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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride"

## CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

A good crowd was in attendance at the Texas Community Futures Forum sponsored by the Texas Cooperative Extension Service Monday evening. This was a county-wide meeting.

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The Wheeler Mustangs were well represented on the 2003-04 Academic All-State Class 1A Football Team.

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Congratulations to each of you!

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Remember to be thinking of who you think deserves recognition as 'Outstanding Individuals'. The chamber will be seeking your nominations.

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## Prairie Rivers Is To Be Sat. At Canadian

PRAIRIE RIVERS MUSICAL will present its first show of 2004 on Saturday night, January 17, at 7:30 p.m. in Canadian, Texas. The show takes place at the Middle School Auditorium at 404 S. 6th Street.

"There was a tremendous and appreciative crowd at our last show of 2003 and we are excited about bringing our live music in to another year," reported Jay Godwin, one of the original founders of Prairie Rivers Musical. "We are just amazed at the number of 'new fans' we get each show coming from many places. Western Oklahoma and most communities in the Eastern one-half of the Panhandle are represented on a regular basis."

Regular performers include Hank & Venita McPherson, Lonnie Cox, George Briant, Phil Ridgway, Wayne Wright, Frankie McWhorter, Scott Campbell, Pat Popham, Mary Lynn Schafner, and

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## Violin, Cello, Base Lessons Are Offered

Violin lessons will be available in Wheeler starting Saturday, January 17. Anyone interested in taking lessons on violin and/or fiddle, cello and base is ask to be at Christian Academy on Saturday at 9:30 A.M.

Bonnie Higgins from Elk City will be offering the lessons. She is a classically trained violinist. She was with the Ft. Worth Symphony and later the Weatherford Symphony.

The lessons for adults and children will be offered twice a month with the next session to be January 21.

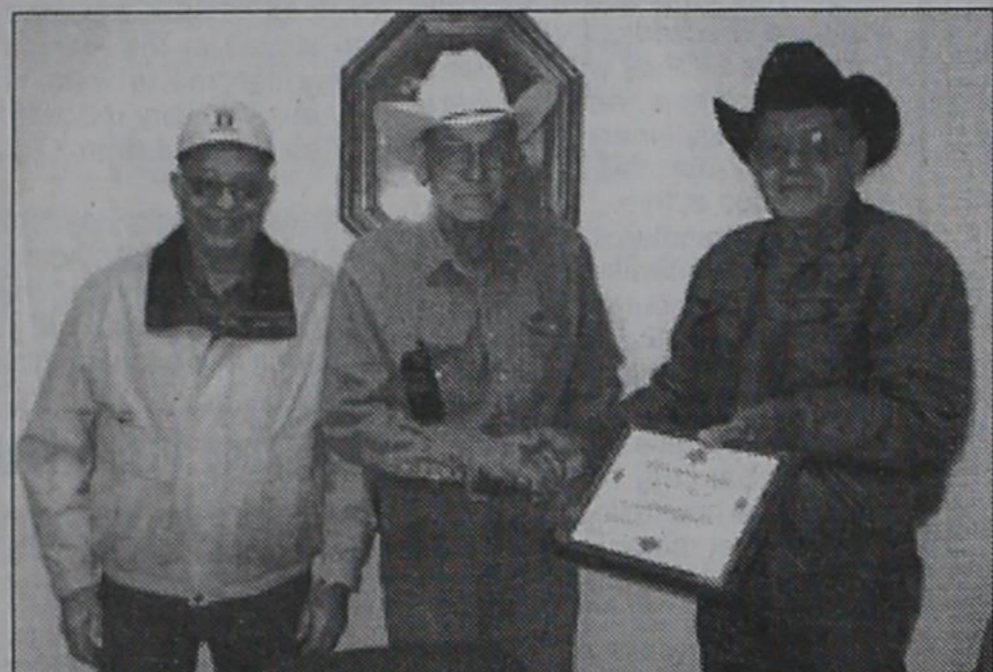
Instruments will be available for sale or rent.

Anyone having questions may call Jill Lister at 826-0502.

## Reception To Honor Nadine Reynolds Sun.

"We would like to invite the friends and family of Mrs. Nadine Reynolds to a reception given in her honor for her many years of service to the church and community. The reception will be January 18, 2004 at 2:30 p.m. in the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall in Allison. Mrs. Reynolds has recently moved to Pampa and we want to honor her with this reception. Please make your plans to join us in this celebration."

# Parkview Hospital Takes Over Operation Of North Wheeler Co. Ambulance Service



**25 YEARS SERVICE:** Darville Atherton was recognized Thursday at the regular meeting of the Wheeler Soil and Water Conservation District Board meeting. Darville has voluntarily served on the board for the past 25 years. Paul Macina, president, presented Atherton with a plaque. Dean Tipps, left, is secretary. Members not pictured are Eric Zybach and John McDowell, Jr.

## Mobeetie City Council Meeting

JANUARY 22, 2004

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Gordon Estes at 7 p.m.

Members present: Mayor Gordon Estes, Patricia Kephart, Pam Jones, Gaylord Thompson, Louise Shorter, Emma Swigart.

There were no guests present. Minutes for December, 2003 meeting were read by Patricia Kephart. Motion to accept minutes as read was made by Gaylord Thompson, seconded by Louise Shorter. Motion was approved unanimously 5-0.

The Financial Report was read by Patricia Kephart. Motion to approve was made by Emma Swigart, seconded by Pam Jones. Motion

was approved unanimously 5-0.

Monthly Bills were presented. Motion to pay bills was made by Patricia Kephart, seconded by Pam Jones. Motion was approved unanimously 5-0.

Old Business:

New Business: Emma Swigart made a motion to hire Arrow Well, Inc. to replace the motor and pump on water well #1 at the estimated price of \$3,500.85. Motion was seconded by Patricia Kephart. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Motion to adjourn was made by Gaylord Thompson.

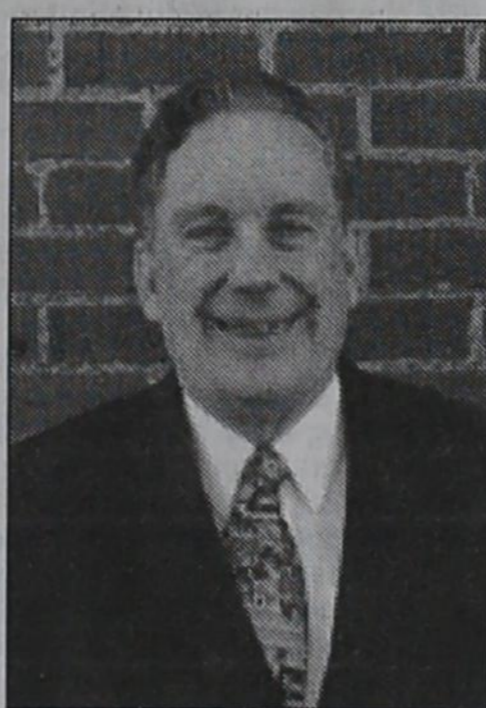
Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Signed: Mayor Gordon Estes

## Jim Fling Announces As Democratic Candidate For County Attorney

Jim Fling, local Shamrock attorney, has announced he will seek election as Wheeler County Attorney in the democratic primary. Mr. Fling previously served nine months as Wheeler County Attorney several years ago and stated that he had been requested to run in this election by numerous friends and constituents. Mr. Fling stated that he has serious concerns concerning the Wheeler Courthouse renovation project and the future financial problems that will be the result of this project. Another concern is to provide effective prosecution of criminal offenders. Mr. Fling has been a trial lawyer for many years and will bring experience to this office to ensure effective prosecution of criminals and to ensure that justice is afforded to all persons. Mr. Fling believes that he can make a difference and will do his best to make this county a better place to live.

Mr. Fling is married to Katrina Fling who owns and operates Shamrock Oxygen and he has one daughter, Heather, and one son, James Michael. He is the owner of Adkins & Fling, Attorneys at Law, and Shamrock Area Title & Abstract Company. Mr. Fling also served in the U.S. Army and retired as a Lieutenant Colonel and is Staff Judge Advocate for the American Legion, George DeShazo Post No. 68. He is also a



Jim Fling

past President of the Shamrock Rotary Club and a member of the Shamrock Boosters Club. Mr. Fling has been the City Attorney for the City of Shamrock for many years. Professionally, Mr. Fling is licensed to practice law in all Texas state courts, the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals, and the United States Supreme Court.

(Paid Pol. Announcement) Mary Kay Tallant, Campaign Chairman. Paid for by Katrina Fling, Treasurer, 301 S. Main St., Shamrock, Texas 79079)

## Wheeler Chamber of Commerce Is Working For Wheeler Businesses

The Chamber of Commerce, whether it is representing a city of millions or a small town the size of Wheeler, obligates itself to supporting its members. Wheeler is very fortunate to have a strong and useful chamber. In return, the Chamber is grateful for a supportive town. We have several projects we maintain each year.

The year starts with our annual banquet to honor our citizens in several categories. The banquet is usually in February and the public is invited to a night out, a delicious meal and entertainment. It is our way to show our appreciation to all who contribute so much hard work and effort.

On the first Saturday of May we organize the citywide garage sale. This has always been an excellent time to eat those historically acclaimed chamber burgers. Also on this day, we have been adding greater attractions. We now have a successful car show and poker run and we host Pokey the Clown's Junior Ranch Rodeo and children's

Wheeler County commissioners met with Parkview Hospital Board of Directors on Monday evening, January 12, 2004. North Wheeler County Ambulance Service was the topic of the meeting.

The Parkview board voted to accept the contract offered by the commissioners. The board will take over the operation of the ambulance service on February 1, 2004.

The commissioners offered the hospital the same contract they presently have with Shamrock hospital for the operation of their ambulance service.

## Wheeler Town Hall Meeting Called Sat.

A Town Hall Meeting has been called for Saturday, January 17, 2004, at 7:00 P.M. at the City Drug Bed and Breakfast.

The meetings is being sponsored by Wheeler Economic Development.

The topic of the meeting is "Strategic Planning and Setting Goals". Everyone is invited to attend and voice your opinion!!

