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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

Congratulations, Kenton Petit, Nicole Moore, and Josh Hardcastle on having been named to the District One-Act Play All-Star Cast.

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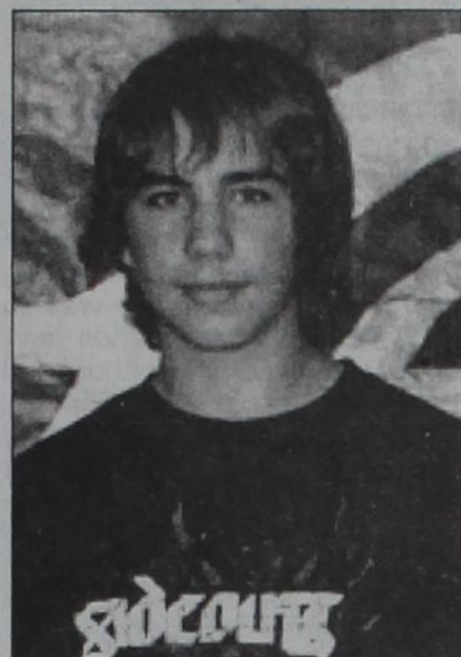
Congratulations, Katlin Rutherford and Diana Corral on having received Honorable Mention.

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The play was performed for local audiences on Tuesday of last week. The students did an excellent job. **Suzy Lee and Becky Hardcastle** are directors of the play; good job!

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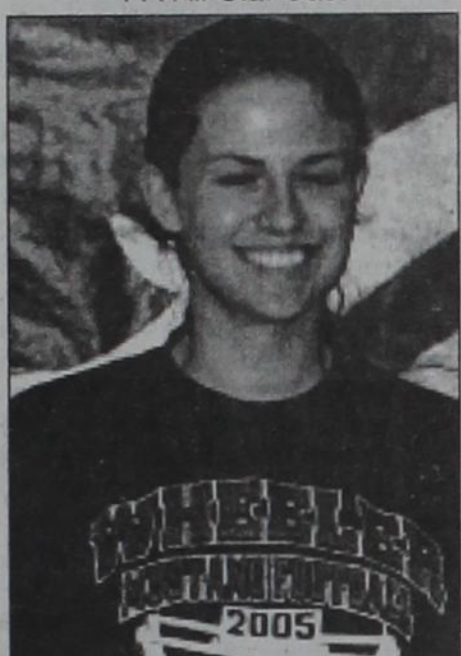
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Nicole Moore
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Josh Hardcastle
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Get Set Go! Walk Across Texas Starts

On your mark! Get Set! GO! The Walk Across Texas Kick-Off will be at the Wheeler Track on Tuesday, April 10, at 6:00 p.m. Any miles walked at the track will be added to your miles walked on April 15.

Participants start logging their miles on April 15. Remember to turn your miles in to your captain every Monday. It is not too late to sign up a team! Call the extension office at 826-5243 to get a team packet, advise Karen Tellman, CEA-FCS, Texas Cooperative Extension.

Commissioners' Court Meetings Mon.



WIND DAMAGE: This grove of trees was heavily damaged Friday night at the north edge of Wheeler. A barn was reported destroyed at the Jack Helton place 2 miles northeast of Wheeler and a storage shed was torn apart at Allison. The National Weather Service told Ken Daughtry, Emergency Management Coordinator, the damage was caused by a "micro-burst"—a cloud collapsed, causing wind to go every direction.

Wheeler County Commissioners' Court met in regular session on Monday, March 26, 2007. Eight items were on the agenda for the 10:00 a.m. meeting at the Wheeler county courthouse.

The court approved the hourly payroll time sheets for payment. The bills were approved for payment as presented.

No action was taken on the yearly budget.

Dominion OK, TX E&P were given permission to cross County Road 18 for the installation of an oil and gas pipeline.

No action was taken on the permit to allow SubSurface Exploration Co. to conduct a 2-D Seismic Survey along city streets in Old Mobeetie, Texas.

A change in the county employee Policy Manual, Items 9 & 10 on page 17 of the manual was re-written to make it easier to understand. The change was approved.

The commissioners voted to allow Commissioner, Pct. 2, Tommy Puryear to advertise for a new employee.

Court was adjourned to reconvene at 10:45 for a special meeting for the purchase of new wide-band radios.

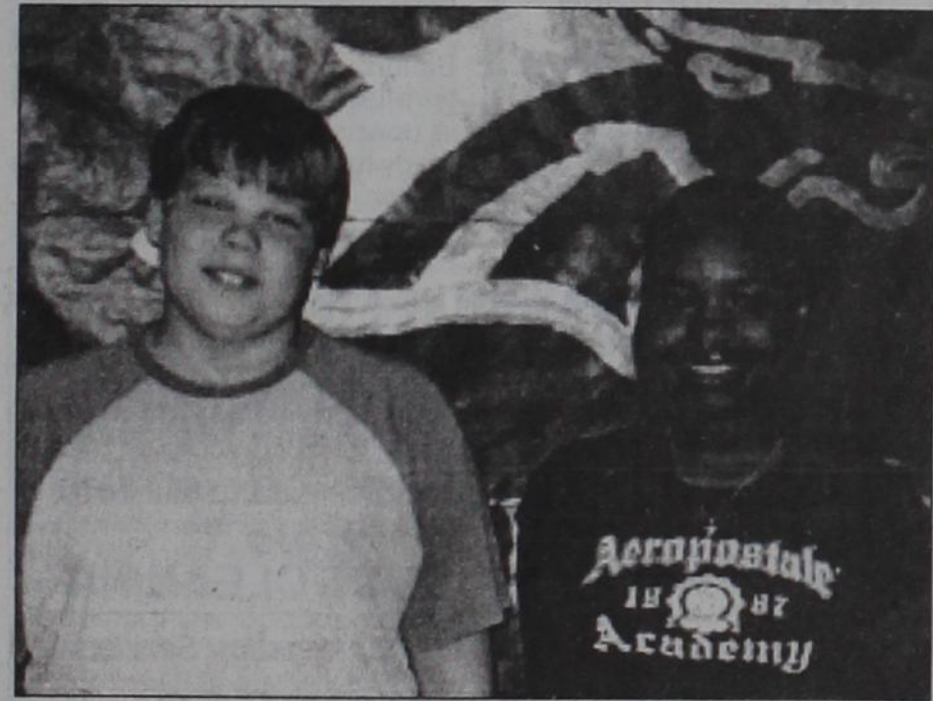
The state is mandating the change of radios from narrow

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Ja'Nae Golf Tourney Set Sat., April 21

The Ninth Annual Ja'Nae Goad Memorial Golf Tournament will be held Saturday, April 21, at the Shamrock Country Club. This tournament will be an 18-hole scramble format offering tee times of 9AM and 2PM. To enter, please contact Cecil Thomas at 826-5809, Ida Goad at 826-5254 or Bobby Jennings at 826-3153. The

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WHEELER ISD STUDENTS OF THE WEEK: Students of the week are Gabi Menefield and Jason Thomas. Gabi, age 12, is the daughter of Terry Menefield Sr. and Dora Salas. She is in seventh grade. Her activities include UIL, Basketball, Track, Tennis and attending the First Baptist Church of Wheeler. Jason, age 13, is the son of Natalie and James Thomas. He is in the seventh grade. His activities include UIL, Football, Basketball, and Track.

Mobeetie Methodist Church Celebrates 123 Years

The United Methodist Church of Mobeetie celebrated 123 years of service with the dedication of a Texas Historical Marker, Sunday, March 25, 2007. A special worship service began at 11:00 with Rev. Todd Dyess, District Superintendent of the Amarillo District, preaching a very inspirational ser-

mon. The Dyson family led the congregation in several hymns and sang some special selections. Immediately after the worship service, Steve Walker's Mr. Bar-B-Que served a very tasty barbeque dinner to 208 people.

