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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

Congratulations, Heather Hampton! Heather was on the front page of the *Amarillo Globe-News* "Ones to Watch, Celebrate Youth ... recognizing our future".

—cwe—
Snow began to fall early Tuesday morning and continued with very large flakes.

—cwe—
The car windshield was covered almost as fast as it was cleared off. And, shoveling the sidewalk was a waste of time.

—cwe—
Wayne Gentry made an effort to clean the sidewalks on West Texas St. at 10:00 a.m., and we do appreciate it.

—cwe—
By 8:00 a.m. there was an accumulation of 2". The temperature at the bank showed 28°.

—cwe—
Mark Tuesday, March 29, on your calendar. The Circus is coming to Wheeler.

—cwe—
The Wheeler United Methodist Women have scheduled their annual "Thanksgiving Dinner" for Sunday, March 20. Known to be good food.

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Hospital Notes

Assisted Living
Odra Christopher
Glenn Williams
Verne Lohberger
Opal Hefley
Alvern Hutchison
C. B. Brotherton

New Admissions
3/6 Krissy Dennis
3/7 Kenneth Hamon
Kristi Lowery
3/8 Gelema Back
3/10 Billy Britton
3/11 Louise Shorter
Mamie Loyd

Dismissals
3/8 William Darby
3/9 Kristi Lowery
Krissy Dennis
Kenneth Hamon
3/10 Jade Forward
3/11 Eddie George
Gelema Back
3/12 Ernest Maddox
Billy Britton

Fund Raiser April 9 For Hibler Family

The Wheeler Chamber of Commerce will be holding a Hibler Implement Fund Raiser on Saturday, April 9, 2005, to help the Hibler family with the expense of rebuilding the structure lost in a fire in December of 2004.

The Hibler family has been a part of Wheeler for three generations, operating Hibler Implement at their 108 West Texas location. For a number of years Hiblers was the International Harvester representative; they are the dealer for parts, sell and repair all type of truck tires and are the suppliers for Sunrise Feed.

Debris of the destroyed structure has been removed and a new steel structure is planned in the future.

The Fund Raiser will be held Saturday, April 9, at 6:00 p.m. at the Wheeler County Show Barn. The Wheeler Lion's, Methodist Men, and Heritage Feeders LP will be serving hamburgers with all the trimmings. Chances are available for two hog halves—butchered to the winners' specifications; \$5 a chance.

Donated items will be collected for auction following the serving of the food.

Everyone is invited out for an enjoyable evening of fellowship and help a deserving family at the same time.

African Evangelist To Speak Locally

William Fondo, a 49-year-old father of nine, works with International Commission to bring the Gospel to the people of Africa. He began as a volunteer to help International Commission to expand its role in helping local churches reach the lost. In 1996 William became the country coordinator for Kenya. In 1999 he became the regional coordinator for IC's ministry efforts in Central and Eastern Africa.

Since 1997, William has supervised 46 National-to-National projects. These evangelism projects (with African Nationals only) have results in over 188,000 salvations, and when added to projects involving American participants, the number is nearly

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WINTER WONDERLAND: A snowfall Tuesday morning, March 15, transposed the Wheeler area into a winter wonderland. An estimated 6-8" fell Tuesday morning without wind, allowing the snow to build up. The moisture content of the snow was 0.88".

Commissioners Need Increase In Sheriff's Department Budget

The Commissioner's Court of Wheeler County met in regular session on Monday, March 14, 2005, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Courtroom of the Wheeler County Courthouse at 401 Main Street, Wheeler, Texas. Sixteen items were on the agenda for the meeting.

The court approved the minutes of the previous meetings as presented.

Monthly reports from the Justice of the Peace, County Treasurer, County Tax Assessor, County Clerk and District Clerk. The commissioners accepted the reports as presented.

The hourly payroll time sheets were approved for payment.

The court voted to pay the bills as presented.

Item #5 had to do with the budget. Precinct 2 needed to transfer \$4,000 from the Road and Bridge account into the Utilities account; the transfer was approved. The

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Prairie Rivers Mus. To Perform Mar. 19

PRAIRIE RIVERS MUSICAL will perform its March show Saturday evening, March 19, 2005, at 7:30 p.m. The performance is scheduled in the regular location, Canadian Middle School Auditorium, located at 404 S. 6th St. in Canadian, Texas.

PRAIRIE RIVERS MUSICAL represents a venue of live music including classic country, western swing, old time gospel, and a bit of rockabilly. There is no admission charge and the auditorium features comfortable theatre type seating in an alcohol and smoke free environment.

"This will be our last show of the season" noted Jay Godwin, one of the original organizers of PRAIRIE RIVERS MUSICAL. "From the beginning we set the show to run October through March. The crowds have been great, even with a couple of 'iffy' weather conditions. Lots of folks from all over Western Oklahoma and the Texas Panhandle have become regular fans. We really thank all who have supported our efforts, and, we have had much fun."

Regular performers include Wayne Wright, George Briant, Frankie McWhorter, Lonnie Cox, Hank & Venita McPherson, Mary Lynn Schafer, Phil Ridgway, Pat Popham, Dale and Kayla Jenkins, and Jay Godwin. "Some invited guests were not confirmed at press deadline, but we think ones that you really like will be there," said Godwin. "Come and have a fun musical time with us."

For information call (806)323-6213.

Mustangs Win Pirate Relays; Lady Stangs Place Second

The Wheeler boys and girls track teams were busy during the spring break vacation as they traveled to Lefors to compete in the Pirate Relays. "We were real proud of these student athletes for coming out on their break and competing and representing Wheeler. Said Coach Toby Tucker." "This was our first real meet of the year for both groups and they did a great job." The Stangs dominated the meet piling up 189 points, 50 points higher than second place Happy. The Lady Stangs just narrowly missed bringing home first place falling to Lefors by only 7 points. "I think that this meet gives us a good kick start to the season, added Tucker. We have a meet next week in Miami, and then we will be home the rest of the year with the Mustang Relays and the District Track meet being held here in Wheeler. We are starting to understand "team track" and our kids are realizing that any point that they can earn for the team is needed. You just can't say enough about these kids here in Wheeler. These guys and girls have been busting their tails all year long and we plan on to continue our athletic success in track as well."

Lefors Meet Results

Girls—2nd Place Finish
4x100 Relay—J'Shay McCasland, Lezli Finsterwald, Kenia Gallegos, Brentney Taylor-2nd Place-56.90
100—Brentney Taylor-2nd Place-13.32; J'Shay McCasland-3rd Place-14.06

400—Aspen Hathaway-4th Place-1:06.93
4x200 Relay—Brooke White, Lezli Finsterwald, J'Shay McCasland, Kenia Gallegos-2nd Place-2:00.93
300 Hurdles—Brentney Taylor-1st place-53.12
200—Lezli Finsterwald-3rd place-29.47; Kenia Gallegos-6th place-30.44; Veronica Salazar-32.68
4x400 Relay—Aspen Hathaway, Katlin Rutherford, Veronica Salazar, Brooke White- 1st place
Shot Put—Amanda Bond-2nd place-30'6"; Katlin Rutherford-6th place-25'11"
Discus—Amanda Bond-1st place-95'2 1/2"; Katlin Rutherford-6th place-55'2 1/2"
Triple Jump—Lezli Finsterwald-3rd place-31'0"
High Jump—Brentney Taylor-1st place-4'8"; J'Shay McCasland-3rd place-4'4"
Long Jump—Brentney Taylor-2nd place-14'10 1/2"; J'Shay McCasland-3rd place-14'7 1/2"; Kenia Gallegos-13'0"
Boys Results—1st place
3200—Hector Emiliano-1st place
4x100 Relay—Cole Hathaway, Cameron Burton, Chucky Rivera, Tyler McWhorter-3rd place-46.93; Mikel Tucker, Steven McAlpine, Dyrton Brown, Antonio Porras-5th place 51.02
110 Hurdles—Tyler Richardson-3rd Place; Miguel Ramirez-4th place; Chace Horton-5th place
800—Hector Emiliano-2nd place-2:18.25; Chace Horton-5th place-2:26.58
100—Tyler McWhorter-4th place-11.88
400—Miguel Ramirez-5th place-57.67; Jake Benefield-6th place-58.89; Kelley Timmons-58.99
300 Hurdles—Tyler Richardson-5th place; Miguel Ramirez-6th place
200—Tyler McWhorter-5th place-24.6; Chucky Rivera-6th place-25.4
1600—Dyrton Brown-2nd place; Chace Horton-3rd place
4x200 Relay—Cole Hathaway, Kelley Timmons, Cameron Burton, Chucky Rivera-1st place-1:40.19; Mikel Tucker, Dyrton Brown, Antonio Porras, Steven McAlpine-3rd place-1:46.59
4x400 Relay—Cole Hathaway, Kelley Timmons, Cameron Burton, Hector Emiliano-1st place-3:49; Mikel Tucker, Steven McAlpine, Antonio Porras, Brandon Gallagher-5th place-4:06
Shot Put—Josh Couch 4th place; Ricky Salas-5th place; Eric Mendoza-6th place
Discus—Ricky Salas-1st place-110'1"; Josh Couch-2nd place-101'11 1/2"; Erick Mendoza-5th place-89'1 1/2"
Pole Vault—Cole Hathaway-5th place-8 feet
Triple Jump—Cameron Burton-3rd place-35'9"; Kelley Timmons-33'6"; Tyler Richardson-30'6"
Long Jump—Hector Emiliano-1st place-21'1"; Cameron Burton-2nd place-19'3"
High Jump—Tyler McWhorter-3rd place-5'8"; Tyler Richardson-6th place-5'2"
Junior High Track Results Lefors Band Relays
JH BOYS
2400—C. Gonzalez-11:12; J. Emiliano-12:35; J. Engles-15:15
800—B. Moore-1st place-2:36.99; N. Benefield-5th Place-2:47.17; J. Venzor-2:49.40

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Seventh Annual J'Nae Goad Golf Tournament Scheduled

The Seventh Annual J'Nae Goad Memorial Golf Tournament will be held Saturday, April 23, 2005, at the Shamrock Country Club. This tournament will be an 18 hole scramble format and will offer tee times of 9 A.M. and 2 P.M. To enter please contact Cecil Thomas at 826-5809, Ida Goad at 826-5254 or Bobby Jennings at 826-3153. The entry fee is \$35 and teams will be drawn from the first 120 paid contestants.

