2, AB&M Survey.

CORR. AFF.-Kenneth W. Fields to Crossroads Oil and Gas Inc., et al, 1-31-18, Sec. 96, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey; Corrects Volume , Page , .

CORR. ROY. DEED-Gaylynn Renee Otts, et al to Brent Raymond Gandy, et al, 1-4-18, Sec. 96, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

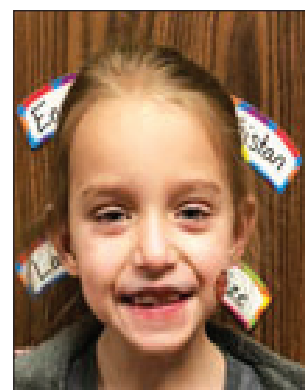
SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEES DEED-Nathan R. Spence, et ux, to Pingora Loan Servicing LLC, 1-12-18, 1.05 acs. Sec. 6, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

DEED-Viola Marie Austin Living Trust to Austin Family Trust, 1-30-18, See Instrument. C/C PETITION FOR PROBATE-Viola Marie Austin to Ex Parte, 1-26-18, See Instrument.

C/C ORDER PROBATE-Viola
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Wheeler County JP #1 Weekly Docket

Magistrations/Arraignments:

Christopher Ryan Poole	Class C Arraignment
Hugo Gastelum-Ortega	Class C Arraignment
Robert Thomas Weiler	Felony Magstration
David Hingerty	Felony Magstration
David Hingerty	Class A/B Misd. Magstration

Citations:

Hugo Gastelum-Ortega	Class C Theft < \$100.00 - Wheeler County Sheriff Citation
Thomas Alan Taylor	Driving While License Invalid - Wheeler County Sheriff Citation
Kevin Darrell Furnace	Commercial Enforcement Citation
Oak Lee Hale	Commercial Enforcement Citation
David Dean Sewell	Speeding - TXDPS Citation

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EVENTS

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state of disaster for Wheeler County, resulting from the potential threat of wildfires due to drought and diverse weather conditions; and

WHEREAS, said state of disaster requires that certain emergency measures be taken pursuant to the Texas Disaster Act of 1975 relating to Emergency Management, specifically §418.108(a) of the Government Code;

WHEREAS, the Commissioners' Court of Wheeler County, Texas, by majority vote, have authorized the Wheeler County Judge to sign this order for the benefit of the citizens of Wheeler County, Texas;

BE IT THEREFORE ORDERED, that the following emergency regulations be hereby established for all areas of Wheeler County, Texas, and shall take effect and immediately upon issuance of this order and shall remain in effect until the state of disaster is terminated:

(1) THE USE OF COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS IN AN OUTDOOR ENVIRONMENT BY ANY PERSON IS

PROHIBITED:

(A) Combustible materials include, but are not limited to the use of all fireworks (aerial and non-aerial), discarded cigarettes, cigars or other flammable materials, materials used in activities such as welding and any other activity that could result in a fire.

(B) Agricultural burning is strictly prohibited. This prohibition includes all burning to clear land of trees, stumps, shrubbery and other natural vegetation.

(C) Ground fires, campfires and bonfires are prohibited.

(D) The burning of household waste, including trash, garbage, leaves, grass, brush and other yard trimmings is prohibited.

(2) Public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations;

Welding is allowed by commercial/professional welders under the following guidelines only:

(a) A spotter is required for each welder, each cutter, each grinder or for any activity that causes or may cause a spark.

(b) A diameter across the welding area shall be a minimum of 25 feet and clear of vegetation, if possible, and kept wet. The welding diameter must be three times the height of the actual welding. Example: if welding is occurring ten (10) feet off the ground, a diameter of thirty (30) feet must be protected.

(c) A minimum of 200 gallons of pressured water must be available on site.

(d) Each welding vehicle must have at least one (1) fully charged 10 lb. Class ABC chemical fire extinguisher on site.

(e) If the work area cannot be cleared of vegetation, proper precautionary measures must be taken (example: protecting brush, etc., by utilizing fire resistant tarps).

(f) Each site will have cellular telephone communications for emergency response.

(g) Welding in an enclosed area is acceptable.

(3) OUTDOOR COOKING IS ALLOWED UNDER THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES:

(a) A charged water hose must be present in the immediate vicinity.

