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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

Contratulations are in order for the Wheeler Mustangs named All-Regional.

James Rivera, Steven McAlpine, Tanner Collins, Ricky Salas and Cole Hathaway were named All Regional.

The Ft. Elliott Lady Cougars placed first in the Ft. Elliott Tournament over the weekend. Congratulations!

The Wheeler Mustangs placed second in the tournament. Congratulations!

Next week will be the annual Christmas Edition of the Times. The paper will be put in the mail as usual Thursday.

The earlier we can have the items for the paper, the better.

We are in need of pictures for the Eastern Panhandle Adv. Bring in those pictures of your children and/or grandchildren.

There are lots of very pretty Christmas decorations around town. Take the time to drive over town and see the decorations.

We went to OKC last Friday and spent the weekend with Jennifer and Ronal Jr. Greg had come to Wheeler to hunt deer. Julie Schmidt also visited.

I know you are going to find this hard to believe, but we were too

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THIRD 'CASH' DRAWING WILL BE SAT.

SEVENTEEN INDIVIDUALS WILL SHARE \$400

The third of the \$1500 Chamber of Commerce Christmas drawings will be held Saturday, December 17, 2005. The first three drawings will be on Saturday and the final drawing will be on Christmas Eve.

The drawings will be at 11:00 A.M. Seventeen individuals will be called forward for the third drawing. The division of the money will be 10-\$10, 4-\$25, 2-\$50 and 1-\$100.

The annual Christmas Drawing is again being offered by the progressive merchants of Wheeler. Certificates will be given away during December totaling \$1500. The merchants of Wheeler feel this is one way they can thank you, their customers, for the support you have given them during the year and are giving you a chance to share the profits. You are eligible for a ticket each time you enter a sponsoring business; with each five dollars spent, you will receive an additional ticket—up to 100 tickets per purchase.

Four drawings will be held. The drawings will be held on Saturdays, December 3, 10, 17 and Christmas eve. The drawings will begin at 11:00 A.M. again this year. Some 58 lucky Wheeler shoppers will have Wheeler cash to spend again this year. The drawings will be in the amounts of \$300 on the first Saturday, \$400 on the second and third Saturday and \$400 on Saturday, December 24.

The \$300 'Cash' will be divided between ten lucky Wheeler shoppers. First to be drawn the ten envelopes containing \$10 'cash'. Four \$25 envelopes will then be handed and the last two individuals will receive \$50 when their names are drawn.

As has been the practice for the past several years, script is given away to the lucky individuals instead of cash. The script can be spent like money with any of the participating merchants. The 'money' will be in \$5 increments.

Remember, each time you enter participating stores, you are entitled to a ticket; ask for it, sign it, deposit the ticket in the containers, which are conveniently located in the sponsoring firms.

You will receive one ticket per each \$5.00 of the purchase value up to a maximum of \$100.

When the day of the drawing

arrives, all of the tickets will be placed in a large container and the winners drawn. You MUST be present to win; however, husbands and wives may claim each other's prizes.

Each sponsor giving tickets will display a poster in their window, indicating they are giving drawing tickets.

Drawing tickets have been available since November 28, 2005 at sponsoring businesses.

The merchants giving tickets are: Hyland's Pharmacy, Marshall Discount Auto, Peso Dollar Store, Novedades Saharay, Thriftway, and Wheeler Lumber Company.

Those merchants sponsoring the drawings are:

Alvey Tax & Accounting Service, Bitt Ranch, City Drug Bed & Breakfast Hotel, Cross Car Center, County Star News, Dalin Kennels, Eastern Panhandle Insur-

ance, First Ag Credit, First State Bank, Mobeetie & Wheeler, Ed and Laurel Hershman, Bobby Hill-Attorney, Honey Inn Motel, Hyland's Pharmacy, Jennings Plumbing & Air Conditioning, Just Cuttin Up, Kim's Kitchen, Charles Kuntz, Lyndon Loyd Auctioneers, Marshall Discount Auto, Maxey's Steakhouse, Dr. Louie Mendiola, Mustang Video/Raekye Gifts, Novedades Saharay, Paradise Spa, Peso Dollar Store, R & M Quality Car Wash, Sabbe Construction, Dr. Mike Smith, Soto's Family Restaurant, Speedi-Mart, Sweat Shop, The Spot, Thriftway, Ware Chevrolet, West Texas Gas Inc., Wheeler Banking Center, Wheeler Flower Shop, Wheeler Lumber Co., Wheeler Nursing & Rehabilitation LP., Wheeler Plumbing, Wheeler Shell, Wheeler Times, Wheeler Vet Clinic, Wright Funeral Home.

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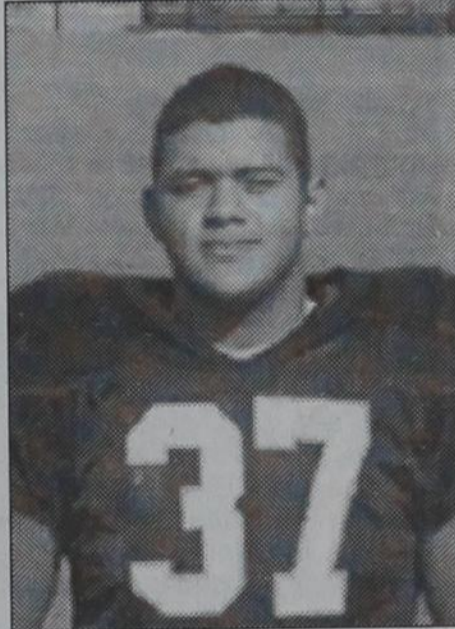
First State Bank To Give \$25 Certificates

At the end of the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce 'Cash' Drawing, the First State Bank of Mobeetie & Wheeler, will be giving away 35 Gift Certificates. Each of the Gift Certificates in the amount of \$25.00 will be redeemable at one of the 35 businesses participating in the 'cash' drawing.

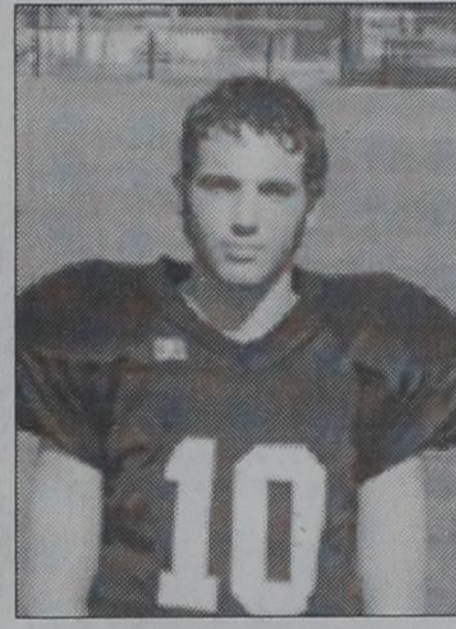
The winners of the Gift Certificates will be drawn from the drawing tickets used for the 'cash' drawing.

The First State Bank has been involved in the giving of Gift Certificates during the Christmas season for several years. This is a great way for the First State Bank and Chamber of Commerce to show appreciation to all the businesses in Wheeler.

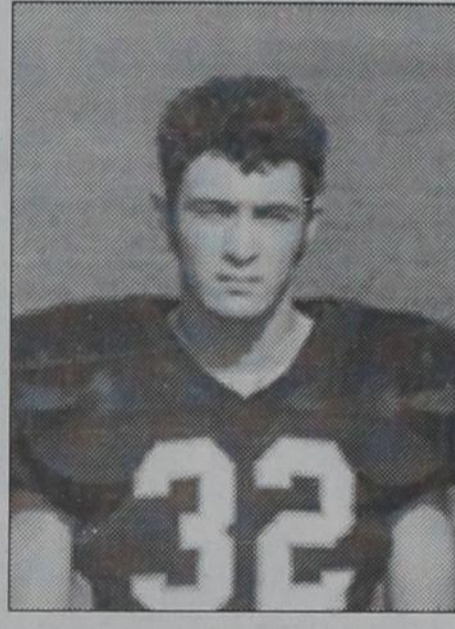
First State Bank would like to wish everyone Happy Holidays and remind you to come to the Christmas 'Cash' drawings.



Chucky Rivera



Steven McAlpine



Tanner Collins



Ricky Salas

Nathaniel Hillhouse

The Ninth Annual Nathaniel Hillhouse Memorial Toys for Tots drive is underway in Wheeler. Sponsors are the Wheeler County Sheriff's Department, Wheeler

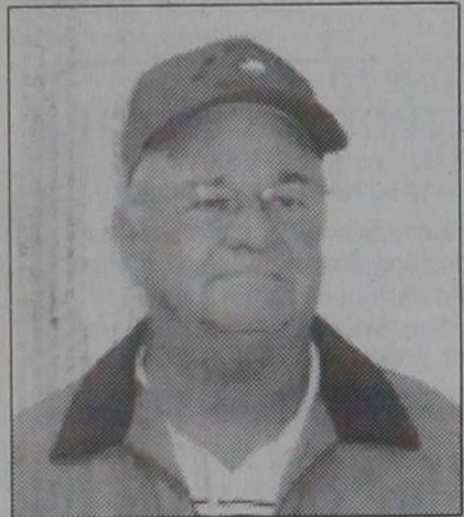
Toys For Tots Info.

Banking Center, First State Bank of Mobeetie and Wheeler and United Methodist Church.

New or good serviceable used

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Brady Meadows Seeks Re-election As Justice of the Peace, Pct. 1



Brady Meadows

Justice of the Peace, Brady Meadows, has announced that he is seeking re-election to the office of Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1. Judge Meadows believes in a fair and just system for all.

Judge Meadows would like to thank all the voters for their support in his present term.

He asks for your vote in the March Democratic Primary election. (Political ad paid for by Brady Meadows, Box 511, Wheeler, Texas 79096)

'Cash' Winners For Second Drawing

The second of the four Chamber of Commerce 'Cash' drawings was held Saturday, December 10, at 11:00 A.M. \$400 in Wheeler 'Cash' was the amount given Saturday.

One hundred dollars was divided between 10 lucky shoppers and were the first envelopes handed out Saturday. The winners were Frank Hungate, Kristine Atherton, Dale Earl, Abrey Garza, Betty Wainwright, Yovanni Soto, Tess Markham, Kayla Duncan, Buddy Wood, Bryce Richardson. Ones receiving \$25 envelopes were Jackie Cummings, Janie Taylor, Josh Couch, Amy Hunt. The \$50 envelopes were to Dale Earl and Tess Markham. Andrew Coomer won the \$100 envelope.

Five Wheeler Mustangs Named All-Regional

Coach of the year-Brett Tyler-Valley

Newcomer of the year-Cole Brown-Valley

Comeback Player of the Year-Cody Barrett-Valley

Offensive MVP-Alex Espinoza-Valley

Tight Ends-Kye Fuston-Valley, Tanner Streety-Meadow

Wide Receivers-Corey Hemphill-Paducah, Joaquin Saenz-Happy

Quarterback-Jake Baker-Whitharral

Spreadback-Tanner Woods-Follett

Running Backs-Edward Gonzales-Meadow, Yance Forbes-Silverton

Utility Back-Allen Irlbeck-Happy

Kicker-Michael Ranjel-Crowell

Special Teams Player-Adrian Sanchez-Meadow

Defensive MVP-Chalie Walden-Valley

Lineman-James Rivera-Wheeler, Gid Mayfield-Silverton, Corey Shaw-Patton Springs

Linebackers-Jimmy Reyna-Whitharral, Fernando Regalado-Valley

Cornerbacks-Freddy Benton-Crowell, Shane Moreland-Meadow

Safeties-Steven McAlpine-Wheeler, Daniel Albus-Whitharral

Utility Player-Tanner Collins-Wheeler

Punter-Thane Barkley-Groom

2nd Team

Tight Ends-Derek Murray-Wheeler, Drew Reed-Silverton

Wide Receivers-Brad Barnum-Follett, Rusty Rumbaugh-Ropes, Chance

Bingham-Motley County

Center-Dylan Shaw-Patton Springs, Randy Farley-Valley

Quarterback-Ryan Wied-New Home

Running Backs-Brandon Sanchez-Patton Springs, Bryce

Martinez-Southland

Kicker-Ricky Salas-Wheeler

Utility Back-Kelby Phillips-Guthrie

Special Teams Player-Diego Ramirez-Silverton

Defense

Lineman-Jesse Ortiz-Southland, Matt Tarver-Samnorwood, James Reid-Guthrie

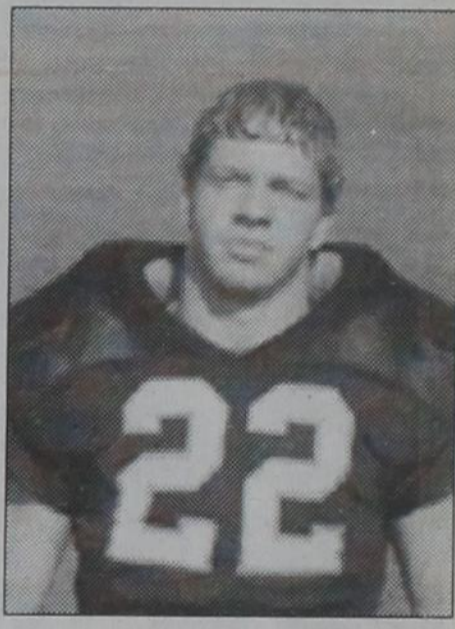
Line Backers-Cole Hathaway-Wheeler, Jacob Francis-Silverton, Nathan

