

# COVID-19 Updates

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This group of individuals helped with the City-Wide Clean-Up March 7, 2020.



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### Parkview Hospital

## Regarding COVID-19

For your information in regard to COVID-19:

Early evidence suggests that 80 percent of patients have mild disease and do not require medical care. SARS-

CoV-2 is a new pathogen and we are still learning about it, yet we do know that its symptoms are somewhat similar to those of influenza (the flu) with fever, cough, and shortness of breath.

When patients self-diagnose with the flu, most are able to stay home and man-

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### Wheeler & Fort Elliott

# Girls All-District Basketball



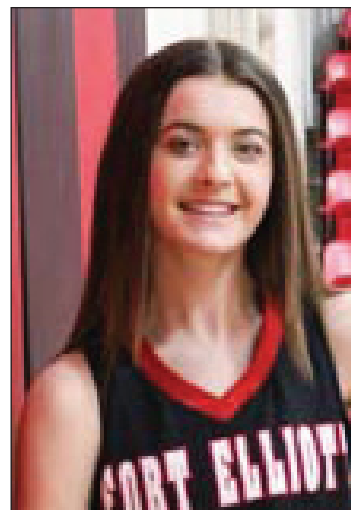
Wendy Lopez, Wheeler—All-District



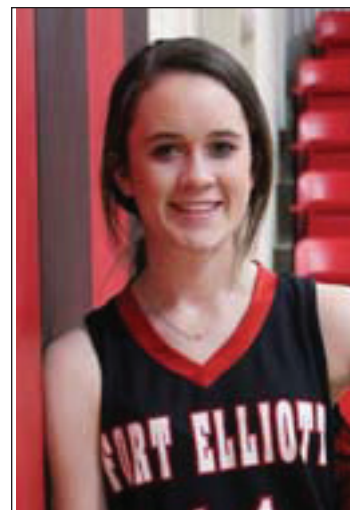
Julia Andrade—Wheeler Honorable Mention All-Dist.



Perla Almanza—Wheeler Honorable Mention All-Dist.



Kaylee Bass, Fort Elliott—All-District



Savanna Sims, Fort Elliott—All-District

## Graveside Rites For Robert Hogan

Robert Jefferson Hogan, Jr., 69, of Bandera, passed away March 17, 2020 at his home in Bandera.

Graveside services were at 2:00 PM Friday, March 20, 2020, at Mobeetie Cemetery, with Rev. Tom Stribling, pastor of First United Methodist Church of Happy, officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Robert was born May 16, 1950 in Pampa. He attended school in Mobeetie and received a PhD in agriculture and economics from Oklahoma State University. He



Robert Hogan

married Geniva Shugart on January 9, 1991. Robert was a professor at Texas A&M University for 13 years.

Survivors include his wife of 29 years, Geniva Hogan; a son, Michael Farrel and wife Danilyn; his mother, Louise Hogan; and two grandsons, Danny Farrel and Dillon Farrel. He was preceded in death by his father, Robert Hogan; a brother, Walter Earl Hogan; and grandparents, Rupert and Estelle Orr.

Memorials may be made to Elara Caring (CIMA Hospice), 12400 Network Blvd., San Antonio, Texas 78249.

## Maxy's Steakhouse

We want to say Thank You to everyone who is shopping locally. We really appreciate everyone coming in to eat with us or letting us cook for them. This is so important to keep all of our businesses open in our small community. We are All doing everything to keep our places clean and sanitary and continue to serve Good food. We are offering curbside service as well as home delivery if needed! Please continue to support all of our local restaurants! Ron & Donna

### Commissioners' Court

## Regular Meeting Held March 23

March 23, 2020

The Wheeler County Commissioners Court met in Regular Session on the above date at 9:00 AM to discuss matters of mutual concern and consider bills for payment. Members attending were:

Judge Hefley, Commissioners Steve Walker, Bob Hink,

David Simpson and John Walker. Also attending were: Margaret Dorman-County Clerk and Nichole Mock-County Auditor.

At 10:00 AM the above remained in attendance and were joined by: Renee Warren, Sherri Jones, Mark Brown, Cindy Brown, Kim-

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## Top O' Texas Cattlewomen Scholarships Available

Top O' Texas CattleWomen scholarship applications are available at your High School Counselors office now. Applications are also available on our facebook page. Each year Top O' Texas CattleWomen give scholarships to seniors that are going into a major in Agricultural, Nutrition Health related field or related

Trade School.

You might ask if you are eligible. If you live in Carson, Collingsworth, Gray, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Hansford, Roberts or Wheeler counties and only seniors in these counties are eligible.

