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"Wheeler: town of friendship and pride."

## 24th Annual Chamber of Commerce

# 4th OF JULY CELEBRATION IS SATURDAY

## Day Starts With Breakfast & Fun Run And Ends With Dance At The Shelter

Wheeler's Twenty-fourth Annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration will be held this year under the sponsorship of its founders, the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce. The activities start early **Saturday, July 4**, the Fun Run/Walk and ends with the dance at the park, under the shelter.

**BREAKFAST**  
Note: The Wheeler Centennial Historical Association, Inc. will actually open the day's activities with breakfast at the City Drug Bed and Breakfast. Serving is scheduled for 6:30 A.M. and will continue until 9:00 A.M.. Stop in either before the fun run or after and enjoy pancakes, sausage, orange juice, milk and coffee. Donations will be accepted.

**FUN RUN/WALK**  
The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Ben Britt Memorial Fun Run/Walk for a distance of two miles will begin at 7:35 and will be under the direction of Lee Ann Hillhouse. A pre-registration of \$10 was charged; those wishing to register on the day of the event will be charged \$12. Each individual participating will receive a t-shirt. Extra shirts were or-

dered, but those registering on Saturday may have to wait on their shirts.

It is not necessary to run; many just walk and enjoy the fellowship of fellow participants. The starting point for the run will be the southwest corner of the courthouse square on Texas Street. Awards for male and female participants will be divided into five groups: 10 and under, 11-18, 19-30, 31-55, and over 55. Ribbons and medals will be presented following the race.

**PUNT, PASS & KICK Time Change**

Those wishing to participate in the annual Punt, Pass and Kick competition are to gather at the baseball field at the southeast corner of the city park at 11:00 A.M. Ben Ed Hillhouse will chair the event. Danny Debose and Boy Scout Troop #472 help. The event is open to any one wishing

to participate. The event was originally intended for youngsters, but sometimes 'not so young' individuals get involved. The group will be divided by ages and ribbons will be made available at the chamber booth later in the day.

**PARADE**  
Those wishing to participate in the parade will line up, beginning at 9:00 A.M., in front of the Wheeler School. The parade under the direction of Ravonda Hardcastle and boys will start at 9:30 A.M. and continue down Main Street, past the square and then to the City Park. Prizes will be awarded for Best Overall entry, Best Auto entry, Best Kid's Entry, Best Horse Entry, Best Kid's Costume and Best Float. For more information, contact Ravonda Hardcastle at 826-3665.

**PARK ACTIVITIES**  
At 10:00 A.M., the activities at (Continued Page 2)

## 4TH Annual Fun Run Sponsors

- ★ Parkview Hospital and Home Health
- ★ First State Bank of Mobeetie
- ★ R&M Quality Car Wash
- ★ Cross Country Barn
- ★ Sweet Shop
- ★ Hyland's Pharmacy
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- ★ Holmes Sports Center - Pampa
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- ★ Wheeler Banking Center
- ★ Ware Chevrolet
- ★ Britt Clinic
- ★ Wheeler Nursing & Rehab
- ★ Hink's Lawn Spraying
- ★ Britt Hardware
- ★ Hefley Ranch
- ★ Market Square
- ★ Wright Funeral Homes
- ★ Ora Belinda Schoolhouse

### JULY 4, 2009 - BOOTHS

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|----------------------------|---|
| 1. Ryan & Robin Smith      | Drinks (tea, lemonade, water, soft drinks)  |
| 2. Melie Kelley            | Shanghai, egg rolls, fried rice   |
| 3. Melie Kelley            | Crafts  |
| 4. Zodel Swift             | "It Works" body wrap  |
| 5. Bonnie Brickey          | Turkey legs, chili cheese fries, frito pie, fried pickles   |
| 6. Kim's Kitchen           | Hamburgers, sausage on a stick  |
| 7. Janeth Porras           | Enchilada plate, chilindrinas, ice flavors  |
| 8. Annette Badillo         | Tacos, chips, tortas w/chip meat  |
| 9. Katie Gallardo          | Jewelry   |
| 10. Georgeann & David Rion | Antique Park Show - bring your antiques for an estimate of worth  |
| 11. Alyssa Johnson         | Jewelry making  |
| 12. Mitchell & Carlos      | T-shirts, hats, glo-stix, bubbles, and much more  |
| 13. Gerardo Diaz           | Carnitas/Mexican pork barbeque  |
| 14. Boy Scouts             | Pork sandwiches   |
| 15. Maria Porras           | Hot dogs, chili dogs, French Fries  |
| 16. Maribel Mendoza        | Fruit cups  |
| 17. WHS - One Act Play     | Power Cards   |
| 18. LoLo & Company         | New Business in town - Personalized T-shirts, caps, aprons, bags, etc. Can create designs for any occasion. Check it out! |
| 19. Patricia & Martha      | Gorditas, tamales, Mangos, empanadas, cake  |
| 20. Merari Montoya         | Chocolate covered frozen bananas, cucumber cups, Churritos  |
| 21. Erika Burrell          | Photo Booth   |
| 22. Paradise Spa           | Chair Massages  |
| 23. Wheeler FFA            | Giant Waterslide  |
| 24. WHS Cheerleaders       | Tattoos and bouncy room   |
| 25. WJH Cheerleader        | Hairpaint and Cotton Candy  |

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

The fun begins Saturday. It is hard to believe the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration is in its 24<sup>th</sup> year. It keeps getting bigger and better.

