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“Wheeler: town of friendship and pride”

Wheeler Advances In 4 Events At Area



Traylen Drake



Logan Harris



Ed Porras



Travis Cook

Four Wheeler Mustangs will be competing in the Regional Track Meet this coming weekend at Odessa. They will be competing in four events. Traylen will compete in the High Jump, 110m Hurdles, 300m Hurdles, and 4x400 Relay. Logan Harris will be entered in the 110m Hurdles, 300m Hurdles and 4x400 Relay. The 4x400 Relay advanced from Area; team members are Traylen Drake, Logan Harris, Ed Porras and Travis Cook.

Wheeler Sports Banquet May 8

The Wheeler Mustang and Lady Stang Athletic Banquet is set for May 8, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. at the Agri-Life Center. Tickets for the meal and program are on sale for \$15.00 per person. Tickets must be bought in advance by Wednesday, May 3. To purchase tickets, please call: Lisa Guest, 323-3064; Kara Richardson, 334-0537, or Machille Henson, 334-0460.

Five Fort Elliott Students Advance To Regional

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Kamryn Chesher



Camryn Clark



Emily Coulter



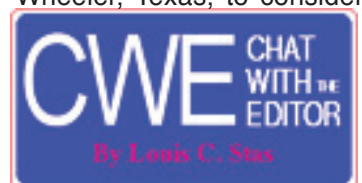
Kiara Patton Powledge



Brody Umsted

Pet. 3 Buys Motor Grader Early Voting In City, Hospital Elections

The Commissioners' Court of Wheeler County, Texas met in regular session on Monday, April 24, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Courtroom of the Wheeler County Courthouse, 401 Main Street, Wheeler, Texas, to consider



CONGRATULATIONS, Wheeler's 4x400 Relay! The team did well at the Area meet and advances to Regional; team members are Travis Cook, Traylen Drake, Logan Harris and Ed Porras. Alternates are Brady Bailey and Angel Ontiveros.

Also advancing to Regional this weekend are Traylen Drake in three events—High Jump, 110m Hurdles and 300m Hurdles, and Logan Harris in 110m and 300m Hurdles.

CONGRATULATIONS, Fort Elliott will be sending 5 to the Regional Track Meet this (Continued Page 7)

STORM REPORT

As Reported by... Stormie Meriwether, Seventh Grade Student

Dear Friends, Science is great! Coach D is teaching us about DNA. DNA can be used to identify people if they did a crime or if they died and no one knows who they are. It is like CSI. The DNA is in blood, urine, the nose or anywhere in the body. Science is very fascinating. I love that class!

Mrs Moore is teaching us poetry. "The Highwayman" is (Continued Page 5)

GOFUNDME

"Please HELP WITH DONATIONS ON GOFUNDME on Facebook. \$1060.00 more monies is needed for burial costs for Kenneth Nelson. Thanks for your help.

prior bills and discuss matters of mutual concern.

At 10:00 a.m. the court was reconvened to address the 15 items on the agenda.

• There were no minutes to be approved.

• Budget item added to the Sheriff's Department budget for the grant from SCAAT to be used for the transfer of illegal immigrants.

• Money was transferred from the General Fund to Precinct for insulation installation on a Precinct 3 building.

• Three line item transfers were allowed.

• The court voted to leave the Burn Ban in effect because part of the county is still in danger. Commissioner Walker voted against.

• No action was taken on the Wheeler County Policy Manual.

• The court accepted the treasurers' report in the amount of \$116,644.34.

• The court approved the 2017 SCAAP Grant Funds Budget.

• The purchase of a 2017 Dodge Grand Caravan for prisoner transport using SCAAP (Continued Page 4)

Early voting to name a Wheeler City Councilman began Monday, April 24. The election will be held Saturday, May 6, 2017. Early voting will continue through Tuesday, May 2.

Those wishing to cast their ballots early may do so at the City Hall at 505 S. Alan L. Bean Blvd. in Wheeler from 8:00 until 5:00 each weekday.

E.D.C. Meeting's March Minutes

Minutes of the Wheeler Economic Development Corporation

Monday, March 13, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall

Members Present: Ben Ed Hillhouse, Randy McCurley, John Hankins, Britt McCarter and Dale Kidd, also attending Charles Kuntz, CPA and Kristen Moudy, Coordinator

Members Absent: Jack Helton and Yvette Venzor

Ben Ed Hillhouse called the

Go Texan Event: Shrimp Boil & Tasting Of Texas

Texas made products will be exhibited and available for tasting at the Go Texas Event Saturday evening, April 29, 2017 at 508 S. Main. Included for the enjoyment of those in attendance will be

Hours for early voting will be extended from 7:00 to 7:00 on Monday, April 24, and Tuesday, May 2.