Donations of \$25 from businesses will go toward special prizes such as closest to pin, longest

drive and longest putt. Donations from individuals or businesses of \$50 or more will sponsor a tee box. Individuals gifts for door prizes are also accepted.

Tournament proceeds will benefit the Ja'Nae Goad Golf Scholarship. This scholarship was designed to financially assist a Wheeler County high school senior, who has participated in golf. To date, the tournament has benefited 25 high school seniors from Wheeler County. Past recipients of the award have been Alan Segura, Kacie Schlegel, Amanda Reeves, Jacob Caldwell, Kinsey Cogburn, Jordan Jones, Cassie Crossland, Cory Schlegel and Sheldon Cornett from Shamrock High School; Curt Smith, Nathan Hefley, Julie Zybach, Justin Hefley, Stephanie Baker, Seth Meadows, Jason Hathaway, Kade Zybach, Holly McCurley and George Helton from Ft. Elliott High School; and JJ Johnson, Gavin McQueen, Jake Britt, Keri Marion, Dee Alston and Josh Miller from Wheeler High School.

Methodist Women To Serve Dinner

The Wheeler United Methodist Women are sponsoring their annual "Thanksgiving Dinner" this coming Sunday, March 20. What better time to have a thanksgiving dinner than during the Easter season. The menu will have the traditional Turkey and dressing, green beans, sweet potatoes, mashed potatoes, gravy, fruit salad, cranberry salad, hot rolls and dessert. In the past a \$7.00 per plate was charged. This year we are accepting donations. In order for the community to enjoy the meal, we will begin serving around 12:15 p.m.

The dinner is our main fundraiser for our mission projects which serves local projects as well as state, country, and world missions. Hope to see you there.



The Shepherdsmen Quartet

Quartet To Appear At Methodist Church

The Shepherdsmen Quartet was formed in 2002. The love of the Lord drew these men together to form a Music Ministry so that they could use their God-Given Talent to spread the word of Jesus.

Dan Wilson is the manager and baritone singer from Woodlawn, IL.; Bruce Campbell, from West Frankfort, IL. sings lead; and Kevin Wright sings tenor and is from

Farmington, MO.; and Chuck Albright is from Marion, IL and sings bass.

All of these men are dedicated to praising our Lord in song and have done so for many years. On September 11, 2004 they had the honor of singing in New York City at Ground Zero for the Memorial Service. They are currently working on their third CD. They look forward to a future of spreading God's word through their Music Ministry. First and foremost this group is a Ministry.

This is their second trip to Shamrock, Texas and the surrounding area and they are excited to have been invited back. Their travels have taken them to many states where they have had the privilege of sharing their ministry with others. They are blessed with families who support and encourage the work they are doing for the Lord. The Shepherdsmen Quartet look forward to being in your area and meeting you soon.

The quartet is to appear at Wheeler United Methodist Church on Sunday, March 20, 2005, at 6:00 P.M.



H&R BLOCK: H&R Block is not new to Wheeler, but has a new owner, office manager and location. Patsy Pierce EA of Amarillo opened her tax, mortgage and financial services businesses at 112 W. Oklahoma St. in Wheeler on January 3, 2005. Karla Joy Belote, a Wheelerite, is the office manager. Her assistant is Caaron McNeely, a Mobeetieite. The business received its Chamber of Commerce welcome on Thursday, February 24, 2005, from the chamber president, Kenna Howard and chamber secretary, Marla Ford. Shown here (l. to r.) are Caaron, Karla Joy (seated), Kenna and Marla. The phone number is 826-0703.

ALLISON NEWS

By Juanita Boydston

And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness; God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory. I Timothy 3:16 For unto us a child is born. Unto us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called wonderful, counselor, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, the prince of peace. Isaiah 9:6

The weather here in Allison this Tuesday is very snowy and cold. It looks like the snow is here to stay for awhile. We have eight inches and its still snowing. WOW!! And to think it is March. No telling how much we will get. Its suppose to snow the rest of the day and tomorrow morning.

Monday, Glenn and Betty Boydston journeyed to Amarillo, Texas on business and enjoyed a delicious meal at Applebee's.

Wednesday, Glenn and Betty Boydston traveled to Elk City, Oklahoma on business and enjoyed a tasty meal at KFC.

Friday, Glenn and Betty Boydston traveled to Wheeler, Texas on business and enjoyed a delicious meal at Mel's.

Friday evening, Opal and Juanita Boydston accompanied Glenn and Betty Boydston to Reydon, Oklahoma where they enjoyed a very delicious meal at the Reydon Senior Citizen's Building. It was a Catfish meal this time. Very good. That is really saying

WHEELER MENU

MONDAY, March 21, 2005 — FRIDAY, March 25, 2005

MONDAY
Breakfast: Cold Cereal, Toast, Jelly, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Hamburger, Sliced Cheese, French Fries, Hamburger Fixings, Peaches, Milk

TUESDAY
Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Spaghetti/Meatballs, Lettuce Salad, Green Beans, TX Toast, Pears, Milk

WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Cereal or Pancake Pup, Toast, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Popcorn Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Corn, Hot Roll, Applesauce, Milk

THURSDAY
Breakfast: Biscuit and Gravy, Sausage, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Mexican Casserole, Lettuce Salad, Pinto Beans, Pine-apple, Milk

FRIDAY
No school

(Menu subject to change)

something for someone like me who doesn't like fish at all. I ate some and it was really good. Others there from Allison and one from Briscoe were Virginia Puryear, Edna May, Irene Keys, Juanita Fillingim and Lou Dean Douthit and her daughter and Zeland and Charlene Rainey.

Friday evening after the delicious meal at Reydon, Opal and Juanita enjoyed a visit in the home of Glenn and Betty Boydston and yes enjoyed playing a game of spinners.

Saturday, it was such a beautiful and warm day that Glenn and Betty Boydston traveled over to Spring Creek Lake and enjoyed fishing where they caught three big fish.

Greg, Tiffany, Kaylaye, Gavin of Amarillo, Texas and Hannah Boydston of Stinnett, Texas, Doug and Amie Purcell and son, Ryne of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma visited this weekend in the home of Gary and Julie Boydston. They helped Julie celebrate her birthday while here. Saturday evening, Greg, Tiffany, Kaylaye, Gavin, Hannah, Doug, Amie, Ryne and Gary and Julie all enjoyed a delicious meal at Mel's.

Sunday on Julie's birthday, they enjoyed a homecooked meal of brisket and the trimmings with their family. Jody Robertson and friend, Norene Patterson and her daughter, Jaden visited awhile Sunday in the home of Gary and Julie Boydston and their family.

Roma and Billy June Brown traveled to Elk City, Oklahoma on Tuesday on business and they enjoyed a delicious meal at Long John Silver's.

Roma and Billy June Brown traveled to Pampa Wednesday on business.

Keith Boydston stayed the night with Pete Gilmer Wednesday. Thursday morning they had a delicious breakfast at Soto's. Thursday afternoon Pete and Keith journeyed to Amarillo, Texas and visited Rodney Ingersoll in the hospital where they were running test on him. Linda Ingersoll, Becky and Jeannie Gilmer and Pete Gilmer and Keith Boydston all enjoyed a very delicious meal at the Red Barn. Pete and Keith stayed the night with Becky and Jeannie Gilmer. Friday morning, Pete Gilmer and Keith Boydston traveled on to Dumas where they enjoyed breakfast and then headed on to Texhoma, Oklahoma where they attended the funeral of D.C. Chandler. They saw quite a few kinfolk that they hadn't seen in awhile.

Bennie Boydston enjoyed a tasty meal in the home of Pearl Harrison on Monday.

Sabrina Dupont enjoyed a very tasty homemade meal in the home of Pearl Harrison Sunday for lunch.

Cheryl Dupont of Elk City, Oklahoma visited in the home of Pearl Harrison on Thursday.

Linda Sanders and daughter Jeanette are visiting Jeannie

Walker and stayed Monday night with her and now they are snowed in.

Edna May and Juanita Fillingim enjoyed a meal at Calvert's Hilltop in Reydon, Oklahoma.

Edna May traveled to Cheyenne, Oklahoma and had her pills refilled. Now that she is snowed in she is thankful that she did.

We are thrilled to have Vance and Carol Boydston back in Allison again. They reported a very wonderful time in Florida, but its time for them to be home. We sure did miss them greatly. I'm sure you will be hearing about their vacation later on. I know they have lots of news to tell.

God Bless and Keep ya'll till next time.

WHEELER COUNTY COURT RECORDS

List of Instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's office from March 7, 2005 — March 11, 2005.