The afternoon service began with pastor, John Ulrey, reading

the list of past pastors since 1884. He introduced the pastors in attendance who were Rev. Elton Wyatt of Lubbock who is almost 90 years of age and served in 1952-53; Rev. Thacker Haynes who served this church as his first appointment in 1991-92 and was appointed to his home church in McLean where he is still serving; Gary Jahnel of Canadian who served from 1992 through June, 2001, and is no

longer in the ministry, but still does lay speaking; and Dick Irvine of near Briscoe who pastored from

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First United Methodist Church of Mobeetie

Wheeler Tennis Matches At Borger

Girls doubles—Nicole Moore & Aspen Hathaway won consolation.

Boys singles—Johnny Venzor competed.

Mixed doubles—Brentney Taylor & Terry Menefield won first match, lost second.

Boys doubles—Jared Messer & Jonathan Hampton competed.

Chucky Rivera & Samuel Hillhouse won first match, lost second.

Next meet at Spearman March 26



PAST MINISTERS & SUPERINTENDENT: Those attending the dedication of the First United Methodist Church in Mobeetie Sunday, March 25, included past ministers and the District Superintendent. Shown here are Elton Wyatt of Lubbock, Dick Irvine of Briscoe, Todd Dyess, Dist. Superintendent of Amarillo District, Thacker Haynes of McLean, Tom Stribling of Happy, Gary Jahnel of Canadian and John Ulrey, present minister.

America's Favorite Old-Fashioned Big Top Circus To Be Here Friday

Thanks to the sponsorship of Wheeler Chamber of Commerce, Culpepper & Merriweather Circus, America's Favorite Big Top Circus is coming to Wheeler, Texas on Friday, March 30, 2007 at the corner of 6th & Mobeetie, with two

scheduled performances at 5:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. In its 22nd season, C&M Circus has become internationally known for quality family entertainment. This authentic One-Ring, Big Top Circus has been featured on National Geographic's Explorer TV series, Entertainment Tonight, The Los

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Walter Dunn Rites Are Read In Clinton

Walter Dunn Services March 26
Walter James Dunn was born on the family farm east of Stafford, Custer County, Oklahoma, on July 11, 1920, to Emerson and Nellie (Chapman) Dunn. As a young child, he moved with his family to a farm west of Arapaho, and later into Arapaho where he graduated from Arapaho High School in 1938. He then moved with his parents to Sayre, Oklahoma, where he began working with the T. J. Stewart Lumber Company.

In July of 1941, he transferred to the company yard in Clinton, Oklahoma, and on October 19, 1941, he was married to Wenona Latimer in Sayre, Oklahoma. They made their home in Clinton until he volunteered for the U.S. Army Air Corps in October of 1942.

Walter served in the American Theater at Randolph Field, San Antonio, Texas; Logan Field, Denver, Colorado; Tyndall Field, Florida and Pyote Field, Texas, where he attained the rank of sergeant. Upon his discharge in November of 1945, they again made their home in Clinton, where he became assistant manager of the Stewart yard. In 1946, he became the manager of the company yard in Wewoka, Oklahoma, and in 1948, was transferred to their yard in Sayre, Oklahoma. He went to work as manager of the Cicero Smith Lumber Yard in Wheeler, Texas, later being transferred to their yard in Donna, Texas, in 1968. In 1975, he moved with his wife to the Latimer family farm south of Foss, Oklahoma, where they raised cattle and Walter did carpenter and painting work. Upon their retirement in 1985, they did extensive RV traveling. In September of 2000, they moved to Elk City, Oklahoma, and in September of 2006, to Georgetown, Texas to be near their children.

Walter was a long-time member of the Church of Christ, serving as a Bible class teacher, deacon and elder in the various congregations where they lived.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one son, Kenneth, in 1945, four sisters and two brothers.

He is survived by his wife, Wenona; three sons, David Dunn and wife, Barbara, of Georgetown, TX; John Dunn and wife, Grace, of Visalia, CA and Stange Dunn and wife, Sandi, of Geover, TX; eleven grandchildren, Ken Dunn and wife, Stacy; Mark Dunn and wife, Tamara; Renee Schlachter and husband, Kevin; Jennifer Dunn; Vickie Beam and husband, Rocky; Erica Katz and husband, Robert; Michael Dunn; Chris Dunn; Jeff Dunn and Kenzie Dunn; and great-grandchildren, Ashleigh, Kennan, Ryann, Kristian, Katie, Velahni, J.T., Ken Dunn and wife, Stacy; Brody, Alex and Fabian and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Graveside services were held Monday, March 26, 2007, at 2:00 pm at Clinton

Cemetery officiated by Jeff Loftiss of Dill City. Arrangements are under the

direction of Whinery-Savage Funeral Service of Elk City. Memorials may be sent to the Tipton Home, POB 370, Tipton, OK 73570 or Westview Boys' Home, POB 553, Hollis OK 73550.

Glenna Boswell, 72 Services Are Wed.

Glenna Faye Boswell, 72, passed away on March 25, 2007 in Corpus Christi, Texas. She was born in Kelton, Texas on October 30, 1934 to Marion and Thelma Addison.

She was a member of Kings Crossing Church of Christ. She was a bookkeeper for HEB and a childcare provider. She enjoyed reading and gardening and loved spending time with her grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Marion and Thelma Addison.

She is survived by her husband, Gene Boswell of Corpus Christi, Texas; her daughter, Melissa Harkrider (Eddie) of Giddings, Texas; her three grandchildren, Cody, Tyler, and Hailey of Giddings, Texas; her brother, Charles Addison (Gladys) of Lubbock, Texas; her sister, Joan Boyd (Jackie) of Euless, Texas; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation was Tuesday, March 27, 2007 from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Seaside Funeral Home.

Funeral Services were on Wednesday, March 28, 2007 at 3:00 p.m. at Seaside Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Mark Pugh officiating. Interment followed at Seaside Memorial Park.

Local 4-Hers To Have Style Show

Wheeler County 4-H Fashion Show Clothing made by 4-Hers during their clothing project will be modeled at the Fashion Show to be held Tuesday, April 3, 6:00 p.m., at Maxey Steakhouse. They will receive awards in the Active, Casual, Dressy and Specialty categories for each age group. Each first place will be eligible for the District Fashion Show. Everyone is invited to come and watch the show. We would like to thank Noveline Lloyd and Laurel Hershman for helping with the clothing project this year.

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FEMALE CAST: Having parts in Wheeler's one-act play for 2007, "Bernice Bobs Her Hair" are (l. to r.) Nicole Moore, Bree McCasland, Bailey Richardson, Macie Miller, Diana Corral and Katlin Rutherford.



MALE CAST: Cast members for Wheeler's one-act play, "Bernice Bobs Her Hair" are (l. to r.) Dyron Brown, Josh Hardcastle, Kenton Pettit, Tyler Richardson, Michael Mendoza and Brandon Gallagher.



STAGE CREW: The stage crew for Wheeler's One Act Play is responsible for settings, curtains and lights. Shown here are (l. to r.) Caleb Gaines, Danna Gallardo, Brandon Gallagher and Whitney Reed.



DANCERS: This dance by Otis and Marjorie (Kenton Pettit and Bree McCasland) is part of the setting in the play.

HAIR BOBED: The barber, Brandon Gallagher, bobs Bernice's (Nicole Moore) hair. Looking on are cast members (l. to r.) Michael Mendoza, Tyler Richardson, Josh Hardcastle and Dyron Brown.



