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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

Accolade Home Care To Visit Mobeetie Bank

Accolade Home Care will be at Mobeetie First State Bank on Friday, September 28, 2007, from 9:00-12:00 p.m.

They will be checking Blood Pressure, Pulse, Oxygen Saturation, Blood Sugar and Cholesterol levels.

All are welcome to come. If any questions, please feel free to call Marisa E. Martinez, LVN at 806-256-1100

CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

Okay, Mustangs, so you lost the homecoming game. The coach says you are improving and the district games are the ones that really matter. **Go Mustangs!**

—cwe—
Contratulations to Wheeler's 2007 Homecoming King and Queen, **Antonio Porras** and **Veronica Salazar**.

—cwe—
Congratulations, Colbey Hanson! Colbey is a Ft. Elliott Football player and was named Amarillo Globe-News Athlete of the Week, last week.

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Wheeler's Cross Country team did well at their meet over the weekend. **Congratulations!**

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The Mustangs have a week off this Friday. But I am sure the work-outs do not get any easier.

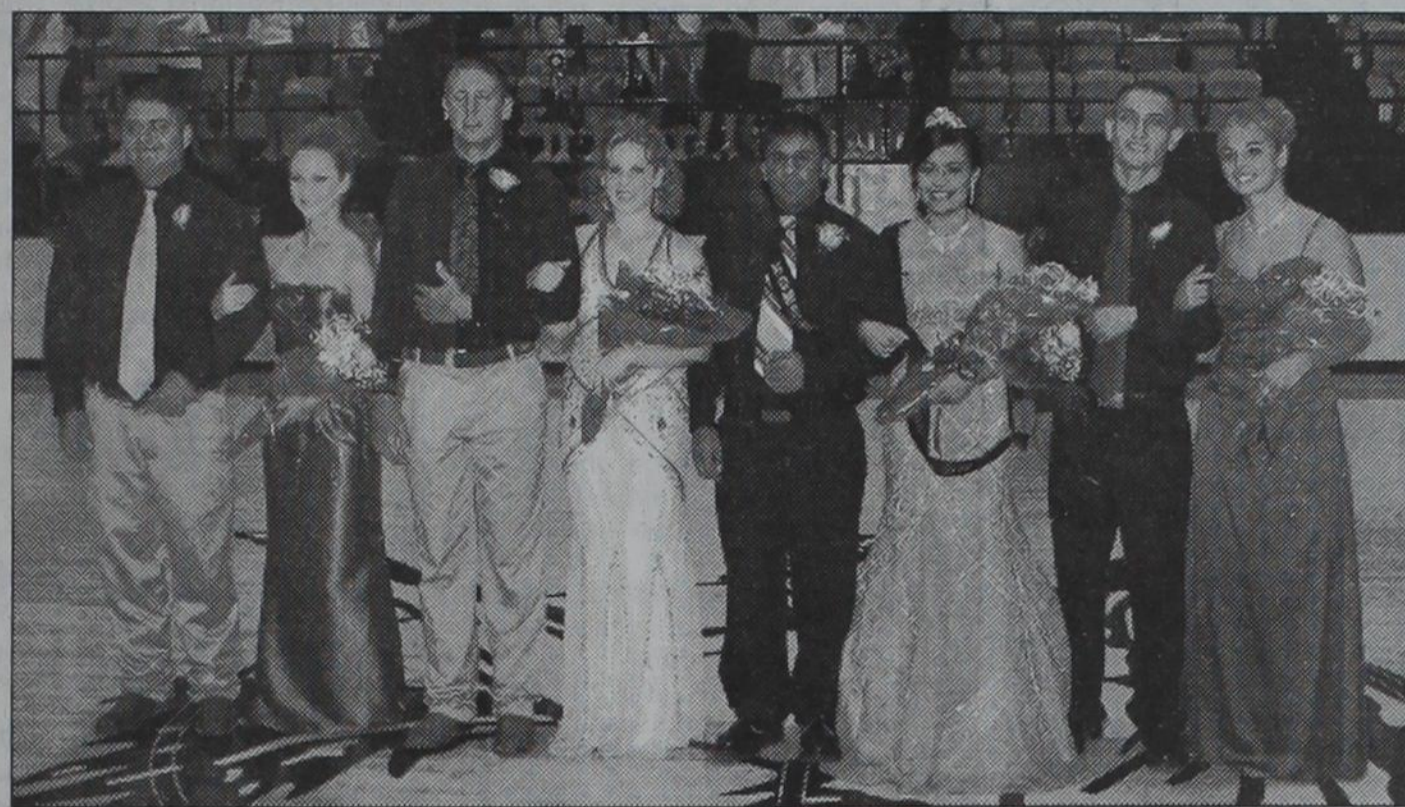
—cwe—
We were in Oklahoma over the weekend. The Class of '57 had got together to see what we looked like after 50 years.

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Out of the 27 still around, only about half of us were at the reunion. But those of us present had a good time.

—cwe—
We got together Friday evening, Saturday morning and again Saturday evening.

—cwe—
We spent the night with one of our other kids, William Thomas. Thanks, William for putting up with us.

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Wheeler Mustangs Lose Homecoming Game Against Greyhounds 22-21

Wheeler Mustangs lost their homecoming game to Gruver with a 22-21 score. A blocked extra point with two minutes to play spoiled the game for the Mustangs.

Terry Menefield scored for Wheeler (0-2) to cap a 14-point rally after Gruver built a 22-7 lead. Menefield was 7-for-7 passing for 191 yards. He had TD passes of 34 and 80 yards to Tyler Richardson.

Wheeler 0 7 0 14—21
Gruver 0 6 16 0—22

W—Tyler Richardson (34 pass from Terry Menefield (Michael Gaines kick))

W—Richardson 80 pass from Menefield (Gaines run)

W—Menefield 1 run (kick failed)

	Gruver	Wheeler
First Downs	11	12
Rushing Yards	42	104
Passing Yards	140	191
Total yards	182	295
Punts-Avg-Int	11-23-2	7-17-0
Fumbles-Lost	6-29	6-4
Penalties-Yds	2-2	6-4
	5-35	11-65

"We played a tough game and never quit. Turnovers hurt us, but we are getting better," stated Coach Smith.

Cross Country Team Does Well At Perryton

These Athletes participated Sat. Sept. 8 in a cross-country meet at Perryton.

Varsity Girls: Ran 2 Miles

Haley Sparks 13:05 2nd place
Taylor Sparks 13:29 5th Place
Stacie Hanson 14:53
Giovanna Luna 16:54
Diana Corral 18:00
Gladys Zapata 15:41
Kaylee Marion 15:54

Girls Team Placed 7th

Jv. Boys: Ran Three Miles
Pedro Hernandez 19:57 9th
Dyron Brown 21:21 24th
Jacoba Mendoza 22:19
Troy Miller 22:45

They will compete again this Saturday at Darrouzette Sept. 15th

RESOLUTION NO. 7

A Resolution by the City Council of the City of Mobeetie, Texas recognizing September 2007 as being National Preparedness Month and Encouraging our local residents to take notice of the purpose of this National Awareness Campaign.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security is encouraging communities, businesses and individuals across the country to join in recognizing September 2007 as National Preparedness Month; and

WHEREAS, the goal of this nation-wide effort is to encourage residents to prepare for disasters in advance of those events so as to minimize the potential threat to their safety and wellbeing; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mobeetie similarly supports the concepts of "being prepared" and "being aware" in an effort to reduce personal injury, prevent the loss of life and to help in speeding recovery in the wake of a disaster; and

WHEREAS, in general, preparedness and awareness are two measures critical to the survival of individuals and communities in any type of disaster situation.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Mobeetie, Texas that:

1. The City Council officially recognizes its support of September 2007 as being National Preparedness Month.

2. The City Council encourages its residents to learn more about how they and their families can become better prepared to cope with disaster situations by 1) building an emergency supply kit, 2) making a family emergency plan, 3) being informed about different threats, and 4) getting involved in preparing their communities.

3. The City Council encourages local residents to consider volunteering their time and efforts in support of local and area preparedness efforts.

CONSIDERED AND APPROVED THIS 10th DAY OF September, 2007.

Signed: Gordon Estes
ATTEST:
Stephanie Coulter
Secretary

2007 ROYALTY: Following the coronation of the 2007 Wheeler Homecoming King and Queen, they lined up with their court, Caleb Gaines, Olivia Locke, Brandon Gallagher, Aspen Hathaway Antonio Porras, Veronica Salazar and Miguel Ramirez and Bree McCasland.

Audrey Mae Pearce, 90 Graveside Rites Sept. 8

Audrey Mae Pearce, 90, died September 5, 2007, in Shamrock, Texas.

Graveside services were held at 2:00 P.M. Saturday, September 8, 2007, in the Wheeler Cemetery, Wheeler, Texas, with Steve Gaines officiating.

Burial was in the Wheeler Cemetery, Wheeler, Texas, under the direction of Wright Funeral Home, Wheeler, Texas.

Mrs. Pearce was born May 10, 1917, to William Terrel and Hazel Webster Haines in Follett, Texas. She graduated from Perryton High School. In 1944, Mrs. Pearce moved to Wheeler, Texas, where she worked as a Deputy County Clerk for 35 years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Maurine Petree.

Survivors are daughter, Sandra Jean Gaines, Wheeler, Texas; son, William G. Pearce, Wheeler, Texas; five grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren and one sister, Lillian May, Lubbock, Texas.