Not only should you plan to be in attendance, but you should also participate.

As of press time we did not have anyone to sell ice cream. Hopefully someone is found to undertake this project, as they are still looking.

I am scheduled for the morning at the chamber booth, selling tickets. See you there!

The activities Saturday will be followed with the three day opening of the Wheeler County Ag and Family Life Center on July 17, 18 and 19.

The 'School Cutting' for the Ora Belinda School House has been set for Wednesday, July 15. Wheeler is lucky to have such a facility available for the local children.

And, do you realize the Baymont Inn and Suites has been open for a year? This was also a great addition to Wheeler and they have been enjoying a good business.

We did receive a shower sometime over the weekend. The measurement of moisture was 0.17" for Wheeler. (Continued Page 6)

## STORM REPORT

As Reported by... Stormie Meriwether, Kindergarten Graduate

The 'internet' is so fun! I can do drawings, play games and watch movies. My favorites are dailynoggin.com and nickjr.com. I can do them all by myself. One game is you hunt dinosaur eggs. It's really hard to get to Egg Island. You have to feed all the dinosaurs. It is on Go Diego go.

This one thing lets you do paintings. I made a pink heart. I can't print it 'cause my mom forgot to get the paper.

Sometimes I just like to go fishing. I got a new pink fishing pole. I hope J.D. can go fishing with me. I miss J.D. and all my friends. This report is a long time. That's it.

## Three Days Of Activities Will Introduce Co. Ag & Family Center

The completion of the Wheeler County Ag & Family Life Center will be celebrated with a Grand Opening and Founder Banquet scheduled for July 17 - 19 2009.

Activities are planned for Friday evening through Sunday.

On Friday evening, July 17, the Wheeler Lions Club will provide hamburgers for those wishing to visit the newly completed building. Music will be provided by Wheeler County's own J. W. Lane and band. The building will open at 7:00 P.M. for the Sneak Peak.

The official Ribbon Cutting will be Saturday, July 18, at 6:00. This will be followed by a Founders' Banquet at 7:00 P.M. Tickets will be required for the meal; these are available at the Wheeler County

Extension office, phone 826-5243. Keith Riemer will provide the music for the evening.

The events for Sunday, July 19, have not been finalized. The activities for this day will be under the direction of the Wheeler Ministerial Alliance.

## Wheeler County 4-H Ag Day Camp

A camp for kids of all ages is planned for July 20-24. The camp will start at 10 am - 12 pm at the Wheeler County Ag & Family Life Center. For more information please contact the Wheeler County Extension Office at 806-826-5243.

## First State Bank Of Mobeetie Is 'Named Top Performer'

ICBA Independent Banker, the national magazine of the Independent Community Bankers of America (ICBA), highlighted First State Bank of Mobeetie, Mobeetie, TX., as an "ICBA 400 Top Performer," the magazine's annual listing of top earning ICBA member community banks.

The trade magazine recognized First State Bank of Mobeetie for posting one of the best year-end earnings performances in 2008 for ICBA member community banks with \$50 million to \$100 million in assets.

"Community banks are integral parts of the economic and civic fabric of thousands of towns and cities across America," said Karen Tyson, ICBA senior vice president of communications. "In addition to offering the quality financial products and services their customers need, community banks like First State Bank of Mobeetie spend countless hours and resources helping their communities thrive. ICBA congratulates First State Bank of Mobeetie for serving its community so efficiently and effectively."

First State Bank of Mobeetie was identified in the ICBA Independent Banker year-end ranking of ICBA members based on the standard industry performance measures of return on average assets and return on average equity. The magazine compiles its annual member rankings in its June issue from year-end FDIC call report data.

