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# THE WINTERS ENTERPRISE

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## Lady Blizzards win bi-district; lose area playoff Beat Eldorado 62-61 but fall to Albany 68-48

First the good news. Winters held on by the skin of their teeth to beat the Lady Eagles of Eldorado 62-61 in bi-district competition last Friday night.

Now the bad news. The Lady Blizzards suffered another painful loss to Albany 68-48 in area round playoff action Tuesday night in Snyder.

The two teams met last year in bi-district, and Albany went home with a 75-62 victory.

This year's contest was like deja vu all over again — even from the first two minutes of the game when Albany put nine quick points on the board and held Winters to zero.

The Lady Blizzards seemed to panic and allowed the Lady Lions to dominate the entire game.

Although 5-foot-9 junior Rachel Edwards managed 27 points against Albany, Winters turned the ball over too many times to the quick Albany team who seemed determined from the outset.

The first quarter ended with Albany ahead 18-8.

With 3:07 left in the second quarter, Winters showed a glimmer of hope and managed to narrow the lead 25-21, but then lost the ball on its next three possessions and went to the locker room at halftime with Albany out front 30-23.

Blizzard fans had high hopes

of a revival of skills in the Lady Blizzards to start the second half. But such was not to be and the third period ended with Albany 46, Winters 32.

The fourth quarter didn't paint a much brighter picture for the Lady Blizzards as they continued to turn the ball over.

Edwards remained consistent on the free throws, hitting 12 of 12 for the evening.

But a team cannot win by free throws alone, and the Lady Blizzards fell to the Lady Lions of Albany 68-48.

Winters head coach Will Corley said, "We panicked at the beginning of the game and you can't spot a good team 13 points and expect to come back."

Corley continued, "We got close a couple of times, but kept shooting ourselves in the foot again. We had a great year but just didn't play well tonight."

The heart-stopping 62-61 overtime win over Eldorado last Friday night in bi-district play was a battle for the Lady Blizzards from the tipoff until the final buzzer sounded. And the ball was still rolling around Eldorado's basket.

District 6-2A champion Winters trailed for most of the game and never seemed to hit their stride.

The first quarter ended with Eldorado leading 14-12 and Lady Blizzard Karolen Biddix in foul trouble with three of the seven

Winters infractions.

The second quarter was a continuation of the seesaw battle with Winters hitting only 9 of 19 free throws. Eldorado had effectively attacked Winters' man-to-man defense by driving to the basket and held a 31-21 halftime lead.

Winters came out a little stronger to start the second half and scored four quick points. But the big gray foul trouble cloud loomed over the Lady Blizzards as Janet Guy and Alisa Presley were forced to the bench with four fouls.

With two minutes left in the third period, the Lady Blizzards manage to pull within one point of the Lady Eagles. But two costly turnovers and more missed free throws by Winters allowed the Lady Eagles to extend the lead 42-37 at the end of the third quarter.

In spite of missing free throws and layups, Winters managed to narrow the score to 44-43 with 6:34 left.

Eldorado was also hit with foul trouble and sent four players to the bench in the fourth quarter.

As if the game hadn't already been nerve-wracking enough, the final minute was downright heart-stopping.

Karolen Biddix hit the only 3-pointer in the entire game with 1:08 on the clock to tie the contest at 53-53.

The physical action increased

as both teams scrambled for control of the ball.

Rachel Edwards added two points for the Lady Blizzards with only 20 seconds left, but the Lady Eagles answered with two free throws.

Edwards went to the free throw line again with 10 seconds left, and a chance to put Winters on top but missed the front end of the one-and-one free throw chance.

The Lady Eagles rebounded the ball but missed a long shot and regulation time ended with the 55-55 tie.

With two more points on the jumper from Edwards and two free throws from Janet Guy, Winters inched ahead 59-55 with 2:15 left in overtime.