McGee-Vernon Northside

Corners-Bryce Jones-Paducah, Jacob Young-Kress, Mark Thomas-Crowell

Safeties-Kyle Bray-Meadow, Anthony Quilantan-Whitharral

Utility Player-Laramie Allen-Samnorwood, Tyler Neiman-New



Cole Hathaway

Home Punter-Brandon Gressett-Motley County

Prairie Rivers Musical To Have Christmas Season Show Dec. 17

PRAIRIE RIVERS MUSICAL will present its Christmas Season show on December 17, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. in Canadian, Texas. The location of the show is at the Middle School Auditorium at 404 S. 6th Street. "We have been in regular contact with the North Pole, and, SANTA CLAUS has given his cowboy promise that he will make an appearance at the show," reported Jay Godwin, one of the organizers of PRAIRIE RIVERS MUSICAL. "He showed up last year and now tells us he had so much fun with the children, and, the music was so good, that he will be coming.

The Show continues a tradition of not charging for admission and providing a very comfortable theatre type seating, in an atmosphere of no smoke or alcohol.

Christmas songs will be featured for the first half and SANTA CLAUS is expected to arrive just before the intermission to visit with the children.

"PRAIRIE RIVERS MUSICAL is very proud of its live music venue," Godwin noted. "We've been at this for six and one-half years and we still have a great time." Regular performers expected include Wayne Wright, Dale and Kayla Jenkins, George Briant, Frankie McWhorter, Hank and Venita McPherson, Lonnie Cox, Mary Lynn Schafer, Phil Ridgway, and Jay Godwin. Other very popular guests are very likely.

"We are real pleased to have Kelli Harbin of Littlefield, Tx. joining us Saturday night. She was the

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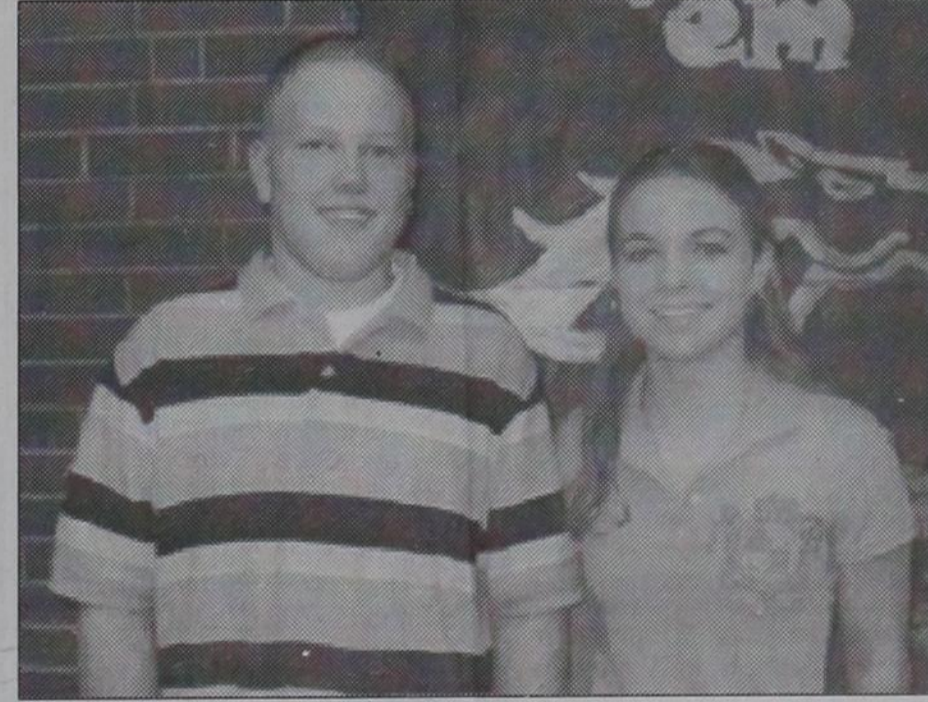
Chase Miller Named To Wrangler High School All-Star Rodeo Team

Grandson of local resident has been selected to the 2005-2006 -Wrangler High School All Star Rodeo Team

Leaders of the National High School Rodeo Association (NHSRA), the oldest youth rodeo organization in America, appointed Chase D. Miller of Ogallala, NE, to the Wrangler High School All Star Rodeo Team, the first-ever corporate-sponsored youth rodeo team.

The Wrangler High School All Star Rodeo Team is fashioned after Wrangler's Champion Pro Rodeo Team, which includes superstars like Ty Murray, Joe Beaver, Dan Mortensen, Charmayne James and Hall-of-Famer Jim Shoulders. Chase Miller earned a position on the Wrangler High School All Star Rodeo Team based

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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK: Wheeler ISD Students of the week are Kelby Visa and Nicole Moore. Kelby is the 14-year-old son of Kent Vise. His activities include Band, Basketball, FFA, FCCLA, member of Wheeler First Baptist Church, A Honor Roll, Pride Program, Drum Major. Nicole is the 14-year-old daughter of Todd and Tammy Moore. Her activities include Lady Stang Basketball, FFA, FCCLA, Student Council, member of FBC of Wheeler, Cheerleading, Honor Roll, Pride Program.

Wheeler School Bd. Holds Reg. Meeting

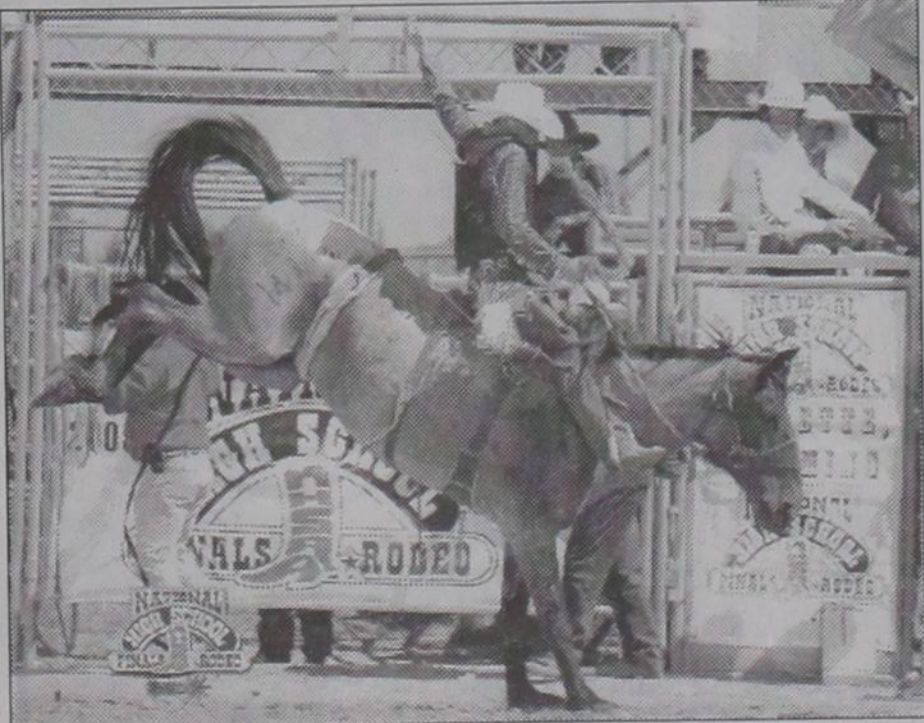
Unapproved Minutes Regular Board Meeting December 7, 2005

The Wheeler ISD Board of Trustees met for a regular scheduled meeting December 7, 2005. Dr. Mike Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Dr. Smith led the pledge; James Masters offered the invocation.

All board members were present. School personnel present were Roy Baker, Toby Tucker and Doug Rives.

There were no individuals or groups that wished to address the board.

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Chase D. Miller

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: John and Billie Holcomb will observe their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, December 18, 2005. The couple makes their home in Wheeler. A reception is scheduled for Saturday, January 14, 2006, at the First Baptist Church in Wheeler.



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COUNTRY NEWS
By Verna Fillingim



II Corinthians 5:1: For we know that when this earthly tent we live in is taken down... when we die and leave these bodies... we will have a home in heaven, an eternal body made for us by God himself and not by human hands. We grow weary in our present bodies, and we long for the day when we will put on our heavenly bodies like new clothing. For we will not be spirits without bodies, but we will put on new heavenly goodies.

Happy Birthday to Dustin Puryear, Michael Kenny, Samantha Chapman, Stephen Guthrie, Bob Carey, Missy Laverty, Ida Mae Goad on Dec. 18; Charlene Dukes, Kimberly Childress, Georgia Dea Holland, Rich Hargrove, Rylee Baker, Hyland Weaver, Frances Collins, Lela Pride, Shelley Leuthan, Peggy Rosa, Louise Howell on Dec. 19; Jo Redding, Shelia Touchstone, Bob Wills, Erma Riley (89), Royce Marion, Rocky Mendiola, Melanie Gates, Lori Morrison, Alexander Johnson on Dec. 20; Jim Jackson, Jason Forrester, Rich Woollard, Lindsey Thiessen on Dec. 21; Patterson Alvey, Edna Pearl Abernethy, Martha Meek, Lois Hudson, Barbara Hodges on Dec. 22; Bobbi Ka Greene, Larami Lancaster, Stacey Horton, Wade Hathaway, Patricia Debose, James Camp, Cameron Bibens, Steve Earney, Rhonda Rutherford on Dec. 23; Shaunda Patterson, Gina Seitz and Lois Puryear on Dec. 24.

Happy Anniversary to Kevin and Pam Rattliff and Mack and Linda Sides on Dec. 19; Thurman and Bobbye Horn and Ronny and Melanie Alls and John and Randi Sue Franklin on Dec. 20; Danny and Karen McNeill, Toby and Kloette Henson and Bill and Melinda Stiles on Dec. 21; Travis and Cheryl Wilson on Dec. 23; Rick and Janet Hefner on Dec. 24. God bless you everyone!

Good to have T.V. back after several days off of the cable. Joe Ellison had surgery at BSA in Amarillo Thursday. Pray for Joe. He is out of I.C.U. and in a room and doing better. Expecting to get together at Roy and Nell Bradstreet home on Monday, Dec. 12, to celebrate Debbie Glazner's 50th and Mike Bradstreet's 49th birthdays were the above and Jan Bradstreet, Wes and Cindy Bradstreet and David Bradstreet. Mike and Jan live at Borger. Happy Birthday, Debbie and Mike.

Ft. Elliott Elementary Christmas Program called "Christmas in the Country" will be Friday night, Dec. 16, at 6:30 at Mobeetie. Visitors welcome.

Wheeler Baptist Children's Musical program will be next Sunday Dec. 18 at 6:00 p.m. Everyone invited. It is always good. Wheeler Baptist Golden Agers will meet Thursday at noon Dec. 15, for a good pot luck meal and program. All over 50 invited. See you there!

Our Country Band will come to Wheeler Care Center next Tuesday, Dec. 20, at 6:30. Visitors always welcome. Always lovely music and singing.

Sorry to hear that Bob Carey of the Sayre area was flown to Oklahoma City and had open heart surgery. He and wife, Charlene and family feel blessed that he is doing so much better now. Praise the Lord! Remember them in your prayers.

Nice to see Tera Hefley Wesbrooks and baby girl, Bentley, and Nathan Hefley out to the tournament at Briscoe. Bentley is 9 months old and looks very much like her beautiful mama, Tera.

Thank you XI Epsilon Eta for all the delicious goodies and the good picture of you all. It was sweet of you to think of me. God bless you everyone! Thank you Ed and Laurel for the watermelons. Mighty sweet and good!

