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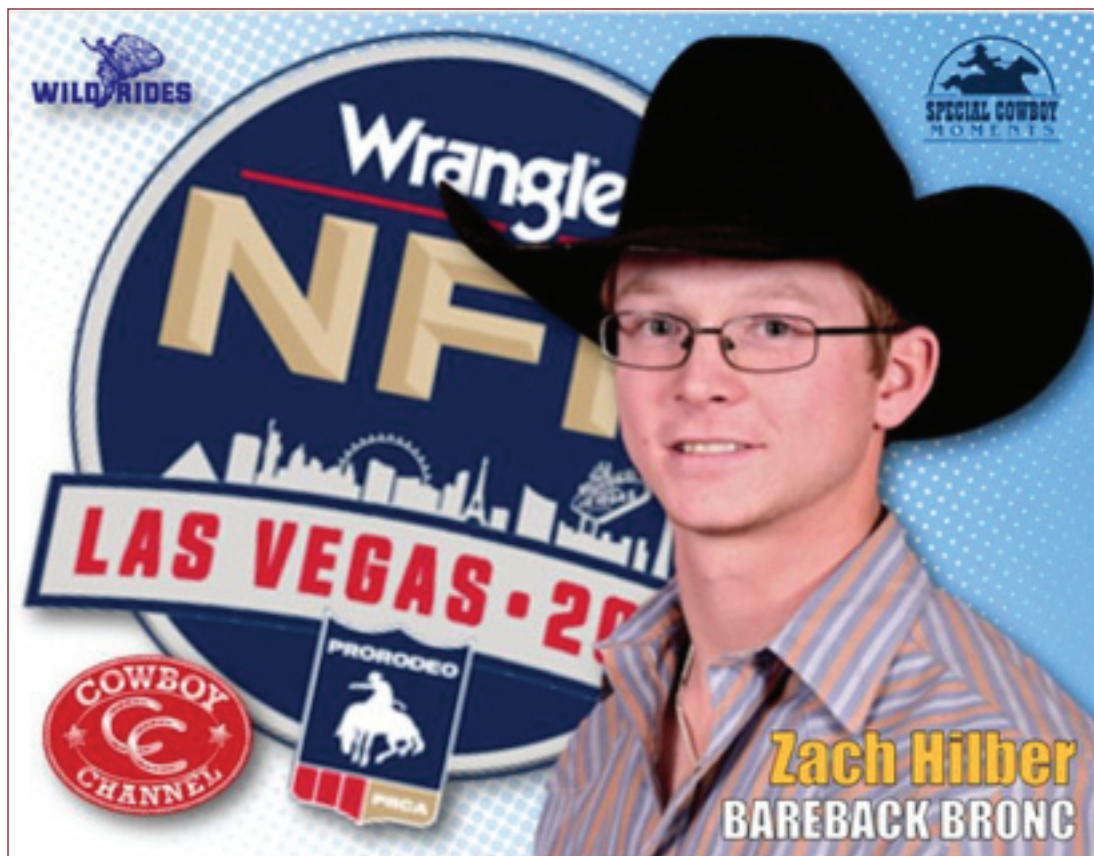
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“Wheeler: town of friendship and pride”

NFR-Send Off for Zack Hibler

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Wheeler County Christmas



Better Together

Promote Pride in our Communities and Local Merchants in Wheeler County

The experiences and hardships after this past year have the communities in Wheeler County joining efforts to spread awareness on the importance of supporting the local businesses that make up the fabric of Wheeler County.

Local retailers, merchants and artisans are encouraged to participate by decorating the fronts of businesses, adding displays in the large windows and other efforts of showing spirit. The local chambers are working to pull together a map that will show case residential and commercial Christmas Displays that will create a unique experi-

ence for everyone to enjoy. We are also working to help match our local talents with local opportunities. We are hoping we can have window displays, windows painted and much more, if property owners are willing to work with us.

The Chambers will also be working with local merchants to help advertise all the different types of merchandise and gift ideas available in our county. Along with promoting the National “Shop Small Saturday” that will be held on Saturday, November 27th.

The Shamrock and Wheeler Chamber of Commerce Executive Directors are excited to work together to bring not only a unique experience for our residents but also create a fun environment similar to those beloved Hallmark movies. Wheeler Chamber Director, Kristen Moudy,

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Mobeetie Council Meeting Reported

City of Mobeetie
City Council Minutes
Date: October 11, 2021
Meeting called to order at 6:49 p.m. by Mayor Bobbie Walker.

Prayer by: Travis Leamon
Members Present: Mayor Bobbie Walker, Aldermans Patricia Kephart, Virginia Ridgway, Charly Helton, Travis Leamon

Members Absent: None.
Public: None.

Minutes: For September 2021, meeting were ready by Patricia Kephart. Motion made by Charly Helton to approve the minutes as read. Seconded by Travis Leamon. Motion Approved 4-0.

Financial Reports: For September 2021, were read by Charly Helton. Motion made by Patricia Kephart to approve the financial reports as presented. Seconded by Virginia Ridgway. Motion approved 4-0.

