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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR
By Louis C. Stas

The Wheeler gymnasium was filled with family and friends to say 'Goodbye' to Wheeler's own, Ben Britt.

—cwe—

Many flags were flying in Wheeler in honor of our fallen soldier.

—cwe—

Over 200 motorcycles, representing 'Patriot Guard' came to Wheeler to show their respect. A number of riders from the county joined the 'Guard' for the service. The 'Guard' has men from all professions, including preachers and lawyers.

—cwe—

We can only hope this is the last of our young men to be sacrificed in this war.

—cwe—

Wheeler Fire Department was called out Sunday to fight a fire near Shamrock. Wheeler citizens are urged to be extremely careful not to start any fires.

—cwe—

We do not have Mrs. Flowers to run the onion test on the weather for the year, but I would almost bet it's going to be warm and dry.

—cwe—

Only 0.25 hundredths moisture was received in December with less than that received in November.

—cwe—

We made a quick trip to OKC Thursday evening and brought Jennifer and the grandpuppies back to Wheeler on Friday. Greg was already here hunting deer.

—cwe—

The Bryants and the grandpuppies spent the end of the week with us.

—cwe—

We saw the new year in at the card table with Beverly, Regena, Jennifer and I.

—cwe—

We started the year off right with Sunday dinner for Jennifer and Greg, Mike and Beverly Bryant, Josh, Gary, Regena, Sarah and Cameron Bryant and Kathleen Cross.

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Cards were played Monday evening. LeRoy and I lost the first game. Rhonda and I won the second game against Mike and Dwight. Barbara and Dwight won the last 'half' game.

—cwe—

The View of a Southern Woman

... Southern California that is.

This Christmas was very Southern California like in that the weather was near the same. Only thing missing was the sound of the ocean's roar and we have a recording of that thanks to one of the men, Mike, that moved us here two years ago. He was such a nice person and he said he would send me a recording of the ocean so I would not get homesick. I had forgotten about it until it arrived some weeks later and it does play the sound of a crashing surf and the seagulls cry. Mike called from California several times over the next year and a half. Some people you just do not forget and it can be for a very simple reason or kindness.

Glenn Forrest Frosty ask me what I wanted for Christmas and I told him a one way airline ticket to California would be nice. He said, "I would have to ask!" Glenn takes a lot of joking from me and he goes along with it. He is such a good natured man. We will probably go to visit my family next May or June, but will take the car or probably the truck. We usually need a truck to carry all of our wonderful new treasures that we pick up along the way on a trip of that length.

When we go to our deer blinds, we are very quiet and try to not disturb any wildlife. Now Glenn is very good at this with the exception of a morning visit the other day. He was all settled long before daylight and just at dawn, he reached in his pocket and accidentally hit the truck key warning button with it's all telling horn honking and lights flashing signal. Of course you could hear it in Wheeler probably and needless to say, he saw no deer that morning or that night either. I wonder what those men on the drilling rigs in that area thought as the morning silence was broken by a Ford truck horn. Glenn no longer carries that key with him to the hunting blinds. He said not to mention this but I do not remember if I promised or not.

Our kids, Robby, SaRita and family from Oklahoma were here Christmas eve and it never fails when our 6 month old great-grand-

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MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR 1ST LT. BRITT

(Editor's Note: The following article by Michael Smith was published in the Tuesday, January 3, 2006, edition of Amarillo Globe-News.)

WHEELER — Mourners filled all 1,000 seats in the Wheeler High School gymnasium Monday morn-

ing as the town of 1,200 said goodbye to one of its heroes, 1st Lt. Benjamin Thomas Britt.

Britt, 24, who fought with the Army's 101st Airborne, died Dec. 22, when an improvised explosive device detonated as he led a patrol through Baghdad, Iraq, De-

fense Department records show.

Military representatives presented Britt's family with the Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart and Combat Infantryman's Badge in his honor during the service.

The crowd watched stoically as Britt's family filed past the American flag-draped coffin positioned before a makeshift pulpit below a flag-draped basketball goal—with a few arms occasionally rising to wipe sobbing eyes and rub sniffling noses.

Monsignor Joseph Tash of Amarillo's St. Thomas the Apostle Church likened Britt's service to biblical scripture—when the Apostle Paul wrote to Timothy that he "fought the good fight . . . finished the race . . . (and) kept the faith."

"He had a job to do, and he did it," Tash said. "He did whatever it took to make a difference in this world."

Brig. Gen. Michael Terry, commanding general, 13th Corps Support Command at Fort Hood, speaking on behalf of the Army, told the family they should take solace in Britt's role in the overall mission.

"Ben died for a sacred cause—Freedom," Terry said. "Because of his sacrifice, there are fewer terrorists to threaten America."

Terry read remembrances from Britt's superiors and comrades, who described Britt as a dedicated, intelligent soldier who did his duty with humility and class and had a gift of lifting their spirits.

"You are the reason this country has the freedom it does," one wrote.

"You'll be missed, man. We learned a lot from you, especially how to laugh when there's nothing to laugh at," another wrote.

Following the 101st Airborne's Honor Guard, family and friends drove through town on Farm-to-Market Road 2473 and up a golden grassy hill to Wheeler Cemetery for interment.

