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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

## CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

What a beautiful day we had on Tuesday. Just getting us in the mood for spring before another cold front moves in.

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You still have time to get your nominations in for the 'Outstanding Man, Woman and Employee'. The deadline for nominations is Friday, February 9.

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Remember to list your reasons for nominating them. We like to see deserving individuals recognized.

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And, mark February 24, 2007, on your calendar for the annual Chamber of Commerce Installation Banquet.

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We played cards Monday evening and Mike and I had a skunk going, until Rhonda and Leroy came back the last game and won.

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Happy Birthday Louis on Wednesday, February 14.

—cwe—

## Local Students On WTA&M Honor Roll

West Texas A&M University has named more than 1000 students to honor lists for the fall 2006 semester. Of that total, 376 were named to the President's List and 697 students were named to the Dean's List.

Students named to the President's List must have a grade point average (GPA) of 4.00 and carry a minimum class load of 12 undergraduate hours.

Those named to the Dean's List must have a GPA between 3.50 and 3.99 and carry a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours.

Area students included: Eddy G. Corse of Mobeetie, Texas — Junior — Pre-Medicine; Samantha A. Chapman of Wheeler, Texas — Freshman — Sports/Exercise Sciences; Rachel A. Howard of Wheeler, Texas — Junior — Chemistry

## Graveside Services For Anna Sims, 89

Anna Lee Sims age 89 of Mobeetie, Texas passed away in Perryton, Texas on February 7, 2007. Graveside services will be held at the Mobeetie Cemetery at 11:00 A.M. Thursday, February 8, 2007. Burial will be in the Mobeetie Cemetery in Mobeetie, Texas under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler, Texas.

Mrs. Sims was born on June 5, 1917 in Wellington, Texas to Grady and Ila Clements Graham. She married Wilber Hugh Sims July 10, 1955 in Clovis, New Mexico. They moved to Mobeetie, Texas in 1965 from Friona, Texas where they had lived for 14 years. She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband. She has lived in Booker for 4 years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Mobeetie, Texas.

Survivors are: one son, Kent Sims and wife, Carla of Booker, Texas and one brother, Louis Graham of Wellington, Texas. Two granddaughters, Bridget Sims of Weatherford, Oklahoma and Sarah Kester and husband, Shane of Weatherford, Texas and one Great Grandson, Cole Kester.

Memorials are at Twin Oaks Manor, Box 369 Booker, Texas 79005



Workmen are shown here laying a waterline in front of Kim's Country Kitchen. This is only part of the work being done on Highways 83 and 152 in Wheeler.



THE SIGNING: The signing of the papers for the grant to build a motel in Wheeler was held Wednesday, January 31, 2007. Pictured here are Harish Patel, Charles Kuntz, Chetan Parikh. Seated are Bob Stiles, Kay Stiles and Bill Stiles.

## Local Students To Receive Degrees

Degrees were officially conferred on 514 West Texas A&M University students during fall commencement exercises Dec. 15 at the First United Bank Center. The University awarded 387 baccalaureate, 124 master's and one doctoral degree.

Graduates with an overall grade point average of 3.50 or higher were recognized as honor graduates and wore gold honor cords. The three levels of honor recognitions are Summa Cum Laude (3.90-4.00), Magna Cum Laude (3.75-3.89) and Cum Laude (3.50-3.74).

The graduating class represented 12 states and 88 Texas cities and towns. Area graduates include: Justin M. Hefley of Mobeetie, Texas — BS — Agriculture

## Wheeler EDC Helps Obtain Grant For New 2-Story Motel For Wheeler

The Wheeler Economic Development Corporation (Wheeler EDC) announces grant to purchase the land for the development of a motel.

The Wheeler EDC has been working with a corporation named Wheeler Hospitality, Inc to develop a motel inside of the city limits of Wheeler, Texas. The proposed structure will be a thirty-five to forty unit Baymont Inn & Suites motel with an indoor swimming pool and adjoining meeting and party room. The site that has been chosen is

the land north of Ware's peach orchard and south of Soil Conservation District offices. The lot is 150 by 300 feet.

Harish Patel, Chetan Parikh (of Roanoke, Texas), Bob Stiles, and Bill Stiles (of Wheeler, Texas) are the shareholders of Wheeler Hospitality, Inc.

Harish Patel is a former resident of Shamrock and is currently building the Sleep Inn, Inn & Suites there. The Best Western Inn & Suites in Shamrock was also developed by him.

## Nominations Requested By Chamber For Recognition

The Wheeler Chamber of Commerce is once again taking nominations for the outstanding individuals, who will be recognized at the Annual Chamber of Commerce

Installation Banquet on Saturday, February 24, 2007.

It is the desire of the Chamber to recognize the most deserving individuals in each of the categories. The public is being asked to nominate a man, woman and employee.

Please make your ideas known and also list the reasons why the individual should receive the honor. Your nominations will be considered by the committee appointed to select the respective individuals to be named.

Once again, each nomination is to be accompanied by a list of reasons for the nomination.

It is necessary that the nominations be returned by 5:00 P.M. February 9, 2007. Nominations may be mailed to: Wheeler Chamber of Commerce, Box 221, Wheeler, Texas 79096.

The "Outstanding Teenager" and "Farmer/Rancher" will also be named. These are selected by committees.

## TxDOT Work Gets Underway On 83

TxDOT begins work on US 83 project in Wheeler

Construction on the US 83 project in Wheeler began this week. Contractor Gilvin-Terrell has started taking out curb and gutter. At this time, US 83 is restricted to one-lane northbound.

The chief inspector for TxDOT is Chad Skelton. Randy Hill is the project manager for Gilvin-Terrell. The project to improve US 83 through Wheeler is approximately \$10 million.

Anyone with questions can call, Tracy Cain, Wellington Area Engineer at 806-447-5137, or Barbara Seal, Public Information Officer at 940-937-7145.

## Jeff Joe Bland, 54 Dies Jan. 31 In OKC

Jeff Joe Bland was born February 22, 1952 in Sayre, Oklahoma to Martha Ellen and Jim Henry Bland Sr. He passed away January 31, 2007 at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma at the age of 54 years, 11 months and 9 days.

Jeff attended Sayre Schools and began working in the oilfield. He owned and operated Jeff's Auto Repair for a number of years before going to work as a driller for Cactus Drilling Company in 2004. He was married to Lisa Ann (Craig) Bland at Sayre, Oklahoma on June 9, 1993 and they continued to make Sayre their home.

He was preceded in death by his father, and 1 son, Roger Dale Bland.

Survivors include his wife, Lisa, of the home; 2 daughters, Angel Walker and husband, Clint, and Heather Mayfield and husband, Jason, both of Erick, OK; 3 sons, Jeff Joe Bland Jr. and wife, Rose, of Reydon, OK, Colby Bland of Beaver, OK, and Jeffery Bland of San Angelo, TX; his mother; Martha Bland of Sayre, OK; 2 sisters, Carolyn Tiller and husband, Donnie, of Shamrock, TX and Marketta Bland of Dexter, MO; 2 brothers, Jim Bland Jr. of Sayre, OK and Dell Bland of Miami, FL; 16 grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends.

## Arbor Day Found'n Offers Free Trees

Ten free Colorado blue spruce trees will be given to each person from Texas who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during February 2007.

The free trees are part of the nonprofit Colorado's Trees for America campaign.

"Colorado blue spruces, with their silver blue-green color and attractive conical shape, will give year-around beauty to homes in Texas," said John Rosenow, Arbor Day Foundation president.

"They can be used as individual ornaments, an energy-saving windbreak, a privacy screen, or as living Christmas trees. They'll also add to the proud heritage of Texas's 56 Tree City USA communities. For three decades, Tree City USA has supported community forestry across Texas, and

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## K. D. Ford Services Are Held Feb. 3

Kenneth Darwin 'K.D.' Ford, 71, died January 30, 2007, at Amarillo, TX.

Services were held at the First Baptist Church in Wheeler, Texas at 1:00 P.M. Saturday, February 3, 2007, with Rev. Gary May of Diana, Tx., officiating. Burial was in the Wheeler Cemetery in Wheeler, Tx. under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler, Tx.

Mr. Ford was born on May 1, 1935 in Wheeler, Tx. to Otis and Ruby May Ford. He has lived in Wheeler all his life. Mr. Ford attended school in Wheeler. He was a member of the Wheeler Volunteer Fire Department for over 40 years. He served as Sergeant at Arms for the Panhandle Fireman's and Fire Marshal's Association. Mr. Ford was also employed by Wheeler County for 50 years. He was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Mr. Ford was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Roy Ford of Wheeler.

Survivors are two sons: DeWayne and wife, Debbie, Ford of Canadian, Tx. and Robert and wife, Maria, Ford of Wheeler, Tx.; four daughters: Gallena and husband, Jessie, Scrivner of Amarillo, Tx., Becky and husband, Warren, Shirley of Caldwell, Tx., Tina and husband, David, Deger of Watauga, Tx., and Teri and husband, Dave, Seitz of Wylie, Tx.; two sisters: Georgia Ford of Wheeler, Tx. and Glenda Floyd of Kingsland, Tx.; 14 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren

Memorials are to Wheeler Volunteer Fire Dept., P.O. Box 711, Wheeler, Tx. 79096.

## Lenie Criswell, 76 Rites Are In Sayre

Leonard (Lenie) Garry Criswell was born August 1, 1930 in Sayre, Oklahoma to Nancy and Elmer Albert Criswell. He passed away February 1, 2007 at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma at the age of 76 years and 6 months.

Lenie attended school at Sayre before enlisting in the US Navy and served his country during the Korean Conflict. After his discharge, he attended Okmulgee Technical Institute. It was during this time he met Dottie Cockrell and they were married on May 24, 1953 at Cushing, OK. They lived in Pryor for a short time before returning to Cushing and he went to work for Meadow Gold. In 1955, they moved to Tulsa, OK and he began his career with St. Francis Hospital, retiring after 25 years of service. They remained in Tulsa until moving to Sayre in 1994 to make their home.

Lenie was a devout Christian and a member of the Grandview church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, 1 daughter, Pamela Lynn Potter, 2 infant brothers, 2 brothers, Bob and Jack Criswell.

Services were Monday, February 5, 2007 at 10:30 am at Rose Chapel officiated by Rev. Damon Akins. Burial was Tuesday, February 6, 2007 at 1:30 PM at Floral Haven Cemetery, Broken Arrow, OK under the direction of Rose Chapel Funeral Service.