Monthly Bills were reviewed and considered for payment. Motion was made by Charly Helton to approve and pay the bills as presented. Seconded by Virginia Ridgway. Motion approved 4-0.



Albert Velasquez

Albert Velasquez Rites In Nevada

Albert (Al) Guerra Velasquez, 72 of Reno, Nevada met our Lord on October 27, 2021. Albert passed peacefully at his home surrounded by his loved ones.

He was preceded into our Lords arms by his parents, Felipe & Alicia, and brothers, Armando and Willie.

Albert was born September 25, 1949 in Premont, Texas.

Survivors include his lov-

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Billy Dean Crockett

Services Nov. 20 For Billy Crockett

On November 11, 2021, Billy Dean Crockett passed away. He was born to Sherman and Avalee Back Crockett in McLean, Texas on April 9, 1941. He graduated from McLean High School in 1959 and attended Southwestern Oklahoma State University where he earned a bachelor's degree on a football scholarship. Later he returned to Weatherford and earned a master's degree in counseling, and still later, he earned

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The Wheeler Mustangs ended their 2021 season with the loss of the District Playoff against Stratford Thursday, Nov. 11 at Canyon.

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STORM REPORT

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

Dear Friends, Wheeler Schools honored the Veterans with a patriotic program in the Game Gym on November 11. Scout Troop 472 presented the flags. The Mustang Band played the Star Spangled Banner while the

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HIBLER FINDS FUN IN RUSH FOR NFR

By Ted Harbin

WHEELER, Texas – The final few weeks of September correlated into the final few days of ProRodeo's 2021 regular season, and Zach Hibler was in the middle of a tornado known as the “NFR Bubble.”

He was driving, flying, scrambling to find success at as many rodeos as possible in order to qualify for the first time to the sport's grand championship, the National Finals Rodeo, which features only the top 15 contestants on the money list in each event. He'd been close before, finishing 17th in 2019, but he knew he had to push

the envelope in order to secure his bid.

“It was actually the most fun I've had rodeoing after I finally settled down,” said Hibler, 24, of Wheeler, Texas. “I was trying to make things happen and not just ride bareback horses because I loved it. When I figured that out and got my composure a little more, things started happening.

“It just felt natural. When you try to make so many things happen, you're not doing anything wrong, but you're trying so hard that mistakes pop up left and right.” Riding bucking horses is

fun, but it's also a job for Hibler, the 2018 PRCA Bareback Riding Rookie of the Year. He wasn't the only cowboy scrambling those final few days of the regular season. Fellow bareback rider Wyatt Denny was traveling coast to coast to give himself a chance. By the time the dust settled, Hibler had earned the 15th spot by less than \$700.

When talking about the \$65,371 that Hibler earned in 2021, that's not a big margin, but it's enough for the Texan to finally find his way back to Las Vegas for the NFR. He made his first venture there

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Thank You For Your Service



Wheeler I.S.D. and Fort Elliott C.I.S.D. held programs Thursday, November 11, to honor the Veterans in their community. Those attending the Wheeler program are pictured above and those attending the Fort Elliott program are pictured below. Again, **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!**

Merely Mustard

One of the things I have been repeatedly struck by over the past few months is how near we are to greatness, at all times. How proximal excellence is to us always – often just a few steps away. This on its face sounds laughable but I insist it is the truth. I have found that often we are a mere ten seconds away from excellence.

How many times would ten seconds' effort make the difference between doing something right and do-

ing something in a mediocre way? How many times would ten seconds' attention result in something being tended to and done, instead of needing to be tended to later? How many times has the voice in our heads said, “I'll deal with that later,” when the better voice whispers, “You know it would be easier to just fix it now?”

I've found this to be true in my own experience – that in just a few seconds I could resolve something that didn't

turn out properly. But what resistance is encountered in those ten seconds! A common example will illustrate: imagine you are trying to put something back on the shelf upon which it belongs, after you finished using it (and good on you for intending to put it where it goes after you are done with it – that itself puts you well ahead of the curve), and after putting it back on the shelf, it slides a little and falls off. I've had this

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Grazing Lands Focus of Upcoming National Conference Hibler

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The 8th National Conference on Grazing Lands, hosted by the National Grazing Lands Coalition (NatGLC), is set for December 6-9, 2021, in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. To register for the conference, visit <https://cvent.me/4BMkbg>.

Conference organizers expect more than 500 ranchers, professors, land managers,

researchers, public officials, conservationists and students to attend the conference and participate in an exchange of ideas and information on the latest grazing land issues.

"Grazing lands exist in every state in this country and their value to agriculture, wildlife and the environment cannot be understated," said Chad Ellis, chair of the National Grazing Lands Coalition. "That's why this conference is so important. It brings the brightest minds in grazing land management together for a conversation about the best ways to conserve a vital resource that covers nearly half of this country."

