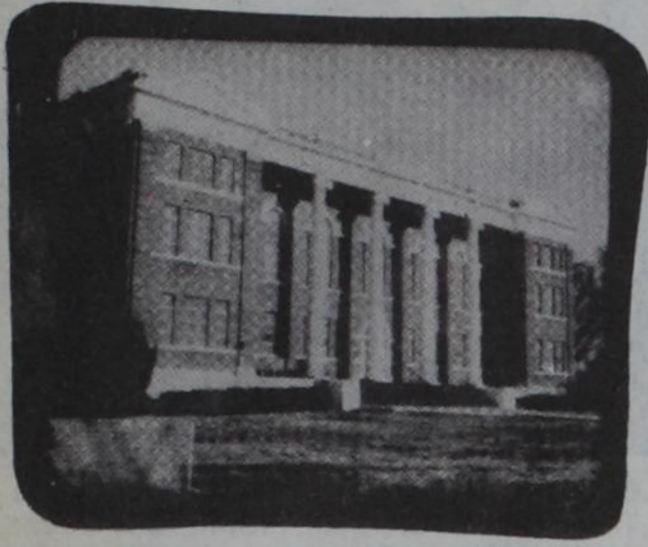


# CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

from...  
**The Wheeler Times**  
 Staff and their families,  
 Louis and Barbara Stas  
 and Mother Stas,  
 The Kenneth Nelson Family,  
 & Monty Long



## THE WHEELER TIMES

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# FOURTH, FINAL DRAWING IS SATURDAY

**CWE** CHAT WITH EDITOR  
 By Louis C. Stas

It has been a very short week. To let you know just how short, I have not had time to play a game of cards or go to Oklahoma.

—cwe—

No, there is nothing wrong, the paper was completed, except for the column, Friday evening. It went to press Monday at noon and was put in the mail on Tuesday morning.

—cwe—

We enjoyed the visit with Cathi and Dorcie. They spent the week as planned and Dorcie did the unbelievable—she warmed up to me.

—cwe—

A reminder, the New Year will fall on Wednesday and it will be necessary for us to have the paper at the printers early. This means all news and advertisements are to be in the office by **Monday Noon**.

—cwe—

We do appreciate all the cooperation received in getting the paper out early for us to have the extended Christmas Vacation with the family in Oklahoma City, Sherman and Hinton.

—cwe—

## \$400 'CASH' TO BE GIVEN AWAY TO EIGHT LUCKY WHEELER SHOPPERS

The fourth of the four Wheeler Chamber of Commerce 'Cash' drawings will be held Tuesday, December 24, 1996. During the month of December a total of \$1500.00 will be divided into 58 envelopes for the individuals who shopped in Wheeler. \$300 was given away Saturday, December 7, and \$400 was given away both Saturdays, December 14 and 21. \$400 will be given away Tuesday, December 24.

The time of the drawing for Saturday will be 2:30 and the amounts to be handed out will be \$400. Eight people will have a few extra dollars to spend on those last minute Christmas items. The 'money' will be divided 4-\$25's, 2-\$50's and 2-\$100's.

As has been the practice for the past several years, script is given away to the lucky individuals instead of cash. The script can be spent like money with any of the participating merchants. The 'money' will be in \$5 increments.

Remember, each time you enter participating stores, you are entitled to a ticket; ask for it, sign it, deposit the ticket in the containers, which are conveniently located in the sponsoring firms.

You will receive one ticket per each dollar of the purchase value-up to a maximum of \$500.

When the day of the drawing arrives, all of the tickets will be placed in a large

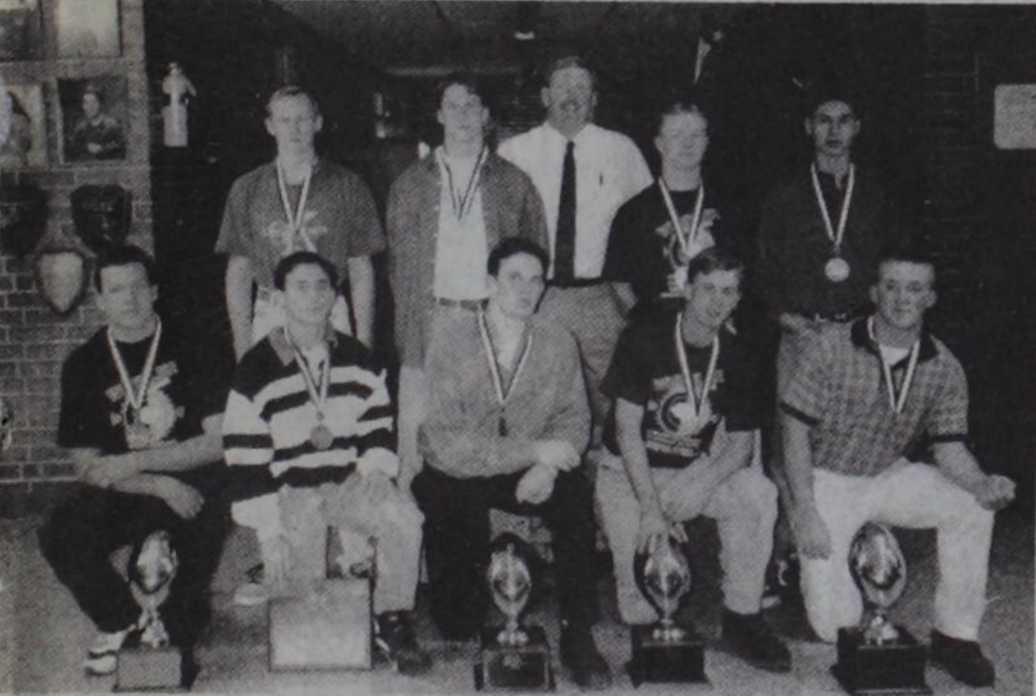
container and the winners drawn. You **MUST** be present to win; however, husbands and wives may claim each other's prizes.

Each sponsor giving tickets will display a poster in their window, indicating they are giving drawing tickets.

Drawing tickets have been available since Friday, November 29, 1996 at sponsoring businesses.

The merchants giving tickets are: After Hours Video, Albert's Shamrock Service, Appearances, Azzip Pizza, Cross Car Center, Frankenbery Service, Hyland's Pharmacy, Johnny's Shamrock Service, L & F Repairs, Lee Hardware & Furniture, Marshall Discount Auto, McCain Auto Body and Bob's Tackle Box, McIlhany's Dry Goods, Thriftway, V & S Variety, Ware Chevrolet-Buick-Olds-Pontiac, Wheeler Flower & Gift Shop and Wheeler Lumber Company.

Those merchants sponsoring the drawings are: Dr. Larry Barbour, Britt Ranch, Burton Ford-Mercury, Eastern Panhandle Ins., Steve Emmert, Attorney at Law, First State Bank of Mobeetie & Wheeler, Germania Ins., 3-H Cattle Co., Heritage Beef Cattle Co., H&R Block, Hibler Implement Co., Honey Inn, Jenning's Plumbing & Electric, Jones Fuels, Charles Kuntz, C.P.A., Macey's Steakhouse, Dr. Louie Mendiola, Mr. Bar-B-Q, Steve Walker, Parkview Hospital, Kara Richardson-Mary Kay Cosmetics, R&M Car Wash, Rolling Plains Production Credit Assoc., Dr. Mike Smith, Southwestern Public Service, Sparlin's Restaurant, Speedi-Mart, The General Store, The Upper Room, Ware Chevrolet, West Texas Gas Co., Wheeler Banking Center, Wheeler Care Center, Wheeler Co. Farm Bureau, Wheeler Plumbing, Wheeler Times, Wheeler T.V., Wheeler Vet Clinic, Wright Funeral Home.



**SENIORS:** The 1996 Wheeler Mustang football season ended with the local team losing the semifinals game to Windthorst. Each member of the team was presented a medal for having reached the semifinals game. The trophies earned in the '96 season were presented to the school between basketball games on Tuesday, December 17. The players were then presented their medals. Senior Mustangs are (back row, l to r) Josh Lee, Bryan Judd, Jeremy Davis, and Jorge Salas. (front row l to r) Dean Hutchison, Ramon Meraz, Jason Porton, Dusty Case, and Travis Stevens. Coach Verden is pictured in the back ground. The season's trophies are placed in front of the players; trophies earned were District Championship Trophy, Bi-District Trophy, Regional Trophy, Quarterfinals Trophy and a plaque for the team having played in the semifinals.

—photo by Dale and Janet Stevens



**'96 MUSTANGS:** Between games on Tuesday, December 17, members of the 1996 Wheeler Mustang football team were presented medals for having reached and played in the semifinals game. Team members pictured here are (back row, l to r) Paul Arganbright, Michael Jones, Juan Salas, Aaron Dunnam, Kirt Boedeker, Don Hudgins, Michael Montgomery, Ben Britt, Kyle Masters. (front row) Shawn Downey, Matt Sullivan, Ben Dollar, Bruce Copeland, Brooks Brown, Casey Childress, and Craig Bass. The season's trophies are placed in front of the players; trophies earned were District Championship Trophy, Bi-District Trophy, Regional Trophy, Quarterfinals Trophy and a plaque for the team having played in the semifinals.

—photo by Dale Stevens

## County Food Show Winners Are Named

The Wheeler County 4-H Food Show was held on Saturday, November 23, at the Wheeler High School Home Economics Department. Sixteen youth representing 4-H clubs in Allison, Shamrock and Wheeler competed for top honors.

The youth demonstrated their culinary skills in addition to their knowledge on nutrition and food safety. Each 4-H member competed the Foods and Nutrition project to meet eligibility requirements.

Those members placing first at the County Show have qualified to compete at the District Food Show to be held on Saturday, December 14 in Amarillo at Westover Park School. Placing first in the County Food Show are:

**Juniors: Main Dish—Azrie Krulik, Allison 4-H; Fruits & Vegetables—Malorie Tice, Allison 4-H; Breads—Charlee Charton, Shamrock 4-H; Nutritious Snacks and Desserts—Sabrina Dupont, Allison 4-H.**

**Intermediates: Fruits and Vegetables—Julia Tice, Allison 4-H; Breads—Bronwyn Dukas, Allison 4-H; Nutritious Snacks and Desserts—Rebecca Lee, Wheeler 4-H.**

**Seniors: Nutritious Snacks and Desserts—Kristin Lee, Wheeler 4-H.**

Other competitors in this year's food show were Amy Kliever, Krista Hall, Joshua Cornelison, Chris Lane, Chance Charton, Savannah Hampton, Josiah Krulik, and Shealee Phillips.

Adult Leaders for the 1996 Foods Project were Sherri Tice of the Allison Club, Jennifer Lee of the Wheeler Club and Joan Gray, County Extension Agent led the Shamrock Club.



**FIRST PLACE WINNERS:** (back row, l to r): These 4-H'ers won first places from their food displays. Bronwyn Dukas, Malorie Tice, Rebecca Lee, Julia Tice and Kristin Lee. (front row, l to r): Azrie Krulik, Charlee Charton and Sabrina Dupont.



**FOOD SHOW COMPETITORS:** These students also participated in this year's show. (back row, l to r): Joshua Cornelison, Chance Charton and Savannah Hampton. (front row, l to r): Josiah Krulik, Chris Lane, Krista Hall and Shealee Phillips.

## Lyssa Dunnam Brewer Services Are Saturday

Lyssa Dunnam Brewer, 28, of Pampa, Texas died Thursday, December 19, 1996. Services were at 1:00 P.M. Saturday, December 21, 1996 at the First Baptist Church in Lefors with Rev. Lewis Ellis, Pastor, officiating. Burial was in Memorial Heights Cemetery in Lefors by Wright Funeral Home.

Ms. Brewer was born March 15, 1968 in Pampa, Texas to Scott and Janell Gunsolus Dunnam. Ms. Brewer was a lifelong resident of Pampa.

Survivors include her parents, Scott and Janell Dunnam of Wheeler, one sister and brother-in-law, Cami and Charles Ellison of Lefors, two brothers, Chad and Aaron Dunnam of Wheeler, one nephew, Cooper Scott Ellison, and grandmothers, Irene Dunnam and Thelma Gunsolus of Elk City, Oklahoma.

The family requests memorials be made to the Tralee Crisis Center, 119 N. Frost St., Pampa, TX 79065; Oneighty Youth Center, %Wheeler Christian Center, P.O. Box 523, Wheeler, TX 79096; or a favorite charity.

### EARLY DEADLINE

The deadline for Advertising and Articles for the Jan. 2, 1997, issue of the Times will be Monday Noon, December 30. Thank You.



**BEST OF SHOW** Malorie Tice is shown here with her display, which was chosen as "Best of Show".

## Livestock From 3-State Area Exhibit in Wheeler

The Wheeler Livestock Boosters sponsored the annual Wheeler County Warm-Up Show December 7-8, 1996 at the County Show Barn. Exhibitors came from across the Texas Panhandle, Oklahoma and Colorado.