Before leaving for the cemetery, Shawn Read, Britt's freshman year science teacher and coach at Wheeler High School, said he most remembers Britt as a hardworking student athlete who was always respectful and appreciative.

The two kept in touch, even after Read and his family moved to San Antonio, he said.

"He was just a pleasant young man to be around in any situation," Read said. "Ben is a great representative and ambassador for Wheeler. We're proud of him."



1st Lt. Benjamin Thomas Britt



WAR MEMORIAL: Wheeler County has another name to be added to the War Memorial on the northeast corner of the Wheeler County Courthouse lawn. A wreath in memory of 1st Lt. Benjamin Thomas Britt was placed on the memorial. The walk to the memorial is made up of bricks naming Wheeler County veterans.

1st Lt. Ben T. Britt Burial Jan. 2, 2006

1st Lt. Benjamin Thomas Britt, 24, died Thursday, December 22, 2005, at Baghdad, Iraq.

Services were at 11 A.M., Monday, January 2, 2006, at the Wheeler High School gymnasium in Wheeler with Brigadier General Terry, Ft. Hood Army Post, presenting special awards and Msgr. Joseph Tash, pastor St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Amarillo, officiating.

Burial was in the Wheeler Cemetery, Wheeler, TX, under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Lt. Britt was born April 20, 1981, in Amarillo, TX, to David Jr. and Mary Britt. He attended school and graduated from Wheeler High School in 1999. He was valedictorian of his class, an Eagle Scout, participated in football, basketball, track and was an All-State Football player. He was also a State Academic winner in U.I.L. Lt. Britt attended Trinity University and played football for one year there. He attended the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, where he graduated in the top per cent of his class in May, 2004. Lt. Britt was on the Army Rugby team all 4 years while at West Point. He was stationed with the 101st Airborne Division in Ft. Campbell, KY. He completed the Airborne Assault and Ranger Schools. He was a platoon leader

Mae B. Welch, 96 Buried Fri. Dec. 30

Mae Beatrice Welch, 96, died Monday, December 26, 2005. Services were at 2 p.m. Friday in First Baptist Church of Wheeler with Bob Thomas of Odyssey Health Care of Amarillo officiating. Burial was in Salem Cemetery in Sweetwater, Oklahoma, by Wright Funeral Home.

Mrs. Welch was born May 23, 1909, in Sweetwater to Frank and Sadie Scantling Ragsdale. She attended school in Sweetwater. She married Elgia Welch in 1926 in Mayfield, Oklahoma. They left Sweetwater in 1965, moving to Keys, Oklahoma. In 1975, they moved to Briscoe. Mrs. Welch was a homemaker. She had been in the Wheeler Care Center since 1995. She attended the Baptist church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband in 1987; a son, Bill Welch; four sisters, two brothers; and three grandchildren.

Survivors include five sons, Ray Welch of Madras, Ore., Troy Welch of Avery, Chuck Welch of Peyton, Colo., John Welch of Amarillo and Buck Welch of Los Angeles; six daughters, Hazel Miller and Barb Williams, both of Allison; Della Wolf of Edmond, Okla., Shirley Spitzer of Sayre, Okla.; Joy Meadows of Wheeler and Betty Newsom of Odessa; 28 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation in Oklahoma City.



FUNERAL SERVICE: Brig. Gen. Michael Terry presents the Bronze Star Medal to the Britt family at the funeral service Monday of 1st Lt. Benjamin Thomas Britt at the Wheeler High School gymnasium.

—Photo by Henry Bargas



PAYING THEIR RESPECTS: About 1,000 people attended Monday's funeral service of 1st Lt. Benjamin T. Britt at the Wheeler High School Gymnasium.

—Photo by Henry Bargas

To the citizens of Wheeler County:

We live in a wonderful community. Ben truly loved this place and this community had a tremendous influence on him. He felt he represented his home wherever he went, and he carried home with him everywhere he went, including Iraq. This community has gone beyond any expectation we could have imagined to show its respect for Ben. So many people deserve our appreciation and thanks for selfless donations of time, effort, and gifts. Unfortunately, we may not have kept a complete record of calls, flowers, and gifts of food. However, we do appreciate every single blessing from the community.

Our path was smoothed enormously by Jim Wright and Msgr. Tash. We relied on the Sheriff and his staff to coordinate with other law enforcement agencies to handle the protesters. We appreciate Wheeler ISD for the use of their facilities. The efforts of Boy Scout Troop 472 were immeasur-

able and greatly appreciated. We are grateful for all the women from all the churches who prepared and served more food than the 101st could have eaten. We appreciate the bikers whose sole intention was to pay respect and minimize the disrespect intended by others. The flags and streamers of red, white and blue in and around the community were a comfort to the family.

We are grateful to those artists who depicted Ben's life so creatively through pictures on display. The respects paid to Ben will forever be remembered by his family left behind. We consider ourselves blessed, just as Ben did, to live in your midst. Thank you all very much and may God bless you all.

Sincerely,
The family of Ben Britt
Dave, Mary, Jake, and Josh Britt
David and Paula Britt
Morris and Vivian Albers

Sherri Jones Announces For Re-election As District Clerk

Sherri Jones would like to announce that she will be seeking re-election to the office of District Clerk in the March Democratic Primary.