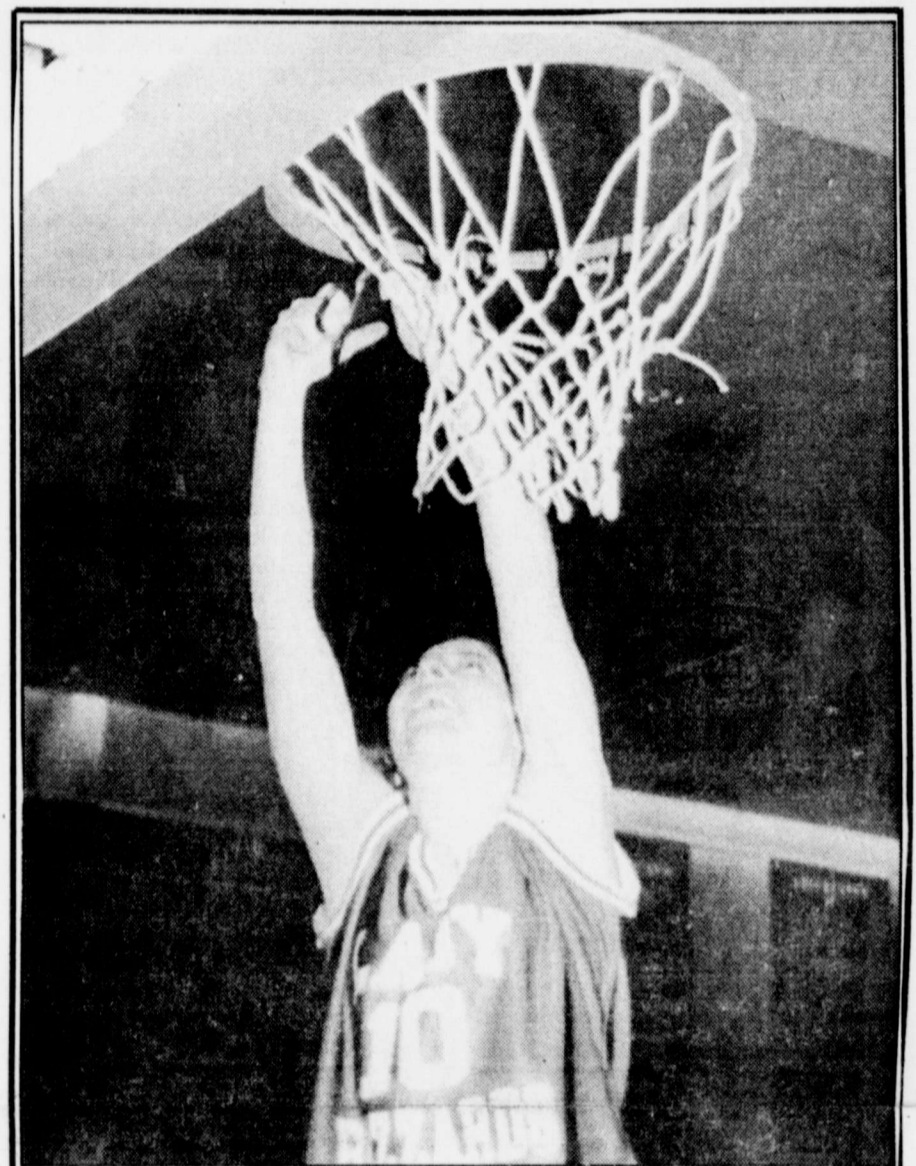
Guy retaliated and earned her fifth foul, ending her play for the evening. Eldorado hit both free throws, making the score 59-57 Winters.

Winters missed the easy layup under the basket but was fouled and hit the first shot, missing the second.

With 1:52 left, Eldorado answered with two points, then two more with 1:31 on the clock, putting Eldorado ahead 61-60.

Rachel Edwards' short jump shot with 45 seconds left proved good enough for the slim victory

See "Lady Blizzards" page 4



JAMIE BROWN #10 celebrates the 62-61 Lady Blizzard victory over the Eldorado Eagles last Friday night in Big Spring. The close win gave the Lady Blizzards the bi-district championship and the chance to meet Albany in Area competition Tuesday night in Snyder.

### Big bird alert!



MOTORISTS TRAVELING in the area should beware of gray cranes migrating from field to field. This flock was seen just north of the Runnels County line, approximately 9.7 miles from the heart of Winters, on U.S. Highway 83. Farmers say that multiples of cranes have become a common sight and are not sure exactly why the birds are in this area.

### County jail bond issue postponed again

The possibility of Runnels County getting a new jail has once again been postponed.

In the February 14 regular meeting of the Runnels County commissioners, Sheriff Bill Baird told commissioners he had contacted about twenty architectural firms and had received responses from seven or eight. None of the contractors bid less than \$2 million for a proposed jail. He also feels that a jail bond issue of more than \$2 million will not pass in an election among county residents.

The sheriff also said that state paper-ready prisoners are scheduled to be on their way out of the county jail. State payments for housing the prisoners will stop Sept. 1. Without the state prison-

ers, the current 37 inmates in the county jail would be reduced to "manageable levels."

Commissioners voted to table the jail issue until Sept. 1 to see what the state does with its prisoners, and to allow the newest commissioner, Keith Collom, to become more knowledgeable about the overall jail situation.

In the meantime, Sheriff Baird suggested forming a citizens' committee to work on the project. Commissioner Skipper Wheelless said he would like to have a choice about who is on the committee. County Judge Michael Murchison suggested that each commissioner submit a list of names for the committee and make a decision next month.

In other county commissioner action, the court accepted 1st National Bank of Rotan, Ballinger branch, over First National Bank of Ballinger, to act as depository for Runnels County funds.

