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"Wheeler: town of friendship and pride"



DISTRICT CHAMPS: Wheeler's Lady Stangs basketball team closed their season Thursday, February 11, 2021, with a loss to Gruver in the bi-district play-off at Pampa. The Wheeler Mustangs will play for bi-district Thursday, February 18 at Amarillo High at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$4 and can be purchased at Wheeler Administration office. This is a picture of the Junior Varsity Team; it was accidently sent to me instead of the high school team picture. The front page was finished before it was learned of the error. Pictured here are (back row, I. to r.) Coach Rachel Stewart, Hailey Moon, Samantha Ramirez, Kaydeigh McNeil, Emily Garcia, Andrea Guerra, Amy Rocha, Sydnei Smith, Skylar Smith, Coach Pool, (front) Litzy Garza, Macy Robinson, Natalie Rincon Karina Baylon, Karsyn Malone, Rheaydon Robles and Saidy Hernandez. We will run both team pictures as soon as they are available to us. DISTRICT CHAMPS: Wheeler's Lady Stangs basketball team closed their season Thursday, February 11, 2021, with a loss to Gruver in the bi-district play-off



Here we are, stranded in OKC again. Roads passable, but did not want to be out in this extremely cold weather with more predicted.

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Thanks to Leroy, Rhonda and Stormie for getting the paper in the mail last week.

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Stormie Meriwether, Eleventh Grade Student

As Reported by .

school, I got the most beautiful flowers from my Valentine! He is the sweetest, kindest me one happy girl!.

monds. I loved watching the place on the board. snow fall all day on Valentine's Day. The snow was 1 representative and Roy beautiful and the temperature McLaughlin represents Preunbelievably cold! On Mon-cinct 2; they did not draw an day morning the temperature opponent. (Continued Page 4)

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City, Hospital Races Are Contested

City of Wheeler

The city of Wheeler will hold 3 and 5 are to be filled with Helton. Hillhouse did not draw Mike Houska the election.

Carol Porton, presently serving in Place 1, has filed for re-election and did not draw an opponent.

Place 3 is presently held by Kendall Hefley; he has filed for re-election. Keith Rose has also filed for Place 3 on the council.

Britt McCarter presently sits in Place 5 and is seeking re-Dear Friends, On Friday, at election; his opponent is Tracy Jones Tignor.

Parkview Hospital

The three individuals holdand most thoughtful person ing positions on the Parkview ever. Thank you for making Hospital Board have each filed for re-election. Lisa The first day of snow was Mahler is serving as At-Large just ice crystals. They floated representative; Pam Hibler in the sunlight like tiny dia- has filed for the At-Large

Janie VanZandt is Precinct

Wheeler I.S.D.

an opponent. Helton did not

file for re-election; three indi-Places 4 and 5 expire on viduals are seeking his place an election Saturday, May 1, the Wheeler I.S.D. Board; on the board. Seeking a place 2021 to fill the three places holding these places are Dr. on the board are Lindsey

Wheeler Mustangs'

Meal, Silent Auction Set Feb. 28

The Annual Wheeler Mus- Feb. 23. tang Basketball Meal and Silent Auction at the Wheeler Facebook Page on Wedes-Agri-Life Extension building will be held February 28, from

11 a.m.-2 p.m. Individual support for the Mustangs auction can be donated to the Silent Auction. Additional information is as

follows: · Any and All items are ap-

preciated. Items can be given to reup on or before Tuesday, out the year.

· Silent Auction will begin on day, Feb. 24 and run till Sunday, Feb. 28. Proxy bidding will be available-text Christie.

· Contact Christie Davis, (806) 736-0418, or Coach Curtis, (405) 201-6456, with any questions.