The only contested race on the ballot this year is for Place 1— Incumbent Carol Porton and Keith Rose

Parkview Hospital Janie VanZandt, incumbent, and Misty Tucker are each seeking to represent Precinct

meeting to order at 7:04 pm. Randy McCurley opened with prayer.

Randy McCurley made a motioned to approve the February 13, 2017 minutes and John Hankins seconded the motion, passing it with all 5 members voting for, 0 against, 0 abstaining and 2 absent.

There was no public comment.

Dale Kidd made the mo-

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1 on the North Wheeler County Hospital Board in the May 6, 2017 election.

Early voting began Monday, April 24, 2017 and continue through Tuesday, May 2, 2017.

Those wishing to vote early may do so at Parkview Hospital, 901 S. Sweetwater in Wheeler. Voting hours will be 8 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Wheeler Museum To Host Art Show

The Wheeler Historical museum will host an art show June 9th and 10th 2017 from 1 to 5. Current and EX Students and faculty who attended Wheeler Schools are welcome to display their art. For more information contact Pam Hill at pamhill@rivercresthomes.net or 469-323-9625. We look forward to displaying the artwork of our talented Wheeler Mustangs!

Crossroads Band.

Tickets are: 21 and over, \$10; Under 21, \$5.00; and 12 and under free. ID must be shown.

Have a Two Steppin', Taste Testin', Texas Good Time.



Garland "Pete" Watts

Garland Watts Is Buried At Wheeler

Services for Garland "Pete" Watts, 84, are scheduled for Thursday, April 27, 2017 at 11:00 AM at the Cornerstone Church, Wheeler, TX, with Pastor James Sinyard, officiating. Burial will follow in the Wheeler Cemetery under the direction of Peppers Family Funeral Home of Wheeler, TX.

Garland passed away Monday, April 17, 2017 in Pampa, TX.

Garland "Pete" Watts was born on June 2, 1932 in Wheeler, TX, to the late Mr. Richard Watts and Annie Mae (Hart) Watts. He was a gradu-

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CITY-WIDE CLEAN-UP A SUCCESS: Kristen Moudy posted: "I am not even sure how I can adequately and eloquently explain the gratitude I have in my heart for my hometown, community today. #wheelertx you showed up in a HUGE way today. The cold weather early this morning and some hard work didn't hold you back today. And for that, I am deeply moved and grateful.. For each and every one of you!!! It goes to show what we can do when we show