LEARNING ABOUT OUR ECONOMY: The Fort Elliott 3rd grade had fun learning about our economy. There were consumers, employers and employees in two business, one selling fruit and the other cleaning desk. They enjoyed exchanging money and especially making a profit. Landon Helton, Dalton McDowell, Keli Suderman, Bailey Lancaster, Daniel Robertson, Matt Williams, Jace Forward. The 3rd grade teacher is Mrs. Markham.

MOBEETIE NEWS
By: Sue Mayfield

Happy Birthday, Nathan McLaughlin! As I am writing this, he should be enjoying cake and homemade ice cream with friends and family. That is, if Mom, Debbie, got home from work as planned. They were having problems with a new computer program that the state has them use to shuffle the names and numbers of those appearing to do their civic duty. It was slower than they had ever expected and Judge Emmert had already said that with some luck, and maybe if the jury could work a little late, they might finish this case today. Monday wasn't one of the best days for the clerk's office. Hope it got better. Have a great year, Nathan.

I was one of the lucky ones to go and see if I could be of service. I guess 167 is a lucky number for me. Mobeetie was well represented up there; those with greeting cards from the County Clerk's office were: Willene Burke, Bobbie Walker, Tony Dickey, Dale Corcoran, Vicki Ray, Sharon Thompson, Curt Duncan and Jimmy Love. Johnny's and Valasquez Enterprises were working a little short-handed with Willene Burke, Paul Arganbright, Cristin (Cornett) White and Casey Valasquez out; they were hoping it would be a short trial. Parkview Hospital and Home Healthcare was hit quite hard, too. Lynette Lewis, Bonnie Davidson, April (Benefield) Hampton, Bobbie Walker and Ann Cook were all called to appear. It was good to see Shonda (Atwood) Rose, Misty Tucker, Jeanine Hawkins, Sharon Horton, Dan Sams, Lonnie Shelton, also Sharon (Helton) Zamora and Jimmy Maddox from Briscoe. I had the pleasure of meeting Joyce Russell from Shamrock; Jeff Kelley has baled their hay for many years. So, they have known Melie for the whole time she has been in the United States and have watched their beautiful girls grow. Joyce's husband, Gerald, is always watching for a crow for Jeff to come adopt.

After all of this time, you would have thought that I would have known about the honey farm at Lela, but until Benton Jones walked in with that written on the back of his jacket, I didn't know we had one this close; that is good to know. Local honey is supposed to be good for people with allergies.

So glad to hear that Mary Whitener is doing so well after her fall that broke her hip and pelvis. How painful! She has been recuperating and doing therapy at the rehab part of Wheeler Care Center and Rehabilitation. She is getting around quite well with her walker and is working on managing stairs. She is looking forward to getting to go home to her house very soon. Congratulations, Mary, keep up the good work! I'll bet her hands have hardly been still since she got to feeling better. She does fantastic crochet work and usually has two or three handwork projects going at a time.

Lauren Sams is working on finishing up and graduating from Tech in December. She will be a dietician and nutritionist. She won't have a problem finding a job with any hospital. The bigger decision is where does she want to be? And, of course, who pays the best and has the best benefits...never an easy decision. Good luck, Lauren!

Landon has 2 years under his belt at Southwestern State University in Weatherford, OK. He has always worked hard and been on the All A's honor roll. He has applied and been interviewed for the pharmacy school there. Sure hope that you get what you want even though it makes for 4 more years of schooling. Best of luck, Landon! Watch out, Tommy; your competition is waiting in the wings. Maybe he'll buy you out some day after working for you so you and Sharla can pursue other ventures. Dreaming, planning ahead and wishing are all part of keeping our minds well rounded. Ha! ha!

Congratulations to Casey Valasquez and T. A. Taylor on their marriage on March 3, 2007. May God richly bless you.

Mikel Tucker is a senior this year at Wheeler and has been given the honor of playing in the Green Belt Bowl. He is a good friend of Landon Sams so is considering going to Southwestern, too; however, Tech looks good, too. I hope you get everything you want whichever school you choose.

Sorry to hear that Donnetta Dollar, Chief Appraiser for the County of Wheeler, has been ill and in the hospital. She started out here, but went on to Amarillo to spend all the rest of last week having tests run. She had hopes of coming home over the weekend, but was still having more tests run on Monday. Hope this finds you feeling much better and resting comfortably at home. The appraisal district has good luck and bad luck. The good luck is that they have hired Dana Terrell to take Kristi Pettit's place. Kristi will be quitting on Friday to go help her husband, Charles, with his oil changing service in the old Shamrock gas station owned by Albert Chapman for so many years. He stays busy enough that he needs her help. We are going to miss you down town, but know this is a good thing all around. Sure will miss you, Kristi, but Dana will be a big asset

to the appraisal office.

The wonderful rains and showers have been great lately. Have heard reports of 1.85 - 3.25 and that was just up until Monday A.M. Things are greening up so pretty.

Several that made their way up here for the dedication of the historical marker commented how green and pretty everything is compared to from where they are from. The fruit trees are just white and pink fluff balls. Certainly hope the anticipated Easter cold spell will be gentle with us this year. Sunday was a beautiful day for the dedication of the historical marker by the state. Many thanks to all of the people involved in organizing and getting it done. Last week, they worked very hard trying to wrap things up and have everything run quite smoothly on Sunday. God blessed us with a nice day for the dedication. It was so nice having so many friends, family, past members, neighbors and honored guests join us for the day. It started off with a special worship service and an invitation from our pastor, John Ulrey. After the presentation of the flags and the call to worship, the Dyson Family of Sayre, OK, led us in song. It was just awesome to hear the enthusiasm and the heartfelt joy of "Because He Lives." Our worship of tithes and offering and the doxology was followed by a short time of personal prayer and meditation. We were honored to have the Rev. Tom Stribling give the pastoral prayer. What made it so special was that he was raised in this very church. His parents, Maurita and Clinton Stribling were the first couple married in this sanctuary. Tom is now the pastor of the church at Happy, TX. The Dyson Family led the hymn of preparation; it really makes a difference when you have so many beautiful voices praising our Lord. They then sang a special for us that really set the mood. We were honored to have our District Superintendent, Rev. Todd Dyess, give the morning message. All that wanted to partake of the Lord's table were invited to come take communion. This was served by all four of our past preachers that were present. We were so lucky to have them here on this momentous occasion. Rev. Wyatt, pastor Thacker Haynes, Gary Jahnal and Dick

Irvine—we appreciate your help, the sacrifices you and your families made for us and your guidance in a closer walk with Christ. After the closing hymn of "Here I Am, Lord" and the benediction by Pastor John Ulrey all were invited to have dinner downstairs. They asked the blessing in the sanctuary before they dismissed.

Mr. and Mrs. BBQ (Steve and Joyce Walker of Wheeler) catered the meal. Their daughter, Caitlyn, and Harold Jones helped serve and keep things going. Miss Caitlyn and her family will be going to Amarillo April 21, 2007, for a special Girl Scout banquet honoring the top sellers of all those delicious Girl Scout cookies in each troop. Congratulations, Caitlyn! We didn't send them home with very many leftovers. They served their yummy brisket and sausage, famous cole slaw and potato salad, rolls and delicious orange cake. There was a lot of visiting and storytelling of wonderful memories of times together. Everyone enjoyed the delicious dinner and the fellowship.