This year Top O' Texas CattleWomen are doing four (4) scholarship for \$750.00 each to four deserving seniors.

You may also contact Diane Buckingham in Shamrock 806-256-3633, or Amy Brainard in Canadian 806-323-6397, Racheal Adkins 806-217-0564 for information. Applications must be post marked no later than April 16, 2020.

## Letter From Mayor Bob McCain

Dear City of Wheeler Residents,

Among the growing concern over COVID-19, the City of Wheeler has not only followed the guidelines of the CDC and the Wheeler County Emergency Management but has also implemented personnel guidelines. The doors of City Hall are locked to the public, so please drop off your payment in the night drop or utilize the online payment system at <https://utilitybillingsystem.net>. We are taking this situation very seriously, and we ask that if you are sick to please stay home. We also ask that you heed the advice of Governor Abbott and practice social distancing if you must be out. Please be aware that you are not only responsible for yourself, but also for your fellow citizens. Thank you for your cooperation at this time.



You will notice the absence of the Thriftway Ad; it will be back when this 'Hoarding' is over and things get back to normal. Shelves will be kept stocked as the trucks deliver.

— cwe —

Life goes on and publication continues. Is there a

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## STORM REPORT



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

Dear Friends, Week two. This is the strangest Spring Break ever. First of all, we were supposed to have the big Custer Marker Dedication. That didn't happen because people would come from all over the place and that could spread the Coronavirus. I was disappointed that we didn't have the event. We had everything ready at the museum for the people to come see the museum and eat and visit. Now the museum is closed until this is over. That was on Sunday, March 15. On Monday we went out to eat with Baba and Pop for two reasons. One we are about to be at home and not see anyone for a long time and two they are closing the restaurants

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## Mel's Diner

Mel's Diner is open from 7-2 daily for carry-out/delivery and curbside service. Also offering family pack's and take & bake options. Doing everything we can to keep y'all fed and people working in these trying times. We appreciate your business.



'20-'21 Cheerleaders: High School (back, l. to r.) Sydney Smith, Hope Adkins, Selena Lopez, Samantha Ramirez, Skylar Smith, (front) Karina Baylon-Mighty, Kenna Childress, Macy Robinson and Holden Holwick.

Junior High: (back, l. to r.) Hennesy Holwick, Kynslee Marshall, Callie Brittain, Lara Collins, Karolyne Sierra (front) Cassandra Valles, Makenzie Gipson and Angelica Duarte.

## Kelton I.S.D. COVID-19 Update

Posted Date: 03/18/2020  
 COVID-19 Update  
 Parents, Staff and the Kelton Community,  
 Kelton ISD will be closed starting March 23, 2020, through April 3, 2020, to support our community health care professionals in the ongoing goal of containing the spread of the novel coronavirus, or COVID-19. Additionally, all extracurricular activities, practices and athletic events are suspended while we are closed.

We do not make this decision lightly. We fully realize it presents difficulties to working parents. However, we are hopeful that these measures will better ensure the long-term health and safety of children, staff, and the larger community.

Kelton ISD is finalizing logistics on distance learning options and distribution of food to address children's nutritional needs while school is out. More information and guidance will be made available on our website and our Facebook page by Tuesday, March 24, 2020. We will also take these two weeks to further clean our facilities and buses and restock custodial and nursing supplies.

Additionally, Kelton ISD asks the broader community to take the following reasonable precautions to prevent the spread of the illness:

- \*Don't shake hands.
- \*Wash your hands regularly.
- \*Limit movement within the community, especially avoiding crowded places and maintaining 3 to 6 ft of distance between people (at least an arm's length).
- \*If you are moving around

in the community, don't congregate in large groups.  
 \*For those who have traveled to areas with known COVID-19 cases--both inside and outside of the country--we ask that you self-quarantine and monitor symptoms. Students who have traveled should plan to stay home for two weeks after arriving home. Please contact your campus to let your principal know, and this will be considered an excused absence.  
 \*If you suspect you have symptoms of COVID-19, call your health care provider for medical advice.

\*Keep your child at home if he/she feels ill, even if you think it is just a cold.  
 \*Do not leave the house if you are ill, except to access medical care.  
 This is a quickly changing situation, and we will continue to monitor information, will assess conditions throughout the following weeks, and will provide the next update via our website and email.  
 Thank you for your support and cooperation as we ensure that all members of the community, to stay safe and healthy.  
 Sincerely,  
 Leslie Berry  
 Kelton ISD Superintendent

## Fort Elliott COVID-19 Update

As per the Governor's executive order Fort Elliott will be closed through April 3rd Staff will still meet on Monday as scheduled.