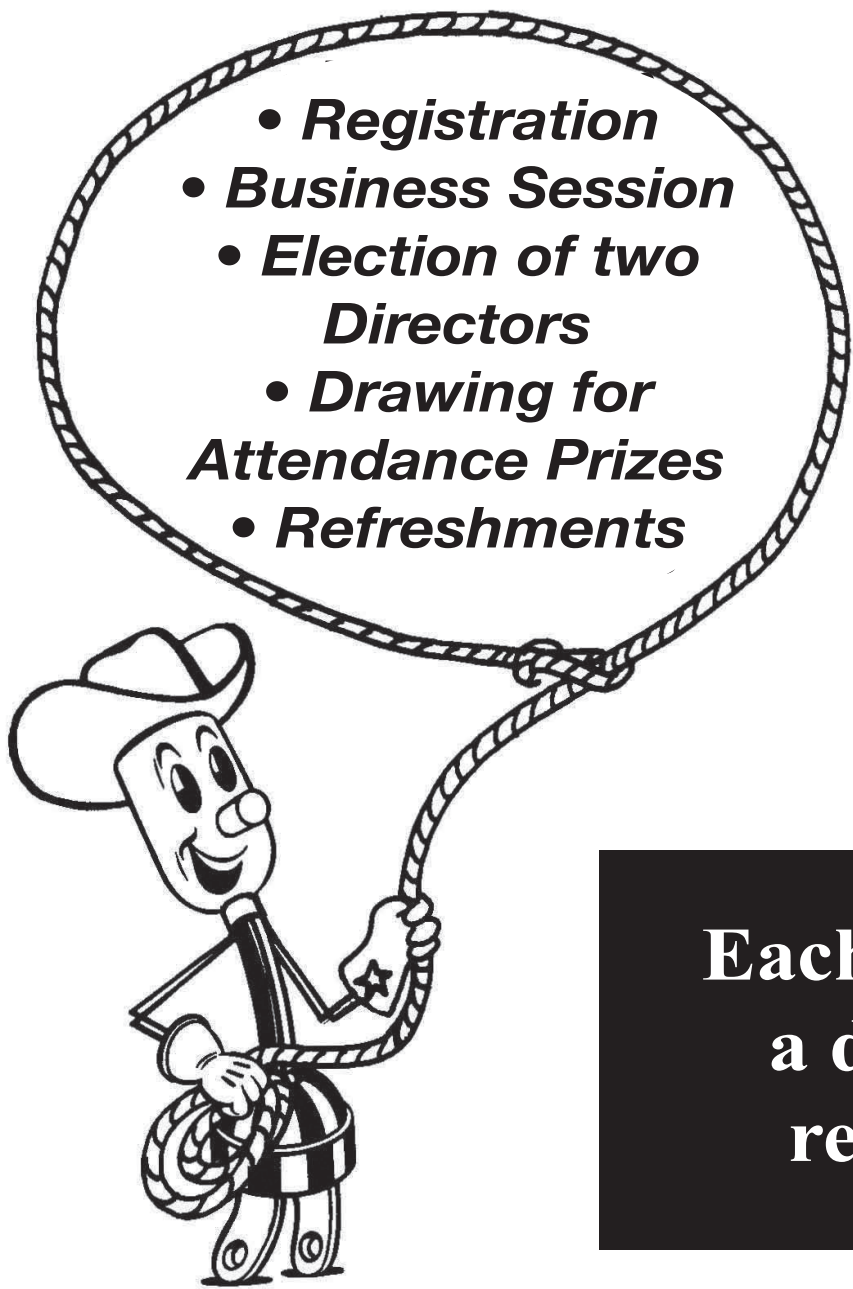
up and want our community to be better! Because of over 100+ of you caring enough about others — We were able to pick up on our highways, take care of a disable person's MAJOR tree limb issues, paint/mow/spray down the playground equipment at the park, pick up a gazillion flowers and trash to clean up the cemetery, help out a family that does so much behind the scenes

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Greenbelt Electric Cooperative, Inc.

78th Annual Membership Meeting

Friday, April 28th at the Wellington Ritz Theatre in Wellington, Texas



1:30 p.m. - Registration
2 p.m. - Call to Order

Grand Prize Drawing
2 - \$750 cash prizes!

Each member registering will receive a door prize, \$25 cash and will be registered for attendance prizes.

Clean-Up (from Page 1)
work for our community - just by picking up trash and limbs on a lot, clean up the museum/school streets/ag barn, and last but definitely not least - start putting life back into our Tom Britt Memorial Park... We know it's going to be an amazing asset for our kids now and in the future... Way to show up today #wheelerlx

and make a difference... Every step you took today to help is a necessary improvement!! Until next time—and yes, we still got work to do - thank you from the bottom of my heart... I'm so very grateful and go to bed tonight with a HAPPY HEART..."

"HUGE THANK YOU to Market Square (Market Square Thriftway) for providing lunch for Cornerstone Wheeler to cook and prepare lunch, The Topsy Bird Beer Wine & Spirits for delicious cookies, Resound Networks LLC for keeping us hydrated, Yellow Rose Spray-

ing Service LLC and H&H Tire for use of your equipment and the hosts of others (if I left you

out, please nicely tell me, I promise it's by accident - I'm tired"

Wheeler County COURT RECORDS

List of instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's office from April 17, 2017 to April 21, 2017.
APRIL 17, 2017
C/C MEMO. TRUST AGREE.- Alva Jay Davis to Alva Jay Davis Revocable Trust, 4-10-17, E/2 Sec. 19, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey;

Sec. 26, Blk. OS-2. MD-Robert M. Bell Living Marital and Family Trust to Patricia M. Bell Revocable Living Trust Agreement, 2-22-17, Sec. 21, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey. DT-Garrison Food Mart Inc. to AimBank, 4-13-17, Lots 13 & 14, and 0.0356 acs. Lot 15, Blk. 204, Vaughans Hilltop Addition, Shamrock. C/C PROBATE - Dessa Carmen Watson to Ex Parte, 4-4-17, No Land Listed.