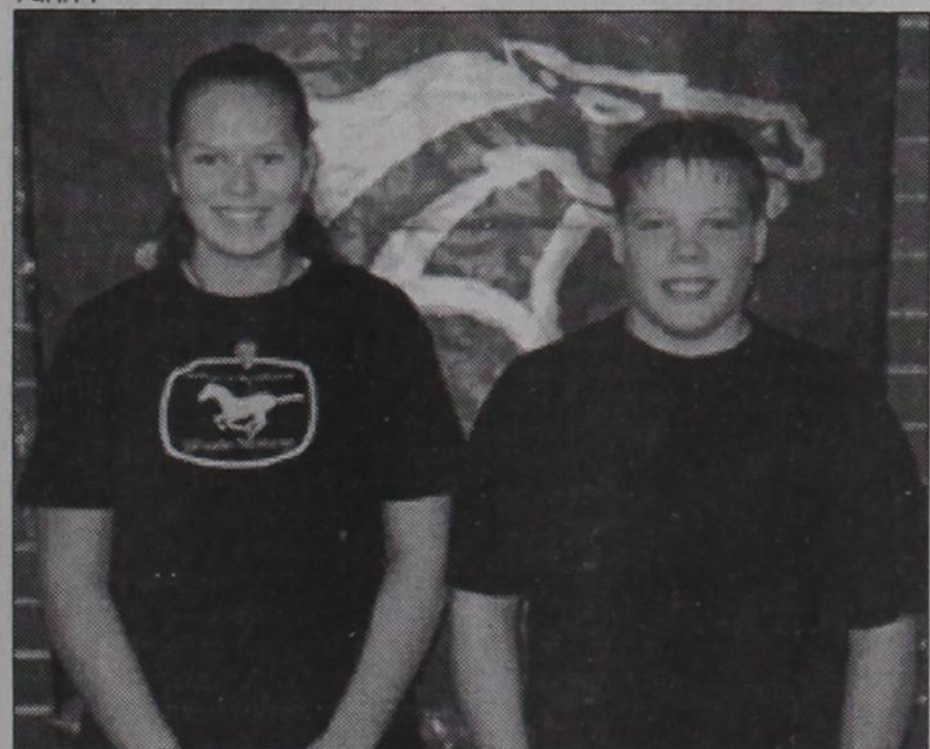
Survivors include his wife, Dottie, of the home; 1 son, Gary Michael Criswell of Thomas, OK; 2 step-grandchildren, Levi France and Carmen France; 1 sister, Florene Walker of Wheeler, TX; 1 brother, J. M. Criswell of Rowlett, TX; and a host of other relatives and friends.

## New Arrival



## Avery Annette Ratliff

Avery Annette Ratliff was born January 12, 2007 at 7:33 a.m. weighing in at 5 lbs 8 oz. and 19 inches long. Her parents are Keith and Jocelyn Ratliff. Grandparents are Mark and Annette Meek of Briscoe, Sue Ratliff of Canadian and Bob Ratliff of Arkansas. Great-Grandmothers: Evelyn Meek of Briscoe and Sue Reames of Canadian.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK: Wheeler ISD students of the week are Paige Jones and Jacob Thomas. Paige Jones is the 13 year old daughter of Ronny and Sherri Jones. Her activities are Basketball, Track, Tennis, and Cheerleader, Baptist Church Youth Group. Jacob Thomas is the 13 year old son of Natalie and James Thomas. His activities are Basketball, Football, Track, Church Youth Group, Free Time — Ride my dirt bike and plays xbox.

## Hospital Notes

### Assisted Living

Verne Lohberger  
Opal Hefley  
Alvern Hutchison  
C.B. Brotherton  
Iona May  
Willie Mae Helton  
Duane Bradford  
Tom Frye

### Admissions

1/31 Christine Marett  
Susie Erwin  
B.J. Martinez  
2/4 Juia Buckingham

### Dismissals

2/1 B.J. Martinez  
2/2 Susie Erwin

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**COUNTRY NEWS**  
By Verna Fillingim

John 14:1-4: Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in me.  
In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go to prepare a place for you I will come again and receive you unto myself, that where I am you may be also. And the way you know. Lo, I'm with you always.

Happy Birthday to Cory Barr, Tyler Cook, Bobbie Emmert, Matt Johnson, Tess Markham, Jeret Moore, Brittney Robinson, Tom Bible, Sonya Hudson, John Shields, Carol DeArment, Sonya Holder on Feb. 4; Jim Calderon, Sherilyn Toelle, Deleise Atwood, Shirley Jolly, Juanita Stas on Feb. 5; Carolyn May, Robert Mayfield, Gary Boydston, Kaitlyn Helton, Kelby Ledbetter, Jacob McNeill, Fredda Smith, Hayle Vinson, Whitney Willeford on Feb. 6; Benjamin Howard, Marla Ford, Randy Henson, Keri Beers, Shelly Schubert, Hannah Boydston, Joe Shelton, Sherry Wash, Tony Jackson, Regena Bryant, Kaylee Ledbetter, Lindsey Kroeker, Vernon Devoll and Billy Ridgway on Feb. 7; Rev. Ricky Pfiel, Chad Knight, Chris Lee, Joe Don Glassey, Marilyn Herd, Robert Shugart, Hallee Hughes, Luke Yarbar, Clay Mahler on Feb. 8; Jennifer Velasquez Sullivan, Justin Yockey, Dwight Arganbright, Frankie Jackson, Cody Rogers, Janet Romines, Jason Miller, Britiane Hennig, Brianna Hennig, Charlotte Coward, Peggy Ford on Feb. 9; Darren Hefley, Tom Hill, Kaylye Boydston, Cecilia Buice, Elyse Maddox, Richard Brown, Julie Barbour on Feb. 12.

Happy Anniversary to Jackie Don and Kellie May on Feb. 5;  
Happy Birthday Kay Stiles on Feb. 2. Stiles family gathered at Maxeys Friday, Feb. 2, for lunch to celebrate and included Kay and Bill Stiles Sr., Bob Stiles, Sandra Christner, Melody and Fred Velasquez, J. R. and Jennifer Sullivan and Kaden; Sarah Howard and C. J. and Spencer, and Bill Stiles Jr. God bless you everyone!  
Eddie Pannell is scheduled to have shoulder surgery at Northwest Texas Hospital at Amarillo on Monday, Feb. 5. Pray for Eddie and the doctors.

Katie Christie is a new resident at Wheeler Care Center and will be having therapy. Pray for Katie. She is Sharon Wright's mom. A sweet lady.  
Mary Whitener is a new resident at Wheeler Care Center and will be having therapy to help her walk better. Pray for Mary. She is Gwen McCain's mom.

In the Wheeler Times, the Lois Patterson who has been married to Nile Patterson for 60 years went to school at Briscoe some and was Lois Anglin, maybe a sister to Margaret Anglin. Best wishes!  
Shirley and Earl Jolly enjoyed a visit from Shirley's sister, Connie and Stanley Baker from Cash, Okla. They spent Friday night with Earl and Shirley and they all went to the funeral for Bess Moore Cole at Wheeler Cemetery Sat. Bess was a twin to Jess Moore; sister to J. C. Moore, Spud, Leo, Fat Moore and others.

Lindsey Criswell enjoyed having lunch Thursday with Amber Maddox and Dean and Georgia Tipps when they brought Amber back for her Amarillo doctor's appointment. All looking good for Amber. Keep praying for Amber. I think Amber is a sophomore at Ft. Elliott and very involved with Stock Show, basketball and volleyball earlier and many things. God bless you, Amber.

Congratulations to all our Stock Show kids for the good job. Fine animals.  
Panfork Fellowship's Missions Dinner will be Monday, Feb. 12, at 6:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Wheeler.

"Nearly Brothers and No Mountain Boys" band will be back to Wheeler Care Center Tuesday night, Feb. 13, at 6:30 to make beautiful music. You are invited to come listen and sing and greet the residents. Visitors always welcome.

"Some people come into our lives and quickly go. Some stay for awhile and leave footprints on our hearts and we are never the same."  
Golder Agers will meet Thursday at noon Feb. 15, in Fellowship Hall at Wheeler Baptist Church. All over 50 years invited to come for a good pot luck meal and visiting and a program. Visitors welcome. Bring a covered dish and a friend.

Red Hat Club will meet at Maxeys at 6:00 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 15. If you plan to go, let Arica Lancaster at Mobeetie know. Her phone number is 845-1064. They want to know how many to expect. Don't forget to wear your red hat and purple outfit, or borrow some. Visitors welcome.

Sincere sympathy to Florene Walker of Wheeler and other family and friends in the death of her brother, Lenie Criswell, 76, of Sayre. Services were Monday at Rose Chapel Funeral Home with burial Tuesday at Broken Arrow.

Friends of Exie Francis will be interested to know that she has been living in Pampa with her brother, Cecil Francis, but will be moving to Park Central Assisted Living in Amarillo soon. Cecil went to Dallas and brought her back in October. Exie went to Briscoe to

school and graduated there. Cecil's phone number is 669-6261. Exie was 84 on Jan. 29. Best wishes, Exie. She has breathing problems and is on oxygen. Pray for Exie. She was a great basketball player for Briscoe.

"Be not dismayed what ever betide. God will take care of you. Beneath His wings of love abide. God will take care of you."  
Wheeler Little Dribblers Tournament will be Thursday-Saturday, February 8-10. Mobeetie Little Dribblers Tournament will be Feb. 15-17. Everyone invited to come cheer for the kids. McLean Little Dribblers will be Feb. 22-23. Ft. Elliott and Wheeler will be playing in all the tournaments.

Aricia and Aaron Lancaster went to Amarillo over the weekend to watch granddaughter, Stormi Lancaster play volleyball with the Elite Volleyball group of 15 and 16 year olds at Amarillo College. Brenda and Earnest Lancaster, Stormi's parents also went. They will also be going to watch younger sister (4th grade) Laramie play in the Little Dribblers' Tournaments at Wheeler, Mobeetie, and McLean.

Earl and Betty Husted enjoyed going to Shamrock to hear Dottie Rambo, wonderful singer and comedian, even tho she is now in her 80's. A very big crowd at Calvary Christian church from many places to hear her. The church was full.

Many thanks to "Nearly Brothers and No Mountain Boys" Band for coming to Wheeler Care Center Tuesday night Jan. 30 to make beautiful music. Many residents out to enjoy the music and singing. In the Band were Gene Keelin, Chuck Hartline, Geoff Caldwell, Jay Godwin, Sheryl Lane, Bob Hink and Robert Jones. The Band will be back Tuesday Feb. 13 at 6:30 to make pretty music. They come every other Tuesday. Thank you! We all enjoy the music and singing. Visitors always welcome.

Jerri Moore is now living at Amarillo in an Assisted Living place called Canyon View Estates. Best wishes! Jerrie's nice house in Wheeler is listed for sale.