Thursday Ray and Glenda Hudson met friends, Claudette Hand and Cindy Bowen at Canadian and went to the movie, "Yours, Mine and Ours". Good.

Gageby Church had a Fellowship luncheon to welcome Evelyn Meek and Kathy Meek back Sunday. They were gone over 3 months and good to have them back from California.

The Ladies Sunday School Class of Mobeetie Baptist Church met at Doris Finsterwald's Saturday afternoon, Dec. 10, for a party while Doris had her lighted Christmas Village up. (It is really special.) Some there were Orville Greenhouse, Lorene Rector, Leta Mae Gatlin, Audrey Seitz, Clarice Hathaway, Willene Burke, Aricia Lancaster, Bro. Harvey and Virginia Patterson, Betty Rogers, Doris Finsterwald and Shirley Dyson. They had some snack finger foods and punch and visited.

My what a crowd at Wheeler Care Center Sunday of relatives and friends for the residents' Christmas Party. Gifts for all the residents and refreshments of cake and cookies and punch. A very nice party. Thank you to all the staff, helping to make it a happy occasion.

Patsy Smith enjoyed having family for dinner Saturday and included Dale and Kathleen Smith from Kismet, Kan., Allen and Jenny Mixon from McLean and Shannon Gilmer and Adley. They had a gift exchange and lots of visiting and eating.

Wheeler Baptist Golden Agers rescheduled their trip to Elk City to eat out and see the lights to Monday, Dec. 19. They plan to leave the church at 3:30 p.m. on the church bus. Call Emma Williams, 826-5955, if you want to go.

Congratulations to Lacey Bryant, who will be finishing her Culinary Arts training in Rhode Island in February with a Bachelor's Degree, to be a chef. She has been offered a job at Scottsdale, Ariz., when she finishes. Be nice to be closer home and a warmer climate. Lacey is the daughter of Mike and Beverly Bryant, a sister to Josh, Gary and Greg Bryant. Best wishes.

Xi Upsilon Eta shared Christmas Goodie Baskets with 25 "Golden Agers" Saturday. Thank You! They do many nice things for others. Some helping with the project were Rita Pearson, Kara Richardson, Bobbie Walker, Shelia Mick, Kathy Knibbs, Sallie Adcock, Gina Seitz, Dena Brown, Jackie Lane, Cathy Hunt, Ann Lee, Jane Dukes, Patricia Kephart and Santa Paul Hathaway.

No quilting at Totty Thursday. Would have been hard to heat the building as cold as it was.

In the Ft. Elliott Tourney at Briscoe, Ft. Elliott girls (Varsity) defeated Wellington 63 to 48 to win the championship. Spearman Varsity boys defeated Wheeler 54 to 45, to win the championship game.

Coming to Wheeler Care Center Tuesday for Sing-a-long, were Louise Boydston and Vance and Carol Boydston from Allison Pentecostal Church. Juanita and Opal Boydston were sick. But the singing and piano playing were good, even tho the group was small. Thanks!

Always nice to have a call from daughter, Mary, in Waxahachie Area, near Dallas. School had turned out early Wednesday, because of danger of ice. Also a call from Eula Newman at Richland Hills. Sleet and ice there so she was staying in. Our thermometer hovered near zero, but dry here. But it was cold on Wednesday. Nice to have no ice! A sunshiney day.

Bro. Bill and Kay Stiles went to Tanzania in early November with an International group to tell the people about accepting Jesus as their Lord and Savior. People were very responsive with many accepting the Lord. Praise the Lord! Good to have Bill and Kay come to Wheeler Baptist Sunday night and tell of their experiences there. Pray for the people in Tanzania, who are hungry for the word of God and to accept Him.

Pray for Wheeler Baptist to find a Youth Minister—Music Director. Good to have a letter and picture from Kyle and Tamra Goldsmith and Kailee, 4, and Lanie, 18 mo. They are very busy and happy there at Dalhart as youth minister. God had provided for their every need. They pray God will provide for us. Pray for the Goldsmiths. Their address is 1914 Harbour St., Dalhart, TX 79022. Phone: 806/249-1308. Love to you all.

Jimmy Nelson helped David Pearson and Dallas put up Christmas decorations at David and Rita's Saturday and then they all and Krystal and Keaira and Rita went to Canadian and ate at the Cattle Exchange.

I enjoyed eating lunch at The Spot Sunday with Dallas and Krystal Fillingim and Keaira. Good to see Diane and Bevard Dukes with Tracy and Andrea Aldridge and Tysen and Tayton there. Also Bob and Evangeline Wills. And Mary Margaret Dodd with C. G. and Rosemary Dodd. They had been to Graham on the 60th Wedding Anniversary celebration for Bud and Texas McCarroll and were going home. (Bud is Mary's brother.) Also at The Spot were Mack and Linda Sides. Congratulations to Bud and Texas! 60 years!

Good job decorating Baptist Church, Ned Burrell, Evangeline Wills and Sylvia Shuler. Thanks!

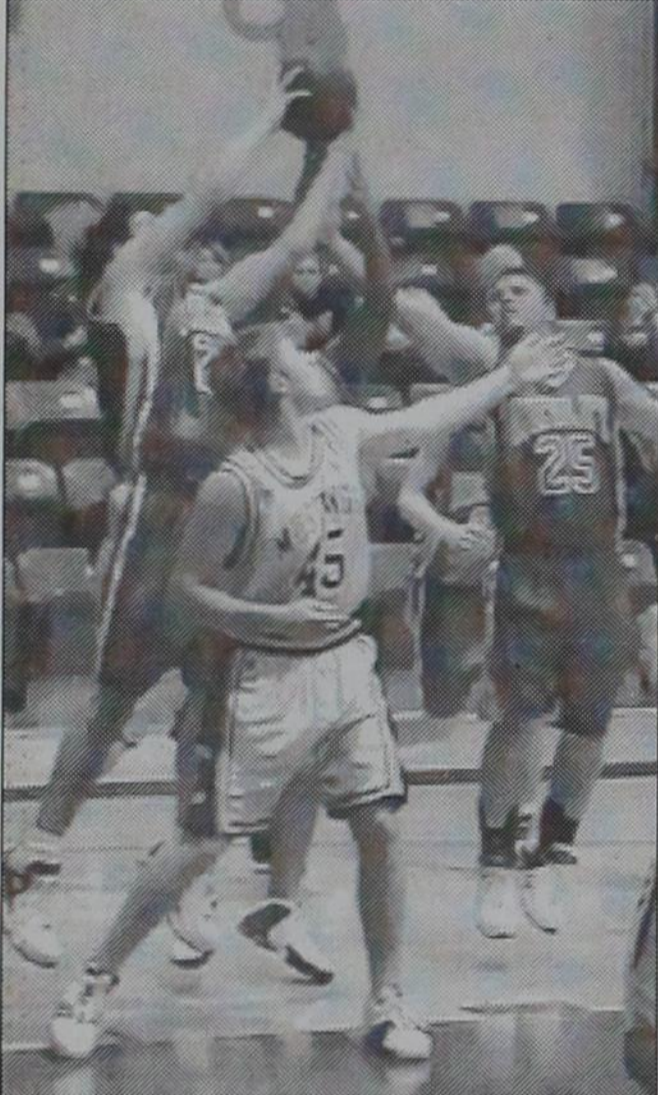
Spending several days with Ed and Laurel Hershman were old friends from Indiana, Pam and Doug Myers from Galveston, Indiana. They enjoyed them. They usually work together at the Indiana State Fair in August each year. Good to have them all out to Wheeler Baptist Church Sunday (Continued Page 6)



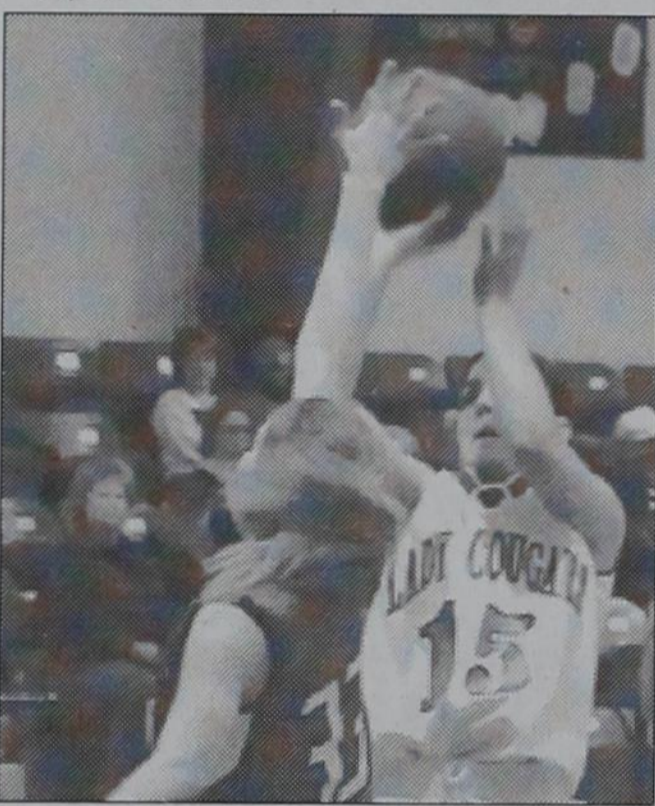
Aspen Hathaway, #32, moves the ball down court for the Lady Mustangs in the Ft. Elliott Tournament.



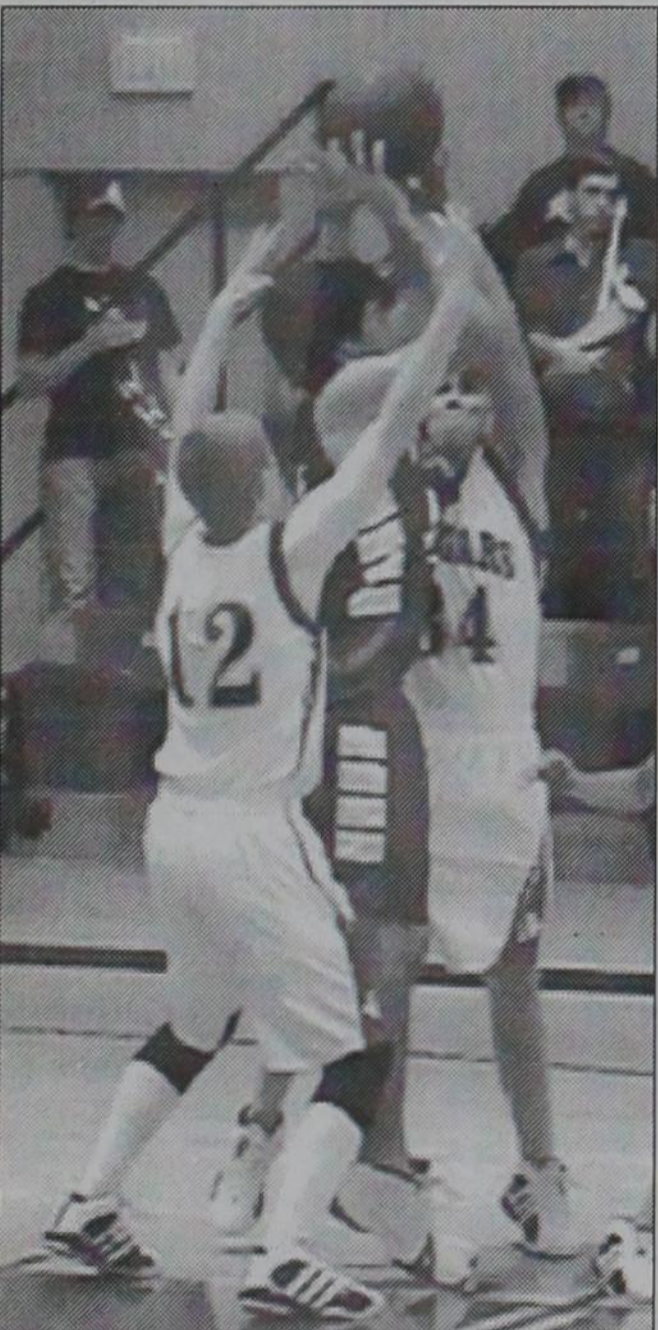
Josh Couch, #53, has the ball in the Ft. Elliott Tournament. Mikel Tucker, #33, stands close to help his teammate.