All proceeds from the fundraiser go to the High School boys basketball team and help pay for the summer questing players, taken up to camps and any additional the school or can be picked needs that come up through-

Xcel Energy Declares Energy Alert

co-ops, declare Energy Alert, cooperatives* in the Texas urge additional conservation

With extreme cold temperatures still gripping the region, eastern New Mexico regions

useless metric, and if there it, though it is happening right cusations also tend to do so were a stretch of weather to before our eyes. These ever- in a disingenuous way, for make my case, these past changing weather cycles are disingenuous reasons. That created energy deficiencies in two weeks speak loudly in what make the term "climate said, I am not so myopic as to favor of my claim. I have change" true, and its appli- omit the possibility that man (SPP) region. SPP manwondered why the average cation disingenuous. I have could make a contribution to ages the electric grid across high temperature is reported no problem with the suppo- the change in climate, just as 17 central and western U.S. on the basis of a 30-year sition that the climate may man can clearly make a con- states and provides energy average. In the span of time be changing (particularly if it tribution to the act of erosion, services on a contract basis within which weather has oc- is true) - that would be true another one of nature's im- to customers in both the Eastcurred on earth, thirty years is to nature's form, as it is in a peratives. an immeasurably small frame constant state of flux. If the of time. I am estimating here, matter could be left at that, I ed to write about today. On declare an Energy Alert only but a decades-long wind gust would grant assent, and I am my mind is the cold snap that when a reduction in electricmight bear in the scope of the willing to assent to that literal has been enveloping much of ity use is urgently needed to earth's history the equiva- meaning. But the implication, the United States for the past maintain the continuity of the lent a sneeze would in the or accusation, depending on week and a half. The average electricity system and service scope of someone's day. who it is that is making it, is high temperature reported for to customers. And weather is constantly that changes in weather are my region this time of year is changing, like the earth is all man's fault, and in my view,

I've thought for some time continuously eroding or be- man's role is unclear, and the

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Xcel Energy, area electric Xcel Energy and the electric South Plains, Texas Panhandle and eastern and southgy Alert level and are urging customers to cut back on their use of electricity.

that the average daily high ing built up, but it happens problem is that I believe most Greg Abbott has requested temperature was a somewhat so slowly we can't perceive of those who level such ac- the conservation of electric and natural gas energy.

Extreme cold weather has FSA programs as well." ern and Western Interconnec-But that is not what I intend- tions. SPP and Xcel Energy

"We are making a public

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Enrollment For Agri. Risk Coverage

March 15 Last Day to Complete Enrollment for 2021 Agon the city council. Places 1, LeeAnn Hillhouse and Chad Shirey, Ashley Koepke and riculture Risk Coverage, Price most American farms. Loss Coverage Programs

> Agricultural producers who have not yet enrolled in the Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) or Price Loss Coverage (PLC) programs for 2021 must do so by March 15. Producers who have not yet signed a 2021 enrollment contract or who want to make an election change should contact their local USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) office to make an appointment. Program enrollment for 2021 is required in order to participate in the programs, but elections for the 2021 crop year are optional and otherwise remain the same as elections made for 2020.

"FSA offices have mulstaff. Because of the importance and complexities of program delivery expectahave declared a higher Ener- start the enrollment process," said FSA Acting Administrator Steve Peterson. "I cannot emphasize enough the need Additionally, Texas Gov. to begin the program election and enrollment process now. This process can be completed when applying for other

the Southwest Power Pool's come support to farmers also voted by her peers as the

HL Uwen, Mike Case Benefit Sat.

uled for HL Owens and Mike nament. Case on Saturday, February 20. Food, silent auction, live 7 p.m. auction, cornhole tournament and live music are planned.

The silent auction will be everyone's enjoyment after from 6-7 start off the activi-

wiches and chips will start at

6:00 p.m. Also getting underway at

prices or revenues and are vital economic safety nets for

Although 1,033,310 contracts have been completed to date, this represents less than 59% of the more than

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tiple programs competing for EARNS CREDENTIALS: Jenthe time and attention of our nifer Stas Bryant is now an Accredited Payments Risk Professional (APRP). Earning the ARC and PLC programs, the APRP credential demonand to ensure we meet your strates a mastery of the complexities of risk management tions, please do not wait to for ACH, check, wire, debit, credit and prepaid cards and emerging and alternative payments. She adds this to her already received NCP (National Check Professional) and AAP (Accredited ACH Professional) accreditation. Jennifer has been employed at Quail Creek Bank in Oklahoma City for ARC and PLC provide in- the past 17.5 years. She was from substantial drops in crop employee of the year for 2020.

A benefit has been sched- 6:30 will be the cornhole tour-

A live auction will be held at

Live music by JW Lane and Co Rd X will provide music for the live auction.

