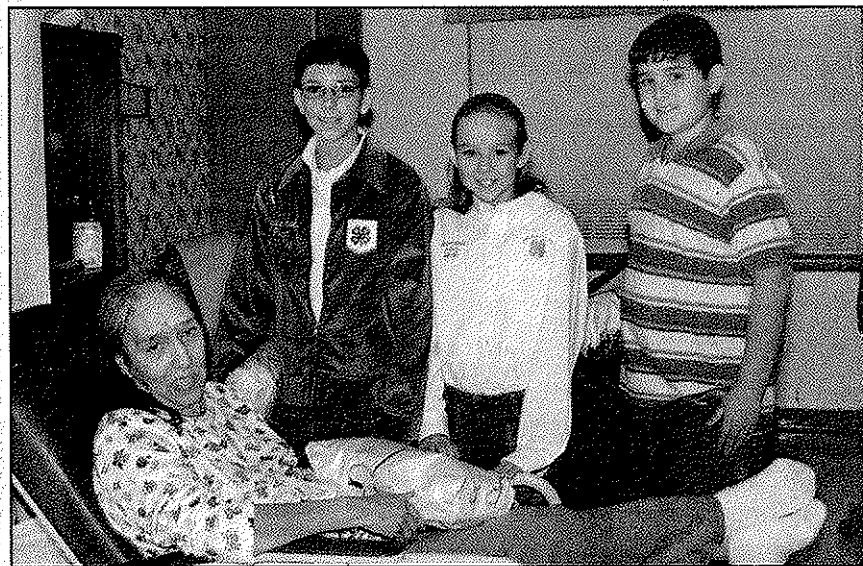




New Dominion and Best Well Service employees handed out gift bags December 19 to all the residents and staff at Parkland Manor Care Center. Pictured left to right, standing, are the employees: Jason Himle, January Hightower, Ron Reno, Miranda Carpenter, Michelle VanBrunt and John Watson. Care Center residents in wheelchairs are: Lois Motley, Edna Brooks and Mildred Strickland. (Photo by Sharon Maggard)



Parkland Manor Care Center resident Vivian Rivas enjoyed the visit from Prague 4-H students on Wednesday, December 19. The students brought Vivian a wrapped Christmas gift, a green blanket, which they made themselves, and a stuffed animal. Students pictured left to right are Chance Imhoff, Racine Cleveland and Brad Martin. (Photo by Sharon Maggard)

# Residents And Staff Of Parkland Manor Care Center Remembered This Holiday Season

By: Sharon Maggard  
Residents and staff of Parkland Manor Care Center haven't been forgotten during the holiday season. Several church groups, businesses and organizations

have visited during the month, singing Christmas carols and bringing gifts.  
Wednesday, December 19, was a busy day at the center. New Dominion and Best Well Service of

Prague went to the center at 2:00 p.m. delivering gift bags to the 49 residents as well as presenting \$25 Wal-Mart gift certificates to the 60 employees.  
The gift bags contained

throws, hand sanitizer and lotion, chap stick, Kleenex tissue and socks.  
According to January Hightower, spokesperson for the businesses, \$3,000 was spent on the

residents and staff.  
Handing out the gifts were Tony McKaig, John Watson, Michael Chambers, Jason Himle, Ron Reno, Donnie Gilliam, January Hightower, Miranda

Carpenter and Michelle VanBrunt.  
That evening at 6:00 p.m. Prague 4-H students arrived at the center with gift bags. The students handmade each resident a green blanket, which matches their 4-H jacket color. Along with the blanket they gave each resident a small stuffed 4-H animal, either a cow, pig, goat, horse or sheep. The stuffed animals had 4-H ribbons tied around their necks.

## Taking A Look Back With 2007 Year In Review

By: Sharon Maggard  
With the 2008 New Year upon us, we take a look, back over the headlines that appeared in the Prague Times-Herald during 2007. As a sharp contrast to the drought experienced during 2006, Oklahoma had flooding problems and winter ice storms during 2007.