Family and friends may sign online guest book at www.wrightfuneraldirectors.com.

Wheeler Co. Commissioners Meet

Wheeler County Commissioners' Court met in regular session on Monday, September 10, 2007 in the Commissioners' Courtroom of the Wheeler County Courthouse.

Sixteen items were on the agenda.

The court approved the minutes of the last meeting as presented.

The monthly reports of the Justices of the Peace, County Clerk and District Clerk were approved.

The hourly payroll time sheets were approved for payment.

The court voted to pay the monthly bills.

With all the rain we have been receiving, no action was taken on the Burn Ban.

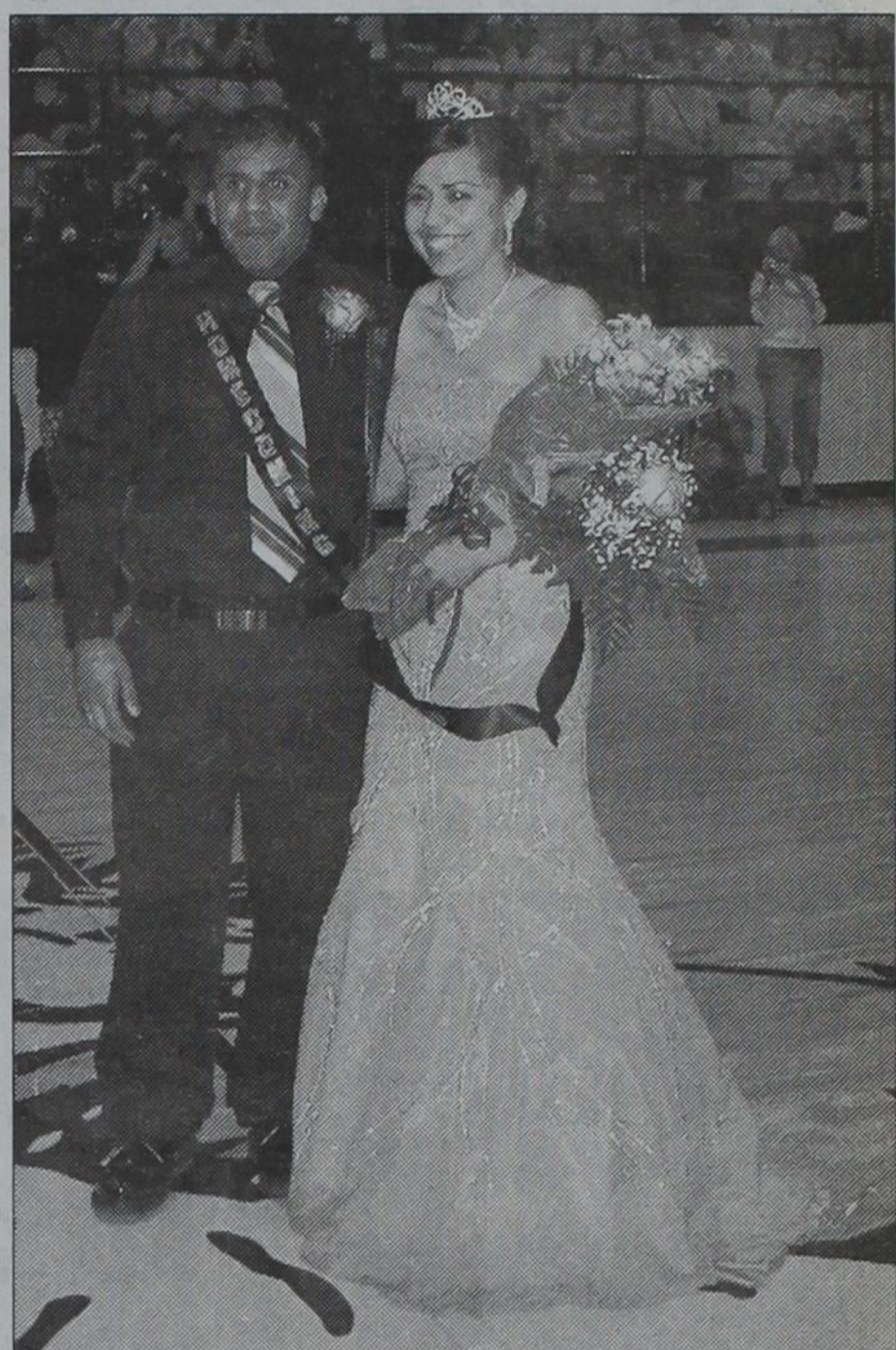
Protege Energy had requested a place on the agenda to discuss a pipeline easement. They did not appear for the meeting.

Lynn Switzer, District Attorney, met with the commissioners. She requested consideration of a salary supplement in the amount of \$3,000 for Evelyn Rutherford to be paid out of seizure account. The request was approved.

Ken Daughtry, Emergency Management Coordinator, met with the council to discuss National Incident Management System (NIMS) Compliance. Every county official and full time employee is required to take a certain number of hours training in order for the county to receive any federal funding. The county voted to allow six hours 'comp time' for employees to obtain their certificates of completion. This will also be required of Parkview Hospital, City of Wheeler, City of Mobeetie and county schools.

It was noted that Wheeler County received in the neighborhood of \$250,000 last year after the range fire. Full compliance by all county entities will be necessary before any moneys will be awarded. One year will be allowed to comply.

Daryl Snelgrooves, Commissioner, Pct. 1, requested a change in county Policy Manual. The court agreed to allow employees to take only the number of hours needed for medical leave instead of it be-



HOMECOMING KING AND QUEEN: Friday, September 7, 2007, was Homecoming for the Wheeler Mustangs. With the threat of rain, the pep rally and coronation were moved to the new gym. Antonio Porras and Veronica Salazar were crowned Wheeler Homecoming King and Queen for 2007.

Dick DeArment Services Are Sat.

Richard D. DeArment, 88, died September 5, 2007, in Amarillo, Texas.

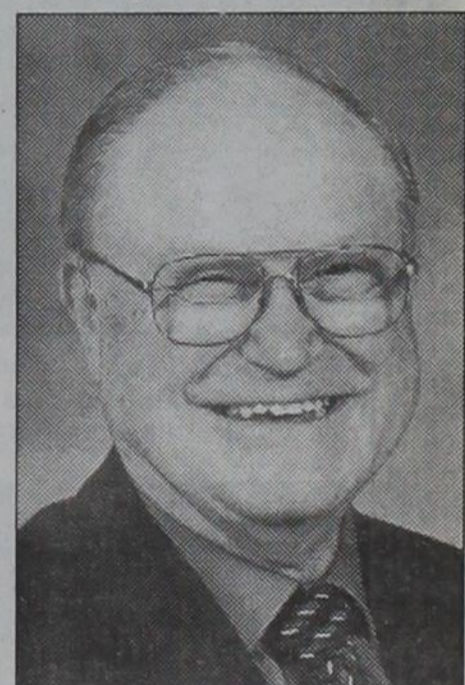
Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, September 8, 2007 in the First United Methodist Church in Wheeler, Texas with Rev. Ernie McGaughey, Tulia, Texas, and Rev. Tom Woodward Pastor, First United Methodist Church, Wheeler, Texas officiating. Burial was in the Wheeler Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Home, Wheeler, Texas.

Mr. DeArment was born May 16, 1919, to Roy and Merrill Griswold DeArment. He served in World War II in the Army Air Corps as a B-24 Bomber Pilot. Richard graduated from Texas A & M and received a Master's Degree from OSU. He moved to Wheeler,

Texas, in 1952. He retired from Texas Parks and Wildlife in 1986. Mr. DeArment was active for many years in the showing of the Lesser Prairie Chicken, served as a member of the Wheeler Volunteer Fire Department and was a member of the Audobon Society.

Survivors are his wife, Jerene DeArment, Amarillo, Texas; son, Rick DeArment, Lovington, New Mexico; daughter, Dixie Chick, Amarillo, Texas; two step-sons, Kevin Dawson, Amarillo, Texas, and Keith Dawson, Colorado Springs, Colorado; ten grandchildren; four great-grandchildren and a brother, Harold DeArment, St. Petersburg, Florida.

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Rev. Donald K. Larkin

Rev. Donald Larkin, 79 Services Are In Pampa

Donald K. Larkin, 79, died September 7, 2007, in Amarillo, Texas.

Services were held at 10:00 AM Monday, September 10, 2007, at Central Baptist Church, with Rev. Norman Rushing, pastor, Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor and Bro. Bill Austin, retired Baptist minister, officiating.

Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery with Masonic Rites, courtesy of Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF & AM. Arrangements were under the direction of Carmichael-Whalley Funeral Directors, Pampa, Texas.