We gathered in the sanctuary for the prelude to the dedication of the historical marker. Pastor John Ulrey opened the service with the naming of all of the preachers that have served this church since 1884. He introduced Rev. Wyatt, who had served in the early 1950s. He had quite a story of his connection to this church and why it is so special to him and his wife, Wilma (Sims). He shared with us why the Mobeetie church has such a special place in his heart. They both lost their first spouses early in life and made contact again while he was preaching at McLean. His wife and three other women had been killed some time earlier in a tragic car accident on their way home from a women's meeting for the church. When he was contacted by the Sims family, it was to come do the funeral for Wilma's husband, Ralph. After 4 years, they decided to get married and join their two families; that was 39 years ago and God has been blessing their lives ever since. There were actually three other past preachers present, but they thought since he was the first senior pastor present that he should have the honor. Gary Null, with the Commission of Archives and History, had a slide presentation and some interesting information on establishment of the Methodist Church and the Methodist Conference in this area. David Murrah gave us an overview of The History of the Mobeetie UMC that he has researched and written a book about. He is actually a Baptist and his wife was Methodist, but his passion is "any" history. He is originally from Gruver. The Dyson Family Bluegrass Band closed out the events of the day with additional songs. Of course, if it was up to some people they might still be singing over there. Pastor Ulrey gave the benediction and invited all out front for the unveiling. The weather was cooler and damper, so no one tarried very long. They were invited back into the church to visit and have cake and coffee.

It was nice to see Jim and Kay Batton; Jim is looking much better after he had another stent put in downstream of the one he already has. Praise the Lord that his doctor finally got it figured out.

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Wheeler Church of Christ

We live in a world (or, at least, a nation) that embraces every conceivable possibility. If you want to worship a tree or a dog or a (fill-in-the-blank-with-anything-else), then you can. Perhaps some would find beliefs such as these to be strange, but living in the year 2007 is not the first time in history that there have been a variety of beliefs that were considered acceptable.

One time, the apostle Paul was walking down the street in Athens, Greece, and as he went along, he noticed that there were temples and/or idols throughout the city in devotion to many gods. In fact, to these religious or superstitious people (depending upon which version of the Bible you have), they were so concerned about having a representation of every god that they had even created an altar with the inscription TO AN UNKNOWN

GOD.

Paul saw this as an opportunity to talk with the Athenians about the one and only God that they needed to know—the God who gave his only begotten Son, Jesus, as a sacrifice for all people. His preaching at Acts 17:30-31 went like this:—"In the past, God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent. For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to all men by raising him from the dead."

Yes, there will still be many people who worship all sorts of strange things. But, there is still only one God. And, if that God is still an unknown God to anyone, then they need to hear the stories of the Bible. Learn who the one true God is.

Shawn D. Johnson

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

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

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, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

I am the Lord, and there is none else, there is no God beside me: I girded thee, though thou hast not known me: That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me. I am the Lord, and there is none else. I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the Lord do all these things. Isaiah 45:5-7

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. Isaiah 40:31

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

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord. Psalm 150:6

"Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord! Deuteronomy 6:4

Gary Boydston enjoyed a homecooked meal with his grandmother, Pearl Harrison on Sunday.

Vance and Carol Boydston enjoyed a delicious homecooked meal for dinner in the home of Pearl Harrison on Monday.

Pearl Harrison traveled to Elk City, Oklahoma and stayed a few days with Jimmy and Vivian Wallace.

Glenn and Betty Boydston traveled to Elk City, Oklahoma where Betty had the stitches taken out of her eyelids. They enjoyed a delicious meal afterwards at the Portabello Grille.

Friday, Glenn and Betty Boydston left to go to Binger, Oklahoma, on the way they enjoyed a meal in Weatherford, Oklahoma and then headed on down to Binger, Oklahoma where they visited their children and grandchildren, Robbie and SaRita Green and Kelton, Carissa and Kendi Shay. Then on Saturday, Glenn, Betty, Robbie, SaRita and Kelton traveled to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma where they attended an Outdoor Show and Fish and Tackle Show. They all enjoyed a delicious meal at Zito's. Betty said it was a very good place to eat. Then on Sunday, Glenn and Betty and Carissa and Kendi Shay traveled back to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and did some shopping and enjoyed a delicious meal at Chili's.

Tuesday, Vance and Carol Boydston visited in the home of Opal and Juanita Boydston and yes they played a game of Mexican Train. I think that Carol won this time around.

Wednesday, Vance and Carol Boydston enjoyed a meal prepared by Juanita Boydston for supper. Afterwards they enjoyed playing a game of Mexican Train. Opal and Vance tied on the win that time. And we didn't have time to play the tie off. Too bad.

Wednesday, being Valentine's Day, Juanita Boydston decided to make her Valentine's gifts to her brothers and neighbor and to Julie who is always helping Juanita with something and giving her rides to work.

Glenn and Betty Boydston came by and visited awhile in the home of Opal and Juanita Boydston and picked up their lemon pie made for their valentine's. And of course Vance and Carol took their coconut cream pie home with them after the meal and a game. Then Julie Boydston came by and visited in the home of Opal and Juanita Boydston and took her pineapple cream pie home with her for her valentine's. Juanita also made her mother, Opal, a pineapple cream pie for her valentine's. Juanita surprised her neighbor, Ron Hall, with a coconut cream pie for his valentine's. All was appreciated very much.

Friday, Juanita Boydston accompanied her Uncle Roma and Aunt Billy June Brown to Wheeler, Texas on business and did some shopping.

Friday evening, Opal and Juanita Boydston accompanied Vance and Carol Boydston to Reydon, Oklahoma where they all enjoyed a very delicious meal at the Reydon Senior Citizen's Building. They were served Mexican Casserole, Corn and a salad and a dessert of cake with a choice of water, tea and coffee to drink. Good times of fellowship. Others from Allison and Briscoe were Virginia Puryear, Charlene Rainey, Rita Grayson and Lou Dean Douthit. We always have a good time over there.

Thursday evening, Juanita Tincher visited in the home of Opal and Juanita Boydston.

Ron Hall visited in the home of

Opal and Juanita Boydston Sunday after Sunday School.

Sunday, Opal and Juanita Boydston so enjoyed a very delicious homecooked meal in the home of Vance and Carol

CARD OF THANKS

We want to express our thanks and appreciation for each act of love and kindness extended to our family during the loss of our brother and Dad. Special thanks to the Brotherton family for opening their home for our use, the hospital staff and helicopter crew for the wonderful care they gave Glen.

We received much comfort and peace from each prayer lifted up on our behalf.

God Bless You...
The family of Glen Sanders

Boydston. After the meal, they played a game of Mexican Train. Carol was the winner this time around. Then we went to church and had a wonderful and awesome service. Praise God!!

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

The View of a Southern Woman
... Southern California that is.

Things are looking up since the rains came and spring is finally here! Our lawn is green and the flowers are blooming. I did have a heart-to-heart talk with my forsythia bush; it has been in the rose garden for over 2 years and not one bloom on it. Well, this year, I told Frosty Forrest Glenn



that we need to dig it up and plant something else there; I really meant that Glenn needs to dig it up as it is a big bush now. Two days later it was filled with beautiful yellow blossoms! Guess it saved its life by doing what it was supposed to do. When I was still living in San Clemente, people would ask me what my secret was for having such a beautiful garden and I always said the same thing, "Just talk to your plants." When a plant would look out of sorts, I would say, "Either straighten up or you are in the trash can." Worked beautifully! Of course, you have to love plants, too. Mrs. Shrode played ballet music to her roses and she did have the most beautiful roses in the neighborhood. I think that Miracle Grow probably helped, too.

Eddy Walker has been doing his yard work with a tractor. Now...that is different. He is leveling his yard, planting grass seed and did some great planning to divert the water away from the highway. There has always been a small lake on the highway in front of Eddy and

Meth.

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2001 until June, 2006, when he decided not to take another appointment, but presently does lay speaking. Rev. John Ulrey followed Dick.