One hundred seventeen lambs

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## Wheeler I.S.D. Board of Trustees Meet

### Issuing of Tickets Will Help Reduce Accidents

"During this upcoming New Year's holiday period, all available Department of Public Safety Troopers will be on patrol in an effort to reduce violations that could lead to accidents. Through the help and cooperation of the motoring public and their self compliance, that the needed reduction of death and destruction can be realized," says Trooper L. B. Snider, Public Information Officer for the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Department of Public Safety troopers urge motorists who plan to go to New Year's parties to plan ahead. Take a designated, drug free driver with you. Be on the safe side, if you are to drink any alcoholic beverage, don't even think about driving, says Snider. Another option would be to secure lodging at the party if possible. Trooper Snider advises, "if you are hosting a party this holiday, be a responsible host and pressure people to drinking non-alcoholic beverages. Have more to drink than alcoholic beverages such as soft drinks, fruit drinks, tea and coffee. Above all, don't let a person drive away from your party when they show any signs of intoxication."

Snider encourages those driving during the holiday to allow extra travel time to look ahead and about for errant drivers and to buckle your safety belts and have all passengers to do likewise. This security can be the difference in whether you drive or ride through a critical incident and survive or not. "Don't let your passenger(s) jar you from keeping control of your vehicle," says Snider who adds, "Take control and keep in control for a safe and enjoyable New Year."

Regular Meeting, December 12, 1996

A regular meeting of the Wheeler Independent School District Board of Trustees was held at 6:35 PM with all members present except Mr. Ledbetter and Mr. Dunnam. Vice President Dell Ford presided. Guests were Charles Kuntz, CPA, Suzie Hubble, Supt. Glyndol Holland, and Donna Walser.

1. Motion by Dr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Sams, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The Academic Excellence Indicator System meeting was held at 6:37 P.M. in which the report was presented.

2. Motion by Mrs. Fletcher, seconded by Mrs. Dollar, to approve the 1995-1996 Tax Collector's report presented by RTC Donna Walser. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Motion by Mrs. Dollar, seconded

by Mr. Sams, to approve and accept the 1995-1996 audit presented by Mr. Charles Kuntz, CPA. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Motion by Mrs. Fletcher, seconded by Mr. Ford, to approve the November accounts as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Holland presented the results of the TEA Cafeteria Audit.

5. Motion by Dr. Smith, seconded by Frankie Fletcher, to approve a credit by examination policy and set dates for administering tests. Motion carried unanimously.

Board training information was dispensed to the members by Mr. Holland.

The January board meeting will be held on January 23, 1997.

6. Motion by Mr. Sams, seconded by Mr. Ford, to give each employee of the Wheeler ISD \$100.00 for Christmas. Motion carried with Dr. Smith abstaining due to pecuniary interests.

7. Motion by Mrs. Fletcher, seconded by Dr. Smith, to advertise for insurance bids on property, fleet, and general liability to be awarded on January 23, 1997. Motion carried

### SPS Honors 113 Area Employees With Dinner

One hundred thirteen employees of Southwestern Public Service Company's Panhandle Division and Electricity Production groups will receive SPS Service Awards at a dinner at the Amarillo Civic Center Grand Plaza Thursday, Nov. 21.

SPS honors its employees for each five years of service. The 113 Panhandle Division and Production employees have served a total of 1,970 years.

They are among 382 SPS employees who are being honored this year for a total of 6,355 years of service to Southwestern Public Service Company customers.

SPS Panhandle Division employees work throughout the Texas and Oklahoma panhandles and southwestern Kansas. Production employees support or staff power generating plants.

David M. Wilks, SPS president and chief operating officer, will address the honorees and present the service awards. Master of ceremonies will be Amarilloan Dean Kelley. The invocation will be offered by David Stephenson, Panhandle Division Meter Supervisor. Dinner music will be by Kevin Clowe of SPS corporate communications; other entertainment will be by The Guys of Texas Quartet.

Among other honorees, and their years of service to electric utility customers, are: Harold Estes of Wheeler 25 years and Gwen Weatherly of Wheeler 10 years.

SPS is a regional electric utility providing electric service to about one million people in a 52,000-square-mile area covering the Panhandle and South Plains of Texas, the Oklahoma Panhandle, southwestern Kansas, and eastern and southeastern New Mexico.



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unanimously. The Board retired into Executive Session at 8:05 P.M. as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et seq. The Board returned to Open Session at 8:20 P.M.

8. Motion by Mrs. Fletcher, seconded by Mr. Sams, to accept the resignation of John David Wright as a custodian as of Nov. 19, 1996. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Motion by Mrs. Dollar, seconded by Dr. Smith, to accept the resigna-

tion of Karen Alston as a teacher aide as of December 6, 1996. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Motion by Mr. Ford, seconded by Mrs. Dollar, to employ Don Rose as custodian. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Motion by Mr. Sams, seconded by Mrs. Fletcher, to employ Vivian Jones as a part time special education teacher aide. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 8:26 P.M.

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## SUNDAY BUFFET

Salad Bar  
Pot Roast  
Baked Chicken Breasts  
w/Rice Pilaf  
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Iced Tea/Coffee  
Dessert

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CHRISTMAS CAROLERS: Xi Upsilon Eta sang Christmas carols at the Wheeler Care Center. Those pictured are Dena Brown, Irene Owens, Kathy Kribbs, Kris Robinson, Korina Kuehn, Gina Seitz, Kara Richardson, Rita Pearson, LaDena Taylor, and children Jandie Taylor, Carley Owens, Skylar Kuehn, Zane Kuehn, Brody Richardson and Jackie Dukes.

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## Employees Recognized by TxDOT for Service

Texas Department of transportation (TxDOT) recently held their annual service awards banquet at the Childress City Auditorium to recognize their employees dedicated service to the traveling public and the state transportation system.

Local resident Jim Lax was among those recognized for 20 years service. Jim works out of the Wheeler County maintenance facility in Shamrock.

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Atherton  
Sunday, January 5, 1997  
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
First Baptist Church  
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Cards Only Requested.

Co. Commissioners Hold Nov. Meetings

November 8, 1996  
The Wheeler County Commissioners Court met in Regular Session with Judge Wendell Morgan presiding. Members present were: Kenneth Childress, Hubert Moore and Boyd Hiltbrunner, Commissioners precincts 1, 3 and 4, respectively. Absent was Tommy Puryear, Commissioner precinct No. 2. Also present were Margaret Dorman-County Clerk; and Ron Gowdy-County Auditor.

Court was opened with a prayer offered by —  
Approval Of Minutes  
Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to accept the Minutes from October 14, 1996 and October 28, 1996 court meetings as written. Motion carried unanimously.  
Approval Of Hourly Employee Time

Sheets  
Kenneth Childress made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to approve the time sheets for the hourly employees as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.  
Approval Of Bills For Payment

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Hubert Moore made a motion which was seconded by Kenneth Childress to pay the bills as approved and found listed in Volume 10 of the Minutes of Accounts Allowed in the County Clerks office. Motion carried unanimously.

Acceptance of Justice of Peace Reports

Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore to accept the Justice of Peace Reports for the month of October 1996 as follows: Doyle Ramsey-\$441.75 and Guy Hardin-\$20,254.10. Motion carried unanimously.

Independent Auditor Appointed  
Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Hubert Moore

Dallas Fillingim Named  
Outstanding Young Man

Dallas Fillingim, senior kinesiology major at WTA&M has been selected as an OUTSTANDING YOUNG MAN OF AMERICA for 1996 states Jim Lueck, Program Director. In receiving this honor, Dallas joins a very special group of Young men from all over this country. They have earned recognition because of their dedication to the achievement of their individual career goals and their willingness to give their time and energy to improve the overall quality of life in their respective communities.

Dallas is the Assistant Director of Educational Services at WTA&M and is the son of David and Rita Pearson of Rt. 1 Canadian.

COURT RECORDS

(from page 10)

OPTION AGREEMENT—Paul George, et ux to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 10-9-96, W 1/2 E 1/2 Sec. 10, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Lawanda Joy Balcon, et vir to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 10-9-96, N 1/2 Sec. 30 and All of Sec. 31, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Owen L. Stone, et ux to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 10-10-96, S 282.90 acs. Sec. 34, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Wanda Lee Sailor to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 10-15-96, E 137.4 acs. N 1/2 Sec. 17 and W 184.60 acs. N 1/2 Sec. 17, Blk. L. J. M. Lindsey Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Gary Ronald Hardcastle to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 10-7-96, See Instrument.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Wayne M. Dodson, et ux to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 10-28-96, NE 1/4 Sec. 31, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Valoise E. Massey to R. D. Davis & Associates, Inc., 9-25-96, NW 1/4 Sec. 79, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Edward W. Estes, et ux to R. D. Davis & Associates, Inc., 11-27-96, Pt. NW 1/4 Sec. 26, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Shari Gale Porter, et vir to R. D. Davis & Associates, Inc., 10-31-96, N 1/2 and SW 1/4 Sec. 82, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

STL—State of Texas to Linda Cox, 12-13-96.

CD—Wheeler Community Cemetery Association to Robert Jones, 12-16-96, N 1/2 Lot 2, Blk. K-4, 1st Add., Wheeler.

Charles Darwin, an English naturalist, proposed the theory of evolution in 1859.

Ten people will raise the temperature of a medium-sized room one degree per hour.

to appoint Jerry G. Davis from Pampa, Texas as the Independent Auditor to perform an audit of all Wheeler County accounts for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996. Motion carried unanimously.

Canvass Of 1996 General Election  
Boyd Hiltbrunner made a motion which was seconded by Kenneth Childress to accept the canvass of the 1996 General Election as prepared. Motion carried unanimously.  
November 25, 1996

The Wheeler County Commissioners court in Special Session with Judge Wendell Morgan presiding. Members present were: Kenneth Childress, Tommy Puryear, Hubert Moore and Boyd Hiltbrunner, Commissioners precincts 1, 2, 3 and 4, respectively. Also present were: Margaret Dorman-County Clerk and Steven Emmert-County Attorney.

Approval Of Hourly Employee Time Sheets

Tommy Puryear made a motion which was seconded by Kenneth Childress to approve the time sheets for the hourly employees as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval Of Bills For Payment  
Kenneth Childress made a motion which was seconded by Tommy Puryear to pay the bills as approved and found listed in Volume 10 of the Minutes of Accounts Allowed in the County Clerks office. Motion carried unanimously.

Mobeetie Fire Department-Funding Request  
No representative came to Court.  
Wheeler Fire Department-Burning Ban

Daryl Snelgrooves met with the Court to discuss a possible ban on burning in the County.

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Wheeler Church of Christ

Congregational Concerns:

The Wednesday night Bible classes will not meet on Wednesday night, December 25th, and Wednesday night, January 1st.

The fellowship luncheon that was scheduled to be held at the conclusion of the morning worship service on Sunday, December 29th, has been cancelled.

Fat Jones remains hospitalized in Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo. His condition has improved and he may be transferred to the local hospital in the next few days.

The funeral service for Clark Reagen was held last Thursday afternoon in Wheeler. Clark died last Tuesday morning in the hospice unit of the Hemphill County Hospital.

From The Minister's Desk:

For several reasons, Christmas is my favorite season of the year. It is a time for quail hunting and bird dogs. But more importantly it is a time for family and friends to be together. It is a time to exchange gifts and good wishes. And it is a time to relax in aura of happiness and good will.

While Christmas is my favorite season of the year, it is also the season when I usually grind a "holy ax". This ax is directed at "seasonal Christianity" which consists of sentimentality about the birth of Jesus. This concept of Christianity is, in my opinion, too limited and too narrow.

It is true that the New Testament records two detailed accounts of the birth of Jesus. (Matthew 1:18-2:1-12) But a careful study of these two accounts will reveal that the date of Jesus' birth is not given. A careful study of the New Testament will also reveal that there is not one text that authorizes an observance or celebration of His birth.

Please do not misunderstand I believe that Jesus was born in

An Invitation: You are cordially invited to attend any of the weekly services of the Wheeler Church of Christ which meets at 1001 S. Alan Bean Blvd, in Wheeler, Texas

Bethlehem of Judea to a virgin who was named Mary and I am extremely happy that He was. If Jesus had not been born, He could not have died for the salvation of people, giving them the opportunity to be His disciples.

Here is the real issue. Christianity is not merely the observance of some seasonal religious service. Rather it is a daily discipleship that is demonstrated by an obedient faith in Jesus Christ. This concept of Christianity was clearly taught by Jesus when He said: "If anyone wishes to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me." (Luke 16:23)

I hope that you have an enjoyable Christmas season. I also hope that your faith is more than an observance of a religious service about the birth of Jesus. Rather I hope that you have an obedient faith in Jesus Christ which is seen in daily discipleship.

Bill Morrison, Minister  
Church of Christ  
Wheeler, Texas

Services:

Sunday Bible Study ..... 10:00 A.M.  
Sunday Morning Worship ... 11:00 A.M.  
Sunday Night Worship ..... 6:00 P.M.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:30 P.M.

