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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

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

## First Baptist Church Schedules Revival Sunday thru Wednesday

First Baptist Church of Wheeler will begin Revival services on April 7,



Bill Gravell  
... Evangelist

2002. The revival will continue through Wednesday, April 10. Activities have been planned for noon Monday-Wednesday. Revival Choir will meet each evening 30 minutes prior to worship time. Regular worship times will be kept on Sunday but evening worship Monday-Wednesday will be at 7:00 PM

The Evangelist Bill Gravell will be preaching the word of God and Brian Dickinson will be leading in worship through music. Bro. Bill grew up outside Austin, Texas. As a teenager, began to sense emptiness in his heart and life. At age fifteen he met a youth minister named David. After spending a lot of time with David, it became clear that he had what Bill had been searching for, a personal relationship with Christ. Bill attended the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor. Gravell began to serve as the minister of youth in a local church. Bill and Jill Gravell were married January 5, 1985. Bill served thirteen years as youth minister in Baptist churches all over Texas. In 1997 Bill has spoken in 30 + different states and 2 different countries. Bill and Jill have 2 children, Camy and Josh. The family lives in Georgetown, Texas. Brian Dickinson is the music minister at First Baptist Church, Enid, Oklahoma where he oversees all the music programs. He actively oversees the music ministries of FBC. Brian is married to Marquita and they have 3 children. You will receive a blessing by being a part of the services as Brian leads the revival in music. He has a wonderful voice that he will share in special music throughout the week.

Everyone is invited to attend any or all of the special services for the week. You will find specific times on the ad found in this paper.



Brian Dickinson  
... Music

## Wheeler Ambulance Serv. Graduates 7

The Wheeler Ambulance Service recently completed an EMT-Basic Class and will soon have seven new EMT's for Wheeler County.

The class members were J. R. Sullivan, Mary Jones and Gene Ferguson from Wheeler, Sheri Hilburn from Shamrock, Bob Meller from Mobeetie and Shelly Gonzales

and Susie Umsted from Briscoe.

The instructor for the class was Brenda Sparlin. "This has been a really good class and I know all of these people will be an asset to the EMS Field and to Wheeler County," stated Sparlin.

To finish out the class, there was an extrication class on March 23, taught by Gary James from Pampa. This was a joint class with the Wheeler Volunteer Fire Department. Members participating were Randy Finsterwald, Mark Marshall, K. D.

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## Estes, Finsterwald Are Named To Honor Roll

Texas Tech University recently announced its President's and Dean's Lists for the 2001 fall semester.

To be eligible for the President's List, a student must maintain a 4.0 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours. Students named to the list include: Ashley Blaire Estes, of Mobeetie, Engineering Physics Major. Ashley is the daughter of Greg and Diane Estes. Caleb James Finsterwald, of Wheeler, Psychology Major. Caleb is the son of Joel and Debbie Finsterwald.

## Drug, Burglary, Injury To A Child Indictments Issued In Wheeler

Ten indictments were returned by the Wheeler Grand Jury on Wednesday, March 20, 2002.

Indicted were:  
Melissa Ann Carr of Wheeler. Born 2/19/73, the charge was Burglary of a Habitation.  
Jessica Elaine Johnson, address

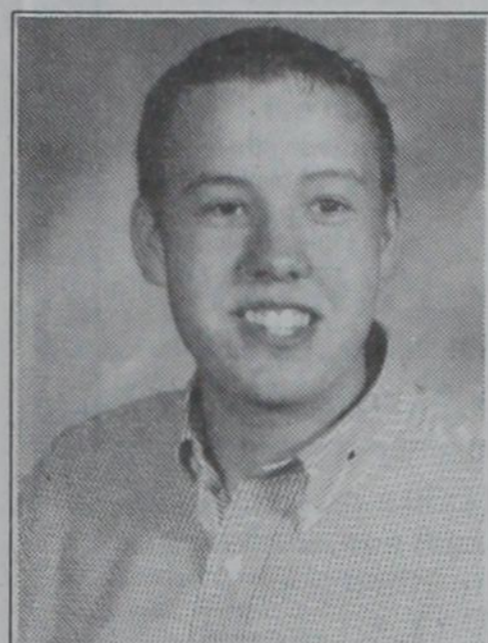
## Parkview Hosp. Dist. Election Is Canceled

Parkview Hospital District has two district representatives that are up for election for the Parkview Hospital Board of Directors. Thomas Helton, representing the Wheeler District has filed for re-election and has no opponent. Dave Britt, representing the Kelton District, has filed for re-election and has no opponent.

Since neither candidate has an opponent, the North Wheeler County Hospital District is not required to hold an election this year.

## Graveside Sat. For Kathrine Carmichael

Graveside services will be Saturday morning, April 6, 2002, for Kathrine Miller Carmichael at Mobeetie Cemetery at 10:00 A.M. She was a resident of Hobbs NM and former resident of Mobeetie.



Hadley Mitchell

## Mitchell Wins Trip With Greenbelt Essay Contest

Jennifer Birkey of Wellington and Hadley Mitchell of Wheeler were recently named winners of Greenbelt Electric Cooperatives youth tour essay contest. This years contest winners, will receive a firsthand glimpse of the political process on an all expense paid trip to Washington D.C. They will join other winners from across Texas for an unforgettable and exciting tour of our nation's capital June 13 through 25.

Jennifer is a Sophomore at Samnorwood High School and the daughter of John and Janet Birkey of Wellington. Hadley is a Jr. at Wheeler High School, and the son of Danny and Brenda Mitchell of Wheeler.

Being a Youth tour participant in Washington, D.C. is a special opportunity. Jennifer and Hadley will meet U. S. Congressmen Mac Thornberry and place a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery. A special tour of the White House and a possible meeting with the President are also scheduled.

Other tour highlights are visits to Mount Vernon, the National Archives (home of the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution and the Bill of Rights), the Smithsonian Institution, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, the F.B.I. Building and various famous landmarks.



**ANOTHER FIRST PLACE:** The Mustang Boys' Golf Team won first place on March 26, 2002, in Woodward, Oklahoma. Raymond Gentry medaled with a 75. Dee Alston got third place, shooting 80. Dirk Chapman shot 81, placing fifth. Gavin McQueen and Jake Britt helped the team get their first place with a 98+108 respectively. Pictured (l. to r.) Coach Bailey, Dee Alston, Gavin McQueen, Raymond Gentry, Jake Britt, Dirk Chapman.

## Wheeler Students Take Honors In 2002 U.I.L. District Academic Competition

Wheeler students participated in the 2002 U.I.L. District Academic competition on March 20-21 at Amarillo College. Nine schools were represented in the competition with Wheeler placing second with 156 points, following Stratford with 287.

The total number of students participating in the competition was 414. Wheeler entered nine of the events.

With 22 individuals entered in Calculator Applications, Wheeler students took the top three places and as a team took first place honors. Students in the order of their placing were Andrew Hampton, Hadley Mitchell and James Chapman. As a team, Wheeler had 627 points; second was Gruver with 361 points.

Twenty-one students competed in Literary Criticism. Wheeler's team took first place honors with 175 points, compared to Stratford with 135 points. Individually, the students Jake Britt, Blaine Rutherford, Gavin McQueen and Cassie Brown placed 2nd, 3rd, 5th & 6th.

Tyler Lewis placed fifth in a field of 28 students in Mathematics.

Wheeler students James Chapman, Andrew Hampton and Lindsey Lewis placed 4th, 5th and 6th individually with 26 students competing in Number Sense. As a team the local team took second place honors with 187 points, behind Stratford with 187.

In Science competition, Tyler Lewis took second place honors in Biology. The science team scored 206 points, behind Vega with 332 points. Team members were Ben Howard, Tyler Lewis and Dagen Moore.

Wheeler's Pam Murphy took second place honors in the Speech Events. Four students were entered.

In Extemporaneous Speaking (Persuasive) Hadley Mitchell earned fourth place in a field of 17 students.

Wheeler's Saharay Barboza competed against 23 other high school students in Editorial Writing and brought home fifth place.