So very sorry to hear that Wes Bradstreet slipped and fell Wednesday night after church at his front door. Really messed up his elbow. He was scheduled to have surgery on it at Amarillo Friday. He and Cindy went up Thursday evening to be there for the surgery. It was very slippery outside. Pray for Wes.

So Wes and Cindy didn't get to go to Alvarado to visit Ember and Mike Keith and Miles, Jenna and Zachary and help Jenna celebrate her 3rd birthday. Jenna's family will come down next weekend. Wes had day surgery and they were home Friday night.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of K.D. Ford, 71, in his death Tuesday. Funeral was Saturday at Wheeler Baptist church with family dinner at Wheeler Church of Christ. Burial at Wheeler Cemetery. May God comfort each of you!

Cheryl Richardson and Sue Gaines prepared the delicious Biscuit supper at Wheeler Baptist church Wednesday night. Thank you! Nice time of Fellowship.

"Dare to be a Daniel  
Dare to stand alone  
Dare to in God's presence live  
Dare to make it known."

Lindsey Criswell and Blain and Dagen went to Windthorst Friday to spend the weekend with Dallas and Krystal Fillingim and Keaira and Kamry. They had a fun time.

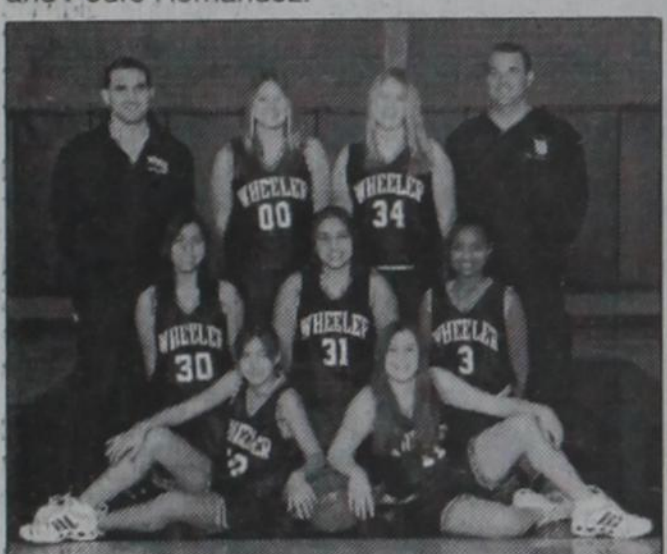
Frank Clymer and Paul Arganbright kept Wes and Cindy Bradstreet's wood stove going some while they were gone so house wouldn't get too cold. Nice to come home to. Keep praying for Wes. He will have a cast on his elbow for a few weeks. Wes had day surgery Friday at Amarillo on his elbow. They came home Friday night. Wes is doing all right. Still some pain.

In Friday night H.S. basketball games, Fort Elliott girls defeated Higgins 55 to 12. Fort Elliott boys defeated Higgins 65 to 29. Congratulations.

"The love that you give to others is the love that comes back to you."  
Earl and Betty Husted and Joyce Wood from Shamrock were at Wheeler Care Center Tuesday Jan. 30 for Sing-along and church. Nina Herve played the piano and Earl had a message from the Bible foreveryone. Good service. Allison Pentecostal Group will come Tuesday morning at 10:00. Visitors always welcome. It will be Feb. 6 at 10:00. (Continued Page 6)



**EIGHTH GRADE:** Members of Wheeler's Eighth Grade Boys' Basketball Team are (l. to r.) Coach Rutherford, Jeremy Horton, Jorge Porras, Payton Austin, Collin Hampton, Jayton Moore, Robert Lewis and Pedro Hernandez.



**SEVENTH GRADE:** Members of Wheeler's Seventh Grade Girls' Basketball Team are (l. to r.) Coach Saenz, Paige Jones, Ilene Butler, Coach Bailey, Aidee Emiliano, Janeth Porras, Gabi Menefield, Tanzia Brown and Alyssa Johnson.



**SEVENTH GRADE:** Members of Wheeler's Seventh Grade Boys' Basketball Team are (l. to r.) Coach Rutherford, Kallen Moore, Jacob Thomas, Robert Hanson, Chase Scales and Tayt McCasland.



**2006-2007 FFA OFFICERS:** (top row: l. to r.) Whitney Reed, Nick Hardcastle, Josh Hardcastle, Stefan Tucker, Presley Thomas; (middle row: l. to r.) Dana Gallardo, Lauren Fite, Jonathan Hampton, Diana Corral (bottom row: l. to r.) Tracy Keelin, Carley Owens, Olivia Locke



**FFA MEMBERS:** (top row: l. to r.) Brentney Taylor, Brock Sabbe, Jason Brownfield, Nathan Benefield, Juan Espino, Brandon Gallagher, Hank Hunt, Tyler Richardson, Jake Benefield, Miguel Ramirez, Johnny Venzor, Micheal Mendoza, Mike Gaines, Ashley Gallagher; (fourth row: l. to r.) Veronique Paylor, Terry Menefield, Nora Almanza, Macie Miller, Lacey Henson, Frankie Ramirez, Jonathan Emiliano, Jennifer Scales, Mackenzie Stiles, Ana Castenada, Jonathan Engles, Braden Moore; (third row: l. to r.) Kenton Petit, Antonio Porras, Osbaldo Carrillo, Ozzie Arzabala, Erick Rocha, Edgar Fierro, Aaron Gaines, Cesar Gonzalez, Darren Gaines, Adam Robles, Lipsey Altamirano; (second row: l. to r.) Karino Pacheco, Sara Salazar, Alisha Jones, Ashley Earl, Tanner Brownfield, Bailey Richardson, Casey Castillo, Rosy Herra, Maricela Engles, Abigail Almanza; (bottom row: l. to r.) Danna Gallardo, Laren Fite, Whitney Reed, Nick Hardcastle, Josh Hardcastle, Jonathan Hampton, Stefan Tucker, Carley Owens, Tracey Keelin, Presley Thomas, Olivia Locke, Diana Corral.

**EIGHTH GRADE:** Members of Wheeler's Eighth Grade Girl's Basketball Team are (l. to r.) Coach Bailey, Gladys Zapta, Taylor Sparks, Haley Sparks, Coach Saenz, Maniah Marshall, Carla Mendoza, Tania Flores, Mayra Martinez, Karen Mendoza, Stacie Hanson, Giovanna Luna and Kaylee Marion.



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**Wheeler Church of Christ**  
The Bible is not always "politically correct." I'll come back to that in a moment.  
The term "politically correct" encompasses several things, usually all centering around how we talk or act around other people so that we do not offend them. It is often very good to be politically correct because our goal should never be to offend others. Therefore we should not use racial slurs, make fun of someone's ethnicity, level of education, a handicap, or inability to accomplish certain tasks that others can. Generally if we, for whatever reason necessary, feel as though a term must be used to describe someone we will strive to use the term that they prefer and that term sometimes changes over the years. It can be easy to forget what the current term is, but if we ever get it wrong, we had better be quick to apologize or we will be seen as rude, racist, or politically incorrect. But one of the problems is that many people wear their feelings on their sleeves, and are so quickly of-

fended. These people turn innocent phrases or actions into things that were never intended. Tolerance and forgiveness does need to go both ways when sensitive feelings are felt to be trod upon.  
I mentioned that the Bible is not always politically correct. Jesus wasn't afraid to call people what they were, even if it offended them. He would call the Pharisees "hypocrites" (such as in Matthew 15:7 or 23:13). Jesus even called his disciple Peter "Satan" once (Matthew 16:23). Those words of Jesus probably stung, but that was his intention. The Pharisees were being hypocritical because on the outside they appeared righteous, yet on the inside their hearts were far from God. Peter was dangling temptation (to not endure what would soon take place: his crucifixion) in front of Jesus, even though he may have been unaware of it.  
Jesus may not have always been politically correct, but he was always correct.  
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

Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you. These things I command, that ye love one another. John 15:16 & 17

Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life. John 8:12

Jesus answered, verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit. John 3:5-8

The weather here in Allison has been pretty nice lately. We finally got most of our ice and snow melted away. There will probably be more snow before this is all melted. But such is life in Allison.

Pete Gilmer journeyed to Amarillo, Texas on Wednesday and stayed till Saturday. On Thursday, Pete saw his eye doctor. On Friday, Linda Kay Ingersoll and Pete Gilmer had birthday celebrations at the Catfish Shack. Those helping them to celebrate were: Becky and Jennie Gilmer and Rodney and Linda Kay Ingersoll and of course Pete Gilmer. While Pete was in Amarillo they also enjoyed a delicious meal at a place called On the Border. They had a great time and lots of good visiting.

Sunday after church, Cody Dupont, Vance and Carol Boydston, Pearl Harrison and Louise Boydston traveled to Croton Creek Restaurant near Cheyenne, Oklahoma. They Croton Creek serves lunch everyday but on Saturday's. Its open Monday thru Friday and on Sunday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The food was very delicious and they serve generous portions of food. They all had a great time sightseeing on way and visiting the new restaurant and visiting.

Monday, Vance and Carol Boydston and Louise Boydston enjoyed a homecooked meal in the home of Pearl Harrison.

Glenn and Betty Boydston journeyed to Amarillo, Texas on Monday and enjoyed shopping and sightseeing. They also enjoyed a very delicious meal at Applebee's.

Monday, yesterday, Glenn and Betty Boydston traveled to Cheyenne, Oklahoma where Betty had some dental work done. Then they went and enjoyed a very delicious meal at Croton Creek Restaurant near Cheyenne. Then they traveled to Elk City, Oklahoma and did some shopping.

Sunday after church, Glenn and Betty Boydston and Curtis and Lil Boydston traveled to Pampa, Texas where they enjoyed a delicious meal at Buffett City.

Wednesday, Glenn and Betty Boydston traveled to Pampa, Texas and did some shopping and enjoyed a delicious meal at the Dixie Cafe.

Vance and Carol Boydston visited in the home of Glenn and Betty Boydston on Saturday.

Thursday, Opal and Juanita Boydston accompanied Curtis and Lil Boydston to Pampa, Texas where they enjoyed shopping and a tasty meal at McDonald's. While in Pampa, Juanita enjoyed a very delicious yoguar twist at Braum's before coming home.

Friday, Vance and Carol Boydston, Glenn and Betty Boydston and Opal and Juanita Boydston gathered in the home of Curtis and Lil Boydston and they all enjoyed a very delicious home cooked meal. Very good and lots of good ole visiting.

Pastor F.R. Johnson and wife Olene were away to a ministerial meeting in New Mexico. So Bro. Ryan Swint, a young man from Amarillo, Texas sang and preached for the United Pentecostal Church on Sunday night.

He played the piano and sang too. He did both very well. We all enjoyed him being with us.