She has been in the District Clerk's office since 1991. Sherri is married to Ronny Jones. He is the store manager at Thriftway in Wheeler. Ronny and Sherri have 2 daughters. Tracy is 16 years old and is a junior in high school and Paige is 12 years old and is in the 6th grade. Sherri was raised in

DPS Trooper Killed In The Line of Duty

Highway Patrol trooper Billy J. Zachary was killed Sunday afternoon when he was struck by a pickup truck while conducting a traffic stop on IH-20 near Monahans.

Trooper Zachary had two vehicles stopped on the shoulder of westbound IH-20. He was issuing a citation to a driver when he was struck by a pickup truck driven by Mario Andres Valdez, 33, of Odessa. Trooper Zachary was thrown into the bar ditch separating the interstate from the frontage road.

Trooper Zachary, 32, had been with the DPS since February 2004. He is the 79th DPS officer killed in the line of duty. (Contin'd Page 3)



Sherri Jones

Wheeler and is a graduate of Wheeler and is a graduate of Wheeler High School.

I have received the appropriate hours each year to be certified with the State of Texas, this helps me keep up with the many changes that happen every year in the office.

I have enjoyed working in the District Clerk's office and want to take this time to thank Wheeler County for their support. I would appreciate your vote in the upcoming elections.

Paid political advertisement by Sherri Jones, (Paid political advertisement by Sherri Jones, P.O. Box 1247, Wheeler, TX 79096)

County Livestock Show Dates Given

The Wheeler County 4-H Clubs and FFA Organizations have been busy preparing their animals for the local shows and the County Show.

The Shamrock local show will be held on Saturday, January 21 at 11:30 am in Shamrock.

The Fort Elliott local show will be held on Thursday, January 26, at 5:00 PM at the Wheeler County Barn. The Wheeler local show will follow the Fort Elliott local show.

The County Show will kick off on Friday, January 28 at 8:00 AM with the weigh-in of the lambs, goats and cattle. The Lamb Show will begin at 9:30 AM followed by the Goat Show, Steer Show and Heifer Show. The hogs will weigh-in after the Heifer Show. The Pig Show will begin at 8:00 AM on Saturday, January 29, 2005. The BBQ will begin at 5:00 PM with the Awards and Premium Sale beginning at 6:00 PM on Saturday, January 29, 2005.

Wishing Each & Everyone Happy New Year!



HANING TAKES BIG 10 POINT: Jarrod Haning shot this 10-point buck December 17, 2005, on the Haning land. Jarrod is the son of Buster and Debbie Haning of Wheeler.

Bradstreet live at Colony near Dallas.

Betty and Melvin Stinnett from Buena Vista, Colo., have been visiting Peggy Chandler (Betty's sister) and other relatives.

Congratulations to April and Michael Snelson on the birth of their new baby girl Tuesday, Dec. 20, at Amarillo. Riley Danae was 7 lbs. 4 ozs and 19 inches long and was welcomed by big brother, Brendon. Proud grandparents include Mac and Gay Purcell. Proud great-grandparents include R.L. and Rozena Zybach.

Nice to have Wilma (Riley) Barker back at Wheeler Care Center. She rooms with sister, Minerva Jones. They are across the hall from sister, Hannah Chapman. They are enjoying being together on A Hall.

Ladies Day Out meets Thursday, Jan. 5, at 11:30 at Kim's Kitchen. All ladies invited.

Jim and Beth Alvey went to Ft. Smith, Ark., Thursday to visit daughter, Tina, and Chuck Dale, and Emily and attend the funeral of Chuck's uncle, Don Dale, who was buried in the National Cemetery.

The Alveys had most of their kids and grandkids for the Christmas holidays and included Todd and Misty Alvey and Paige, Patterson, Presley and Payton from Pampa, Tina and Chuck Dale and Emily from Arkansas, Marisa Bonner and Jady from Lubbock

and Mari and Dan Ramsey from Alvarado, Tx.

Jim Jr. and Ester Alvey and Josiah from Valera, Texas came to visit Jim and Beth Alvey Sunday. They expect to be moving soon to Lelia Lake, Tex.

Dale and Kathy Smith from Kismet, Kan., visited Dale's Mom, Patsy Smith and ate lunch with her Sunday.

John and Billie Holcomb will be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary Sunday, Jan. 14 at First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall in Wheeler from 3 to 5 p.m. Relatives and friends are invited. Mark your calendar. Happy Anniversary, Billie and John.

Verneal Prater and Mary Lou Carter visited Jeanette and Frankie Clayton Sunday at Canadian to celebrate Jeanette's 33rd birthday. Carl Lee and Deseray Jahnel were visiting their other grandparents, the Andy Jahnels. Jeanette and Frankie will be celebrating their 3rd anniversary on Jan. 3 with supper out at Railhead Grill.

Leonard Hollis of Bolivar, Missouri had to have surgery to remove several inches of his colon. And then he had a mild heart attack. Hoping he does not have another heart attack. Pray for Leonard and Bertha.

Thank you to everyone for all the sweet caring cards and notes in the loss of Willis. It helps to know you care and love me. Thanks for beautiful plants and flowers.