**ADVANCING TO REGIONAL:** This group of Wheeler High School Students will be advancing to the Regional U.I.L. Academic meet on April 19-20 at Levelland. They are (l. to r.) Andrew Hampton, Blaine Rutherford, James Chapman, Jake Britt, Gavin McQueen, Cassi Brown, Tyler Lewis, Pam Murphy and Hadley Mitchell.

## Nine Basketball Players Are Academic All-Dist.

Wheeler had nine basketball players named to the District 2A Academic All-District Basketball team for the 2001-2002 school year.

Local students named were Cassi Brown, Lyndi Finsterwald, Heather Leven, Jake Britt, Dirk Chapman, Gavin McQueen, Dagen Moore, Even Watts, James Chapman.

## Second, Final Little League Sign-up Set

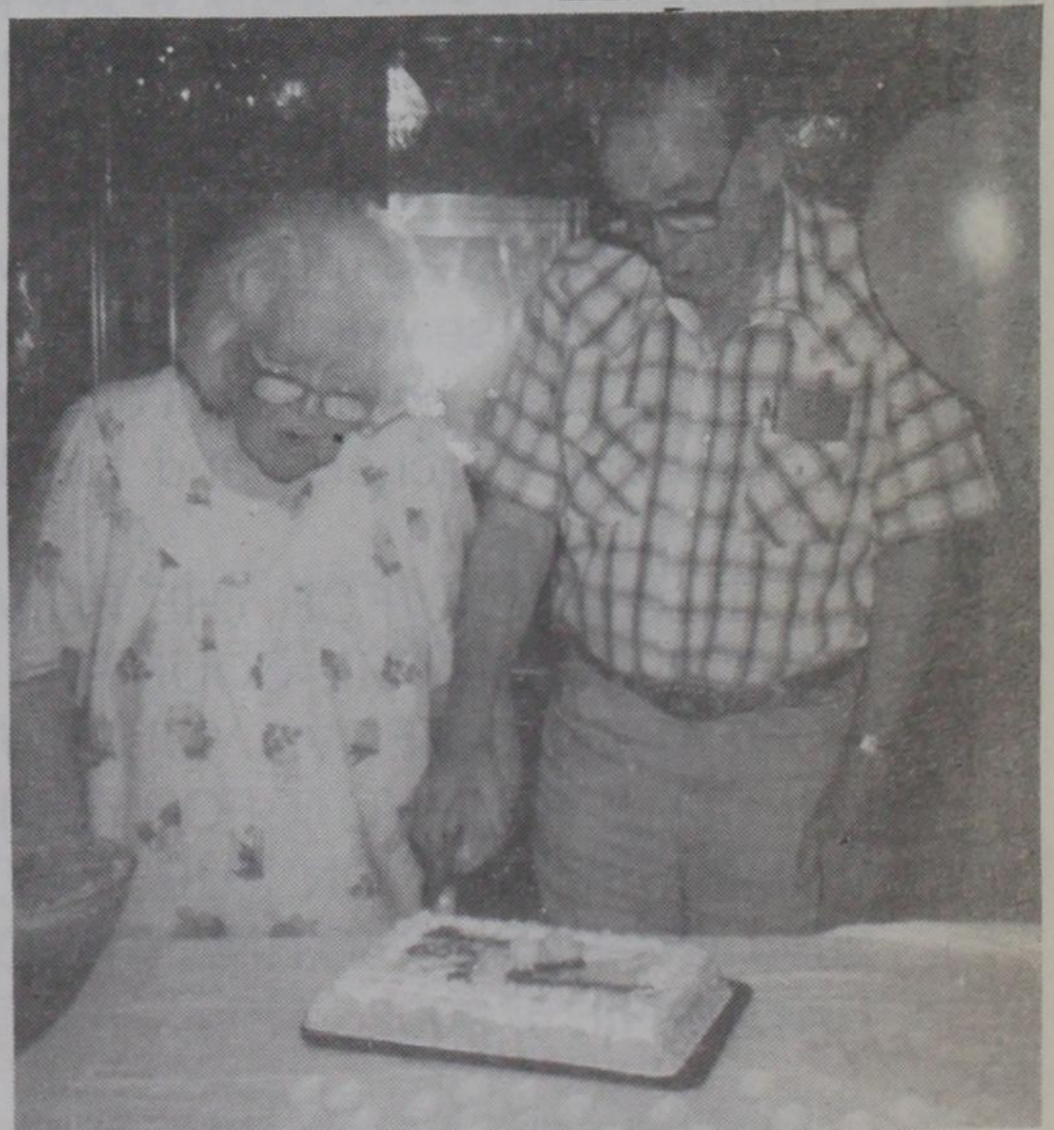
Wheeler Little League second and final enrollment for 2002 will be Tuesday, April 9, 2002, at the City Park Ball Field at 5:00 P.M.-6:00 P.M. The cost is \$25.00 per child up to 2 children; then \$50 per family.

A coaches' meeting will follow the sign-up at 6:15.

For more information, contact Misty Tucker @ 826-2134 or Brandi Hibler @ 826-5316 both after 6:00 P.M.

## Travel Trailer Tax Info.

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**SIXTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:** Gwen and Mamie Loyd celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at Wheeler Care Center Monday, April 1, 2002. The couple was married in Elk City, Okla., "at the preacher's house" in 1942. Gwen was in the grocery business over 44 years, serving as a manager in Oklahoma and Texas. Mamie taught school for 16 years. The couple came to Wheeler from Amarillo last week! They are Lyndon and Novelene Loyd's aunt and uncle.

## Special Olympics Meet Will Be At Wheeler Sat.

The Wheeler County Islanders Special Olympics team will host their third annual track meet in Wheeler this Saturday, April 6, 2002. The team appreciates all the positive responses for volunteers and assistance. We request all volunteers meet at the Wheeler High School Gym Saturday morning at 8:00 for sign-in. There will be a volunteer meeting at 8:15 A.M. in the High School cafeteria. At that time, Assignments will be handed out.

The Islanders extend an invitation to the public to come and cheer all the athletes on. We already have nine teams registered and over 100 athletes signed up. It will be a very heart-warming experience to all who attend.

An athlete from Nazareth, B. J. Klein, has been to the World Special Olympics World Games and will be in Wheeler to compete in the Wheeler County track meet. He is a Global Messenger and serves on the Board of Directors for Texas Special Olympics. He will compete in Ireland in the 2003 World Games. In Wheeler, B. J. will run the 3000 meter run.



**EMT CLASS:** A group of individuals recently completed a EMT-Basic class taught at Wheeler. Class members pictured are (l. to r.) J. R. Sullivan, Shelly Gonzales, Susie Umsted, Sheri Hilburn, Gene Ferguson, Mary Jones and Bob Meller.



**GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:** Bob and Valetta Frankenbery will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on April 13, 2002. A reception hosted by their children will be held from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. on April 13, 2002, in the fellowship room of the Church of Christ at 1001 Alan Bean Blvd., in Wheeler, Texas. Bob married the former Valetta Pennon on April 13, 1952, in Neodesha, Kansas. They moved from Neodesha to Wheeler, Texas, 36 years ago—1966. Bob and Valetta owned and managed the Wheeler Milk Co., Borden Milk Distributorship, for 10 years. They retired from Frankenbery's Texaco Service Station; they owned and operated the station at the corner of highways 83 and 152 for twenty-two years. Bob is employed in maintenance at Parkview Hospital and Valetta is a homemaker and they are members of the Church of Christ. Children of the couple are Kenneth Frankenbery of Pampa, Texas, and Kevin and Kathy Frankenbery of Wheeler, Texas. The couple have three granddaughters and four great-grandchildren. The couple's children invite you to come and share a memory with them on April 13, 2002. No gifts, please.

Densel and Fern Reed and Dale and Melba Corcoran visited Thursday night with Pauline Barnes in Wheeler.  
Visiting Monday with Doyle and Bulah Grimes was their granddaughter Dixie Purdy and children Dylan and Carl of Dalhart.  
James Pierce of Cheyenne OK visited Thursday with Dale Corcoran.

The First State Bank presented the First Baptist Church and the First United Methodist Church with beautiful flower arrangements for Easter Sunday. Thanks.  
Visiting over the weekend with Doyle and Bulah Grimes were Marvin and Kelley Grimes, Dee and Dru.