To: Ft. Elliott parents  
 I wanted to let all parents know how Ft. Elliott CISD is handling the school closure due to the Corona virus.

Instructional packets will be delivered to Ft. Elliott students in PK-5 that ride a bus beginning Tuesday morning, March 24th. Parents of students that do not ride a bus can pickup the packets at the High School office beginning on Tuesday, March 24th after 9 am. Instructional packets will be available on a weekly basis while Ft. Elliott is out of school.

Students in grades 6-12 will be provided online instruction through their individual teachers.

Lunches will be made available to students beginning Tuesday, March 24th. Lunches will be consist of snack packs that will be good for a week. The snack packs will be available at the High School office and at the Fellowship hall at the First Baptist church in Mobeetie from 11 till 1 on Tuesday through Thursday.

The snack packs will be free of charge to all students. One bag per child, per week.

The Ft. Elliott CISD offices will be open from 8 till 3 on Monday-Thursday.  
 Frank Belcher, Superintendent

## Parkview (from Page 1)

age the symptoms. With that in mind, we recommend that people who have upper respiratory symptoms and fever should self-isolate, rest, and recover at home, calling your physician/provider, Parkview Hospital, or Parkview Rural Health Clinic for guidance if your symptoms worsen. A test will not change your medical care, may divert resources from others who need them, and may put health care workers and other vulnerable patients at risk. Improved access to testing in the future may help to understand and control the epidemic in the United States, but the reality is that we do not have that accessibility now.  
 In a chaotic time in our nation, we thank you for your patience and understanding. We are here to help you in any way we can.

Carissa McCarter, RN, BSN  
 Trauma Program Manager, Educator, Physician Advisor  
 Parkview Hospital  
 PO Box 1030 (901 S. Sweetwater) Wheeler, TX 79096  
 Phone 806-826-5581 ext. 280  
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## Comm. (from Page 1)

berly Morgan, Wes Crites and Tommye Cole.  
 APPROVAL OF MINUTES  
 No action needed.  
 APPROVAL OF MONTHLY FEE REPORTS

Bob Hink made a motion which was seconded by Steve Walker to approve the fee reports for the County Treasurer. The disbursement covering the period of March 10, 2020 through March 18, 2020 totals \$90,858.98. Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS  
 No action needed.  
 BUDGET TRANSFERS  
 No action needed.  
 BUDGET LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by Steve Walker to approve the following budget line item transfer:

\$1,997.00 from Bldg & Main Supplies to Bldg & Main Conf & Training Staff  
 Motion carried unanimously.

WHEELER COUNTY POLICY MANUAL  
 No action needed.

BURN BAN  
 No action needed.  
 DISASTER DECLARATION DUE TO COVID 19 OUTBREAK EXTENDED

David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by Bob Hink to extend the Disaster Declaration proclaimed on March 17, 2020 and until terminated by order of the Commissioners' Court. Motion carried unanimously  
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Hear the  
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**COOKS AND SERVERS:** A noon snack was served to Wheeler's "City-Wide Clean-Up on Saturday, March 7. Shown here are the cooks and servers; they are (l. to r.) Dawn Dial, Leon Smith, Marianne Smith, Melissa Arreola and Luis Arreola.

## Wheeler County COURT RECORDS

List of instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's office from March 16, 2020 to March 9, 2020.  
 MARCH 16, 2020  
 ROW-Richard Kincannon to Southwestern Electric Power Company, 2-10-10, Pt. Sec. 43, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
 DEED-Dolores J. Clark, et al to NRC-MMXV Ltd., 2-24-20, NW/4 Sec. 48, Blk. 24, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
 RDT-Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., et al to Jeremy Stogner, et ux, 3-10-20, See Instrument.

## Chat (from Page 1)

story you have that would be of interest to our readers, or a picture you have been meaning to send? Where have you been or what have you done.

— cwe —  
 With school out and gatherings of large crowds cancelled, there is not much to report. Please help us out.

— cwe —  
 Are you doing something to help others in this time of "shut down"? We would like to know.

— cwe —  
 We traveled to OKC and was "shut-in" there. We had planned to travel to Sherman, spending the night with Ronal Wayne and Juanita, and Huntsville and Galveston to see Cathi and Dorcie. Dorcie cannot travel or receive visitors from Oklahoma or elsewhere or she would have been quarantined; she is in medical school.