Nice to have Keith and Ann Boydston from Beaumont come visit awhile Thursday morning. Thanks for your love and prayers. They were on their way to Amarillo to visit Ann's sister, Linda and Rodney Ingersoll, and Andrew and Jeanie and Becky Gilmer. Also there were Patsy Gilmer (Ann's dad) and their daughters, Natalie and Jessica, for a great family time. Sorry about all the damage to your house in Beaumont.

At Shannon and Adley Gilmer's Christmas Day were Jenny and Allan Mixon from McLean, Patsy Smith, Joe and Beverly Smith and Neal from Stinnett and Rachel Laughlin and Payton and Evan from Abilene.

Neal Smith took training and has been driving a big truck out of Dallas for about two months and enjoys it a lot. Has been to Indiana, Massachusetts, Louisiana and lots of places. Congratulations, Neal. We are proud of you.

Rachel and Aaron Laughlin and Joe and Beverly Smith came back for Brady Ware's funeral. So sorry about Brady. He was a sweet guy.

Mighty nice article in County Star about Marion Grimes and his years in the army infantry and places he went over 5 years.

Congratulations to Sara and Chris Howard of Houston on the birth of their new baby boy named Spencer Stiles Howard. Spencer is welcomed by big brother C.J., nearly 2 years. Proud grandparents include Freddy and Melody Velasquez. Bro. Bill and Kay Stiles are great-grandparents.

Bill and Kay Stiles drove to Denton and brought grandchildren Marshall, 11, and Maddie, 9, to spend a week with them while their parents had a little vacation. (Glenn and Tracey Stiles).

Nice to have Bob and Jerry Meller and Tisha, Andrea and Summer come Friday evening and take me to Maxeys for supper and a good visit. Thank you very much!

Betty Meller enjoyed having her family together at her home in Higgins on Christmas Day. Some there were Bob and Jerry Meller and Tisha, Andi and Summer from Gageby Area, Ryan Meller (who travels with a Children's Theatrical group as the sound man), Roger and Melonia Meller and Morgan from Perryton, Amy Meller from Plano, who plans to go to graduate school, and Bob's sister, Karen, and, Allen Crow from Holyrood, Kansas and son Justin and fiancée, Kimberly, from Melbourne, Australia. They plan to marry in June of 2006. Best wishes to all.

Congratulations to Stacey and Jeff Haiduk of White Deer on the birth of their new baby girl named Chloe Addison and born Thursday, Dec. 22 at Amarillo. Chloe weighed 6 pounds and was 18 inches long. She was a month early and was welcomed by big sister, Jacey, 5. Proud grandparents are Charlie and Edie Phillis, Charlie and Edie Phillis and Mike and Stacey used to live at the K.N. plant NE of Briscoe. Sweet people. Edie will be working at H & R Block again this year starting about January 15. Charlie is still driving to Borger from White Deer every day to work. Mike's two kids visited them Christmas. Mike died several months ago.

Doyle and Bulah Grimes spent Christmas with Kelley and Jason Adams in Amarillo. Also there Jerry and Beverly Grimes, Britt and Gena Grimes and Zach, Heather and Madison from Hydro, Oklahoma and five of Beverly's family from Stratford.

To those who have asked about David Pearson. Doctors found no blockage in his heart and he is doing pretty well. He hopes to go back to work this week.

Briscoe, Mobeetie, Shamrock and Wheeler fire departments battled a grass fire on David Heffley ranch north of Shamrock Sunday afternoon and other places near. Grass and fence posts lost.

"I heard the bells on Christmas Day their old familiar carols play and wild and sweet the words repeat of 'Peace on earth, Goodwill to Men!'"

Bob and Evangeline Wills enjoyed having all their family together for Christmas on Wednesday Dec. 21 to Monday Dec. 26. They can all get together only about once a year and included Robert and Lisa Wills and Andy and Sara from Odessa, Wade and Shelly Wills and Paxton and Paige from Huntsville and Beth Wills from Mansfield. They played games and visited and did lots of eating.

There was a good crowd of residents out to Sing-a-long and church at Wheeler Care Center Tuesday morning with Earl and Betty Husted. Rosalie did a great job playing the piano for the singing.

A sweet lady, Mae Welch, 96, graduated to a mansion in heaven Monday night Dec. 26. Funeral was Friday at Wheeler Baptist Church with dinner at the church. Sincere sympathy to all the family and friends. Burial at Sweetwater.

Another sweet lady, Gladys Richardson, also got to shed her old worn out body Monday night. Funeral was Wednesday Dec. 28 at Erick Assembly of God church. Sincere sympathy to all the family and friends.

Brad Chandler got some time off from his rig Christmas Eve and Christmas Day to be with his wife, Sue, and Bridget and Shea Weatherly and Audra and Hagen and Jana Chandler and friend, Larry. They took dinner to Peggy Chandler; she did not feel like getting out. They also got Peggy a new puppy named Tegar—a pomeranian light brown. Her dog had died about Thanksgiving and she was lonely.

Dr. Bob and Glenda Galutia had their family Christmas celebration



at Thanksgiving while their family were all here and included Todd and Niki Burch and Maddie, 18 months, from Tribune, Kansas, Yancy and Chelsea Galutia and Carina, 6 months, from Tulsa, Suzy and Josh Lee and Ashton and Dr. Bob's mom, Dortha Galutia.