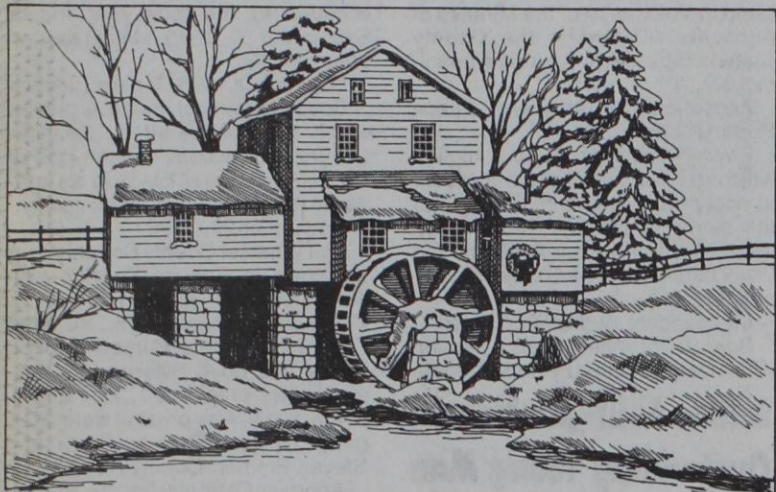
## Allison School Santa Letters

Dear Santa,

Are you doing fine. I hope you are having a good Christmas. I like you and Mrs. Clause. I hope you like Christmas tree cookies, I would like a gold fish, a trampo-

line and a computer. Give me anything.

Love, Amy Kliewer



## SEASON'S GREETINGS

An old-fashioned Christmas wish to all our friends.

**AZZIP PIZZA** Robby Schaffer



Santa's helpers are here to say,

**"Have A Happy Christmas Day!"**

As for us, we thank you so, You've been such a pleasure to serve and know!

**Gary Burton Cellular  
Beaver Express Agent**

Gary Don, Tracy and Cameron

Dear Santa,  
Do you like hot chocolate? I would like a sewing machine. I would like a bear. I would like a happy Christmas.

I will see you later.

Love, Shealee Phillips

Dear Santa,  
I hope your doing good for christmas, I would like a Nintendo 64, a bike, and a good Christmas! Have a good Christmas!

Love, Wesley McIntyre

Dear Santa,  
Allison is doing good. Are you ok? I hope you like the milk and cookies. Do you know what I want? I want a Poodle Bear, ring and shoes. P.S. I you have a good Christmas.

Love, Vanessa Huff

Dear Santa,  
Do you like chocolate? I want a trampoline, a remote control puppy, and a fun christmas. mary chistmas.

Love, J.W. Lane

Dear Santa,  
I hope you and Mrs. Clause are doing good.

For Christmas I would like nintendo games, 16 cats and have a great Christmas.

P.S. I'll have milk and cookies!

Love, Jessica Helton

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? Is Mrs. Clause doing well? I want a nintendo 64, a trampoline and a sled. See you later.

Love, Cornelson Zedeki

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? I am doing fine. Have you been eating christmas cookies? I would like money, more homework and fish. See you later.

Love, Josiah Krulik

### ALLISON KINDERGARTEN

Dear Santa,  
I love you. I would like something that I have always wanted a Barbie Doll. I would like a toy Dalmation dog.

See you at Christmas, Krystal West (age 5)

Dear Santa Claus,  
How have you been? Is it cold in the North Pole? Please bring me a My size Barbie and a Barbie jeep, I would also like a Wet Wizard Dalmation puppy.

Love, Kara Lane (age 6)

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Barbie mermaid and a baby bunny. Please bring me a dancing Barbie too.

See you soon,  
Love, Grace Tepe (age 6)

### ALLISON FIRST GRADE

Dear Santa,  
How are your reindeer? Is it cold at the North Pole? I've been very good this year. So will you please bring me a Sega game, a four-wheeler, and a real horse. And please bring my sister a sewing machine.

Your Friend, Cody Dupont

Dear Santa,  
How many elves are at the North Pole? Does Mrs. Clause help you in the workshop? I've tried to be a good boy this year. Will you bring me a Johnny Quest, a toy truck, and a toy sword. Please bring something for my sister and brother, too.

Love, Seth West

### ALLISON SECOND GRADE

Dear Santa,  
Are you wishing for a warm place to go, Santa? I want an Alaskan Husky, a mountain bike, and a NITENDO64. See you again, soon!

Love, Jordan Newsom

You can assume that the roots of normally shaped trees extend at least to the width of the branches.



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Dear Santa,

Are the elves keeping up with their job? I want a Space Jam movie, a Space Jam rug, and a Space Jam cup with Bugs head on the top. When is your birthday?

Love, Jerry Tice

Dear Santa,  
How is Roudolph and the rest of the gang? I want a mountain bike and a "Baby All-Gone." I love you, Santa.

Love, Allison Bray



## Deck The Halls!

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## SANTA LETTERS,

Dear Santa,

I want a guitar like Alan Jack and a motorcycle. Please bring my daddy a new gun.

Love,  
Jaten Moore, Age 3

Dear Santa,

I'm not old enough to know if I've been naughty or nice. My Nanny & Pa say that I'm precious and a very good baby. I should have lots of toys. My mommy thanks I need a crawling Mickey and Minnie, an activity center to keep me busy. My Daddy said to bring me a sleigh full of dips and truck load of milk.

We'll leave cookies and milk for you.

I Love You,  
Jayton Childress (6 months old)

Dear Santa Claus,

I love you. I want one of those candy canes and a kitty cat and puppy and a backhoe and another coca-cola cup for the one I broke.

Thank You, Jason Forrester (Age 3)

Dear HoHo,

I'd like a bunny toy, a kitty cat toy, a puppy toy and a backhoe and frontloader.

Thank you, Jared Forrester (Age 5)

Dear Santa,

This was my first year at school and I think I've been pretty good. I would like a bicycle (without training wheels), a Baby Go By-By, jeans, white tennis shoes, and some candy.

I'll leave the light on for you.

Your friend  
Carley Owens

Cottage cheese, pot cheese, farmer cheese and skim milk ricotta contain about 1/3 less calories, but most of the nutrients, of regular cheese.

# From All of Us to All of You Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

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## Ft. Elliott School's Santa Letters

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a my size Barbie, a roller skate Barbie, and a Barbie that rides a bike.  
Love, Brittany Bryan

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a rollerskate Barbie and Barbie that rides a bike, size 11 rollerblades and a Doodle Bear and a computer.  
Love, Bailey Estes

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Fingernail Fun Salon, size 11 rollerblades, helmet and knee and elbow pads and a Doodle Bear.  
Love, Hailey Estes

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Gameboy, a Nintendo 64 and a Bingo game.  
Love, Brandon Finsterwald

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Batman car with a push button, a skateboard, a Dallas Cowboy football helmet.  
Love, Ryan Forbes

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a babydoll that really eats food, my own sticky tape, a bubblegum machine, a bell and a doctor kit.  
Love, Sara Hathaway

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a computer, My size Barbie, and gumball machine.  
Love, Megan Horn

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me rollerskates, a skateboard, my size Dancing Barbie and a doctor kit.  
Love, Veronica Hungate

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a red car, a baby doll, a basketball, a bathtub, a chair and a play kitchen.  
Love, Jana Hutchison

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Fingernail Fun Salon, makeup, the Nutcracker Man with nuts, lipstick and a doll that has a watering thing that makes flowers on her dress.  
Love, Rebecca Johnson

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a real B.B. gun, Bingo, a jack-in-the-box, a toy vacuum cleaner and two guns in a holster.  
Love, Morgan Lane

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a bubblegum machine, some shoes like Megans, and a bow.  
Love, Amber Maddox

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a my size Barbie, playhouse, and wooden blocks.  
Love, Tisha McLaughlin

### Other Fort Elliott Santa Letters

Dear Santa,  
Santa I ben a good boy. I want a P.P. gun, a Nintedo 64, Computer, Doberman Pinscher, great famaly, race trake, Stereo, Sony Playstation. My mom a Dodge Viper.  
from your friend Justen

Dear Santa,  
I hope I have been good this year. How are you doing! OH by the way when you come to my house there is a Great Paranzie outside and a Golden Retrever. We have ducks that might quack at you. This year I would like a horse, a St. Bernard for my mom. I would also like a new bike. I would also like a T.V. and a cd player.  
Your friend, Andrea H. Hathaway

Dear Santa,  
Will you be coming to my house this year? Well I want 5 million dollars, a fashion desiner disk for my computer, a Arizona jeans jacket. Mabe a set of stamps with my name and address on them. Some Justin brand boots. A bottle of blue finger naile polish. Thats all.  
Your friend, Tamara D. Hefley

Dear Santa,  
I want a Desk and a computer. Im a great boy this year. I want a St. Bernard and a Nintendo a Million dollars. And a football and a shoes and Pens and CD player and a watch and a house. And a car and swimming pool and a jet.  
Your friend, Steven

Dear Santa,  
How was your summer Santa? By the way I want a puppy, tv with a vecer I want Nintendo, and If this is posible I wont 1,000,000  
Your friend, Jessica

Dear Santa,  
I want a Airdevil Remote controled Car and my mama wants her new shoes so she can walk better.  
Love, Jason and Melanie Reed

Dear Santa,  
I will want a fake gun. Please santa and a race truch for Christmas. I want a computer and a car.  
Your friend, Tommy

Dear Santa,  
I want a radio, a T.V. I want a computer. VCR. A new hose.  
Your friend, Stormy

Dear Santa,  
All I want for Christmas is a puppy.

Dear Santa,  
I want a new c.d. tape player and a real race car, wooden bat, metal bat, computer and pleas hook up the window program, a knife, a nice bebegun, a army suit, a axe, a rifle, another sega and games, SKS.  
Your Friend, Michel Bell

Dear Santa,  
I want a cabbage patch doll, an olympic barbie, a kid computer, a crop top.  
Love, Mayci Meadows

Dear Santa,  
I want a Cabbage Patch doll. It's Olympic One. I would like a kids computer and stickers from Wal-Mart. I would like three crop tops and purple fingernail polish. I'll leave you some cookies.  
Love Elisabeth Johnson

Dear Santa,  
This year I want an air devel. I also would like a rotater.  
Your friend, Ryan Reed

Dear Santa Clause,  
I would like a cabage patch doll, 3 crock top shirts, puppy dog, I would also like a dreamsicle. Thats what I want you to bring me for Christmas this year. Also I have been a good girl this year.  
Love, Lauren Baird

Dear Santa,  
I wont a tap. and a book. and a hat and a yack back.  
Your frand, Travis

Dear Santa,  
I want a mountain bike.  
Randi Lyn Barr

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like four toys for christmas. and a yak backwards.  
Your friend, Sarah Moon

Dear Santa,  
I want a Yak bak, and a brainBall and a cool tools truck for Christmas.  
your friend, Will

Dear Santa,  
I would like a rock and roll guitar and a new bike and a race car with a remote control. Magnets and beads and play dough. A shot gun and an SKS.  
Love, Alvin

Dear Santa,  
I would like a go-cart, a computer and a new school box.  
Love, Dakota

Dear Santa,  
I want a pocket knife, play shot gun, play machine gan, and a remote controll car.  
from D.J. Hutchison

Dear Santa,  
I would like a cabbage patch doll and a crop top. I want a baby doll. I also want an easy bake oven. The cookies and milk are for you.  
From Jenna

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**Season's Best...**

We would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone the happiest Holiday season ever. As we celebrate the memory of Christ's birth.

May everyone have a joyous and safe journey whether coming or going.  
God's blessings to each and everyone.

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### Steer Show (from Page 1)

were shown on Saturday and 25 steers and six heifers were shown Sunday.

The Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Lambs, both Medium Wools, were shown by Daniel Wooley of Spur, Texas. Wooley also had the Champion Fine Wool and Champion Fine Wool Cross. Dawn

Auckerman of Hereford had the Reserve Champion Fine Wool. Kyle Masters of Wheeler had the Reserve Champion Fine Wool Cross, Hayley Hipkins of Wheeler had the Champion Southdown. Joby Ory of Hereford and Kristen Huffaker of Hereford won senior and won showmanship respectively.

In the Steer Show, Andy Conrad of Claude had the Grand Champion with his Champion Other Breeds and



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Crosses Steer and Tadd Thompson, also of Claude, had the Reserve Grand Champion with his Reserve Other Breeds and Crosses Steer. The Champion English Breeds Steer was shown by Jessica Born of Follett and the Reserve English Steer was shown by Cassie Hamilton of Pampa. April Burton of Groom and Jessica Born won senior and junior showmanship respectively.

#### STEER SHOW

**English Steer (Class 1):** 1st-Golden Ray Sheer, Follett; 2nd-Kasha Brister, Wellington; 3rd-Scott Sims, Wellington. **(Class 2):** 1st-Reese Talley, Miami; 2nd-C.J. Whatley, Groom; 3rd-Scott Sims, Wellington; 4th-Golden Ray Sheer, Follett; **(Class 3):** 1st-Jessica Born, Follett; 2nd-Cassie Hamilton, Pampa; 3rd-Tristan Carr, Canadian; 4th-Bree Sanders, Shamrock.

**Exotic Steer (Class 4):** 1st-Tadd Thompson, Claude; 2nd-Jennifer Batenhorst, Vega; 3rd-Scott Sims, Wellington; 4th-Courtney Crawford, Pampa; 5th-Evan Reed, Shamrock; 6th-Wade Thompson, Claude; **(Class 5):** 1st-C.J. Whatley, Groom; April Burton, Groom; 3rd-Nonnie James, Pampa; 4th-Clint Hopping, Memphis; **(Class 6):** 1st-Andy Conrad, Claude; 2nd-April Burton, Groom; 3rd-Kelby McClellan, Pampa; 4th-Cameron Reed, Shamrock; 5th-Kimbra Julian, Canadian.