Featured speakers at the conference include:

- Rep. Glenn Thompson of Pennsylvania, ranking member of the House Agriculture Committee
- Meredith Ellis of G Bar C Ranch, Rosston, Texas

The second day will begin with a panel discussion on mental health in agriculture. Three agricultural producers will explain how to recognize the signs of distress and how to get help. Panelists are Ryan Sexson, rancher from Nelz, Nebraska; Jessica Peters, dairy farmer from Meadville, Pennsylvania; and Terri Hawbaker, dairy farmer from Pewamo, Michigan.

Participants can also choose from more than 60 concurrent sessions that include agricultural producers who will share their on-the-ground innovations and best practices for managing graz-

ing lands in an environmentally sustainable and economical manner.

The conference also includes a trade show with vendors from varied segments of the agricultural industry, including booths and representatives from allied industries to government conservation agencies. The agenda allows time for visiting with friends and vendors at the trade show.

On December 9, participants have training and tour options available:

- Regenerative Grazing: A Deep Dive Workshop featuring Dr. Allen Williams, Understanding Ag LLC
- Grazing 101, Record Keeping and Soil Testing Training
- Agrotourism/Technical Tour
 - Social Media Training
 - Hopsewee Plantation Tour
 - Brookgreen Gardens, Night of 1000 Candles

The National Grazing Lands Coalition was founded in 1991 to ensure high-quality technical assistance is available to private grazing land managers on a voluntary basis and to increase the awareness of the importance of grazing land resources. The work is carried out through coalitions of individuals and organizations functioning at the local, state, regional and national levels. Coalitions include livestock producer organizations, scientific and professional grazing resource organizations, conservation and environmental groups, state and federal natural resource agencies, and other agricultural interests.

To register online and obtain more information about the conference, visit www.grazinglands.org.

three December's ago, when he received the hardware for being one of the top rookies in rodeo that season.

"I always said I wouldn't go to watch the rodeo until I made it," said Hibler, who credits some of his success to his sponsors, Koepke Pipe Sales, Double J Waterwell Services and Tintori's Lube & Tires. "I realize when you win the rookie, they give you the buckle in the arena at the NFR, so I made an exemption for that, but that was the first and last time I've been in the Thomas & Mack."

That will change in just a few days, when he arrives in Sin City for the rides of his life at the NFR, set for Dec. 2-11 in the arena on the campus of the University of Nevada-Las Vegas.

"I've always known that is where I wanted to be, with those top 15 guys in the world," he said. "It just pushed me to do the things at home, the things people weren't seeing. I realize it's the behind-the-scenes work that I needed to focus on."

Bareback riding is the most physically demanding event in ProRodeo. Cowboys will strap their specially made riggings that are cinched tightly to the horse's back, then wedge their gloves (outfitted with binds) into the rigging and essentially lock themselves to the bucking animal. Even the gentlest of rides can be felt through the cowboy's body.

But the gentlest of rides doesn't make for good scores, and bareback riders feed off the good scores. When he's in the middle of a ride, Hibler will counter the horse's moves by spurring from the neck of the horse back to his rigging in time with the antipeat the act were beyond our capabilities. I am guessing you can relate.

For whatever reason, lately I have often overridden the voice which objects to spending the time necessary to do things properly, and I have been amazed at how easy and simple it is to do it right. I suggested it only required ten seconds, but often it is less than that. And the satisfaction derived from doing it correctly would be worth an hour's effort. I have also been surprised how often I am confronted with this option to take the ten seconds and do something right, or to persist in mediocrity. Often there are many of these decision points per hour. Using conservative figures, suppose there are two such events for each of the 16 waking hours of the day: in that case there are 32 opportunities each day to choose excellence or mediocrity. Imagine the difference between a life where excellence was chosen 32 times a day, in favor of mediocrity. And this might cost you only 320 seconds - roughly five minutes per day. Over the course of the year, those five minutes per day would result in having chosen greatness more than 11,000 times. And I defy you to find me someone who chooses excellence that frequently and who doesn't have an excellent life. It is the automatic derivative of making such choices.

I can't explain why there is such natural, innate, resistance to expending the little extra effort to do (or redo) something correctly, but it is real and it is there. But the next time you encounter it, consider that at any given time, we are mere seconds from excellence. Choose wisely.



mal's bucking motion. That not only takes the pressure of the forces against him, but it also helps magnify the score. Rodeo, in general, is a tough lifestyle. Contestants leave home in late June and may not return until the season ends the final day of September. Bareback riding can be tortuous on a cowboy's body, so it takes passion to chase the most coveted prize in the game, a Montana Silversmiths gold buckle awarded to the contestants in each event that finish with the most earnings each year.

"One day, I saw bareback riding on TV or a video, and I asked my parents if I could enter a rodeo that weekend," said Hibler, the son of Michael and Brandi and big brother to Layton, Clayton and Kyler. "They got me in touch with somebody that they knew rode bareback horses, and I got me and old-school rigging and got on that weekend."

"It went terrible, but I got up and knew I wanted to do that again, and I have no idea why."

Now, he knows. He played every sport possible as a youth and knew his father rode bulls when he was in high school. Hibler has even tried his hand at the timed events.