Darren Grimes and friend Shana Bennett and son Gage of Lubbock. Jerry and J. Rector and Anissa Garica of Amarillo and Dale and Melba Corcoran were dinner guest of Lorene Rector on Sunday. They all enjoyed a meal at Maxey's then hid Easter eggs for Anissa at Lorene's. Later in the evening Cleo Pierce and Dale Pierce of Cheyenne visited Lorene.  
Congratulations to Doyle and Bulah Grimes on the birth of their Great-Grandson Klay Allen Adams. Klay was born March 26 and weighed 8 pounds 10 ounces. Parents are Jason and Kelly Adams of Amarillo. Grandparents are Jerry and Beverly Grimes of Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. Jake Adams of Hartley. Great-Grandparents Doyle and Bulah Grimes of Mobeetie. Kelley is still in the hospital with a kidney infection. She hopes to be discharged Wednesday. The baby was fine.



1 pint chopped white onions  
1 pint sweet red pepper  
1 pint sweet green pepper  
4 tablespoon salt  
2-tablespoon celery seed crushed  
3/4 cup sugar  
4-tablespoon mustard seed.  
1 quart cider vinegar  
Soak the peppers in brine (1-cup salt to 1-gallon water) for 24 hours. Drain well, remove seeds and coarse white sections, chop separately and measure the chopped cabbage, peppers and onions before mixing. Add spices, sugar and vinegar. Let stand over night, cover in crock or enameled vessel. Next morning drain off juice, pack in jars pour over vinegar which was drained off, be careful to remove air bubbles. Garnish each jar with 2 slender strips of red pepper. Placing strips vertically on seams on opposite sides of jar. Process for 15 minutes at 180 degrees Simmering. Seal.

on Opening Day. Singing School to Open. Rileys-Willis-Knight in Overturned on Red River. C. J. Meek accepts Position in Quash.  
Mark Huselby ranchman of Mobeetie Vicinity accompanied by his wife and daughter Miss Isabelle were Wheeler visitors for a short time Saturday. Mr. Huselby reports his ranch in fine condition since the rains.  
R. D. Norris has opened a gasoline filling station on the D-C-D Highway 2 miles east of Wheeler where the turn south to Shamrock is made.  
Under Wants Ads; positively no hunting or fishing allowed on my premises. W. G. Stiles.  
Hunter Take Notice: hunting or fishing is prohibited on all lands owned by the under signed in Wheeler and Gray Counties. Mark Huselby.  
Posted Notice: this is to notify the public that no hunting will be allowed on the premises of the under signed. P. J. Sorenson.

Dale Corcoran took Bill Rains to Pampa to the doctor on Tuesday. Bill will start therapy next week.

Ronnie and Virginia Hungate bought the South place between New and Old Mobeetie.

Dale and Melba Corcoran picked up Pauline Barnes in Wheeler and visited with Densel and Fern Reed Tuesday night.

Scott and Neva Corcoran, Kayle, Nathan and Brandon left Wednesday 27th to go to Dallas and catch a plane for Atlanta Georgia and will leave from there for Germany. They will arrive in Germany on the 28th. The flight from Atlanta to Germany is nine hours. They will then have a 2-hour bus ride to the base. They arrived at the base in good shape just tired. They will get in their house by Wednesday.

The club quilt from Mt. View Quilting Club was completed Thursday. Then Bobbie Ehmann put in a double wedding ring quilt. Those attending the quilting were Estelle Hodges, Martha Meek, Bobbie Ehmann, Charlotte Coward, Jane Seitz, Audrey Seitz and Melba Corcoran.

Eddie and Gail Moke of Amarillo visited over the weekend with Estelle Hodges.

Our sympathy goes out to the family of W. F. Payne on his death. He was a brother-in-law of Doyle and Marion Grimes. He died in Lawton. The services will be Wednesday in Hollis OK.

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## FRIDAY NIGHTS

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To The Editor  
The Wheeler Times  
Wheeler, TX 79096

1635 W. Ben Holt  
Stockton, CA 95207

The Wheeler Times  
P.O. Box 1080  
Wheeler, TX 79096

To Whom it may concern:

My name is Kathryn Laguna, and I am in the Fifth Grade at Presentation School in Stockton, California. This year we are doing our State Reports and I have chosen your state, Texas. I have chosen Texas because I go there for summer vacations. I would also like to learn more about Texas. It fascinates me.

Could you please publish this letter in your newspaper? I would like any information about your state that could help me complete my report. Please send my information to 1635 W. Ben Holt, Stockton, CA 95207, c/o Kathryn Laguna.

Thank you for your time!  
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Kathryn Laguna

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# VOTE FOR TOM PURYEAR

During my two terms, I worked diligently to save tax dollars and to promote financial security for our county.

To do the job to the best of my ability, I have worked with my precinct employees on flood repairs, snow removal, grass fire controls and road maintenance. I have worked with them on maintenance and repairs of all heavy equipment and other general equipment.

I am faithful to attend seminars, schools and meetings to promote my education and county business. I will become a certified court member in 2003 as required by law.

The adverse weather conditions over the past three years has made it difficult for us, as farmers and ranchers, and for the maintenance of roads.

THANK YOU FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF WORKING FOR THE COUNTY. I WANT TO CONTINUE TO SERVE YOU. I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR VOTE FOR YOUR COUNTY COMMISSIONER ON TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2002 OR EARLY VOTING THROUGH FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 2002.

*Thank You Tom Puryear*

## OLD JAIL MUSEUM NEWS

Mobeetie Jail Museum News  
The Mobeetie Jail Museum need pictures of men from Wheeler County that served in World War 2 for a display. They also need the branch of service and a brief history of the men. Any help would be appreciated.

Also need information of anyone that remembers an old saloon, trading post, or outpost about 12 miles west of Mobeetie on the Roberts/Gray county line. They think a man of the name of Pfeiffer, who passed the property to the Totty Family of Mobeetie in the early 1900's, built it. The building was rather large for the time about 30 feet X 50 feet of native cliche rock with a dugout, and two other small buildings. Only the foundations remain. This is to help the Roberts County Historical Society with a historical map of Roberts County.

From the September 17, 1925 Wheeler News Review the headlines were Tinsley & Tucker Gin has been overhauled. McMillin Again has Produce Business in Wheeler. Perry Koons Named in Five Indictments. Number of Cases Gotten off Civil Docket up to Date. Second Trail of Webster on Murders Charges Now in Court. Thirty go To Zybach as C of C Visitors.

Dr. Croft Spent two Days at Schoolhouse. Lewis Lets Contract for New 25 Foot X 80-foot Brick Building. Center Building Community about Modern School.

Merry Matrons Play Bridge at McCrohan Home. Committee Gathering Data on Gas Consumption. Attend Ball Game and Ford River on Return Trip. Specialist form A & M to visit Wheeler Co. Seniors of Wheeler High Select Officers First Day. Grand Jury Suspends After 16 Bills Returned.

Mobeetie Man here for medical treatment for Arm. O. P. Gober of Mobeetie was in Wheeler Wednesday morning having his arm treated. An infection of blood poison was treated which seemed to have been caused from a small cut on the finger several days ago.

A Recipe found in the paper was Dixie Relish  
1 quart of chopped cabbage

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Makenna Lea Morgan, 2 1/2 months old, is the daughter of Dedra and Bradd Morgan of Panhandle. She is the granddaughter of Danny and Margaret Dorman of Wheeler and Carroll Moore of Goodnight. Great-great-grandparents are Bill and Roma Swindle of Plainview.