#### LAMB SHOW

**Fine Wool (Class 1):** 1st-Dawn Auckerman, Hereford; 2nd-Jessica Fish, McLean; 3rd-Tiffany Schnauffer, Dumas; 4th-Ty Hartman, Wellington. **(Class 2):** 1st-Daniel Wooley, Spur; 2nd-Mandy Hagerman, Sweetwater; 3rd-Megan Fuston, Childress; 4th-Truett Schlabs, Hereford.

**Fine Wool Cross (Class 3):** 1st-Kyle Masters, Wheeler; 2nd-Dancy Hopping, Memphis; 3rd-Koby Cole, Elk City; 4th-Jarret Bishop, Dalhart; 5th-Jared Hunter, Perryton; 6th-Ty Hartman, Wellington; 7th-Megan Fuston, Childress; 8th-Amanda Smith, Hereford; 9th-Waylon Runyon, Amarillo; **(Class 4):** 1st-Daniel Wooley, Spur; 2nd-Jessica Fish, McLean; 3rd-Anna Morris, Dumas; 4th-Dancey Hopping, Memphis; 5th-Courtney Cabbell, Wellington; 6th-Kylee Auckerman, Hereford; 7th-Larissa McCown, Amarillo.

**South Downs (Class 5):** 1st-Megan Fuston, Childress; 2nd-Sara Griffis, Estelline; 3rd-Molly Fuston, Childress; 4th & 5th-Katy Griffis, Estelline; **(Class 6):** 1st-Haley Hipkins, Wheeler; 2nd-Koby Cole, Elk City; 3rd-Clint Hopping, Memphis; 4th-Sara Griffis, Estelline; 5th-Carolyn Jameson, Sayre; 6th-Dawn Auckerman, Hereford.

**Medium Wool (Class 7):** 1st-Daniel Wooley, Spur; 2nd-Jarret Bishop, Dalhart; 3rd-Jennifer Scott, Sayre; 5th-Adan Pennington, Sayre; 6th-Sara Griffis, Estelline; 7th-Molly Fuston, Childress; 8th-Ronna Edwards, Clarendon; 9th-Kristal Damron, Sayre; 10th-Rusty Jackson, Canadian; 11th-Courtney Cabbell, Wellington; 12th-Brian Davis, Sayre; 13th-Amy Gift, Gruver; 14th-Bryne Huffaker, Hereford; 15th-Robert Collins, Sayre; 16th-Myka Grantham, Dalhart; 17th-Brennan McCown, Amarillo; 18th-Joe Nix, Canadian; 19th-Hadley Jackson, Canadian; **(Class 8):** 1st-Daniel Wooley, Spur; 2nd-Jarret Bishop, Dalhart; 3rd-Kyle Masters, Wheeler; 4th-Leah Mackie, Spearman; 5th-Jeremy Lenz, Dalhart; 6th-Jenna Schlabs, Hereford; 7th-Jon Phillips, Sayre; 8th-Ty Hartman, Wellington; 9th-Jasey Hunter, Perryton; 10th-Meggie Phillips, Sayre; 11th-Derrick Wills, Dumas; 12th-Shanna James, Wellington; 13th-Matthew Fuston, Childress; 14th-

Canessa Camacho, Wellington; 15th-Shanna James, Wellington; 16th-Courtney Cabbell, Wellington; 17th-Ty Hartman, Wellington; **(Class 9):** 1st-Hayley Hipkins, Wheeler; 2nd-Carolyn Jameson, Sayre; 3rd-Jessica Fish, McLean; 4th-Mike Collins, Sayre; 5th-Leah Mackie, Spearman; 6th-D.J. Edwards, Clarendon; 7th-Sara Griffis, Estelline; 8th-Casey Oldham, Shamrock; 9th-Jamie Biter, Shamrock; 10th-Brian Davis, Sayre; 11th-Ladawn Jones, Amarillo; 12th-Heather Howell, Sayre; 13th-Tiffany Schnauffer, Dumas; 14th-Shawna Mitchell, Borger; 15th-Heather Howell, Sayre; 16th-Jessie Wilkins, Borger; 17th-Jake Mitchell; **(Class 10):** 1st-Kristen Huffaker, Hereford; 2nd-Daniel Wooley, Spur; 3rd-Jeremy Lenz, Dalhart; 4th-Joby Ory, Hereford; 5th-Amanda Roy, Longmount; 6th-Alyssia Schnauffer, Dumas; 7th-Tim Schlabs, Hereford; 8th-Alyssia Schnauffer, Dumas; 9th-Kristen Huffaker, Hereford; 10th-Justin Chapman, Wheeler; 11th-Matthew Fuston, Childress; 12th-John Ory, Hereford; 13th-Anna Morris, Dumas; 14th-Dancey Hopping, Memphis; 15th-Leah Mackie, Hereford; 16th-Brian Davis, Sayre; 17th-Amanda Roy, Longmount; 18th-Shawna Mitchell, Borger; 19th-Canessa Camacho, Wellington; 20th-Justin Holman, Miami; **(Class 11):** 1st-Haley Hipkins, Wheeler; 2nd-Amanda Smith, Hereford; 3rd-Josh Ory, Hereford; 4th-Truett Schlabs, Hereford; 5th-Amanda Smith, Hereford; 6th-Travis Bolling, Amarillo; 7th-Erin Auckerman, Hereford; 8th-Kylee Auckerman, Hereford.

### U.S.D.A. Engineer Retires After 39 Years On Service

Pioneer rural development Engineer Harold L. Carter announced his retirement at the end of November 1996 after 39 years of federal service. Carter spent the last 31 years of his career in the USDA Rural Development (formerly Farmers Home Administration) State Office in Temple, Texas, working with various rural development programs.

During his tenure, Rural Development financed more than 200,000 miles of rural water lines, 30,000 apartment units, and many community sewer systems, rural hospitals, nursing homes, fire stations, businesses, single family houses, and other rural development facilities. Carter contributes the rural water supply program as the most significant development in rural areas since the rural electric program administered by the former Rural Electrification Administration and Farm-to-Market roads.

"Having been raised on a farm near Roby in West Texas, where we had to haul our water, I was made keenly aware early in my life the need for safe, adequate drinking water in the rural areas," Carter said. "Rural water systems financed through Rural Development have ranged in size from a dozen customers to several thousand, including individual communities to multi-county project. We are proud of this program because of the low delinquency rate and excellent service the water systems are providing. The success has been the result of the leadership of the local communities and dedicated Rural Development employees."

Carter believes that the next big change for rural area development will be rural sewer. He foresees increased activity in the existing water supply systems becoming more active in solving the sewer needs of their communities. Several innovative and alternative sewer systems designs are being explored.

Carter plans to retire to his farm in the community of Oenaville, which is near Temple. He and his wife, Jennifer, have recently renovated a turn-of-the-century farmhouse into an art studio. Carter, who is a renowned Texas artist, plans to travel and exhibit his work at art shows. "Traveling the back roads of Texas for 40 years with a camera has given me many subjects to draw," stated Carter.

One of the first trips Carter wants to make is to Alaska. His granddad, a West Texas rancher, traveled to Alaska in 1947, shortly after the Alaskan highway was first opened to the public. It has been his goal to repeat this trip 50 years later.

### MEALS on WHEELS MENU

December 30 thru January 3, 1997

**MONDAY:** Meat Loaf, Blackeyed Peas, Carrots, Peas.

**TUESDAY:** Spaghetti, Meat Balls, Italian Vegetables, Ice Cream.

**WEDNESDAY:** Baked Pork Chop, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Strawberry Shortcake.

**THURSDAY:** Beef Stroganoff, Noodles, Zucchini and Tomatoes, Fruit Cocktail.

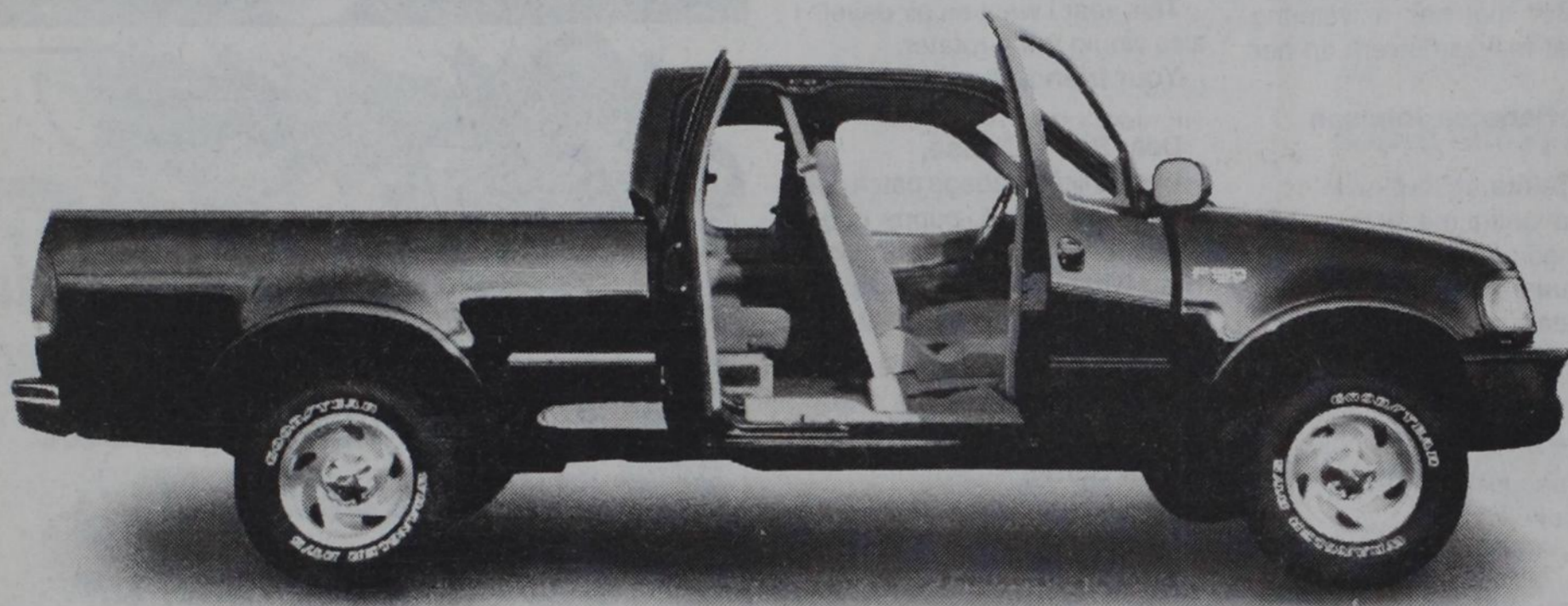
**FRIDAY:** Fish, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Hush Puppies, Plums.

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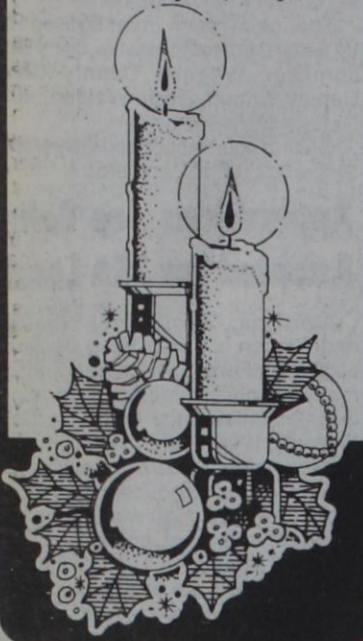
## JANUARY 1997

This Calendar runs the last Thursday of Each Month and is available for Organizations & School Activities. Call: 806/826-3123 for listings.