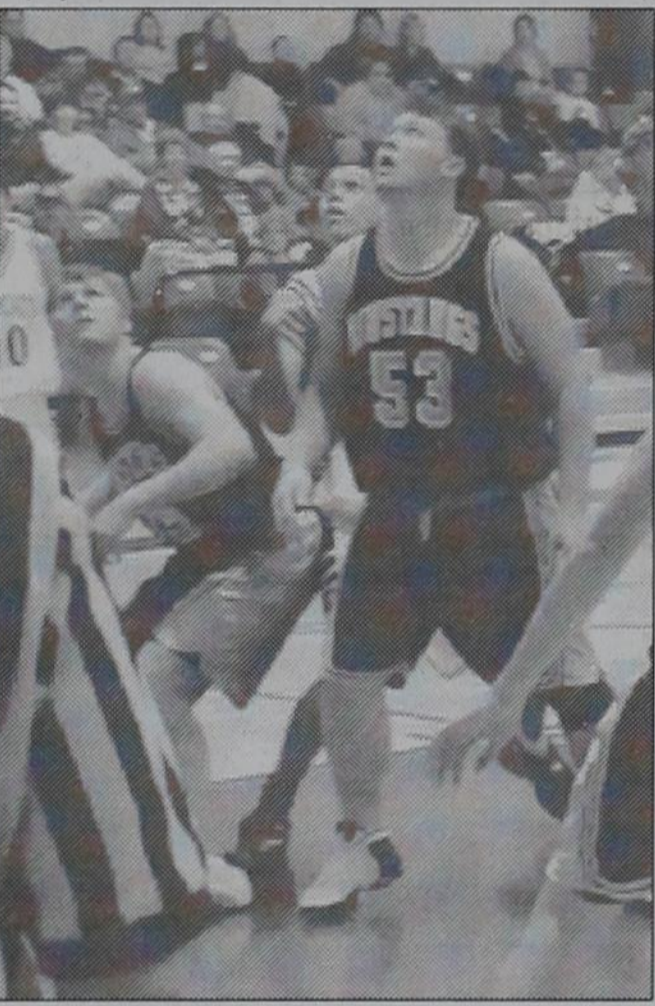
Josh Britt, #45, is in the game. Wheeler Mustangs won second in the tournament.



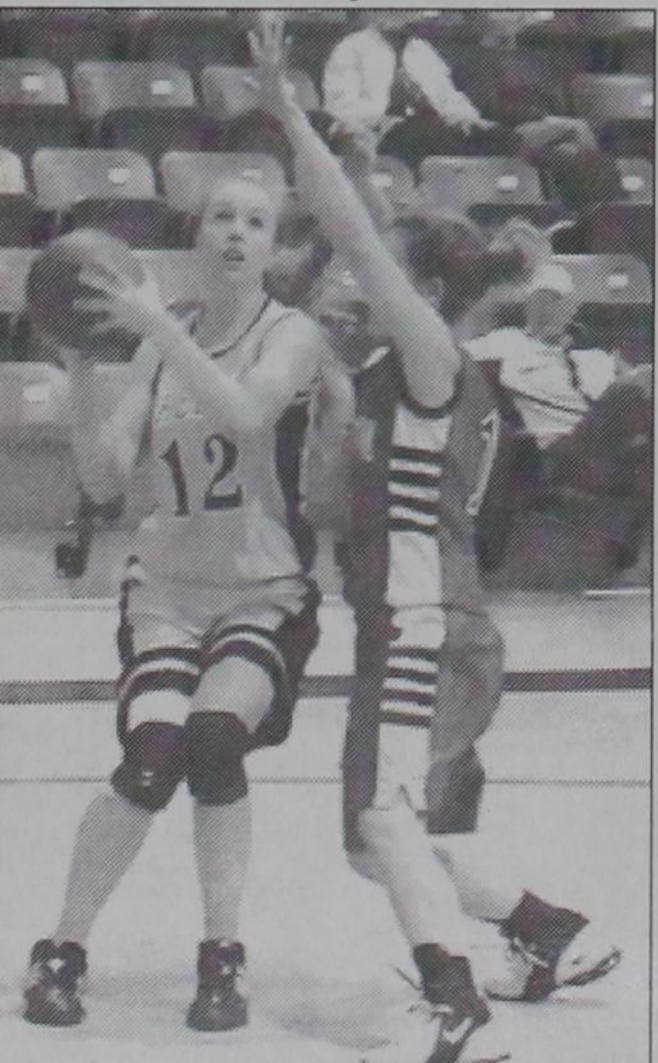
Ft. Elliott's Sarah Zybach, #15, attempts a shot. Ft. Elliott Lady Cougars won the championship trophy.



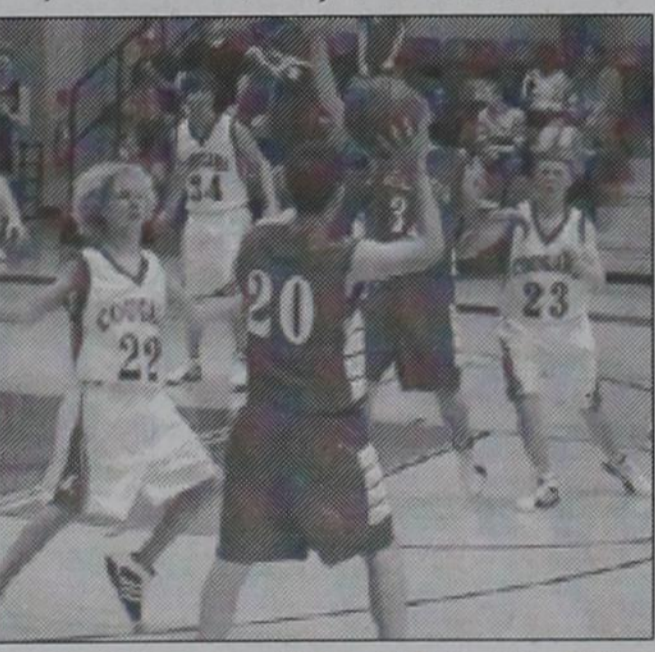
Clay White, #12, and Blaine Baker, #34, doubleteam for the Cougars.



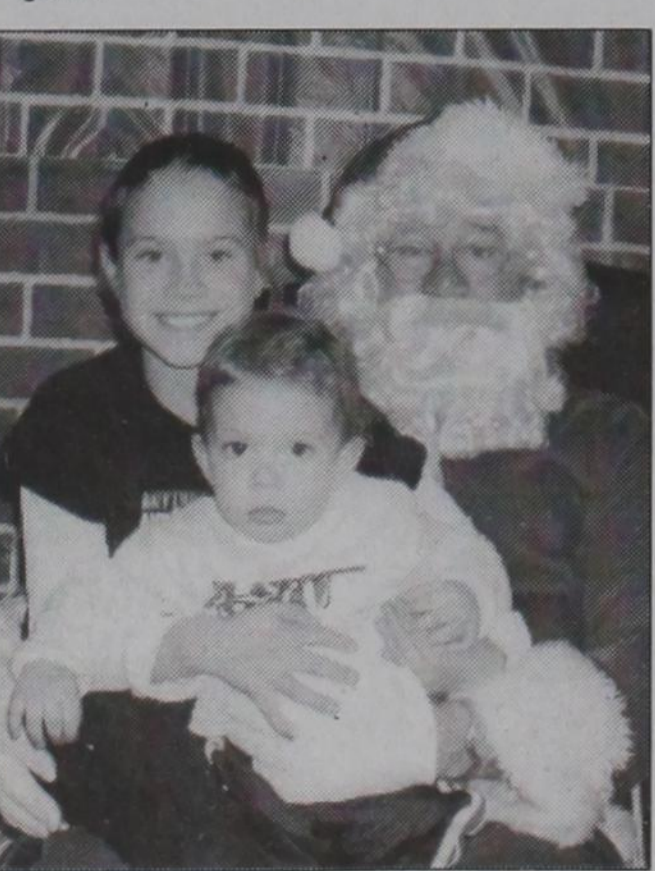
Josh Couch, #53, and Josh Britt, #45, have their eyes on the ball, ready for a rebound.



J'Shay McCasland, #12, gets ready to take a shot for the Lady Mustangs.



Ft. Elliott Cougars, Michael Bell, #22; Blaine Baker, #34, and Kelsey Zybach, #23, play the game.



Taylor McClendon and Jonathan Burrell visited Santa when he came to Wheeler for the Chamber's Christmas Open House.

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Wheeler Church of Christ

I had a favorite bedtime story when I was a little, but I have to tell you that when my Dad told it to me, he would always purposefully change the name of one of the characters at a pivotal moment. It was the story of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego that is found in Daniel 3. King Nebuchadnezzar had a large golden statue/idol of himself built in which everyone was supposed to bow down before it. But the three young men, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego would not bow down before an idol. Instead, they would remain faithful to the Lord. Because of their unwillingness to bow down, they were threatened with being thrown into a fiery furnace. They responded to the king in Daniel 3:16-18 with these words: "we do not need to defend ourselves before you in this matter. If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to save us from it, and he will rescue us from your hand, O king. But even if he does not, we want you to know, O king, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up." Furious, the king threw them into a furnace with the flames so hot that the guards who threw them in were killed. Yet the three young men remained safe. Nebuchadnezzar realized that the God they worshiped was the true God. He told the men to come out of the fire as he changed the law. From that point on, people were free to worship God and Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego were promoted to prominent positions in the kingdom.

So the Bible bedtime story ended. My Dad would then ask me: "Shawn, who was this Bible story about?" And we would answer in unison: "Shadrach, Meshach, and To-bed-we-go." He would tell me good-night, turn off the light, and I would have a good night's sleep, dreaming of good people remaining faithful to God.

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.

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

Merry Christmas from . . .

First State Bank

Mobeetie & Wheeler

We cordially invite everyone to attend our

OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, December 22, 2005—9:30 A.M. - 2:30 P.M.

at both locations:

Corner of First & Wheeler Streets, Mobeetie, Texas
Wheeler Office, 1408 S. Alan L. Bean Blvd., Wheeler, Texas

We sincerely thank you for your business during the past year and wish you every happiness for the Holidays and the coming year.

We will close at Noon on Friday, December 23, 2005, for our employees to have more time with their families. Enjoy the holidays with your family and come see us December 27, 2005, for all your banking needs.

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The View of a Southern Woman

.... Southern California that is.

My first Christmas here was a special one and I wanted to have a fresh green tree. No problem in California. They are in every market on almost every corner as the different organizations use the profits generated by the sales to help throughout the coming year or on the many nearby "chase and cut your own" tree lots. And here, well we had to go to Amarillo to get a fresh tree. Then I found that they drop their needles as soon as you get them home and are really brown by Christmas. Next year, we invested in a very nice stay-green tree. It decorated real nice and Glenn Forrest Frosty put it away after Christmas. This year it was a case of the lost tree. Now there are plenty of hiding places on this 1/2 acre place of ours, but no tree could be found after a 2 day search. So off we go to Elk City on other business, but to also find a real tree. Took a while, but finally tracked down one on the advice of our waitress at the El Charo restaurant. It still looks good after 4 days and I think it is because it loves this minus 4 degree weather. Never in my lifetime did I think I would or could ever survive in minus 4 degree weather. We

heard it in Siberia and those other frosted, distant places, but here...? Anyway, I did survive it by staying inside and enjoying the fireplace with hot chocolate and my computer to keep me occupied. I am not too sure the tree looked like a tree, but not to worry, I am sure we will find our other tree sometime in June or July.

Last week, we were forced to not only find, but put our electric blanket on our bed. He hooked it up and we were all set for the turning it up and we were getting. I kept turning it up and felt no warmer and by morning Glenn said he tried to turn his off as it got too hot. Well, big deal! I froze and he was too warm. Same thing next year. Then my brilliant husband decided that just maybe he had put the controls on the wrong sides of the bed. Sure enough, he had gotten them backwards, so he just turned the blanket over to match the controls. Now normally this would upset me, but it seems so normal with Glenn. Time does change our outlook on a lot of things or maybe it is just a case of ageing.

My sister-in-law, Juanita, directed the Christmas play this year as usual and she did a great job. Only thing is she wanted me to be an angel. Well, I never heard so much static from family, friends and our preacher, but I did it anyway. Where do you get an angel costume out here in the country? Well, you use a bed sheet. Now how can you keep the thing on as

you are traipsing around the stage? Well, my complaint was answered by another sister-in-law, Louise. She said she had an old angel costume she would lend me, but she would have to dig it out of the rag bag as she had been using it to clean her car, but she would bleach it and maybe it would do. I decided to bleach it again and maybe some of the rust stains would come out a little better, so overnight it went into the washing machine with a few chemicals and it helped a little more. I also patched a hole in it, but when I put it on Sunday morning, I noticed the seams were coming loose. Seems the threads had received too much bleach, so with no time to set up the sewing machine, I whipped out the needle and thread and sent a few stitches into the seams. It would not have

looked to good for the angel to lose her sleeves on stage. Anyway, all went well, but Glenn said we should buy an angel costume, but I doubt if I ever play an angel again. Next time I think I should be a wise man, but no, guess not as I could be laying on the beach in California right now and I am not!!!