Plan to be in attendance for The meal of BBQ/sand-/ the activities at the Wheeler County Show Barn on the north edge of Wheeler Satur-

Merely (from Page 1) 52 degrees. Over the past 14 days (and I am approximating here, like a true meteorologist) the average daily high temperature has been 22 degrees. (I am relying on projected high temperatures for the last six of these 14 days - it is as far out as the forecast I am viewing shows, at the time of this writing.) I have, during periods of unusually hot or cold weather, looked at the average daily highs with a bit of disbelief, thinking that the weather is not nearly as pleasant as it is purported to only missed two or three pubbe, and the past two weeks would make my case rather convincingly, at least emotionally and psychologically, if not mathematically. And I am not advocating a primacy of psycho-emotional arguments in place of the cold hard truth; I recognize that relying on psycho-emotional reasons (which, paradoxically, can be and many times are antithetical to reason itself) for making an argument can be like voluntarily ambling on a slippery slope that is hard to get off of. Nevertheless, I find that the average high temperature report looks more like propaganda than reality as this point in time. Though, if in fact only a 30-year timeframe is used to derive the average,

But I am not complaining about the weather - it is one of the phenomena of life, that we utterly rely upon the weather, but at the same time there isn't anything we can do about changing it if we don't like it (which in my view undercuts in a fairly considerable way the argument of those who claim it is humans who are changing the weather in the first place); all that is available is to make preparations as best we can, and deal with it when it arrives. At least we have some forewarning, though. Forecasters catch a lot of grief for being notoriously inaccurate, but they at least tend to provide some frame of reference, whereas not too long ago it would seem our forebears had very little warning that inclement UNO flip. weather was coming, and I can't imagine how they would have had any idea as to how long it would stick around. In

it may be that these past cou-

ple weeks' temperatures are

sufficient to knock down the

average a few degrees.

Old Time Gospel Music **KPDR-FM**, 90.3 ... In Wheeler Sun.: 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.





the scheme of things, we are as favored a people a weather system such as this has ever visited. As for me, I am grateful for electricity, gas, four walls, and wood, and those who have made these things available. Though still uncomfortable, the cold is much more tolerable in my home than what my dogs are

unat (from Page 1) And it looks like it will be up to

experiencing in theirs.

them again this week.

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Here I went 50+ years and lications and now I am missing two in a row.

- cwe -

I am putting the paper together in OKC and sending it to the printers. Ed Forrester picks it up after printing and brings it to Wheeler. The Meriwethers take it from there and finish with printing labels, inserts, labeling and paperwork.

– cwe –

Congratulations to our local Basketball Teams. Each won District. The girls lost their bidistrict game and the boys are scheduled to play Thursday. We are proud of both of

- cwe -

Remember the Benefit for HL and Mike on Saturday. Sounds like lots of enjoyable activities.

- cwe -

Upcoming also is the Mustangs' Annual Meal and Silent Auction on Sunday, February

— cwe —

I do not know if Wheeler is setting records for coldest weather, but OKC is setting new records that have stood since 1909. It has been in the long grain rice, medium- and negatives.

— cwe —

Snow wise, Ken Daughtry reported 3-4" snow in the Wheeler Area on Monday with all roads open. More snow has been predicted.

- cwe -

Had a very quiet birthday Sunday with German Chocolate Cake, lots of calls and facebook birthday wishes.

- cwe -

William stopped in for a short visit on Saturday afternoon. William, Seth and I played several games of

ready to get home. - cwe -

Wheeler County **COURT RECORDS**

The Court Records will be printed at our first opportunity to pick them up and type.

Excel 2-16 Notice

"Natural gas production is off because of the extreme cold, and supplies are freezing up in the wellfields, limiting the amount of gas that can be delivered over pipelines to power plants across the region and beyond. This is occurring across multiple states, including all of Texas." said David Hudson, president, Xcel Energy – New Mexico, Texas.



Please Join Us To Celebrate GRAND OPENING WEEK February 22-26, 2021

— Door Prizes & Drawings —



Crystal would like to THANK ALL of the loyal customers for continues support and business!