"Dad didn't pursue riding bulls much, but then he started team roping," he said. "I wanted to be a team roper, but I wasn't any good at it, so I guess it's a good thing I like bareback riding. I team roped a little bit before I started riding roughstock. I got on a few bulls and roped calves and team roped in high school, but bareback riding stuck."

It all goes back to that passion. The love of the game translated into success. He won the state finals and did well at the College National Finals Rodeo - he competed at Western Texas College in

Snyder and Hillsboro (Texas) College.

"I didn't have much success at the college rodeos, but I realized I needed to work harder and make it a priority if it's something I was going to do," Hibler said.

It's a labor of love. Once he and his brother, Layton, decided to compete in rodeo, family vacations ceased because the family was on the road rodeoing. That was excellent family time together, and there were some memorable occasions. Now that he has his own family to care for, he knows doing well in rodeo is going to be his driving force.

"I just want to do what's best for my family," he said.

Shortly after his rookie season ended, Hibler married the love of his life, Stormy, a woman he'd grown up with and had known all his life. In fact, they were in the same wedding as youngsters, with Stormy as the flower girl and Zach as the ring-bearer - "I think that's when I realized I was going to marry her," he said.

They are expecting a little girl in February. But that's not all. The Hiblers are also raising his youngest brothers, Clayton, 17, and Kyler, 13. They're doing it through rodeo, with both boys interested in the sport.

"I think I can pursue rodeo for my family," Hibler said. "I'm not a good mechanic, but the one thing I've thought about since I started is that I can be the best I can be at riding bareback horses."

It's gotten him this far early in his rodeo career, and there are no limits to where this can go.

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happen to me recently. It is a minor problem with a simple and easy solution. But what happened when the item fell? My disgust at the extra effort placing it properly would require made me loathe the idea of picking it up to replace it. I think this is generally our natural inclination - as if the act of attempting to place the item where it goes were enough, and needing to re-

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Elementary Honor Roll
2nd 6-weeks

1st Grade:
All A: Tala Brownfield, Austin Cook, Dylan Copeland, Anibal Duarte, Jozlyn Estrada, Morgan Helton, Creed Mercer, Sophie Ramirez and Kori Sanchez

A/B: Jareth Aviles, Jacob Davis, Josue Del Rio, Noemi Diaz, Genesis Duenez, Matthew Duron, Jaylah Hernandez, Eastyn Hill, Tylee Koepke, Rafael Lira, Dakota Tonguet and Ari'elle Walker

2nd Grade:
All A: Jayden Garza, Kelton Graves, Honan Herrera, Chance Jarnagin, Jaydan Matthew and Tripp Sims

A/B: Kaveri Carter, Talaran Cathey, Judson Couch, Corbin Farmer, Daleyza Garcia, Enoch Hoover, Stephen Joyce, Gavin King, Viviana Magana, Jaylin Mercado, Ransley Pool, Braxton Ramirez, Jocelyn Sanchez, Adrian Sigala and Ayden Watkins

3rd Grade:
All A: Lila Goad and Brianan Magadan

A/B: Giselle Almanza, Lilly Chick, Jimmie Davis, Camila Guereca, Itzel Gutierrez, Kayla Guzman, Maci Haley, Ashlynn Lee, Santiago Lira, Maryflor Magadan, Victoria Meza, Justin Oswalt, Keith Perales, David Ramirez, Bris-

Shop (from Page 1) states "By working together with local artists, decorators and property owners, we truly believe we can create magic this season!"

If you are a property owner, we'd love to visit with you to see what the best use of your space would be. We are working to pull a list together that we can use to promote all the places one can shop for in Wheeler County for everyone on the list!

Join our Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/wheelercountymerchants>

tol Rose and Tommie Trimble

4th Grade:
All A: Weston Farmer, Erick Gonzalez, Jake Hazzard, Audrey Houska, Blaze Mercer, Rankin Pool, Angel Rocha, Khloe Scott, Aidn Session and Austin Sims

A/B: Christopher Arzabala, Bracston Childress, Gracen Franklin, Jennyfer Galindo, Mia Garza, Braylee Koepke, Addison Helton, Leo Hernandez, Chancey James, Logan Lefchew and Ashlynn Sursa

5th Grade:
All A: Lizabeth Andrade, Ridley Cathey, Hazen Dorris, Mia Garza, Braylee Koepke and Holt Markham

A/B: Jamison Couch, Roldando Del Rio, Jackelin Duron, Maria Favela, Luis Galindo, Braxton Hampton, Preston Hampton, Kaylee Lee, Esmeralda Lopez, Natalia Magana, Allison Montoya, Kaidence Raymond, Alexis Sanchez, Zane Schaefer, Jon Walker, Wyatt Weatherly and Kaiser Woollard

6th Grade:
All A: Tessa Fullbright, Austyn Hill, Daniel Uribe and Hallie Ventura

A/B: Israel Andrade, Azalea Atherton, Sofia Badillo, Aaron Barron, Jazmyn Estrada, A'Dyn Garza, Valeria Herrera, Jesus Loera and Keaton Salas