MARCH 7, 2005

OL—Virginia Neil Shaffer Gage to Patina BNR Corporation, 12-29-04, N 160 acs. Sec. 33, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Wanda J. McLaughlin to Patina BNR Corporation, 12-29-04, N160acs. Sec. 33, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

RATIFICATION OL—Rozell and Sallie M. Quillian Family Living Trust to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 2-26-05, NE 1/4 Sec. 5, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

CORR. ASSIGN. CONVEY. MD—Vaughn Petroleum Royalty Partners Ltd. to EFS Royalty Partners LP, 2-22-05, See Instrument.

MARCH 8, 2005

ASSIGN.—Rader & Associates to Chesapeake Exploration Limited Partnership, 2-17-05, Sec. 33, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTACH.—Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to Joe D. Montgomery, et ux, 12-18-02, Lots 9-11, Blk. 26, Wheeler.

CORR. MD—Sandra Y. Crowder Revocable Trust to Arrowhead Resources Inc., 3-3-05, E 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 18, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

AMEND. OL—Cecil Meadows, et ux to Texhoma Land Consultants Inc., 10-7-03, Pt. Sec. 15, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

D—David H. Gilmer Jr., et ux to Robert W. Garrett, et ux, 3-1-05, 10 acs. NE 1/4 Sec. 6, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

POA—Roy Kendall Snyder to Mary Lou Snyder, et al, 6-18-04.

ASSIGN.—Cheyenne-Western LLC to Rio Petroleum Inc., 2-10-05, SW 1/4 Sec. 86 and E 1/2 Sec. 87, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

MARCH 9, 2005

MEMORANDUM TRUST—Richard L. Robinson, et al to Richard L. Robinson, et al, 2-23-05.

MIN./QCD—Richard L. Robinson, et ux to Robinson Family Trust, 2-23-05, E 1/2 Sec. 12, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

MIN./QCD—Arrowhead Resources Inc. to J. V. Calcote, Estate, 2-16-05, See Instrument.

RDT —National Bank of Commerce to Santiago M. Avila, et al, 3-7-05, See Instrument.

OL—Casey Diane Velasquez to Cambridge Production Inc., 12-20-04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Donna Kay Velasquez to Cambridge Production Inc., 12-20-04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Tommy Wayne Velasquez to Cambridge Production Inc., 12-20-04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Jana Kay Rivera to Cambridge Production Inc., 12-20-04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Rita Beth Lenoch to Cambridge Production Inc., 12-20-04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Charles Delbert Davidson to Cambridge Production Inc., 12-20-04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—William Thomas Wilson to Cambridge Production Inc. 8-26-04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Francis Drake Beauchamp to Cambridge Production Inc. 11-11-04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Elinor Drake Donnell to Cambridge Production Inc. 11-10-04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Stuart Southerland to Cambridge Production Inc. 9-3-04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Melissa Childs to Cambridge Production Inc. 9-1-04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Jimmie Sanders to Cambridge Production Inc. 8-25-04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Sheryl Miller to Cambridge Production Inc. 9-17-04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—James R. Moody, et ux to Cambridge Production Inc. 8-16-04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Sharon Darlene Sanders to Cambridge Production Inc. 8-26-04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Alan Todd Jones to Cambridge Production Inc. 8-30-04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—John Carter Wilson Jr. to Cambridge Production Inc. 9-1-

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The View of a Southern Woman

... Southern California that is.

I received a package in the mail the other day from one of the men who moved us from California. Mike was a very nice young man who lives in California and he spent better part of a day loading up our 14,000 pounds of belongings. During a break, he asked me if I was going to miss the beach. Well, I said I was sure I would, but life goes on. A week later as they delivered our things in Texas, he remarked again that my new home was so different from the one at the beach. Well I must confess that I did miss the sounds of the ocean as it was a sound I heard every day for much of my life. He said he would find a tape of ocean

sounds and send it to me. End of that, I thought. Low and behold, here comes one in the mail a year and 5 months later. What a surprise. A week later, Mike called and ask if I received it and if I liked it. Of course I liked it, but I had to confess that the waves and roar of the ocean I no longer missed. Things were different now and I was use to the wind, rain, hail, snow, thunder, lightning, heat, ice and freezing weather and no I did not need a sound track for that. But it was a kindness from him I shall remember.

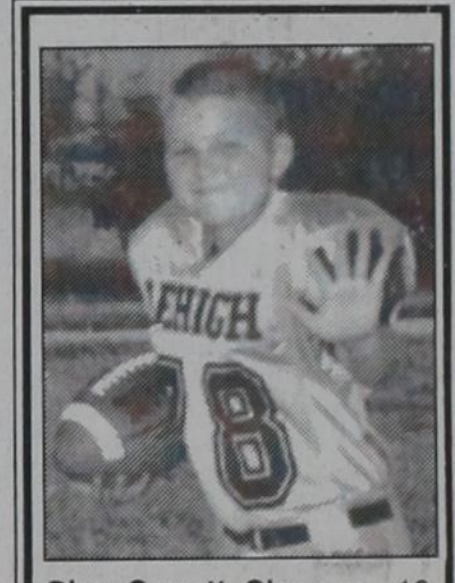
Glenn Frosty Forrest and I spent most of the day in the beautiful sunshine putting plants out around our new and old fish tanks. Yes, we now have his and hers fish tanks in the back yard. Glenn has a bass in the old tank that is a bully to my beautiful goldfish and Koi. That fish spends all day chasing them, so we had to have another fish tank or a bass dinner. Now a new tank took some doing as a big hole had to be dug for a 10 foot, 1,000 gallon tank. Well it was Brad Chandler to the rescue with his backhoe and in a very short time, it was done. He made it look so easy. The first tank Glenn put in with a shovel and it was a two day job. It is 800 gallons and I think it just about did him in. Sure hope I do not get the pollywog fever again this year. We might need another tank. Nah, just kidding. Think I learned my lesson about raising frogs. I have thought about turtles, but Glenn says they would eat my fish, so that is probably out. There sure are a lot of them in Spring Creek. We went fishing there the one hot day of this week and Glenn caught 3 large bass. No comment on my fishing luck, but I did see a cute little turtle sunning himself on a log. Glenn speeded up the boat until we got past him. He would have looked cute in my fish pond. My daughter Laura had just acquired a duck and a chicken from some new friends in Nevada. Cage and all. I am hopeful that someday I can have a couple of Banty chickens. Glenn says the coyotes will get them. Someday, he is going to walk in and I will have a house pet, but who knows what kind. With love from an animal lover from California-- Betty Boydston.

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Clay Garrett Clawson, 10-years-old, is the son of Barry and Marla Clawson of Lehigh Acres, Florida. Grandparents are Dale and Carol Clawson.

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Wheeler Church of Christ

The past two weeks I have talked about the preacher's role in study and presentation of the sermon. This will be the final week I talk about it, this time hitting upon a few loose ends. Even though there may be similarities in style and process and preparation from one preacher to the next, each one of us bring something different and unique to the pulpit. Certainly one's religious preference has something to do with this, but also each individual personality will produce different results. I can give a very personal illustration of this because I am a third generation preacher. My Grandfather still at the age of 92 is retired, but he preached for over 60 years. My Father is no longer a preacher, but that is what he did for a few years during and right after he went to college. I have been working with churches for 20 years now. One Sunday night about ten years ago I asked both of them to join me in preaching a lesson. Granddad went first, followed by my Dad, and then I finished it up. The reactions were quite varied. Those who were older naturally preferred my Grandfather's wisdom and experience. The empty-nester's in the audience thought my Dad's comments were the most practical and helpful to them. Those who were younger or were fairly new parents thought that I spoke most effectively. Any surprises? Give me another twenty years and I'll be accepted by those who know what it is like to be at that point of life - you can do the math and take the logical leap to figure out when I am closer to my Grandfather's age that I will have more credibility with that group, too. Perhaps I will be seen as irrelevant by those of future generations, but what I hope is realized by all is that it should never be the experience, ability, education, creativity, likeability, or any other human attribute that causes us preachers to stand out. Instead, it should be the message from the Bible coming through us that is noticed: the power of God at work. Or as we have been reminded in these past few weeks, "preach the Word" (II Timothy 4:2).

Shawn D. Johnson

Services:
Sunday Bible Study 10:00 A.M.
Sunday Morning Worship 10:55 A.M.
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MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Sue Mayfield

Have you been by the First State Bank in Mobeetie. They are putting down new tile floors. They are gorgeous. Such a change.

The apricot trees in the area are beautiful. Even some of the plum trees and dogwood trees are blooming. They look like giant snowballs from a distance. Hope we can miss out on our usual "Easter bad spell". Maybe our fruit trees will be okay.

What a nice surprise to see Leola Stuart with two of her cousins out for lunch at the Cowboy Oasis Monday. They had come up to get some information off the family tree.

Nice to see Jim and Kay Batton and Carolyn and Earl Corse having an enjoyable lunch together.

Always good to see our county road crew guys out working. They do a good job of trying to get our roads in shape.

Nice to see Daryl Snelgrooves and Luke Horton taking time for lunch at the Cowboy Oasis on Monday.

Louise Shorter had knee replacement surgery Monday in Amarillo. She came through it quite well, but will have to spend four or five days in the hospital there.

On Tuesday, we met our daughter-in-law, Lou, and her family at the hospital in Amarillo. While her father, Ron Jackson, had his replacement surgery. He wasn't scheduled until 1:30 p.m. All went very well and he was back in his room by 6:00 p.m.