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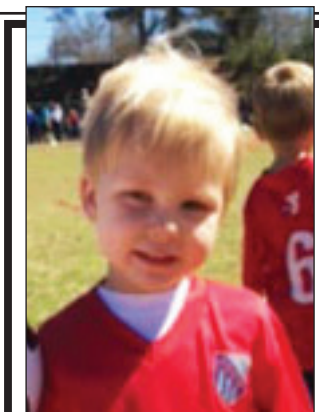
DVL-Roy Dale Kidd, et ux to Ricardo Hernandez, et ux, 4-13-17, 7.015 acs. SW/4 Sec. 4, T&NO Ry. Company Survey. DT-Ricardo Hernandez, et ux to Roy Dale Kidd, et ux, 4-13-17, 7.015 acs. SW/4 Sec. 4, T&NO Ry. Company Survey. AMEND. DT-Chaparral Energy LLC to JP Morgan Chase Bank NA, 3-17-17, See Instrument. APRIL 18, 2017

C/C PROBATE-Patsy J. Duensing to Ex Parte, 4-7-17, No Land Listed. CORRECTIONAFF.-Benny D. Duncan to Nail Bay Royalties LLC, 3-27-17, 390.8 acs. Sec. 25, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. DEED-Mary Galbreath to Mary Lynn McMasters, 4-18-17, 0.172 acs. N 50' Lot 1, Blk. LXVIII, Romans Addition, (Continued Page 3)

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MAY 2017

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 EOC Tests Senior Progressive Dinner—6:00 P.M.	2 EOC Tests Masonic Lodge Senior Supper—7:00 P.M.	3 EOC Tests	4 EOC Tests Spring Band Concert 7:00 P.M.	5 EOC Tests Jr. Hi. Field Trip	6 Wheeler Junior/Senior Prom 7:00 P.M.
7 Church . . . Wheeler Nursing & Rehab W. Baptist 3:00 PM	8 Comm. Court . . . 10:00 AM STAAR Testing Athletic Banquet . . . 6:00 P.M.	9 STAAR Testing FFA Banquet 6:00 P.M.	10 STAAR Testing	11 Wheeler Lions . . . Club Sotos Rest. 6:30 A.M. Old Mobeetie, Texas Assoc. STAAR Testing PK & K 1:00 P.M. Little Colt Relays Senior Breakfast	12 STAAR Testing	13
14 Church . . . Wheeler Nursing & Rehab Allison 3:00 PM	15 Wheeler City Council Meets 7:00 PM Wheeler Bad Weather Day	16 Wheeler Jr. Hi. Awards Assembly 9:00 A.M. Wheeler High School Awards Assembly 10:30 A.M.	17 Wheeler Semester Tests Wheeler Elementary Awards PK-2nd . . 9:00 A.M. 3rd thru 6th 10:00 A.M.	18 Wheeler Semester Tests 9:00 A.M. Wheeler Junior High Graduation 7:00 P.M.	19 Wheeler Teachers Workday 9:00 A.M. Wheeler High School Graduation 7:00 P.M. Fort Elliott Graduation 7:00 P.M.	20 Kelton Graduation 1:00 P.M.
21 Church . . . Wheeler Nursing & Rehab Mob. Baptist 3:00 PM	22 Comm. Court . . . 10:00 AM Wheeler Teachers' Workday 9:00 A.M.	23 Our Country Band Care Center	24 W.I.S.D. Bd Meets . . . 7 P.M.	25 Wheeler Lions Club Sotos Rest. 6:30 A.M. Chamber of Commerce Maxey's 12 Noon	26	27
28 Church . . . Wheeler Nursing & Rehab Johnnie & Pattie Crawford 3:00 PM Church . . . Wheeler Nursing & Rehab Cornerstone 3:00 PM	29	30 High School Cheer Camp	31 High School Cheer Camp	FIRST STATE BANK of Mobeetie Mobeetie & Wheeler Member F.D.I.C. 	CROSS COUNTRY BARN Hunt Bros. Pizza Beer & Wine Pumps Open 24/7/365 301 E. Okla. St.—Wheeler Phone: 806-826-2276 Dale & Monica Kidd	Your Partner in Progress Wellington State Bank P.O. Box 1040 Wheeler, TX 806-826-5546 •Bowie •Canadian •Childress •Dalhart •Littlefield •Lubbock •Oton •Memphis •Wheeler FDIC •Wellington

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Court (from Page 2)

Shamrock.
 APRIL 19, 2017
 C/C PROBATE-Mildred Louise
 Henderson Gierhart to Ex
 Parte, 4-12-17.