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## ALLISON MENU

MONDAY, April 8, 2002 — FRIDAY, April 12, 2002

**MONDAY**  
Breakfast: Egg n Sausage Pockets, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Chicken Strips, Mashed Potatoes, Buttered Squash, Hot Rolls, Yogurt, Milk

**TUESDAY**  
Breakfast: French Toast, Ham, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Chef Salad, Macaroni Salad, Waldorf Salad, Mini Corndogs, Milk

**WEDNESDAY**  
Breakfast: Sausage Gravy, Hashbrowns, Biscuits, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Beef Shepards Pie, Fried Okra, Hot Rolls, Rice Krispies, Milk

**THURSDAY**  
Breakfast: Cereal, Oats, Toast, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Beef n Bean Burrito, Chili Cheese, Tossed Salad, Fruit, Milk

**FRIDAY**  
Breakfast: Biscuits, Ham, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Hot Ham n Cheese, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Tater Tots, Fruit, Milk  
(Menu subject to change)

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Children's Night  
\* Pizza Blitz - 6pm  
\* Choir - 6:30pm  
\* Worship - 7pm

Tuesday  
Students' Night  
\* Tailgate Party - 6pm  
\* Choir - 6:30pm  
\* Worship - 7pm

Wednesday  
Family Night!  
\* Potluck Meal - 6pm  
\* Choir - 6:30pm  
\* Worship - 7pm

Come join us!!!

Nahum 1: 6-8 "Who can stand before his indignation? And who can abide in the fierceness of his anger? His fury is poured out like fire, and the rocks are thrown down by him. The Lord is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and he knoweth them that trust in him."

But with an overrunning flood he will make an utter end of the place thereof, and darkness shall pursue his enemies.

A sunny Monday morning here in Allison, with some wind, but that is something that we are used to in this part of the world. Easter Sunday was a nice day.

Enjoyed a visit from my son, Jerry, of Amarillo last Sunday. He came Sunday morning. We attended the U. P. Church, had a very good service with an Easter program Sunday morning. After church the children had an egg hunt. Jerry and I went to Wheeler and ate dinner at Maxeys. They always have good buffet dinners. Cathy was in Houston visiting at the home of Rev. Richey and Kerri Glass, Kayci and Krislyn, Kristi (Gilmer) Ulry from Columbus, Ohio, was also visiting there. Jerry and I had a good visit Sunday afternoon. He left about six going home. The weather was nice for Sunday.

Opal and Juanita Boydston's last Monday dinner guests were Forest and Janice Boydston. Last Tuesday Opal and Juanita shopped in Pampa. On Wednesday they were in Wheeler and Shamrock, doing some shopping. Thursday Juanita went to Elk City and Cheyenne with Stephanie Walker, Tyler and Addison for

Stephanie's dental appointment and they did some shopping.

Saturday Wanda Walker and Kim Thompson visited Opal and Juanita.

Sunday dinner guests at Clifton and Louise Boydston's were Pastor McDaniel, Eddy and Wanda Walker, Pearl Harrison, Opal and Juanita Boydston, H. B. and Cheryl Dupont, Sabrina and Cody and Kim Thompson, Kimber and Britteny and Chase from Amarillo, Justin and Stephanie Walker, Tyler and Addison from Wheeler and Hershel Sanford from Higgins and Curtis Boydston.

Roma and Billy Brown were in Elk City last Wednesday doing some shopping. Larry and Kerri Brown from Malvern, Ark., visited Roma and Billy from Thursday evening to Saturday

morning. They left early, but on Friday Billy went with Larry and Kerri to Clinton to look at Real Estate. Sunday dinner guests at the Brown's was Thursia Poindexter from Cheyenne. Sue Chandler took Peggy Chandler to Amarillo last Thursday to see the heart doctor and they also visited Margaret Gilmer at the B.S.A. hospital.

Pearl Harrison's last Tuesday dinner guest was Bennie Boydston. Pearl's nephew, Jerry Schanhals from Shattuck visited her. Another nephew, Aden Henson, from Dallas visited Pearl on Wednesday.

Pearl visited Clifton and Louise

Boydston on Saturday afternoon. Kim Thompson, Kimber, Britteny and Chase from Amarillo were also there and spent the weekend with Clifton and Louise. Pearl and Hershel went to Reydon to a gospel singing Sunday afternoon at the Community Church.

Rita Grayson's Friday afternoon visitor was her granddaughter, Kerri Dukes, from Goodwell, Okla. Rita visited with Tim and Debbie Jones last Saturday. There was a large crowd there. The children all had a big Easter egg hunt. They all had a lot of fun.

Jim Bob and Stacey Hall, Kennsey and Christa from Lance, Neb., were here at Allison for a few days visiting relatives.

Irene Keys had a large crowd of relatives Easter Sunday. She said too many to get their names. She enjoys having them all to come, but requires a few days rest afterwards.

Jon and Connie Steffey visited Jon's brother in Oklahoma City. Earlier in the week and they did some fishing. They went to Amarillo last Sunday and took Ethan and Micah Wills and McKinzie out to eat.

Nadine Reynolds' weekend guests were Wayne and Debbie Reynolds, Kevin and Tammy Hall, Kaylee and Tyler from Amarillo and Gary and Linda Hall from Pampa and William and Vicki Lay and Jennifer from Bushland, Texas. Bennie and Debbie Boydston, Heather and Jason and Josh Archer.

Vance and Caroline Boydston's weekend guests were Kyle Boydston and Noah from Roswell, N.M.

Lanora Morse's visitor Saturday afternoon was Helen Crawford.

Dick and Cletus Green, Shawn and Jamie, Donnie, Vance and Caroline Boydston, Kyle Boydston and Noah, Lanora Morse and Narvetta Robertson all had dinner together at the Allison Cafe. Roy and Reba Green, brought their two children, Loran and Becka over to hunt Easter eggs with Noah.

Take time to pray—it is the greatest power on earth.

**Health Fair Scheduled April 27 At Shamrock**

Health Fair, Saturday, April 27th at Shamrock Community Center 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. Coffee Memorial Blood Center will be on sight for a Blood Drive. Free health screening's will be available from different organizations including Blood Pressure checks, hearing evaluations and hearing aid service and Cholesterol Screening. The Care Van by BSA Health Systems will be on site to provide Children's Immunizations at a rate of \$5 per child (based on the ability to pay. Medicaid accepted). Parent or guardian must be present and must have shot records. Mark your calendar and bring the kids for a fun filled day.

**Volunteer Week April 14-20**

The Extension office would like to thank all volunteers who touch another's life. You are very special people to us and to the children and adults you provide your time. Extension and 4-H have many programs that are available but could not be made possible with out the help of volunteers. Times are busy, schedules are hectic, and I'm sure you feel "if only I had another meeting to attend". Your time is precious to us and greatly appreciate your efforts. Thank You!!

**Chat (from Page 1)**

**Congratulations, Dorcie Gillette!** Dorcie took first place honors in an essay contest at the Walker County Fair at Huntsville this past weekend. She won sixth on an other project entered. Dorcie is in Kindergarten.

**cwe—** The end of the month means turning in the rain reports to the National Weather Bureau. Only 0.04 inches of rain for March. Moisture for the year is at 0.93 inches.

**cwe—** The first part of the weekend was spent at OKC, visiting with Jennifer. On Sunday we went to Hinton to have dinner with the Meriwether family.

**cwe—** Time once again to extend **Birth-day Wishes to Jennifer** on April 9. She's chipping away at the last half of the twenties.

**cwe—** On Monday, April 8, my brother, **Raymond**, will mark the beginning of another year. **Happy Birthday!**

**cwe—** It was cards again on Monday night. Rhonda, Barbara and Leroy won the first two games. Dwight, Bob and I struggled to keep from being skunked; we managed to win the last game.

**Sweetwater News**  
By Lois Flowers

A beautiful, warm Thursday. Promise of some rain over the weekend. It would be wonderful. We wouldn't mind if the Easter Eggs got washed. There is also talk of a freeze mid-week.

The school has Friday and Monday off. The Community Clean-up is due April 6. Baseball is coming up Tuesday with Cheyenne. Softball with Merritt. Mr. Riley told me Keith Holland is a new student.

**CARD OF THANKS**

I would like to express my thanks and appreciation to Dr. Robert Galutia and Hospital Staff for all their help while getting me ready to be transferred to BSA. John Sullivan, Stacy Horton, Ambulance Service, neighbors, who took care of the mail and indoor plants. For prayers, hospital visits, flowers, cards and telephone calls while I was at BSA.

Thank You,  
Dr. Louie L. Mendiola.

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Big News! I had a birthday last Monday. 39 one more time! Who am I fooling? I thank you all for the cards, calls and gifts.

Heard from Verna Ford. She has been in the hospital.