Merry Christmas to all of you with love, **Betty Boydston.**

Chat (from Page 1)

evening. I have not started to suffer withdrawal yet.

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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

From the Principal's Desk

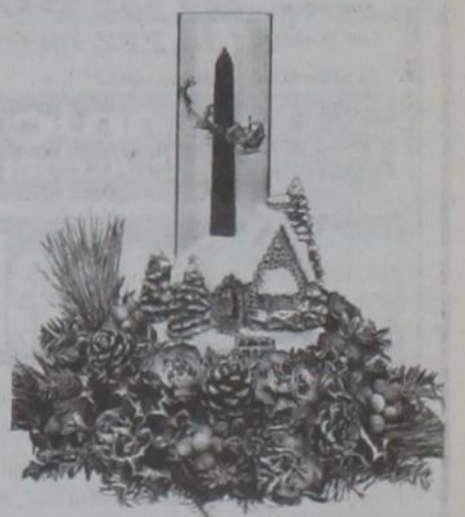
It is an exciting time here at Wheeler ISD. Our students and teachers are gearing up for Semester Finals, which will begin on December 20th and continue on the 21st. This semester has flown by and that has to be attributed to the positive attitude that our students have benchmark. We recently wrapped up benchmark testing in all areas of the TAKS. We have now identified just what help our students need to help make them successful this spring. We will begin test this on this. Ever so pressing before and after school tutorials when we return from the break. This extra time and effort will help ensure that all our students have an opportunity to succeed.

There are many activities that Wheeler students are taking part in at this time. Our Theatre Arts class presented "Hillbilly Blues" to our entire school and many in the community last week. It was very entertaining. Ms. Suzy Lee did a fine job in the directing of this play. Ms. Tricia Mitchell will be taking her Speech class to KVII this week. The students will get to see just how a television station works. Ms. Judy Woollard has recently taken her 8th grade Skills for Living classes to Soto's for a manners lesson. You would have been impressed at just how well mannered our students were. Ms. Woollard's 7th graders will also travel Wednesday to the Wheeler Care Center where they will spread some Christmas cheer. Ms. Betty Rives recently took the Junior and Senior classes to The Nutcracker Ballet in Amarillo. This was a very educational trip for this group. Mr. Jim Self is hard at work preparing for the stock show season, which is quickly coming upon us. Coach Bryan Markham and Coach Mike Bailey have our basketball teams in full swing, as we get ready for district play. Ms. Cindy Neel will have our band in fine tune at the annual Christmas Concert that will be held the 15th at 6:00 PM.

As you can see, the students here at Wheeler High School are actively engaged in a quality education, both in and out of the classroom.

Sincerely,
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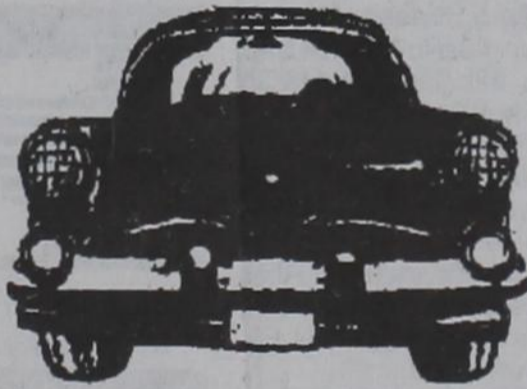


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Week Ending December 8, 2005
Intentions to Drill
HEMPHILL (ALLISON-PARKS Granite Wash) Devon Energy Production Co., L.P., #2 Jones '14', 1980' from North & 467' from West line, Sec. 14, Z-1, ACH&B, PD 14000'.

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) B&W Operating, L.L.C., #5 Meadows '4', 853' from North & 467' from West line, Sec. 4, A, AB&M, PD 11850'.

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #3 Thomas '47', 660' from North & 1980' from East line, Sec. 47, A-2, H&GN, PD 15000'.

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #1459 L.A. Johnson, 2310' from North & 800' from East line, Sec. 59, M-1, H&GN, PD 35000'.

ROBERTS (WILDCAT & ALPAR-LIPS St. Louis) Latigo Petroleum Texas, L.P., #2 Courson Ranch '159', 223' from South & 652' from East line, Sec. 159, 13, T&NO, PD 9700'.

ROBERTS (GILL RANCH Granite Wash) Devon Louisiana Corp., #3016 Gill, 4150' from North & 350' from East line, Sec. 16, 44, J. Poitevent, PD 12150'.

ROBERTS (WILDCAT & LARD RANCH Granite Wash 'C') Grayhawk Operating, Inc., #103 Tolbert, 2600' from South & 2110' from West line, Sec. 3, --, BBB&C, PD 11000' (BHL: 550' from North & 1980' from West Sec. line) Horizontal

ROBERTS (WILDCAT & LARD RANCH Granite Wash 'C') J-Brex Co., #J-2 Lonnie, 3250' from South & 482' from West line, Sec. 2, 45, H&TC, PD 8750'.

ROBERTS (ST CLAIR Granite Wash) Devon Louisiana Corp., Christie-Tippis, Sec. 78, B-1, H&GN, PD 11000, for the following wells:

#4078, 700' from North & 2300' from East line of Sec. #5078, 2200' from North & 1450' from East line of Sec.

ROBERTS (WILDCAT & ST. CLAIR Granite Wash) Questar E&P Co., #101 Christie Tippis, 2145' from North & 790' from East line, Sec. 1, --, B&B, PD 10200'.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & B&B Atoka Granite Wash) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #3 Britt Ranch '7', 660' from North & 1630' from West line, Sec. 7, 2, B&B, PD 16000'.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & B&B Atoka Granite Wash) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #3 Meeks '41', 660' from North & East line, Sec. 41, A-

4, I&GN, PD 17000'.
WHEELER (WILDCAT & WEST BRITT Granite Wash 'A') Questar E&P Co., #2013 (RE) Pureyear, 467' from North & East line, Sec. 13, A-3, H&GN, PD 15000'.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & MILLS RANCH Des Moines) Sanguine Gas Exploration, L.L.C., #1040 Mills Ranch, 1390' from South & 900' from West line, Sec. 40, A-7, H&GN, PD 14200'.

WHEELER (WILDCAT & STILES RANCH Atoka) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #1021 Hagermann, 467' from North & 599' from East line, Sec. 21, --, OS-2, PD 18000'.

WHEELER (WEST PARK Granite Wash) Devon Energy Production Co., L.P., #5 Truman Zybach '16', 1901' from South & 1863' from East line, Sec. 16, RE, R&E, PD 15000'.

Oil Well Completions
ROBERTS (ST CLAIR Granite Wash) Texakoma Operating, L.P., #1 McMordie '84', Sec. 84, C, G&M, spud 7-5-05, drlg. compl 8-5-05, tested 10-16-05, flowed 158 bbl. of -- grav. oil + 60 bbls. water thru choke on 24 hour test, GOR 6025, TD 9875', PBD 9678' -- (This well was completed as a Gas Well, but the first week's production calculated it to be an Oil Well)

Gas Well Completions
GRAY (EAST PANHANDLE) Gruy Petroleum Mgmt. Co., #3 Darsey 'A', Sec. 7, 2, H&GN, spud 6-2-05, drlg. compl 6-4-05, tested 9-19-05, potential 4-50 MCF, TD 2400' --

GRAY (EAST PANHANDLE) Gruy Petroleum Mgmt. Co., #32 Rice, Sec. 32, R, A.D. Heiman, spud 5-11-05, drlg. compl 5-13-05, tested 9-19-05, potential 1110 MCF, TD 2504' --

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Forest Oil Corp., #2752 John C. Vise, Sec. 52, M-1, H&GN, spud 8-22-05, drlg. compl 9-12-05, tested 10-21-05, TD 13500', PBD 13444'

HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Noble Energy Production, Inc., #4105P Hefley, Sec. 41, M-1, H&GN, spud 4-27-05, drlg. compl 5-11-05, tested 8-4-05, TD 11900', PBD 11800' -- Form 1 filed in Patina Oil & Gas

HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star Ltd. Partnership, #24 Hobart Ranch '50', Sec. 50, A-2, H&GN, spud 8-8-05, drlg. compl 8-27-05, tested 10-30-05, TD 12800', PBD 12669' --

ROBERTS (ALPAR-PEARSON Brown Dolomite) Upland Resources, Inc., #4 Skeeterbee, Sec. 30, 44, J.A. King, spud 8-24-05, drlg. compl 8-29-05, tested 11-3-05, TD 3656', PBD 3578' --

ROBERTS (ALPAR-PEARSON Brown Dolomite) Upland Resources, Inc., #5 Skeeterbee, Sec. 159, C, G&M, spud 9-17-05, drlg. compl 9-30-05, tested 11-7-05, TVD 3425', MD 5907' Horizontal

ROBERTS (ALPAR-PEARSON Brown Dolomite) Upland Resources, Inc., #6 Skeeterbee, Sec. 159, C, G&M, spud 8-9-05, drlg. compl 9-15-05, tested 11-11-05, TVD 3425', MD 6127' Horizontal

ROBERTS (N.W. MENDOTA S.W. Granite Wash) Unit Petroleum Co., #A-1 Isaacs, Sec. 2, --, BS&F, spud 6-3-05, drlg. compl 8-11-05, tested 10-20-05, TD 11250', PBD 11025' --

ROBERTS (ST CLAIR Granite Wash) Questar E&P Co., #9070 Christie-Tippis 'A', Sec. 70, B-1, H&GN, spud 7-12-05, drlg. compl 7-31-05, tested 10-7-05, potential 464 MCF, TD 10200', PBD 9885' --

WHEELER (ALLISON - BRITT 12350') EOG Resources, Inc., #2 Troy '23', Sec. 23, RE, R&E, spud 9-7-05, drlg. compl 9-26-05, tested 10-24-05, potential 1535 MCF, TD 12800', PBD 12718' --

WHEELER (MILLS RANCH Morrow Chart) BP America Production Co., #2 Nectar, Sec. 52, A-7, H&GN, spud 3-7-05, drlg. compl 10-13-05, tested 10-14-05, TD 18402' --

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Wheeler County COURT RECORDS

List of instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's office from December 5, 2005 - December 9, 2005.

DECEMBER 5, 2005
STATE TAX LIEN—State of Texas to Shamrock Nursing Center LLC, 11-28-05.

RDT/RVL—Jayesh A. Bhakta, et ux to Jayesh R. Patel, 11-28-05, E 70.8' Lot 3; W 19.2' Lot 4; 150' x 96.8' Lot 4, Blk. 3, all in Schlegel Add., Shamrock.

ADD—Demla-Sallis Partnership Ltd. to Bhadrata Patel, et al, 11-23-05, E 70.8' Lot 3; W 19.2' Lot 4; 150' x 96.8' Lot 4, Blk. 3, all in Schlegel Add., Shamrock.

DVL—Jayesh R. Patel, et ux to Hemlata Patel, 11-30-05, E 70.8' Lot 3; W 19.2' Lot 4; 150' x 96.8' Lot 4, Blk. 3, all in Schlegel Add., Shamrock.

DT—Hemlata Patel to Jayesh B. Bhakta, et ux, 11-30-05, E 70.8' Lot 3; W 19.2' Lot 4; 150' x 96.8' Lot 4, Blk. 3, all in Schlegel Add., Shamrock.

DT—Hemlata Patel to Jayesh R. Patel, et ux, 11-30-05, E 70.8' Lot 3; W 19.2' Lot 4; 150' x 96.8' Lot 4, Blk. 3, all in Schlegel Add., Shamrock.

PARTIAL LIEN RELEASE—Barry Sanders to Monte Lynn Mills, et ux, 11-30-05, Lots 20-24, Blk. 6, Shamrock.

PARTIAL LIEN RELEASE—Melissa Kimbro to Lynn Mills, et ux, 12-1-05, Lots 20-24, Blk. 6, Shamrock.

PARTIAL LIEN RELEASE—Lynette Kidd to Lynn Mills, et ux, 12-1-05, Lots 20-24, Blk. 6, Shamrock.