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ROW-Britt Enterprises Inc.
 to Markwest Oklahoma Gas
 Company LLC, 3-10-17, Pt.
 Secs. 35, 36 & 46, Blk. A-3,
 H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
 ROW-Britt Enterprises Inc.
 to Markwest Oklahoma Gas
 Company LLC, 3-10-17, Pt.
 Secs. 35, 36 & 46, Blk. A-3,
 H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
 C/C ADMINISTRATION-John
 Garland Brooks Jr. to Ex Parte,
 4-11-17, NE/4 Sec. 50, Blk. 13,
 H&GN Ry. Company Survey;
 Plus Any Other in Wheeler



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County. School Land.
 MIN./ROY. OVERRIDING POA-Donald Lowrie to Tom
 ROYALTY-Ivy Neuhausen, Puryear, 4-19-17.
 et al to TCT Financial LLC, APRIL 20, 2017
 4-17-17, Sec. 3, Camp County (Continued Page 4)

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Watts (from Page 1)

ate of Kelton High School.
 Mr. Watts married Joann El-
 dredge on January 21, 1966
 at Pampa, TX. She preceded
 him in death on July 11, 2004.
 He resided in Pampa, TX
 and worked as a plumber until
 his retirement.
 Garland was preceded in
 death by his parents, his wife,
 Joann (Eldredge) Watts, son,
 Bobby Lee Watts, three broth-
 ers, Edwin Watts, Richard
 Watts, and Jullian Watts, and
 two sisters, Elmeda Elder, and
 Virginia Patterson.

Survivors include six sons,
 Louis Gene Watts, of Coman-
 che, OK, Danny "Doc" Reed
 Jr., of Pampa, TX, Roy Albert
 Watts, of Amarillo, TX, Terry
 Keith Watts, of Tucson, AZ,
 Paul Stephen Watts, of Car-
 bondale, IL, and Roy Reed Sr.,
 of Pampa, TX; five daughters,
 Carol Rae Watts, of Ardmore,
 OK, Rita Kimbrell, of Pampa,
 TX, Beverly Reed-Watts-Chin-
 nery, of Tulsa, OK, Shelly
 Reed Campbell, of Pampa,
 TX, and Micheal Ann Watts,
 of Pampa, TX; one brother,
 Kenneth "Dale" Watts, of Lib-
 erty, TX; one sister, Monte
 Fae Boyd, of Pampa, TX; 25
 grandchildren; and 31 great-
 grandchildren.

Public viewing was held on
 Wednesday, April 19, 2017
 from 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM at
 the Peppers Family Funeral
 Home.
 The family suggests memo-
 rials be to Accolade Hospice
 and Home Health Care, P.O.
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 We have lived through both.

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Court (from Page 3)

DEED-Kendall Hefley to Jerry D. Hefley, et ux, 4-19-17, N 55' W/2 Blk. 54 Stanley Addition, Wheeler.
ASSIGN. ROYALTY DEED-Clayton G. Dorn (Estate) to Jane D. Miller, et al, 4-14-17, See Instrument.
SECOND CORR. DEED-David Zybach, et ux to David and Beckey Zybach Irrevocable Trust, 4-18-17, See Instrument.
MD-J. R. Austin Jr. to Jeffery Austin, 4-17-17, NW/4 Sec. 46, SW/4 Sec. 47 & All Sec. 55, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
RDT-Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., et al to Jimmy Dale Kirkland Sr., et ux, 3-10-17, See Instrument.
APRIL 1, 2017
DT-RLR Properties LLC to Happy State Bank, 4-11-17 Pt. Sec. 8, Blk. E, T. M. Kell Survey.
MODIFICATION EXT. DT-C-Wellflow LP to Happy State Bank, 3-24-17, See Instrument.
SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED-Theresa Coleman Hanson to Catherine Coleman Chamness, 4-11-17, See Instrument.

John D. Seaman, et ux to Seaman Family Living Trust, 4-7-17.

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• **Comfort Area Farmers' Market**
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• **Friends of the Library Book Sale**
-at the Book Barn, 8 to 12noon
• **12-Hour Public Outdoor Read-A-Thon**
-on the Library Patio, 9am to 9pm
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New Braunfels Area Car Club. Swap meet & Sunday Car Show. April 21-23, 2017. Comal County Fairgrounds 101 E. Common Street New Braunfels www.newbraunfelscarclub.com.
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plant pests.

"People wonder if their individual actions really matter. The answer is yes," said APHIS' Plant Protection and Quarantine Deputy Administrator Osama El-Lissy. "If you're not careful, you can unknowingly spread invasive pests by simply taking firewood on a camping trip, buying plants or seeds online, or mailing a friend a gift of homegrown fruit."

For example, USDA believes Huanglongbing (HLB, or citrus greening) was spread from Florida to California by one person who likely mailed an infested plant to that state. HLB was first detected in Florida in 2005 and has since spread rapidly. A concerted effort by USDA, states and the citrus industry is underway to find new strategies in the fight against HLB.