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<b>CROSS CAR CENTER</b> • 24 Hour Wrecker Serv. • Auto Body Repair Phone: 806/826-5515 Intersection Hwy. 152 & 83 Wheeler.	<b>FIRST STATE BANK OF MOBEETIE</b> Mobeetie & Wheeler Member: F.D.I.C.	<b>HYLAND'S</b> 109 East Texas — Wheeler Phone: 826-3541 DOUBLE COUPONS EVERYDAY Limit: 75¢-\$1.00 \$1.00 Coupons: \$1.00	<b>1</b> Wheeler Senior Citizens Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M. Resident's Council Wheeler Care Ctr. .... 2:00 P.M.	<b>2</b> Wheeler Sr. Citizens Blood Press. Clinic ..... 9-12 Noon W. Sr. Ctns. Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M. Old Mobeetie Ass'n. Old Masonic Lodge Bldg. .... 7:00 P.M. Wheeler Fire Dept. .... 7:00 P.M. Tralee Crisis Center City Hall ..... 2-4 P.M.	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> First Baptist Church of Wheeler Wheeler Care Cr. .... 3:00 P.M.	<b>6</b> Kiwanis ..... 12 Noon Meth. Fellowship Hall AF-AM Lodge ..... 7:30 P.M. Wheeler S. Citz. .... 6:00 P.M. Mobeetie City Coun. .... 7:00 P.M.	<b>7</b> Wheeler Lions Club Sparlins ..... 6:00 A.M. Driver's License Trooper Wheeler Courthouse ..... 9:00-4:00	<b>8</b> Wheeler Senior Citizens Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M. First Baptist Church Wheeler Care Ctr. .... 2:30 P.M.	<b>9</b> Wheeler Senior Citizens Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M. Allison I.S.D. Bd. .... 7:00 P.M.	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> CHRISTMAS PARTY Wheeler Care Cr. .... 7:00 P.M.
<b>12</b> First Baptist Church of Allison Wheeler Care Cr. .... 3:00 P.M.	<b>13</b> Kiwanis ..... 12 Noon Meth. Fellowship Hall AF-AM Lodge ..... 7:30 P.M. Comm. Court ..... 10:00 A.M. Ft. Elliott I.S.D. Bd. .... 7:00 P.M. Kelton I.S.D. Bd. .... 7:30 P.M.	<b>14</b> Mobeetie Fire Dept. .... 7:00 P.M. Wheeler Lions Club Sparlins ..... 6:00 A.M. American Legion ..... 7:30 P.M. Wheeler Vol. Fire Dept.	<b>15</b> Wheeler Senior Citizens Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M.	<b>16</b> Wheeler Senior Citizens Quilting ..... 1-5 P.M. Wheeler Fire Dept. .... 7:00 P.M. Tralee Crisis Center City Hall ..... 2-4 P.M.	<b>17</b> Quilt Day Wheeler Care Cr.	<b>18</b>
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# WARMEST WISHES

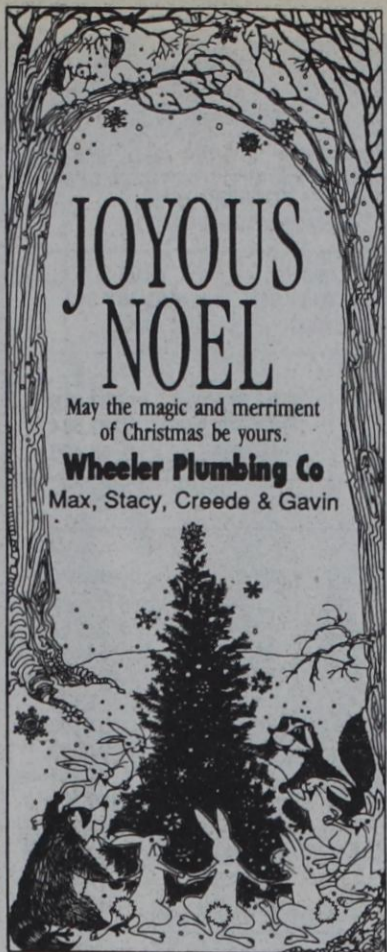
Here's to a bright and beautiful season.  
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**PEACE ON EARTH THIS CHRISTMAS**

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**JOYOUS NOEL**

May the magic and merriment of Christmas be yours.  
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**HAPPY HOLIDAYS**

A basketful of joy to all of our friends, along with our heartfelt thanks.

**APPEARANCES**

*Rovanda*



THE WHEELER TIMES

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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."



**Rejoice**

As we recall the birth of the Infant Jesus, may the joy of that first Christmas fill our hearts and renew our hope.

**McIlhany Dry Goods**

## Wheeler First Grade Santa Letters

Mrs. Porter's 1st Grade Santa Letters

Dear Santa,

I want Super Zeo Zword, gold ranger, Dark vader light Saver, cycle gloves, bike, Dartgun, Dallas Cowboys windsuit, earrings for my mom, tools for my Dad, Barbie dream house for my sister, ricochet stunt cycle, and a car.

Love,  
Tyler

Dear Santa,

I want a new pair of shoes and a controlled racecar. I also want a new football.

Love,  
Omar

Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie with a whale. I also want a Bunny rabbit. I want snow for Christmas. I want you to bring my mom some candles. I will leave cookies and milk out for you.

Love,  
Cami Carey

Dear Santa,

I would like a football. I would like Santa to bring my dad a rifle. I would like Santa to bring my mom a new baby.

Love,  
Matt

Dear Santa,

I want a Skreecher bike. I want a new batmobile. I want the Lion King movie. I want a nerf football.

Love,  
Jake

Dear Santa,

I would like a bear. I would like a doll also. How have your reindeer been doing?

Love,  
Veronica

Dear Santa,

I would like a bat cave, a ricochet, the movie Toy Story, a football, a dog, a BB gun, a Buzz Lightyear, 4-Wheeler, bucket of soldier.

Love,  
Brandon

Dear Santa,

I want a new bike, a new doll, a new Barbie. (Mathew Daddy a Mallory Ashley Whitney Stacey Mellony Jacob.)

My sister wants a mermaid, a pink bike, a Barbie, a coat, new gloves that are brown.

Love,  
Ashley Groves

Santa,

I would like a Barbie. I would like a very pretty one. Would you get my baby sister a tiny Barbie?

Love,  
Samantha

Dear Santa,

I want a cat, Doctor Barbie, basketball goal, bike, Nibbles, Bolyocket, dress, jumprope, knife.

Love,  
Jordan

Dear Santa,

I want a Gameboy with a luige and mario games. I want a football and a soccerball.

Love,  
Chance

Dear Santa,

I want a Pink Barbie, little doll, Shoes, Cindrella the movie, and a new bike.

Love,  
Kenia

Dear Santa,

I think I have been really good this year. I want a pool table, a sled, a puppy. I also want glow in the dark sword, some shoes, a Sega, some tickets to the Astro-dome, skis, a new bike, and a water torpedo.

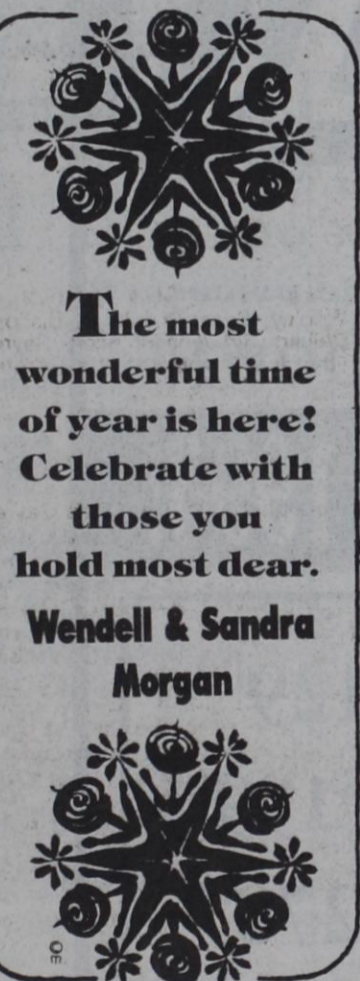
Love,  
Justin

## SANTA LETTERS,

Dear Ho! Ho!

My name is Braden, and I'm 16 months old. I'm not sure how this works yet, but my mommy said if I would be a good boy you would bring me toys. I personally think I've been very good, but for some reason Nana keeps telling me she's going to call you and tell you I'm bad if I don't get out of stuff and leave the tree alone. I don't even think she really knows your number, but don't tell her I said so okay. I sure would like it if you would bring me a book or two, and I would love a football or basketball.

I Love You,  
Braden



The most wonderful time of year is here!  
Celebrate with those you hold most dear.

Wendell & Sandra Morgan



## GREETINGS TO ALL!



May the holidays abound with all the warmth and goodness we wish for you and yours...wrapped in love and happiness.

**Johnny's Shamrock**  
Johnny, Betty, Melissa & Justin

Dear Friends,

With the holiday season comes thoughts of sharing our blessings of the present and hopes for the future with you.

We count among our blessings the privilege of serving you. Our hopes for the future is that we may continue to serve you.

Wishing you all a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**The Sparlins,**  
Faye and Glen



Dear Santa,

There is only 8 days until Christmas, and I want a Jump King Trampoline. If you could I would like you to bring me extra presents this year. The presents I would like you to bring me are a jump King Trampoline, a CD case, a CD adapter, a computer, and a collection of Santa Clause's from around the world. I hope I'm not asking for much. But all I really want is a Jump King Trampoline. Since the trampoline wont fit under my Christmas tree, you can just leave it outside. The other things can fit inside, thank you.

Sincerely, Brittany Daniels  
P.S. I live in Wheeler at 1304 Ponderosa street in Texas.

Dear Santa,

I am looking forward for your visit on Christmas Eve. I will tell you what I want now. I want a computer and a jump king trampoline. Oh one more thing a desk with a rolling chair.

Thanks, Savannah Estes

Dear Santa,

I'm looking forward for your visit to town this year. How about me telling you what I want for Christmas. I would enjoy it if you brought me some floam. I also would like to have a stereo c.d. player type thing with two c.d. players, two tape players and little headphones to go on my narrow head. We are studying about Christmas around the world so I would also like you to bring me a collection of Santa Clauses for differend countries so I will have an idea of what they look like.

Sincerily, Holly McCurley  
P.S. I live on Second Street in Mobeetie, Texas in a big white two-story house.

The city of Stockholm, Sweden covers 14 islands which are connected by about 50 bridges.

## Noel NOEL!

'Tis the season of carols and good wishes. Many thanks for allowing us to serve you!



**West Texas Gas, Inc.**

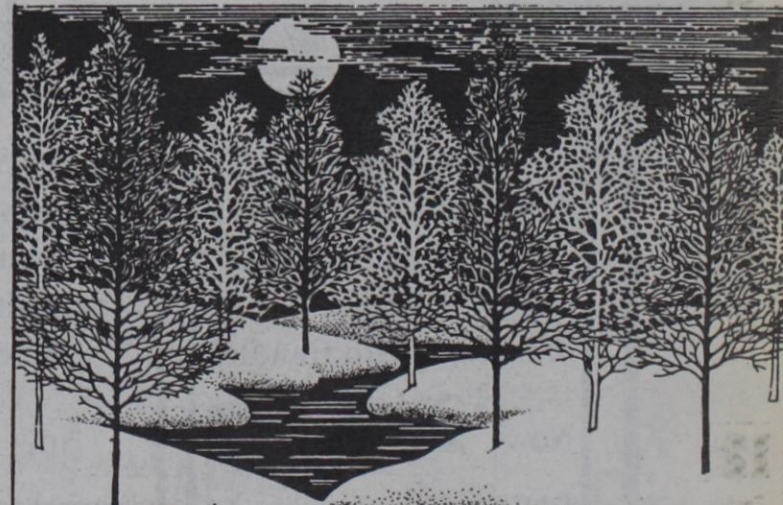
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Wheeler, Texas 79096



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**Burton Ford-Mercury**

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Dickie Burton  
Gary Don Burton  
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David Gilmer  
Jim Gilmer  
Jerry Newberry



**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS**

May the beauty of this season renew each heart with hope.

**Dr. Louie L. Mendiola & Family and Staff**



DATA CONTROL CODE		GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES			TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY)	
		100-199 GENERAL FUND	200-499 SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	500-599 DEBT SERVICE FUND	98 AUGUST 31, 1996	97 AUGUST 31, 1995
<b>REVENUES:</b>						
5700	Local, Intermediate, and Out-of-State	2,011,429	31,892	153	2,043,574	1,383,876
5800	State Program Revenues	688,290	1,786	0	690,076	1,203,584
5900	Federal Program Revenues	0	92,379	0	92,379	88,496
5030	<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>2,699,719</b>	<b>126,156</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>2,826,028</b>	<b>2,675,957</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>						
0011	Instruction	1,503,045	25,788	0	1,528,834	1,488,975
0012	Instructional Computing	597	0	0	597	0
0021	Instructional Administration	2,550	3,076	0	5,626	5,781
0022	Instructional Resources and Media Services	51,757	0	0	51,757	54,817
0023	School Administration	112,241	0	0	112,241	104,384
0025	Curriculum and Personnel Development	4,310	0	0	4,310	3,170
0031	Guidance and Counseling Services	41,611	0	0	41,611	37,108
0033	Health Services	30,355	0	0	30,355	27,123
0034	Pupil Transportation - Regular	87,752	0	0	87,752	86,711
0036	Co-curricular Activities	152,669	0	0	152,669	150,162
0037	Food Services	2,540	120,457	0	122,997	115,607
0041	General Administration	201,790	0	0	201,790	212,216
0042	Debt Services	0	0	15,585	15,585	16,748
0051	Plant Maintenance and Operations	408,628	0	0	408,628	546,078
6050	<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>2,599,846</b>	<b>149,320</b>	<b>15,585</b>	<b>2,764,752</b>	<b>2,848,881</b>
<b>OTHER RESOURCES AND USES:</b>						
7990	Other Resources	0	34,385	2,902	37,286	3,200
8990	Other Uses	36,136	0	0	36,136	3,200
7000	<b>Total Other Resources and (Uses)</b>	<b>(36,136)</b>	<b>34,385</b>	<b>2,902</b>	<b>1,150</b>	<b>0</b>
1200	<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Resources Over Expenditures and Other Uses</b>	<b>63,736</b>	<b>11,221</b>	<b>(12,530)</b>	<b>62,427</b>	<b>(172,924)</b>
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (beginning)	819,676	(7,123)	12,530	825,083	998,007
1300	Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	0	0	0	0	0
3000	<b>Fund Balance - August 31 (ending)</b>	<b>883,412</b>	<b>4,098</b>	<b>(0)</b>	<b>887,510</b>	<b>825,083</b>

## Shamrock Woman Sentenced To Prison

A 22 year old Shamrock woman faces multiple prison sentences as a result of court proceedings in Wheeler on Tuesday according to Wheeler County District Attorney, John Mann. Robbyn Griffin of 302 S. Oklahoma in Shamrock is in Wheeler County jail awaiting transfer to the State Penitentiary following her conviction for Involuntary Manslaughter charges stemming from the February 8, 1996, death of 33 year old Wesley Welch of Shamrock.