The bad news of the day was that our son, Todd's, co-driver laid the truck outside of Barstoe, Calif. But Praise the Lord! Nobody was hurt, just bruised up. (Of course

Comm. (from Page 1)

The court was informed by County Treasurer Jauna Benefield of a shortage in the budget for the County Sheriff; the court will have to find an estimated additional \$50,000 to meet the Sheriff's payroll. The county treasurer also requested permission to transfer \$4,119.14 state's reimbursement into the Sheriff's transfer fund.

Several loose ends remain before the Courthouse Restoration Project can be completed. Pictures have been made of problems to be corrected.

The court did not see any need to reinstate the burn ban at this time.

The county's fire department percentage of allocations were adjusted to the amount of money budgeted.

Meal per diem adjustments were recommended by the auditor. Travel sheets need to show time of travel and meals required. The court adopted an allowance of \$8 for breakfast, \$12 for lunch and \$15 for dinner; no meal tickets will be necessary if the necessary paperwork is filled out correctly.

Tommy Puryear, Commissioner, Pct. 2, recommended the approval of applications by Dominion E. & P. to cross County Road 22 for pipeline, ETC Oklahoma Pipeline, LTD to cross County Road 26 for installation of an oil and gas pipeline and application by Chesapeake Energy Marketing, Inc. to cross County Road B for installation of an oil and gas pipeline. The court approved.

Joel Finsterwald, County Sheriff, informed the court of the promotion of Jon Burrell to Sergeant with a \$25 per month salary adjustment—\$2,091.88 per month with \$30 longevity per month. This salary is already budgeted; Joel had served as sergeant prior to being elected sheriff.

Sheriff Finsterwald also informed the commissioners of the need to purchase a pickup for the department. The county will take this into consideration.

The court approved the sheriff's department request for laundry service for uniforms. The cost will be deducted from the officers' salary.

The county of Wheeler had received a request from Brigham Oil & Gas, L.P. to extend an oil and gas lease on Sec. 15, Blk A-8 for two months; the court voted not to allow the extension.

The Commissioners' Court will meet on March 28, 2005, for their next regular meeting.

Lori didn't believe him until she saw him for herself on Friday.) Made for a long week. Really long day playing phone tag.

Sorry I missed Stephanie Jones at Wheeler Flower Shop on Wed. But Ann Jones and Tracy Jones did a very good job of getting me fixed up. They had everything at the shop under control.

Stephanie and Jennifer were in Amarillo to have Jennifer's back checked out with an M.R.I. Certainly hope you got good news and can finally get some relief, Jennifer.

Erica and Jayden got to go to Granddad and Nanna Medley's for part of spring break. Jennifer took them down to the lake at Ft. Cobb on Friday after school, then is supposed to pick up Erica on Tuesday so she can go have another hearing test to determine if they have to do surgery on her ears again. She hasn't been having earaches or any outward sign so we thought she was doing great. Now we're

praying she is.

Oh! The weather man is using that bad four letter word again, snow. After such a beautiful day Saturday, that's sort of cruel.

We can use the moisture. Hope we get enough rain to protect our fruit trees.

Judy Cloud is doing quite well since her knee replacement with her rehab. She appreciates her sister-in-law, Kathy, taking her to Wheeler to visit with her mother at the hospital.

Louise Shorter got released from an Amarillo hospital to come back to Parkview for at least a week of physical therapy. But she's one step closer to home. Welcome back.

Hope this finds Beth and Jim Alvey feeling better. They have been fighting the crud bug and trying to keep the office going.

The Dyson Family Bluegrass Festival is this weekend over at Sayre, Okla. My uncle, John Payton, from Springer, N.M. had

hoped to be able to sneak away. But with this much snow, will probably stay home and feed cattle.

Vera and Kenneth Walker from Dumas and Nora and Lester Reid from Sunray will probably have a change of plans if there is much of an accumulation.

Hope the weather doesn't change your bluegrass fan plans. At least when you get over there, there is a nice warm building to enjoy the music in. Play or listen to your hearts content.

Ho, ho, ho, what beautiful white snow. Tuesday morning dawned with all that white fluffy stuff just laying everywhere. The trees are so pretty. Such big beautiful flakes right now.

The tracks the school bus made and Bob and Bobbie Walker made going to works are already filled in. Sure hate to make more tracks.

Our four inches plus of snow sure nice and moist. Good snow-ball snow.

Orville Greenhouse had wonderful surprise Sunday afternoon. Her niece from Amarillo, Marlene Morris, and great-niece, Michelle Hogan, from Lubbock came by for a visit. They had been in Wheeler visiting with Lula Buice.

Well, the snow has gotten smaller and is starting to fall off the trees, it's so wet.

Tim and Sallie, I enjoy this carport more every year. Thanks a million.

Ya'll be careful out there. Tomorrow morning is going to be the pits after this freezes.

The state guys were out doing a good job when I took news in. Thanks!

Please keep our friends and neighbors in your prayers. Don and Mary Edwards, Earl and Mabel Tabor, Bill and Patsy Caswell, Wilhelmina Sherrell, Judy Cloud, Louise Shorter, Erica Saunstra, Lorene Rector, Orville Greenhouse, Jim and Beth Alvey, Pauline Hefley, Davy and Shannon Gilmer, The Shelton May Family, Ron and Phyllis Jackson, Jennifer Jones, Willis and Verna Fillingim, Gladys Richardson, Minerva Jones, Dutch Elliott and the family of Bill Elliott, Ronnie Hungate and family. Have a great week!

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SNOW SCENE: The ornamental plants in the front yard at 1104 S. Canadian are covered with new fallen snow. The lack of wind allowed an accumulation of snow on the plants.

Court (from Page 2)

04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&G Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Ronald Wayne Jones to Cambridge Production Inc. 9-8-04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&G Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Sue Hudson to Cambridge Production Inc. 8-25-04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&G Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Kerry Lee Jones to Cambridge Production Inc. 8-25-04, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-4, H&G Ry. Company Survey.

MARCH 10, 2005

ROY./MD—H. H. Hall to Bob Weatherly, 3-9-05, 85 acs. Sec. 1, Blk. 2, Brooks & Burleson Survey.

ROY./MD—H. H. Hall to Bob Weatherly, 3-9-05, E 1/2 N 1/2 E 1/2 NE 1/4; S 1/2 E 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 46, Blk. A-7, H&G Ry. Company Survey.

ROY./MD—H. H. Hall Inc. to Bob Weatherly, 3-9-05, Pt. Sec. 22, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey and Pt. Stephen Keith Survey.

EXT. DT—Matthew D. Moore, et ux to National Bank of Commerce, 3-3-05, E 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 19, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey; and W 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec. 2, BBB&C Ry. Company Survey, Cert. #456.

D—Daniel Garza, et ux to Gregorio Garza, et ux, 3-4-05, N 1/2 Sec. 1, Blk. 33, Shamrock.

RATIFICATION OL—Lora Lea Duderstadt to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 2-28-05, NW 1/4 Sec. 5, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

DVL—Roy Snyder, et ux to Garret Ware, et ux, 3-6-05, Lots 15 and 16, Blk. 64, WSSA, Shamrock.

DT—Garret Ware, et ux to First State Bank of Mobeetie, 3-10-05, Lots 15 and 16, Blk. 64, WSSA, Shamrock.

BLANKET CONVEYANCE—Robert H. Hannifin, et ux to Robert and Maxine Hannifin Trust, 3-7-05, See Instrument.

ROY./MD—Arrowhead Resources Inc. to MAP2004-OK, 1-15-05, E 1/2 NE 1/4; S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 1, H&G Ry. Company Survey, Cert. #5720.

D—Newton D. Wells and Janoma P. Wells, et al to Survivor's Trust of Newton D. Wells and Janoma P. Wells, 2-11-05, See Instrument.

ASSIGN./B of SALE—John Wraether to Cherokee Minerals LP, 1-31-05, S 1/2; NE 1/4 Sec. 26, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

ROY./MD—Donald Kober to Rodney Barker, 8-30-04, NE 1/4 Sec. 32, Blk. 13, H&G Ry. Company Survey.

MARCH 11, 2005

CORR. DT—Gary Alston, et ux to First Ag Credit FLCA, 2-10-05, Und. 49.375 acs. N 50 acs. W 75 acs. NW 1/4 Sec. 9, Blk. A-4, H&G Ry. Company Survey.

ROW—Glen and Nona Elmore Living Trust to Chesapeake Energy Marketing Inc., 1-21-05, Pt. S 1/2 NE 1/4; Pt. SE 1/4 Sec. 21, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

ASSIGN./B. of SALE—Bill J. Sparks to R R Oil LLC, 3-8-05, Sec. 7, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

MEMORANDUM TRUST AGREEMENT—Clarence J. Whittenberg, et ux to Clarence J. Whittenberg and Waunetta J. Whittenbert Revocable Trust, 1-27-05, NE 1/4 Sec. 8, Blk. E, T.M. Kell and W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-8, H&G Ry. Company Survey.

MD—Clarence J. Whittenberg, et ux to Clarence J. Whittenberg and Waunetta J. Whittenbert Revocable Trust, 1-27-05, W 1/2 Sec. 13, Blk. A-8, H&G Ry. Company Survey.

D—Clarence J. Whittenberg, et ux to Clarence J. Whittenberg and Waunetta J. Whittenbert Revocable Trust, 1-27-05, Sec. 8, Blk. E, T. M. Kell Survey.

CONVEYANCE—James Otis Miller to Arrowhead Resources Inc., 3-8-05, NW 1/4 Sec. 22, Blk. A-3, H&G Ry. Company Survey.