## Third 6-Weeks Wheeler Honor Roll

**2nd Grade:**

**All A's**—Alex Almanza, Meagan Carrasco, Moroni Cota, Zack Johnson, Abel Lomas, Tre McElveney, Stormy Moore, Shai Dougherty, Brody Richardson, Kylie Schubert, Becky Simmons, Prajeet Singh, Jake Ware, Keenan White, Andrew Coomer; **All A's & B's**—Cody Howard, Ethan Johnson, Katie Jones, Devian McDowell, Gaby Venzor, Eddie Zapata

**3rd Grade:**

**All A's**—Daniel Gonzalez, Elizabeth Horton, Jason Pike, Breann Robinson, Jesus Zapata; **All A's & B's**—America Almanza, Lane Erwin, Zack McCasland, Zay McCasland, Eduarado Ramirez, MaryCruz Rocha, Damian Salas

**4th Grade:**

**All A's**—Alyssa Johnson; **All A's & B's**—Tanzia Brown, Trevor Marshall, Aldee Emiliano

**5th Grade:**

**All A's**—Spencer Ford, Omar Lopez, Kaylee Marion, Zachary Verden; **All A's & B's**—Payton Austin, Caitlyn Burch, Leslie Erwin, Tania Flores, Collin Hampton, Shawna Hampton, Jim Hubbard, Robert Lewis, Mariah Marshall, Carla Mendoza, Karen Mendoza, Jaten Moore, Ashytn Roberts, Chris Schubert, Haley Sparks, Taylor Sparks

## 2003-04 ACADEMIC ALL STATE FOOTBALL CLASS 1A

(Among others is the following from Wheeler and Shamrock)

**1st Team**

Blaine Rutherford - Wheeler  
James Chapman - Wheeler  
Trae Sweatt - Shamrock

**2nd Team**

Trevor Benton - Shamrock  
Honorable Mention  
Brad Masters - Wheeler  
Joe Salas - Wheeler

Joe Don Glassey - Wheeler  
Josh Miller - Wheeler  
Jesse Switzer - Shamrock

## Commissioners Approve Hiring Of Part-Time Deputy, Jail Administrator

The Wheeler County Commissioners' Court met in regular session on Monday, January 12, 2004, at the Courthouse Annex at 410 South Main Street in Wheeler.

Eleven items were on the agenda.

The commissioners approved the minutes of the previous meeting.

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

The court approved the payroll sheets as presented.

Payment of the bills was approved.

No action was taken of the budget.

The commissioners took a short recess for the purpose of visiting the courthouse before approving the changes in the contract. The commissioners approved the removal of the stucco from the brick soldiers at the base of the courthouse. The abstruse on the south side of the courthouse were deteriorated to the point of needing replacement; this was approved. Picture moulding will be replaced in each of the offices as originally placed. The paint was completely

stripped from the columns on both the front and back of the building.

The county burn ban will remain in place since there has been no rain or snow and the danger remains.

Jon Sullivan, EMS director, met with the council. He reported the work schedule is complete through January.

The commissioners met with the Parkview Hospital Board Monday evening. The local ambulance service was the topic of discussion.

The bond for Sheriff Rick Walden was approved.

Sheriff Rick Walden met with the commissioners for approval of hiring a part time deputy. The court approved the hiring of Bill Brittain at \$10 per hour; one other application was received. Brittain will begin his duties on January 16, 2004.

Sheriff Walden also ask the court approval of the promotion of Carrie Gaines to Jail Administrator. The promotion was approved; Gaines will assume her new duties beginning January 16, 2004, at a salary of \$1,833.18 per month.

The next regular meeting of the court will be Monday, January 26, 2004.

## Top O' Texas CattleWomen To Award Scholarships To Seniors

The Top O' Texas CattleWomen would remind high school seniors attending state certified schools in Carson, Collingsworth, Gray, Hemphill, Hutchison, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Roberts, and Wheeler counties that the scholarship applications for the Top O' Texas CattleWomen Scholarship should be in your school counselor's office by January 19, 2004. The deadline to return the applications for scholarships is April 23, 2004. One \$500.00 scholarship and two \$250.00 scholarships will be awarded. The scholarship applications should be sent to Sandra Christner, P.O. Box 522, Wheeler, Texas 79096. Please call Sandra Christner at (806) 826-3572 if you need more information.

Texas CattleWomen are pleased to announce a new statewide scholarship for high school seniors. This scholarship is known

as the Pat Grote Memorial Scholarship. This is a \$500.00 scholarship. The applicant must be a graduating senior (2004) from a Texas High School or equivalent thereof, and the student must be accepted in an agricultural related field at a Texas College or University. Applications are available on the Texas CattleWomen website or from Sandra Christner, P.O. Box 522, Wheeler, Texas 79096. The deadline for the applications to be returned to Sandra Christner at the above address is February 20, 2004, therefore it would be faster for the applicant to get the application from the Texas CattleWomen website. For further information on Texas CattleWomen and this scholarship, visit [www.texasattlewomen.org](http://www.texasattlewomen.org) or call Sandra Christner at (806) 826-3572.

## Girl Scout Cookies Go On Sale In Wheeler Today, January 15.

THE COOKIES ARE COMING!

It's cookie time again! This year, we get to celebrate the sweet treat of Girl Scout Cookies without having to wait on the cookies. The Girl Scouts-Five Star Council will have all eight varieties of Girl Scout Cookies available for purchase on January 15th, 2004 through February 22nd, 2004. Stock up on Thin Mints, Caramel DeLights, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Shortbread, Peanut Butter Patties, Reduced Fat Lemon Pastry Cremes, Animal Treasurers and the new Pinatas with real strawberries. All varieties will be sold for \$3.00 per box.

"This is about much more than just selling cookies," comments Maria DeBrango Stickle. "The girls are involved in every aspect of the sale-from planning, goal setting, to selling, to deciding how the money raised is spent. In the process, the girls learn some very valuable life skills. "About 70% of the proceeds from every box sold

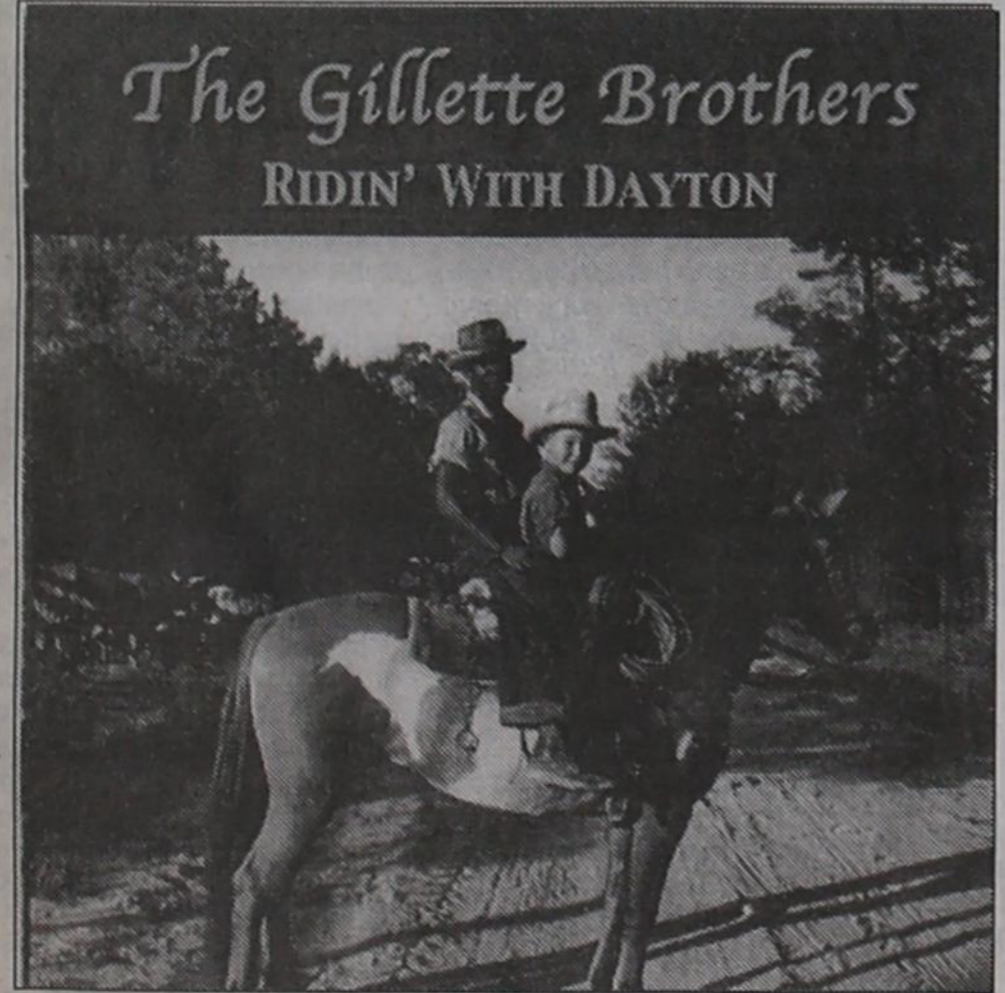
go directly to support Girl Scouting in our local area.

Look for the Girl Scouts-Five Star Council selling cookies in the next few weeks. And be sure to add a box (or two) of Pinatas to your purchase. What a delicious way to start the New Year and support Girl Scouting!

Troop Leaders  
Patricia Burch 826-5926  
Nikki Robinson 826-3505  
Lynnette Kidd 256-3044

## City of Wheeler Says "Thank You"

Thanks to Marshall Welding Services, who provided the truck to set the bridges at the city park, with the help of these three employees, John Clyde Helton, Charlie Helton and Keith Rose. The City of Wheeler



**NEW CD:** The Gillette Brothers have released their fifth album of cowboy music. This CD is entitled, *Ridin' With Dayton*. "I think this is a great record, and the only thing better would be to hear and see the boys play live at one of the many festivals and gatherings around the country." —Don Edwards. This CD and some of their tapes are available at *The Wheeler Times*.