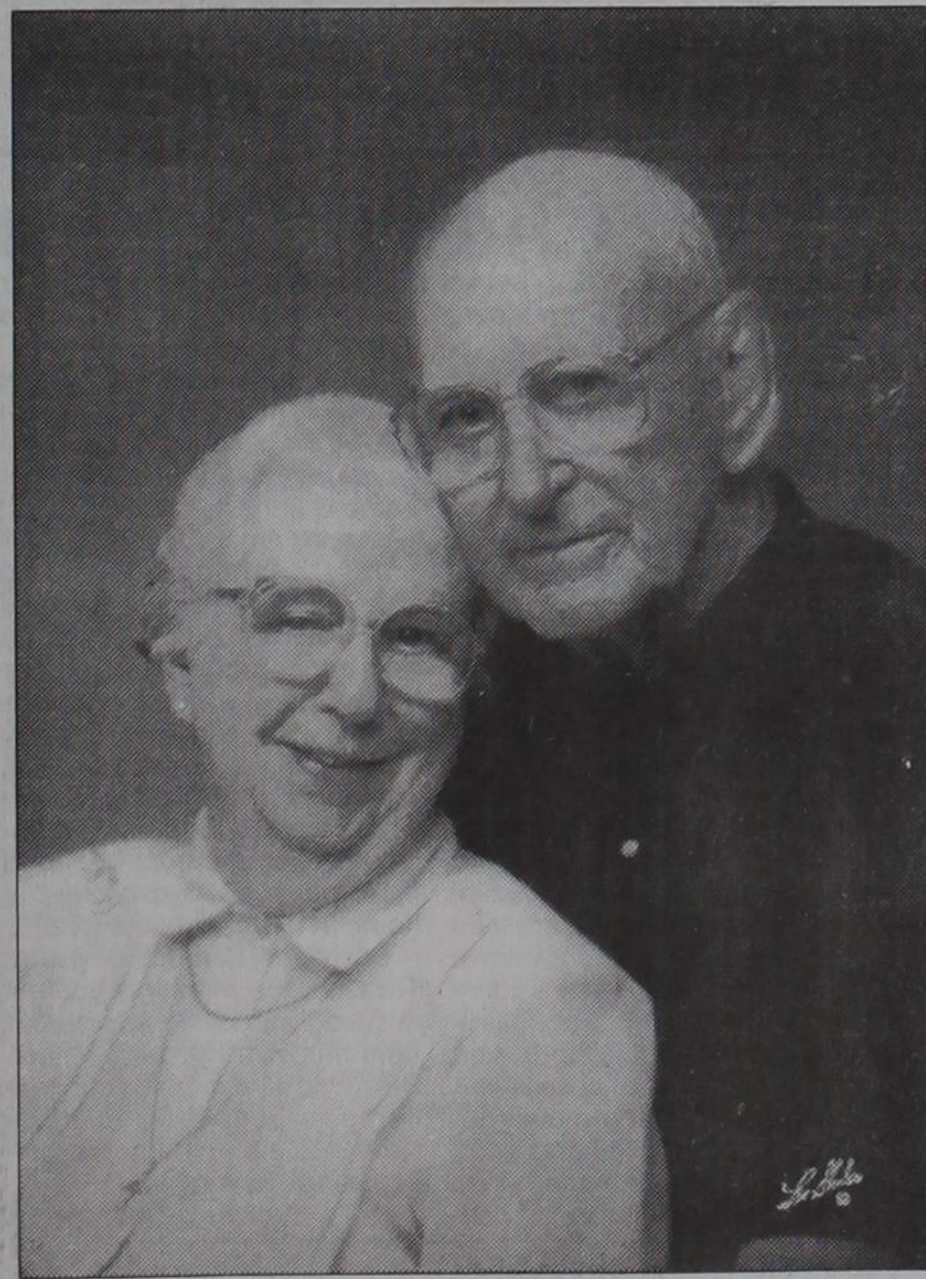
Bro. Larkin was born December 26, 1927, in Rising Star, Texas. He married Floy Bradstreet on June 1, 1948, and they were both members of Central Baptist Church. Don ministered in Kansas, Colorado and Texas for 60-plus years. He was a member of the Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF & AM and was a 32nd degree Mason.

Survivors are his wife of 59 years, Floy Larkin, of the home; one son, Gary Larkin and wife, Diana; one daughter, Melissa Karst, and husband, Kurt; mother, Nell Larkin; three brothers, Larry Larkin, Lloyd Larkin and Ronnie Larkin; five grandchildren, Steven Chad

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SEVENTIETH ANNIVERSARY: Ray and Mae Brazael were honored by their family in celebrating 70 years of marriage September 8 in the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Joe and Anne Ellison. Ray Brazael and Mae Neeley were married Sept. 5, 1937 in Sanford, Texas.

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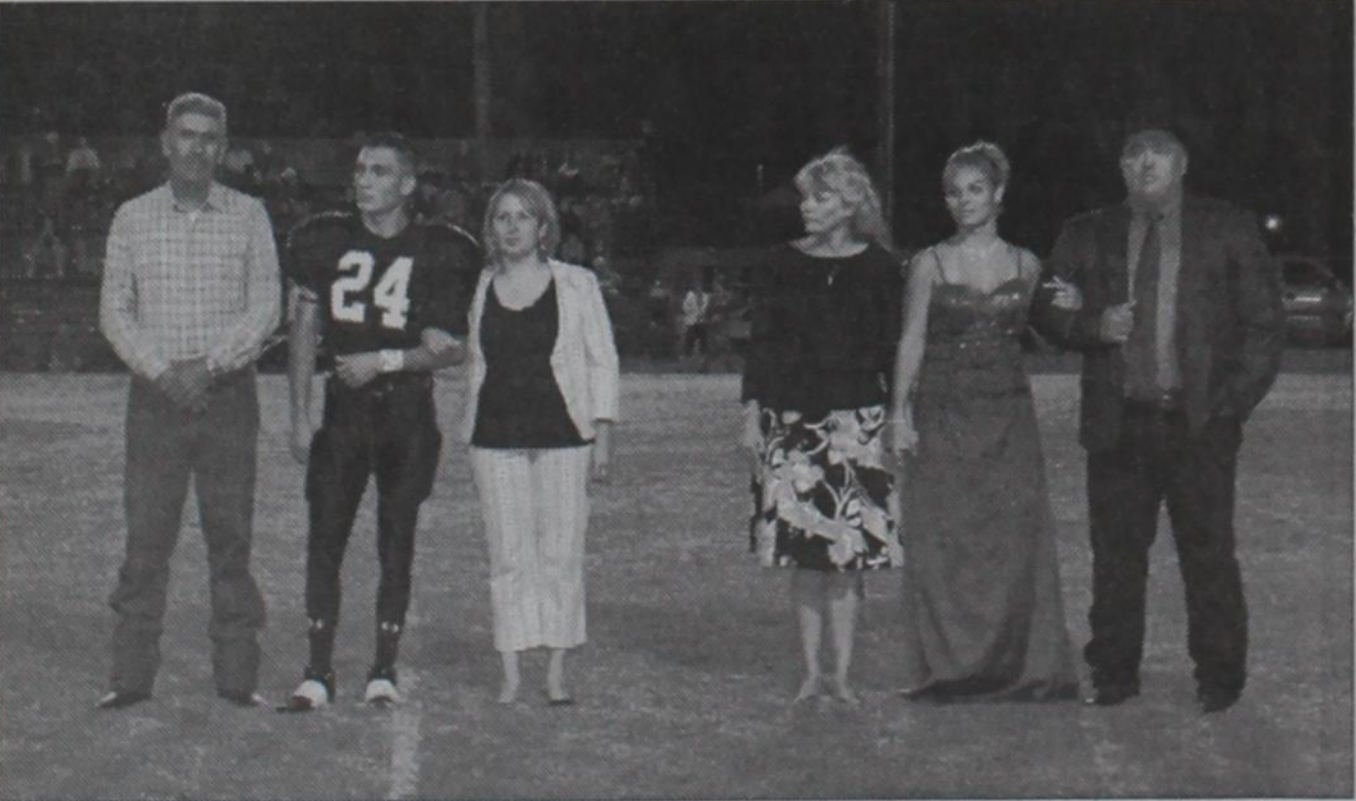
INTRODUCED: The 2007 Homecoming king and queen candidates were introduced to the Wheeler Mustang fans during halftime at the game. Shown here are Caleb Gaines and his parents, Russell Gaines and Rosa Rivera, and Olivia Locke and her parents, Teresa and Scott Locke.



INTRODUCED: The 2007 Homecoming King and Queen candidates were introduced to the Wheeler Mustang fans during halftime at the game. Shown here are Brandon Gallagher and his parents, Mike and Rhonda Gallagher, and Aspen Lace Hathaway and her parents, Lacey and Dean Hathaway.



INTRODUCED: The 2007 Homecoming King and Queen candidates were introduced to the Wheeler Mustang fans during halftime at the game. Shown here are Antonio Porras and his parents, Jose and Victoria Porras, and Veronica Salazar with her parents, Susanna and Pedro Norris.



INTRODUCED: The 2007 Homecoming King and Queen candidates were introduced to the Wheeler Mustang fans during halftime at the game. Shown here are Miguel Ramirez and his parents, Humberto and Patricia Ramirez, and Bree McCasland and her parents, Lisa and Stacy McCasland.



PERCUSSION: The percussion section of the Wheeler Mustang Band is shown keeping up the rhythm for the 2007 Homecoming pep rally.

MOBEETIE NEWS
 By: Sue Mayfield

LAST WEEK: Sorry that I got in a hurry and didn't get all of the news in last week's column. They had a terrific roping down at Sims Arena. The attendance was great and everyone had a good time. It was a big success and looking forward to the next one! The weather was very nice the whole weekend, although the sun was very warm. The gals at the Cowboy Oasis Cafe worked their little hearts out. They stayed open late on Saturday to help accommodate the cowboys and cowgirls, but we all took advantage of it. Their busy week started on Thursday. It is so nice to have somewhere to entertain our guests. We appreciate you very much.