Also, introduced was Rev. Tom Stribling who grew up in the Mobeetie Church and is presently pastor of the Happy, TX, United Methodist Church. Gary Nall, Amarillo, Chairman of the Commission on Archives & History, introduced David Murrah who presented a slide story of the History of Mobeetie United Methodist Church that was both interesting and informative. The Dyson family followed with a sing-a-long of familiar hymns just before the congregation departed from the sanctuary to the front of the church building to unveil the Texas Historical Marker. Bill Ridgway, Chairman of the Administrative Board, unveiled the marker and presented it to Gene Harrison who accepted it for the Board of Trustees. Margaret Dorman, Wheeler County Historical Commission Chairman, was in attendance and took several pictures.

After presentation of the marker, Rev. John Ulrey dismissed the group with prayer.

Everyone was invited into the Fellowship Hall in the basement for refreshments to end a most special day in the life of the Mobeetie United Methodist Church.

Ja'Nae

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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. Individual gifts for door prizes are also accepted.

Tournament proceeds will benefit the Ja'Nae Goald 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 46 Wheeler County high school seniors. Past recipients of the award have been Alan Segura, Kacie Schlegel, Amanda Reeves, Jacob Caldwell, Kinsey Cogburn, Jordan Jones, Cassie Crossland, Cory Schlegel, Sheldon Cornett, Laramie Wilson, Jade Hilburn, Darby Oldham, Chelsey Tallant, Kaylee Zaiontz and Carl Caldwell from Shamrock High School; Curt Smith, Nathan Hefley, Julie Zybach, Justin Hefley, Stephanie Baker, Seth Meadows, Jason Hathaway, Kade Zybach, Holley McCurley, George Helton, Tamara Hefley, Russell Lohberger, Jason Boydston, Steven Kephart, Blaine Baker, Kelsey Zybach and Sarah Zybach from Fort Elliott High School and JJ Johnson, Gavin McQueen, Jake Britt, Keri Marion, Dee Alston, Josh Miller, Jarrod Haning, Landon Sams, Savannah Hampton, Samantha Chapman, Justin Lee, Lezli Finsterwald and J'Shay McCasland from Wheeler High School.

Quail Appreciation

A Quail Appreciation Day will be hosted by the Texas Cooperative Extension office in Collingsworth County on April 5 on the Mill Iron Ranch, 7 miles east of Wellington on Highway 203.

The purpose of the Quail Appreciation Day is to educate the public on the necessity for quail conservation, said Andy Hefley, agriculture Extension agent for Collingsworth County.

Sheila's home when it rains, but now it is much safer for all drivers since he channeled it toward a pond he dug back off the road. Great job, Eddy! Talk about fixing up a home...well, those two sure did a great job and they are still working on it. Need some fishing time now; Glenn and I are ready.

Talked to daughter, Laurah, today and we spoke of deer hunting season and maybe a trip to see us then. Now here it is the beginning of spring and we are talking of fall and winter already. Never too early to plan, but right now I just need to think spring—green, flowers, gardening and maybe some fishing, too.

The little black hens are still setting on two eggs and, finally, they got it right! Now they each have one egg under them in the same nest. I wonder how long that will be? Kind of reminds me of the time about 25 years ago when I had two cockatiels. They were a beautiful pair sitting in a cage in my living room. Then, one day the female laid an egg and they took turns sitting on it. After it hatched, they both claimed exclusive ownership of this one chick. They fought over the baby all the time and would steal it back, if one lost it to the other. Baby was about a week old when they played tug of war with a vengeance and baby lost its life. After a week of sulking in their separate corners, they started breeding again. In fact, every time anyone came to visit, that is all those birds did, so I put an ad in the paper. A little old lady came and wanted to know if they were a mated pair. I told her I would guarantee it, so she bought the birds. I told her if she was not satisfied with them that I would give her money back; never heard from her again. Just hope my bantams do not fight over their babies and kill them. Both little hens are very possessive of the two eggs and tomorrow one hen will probably have both eggs under her while the other hen has none. Henry continues his attacks on Glenn and unties his shoe laces every time he goes into the hen house to collect the eggs. Henry still loves me and picks just the right piece of straw and gives it to me. Some gift, but, as I see it, it is the thought that counts—not the gift (or something like that).

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PUBLIC NOTICE

On February 20, 2007, Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) filed a petition with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) requesting Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) authorization for a nominally-rated 600 MW ultra-supercritical coal-fired power plant to be located in Hempstead County in southwest Arkansas. As part of its long-term electric supply resource plan, SWEPCO has determined that it needs to obtain additional long-term capacity and energy supply resources in the near future. In an effort to meet these long-term needs, SWEPCO selected this generating unit through a competitive bidding process. The docket number and style of the case are PUC Docket No. 33891, *Application of Southwestern Electric Power Company for Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Authorization for a Coal-Fired Power Plant in Arkansas*. SWEPCO is not seeking to change its rates in this proceeding.

On December 8, 2005, SWEPCO issued a market-based, competitive solicitation for long-term power resources by way of a Request for Proposals (RFP). The RFP solicited up to 600 MW of long-term baseload resources to be available by the summer of 2011. Based on an evaluation under the criteria in the RFP, along with the oversight by the independent monitor of the RFP process, SWEPCO has selected a nominally-rated 600 MW ultra-supercritical coal-fired generating plant approximately 15 miles northeast of the City of Texarkana, Arkansas. The plant's emissions will be cleaned using Best Available Control Technologies. SWEPCO was the entity that submitted the winning bid proposal for this facility in response to the RFP. Three other entities have given notice of their intent to participate in the ownership of the generating plant, subject to the execution of construction, ownership and operating agreements, for a combined total of 160 MW. SWEPCO's ownership share is thus expected to be 440 MW.

The total estimated direct cost of the entire plant is approximately \$1.343 billion, of which SWEPCO's share is approximately \$0.986 billion. When the \$231 million of carrying costs in the form of Allowance for Funds Used During Construction (AFUDC) are added to SWEPCO's share, the total estimated cost to SWEPCO is approximately \$1.2 billion for the plant. In addition, SWEPCO estimates \$136 million of transmission investment will be necessary, together with an additional \$21 million of AFUDC on that transmission investment. SWEPCO's total estimated cost of the facility including transmission and all related AFUDC is \$1.374 billion. The plant unit will be built by American Electric Power Services Corporation (AEPSC) as SWEPCO's agent, and all AEPSC goods and services will be supplied at cost.

SWEPCO requests that its CCN be amended to include the generating plant described in this filing. SWEPCO has already made similar filings with the Arkansas Public Service Commission and the Louisiana Public Service Commission.

The deadline for intervention in this proceeding is April 20, 2007, and a letter requesting intervention should be received by the Commission by that date. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136 or use Relay Texas (toll-free) 1-800-735-2989. A copy of SWEPCO's petition may be viewed on the Commission's webpage at www.puc.state.tx.us. The Commission maintains an electronic copy of all filings on the "filings - interchange" section of its webpage. The control number for this proceeding is Docket No. 33891.

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Court of WHEELER COUNTY, Texas, on the 5 day March, 2007 by the Clerk thereof in the following cases:

11468 WHEELER COUNTY (FORT ELLIOTT CISED) VS CHARLES NEWBERRY
Lot Three (3) and the South Ten feet (S 10') of Lot Two (2), all in Block Two (2), Pendleton Baxter, Shamrock, Wheeler County, Texas

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11806 WHEELER ISD VS ELIZABETH L HOLMES
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11832 WHEELER COUNTY VS LIZZIE TIPTON
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Richard Dyson family brought special music and led congregational songs. Steve Walker catered the noon meal. Former pastors spoke.