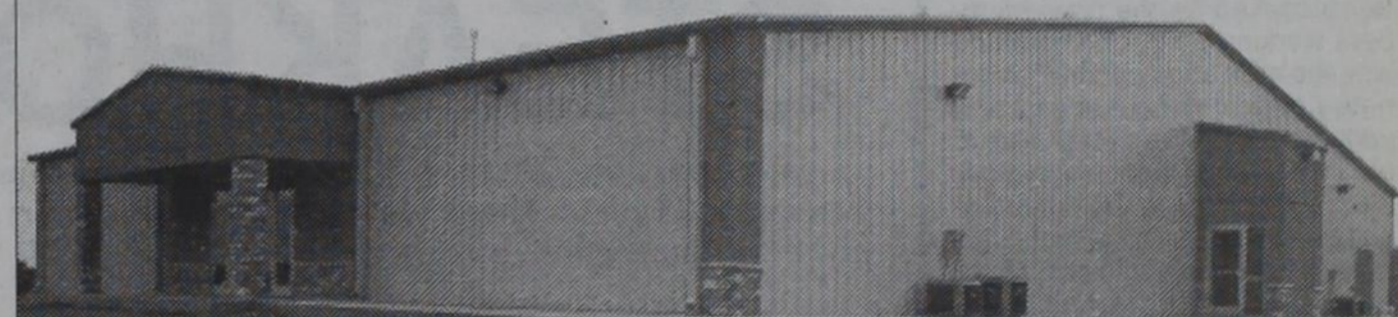


## Sally Dillman Co. Native Receive Volunteer Award

Sally Dillman, daughter of Leonard and Zelma Reid and Wheeler Schools graduate, was honored June 4, 2009, at the Denton State School's annual Volunteer Services banquet. Lovingly known around the school as "Miss Sally," she started volunteering at the school in March, 2008, and at this year's banquet was honored with two prestigious awards, the Volunteer Services Award and 1000 Hours of Service Award.

Introductory words read at the presentation of the Volunteer Services Award stated, "The winner has definitely gone 'above and beyond' in volunteering. Having first come to volunteer and do just a few things, things changed dramatically. She fell in love with volunteering and also with the individuals that live at Denton State School."

"This person realized the needs of the individuals and became a sewing maniac making hundreds of clothing protectors, many wheelchair bags and twin size quilts and also cooks lunch for the volunteers on Wednesdays. This 'busy bee' has been a great gift to the Volunteer program at Denton State School!"



**OPENING CELEBRATION PLANNED:** Three days of activities have been planned for the opening of the Wheeler County Ag and Family Life Center. The dates are Friday thru Sunday, July 17-19, 2009. The building has been completed and the work on the parking lot is scheduled to be completed within the next few days. Mark your calendars and plan to attend.

## Wheeler Co. Farmers' Market Open In Wheeler Wed. & Sat.

Local gardeners and growers are beginning another season of farmers' market sales in Wheeler. The market kicked off on Wednesday, June 17th, at 4:00 pm on the east side of the court house square. The Saturday market will open each week at 9:00 am and will last until 12:00 pm or until vendors sell out whichever happens first.

The Saturday market is set up on the west side of the court house. The market is open to Wheeler County residents who grow their products in Wheeler County. We do not allow shipped-in produce. There is no fee to participate as a seller, and each seller handles his/her own sales and money. Bring your own table and chair(s) and enjoy the atmosphere of a genuine farmers' market, typical of a small town in rural America. This is an excellent opportunity for the people of Wheeler County to supplement their income, give their children a chance to earn a little extra

money, or just to share your garden goods with others.

Early in the season, growers expect to have new potatoes, onions, green beans, rhubarb, blackberries, herbs, plants, and more. Later in the season black-eyed peas, sweet corn, squash, cucumbers, tomatoes, cream peas, okra, cantaloupes, watermelons, peppers, grapes, apples, and much more will be available.

The late freeze seems to have killed the apricot and peach crops for this year, but there should be plenty of other goodies.

Growers are welcome to bring to sell any agricultural products including eggs, pecans, nuts, honey, jams and jellies, canned goods, baked goods, etc. "We want to offer fresh products at fair prices," stated Chester Jones.

Again, Wheeler County Farmers' Market will be held every Wednesday afternoon and every Saturday morning (except July 4th) until some point this fall usually in October. Coordinator of the market is Chester Jones 826-0435.



**HONOREE:** Cecil Meadows will be the honored on Sunday, July 5, 2009, in celebration of his 90th birthday. You are invited; additional information is in the invitation published elsewhere in the paper.

## Benefit Dance To Be Held On July 11

A benefit dance is scheduled for Saturday, July 11, 2009, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Wheeler County Show Barn at the north edge of Wheeler on Hwy. 83. Proceeds go to the Christin Cornet Fund.

Tom and the Global Nomads will be playing the benefit.

## Donetta Dollar Blood Drive Set

3rd Annual Donetta Dollar Memorial Blood Drive will be held Tuesday, July 14, 2:00 to 7:00 P.M. at the First Baptist Church in Wheeler in the Fellowship Hall at 601 S. Main.

Please call 1-877-574-8800 to schedule an appointment. Donors must bring photo ID or donor ID card.

Give blood and sign the "Tree of Life" for Donetta Dollar

All eligible donors will be entered into a drawing for the Dallas Cowboys trip, receive a t-shirt, and vote for their favorite local hero—firefighters or law enforcement.

Who will recruit the most blood donors this year? Competition July 1-August 31. Traveling trophy to be presented 9-11.