Easter makes me remember days of yore when we'd color eggs on Saturday night and Joe would hide them on Sunday morning.

One time the kids just found a few. He'd put them in some socks, hanging on the clothes line. Another time they saw Old Dawg carrying eggs off and putting them in his house. Those eggs were rescued.

The Sweetwater Baptist Church has their Easter dinner in the New Fellowship Hall, followed by an egg hunt for the children.

Mason Wrather of Broken Bow is in a Dallas Hospital. He is the grandson of the Ed Wrathers.

Heard from my granddaughter, Ginger De Marquis, of New Mexico. She was in New Orleans on a business trip.

Helen Smith's daughter, Millie Greene, was named "Teacher of the Year" at the Sayre Grade School. Nelda Tucker was chosen for the Sayre High School.

The Daily Oklahoman had a full page article with pictures of the ranch and museum of Agusta Metcalf and her son, Howard of Durham. She was a famous artist and put Roger Mills County on the map! They used to come to our musicals long ago.

Annette Wingfield was honored with an award at the Southwest Leadership meet March 19.

I hope you made it thru April Fool's Day Ok. Still no rain!

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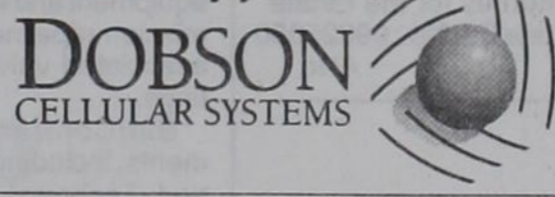
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# Oil & Gas NEWS

(New Location, Completion and Plugging Report made possible by Oil & Gas Reporting Service, 3930 Beaver St., Vernon, TX 76384.. Doris Harrison, Phone: 940/552-6644.)

Week Ending March 28, 2002  
**Intentions to Drill**  
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & HEMPHILL Douglas) Courson Oil & Gas, Inc., #1 Flowers 'C', 660' from South & 1320' from East line, Sec. 28, A-1, H&GN, PD 8250.

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & TEXFEL Douglas & HEMPHILL Douglas) Upland Resources, Inc., #1 Nancy, 660' from North & 990' from East line, Sec. 23, 42, H&TC, PD 7500.

**Applications to Recomplete**  
WHEELER (WILDCAT) EOG Resources, Inc., #1 Britt '9', 1800' from North & 550' from West line, Sec. 9, 2, B&B, PD 12800.  
WHEELER (WILDCAT & ALLISON-PARKS Douglas) EOG Resources, Inc., #3 Britt '10', 2640' from North & 990' from West line, Sec. 10, 1, B&B, PD 12650.

**Gas Well Completions**  
HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star Ltd. Partnership, #209 Yeager, Sec. 9, 4, AB&M, spud 9-2-01, drlg. compl 9-20-01, tested 2-6-02, TD 11800', PBTD 11664'.

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# Wheeler County COURT RECORDS

List of Instruments filed in Wheeler County Clerk's Office from March 25, 2002 — March 28, 2002.

**MARCH 25, 2002**  
RDT—Mortgage Electronic Registration, et al to Gary R. Hardcastle, et ux, 3-1-02, See Instrument.

D—Robert J. Hogan, et ux to Kent Herbert McLaughlin, et ux, 3-22-02, S 50' of Lots 1-6, All Lots 6-13, Blk. 44, Old Mobeetie; and Lots 9-13, 22, Blk. A, Patton Add. Old Mobeetie.

RMML—David Rico Construction to Moonman Inc., et al, 3-19-02, Lots 1, 2, 21 and 22, Vaughan's Hilltop Add., Shamrock.

ROW—Freddie Eugene Farren to Greenbelt Electric Cooperative Inc., 12-26-01, NW 1/4 Sec. 111, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ROW—Francis Pride to Greenbelt Electric Cooperative Inc., 2-25-02, SE 1/4 Sec. 11, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ROW—Mark Brown to Greenbelt Electric Cooperative Inc., 2-22-02, N 80 acs. Sec. 9, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

CONVEYANCE—Brown Children's Trust to Annabelle Elizabeth Brown, 2-19-02, See Instrument.

OL—Stiles Resources Ltd. to Green River Exploration Company, 7-10-01, Pt. W 1/2 Sec. 5, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

TDT—Jim Walter Homes Inc. to Mid-State Trust VI, 1-18-02, See Instrument.

TDT—Mid-State Trust VI to First Union National Bank, 1-18-02, See Instrument.

MEMORANDUM TRUST—Boyd C.

Eiland Revocable Trust, et al to Boyd C. Eiland Revocable Trust, et al, 3-11-02.

MD—Boyd C. Eiland Revocable Trust to Boyd C. Eiland Residual Trust, 3-11-02, Sec. 13, Camp County School Land.

POA—Connie S. Reeves to Bennie R. Reeves, 3-25-02.

POA—Bennie R. Reeves to Connie S. Reeves, 3-25-02.

POA—Ruby C. Beshears to Connie S. Reeves, 3-25-02.

**MARCH 26, 2002**  
POA—Vera Moore to Shirley Jolly, 3-21-02.

ASSIGN.—Cline Family Trust, et al to Arlene Cairnes Cline, et al, 5-31-01, Sec. 49, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ROY/MD—Thelma H. Hill to Connie White, 3-26-02, Sec. 62, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

POA—Lidia Jesus Lopez to Blanca Hermila Lopez, et al, 3-26-02.

POA—Miguel Angel Martinez to Blanca Hermila Lopez, 3-26-02.

**MARCH 27, 2002**  
CORPORATE RESOLUTION—Macina Ltd. to Great Plains National Bank, 1-10-02, See Instrument.

DT—Macina Ltd. to Great Plains National Bank, 1-10-02, See Instrument.

CD—Wheeler Community Cemetery Association to Donald Barber, et ux, 3-27-02, SW 1/4 Lot 3, Blk. K-2, 1st Add., Wheeler Cemetery.

QCD—Mauri Leigh Cauthen to D. J. Cauthen, 3-13-02, See Instrument.

RDT—Bank One NA to SMR Preferred Return Development Fund 1995 LP, 3-11-02, See Instrument.

RDT—Bank One NA to SMR Preferred Return Acquisition Fund 1995 LP, 3-11-02, See Instrument.

ASSIGN.—William H. Houston to Philcon Development Co., 9-1-01, 16 acs. NW 1/4 Sec. 14, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

ASSIGN.—Robert A. Houston to Philcon Development Co., 9-1-01, 16 acs. NW 1/4 Sec. 14, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

**MARCH 28, 2002**  
TDLTDT—Nadine Marquis to Kay Rikard, 3-12-02, N 45' of Lot 11 and all of Lot 12, Blk. 63, WSSA, Shamrock.

ASSIGN.—Crest Resources to Chevron U.S.A. Production Company, 3-1-02, Sec. 51, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

DT—J. C. Brooks, et ux to Wheeler Banking Center, 3-26-02, Lot 6 and the S 13' of Lot 5, Blk. 35, Wheeler.

DT—Rodney G. Klemm, et al to National Bank of Commerce, 3-27-02, 50 acs. SW 1/4 Sec. 60, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ACCEPTANCE APPT. TRUSTEE—Carla Kay White to Frances Worley (Irrevocable Intervivos Trust), 3-27-02.

REJECTION APPT. TRUSTEE—Jill Annette Darland to Frances Worley (Irrevocable Intervivos Trust), 3-27-02.

**District Clerk's Filings:**  
#11168—Linda Sue Brewer vs Mitchell Alan Brewer, 3-13-02, Divorce.

#11169—Tambra L. Puryear vs Charles C. Puryear, 3-28-02, Divorce.

#11170—Royce Cantrell Corporation vs Kenny Otts aka Kenneth Otts, 4-1-02, Inj./Damage Other Than Motor V.

**Indictments** (from Page 1)  
A Deadly Weapon.  
Thomas Henry Staggs of Shamrock. Born 10/19/46, charged with Assault Public Servant.

Todd Wray Richardson of Sewickley, Pa. Born 6/15/68, was charged with Possession of Marihuana.

Edward Alfred Snyder of Pittsburg, Pa. Born 8/10/75, was charged with Possession of Marihuana.