The good news is that individuals can also stop the spread of invasive pests by looking for and reporting suspicious insects or signs of damage. For example, USDA detected the Asian longhorned beetle in Boston in 2010, when a single groundskeeper with a keen eye noticed and reported an unusual dime-sized hole in a tree. That one call provided early warning to jumpstart an eradication effort that quickly eliminated this destructive pest from that city.

Here's what you can do to help keep invasive pests from spreading as spring gets underway and all year round: Spring is a busy time for buying plants. Buy yours from reputable nurseries or online businesses. Ask if they comply with federal and state quarantine restrictions to ensure their plants are pest-free.

Planning to travel? Whether it's between states or to another country, check with your local USDA office before you bring back fruits, vegetables or plants, so you know what's allowed. And when returning from abroad, always declare all agricultural items to U.S. Customs and Border Protection, so they can make sure items are free of harmful pests or diseases.

Deep Thought

John Glenn: As I hurtled through space, one thought kept crossing my mind - every part of this rocket was supplied by the lowest bidder.

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funds was approved by the court.

(Editor's Note: I voiced my objection to the purchase without a bid from our local dealership, Ware Chevrolet. Gary Ware was also at the meeting to ask for the opportunity to bid on any vehicles purchased by the county. Steve Walker, Commissioner, Pct. 1, asked if the vote could be postponed until Ware had presented a bid. It was at this time the court was informed the vehicle had already been purchased and was in use.)

* David Simpson, Commissioner, Pct. 3, had the purchase of a 2017 motor grader approved by the court. The cost with trade of a 2006 grader was \$221,770.00.

* David Simpson, Commissioner, Pct. 3, asked permission to add Michael Walden to his payroll as a full time employee, effective 05/01/2017. The court approved; the salary will be 3,214.92 per month

* Mark Brown, JP Pct. 1, was allowed to lease a Ricoh printer/copier. The lease had expired on the machine they have and a 48 month lease was signed for the new machine for less money, \$177.96. The old lease was \$184.00.

* The court approved the Underground Utility and Pipeline Crossing of County Road O by Rockwater Energy.

* The court approved the Underground Utility and Pipeline Crossing of County Road P by Rockwater Energy.

* The court approved the payment of the bills. Payroll was approved in the amount of \$115,453.02.

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- 10. Ruckus
- 11. Amiability
- 12. Arabian pupwig
- 13. Simple puppet
- 19. Hip's opposite
- 21. Drop in on
- 25. Bearded animal
- 26. Filmmaker Spike
- 28. Goatee's locale
- 30. Ruler until 1917
- 31. Bullets, e.g.
- 32. Burden of proof
- 33. Deep in thought
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- 36. Kind of rug
- 38. Magic word
- 39. Make ready, briefly
- 42. Cup filler
- 43. Address
- 44. Snack with Earl Grey
- 46. Cave
- 47. Pool locale
- 49. Lock of hair
- 51. Menace
- 52. Out of whack
- 53. Car dealer's offering
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35. Lunch meat
3 6 . Certain
discrimination
37. Photographer
50. Like some bulls
54. Mongrel
56. Certain horse race
57. Flower part
58. Bitter medicine
61. Song for a diva
62. Danish toy company
63. Bite-the-bullet type
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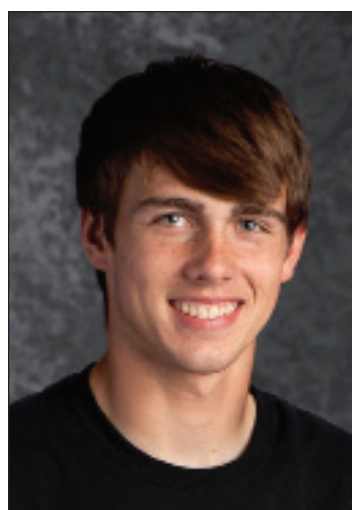
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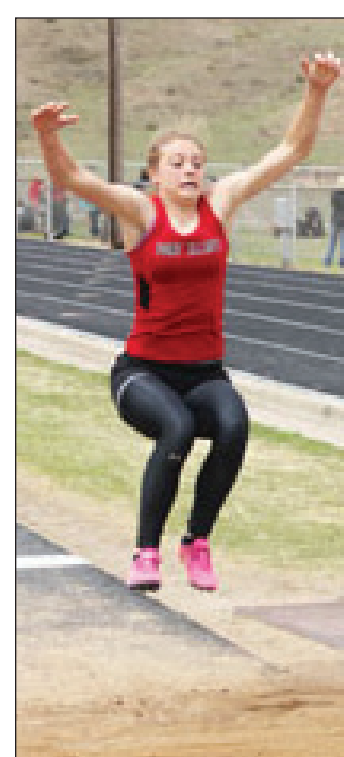
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These Fort Elliott girls advanced to regional in the sprint relay and the 800 relay. L to R Kamryn Chesher, Camryn Clark, Emily Coulter, Kiara Patton-Powledge