Ron Hall and his granddaughter, Juanita Tincher visited Opal and Juanita Boydston Sunday evening.

Monday night, Ron Hall and granddaughter, Juanita Tincher visited in the home of Opal and Juanita Boydston.

Last Thursday evening, Bret Begert and Richard Meadows represented Ft. Elliott CISD in Amarillo at the Region 16 Education Service Center for a meeting of the Panhandle Areas Association of School Boards. Bret currently serves as President of the PAASB and represents Region 16 on the Texas Association of School Boards Board of Directors.

Bret, Hayley, Mackie, and Boone Begert along with Darena Begert attended the Limousin cattle activities at the Ft. Worth Stock Show last weekend. Hiram stayed home to tend to his cattle.

God Bless and Keep ya'll till next week.

**Vance's Wife's Rattles**

Some of you may have noticed the absence of Vance and Carol? Well, maybe some of you didn't even notice. Early in December they had a wonderful time at Kevin and Theda's home celebrating an early Christmas. Theda's parents were there. Carolyn had baked blackberry cobbler and cherry pie. Ted beamed as we all bragged on the pies and cobbler. After all, he gets to enjoy those on a regular basis! The turkey, yams and all the trimmings were all delicious! Theda just out done herself. Once, we were all stuffed even more than the turkey, it was time to gather in the living room for the gift exchange. We began with a bag of belated birthday packages for Adria's second birthday and of course a gift for sister, Chelsi. We all had so much fun as the children performed for us. Chelsi was performing in both her church and school program. She did so well. We're so glad they have Ted and Carolyn so close so they can always be there for them. Lot of paper everywhere and excitement in the air! Adria was really enjoying Christmas this year! They really enjoyed their Madame Alexandria dolls with three sets of clothes and some accessories. Our main gift for each child and their family this year was a notebook with much biblical information about who Jesus is and how to be saved for eternity and therefore shun hell.

A friend had collected this information and loaned it to us. It took a lot of time and patience, ink, paper, plastic enclosures and notebooks, but with a lot of help from Nita Kay, (we couldn't have done it without her), we have a copy, six children have their copies and Nita Kay has two copies. We sincerely pray this information will be used and bring many blessings to our children and their children and right

on down the line. And if they share it with others, wonderful! We gave a few other small gifts. But the notebook was really from our hearts!

And being with our children and grandchildren is the best Christmas gift we could have! But we got lots of others like a three piece luggage set from Kevin and his family. How thoughtful is that? They knew we were going to California for three weeks! That was really used and appreciated!

December 19th we traveled back

to Allison, arriving in time to say hello to Mom and Nita Kay. The next day was Sunday School, Christmas songs and dinner at church to celebrate Christ's birth together! We really enjoyed it and church services again during the week.

All packed for California, we headed for Michael and Joanna's on December 16th for our early Christmas with them. Joanna served us a wonderful meal as usual! She's a good cook. We had so much fun exchanging gifts!



Anthea Esther and Eliza Hannah enjoyed their Madame Alexandria dolls too. They even took them to church! Michael decided they should all open their gifts Aunt Marsha and Uncle David sent in the mail too. Those girls were so cute modeling their little fur scarves. Then Anthea received an early birthday gift from Poppy Vance and Grammy Carol. A guitar! Since Daddy has started learning to play the girls have showed interest so Grammy Carol is lending her small ladies guitar to Eliza to practice on. Both girls are doing great with their piano lessons already!

Next morning we enjoyed their Christmas program at Southern Oaks U.P. C. in Oklahoma City. They all did so well. We were very blessed to be there. Next day, Curtis and Lil put us on the plane for sunny Ontario, California!

My, my we just left ahead of the ice storm! What a great three weeks we had! Melissa, Dennis and Amanda picked us up and we headed for Temecula. Vance couldn't hardly wait to see his dear friend Cali (a giant Labor doodle they purchased from Texas on the internet. She was sold as a miniature. Vance told them that if that is a miniature in Texas, you ought to see the big ones. Ha! Ha! Well, she stole their hearts so they kept her. Last year she and Vance became great pals and went to the park most every day. Well this year, they went twice a day! They really miss each other. Guess if we ever settle down and stay at home he'll have to have a Cali.

Melissa, Kyle and his girlfriend (just one of the family) Elizabeth and Amanda were on vacation from school. Now Amanda got a little break from taking out trash as Poppy Vance did it for her. Poppy slept in her bed! Kyle and Elizabeth still had to go to work now and then. Elizabeth and Kyle have been friends for years. She just lives around the corner. We all love her. Mornings we sat out by the swimming pool sipping our doctor coffee and basking in the sun.

Please, Vance can't we just check out senior living and see what it costs? Of course it wouldn't be the same, because Dennis and Melissa really went all out to spoil us for three weeks. So many special meals were planned and prepared for us. Our son in law Dennis is quite the chef! He could make some restaurant famous! But instead, he is a D.J. for weddings. He puts his heart and pulse into it trying to have everything available to help any group have a beautiful evening celebrating two becoming one walking together for the rest of their lives. Melissa is such a hostess with the mostess serving appetizers and special coffees, mocha and triple dipped candied apples (Carmel, white chocolate, sugar and cinnamon. She is quite impressed with Poppy Vance. Kyle our grandson got down the nine foot Christmas tree and was off to work. Well, Poppy Vance proceeded to divide it into parts so when Melissa was ready to assemble it, she was amazed how fast it went up! And when we were all finished with it, he took it apart put matching color codes together, tied them in bundles and back in the box so next year will be easy too. We had suggested Melissa and Dennis have a get away while we were there with the kids and Cali and Kari (the cat). So Dennis planned a real surprise. They flew to Vegas and not only saw a couple shows but also flew in a helicopter over the grand canyon and landed for a meal. They had a great time. After their return, they planned a birthday bash for Grammy Carol. Who's seventy. Not Vance, anyway not until July 5th. We had a party of sixteen and Dennis treated us all to dinner. His mother, Rosela and her boyfriend Don, from Vegar, two brothers and a sister in law, Geroge, Tish and Tim, Kyle, Elizabeth and their friend, Amanda, Escondido, Marsha and David and our grandson, Wes, all the way from Norman, Oklahoma even made it. We hadn't seen Wes and Kyle side by side for a couple of years. Kyle, three years younger than Wes always had to look up to him, not this time, Wes is five foot eleven but he said, "I always knew someday I'd be looking up to you Kyle and we all chuckled and the birthday girl had her picture between them! And there sat twelve year old Amanda listening to her Epod. But she had a good visit with cousin Wes later. What a delicious mexican meal. And how they laughed when Grammy wore the big sombrero and Happy Birthday rang out and cameras flashed and a gigantic sundae was served. And how happy Poppy Vance was when diabetic Granny only had a

bite and the rest was his! (It was a good birthday to remember. Later Dennis took us on a tour of the Christmas lights of Temecula. Well, Christmas rolled around and the gifts were abundant (mostly ones Poppy had giftwrapped for Melissa while she was in Vegas. Much more and she and Cali would have kept us. Oh yes, there was plenty of cherry klondike bars and cherry vanilla nut ice cream and all the cokes he could drink! Spoil him, spoil him, he loves it and deserves it. This household doesn't arise early to see what ole Santa brought. Poppy and Grammy could see he had eaten his cookies and drank most of his milk. No wonder his beard is so white. But it was late in the day when everyone crawled out of bed and Elizabeth came over and with the music of Christmas softly playing it was time to exchange gifts. Everyone was richly blessed. Grammy and Melissa was really impressed with the choices Kyle had made for them. This was the first Christmas he had a job! We can't wait until he's a millionaire! Melissa had given we ladies socks but Elizabeth couldn't find hers anywhere. She just didn't know where she had put them. Kyle was grinning from ear to ear and she looked down and there stretched over his big big feet were her baby blue socks. We all had a good laugh. Dennis and Melissa watch the set com King of Queens together. It reminds them of their life. Well, he gave her tickets to go to the taping an she gave him some of their videos. They each couldn't believe the other thought of that. We picked up all the paper and ribbons and all were off to enjoy their new stuff. Poppy, liked all his goodies and his jamies and he was almost as impressed with his sporty ear muffs as he was with his hat Michael gagge him in Oklahoma. Michael said he wanted him in his hat club. My Daddy wore one and Brother Whalen wears one and Michael and his father in law have one. They are sorta like golfers used to wear years and years ago with their knickers. Well he wouldn't hardly take it off. I wouldn't let him wear it out in the boat. Well, he lost it. He searched and searched through the luggage but it was nowhere to be found. He was really sad when it wasn't in the car. This was after we came home. But when we talked to Marsha, it had been found!!!! Now he is watching the mail every day. Hoping for the return of his special hat!AIA

Now back to Christmas at Melissa's home. Dennis prepared us another of his specialties. The biggest prime rib I had ever seen! And was it tasty. And Melissa's garlic mashed potatoes are to die for. And hot apple pie with ice cream. Stuffed again. We just enjoyed each other between Christmas and New Year. Poppy and I squeezed some church time in. Its always our pleasure to go and also to see Brother and Sister Durrance and others at True Vine Pentecostal and many other friends like the Potters who originally from Texas from New Life Pentecostal Church.