At Dr. Bob and Glenda Galutia's for Christmas were just Glenda's dad and stepmom, Bob and Glenda Roark from Phoenix and Suzy and Josh Lee and Ashton.

Todd and Niki Burch and Maddie came to Wheeler for Brady Ware's funeral. Glenda Galutia's mom, Maxine Roark, was a sister to Roberta Ware. We are so sorry about Brady Ware's death. He was such a sweet, kind guy. Heaven is richer.

Ray and Glenda Hudson went to Amarillo Saturday and visited Ray's mom, Lois Hudson, and Ray's sister, Sharon and Harold Bertrand and spent Saturday night with Sharon and Harold. Sunday Ray and Glenda Hudson went to church at Trinity Baptist Church and ate lunch at Texas Roadhouse. They also visited Cindy Sweet and Jessie and Robert and Barbara Alexander and friend, Peggy Newman, in Amarillo. Lois Hudson is doing pretty well.

Allison Graddy of Wichita Falls spent last week with grandparents, Ed and Brenda Graddy at Canadian. She also spent one night with her other grandparents, Ray and Glenda Hudson.

Nice to have Dallas and Krystal and Keaira come visit awhile Sunday on their way home to Wichita Falls. They also brought me a delicious Strawberry Shake from The Spot. (They know my addiction) and did other helpful things.

Michael McLaughlin was sworn in to the National Guard. He is a

junior in high school. May 31, 2006 he will go for summer training but come back to finish his senior year at Fort Elliott. After graduation he will be training with the National Guard. Best wishes, Michael. Pray for all our youth. Michael's parents are Jerry and Bob Meller, who live near Gageby church with sisters, Tisha, Andi, and Summer.

Martha (Standlee) Helton's family ate supper together Friday night at Maxeys to celebrate Martha's 70th birthday. Some others there were Thomas Roy Helton, Gayle Lewallen, Karen and Dwayne Poteet and Kelley from Amarillo and Larry and Sharon Zamora. Happy Birthday, Martha, and many more.

Bro. Dennis Surber of Shamrock had problems with prior heart by-passes and had a heart attack. They had to do more by-passes. He has been in Northwest Texas Hospital at Amarillo since Christmas Eve. He will have to have some physical therapy. They have hopes he will be better. He married Estelle Clay many years ago and has preached in Area Churches. Dennis is a brother to Howard Surber at Wheeler Care Center.

This is Darren Hefley's 12th year to teach Science at Nazareth. Chalone works at Amarillo and drives back and forth from Tulia. Dawson, 7, and Logan, 3 1/2, go to school at Nazareth with Darren. Good to see them all. They spent a few days with David and Phyllis Hefley.

Saturday I enjoyed eating lunch at Maxeys with Joe and Sherry Wagoner from Canadian and Ed and Laurel Hershman for a good visit. Pray for Joe and Sherry. Joe has had eye problems for many years and had to quit work. Now he is getting very blind and will have eye surgery at Oklahoma City Jan. 13. Pray that it will help. Joe if it is in God's plan. After the surgery they will have to go back to Oklahoma City every week for at least two months. Joe is only 59. He has an inherited eye problem.

Special thanks to those who sent memorials to honor Willis to the Gideons to distribute Bibles in hotel and motel rooms, school campuses and other places. And to the Adam Tipps Fund. Adam is doing pretty well now, but after the kidney transplant he's had to take very expensive medicine to prevent rejection of the kidney and the insurance covers for a limited time. They are preparing for the future. So proud Adam is doing well. Also thanks to those who sent to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch and Cal Farley's Girlstown and other places. God bless you everyone.

Debbie Glazner went to Eula and visited her daughters Katherine and Kelley over the holidays.

Doyle Grimes' 90th Birthday There was a big party at the Activity Room of the Pleasant Valley Methodist Church in Amarillo on December 18 to celebrate Doyle Grimes 90th birthday. Some of ones there were Gary and Marilyn Grimes, Doyle and Bulah Grimes, Phyllis and Jerry Tucker, from Guyton, Marvin and Kelley Grimes, and Dee and Drew from Lubbock, Darren Grimes, D'wan Grimes and son, Devin, Kelley and Jason Adams and son, Clay, from Amarillo, Shana Akers and sons, Ryan and Kyle from Houston, Dixie

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Chance Dalton Miller, 14 years old, is the son of Carol Lester Miller of Ogallala, Nebraska and Kelly Miller of Fritch, Texas. He is the grandson of Ada Lou Lester of Mobeetie, Texas, James Lester of Canyon, Texas, and Loyla and Estella Miller of Fritch, Texas.

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Happy 2006! Let's project into this next year for a few minutes.

January. Cold. Snow and ice. Basketball will occupy a lot of our time.

February. Cold and growing tired of the cold. More snow and ice. Students will spend most of their time with assignments.

March. Windy and still too cool. We get spring break but it sure doesn't feel like spring.

April. Not so bad to be outside anymore. Except when it rains.

May. Very pleasant days. Graduation! The school-year officially ends.

June. Warm. Any chance of getting a few weeks off for a great family vacation?

July. Hot. Love our Fourth of July celebration at the city park. Already looking forward to that roasted corn-on-the-cob and that big ol' turkey leg.

August. Painfully hot. Will it ever rain again? School 2006-07 already?