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Kamryn Chesher placed 4th at Area in Long Jump and advanced to regionals

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tion to amend the agenda to include the 2017-18 Budget under the Financial Statements presented by Charles Kuntz, CPA, Britt McCarter seconded the motion, passing it with all 5 members voting for, 0 against, 0 abstaining and 2 absent. The motion to accept the 2017-18 ED Fund Budget and HOT Fund was made by Randy McCurley, seconded by Dale Kidd and passed with all 5 members voting for, 0 against, 0 abstaining and 2 absent.

Randy McCurley made the motion, to approve the Economic Development fund budget for \$25,000 to go towards matching grants for Tom Britt Memorial Park expansion and improvements. Britt McCarter seconded the motion, passing it with all 5 members voting for, 0 against, 0 abstaining and 2 absent. A local WAAIC-Tom Britt Memorial Park board

will be established to move forward.

Discussion was held for Main Street development and renovation. Kristen was asked to do some research as to what is allowed and what owners and the city council would be interested in taking part.

Kristen updated the board

Storm

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my favorite poem. It is a beautiful and sad love story.

I am trying to learn basketball. Coach Moore helps me and sometimes I just watch what the others are doing so I can learn. I like it, but it is a little hard. I need to practice.

My dad is teaching me to play tennis. We have fun mostly chasing the ball! I am getting better. Athletics is not easy for a ballerina that never did athletics. I was very happy that they passed a paper around for all the junior high people that want to play tennis. I signed up.

On Saturday my friends helped clean our town. I couldn't do that on Saturday because I had to go to the Stone Age Fair in Perryton. The archeologists that help with our museum were having the fair and we needed to go because they always help us. It was huge! It was in the museum in Perryton. I like that museum very much. Mr. Malaney gave me a medallion for the Stone Age Fair. That was very nice. There were thousands of stone artifacts!

We were at the fair all day Saturday so I couldn't help clean the town. I went to our museum and painted the sign with my mom. I hope I get to go with my class next time to help our town. I am proud of our town and all the people that help keep it beautiful! That's it!

DEEP THOUGHT

David Letterman: America is the only country where a significant proportion of the population believes that professional wrestling is real but the moon landing was faked.

on the Wildfire Relief efforts and funding. The WAAIC committee will meet to set up criteria for funding for the local ranchers and fire departments.

Kristen updated the board on upcoming chamber events, the Community Clean Up Day on Saturday, April 22nd and the Go Texan Shrimp Boil Event on Saturday, April 29th. She also will be attending the High Ground Redi III & Spring Meeting in Odessa on April 26-27th.

The next board meeting is

Wheeler County JP #1 Weekly Docket

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scheduled for Monday, April 10, 2017 at 7pm at Wheeler City Hall. Future agenda items to be discussed will be Leading EDG, Tom Britt Memorial Park, Main Street and Wildfire Efforts.

In a motion by Dale Kidd and seconded by Randy McCurley, the board approved to adjourn

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to Sixth Street. There will be group photo opportunity at 6:00 pm at the National Route 66 Museum on that Friday before the cruise so we ask all the vehicles in the cruise be there for the picture and receive a Sonic coupon. Everyone needs to get your lawn chairs and come watch the classic and custom cars. You do not have to register for the Cruise on Friday night it is free and anyone can join in. Some downtown mer-

chants will be open until 8pm Friday night. The Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show will be Saturday, April 29, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm downtown Elk City and you can register on Saturday morning from 8:00 to 9:00 am at Carnegie Hall, 215 West Broadway. If you have pre-registered please pick up your number and goodie bag between 8:00 - 9:00 am at Carnegie Hall also. The Entry Fee is \$25.00 and additional entries \$15.00 each. There will be prizes for first, second and third place in each class

determined by a panel of judges and guest judge, Jerry Covington of Covington's Customs and a People's Choice prize of \$25 Chamber Dollars for the cars, trucks and motorcycles. Pre-register and get a free Redbud Festival t-shirt, dashboard magnet, 1 Route 66 Museum pass and coupons for great shopping and dining. There will be a Poker Walk for the Car, Truck and Motorcycle show participants with a prize of \$25 Chamber Dollars for the best and worst hand. Prizes will be awarded at 4:15 pm.