Carlos Taylor of Tucson, Az. Born 11/7/49, was charged with Possession of Marihuana.

Billy Dale Livingston of VanBeren, AR. Born 9/24/59, charged with Possession of Marihuana.

**Ambulance** (from Page 1)  
Ford, Josh Alonzo, Keith Rose and Justin Darnell. Wheeler EMS members participating were Brenda Sparlin, Jon Sullivan, Carrie Gaines, Dwayne Lane, Mary Kay Christner and Steve Walker. Also attending were Mac Christner and Shannon Sullivan. This was a good class, enjoyed by all and a good way to wind up an EMT class. Plans are in the works now for an intermediate class to be offered in the fall.

The Wheeler Ambulance service would like to take this opportunity to thank Judge Hefley and the County Commissioners for their support they have given us and this class.

**Travel Trailers Exempt From Advalorem Tax**  
The Wheeler County Commissioners Court approved a resolution for the exemption of travel trailers from ad valorem taxation.

If you own a travel trailer you must apply to receive this exemption. The exemption forms may be picked up at the Wheeler County Tax Office, City of Shamrock or Wheeler Central Appraisal District office. The application must be filled out and filed with the Wheeler Central Appraisal District by April 30, 2002. No applications will be accepted after April 30, 2002.

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Home: 806/826-3322; Mobile: 806/898-2088. 4/4c

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Happy Birthday to Lula Buice, Mary (Nelson) Johnson, Wayne Edwards, Cody Walker and Stephanie (Dollar) Childress on April 7; Artie Tidwell, Dusten Yowell, Lola Cyphers, Jody Powledge and Gina Mendiola on April 8; C. J. Bryant, Stephanie Baker, Carrie Perry, John Meadows, Eula Cole and Sandra Christner on April 9; Claudia Marion, Bobbye Horn, Jack Morgan, Ann Jones and Margaret Dorman on April 10; Amber Maddox, Becky Blackburn, Lacy Bryant and Kara Richardson on April 11; Doretta Moore, Bertie Eudey, Leslie Harrison and Jeff Young on April 12; Kathy Zybach, Patsy Rarden and Taylor Hudgins on April 13.

Happy Anniversaries to Dale and Kathy Hathaway on April 8; Curtis and Jane Ann Hall on April 9; Clem and Rebecca Helton and Ray and Verline Currie on April 12; David and Stefanie Jones on April 10; Bob and Valetta Frankenbery on April 13.

Don't forget to set your clocks forward one hour next Saturday night, April 6. Day Light Saving Time is here, like it or not.

First Sunday Sing will be at Allison Baptist church next Sunday night, April 7, at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come sing and worship the Lord together and fellowship.

Everyone is invited to Mobeetie XYZ next Friday night, April 5 at 6:00 op.m. for delicious pot luck meal, devotional, visiting and games of 42, and Chicken Foot at Mobeetie Baptist Church.

Wheeler Baptist Church Revival starts next Sunday, April 7, with services morning and evening with evangelist Bill Gravel and worship leader, Brian Dickinson. Also noon meals and services.

Good to see Timmy Andris doing so much better Friday night at Church. He could sit erect in his chair and hold his head up more alert.

Gene and Daniel Keelin visited Rosalie Sunday afternoon.

Willa Fillingim was host to a family gathering Monday night for supper and visiting. Some there were Gretta Fillingim and Brendon from California, Ruth and Dick Irvine, Gayle and Kay Singleton from The Colony near Dallas, Vea Fillingim, Ed and Laurel Hershman, Lajo Crownover and Horace and Juanita Fillingim.

Elva Wood enjoyed an Easter visit from daughter, Liz, and Lanny Atchelly from Marble Falls and James Hubble. Good to see Liz and James out to the Easter program at the Methodist Church.

Willis needed new frames for his eye glass lens. Kept losing his lens out. We got new frames at Dr. Bob Lusk's office in Canadian. Glad to find some that fit his lens. Bob and Melanie are two special young people and have scads of frames. They test eyes and will not try to sell you something you don't need. They are at Canadian Eye Care Clinic.

Enjoying lunch together Sunday at Debbie and Bob Kinnaman's and

Kirbie's were Donnie Barr, Cory Kinnaman, Joe Bob and Katrina Kinnaman and Alyssa, Destrie, Christina and Nicole and Lou Dean Douthit. They also had an Easter Egg Hunt for the small fry.

Friday night Lou Dean Douthit went to Pampa to Calvary Assembly of God Church's Easter Pageant. Joe Bob had a part in it and Katrina helped with the production. Very good.

Rita Pearson went to Amarillo Tuesday to the Farm Bureau monthly meeting.

Thursday Lou Dean Douthit, Irene Keys and Virginia Puryear visited Edna May and ate supper and played Chicken Foot and 42 and enjoyed visiting.

Visitors to C. B. and Maurine Brotherton Saturday and playing 80 were Jo Redding and Doris Finsterwald. They get together most Saturday nights.

We hope as you celebrated Easter that you thought of what it really means: Jesus died for your sins to give us salvation and eternal life. The third day he rose again from the dead and is alive forever more, making intercession for us. He has gone to prepare a place for us and will come again. Praise the Lord!

Nice to visit with Lisa (Dockins) Barton and Haley and Kasey from Mobeetie at Maxeys Thursday night. Lisa grew up at Mobeetie and has moved back so her folks, Leon and Rosemary Dockins could help with her kindergarten girls. Such beautiful little girls.

Also good to visit with Daveta and Lonnie Hand from Canadian at Maxeys. Lonnie is a cousin to Walter Hand; Walter lived with Lonnie's family after his dad died. Daveta is an identical twin to Davene Hendershot, long time Hemphill clerk. Lisa Barton and girls planned to visit Lisa's sister, Ivan, and family in Amarillo over Easter.

Pauline Hefley enjoyed having her family go with her to Wheeler Methodist Church Sunday and included David and Phyllis Hefley and Darren and Chalona Hefley and Dawson from Tulia, Kristi Hefley from Lubbock, Tina and Chuck Dale and Emily from Van Buren, Ark., and Jim and Beth Alvey. They all had lunch together at Pauline's. A great day together. They had two pews full at church.

Mickey Atherton is in a hospital at Wichita Falls with heart problems. Pray for Mickey.

Chynna Atherton visited Randi Lynn Barr at Mobeetie for Easter Supper.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Earl Dodd, 89, in his death in Utah. He was a brother to Grady Dodd, Mary Margaret's husband. Mary Margaret, C. G. and Rosemary Dodd and Diane and Jack Cody flew out to his funeral.

Getting together Friday and Saturday at Shellie and Jeremy Johnson and Tanner's (in the Mable Parker house) were Dorothy Ogle, Janet Hershenrader and Andrea, June and Kevin Sheffield and James and Marti Ogle. Janet is from Plano. Sunday at James and Marti Ogle's home were Melody and Hickory Hendrixson and Dylan and Misty and Casey Gilmer and Abby from Elk City. Melody's family is from Higgins.

Easter weekend visitors to Ray and Glenda Hudson were Cheryl and Jeff Fraley and Steven John, Sonya Hudson and Patrick, Cindy Sweet and Jessie Ray and Nathan, all from Amarillo. They talked to their other kids on the phone and all doing all right. Ray says he is doing pretty well.

Bob Wills is a fine Sunday school teacher; he gave us "kids" Chocolate Easter Eggs on Easter. Thanks, Bob. Good lesson, too.

Sunday, March 24, Ray and Glenda Hudson went to Amarillo and spent the night with Ray's sister, Sharon and Harold Bertrand and also visited with Ray's mom, Lois Hudson. Ray also had dental work done on Monday.

Ray Hudson has been enjoying substituting at Ft. Elliott School for teachers, who have to be away. Ray would have made a good teacher.

Nice to have son Danny come help with things Wednesday afternoon. We also visited and played dominoes. Thanks Danny. We really appreciate his help. He is pretty handy. Even vacuumed some for me! Nice to have him go to Wheeler Baptist Church with us Easter Sunday.

Bob Puryear is still at Wheeler Care Center and awfully weak. Virginia and niece, Linda Davis, went to Elk City Saturday and got him a TV.