**LOCAL TALENT WINNERS:** The district FFA banquet was held on December 8, 2003 in Pampa, Texas. One of the highlights of the evening was the talent competition. The Fort Elliott talent team won first place, and will advance to the area competition in May 2004. Pictured are Jimmy Alan Lane, George Helton, J. W. Lane, advisor Kevin Meek, Calvin Helton, Dusty White. We are proud of you, guys!

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**ALLISON NEWS**  
 By Juanita Boydston



Ft. Elliott wins district opener against Miami. Tamara Hefley outmaneuvers Miami player in the opener. Ft. Elliott won 66-42.



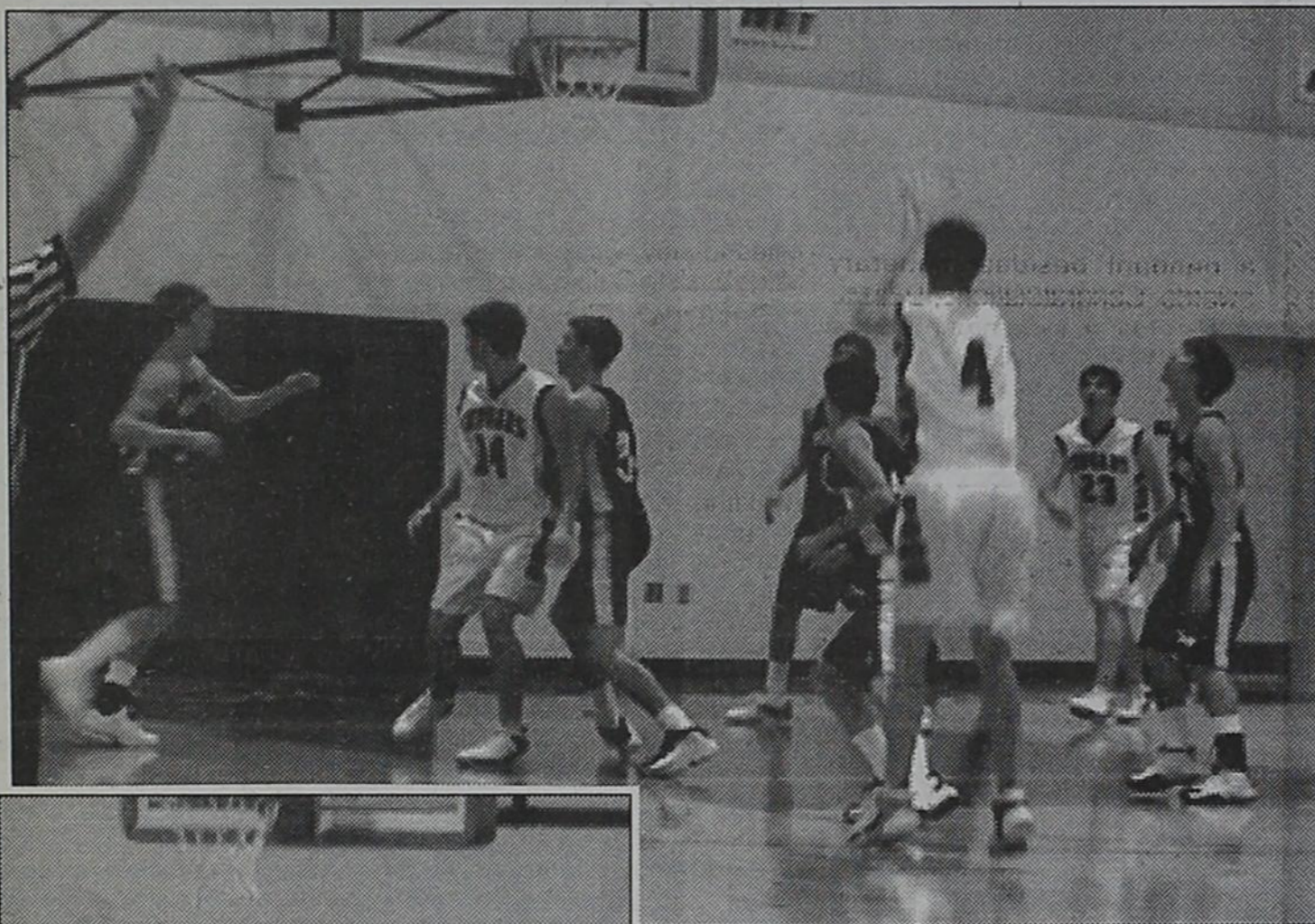
Shealee Coulter has the ball. Teammates Glory Hartsfield, #32, and Laura Lohberger, #20, await their chance to help.



Katie Donaldson, #4, shoots for two points in the game against Miami.



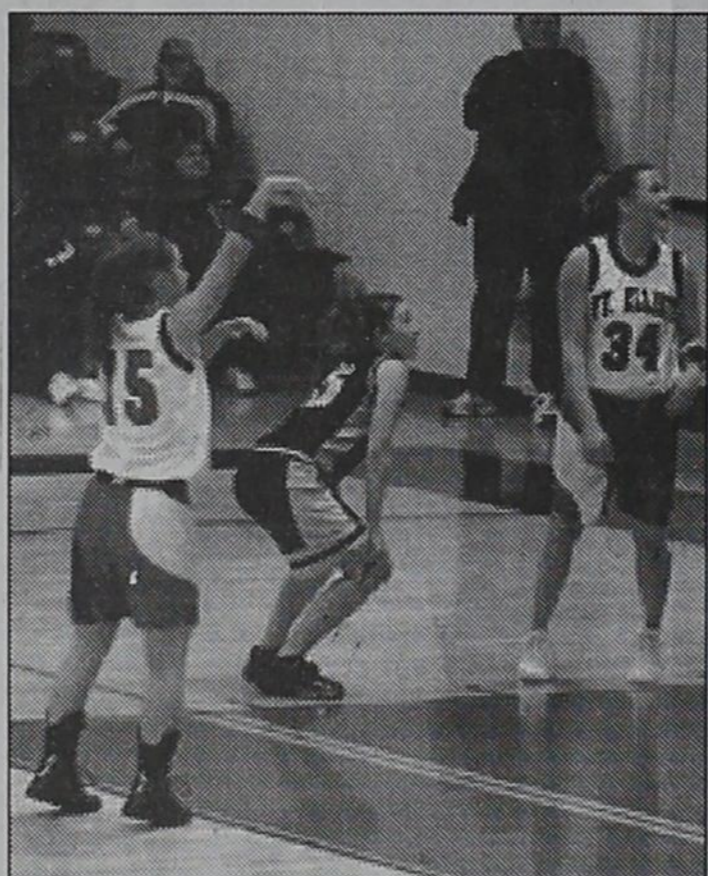
Jr. Newman, #12, Jason Boydston, #4, and Russell Lohberger, #23, in the game against Miami. The boys won 72-39.



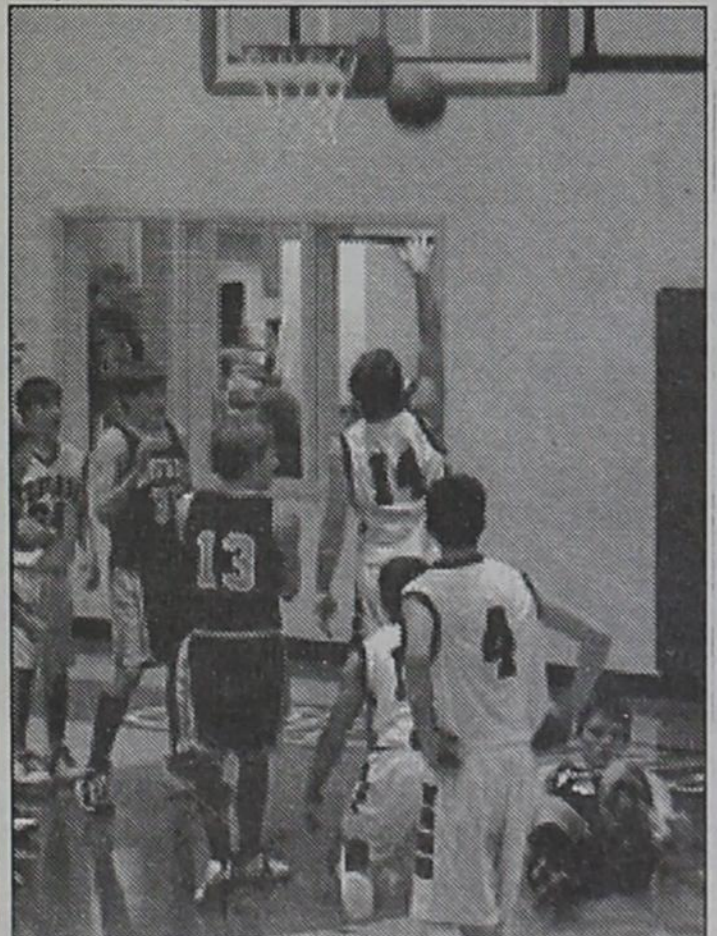
Jason Boydston, #4, shoots for three points in the Miami game.



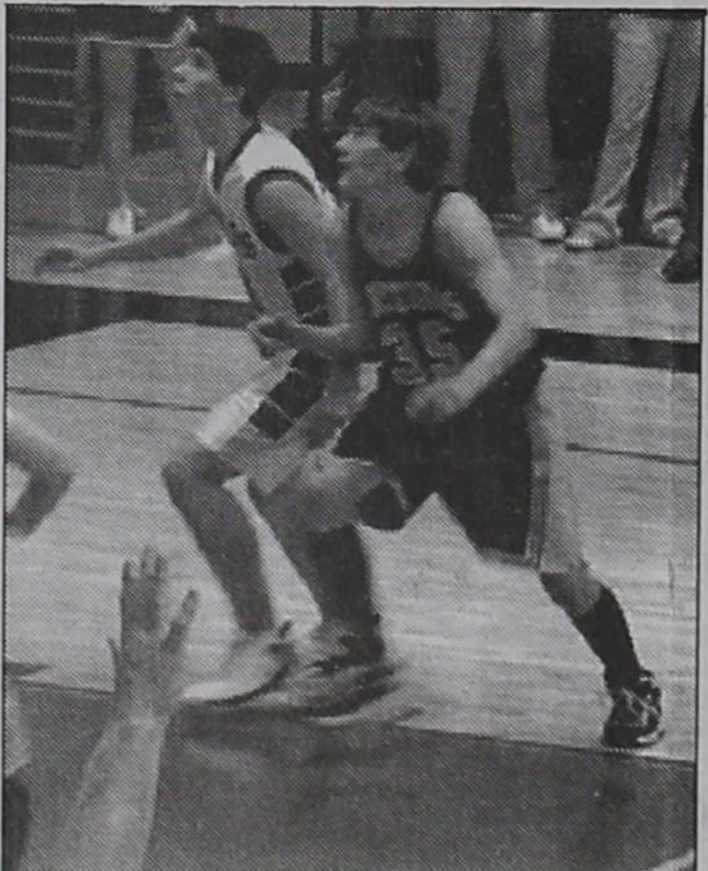
Katie Donaldson, #4, Laura Lohberger, #20, and Holly McCurley, #10, play in the game against Wheeler on Jan. 6. Ft. Elliott won 69-42.