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**Intentions to Drill**  
GRAY (EAST PANHANDLE) Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado, #2 Goldstone, 450' from North & 1640' from East line, Sec. 3, 1, BS&F, PD 5000' (BHL: 2290' from North & 1650' from West Sec. line) Recompletion  
HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Noble Energy Production, Inc., PD 13500', for the following wells:  
#5626P Keeton, 2630' from South & East line, Sec. 56, M-1, H&GN. #4316A, Teas '43', 315' from South & 2572' from East line, Sec. 43, M-1, H&GN.  
HEMPHILL (IMEL Douglas) Sundown Energy, L.P., #4 Jonas Ranch, 1000' from North & 1600' from East line, Blockly & McKinney Survey, PD 7600'.  
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Cordillera Texas, L.P., PD 12500', for the following wells:  
#1009 RW, 2259' from South & 1980' from West line, Sec. 9, 41, H&TC. #2050 Ramp, 2259' from North & 1980' from East line, Sec. 50, A-1, H&GN.  
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #7 Colfee '1', 1553' from North & 1967' from West line, Sec. 1, B-1, H&GN, PD 12220'.  
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Samsom Contour Energy E&P, L.L.C., #4 Mendota Ranch 'A' 33, 1900' from South & 900' from East line, Sec. 33, 1, H&GN, PD 14000'.  
ROBERTS (WILDCAT & ALPARKIPS St.-Loud) Latigo Petroleum Texas, L.P., #4A Courson '157', 1040' from North & East line, Sec. 157, 13, T&NO, PD 9800'.  
Recompletion  
ROBERTS (WILDCAT & SOUTH LEDRICK Ranch Upper Morrow) Latigo Petroleum Texas, L.P., #2H Wilde 'A' 84, 467' from South & East line, Sec. 3, B, H&GN, PD 11100'.  
ROBERTS (WILDCAT & N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Cimarex Energy Co., #1561 Flowers, 1800' from South & 500' from

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ROBERTS (WILDCAT & N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Cimarex Energy Co., #1182 Flowers Trust, 342' from South & 2630' from East line, Sec. 82, B-1, H&GN, PD 11500'.  
ROBERTS (WILDCAT & RED DEER CREEK Granite Wash) Cimarex Energy Co., #1327 Byrum, 2200' from South & 2400' from West line, Sec. 27, B-1, H&GN, PD 11200'.  
WHEELER (WEST BRITT RANCH Granite Wash 'A') Questar E&P Co., #1 Puryear '27' SWD, 1817' from South & 2451' from West line, Sec. 27, A-3, H&GN, PD 8000'. Injection well  
WHEELER (WILDCAT & STILES RANCH Atoka) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #9 Stiles Ranch '5', 1980' from North & East line, Sec. 5, S-3, H&GN, PD 18000'.  
WHEELER (WILDCAT & STILES RANCH Atoka) Pogo Panhandle 2004, L.P., #306 Rathjen, 467' from South & East line, Sec. 6, A-3, H&GN, PD 16000'.  
**Oil Well Completions**  
ROBERTS (REYNOLDS CREEK Granite Wash) Latigo Petroleum Texas, L.P., #1 Jacobs Tallahone 'A' 86, Sec. 1, Q, H&GN, spud 1-21-06, drlg. compl 3-15-06, tested 4-22-06, flowed 25 bbl. of 42 grav. oil + 10 bbls. water thru 32/64" choke on 24 hour test, GOR 1840, TD 8624', PBTD 8060' --  
**Gas Well Completions**  
GRAY (EAST PANHANDLE) Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado, #4 Fowler 'C', Sec. 30, R, A. Rowe, Rowe, spud 4-6-06, drlg. compl 4-9-06, tested 5-9-06, potential 230 MCF, rock pressure 168.2, TD 2469', PBTD 2443' -- Form 1 in Gray Petroleum  
GRAY (EAST PANHANDLE) Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado, #4 Stubbs, Sec. 9, 3, B&B, spud 9-25-06, drlg. compl 9-27-06, tested 10-27-06, potential 570 MCF, rock pressure 118 psia, TD 2546', PBTD 2518' -- Form 1 in Gray Petroleum  
HEMPHILL (BUFFALO WALLOW Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #16 Hemphill Waiser '11', Sec. 11, 4, AB&M, spud 9-11-06, drlg. compl 10-4-06, tested 11-31-06, TD 13348', PBTD 13053' --  
HEMPHILL (N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Dominion Oklahoma Texas E&P, Inc., #5 Mendota Ranch '51' A, Sec. 51, 1, H&GN, spud 7-19-06, drlg. compl 8-6-06, tested 9-15-06, TD 11318', PBTD 11204' --  
HEMPHILL (N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash) Samson Lone Star Ltd. Partnership, #1516 Campbell, Sec. 16, 1, H&GN, spud 9-20-06, drlg. compl 10-11-06, tested 12-17-06, TD 11900', PBTD 11819' --  
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# MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Sue Mayfield

Please keep our friends and neighbors in your prayers: Don and Mary Edwards, Lonnie and Debbie Hendrix, Curtis Hendrix, Todd Stuart, Andrea Aldridge and family, Louise Hogan, Clinton and Maurita Stribling, Leonard Hollis, Doyle and Bulah Grimes, Bill and Patsy Caswell, Shelton May and family, Penny Summers, Alvern Hutchison, Gary Morris, Audrey Seitz, Augusta Brown, Orville Greenhouse, Lorene Rector, Sidney Mahan, Charlie Brown, Earl and Leola Farris, Dick and Ann Graham, Bulah Stuart, Martha Meek, Addie Swift, Chuck Carl, Mandy Wilson, Scott Corcoran and family, Virginia Greenhouse, Chris Mick and family, Aaron Hartline and family, Bill and Shirley Dyson, Lou Dean Douthit, Jack and Bernice Hefley, Iva Richardson, Marsha Richardson, Jim and Kay Batton, Blondell Skaggs, Iona May, Mandy Wilson, Doug and Pat Corse, Louise Shorter, Aaron and Arica Corcoran, Alice Little, Glory Hartsfield, Ada Lou Lester, Sallie and Tim Adcock and Amanda and Antonio Salas, Mary Mayfield, the family and friends of Robert "Bob" Honeycutt, Billie Pasley, the family and friends of K.D. Ford.

Well, will try this one more time. Last weeks column was old news and the first part of this column was part of what was supposed to go in last weeks column. Hopefully this will get printed this week and sort of catch us up. Life is crazy.

Certainly hope you had a chance to shake off the effects of cabin fever, as it sounds like we will be in for some bone chilling weather this week.

Now that most of our snow is on the way out they can't blame the ground cover for the lower temperatures. It will feel like the wind is throwing icicles at us, if the forecast is correct. Sorry that the last weeks column didn't get put in, but we're all not perfect and the new electronic age doesn't always solve the problems either. Hope this week is better and any news that is this is not an inconvenience. I appreciate your help Arica and am so sorry that the information about Robert Honeycutt is so late. I guess the information is floating around in cyberspace somewhere as Louis didn't receive that part at all. Our sympathy goes out to the family and friends of Bob Honeycutt in his death. He was the brother of former Mobeetie resident Mildred Mickey. Mr. Honeycutt was 76, had lived in Channing, Tx for many years. He was very active in his community and was a renowned bronze sculptor. Mr. Honeycutt had

his studio out near the Canadian River, but his foundry was right there in downtown Channing. He had served his community well. He was Mayor of Channing for several years in the 1960's and the commissioner for some 26 years. He never knew a stranger and shared everything he had. Most of his benevolent work was accomplished anonymously. He is survived by his loving wife, Nedra, four daughters and a son and their families, and sister, Mildren Mickey and husband, Bob,

of Canyon, Tx. He took great joy in his family and was proud of each of them for their achievements and contributions. His grandchildren were such blessings in his life. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Mr. Honeycutt passed away on January 21. Services were held on Thursday at the Channing School gym. Our deepest sympathy to Bob and Mildred Mickey and family in the death of their oldest daughter in 2006. Robin is a nurse in the Dallas area. The Mickey's lived in Mobeetie for several years.

Bob was the superintendent and Mildred worked in the library, or anywhere else they needed her. They were very active in the Baptist Church while they were here. They left behind many friends and a vacant spot in our community. Lots of good memories. They helped shape a lot of lives. Congratulations to Debbie Finsterwald upon being inducted to the Southwestern Oklahoma State University's Athletic Hall of Fame. Debbie was one of the first "original" (pioneer) Lady Bulldogs. She played the very first year in college and their first year as a team. Debbie Bruner was one of their high point scorers. She left quite a legacy for the women's basketball program. Debbie married Joel Finsterwald in 1981 and taught history and coached at Mobeetie for several years. "Fin" or "Coach Fin" has been a favorite teacher at every school she has been at. We really missed her when she went to McLean, but Wheeler was fortunate enough to get her after that. Thanks for helping mold so many young lives and giving our young people some one they can trust and look up too.

It's good to see Rhonda Gallagher looking well. She has been lucky enough to get a good Dr. in Elk City that put her in contact with a heart doctor in Oklahoma City that specializes in the lipid problems and does a lot of research and has written several papers concerning the treatment of some of the problems. It is amazing how the Lord works in our lives. Even though she was one of the patients most effected by Dr. Eddens taking a medical leave he put her in touch with the right people. We all still miss the Eddens family very much and hope that Dr. Eddens is doing much better. Rhonda's sister, Rebecca Foreman and family are planning to move to Wheeler from Stephenville soon. She is a certified teacher and plans to open a pre-school day care center as soon as possible. She will take children after the age that they are potty trained and work with them on a daily basis with all sorts of hands on projects to keep them interested in learning. A program that the youngsters of Wheeler really need. Her husband, Jason, will be working at Wes-Tex. They have a son, Cooper, and a daughter, Reese, who will someday be mighty Mustangs. Now if they can convince Renee and her family to move back to Wheeler, Mom (Louise) will have less reason to stay in Stephenville. So glad that Louise has been doing much better health wise too. Now, with more grandchildren up here the girls will get to see Mom more often. Cooper and Reese have the same health problem that Aunt Rhonda has so maybe they can all use the same doctor. He sure hit the jack



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pot for pursuing the family inheritance theory of the disease. We may have medical paper stars among us. Just hope it leads to a cure for all of you.

Sure glad the weather turned off better for the Wheeler County Stock Show. Congratulations to all the winners and thank you to all that worked so hard with their animals and made the show a big success. Thanks to all the buyers for making the sale such a success.

Jayton Childress had good luck with her goat this year. She won 1st place in her category. Mom, Amanda Salas, managed to watch her show her goat but had to give up and go home. It's amazing that Amanda even tackled such a day. Monday Amanda had her first physical therapy session. Quite an ordeal. Poor Amanda has bruises on top of bruise and they are still appearing. She gets stronger every day. Garrett has been under the weather with a virus. Hope your feeling much better soon and that nobody else in the family have to take a turn.

Shelton May has already started his chemo therapy treatments. They had him start those before they even let him come home from the hospital. On Tuesday he will get his first chemo and radiation on the same day. Please keep Shelton in your prayers. Shelton and his family made cookies over the weekend. Shelton made some special ones for his doctors and nurses. Shelton got to attend a special meeting with a nutritionist and got some yummy sounding recipes that he can help make and have something different to choose from. Who knows, he may be the first great chef from Mobeetie, or maybe write a book for other kids who have to go through everything he has. Who knows what rabbits he may pull out of his hat. Next week Shelton will be in I.C.U. next week because they will be giving him some really powerful drugs to fight this war with.

Monday, Martha Meek hosted the carasta club at her beautiful new home. Leola Stuart got to play cards with them this week and had such an enjoyable afternoon. Leola and Bobbie Sue Baker were partners for the first game. They didn't win but they had fun. The second game Leola and Virginia Puryear were partners and they won that one. Always a fun time with those ladies. Leola got two very important calls last week. Braydon called to inform Granny that his pine wood derby car took first place in his pack. He will soon be participating in the All City Pine Wood Derby for cub scouts and boy scouts. He was very excited, but didn't know yet when the next race would be. Congratulations Braydon. Garrett called to let Granny know that he had participated in the U.I.L. competition and had won first in Math and Arts and Crafts. Congratulations Garrett. Keep up the good work boys.