Wheeler JH & HS
Honor Roll
Second Six Weeks

7th Grade:
All A: Teagan Applewhite, Natalie Duran, Isai Lira, Jaime Lopez, Yassel Perez, Codi Waters, Stormi Waters

A/B: Jaxxn Allen, Juan Del Rio, Sual Gallardo, Natali Guereca, Noah Remy, Jennifer Rocha, Ashton Salas, Shyla Searle, Diego Soto

8th Grade:
All A: Heidy Aviles, Bentley Cathey, Ryan Fullbright, Hennesy Holwick, Jake Houska, Kynslee Marshall, Creed Newkirk, Caison Oswalt, Kate Shaw

A/B: Garrett Ashurst, Katharine Cervantes, Alyson

Cooler, Tylar Evans, Jackson Graves, Ricky Munoz, Luis Pena

9th Grade:
All A: Makenzie Gipson, Barrett Meadows, Betzaida Montoya, Faydra Woollard

A/B: Marcos Aguilar, Julius Atherton, Brianna Baeza, Larah Collins, Joanna Del Rio, Sierra Hardcastle, Shay Luna, Jessica Magana, Marshall McNeil, Kevin Perales, Rosselyn Perez, Sandy Torres, Cassandra Valles

10th Grade:
All A: Karina Baylon, Jazmin Gonzalez, Andrea Guereca, Holden Holwick, Macy Robinson, Tristan Salas, Wes Shaw, Skylar Smith

A/B: Noemi Almanza, Levi Ashurst, Kenna Childress, Tessa Dougherty, Valeria Garcia, Keira Garza, Emmanuel Hernandez, Jose Herrera, Jose Lira, Aviana Lopez, Karsyn Malone, Edwin Mendoza, Ashley Monarrez, Elpidio Navarrete

11th Grade:
All A: Ximena Badillo, Emily Beard, Diamond Engles, Emily Garcia, Breeley Harris, Isaiah Lopez, Leslie Mendoza, Alberto Monarrez, Natalie Rincon, Katherine Woollard

A/B: Emmanuel Almanza, Issac Gonzalez, Luis Jaquez, Nathaniel Lopez, Derrick Moreno, Clayton Moss, Shane Waldrop

12th Grade:
All A: Litzzy Garza, Hayden Holwick, Hunter Koelzer, Hailey Moon, Lexi Puryear, Samantha Ramirez, Sydney Smith, David Uribe

A/B: Rhaelee Adams, Eden Bosely, Jovany Gallardo, Saily Hernandez, Stormie Meriwether, Travis Reeves, Bryce Richardson, Mauricio Soto, Nicholas Sparks, Maria Valles

Added Note from the Editor

Albert Velasques was a regular subscriber to the Times. His renewals always included a note: "Tell everyone Hello" and "God Bless You".

Wheeler County COURT RECORDS

List of instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's office from November 8, 2021 to November 12, 2021.
NOVEMBER 8, 2021
C/C PROBATE-Donna Joyce Waters to Ex Parte, 11-13-20, No Wheeler County Land.
AFF. HEIRSHIP-Bruce Calder to Norman Bruce Calder, et al, 9-30-21.
ASSIGN./CONVEY.-DCP Operating Company LP to TACX Rock Creek LLC, 10-28-21, Interest in Sec. 26, Blk. 24, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
ASSIGN./CONVEY.-DCP Operating Company LP to TACX Rock Creek LLC, 10-28-21, Interest in Sec. 26, Blk. 24,



H&GN Ry. Company Survey. LIFE ESTATE DEED-Mary Jane Wagner to Margaret Jean Cates, 10-25-21, 140.0' x 86.5' out of SE/4 Sec. 60, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey, out of Sub-division #3 (Note: Should say Wheeler). DEATH DEED-Wanda Garner to Wade Garner, et ux, 10-26-21, 3 acs out of NE/4 Sec. 5, IRR Company Survey. ABSTRACT of JUDG.-The Cadle Company to Roger Pace, et ux, 11-4-21.
RDT-FirstBank & Trust to Donnese Taylor Dorman, 10-4-21, N/2 Sec. 15 & All Sec. 16, Blk. 82, Woodley's Southside Addition, Shamrock.