(b) Cookers must be on non-combustible surfaces, such as gravel, concrete or bare dirt.

(c) Cookers must have a lid and be closely monitored while the lid is open.

(d) Use of wood or charcoal fueled cookers is prohibited.

(4) ENFORCEMENT

(a) Upon notification of suspected outdoor burning, the fire department assigned to the location of the fire shall respond to the scene and take immediate measures to contain and/or extinguish the fire.

(b) At the discretion of the Peace Officer or Fire Chief, violations of this order may be prosecuted in accordance with the statutes and procedures governing misdemeanors.

(c) In accordance with the Local Government Code §352.081(h), a violation of this Order is a Class C Misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

(d) BE IT ALSO ORDERED that this order may be enforced by any duly commissioned peace officer and the venue for prosecution of this Order will be the Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct No. 1 or

POLITICAL CALENDAR

The following is a list of political offices open for election and the names of individuals who have announced in *The Wheeler Times*, their having placed their names on the ballot for the March Primary.

Filing Dates: Nov. 1 thru Dec. 11
Republican Primary

For County Judge
Jerry Dan Hefley
Ike Finsterwald

For Justices of the Peace, Pct. 1
Mark Brown

For County Commissioner, Pct. 2
Bob Hink
Gary Davis

For District Clerk
Sherri Jones

(Subject to the action of the voters in the Republican Primary Tuesday, March 6, 2017.)

(Paid for by each of the political candidates listed as part of the Political Announcement, which ran elsewhere in the paper.)

Vote in the March 6 Primary

County Offices to be filled in the March 6, 2017 primary:

District Judge
District Clerk
County Judge
County Clerk
County Treasurer
Co. Commissioners, Pct. 2 & 4
Justices of the Peace, Pct. 1 & 2
Constable

No. 2, Wheeler County, Texas.

(e) Persons in violation of this order may also commit an offense if the person intentionally or knowingly violates the General Requirements for Allowable Outdoor Burning or any other rule promulgated by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality regarding outdoor burning.

1. An offense under these rules is punishable for an individual by a fine not less than \$1,000 or more than \$50,000, confinement in the county jail for a period not to exceed 180 days, or both. [Section 7.177 Texas Water Code]

2. An offense is punishable for a person other than an individual by fine of not less than \$1,000 or more than \$100,000. [Sec. 7.177 Texas Water Code]

3. Under §111.221 of the Texas Administrative Code, a person in violation of the Outdoor Burning Rule may be held liable for the consequences, damages, and/or injuries resulting from outdoor burning.

(f) A person may be responsible for the criminal conduct of another under the provisions of Section 7.02, Texas Penal Code, as for example where he/she solicits, encourages, directs, aids or attempts to aid the other person to commit the offense.

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14. One way to stand
15. Like some excuses
16. Hermit
17. Catch sight of
33. Give off, as light
37. Zest
40. Ward off
41. Was a passenger
42. Full of excitement
60. Act
65. "How about that!"
66. Bat cave deposit
68. Mixed bag
69. Unite
70. "Calm down"
71. Contact, e.g.
72. Part to play
73. Mournful poem
74. Cottage site
75. State of mind

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18. Washer cycle
19. Short musical composition
20. Tough wood
21. Halloween wear
23. Plant
24. Eucalyptus muncher
26. "___ show time!"
28. Straighten, as the legs
43. Bring together
44. Loading site
45. Volcano output
46. Rage
47. Panache
48. Mountaineer's challenge
49. Harmonize
51. Aquatic shocker
53. Adhere
57. Kooky

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ADOPTED this 12th day of February, 2018, effective this date, by a vote of 4 ayes and 0 nays.