September. Still mighty hot. Wheeler 11-man football again.

October. Love the weather. School activities occupying practically every spare moment.

November. Getting cool. Wheeler's annual playoff run. Time for more turkey.

December. Cold, but not minding the cold. Feeling festive.

Okay, I recognize that this sounds pretty much like every other year living here. Many things are predictable. One thing missing from this general yearly projection is our religious life. Every month, regardless of the weather, the school activities, the holidays, or anything else, we need to be actively involved in our faithful pursuit of following the Lord's will. Let 2006 be a year in which the Lord is a strong part of each and every day.

Shawn D. Johnson

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

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MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Sue Mayfield

with Leola. Before coming home Leola visited with her cousin, Venita Weiss.

I know that Minerva Jones will miss Gladys but she was excited to get her new roommate. One of her sisters was across the hall and a door or two and the other sister was in another hall. Now all the sisters are celebrating. They are all together again. This really works well for them and their families.

The fire department could really use some donations. During the fire at Shamrock one of the trucks ruined a tire and they really need to do some work on the other trucks to be fully prepared for anything that will come up. Any help you can send their way will be greatly appreciated and put to good use. Just mail your donations to the Mobeetie Volunteer Fire Department P.O. Box 50 Mobeetie, TX 79061. All donations are tax deductible. Thanks!

It was so nice to see all the flags flying and some of them half mast in Wheeler in honor of Ben Britt. There was a huge crowd of family, friends, neighbors, acquaintances, former Mustangs and Mustangs,

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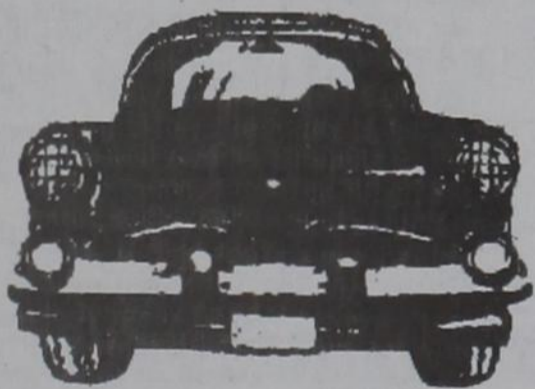
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along with people that didn't even know the Britt family to pay their respects to our fallen hero and family.

So sorry to hear that Jackie Thrasher is probably facing another surgery on her knee. She has another infection started. She will be going to Amarillo on Thursday to see a specialist and get a handle on it. What a way to start the new year. Fred spent 3 days and 2 nights hauling distillates from a site near La Junta Colorado to Borger. So it was a busy week. Always messes with his regular days off when he has to do jobs like that.

Michael and Brianna had fun with their friends while they were here. Brianna and Tracy Winters has fun watching movies at Tracy's house. Jayton Childress and Tracy came over and played cards with Michael and Brianna. Dakota Jones and his sister, Harley, came over one evening and played "Harry Potter" with the kids. We saw the new year in playing cards and working a harder than anticipated puzzle. Who ever said "get a 500 piece one, they're easy" should be finishing this crazy thing. Even Grandpa stayed up with us to watch movies and watch us fight the crazy pieces. This is the first year in quite a while that Grandpa wasn't working and on call. We enjoyed it.

I hope you each have a very

happy, healthy, prosperous 2006. Please keep our friends and neighbors in your prayers: Don and Mary Edwards, Earl and Mable Tabor, Rhonda and Gene Ferguson, Lorene Rector, Orville Greenhouse, Anna Mae Gatlin, Bill and Patsy Caswell, the family of 1st Lt. Ben Britt, Fred and Jackie Thrasher, Sidney Maham, Tina Holmes, Carlos Soto and family, Scott Corcoran and family, Maurita and Clinton Stribling, Peggy Dunn, Pam Thompson, Donna Penrose, Norma Folkens, Dick and Ann Graham, Earl and Leola Farris, Marvel Graham, Mandy Wilson, Lonnie and Debbie Umsted, all the people that have lost their homes in the fires in Oklahoma and Texas fires.

ALLISON NEWS

By Juanita Boydston

He only is my rock and my salvation; he is my defence; I shall not be moved. In God is my salvation and my glory; the rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God. Trust in him at all times; ye people, put out your heart before him: God is a refuge for us. Selah Make a joyful noise unto God, all ye lands: Sing forth the honour of his name: make his praise glorious. All the earth shall worship thee, and shall sing unto thee; they shall sing to thy name, Selah. Psalm 62:6,7&8 & Psalm 66: 82

The weather here in Allison has been very very windy, altho yesterday, on Monday it was a beautiful day, but today on Tuesday its to be windy again. But we are in west Texas what can you expect. That is what its like in the Panhandle of Texas for sure.

Tuesday evening, Ronnie Hall and Juanita Tincher visited awhile in the home of Opal and Juanita Boydston.

Sunday dinner guests in the home of Opal and Juanita Boydston were Ronnie Hall, Helen Forshee and Juanita Tincher. Had a good meal and good visiting.

Sunday night, Juanita Boydston visited in the home of Ronnie Hall and Helen Forshee and Juanita Tincher, she had a delicious meal and lots of good visiting.