ROW—Mark Reitan, et al to Enbridge Pipeline (Texas Gathering) LP, 9-30-05, E 1/2 Sec. 15, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

ROW—Karis Crocco, et al to Southwestern Public Service Company, 8-30-05, Pt. Sec. 37, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ROW—Boyd Huff, et al to Enbridge Pipelines (Texas Gathering) LP, 9-21-05, Pt. SE 1/4 Sec. 47, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey; All of Sec. 2; SW 1/4 Sec. 5; Pt. W 1/2 and SE 1/4 Sec. 4, Blk. 2, Brooks & Burleson Survey.

ROW—Frances H. Morrison to Enbridge Pipelines (Texas Gathering) LP, 9-24-05, Pt. SE 1/4 Sec. 32, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ROW—Boyd Huff, et al to Enbridge Pipelines (Texas Gathering) LP, 9-21-05, Pt. W 1/2 Sec. 3 and 4, Blk. 5, Brooks & Burleson Survey; Pt. W 1/2 Sec. 48; Pt. NW 1/4 Sec. 33; Pt. Sec. 32, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

FIELD NOTE—Kenneth R. Allen to City of Wheeler, 10-18-05, 8 acs. Sec. 1, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

FIELD NOTE—Kenneth R. Allen to City of Wheeler, 10-18-05, 23.89 acs. Sec. 1, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

MERGER AFF.—Eagle Rock Field Services LP to Oneok Texas Field Services LP, et al, 12-1-05.

DT—Eagle Rock Field Services LP to Goldman Sachs Credit Partners LP, 12-1-05, Sec. 33, Blk. 24, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

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NEWS**
By Juanita Boydston

Grace be to you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ: According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love; Having predestinated us into the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, To the praise of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved. In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and pudence; Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself; That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him; In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will; That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ. The weather here in Allison the last couple of days has been really nice and a little warmer, but today on this Monday, its windy and colder, and I hear that it is to get much colder and may have rain first then snow. We need the moisture really bad tho. Just so we don't get an ice storm. Tuesday, Vance and Carol

Boydston, Opal Boydston and Ronnie Hall and Juanita Boydston and Juanita Tincher gathered in the home of Curtis and Lil Boydston and enjoyed a delicious meal prepared by Carol Boydston and afterwards played a game of spinners.

Eddy and Sheila Walker and Louise Boydston enjoyed a delicious meal in the home of Pearl Harrison on Friday.

Pete Gilmer journeyed to Amarillo, Texas where he visited with his daughters and while there he went to the doctor and had some test run. He left on Monday a good report. He got on received and stayed thru Wednesday and

arrived back home on Thursday. I need to make a correction on an article ran earlier about Dean Lieb. He is in the BSA Hospital in Amarillo, Texas instead of Northwest Texas. I'm sorry about the mix up. Edna May reports that he is doing better now and the doctor is talking of letting him go home soon. Praise God!!

Thursday, Glenn and Betty Boydston traveled over to Reydon, Oklahoma and met with Vance Boydston, Curtis Boydston and Pastor F.R. Johnson and Eddy and Sheila Walker where they all enjoyed a delicious meal of brisket and polish sausage and other goodies. They brought Opal and Juanita a meal and also Louise. Thanks alot, it was very good.

Saturday night, Glenn and Betty Boydston hosted a Christmas party at their house. A delicious meal was served and lots of good desserts as well. After the meal we all played Dirty Santa with all the gifts that were brought. Had a good time of visiting and the game of course. Those attending were: Vance and Carol Boydston, Curtis and Lil Boydston, Pastor F.R. Johnson, Opal and Juanita Boydston, Ronnie Hall, Helen Forshee, Juanita Tincher and Pearl Harrison, and Louise Boydston.

Sunday after Sunday School, Glenn and Betty Boydston and Curtis and Lil Boydston traveled to Wheeler, Texas where they enjoyed a very delicious meal at Maxey's Steakhouse.

Wednesday, Glenn and Betty Boydston traveled to Elk City, Oklahoma where they attended to busi-



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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

ness and did some shopping. They enjoyed a very delicious meal at El Charro's.

Saturday, one of Kenny Helm's sons and family dropped by and visited awhile in the home of Glenn and Betty Boydston.

Sunday night after church, Vance and Carol Boydston and Opal and Juanita Boydston and Ronnie Hall and granddaughter, Juanita Tincher gathered in the

home of Curtis and Lil Boydston and enjoyed Fellowship and refreshments and a game of spinners. Ronnie won his first game.

Juanita Boydston and Juanita Tincher went over to Glenn and Betty's and visited awhile and worked in preparations for the Christmas play.

God Bless and Keep ya'll till next week.

A Wheeler Teacher's Point of View

Thank you for:

1. Young men who take their caps off when asked, even if they think they have very bad hair.
2. Kids who say "thank you" and express appreciation for activities, services done for them.
3. Kids who say "have a nice day" as they leave my classroom.
4. Kids who say "I'll help" when you say "I have stuff in the car to unload."
5. For kids whose hearts are touched by the pain, sorrow, suffering, hurts of others and say "We'll help raise money for Smile Train, Tralee Crisis, Rainbow Room, Crisis Pregnancy Center, Ronald McDonald Room (NWT Hospital), Ronald McDonald House. We'll cook for this family. We'll clean this person's garage."

6. For kids who look at you in the hall, smile and say "Hello".

7. For kids who represent our school and community in academic events,

athletic events with pride.

8. For kids who have talent, musical, acting, comedy, and don't mind performing for others.

9. For kids who have never embarrassed me on trips taken off campus. 10. For 25 years of watching the best kids in the country come through our doors and leave to make the world a better place. For young people who serve their/our country in the military, Peace Corps, in business and industry, in their homes. For young people becoming good parents, producing good kids to walk through our doors again.

11. Thank you community, for this school—the faculty, the administration, the support staff. For offering me a job for 25 years. One that I love and enjoy. People who become good parents, producing more good kids to walk through our doors.

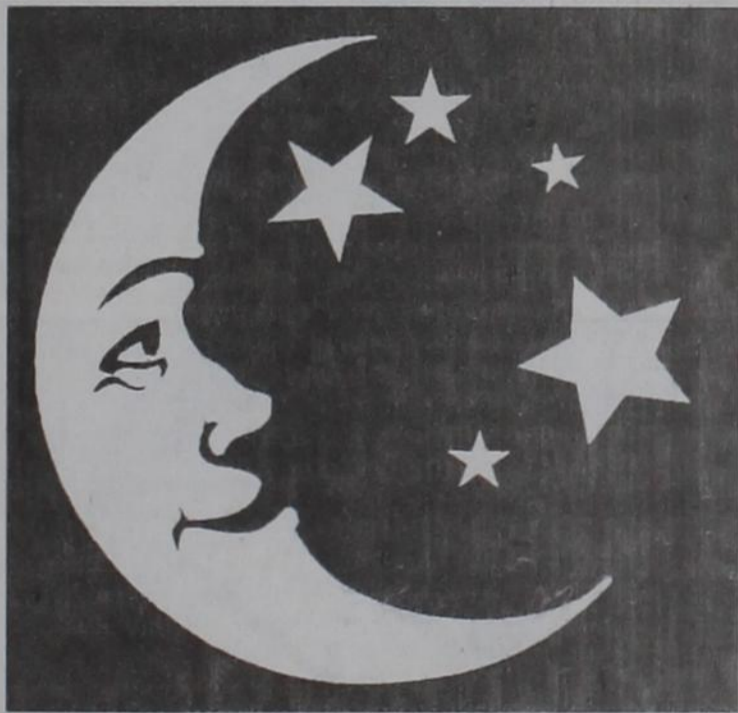
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To all Area Fire Departments, The Shelton family would like to express our sincere gratitude for the dedicated and superior job they all did helping fight the fires that happened on the Shelton Ranch. I would like to say that we appreciate the way you responded so quickly and worked so diligently till the fire was completely under control, this was also a great blessing to our adjoining neighbors. Your dedication under the cold and high winds should be commended, we feel fortunate to live in such a great area, where all the fire departments work so well together.

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Country (from Page 2)

enjoyed eating lunch at Maxeys Saturday with Rita Pearson and Dallas and Krystal Fillingim and Keaira. Good to see Tom Helton and Bill Helton from Amarillo there with Thomas and Martha Helton. Tom will be 97 Feb. 26, but seems so sharp and looks much younger. The boys took him for a ride out to see Thomas and Martha's new house that is going up and out to see the oil and gas well activity near where Tom and his family used to live. Good to see you all. They just came for the day.

We celebrated Dallas Fillingim's birthday over the weekend. He turned 32 on Sunday, Dec. 11. Lindsey was 29 on Monday, Dec. 12.

Dallas and Krystal Fillingim and Keaira from Wichita Falls came Friday and spent the weekend with David and Rita Pearson. Nice to have them visit me and take me out to the basketball tournament at Ft. Elliott Friday. Good to see lots of old friends. Ft. Elliott girls defeated Shamrock girls 65-46. Some on Ft. Elliott team were Sarah Beth Zybach, Shealee Coulter, Alicia Reis, Mayci Meadows, Stormi Lancaster, Amber Maddox, Tisha McLaughlin and others. Good job.

Ft. Elliott boys played Spearman. Some on Ft. Elliott team were Kelsey Zybach, Chance Newman, Jacob Puryear, Nathan McLaughlin, Cody Dupont, Blaine Baker, Robbie Hovey, Brandon Finsterwald and others.

Nice to meet Lois Anglin Patterson at the Care Center Christmas Party. She went to school at Briscoe and knew my sister, Mary Ruth Evans. My dad, O. C. Evans was also her teacher. Lois is married to Nile Patterson.

Dallas and Krystal and Keaira Fillingim went to Canyon Sunday afternoon to visit Lindsey Criswell and Blain and Dagen and help Lindsey celebrate her 29th birthday on Monday. Rita and David Pearson also spent Sunday night in Canyon and helped Lindsey celebrate on Monday. Rita also had a doctor's appointment.

Wes and Cindy Bradstreet left early Saturday to go to Abilene and see son-in-law, Mike Keith, get his degree from Hardin-Simmons University. They stopped by for a short visit with daughter, Sandy, at Ft. Worth. Then went on Dallas to hear the Dallas Symphony Choir and Orchestra perform. Andy's wife, Tracey, sings in

the choir for their Christmas performance. It was very good. They spent the night with Andy and Tracy, coming back Sunday to Wheeler. There were to be 10 more performances of the Symphony.

Chandler Early Christmas Peggy Chandler from Allison, Texas, gathered with her children and their families at the City Drug, Bed and Breakfast on December 2 and 3, to celebrate a late Thanksgiving and early Christmas. There to enjoy the weekend of visiting and playing games were Valerie (Chandler) and Bob Young, daughter Angel (Young) and Lee Cawfield and sons, Hunter and Chevy from Lubbock, Cindy (Chandler) and Tony Burrus and son, Bret Burrus, his wife, Erin and chil-

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dren, Jagger and Scout from Canyon; Brad and Sue Chandler from Allison; their daughter, Bridget (Chandler) Weatherly and her children, Audra and Hagen from Wheeler; Marki (Chandler) and Ronnie Stringer and children, Chandler, Kinin and Jordan from Temple, Okla.; Billy, Rhonda and Tyler McWhorter and Katie Shipp, also joined in on the visiting and playing games also. They all left Sunday to go home.

Wheeler Care Center Activity Director, Kay Pitcock, has really been decorating things up pretty for Christmas. Thanks, Kay. She has also started some new activities at Wheeler Care Center. Pray for all the residents and staff there.

Nice to have a visit from son, Danny, Monday.

Our Country Band
Our Country Band came to Wheeler Care Center Tuesday night and played beautiful music for a very appreciative audience of residents and a few visitors. Visitors always welcome. Playing guitars were Gene Keelin, Jay Godwin and Jim Jackson; Geoff Caldwell played mandolin; Robert Jones played the bass; Chuck Hartline played fiddle and guitar. Singing were Daniel Keelin, Chuck Hartline, Jim Jackson, Jay Godwin and Bob Hink. They do a great job. The band will be back to play at the Care Center Tuesday, Dec. 20, at 6:30. Thank you all very much for coming. Also there to listen were Steve and Joyce Walker and Katelin, Verna Fillingim and Cooper Ellison. Walkers also visited Steve's mom, Jenny Walker, at the Care Center.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Walter Blakeslee in his death Tuesday at Wheeler. His wife is Rose Blakeslee.