Sarah Zybach, #15 shoots a free throw in the game with Wheeler. Alicia Ries, #34 is in position.



Justen Bryant, #14, is up for two in the game against Wheeler.



Russell Lohberger, #23, awaits his chance at the ball in the game against Wheeler.

Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour. Ephesians 5: 1 & 2

Praise ye the Lord. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord, that delighteth greatly in his commandments.

Len and Betty Brown of Dumas, Texas journeyed to Allison on Tuesday to their Allison cottage to stay for a few days.

On Tuesday night, Betty and Len Brown, Opal and Juanita gathered in the home of Roma and Billy Brown and enjoyed lots of visiting and good refreshments.

Wednesday night after church, Opal and Juanita, Roma and Billy Brown were guests of Len and Betty Brown in their Allison cottage. A good time of fellowship and good refreshments were enjoyed by all. Opal and Juanita left early and checked out Vance and Carol to see if they were up for a game of spinners. And they were so a game of spinners was played and Vance won this time. He is getting good at this.

Peggy Chandler, Linda Sanders and Jennie Walker traveled to Elk City, Oklahoma Wednesday where they enjoyed shopping and a very delicious meal at the Western Sizzler.

Melvin Walsers birthday party was held Saturday night. Judi his wife had the house decorated with John Deere memorabilia. She served bar-be-que burgers with all the trimmings. Judi's daughter, Julie, made the birthday cake, it looked like a plowed ground and had John Deere tractors and other farming things on the cake. Then he received several gifts that was all about John Deeres. Those attending were: Katrina Pendergrass of Dumas, Texas; Gwen and Kevin Arnold of Amarillo; John, Laura, Brittany and Brooke Walsers of Canadian, Texas; Jamie and Charles Nelson, Gary and Julie Boydston, Doug and Amie Purcell and son, Ryne of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Jody Robertson, Noreen Patterson of Sayre, Oklahoma; Jay and Rhonda Robertson and Jocelyn and Wes of Reydon, Oklahoma; Jack and Taryn Cordell of Woodward, Oklahoma; Walden and Annette Walsers; Jerry and Becky Reid; Warren and Jane Rivers of Canadian, Texas. Happy Birthday Melvin!!!

Jocelyn Robertson stayed Saturday night with her grandparents, Melvin and Judi Walsers.

JoNell Grayson of Sayre, Oklahoma was visiting Reta Grayson this Monday. Sure they had a great time visiting.

Alexis Greene enjoyed staying the weekend with Dick and Cletus Greene and Jonathan.

Sue Martin of Jones, Oklahoma and daughter, Kristi Hansbro and her daughter, Brianna of Mangum, Oklahoma arrived in Allison on Saturday and stayed the night with their Mom and grandma, Louise Boydston.

Sunday dinner guests of Louise Boydston were: Bennie and Debbie Boydston and Heather and Jason; Pearl Harrison; Sue Martin and son Adam of Jones, Oklahoma; Kristi Hansbro and daughter, Brianna of Mangum, Oklahoma; Gary and Julie Boydston and grandson, Ryne Purcell; Eddy Walker; and Cody Dupont. A very delicious meal was prepared.

Tuesday night, Louise Boydston journeyed to Dumas, Texas and enjoyed a nice visit and stayed the night in the home of Virgil and Jean Stinnett. I'm sure they had a good time of visiting. Then on Wednesday Louise traveled on to Amarillo where she enjoyed a nice visit with her daughter, Kim Thompson and family. She stayed Wednesday and Thursday nights with them.

Thursday evening Carol and Juanita Boydston joined together to give a joint Home Interior's party in the home of Sue Chandler. A great party was enjoyed by all who came. Those in attendance were: Virginia Puryear, Betty Boydston, Minnie Belle Vinson, Judy Bryant, Opal Boydston, Edna May and of course Carol and Juanita. Sue did a great job in demonstrating all the pretty home interiors. It was a good party. Thanks to all that came and helped us out. We appreciate it very much. Also thanks to Sue for opening her home to us have the party there.

Thursday morning, Len and Betty Brown of Dumas who were staying in their Allison cottage visited in the home of Opal and Juanita Boydston.

Len and Betty Brown visited in the home of Roma and Billy Brown on Thursday. Know they had a good visit and very good refreshments.

Roma Brown saw Dr. Blacketter on Friday to have his arm and finger checked. Glad to report that he received a good report on both. Sure thankful for that report.

Vance and Carol Boydston enjoyed an evening visit in the home of Pearl Harrison. They enjoyed listening to some preaching tapes and having good refreshments.

Hershel Sanford of Higgins, Texas stayed the night with his sister, Pearl Harrison on Wednesday after church.

Hershel left for Higgins Thursday morning and Pearl left for Elk City, Oklahoma to her daughters, Vivian Wallace. She stayed with them from Thursday thru Saturday

night. She arrived back to Allison on Sunday in time for church.

Opal and Pat Henson of Dallas, Texas enjoyed a great visit and two nights stay in the home of Jimmy and Vivian Wallace and Pearl was staying there as well.

Monday dinner guest of Louise Boydston were: Pearl Harrison and Gary and Bennie Boydston.

Juanita Boydston and Minnie Belle Vinson were visitors in the home of Pearl Harrison this Monday.

Forrest and Betty Boydston traveled to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma to do some shopping and visited some beautiful sites. They shopped at the Pro Bass Shop, Betty shopped and looked around at several antique stores. They viewed the Botanical and Crystal Gardens. She reported that they were just gorgeous. Betty said they were so beautiful, reminded her of home, where flowers are blooming so pretty everywhere. They shopped in the Crossroads Mall and stayed in the Hampton Inn Friday night that is by the mall. So they enjoyed very much their Friday and Saturday in Oklahoma City.

Forrest and Betty Boydston traveled to Elk City, Oklahoma today on this Monday and purchased a 2004 Arizona beige Ford pickup. I'm sure it is a beautiful pickup.

Friday evening, Opal

Juanita journeyed to Binger, Oklahoma to enjoy a couple of days with Robbie and SaRita Carissa and Kelton Green. They had a wonderful time visiting remembering good times. Just a great time of being together. She fixed a very delicious meal for supper. After a good nights sleep, Saturday, Robbie, SaRita, Kel Green, Opal and Juanita Boyds enjoyed a very delicious meal James Place in Binger before they traveled to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma where they enjoyed a tour of the Pro Bass Shop. That was an awesome place to visit. We enjoyed it very much. If you have been, you need to go. You will love it. After the Pro Bass Shop they traveled on to visit in the home of Curtis and Lillian Boydston. Lillian served lemonade and great refreshments. Lots of visiting and eating was enjoyed. Then on way back to Binger, they stopped Mustang, Oklahoma where they ordered some Chinese food from a really nice restaurant there. They took the food home with them and really had a great meal when they arrived home. Sorry that Carissa didn't feel like going with us, but when we got home she was hungry and help us enjoy our Chinese meal. This was the first Chinese meal for Juanita and Opal Boydston. It was delicious!! Opal and Juanita stayed another night with Robbie and SaRita and family. They left very early Sunday morning and were in time for church.

Vance and Carol Boydston

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**Old Time Gospel Music**  
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They started out together  
 A long time ago  
 A few years passed later  
 Three kids were born and so ...

Many years later grandparents  
 They came to be.  
 Now all together instead of two  
 Our family is a big seventeen.

Our parents have worked hard  
 All their years.  
 Now retirement is important  
 Along with family and peers.

They've had tragic moments not long ago  
 But all worked out for the best  
 And with the special love and the years to come,  
 I think they can handle the rest

**HAPPY 50TH ANNIVERSARY**

We all love you, Your Kids and Grandkids

**Wheeler Church of Christ**

The bank sign said -4 (minus 4). When I met people we didn't greet each other with a "howdy" or a "good morning," rather it was with a "brrrrrrr!!" The Amarillo paper said it was the coldest it has been here since 1996, although it was still not a record cold. Winter is officially here. Do you remember back a few months ago when we were all complaining about how hot it was? We are a fickle crew, always finding reasons to complain when things aren't perfect (we might not even be able to define what "perfect" means).

We need to adopt the attitude of the Apostle Paul. The book of Philippians was written when Paul was in prison. And don't start cynically thinking about prisons with comfortable surroundings, color television, decently-stocked libraries, and plenty of weight-lifting and basketball supplies around. No, think dungeon with damp conditions, cold drafts of wind, more populated with rats than other prisoners. And out of these horrendous surroundings Paul is able to cheerfully write in Philippians 4:11 "I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation....." The secret is living with the Lord. We can be content whether we are rich or poor, hungry or well-fed, hot or cold, as long as we are living with the Lord.

In just a few months we will probably start complaining once again that it is too hot outside. It's human nature to complain. But if we really think things through, we can be content, regardless of what is happening, because we are living with the Lord.

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 ..... 10:00 A.M.  
 Sunday Morning Worship 10:55 A.M.  
 Sunday Night Worship .... 6:00 P.M.  
 Wednesday Bible Study ... 7:00 P.M.

Proverbs 3:5, 6: Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own understanding. Think about Him in all your ways, and He will guide you on the right paths.