Frances Hefley had most of her family eating together at Maxeys Saturday night for an Easter celebration. Good to see them. Some there were



Dennis and Brenda Hefley, Herb and Lynn Smith and Jonathan and Jared, James and Charlotte Hefley and Lori, Holly, Jill and Nikki and John and Alicia Moffett and Lexie and several friends. Frances and Loyd Hefley were our near neighbors and we enjoyed seeing their fine family grow up.

Ed and Erma Riley spent Easter at Tuttle, Okla., with Annie and James Henderson. James came and got them and brought them back so they didn't have to drive so far. We missed Ed and Erma at church Sunday. They got to hear Annie sing in the Easter Pageant Sunday and see all their kids and grand kids. A great day.

Saturday night Rita and David Pearson went to McLean and met Dallas Fillingim from Vernon and Krystal Berend from Windthorst at the Red River Steak House and had a good visit. Sunday Dave and Rita drove to Canyon and went to church

with Ken and Lindsey Criswell at the First Baptist Church. They they ate lunch at Ken and Lindsey's. She had prepared lunch ahead from family recipes. (No hamburger helper). After lunch they went to Amarillo and saw a movie. Such a nice day.

Everyone is invited to a baby shower for Shawn and Nikki Hunt's expected baby at Mitchell's Restaurant Dining Room in Shamrock Saturday, April 13, from 2:00 to 4:00. Best Wishes!

"A new little baby to cuddle and love To spoil just a little And think the world of, A bundle from heaven To simply adore, Now who in the world Could ask for more!" —anon

There was a very nice baby shower for Raydon Shawn Gonzales, son of Shelly and J. R. Gonzales at Briscoe Community Church Tuesday night, March 26, 2002. Best wishes to all.

Nice to have a call from Cindy Zumstein. William, a sophomore is in the White Deer One Act Play cast. They are advancing to play at Amarillo Thursday April 4. William was on the All Star Cast. Carrie, who is going to Baylor College, will get to go to England to go to college this summer. Cindy's mom, Betty Farnsworth, who has not been well for a few years, is doing much better. Even driving herself to Amarillo to visit her other daughter, Barbara and family some. And able to live at home.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Everett Stone, 92, of Miami in his death. A fine Christian man. Services Saturday at Miami.

Fat and Wanda Childress enjoyed having most of their family but to Briscoe Community Church Sunday and included Melvin and Cathy Hunt, Shawn and Nikki Hunt and Donnie from Shamrock, Kay and Scott Luttrell, Brandi and Jason Cochran and Kayleigh and Ransley, Susie Umsted and Brody, Clyde and Mary Jane Dukes, Stacie Kidwell and Kaymiand

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**WHEELER MENU**

MONDAY, April 8, 2002 — FRIDAY, April 12, 2002

**MONDAY**  
Breakfast: Cold or Hot Cereal, Buttered Toast, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Chicken Fajita, Grated Cheese, Salad, Corn, Onion & Green Peppers, Fruit, Milk

**TUESDAY**  
Breakfast: Biscuits/Gravy, Sausage Patty or Frozen Yogurt, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Veg. Beef Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Pickle Spears, Fruit, Milk

**WEDNESDAY**  
Breakfast: Pancake Pup or Waffle w/Syrup, Toast, Milk, Juice  
Lunch: Steak Fingers w/Gravy, Mash, Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Roll, Fruit, Milk

**THURSDAY**  
Breakfast: Biscuit and Gravy, Sausage Patty, Milk, Juice  
Lunch: Chicken Taco, Grated Cheese, Salad, Corn, Fruit, Milk

**FRIDAY**  
Breakfast: Cold or Hot Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk  
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**Who qualifies for an exemption?**

Anyone who owned a home on January 1st (and used it as their primary residence on that date) is entitled to a \$15,000 homestead exemption to lower their school taxes this year . . . and it doesn't matter if your home is a house, condominium, or mobile home. (Counties, cities, and special taxing districts may also offer homestead exemptions.)

**Are other exemptions available?**

If you're disabled—or if you're 65 years old or older—you are entitled to an additional \$10,000 school tax exemption on your home. And if you qualify for the over-65 exemption, you're also entitled to a permanent, locked-in "ceiling" on the school property taxes on your home. (The ceiling does not apply to county or city property taxes, and those entities may offer other exemptions.) The over-65 homeowner's exemptions and school tax ceiling transfers to the surviving spouse, if the spouse is 55 years of age or older at the time of death and lives in and owns the home. Over-65 homeowners also may transfer the percentage of school tax paid, based on their former home's over-65 school tax ceiling, to a new home.

**Do I have to apply each year?**

No. If you had a homestead exemption on your home in 2001 you won't need to reapply for 2002 unless your chief appraiser requires it. However, if you haven't received an exemption on your present home—or if you've moved to a new home—you'll need to file for an exemption for 2002. If you are 65 this year, you may file for the over-65 exemption up to one year after the date you turned 65. And if you become disabled during 2001 you need to file for the disabled person's exemption.

**When and where should I file?**

File applications by April 30 at your appraisal district office. If you need more time, contact us at:

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**Country** (from Page 5)

friend, Curtis, and children and Jackie Dukes. Others joining them for lunch at Fat's barn at Briscoe were Addie Swift, Pat and Amanda Childress, Ed Uryl and Dan Luttrell, Tommy and Chuck Hutcherson and Michelle and Timmy, Caleb Kirpatrick, Johnny and Patty Cranford and Shellie (Hunt) and J. R. Gonzales and Raydon, who also went to church at Briscoe.

Linda Thomas and Bethaney were Easter visitors to Alice Kelley and others and attended Briscoe Church and sang beautiful specials, while Linda played.

Rosalie Keelin played the piano for Elizabeth Meers to lead choruses and songs. Always good.

There was a nice group and a delicious meal at Wheeler Senior Citizens Monday night. Games of 88 and 80. Verna Fillingim was the "birthday girl" for April. Martha Meek baked the delicious birthday cake. Some others there were Joyce Perkins, president, Jo Redding, vice-president, Elva Wood, treasurer and Inez Wright, Helen Sabbe, Hannah Fae Chapman, Doyle and Bulah Grimes, Evelyn Meek, Lois Meadows, Willis Fillingim and Lou Dean Douthit. We enjoyed it. 6:00 p.m. (Monday). Visitors always welcome. Remember, I won't be 80 until April 25.

Willis and I enjoyed supper Sunday night at the Irish Inn Restaurant. Couldn't find anything else open. Good meal and one of the few area places open on major holidays, even Christmas and New Years.

Ed and Laurel Hershman took Willa to Pampa Saturday to get her income tax papers. They shopped some and ate a late lunch at Braums.

Easter Weekend Adventurer's of B & D Dukes.

Friday night Deedie, John Paul and Logan Harris, Tracy, Andrea, Tanner and Tysen Auldridge, Carissa Dukes, Britt McCarter, Brandon Shook and Stacie Soloman came to visit Bevard and Diane Dukes to spend Easter. After going to the Allison Church of Christ revival Friday night, the Dukes Clan had a pizza party at Bevard and Diane's house. Others there besides the normal crew were Laura Miller of Plainview, Laura Logan of Gunter, Keisha Hall of Amarillo, Lacie Keel of Amarillo, Glenda and Bronwyn Dukes. All the kids went to Briscoe and played basketball. After the pizza they watched movies until 4:00 a.m. And squeezed a few hours of sleep in before dawn.

Saturday all of Bevard and Diane's family plus Britt McCarter, Brandon Shook and Stacie Soloman went to Bob and Gena Zybach's house for Easter lunch. The pile-on was greatly appreciated by the hungry crew. They had their special egg hunt that had "gold" treasures. The hosts had a special prize of their own. (Although Bob was peeking when we hid his eggs!) After church that night, they had a hamburger cook-out at Bevard and Diane's house. All the crew plus Mike, Hahn, Hannah and Jonathan Minson of Oklahoma City, Glenda and Bronwyn Dukes and Matt Huff came over.