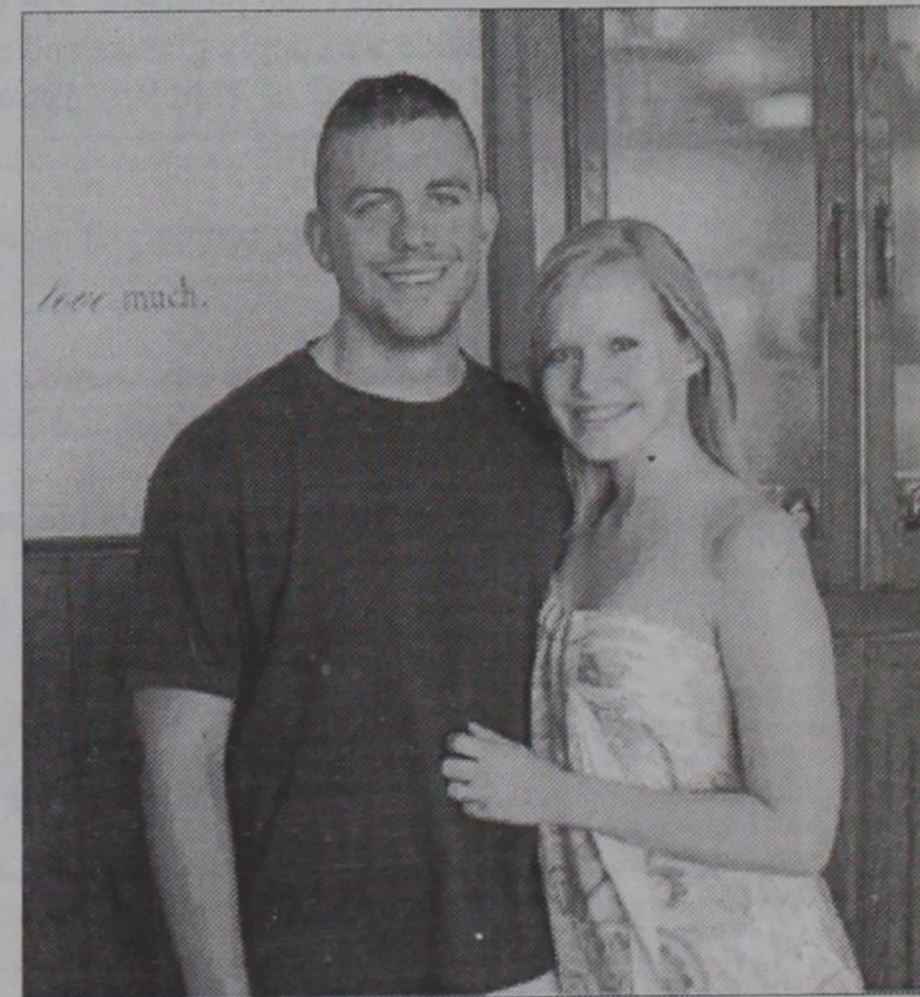
NOTE: This replaces our annual November football promotion so don't miss out on your chance to win. Drawing held 09-01-09.

## Mobeetie Trash Rates Increased

The City of Mobeetie meeting was held June 8, 2009.

Mayor Gordon Estes called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Members present: Mayor Gordon Estes; Council Members Patricia Kephart, Louise Shorter, (Continued Page 6)



**SOLDIER VISITS:** Sgt. and Mrs. Steven Rogers visited relatives in Wheeler this past week. The couple is from Ft. Leonard Wood MO; he is the son of Frankie Rogers and wife of Round Rock, TX. Steven is on R&R near the end of his second tour in Iraq; he has three more months to serve at Camp Liberty in Bagdad. Steven went into the military right out of high school and plans to return to Round Rock after he is released from duty on July 10, 2010. Steven appreciates all the support he has received—"Wheeler people Care." His unit received Girl Scout cookies, which were given in a day. Steven and his wife, Alyssa, are shown here in the home of his aunt and uncle, Linda and Bob Hink.



**25 YEARS:** Maxey's Steakhouse will be celebrating 25 years in business in Wheeler on Friday, July 3, 2009. You are invited out to the south edge of Wheeler for this celebration. Check their ad for more details. Congratulations!

# MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Sue Mayfield

The cool early mornings are greatly appreciated and the last few days have been very nice. Saturday started out so hot and windy. It just seemed to wait for all the exhibitors to get set up at the Old Jail and then the wind and rain hit. It certainly cooled things off, but kept many people from attending the festivities. However, it did blow over and make for a very nice evening.

Michael really enjoyed watching the blacksmith. Sorry that the numbers were down because of the weather. Everyone had worked so hard to make it a special day of education and fun for all.

It was reported that M K Brown Boy Scout camp had an inch and three quarters of rain in less than an hour.

Our sympathy goes out to the family and friends of Bill Tolbert, 85, of Miami. He passed away Friday, June 26, 2009, in Canadian. Services were held Tuesday morning at the First Christian Church of Miami with the Rev. Tom Stribling of the United Methodist Church of Happy and Billy Holland, minister of the First Christian Church of Miami, officiating. Burial was in the Miami Cemetery with military honors presented by the US Army. Mr. Tolbert was born and raised in Miami and graduated from Miami High School in the class of 1942. He went on to graduate from Texas A&M University in 1946. In 1947, he married the love of his life, Margaret