RDT-FirstBank & Trust to LeRoy A. Thomas, et ux, 9-21-21, Lots 1 & 2, Blk. 71, Woodley's Southside Addition, Shamrock.
RDT-FirstBank & Trust to Calvin Devereaux, et ux, 9-28-21, Lot 9, Blk. 4, Mont-Lew Addition, Shamrock.
TDT-Interstate Bank SSB to Wilmington Savings Fund Society FSB, 11-4-21, .69 of an ac out of NW/4 Sec. 24, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
RDT-Royal United Mortgage LLC to Nathan Mason, et al, 10-29-21, Lots 7 & 8, Blk. 25, Original Town, Shamrock.
NOVEMBER 9, 2021
No Recordings
NOVEMBER 10, 2021
DVL-WAW Investment Trust to Thomas Hays, et ux, 11-4-21, Lot 2, Blk. 3, Mont-Lew Addition, Shamrock.
DT-Thomas Callaway Hays, et ux to Access Community Credit Union, 1-5-21, Lot 2, Blk. 3, Mont-Lew Addition, Shamrock.
ASSIGN./BILL of SALE-John R. Buckthal to Tecolote Holdings LLC, 10-10-21, See Instrument.
ASSIGN./BILL of SALE-Pac Production Company to Tecolote Holdings LLC, 10-13-21, Lots 1 & 2, Camp County School Land; Sec. 36 Blk. M-1 H&GN Ry. Company Survey; Sec. 6, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.
ASSIGN./BILL of SALE-Love-all Land and Production LLC to Tecolote Holdings LLC, 10-22-21, Sec. 8, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.
ASSIGN./BILL of SALE-Eddie Haynes Trust to Tecolote Holdings LLC, 10-19-21, Elisha Montgomery Survey; Sec. 6, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
ASSIGN./BILL of SALE-Rock Island Resources Co. Inc. to Tecolote Holdings LLC, 10-15-



We finished our 5 week constitution classes and the turn out averaged around 20 to 25 every Tuesday. Thank you all for coming and Thanks to Mr. Steve Orr for doing the class. I also want to say how much help the Historical Museum was and the space and for the time to have the classes there. Thank You so much!
Looking like the holidays are fast approaching for 2021. The Wheeler Public Library will be closed for Thanksgiving on the 25th and 26th of November so our employees can enjoy their families and wonderful celebrations. Our Christmas closing will be on the 24th & 25th of December and then closed on the 31st to celebrate the New Year of 2022!

Don't forget to recheck or turn in your books and if we are closed you can always drop your books in the South Door of the Library.
During the holiday time I al-

ways like to put poetry in my articles to give it a more seasonal feeling so, here a few lines for you to enjoy through Thanksgiving.

The Pumpkin:
Ah! On Thanksgiving day, when from East and from West,

From North and South, come the pilgrim and guest,

When the gray-haired New Englander sees round his board

The old broken links of affection restored,

When the care-wearied man seeks his mother once more,

And the worn matron smiles where the girl smiled before.

What moistens the lip and what brightens the eye?

What calls back the past, like the rich Pumpkin Pie?

Composed by Whittier.

But, the favorite and most quoted poem is written by Henry Alford:

Come, ye thankful people come,

Raise the Song of Harvest-Home!

Happy Thanksgiving and may all your family and loved ones be Blessed!

Vicki Ferguson/Librarian

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Albert (from Page 1)

ing wife, Tina. His wonderful children; Jonathan & his wife, Jessica, Lana and her husband, Daniel, Kristen, Dani, Daryl and his wife, Trista, Alicia & her husband, Jared, and Aaron. Four brothers: Johnny, Jimmy & his wife, KayKay, Phil, Fred & his wife, Melody, and one sister Alice and husband, Hector. Albert was blessed with 18 grandkids and numerous nieces and nephews.

Albert was raised in the South Texas area. Where his family settled in Wheeler Texas. As a young boy, Albert was raised with music in his life. His brothers, Johnny, Armando, Phil, Jimmy and himself became known as the legendary "The Motifs". Albert and Phil continued to play in the Nevada area. Playing at all the top show lounges in Vegas, Tahoe and Reno. "The Motifs", brought music, joy, love and a sense of family to all, who had the pleasure of listening to their music. You could feel their love from the stage.

Alberts love for his family was unconditional and unwavering! He was so proud of his family, and they will always be in his heart and in his soul just as he will always be in ours. He couldn't be prouder of them. They all have his big heart and beautiful smile.

Albert always put God first. He always reminded us that whatever happens is meant to be because only God knows our path. Everything that we accomplish is because of God. God never leaves us; we leave him. So, be right with God first and the rest will follow.

As this amazing, loving man would say at the end of each performance, "God Bless and Be Kind"

Services was open to the public. Eulogy was given by his son, Pastor Jonathon Velasquez. During the service, the Mic will be a closed. After the service refreshments were available and at that time a Mic was available for anyone that would like to share their memories or to say a special prayer.

Services: November 16, 2021 at 11am, Horizon Christian Church - 1995 E. Prater Way, Sparks, NV

Burial: Private, during this time the family would like to spend these moments together with just the family. Our Mother of Sorrow Cemetery - 2700 N. Virginia St. Reno, NV at 3pm

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Jovany Gallardo sprints away from Elks on 60 yd TD pass for Wheelers 2nd TD.



Zack Beard takes pass at Wheeler 35 yd line and fires up the afterburners to blaze to Wheelers 1st TD early in 3rd Qtr.



Kamonte Martin is like a wolf on the hunt to take this Elk down from behind.

Chat (from Page 1) shall played his last game

CAUSE NO. 3972
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CURTIS HALL, DECEASED
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF WHEELER COUNTY, TEXAS (PROBATE DOCKET)

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF CURTIS HALL, DECEASED
Notice is hereby given that Original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Curtis Hall, Deceased, were issued on October 1, 2021 in Cause No. 3972, pending in the County Court of Wheeler County, Texas, to **Katherine J. Murray**, Independent Executor.