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- Churn
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- Beach bird
- After-bath powder
- Food thickener
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- Suffix with ideal
- Glue
- Ice house
- Yo-Yo Ma's instrument
- Atwitter, with "up"
- Shrek, e.g.
- Face-off
- Over hill and ___
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- Dog biter
- Cry from a sty
- Kennedy mom
- Henpeck
- Usher's offering

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Court

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Marie Austin to Ex Parte, 1-26-18, See Instrument.
 C/C ORDER DISTRIBUTION-Viola Marie Austin to Ex Parte, 1-26-18, See Instrument.
 FEBRUARY 7, 2018
 DVL-Derek A. McNabb to Jordan Robison, et ux, 2-2-18, Lot 12, Blk. 13, Original Town Shamrock.
 DT-Jordan Robison, et ux to Happy State Bank, 2-2-18, Lot 12, Blk. 13, Original Town Shamrock.
 DEED-Riley Bradstreet to V & H Rentals, 2-6-18, See Instrument.
 DT-Wheeler Cattle Growers LLC to RABO Agrifinance LLC, 12-5-17, See Instrument.
 DEED-Pat Beakley to Todd Schneider, et ux, 2-7-18, See

Instrument.
 PARTIAL ASSIGN.-Accipiter LLC to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 2-5-18, Sec. 5, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
 ASSIGN. DEED AND CONVEY.-Dragon Royalties LLC to Duxford LLC, 1-31-18, 50% of My Interest in Wheeler County.
 MIN./ROY./CONVEY.-Oak Tree Minerals LLC to Charlus J. Bishop & Teresa L. Bishop Living Trust, 1-15-17, See Instrument.
 MIN./ROY./CONVEY.-Oak Tree Minerals LLC to David Egger, et ux, 1-15-18, See Instrument.
 RDT-JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association to Natalie Rochelle Thomas, et vir, 2-1-18, See Instrument.

FEBRUARY 8, 2018
 ASSIGNMENT AND CONVEYANCE MINERAL INTEREST-389 Resources LLC to Oll Energy LLC, et al, 1-31-18, S 100 acs. Sec. 8, Blk. C, E. Montgomery Survey.
 FEBRUARY 9, 2018
 RELEASE ROW - Southwestern Public Service Company to G. H. Carr, et al, 2-5-18, See Instrument.
 RELEASE ROW - Southwestern Public Service

Company to Lavern Moore, et al, 2-5-18, See Instrument.
 RELEASE ROW - Southwestern Public Service Company to C. H. Clark, et al, 2-5-18, See Instrument.
 RELEASE ROW - Southwestern Public Service Company to Marion E. Moore, et ux, 2-5-18, See Instrument.
 RELEASE ROW - Southwestern Public Service Company to J. M. Porter, et ux, 2-5-18, See Instrument.



Week of January 29-February 4, 2018

Intents to Drill
 HANSFORD (ALLEN-PARKER, Marmaton) Mewbourne Oil Company, #M001DM Sutton 70, (674 acres) 230' FNL & 1320' FWL, Sec 70, Blk 45, H&TC RR Surv, A-662, 9 mi NE from Spearman TD 6400', (BHL: 100' FSL & 1320' FWL) (sgd.

Wheeler Mustang Basketball

Wheeler Mustangs traveled to Wellington for their game Tuesday, February 6. They were three points ahead of Wellington at the end of the game, 45-42.

Hitting the basket the most time for Wheeler was Austin Calhoun with 11 points; he was followed very closely by Gustavo Andrade with 10. Also adding points were Brady Bailey, 8; Logan Harris, 8; Javier Casillas, 6, and Josue Rascon, 2.