## Family Says Thanks

We would like to take this opportunity and thank everyone involved in the Extreme Home Makeover Project for our new home. The Wheeler County Precincts 1 & 2 along with the City of Wheeler Employees and H&H Dirt Works for preparing the property and the hauling off the remains of our home destroyed by the April Wildfires. A big thanks to the local businesses that donated food to be cooked for the crew members working on our home along with the men and women that donated their time in serving and cooking food. We would like to also thank all of those that volunteered their time in the construction of our home. Thanks to all of those that came out to our "Move That Bus" celebration. Our dreams have come true with the help and support of the great men and women of the Texas Panhandle Builders Association and those of you that donated your time and services. A Big thanks to LeeAnn Hillhouse and Ken Daughtry for all your support and time during the loss of our home. Each and every one of you holds a special place in our hearts and you will never know what this has meant to us. We are so fortunate to live in such a supportive community. Our new home has been such a blessing to us and a dream come true. Thanks,  
The Carr Family  
Huey, April, Robert, Cody & BreeAnna

Durrett. He served our country with the US Army Infantry in Europe during WWII, receiving several medals, including the Purple Heart. Mr. Tolbert owned and operated the grain storage business in Roberts Co. for many years. He then retired to run the ranch on a full-time basis. He was very involved in the cattle and

grain businesses of Roberts Co. and the panhandle for many years. One of his greatest joys in life was serving the Lord. He was a very active member and deacon of the First Christian Church. Bill's parents, Joe and Alpha Tolbert; a daughter, Betty Lou Tolbert, and two sisters preceded him in death. He is survived

by his lovely wife, Margaret, of the home; a daughter, Pat Pierce, and husband, Joe, of Miami; two brothers, Jim Tolbert and wife, Janie, of Miami, and George Tolbert and wife, Mary Jo, of Ft. Worth; two sisters, Ina Seuchs of Miami, and Mary Wold and husband, Ted, of Arlington, WA.; three granddaughters, and two great-granddaughters. He will be greatly missed.

Hope this finds Kenneth Walker doing well after having day surgery in Amarillo on Mon., June 29. Glad to hear that Vera is getting around much better. Doesn't even have to use a cane any more. Hooray. Maybe they can soon get back to traveling and enjoying their music and dancing. Get well soon, Kenneth. The city of Woodward, OK., is getting ready for a "big" 4th of July celebration. This year, former President, George W. Bush, will be dedicating the new city park facilities and water park. They are going 'all out' up there. Hope you have a safe and wonderful 4th of July. We are so fortunate to be living in the good ol' USA. Our lives are so much better than the majority of the rest of the world. We appreciate all that our military families do to make our country one of the best in the world and the safest. May God bless and protect all who value the lives and safety of so many.

Please keep our friends and neighbors in your prayers.



## To the friends and relatives of Cecil Meadows

COME HELP US CELEBRATE  
CECIL MEADOWS  
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WITH HIM !!!



WHEN: SUNDAY, JULY 5<sup>TH</sup>

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We will also be drawing for (2) Maxey T-shirts and a \$50.00 gift certificate. Come help celebrate this important date with us. Again, thank you for your continued support throughout these wonderful 25 years of serving you.  
Wanda Herd Family and Staff

## 4th

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the park will begin with the flag ceremony by Wheeler Boy Scouts of America and the singing of the National Anthem. Several activities and lots of food will be located at the park to keep visitors busy all day. Or, just come on out and enjoy the fellowship.

### TURTLE RACE

The annual turtle race is scheduled once again by the Thursday Review. Bring your youngsters and turtles and enjoy this free activity.

### BALLOON TOSS

Immediately following the turtle race will be the balloon toss. The balloon toss is also free, but remember, you might get wet. This event is open to anyone wishing to participate.

**Note:** You are reminded that tickets are used at the park—not money. Tickets are available at the chamber booth, located near the pavilion.

### SWIMMING

The Wheeler Municipal Pool will open at 10:00 A.M. Youngsters can compete in several swimming events planned for the morning.

### ENTERTAINMENT

Several groups and/or individuals will be performing at the park during the day by local talent. The afternoon will be "Open Mike".

### FIREWORKS

Closing the activities at the park will be the annual Fireworks display scheduled for dusk. Public donations make the display possible. If you have not made a contribution, please do—checks may be mailed to the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 221, Wheeler, TX 79096. Your contribution is appreciated and make the display possible. It is illegal to set-off fireworks in the City of Wheeler, especially the park. This ordinance is shown in the classified section of this issue of the Times.

## Wheeler County

### JAIL REPORT

**Moon, Ruben Palacio** 25 w/m Shamrock TX 06-22-09 to 06-23-09—Assault family violence \$1500 bond Hefley

**Timmons, Stephen Tyler** 24 w/m Wheeler TX 06-22-09 to 06-23-09—Gray Co Wmt — released to Gray Co Authorities

**Collins, Jack Eugene** 42 w/m Dumas TX 06-24-09—Misd probation violation bond denied Hefley

Current Jail Inmates: Harrison, Tyrone; Palacio, Edward; Bell, Juan; Brewer, Mitchel; Mitchell, Ernest; Hogan, Jennifer; Hernandez, Shawn; Guthrie, Stephen; Brinkley, Charlene; Johnson, Cody; Cook, Anthony; Collins, Jack

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### DANCE

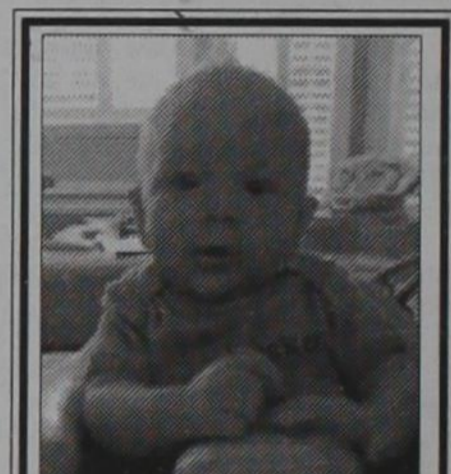
The dance will begin immediately after the fireworks at the shelter and continue until around 1:00 A.M.