Shelton May has already had several chemo treatments. Thursday it started catching up with him and made him a little sick. Tuesday Nanny and Mom were taking him to Amarillo for a chemo treatment and his first radiation treatment all in the same day. He is a real trooper.

Sunday afternoon Leola went to Shamrock to visit Bulah Stuart and take her grocery shopping while the weather was half way decent. Mrs. Stuart sure misses being able to get out and walk around her yard every day and keep tabs on her trees and flowers. With so much ice and snow she is almost ready for spring to get here.

If any of you noticed the add in the paper last week about the lost guitars. I am happy to announce that they have been found and returned. Praise the Lord. Thank

you to the young lady that found them for restoring our faith in people.

The Pampa Junior High girls basketball teams had tournament games in Saturday on Thursday evening, Saturday morning at 9:00, another game at 2:15. The game Thursday was very close, but they lost by one point. Saturday morning started out with a big win, but the afternoon game didn't go as well. Our own local Sara Corse is one of their coaches. She has really worked hard with the girls and have them playing much better together and working as a team. They have improved so much from their first game of the season in Canyon.

Donald Farrar is working for Pampa Schools. He drives the activity bus and is very reliable and one of their better drivers. Todd and Jeff enjoyed getting to visit with him Sat. Glad things are going so well.

Todd and Lori arrived in Amarillo early Friday morning to take their 34 hour turn around and take care of some business. We met them later in the day and all went to Dumas so we would be there for Harley's ball games on Sat. We spent the night with Mom and they stayed over at my sister, Shannon's. We also visited with Keith and Karen Sorensen and talked the trucking business stuff. I guess we have one of the largest

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## The View of a Southern Woman

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It is either the snow, ice or fog that gets in the way of our traveling and social life this winter although we played through it yesterday and won one. Glenn Forrest Frosty and I were set to go to the outdoor show held inside the Civic Center in Amarillo last Saturday, but we woke up to heavy fog. With a temperature of only 20 degrees, it made the trees and bushes beautiful with a white icing of frozen fog and made us canceled our trip. An hour later we threw caution to the wind and took off in the fog anyway. Two miles out of town, there was no fog, no ice, very little snow, the sun came out with clear roads all the 110 miles to Amarillo. I guess that sometimes you have to take this Panhandle weather by the horns and go anyway. In Amarillo it was 50 plus degrees all day. After the show and a wonderful dinner at the Olive Garden restaurant and some serious shopping for an engagement ring and some eggs, we headed home to the ice and snow that still lives in our back yard. You know, I could still break a leg on our ice covered brick patio.

Our cute little bantams have decided that it was too cold to lay eggs anymore and I gave our Aroucanas to a man in Wheeler. They just never got to be friendly, so I got tired of feeding those ungrateful chickens. Besides that they loved to dig up my flower bed and they just wore out there welcome. They never missed me either for the man I gave them to said they never stopped laying eggs after that 20 mile trip in the back of our pickup truck to Wheeler.

Now I know if I gave Henry, Goldie, Red and Blackie away they would die broken hearts or at least I would like to think that.

Now the engagement ring is another story. When Glenn proposed for the second time and I finally accepted, he had no engagement ring to give me. He said I already had too many diamonds and did not need another one and he would never buy me diamonds. Wrong! Never tell a woman "never" for there is no such word in their vocabulary and I am no exception. Valentine's day is coming up and our 4th anniversary in May, so he thought it would be a good idea to get me an engagement ring. Or maybe I thought that and he just fell into line. Anyway it is a beautiful ring from a wonderful husband.

Well, my baby Patrick was 43 years old last Sunday and it does not seem that long ago that he was born. Pat was not a full term baby and he was so tiny that I was almost afraid to hold him. When I brought him home from the hospital, the furnace man came to fix the furnace. I had Pat in a bassinet in the living room, so the man wanted to see the new baby. He looked into the bassinet and said it was empty. I looked and Pat had wiggled down into the blankets and was pretty lost in them, so I uncovered him, but the furnace man said, "boy, you sure did not

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We the families of Tom Helton, feel so blessed being surrounded with such loving and caring people.

We were blessed and comforted with your kindness, prayers, flowers, cards, memorials, phone calls and wonderful food.

We were blessed with the celebration of life service. Thanks to Bro. Ernie McGaughey, Bro. Tom Woodward, Sylvia Shuler, and Bob Stiles for a beautiful and meaningful service.

Thanks to all the ladies for the food preparation, setting up and cleaning up.

Special thanks to Jim Wright and staff for a great job.

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get much baby". Tiny Pat had a bad start in life, but he got over it and is now near 6 foot tall, handsome and a wonderful person. Happy birthday to you son and we love you.

I keep telling myself that spring is just around the corner, but it is hard to keep that in mind with all the ice and snow in the back yard. Love to all of you, **Betty Boydston.**

## Country (from Page 2)

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Christine Conner, 96, of Shamrock in her death. Services Thursday at Shamrock with burial at Shamrock Cemetery. Survivors include Claudine Finsterwald and Margie Conner and others.

Johnnie Bird from Wheeler Care Center had a special treat over last weekend. She got to fly down to Houston with family members for the surprise 40th birthday party for her oldest grandson. Johnnie enjoyed it all a lot. Nice to visit with Johnnie at the Band concert Tuesday night and greet several other residents. Some other visitors were Martha Meek, Leona Coates, Betty Howard, and Gwen McCain.

Wheeler Baptist Church hosted the Sunday afternoon church and Sing-a-long at Wheeler Care Center. Leona Coates played the piano; Wesley Steen led singing; Buddy Sparks had a short devotional. Also there to help were Helen Steen, Dianne Sparks, Verna Fillingim and from Pampa Herb Smith. Good crowd of residents out to enjoy it were Howard Surber, Wayne Stanton, Gelemmia Back, Opal Hutchinson, Norma Bowerman, Nina Hervey, Johnnie Bird, Minnie Bell Vinson, Ester Forrester, Neta Young, Dorothy Walker, Verna Alston, Mary Sheffield and Gwen Loyd.

Next Sunday afternoon Feb. 11 at 3:00 p.m. Allison Baptist will host the church service at Wheeler Care Center. Visitors always welcome.

Nice to have Debbie Hart from Arkansas out to our Sunday School Class (Berean) at Wheeler Baptist. Debbie grew up at Kelton and is related to Jerry Killingsworth. Hope you'll come back, Debbie.

First Sunday Singing  
 There was a very good program of music and singing and readings at Mobeetie Baptist church Sunday night Feb. 4. Some giving humorous and inspiring readings were Kay Stiles, Bill Stiles, Mary Cornell, Helen Steen and Willene Burke. Some singing were Marion Grimes, Wesley Steen and Mark and Carol Robertson. Music by Mobeetie choir include Gina Seitz, Bobby Walker, Willene Burke, Paul Hathaway, Toney Dickey, Melba Corcoran and Doris Finsterwald with Patsy Caswell playing the keyboard. All was very good. Thank You! There was a sumptuous pot luck meal served after the program. Next month March 4 First Sunday Singing will be at Allison Baptist church at 6:00 p.m. Everyone invited to come participate or listen and visit.

Romans 10:9 "That if you shall confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus, and shall believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved. Enjoying lunch together at the Railhead in Canadian Thursday were Jeff and Cheryl Fraley and Steven, Sonya Hudson and Patrick, Joe and Sherry Wagoner, Joe and Dawn Dial and Ray and Glenda Hudson. They celebrated Jeff's 36th birthday and Joe and Sherry's 38th wedding anniversary. Cheryl, Dawn and Sherry all work at the Canadian Library. Happy Birthday, Jeff and Happy Anniversary Joe and Sherry. And many more.

Happy Valentine's Day everyone! Tell someone you love them. Do a kind deed to help someone. Ray and Glenda Hudson enjoyed a visit to Jennifer Graddy and Allison at Wichita Falls. They went down Friday and watched Allison play basketball in a Junior High Tournament on Saturday and won 3rd. They also saw a movie called "Because I said So". Sunday they went to the Colonial Baptist Church with Jennifer and Allison and ate out and had a great visit. Mike Graddy was gone to Dallas to take more electrical training. Mike is also a full time Fireman, but does electrical work on the side. Hudsons got back home Sunday night. We missed them at Mobeetie.

God be with you till we meet again.

## Allison (from Page 3)

Well on our last Sunday there we, Melissa, Poppy and Grammy left everyone else sleeping and drove to Chowchilla to the women's prison where our granddaughter has been for four years. Vance had never met her so it was an exciting day for us but a long one. Melissa drove us there and Vance drove us back. Our granddaughter is Karmen Johnson and she has a chemical imbalance in her brain and is supposed to be medicated at all times but one of the problems with her is she gets to thinking she doesn't need medication. And when she doesn't take it I guess she is skitzafrenic. I can't spell it, anyway she is completely different. She has a very sweet and caring nature until this happens. Then she hits the streets and is gone. There is plenty of drug people out there preying on the esick minds and that is how she came to be sentenced. In four years her other grandfather, Dale Cazez visited her once and that is the only visitor she has had. We tired last year but we couldn't get in to see her because we didn't know the process. Well, needless to say she was so happy to see us sitting there when she came in from chuch. What a big smile and then the tears broke through. We all got our hugs and sat down together and visited for the most precious two and half hours. She met Poppy Vance and of course loved him at first sight. She asked all about the family back in Indiana. Told us about her life there. She was very proud of some of her accomplishments in her studies for which she has earned certificates. She looked so healthy and beautiful and decent. She has two more years before she can go home. She plans to be married to the father of her two children. If she will only stay on her prescribed medication, she can do fine. Only time will tell but we pray for her everyday. The rest is up to God. We said our goodbyes and waved until we were out of sight. Back to the car and we were on our way back. Very tiring but the highlight of our visit. The week went all too fast.