Phyllis Hefley drove to Tulia Tuesday (when it was so cold) and enjoyed visiting Darren and Chalone Hefley and Dawson and Logan a few days. Kristi Hefley from Lubbock met her at Tulia and they shopped in Amarillo for Christmas and had a good time visiting.

Jim and Beth Alvey went to Van Buren, Ark., Friday and visited Chuck and Tina Dale and Emily getting back Monday night! All well there. They also did some shopping.

Good to have a Christmas letter from long time friends, Glenn and Aetha Fields at 2433 West 22nd St, Loveland, CO 80538-3026. They continue to participate with the Loveland Rhythm Singers, a group of seniors sponsored by the Community Senior Center and are active in their church. Glenn rides a bicycle twice a day for 15-20 minutes and Aetha walks the treadmill for 10 min. So they are in "pretty good shape for the shape they are in."

Glenn and Aetha Fields have 6 children with 5 of them in the Denver area so they get together often at different kids houses for meals for holidays and birthdays, etc. They will have a white elephant gift exchange at Aurora on Dec. 10. They "thank the Lord for every day He gives them and for all the friends and family, who make life worth every effort it takes." They are 85 years and 86 years. They have 42 in all in their family with 8 great-grands. Glenn pastored Baptist Churches many years, but had to quit not long ago. Glenn grew up and graduated at Briscoe. His dad pastored Briscoe Baptist Church.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Fern Kidwell would like to express their appreciation for the flowers, food, and prayers on our behalf at the loss of our Mother, To Dr. Mendiola, the nursing staff of Parkview Hospital for the care given her during her illness. The staff of the Wheeler Care Center for all they did for Mom during the time she made her home there. To Weldon, Sylvia and Abby for the beautiful music. To Rick Carstensen and Rick Bond for their part in the service.

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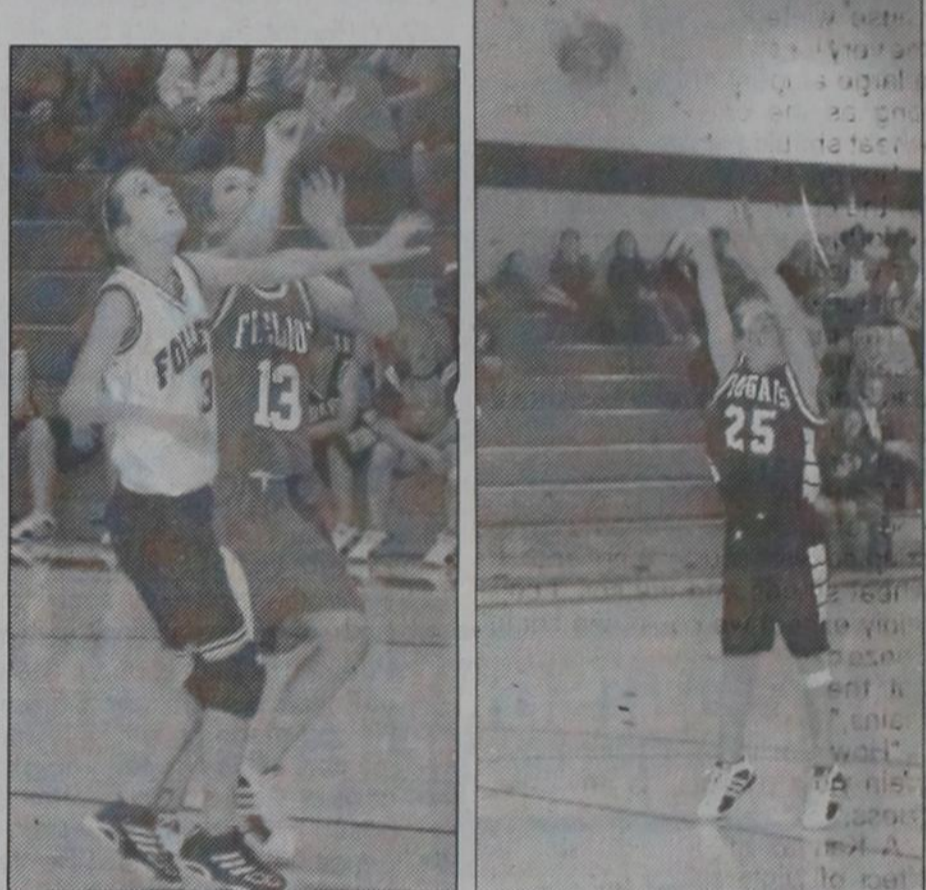
Sincere sympathy to Naomi Lowe and other family and friends in the death of Naomi's brother, Donald Kirkland, 74, of Shamrock. Funeral was to be Wednesday at Calvary Christian Fellowship in Shamrock. Bonnie Meadows is a niece of Donald's. "God be with you till we meet again."



Roland Newman, #23, takes a shot in the Ft. Elliott Junior High Game at Follett.



Cody Selby, #31; Blake Baker, #44; Gatlin Duncan, #14; Colby Hanson, are in the game.



Kaycee Swift, #13, awaits her chance at the ball. Colby Hanson, #25, takes a shot for Ft. Elliott.



Marissa Keelin, #35, moves the ball down the court in the Ft. Elliott junior high game with Follett.



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Wheeler Co. Commissioners' Court Meets In Regular Session Monday

Wheeler County Commissioners' Court met in regular session on Monday, December 12, 2005, at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners' Courtroom of the Wheeler County Courthouse at 401 S. Main Street, Wheeler, Texas. Fourteen items were on the agenda.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as presented.

The court accepted the monthly reports of Justices of the Peace 1 and 2, County Treasurer, and County Clerk.

The commissioners voted to pay the payroll time sheets as presented for payment.

The county's bills were approved for payment.

No action was taken on the budget.

No action was taken on the Courthouse Restoration Project.

No action was taken on the burn ban.

Thomas Grantham of Grantham, Cory and Heare, Certified Public Accounts presented the auditor's

Freezing Weather Can Damage Wheat

Temperatures hovering around zero could cause winterkill on wheat, said one Texas Cooperative Extension agronomist. Dr. Brent Bean said he's concerned the Texas Panhandle wheat crop may not have had a sufficient amount of time with cool temperatures to be fully cold-hardened.

Cold hardening of the wheat plant begins when temperatures drop below 50 degrees F., Bean said. At this temperature, growth of the wheat plant slows down and the physiology of the crown and leaf tissue changes.

When temperatures gradually cool over time, wheat develops a much higher degree of cold tolerance than wheat suddenly thrust into an environment with freezing temperatures, he said.

"This means prolonged temperatures in the single digits or even in the teens could potentially cause winterkill," Bean said. "At the very least, I suspect we will see a large amount of leaf kill. But as long as the crown survives the wheat should remain viable."

Soil moisture is a good insulator for the crowns and roots, he said. Unfortunately, the dry fall has left the wheat fields with very little soil moisture.

Temperatures in Amarillo this week have dropped as low as minus 3 degrees F and only climbed to about 24 degrees F during the past three days, he said.

"Considering the expected period of very low temperatures, coupled with our young sparse wheat stands and dry soil, I certainly expect we could see some freeze damage occurring throughout the Panhandle and South Plains," Bean said.

"How much this will actually hurt grain yield potential is any ones guess."

A Kansas study suggests the effect of winterkill on grain yield varies from year to year. As is always the case with wheat, spring weather will be the overriding factor that influences final grain yield, Bean said.

Freeze injury to wheat is not an unusual occurrence in the Texas Panhandle, he said, however it generally occurs in the late winter or early spring after wheat has broken dormancy, and has, or is beginning the reproductive phase of development.

Freeze injury during December or January is usually referred to as winterkill and is associated with the cold hardness of the wheat, Bean said.

The cold hardness of any given wheat field changes with time, and is associated with temperature, day-length, maturity, soil and plant moisture, nutrition, and physiological age.

Potential for winterkill increases with the length of exposure to low temperatures. Fully cold-hardened winter wheat crowns can tolerate 5 degrees F for five to six days, but can only tolerate 0 degrees F for 24 hours, he said.

Toys

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toys are needed. Items are being collected for youths from 0-15 years of age. If you wrap a gift, please include sex and age on each gift.

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If someone is aware of needy families, please contact Wheeler Sheriff's Department or Lee Ann Hillhouse with families names, ages and sex.

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Music

(from Page 1)
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report and financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2004. The court accepted the report.

Tax refunds in an amount over \$500.00 was approved another company is responsible for these taxes. The state comptroller was responsible for the error in billing.

No action was taken on the item concerning County Boat Agent agreement with Texas Parks and Wildlife.

The county voted to end their contract with Allison Bass and Associates; county road maps will be returned.

Enbridge Pipelines (Texas Gathering), L.P., was given permission to cross County Road C.

The next commissioners' court meeting was scheduled to be Monday, December 26. This meeting will be moved to Tuesday, December 27.

The court accepted the one proposal on the 1995 Utility Semi-Trailer. The one proposal was submitted by Wheeler General Store in the amount of \$5001.00.

Information On Trapping Feral Hogs

Bigger is better when it comes to trapping feral hogs.

As Texas' feral hog population continues to destroy crops and rangeland across the state, small traps are a popular control method among landowners with only a few hogs on the premises. But when feral hogs invade in double digits, constructing a trap as big as your living room is not out of the question.

"If you're trying to trap a big group, small traps are not the way to go," said Dr. Billy Higginbotham, Texas Cooperative Extension wildlife specialist at Overton.

As an alternative, Higginbotham recommends constructing a teardrop-shaped trap using sheep or goat panels 30-feet wide by 50-foot long. The panels can be secured by using T-posts. The gate to the trap is placed at the neck of the teardrop.

"You need to use a gate that's hinged or a saloon door that's spring-driven," he said.

A welder can construct the saloon gate using two small sheets of flat iron welded to rebar at the bottom of the gate. This will prevent escape attempts at the bottom of the gate.

Next, Higginbotham recommends digging a small pit near the back of the pen, which will hold shelled corn, soured mash or other bait to attract the hogs. The bait pit will also include the trip wire used to close the front gate when triggered.

Higginbotham advises applying bait both outside and inside the trap, leaving the gate open for several days. The hogs will become acclimated and attract large numbers inside the trap once the trip door is set.

"This technique will allow a whole pack to be caught at one time, as many as 20 to 25 hogs," Higginbotham said.

Once the hogs are trapped, Higginbotham said the expense of buying panels and shelled corn can be recovered.

"There are some meat processing companies that are paying 60 cents a pound for hogs weighing more than 250 pounds. They are also paying a bonus of \$10-\$20 a head," he said.

Those with access to a trailer can place a railroad tie underneath the rear of the trailer and open the gate. By walking to the back of the pen, the feral hogs will move forward and load into the trailer.

Feral hog control is a continuous process and is even more effective when neighbors are working together, Higginbotham said.

"When we look at management of feral hogs, think of them as four-legged fire ants," he said. "We can control the numbers, but as far as eradicating them off the earth, that's probably not going to happen."

Higginbotham said the problem is landowners aren't using efficient means to control them.

"People are trying to shoot and trap them, but they're using these small traps (for large groups)," he said. "We can become even more effective if we trap and do it with our neighbors. I think eradication is fleeting and temporary. I can keep fire ants out of my yard and my neighbors can apply control methods, but if we don't keep up the effort, they're going to be back."

For more information on feral hogs, go to the Web at <http://feralhog.tamu.edu>.

The 'Christmas Edition' of The Wheeler Times will be published December 22.



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NRCS Announces Farm Bill Availability

The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Texas announced that farmers and ranchers wishing to be considered for 2006 funding in the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), the EQIP Ground and Surface Water Conservation Program (EQIP-GSWC), and the Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP) have until the close of business Friday, February 17, 2006 to sign applications.

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

"The \$77.55 million allocated for these programs in Texas will help farmers and ranchers improve the natural resources on private working lands in Texas," said Dr. Larry Butler, NRCS Texas State Conservationist. "The funds will be used to solve locally identified resource problems in each county and will also fund special statewide concerns recommended by the Texas State Technical Committee such as water quantity, water and air quality, wildlife habi-

tat, and treatment of invasive species. Each program offers cost share and incentives payments to producers applying approved conservation measures."

Immediately following the end of the sign-up period, all applications will be ranked. For those approved, a NRCS conservation planner will develop a contract and conservation plan. Producers with approved contracts can then begin implementing the approved conservation practices next spring. Local NRCS field offices have complete details for their county and the applicable state concerns.