— cwe —  
 And now would be such a good time to travel with gas so cheap; it only cost \$7.00 to go to OKC. But cheap fuel is bad for the economy.

— cwe —  
 As we were traveling to OKC Thursday morning, we ran into some fog; fortunately it was not too bad and did not last for any great distance.

— cwe —  
 We had to wait to return until we knew if we were going to have to bring Seth to Wheeler or Barbara stay at the city. Seth has somewhere to go.

— cwe —  
 Our return Monday morning was delayed due to fog, and we did run into some light fog along the way.

— cwe —  
 Our Monday through Wednesday dinners and cards with the Meriwethers is "off" until this quarantine is over; thus, Dr. Smith will not be joining the game on Tuesday nights.

— cwe —

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ASSIGN. AND BILL of SALE-Dagny's LLC to Dagny's Operating LP, 3-12-20, Secs. 4 & 5, Blk. RE, Roberts & Eddleman Survey.  
 C/C PROBATE-Everett I Willis Jr. to Ex Parte, 3-5-19.  
 TDT-Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., et al to Freedom Mortgage Corporation, 3-25-19, See Instrument.  
 APPT. SUB. TRUSTEE-Freedom Mortgage Corporation to Ronnie Heck, et al, 3-10-20, See Instrument.  
 MARCH 17, 2020  
 EXT. DT-Gene DeWayne Wise to Prosperity Bank, 3-11-20, Royalty Interest of 6.25% in Sec. 3, Blk. E, G. O. McCrohan & Overriding Royalty Interest of 1.25% in Sec. 2, Blk. E, E. J. Campbell Survey.  
 ASSIGN. CONVEY. BILL of SALE-Michael D. Keyes Living Trust to Occidental Energy CO. Inc., 3-3-20, See Instrument.  
 DEED-Elizabeth Spinney to Domer Miller, et ux, 3-12-20, S/2 Sec. 39, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
 MARCH 18, 2020  
 C/C PROBATE-Eldora Maye Anderson to Ex Parte, 3-6-20.  
 MARCH 19, 2020  
 DEED-Debbie Lee Lisle to Brian Batenhorst, et ux, 3-13-20, Lot 3 & N/2 Lot 4, Blk. 7, Pendleton-Baxter Addition, Shamrock.  
 ROW-Mike Gallagher to Greenbelt Electric Cooperative Inc., 2-18-20, N/2 SE/4 Sec. 31, Blk. 43, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

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 FOR SALE: 202 W. 11th St in Wheeler. 1513 sf. on approx 3/4 of an acre. 3 bed, 2 bath, 2 car insulated garage. New concrete handicap ramps in the garage and front porch. New carpet in living and master bedroom. Large eat-in kitchen and lots of built in storage. New deck and storage building with rollup door. New paint and insulation. 469-323-9625 SOLD!: 2978 sf 902 S. Main St in Wheeler. Major remodel in 1990's with updated kitchen and new appliances. 3 bed, 2.5 bath, 2 car garage with energy efficient windows and AC. 806-334-0123  
 FOR SALE: 320 acres of beautiful crop and grassland with one mile of frontage on Hwy 83 located 8 miles south of Wheeler. Creek and tank that fills with ground water. Deer, turkey and quail hunting opportunity. 972-989-8019  
 FOR SALE: 2688 sf 408 E. 2nd in Shamrock. Recently renovated 4 bed, 1.75 bath with Wood floors in living and dining. Wood burning fireplace, new deck and double carport with storage room. 806-334-0123  
 FOR SALE/LEASE: 6400 sf insulated warehouse with extensive rack system on 8.46 fenced acres. Gravel parking for heavy duty equipment and trucks. 972-989-8019  
 FOR LEASE: Townhome - 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath, 1 car garage. 972-989-8019.  
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**RESIDENT AND EMPLOYEE:** Lela Vaughn and Whitney Helton were name Resident and Employee of the Month at Wheeler Nursing and Rehab.

## Visitation at Wheeler Nursing

As a precautionary measure to protect our residents and in response to the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) visitation at all locations has been temporarily suspended.

At this time, we request that family and friends do not visit the center. Out of an abundance of caution, we are limiting all visitors unless absolutely necessary. We are posting signs on our entryway doors to notify visitors of this policy and actively screening individuals, including staff, who need to come into the building.

We understand that con-

necting with your loved ones is incredibly important, and there are a variety of other ways you might consider communicating with them. These may include telephone, email, text, video chat or social media. If you believe a visit to the center is necessary, we request that you contact the center Administrator or Director of Nursing.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation with these temporary protocols as we work to ensure the safety and well-being of all of our residents, families, and associates.