Happy birthday to Johnny Wilson, Walter Blakeslee, Clifton Bradstreet, Josh Hector, Tamera Hartline, Paula Brown and Amanda Calcote on Jan. 18; Aspen Hathaway, Brittney Mick, Charles Crownover and L. D. Childress on Jan. 19; Zetha Dougherty, Garrett Andis, Ronny Alls, Hunter Brice, Joe Darnell, Kristi Pierce, Landry Umsted, Landon Sams, Jason Porton on Jan. 20; Dirk Chapman, Bob Downs, Russell Atherton, Shelby Dawson, Will Snelgroves, Minerva Jones and Loraine Wagner on Jan. 21; Liz Stiles, Cody James, Lynna Koelzer, Bo Compton on Jan. 22; Mark Cornett, Jordan Moore, Alvin Reeves, Andrea Aldridge and Randy Martin on Jan. 23; Caroline Cornett, David Zybach, Emma Swigart, Lisa Bennett, Kathy Knibbs and Debbie Glassey on Jan. 24.

Happy Anniversaries to Kenneth and Vernal Densberger and Ted and Dorothea McCurley on Jan. 19; Dean and Georgia Tipps on Jan. 20; and Mike and Melody Goad on Jan. 24. God bless you!

Sorry to hear that Gene Dougherty is on dialysis and having problems with circulation and fluid. Remember him and Zetha in your prayers.

Sorry to hear that Helen George fell and maybe broke her ankle. Pray for them all. We are sorry. Helen is now in Wheeler Care Center. Go by and say "Hello!" Think ankle wasn't broken.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Jewell Moore, 95, in her death. Such a sweet lady. Her children were Jorene, Lavada, Bobby, and Sherry Moore, sweet people, who preceded her in death leaving only Jerrie surviving. May God be with you, Jerrie.

Enjoy your Allison news, Juanita and Carol Boydston and your Mobeetie News, Sue Mayfield. God bless!

"Jesus took my burden I could no longer bear. Jesus took my burden in answer to my prayer.

My anxious fears subsided. My spirit was made strong! When Jesus took my burden and left me with a song."

Good to have William and Vickie Cornell from Cordell, Okla., come visit me awhile and go over and visit Willis awhile Friday. They were also going to Zybach Cemetery to put flowers on son, Jeremy Cornell's grave. And go on to the basketball game at Briscoe to see nephew, Junior Newman, play in the game with Miami. The Cornell's daughter, Sarah, and Josh McCollum are expecting a baby soon. Best wishes. Fort Elliott won both games over Miami.

Good to have Chris Fillingim and daughter, Theresa Griffin, and Jessica Bice and Jamie Griffin come visit me Saturday afternoon from Elk City. They also visited Willis at the Care Center and were going on to Pampa to meet and visit with Andy Maslisk's kids.

Congratulations, Bob Zybach, for being honored recently at a State Soil and Water District meeting in El Paso. He was presented with a 20 year Service Award for having served on the Hemphill County Soil and Water Conservation District since 1980. Bob is the

vice-chairman and represents Zone 5.

Congratulations to John Sam and Kendra Krehbiel on the birth of their new baby boy, Jake Samuel. He is welcomed by big sister, Isabelle. Proud grandparents include Dell and Elise Krehbiel

and Becky and Freddie Harper. Proud great-grandparents are Bill and Theresia Hodges, all of Canadian.

Congratulations to Kley and Kimberly Yarnold on the birth of their new baby boy. Lukas Thatcher was born Jan. 5, 2004. Proud grandparents include Bob and Beverly Dickinson and Keith and Debbie Yarnold. Proud great-grandparents include Bill and Theresia Hodges, Howard and Kate Yarnold and Roy and Evelyn Dickinson all of Canadian and Charles and Pat Hanson of San

Antonio.

Chuck and Phoebe Hartline and Aaron and Tamera took Martha Meek to Brookhaven, Miss., to visit her brother, Garland and Ida Fort a few days. They also toured the country some and saw the memorial to Civil War Veterans at Pittsburg, Ft. Gibson and the Ruins of Windsor, built by slave labor many years ago and had burned and other things.

Mack and Lynda Sides took Martha Meek to supper at Soto's Saturday night, maybe a late birthday celebration for Martha.

Bevard and Diane Dukes went to Amarillo Saturday to check on daughter, Andrea Aldridge. Andrea's baby is due later this month and she keeps having problems. Has to have bed rest. Remember her in your prayers.

Thank you Wheeler Baptist Church Family for the prayer gram and for the prayers and love and concern. We love you everyone! I still don't feel very well. Keep praying for me.

Nice to have Patty and Johnny Crawford and C. B. Brotherton eat lunch with me at Maxeys Sunday. Good visits. Also saw Lynn and Anita Sims there eating with Chuck and Louise Hogan. Good to see them and Perry and Paula Helton with David Bradstreet.

So nice to have Mark and Carol Roberson and Rebecca Jonathan, Timothy, Deborah, Grace, Phillip, Daniel, Seth come visit Willis Sunday afternoon and sang for him. I enjoyed a visit from them after church Sunday night. They went to Grace Fellowship to Church. Nice to have them sing and pray for me. Such a sweet family.

Lou Dean Douthit went to Corinth with Billie Stuckey to help take care of Kenna, 1, while Mountie and Leandra Stuckey and Matt went to Switzerland. They were gone about two weeks.

Danny was taking me to Amarillo Monday for a checkup from Dr. Chaffin. Lindsey and Blain Criswell were meeting us at Furr on Georgia for lunch.

Nice to see Bennie Westmorland at Thriftway. Hadn't seen him in ages. He had been over and visited Willis and others at Wheeler Care Center. Thanks!

Dallas and Krystal Fillingim got back Monday night, Jan. 5, from the MARC Chemical Company Winter meeting at Scottsdale, Ariz. Dallas was inducted into the Century Club for selling well over 100,000 of chemicals. Krystal was commended for being a good helper to Dallas. At the awards banquet Sunday, Dallas and Krystal set at the table with the owner of the company and also was commended for Outstanding Improvement and Territory Manager. Dallas got a ring and Krystal a pendant besides monetary awards. Congratulations, Dallas.

We had a nice group out to Ladies' Day Out at Maxeys Thursday. Some there were Betty Howard, Joyce Perkins, Verna



**APPROACHING MARRIAGE:** Dale and Kathleen Smith, formerly of Wheeler, are proud to announce the upcoming marriage of their son, Jeremy Dale Smith. Jeremy is the grandson of Patsy Smith and the late Ebb Smith of Wheeler. Jeremy has chosen Amanda Nicole Russell as his life partner. Amanda is a 2002 graduate of Liberal High School. Amanda is the daughter of James Russell of Ropesville, Texas, and Darla Schauf of Liberal. She is the granddaughter of Tommy and Delsa Burrows of Liberal. The couple is registered at Wal-Mart and Target. The couple plan to attend Texas Tech in Lubbock, Texas this fall. The wedding will be held March 13, 2004, at 2 p.m. at the Masonic Lodge, 16 East 4th Street in Liberal. Well wishes may be sent to P.O. Box 244, Kismet, Kansas 67859.

Fillingim, Erma Riley, Lillian Lee, Shari Gayle Porter, Iona May, Mary Whitener, Hannah Chapman, Nancy Pierce, Annie Ruth Lee, Mary Margaret Dodd, Marie Guggel and Ruth Kenney.

Next meeting will be February 5 Thursday, at 11:30 at Soto's. All ladies invited to come visit together.

Sunday, Jan. 4, visitors to Wes and Cindy Bradstreet and to church at Wheeler Baptist and to lunch at Maxeys were Betty and Max Louvier from Pampa, Grandson Miles Keith, 2, from Coleman, Andy Bradstreet from Nacadoches and Sandy Bradstreet from San Angelo and Roy and Nell Bradstreet. New Year's Eve, Cindy Bradstreet and Andy went to Aspermont and met Ember and Mike Keith and Miles at the Dairy Queen and brought Miles to stay 4 days. Sandy took Miles back to Coleman on her way to San Angelo. They enjoyed him.

Some of Wheeler Senior Citizens Monday night, Jan. 5, for pot luck meal and games of Chicken Foot were Charlie and Daphne Sullivan, Joyce Perkins, Jo Redding, Betty Howard, Marie Baker, Marie Guggel and Mary Margaret Dodd in spite of the cold. Next meeting Monday, Feb. 2, at 6:00 p.m. Visitors always welcome.

Joyce Perkins' family got together at her house Saturday, Dec. 27, and included all her kids: Robert and Marla Ford and Spencer and Mitchell, Warren and Becky Shirley and Colton from Caldwell, TX; Teri and Dave Seitz and Kaylie and Emilie from Wiley, TX; Tina Deger and Chelsea, Shelly and Neal Penny from Watonga, Okla., Dwayne and Debbie Ford and Andy and Chris and Amber Ford and Taylor from Canadian.

Wes and Cindy Bradstreet and Andy and Sandy went to Salida, Colo., during the holidays and visited Wes' sister, Kathy Janzen and family and skied some, but was pretty cold.

Ft. Elliott high school basketball teams will play Follett at Briscoe Friday, Jan. 16, at 6:30. Samnorwood will come to Briscoe to play Monday, Jan. 19, at 6:00 (Junior High game). Tuesday, Jan. 20, Ft. Elliott will go to Higgins to play at 6:30—H.S.

Nice to get a perm from Sherry McCasland at Claudine's Shop Friday. Thanks. Also enjoyed visiting with Kathryn Krug, Ruth Kenney, Rose Blakeslee, and Claudine there.

Ft. Elliott girls basketball team defeated Miami girls 66-42. Ft. Elliott boys defeated Miami boys, 72-39. Congratulations to all. Friday night.

Saturday, nice to have Mayme McElroy and Tracy come visit me and Willis. Martha Meek went to lunch with us to Maxeys. Tracy and her husband live at Canadian in the motels. He is in charge of restoring the big motel. Willis enjoyed visiting, too.