The incident occurred on Wheeler County Road 9, commonly known as the Magic City Road, at approximately 4:00 p.m. when an afternoon picnic resulted in tragedy as Welch was thrown from a moving vehicle driven by Griffin. Welch was riding on the trunk of the car at the time of the erratic driving to which Griffin pleaded guilty. Welch hit his head on the hard, dirt road and sustained severe trauma to the skull which resulted in his death.

Griffin also had two previously court-ordered probations revoked during Tuesday's proceedings. In 1993 Griffin pleaded guilty to felony theft and was placed on deferred adjudication probation. Then, in 1995, Griffin again pleaded guilty to being involved in a theft ring operating in Wheeler County which resulted in the conviction of numerous persons who were caught stealing personal items from various rural houses in Wheeler County. The probation revocation sentences, two years and seven years respectively, will run concurrently with the seven year jail term for the Welch death.

The State of Texas Department of Child Protective Services took Griffin's 16 month-old child into protective custody pending permanent custody

pending permanent placement during Griffin's jail sentence.

The case was investigated by Wheeler County Constable, Jerry Bob Jernigan, Wheeler County Chief Deputy Sheriff, Rick Walden, and Deputy Jerry Bailey.

Griffin's court-appointed lawyer was Shamrock's Phil Pendleton.

## Applications Are Being Accepted For FSA Loans

Armstrong, Gray, Donley, Wheeler, and Carson counties were declared eligible for Farm Service Agency (formerly Farmers Home Administration) disaster emergency loans on September 3, 1996. Generally, that means that farmers who have lost at least 30 percent of their production due to the drought, freeze, high winds, freezing temperatures, sleet, and snow which occurred from June 1, 1995 through June 11, 1996 are eligible for emergency loans. Proceeds from crop insurance and the PIK program are taken into account when determining eligibility.

FSA County Supervisor Larry Goetze is urging farmers who are interested in receiving an emergency loan to get their applications in to FSA as soon as possible. Goetze said, "We hope farmers will get their applications in early rather than waiting until near the deadline which is June 16, 1996. The longer they wait, the more chance there is for long delays in getting their checks. If the applications come in early, we can avoid backlogs and speed up the process."

The FSA office is at 321 Sully in Clarendon. The telephone number is 806/874-3552. Office hours are 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

## Locations for Payment Of Electric Bills Increased

Almost all Southwestern Public Service Company customers will have more places to pay their electric bills beginning early next year.

SPS expects to add more than 80 "payment stations" to the 28 stations already being used by some SPS customers in some communities.

Such payment stations are placed in supermarkets, financial institutions and existing small businesses. They offer customers additional locations, and in some cases more convenient hours, for bill-paying.

The payment stations do not replace local SPS offices, which continue to accept bill payments as well as offer other services, such as accepting orders for new service, changes in service location, and termination of electric service.

Recent surveys of SPS customers showed that "additional payment locations" was the most-requested change SPS could offer its customers, said Jake Webb, SPS Southern Division Manager, who is chairman of the company's customer service task force.

"Many of our customers say they want more locations and more convenient places to pay their bills. We're responding to that," Webb said. "Whether through alternative locations, expanded business hours or other options, our continuing goal is to make conducting business with SPS easier and more convenient for the customer."

Webb noted, "With our local community offices, our existing payment stations in some towns, mail-in and bank-draft payments, and these planned new locations, we give our customers a variety of payment options to choose from."

Almost all of the 102 communities SPS serves will have at least one payment station; some larger communities will be served by several stations.

Customers will have to bring their electric bills with them to make a payment at a payment station, Webb said. The stations do not have access to SPS customer account information, and will not be able to provide any services except receipt of payments.

In addition to accepting on-time payments, the stations will be able to receive payments in cases where electric service has been disconnected for non-payment. The late-paying customer will be given a verification number to use when calling a local SPS office to arrange to have service restored.

SPS is completing a contract with a third-party provider that in turn will contract with other businesses to provide payment station services, Webb said. Announcement of the locations of the new stations, and the number of payment stations in each SPS-served community, will be made later.

SPS is a regional electric utility, providing service to about one million persons in a 52,000 square-mile area covering eastern and southeastern New Mexico, the South Plains and Panhandle of Texas, the Oklahoma Panhandle and southwestern Kansas. Corporate headquarters is in Amarillo, Texas.

The word yo-yo originated in the Philippines and means "come back." People in the Philippines used the yo-yo both as a toy and as a weapon

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 SAVE UP TO \$1,000

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 Full or Queen Pine Headboard  
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 Almond Lacquer Occasional Table  
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 Now **\$39<sup>00</sup>**  
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## Wheeler Third Grade Santa Letters

### MRS. MASTER'S THIRD GRADE SANTA LETTERS

Dear Santa, I would like a puppy, roller skates, a football, and to get our new house fixed.  
Joel Brown

Dear Santa, I want a go-cart. I want a Santa hat. I want Steve Young to come to town to meet me.  
Justin Lee

Dear Santa, I would like a puppy with lite brown spots. And 2 chew bones for my dogs.  
Love,  
Alan Jones

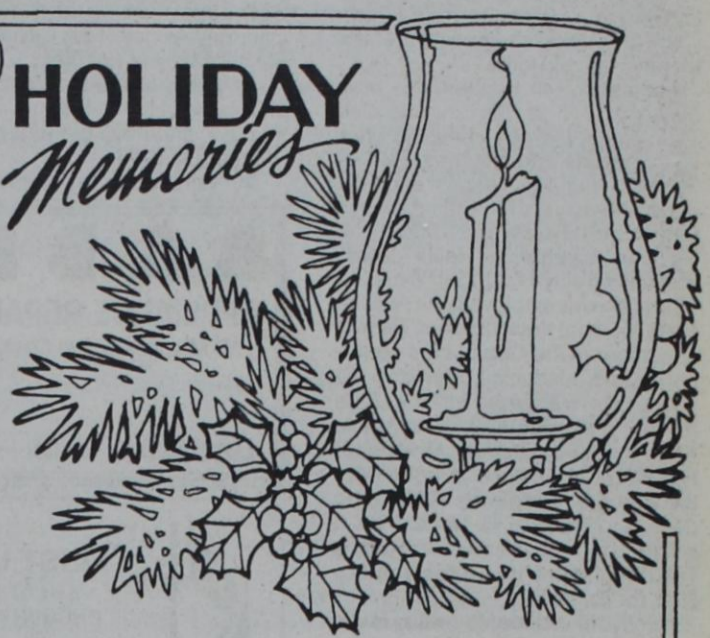
P.S. I'll have cookies and milk.  
Thank You.  
Jarod Matthew Crouch

# GREETINGS



It has been a joy to know and serve you.  
**Speedi-Mart**

## HOLIDAY Memories



As we think back on Christmases of long ago, it makes us appreciate our many blessings. Happy holidays!

**John C. & Rosemary Vise**

## SANTA LETTERS,

Dear Santa, Please bring me a girlfriend from St. Cloud and for a football jersey like the high schools, not like the net looking thing and for the Falcans to go to the championship next year.  
Josh Couch

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I would like to have whatever I put on my Christmas list that I didn't get from my parents. Hope you and Miss Claus have a nise Christmas and a happy New Year. When is your birthday?  
Love,  
Samantha Chapman  
P.S. Thanks for every thing.  
P.P.S I'll put out some cookies.

Dear Santa, I want a Detroit Lion turtleneck and a white Berry Sander football jersey.  
Jansen Moore

Dear Santa, I'd like some new clothes and some shoes and Nibbles the horse and her stable. And I'd like some new school crayons, and a set of playdohg. I'd like a new hat and a new cat. I'd like a TV and 13 Dead End Drive and Frady Cats. I'd like a puzzle and a stuffed animals. I'm going to leave some hay for the reindeer and some cookies and milk for you.  
Love,  
Lezli Jo Finsterwald

Dear Santa, I would like you to bring me a bicycle medium size, and a plate cash register.  
Brenda Guerra Mendoza

Dear Santa, I want a 20 speed bicycle. There will be something for the reindeer to eat in the front yard. I will leave cookies and milk for you.  
Love,  
Heather Hampton

Dear Santa, Please bring me some Army pants and go-cart. And a girlfriend from St. Cloud, Minnesota.  
Derek Lynn Murray

Dear Santa, I would like a white Eagles Ty Detmer football jersey. Please don't outline the numbers. The size is youth medium.  
Josh Britt

Dear Santa, I want a football, puppy, Sky Racers, bike, 3 CD's, go-carts.  
Tyler Alexander McWhorter

Dear Santa, I have a big list this year. I would like a remote control truck, a Barbie, with lots of hair and new clothes. I hope you have had a good year. Don't forget to bring Katie something, she has been a good girl. Tell Mrs. Claus hello.  
Merry Christmas  
Haley Jones

## SANTA LETTERS,

Dear Santa, My name is Clinton and I have been a pretty good boy this year. I would like to get a BigFoot 4x4 truck and a nerf shooting gun. Plus what ever boys get!  
Clinton Bradstreet, 8530 S. Western #18, Amarillo, TX 79109

Dear Santa, My name is Monty McCasland. I am 4 years old and have been a good little boy this year. Would you please bring me a TV/VCR for my bedroom, Toy Story Video Tape, and a 101 Dalmation coloring book. Don't forget the other kids.  
I will leave you cookies and milk.  
Love, Monty

Dear Santa, I'm two year old I always try to be a good little boy. My favorite toy is Pooh, so anything you have

that has to do with Pooh I'd love to have it. I want a Big Jake Truck so I drive it. It like my Daddy's truck it's really big. I need a big truck so I can go to my Nanny & Pa's house and drive around, and help Pa fix his yard. My sister and I will leave you lots of cookies and milk.  
Shelton May (2 years old)

Dear Santa, I have been a good girl this year. We have a new house with a big back yard, so I want to have a Barbie Jeep with a phone, so I can drive around my back yard and talk to my Nanny and Pa. I really need a new white kitten my "Socks" ran away, and Shelton, my brother and I liked to play with him. So if you can find us a white kitten we'll love him. We have cookies and milk for you.  
I Love You,  
Peyton May (3 years old)

## MERRY CHRISTMAS

May your stockings be filled with love and cheer, as we thank you for a successful year.

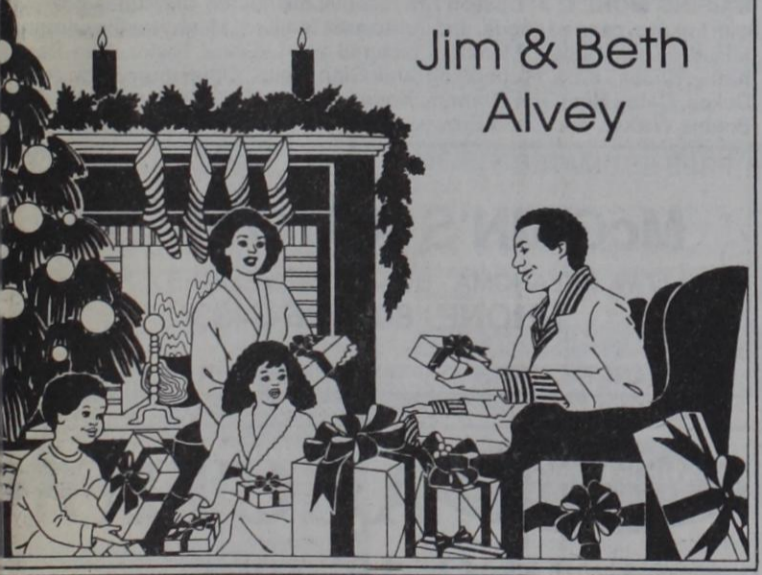
**Wheeler Lumber Company**

From all of us to all of you... a wish for a very Merry Christmas!

**Rain Bow Monograms**  
Charles, Margaret, Darin, James & Janet Kuntz

## Home For The Holidays

May the many blessings of the season visit you and your family this Christmas.



## Happy Holidays

Old Saint Nick joins us in wishing you the merriest of Christmases.



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At this wonderful and magical time of the year, our thoughts turn to those who have made our progress possible. Thank you, dear and loyal friends, for your continued patronage and goodwill.

Merry Christmas!

**McCain's Auto Body**  
Bob, Gwen, Kelly, Cristen, Brooke, Kennan, Cory & Gayla

# Funeral Services Dec. 9 for Lonnie Keahey

Funeral services for Lonnie Keahey was conducted Monday, December 9, 1996, at 2 p.m. from the First Baptist Church. Burial was in the Fairlawn Cemetery under the direction of the Martin Funeral Home.