Rebecca Dunn 806-665-0338) Horizontal
 HARTLEY (WILDCAT) Sunlight Exploration, Inc., #1 Bivins 16, (640 acres) 330' FNL & 1980' FEL, Sec 227, SCL Surv, A-613, 2.5 mi E from Channing TD 6000', (sgd. Zoe Carlson 325-673-4548) Vertical
 HARTLEY (WILDCAT) FORTAY, Inc., #1025 Hog Shooter, (640 acres) 896' FEL & 2455' FNL, Sec 25, Blk A1, PSL Surv, A-1278, 24.9 mi SW from Dalhart TD 9000', (sgd. Greg Bilbro 512-476-1245) Vertical
 LIPSCOMB (LIPSCOMB, S.E., Cleveland) Jones Energy, LLC, #3H Brainard 61, (647.9 acres) 225' FNL & 1315' FEL, Sec 61, Blk 43, H&TC RR Surv, A-59, 17 mi SW from Lipscomb TD 9000', (BHL: 1568' FEL & 330' FSL) (sgd. Brenda Ramirez 512-328-2953) Horizontal
 LIPSCOMB (LIPSCOMB, S.E., Cleveland) Jones Energy, LLC, #5H Brainard 61, (647.9 acres) 225' FSL & 1418' FWL, Sec 116, Blk 43, H&TC RR Surv, A-910, 17 mi SW from Lipscomb TD 9000', (BHL: 330' FSL & 1568' FWL Sec 61, Blk 43, H&TC, A-59) (sgd. Brenda Ramirez 512-328-2953) Horizontal
 LIPSCOMB (LIPSCOMB, S.E., Cleveland) Jones Energy, LLC, #6H Brainard 61, (647.9 acres) 270' FSL & 370' FWL, Sec 116, Blk 43, H&TC RR Surv, A-910, 17 mi SW from Lipscomb TD 9000', (BHL: 330' FSL & 330' FSL Sec 61, Blk 43, H&TC, A-59) (sgd. Brenda Ramirez 512-328-2953) Horizontal
 LIPSCOMB (LIPSCOMB, Cleveland) 4P Energy Texas, LLC, #1H Rader 250X191A, (1284.69 acres) 1980' FWL & 415' FSL, Sec 279, Blk 43, H&TC RR Surv, A-140, 7 mi S from Lipscomb TD 9000', (BHL: 600' FWL & 10' FSL Sec 191, Blk 43, H&TC, A-110) (sgd. James Clark 512-415-4191) Horizontal
 LIPSCOMB (LIPSCOMB, Cleveland) 4P Energy Texas, LLC, #2H Rader 250X191B, (1284.69 acres) 2000' FWL & 415' FSL, Sec 279, Blk 43, H&TC RR Surv, A-140, 7 mi S from Lipscomb TD 9000', (BHL: 1935' FWL & 10' FSL Sec 191, Blk 43, H&TC, A-110) (sgd. James Clark 512-415-4191) Horizontal
 LIPSCOMB (LIPSCOMB, Cleveland) 4P Energy Texas, LLC, #3H Rader 250X191C, (1284.69 acres) 2020' FWL & 415' FSL, Sec 279, Blk 43, H&TC RR Surv, A-140, 7 mi S from Lipscomb TD 9000', (BHL: 2060' FEL & 10' FSL Sec 191, Blk 43, H&TC, A-110) (sgd. James Clark 512-415-4191) Horizontal
 OCHILTREE (DUTCHER, Atoka, PAN PETRO, Cleveland) Natural Gas Anadarko Company, #6474 Courson Parnell 474, (640 acres) 660' FSL & 1169' FEL, Sec 474, Blk 43, H&TC RR Surv, A-633, 18 mi SE from Perryton TD 8600', (sgd. Zach Heflin 806-435-2910) Vertical Recompletion



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Storm (from Page 1)
 Valentine's Day. It is a very special day because it is Pop's and Allison's birthday! Happy Birthday Pop and Allison!

My pigs are the sweetest. I walk Jacob outside when it is not freezing. Poor Edward wants to go too, but I really don't have time to walk him. He has to stay in his pen. His job is to be company to Jacob so Jacob will be happy. I think Jacob would really miss Edward if we sold him. They lie down against the panel so they can be close to each other. They are so cute. I have decided that on the day we load Jacob to go to Houston we will sell Edward and he can be loaded too. He just won't be going with us. When I get home, without my pigs, I know I will be sad. Oh well, that's life. That's it!

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Updated Property Tax Information Now Available for Texas Taxpayers

(Wheeler) — New and updated property tax information has just been compiled by the Wheeler Central Appraisal District and is available now to assist taxpayers. This property tax information is current and covers a wide range of topics, such as taxpayer remedies, exemptions and appraisals, and has information for select groups, such as disabled veterans and persons age 65 or older.

"Whether you are a homeowner, business owner, disabled veteran or taxpayer, it's important you know your rights concerning the property tax laws," said Kimberly Morgan, Chief Appraiser of the Wheeler Central Appraisal District. "You can contact us about any property tax issues with full confidence that we will provide you the most complete, accurate and up-to-date available information to assist you."