Rosalie Keelin has been stay-



**Maddox Rarden**, 17 month old, is the son of Kris and Lori Rarden of Amarillo, TX. Grandparents are David and Patsy Rarden of Wheeler, TX and Lou Ray of Kelton. Great-grandfather is Bill Wheeler.

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**MEALS on WHEELS MENU**

**MONDAY, January 19, 2004 — Friday, January 23, 2004**  
**MONDAY:** Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Seasoned Broccoli, Pears  
**TUESDAY:** Fried Chicken Livers, Macaroni and Cheese, Mixed Vegetables, Roll/Margarine, Plum Pudding  
**WEDNESDAY:** Smothered Pork Chops, Blackeyed Peas, Fried Okra, Cornbread/Margarine, Pineapple Bake  
**THURSDAY:** Chicken Rice Casserole, Broccoli, Roll/Margarine, Cake  
**FRIDAY:** Frito Pie, Spanish Rice, Tossed Salad/Dressing, Bread/Margarine, Bread Pudding

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By: Sue Mayfield

Greetings from the still cold country.

I am writing this on Thursday night, 1-08-04) as we are making a trip to Temple and Ft. Worth.

I guess we just got to used to our mild winter weather and this cold spell did get our attention. Even though we didn't get any moisture.

Today was just about the warmest day of the week. (We'll see what tomorrow brings.) Monday morning we had 2°, Tuesday morning we had -3°, Wednesday morning was 8° and Thursday morning, we had 22° on our porch.

If the wind didn't have to blow so hard, it wouldn't be so bad.

Tuesday morning Mom and I left early to pick up Sky Mayfield in Pampa and take her to Amarillo. She had a Drs. appointment with Dr. Wade to have a procedure done on her back.

Dr. Ward put shots in Sky's back to alleviate some of her back pain and pressure on her sciatic nerve. Also to help avoid surgery.

Am afraid at this point though it looks like Sky is in the 10-12% that don't get any relief from the shots.

Please keep her on your prayer list.

The highlight of the day was seeing lovely Louise Hogan and her sweet cousin, Polly (Oswalt) Benton. It was so nice to meet Mrs. Benton.

Sallie Adcock and Nancy Shelton took Joe Shelton to Amarillo for placement of two more stints in his heart veins on Wednesday. All went well. Came home Thursday.

Grandson Jackie Don May has been doing chores for Joe and anything else that's needed done.

Nice to talk to Leola Stuart Wednesday afternoon after she got back from Lawton, Okla., and Ronnie and Tanya Stuarts.

Saturday, Jan. 3, Leola had gone down to Ronnie's to be there with Todd while Ronnie and Tanya went on a business trip. Jarod went to an OU game Sat. But came over Sunday afternoon.

So was a busy house Sun. Leola, and all three grandsons, Chad, Jarod and Todd played cards and games. Each of the boys have a dog and Ronnie and

Tanya have a dog. So the four dogs had the run of the back yard. Leola enjoyed her grandsons.

Ronnie and Tanya enjoyed their trip, even though it was basically a business trip.

Leola stopped by Shamrock and visited with Mrs. Beulah Stuart and Otis Wednesday. They are doing fairly well.

She also stopped in Wheeler to visit her mother, Gladys Richardson, at the Care Center. Gladys was surprised to see her on Wed. They had a good visit.

The Richardson's had gotten together New Year's Day to start the new year out. Fun at Leola's. They had several games of dominoes, lots of good food, great visiting. Those enjoying the day together were Marsha and Iva from Erick, Dale Richardson of Elk City, (his wife, Barbara, is a nurse at the Elk City hospital and had to work), Cloise and Rita Richardson of Elk City, Jerry, Sheryl, Katie and Tyler Richardson of Wheeler and Fat and Wanda Childress of Briscoe. Leola hosted the big day at her house.

Please keep Rita Smith in your prayers. A couple of months ago she had back surgery to "cement" a broken vertebrae back together and in place. She kept having so much pain. The doctors found out the vertebrae below and above the one "cemented" are now also broken. So sometime the week after Christmas Rita had to have another surgery to fix the upper and lower vertebrae's.

Rita was being dismissed from the hospital to a rehab center so Peggy Dunn was going down to help her get settled in. Keep Rita in your prayers.

Todd and Tim Mayfield surprised us Tuesday night. About 9:30 they came by their way to Albuquerque and Carson, Calif. What a nice surprise. Short visit, but we sure appreciated it.

Saw this in the Amarillo Globe-News Monday, Jan. 5, 2004. Thought it was information worth passing on. I've often wondered about Canadian pharmacies. Every since I heard that our own government allows the Department

of Veteran's Affairs to order medications for our own honored veterans. But allows all this other propaganda just to protect the kick backs from the drug companies.

There is a privately owned drug company in Illinois, where it is supposedly legal to sell drugs from Canada. For more information, call: 1-800-216-4913 Fax: 1-800-691-7847 or

[www.illinoishealthalliance.com](http://www.illinoishealthalliance.com)

I am glad the Topper family can finally put some closure to the tragic loss of Kathy Snelson. A jury in Amarillo found James Ritchie guilty of stabbing Kathy to death and sentenced him to life in prison.

So glad to have Terri Britton back in Pampa. She has been very ill and stayed in Oregon to be near her parents and doctors while Sam was working in Alaska and mother-in-law, Ruby Caviness was working at the Old Mobeetie Jail and getting settled into her home in Old Mobeetie.

We are so thankful the Lord is restoring Terri's health. Welcome back.

I owe both Mrs. Lohberger's and apology. Sorry! I had the wrong info. I didn't mean to panic the choir students and the whole music program. I'm sorry Suzanne. You worked long and hard toward retirement, then I tried to give it away to Ariel. Please forgive me. Enjoy whatever you have planned as the next chapter of your life.

Our trip to Temple and Ft. Worth was quite enjoyable. Quite a learning experience, too.

Tony and Pat Goodnature, Jordan and Joshua of Amarillo came to spend the weekend with his

**Chat** (from Page 1)

In many cases, the individual most deserving is in the background doing his or her work unnoticed. Let's find them and give them much needed recognition.

—cwe—

It is said the weather for the first 12 days of the new year shows what the weather will be like for each month of the year. Looks like it is going to be very dry; hope this is wrong.

—cwe—

Mrs. Flowers, would you explain how the onion test is done so someone in the area can do that next New Year's Eve? I think you told us once, but I did not understand how you cut the onion. And, in what order do you arrange the cups.

—cwe—

If the readers do not know what I am referring to, Mrs. Flowers did an onion test, which predicted the rainfall for the year. We reported this for several years and she was very accurate.

—cwe—

We went to Oklahoma City with the Crosses Sunday. We went by to see Jennifer and the grandpuppies.

—cwe—

Cards were played on Monday evening. Rhonda and Barbara played Leroy and Dwight until I got home from the meeting. I then took Barbara's place. Rhonda and Barbara won the first game, Rhonda and I won the second game and Leroy and Dwight won the third game.

**WHEELER MENU**

MONDAY, January 19, 2004 — FRIDAY, January 23, 2004

**MONDAY**  
Breakfast: Cold Cereal, Buttered Toast, Jelly, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Pizza, Pickle Spears, Corn on Cob, Fruit, Milk

**TUESDAY**  
Breakfast: Biscuit and Gravy, Scrambled Eggs, Jelly or Honey, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Sloppy Joe on a Bun, French Fries, Lettuce Salad, Fruit, Milk

**WEDNESDAY**  
Breakfast: Cold Cereal or Pancake Pup, Buttered Toast, Jelly or Pancake Syrup, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Chicken Fried Steak w/ Gravy, Corn, Mashed Potatoes, Hot Rolls, Fruit, Milk

**THURSDAY**  
Breakfast: Biscuit and Gravy, Sausage Patty, Jelly or Honey, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Mexican Casserole, Lettuce Salad, Pinto Beans, Fruit, Milk

**FRIDAY**  
Breakfast: Cold Cereal, Cinnamon Toast, Juice Milk  
Lunch: Hot Dog w/Chili, Curly Fries, Pork & Beans, Fruit, Milk (Menu subject to change)

**FT. ELLIOTT MENU** (Briscoe Campus)

MONDAY, January 19, 2004 — FRIDAY, January 23, 2004

**MONDAY**  
Breakfast: Ham Slices, Gravy, Biscuits, Milk/Juice  
Lunch: Philly Steak Sandwich, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Fruit, Milk/Tea

**TUESDAY**  
Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, Fruit, Milk/Juice  
Lunch: Baked Chicken, Green Beans, Red Potatoes, Hot Rolls, Fruit, Milk/Tea

**WEDNESDAY**  
Breakfast: Pancakes, Little Smokies, Milk/Juice  
Lunch: Beef Fajitas, Red Beans, Salad, Sopapillas, Milk/Tea

**THURSDAY**  
Breakfast: Sausage Gravy, Biscuits, Milk/Juice  
Lunch: Frito Pie, Salad, Corn, Fruit, Milk/Tea

**FRIDAY**  
Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Milk/Juice  
Lunch: BBQ on a Bun, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Cookies, Milk/Tea (Menu subject to change)

mom, Jackie, and Fred Thrasher. Have a good week.

**MT. VIEW QUILTING CLUB**  
Mt. View Quilting Club met Thursday, Sidney Lynch was hostess.

Those attending Bobbie Ehmman, Betty Rogers, Jane Seitz, Audrey Seitz, Augusta Brown, Sidney Lynch, and Melba Corcoran.

**Chamber** (from Page 1)

out and support many of our local groups. The park hosts numerous booths of various foods and games and nearly all the profits support several local groups, charities and school organizations. The day ends with a breathtaking firework display paid for by donations.

The Open House is held each year immediately after Thanksgiving. The Chamber sponsors this to encourage our community to shop in Wheeler. The surrounding neighbors who have crafts are invited to participate with the hope of doing our Christmas shopping and appreciating the artists' accomplishments of so many.

The Chamber is proud of our town and thanks all of those who pay their annual dues to be a part of this organization. So if anyone ask, "What can the chamber do for our business? The answer can only be that the Chamber's efforts are to maintain our town instead of letting it go as so many little towns have done. Look around and let us be appreciative of all our merchants and thank each one of them. We have added several great new businesses in 2003 and we look forward to a positive 2004.