## W.I.S.D. (from Page 4)

ALL students are eligible, free of charge, for the meals. Please make plans to come during those hours and receive your meals. The ONLY stipulation is that the child must be in the vehicle to obtain the meal.

Instructional material packets are in the process of being compiled. All high school students will be working online with their school issued computer. Grades PK-8 will be utilizing paper packets.

If you have any questions, please contact the school between the hours of 9:00-12:00 each day.

ESCUELAS DE Wheeler INFORMACIÓN DE ALMUERZO Y DESAYUNO

Estudiantes y padres, A partir del miércoles 25 de marzo, hemos organizado recogidas de comida a las 7:30 a.m. a 9:00 a.m., momento en el que el niño recibirá un desayuno y un almuerzo. Nuevamente, TODOS los estudiantes son elegibles, sin cargo, para las comidas. Haga planes para venir durante esas horas y recibir sus comidas. La ÚNICA estipulación es que el niño debe estar en el vehículo para obtener la comida.

Los paquetes de material instructivo están en proceso de compilación. Todos los estudiantes de secundaria trabajarán en línea con su computadora emitida por la escuela. Los grados PK-8 utilizarán paquetes de papel.

Si tiene alguna pregunta, comuníquese con la escuela entre las 9: 00-12: 00 cada día.

Parents and Students: Here is a list of how teacher have class work assigned until April 3rd. The packets can be picked up at the School Wednesday and most online work is on Google Classroom.

JH Classwork Material will all be packets (Pick-up)

HS Classwork Material will be a combination of packets and online,

Bird- Biology (Packet- Pick up) Physics, A&P, Forensic Science (Online-Google Classroom)

Britt- U.S. History & World History (Online-Study Island)

Brittain- Economic (Packet-Pick up), World Geography (OPacket Pick up)

C. Crouch- Chemistry

(Packet- Pickup) & Earth Science (Online)

Estrada- Alg. I, Alg. II, & Geometry (Packet-Pick up)

A. Evans- Eng. III & IV (Online- Google Classroom), DC English (Online-MindTap)

C. Evans- Pre-Cal (Online-Google)

S. Horton- DC Algebra (Online-Clarendon College; Pick-up Packet)

S. Jahn- Eng. I, Eng. II (Packet-Pick up)

J. James- All Ag Classes (Packet-Pick up)

S. Keys- All computer Courses (Online-Google)

J. Luna- Spanish I, II, & III (Packet-Pick up)

A. Ware- (Packet-Pick up)

## Storm (from Page 1)

except for "take out." It is crazy at the stores! All the toilet paper is gone! This really makes me think about all the things I am thankful for. I'm thankful for toilet paper! I'm thankful for church on Face Book. I'm thankful for home cooked meals and time to be with my mom and dad. I am very thankful for my cows and my new cat, Henry. I am also thankful for all the people that help others. I hope that the virus stops and we don't have sick people here. I am thankful for my teachers. They are making lessons for us to do at home.

We are out of school because of the Coronavirus. I am trying to get online for my classes, but my computer is not working. I think I have to do work on paper except for Coach Britt. His class is on Study Island. I can get on that at home on my school computer. It is just sad that I can't log on to do my other classes online. I don't know what we will do for band. That is sad. I miss band and I miss my voice lessons. I am sorry for the OAP, UIL and all the sports. It is hard, but we have to stop the illness!

I am glad all my family is safe and my animals are safe and doing well. I love my cows and babies. I bought seven cows. Three had babies when I got them. Now I have a new baby. I was fixing fence on my lease pasture. My dad and I were looking for the cows. There was a new baby! It is adorable! I can't wait for three more! My mom and dad bought a bunch of cows, but they only have two babies so far. This staying at home life is not too bad when you live in the country and have animals. That's it!

## Comm. (from Page 2)

**COURTHOUSE DOOR CLOSURE** Due to the Disaster Declaration declared for the State of Texas and Wheeler County it was determined that the safety of the employees in the Courthouse and the public, effective immediately, all the outside doors of the Wheeler County Courthouse will be locked. The offices will be operational and available should there be essential needs.

David Simpson made this motion which was seconded by John Walker. Motion carried unanimously.

**INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHEELER COUNTY & CITY OF SHAMROCK**-Not approved

After discussion, Bob Hink made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to not enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Shamrock to demolise "Trust Properties". Motion carried unanimously.

**INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHEELER COUNTY AND NORTH WHEELER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT** APPROVE John Walker made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to approve an Interlocal Agreement between Wheeler County and the North Wheeler County Hospital District. Motion carried unanimously.

**INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHEELER COUNTY AND POTTER COUNTY**-Mental Health Services

Judge Hefley made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Potter County for Court Ordered mental health services. Motion carried unanimously.

**SO-REMOVAL OF CAROLYN VAN TASSEL FROM PAYROLL** No action. Done on March 9, 2020.

**SO-ADDITION OF BRENDA SPARLIN TO PAYROLL** No action. Done on March 9, 2020.

**JP #1-CONTRACT WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS RESCINDED AND NEW TERMS APPROVED**-Computer Software David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by Steve Walker to rescind the motion made by David Simpson on March 9, 2020 to approve the terms of a contract for software in the JP#1 office and to approve the terms in the newly presented contract

on this date. Motion carried unanimously.

**TAX COLLECTOR-PROPOSAL FOR SOFTWARE APPROVED WITH PRITCHARD & ABBOTT INC**

Cindy Brown, Tax Collector, met with the Court and presented a proposal from Pritchard & Abbott Inc for computer software for the Tax Collector office. The term will be July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023. The annual fee will be \$19,970.00. Motion carried unanimously.

**BULLS EYE TELECOMMUNICATION CONTRACT-MOTION TO RESCIND APPROVAL**

Steve Walker made a motion to rescind his motion from November 25, 2019 wherein approval was given to Bulls Eye for a telecommunication system. David Simpson seconded this motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**PCT #2-ROAD CUT PERMIT GRANTED TITUS SER-**

**VICES LLC-County Road 30**

Bob Hink made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to approve a road cut permit to Titus Services LLC to cut County Road 30. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

Steve Walker made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to approve the bills for payment and pay accordingly. Motion carried unanimously.



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## DPS Update

**DPS Issues Update on Last Week's Release Regarding Employee Who Tested Positive for COVID-19**

AUSTIN – The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) issued the following statement as an update on information released last week regarding an employee who tested positive for COVID-19:

Last week, the department was informed by one of our employees – an individual who worked in the Carrollton Driver License Office – that this individual had tested positive for COVID-19. In our efforts to notify and work with the public health authorities, it has been brought to the department's attention that this individual provided us with false information, and in fact, the individual had tested negative for COVID-19. The department is taking the appropriate disciplinary actions against this employee for providing false information.

As a law enforcement agency, public safety is our No. 1 priority. Our mission is to protect and serve, especially when challenges arise like the ones we are facing today. We are deeply troubled



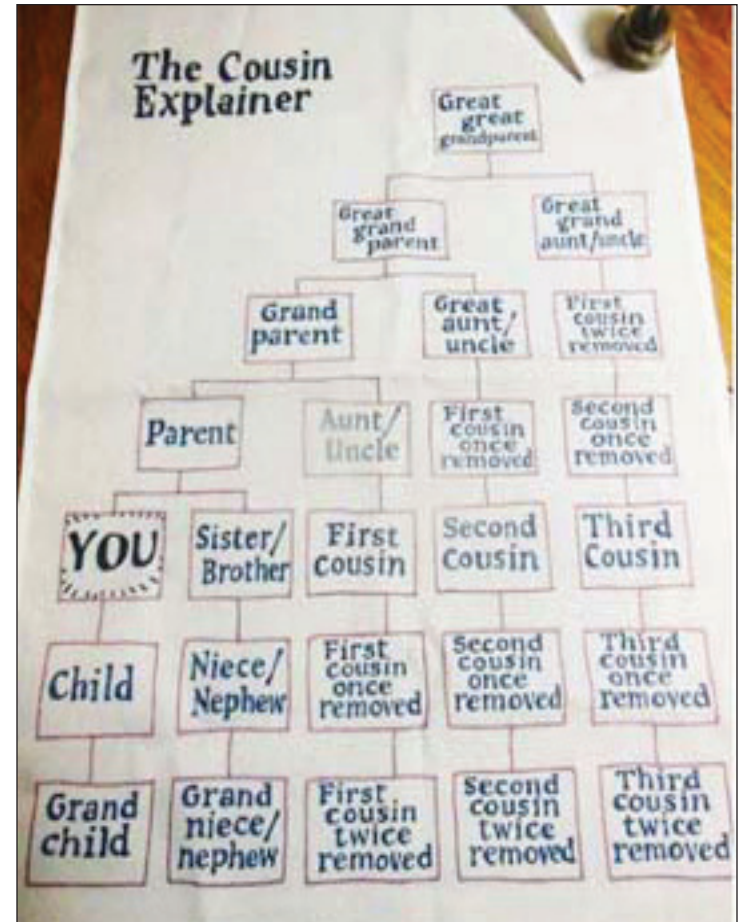
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provided to the public based on the information given to us by one of our employees. The department is taking additional steps to ensure that

this does not happen again. We have also updated the information on our website related to COVID-19.