Lonnie Darrell Keahey was born May 19, 1956 at Elk City and died Thursday at the age of 40. He grew up in Elk City and attended Elk City Schools. He has lived most of his life in Panhandle, Texas and Chickasha. He was married to Hallie Jewell Stevens on July 17, 1975 in Wheeler, Texas. He was employed with Apache Corp. for more than 12 years. He was a member of the Goodtimers Motorcycle Club, Masonic Lodge and the Elks Lodge. He helped with the Make A Wish Foundation, Children's Miracle Network and Ronald McDonald House. He also helped raise funds for the Police and Highway Patrol drug dogs and radios. He worked on a program for rescue equipment for the Fire Department. He also served as a D. J. for Benefits.

Survivors include: his wife, Hallie of the Elk City home; his mother, Louise Brasuell of Elk City; his children, Christine Ashley, Elizabeth Keahey, and Melissa Keahey all of Elk City; one brother, Thomas O'Neal of Broken Arrow; his maternal grand-

mother, Ella Plemons of Elk City and one uncle, L. W. Plemons of Elk City; an aunt, Betty Rosenbaum of Bethany; two granddaughters, Courtney Ashley of Elk City and Kimberly Keahey of Elk City.

He was preceded in death by his step-father, Hubert Brasuell in 1989, and his maternal grandfather Ben Plemons in 1968.

The family request memorials be

made to the Lonnie Keahey Memorial Fund set up at the First Community Bank.

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Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.

## COURT RECORDS

(from page 4)  
Bird, et ux, 10-11-96, SE 1/4 Sec. 50, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**DECEMBER 13, 1996**  
ASSIGN—Kerr McGee Corporation to Philcon Development, Co., 7-1-96, See Instrument.  
AFF—John M. Deaver, II to Harry E. Franks, 11-21-96, 20 acs. SE 1/4 SW

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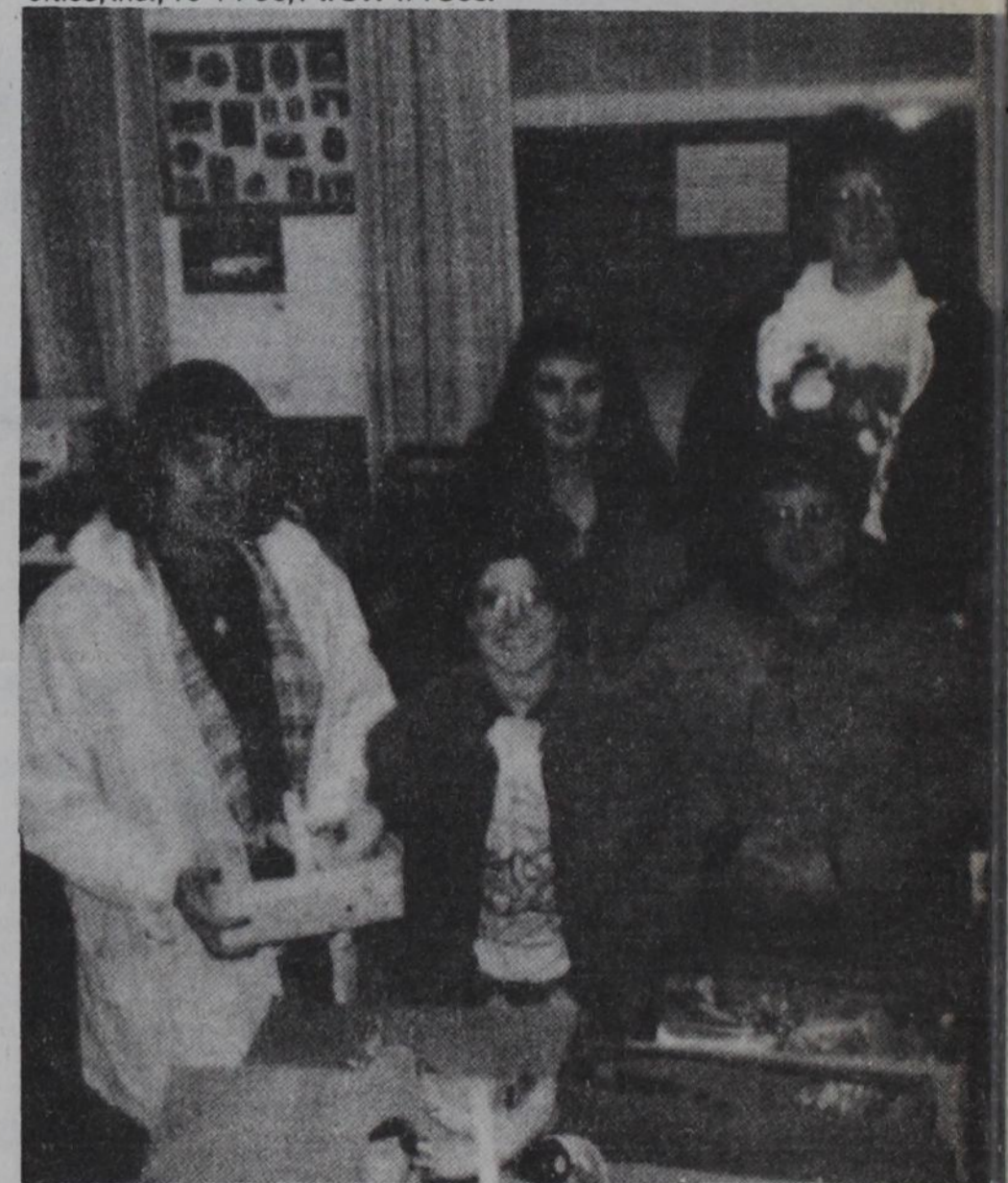
1/4 Sec. 73, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
ADMINISTRATOR DEED—Harry E. Franks to Edward Donald Sanders, et al, 12-12-96, 20 acs. SE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 73, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OL—H. H. Hall, et ux to Tripco, Inc., 11-19-96, E 1/2 N 1/2 E 1/2 NE 1/4 & S 1/2 E 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 46, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OL—Juanita M. Jackson to Tripco, Inc., 11-19-96, E 1/2 N 1/2 E 1/2 NE 1/4 & S 1/2 E 1/2 NE 1/4 & W 1/2 N 1/2 E 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 46, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
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MD—Joe & Doris Brock Family Trust to MBI Resources, Ltd., 8-13-94, See Instrument.  
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AOL—Striper Oil, Inc. to J. David Johnson, 12-9-96, Sec. 12, Blk. 1, B&B Survey.  
OL—Cledith Burrell to William D. Sinclair, Inc., 11-27-96, SE 1/4 Sec. 25, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
4, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
OL—Mergie Burnelda Martin Brewer to Todco Properties, Inc., 9-20-96, NE 1/4 Sec. 4, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
RDT—State Street Bank and Trust Company to Jerry A. Glazner, et ux, 11-26-96, 2.44 acs. Blk. G-5, Prairie Lawn Add., Wheeler.  
TDT—Headlands Mortgage Company to Modern American Life Insurance Company, 11-18-96, W 1/2 Sec. 59, Blk. A-4 and E 1/2 Sec. 33, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
ASSIGN—Firebird Energy Corporation Limited Partnership A to ICA Energy, Inc., 10-1-96, See Instrument.  
OL—Evelyn C. Bittner to Todco Properties, Inc., 10-14-96, Pt. SW 1/4 Sec. 23, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
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OL—Virginia Ann Greenhill Hopkin to Todco Properties, Inc., 9-20-96, NE 1/4 Sec. 4, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
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AMEND OPTION AGREE—Earl Jolley to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-15-96, W 1/2, NE 1/4 Sec. 21, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
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OPTION AGREEMENT—Mary I. Wofford, et al to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 10-8-96, S 1/2 Sec. 30 and All Sec. 33, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. (continued page 11)

### ALLISON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1996

DATA CONTROL CODES	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES		TOTAL (MEMORANDUM ONLY)		
	100-199 GENERAL FUND	200-499 SPECIAL REVENUE	98 AUGUST 31, 1996	97 AUGUST 31, 1995	
<b>REVENUES:</b>					
5700	Local, Intermediate, Out-of-State	\$ 985,486	\$ 6,809	\$ 992,295	\$ 1,095,014
5800	State Program Revenues	52,152	3,702	55,854	36,669
5900	Federal Program Revenues	-	50,584	50,584	38,913
	Sub-Total Revenues Excluding Function 14	\$ 1,037,638	\$ 61,095	\$ 1,098,733	\$ 1,170,596
0014	Revenues Collected for Function 14	1,138,244	-	1,138,244	1,308,509
5030	<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$2,175,882</b>	<b>\$ 61,095</b>	<b>\$2,236,977</b>	<b>\$2,479,105</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>					
0011	Instruction	\$ 489,491	\$ 39,938	\$ 529,429	\$ 522,550
0021	Instructional Administration	-	3,161	3,161	3,234
0022	Instructional Resources and Media Services	3,336	-	3,336	11,989
0023	School Administration	60,937	-	60,937	52,732
0025	Curriculum and Instruct. Staff Development	5,885	-	5,885	928
0031	Guidance and Counseling Services	263	-	263	8,632
0033	Health Services	345	-	345	2,034
0034	Student Transportation	15,484	-	15,484	43,357
0036	Co-curricular Activities	33,546	-	33,546	30,664
0037	Food Services	-	49,987	49,987	50,715
0041	General Administration	103,169	-	103,169	126,613
0051	Plant Maintenance and Operations	178,679	-	178,679	207,716
	Sub-Total Expenditures Excluding Function 14	\$ 891,135	\$ 93,086	\$ 984,221	\$ 1,061,164
0014	Instructional Services Between Public Schools	1,138,244	-	1,138,244	1,308,509
6050	<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$2,029,379</b>	<b>\$ 93,086</b>	<b>\$2,122,465</b>	<b>\$2,369,673</b>
1100	Excess (Deficiency) Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ 146,503	\$ (31,991)	\$ 114,512	\$ 109,432
7990	Other Resources	-	30,169	30,169	31,969
8990	Other (uses)	(55,264)	-	(55,264)	\$ (31,962)
1200	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Resources Over Expenditures and Other Uses	\$ 91,239	\$ (1,822)	\$ 89,417	\$ 109,432
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	1,103,079	2,501	1,105,580	996,148
3000	<b>Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)</b>	<b>\$1,194,318</b>	<b>\$ 679</b>	<b>\$1,194,997</b>	<b>\$1,105,580</b>

### KELTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES & CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND SIMILAR TRUST FUNDS YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1996

DATA CONTROL CODE	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES			TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY)		
	100-190 GENERAL FUND	200-499 SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	810-879 COOP EXPENDABLE	98 AUGUST 31, 1996	97 AUGUST 31, 1995	
<b>REVENUES:</b>						
5700	Local, Intermediate, and Out-of-State	647,297	1,530	35,585	684,412	1,037,342
5800	State Program Revenues	36,604	313	0	36,917	35,954
5900	Federal Program Revenues	0	13,632	0	13,632	14,806
	Sub-Total Rev Excluding Function 14	683,901	15,474	35,585	734,960	1,088,102
0014	Revenues Collected for Function 14	327,632	-	-	327,632	143,554
5030	<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>1,011,532</b>	<b>15,474</b>	<b>35,585</b>	<b>1,062,592</b>	<b>1,231,656</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>						
0011	Instruction	156,202	0	0	156,202	331,905
0022	Instructional Resources and Media Services	17,674	0	35,585	53,259	35,189
0023	School Administration	42,237	0	0	42,237	47,098
0025	Curriculum and Personnel Development	3,798	0	0	3,798	4,087
0031	Guidance and Counseling Services	9,005	0	0	9,005	8,367
0033	Health Services	2,034	0	0	2,034	4,370
0034	Pupil Transportation - Regular	17,754	0	0	17,754	66,952
0036	Co-curricular Activities	4,023	0	0	4,023	22,602
0037	Food Services	1,791	51,669	0	53,460	65,910
0041	General Administration	109,047	0	0	109,047	116,733
0051	Plant Maintenance and Operations	71,144	0	0	71,144	80,161
0052	Facilities Acquisition and Construction	2,064	0	0	2,064	2,241
	Sub-Total Exp Excluding Function 14	436,770	51,669	35,585	524,025	785,615
0014	Inst Services Between Public Schools	327,632	-	-	327,632	100,531
6050	<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>764,402</b>	<b>51,669</b>	<b>35,585</b>	<b>851,656</b>	<b>886,146</b>
<b>OTHER RESOURCES AND USES:</b>						
7990	Other Resources	3,213	36,189	0	39,403	72,111
8990	Other Uses	37,252	0	0	37,252	50,590
7000	<b>Total Other Resources and (Uses)</b>	<b>(34,039)</b>	<b>36,189</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,151</b>	<b>21,521</b>
1200	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Resources Over Expenditures and Other Uses	213,092	(6)	0	213,086	324,008
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (beginning)	927,245	1,975	0	929,219	611,254
1300	Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	(11,925)	(2,163)	0	(14,088)	(6,043)
3000	<b>Fund Balance - August 31 (ending)</b>	<b>1,128,411</b>	<b>(194)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,128,217</b>	<b>929,219</b>



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Love,  
Sarah Beth

**Dear Santa,**  
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Love,  
Tiffany

**Dear Santa,**  
What I want for Christmas is a set of paints and a train set.  
Love  
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**Dear Santa,**  
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A list of Instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's office on October 30, 1996, and December 13 through December 6, 1996.