John 16:33: "In this world you will have tribulation," Jesus promises, "But be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

Iona (Burton) Reed and I were wondering about how many of our class of 1938 at Briscoe are still living besides us and Georgia Cain Warrick of California. Speak up! I really don't know of others. Some in our class were Warren Clepper, Vera McNeil Rogers, Betty Glenn, Jane Puryear, Dow Wilson, Jimmy Luttrell, Paul Luttrell, Henry Lane, Margaret Reavis, Geraldine Wadsworth, Harold Siviage. Does anyone know about these people? Living or dead? Also in our class Loyd Hefley, deceased, James Riley (living) and Henry Davis?

Best wishes to Katie Donaldson and Mathew Benton, both students at Wayland Baptist University. They plan to marry May 26 at Westminster Presbyterian Church. God bless you.

I got a good check up from heart doctor, Dr. Russell Burns in Amarillo Tuesday. And pacemaker doing well. Don't have to go back for a year to March 18, 2008.

Patsy Smith enjoyed going to Shamrock Tuesday with daughter, Jenny Mixon, and granddaughter, Shannon Gilmer, to watch great-granddaughter, Adley Gilmer, play basketball. They didn't win, but they played hard and had fun. Winnie Gilmer was also there to watch granddaughter, Adley, play.

Lou Dean Douthit, Peggy North, Debbie Kinnaman and grandson, Cutter Barr (1 year), went to Elk City Saturday March 24, to watch Zane Kinnaman, son of Audrey and Cory play basketball. They ate at Western Sizzler and had a good time. Zane is a pretty good player.

Some recent visitors to Joyce Perkins were her kids and grandkids: Becky and Warren Shirley and Colton from Caldwell, Teri and Dave Seitz and Emilee and Kaylie from Wyley and Tina Deger from Ft. Worth. Their dad, K. D. Ford, passed away and they have been cleaning up, painting, disposing of things, replacing carpets and are planning to sell the house to settle up things. Grandma Joyce has been kid-sitting to help out.

Quilting at Totty School Thursday were Augusta Brown, Betty Haines, Kandi Jones and Betty Rogers. They got Melba's quilt out, even though she was not able to be there. They got Augusta's quilt in ready to quilt. Glad Augusta is feeling better. Glad Jane Seitz is home from hospital.

Happy Birthday to Mark and Matt Helton. Mark and wife, Cindy, live at Sayre and are expecting a baby soon. Matt and wife, Stephanie, live at Elk City and have a little boy, Hayden, and expecting another baby soon. Matt and Mark and families enjoy getting together frequently. Mark and Matt are twins.

Charlotte (Austin) Brown would like to thank everyone at Wheeler Baptist church and other places for

praying for their son, Eugene Brown, as he has struggled with liver and cancer problems for many years. He is doing better and got a chance to try some new and very expensive medicine. Charlotte and Aubrey are so thankful. God bless you everyone and keep praying for Eugene.

Eugene recently got to sell his lake property and fix up his house like he wanted to and enjoy it. He likes to cook and invited friends over for an open house party to celebrate. They had fun.

Thank you, God, that Eugene is better and for the nice shower of rain. Praise the Lord!

Pray for Marie Baker. She had to have both shoulders drained—quite a lot from the right one of fluid. The draining isn't painful, but

painful before drained. Think something to do with arthritis.

Eddie and Lavenna Pannell are planning a trip to Weatherford, Texas, soon to visit old friends, David and Mabel Pearston. They always have fun.

Friends of Leonard Hollis might like to have his new address: Citizens Memorial Health Care, 1500 N. Oakland, Room 130, Bolivar, MO. 65613. Phone 417-326-6000. He still has the sleep machine to keep him breathing. His health is pretty good, but some problems with memory. Remember Leonard in your prayers. We miss Leonard and Bertha.

Johnny and Patty Crawford came to Wheeler Care Center Sunday afternoon for sing-a-Long and church. Johnny brought his guitar and played and sang and had a message from the Bible. Thanks! All good.

Weldon Simmons sang a special song at Wheeler Baptist Church Sunday night. The Wheeler Baptist Church choir had special music Sunday morning. All good! Some singing in the choir were Eddie Pannell, Mike Bryant, Michael Killingsworth, Wes Bradstreet, Becky Hardcastle, Sindy Chapman, Gwen McCain, Dianne Sparks, Suzanne Hampton, Claudia Marion, Konnette Koen and Beverly Bryant.

Buddy Sparks and Haley and Taylor helped with the nursery at Wheeler Baptist Sunday night. We've been needing nursery workers.

Ladies' Day Out will meet at Soto's at 11:30 next Thursday, April 5. All ladies invited. Hope to see you there.

Elizabeth Shipp and daughters, Katie and Savanna, enjoyed a 5-day vacation to New York City, during Springbreak. The girls go to college at WTAM. Katie will graduate in May from WTAM. She has been substitute teaching some at Wheeler and will practice teach at Pampa. She has also been working some at Wheeler Banking Center and the Flower Shop. They enjoyed their trip to New York City. It came a 10 inch snow at New York the day after they came home. They heard people talk in many languages. Seemed to be cops on every corner, so they felt safe. Grandma Ethel Grimes has been putting out lots of green onions. Grandpa Marion still gets his mile walk in most days. He was 89 years young in November. Ethel was 89 in February. Way to go! Ethel has also been trimming tree branches with a saw. Marion has some cattle to tend.

Ray and Glenda Hudson went to Canadian Saturday night with Harry and Christene Marett to the National Wild Turkey Federation dinner and silent auction. They had a good time and won a shot gun.

Linda and Dean Lieb from Stinnett spent Saturday night with Laurel and Ed Herdman. Sunday Linda and Dean went to Mobeetie Methodist church with special music and a catered dinner and speaking by Rev. Todd Dyess, Amarillo District Superintendent and other former pastors. Laurel and Linda were college roommates at WT and forever friends. Linda is the daughter of Edna (Donaldson, Begert) May. Pray for Edna, who hasn't been feeling well.

Lou Dean Douthit and Peggy North went to Roaring Springs Friday to visit Billie and Donald Stuckey. Also there were Andrea Whittenberg and Mathew and Kenna, who were on Springbreak from school. They had a nice visit and came back to Briscoe Sunday.

Looks like spring is here with many fruit trees budding out. Beautiful. Just hope they don't get frozen back. Beautiful Red buds blooming and many others.

Nice to have day light linger longer at night.

"A smile is the lighting system of the face, the cooling system of the head and heating system of the heart."

—from *Happiness*

The Ja'Nae Goad Memorial Golf tournament will be Saturday, April 21, at Shamrock. Money raised will be used to fund scholarships. Others invited to play. Call Ida Mae Goad 826-5254 or Bobby Jennings 826-3153, or Cecil Thomas 826-5809.

Ruby Jones has been living in Montana near a daughter and likes it there. Think she has her own apartment near the daughter. Ruby is also the mother of Brenda Sparlin. Miss seeing her around.

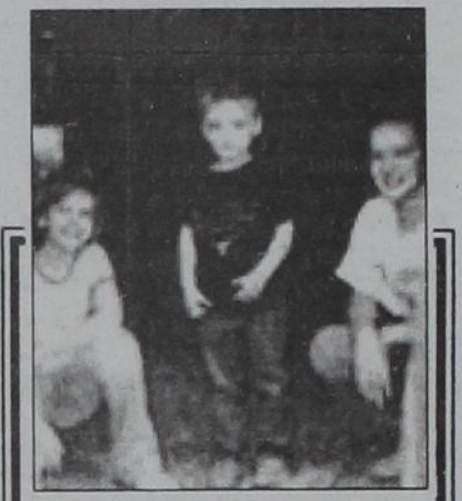
Funeral for great-niece, Andrea Dobbs, 31, was Wednesday, March 21, at Trinity Fellowship in Amarillo. She had acute leukemia and suffered cardiac arrest. I am so sorry. Sweet lady.