It was such a nice surprise to see Betty Gaines looking beautiful and being herself at Thriftway. She gives the rest of us hope and strength when you realize all that she has gone through in the last months. It's great having her back. Just seems that things work smoother over there when Betty, Willene and Ida are on the job. Always good to see their smiling faces.

Certainly hope this finds Delmar Murray feeling better and recuperating at home soon.

THIS WEEK: Do y'all have webbed feet yet? Hasn't the rain been wonderful?! We have reports of everything from 4.2 inches to 6.3 inches since last Friday. Thursday night, the wind hit and the dirt blew similar to the days of the dirty 30s. Thank goodness, it lasted only a couple of hours. Sure did a number on all the housecleaning and dusting you gals did trying to get ready for the weekend. The clouds looked bad, but it all seemed to go east of us. The thunder and lightning sure got some peoples' attention. We are so thankful for all the much needed moisture and very little property damage. The Lord has really blessed our area. Thursday was smothering hot and each day just seems to have gotten cooler and cooler and fall is in the air now. Sunday brought 60- and 70-degree weather. It has all been very enjoyable and, I hope, just a glimpse of what our fall might be.

Belated birthday wishes to Lorene Rector. She has taught us all so much; so glad she is feeling some better and enjoyed her party, family and friends so much. Leola Stuart was in Shamrock Tuesday afternoon after attending to business in Pampa and getting her physical therapy for the day. She took Bulah Stuart to the Dr. for a check-up and to do a few errands. They had a good visit. On Sunday, Leola enjoyed dinner after church with Jerry, Sheryl, Katie and Tyler Richardson and Katie's friend, Troy. Jerry did a great job grilling the meats. They had a very tasty dinner and enjoyed a good visit. Jerry didn't have to get called out. They are so helpful to Leola... she really appreciates all they do for her. They are always there when she calls. Tyler is a big help, too. He is thinking of nothing, but his football and all the goals of the team. He made two touchdowns in last week's game and is really looking forward to this Friday night. The school year has started off well for Katie at college; still plenty of studying, though.

This weather makes it a little difficult for Orville Greenhouse to get around, but she takes it all in stride. It has been very quiet out at her house the last couple of weeks. Even with all the rain, her driveway is still pretty good. She appreciates her wonderful neighbors, Toney and Frances Dickey, and also the postman that delivers her paper and mail up to the house; it is such a help to her.

Our deepest sympathy to Floy Larkin and the family and friends of the retired, Don Larkin, of Pampa, in his death in Amarillo on Friday, Sept. 7. He was a brother-in-law to Rosalie Keelin and the Bradstreet family. He will be greatly missed. He and Floy served many churches in the service of the Lord in Texas, Colorado and Kansas over the years. They retired to Pampa and enjoyed being closer to their families. Don is survived by his loving wife, Floy, with whom he enjoyed 59 years of marriage; his mother, Nell Larkin; a son, Gary, and wife, Diana, of Skellytown; a daughter, Melissa Karst and husband, Kurt; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren and four brothers and their families. Services were held on Monday at the Central Baptist Church in Pampa at 10:00 A.M. Burial was in the Memory Gardens Cemetery in Pampa with Masonic rites, courtesy of the Pampa Masonic Lodge # 966 AF and AM. Don was the father-in-law of Diana Larkin, the postmaster at Briscoe. A son, Steve Larkin, and his father preceded him in death. It's good to hear that Kenneth Walker is getting around so well since his foot surgery. Hope you're feeling much better. Now, if the good Lord can provide one more miracle on Vera's knees, they could be back dancing in no time! It's good to hear that Nelson Medley is doing much better since they changed his blood pressure medicine. They didn't get to come in for the school reunion as they both had to work on that busy weekend. He is the assistant store manager at the grocery store in Carnegie, OK. He enjoys his job

and the people that he works with. Sure beats truck driving and being away from home so much. Have a great week. Please remember our friends and neighbors in your prayers: Don and Mary Edwards, Mabel Tabor, Clinton and Maurita Stribling, Louise Hogan, Lorene Rector, Leola Stuart, Doyle and Bulah Grimes, Bill and Shirley Dyson, Tawni and Teni Loftus, Jennifer and baby Mayfield, Barrett Meadows and Mandy Meadows, Aaron and Arica Lancaster, Charlie Brown, Chris Mick and family, Peggy Frazier, Bulah Stuart, Andrea Auldridge and family, Curtis Hendrix, Lonnie Hendrix, Chuck Carl, Vance and Carol Boydston, Shannon Pool, Nelson Medley, Audrey Seitz, Jane Seitz, Byron Simpson, Augusta Brown, Alvern Hutchison,

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Wheeler Church of Christ
 This school year, 07-08, marks my 25th year since I graduated high school in 1983. This last week, Wheeler held their Homecoming, which caused me to think about that big word: Homecoming. The concept is fantastic. Being able to go back to where one spent so much of their formative years; yet, the problem is that home is often so difficult to relocate. For example, I graduated from Cedar Hill High School, a small 2-A school district out at the extremes of Dallas County, still out in the country in 1983. But, Cedar Hill today doesn't resemble what I remember. Last year, Cedar Hill won the 5-A state football championship. The city has doubled four times over. The only restaurant in town when I lived there was a Dairy Queen. A large shopping mall is soon about to open there. And even in terms of the house where I grew up, my parents moved out of that house in 1989 and since my Dad has now remarried since my Mom passed away, he now no longer even lives in Cedar Hill. Home, in this sense, no longer exists for me. But, that's okay. Maybe it is because I'm older, or more likely, maybe it is because I believe the words of God in the Bible, that home is not a place to be found on earth, anyway. I Peter 2:11 calls Christians aliens and strangers in the world. Romans 12:2 reminds us to not conform any longer to the world. Or like the words of a popular church song: "This world is not my home, I'm just a passing thru; My treasures are laid up somewhere beyond the blue; The angels beckon me from heaven's open door, and I can't feel at home in this world anymore." So, homecoming is great. Treasure the moments you get to spend with family and friends from the home you remember. But, also know that your true home is supposed to be in heaven. That is the homecoming to look forward to.
 Shawn D. Johnson

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

Services:
 Sunday Bible Study 9:30 A.M.
 Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 A.M.
 Sunday Night Worship 6:00 P.M.
 Wednesday Night Worship 7:00 P.M.

The View of a Southern Woman

... Southern California that is.

I have come to the conclusion that Texas cats are much different from California cats. This I have observed during the past few weeks since we got our tomcat, Charlie. Many years ago my sister-in-law, Linda Brown, said that my animals were different from other people's animals. They were sweet, cute, funny and understood what I told them. I have also had people tell me that they wished their children behaved as well as my dogs and cats. Well, those were California animals and now we have a Texas cat that does not listen, defies us to control him and it is also very difficult to love a bolt of lightning! Now, I am not saying Charlie is a bad cat...just different. I should have seen the signs of the Texas cat problems when it took me 3 months before I saw my sister-in-law, Juanita's, cat, Fluffy, after I moved to Texas. All that time, I thought they were pulling a Texas joke on me when they talked about this cat she had and then one day, I saw a huge, black streak run from the kitchen to her bedroom. Then, there is the cat that Glenn Forrest Frosty had here in Texas, but gave to his daughter, SaRita, who lives in Oklahoma. When we visit the children, this ex-Texas cat sits in a corner and couldn't care less about anyone with the exception of grandson, Kelton. By the way, this cat is named Feisty and that should give you a clue to the problems it has. Come to think of it, I never had any trouble with my bantam rooster in California, either. He never attacked anyone. It's got to be a Texas thing with the animals here...they have a different attitude.

I performed another speed test on my Honda ATV the other day. Glenn says I have a heavy foot when it comes to driving, but without the California freeways, I think I have mostly slowed up a lot. We had been visiting Bob and Frankie Garrett on the north side of this community and we decided to take a tree-lined dirt road on the long way home. I told Glenn that there was a big black car parked on the side of this narrow roadway up ahead, but as we approached, I could see that this was no car, it had horns and was eyeing us really well...he had escaped from some farm. Glenn said to go on and the bull would not bother us. Well, howdy do! We do not have these problems in California and I did not think I needed to pass a huge, stray bull on a narrow country dirt road with only 6 feet between him and my ATV. He was really watching us approach, never taking his eyes off us. I told Glenn to go ahead of me and if he made it without being attacked, I would follow. After all, he has lived here all his life and knows Texas bulls better than I do. He went past

the bull safely so I hit the gas and found out that I can do 55 mph from a dead stop in just a few seconds. I did not look back until we were a quarter of a mile up the road. Think I just set a land speed record for a red Honda Foreman ATV.

We have a smaller chicken pen within our large one and it needed a new set of hinges on the door, so here was another job for Glenn. I told him to let the chickens out before he made the repair. Men do not listen very often so, of course, Henry saw a great opportunity for multi-attacks as Glenn knelt down to repair the door. Henry had a hey day until he saw that Glenn was not paying him any attention so he quit. Now this worried Glenn, so he picked him up and brought him to the flower bed where I was working. Poor rooster looked dejected, but soon after he was petted and hugged, he was back to his old tricks. Glenn finally got the door finished and all was well with the chickens. Such is life in the country. Love to all of you, Betty Boydston.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Audrey Pearce wishes to thank you for all the kindness shown through flowers, food, phone calls and words of sympathy. She would be proud to have been remembered so kindly by so many and in so many ways.

Words fail to completely express our gratitude for such loving kindness. I'm sure she would have said, "May God bless each of you!"