MD—Parks Revocable Trust to Joy Beth McQueen, et al, 1-5-05, Sec. 66, Blk. A-7, H&G Ry. Company Survey.

CORR. OL—Mary Elizabeth Spurlock to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 3-4-05, Sec. 66, Blk. A-7, H&G Ry. Company Survey.

DT—Charles L. Hagerman, et ux to First National Bank & Trust, Elk City, Oklahoma, 3-7-05, 153.2 acs. North Part Sec. 21, Blk. OS-2 and NE 1/4 Sec. 70, Blk. A-7, H&G Ry. Company Survey.

ROW—Densel Reed, et ux to Chesapeake Energy Marketing Inc., 2-16-05, 231.79 acs. North End Sec. 1, C&M Survey.

ROW—R. L. Zybach, et ux to Chesapeake Energy Marketing Inc., 2-16-05, SE 1/4 Sec. 14, Camp County School Land.

ROW—L. D. Childress, et ux to Chesapeake Energy Marketing Inc., 2-16-05, Sec. 21, Camp County School Land.

ROW—T. C. Agnes Inc. to Chesapeake Energy Marketing Inc., 2-16-05, S 1/2 Sec. 17 and NE 1/4 Sec. 16, Camp County School Land.

ROW—Erskin Grayson to Bravo Natural Resources Inc., 1-29-04, NE 1/4 Sec. 32, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

ROW—Russell Stephen Atherton to Bravo Natural Resources Inc., 12-22-03, Sec. 69, Blk. A-7, H&G Ry. Company Survey.

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ROW—Russell Stephen Atherton to Bravo Natural Resources Inc., 12-22-03, Sec. 69, Blk. A-7, H&G Ry. Company Survey.

ROW—Glen and Nona Elmore Living Revocable Trust to Bravo Natural Resources Inc., 2-2-04, NW 1/4 Sec. 32, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

ROW—Remling Family Trust to Bravo Natural Resources Inc., 6-14-04, W 1/2 Sec. 31, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

ROW—Dianna Fields to Bravo Natural Resources Inc., 6-14-04, W 1/2 Sec. 31, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

ROW—Legg Trust, et al to Bravo Natural Resources Inc., 5-19-04, Sec. 6, Blk. E, G. W. Jacobs Survey.

ROW—Legg Trust, et al to Bravo Natural Resources Inc., 5-3-04, Sec. 6, Blk. E, G. W. Jacobs Survey.

ROW—Glen and Nona Elmore Living Trust to Bravo Natural Resources Inc., 6-2-04, SW 1/4 Sec. 32, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

ROW—Glen and Nona Elmore Living Trust to Bravo Natural Resources Inc., 2-16-05, SW 1/4 Sec. 22, Camp County School Land.

UNIT DECLARATION—Chesapeake Exploration Limited Partnership Limited, et al to Samuel Eugene Warrick, et al, 2-24-05, W 1/2 Sec. 70, Blk. A-7, H&G Ry. Company Survey.

IDENTITY AFF.—Chesapeake BNR Corp. to Chesapeake Exploration Limited Partnership, 3-4-05.

ROW—David Madison Britt Jr., et al to Bravo Natural Resources Inc., 7-1-04, Pt. Sec. 7, Blk. 1, Brooks & Burleson Survey.

ROW—Legg Trust, et al to Bravo Natural Resources Inc., 5-21-04, Pt. Sec. 7, Blk. E, G. W. Jacobs Survey.

ROW—Legg Trust, et al to Bravo Natural Resources Inc., 4-30-04, Pt. Sec. 7, Blk. E, G. W. Jacobs Survey.

ROW—Alva M. J. Davis to Bravo Natural Resources Inc., 5-17-04, Pt. Sec. 26, Blk. OS-2.

ROW—Alva M. J. Davis to Bravo Natural Resources Inc., 6-21-04, Pt. Sec. 26, Blk. OS-2.

ROW—Truman D. Alexander, et ux to Bravo Natural Resources Inc., 5-25-04, Pt. Sec. 23, Blk. OS-2.

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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. Donis Harrison, Phone: 940/552-6644.)

Week Ending March 10, 2005

Intentions to Drill
HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., Meeek '67', Sec. 67, M-1, H&GN, PD 14000', for the following wells:
#18, 467' from North & West line of Sec.
#24, 1600' from South & 2350' from West line of Sec.
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Patina Oil & Gas Corp, PD 13500', for the following wells:
#4105P Hefley, 1830' from North & 467' from West line, Sec. 41, M-1, H&GN.
#5728P Holland 'C', 1900' from South & 467' from West line, Sec. 57, M-1, H&GN.
#6815P Meeek '68', 570' from South & 1775' from East line, Sec. 68, M-1, H&GN.
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT &

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- * Furnishing of checks and depository slips
- * Loans to the County
- * Interest on funds and accounts
- * Security for funds
- * After hour deposits
- * Returned checks
- * Stop payment of checks
- * Service charges (specifically on zero balance accounts)
- * Accounts outside city of depository

* Notification of Direct Deposits All applications should be presented to the County Judge, Wheeler County, Texas, on or before April 11, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. to be considered by the Commissioners' Court on April 11, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Courtroom, Wheeler County, Texas. 3/10-3/17c

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT IN A NON PRODUCTION FORMATION

SLT Dakota Operating, Inc., P.O. Box 967, Borger, Texas 79008 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a COMMERCIAL DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation not productive of oil or gas. The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the Brown Dolomite formation, Stiles Ranch Lease, Well Number 9-67. The proposed injection well is located 12 miles East of Wheeler, Texas, in the Stiles Ranch (Granite Wash) Field, in Wheeler County. Fluid waste will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 4750 to 6500 feet. LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas. Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792). 3/17c

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#24, 1300' from North & 467' from East line of Sec.
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & SOUTH RED DEER WILDCAT Upper Morrow) Pablo Energy, Inc., #2010 Campbell Ranch '10', 822' from North & 1776' from East line, Sec. 10, 1, H&GN, PD 12600'.
ROBERTS (WILDCAT) Range Production Co., #37 Courson Ranch S PA-11, 2949' from North & 405' from East line, Sec. 7, A, H&GN, PD 6500'. Rule 37
ROBERTS (WILDCAT & ALPAR-LIPS Douglas) Latigo Petroleum Texas, L.P., #16 Courson '158', 935' from South & 2300' from East line, Sec. 158, 13, T&N, PD 5600'.
ROBERTS (WILDCAT & SOUTH LEDRICK RANCH Upper Morrow) Latigo Petroleum Texas, L.P., #1 Pickens 'A80', 660' from North & 2283' from West line, Sec. 1, B, H&GN, PD 8850'.
ROBERTS (WILDCAT & ST. CLAIR Granite Wash) Crest Resources, Inc., #1 W.B. Martin, 1420' from South & 500' from East line, Sec. 83, C, G&M, PD 9850'.
WHEELER (WILDCAT & MILLS RANCH Atoka Granite Wash) BP America Production Co., #1 Nectar, 1320' from South & West line, Sec. 52, A-7, H&GN, PD 19000'.
WHEELER (WILDCAT & STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #7021 Bryant, 660' from North & 1980' from West line, Sec. 21, A-3, H&GN, PD 15000'.
Amended Intention to Drill
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Patina Oil & Gas Corp., #5806P Dixon, 1450' from North & 1438' from West line, Sec. 56, M-1, H&GN, PD 13500'. Amended to correct well location

Corrected Intention to Drill
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star Ltd. Partnership, #11 Meadows '5' SE, 629' from South & 1321' from East line, Sec. 5, 4, AB&M (BHL: 1050' from South & 570' from East Sec. line) Corrected to show BHL location from East line)

Oil Well Completions
HEMPHILL (MATHERS RANCH Cleveland) Devon Louisiana Corp., #4 Mathers Ranch, Sec. 158, 41, H&T, flowed 49 bbl. of 47.3 grav. oil + 123 bbls water thru 64' 64" choke on 24 hour test, GOR 6367/1, TD 20080', PBTD 9264' -- Plug-Back

Gas Well Completions
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT) Newfield Exploration Mid-Con., #1A D.H. Honath, Sec. 75, M-1, H&GN, spud 3-20-04, drlg. compl 5-1-04, tested 8-3-04, potential 4318 MCF, TD 13876', PBTD 13638' -- HEMPHILL (AMY Upper Morrow) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #2 Carr '12', Sec. 12, A, AB&M, spud 11-14-04, drlg. compl 12-14-04, tested 2-2-05, potential 304 MCF, TD 14125', PBTD 14034' -- HEMPHILL (GILL RANCE Brown Dolomite) Devon Louisiana Corp., #2014 Mathers, Sec. 14, A-2, H&GN, spud 11-8-04, drlg. compl 12-14-04, tested 12-16-04, TD 14310', PBTD 4680' -- Plug-Back

HEMPHILL (MATHERS RANCH Cleveland) Devon Louisiana Corp., #16 Mathers Ranch, Sec. 164, 41, H&T, spud 9-7-04, drlg. compl 11-4-04, tested 11-7-04, TD 17349', PBTD 9490' -- Plug-Back

WHEELER (STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Chesapeake Operating Inc., #1469 Atherton, Sec. 59, A-7, H&GN, spud 9-18-04, drlg. compl 10-12-04, tested 12-2-04, potential 1108 MCF, TD 13800', PBTD 13747' --

WHEELER (STILES RANCH Granite Wash) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #5069 Atherton, Sec. 69, A-7, H&GN, spud 9-23-04, drlg. compl 10-27-04, tested 1-3-05, potential 1606 MCF, TD 13899', PBTD 13855' -- Form 1 in Bravo Resources

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COUNTRY NEWS

By Verna Fillingim

Proverbs 31:8-11 "You should defend those who cannot help themselves. Yes, speak up for the poor and needy and see that they get justice. If you can find a truly good wife, she is worth more than precious gems. Her husband can trust her and she will richly satisfy his needs. She will not hinder him, but help him all her life."