Make plans to attend and enjoy the day.

The success of the 4th of July celebration would not be possible without the co-operation of many businesses and individuals.

The chamber extends a 'Thank You' to Johnny and Tom Velasquez (Velasquez Group) for providing the posters for the Celebration for us each year. They are printed at no cost to the Chamber.

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**Ian Alexander Stas**, 3 month old, is the son of Rona Wayne Stas Jr. and Monica Driggs of Pottsboro, TX. Grandparents are Ronal and Juanita Stas, Robert Driggs, Bernard and Lorie Tepera. Great-grandparents are Louis and Barbara Stas, Teresa Whitehead, Herbert Whitehead, Clarice Driggs and Virginia Rushing.

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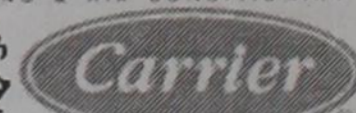
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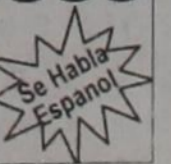
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By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name. But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased. Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you. Pray for us; for we trust we have a good conscience, in all things willing to live honestly. But I beseech you the rather to do this, that I may be restored to you the sooner. Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. Hebrews 13:15-21

Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: By whom also we have access by faith unto this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. Romans 5:1 & 2

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in the mountain of his holiness. Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King. God is known in her palaces for a refuge. Psalms 48: 1-3

I Will love thee, O Lord, my strength. The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower. I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies. Psalms 18: 1-3

The psalter here in Allison, Texas on this Tuesday morning is very beautiful, the sun is shining and there is no wind and it is getting hot. Suppose to be in the nineties today. But we receive cool fronts along and it keeps it not so very hot as it could be. I praise God for that. We are needing some more rain, without the storms of course. God is good to us tho, he usually sends the rain when we need it the most. Praise be to God!!

I'm sorry that I wasn't able to write last week, but I was attending the funeral of a precious woman of God who was in a Nursing Home in Stephenville, Texas. That is a six hour drive from Allison, Texas so Opal and Juanita Boydston accompanied Louise Boydston to her funeral which was on Tuesday so thus I was gone. We left on Monday evening of June 22nd around two thirty and headed to Stephenville, Texas. We stayed in the Econo Inn which had been the Comfort Inn and it was really nice with comfortable beds and a good breakfast in the morning. Before they went to the funeral, they ate at the Cotton Patch, it was a very good place to eat and delicious food as well. Enjoyed it very much. After the funeral, Louise and Opal and Juanita headed home cause Juanita had to work the next day. Louise knew the area well, so she drove us around and showed us where Bro. and Sis. Oscar Welch had lived at different times in their lives and also where Sis. Mary Welch had lived

before she was put into the Nursing Home. Bro. and Sis. Oscar Welch had pastored here in Allison, Texas from 1958 thru 1962 at the United Pentecostal Church. Sis. Mary Welch was an Aunt to the late Janice Boydston and her daughter SaRita Green of Binger, Oklahoma was Mary Welch's great niece.

Mary E. Welch of Stephenville, Texas, was a housewife, seamstress, musician, and a minister's wife, she passed away on Sunday, June 21st 2009 at a local

hospital. She had fallen and had two strokes and went into a coma and never came out of it. Services were held at 2 p.m. at the Lacy Funeral Home Chapel. There was a slideshow of her life and it was beautiful and really nice. Rev. Carl Ford and Rev. Jeremy Lynch officiated the service. Music she chose was "Sweet By and By", "I'll Fly Away", "The Eastern Gate" sang by Cleo Wolf on tape. Burial was in Erath Gardens of Memory. She was born on September 22, 1914, to the late W.J. Sanford and Nancy Myers Sanford in Lampasas, Texas. She married Oscar Welch on July 22, 1932. He preceded her in death on January 9, 2000, after 67 years and 6 months of marriage. Mary Welch was a charter member of Wheelant Life

Church of Stephenville, Texas since 1953.

Bret Begert and Bennie Boydston was in Klamath Falls, Oregon attending the Western Limousin Regional Junior and Open Cattle Shows. Bret and Bennie flew in to Portland, Oregon and drove down to the Pacific Coast, saw a Crator Lake and visited San Francisco Bay. Bret and Bennie flew home out of Oakland California.

Roma and Billy June Brown went to Amarillo, Texas where Roma saw a heart specialist. His appointment was on Friday so they went up on Thursday and stayed the night in the home Warren and Charline Brown.