**OCTOBER 30, 1996**  
TOW—W. D. Mitchell, et ux to County of Wheeler, 10-29-96, Pt. Sec. 57, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

DT—J & D Energy Company, LLC to Guaranty Bank & Trust Company, 0-16-96, W 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 21, Blk. -7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

XT DT—Twister Gas Services, LLC to Bank of Oklahoma, NA, 8-31-96, ec. 46, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

CMD—Vivian L. Dobson to Howard Christian, 10-10-96, NW 1/4 Sec. 7, Blk. 24, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

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EXECUTOREXTOL—Paul K. Steid to Hanna Oil Properties, Inc., 7-31-96, Sec. 19, Camp County School and.

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## Karen's Kids Santa Letters

Dear Santa,  
I love you Santa. I want a Choose Baby and a gymnastic barbie, Ballarina barbie, light up pencil and Baby Kellys and the game where the chicken lays the egg and when you get 4 eggs you win. Please bring some cups for mommy and my Daddy needs a new pool stick. I will leave cookies and milk out for you.  
Love, Taylor (age 4)

Dear Santa,  
I love you Santa and I will leave some cookies out for you. Please bring me a rainbow color form, gymnast Barbie and Barbie clothes. My name is Jesse and bring my brother Jim a race car, tractor and bring Daddy a drum and Mommy needs a M&M jar. We live way out in the country. I hope you can find our house.  
Love, Jim (age 3) and Jesse (age 5)

Dear Santa,  
My name is Dylan and I'm 1 year old. I have been a good boy, that's what mommy says. Please bring me some toys and Mommy some clothes and Daddy a new pair of gloves. I love your beard its so soft.  
Love, Dylan (age 1)

Dear Santa,  
I like Rudolph alot. Would you bring me a bird nest, book, truck with a trailer and some horses, colors. Please bring grandma some Christmas stuff and grandpa some work boots and Daddy needs some jeans. I will leave you some milk and cookies and give Rudolph a cookie, too.  
Love, Brock (age 4)

Dear Santa,  
I want you to come this year. Will you bring me alot of presents. I want Hot wheels criss cross crash. Thats all I wanted to say.  
Love, Zane (age 4)

Dear Santa,  
Santa this is for you. I've been a good boy. Please bring me a criss cross crash and for my little brother a musical toy and a pull toy. Colt's only 10 months but he likes to play. I have a sister and she's in school but she need a new doll. Bring mom some new clothes and dad some new boots. We'll leave cookies and milk by the tree.  
Love, Carson (age 3)

Hi Santa,  
I want a good time Barbie. My Mother wants a Barbie and Daddy wants a power ranger. I love you Santa.  
Love, Mariah (age 3)

## Wheeler First Grade Santa Letters

Mrs. Batton's First Grade Santa Letters

Dear Santa,  
How are you and Mrs. Claus? Thank you for baby Nancy. I really like it. I would really like you too bring all of my family together for Christmas. I would like some new roller blades. I will have something for you to eat.  
Love, Aspen

Dear Santa,  
I want a Nintendo. I want a race track and cars.  
From Cesar

Dear Santa,  
I want a Nintendo for Christmas. Thank you for the gun you gave me last year.  
From Ricardo

Dear Santa,  
I am going to be at my grandma's house in Mexico. Would you bring me a doodle bear?  
I love you Santa Claus.  
From Janet

Dear Santa,  
I want a dog for a pet. I love elves. Bring some elves to my home. I want to see you Santa Claus. I want a kitty. My cat died.  
Love, Miguel

Dear Santa,  
I like you and Mrs. Santa Claus. I like a big breakable doll. I like the toys you give children.  
Love, Crystal

Dear Santa,  
all You do to git to my home is follow the ambulance signs. I want a tent and some moon shoes.  
Love, Hank

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the things you brought me last year. I want a littel computer.  
Love, Jennifer

Dear Santa,  
A three feet tall Barbie is what I want for Christmas. Merry christmas dear Santa.  
Love, Ashley

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I want a Nintendo 64 and a dog too. Please bring my Ma a t.v. with a remote. Do you remember what I asked for?  
Love, Caleb

Dear Santa,  
I want a soccerball and a car. I will put some cookies and milk on the table. Thank you for the nerf football.  
Love, Dyron

Dear Santa,  
I want a trampoline and a bike. I am going to give you some milk and chips. Thank you for my Barbie house and my jeep.  
Love, Jordan

Make your shopping list according to the way the store is set up. It will save time and steps once you arrive.

To form a nest, the tailor bird sews leaves together with strips of silk or wool thread or vegetable fiber, using its beak as a needle.

Dear Santa,  
I've been a good girl. Please bring me the pickle game, Don't break the ice, Monkey game, and a Barbie car, some Barbie clothes. And please bring my big brother some new shoes, socks, jeans and bring Daddy some spider spray and some Santa stuff for Mommy. Your reindeers are nice Rudolph is my favorite.  
Love, Chelsea (age 5)

Dear Santa,  
I'm a good girl I want a toy Santa. I want a toy horse, bunny rabbit book, a Santa Clause pencil, and a paint desk. I have 2 brothers Chris and Tyler please bring them something too. Daddy needs stuff not toys and Mommy she needs stuff too. I will leave a light on.  
Love, Caitlyn (age 4)



May you share in the joy that is Christmas. Many thanks to all.

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## Wheeler Third Grade Santa Letters

Mrs. Hall's Third Grade Santa Letters

(Continued Page 3)

Dear Santa,  
I am wondering if Comet is being nice to Rudolph in the North Pole? Anyways, can you get me a photo of them and another photo with all of them? I also want a remote control car and a motorcycle. If you come to my grandmother's house, bring lots of presents. Have a nice Christmas.  
Your friend, Colton Lovow Brown

Dear Santa,  
I can't wait for you to come. I will leave you some milk and cookies on the table. I would like a tractor and a book for Christmas. I hope you enjoyed making all those toys.  
Merry Christmas, Timmy Andris

Dear Santa,  
Do you have any elves? I just wonder what I will get in my stocking? I hope I get what I wanted. Did you put up your Christmas tree yet? I want a TICO Video Cam, Independence Day action figures, G.I. JOE's 13 Dead End Drive, the board game, Jumanji, The Bank set of LEGO's Wild West.  
Love, Loran Rose

Dear Santa,  
I would like a keyboard and to make all A's and rollerblades. I hope you have a Merry Christmas. Will you bring me a photo of Rudolph. I can not wait until Christmas. I wish I could see my grandpa at Christmas. Please let me see my grandpa. How is Miss Santa Claus? I wish for all of those things.  
Your friend, Kayla Gallardo

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? How are your reindeer, including Rudolph? Do one of your elves come with you? My mom says that this year I can only get two things and here they are I want a 18 speed bike that is 24 inches tall and Squand. How big is your elves' ears? Merry Christmas. Is Rudolph's nose red?  
Your friend, Katie Richardson

Dear Santa,  
I want you to bring me lots of toys, and I want a Jacket that says Cowboys. I want a remote control car and a bunch of clothes. I want to see your reindeer and Rudolph. I can't wait until Christmas. I wish you'd bring your sack full of a bunch of toys. I want you to bring a skate board, a football, and a basketball.  
Your friend, Benito Lopez

Dear Santa,  
I hope you know where I live because I want a go-cart, Tico R.C. Rebounder, a picture of Rudolph, a new pair of rollerblades, and a big house. I have been pretty good this year and I want all of Goosebumps books too and a baseball glove.  
Your friend, Zane Hubble

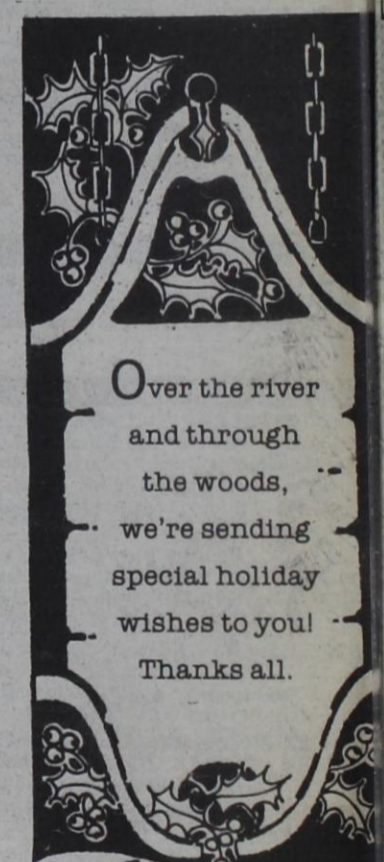
Dear Santa,  
I would really like to meet your elves and your wife. Is Rudolph going to guide your sleigh at Christmas? What am I going to get for Christmas? I would like to get a new bicycle, roller blades, a Dear Diary, a keyboard, and a bead box. I can't wait till Christmas!  
Your friend, Sue Hernandez

Dear Santa,  
I would like a secret writing Doodle bear. And I would want to get all A's. The rollerblades I have are ugly, so can you bring me some new ones? I want lots and lots of art stuff. Could you bring me the game called Dream Phone?  
P.S. How is it in the North Pole? Would you please bring me a picture of Rudolph?  
Your friend, Whitney Holland

Dear Santa,  
This year's Christmas list is: I want a stereo, a bike, a go-cart, a picture of you, a key board, a nice shirt to wear to school, and church, a picture of all of your elves, you, and Mrs. Claus amen.  
Your friend, Dustin Lee  
North Pole to Santa Claus



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# Wheeler Second Grade Santa Letters

Mrs. McCain 2nd Grade Santa Letters

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a doll, and a Barbie doll, and a TV and a hamster and a cage for it. I want a doodle Bear. Thank you for all the things and your Randers.

Love  
Rene Beutler  
Merry Christmas

Dear Santa Claus,  
I really don't care what you bring me. You can decide what to bring me.  
P.S. Hope you have a safe journey.

Love  
Pake Eckhardt

Dear Santa Claus,  
Bring what you think I would like

to play with.  
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!  
Lauren M. Meadows

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a doodle bear and a Barbie house and a smiley face purse. I hope you have a safe trip. I Love You.

Tracy Elizabeth Jones

Dear Santa Claus,  
Would you bring me a Ouija board, a slinky dog from toy story, a street hockey set and a wrist watch.

Love, Samuel  
P.S. Hope you have a safe trip.  
Samuel Hillhouse

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a CD. I want rollerblades for Christmas. I want a game boy. I want a gun set. I want a grip game. I want you to have a merry Christmas Santa Claus.

Jonathan Hampton

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a sega tape and a cd player please. Have a nice trip.

Randy Trevino

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like some Sega tapes and a CD player and CD tapes and an Emmitt Smith Jersey. I want a kicking tee. Hope you have a safe trip.

Tyler Bradstreet



Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a football helmet and shoulder pads and knee pads.  
P.S. I wish you a Merry Christmas.

Alan Parra

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a CD player for Christmas and a Texas Tech jersey, and that will be Zack Thomas's jersey, and I want a Jesus Freak tape.

Ryan Henson



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# Wheeler Second Grade Santa Letters

Mrs. Thomas 2nd Grade Santa Letters

Dear Santa,  
I would like a bike. I would also like a Born doll, and a new Barbie.

Love,  
Dallia Mendoza

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a new bike, a real computer, and a drum. Oh, and Dear Santa Claus, please bring my Mimi a real necklace and bring her a pair of earrings. Please bring my Papa two books.

Love,  
Brentney Suzanne Taylor

Dear Santa,  
I would like a new bike, a new computer, and a new motorcycle.

Love,  
Ricky Damian Salas

Dear Santa,  
I hope that you have had a restful summer. Tell Mrs Claus hello for me. I would like a computer for Christmas. Be careful!

Your friend,  
Jesus Gonzales

Dear Santa,  
I would like a remote control loader, an air plane that flies, and building blocks.

Love,  
Cole Hathaway

Dear Santa,  
I wish for a computer and a Troy Aikman football jersey. Santa how are you doing? I'm doing fine. I would also like to meet Troy Aikman.

Love,  
Daniel Diera

Dear Santa,  
I would like a nintendo 64, a computer and a real puppy dog. Please bring a teddy bear for my brother, a new skirt for my mother, and a new pair of boots for my father.

P.S. How are you?  
Love,  
Hector Badillo

Dear Santa,  
I would like some Nike clothes, a Sega, and a Nike backpack.

Love,  
Lacee Henson

## Third Grade (from Page 12)

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? Are your elves doing ok? Has your reindeer been good! How is Mrs. Claus? I want to see your reindeer, including Rudolph. Does any of your elves go with you? I would like you to bring me three things: a pet fish, a bike, and a Bat man Forever Bat Cave. P.S. I want a photo of the elves.

Your friend, Bo Compton

Dear Santa,  
I wish school would get out for Christmas and stay out for two years. I want to get all A's. I want a pair of rollerblades, I want a horse. I want a piano. I want a set of rings. And I would like sky dancer.

Love, yours truly, Johnetta Beutler

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you and your family? I wish I could have a bike that has a drink holder. I would like some clothes, and I would like to see Rudolph.

Your friend, Rebecca Mae Monroe

Dear Santa,  
I want John Madden 97 game, a box of Legos, some model jets and cars, and a Nintendo Scope. Well, that is all.

Your friend, Cody Creamer

## REJOICE!

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Steve, Gwen, Kara, Jordan & Drew Emmert

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