Advice From Mayo Clinic: Drink Water

Advice from the Mayo Clinic regarding your heart and other medical matters **MAYO CLINIC -**

KISK (from Page 1)

1.7 million contracts anticipated by the Agency. By enrolling soon, producers can beat the rush as the deadline

Producers who do not complete enrollment by close of business local time on Monday, March 15 will not be enrolled in ARC or PLC for the 2021 crop year and will be ineligible to receive a payment should one trigger for an eligible crop.

ARC and PLC contracts can be emailed, faxed or physically signed and mailed back to FSA. Producers with level 2 eauthentication access can electronically sign contracts. Service Center staff can also work with producers to sign and securely transmit contracts electronically through two commercially available tools: Box and OneSpan. You can learn more about these solutions at farmers. gov/mydocs. Producers may also make arrangements to drop off signed contracts at the FSA county office. Please call ahead for local mailing or drop off information and options for submitting signed contracts electronically.

Producers are eligible to enroll farms with base acres for the following commodities: barley, canola, large and small chickpeas, corn, crambe, flaxseed, grain sorghum, lentils, mustard seed, oats, peanuts, dry peas, rapeseed, short-grain rice, safflower seed, seed cotton, sesame, soybeans, sunflower seed and wheat.

Yield Data and Web-Based Decision Tools Available

FSA recently updated the annual and benchmark yields for ARC/PLC program years 2019, 2020 and 2021. This data is useful to producers in choosing to participate in either ARC or PLC.

For added assistance with ARC and PLC decisions, etc.) USDA partnered with the Unibased decision tools to as- tenance equipment, etc.). sist producers in making informed, educated decisions using crop data specific to their respective farming operations. Tools include:

Gardner-farmdoc Payment Calculator, the University of ing, leaving on only enough Illinois tool that offers farmers the ability to run payment farms and counties for ARC-County and PLC.

ARC and PLC Decision Tool, the Texas A&M tool that allow producers to analyze payment yield updates and expected payments for 2019 and 2020. Producers who have used the tool in the past should see their username and much of their farm data will already be available in the system.

Crop Insurance Consider- clude: ations

Producers are reminded that enrolling in ARC or PLC programs can impact eligibility for some crop insurance products. Producers who elect and enroll in PLC also have the option of purchasing Supplemental Coverage Option (SCO) through their Approved Insurance Provider. Producers of covered commodities who elect ARC are ineligible for SCO on their planted acres.

Unlike SCO, RMA's En- curtail their energy use. hanced Coverage Option ticipating in ARC for the same crop, on the same acres. You may elect ECO regardless of

your farm program election. Upland cotton farmers who choose to enroll seed cotton base acres in ARC or PLC are ineligible for the stacked income protection plan (STAX) on their planted cotton acres.

More Information For more information on (Continued Page 4) **DRINKING WATER**

A cardiologist determined that heart attacks can be triggered by dehydration.

Good Thing To Know. From The Mayo Clinic. How many folks do you know who say they don't want to drink anything before going to bed because they'll have to get up during the night?

Heart Attack and Water -Drinking one glass of water before going to bed avoids stroke or heart attack. Interesting..

Something else I didn't know ... I asked my Doctor why people need to urinate so much at night time.

Answer from my Cardiac Doctor: Gravity holds water in the lower part of your body when you are upright (legs swell). When you lie down and the lower body (legs and etc.) seeks level with the kidneys, it is then that the kidneys remove the water because it is easier. I knew you need your minimum water to help flush the toxins out of your body, but this was news to me.

Correct time to drink water. . . Very Important. From A Cardiac Specialist: Drinking water at a certain time maximizes its effectiveness on the body:

2 glasses of water after waking up - helps activate internal organs

1 glass of water 30 minutes before a meal - helps diges-

1 glass of water before taking a bath - helps lower blood pressure

1 glass of water before go-

Xcei (from Page 1) appeal to our customers to turn off lights and appliances unless it would harm their health," said David Hudson, president, Xcel Energy - New Mexico, Texas.

Suggestions on how reduce electric load include:

Set thermostats to 68 degrees or lower.