This includes information about the following programs:

- **Property Tax Exemptions for Disabled Veterans** - The law provides partial exemptions for any property owned by disabled veterans or surviving spouses and surviving children of deceased disabled veterans. Another partial exemption is for homesteads donated to disabled veterans by charitable organizations at no cost or not more than 50 percent of the good faith estimate of the homestead's market value to the disabled veterans and their surviving spouses. The exemption amount is determined according to percentage of service-connected disability. The law also provides a 100 percent homestead exemption for 100 percent disabled veterans and their surviving spouses and surviving spouses of U.S. armed service members killed in action.

- **Property Tax Exemptions - Non-profit organizations** that meet statutory requirements may seek property tax exemptions and must apply to their county appraisal district by a specific date. Businesses that receive tax abatements granted by taxing units; ship inventory out of Texas that may be eligible for the freeport exemption; store certain goods in transit in warehouses that are moved within 175 days; construct, install or acquire pollution control property; own and operate energy storage systems; convert landfill-generated gas; or store offshore drilling equipment while not in use may also be eligible for statutory exemptions.

- **Rendering Taxable Property** - If a business owns tangible personal property that is used to produce income, the business must file a rendition with its local county appraisal district by a specified date. Personal property includes inventory and equipment used by a business. Owners do not have to render exempt property such as church property or an agriculture producer's equipment used for farming.

- **Appraisal Notices** - Normally, taxpayers receive a notice of appraised value from the appropriate local county appraisal district. The city, county, school districts and other local taxing units will use the appraisal district's value to set property taxes for the coming year.

- **Property Taxpayer Remedies** - This Comptroller publication explains in detail how to protest a property appraisal, what issues the county appraisal review board (ARB) can consider and what to expect during a protest hearing. The publication also discusses the options of taking a taxpayer's case to district court, the State Office of Administrative Hearings or binding arbitration if the taxpayer is dissatisfied with the outcome of the ARB hearing.

- **Homestead Exemptions** - A homestead is generally defined as the home and land used as the owner's principal residence on Jan. 1 of the tax year. A homestead exemption reduces the appraised value of the home and, as a result, lowers property taxes. Applications are submitted to the appropriate local county appraisal district.

- **Productivity Appraisal** - Property owners who use land for timberland production, agricultural purposes or wildlife management can be granted property tax relief on their land. They may apply to their local county appraisal district for an agricultural appraisal which may result in a lower appraisal of the land based on production, versus market value.

- **Residence Homestead Tax Deferral** - Texas homeowners may postpone paying the currently delinquent property taxes due on the appreciating value of their homes by filing a tax deferral affidavit at their local county appraisal district. This tax relief allows homeowners to pay the property taxes on 105 percent of the preceding year's appraised value of their homestead, plus the taxes on any new improvements to the homestead. The remaining taxes are postponed, but not cancelled, with interest accruing at 8 percent per year.

- **Property Tax Deferral for Persons Age 65 or Older or Disabled or Disabled Veteran Homeowners** - Texans who are age 65 or older or disabled, as defined by law, or who qualify for a disabled veteran exemption may postpone paying current and delinquent property taxes on their homes by signing a tax deferral affidavit. Once the affidavit is on file, taxes are deferred, but not cancelled, as long as the owner continues to own and live in the home. Interest continues to accrue at 5 percent per year on the unpaid taxes. You may obtain a deferral affidavit at the appraisal district.

- **Notice of Availability of Electronic Communication** - In appraisal districts located in counties with a population of more than 200,000 or that have authorized electronic communications, and that have implemented a system that allows such communications, chief appraisers and ARBs may communicate electronically through email or other media with property owners or their designated representatives. Written agreements are required for notices and other documents to be delivered electronically instead of mailing.

- **Protesting Property Appraisal Values** - Property owners who disagree with the appraisal district's appraisal of their property for local taxes or for any other action that adversely affects them may protest their property value to the appraisal district's ARB.

For more information about these programs, contact the Wheeler Central Appraisal District at (806) 826-5900 or write PO Box 1200 Wheeler, TX 79096. Information is also available on the Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division's website at comptroller.texas.gov/taxes/property-tax/.

Chat (from Page 1)

Time is running out if you intend to file for a place on the ballots for Mayor, City Council, School Board or Parkview Hospital Board. Friday is the day.

—cwe—
 Phase 2 Burn Ban is in effect due to the severe dry spell we are having, 'NO BURNING'!

—cwe—
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—cwe—
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—cwe—

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