We said our goodbyes to our family in Temecula on Friday afternoon and was picked up by our daughter, Marsha. She took us to her home where we met with her husband, David, another good son in law. They took us out dining. Poppy and I love those baby back ribs at Texas Roadhouse. And they had something else I hadn't tried before. They called it onion strings and were they ever crispy and yummy. We visited until we were all worn out. And then to bed. Poor Marsha had to work the next day. When we arose, David had coffee made and was preparing us a good good breakfast. We are really proud of our son in laws. Sounds like all we do is eat but for supper David cooked steaks (they were wonderful) and Marsha makes great salad. David is very talented. He played his guitar and ang for us. We really enjoyed it. On Sunday morning, after Marsha prepared us a very bountiful breakfast, we headed for the ocean! Boy, was Pop excited. He was going out with David in his sailboat! The boat used to belong to David's brother in Florida. Those kids pulled it from there to Kentucky where they used to live and then to Oklahoma and on to Texas and all the way to sunny California. Well, it's been worth the trip as they to to the ocean mot every weekend. Boating is David's passion and Marsha's is finding sanddollars and starfish. She loves the sun. Takes that after her Daddy. Marsha and I watched the sea gulls and people and dogs. The children loved to run in the sand right in the middle of a group of birds and watch them scatter and fly to another location. Marsha packed us all a lunch. We enjoyed our picnic by the ocean and the boys took their to the ocean with them. Now Vance wants to tell you in his own words about the sailing. But afterwards he and Marsha had fun in the sand and water searching for shells and sand dollars. They had some luck and Marsha found a beautifully marked starfish! The sunset was beautiful. David finished getting the sailboat ready for her trip home. We were all praising the Lord as David backed the trailer into the garage because the boys had discovered a bad tire on the trailer. Some prayers had been answered. We were exhausted but they fed us another good meal and we visited and David entertained us again. Marsha and Poppy hooked up to the internet and found him some westerns and bid on them. Then we all fell into bed. We all slept in on Monday so we hurriedly packed cause we had a plane to catch. But first we had to take our Mona Vie. Vance handed me the bottle and I gave it a big shake. Oh no, he had taken the cap off already. Purple juice all over the beautiful white bedspread and rug. What a way to end a visit. Leave it to me. Marsha said, Oh don't worry it will all come out in the wash. Vance rushed to clean it. I could only apologize. The story of my life!

We rushed to get the bags in the jeep and away we went. Guess that's when we left Pop's hat. Smooth ride to the airport. I wasn't ready to go home. Goodbye's are hard. When we reached Oklahoma City, Micahel, Joanna, Anthea and Eliza were there to meet us. We were only about twenty minutes late but it took some time to get our luggage. Then to Curtis and Lil's. There we were laced in. Didn't even get to Norman. But finally made our way back to Allison.

Here is hoping you all had a very wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year. With Love and Prayers we'll ee you next time.

## Mobeetie (from Page 5)

families in the trucking industry. So far there are 27 active truckers and part of them are family owned business' at one time or another. I guess it is in the blood. Ha! ha! Sat. Todd and Lori got called back to the truck early so we had to miss the second game. Sorry Harley.

Please keep Sidney Mahan in your prayers. He has an infection in his legs. It is very painful and is going to require a lot of extra attention. He is looking at some major life style changes. His ham radio buddies are his tower of strength.

Does anybody reading this article have any idea where Billy Fancher or Pam Fancher might be now? They spent most of their high school years in Wheeler. Some one contacted the Wheeler High school recently that they had Billy's State ring. They are trying to find him to return it. If you have any ideas please call Tammy (Gallagher) Moore or Debbie Finsterwald at Wheeler School 806-826-5534. Any information will be greatly appreciated. Hope you all have a great week.

Here we are again, a beautiful Monday morning in Mobeetie. It was nice to have a weekend without snow, rain, sleet or overly breezy wind cutting through everybody and everything. Hope you got a chance to take advantage of it and enjoy it. Thanks to the county boys our roads are in pretty good shape. They came through and scraped off most of the snow so we won't have such big ruts as the snow finally as melted off the roadways.

Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of K.D. Ford. He passed away on Tuesday and services and burial was Saturday. He spent many years on the Wheeler Volunteer Fire Department and was always very active in it. He passed his talent on to one of his son's, Robert Ford. There was a big crowd out to pay their respects and say good-bye to a special friend of the area. His fellow firemen from Wheeler, Shamrock, Mobeetie, Canadian and Mclean were well represented and were his escort to the cemetery. He took his last ride on one of the older Wheeler fire trucks. He touched so many lives and will be greatly missed. He is survived by six children and their spouses, DeWayne of Canadian, Galena of Amarillo, Becky of Calwell, Tina of Fort Worth, Robert of Wheeler, and Teri of Dallas. He is also survived by 7 granddaughters, 7 grandsons, 2 great-granddaughters, and 2 great-grandsons. Some of the grandchildren didn't get to make it in, because of their jobs and the distance, and health problems. Teri was a pediatric nurse at the children's hospital in Dallas for several years. She quit and went back to school this year. When Becky's daughter Julie presented them with a beautiful great-granddaughter, everyone was very excited. Little Miss Ruby Elizabeth really gave them a scare though. She had a fast growing tumor in the bottom of her heart. She was in the hospital New Year's Eve with Aunt Teri on her way from Dallas so she could help the family know what the Dr.'s and nurses were talking about and interpret for the family. Great-Granny, Joyce Perkins, Uncle Robert and Aunt Marla were on their way down to Dallas to pick up David, since Teri took his truck to be with Becky and Julie as soon as possible. So their new year started out praying through surgery and then pediatric i.c.u. Praise the Lord all went well and the tumor was benign. Miss Ruby is at home recovering, gettings stronger every day and playing catch up. Thank God for fantastic doctors and all the conveniences of modern medicine. They help create some miracles.

Jeremy is working for Hughes Oilfield Services in Montana and South Dakota. He just happened to be in OKC for some meetings and training so was able to come over on Friday evening and spend the day with the family Saturday. That was very important to him.

Sidney Mahan spent a week in the VA hospital in Amarillo, while they tried to get the swelling and infection out of his legs and get him started on some rehab. So he can walk better. They transferred him to Pampa for a couple of days and then his son, George Mahan, of Moriarity, NM. I brought him home on Saturday night. Sure good to see Sidney looking better.

It was good to talk to Shara Bell. She is enjoying this semester in college a lot better. She has had to miss part of Michael's basketball games though. That she doesn't like. Shara and Heather had a girl's day out planned for Monday for Heather to see the orthodontist. Hope all went well. Heather, Kandy and Kevin Jones were getting things together so they could leave for the high bas-



## THE WHEELER TIMES

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"Where the towns of friendship and pride."

### Carol's Husband's Writing

A true and epic accounting of a recent sea saga for your reading pleasure. After flying to California to see our children, my son in law said let's go sailing! Leaving the ocean beach far behind, I begin to receive instructions on how to sail.

I stood my watch as a helmsman. Taking my turn at the tiller. I was sailing the Victoria Sloop! We braved the swells and the surf. While passing a Bowie the sea lions barked at us. One cow never moved an eye lid. She was busy

(sleeping) nursing her young. We were strafed by the pelicans. Over a mile from shore, we spotted several crab-traps.

Back on shore Marsha and I went sand dollar searching. We found several and Marsha found a starfish. Last night we got a call from Marsha and David. They had a greater discovery of more starfish. She said one of them was about 12" across.

I imagine they are out on the waves sailing again today. Ready to go again. Poppy Vance

ketball game at Booker as soon as Harley got in from school. They had to run through Perryton and try their Alco store as they are supposed to have a good material department available. Kandy is looking for some quilt material. The Mountain View Quilting club haven't been able to meet with the weather the way it has been and part of their sweet ladies under the weather. Hope the junior high took care of the Kiowa's.

Last Friday Harley came home with a big surprise for Mom and Dad. She had a certificate and had gotten her picture taken for "Student of the Week." Congratulations Harley. Harley is excited, as the Little Dribblers have their first tournament in Wheeler starting Thursday after school. They'll be playing Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Then the following Thursday, Friday and Saturday they will be playing in the Fort Elliott tournament. Good luck kiddos. Thanks to all the parents that make this possible for the younger students.

Last Saturday was Dakota's birthday. His folks took the family and Jayton Bell to the Monster Truck exhibition in Amarillo. They had a blast. They were met there by Aunt Kellie, from Fritch, and her boyfriend, Andrew Hampton, from Wheeler, Ginny Thurston and Jared Stevens of Fritch, and Uncle Ryan and his fiancée, Julie and her son Andrew joined for the big event. They all had an enjoyable evening together.

Belated birthday wishes Dakota. Sunday Kevin's sister, Rhonda and his Mom and step-dad came over from Oklahoma to enjoy birthday cake with Dakota and watch the big Super Bowl game. How did your choice fair? It was definitely a good game. From the 25th of January to February 14 the Jones family is celebrating family birthdays, at least two a week. Most of you know how that goes.

Erica and Jayden came to have supper with us on Thursday. They thought Mom was teasing them when she didn't bring the puppy home that she went to get. They were disappointed. But the man said he would bring it to them in Pampa on Sunday. Funny thing, they didn't want to spend the weekend at Grandma and Grandpa's. Now we know how we rate. Ha! Ha! We could come see the puppy though.

Lessons from the Ark  
 Everything I need to know about life, I learned from Noah's Ark.

One: Don't miss the boat.

Two: Remember that we are all in the same boat.

Three: Plan ahead. It wasn't training when Noah built the Ark.

Four: Stay fit. When you are 600 years old, someone may ask you to do something really big.

Five: Don't listen to critic's; just get on with the job that needs to be done.

Six: Build your future on the high ground.

Seven: For safety's sake travel in pairs.

Eight: Speed isn't always an advantage. The snails were on board, along with the cheetahs.

Nine: When you're stressed, float a while.

Ten: Remember, the Ark was built by amateurs; the Titanic was built by professionals.

Eleven: No matter the storm, when you are with God, there's always a rainbow waiting..... Pass this along and make someone else smile, too. May your troubles be less, may your blessings be more, and may no thing but happiness come through your door.

Have a great one my friends.

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## A Gold Mine in Bedroom Drawers

**Newswire:** People are selling their old scrap gold that is gathering dust for its cash value because gold prices are so high. With the price of gold at a 25 year high, it makes sense to recycle unwanted items for cash. ScrapGold.com, a large gold recycler, offers free insured recycle kits so people may cash in their scrap with 24 hour service and guarantee satisfaction.

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D. Galmor, 1-17-07, Pt. NW 1/4 NW 1/4 Sec. 3, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
D—Kenneth W. Fields, et ux to Fields Family Limited Partnership, 12-20-06, See Instrument.  
D—Kenneth W. Fields, et ux to Fields Family Limited Partnership, 12-20-06, Pt. NW 1/4 Sec. 57, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.  
**JANUARY 31, 2007**  
D—Valdemar Johnny Velasquez, et ux to Wheeler Hospitality Inc., 1-30-07, 150' x 300' S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 60, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**CONVEYANCE/ASSIGN./BS—**  
Holden Energy Corporation to UNO Inc., 1-15-03, Sec. 29, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**BT—**Thomas Grainger (Tom) McIlhany to William Ray (Bill) McIlhany, 1-16-07, SE 1/4 Sec. 6, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**ASSIGN. OVERRID. ROYALTY—**  
Kaiser-Francis Mid-Continent Partnership to GBK Corporation, 1-26-07, S 1/2; NW 1/4 Sec. 23, and NE 1/4 Sec. 24, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**ASSIGN. OVERRID. ROYALTY—**  
Kaiser-Francis Oil Company to GBK Corporation, 1-26-07, S 1/2; NW 1/4 Sec. 23, and NE 1/4 Sec. 24, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

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Kaiser-Francis Oil Company to GBK Corporation, 1-26-07, S 1/2; NW 1/4 Sec. 23, and NE 1/4 Sec. 24, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**HEIRSHIP AFF.—**Rody Lummus, et al to James Nathan Lummus, 1-4-07, 143 acres SW 1/4 Sec. 55, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**HEIRSHIP AFF.—**Rody Lummus, et al to Elnora Elizabeth Lummus, 1-4-07, 143 acres SW 1/4 Sec. 55, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

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DVL—Ben Hill Griffin Inc. to Richard C. Devuyt, et ux, 1-18-07, See Instrument.