Suspend use of electrical appliances (dishwashers, washing machines, clothes dryers, vacuum cleaners,

Put off tasks at work, if versity of Illinois and Texas possible, that would demand A&M University to offer web- electricity (power tools, main-

Turn off televisions and electronic equipment unless they are necessary to conduct business or to ensure your health and safety.

Turn off unnecessary lightto move about safely indoors.

Xcel Energy indicates that, estimate modeling for their if customers do not reduce their use, electricity demand may exceed the amount of electricity the company will be able to supply. Failure to reduce electricity demand could result in controlled electric service interruptions within the region.

> Xcel Energy declared the Energy Alert only after all other efforts to reduce electricity demand or to increase supply were implemented. Those in-

> Bringing online as many power plant generating units as possible and buying as much electricity as possible

from other utilities. · Reducing electricity use as much as possible at Xcel Energy power plants and of-

fice buildings. · Interrupting power to industrial and agricultural customers who signed up for lower interruptible rates.

· Asking other commercial and industrial customers to

"We take our responsibility (ECO) is unaffected by par- to supply energy to our customers very seriously, and we declared this Energy Alert only after exhausting all other options," Hudson said.

You do not have the right to happiness. Being an American means that you have the right to PURSUE happiness, which by the way, is a lot easier if you are unencumbered by an over abundance of idiotic laws created by those of you who were confused by the Bill of Rights.





ing to bed - avoids stroke or heart attack.

I can also add to this. . My Physician told me that water at bedtime will also help prevent night time leg cramps. Your leg muscles are seeking hydration when they cramp and wake you up with a Charlie Horse.

Mayo Clinic on Aspirin Dr. Virend Somers is a Cardiologist from the Mayo Clinic who is the lead author of the report in the July 29, 2008 issue of the Journal of the American College of Cardiology.

Most heart attacks occur in the day, generally between 6 A.M. and noon. Having one during the night, When the heart should be most at rest, means that something unusual happened. Somers and his colleagues have been working for a decade to show that sleep apnea is to blame.

1. If you take an aspirin or a baby aspirin once a day, take it at night.

The Reason: Aspirin has a 24-hour "half-life"; therefore, if most heart attacks happen in the wee hours of the morning, the Aspirin would be strongest in your

2-16 Weather Advisory

For the Wind Chill Warning, dangerously cold wind chills this morning. Wind chills as low as 30 below zero. For the Winter Weather Advisory, snow expected. Total snow accumulations of 1 to 4 inches.

Sunday Nite Live KPDR-FM. 90.3 . . Live from Wheeler 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Fort Elliott Elementary Cougars of the Week Feb. 8 thru Feb. 12



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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF WHEELER

By virtue of Tax Warrant issued out of the 31st District Court of Wheeler County, Texas in Cause # 14021 on the 25th day of January, 2021, by the Clerk thereof, and to me as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell at 2:00 p.m. on the 2od day of March, 2021 at the Official Door of the Wheeler County Courthouse, in Wheeler Texas, the properties described belo

Cause No.	Styling	Legal Description
14021	City of Wheeler, et al v. Owners of Various Properties Located Within the City Limits of Wheeler, Texas	Tract 1. A Strip of Land 100' x 140' out of Lots Five (5) and Six (6), in Block Thirty-seven (37), of the Original Town of Wheeler, Wheeler County, Texas (R231) (706 S. Grove St.)
		Tract 2. The North Ten Feet (N/10') of Lot Twenty- seven (27) and All of Lots Twenty-eight (28), Twenty- nine (29), Thirty (30), and Thirty-one (31), in Block Three (3), SSA Wheeler Acres, to the City of Wheeler, Wheeler County, Texas (R456) (604 S. Reynolds)
		Tract 3. A Strip of Land 46' x 93' out of the West Half (W/2) of Block Forty-three (43), Stanley Addition, to the City of Wheeler, Wheeler County, Texas (R75672) (803B S. Mobeetie)

ADDERS MUST NOW DISPLAY PROOF OF COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 34.015 OF THE TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE.

LEVIED ON the 155 day of February, 2021, as the property of those persons listed above to satisfy taxes, penalties, and interest and all costs of seizure and sale against those persons listed in said Warrant and any other unknown owners in favor of the Taxing Units listed in said Tax Warrants.