The family of Audrey Pearce

Wheeler County JAIL REPORT

09-10-07

RIVERA-LOPEZ, JOSE LUIS
22 W/M WHEELER TX 08-12-07 TO 08-13-07 DWI 1ST \$1500.00 BOND MEADOWS
ORTEGA, JOEL MAURICO 30

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W/M CANYON TX 08-15-07 TO 08-15-07 ASSAULT BODILY INJURY/F.V. \$2500.00 BOND MEADOWS
DLAGNEV, IVAYLO IVANOE 48
W/M ARLINGTON TX 08-15-07 TO 08-23-07 TARRANT COUNTY WRNTHS BOND DENIED MEADOWS
GARZA-GARCIA, CARBINO 37
W/M WHEELER TX 08-16-07 TO



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08-20-07 PUBLIC INTOX - RELEASED TO ICE AGENTS
SHANNON, PAUL LEE 69 W/M AMARILLO TX 08-18-07 TO 08-19-07 DWI 1ST \$1500.00 BOND MEADOWS
HARRIS, LAKEILA NICOLE 29 B/F AMARILLO TX 08-21-07 TO 08-21-07 DRIVING WHILE LICENSE INVALID PLED OUT IN COUNTY COURT
NIVENS, JANICE LOUISE 35 W/F FRITCH TX 08-22-07 TO 08-22-07 THEFT BY CHECK PLED OUT IN COUNTY COURT AND RELEASED
PRICE, ASHLEY VAIL 29 W/F SHAMROCK TX 08-22-07 TO 09-08-07 ORGANIZED CRIMINAL ACTIVITY \$10,000 BOND TAYLOR

SEGURA, FELICIANO III 30 W/M SHAMROCK TX 08-22-07 ORGANIZED CRIMINAL ACTIVITY \$10,000 BOND TAYLOR
SEGURA, GILBERT JOE 48 W/M SHAMROCK TX 08-22-07 TO 08-22-07 ORGANIZED CRIMINAL ACTIVITY \$10,000 BOND TAYLOR
CHANDLER, PHILLIP LEE 19 W/M SHAMROCK TX 08-24-07 TO 08-27-07 RESISTING ARREST \$500.00 BOND BROWN
THOMAS, WADE ALLAN 41 W/M SHAMROCK TX 08-24-07 TO

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08-25-07 DWI 1ST \$1500.00 BOND MEADOWS
SALAS, JULIO CESAR 23 W/M WHEELER TX 08-25-07 TO 08-26-07 POSS CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE \$10,000 BOND MEADOWS RANDALL COUNTY WRNTHS \$20,000 BOND MEADOWS

GUAJARDO, JESSE JOE 37 W/M AMARILLO TX 08-25-07 FELONY PROVIOLATION BOND DENIED EMMERT
CONNORS, PATRICK WILLIAM 22 W/M PARKER CITY IL 08-27-07 TO 08-28-07 POSS MARIJUANA \$5,000 BOND MEADOWS

BRINKLEY, CHAD EVERETT 32 W/M SAYRE OK 08-29-07 TO 08-30-07 POSS OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE \$5,000 BOND MEADOWS

LEWIS, ROANLD JAY 51 W/M WHEELER TX 08-29-07 TO 08-29-07 POSS OF MARIJUANA \$1500.00 BOND MEADOWS

EZELLE, ALBERT CLYDE 42 W/M DELIGHT AR 08-30-07 FELONY PROBATION VIOLATION BOND DENIED EMMERT
THOAMS, WADE ALLAN 41 W/M SHAMROCK TX 08-31-07 TO 09-01-07 DWI WRNT \$1,500 BOND MEADOWS

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LUMAN, TIMMY JOE 38 W/M ANGLETON TX 09-07-07 POSS WITH INTENT TO MANUFACTURE AND DELIVER \$80,000 BOND MEADOWS TDCJ HOLD

POINDEXTER, JUAN B 22 W/M SHAMROCK TX 09-07-07 TO 09-07-07 ASSAULT WITH BODILY INJURY \$2,000 BOND MEADOWS

CLEGHORN, KRISTAL RACHELLE 23 W/F CHICKASHA OK 09-09-07 CARSON CO HOLD

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BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS
SPECIAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 6, 2007

PROPOSITION 1 (HJR 103)

HJR 103 would update the constitutional reference to Angelo State University to conform with the statutory transfer of that institution from membership in the Texas State University System to membership in the Texas Tech University System.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the continuation of the constitutional appropriation for facilities and other capital items at Angelo State University on a change in the governance of the university."

PROPOSITION 2 (SJR 57)

SJR 57 would authorize the legislature to permit the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to issue up to \$500 million in general obligation bonds to finance educational loans to college and university students, and to enter into bond enhancement agreements.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of \$500 million in general obligation bonds to finance educational loans to students and authorizing bond enhancement agreements with respect to general obligation bonds issued for that purpose."

PROPOSITION 3 (HJR 40)

HJR 40 would authorize the legislature to limit the maximum appraised value of a residence homestead for property tax purposes in a tax year to the lesser of the most recent appraisal valuation, or 110 percent, or a greater percentage as determined by the legislature, of the appraised value in the preceding tax year.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide that the maximum appraised value of a residence homestead for ad valorem taxation is limited to the lesser of the most recent market value of the residence homestead as determined by the appraisal entity or 110 percent, or a greater percentage, of the appraised value of the residence homestead for the preceding tax year."

PROPOSITION 4 (SJR 65)

SJR 65 would authorize the legislature to permit the Texas Public Finance Authority to issue up to \$1 billion in general obligation

bonds, the proceeds of which would be dedicated to maintenance, construction, repairs, and equipment purchases, as authorized by the legislature for the following state agencies: the Texas Building and Procurement Commission; the Parks and Wildlife Department; the Department of the Adjutant General; the Department of State Health Services; the Department of Aging and Disability Services; the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired; the Texas Youth Commission; the Texas Historical Commission; the Texas Department of Criminal Justice; the Texas School for the Deaf; and the Texas Department of Public Safety.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of up to \$1 billion in bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for maintenance, improvement, repair, and construction projects and for the purchase of needed equipment."

PROPOSITION 5 (SJR 44)

SJR 44 would authorize the legislature to permit cities with a population of less than 10,000 to hold an election to allow the city to enter into an agreement with a property owner to temporarily freeze taxes on property either in or adjacent to an area approved for funding under the Downtown Revitalization Program or the Main Streets Improvements Program administered by the Department of Agriculture.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit the voters of a municipality having a population of less than 10,000 to authorize the governing body of the municipality to enter into an agreement with an owner of real property in or adjacent to an area in the municipality that has been approved for funding under certain programs administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture under which the parties agree that all ad valorem taxes imposed on the owner's property may not be increased for the first five tax years after the tax year in which the agreement is entered into."

PROPOSITION 6 (HJR 54)

HJR 54 would authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem tax one motor vehicle owned by an individual that is used by the individual for both business and personal use.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional

amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation one motor vehicle owned by an individual and used in the course of the owner's occupation or profession and also for personal activities of the owner."

PROPOSITION 7 (HJR 30)

HJR 30 would allow a governmental entity to sell property acquired through eminent domain to its immediately previous owner at the original purchase price, if the public use of the property has been canceled, if no progress is made toward that public use by a prescribed deadline, or if the property is unnecessary to accomplish that public use.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to allow governmental entities to sell property acquired through eminent domain back to the previous owners at the price the entities paid to acquire the property."

PROPOSITION 8 (HJR 72)

HJR 72 would clarify home equity loan procedures and protections and make conforming changes to the written disclosure provided to the borrower at the loan closing. The amendment would establish that the status of whether property is an agricultural homestead for the purpose of receiving homestead protection, would be determined by whether it was designated for agricultural use on the date of the loan closing. The amendment would provide that a declared state of emergency (e.g., following a natural disaster) would justify execution of a second home equity loan on the same property less than one year after the first home equity loan. It would provide that non-substantive omissions on a loan application would not affect the agreement. It would require a borrower to receive a copy of all executed loan documents, and a disclosure list of fees and costs at closing. It would prohibit the use of preprinted checks for the use of unsolicited loan advances to obtain a home equity line of credit.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to clarify certain provisions relating to the making of a home equity loan and use of home equity loan proceeds."

PROPOSITION 9 (SJR 29)

SJR 29 would authorize the legislature to exempt all or part of the market value of the residence homesteads of veterans certified as having a service-connected 100 percent

disability rating. SJR 29 would also clarify the progression of property tax exemptions available to veterans who are less than 100 percent disabled.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt all or part of the residence homesteads of certain totally disabled veterans from ad valorem taxation and authorizing a change in the manner of determining the amount of the existing exemption from ad valorem taxation to which a disabled veteran is entitled."

PROPOSITION 10 (HJR 69)

HJR 69 would remove constitutional references to the former office of inspector of hides and animals.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to abolish the constitutional authority for the office of inspector of hides and animals."

PROPOSITION 11 (HJR 19)

HJR 19 would require a vote taken in either house of the legislature to be recorded by record vote, if the vote was on final passage of a bill, other than local bills, a resolution proposing a constitutional amendment, or any other resolution that is not purely ceremonial. The record vote must be archived and available for public viewing on the Internet for at least two years.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to require that a record vote be taken by a house of the legislature on final passage of any bill, other than certain local bills, of a resolution proposing or ratifying a constitutional amendment, or of any other nonceremonial resolution, and to provide for public access on the Internet to those record votes."