When you receive your membership dues letter each year, remember it is not necessarily what we the Chamber can do for you, but rather what you as a member of the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce can do for our town.

Sincerely,  
The Wheeler Chamber of Commerce

**Court** (from Page 4)

M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey, OL—Maurine Selman to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 10-15-03, N 1/2; SW 1/4 Sec. 82, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Lonnelle Kenady, et vir to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 10-20-03, N 1/2; SW 1/4 Sec. 82, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Emily Farmer to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 10-1-03, N 1/2; SW 1/4 Sec. 82, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Carroll Dale Pendleton to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 10-23-03, N 1/2; SW 1/4 Sec. 82, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—United States of America to Green River Exploration Company, 11-7-03, SE 1/4 Sec. 17, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

MEMORANDUM OL OPTION—Delese Simmons Johnson Atwood to Green River Exploration Company, 9-24-03, NE 1/4 Sec. 9, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

POA—Centex Home Equity Company, LLC to Christopher K. Baxter, et al, 11-14-03.

MD—Ferrelloil Co. LLC to Moon Energy LLC, 12-29-03, See Instrument.

MD—Ferrelloil Co. LLC to Moon Energy LLC, 12-29-03, S 1/2 Sec. 59, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

MD—Moon Energy LLC to Charles A. Ferrell Irrevocable Children's Trust, 12-29-03, S 1/2 Sec. 59, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**Prairie** (from Page 1)

Jay Godwin. "We've had very talented "regular guests", several members of the Jenkins family, at the last two shows and we look for some of them to be back with us on Saturday," said Godwin. "Lonnelle Cox had to miss the December show, and we will be happy to have him back on stage. Other musicians who have played in past shows may also be here."

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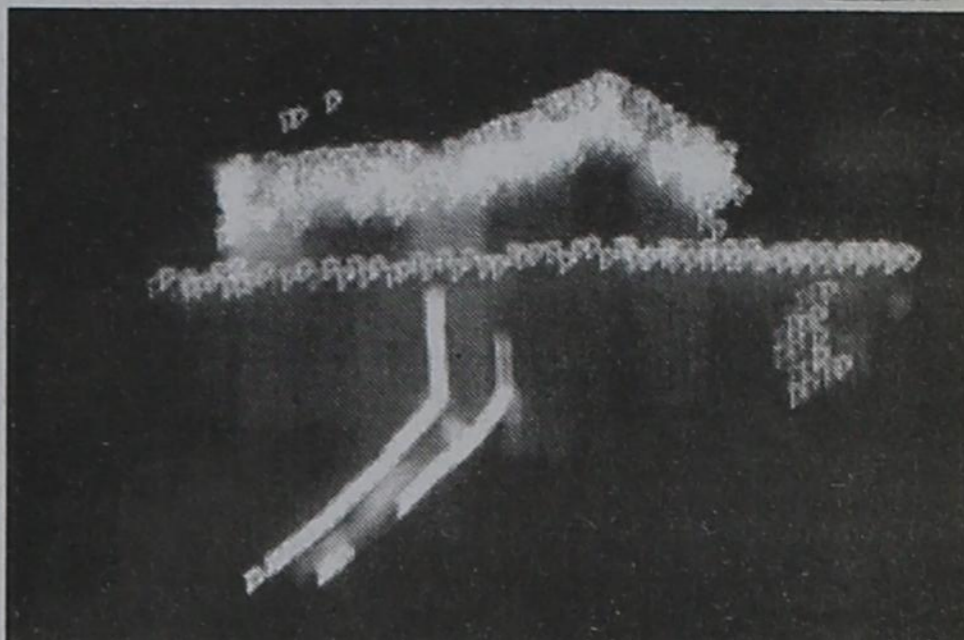
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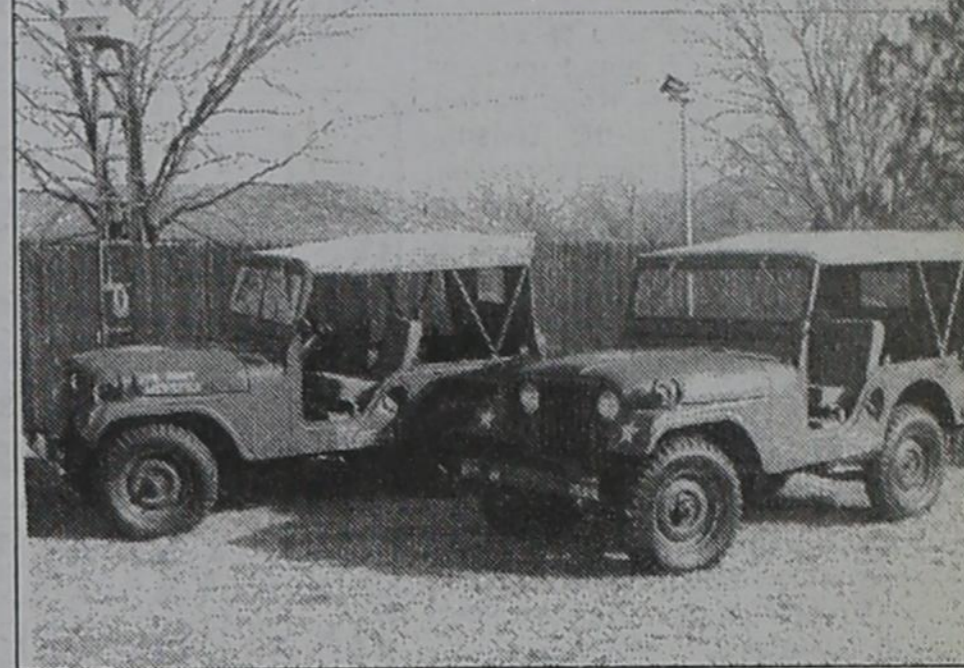
**New Admissions**  
1/4 Robert Risner  
1/5 Anna Reed  
1/6 Chuck Hutchinson  
1/7 Janice Folley  
Jamie Downey  
Elsie Hughes  
Mary Wofford

1/12 David Moore  
1/13 Helen George

**Dismissals**  
1/6 Rosalee Atwood  
Anna Reed  
Robert Risner  
Jamie Downey  
Mary Wofford  
Chuck Hutchinson  
David Moore



**YOUNGEST:** Abby Bond received recognition from the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce for being the youngest individual to enter the Christmas decorating contest. Abby lit her playhouse at the corner of Alan Bean Blvd. and Cemetery Road. She is the daughter of Ricky and Tina Bond.



**RESTORED M38A1 ARMY JEEPS:** A 1952 M38A1, the other is a 1955 M38A1. They were restored by Don E. Rose. The left one belongs to Rick Woollard and the other one belongs to Don Rose. It took eleven months to restore Don's and four months to do Rick's. This model Jeep is the first Army jeep to use the overhead valve four cylinder engine. Also the front rounded fenders. Don enjoys going to car shows and has won 1st place in the Sayre Car Show, Top Three at Canadian, 2nd place and the Most Fun Car Plaque at the Shattuck Show, and 3rd place at Erick, OK Show. Lots of work, but Don enjoys this kind of work. He is looking forward to going to more shows in the future.

**Old Mobeetie Assoc. Meets Jan. 8**

The Old Mobeetie Texas Association held their monthly meeting January 8 with President Joe VanZandt in charge. Maurita Stribling led in the opening prayer. Melba Corcoran read the minutes for the December meeting. Joe declared them approve since no correction or addition was made.

Melba Corcoran gave the cataloging report as 17,399 work sheets with 35,641 items.

She also reported we had 101 volunteer hours for December. We had 84 visitors with 15 from out of state and 1 from Australia. Louise Hogan reported we had 19,386 hits to the web site with an average of 625 per day.

Joe read off the list of things we received from Panhandle Plains. Joe hadn't heard any more on the roof of the jail. He had received 2 packages of film from The Texas Historical Commission to use to document the progress and completion of the new roof.

The group had not received the estimate on the Huseby House.

There was no report on the Cataline School. Jay Godwin is working on the history of the building.

Melba Corcoran reported that we still have room for one more band in the festival. Jay Godwin is working on a band.

Bobby Hill and Melba Corcoran **District Clerk's Filings:**

#11476—Katherine Jones vs Harold Jones, 12-23-93, Divorce.  
#11477—Total Wellhead and Rental Tools, LLC vs Darville Edward Atherton, 1-5-04, Inj./Damage Inv. Motor Vehicle.

#11478—4 WAY.CC.LLC. vs M Chad Collins d/b/a Canadian River Trading Company, 1-7-04, Accounts, Contracts, Notes.  
#11479—In R. to Minor Children, 1-7-04.

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treated Opal and Juanita to a very delicious meal at Calvert's Hilltop Sunday after church. We saw several of our friends that were there eating also. Some of them were Larry and LaDonna Elmore, Edna May, Peggy Chandler and Jennie Walker, Betty Marshall Hanning, the Parmans, Rhonda and Jay Robertson, Melissa Helton and sons just to name a few.

Vance and Carol Boydston, Louise Boydston, Eddy Walker and Bro. and Sis. Joe Hall of Pampa enjoyed homemade ice cream and a delicious seven layer cake. Then after a lots of visiting a game or two of spinners were played.

God Bless and Keep you till next time!!

This is more news from my sis-  
**Country** (from Page 3)

is ninth grader. Think the younger boy is Josh. Stephanie is a special education teacher at Canadian and Craig is a coach. Best wishes to all.

Thanks to all who called and were concerned about me. And thanks, for prayers. Keep praying. I do feel stronger this Tuesday morning, but I'm taking life easier.

First weekend in January special friends got together at Peggy Newmans in Pampa. They had a great time and shopped and ate out, went to a movie and played chicken foot. They were Bobbye Coffee, Vivian Doan, Glenda Hudson. Joining them were Connie Wing and Lola Adcock. Some went together to Church of Christ on Sunday.

Patrick Hudson helped Ray and Glenda work on corrals and barn last weekend.

Thanks, Billy Robertson for bringing the portable oxygen over for my trip to Amarillo. Still had oxygen when we got home. Worked great.