Happy Birthday to Cherry Johnson, Chase Helton, Lillian Lee, Will Woollard, Stephanie Zybach Dolittle, Gayla Cornett, Calvin Lane, Cendie Newman, Ada Lou Lester, Sue Coomer, Kathy Thomas on March 20; Dorothy Hink, Lisa Guest, Ruby Zybach, Sonya Holder, Ryan Parsley, Hadley Hamner and B. F. McClellan on March 21; Bob Stiles, Mark Helton, Matt Helton, Punk Childress, Tippi Smith, Glenda Galutia, Delmer Newman, Quinn Newman on March 22; Darby Dorman, Patti Brooks, Chance Newman, Tim Mayfield on March 23; Layton Hibler, Andrew Maddox, Nancy Moderi, Ashley Jones, Matt Lindsey, Jimmy Adcock, Chrystal Selby, Crystal Pigg, Kenzie Watkins, Jason Wesbrooks on March 24.

"Let others see Jesus in you; Let others see Jesus in me. Keep telling the story, Be faithful and true, Let others see Jesus in you; Let others see Jesus in me." Happy Birthday to Harrison Hall, Paul Bentley, Josh Alvey, David Cross, Skyler Hughes, Chad Compton, Leonard Hollis, Brittaney Bloodworth and Berkeley Wood on March 25; Justin Brown, Gaye Hale, Nathan McLaughlin, Charlie Flanagan, Tanya Waldo, Sam

George, Jonathan Smith, Phillip Smith Jr., on March 26.

Happy Anniversaries to Paul and Clarise Hathaway on March 21; Dewayne and Lori Selby on March 24; Brad and Sue Chandler, Bob and Charlene Carey, Glenn and Mozelle Thomas, Willis and Verna Fillingim (62 years) on March 25; Corey and Audrey Kinnaman on March 26.

Pray for Virginia Patterson, who has had such congestion for several weeks and can't get rid of it. Pray for Sylvia Shuler's mom, Laura Smith, 92, who had a stroke and been in Pampa Hospital with a blood clot and irregular heart beat. Sylvia went up after church Sunday to be with her mom.

The Mobeetie Baptist Spring Revival will start next Sunday, March 20, with services at 11:00 a.m. and a pot luck lunch at noon. Sunday night services at 6:30 and also Monday night, March 21, at 6:30. Tuesday night from 5:00 to 6:30 will be a Hot Dog supper with church service at 6:30. Doug McQueen from Lindale, Texas, will lead the singing. Pepper Puryear, pastor of 9 Mount Vernon Baptist church is the evangelist. Everyone is invited to all their services. Pray for the Revival.

Nice to visit with Anne Byrum and delightful granddaughter, Lori, 4, at Parkview lab Wednesday. Also in Wheeler hospital are Gelenama Back, Dick Maddox, Kenneth Hamon, Dean Tipps, Eddie George and others.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Rev. D. C. Chandler, 80, of Texoma, in his death. He was pastor of Pentecostal Church and Sheriff and was a brother to Kenneth Chandler, deceased and Kathy Gilmer.

Pray for our granddaughter, Lindsey Criswell. She has had a very painful herniated disk, making it hard to care for her two babies: Blain, 2, and Dagen, 7 mo.

WINTER WONDERLAND: The snow began falling in the early hours of Tuesday, March 15, 2005, with an accumulation of 6-8" by noon. This picture is the front yard of Dr. and Gina Mendiola on Canadian Street. The picture was taken about 10:00 A.M. and snow is still falling.

Hard to even sit or lie down, let alone pick up boys. Doctor gave her a steroid shot Friday that helped quite a bit with the pain. Supposed to have surgery Wednesday, March 23. Keep praying. She is some better.

Amber Maddox passed both siffs at Brenham and is at the Houston Stock Show, winning 21st on her pig.

It was determined that Bobby Schubert had pseudo-gout, caused by uric acid level and causing much swelling and pain. He is some better and back working. Keep praying for Bobby. Hope I got that right.

Glad to hear that Brad Chandler didn't go back to Nigeria. He is staying home and working in the oil patch and getting to watch the grandkids grow up. Yea! He used to be gone one month and home about a month.

The baby shower for Bentley Grace, infant daughter of Tera (Hefley) and Justin Wesbrooks has been rescheduled for Sunday, March 20, at Briscoe Cafeteria from 2:00 to 3:30. Everyone is invited. Selections at Wal-Mart, Toys-R-Us, Kidspace and Target.

Ella Mae Wood will be 63 years old Tuesday, March 15. Barbara Williams will bring friend Reba Wofford to Maxeys to eat lunch with Ella Mae to celebrate. Happy Birthday, Ella Mae and many more!

Mike and Shan Evans and Kelsey, 15, and Katie, 14, left Friday to go to Hawaii for a Spring Break vacation. They are expected to be back Sunday, March 20.

Hope you had a good trip.

Nelda Dukes, Diane Dukes and Andrea Auldridge went to Amarillo to a baby shower for Deidre Harris' baby girl, Breeley Paige, on Sunday. Breeley is doing better and is expected to be home soon from the hospital, when she gets to sucking more nourishment.

Davy Gilmer enjoyed a visit from longtime friend, Ben Meadows. Davy can't talk yet, but he can write his response on a pad. Keep praying!

Donis Finsterwald and family are looking forward to a visit from Jerry Finsterwald and Matt, 14 and Meredith, 7, from Maryland to come Wednesday and visit for about 10 days. Don't get to see them often. Janice and Megan, 18, had other plans and couldn't come this time.

Elva Wood enjoyed a visit Saturday from Mrs. Jack Bailey from Pampa, and her daughter.

Angie Ware and Kent Ware took some boys skiing and included his son, Jake and three friends. They went to Taos.

Congratulations to Shan and Katrina Phillips of Amarillo on the birth of their new baby boy, Jody Daniel was born October 28, 2004, at BSA in Amarillo, weighing 4 lbs. 13 ozs. and 18 1/2" long. He was welcomed by grandparents, Marvin and Linda Cox and Darrel and Dixie Phillips of Amarillo and great-grandparents, Verna Fraley of Amarillo and the late Lafoy and Lorene Vise of Canadian, Catherine Vise of Pampa and Elsie Cox Hughes and the late Claude C. Cox of Wheeler.

There were 3400 pigs came to Brenham wanting to go to Houston to the stock show. 660 got to go on to Houston. Amber Maddox got 21st out of 660. Congratulations. She sold it there. But will still have a lamb to show on Thursday. Good luck! Shantell and Tommy Meek will still have lambs to show also. Good Luck! Justen Bryant, J. W. Lane, Jason Boydston, Shantell, and Tommy Meek all got their pigs sifted at Brenham. Sorry about that.

Ed and Laurel Hershman are about ready to move into their beautiful new ready-build house. Very roomy. Just needed the water hooked up Monday. Have some things moved in. Mary, Katie and I went to see it Monday.

Mary, John and Katie are spending this week with us. They are from the Dallas area. We played some chicken foot and ate out and got lots of visiting in and visited Willis.

Golden Agers meet at Baptist Church Thursday, March 17, for a good pot luck meal and visiting at noon. All over 50 invited.

Wednesday David and Rita Pearson went up and spent the day at Canyon to help with Blain and Dagen, while Ken took Lindsey for steroid shot for her herniated disk. Rita took Blain home with her for the weekend to help out. Planned to take Blain back Tuesday afternoon to Canyon.

Ed and Laurel Hershman went to Amarillo Friday and brought the beautiful granddaughters, Micaela and Shelby Dawson for a visit. They also brought me some watermelons and visited Willis and girls shopped some at Peso Dollar Store. Thank you much! Sarita is expected to come Monday after her dental appointment and take the girls with her to Ft. Sill to see Brad, while they are on spring break. Friday night, Emmitt and Carolyn Singleton from Cordell, joined their cousins at Maxeys for supper and a visit.

Deleise Atwood is now living in Amarillo at 4605 S. Cline Rd, zip 79110, phone 806/352-1864. She said she really loves her job, but it's the hardest work she has ever done. She and niece Jotana Simmons Henson and Matt's wife Chrystal are cleaning new built homes after they are finished and before they are sold. Getting in quite a bit of hours. Deleise enjoys visits from Matt and Chrystal and Bailey Nicole. She was expecting son, Dave, and Janice Johnson and Colton and Danni Dsha, Jill and Daniel Hamner and Hadlee and Tryston and Matt and Chrystal and Bailey for the weekend to celebrate Colton's eleventh birthday and Hadley's tenth. Party time! Thanks for writing, Deleise. God bless you everyone!

Someone wanted to know where the watermelons come from Hershmans get them from Sam's at Amarillo. They say Produce of Mexico, distributed by Sandia Depot at Edinburg, Texas. Thanks, Hershmans. They had lots of watermelons at Sams.