PROPOSITION 12 (SJR 64)

SJR 64 would authorize the Texas Transportation Commission to issue up to \$5 billion in general obligation bonds for highway improvement projects, the proceeds of which will be used to pay for projects, costs, and payments owed under related credit agreements.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds by the Texas Transportation Commission in an amount not to exceed \$5 billion to provide funding for highway improvement projects."

PROPOSITION 13 (HJR 6)

HJR 6 would authorize the denial of bail to a person who violates conditions of release

in a family violence case and permit the legislature to authorize the denial of bail to a person who violates certain court orders in a family violence case.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the denial of bail to a person who violates certain court orders or conditions of release in a felony or family violence case."

PROPOSITION 14 (HJR 36)

HJR 36 would limit a state justice or judge's service to December 31st of the fourth year of the term if he/she is elected to all or part of a six year term, and reaches mandatory retirement age during the first four years of said term.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting a justice or judge who reaches the mandatory retirement age while in office to serve the remainder of the justice's or judge's current term."

PROPOSITION 15 (HJR 90)

HJR 90 would require the legislature to establish the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas, and would provide for its management, duties, and powers. It would authorize the issuance of up to \$3 billion in general obligation bonds to be used for operations and grants for the purpose of scientific research of all forms of human cancer.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment requiring the creation of the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas and authorizing the issuance of up to \$3 billion in bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for research in Texas to find the causes of and cures for cancer."

PROPOSITION 16 (SJR 20)

SJR 20 would authorize the issuance of up to \$250 million in general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board to provide financial assistance to economically distressed areas of the state to help provide adequate sewer and water supply services for residential use.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board in an amount not to exceed \$250 million to provide assistance to economically distressed areas."

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Council (from Page 1)

the financial reports as read, seconded by Pam Jones. Motion approved 5-0.

Monthly bills were reviewed and considered for payment. Emma Swigart made a motion to approve and pay the bills as presented, motion seconded by Gaylord Thompson. Motion approved 5-0.

New Business: Consider adoption of Resolution No. 7. Emma Swigart made a motion to adopt September 2007 resolution recognizing September 2007 as National Preparedness Month, motion seconded by Gaylord Thompson. Motion approved 5-0.

Mayors Report: Our Bar-B-Q on Bun for Labor Day Parade was a huge success! We served 200 Bar-B-Q sandwiches.

Water Report: Good. Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Larkin (from Page 1)

Larkin and wife Angela; Dustin Larkin and wife, Tanya; Keith Larkin and wife, Jacie; Kris Karst and Mekaela Karst; four great-grandchildren, Jaimee Daun Larkin, Aaron Larkin, Brody Larkin and Sydney Larkin. He was preceded in death by a son, Steven Donald Larkin, and his parents, Nelson Larkin & Nettie Lue Garrington and extended family members, Beverly Smith and husband, Jim.

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HEMPHILL & Buffalo Wallow Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., Meek, Sec. 45, M-1, H&GN, for the following wells:
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HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & GEM-HEMPHILL Upper Morrow) Charter Oak Production Co., L.L.C., #1 Big Lake '102', 2450' from South & 2039' from West line, Sec. 102, 41, H&TC, PD 13450'.
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HEMPHILL (N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) B&B Operating, L.P., #1189 Bonnie Webb, 202' from North & 2659' from West line, Sec. 189, C, G&MMB&A, PD 10600'.
Rule 37
ROBERTS (WILDCAT & RED DEER CREEK Granite Wash) Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado, PD 12000', for the following wells:
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#22 Byrum '27', 2600' from South & 2225' from East line of Sec. 27, B-1, H&GN.
ROBERTS (RED DEER CREEK Granite Wash) Rockford Panhandle, L.L.C., #3 Osborne, 660', from North & 1980' from East line, Sec. 39, M-2, H&GN, PD 10960'.
Recompletion
ROBERTS (SHREIKEY Granite Wash) Rockford Panhandle, L.L.C., #1 Lora, 1656' from South & 2149' from West line, Sec. 10, M-2, H&GN, PD 11345'.
Re-Entry
ROBERTS (WILDCAT & NORTH MENDOTA Upper Morrow) Unit Petroleum Co., #1 Mahler 'B', 1800' from North & 1100' from East line, Sec. 106, C, G&M, PD 11250'.
WHEELER (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #251 Finsterwald Dobbs, 2310' from South & 467' from West line, Sec. 51, M-1, H&GN, PD 13800'.
WHEELER (WILDCAT & KIRSTEN Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #145 Blasdel, 660' from North & East line, Sec. 45, A-4, H&GN, PD 13910'.
WHEELER (LISTER Granite Wash) Noble Energy Production, Inc., #2210 Withim, 1600' from South & 121' from West line, Tinsdale Survey, PD 15200'.
WHEELER (STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Newfield Exploration Mid-Con, Inc., #12 Britt Ranch '36, 1248' from South & 534' from West line, Sec. 36, A-3, H&GN, PD 16000' (BHL: 1000' from South &

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and good care and be closer to family members and friends. Go by and say "Hello" to this fine lady. Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Dick DeArment, long time Wheeler resident, who retired

from Texas Parks and Wildlife and was a friend to all. Services were Saturday at Wheeler Methodist Church, Sept. 8, with burial in Wheeler Cemetery. Dick was 88. Sincere sympathy to family and

friends of Eddie Snyder Parker, 47, of Canadian in her death. Graveside services at Glazier Cemetery on Friday. Survivors include a sister, Lena (Possum, Mrs. Gary Jahnel) of Canadian and a brother, Jody Pitcock, and others. C. B. Brotherton is doing pretty well at the Mercy Hospital in Oklahoma City. He hopes to be back to Wheeler to Assisted Living before long. Think surgery to repair his hip went well.

Wednesday was Ray and Mae Brazeal's 70th wedding anniversary. They enjoyed being with their family, which included Shirley Horton, Joe and Ann Ellison and Jim and Nicki Calderon, who have been working on a new house for Mike and Beverly Bryant. The kids took them to the Cowboy Oasis for breakfast. Very enjoyable. All were out to Wheeler Baptist for supper and church. Good to have Shirley back, too. God bless you everyone!

Bulah Grimes' family hosted a party Sunday, Sept. 9, to celebrate Bulah's 90th birthday at The Arbors, 1910 Medipark, where they live in Amarillo. Happy Birthday, Bulah! Many friends and family there to wish her well and enjoy visiting. Her husband of 69 years is Doyle Grimes. God bless you!

Enjoying quilting and visiting at Totty School Thursday were Audrey Seitz, Betty Lynch, Betty Rogers and Betty Haines. They were working on Betty Rogers'

beautiful Christmas quilt. Canadian and Hemphill County Chambers of Commerce are planning many activities from October into December. You will want to be a part of things. There will be Fall Foliage Festival, team roping, Cowboy Church, dance, tour of homes, Santa in a sled and cowboy music and cowboy movie, lighting contest and many more things. Lipscomb County is also making plans.

Thank you, God, for all the wonderful rain. My gage showed over 1.5 inches Friday. Saturday, it showed 3 inches, and I had emptied it. Yea! for rain! Some people don't seem to feel the need of God, but I have never seen anyone that could make it rain. It also rained some Sunday.

Dennis Porter is a new resident at Parkview Assisted Living. Go by and visit with him. He likes to talk. God bless you, Dennis...hope to see you!

"This is how God showed His love among us; He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through Him" (1 John 4:9).

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Audrey Mae Pearce, 90, of Wheeler in her death Wednesday at Shamrock. Graveside funeral at Wheeler Cemetery Saturday, Sept. 8.

Happy Birthday (belated) to Alton and Ariel and Suzanne Lohberger. Meeting them at Simon's Catch to celebrate were Eugene and Ruth Blacketter. Also there, Laura Lohberger on Saturday night.

Carol Gene and James Hardage and Van and Mary Ruth VanSant live at Hide-Away Lake east of Dallas. Joining them last weekend were Sunny Keene from Maryland and Casey Taylor, Jim and Beth Alvey and Kenneth Gene Evans. They always have a fun time together. Carol, Sunny, and Casey are Valoise's girls. Thanks, Carol.

Ella Mae Wood went to Stillwater Saturday with Teresa and Gary Ware to visit Jason and Ellen Wood and see the new grandbaby, Ainsley Wood. Ella Mae took a birthday cake for Jason and other food. They had a good visit and came back Sunday afternoon. Ella Mae got to hold the grandbaby.

Valetta Frankenbery had to have gall bladder surgery. Then, tests showed she had cancer and a blockage in her bowel and wasn't expected to live but a few months. Later, it was determined that she didn't have cancer and she is improving and able to get in and out of bed for her needs. She is in Parkview Hospital having therapy and is improving. Praise the Lord! Remember

Valetta in your prayers. She will have tests again later to see if she still shows cancer or if God healed her body.

Beverly Bryant and Tina Bond prepared the delicious Wednesday night supper with lasagna, green beans and bacon, garlic bread and veggie salad. Others brought desserts and watermelon. Yummy! Good crowd there to enjoy it. Wesley Steen led singing while Sylvia played the piano. Bob Wills led discussion of prayer concerns and a good lesson from the Bible. Very inspiring. Thank You!

Good to have Lindsey Criswell and Blain and Dagen from Canyon come visit me Tuesday and take me to Maxey's for lunch. Thank you! Always good to see them. They also visited David and Rita Pearson.