Sunday we all went to church on a beautiful Easter Sunday. Then everyone at church brought their lunch and ate at the Allison Cafeteria. The little kids played outside and soaked up the sunshine. Later Sunday afternoon the Dukes crew came home and had a very competitive volleyball game. The guys lost! We enjoyed having all the family home but goodness at the laundry!

Late Sunday afternoon Bob and Gena Zybach came putting down on the "Old Ford" tractor pulling Gena in a "little green wagon". They gave the great-grandsons (Logan Harris, Tysen and Tanner Auldridge) a ride around the yard. The boys were quite thrilled! They have started a tradition

that maybe hard to quit.  
You'll want to try:  
Milky Way Cake  
6—2.10 ounce or 13 fun size Milky Way bars  
1 cup butter (2 sticks, divided)  
2 cups sugar  
4 eggs  
2 1/2 cups flour  
1/2 tsp baking soda  
1 cup buttermilk  
2 tsp. vanilla

2 cups chopped pecans (optional)  
Melt candy bars and 1 stick butter in the top of double boiler over simmering water. Set aside. Cream remaining butter and sugar together. Add eggs one at a time. Mix thoroughly. Add flour, soda, nuts, alternately with buttermilk and vanilla. Add melted candy mixture. Mix well and pour batter into greased tube or jelly roll pan. Bake about 45 minutes in 350 degree oven till top springs back

when touched lightly. Take less time for jelly roll pan. Don't over bake or will be dry. Frost when cool.

Frosting:  
2—2.10 Milky Way candy bars  
1 stick butter  
2 cups powdered sugar  
2 tsp. vanilla  
buttermilk to thin.

Melt candy bars and butter in double boiler. Remove from heat and stir in powdered sugar and vanilla and enough buttermilk to make it spreadable.

Nice to have Martha Meek go with Willis and me to supper at Maxeys Friday night and to the inspiring East-



ter program at Wheeler Methodist church. Helped us to focus on what Easter is all about.

Nice to have a call from Elton Fillingim in Arizona. She had enjoyed visits to her sister, Joyce Hardage, in Oklahoma. Then she and Joyce drove to visit sister, Gay Andler, in Louisiana and sister Eda Bynum and husband, Donald, in Mississippi. Keep

praying for Eda, who has cancer.  
Keep praying for W. D. Mitchell, who has been very ill in ICU at Amarillo. The broken hip is healing, but infection and fluid in a lung causing heart problems—cardiac arrest, maybe. W. D. had a good day Monday, but is still on a ventilator because of the pneumonia.  
"God be with you till we meet again."

**Wheeler Church of Christ**

**Congregational Concerns:**

Continue to remember Ardie Martin and Don Edwards in your prayers. Mary Edwards is still recuperating from a hurt foot that has kept her on crutches. Sarah Pond is still not feeling well. Donald Finsterwald is in rehab in Amarillo, and could possibly come home next week. Ike and Stacy Finsterwald are proud new parents of a son Ian. Big sister Abree also welcomes him.

The High Plains Children's Home of Lubbock is having its annual tissue drive. We will try to collect 100 boxes of Kleenex by April 19. Leave your donations in the foyer. We are so pleased that Bree McCasland was baptized last Wednesday night.

There will be a baby shower for Cory and Dawn Case on April 6th. On April 13th Bob and Valetta Frankenbery will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Jerry Dorman delivered our Easter morning sermon. He also reported that his brother Charles Dorman of Colorado had recently been diagnosed with cancer.

The Church of Christ in Sayre, OK will be holding a Gospel Meeting, April 7-10. There is more information on the bulletin board in the foyer.

On Sunday, April 21, a representative from Lubbock Christian University will be here to visit with our high school and junior high students. Parents are invited to attend as well.

If you would like to contribute financially to the college students spring care package, please see Kim Goad. Visitors are always welcome at our services.

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

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Sunday Night Worship ..... 6:00 P.M.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:30 P.M.

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by Charles Sebesta

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fied personnel. And it's all over pay—or the lack thereof.

The British would call it penny-wise and pound-foolishness. Crime victims call it shortsighted but County Commissioners see it as being frugal.

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One Sheriff said, "We sent them to school for 16 weeks; break them in and it's see you later when the city or



**THORNDALE ATHLETE NAMED TO ACADEMIC ALL-STATE TEAM:** Audra Rives, a senior at Thorndale High School was named to the Academic All-State Volleyball Team last week. She shares this honor with 40 other girls in class 2A from the state of Texas and is the only athlete to be named to the list from District 25 2A. Audra maintains a 100.2% average and is ranked first in her class. Audra is the daughter of Donald and Sammye Rives of Thorndale. Congratulations, Audra!

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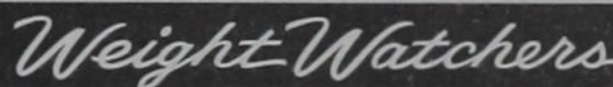
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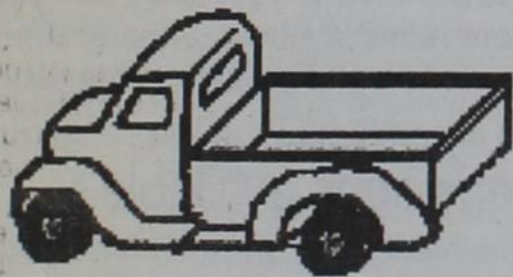


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More than 28,000 Adopt-a-Highway volunteers across the state will clean miles and miles of adopted highways on April 6. Another 47,000 Keep Texas Beautiful volunteers will launch community cleanups on the same day, making the Trash-Off Texas' largest one-day litter pickup event.

Each year the department spends millions of dollars on litter pickup. TxDOT's Childress District spent \$204,321.00 last year on litter control, funds that could otherwise be spent on maintaining and beautifying roads. "Currently Adopt-a-Highway volunteers clean approximately 10 percent of the state's roadways, and state tax dollars must be used to keep the remaining stretches clean," said Barbara Seal, Childress TxDOT Adopt-a-Highway Coordinator. "Adopting a highway not only helps keep our state beautiful, it also allows the local maintenance forces to spend more time maintaining the 672

lane miles of roadway in Wheeler County".

Adopt-a-Highway groups participating in the Don't Mess with Texas Trash-Off include a variety of civic organizations, school students, business owners and families.

Local volunteer groups participating in this year's Texas Trash-Off include:

- Thursday Review Club
- Heritage Feeders, L.P.
- Wheeler Lions Club
- Wheeler United Methodist Men
- Country Chapel

The Trash-Off is part of TxDOT's litter prevention program, which includes Don't Mess with Texas, Adopt-a-Highway, and a grassroots partnership with Keep Texas Beautiful, Inc. These programs work together to change the attitudes and behavior of would-be litterers.

For information on participating in the Don't Mess with Texas Trash-Off, contact Barbara Seal, local Adopt-a-Highway coordinator at (940) 937-7145 or Keep Texas Beautiful at 1-800-CLEAN-TX.

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**Walk Across Texas Will Kickoff Thurs., April 11**

We'll kick off our Walk Across Texas on April 11th at the Wheeler High School Track at 6:30 p.m. Wear comfortable clothes and walking shoes as we will walk our first few miles together. Captains will meet at the track at 6:00 p.m. to receive their special instructions and to decide on our destination. Individuals or teams can still register at the Kick Off! If you do not have a team, come to the kick off and we will find you a team. Teams do not really walk or ride together, although they may if they want to, teams simply pool their mileage each week to walk towards the chosen destination on a map posted in the Extension office at the County Courthouse. Walk Across Texas helps to get you motivated to start walking.

**MEALS on WHEELS MENU**  
MONDAY, April 8, 2002 — FRIDAY, April 12, 2002  
MONDAY: Lima Beans W/Ham, Spinach, Cornbread/Margarine, Pineapple Slices  
TUESDAY: Barbeque On Bun, Potatoe Salad, Coleslaw, Roli/Margarine, Jello  
WEDNESDAY: Chicken and Dumpplings, Fried Zucchini, Cornbread/Margarine, Rice Pudding  
THURSDAY: Enchiladas/Sauce, Spanish Rice, Tossed Salad, Cornbread/Margarine, Peach Cobbler  
FRIDAY: Tuna Casserole, Carrots, Bread/Margarine, Bread Pudding