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 03/16/2020@1111—Animal Complaint  
 03/16/2020@1457—Control Burn  
 03/16/2020@1501—Control Burn  
 03/16/2020@1501—Control Burn  
 03/16/2020@1513—Transfer  
 03/16/2020@1523—Control Burn  
 03/16/2020@1525—Control Burn  
 03/16/2020@1531—Control Burn  
 03/16/2020@1541—Control Burn  
 03/16/2020@1714—Vehicle Unlocked  
 03/16/2020@1720—Accident

03/16/2020@2232—911  
 03/17/2020@0119—911  
 03/17/2020@2010—911  
 03/18/2020@0010—911  
 03/18/2020@0335—Medical Report  
 03/18/2020@1149—Vehicle Unlocked  
 03/18/2020@1422—Vehicle Unlocked  
 03/18/2020@1429—General

## CLASSMATES

Have you ever been guilty of looking at others your own age and thinking, surely I can't look that old? Well you'll love this one.

Mary was sitting in the waiting room for her first appointment with a new dentist. She noticed his DDS Diploma on the wall, which bore his full name. Suddenly, she remembered a tall, handsome, dark-haired boy with the same name had been in her high school class, some 30-odd years ago.

Could he be the same guy that she had a secret crush on, way back then? Upon seeing him, however, she quickly discarded any such thought, this balding, gray-haired man with the deeply lined face was way too old to have been her classmate.

After he examined her teeth, she asked him if he had attended Unknown High School. Yes, Yes, I did. I'm a Pony; he gleamed with pride.

"When did you graduate?" She asked. He answered in 1975. Why do you ask?

"You were in my class!" she exclaimed. He looked at her closely.

Then, that ugly, old, balding, wrinkled faced, gray haired, decrepit miserable, fat, old dentist asked me, "What subject did you teach?"

Complaint  
 03/18/2020@1631—General Complaint  
 03/18/2020@2115—Animal Complaint  
 03/19/2020@1048—Reckless Driver  
 03/19/2020@1210—Medical  
 03/19/2020@1250—Accident  
 03/19/2020@1440—FIRE  
 03/19/2020@2001—911  
 03/20/2020@0433—Alarm  
 03/20/2020@0855—General Complaint

03/20/2020@1941—Phone Call  
 03/21/2020@0104—911  
 03/21/2020@1020—Vehicle Unlocked  
 03/21/2020@1904—Vehicle Unlocked  
 03/22/2020@1555—Vehicle Unlocked  
 03/22/2020@1808—General Complaint  
 03/22/2020@1919—Medical  
 03/22/2020@2309—Concerned Citizen

## Wheeler Schools Closed 3/23-4/3

### WHEELER ISD COMMUNITY

District Leadership has met and made preliminary plans to meet the needs of our students during COVID-19 Emergency Closure. I will list the decisions made thus far, and I will continue to deliver information as it is obtained.

Teachers will meet with Campus Principals on Monday and Tuesday, March 23rd and 24th. Teachers please check your email as meetings will be staggered to reduce contact among staff. Packets of instructional material will be prepared to support students while on this extended separation. Students in HS will be using mostly online resources, as they have access to a school laptop. If a student left their computer at the school, we will provide a time for pickup. Grades PK-8 will utilize paper packets for the most part. After lunch on Tuesday, March 24th, I will send out information regarding pick-up times for instructional packets. We will pass them out at some time on Wednesday.

WISD plans to provide meals for ALL students, Free of Charge, beginning Wednesday, March 25th. Meals will be available through a pick-up line at the front of the school. Breakfast will be served from 7:30am-8:30am and lunch will be provided from 11:30am-1:00pm each day. Please remain in your vehicle and someone will be there to assist you and your family. The ONLY stipulation is that the student requiring the meal must be in the vehicle. If you come by needing three meals, you must have three students in the vehicle with you.

All Extracurricular Activities have been suspended by the UIL through May 4th. Therefore, WISD will not have any practices, rehearsals, etc...at least through April 3rd, and probably longer.

Please take care of yourself and WISD will do everything we can to support the educational and food needs of our students.

Please remember that God is Ultimately in Control of this Situation and We Will Put Our Faith in Him!