Correction: the family of Jim and Beth Alvey of Wheeler enjoyed getting together at Gainesville over the Labor Day weekend and included Jim and Beth, Jim Alvey Jr. and Josiah from Lelia Lake, Tina Dale and Emilee from Van Buren, AR., and Todd and Misty Alvey and Payton, Patterson and Preslee Alvey from Pampa. They had a great time feasting, playing in the water, playing golf, shopping and visiting.

Johnny Crawford has been a carpenter...doing projects for many people. Recently, while unloading materials, he fell and hurt a leg. It has been swollen. He expects to have surgery soon to repair it. Not able to do anything now. Remember Johnny and Patty in your prayers. One leg was broken in two or more places. He had to stay overnight in Pampa Hospital; coming home Friday. Keep praying! Johnny had surgery Thursday.

"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you an expected end. Then shall you call unto me and I will hearken unto you. And you will seek me and find me when you shall search for me with all your heart" (Jeremiah 29:11-13).

Earl and Betty Huestead were out to Wheeler Care Center Tuesday morning. They served communion and prayed for each one. Earl had a message from the Bible. Betty

led singing for a good Sing-a-Long. Nina Hervey played the piano and looked so pretty. Glad Wilma Barker is back to Wheeler Care Center after being in Shamrock Hospital for several days. Pray for her and her sister, Minerva Jones. Joyce Wood was also there, helping where needed.

Mary Andis is at Wheeler Care Center for a while for therapy on her leg. Remember her in your prayers. Sure hope all goes well. She had knee replacement surgery, I think.

Nicholas Sparks celebrated his 4th birthday at the Wheeler Fire Department with family and friends present and ice cream and birthday cake and presents. They got to play some on the fire trucks. Some there to celebrate were Micah and Caleb Koen, Stormie Meriwether, Ashton Lee, Landon Seanz, Jacob Maxwell, Camryn Clark, Brady Bailey, Michaela Bailey, Dawson Clark, Callie Eddens, H. L. Owens and Haylee and Taylor Sparks, Shelly Sparks and Buddy and Dianne Sparks. Happy Birthday, Nicholas. We love you.

Congratulations Ft. Elliott Cougars on your six-man win over the Holy Cross big guys. Most Cougars are not real big, but they are fast and work hard, real crafty.

Many family and friends went to Central Baptist Church Monday to the funeral for Don Larkin, 79, at Pampa. Some from here going were Roy and Nell Bradstreet, Mike Bradstreet, Wes Bradstreet, David and Pattie Bradstreet, Debbie Glazner and others.

There was a good crowd out to singing at Allison Baptist Church Sunday night with a very good program of singing and readings followed by a very tasty meal. Some present from Gageby Church, Mobeetie Baptist, Wheeler Baptist and Allison. Next singing will be Sunday night, Oct. 7, at Gageby Church at 6:00 p.m. Everyone invited for participation and fellowship.

Marion Grimes played his guitar and sang and also sang with Doris Finsterwald playing. Also helping were Jerry and Jill Lister with guitar, upright bass and mandolin. Giving good readings were Aaron Laverty, Kay Stiles and Grace Roberson. Singing were Carol and Mark Roberson and Grace, Phillip, Danny and Seth; Jill Lister; Evelyn and Martha Meek with Doris playing piano; Mobeetie Choir singing were Gina Seitz, Toney Dickey, Charlie Davis, Willene Burke, Paul Hathaway and Paul Luchsinger.

There were others from other churches. Very Good!

Ed and Laurel Hershman enjoyed having preacher O. K. Bowen eat lunch with them and granddaughter, Shelby Dawson Sunday. We've enjoyed Bro.

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Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with singing. Know ye that the Lord he is God; it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name. For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations. Psalms 100 Rejoice in the Lord Always and again I say Rejoice!

The weather here in Allison is really nice and cool this morning. Feels wonderful outside. Thank the Lord for the rain we received. All in all we received at least seven inches not all at one time but thru the week. But we know that Fall is almost here by the constant cold fronts coming our way.

Pastor F.R. Johnson and his wife, Olene journeyed to Amarillo, Texas where Olene attended the Annual Ladies Conference at the United Pentecostal Church Campgrounds. While in Amarillo, Pastor F.R. Johnson and his brother, Pete had an enjoyable lunch at Furr's.

Grandson Sgt. Larry Austin Brown was in Elk City, Oklahoma visiting his mother, Donna. Larry's grandparents, Roma and Billy June Brown and Larry's uncle Merlyn Brown traveled to Elk City, Oklahoma on Friday where they visited with Sgt. Larry Brown and his four children, David, Saddle, Brock and Kolton of Killeen, Texas. Sgt. Larry Brown is on a two week leave from Iraq. Also there visiting were Theresa Reece and her two daughters, Tiffany and

Holly Hamlin of Elk City, Oklahoma. Sgt. Larry Brown returns to Iraq on September 12th. Our prayers are with you Sgt. Larry Brown and for all the troops as well.

Louise Boydston was dinner guest in the home of her mother, Pearl Harrison. Also there were Elmer Lee and Peggy Sanford of Stinnett, Texas.

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Elmer and Peggy are going to stay with her for awhile.

Wednesday, Merlyn Brown visited in the home of Opal and Juanita Boydston. Opal is his aunt and Juanita is his cousin. Had a nice visit.

Thursday, Betty Boydston brought Opal and Juanita Boydston a large piece of watermelon and it was very delicious. One of the very best we have eaten in a long time. Thanks for sharing Betty!

Friday, Opal and Juanita Boydston enjoyed a delicious homemade meal in the home of Glenn and Betty Boydston. Had a good time of visiting as well. And yes, we got to see Charlie too, he is so playful and fun to watch and play with.

Saturday, Opal and Juanita Boydston traveled to Elk City, Oklahoma where they visited in the home of Jimmy and Vivian Wallace and Vivian fixed Juanita a beautiful hairdo. Afterwards Opal and Juanita enjoyed some shopping and of course had to get a yogurt twist before leaving town. Was a beautiful day and we had a nice time out.

Sunday night after church, Opal and Juanita Boydston visited in the home of Louise Boydston and Pearl Harrison was there as well. Had a nice visit and very good refreshments. And Louise showed us several pictures she had taken on her trip to Arizona and her great grands. Maybe she will write about it later.

Louise Boydston visited her daughter LaQuinta and Mike Hulse in Sarhanita, AZ for 10 days. They went to Chandler, AZ to see her granddaughter Michelle and Cory Phillips and the new great-granddaughter Allison Makayla who was born on August 15, 2007.

Cheryl Dupont brought Pearl Harrison to Amarillo, TX last Thursday to see the great-great-grandbaby, MaKema Jade. On Thursday night Louise Boydston and Pearl Harrison attended the Ladies Conference at the United Pentecostal Campgrounds. Also Friday and Friday night.

On Saturday morning, Louise and Pearl visited in the home of Justin and Stephanie Walker and family. Then Louise and Pearl went to Darrel and Johnnie Harrison's at ten for brunch. Had a delicious meal homemade waffles and sausage and also had fruit. Then Louise and Pearl visited Kim Thompson and children before returning home.

May God Bless and Keep ya'll till next time.

CARD OF THANKS
We would like to thank Dr. Blacketter and the Shamrock Hospital Nursing Staff for the care and loving kindness shown to Audrey Pearce during her stay in their care and to the Wheeler Ambulance Service, as well, for all that they did.

Also a great thanks to the Parkview Home Health Care Services and the Mahler Family Practice for their faithfulness to keep check on her blood work and meds.

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Ft. Elliott Homecoming Celebrated With Win

Festivities began with a pep rally in the high school gym at 2 p.m. The queen coronation was at 6:00 p.m. Nathan McLaughlin and Lauren Baird were chosen as the 2007 Homecoming King and Queen. The game got underway at 7:30 p.m. amid a huge crowd of fans and gray overcast skies.

Fort Elliott freshman Kory McLaughlin kicked off the game and the Holy Cross Mustangs picked up the ball at the 33 yard line. They were quickly brought down by sophomore Cody Selby. With 12 yards to go for a first down, junior Michael Bell tackled the ball carrier pushing the Mustangs back short of 15 yards to a first down. Bell brought the next player down as well and the Cougars successfully stopped the Mustangs short of a first down. As the Cougars took over the ball, sophomore Colby Hanson did what he does best - took the ball and ran. He was pushed out of bounds at the 26 yard line. A fumble on the next play was quickly grabbed by Brandon Finsterwald bringing the Cougars within 14 yards of a first down. In the 4th down, Hanson carried the ball for 6 yards and a 1st down and placed the Cougars within 9 yards of the endzone. As Holy Cross took over the ball, Bell forced the opponent out of bounds at the 23 yard line. On the next play the Mustangs were again stopped by Bell who brought down the running back just short of a touchdown. The next pass by Holy Cross was intercepted by McLaughlin who carried the ball for a gain of a few yards. Hanson took the ball 30 yards for a 1st down. Cody Selby then carried the ball for a big gain. The next time the ball found Colby Hanson's hands he literally zig zagged from one side of the field to the other as he outran the Mustangs for the first touchdown of the evening. With 2:09 left in the first quarter, McLaughlin's kick off was fielded by a Mustang, McLaughlin, not one to give up, quickly tackled the opponent causing the Mustangs to loose valuable yardage. On the Mustang's fourth down Finsterwald and McLaughlin teamed up for a tackle and the Cougars took over at the 15 yard line. This time Hanson took the ball straight down the middle of the field for the Cougar's second touchdown of the evening. The Mustangs thwarted the Cougars attempted kick for extra points. With 21 seconds left in the first