Andrea's Funeral

About 70 relatives from many places and a host of friends gathered at Trinity Fellowship church in Amarillo Wednesday for the funeral and celebration of Life of Andrea Dobbs, 31. Andrea was a dedicated Christian and would be proud of how her services pointed people to Jesus and the life He gives and what He has meant to her. In her illness, she sent e-mails to many, many people to draw them closer to the Lord. Thanks, Andrea, for all you did. Andrea was the wife of Mark Dobbs, the mother of Kyler and Addison

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1 Family Visits Wheeler Care Cntr. ... 2:00 P.M. Church Wheeler Care Ctr. ... 3:00 P.M.	2 AF-AM Lodge 7:30 P.M. Wheeler S. Citiz. 6:00 P.M. Sing-Along & Dev. 10:00 A.M. Care Center District Track ... at White Deer	3 Wheeler Lions Club Mel's 6:00 A.M.	4 District Track ... at White Deer	5 Wheeler Fire Dept., 7:00 P.M. WHEELER LADIES' DAY OUT—11:30 A.M. at Solo's (Dutch) ... All Ladies Welcome Wheeler—Early Dismissal—1:00 District Tennis	6 Wheeler & Ft. Elliott School Holiday	7 District Tennis
8 Family Visits Wheeler Care Cntr. ... 2:00 P.M. Church Wheeler Care Ctr. ... 3:00 P.M. Wheeler Nursing & Rehab	9 AF-AM Lodge 7:30 P.M. Wheeler S. Citiz. 6:00 P.M. District Golf	10 Mobeetie Fire Dept. 7:00 P.M. Wheeler Lions Club Mel's Diner 6:00 A.M. American Legion Whic. Vol. Fire Dept. 7:30 P.M. Birthday Party 2:30 P.M. Care Ctr. (Meth. Women) Our Country Band .. 6:30 P.M. District Golf	11 Area Track ... at Panhandle	12 Old Mobeetie, Texas, Assoc. Lodge Bldg. at Jail 7:00 P.M. Wheeler I.S.D. Bd. 6:30 P.M.	13	14 Ag Competition
15 Family Visits Wheeler Care Cntr. ... 2:00 P.M. Church Wheeler Care Ctr. ... 3:00 P.M. Mobeetie Baptist Church	16 Kelton I.S.D. Bd. 7:00 P.M. Comm. Court 10:00 A.M. AF-AM Lodge 7:30 P.M. Mobeetie City Coun. 7:00 P.M. Fl. Elliott C.I.S.D. Bd. 7:00 Girls' Golf ... at Shamrock	17 Wheeler Lions Club Mel's Diner 6:00 A.M.	18	19 Wheeler Fire Dept., 7:00 P.M.	20 Wheeler Fire Dept. .. 7:00 P.M.	21
22 Family Visits Wheeler Care Cntr. ... 2:00 P.M. Church Wheeler Community Church 3:00 P.M.	23 AF-AM Lodge 7:30 P.M. Wheeler City Council City Hall 7:00 P.M. Regional Golf	24 Wheeler Lions Club Mel's Diner 6:00 A.M. Our Country Band .. 6:30 P.M. Wheeler Nursing & Rehab Regional Golf Elementary Music Program ... Wheeler Auditorium	25	26	27 Regional Track Wheeler Seventh Grade ... Trip to OKC	28 Regional Track
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Mobeetie (from Page 2)

Now, he is impatiently waiting for June to get here so he can get his other knee replacement done. It is really bothering him and slowing him down. The pain is unreal, but he keeps going.

It was so good to see Peggy Dunn looking so well. Her heart and cancer check-ups went very well last month. She can now do just about anything she wants. Bo and Cathy and children were over to Wheeler for her Dad's 80th birthday party. They spent the night with Peggy. Bo is doing really well after having two stents put in, too. So glad it fixed him up.

What a nice surprise to have part of our Baptist and Gageby church friends come join us for dinner after their worship services! Those included Toney and Frances Dickey, Gina Seitz, Melba Darnell, Willene Burke, Aaron and Arica Lancaster, Paul Hathaway, Tisha Mc Laughlin, Caaron and Kent McNeely and Asher Laverty. Another set of special guests were Maggie Rogers and her husband from the Methodist Children's Home at Waco. Margaret Dorman, District Clerk over at Wheeler, is also the Wheeler County Historian and graciously came over and took pictures and gathered more information for her records for the state. Thank you, Kenneth and Vera Walker, for bringing Mom, Carol Orthman, down with you...just sorry we didn't have more time to visit. We enjoyed you all so much. Kenneth had helped mix, haul, pour and work the cement that is the foundation and basement for the current church.

Clinton and Maurita Stribling's home came alive over the weekend. They had Tom and Debbie Stribling and Jerome, along with Wesley and Anna Stribling and sweet little, good-natured

4-month-old Kelsi, all of Happy, TX, come spend the night Saturday. They also got to visit with Roy Lynn and Cindy Stribling from Elk City, OK, and Cindy's daughter and grandson, along with Natasha Stribling of Wheeler. They all attended the morning worship service with Clinton and Maurita.

It's good to see Doug Corse doing so much better. Doug and

Country (from Page 5)

Dobbs, the daughter of Glenn and Mozelle Thomas, the granddaughter of the late Leon and Vea Fillingim. Beloved by many.

Wheeler Senior Citizens plan to meet Monday, April 2, at 6:00 p.m. for a good pot-luck meal, visiting and games of 80 and chicken foot. Everyone invited. If the snow isn't too deep.

Pray for Wheeler Baptist Search Committee that they may find God's choice for us for a full-time pastor.

Cheryl Richardson and Sue Gaines prepared the delicious pile on supper at Wheeler Baptist Church Wednesday night. Bob Wills brought a message from the Book of James about controlling the tongue. James 3:7-9: "For every kind of beasts and of birds and of serpents, and of things in the sea is tamed and has been tamed of mankind; but the tongue can no man tame. It is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison." We also had prayer for ill and bereaved ones.

Nice to visit with Erma Riley from Tuttle on the phone. She can't always go to church, but enjoys the TV church services. And really enjoys the tapes of Wheeler Baptist Sunday morning services. She is still a member at Wheeler. We miss Erma. She enjoyed a visit from grandson, Jim Bob, and Karla Mitchell and Riley and Merrit from White Deer. (Jim Bob is Mary Louise' son) Her family is so special to Erma.

Sunday at Wheeler Baptist we had special music from the choir and from Weldon Simmons. All good!

"God be with you till we meet again."

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Patricia had part of their family home for the weekend. Doug's half. Rick and Zana, Haley and Ashley of Claude, Jana of Amarillo and Davis and Samie Corse of Mobeetie joined them for the morning service and the rest of the day's activities. Poor Steve had to work this weekend. Davis always enjoys spending time with his cousins, even if they are girls.

It was such a nice surprise to see Bill and Shirley back at church, even if only for a visit. Shirley is amazing; she managed all those steps quite well with her walker and has made great progress with strengthening her knee and leg. She still has a long way to go with it, but doing better than the doctor ever thought possible. Bill stays busy over at the Wheeler Care Center. He misses Shirley, but enjoys the company.

Happy Birthday on March 27 to Miss Skyler House, clear down in Hutto, TX, with Dad and Whitney. She is certainly missed up here by Grandma and Grandpa Terrell and her classmates over at Fort Elliott, but she really likes her new school and is making more friends down there. Whitney has been substituting for the Hutto school system. With three schools to cover, they keep her very busy. Next year, she will have her first contract with them.

Congratulations and all best wishes to Alecia Reis and Jason Boydston as they plan to marry on June 23, 2007. May God richly bless your new life together.