Wednesday, Hershel and Ann Sanford of Higgins, Texas enjoyed a delicious meal in the home of Pearl Harrison. They visited and Hershel and Ann stayed the afternoon. Elmer Lee and Peggy Sanford stopped by Pearl's and visited awhile. Elmer and Peggy had attended a funeral for Peggy's aunt.

Kim, Kimber, Brittany and Chase Thompson of Amarillo, Texas and Cody Dupont and Sabrina Candy all enjoyed a delicious meal in the home Pearl Harrison.

Sunday dinner guests in the home of Pearl Harrison were Josh and Heather Archer of Canyon, Texas, Bennie and Debbie Boydston and Jason Boydston of Austin, Texas and Cheryl and Cody Dupont and Sabrina Candy.

Roma and Billy June Brown journeyed to Lubbock, Texas for Billy June to see her skin doctor about her skin graft on her leg. The doctor said that the graft is taking so that is good. Our prayers are with Roma and Billy June Brown. They both aren't feeling the best. May God bless and keep ya'll in good health this New Year.

Larry Brown and Verna Byrd of Odessa, Texas arrived late Sunday night and visited with Roma and Billy June Brown awhile. Then early Monday morning they left for OKC where they attended to business.

Cheryl Dupont gave her son, Cody Dupont, a 16th birthday party celebration on Monday evening. Sabrina Candy, Cody's sister, also helped with the party. Those helping Cody to celebrate besides Cheryl and Sabrina were Bennie and Debbie Boydston, Gary and Julie Boydston, Glenn and Betty Boydston, Opal and Juanita Boydston, Ronnie Hall, Helen Forshee and Juanita Tincher, Greg and Tiffany Boydston and children, Kayalye and Gavin, and Jerrod Haning of Wheeler, Texas

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

Trooper (from Page 1)

Trooper Zachary is survived by his wife and an infant. Funeral services are pending.



THE WHEELER TIMES

PAGE 3—Thursday, January 5, 2006

"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

Continuing Education Hours Are Offered

Area producers and crop advisors have an opportunity to earn continuing education credits at four Crop Protection Clinics this month.

Attendees will have eight concurrent one-hour sessions to choose from at each clinic. The clinics are sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension, Pioneer Hi-Bred International and DuPont.

Clinics, each scheduled to run from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., will be held:

- Jan. 9, Rita Blanca Coliseum in Dalhart;
- Jan. 10, Moore County Community Building in Dumas;
- Jan. 12, Hansford County Barn

Country (from Page 2)

and Chris Purdy and children, Dillon and Carlie from Guymon, Derenda Aranda and Ramie and Audin, Audrey Alexander, Lynn and Mary Sue Stephenson from Amarillo. They had a great time.

Thanks for calling Bulah. Hope I got it right.

Blain Criswell's Birthday Party Saturday December 31, family and friends celebrated Blain Criswell's 3rd birthday with a delicious supper and party, lots of gifts of toys and clothes, and a beautiful big Chocolate Cake with a horse and "green grass" made by Tina Godino of Canadian. The party was at grandparents David and Rita Pearson's in the Gageby area north of Briscoe. Some others there were Lindsey Criswell and Dagen, Dallas and Krystal Fillingim and Keaira from Windthorst, David and Phyllis Hefley, Darren and Chalone Hefley and Dawson and Logan from Tulia, Larry and Vickie Nelson and Keri Nelson and Caden from Elk City, Jimmy Nelson and Danielle and Amy Nelson from Pampa, Verna Fillingim and David and Rita Pearson. It was a fun party. Blain enjoyed it a lot. Keri Nelson works at Little Critters Day Care where Caden attends.

"God is satisfied with you solely on the basis of your relationship with Jesus Christ, but God is pleased with you when you show the Christ-life in how you live: in your worship, in the way you love fellow church members, in how you show respect for the elderly and in how you live as a citizen and neighbor."

From Wheeler Baptist Church Sunday afternoon for church at the Wheeler Care Center were Bro. Dennis Williams, Leona Coates and Martha Meek. Several residents out to enjoy the Sing-a-Long and service. Leona played the piano and they all sang. Dennis always has a good message and they visited with the residents.

Myron Jolly and Kendra from Amarillo and Angela from Denton ate supper with Earl and Shirley Jolly and visited Sunday night.

Sunday's strong wind with dirt blowing in places reminded me o the "Dirty Thirties" we keep hearing about. Cotton was King—the only cash crop, but not big prices. When cotton was harvested, the fields were bare and a drought was on for several years. Maize was grown to feed the horses that pulled the plows. Corn was grown for the family and stock including milk cows for the family. Often a share cropper's house was set in a cotton field to use all the land. Houses were not as tightly built as now, so dirt blew in easily. The owner of the land paid expenses; the Share Cropper and family did the work and got a third or fourth of the crop. They usually grew a garden and chickens and pigs to eat. Most clothes were home-made. Life was not easy.

Had a nice card from Carol and JoAnn Lackey. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this year and have been away for 50 years, but still feel like Wheeler County is home. They do like living in Fort Worth near their youngest son and his family, (and the grandkids). Their address is 5009 Birch Hollow Lane, Fort Forth, TX 76132. They still read the Wheeler Times. Happy New Year, Carol and JoAnn.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Darlene Davis Usleton, 50, of Canyon, in her death Sunday Jan. 1. Her parents are Nancy and Charles Davis of Clarendon. Grandparents include Dorothy and George (Bulldog) Walker of Wheeler. Funeral is Thursday Jan. 5 at Canyon. Darlene had cancer.