DT—Richard C. Devuyt, et ux to Lone Star Land Bank FLCA, 1-18-07, See Instrument.

D—Jimmy Frank Britten, et al to Larry Finsterwald, et ux, 1-22-07, 75' x 165' SE 1/4 Sec. 60, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

D—Glenn Thomas Britten to Larry Finsterwald, et ux, 1-22-07, 75' x 165' SE 1/4 Sec. 60, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

D—Larry Dwayne Britten to Larry Finsterwald, et ux, 1-22-07, 75' x 165' SE 1/4 Sec. 60, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

D—Johnny Norbert to Larry Finsterwald, et ux, 1-22-07, 75' x 165' SE 1/4 Sec. 60, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Eliasha Burrell Bonner to Rio Petroleum Inc., 12-15-06, N 1/2; N 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 3, Blk. A-2, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Kelly Burrell to Rio Petroleum Inc., 12-15-06, N 1/2; N 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 3, Blk. A-2, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Beth Annette Bagwell to Rio Petroleum Inc., 12-15-06, N 1/2; N 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 3, Blk. A-2, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Cledith Burrell to Rio Petroleum Inc., 12-15-06, N 1/2; N 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 3, Blk. A-2, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Emily Farmer to Rio Petroleum Inc., 12-15-06, NE 1/4 Sec. 52, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—John William Renner Jr. to Rio Petroleum Inc., 12-29-06, NW 1/4 Sec. 52, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Ethel Grimes to Rio Petroleum Inc., 12-29-06, NW 1/4 Sec. 52, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Elizabeth F. Shipp to Rio Petroleum Inc., 12-29-06, NW 1/4 Sec. 52, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Kenneth Mason McCune to William P. Harris, 11-6-06, 112.865 acs, NW 1/4 Sec. 44, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**ASSIGN. B. of SALE—**Amoco Production Company to David M. Britt, 1-18-01, Water Well Sec. 4, Blk. 1, Brooks & Burleson Survey.

**ASSIGN. B. of SALE—**Amoco Production Company to David M. Britt, 1-18-01, Water Well Sec. 10, Blk. 1, Brooks & Burleson Survey.

**ASSIGN. B. of SALE—**Amoco Production Company to L. D. Childress, 1-18-01, Water Well Sec. 20, Camp County School Land.

**FEBRUARY 2, 2007**

DVL—Epifiana C. Garcia to Gracie Payne, 8-1-06, Lots 4-6, Blk. XV, Shamrock.

DT—Gracie Payne to Epifiana C. Garcia, 8-1-06, Lots 4-6, Blk. XV, Shamrock.

DT—Gunsmoke Energy Company to Compass Bank, 1-3-07, NE 1/4; SE 1/4 Sec. 19, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

RDT—Legacy Bank, Elk City, Oklahoma to Charles Oren, et al, 1-29-07, Pt. S 1/2 Outlot 26, Shamrock.

**EXECUTORS OL—**Will Scott Voss Estate to Brigham Oil & Gas LP, 11-28-06, (40.50 acs.) NE 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec. 96, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

**RATIFICATION UNIT DESIGN.—**Rio Brazos Mineral Company LLC to Panhandle Royalty Company, et al, 1-24-07, See Instrument.

MD—Arrowhead Resources Inc. to MAP2004-OK, 11-15-06, S 1/2 Sec. 20, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

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IDENTITY AFF.—Barbara Roberts to Barbara A. Roberts, 1-23-07, All of Sec. 62 and N 1/2 Sec. 63, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AFF.—Mary Kay Waggoner to Carol Ann Neef, et al, 1-20-07, See Instrument.

ROY/MD—Jim L. Hunter to National Royalty Company Ltd., 1-26-07, See Instrument.

QCMD—J. E. McCathern, et ux to J. E. McCathern Jr., 1-25-07, W 1/2 Sec. 31, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

HOMESTEAD DESIGN.—Dean Lax, et ux to The Public, 2-1-07, W 1/2 NE 1/4; NW 1/4 Sec. 46, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

DT—Dean Lax, et ux to National Bank of Commerce, 2-1-07, Pt. NW 1/4 Sec. 63, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ROW—Robert I. Hink, et ux to Enbridge Pipelines (Texas Gathering) LP, 1-9-07, Pt. N 1/2 W 160 acs. Sec. 3, Blk. 2, Brooks & Burleson Survey.

ROW—Anthony Mark Reed, et ux to Enbridge Pipeline (Texas Gathering) LP, 1-9-07, Pt. N 1/2 E 160 acs. Sec. 3, Blk. 2, Brooks & Burleson Survey.

ROW—Susan Gentry Nimmo, et al to Enbridge Pipelines (Texas Gathering) LP, 1-24-07, Pt. W 1/2 E 1/2; E 1/2 W 1/2 Sec. 3, Blk. 2, Brooks & Burleson Survey.

ROW—Harry Douglas Sims, et ux to Enbridge Pipelines (Texas Gathering) LP, 1-25-07, Pt. 10' x 20' SW 1/4 Sec. 19, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ROW—Jerry P. Reid to Enbridge Pipelines (Texas Gathering) LP, 1-24-07, Pt. Sec. 9, Blk. R.E., Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

D—Douglas Robertson, et ux to Chasidy Marsh Longbine, 1-9-07, Lot 3, Blk. 32, Shamrock.

**District Clerk's Filings:**  
#11959—The State of Texas vs \$32,043.00, et al, 1-19-07, Seizure and Forfeiture.

#11960—Ashley Lynn Reeder vs Ryan Bradley Reeder, 1-22-07, Divorce.

#11961—The State of Texas vs Charles Wayne Wilson, Principal, Affordable Bail Bonds, 1-25-07, Judgment NISI.

#11962—The State of Texas vs Charles Wayne Wilson, Principal, Affordable Bail Bonds, 1-25-07, Judgment NISI.

#11963—Shamrock ISD vs Fythian Shaw, 1-26-07, Tax Suit.

#11964—Shamrock ISD vs A. S. Martin, 1-26-07, Tax Suit.

ROW—Huff Ranch to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 7-21-06, Pt. Sec. 47, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ROW—Huff Ranch to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 11-11-06, Pt. Sec. 48, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

Banking Center, 1-29-07, All of Lot 3 and S 1/2 Lot 2, Blk. 41, Wheeler. RDT—United States of America to W. Danny Miller, et ux, 1-25-07, See Instrument.

EXECUTORS TDT—James Ray Tippall Sr., Estate, et al to Bobby

**McLean's Historic District Recognized**

The McLean Commercial Historic District in McLean was listed recently in the National Register of Historic Places. The Texas Historical Commission (THC) assisted in the nomination in recognition of its importance to the history of Gray County. The district features 43 contributing properties recognized for their architectural and historical significance.

The McLean Commercial Historic District is located along historic Route 66 in the Texas Panhandle. McLean was formed along the tracks of the early 20th century, and later prospered as a commercial center along Route 66, which connected Chicago with Los Angeles. The district's development from 1914 through the 1950s. The district was listed in the National Register as an important commercial area that served a regional population as well as interstate travelers, offering a wide variety of grocery stores, hardware stores, gas stations and automobile repair shops. Of all the small towns along U.S. Route 66 in Texas, the McLean Commercial Historic District contains the largest and most intact concentration of buildings associated with the highway.

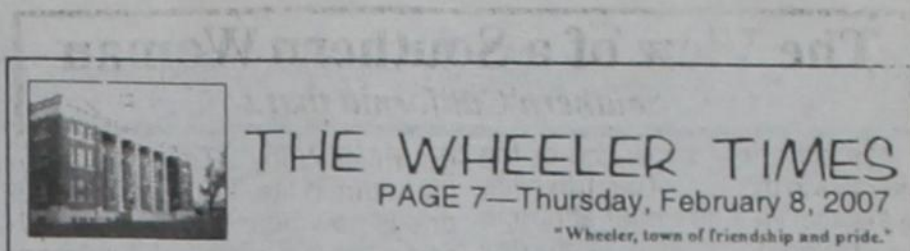
The National Register of Historic Places is the nation's official list of cultural resources deemed worthy of preservation. Authorized under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, the National Register is part of a federal program to coordinate and support public and private efforts to identify, evaluate and protect the

country's historic and archeological resources. The National Register includes more than 2,000 listings in Texas. Listing affords properties a measure of protection from the possible impact of federally funded projects, as well as access to technical expertise and grant funds to facilitate their restoration and preservation. Income-producing properties are also eligible for federal tax benefits for sympathetic rehabilitation work.

"Listing in the National Register follows a tremendous amount of preparation," said THC Executive Director Larry Oaks. "Many individuals contribute to the nomination of these properties, including the owners, local preservation organizations, our staff and our professional review board. The citizens of McLean and Gray County can be very proud of this accomplishment."

For more information, contact the THC's History Programs Division at 512/463-5853 or visit www.thc.state.tx.us.

The Texas Historical Commission is the state agency for historic preservation. The agency administers a variety of programs to preserve the archeological, historical and cultural resources of Texas.



**Trees** (from Page 1)

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The trees will be shipped post-paid at the right time for planting between March 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow, or they will be replaced free of charge.

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**Shamrock Seeks Queen Contestants**

Once again Shamrock, Texas, will be hosting their annual St. Patrick's Celebration on March 16-18, 2007. One of many highlights of this celebration is the crowning of Miss Irish Rose. This **Scholarship Pageant** is open to all young ladies who are between the ages of 14 through 19 and enrolled in High School. The contestants do not have to reside in the Shamrock or Texas area nor do they need to be currently holding a title or reign. The 2007 Miss Irish Rose, along with her three runners-up and Miss congeniality will be receiving a scholarship to the college of her choice. For further information, please call either Betty Lee at (806) 334-0929, Dana Hosack (806) 256-3503 or 662-5405, or the Chamber of Commerce Office at (806) 256-2501.

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