Sincerely,  
 Bryan Markham  
 COMUNIDAD  
 DE WHEELER ISD

La Dirección del Distrito se ha reunido y ha hecho planes preliminares para satisfacer las necesidades de nuestros estudiantes durante el Cierre de Emergencia COVID-19. Enumeraré las decisiones tomadas hasta el momento y continuaré entregando la información que obtuve. Los maestros se reunirán con los directores del campus los lunes y martes, 23 y 24 de marzo. Maestros, por favor revisen su correo electrónico ya que las reuniones serán escalonadas para reducir el contacto entre el personal. Se prepararán paquetes de material instructivo para apoyar a los estudiantes durante esta separación prolongada. Los estudiantes de HS utilizarán principalmente recursos en línea, ya que tienen acceso a una computadora portátil de la escuela. Si un estudiante dejó su computadora en la escuela, proporcionaremos un tiempo para que lo recojan. Los grados PK-8 utilizarán paquetes de papel en su mayor parte. Después del almuerzo del martes 24 de marzo, enviaré infor-

mación sobre los horarios de recogida de los paquetes de instrucción. Los distribuiremos en algún momento el miércoles. WISD planea proporcionar comidas a TODOS los estudiantes, sin cargo, a partir del miércoles 25 de marzo. Las comidas estarán disponibles a través de una línea de recogida en el frente de la escuela. El desayuno se servirá de 7:30 a.m. a 8:30 a.m. y el almuerzo se proporcionará de 11:30 a.m. a 1:00 p.m. todos los días. Permanezca en su vehículo y alguien estará allí para ayudarlo a usted y a su familia. La ÚNICA estipulación es que el estudiante que requiere la comida debe estar en el vehículo. Si necesita tres comidas, debe tener tres estudiantes en el vehículo con usted. El UIL ha suspendido todas las actividades extracurriculares hasta el 4 de mayo. Por lo tanto, WISD no tendrá prácticas, ensayos, etc... al menos hasta el 3 de abril, y probablemente por más tiempo. Cuídate y WISD hará todo lo posible para apoyar las necesidades educativas y alimentarias de nuestros estudiantes. ¡Por favor recuerde que Dios tiene el control final de esta situación y pondremos nuestra fe en él! Sinceramente, Bryan Markham

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Across  
 1. Reese's Peanut Butter \_\_\_\_  
 5. Exclamations of amazement  
 9. Young socialites  
 13. Xerox competitor  
 14. Move like lava  
 15. Ellipse  
 40. Part of a bike or piano  
 50. Part of a bike or piano  
 53. Blacken on the barbecue  
 54. Pitching stat.  
 55. Fatal  
 60. Go for the gold?  
 61. Chap  
 62. Conditional release from prison  
 63. Units of work  
 64. Had more than a hunch  
 66. Ticketed  
 67. Parking place  
 68. Cold \_\_\_\_ (fever blister)  
 69. Ox harness

Down  
 1. Answered a summons  
 2. Apartment, to a landlord  
 3. Deep fried hotdog on a stick  
 4. Rapping Dogg  
 5. Jack \_\_\_\_ all trades  
 6. No longer in fashion  
 7. Esteems, British style  
 8. Police team acronym  
 9. Turkish snack cooked on a vertical rotisserie  
 10. Give the slip  
 11. Very loose, like some jeans  
 12. Kills, as a dragon  
 13. Roller coaster unit  
 17. Hit the slopes  
 24. '60s hallucinogen  
 25. Fortuneteller's deck  
 26. Gush  
 27. Bangkok native  
 28. Seat in the British Parliament?  
 29. Endangered Amazon area  
 31. Earth tone  
 33. More cunning  
 34. Bright-\_\_\_\_ and bushy-tailed  
 36. Drunkard  
 37. "Do \_\_\_\_ others..."  
 38. Subtle attention-getter  
 42. Surname of an HBO crime family  
 43. Stark raving \_\_\_\_  
 45. Bookworm  
 47. High points  
 48. Avian sound  
 49. It takes two to do it  
 51. Swiss mountain  
 52. Like salad greens  
 54. Moose's kin  
 56. Small jazz combo  
 57. Toot one's own horn  
 58. Sheltered, naively  
 59. Spearheaded  
 65. You and I

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16. Barcelona buddies  
 18. Chromosome component  
 19. Serpent of Hindu myth  
 20. Won back, as territory  
 21. Spicy  
 22. Risqué  
 23. Middle Eastern rice dish (Var.)  
 25. Deuces' better  
 26. Christmas tree

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