Friday was Krystal Fillingim's 31st birthday. Dallas took the day off from work and they ate a shrimp lunch and shopped some at J. C. Penney's. Later they went for a nice walk, pushing Keaira in the stroller. She enjoys the outdoors. Think Krystal has already mowed their small yard three times. She likes the outdoors, too.

Mark Helton has an apartment at Sayre and goes to the college there. He is learning to work on all kinds of machinery and really likes it. He comes in every afternoon to Thomas and Martha's and helps Thomas Roy on his farming. He may go to Okmulgee this fall to learn more. Good to see our kids learn things that will help them. God bless you Mark and Matt.

Logan Harris visited grandparents, Diane and Bevard Dukes. Thursday Ella Mae Wood was visiting Reba Wofford at Wheeler Care Center. Vickie Nelson and Jimmy were visiting Vickie's grandma, Vera Moore Barnes. Gelemma Back's son and wife from Stinnett visited her at Wheeler Hospital. Hope you are soon o.k. Gelemma.

Florene Walker has been sick



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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

since before Christmas, spending weeks in Parkview Hospital and two shorter stays in B.S.A. Remember that sweet lady in your prayers. Marvin enjoys working in the yard and thinning and transplanting strawberries recently.

Jackie Cummings has been enjoying working in her yard and getting ready for a garden.

Pray for Willa Fillingim. Her hip replacement is doing fine, but she has infection in an eye. Lajo had some medicine that helped. Andrew Striley is visiting Lajo and Charles this week on spring break.

Allison Singing

There was a good singing at Allison Baptist Church Sunday night. Bro. Bill Stiles, pastor at Allison read scripture, led congregational singing and sang a special. Prayers by Bro Aaron Laverty of Gageby Church and Bro. Harvey Patterson of Mobeetie Baptist. Some singing specials were Nadine Lane, Marion Grimes with his guitar, Martha Meek and Doris Finsterwald, Terry Hovey with his guitar and Terri Hovey and the Roberson family (Carol, Rebekkah, Jonathan, Deborah, Grace Ann, Danny, Phillip and Seth). There were good readings by Kay Stiles, Mary Cornell, Grace Ann Roberson. All were good. Singing was followed by a delicious supper and fellowship. Next First Sunday Singing will be at Gageby Church, April 3, 2005, at 6:00 p.m. Thanks, Cindy Bradstreet for driving me and Marion and Martha to Allison. Very enjoyable. Nadine Lane had grandsons, Trevor and Jessie (Leon D. Lane's boys) from Lubbock at singing. Mae and Hugh Bailey were there from Mobeetie with Richard and Donna Dickey from Allison. Tables were beautifully decorated for Easter.

Lindsey Criswell was enough better Sunday to go to the Arts and Crafts show in Amarillo with Sara Powledge Ford and really enjoyed it. Sara's Madeline, 1 yr., was visiting grandparents, Skeeter and Teresa Powledge. Ken kept Dagen. David and Rita had Blain. Best wishes to April Jackson and Brandon Chandler in their wedding Friday, March 11, at Second Baptist Church, Amarillo. April is the daughter of Mike and Kathie Jackson of Olton, Kathie taught at Ft. Elliott awhile. April graduated from Canadian High School and will graduate in April from Wayland Baptist University. They will reside in Plainview.

Garrett and Jessica Ware have bought a house in Shamrock and got moved in. Ella Mae Wood went with daughter, Teresa Ware, to see it and visit them.

My, what a beautiful, big snow falling this Tuesday morning, March 15. You may have to celebrate your birthday by yourself, Ella Mae. All winter they have predicted snow, but we didn't get much. Amarillo, Canyon and others got the snow. (That was O.K.) Most of us old timers remember several inches of snow falling in late March or early April more than once, blocking us in the country. I remember it drifting up to the eaves of the chicken house. Once Danny, a teenager, really wanted out. He went south on the tractor but got stuck and had to walk back a ways. Seems like the really big snows I remember came in late March or April. It has snowed several inches and stacked on tree

limbs and cars, etc. Guess this is the Easter spell old timers talk about. It is melting some. Kids will have a ball. Snow balls will fly.

W. O. and Exie Jones went to Amarillo Sunday and spent the night and saw Dr. Chaffin on Monday. W. O. is doing some better. Pray for W. O. and Exie. I had not realized that W. O. attended Briscoe School some and was a cousin to Fat Jones, who died recently. W. O. was in the grade with Gene and Valoese Evans, my brother and sister. They are both deceased. Nice to have Exie and W. O. for neighbors on the corner of Mobeetie and 10th. Think W.O.'s family lived on the Bob Calhoun place.

One day Exie and I heard quite a racket. Big birds were flying right over the garage door, where I was standing. We guessed they were geese in formation heading north, thinking spring was here and time to go north for nesting. My! haven't the fruit trees bloomed out beautiful. Hope they don't get frozen back.

Monday morning W. O. and Exie's car was covered with snow in Amarillo.

Casey Tipps was on Spring Break from Canadian School last week and spent some time with her mom, Becky Tipps, and brother, Zachary. Adam Tipps is on Spring Break from Tyler Junior College and is visiting Becky and Zach in Amarillo. And Dick and Ruth Irvine and Casey Tipps.

Chad and Shonda Harrison and Kylie from Van Buren, Ark., visited Earl and Shirley Jolly, grandparents, for awhile Sunday.

Phyllis and David Hefley enjoyed having grandson, Dawson, 6, from Tulia spend last week with them, while on Spring Break. A good kid.

Steven Fraley, nearly 11, from Allison spent Thursday night and Sunday with grandparents, Ray and Glenda Hudson.

Ray and Glenda went to Amarillo Monday and saw a doctor and visited his mom, Lois Hudson. She is doing pretty well. Hello, Lois.

Wesley and Helen Steen went to Amarillo Saturday. They met Carolyn May at the airport and they all went out to Cathy and Bo Dunn's, had a very good visit. Cathy and Carolyn are Wesley's daughters. Sunday they all went to Cornerstone Church together and really enjoyed the service. The Steens came back home Monday. Carolyn is the wife of Gary May, pastor of Methodist Church at Diana, Texas.

Herbert Smith visited his mom, Laura Smith, 92, on Thursday, March 10. They drank coffee and visited. She seemed o.k. but when Herb went back to take her lunch, he found her on the floor. She had had a stroke and cut a gash in her arm and hand. She is out of I.C.U. and moved to rehab to help her gain strength in her weak left side. Good she is right handed. Daughters, Marilyn Whitacre and Sylvia Shuler have been with her and also Herb and Lynn Smith quite a bit. Keep praying for Laura Smith, the widow of M. B. Smith. She is in Pampa Hospital.

To all Briscoe—Ft. Elliott Ex-Students, don't forget about the Reunion coming up the last Saturday in July at Briscoe, July 30. We hope to see you there. They sent out about 500 letters to ex-students and stacked on tree

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INDUCTEES: Southwestern Oklahoma State University's Delta Mu Delta recently inducted new members into the chapter during a ceremony on the Weatherford campus. Delta Mu Delta is a national honor society in business administration. Among the new members are (left) Kaleb Jones, Canadian and Kade Zybach, Briscoe.

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Fri. thru Thurs. 7:00 P.M.
Sunday Matinee 2:00 P.M.

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Showtime:
Fri. thru Sun. 9:00 P.M.

Wheeler To See Highway Construction; Left Turn Lane Planned At Red Light

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) have plans for improvements to the roadways in the city of Wheeler and in all four directions heading out of Wheeler.

In January 2005, a project was let for an overlay on SH 152 east of Wheeler. This project will be similar to the SH 152 west project that was recently completed. The scope of work on SH 152 east will be to resurface the roadway with two inches of hot mix pavement, beginning at the city limits of Wheeler to the Oklahoma State Line. TxDOT anticipates this project to begin sometime this summer, depending on the contractors schedule.

In December 2005, a project will let to rehabilitate the pavement with a new surface on US 83, beginning at the roadside park south of Wheeler and continuing through Wheeler to the north city limits. Also in the city of Wheeler, a left-turn lane will be added from the north city limits to the south city

limits. This project will also include full depth concrete for one block in each direction at the intersection of SH 152 and US 83. This will eliminate rutting caused by truck traffic.

The intersection will also be reconfigured for a wider turning radius for trucks.

Another scope of work in this project is to put in a median to separate the courthouse parking from the highway traffic.

New sidewalks will be added on

TO THE WHEELER VOL. FIRE DEPT., AMBULANCE AND SHERIFF'S OFFICE

We want to express our gratitude to you all for the fast response to our fire last Tuesday afternoon. It was very much appreciated. It is a comfort to know that here in Wheeler that our volunteers are so efficient.

Thank you so much!
Tammy Hutchison
Timmy Andris

the west side of US 83 only. This will add a safe pedestrian path to the school.

As another safety feature for motorists, this project will include the extension of the culverts on SH 152, east and west and south on US 83. Steel pipe runners will be added to allow water to run freely, but enable a vehicle to cross the opening without plunging into the mouth of the culvert.

"We are excited about the work planned for Wheeler and we hope that the citizens of Wheeler will be

pleased with the safety enhancement of this proposed project," said Marty Smith, TxDOT's Director of Transportation, Planning and Development. "At the completion of these projects, totaling \$6 million, any direction heading out of Wheeler on SH 152 and US 83, will have a new pavement surface", continued Smith.

Anyone with questions about this project can call Marty Smith, P.E., TxDOT Childress District Director of Transportation, Planning and Development at (940) 937-7250.