A message from Heaven "Perhaps you aren't ready yet to have to say good-bye. Perhaps you've thought of things you wish you'd said—well so have I.

For one thing, I'd have told you not to worry about me. I'm with the Lord of Heaven now You knew that's where I'd be. I'm sorry that you're feeling sad, for I'm so happy now. I've asked the Lord to ease the hurt and comfort you somehow. It's hard at the beginning but I know you'll make it through. I hope it helps to know that I'll be waiting here for you." Thank you, Estelle and Herman for sending the poem. Very good.

I enjoyed hearing Stacy Horton sing a medley of Christmas songs at Wheeler Baptist New Years Day. Wesley Steen sang Sunday night. All sounded good. Think Wesley sang, "How Great Thou Art."

"God be with you till we meet again."

in Spearman; and Jan. 13, Carson County Ag Building in Panhandle.

Texas Department of Agriculture has approved five continuing education units for each meeting. Certified crop advisor continuing education units also will be available.

- Topics are:
 - Major diseases and insects for corn, as well as refuge requirements for Bt rootworm corn;
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 - Sunflowers, including fertility management and economics. For more information, contact the local county Extension office.

Marijuana Seizures Made On Interstate

Two men were arrested yesterday along I-40 in Carson County in two separate traffic stops after large amounts of Marijuana were found in their vehicles.

The first traffic stop occurred at 11:17 a.m. yesterday when troopers stopped a 2006 Chevy Trailblazer traveling eastbound on I-40, 18 miles west of Groom. Timothy David Fox, 38 of Itasca, Illinois, was later arrested after 162 pounds of Marijuana was found in several duffle bags in the cargo area of the vehicle. Fox was booked into the Carson County Jail in Panhandle on drug related charges.

The Marijuana has an estimated value of \$68,202.00. Investigators believe this load originated in Albuquerque, New Mexico and was destined for Chicago Illinois.

The next seizure occurred at 3 p.m. yesterday when a 1998 Ford Contour traveling eastbound on I-40 near Groom was stopped for a traffic violation. The driver, 35 year old Anthony Lee Rodriguez of Collinsville, Illinois, was later arrested after 84 pounds of Marijuana was found inside the trunk of his vehicle. The Marijuana was in 24 bundles packed inside a box. Rodriguez was booked into the Carson County Jail in Panhandle on drug related charges.

The Marijuana has an estimated value of \$42,000.00.

Southern (from Page 1)

daughter, Kendi, first sees Glenn. She puckers up and cries. It does not last long, but it is so funny to watch. I think he causes it to happen as he always tells her, "Woo, woo." Must be the word or the Texas accent.

My son, Patrick, who lives in Covina, California, sent us a package with a note attached that inside the box was a tornado warning system that need no batteries, so I am thinking he must have found something new as he worries that I now live in a tornado area. Well inside the beautiful wrapped box is a beautiful, pewter windchime. That man sure has a sense of humor and I miss him very much.

Well, another year is ending and a good one for us. I hope it will be another good year in 2006 and by April, I will be remembering to write 2006 instead of 2005... maybe.

I hope all of you have a wonderful new year.

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HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & WEST

PARK Atoka) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #5 Lee '5', 1980' from South & East line, Sec. 5, M-1, H&GN, PD 16000'.
ROBERTS (WILDCAT & CREE FLOWERS Wolfcamp Dolomite) Strat Land Exploration Co., #2079 Kim, 1300' from North & 2050' from West line, Sec. 79, C,G&M, PD 4400'. Rule 37
ROBERTS (N.W. MENDOTA, S.W. Granite Wash) Unit Petroleum Co., #5 Waterfield, 1000' from

South & 2483' from East line, Sec. 101, C,G&M, PD 11250'.
ROBERTS (WILDCAT & RED DEER CREEK Granite Wash) Gruy Petroleum Mgmt. Co., #0660 Bryum, 2300' from South & 467' from East line, Sec. 6, B-1, H&GN, PD 11300'.
WHEELER (BUFFALO WALLOW A Chart Zone) Philcon Development Co., #2 Lohberger, 660' from North & 990' from East line, Sec. 13, RE, R&E, PD 15206'.
Recompletion
WHEELER (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #4 Zybach '65', 1200' from South & 750' from East line, Sec. 65, M-1, H&GN, PD 5300'.
WHEELER (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star, L.P., Hefley, Sec. 47, M-1, H&GN, PD 14000', for the following wells: #1647, 495' from South & 1900' from East Sec. line.
#2047, 1950' from North & East Sec. line.
WHEELER (WILDCAT & STILES RANCH Atoka) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #4 Ledbetter '66', 2173' from South & West line, Sec. 66, A-7, H&GN, PD 16000'.
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HEMPHILL (ALPAR Tonkawa) Mewbourne Oil Co., #1 Forgey '84', Sec. 94, 41, H&TC, spud 11-14-05, drlg. compl 15-14-05, tested 11-20-05, TD 8550', PBDT' 8484'

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