Sorry to hear that Aunt Billy June Brown on Saturday was rushed by ambulance to Parkview Hospital in Wheeler, Texas cause she was very sick. They reported that she has pneumonia and she is still in hospital. She would covet your prayers.

Allen and Janice McCloy of Morse, Texas dropped by to visit her mother, Alice Kelly one day last week.

We are happy to know that Justin and Stephanie Walker and three children, Tyler, Addison and Alyssa are moving to Allison, Texas for awhile. Welcome to Allison!!

Wednesday, Juanita Boydston drove for Peggy Chandler to Amarillo, Texas for her to see the eye doctor. While they were there, Amarillo had the worst storm that they had had all year long. It was suppose to be nice and pretty. NOT!! It was very stormy that evening. But Praise be to God. Jesus calmed Juanita's fears of storms and she made it thru it, course she was in a big building without windows so couldn't see the storm, but went and looked out the main entrance and it was black as midnight, couldn't even see the parking lot. It was the black dirt blowing thru from the storm. Some parts of Amarillo had eighty miles an hour winds. But praise God he kept us safe thru it all. And by the time we got out, we shopped some in Sam's and by the time we headed home it looked alright. And we didn't even get any rain on us all the way home. God is soooooo very good to us. I give him the glory and praise!! for his love and protection. I called and had Roma to go and get mom, Opal Boydston and take her over to their house for I didn't want her to be by herself in the storm if it made it to Allison, which it didn't. But I wanted her to be with someone during that time. Opal ate supper with Roma and Billy June Brown and she finished sewing on some neck pillows that she was making.

Friday Opal and Juanita were



in Wheeler, Texas on business and did some shopping.

Sunday, last week after church, Opal and Juanita Boydston accompanied Louise Boydston to Elk City, Oklahoma where they enjoyed a delicious meal at KFC. Then they went and visited Pearl Harrison in the Nursing home.

Wednesday, Opal and Juanita Boydston ate supper with Louise Boydston in celebration of Bennie's birthday. Others there were: Stephanie Walker and children, Tyler, Addison and Alyssa, Debbie Boydston and Gary Boydston.

Thursday, Opal and Juanita, Stephanie, Tyler, Addison, and Alyssa all enjoyed a delicious meal in the home of Louise Boydston.

Stephanie Walker is really working hard on the house they are going to move into. She is painting and working around trying to get ready to live in.

Becky Wood of San Angelo, Texas, the daughter of Bro. and Sis. F.R. Johnson had surgery, she had some scary times, but praise be to God she came thru and is doing better.

Louise Boydston flew to Seattle, Washington on June 5th and met her daughter Sue Martin from Leedy, Oklahoma and her daughter LaQuinta Hulse and husband Mike of Sarharita, Arizona. On June 6th, they all went on the Holland American Amsterdam Cruise to Alaska. Their first stop was at Juneau, Alaska, then on to Hubbard Glacier and Yakutat Bayou. Wednesday to Sitka, Alaska, then Thursday, Ketchikan, Alaska then on Friday to Victoria, Canada where they visited the Buchhart Gardens. It was so beautiful, lots of all kinds of flowers. On Saturday the ship docked in Seattle, Washington and Sue flew home by the way of Houston, Texas and the plane was having trouble in Washington so she missed her plane in Houston and had to spend the night and returned to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma the next day.

Louise, Mike and LaQuinta took the plane to Phoenix, Arizona and spent the night at Cory and Michelle Phillips at Chandler, Arizona then returned to Sarharita, Arizona and Louise spent the week with them and returned to Amarillo, Texas on Saturday the 20th of June. On Sunday she visited her mother, Pearl Harrison at the Elk City Nursing Home.

### Parkview Artery Celebrating the 4th of July

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So as you take time with your family this week. Wear proudly the red, white and blue. And remember the loved ones still in service for our great country.

**Medcat**  
If you are ashamed to stand by your colors, you had better seek another flag.

## Wheeler County COURT RECORDS

List of instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's office from June 16, 2009 - June 26, 2009.

**JUNE 16, 2009**  
AMEND. OL-D'Awn Smith Swartwood to PAC Production Company, 6-8-09, Sec. 36, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
AMEND. OL-Craig D. Smith to PAC Production Company, 6-8-09, Sec. 36, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
AMEND. OL-Carol G. Hardage to Sherrod Blakeney Inc., 4-28-09, NW/4 Sec. 79, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
AMEND. OL-Sunny Keeneto Sherrod Blakeney Inc., 5-4-09, NW/4 Sec. 79, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
AMEND. OL-Casey Taylor to Sherrod Blakeney Inc., 4-27-09, NW/4 Sec. 79, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
AMEND. OL-Mary Evans Van Sant to Sherrod Blakeney Inc., 4-28-09, NW/4 Sec. 79, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
AMEND. OL-Gloria Beth Alvey to Sherrod Blakeney Inc., 4-24-09, NW/4 Sec. 79, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
AMEND. OL-David F. Hefley to Sherrod Blakeney Inc., 4-24-09, NW/4 Sec. 79, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
AMEND. OL-Richard E. Hefley Living Trust, et al to Sherrod Blakeney Inc., 4-28-09, NE/4 Sec. 79, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
AMEND. OL-Bernice E. Hefley, et vir to Sherrod Blakeney Inc., 4-27-09, NE/4 Sec. 79, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
DVL-Ricky D. Gragg, et ux to Walter D. Sherman, et ux, 6-15-09, Pt. NW/4 Sec. 43, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
DT-Walter D. Sherman to Wellington State Bank, 6-15-09, Pt. NW/4 Sec. 43, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
DEED-Dean Hinnenkamp to James Hinnenkamp, et ux, 6-16-09, Lots 21-24, Blk. J, Park Add., Wheeler.