Mom finally got some time off, while her little lady had her son and daughter-in-law here for a week or so. She took advantage of the time and came down here on Thursday, the 15th, and we all took off to pick up Michael and Brianna Mayfield in El Reno. They have recently moved and gotten settled in. They love their new big rooms and closets, have already made some new friends at school and are enjoying most of their classes there. They don't have a very large French class and no French club, but their teacher is terrific and took them on a field trip to a French restaurant in OKC. Michael was so excited; they even got to eat escargot! He loved them (he can have my share). And, chocolate mousse is yummy, but the chocolate mousse was even better. I guess my taste buds aren't refined enough for snails and mice, although chocolate on chocolate is quite tasty when you think about it. I'm glad he had the experience.

We left El Reno by 4:15, made a quick phone call to a very special friend of Mom's and proceeded to Chickasha to meet her for supper at the Western Sizzlin. They had a wonderful visit (although short) and the buffet was great. Then, it was on to Fort Worth. They had some high school baseball tournaments going so everything around Richland Hills, Bedford and Hurst were already full. Todd and Lori got lucky and found us a suite at the Budget Inn right there in Haltom City just as soon as we got off I-35 and onto 820 so I couldn't get too lost. There were a couple of nice restaurants and an IHOP within a block of the motel, so we wouldn't starve. The best part of the whole thing was that it was right across from the pool. Michael and Brianna were mad because we got there a little too late to utilize it until 9:00 the next morning and they did just that! They stayed so busy while we were down there. Dad and Lori were using their vacation to be with Rachel Peyton and Bailey. After visiting with the girls, the kids got to go shopping with Dad and Lori for a few new clothes. They went to a movie that they had wanted to see, went bowling, rode the Trantula, checked out the Stockyard area and saw the cattle drive. Michael even got to ride a mechanical bull. He did quite well...managed about 6 seconds. Don't think he's in any hurry to try a real one. They really enjoyed the planetarium at the University museum. They stayed with Lori and the girls on Tuesday afternoon as Todd, Granny, Bob and I went over to Weatherford to see my niece and her family. They have never been this far away from family her whole life. She was born

and raised in Hereford and Jamie and Jessica lived in Amarillo for a few years and then moved back to Hereford. So this has been quite an adjustment for them. They seem to be handling it quite well and have a beautiful older home in a nice, quiet neighborhood. They are attending a church that fits their needs right now, but haven't found one any closer that has what they are looking for. Emily is 4 and enjoys going to Mother's Day Out at the church. Blaine is 18 months and thinks he can do everything that sister does and almost can. He is a big boy. Sorry we had to miss Jamie. He was held up at work as they were trying to get some special things done on a pipeline that they were

repairing after a contractor dug into it. Thank God, there were no serious injuries or deaths. It had to burn for 22 days before they could even get near it. So, he has had lots of overtime. Maybe the next time Todd and Lori are in, they can all get together. Rachel, Kelley and the girls might really be good for them.

Shelton May had a bad blood report last week. With it being so low, they couldn't do his 5-day whopper treatments, so he and Kellie are down there this week getting most of it behind him. Jackie Don and Shelton are planning on going down on Wednesday night so Kellie can get some sleep and time with Peyton for girl stuff and Dad and Shelton can get

caught up on the guy stuff. Shelton is such a trooper. They are inching up on that half-way mark, if they don't have any more setbacks. Hope you're feeling better, Shelton, and they are letting you eat lots of goodies. I know that Kellie tries to go prepared with his favorites. The Mays want to thank everyone who has so generously donated of their time, for all the food that has been brought to the house and the monetary donations that have kept them all able to be with Shelton. They know they can never repay all the kindnesses that have been given them, but, please know they appreciate you very much! Life is good in this small town, USA!

Michael and Brianna got to enjoy a few days here and are such a big help now. Grandpa got the

riding mower going so Michael got to mow both yards. Bree and I trimmed trees and hauled limbs to the back. The kids and I got quite a pile. Someday soon maybe we'll be able to have one huge weenie roast. They even helped clean over at the church Friday afternoon before we went to Pampa to wish Uncle Tim a happy birthday. Jenn and the kids had taken him to Dyers for a yummy birthday special. Have a great year, son! They had kept Dollie for us while we were gone. The cousins got to play a bit, but Bob has been having bad headaches lately and it was getting way out of control, so we came on home. We didn't get a chance to run by Jeff, Sky and Harley's. With all the ball games and soccer practice we don't even try to catch them before 9:00. Hope y'all have a great week!

Circus (from Page 1)

Angeles Times, The Chicago Tribune, Arizona Highways Magazine. It has also been featured on the A&E Special: Under the Big Top and most recently, On the Road with Circus Kids, a Nickelodeon special featured on the Nick News Program.

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Chat (from Page 1)

The circus will be in Wheeler Friday evening, March 30, with two performances. Bring the wife and kids, grandpa and grandma and all the aunts and uncles for some good entertainment.

—cwe—
This will be the second year for the circus to visit Wheeler.

—cwe—
Wheeler residents were lucky Friday night. Apparently a cloud collapsed over Wheeler and edge of Wheeler and did damage to several large trees and destroyed a barn. I took the picture Tuesday morning and it was a bit damp and foggy.

—cwe—
I slept right through it and no warning were issued.

—cwe—
One of these days, we are not going to be so lucky.

—cwe—
The rains have certainly been nice and appreciated. 1.07 was measured Saturday morning, 0.48 was measured Sunday morning and 0.58 was measured Tuesday. It rained off and on Monday morning and into the night.

—cwe—
Shelby Fisher, a Meriwether grandchild, went with me to the play. If not for him knowing how to manipulate the camera, I might not have gotten pictures. These kids just know these things, and his Dad has a similar camera. Thanks, Shelby!

—cwe—
The fruit trees and rebuds are in full bloom and several trees are leafed out. All ready for the inevitable spring freeze. Cold weather is predicted for the end of the week.

—cwe—
Barbara and I remained in Wheeler over the weekend and we did not entertain.

—cwe—
Cards were played Monday evening with Mike and Bob winning the first two games against Barbara and I. Upon arrival, Rhonda drew the winning team and helped them win the third game. Leroy was stuck with Barbara and I and was unable to pull us out of the losing streak. Yes, I was skunked.

—cwe—
Remember the circus!

In recent years the Tent Raising and Morning Tour has become a popular program for families and interested community members.

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STUDENT OF THE WEEK: My name is Larami Lancaster and I'm a fourth grader at Ft. Elliott. I am the daughter of Earnest and Brenda Lancaster and the granddaughter of Jean and Felix Taylor of Crowell and Arica and Aaron Lancaster of Mobeetie. My hobbies are playing volleyball, basketball, riding my grandparents four wheeler, and riding horses. My favorite subject school is math.

Comm. (from Page 1)

band to wide band. This means the replacement of county and ambulance radios to be replaced.

At the 10:45 special meeting of the Wheeler County Commissioners' Court, bids were opened and the number of radios needed by the Sheriff's department, commissioners and Ambulance was tallied.

Commissioners Puryear and Snelgroves each requested 15 mobile and one handheld. Precinct 3 requested 13 mobile and one handheld. Twelve mobile and one handheld were needed by precinct 4. It was determined the sheriff's department required 12 mobile and 9 handheld radios. Radios were ordered for the county judge, and ambulance service. Each of the Justices of the Peace will receive a handheld radio and Ken Daughtry, Emergency Management Coordinator, will be provided with a handheld unit.

The total number of mobile radios ordered was 74 with 19 portables needed.

Hawkins Communication of Pampa submitted the lowest of the three bids received.

Total cost of the radios is \$49,424. \$24,512 comes out of the general funds with the commissioners, ambulance and sheriff's department providing the remainder from their budgets.

The meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be Monday, April 9.

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