DAY OF, FEBRUARY 2021. Sheriff, Wheeler County, Texas

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tion upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation, which may appear in the columns of this paper will be gladly corrected upon due notice being given to the editor personally at the office at Wheeler, Texas.

TxDot Working Around The Clock

been working around the Saturday night. clock in 12-hour shifts clear-

Oil & Gas

Week of February 1-7, 2011 Intents to Drill None **Gas Completions** None Oil Completions

The Texas Department of ing temperature winter storm Transportation (TxDOT) has that impacted the state late

In the Childress District, ing and monitoring roadways crews have been clearing while responding quickly to snow-packed roadways while any trouble spots since the removing large snow drifts beginning of a record-break- that occurred in several coun-

> TxDOT urges drivers to stay off the roadway unless travel cannot be avoided. With another round of snow predicted on Tuesday, crews will continue to work non-stop treating, clearing and monitoring roadways. Crews will concentrate on Tier 1 and Tier 2 roads (I-40 and US Highways) before moving to State Highways

and Farm-To-Market (FM) roads. Crews will also work to clear those roadways around schools and hospitals.

If travel cannot be avoided, follow these winter weather driving tips:

- o Always use caution on icy or slick roads. Slow down when approaching turns, bridges and shaded spots. Remember, bridges and overpasses are the first places on a roadway to freeze.
- o Don't tailgate. Increase the space between you and the vehicle in front of you by allowing at least three times the normal following distance.
- o When you must stop, brake gently and use slow, steady pushes to test traction.
- o Don't use cruise control. Cruise control can quickly turn into "lose control" in icy Wheeler.

THE WHEELER TIMES Page 3 — Thursday, February 18, 2021 **MEMBER**





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conditions.

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o Give extra space to vehicles that may be parked on the side of the road. Move over a lane when you see a vehicle with its flashing lights on, such as a tow truck, law enforcement vehicle, emergency vehicle, or TxDOT vehicle.

The serves the following counties: Briscoe, Childress, Collingsworth, Cottle, Dickens, Donley, Foard, Hall, Hardeman, King, Knox, Motley and

For conditions across the state, drivers can go to drivetexas.org or call our toll-free number at 1-800-452-9292.

For more information, contact TxDOT Public Information Officer Ginger Wilson at (940) 937-7288. Follow the Childress District on Twitter at @TxDOTChildress.

The Texas Department of Transportation is responsible for maintaining 80,000 miles of road and for supporting aviation, rail, and public transportation across the state. Childress District Through collaboration and leadership, we deliver a safe, reliable, and integrated transportation system that enables the movement of people and goods. Find out more at txdot. gov. "Like" us on

Ponderism

6. Clever tactic 7. Vacation destination 8. Down and out 9. "Mad" genre 10. Lathe work 11. See 5 down

12 Model's asset 13. Show off your muscles

31. Headquarters 32. Lotion additive

35. Kind of hoop 36. Aid and

38. Kind of prize 44. Keyboard instrument 46. Natural seasoning

48. Spine line 50. Café alternative

57. Epic poet

58. Fancy jug

34. Mountain goat's perch

52. Express gratitude to

54. Spasm of pain 55. Two-door car 56. Macho guys

59. Marathon or dash

62. Mysterious letter

63. Big first for a baby

61. Reed section member

33. Raunchy

21. Paid player 25. Exceed the limits 27. Kind of monkey 28. Wrongful act 29. Cupid's projectile

Why do the Alphabet song and Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star have the same tune?

Why did you just try singing the two songs above?





None

Behind on rent?

The Texas Rent Relief Program is here to help.

COVID-19 has affected Texans across the state. We have emergency funds available to help Texas renters pay current and past due rent and utility bills - even if the landlord has already sued for eviction in their local court.

Households must have incomes at or below 80% of the Area Median Income and meet other eligibility requirements. For full details, visit **TexasRentRelief.com**.

For Information and to Apply

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TexasRentRelief.com Assistance is available in multiple languages.



Texas Coronavirus Relief Bill Rental Assistance Program administered by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

Providing false, incomplete, or inaccurate information on application forms or seeking assistance for months in which assistance has been or will be provided, may result in up to 5 years of imprisonment and for each occurrence a fine of up to \$10,000. | Other program limitations and eligibility requirements apply, not all households may be eligible. See TexasRentRelief.com for details. | Funds may no longer be available by the time a household applies.