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On Saturday be sure and visit the information table at the corner of Main and Broadway to get your People's Choice voting ballot and a chance to win a prize. Also, you may purchase a ticket for a chance to win a Vintage Oil Pump. The BBQ Cook-Off kicks off on Friday, April 28 at 5:30 pm with the Cook's meeting and meat

inspection and the check-in/ set up with a \$25.00 entry fee for each category. The judging begins at 1:00 pm on Saturday, April 29 with turn-in times on Saturday at 12:00, 1:00 and 2:00 pm. Categories are Hot Chicken Wings, Pork Ribs and Brisket. There will be prizes for first and second place in each category and \$250 Chamber Dollars to the Grand Champion. Prizes will be awarded at 4:30 pm. Epic Retro will be the DJ/Emcee for the day starting at 10:00 am until 4:30 pm and he will keep everyone entertained. We will have bleachers downtown so bring your blankets and come listen to some great live music beginning Saturday at 1:00 pm on the corner of Broad and Broadway. Slim Pickins will be performing until 4:00 pm. Lots of Shopping will be available also...participating businesses will be open late 'til 5:00 pm along with many food vendors. Be sure and visit the S & S Amusement Carnival and also, new this year is the Tumbleweed Exchange Junk Show on the corner of Broadway and Madison. So bring the family to downtown Elk City and enjoy all the festivities! For more information please contact the Elk City Chamber of Commerce at 580-225-0207.

Chat (from Page 1)

weekend they are Kamryn Cheshier, Camryn Clark, Emily Coulter, Kiara Patton-Powledge and Brody Unsted.

— cwe —

Better get started cleaning out that closet, attic and garage. Wheeler's City-Wide Garage Sale is set for May 13. Here is an opportunity to get rid of all that stuff that has been piling up and make a little extra money.

— cwe —

The Lion's Club is again taking orders for roses. Surprise Mother with a dozen red roses this Mothers' Day, May 14.

— cwe —

We are working on our Graduation Edition of the paper. Do you have someone graduating this year that we might not know about. Send the picture and information.

— cwe —

Adv. Information must be in by May 3. Publication date for the paper is May 18. And, that is just around the corner.

— cwe —

Wheeler was under storm watch Friday, and my rain gauge was empty. There was flooding in OKC. Fortunately the only way it bothered us was Seth being late for school.

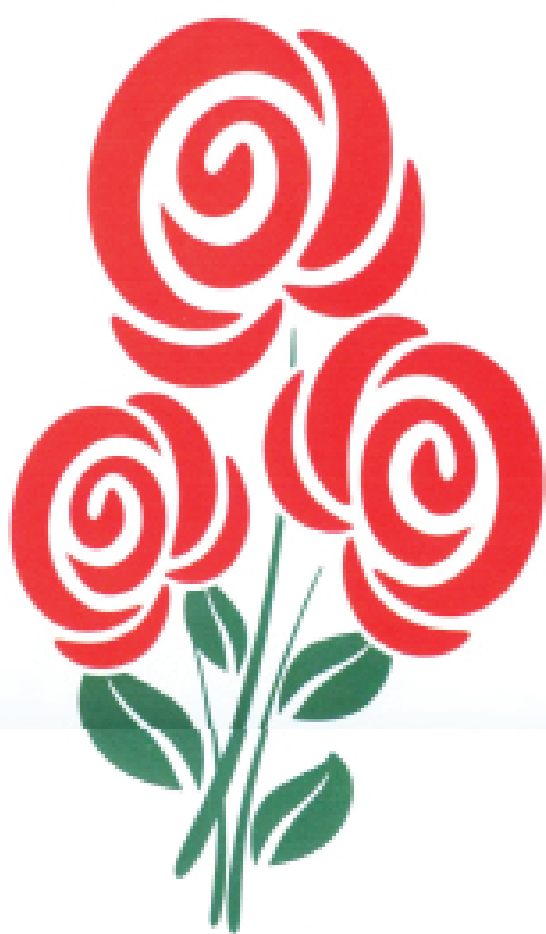
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Golf

A gushy reporter told Phil Mickelson, "You are spectacular, your name is synonymous with the game of golf. You really know your way around the course. What's your secret?" Mickelson replied, "The holes are numbered."

The bride was escorted down the aisle and when she reached the altar, the groom was standing there with his golf bag and clubs at his side. She said: "What are your golf clubs doing here?" He looked her right in the eye and said, "This isn't going to take all day, is it?"

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