NRCS, through the invitation of the local soil and water conservation districts, is the federal government's principal agency for conserving natural resources on private lands, while encouraging voluntary efforts to protect soil, water, and wildlife on private lands. NRCS offers its services free of charge. For more information, call the USDA-NRCS office in your county, listed under "USDA" in the Yellow Pages. The information, including ranking criteria, eligible practices, and cost share rates for all NRCS Farm Bill programs is also on the Texas NRCS Web Site at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/.

Centra Media Evolves Brand & Expands

Centramedia begins a new era in its marketing and customer offerings. The company has refreshed its brand, and plans are underway to fully evolve its brand identity structure. Changes include a new color palette and shift in the corporate name. Previously known as Centramedia Online Services, the company has evolved to become Centramedia.

Accompanying the name change is a new look for the logo, which dropped the royal blue and adopted royal plum. "Centramedia has always been ahead of the technology curve," said Jaylene Watkins, director of Centramedia's marketing and communication department. "We decided on royal plum because blue is most commonly used by technology companies. By using purple as one of our main colors, we are more likely to establish an image that sets us apart from our competitors, making us more memorable to consumers. Also, the shift in our brand name and image will help our company better communicate to consumers that we provide more than just Internet service."

Centramedia's expanded service offerings include network con-

sultation, design, installation and support, as well as custom programming, Web development and hosting. "Of course we will continue to offer customers our ever reliable 24/7 local tech support," said Watkins.

The company is planning a gradual transition to their new look, but immediate changes will be reflected throughout all communication tools such as corporate signage, advertisements, Web sites as well as marketing efforts. "We may have a new look," said Watkins, "but we still offer quality products and service that customers across the Texas Panhandle and beyond have come to expect for more than seven years."

The leading provider of Internet and computer networking services across the Texas Panhandle, Centramedia continues its success to its unwavering commitment to technological excellence and responsive, proactive service for valued customers. Centramedia employs professional Internet and networking technicians with more than 100 years of combined experience. For more information, or to join the ranks of the thousands of satisfied



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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

Sharing The True Meaning Of Christmas

Operation Christmas Child Impacts the Lives of Hurting Children and Their Parents

Once again, the people of Wheeler County have shown their desire to reach the world for Jesus Christ as **over 250 shoe boxes** were gathered for Operation Christmas Child. Every year, God uses these shoe boxes to touch the lives of millions of children who need to know that they are precious to Him. Often, however, the greatest impact of the Samaritan's Purse project is seen in the transformed hearts of the parents. That was what happened at one church in a Middle Eastern country.

More than 800 children received gifts during a distribution at the church, including a little girl whose pleas had finally persuaded her reluctant mother to bring her to the event. They were invited back, and the mother and daughter returned and heard the Good News of Jesus Christ. Both of them became believers, and the mother was healed of cancer after receiving prayer from church members.

The father, an alcoholic, tried to keep them from attending services at the church, but the wife reminded him that Jesus had healed her. She pressed him to join her, and eventually he agreed to come. Before long, the father also received Jesus Christ as his Savior and was delivered from his

addiction to alcohol. Today he is an elder in the church.

That's what Operation Christmas Child is ultimately about. Receiving a shoe box filled with toys and candy is very exciting, especially for children who otherwise might not receive a Christmas present, but it only brings temporary happiness. The real impact comes when children and their families hear about the greatest Christmas gift ever given—God's Son, Jesus Christ.

Local ministry partners offer Gospel storybooks during shoe box distributions and give boys and girls the opportunity to learn more about Jesus through a Bible study course sponsored by Operation Christmas Child. Hundreds of thousands of children who enrolled in the program over the past several years have committed their lives to Christ. Many begin attending church and encourage their parents and other family members to seek a personal relationship with God's Son.

A BIG THANK YOU goes out to all who participated in this project. The number of shoe boxes from Wheeler County grows each year, and in return, so does the number of children and families who hear the gospel preached in a simple, yet powerful way they can understand, the gift of a shoe box. May God Bless You All!

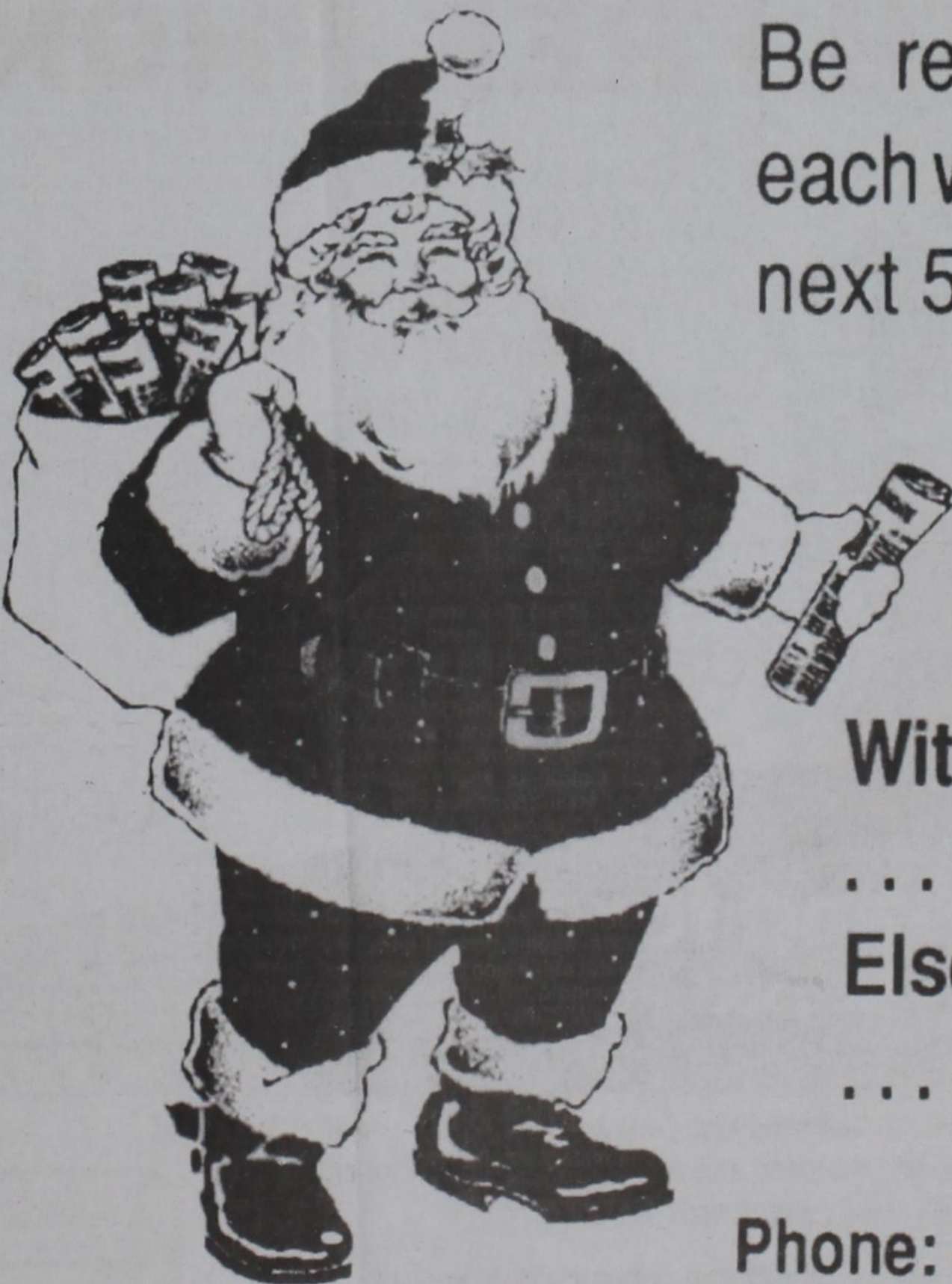
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on leadership qualities, academic eligibility and athletic achievements.
 "We are excited to again this year expand Wrangler's rodeo sponsorship program at the high school level," said Karl Stressman, special events manager for Wrangler Rodeo.



"As always, it gives us a tremendous sense of pride to associate the Wrangler brand with promising young men and women. We're confident each member of the team will be an outstanding goodwill ambassador for the sport of rodeo."
 Members of the Wrangler High School All Star Rodeo Team receive official competition apparel consisting of Wrangler Twenty X shirts embroidered with the team logo and two pairs of competition jeans. In addition, team members receive an official team certificate signed by rodeo greats Jim Shoul-

ders and Ty Murray.
 "Wrangler's NHSRA sponsorship is a natural extension of our professional and collegiate rodeo programs," said Karl Stressman, director of Special Events for Wrangler. "We are confident the NHSRA partnership will reinforce Wrangler brand loyalty with the youth market."
 "The NHSRA owes much of its success to the support of its national sponsors," said Kent Sturman, general manager of the NHSRA, "and we are excited to have a prominent company like Wrangler once again step forward to help us meet the ever increasing challenges facing our young people today. Cowboys can always depend on Wrangler to support the infrastructure of rodeo, and our members are thrilled to have Wrangler as a sponsor and are proud to wear their products in and out of the competition arena."

Chase is the son of Carol Lester Miller of Ogullala, NE, and Kelly Miller of Fritch, TX. Grandson of Ada Lou Lester of Mobeetie and James Lester of Canyon, TX, and Loyal and Estella Miller of Fritch, TX.

USDA-NRCS Has Applications For '06

USDA cost-share funds have been released for the 2006 Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). Farmers and ranchers can apply for Farm Bill conservation programs through the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to make sound decisions regarding conservation practices before planting season begins.
 Eligible producers may apply for cost share assistance on conservation practices that will address the identified resource concern recognized by the Local Work Group (LWG). Practices are implemented through EQIP offering cost share assistance to agricultural producers to implement on-farm conservation practices. The NRCS determines eligible land and eligible conservation practices.
 The Wheeler County USDA Service Center will be accepting EQIP applications for 2006. The deadline for applications on 2006 EQIP funding is February 17, 2006. Applications for EQIP funds received on or before February 17, 2006 will be ranked and funded from the initial allocation to Wheeler County.
 EQIP was established to assist landowners with applying conservation plans to treat major resource issues. In Wheeler County, these include soil erosion on cropland, pasture management and fully erosion. Eligible conservation practices include terraces, grade stabilization structures, ponds, water and sediment control basins and prescribed grazing.
 NRCS, through the invitation of the local Soil and Water Conservation Districts, is the federal government's principal agency for conserving natural resources on private lands, while encouraging voluntary efforts to protect soil, water, and wildlife on private lands. NRCS offers its services free of charge.
 Those interested in signing an EQIP application should visit the USDA Service Center office in Wheeler or call 806/826-5578, x3 or access the information on the Texas NRCS website at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov.

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 Score: Ft. Elliott girls, 26, Follett, 15. Individual Scores: Marissa Keelin, 10; Sarah Horn, 8; Karly Lovelace, 4; Kaycee Swift, 2; Kailey Hudson, 2; Ft. Elliott boys, 40, Follett, 51. Individual Scores: Colby Hanson, 18; Gatlin Duncan, 8; Kory McLaughlin, 7; Cody Essay, 2.

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Board (from Page 1)

Motion by Todd Moore; Second by James Masters; To approve the November 16, 2005 board minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
 Motion by James Masters; Second by Kent Vise, To approve payment of bills presented. Motion carried unanimously.
 Motion by Dr. Hillhouse; Second by Kent Vise, To accept the resignation of Cindy Neel only if and when a suitable certified replacement is employed by the District. Motion carried unanimously.
 Motion by Kent Vise; Second by Todd Moore, To approve the resolution for a grant to clean waste debris from school property. Motion carried unanimously.
 Motion by James Masters; Second by Angie Ware, To declare miscellaneous scrap materials at the Ag farm as surplus property. Motion carried unanimously.
 Mr. Tucker reported on high school/junior high school activities.
 Mr. Rives gave the elementary school report.
 Mr. Baker gave the superintendent's report.
 Motion by James Masters; Second by Angie Ware, To adjourn at 7:50. Motion carried unanimously.
 As appropriate, the Board may enter in Closed Meeting as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Chapter 551. Before any meetings are convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section on the Act authorizing the closed meetings. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meetings.

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 Breakfast: Biscuits, Eggs, Sausage, Gravy, Juice, Milk
 Lunch: Meat Chalupa, Refried Beans, Lettuce & Tomatoes, Rice, Pineapple, Milk
WEDNESDAY
 Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk
 Lunch: Pizza, Corn Cobettes, Salad, Carrot Sticks, Rice Cereal Treats, Milk
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