**January:** The 800 block of Jim Thorpe Blvd. is cleared of buildings to make room for a new Vision Bank. A Blue Star Mothers Chapter is established in Prague to support families with military members. Katie Hefner has grand champion heifer at Tulsa. Ryan Alexander promoted as Senior Vice President of Vision Bank. Sac & Fox Nation makes \$5,000 donation to Prague Police Department for vehicle equipment. The City receives a \$30,000 COEDD grant for highway project west of town along Highway 62 from Westlawn to Blue Bell Road. An ice storm causes Paden gym to collapse, causing total loss of building. Vision Bank promotes Linda Cash to Vice President

announces them of 2007 festival "Celebrating 100 years of Statehood." Carla Lynch and Brenda McGinnis file as school board candidates against incumbent Alberta Grimes. Chandler announces militia ball for state centennial activity. Miky Blackwell signs letter of intent to play softball at Rose State. Chatman Laxton and James Laxton both get 7 point buck on opening day of black powder at Deep Fork Wildlife Management.

**February:** Prague students must make up six days of missed school during ice storm. Three females escape burning house at 12<sup>th</sup> and Brunson. The fireplace fire totally destroyed the Campbell home. Lindsay McKee is crowned 2007 basketball queen. Kiwanis hosted annual Groundhog Dinner February 2. Kyle Fridrich and Heather Patak win marriage proposal contest hosted by Naifeh Fine Jewelry of OKC. The couple received \$5,000 in prizes. Girl Scouts in Prague and Paden are busy selling cookies. Jim Thompson resigns as City

and incumbent Johnny Hall. Brenda McGinnis is elected new school board member. Congressman Frank Lucas makes top in

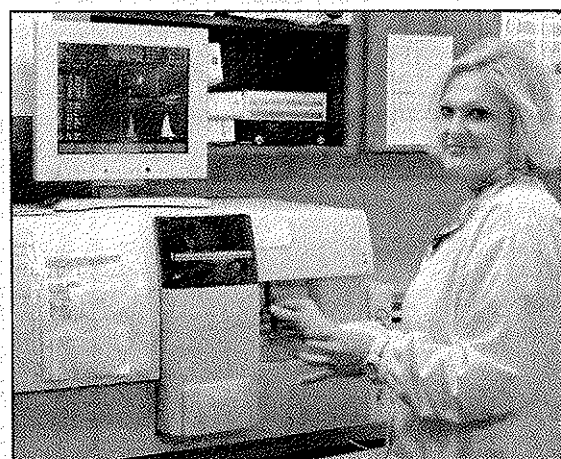
### Prague Hospital Has New Lab/Radiology Supervisor

Prague Municipal Hospital has a new Laboratory/Radiology Supervisor, Kristen Bates, MLT (ASCP). Kristen has been a Medical Laboratory Technician since 1998, graduating from the Lab program at Seminole State College. She has worked in different facilities, big and small, and Prague Municipal Hospital is now where she calls home.

"My co-workers are amazing at their jobs and take great pride in what they do daily. It gives me great satisfaction to be part of this facility," Kristen said. "My immediate staff is wonderful. I couldn't ask for a better group of employees, very dedicated and caring. The people of this community have welcomed me and have shown me they are proud of their community and are very

Prague for town hall meeting. Vincent Coffee and Harold Crawford awarded Lifetime Achievement recognition at Chamber

Banquet. Steve and Diane Quary receive Farm & Ranch Family Award. Pride in Prague awards  
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Kristen Bates

analyzers. The Cell-Dyn 3200 is used for hematology which is for CBCs (complete blood counts). This new instrument is able to

results form for each patient.  
A new special chemistry analyzer, Vitros ECIQ, uses sophisticated hardware and software to

The students stayed after school on Wednesday to wrap the 49 gifts.

The students went to each resident room and delivered the wrapped gifts, which the residents truly enjoyed, and especially the visit from the youth.

Providing carols for the residents this month have been the Paden Burnett Mission, who also gave gifts, Miss White's class from Paden, the Prague Methodist Youth, and Prague Kindergarten.

The Nursing Center had their Christmas dinner and program on Friday, December 14.

### Area Events

**City Hall Closing**  
Prague City Hall will be closed Tuesday, January 1, 2008, in observance of New Year's Day. The trash scheduled for the week is as