Claims may be presented in care of the attorney for the estate, addressed as follows:
Estate of Curtis Hall
c/o Carson E. Schilling
315 South Main
P. O. Box 1066
Perryton, Texas 79070

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
DATED the 15th day of November, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,
LEMON, SHEARER, PHILLIPS & GOOD, P.C.
By: /s/ Carson E. Schilling
Carson E. Schilling
State Bar No. 24064050
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Perryton, Texas 79070
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Billy (from Page 1)

an administrative degree from the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville.

He married Lynna Carter June 25, 1971, in Clarendon, Texas. He is survived by his wife and four children: Joe David Crockett and wife, Alisson, from Amarillo, Texas, Rusty Crockett and wife, Jan, from Guthrie, Oklahoma, Kye Harper and husband, Shawn, from Shamrock, Texas, and Keli Thompson and husband, Braden, from Panhandle, Texas. He is also survived by his sister Flo Henderson and husband, Charles, from Borger, Texas and his brother-in-law Steve Carter and wife, Tammy, from McLean, Texas. He had twelve grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents and his brother Joe.

Bill loved football, music, dogs, and golf. He loved to travel and loved his friends and family. He had a great sense of humor and a reverence for life. He had a sense of right and wrong and never wavered from what he be-

lieved was right. He stood for the underdog and had a strong sense of justice. He loved America and was proud America was his country. He was loved by his family and friends and considered himself richer for having them in his life.

Memorial services are scheduled for Saturday, November 20, 2021, at 11:00 AM at Shamrock Church of Christ with Jay Treee and Casey Carter, officiating. Graveside services will follow at Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be sent to the American Cancer Society or the Alzheimer's Association.

Sign our online guestbook at robertsonfuneral.com.

Statements In Court
• ATTORNEY: What is your date of birth?
WITNESS: July 18th.
ATTORNEY: What year?
WITNESS: Every year.
• ATTORNEY: Now doctor, isn't it true that when a person dies in his sleep, he doesn't know about it until the next morning?
WITNESS: Did you actually pass the bar exam?



Manuel Jurado adds his 1st of 2 extra point kicks to cap off his Sr Yr.



Jovany Gallardo evades Stratford players for 43 yd kickoff return

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Across
1. Dermatologist's concern
5. Feedbag morsel
8. Sub finder
13. All excited
14. Compete (for)
15. Footnote word
34. A pint, maybe
35. Facial hair
39. Rand McNally book
41. Property divider
64. Hot temper
66. Pastrami purveyor
67. Rotten to the core
68. Graze
69. Plum variety
70. Take the honey and run
71. ET's ride
72. Distinctive flair

Down
1. "Yes, ___"
2. Lecher's look
3. Found's partner
4. Self-concern
5. In general
6. Put on TV
7. Choppers, so to speak
8. Employment benefit

- 9. Cousin of a bassoon
- 10. Puppy's bite
- 11. Mature
- 12. Museum piece
- 16. Algebra or trig
- 21. Diplomatic building
- 23. Christmas season
- 26. Drop in on
- 27. Doing nothing
- 28. Thin nail
- 29. Baptism, for one
- 30. Experienced
- 32. Asylum seeker
- 36. Prefix with knock or lock
- 37. Ponzi scheme, e.g.
- 38. Roll call reply
- 40. Church niche
- 43. Pen
- 44. Massage target
- 45. Goof up
- 46. "X-Men" villain
- 50. Walk laboriously
- 51. Garage occupant
- 52. Mark
- 53. "___ we meet again"
- 55. Goodbye
- 57. Campbell's product
- 59. Not imagined
- 60. Pond dweller
- 61. Bank claim
- 63. "___ bad!"
- 65. Battle of Britain grp.

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Saturday, November 27th

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Quinn Minute – Did chicken or egg come first? by Rix Quinn

People have known about chickens for nearly 3000 years. Chicken drawings were even discovered on ancient pottery. Maybe that's where we get the saying, "A chicken in every pot."

There's speculation that today's modern chicken descended from the wild Red Junglefowl. Where did the Junglefowl come from?

Some scientists say this bird was hatched by a primitive hen, a type of prehistoric bird. I have found few documents on this, because early chicken writing is hen-

Court (from Page 3)

21, Sec. 18, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey; Sec. 29, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

ASSIGN./BILL of SALE-Ginger Currie Green to Tecolote Holdings LLC, 10-19-21, See Instrument.

TRUSTEE MD-Dorothy Pearl Tullis Revocable Living Trust to Glenna Pearl Crooks, et al, 12-5--, Interest in Secs. 11 & 12, Camp County School Land.

MD-Robert Patrick Herrmann, et al to Stanley Wayne Herrmann, 9-29-21, Undivided 81/9600 Interest in S/2 Sec. 48, Blk. 24, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

DEED-Susan Marie Sanders to Gabella Sandlin, 10-4-21, Lot 2, Blk. LXIX, Romans Addition, Shamrock.