Miami junior high came to Briscoe to play Ft. Elliott Monday night. Ft. Elliott won girls and boys games. Congratulations.

Good to have Tex Copeland back singing a special at Wheeler Baptist Sunday and Claudia Marion singing Sunday night. Good!

Thanks, Danny for taking me to Amarillo Monday for my check-up with Dr. Chaffin. He changed my medicine up, but didn't promise to make me 16 again. You know old vehicles are hard to restore to mint condition. But thankful for the good years. So nice to have Lindsey Criswell and Blain from Canyon meet us for lunch at Furr's on Georgia and go to the doctor's office with us. Think I already feel better. Yea!

Good to see Stephanie Mitchell Brock at Furr's with a group of teachers. They had been to a workshop. Good to see Bill Hefley there with some other game wardens. Good visit. Hadn't seen Bill in years. He's not ready to come back and farm.

"God be with you till we meet again."

ter-in-law, Carol. What happened since last week. I've slept since then. Well a little anyway. It got a little cold in Allison last week I think. Maybe it had something to do with the Christmas lights. Most of them have been taken down and carefully put away. That's a lot of heat gone. It was reported to be four below zero

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one morning. That is dress warm weather and turn up the thermostat, pile on the covers at night and pay higher utilities. Last two days have been a little milder. Some pipes froze last week. Isn't that right Vance?? Got out of the car one evening steppin high. Water was gushing all around. Wet shoes? Oh no! Grab the boots! Turn off the water. Get some help and get it fixed some day. Always something. Bob Cornell just got the bathroom going again. Praise the Lord in all things.

Sunday evening after church Vance and Carol were surprised to have guests drop in on an unexpected visit. It was Carol's cousin she hadn't seen for about four years. Eugene Norris and his friend, Shirley Green from California. They all enjoyed visiting at Louise Boydston's house for awhile and meeting some of Carol's new family. Later at Vance and Carol's they shared pictures and memories. Eugene and Shirley were soon ready to lay their heads to rest and they had traveled from Ozark, Missouri and was quite tired. Next morning, after a quick breakfast they were on the road again. It's

always such a joy to see friends and family from far away. When is Carol with her working, younger husband ever gonna find time to repay all these visits owed.

Enjoyed the preaching of visiting preacher Brother Joe Hall and his wife Brenda, Wednesday and Sunday evening at the Allison United Pentecostal Church. Pastor M.C. McDaniel is recovering from his illness but is still weak. He taught the Sunday School lesson. Then Brother Pete Gilmer took him out to lunch. Please keep Brother McDaniel in your prayers. He is a wonderful man of God.

Friday night, Vance and Carol Boydston called Louise Boydston to go to Elk City, Oklahoma with them for a Fellowship Meeting where Louise's brother-in-law and her sister pastor, but she didn't answer so they went on without her. The service was enjoyed by all as Brother Mounce brought a wonderful message about what a friend we have in Jesus. And Carol enjoyed seeing several preachers and other saints from Oklahoma she knew when she lived in Norman, Oklahoma. After service, Vance and Carol fellowshiped with Pearl Harrison, Walt and Thersea Hodges and several others at the home of Pastor and Mrs. Jimmy Wallace. What a joyous time was had by all. Many good ole days were shared as Jimmy and Vance graduated together at Allison. You can imagine some of their stories!

Saturday, getting a late start and Glen, being gone with Betty to Oklahoma City and not available to help Vance with the busted pipes, Vance took Carol out to eat and grocery shop. On the way to Wheeler, he suggested they go to Dyer's Barbeque in Pampa. Well, how does he read Carol's mind. She was just thinking that would be a good idea. So that's where they pigged out! Delicious! as always! Then on to United as Carol had never been there. Still getting to know you, getting to know all about you. Good store, fresh vegetables and fruit and what a lovely lady in the bakery department. She decorates such beautiful cakes! WOW. The chocolate with yummy green mint, or the one with all the oreo cookies or the scrumptious one with strawberries. Which one would Carol choose as a belated birthday cake from Hubby Vance. Why not the biggest one with pineapple and cherries and coconut all over the whipped cream. Layers and layers! Penucalotta - Vance got his three pounds of bacon and on their way they went. But Carol, baby where are we going next, don't you want to go to some shops? Had he read her mind again? Probably so, or why would he have asked her such a question? She had just thought, "I'm tired, think I'm homesick for Allison." Well, one more stop was worth the trouble. Here came Vance with two loaded and cracked sugar cones. One with Cherry Pecan and the other with Butter Pecan. Braums is the place yeah yeah! You can tell they never took time for New Year's resolutions. Well, they didn't find anyone who wanted to party Saturday night so after church Sunday night, Carol made strawberry ice cream and Vance took it and the party cake out to Glen and Betty's. There,



**TAKING TOUR:** A large crowd was in attendance New Year's Eve the Open House at the City Drug Bed and Breakfast Hotel. Cor down the stairs are Mary Wofford, Ruth Wiley and Dick and Graham.



**PARTAKING:** Some of the guests at the New Year's Eve Open House of the City Drug Bed and Breakfast Hotel are shown here making selection from numerous hors d'oeuvre offered.

they were joined by Louise Boydston, Brother and Sister Joe Hall of Pampa and even Betty and Glen's next door neighbor, Eddy Walker. He even likes homemade strawberry ice cream. Juanita and Mom Boydston missed out but Aunt Billy and Uncle Roma needed some company anyway.

Backtracking a little, Tuesday evening that ever busy senior citizen, Pearl Harrison, who is always

doing good deeds called and invited Vance and Carol to come her home and share some of her videos with her. One was a gospel music from Louisiana Christmas meeting and the other was some of the experience missionary Africa had. All about Bug and N. Freeman. What a wonderful evening we shared. The spirit the Lord was surely there with And was that really good popcorn Pearl is a precious lady!

You probably already heard about the fun party at S. Chandler's! Thanks to Judy Bry, Betty Boydston and M. Boydston, Virginia Puryear, Ed May and Sue Chandler, Juanita and Carol Boydston had a real good party! Thanks to all who dined too. Wish more could have come because you sure missed good time and Vance may have gone back to his bigger pants when he gets all the leftovers clear up! Have a really happy week!

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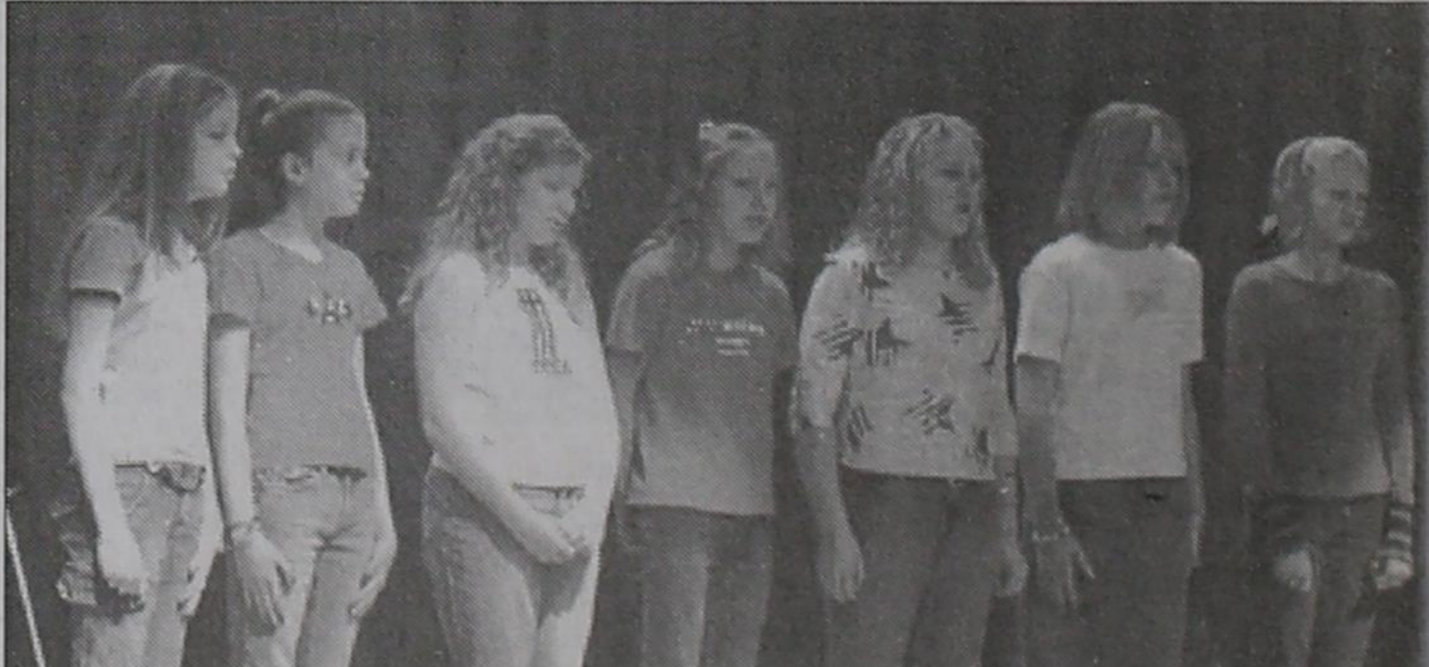
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**ENTERTAINMENT:** The Ft. Elliott High School Choir is shown here being introduced by Mrs. Lohberger at Wheeler Nursing and Rehab. The young ladies sang Christmas songs for the residents. Pictured (l. to r.) are Sarah Moon, Jessica Helton, Sarah Zybach, Vanessa Huff, Katie Donaldson, Laura Lohberger



**HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR:** The Ft. Elliott High School Choir performed at Ft. Elliott's Christmas program. Pictured are (back row, l. to r.) Katie Donaldson, Vanessa Huff, Jessica Helton, Sarah Zybach, (front) Glory Hartsfield, Alicia Reis, Laura Lohberger and Sarah Moon.



**JUNIOR HIGH CHOIR:** Ft. Elliott's Junior High Choir performed at the school's Christmas program. Pictured are (l. to r.) Bailey Estes, Leslie Archer, Amber Maddox, Mayci Meadows, Megan Horn and Sara Hathaway.