quarter McLaughlin kicked off the ball. Teammate Gatlin Duncan, freshman, quickly tackled the ball carrier ending the first quarter with a score of 14-0. The Mustangs took possession of the ball as the second quarter got underway. A succession of tackles, first by Bell, then McLaughlin followed by Selby, held Holy Cross players at bay. The Mustangs fumbled a snap allowing the Cougars to take over. Once again, protected by a host of the red and black, Colby Hanson carried the pigskin all the way from one end to the other for a touchdown. In the next line of play, McLaughlin's kickoff went out of bounds at the 30 yard line. Ed Reeves, junior, took advantage of a Mustang's mishandled snap and quickly covered the ball. Following failed attempts by the Mustangs to find the endzone, Cougar freshman Gatlin Duncan sacked the quarterback and the Cougars once again took over. Next Hanson takes the ball for 11 yards before being tackled within 5 yards of the goal line. Michael Bell then took the ball in for his first touchdown of the night. The kick by Selby was good for 2 points and the Cougars lead 28-0 with 5:49 left in the first half. The Mustangs scored their only touchdown of the night on the next series of plays, only to have their extra point kick blocked by Fort Elliott's Michael Bell. As the Cougars took possession of the ball, Hanson ran around four defensive players before being stopped just short of the goal. An injury on the Mustang's side halted the game for a few minutes, but the player recovered and the action resumed. Hanson once again took the ball, this time faking a pass then carrying the ball in for a touchdown. Selby's kick for extra points was good and the scoreboard read 36-6 with 2:43 remaining in the 2nd quarter. The next series of plays belonged to Ed Reeves and sophomore Ryan Vandever as Vandever tackled a Mustang on their first down attempt. On the following play he and Reeves combined to bring down the opponent. Vandever took the next one down leaving the Mustangs at 4th down. Reeves again stepped up with a quarterback sack allowing the Cougars to take over the ball. Hanson carried the ball for a 2nd down and 3 yards to go to the 1st. Selby then took the ball through the middle for a Cougar 1st down. A fast low pass from Hanson to McLaughlin was complete and earned another touchdown for the Cougars. The kick for the extra points failed with 17 seconds left in the first half with a score of 42-6 in the Cougar's favor. With 4:02 left in the third quarter pouring rain and lightning caused a pause in the game as the teams and fans headed for shelter. After the rain let up the teams took to the field. The Cougars next two touchdowns would seal the game. The first came from Colby Hanson followed by a touchdown by sophomore Blake Baker placing the Cougars over 45 points ahead of the Mustangs and putting the game to bed early with a score of 54-6 and a homecoming victory.

Chat (from Page 1)

We returned home Saturday night.

With reports of 3" of rain at Mobeetie before we left Friday, and reports of 4" and 5" while we were gone, I was anxious to see what my gauge showed. For the Thursday through Sunday period, the official measurement was 5.53"

The temperature dropped Monday afternoon from 89° to 54°. Pretty cool; we are going to have to get out our coats.

Card night went well for Leroy and I Monday night. We defeated Rhonda and Mike both games.

STORM REPORT

As Reported By... Stormie Meriwether Pre-Kindergarten

We do the letter 'A'. It starts apple and ape but not snowcone. It's really hard to write the letter 'A'. This time we wear red and color everything red. Red is our new color.

In our class we write a story. The Moms and Dads will say, "Hey, did you write that story for me?" The little girl will say, "Yes!" and they will love the story.

Oil (from Page 4)

Sec. 235,C,G&MMB&A, spud 5-31-07, drlg. compl 6-20-07, tested 7-23-07, TD 13207', PBD 12320'

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HEMPHILL (GEM-HEMPHILL Lower Douglas) Latigo Petroleum Texas, L.P., #1109 J.O. Wells, Sec. 109,41,H&TC, spud 5-27-75, plugged 4-10-07, TD 8300' (oil) — Form 1 in Alpar Resources

2007 Meek Family Reunion Held.

The descendants of William Green Meek gathered to fellowship and celebrate their heritage at the Fort Elliott School Cafeteria on Sunday, September 2, 2007. The families represented were those of Roscoe, Edward, and Willie, sons of William Green Meek.

Those attending from Roscoe's family were R. H. and Betty Dyson, Leanne and Faith Hall, and Richard and Helen Dyson (Ether Lee). Family members attending from Edward's family were: Eddie and Leta Meadows, Bryan, Laura and Harrison Hughes, (Lois); Kevin and Jona Meek, Shantell and Tommy, Keith and Tami Meek, Jessica, and Molly, (Wayne); Martha Meek, Cindy and Glory Hartsfield, Chuck and Phoebe Hartline, (J.P.); Evelyn and Kathy Meek, Mark and Annette Meek, Jocelyn and Avery Ratliff, (Jack); and Lola Cyphers and Paulette Perkins. (Lola)

Those attending from Willie's family were: Phil and Ruby Meek, and Frieda Rogers, (Bert) La Rue Pierce and friend Ken, and David and Carole VanBuskirk(Edith). Also attending were special guests of Cindy and Glory Hartsfield: Victor Hermann, Germany, Gabriele Nenni, Italy, Elizabeth Porch and Josh Couch. There were two who passed since the 2006 Reunion: Beverly Godwin, Willie's great-granddaughter, in 2006, and John Tom Rogers, Willie's granddaughter Frieda's husband, in 2007. Two were born since the last gathering: Roscoe's great-great-granddaughter, Faith Hall in 2006, and Edward's great-great-granddaughter, Avery Ratliff in 2007.

The next reunion will be at 1:00 pm, Sunday, August 31, 2008 at the Ft. Elliott Cafeteria in Briscoe, Texas.

Wheeler County COURT RECORDS

Currently Fort Elliott has outscored all teams in Six-Man Division II District 8 with a total of 135 points scored this season. They are followed by Lefors scoring 103 points, Miami 92 points and Follett 78 points. The Cougars will travel to Hart on Thursday and face the Hart Longhorns at 5 p.m.

List of instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's office from September 4, 2007 SEPTEMBER 4, 2007
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OL—Marilyn Steed Stafford to Questar Exploration and Production Company, 5-24-07, 276 acs. Sec. 4, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.
RATIF. OL—Anita Lynn Hefley Smith to G H Land Company LLC, 8-13-07, NE 1/4 NW 1/4; SE 1/4 NW 1/4; SE 1/4 Section 29, Blk; A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
RATIF. OL—Anita Lynn Hefley Smith to Glasgow Resources LLC, 8-13-07, SE 1/4 NW 1/4; NE 1/4 NW 1/4 Section 29, Blk; A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
HEIRSHIP AFF.—Anita Lynn Hefley Smith to Loyd Hefley, 8-13-07.
CORR.—Lacey Machille Henson, et al to Machille Henson, Blk. 54, Stanley Add., Wheeler, Pt. NW 1/4 Sec. 53, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey, and Sec. 18, Camp County School Land.
STIP. OF INT.—Bobbie Ledbetter to Mary Mitchell, 11-23-06, Sec. 10, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey; Secs. 58 and 57, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
RDT—Pacesetter Corporation to Joe Wilkerson, —, —, No Land Given.

Country (from Page 5)

O.K.'s message. Thanks for coming.

Mark your calendar for Festival coming up Sunday, Sept- 30 through Wednesday night, Oct. 3, at First Baptist church, Wheeler Sunday, Sept. 30 will be a catered noon meal. Everyone invited, no charge. Ya'll come! Youth night will be Sunday, Sept. 30 at 6:00 p.m. Children's night will be Monday, Oct. 1 at 6:00 p.m.

Men's prayer breakfast will be Tuesday morning, Oct. 2, at 6:30 a.m. Wednesday night supper for everyone will be at 6:00 p.m. You are invited!

"But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control." Galatians 5:22, 23

Hospital Notes

Assisted Living
Jane Seitz
Opal Hefley
Alvern Hutchison
C. B. Brotherton
Iona May
Tom Frye

Admissions
8-27 Delmer Murray
Vera Crane
Dennis Porter
Opal Hefley
8-29 Dean Hennencamp
Karen Lewis
8-31 Valette Frankenberg
Alice Kelly
Ruby McLaurin
Steven Truelock
Fern Turnbow
9-7 Fern Turnbow
Dismissals
8-29 Vera Crane
8/30 Dennis Porter
Dean Hennencamp
Karen Lewis
Delmer Murray
8-31 Opal Hefley
Ruby McLaurin
Steven Truelock
Mary Wagner

CattleWomen's Brunch
Glenda Hudson, Christine Marett, Claudette Hand, Donna Walser, Dixie Cook, Frances Newell, Glenda Robinson and others went to the Pampa Country Club Saturday to the Brunch and Style Show sponsored by the CattleWomen's Association. They had a wonderful time. There were nice door prizes, too.
Ray and Glenda Hudson went on to Amarillo from Pampa to visit Ray's mom, Lois Hudson, who is doing pretty well to be about 91. Some dizziness. They got word that a pump at a rig had gone out at the Oklahoma City area. They had to take a trailer to load it up and take to the Clinton, Oklahoma area to be fixed. They ate at Yukon, Oklahoma, at a Chinese Restaurant and met a fine preacher from Cordell Assembly of God and shared the table with him and his wife. Very enjoyable.
"God be with you till we meet again!"

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