FEBRUARY 27, 2021 @ 10 A.M

-50+ GUNS: RIFLES-SHOTGUNS--HANDGUNS-AMMO-80 GUN SAFE-

GUNS OF ESTATE AUCTION

LOCATED: WHEELER COUNTY SHOW BARNS (NORTH EDGE OF WHEELER, TX. ON U.S. 83)

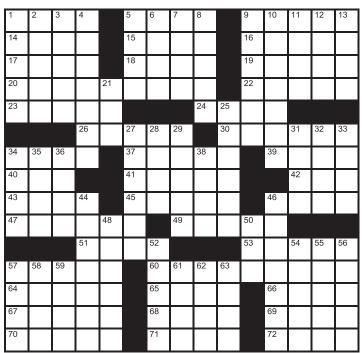
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Crossword



Across 1. Shopper's aid 5. Washing machine

cycle 9. Office personnel 14. Carve in stone 15. "What __

say?" 16. Hearing-related

17. Land measure

18. Character

vision

37. Moving swarm

41. Computer 42. Farm mother

Wellington State Bank (Bowie • Canadian • Childress • Dalhart • Littlefield • Olton • Memphis • Wheeler • Wellington

45. Got up 19. Brief moment of time 46. Bird-feeder fill

20. Having very keen 49. Drafted 51. Craving

22. The Dow, e.g. 23. Jacked up 24. Yesteryear

26. Main artery 30. Like a spoken agreement 34. Chew the fat

64. Flooded 65. Go up against 66. Calla lily family

67. Odd-numbered page 68. ___ of the above

69. Easy run 70. Gloomy, in poetry 71. Hoard

72. High-schooler Down 1. Chow line?

2. Scratchy's partner 3. Toss out 4. Located in that place, in legalese



Progress

43. One of the Baldwins

47. Fancy French cake

53. Down the 57. Brimless hat

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Storm (from Page 1) was minus nine degrees. My dad and I fed all the cows. We put out extra hay for them to sleep in. The cows have a big pond and the creek for water. The most beautiful thing is that we have ducks on the pond and they swim all the time and that keeps a big area from freezing so the cows can drink. Wally and Susie and Henry stay in the house with us and they love the attention. When the dogs go outside they enjoy the snow. They love the cold weather, but it is too dangerous for them to stay outside.

To get ready for the winter storm we charged all of our should call ahead and schedphones, filled buckets with water and got plenty of food. I love being at home safe and sound with my family all together. We can snuggle up, eat chili and watch movies.

I am very thankful for all the people that work in the cold to keep us safe and comfortable. That's it!

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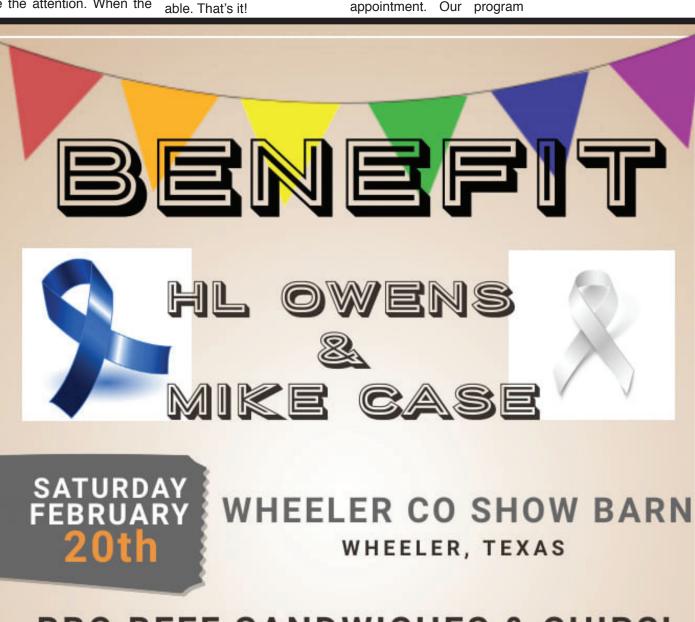
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