**JUNE 17, 2009**  
PARTIAL ASSIGN./CONVEY./BS-Palace Exploration Company, et al to Roda Drilling LP, 5-14-09, Sec. 59, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
PARTIAL ASSIGN./CONVEY./BS-Palace Exploration Company, et al to Roda Drilling LP, 5-14-09, Sec. 96, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
EXT. DT-Clifford Oldham, et al to National Bank of Commerce, 6-12-09, SE/4 Sec. 38, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
EXT./AMEND. OL-Linda Holt  
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### CHEERLEADER TRYOUTS TO BE HELD IN JULY

The Clarendon College Cheerleading squad will host tryouts for its 2009-10 season on Friday, July 10 at 1:30 p.m. in the Bairfield Activity Center in Clarendon.

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**Trash**

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Gaylord Thompson and Emma Swigart.  
Member absent: Pam Jones. There were no guests present. Minutes for the May meeting were read by Patricia Kephart and Gaylord Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Louise Shorter. Motion approved 3-1 abstaining.  
The Financial Reports for May were presented by Emma Swigart. Patricia Kephart made a motion to accept the financial reports as presented, seconded by Gaylord Thompson. Motion approved 4-0.

Monthly bills were reviewed and considered for payment. Emma Swigart made a motion to approve and pay the bills as presented; motion seconded by Patricia Kephart. Motion approved 4-0.  
New Business: Consider acceptance of Water Quality Report. Gaylord Thompson made a motion to accept the Water Quality Report as presented, motion seconded by Louise Shorter. Motion approved 4-0.  
Consider for approval of Allied Waste Services rate increase. Patricia Kephart made a motion to accept the Allied Waste Services rate increase; motion seconded by Emma Swigart. Motion approved 4-0.

**Chat**

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We left for OKC on Thursday. The activities for the weekend included a trip to Weatherford, TX, with the Bluegrassers, Melba and Gene Arnold to enjoy a performance by the Gillette Brothers. It was down there and back.  
— cwe —  
Jessica had traveled with the boys, so we got to visit with her also.  
— cwe —  
Several of the Gillette friends that I knew were in attendance, including several, who had moved from Huntsville to the Weatherford area.  
— cwe —

Set your alarm and start Saturday with breakfast with your friends and neighbors.  
— cwe —

A reminder: You need to find a turtle so your youngster can participate in the turtle race.  
— cwe —

Cards were not played Monday evening, people were out of town.

**Hospital Notes**

**Admissions**  
6/23 Terry Gardner  
Maurita Stribling  
6/25 Rhonda Cook  
6/26 Dean Lane  
6/28 Billy J. Brown  
**Dismissals**  
6/25 Terry Gardner  
Maurita Stribling  
Rhonda Cook  
6/26



**Solution**

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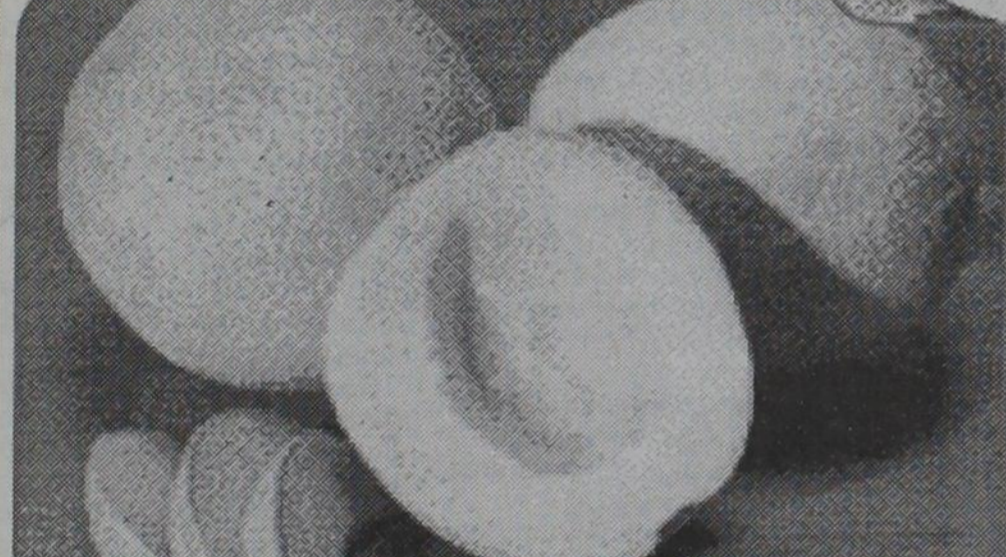
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