AMEND. DT/ASSIGN. PRODUCTION-John A. Vance, et al to International Bank of Commerce, 10-27-21, Sec. 2, Blk. 2, Brooks & Burselson Survey. CEMETERY DEED-Johnnie Barber to Wheeler Cemetery Association, 11-21, Lot 3, Blk. K-2, NE Addition, Wheeler Cemetery, Spaces E 1 & 2.

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NOVEMBER 12, 2021

ROW-American Electric Power Service Corporation to Greenbelt Electric Cooperative Inc., 4-5-21, 2 acs out of Section 42, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ROW-Mark Cadra to Greenbelt Electric Cooperative Inc., 10-19-21, S/2 NE/4 Sec. 125, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

Storm (from Page 1)

fourth grade students were absolutely adorable as they honored the veterans by signing the words to the National Anthem. The band played a song called Patriots. The Student Council lead the program with prayer, poems and comments. Class representatives spoke for each class to thank the veterans. Ms Henson led the elementary classes in singing patriotic songs. It was a very good day. Thank you veterans for your service!

After the Veterans Day program we had a send-off for the football team and then the band left to go to Canyon for the game. It was a beautiful day and the Mustangs made two touchdowns. Jovany Gallardo made one and Zachery Beard made one. The Mustangs didn't win. That was our last game. The band played with the Stratford band. That was fun for my last time to play for a football game.

On Saturday we went to Hesston's last football game for this year. It was fun! They honored all Veterans with old airplanes flying over and all of the football boys carried US flags when they came on the field. It was beautiful! The Buffs ran the other team into the ground! WT won 52 - 9. I loved going to Hesston's games and watching the WT band this year. That's it!

Zack's Send Off November 27

The public is invited to the NFR-Send Off for Zack Hibler at "A Mile South Venue", 7690 U.S. Hwy 83 on Saturday, November 27, 2021.

The National Finals Rodeo will be December 2-11 and will be broadcast on the Cowboy Channel.

scratching at best.

Anyway, for reasons unknown to non-chickens, apparently some prehistoric bird produced an egg. An ancestor of today's chicken emerged from it.

So, in this case, the egg likely came before the chicken. But, if it takes a chicken to produce a chicken egg, then

the chicken came first.

Whichever the case, today chickens are the most plentiful birds worldwide (over 23 billion). So, to quote the old farmer: "Here a chick, there a chick, everywhere a chick, a chick, everywhere a chick."

I actually planned to do more research on this, but I chickened out.



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YOUNG READER: Whether it is at the table with a cup of juice or sitting back in the easy chair, this young lady enjoys her edition of the *The Wheeler Times*. Three-year-old Charlotte Crowe looks forward to receiving the paper each week. She is the daughter of Ben and Kristin Crowe of Cambridge, MA. Mike and Jenny Smith are the grandparents.



—Photo by Rhonda Meriwether

True Freshman, Hesston Marshall, finished the Buffalo Football season leading the Herd in both punt and kick returns. Marshall returned 16 kicks for 314 yards, adding 114 yards on punt returns. Gaining 40 rushing yards, with 1TD, Hesston compiled a total of 467 yards for an impressive first year. Wearing number "32," the former Wheeler Mustang played in all ten games for the West Texas A&M Buffaloes. Defensively, Marshall was on the field for kick off and punt returns, recording a total of 6 solo tackles and 2 assists. The final game of the 2021 season was a 52-9 Senior Day victory over the Kansas, Bethel College Thrashers. Among the highlights was the onside kick from Mauricio Gonzales, brought in by Hesston Marshall! The Buffaloes, led by Head Coach, Hunter Hughes, finished the season 6-4 overall, with a 5-2 record in the Lone Star Conference. Your fans are proud of you, Hesston! Thanks for a great year!

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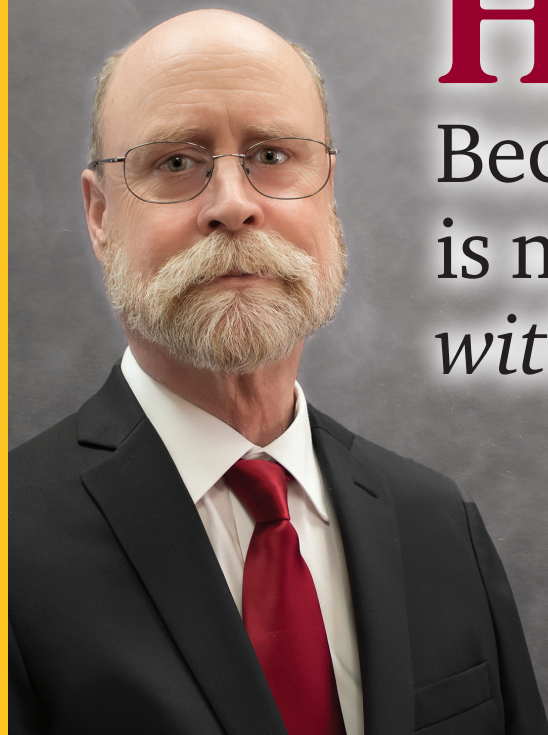
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