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 "Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

March 18 Deadline For Sign-Up Period For 2005 Conservation Programs

The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Texas announced that farmers and

ranchers wishing to be considered for 2005 funding in the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) should sign up by the close of business Friday, March 18, 2005. Landowners interested in the Wildlife Habitats Incentive Program (WHIP), Grassland Reserve Program (GRP) and the Wetland Reserve Program (WRP) have until April 8, 2005, to sign applications.

The 2002 Farm Bill authorized the EQIP, WHIP, WRP, and GRP as tools to implement voluntary conservation. Each program offers financial and technical help to assist eligible participants install or implement structural and/or management practices on eligible land or preserve land through conservation easements.

"The \$83 million allocated for these programs will help farmers and ranchers improve the natural resources on private working lands in Texas," said Dr. Larry D. Butler, USDA-NRCS Texas State Conservationist. "They will be used to solve locally identified resource problems in each county and will also fund special statewide concerns recommended by the Texas State Technical Committee such as water quantity, water and air quality, wildlife habitat, and treatment of invasive species. EQIP and WHIP offer cost share and incentives payments to producers applying approved conservation measures and GRP and WRP provide for the purchase a conservation easements.

Immediately following the end of the sign-up period, applications will be ranked and those selected for funding will be approved. A conservation planner will develop a contract and conservation plan for each contract that is approved. Producers who have been awarded contracts can then begin implementing the approved conservation practices this year. Local NRCS field offices have complete details for their county and this information can be found at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov.

Additional information and access to ranking criteria, practices, and cost-share rates for all programs can be found at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/.

Farm, Ranch Safety Tips; Fire Awareness

Farm and ranch families and citizens living in rural areas can help protect their property during potentially severe wildfire seasons by taking precautions before wildland fires break out. Fire experts advise keeping a cleared space of 30 feet to 50 feet around homes and other buildings. Keep grass mowed down whether it is green or dormant.

Keep trees wide apart and prune lower tree branches well up from the ground. Keep tall grass, brush and trees out from under utility lines to protect essential services. Make sure roads and driveways are passable by wide vehicles in all types of weather and that bridges are strong enough to support heavy water-laden fire trucks. Make your home address easily visible and include both your house number and street name in your address. Other wildland fire safety tips include the following:

• Establish fuel breaks along roadways and between buildings and fields or woodlands.

• Keep mufflers and spark arresters on agricultural equipment in proper working order.

• Monitor hay-baling operations closely. Check for hot bearings or hay caught in rollers. Keep a fire extinguisher handy.

• Watch out for sparks when using welding equipment to build fences or repair equipment.

• Avoid driving or parking vehicles in grassy areas where tall, dry grass can come into contact with hot pollution control equipment under your vehicle.

• Postpone outdoor burning until your area greens up. Check with your local fire department to determine if all restrictions on outdoor burning have been lifted.

• Check for burn bans on the Internet by viewing the following site:

<http://txforestservicetamu.edu/fire/fireinfo/banlist.htm>

Country (from Page 5)

dents, but maybe not to Wheeler County ones. Tell everyone you see and mark your calendar.

Monday daughter, Mary and I went to the hospital and visited my sister, Paulene Hefley. She has had a rattley cough, but seems some better. We also visited with some in Assisted Living: C. B. Brotherton, Alvern Hutchison, Odra Christopher. All seemed pretty well except Alvern is wanting to go home.

Pray for Mary Whitener. Her feet and back are giving her lots of trouble. Mary has a bush with beautiful pink blossoms. It was called a Saucer Magnolia or Tulip Tree. I enjoy seeing it.

Track

(from Page 1)

100—M.Soto-14.84; M.Mendoza-14.86; Z.Andis-16.87

400—N.Benefield-1:11.19; B.Moore-1:11.26; Z.Andis-1:22.03

200 Hurdles—J.Venzor-6th Place-39.67

200—M.Mendoza-6th Place-31.09; M.Soto-31.91

1200—B.Moore-2nd Place-4:27; C.Gonzalez-4:55; A.Gaines-5:12

Shot Put—M.Soto-24'5"; D.Gaines-18'7"

Discus—D.Gaines-61'0"; A.Gaines-57'0"

JH Girls

4x100 M Relay—S. Salazar, M. Miller, A. Gallagher, M. Engles-5th place-1:00.81

800—B. Richardson-3:27.51

100—S. Salazar-15.3; D. Corral-16.59; M.Engles-16.04

400—D. Corral-4th place-1:17.33; K. Pacheco-1:19.18

200 Hurdles—A. Gallagher-5th place-35.21

200—M. Miller-6th place-33.05; D. Corral-34.32; M. Back-37.12

1200—B. Richardson-6th place-6:22.43

4x200 Relay—S. Salazar, A. Gallagher, M. Engles, M. Miller-2nd place-2:09.34

Shot Put—D. Gallardo-17'9"; A. Venzor-14'7"

Discus—D. Gallardo-47'6"; A. Venzor-32'9"

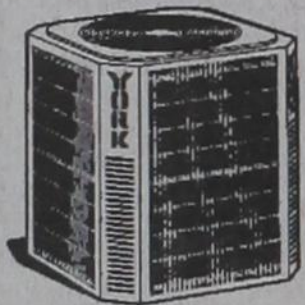
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FIRST PLACE: Wheeler's 2nd Grade Girls Team placed first at the Shamrock Little Dribbler's Tournament over the weekend. Pictured here are (standing, l. to r.) Abby Bond, Kori Howard, Aileen Hunojos, Stephanie Barboza, (kneeling) Kenna Howard, Taylor McClendon, Madalyn Brdecko, Kayla Duncan, and Tina Bond. Not pictured is Brittnev Robinson.

Chat

(from Page 1)

We went to OKC on Thursday afternoon. Cathi and Dorcie were coming to Greg and Jennifer's for the weekend.

They had planned to leave on Monday morning, but the weather forecast for rain Monday morning caused them to change their plans and leave Sunday afternoon.

Bad choice, in addition to getting stuck in road construction on I-35, there was a wreck in Dallas and they were really late getting home.

We too were late getting home—8:00 p.m. Sunday.

There were clouds on the western horizon, but not enough to block the afternoon sun.

Leroy, Rhonda, Stormie and I took in the Car Show on Saturday. Saw lots of fancy vehicles. Tom and Shelby Fisher were also going, but Shelby got sick.

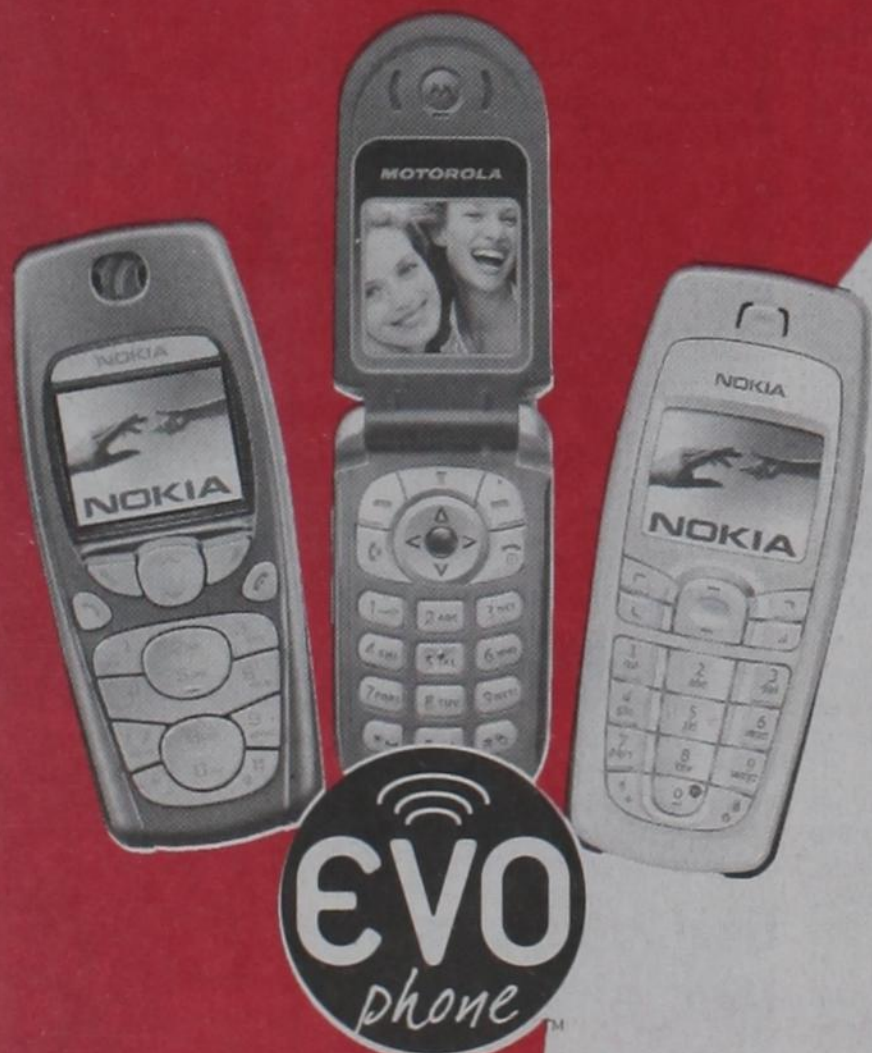
We did not play cards Monday evening. Barbara is not over the "crud" yet. When I called to tell the Meriwethers of the cancellation, I was informed that Rhonda was also sick.

African

(from Page 1)

William will be the guest speaker at First Baptist Church in Allison at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, March 20, and at First Baptist Church in Wheeler Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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