The commissioners agreed with Commissioner Wheelless that Elm Creek bridge on county road 344 in precinct #1 was a liability for the county based on its deteriorating condition. The commissioners voted to sell the unusable bridge or salvage the bed for steel.

Bids will be solicited for a used maintainer for the county.

New employees hired by commissioners are Jerry D. Gibbs, full-time jailer; Reita Cowin, full-

See Jail Bond Issue, pg. 7

## School board renews contracts, sets election date

In regular session of the Board of Trustees of the Winters Independent School District on February 14, contract renewals were passed, driver's education fees were set, and a school trustee election resolution was passed.

The board unanimously voted to extend the contracts of Charles Kidwell as high school principal and Jimmy Butler as business manager for one year.

Board members Joe Pritchard, Gary Pinkerton, and Charles Allcom voted to extend the contract of Terry Wyatt as elementary principal for one year. Joe Bryan voted against, and Ronald Presley and Bob Webb were present but not voting.

By unanimous vote, the contract for Robin Byrd as athletic director was extended for one year with a supplement increase from \$2,000.00 to \$3,200.00, effective July 1, 1995.

No action was taken regarding the contract of Superintendent Tommy Lancaster which expires June 31, 1996.

The fee for driver's education for the 1994-95 school year was set at \$150.00 per student.

In other business, a presentation was heard from Jean Boles in support of having lights installed at the school tennis courts to allow more playing time for the approximately 80 school tennis players and the general public.

The board voted to adopt a resolution accepting lots 12 and 13, Block B, Broad and Bomar Addition of Winters, Texas, in exchange for delinquent taxes. The board then voted to convey this same property to the City of Winters "to make certain improve-

ments to the downtown area of Winters."

Saturday, May 6, 1995, was set as election day for candidates for WISD Board of Trustees. The election will be held at the WISD Elementary School Library. Candidates seeking a place on the school board should submit their names in writing, indicating the district they seek, with filing dates to be February 20, 1995, through March 22, 1995.

Early voting is to be conducted at the school Business Office between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning April 17, 1995, through

May 3, 1995.

Positions up for election will be districts 1 and 7. Bob Webb currently serves the district 1 position but will be unable to be re-elected in that district because he does not reside in district 1.

District 7, now served by Joe Pritchard, will be an at-large position. Any qualified candidate may run for that position.

The 1994-95 budget was amended by unanimous vote. Approval of bills as presented for the month of January, 1995, carried with five yeas and Mr. Webb present but not voting.

### WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- February 23-8 a.m.-2 p.m., SCM 3-Day Food Fest, South Wes-T-Go Noon, 39+, First United Methodist Church
- 6-9 p.m., ESL Class
- 6-30 p.m., Blue and Gold Scout Banquet, Activity Center
- 7-8 p.m., AA meets at 105 W. Truett
- February 24-8 a.m.-2 p.m., SCM 3-Day Food Fest, South Wes-T-Go Noon, Senior Citizens Meal
- 6 p.m., Senior Citizens Recreation Night
- Regional FHA Convention
- February 25-8 a.m.-2 p.m., SCM 3-Day Food Fest, South Wes-T-Go 7:30 p.m., Squares Monthly Dance, Community Center
- Regional FHA Convention
- February 26-12 Noon-1:30 p.m., Mexican Luncheon, Methodist Church 2 p.m., Small Schools Academic Competition, Coleman
- February 27-9:30-10:30 a.m., SS Rep, Winters Housing Authority Noon, Senior Citizens Meal
- 5:30 p.m., 4-H, Catholic Hall
- 6 p.m., City Council
- 6-9 p.m., ESL Class
- 7 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center
- February 28-Noon, Lions Club
- 7 p.m., MADD, Coleman
- 7 p.m., WVFD
- 7-8 p.m., AA meets at 105 W. Truett
- 8 p.m., Winters Rodeo Association, Rodeo Arena Building
- Fire Dept. Auxiliary
- March 1-8 a.m.-1 p.m., Parent Visitation Day at High School
- 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m., WIC, Winters Housing Authority
- Noon, Senior Citizens Meal
- March 2-6-9 p.m., ESL Class
- 7-8 p.m., AA meets at 105 W. Truett
- 7:30 p.m., Winters Masonic Lodge

# OIL BUSINESS . . .

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We continue our Oil Patch Basics odyssey this week, and we are going to discuss how one goes about finding oil and spotting wells to drill.

As you recall, last time we discussed the basics of geology. This time, we are going to find out how to apply some of what we know to determine where to drill for oil and gas.

First order of business is to look for areas that would be prone to oil and gas. This means you need a trap for oil and/or gas and the properties (porosity and hydrocarbon saturation).

If you are looking for oil where it has never been found before, then you approach it as exploration. If you are looking around where oil and gas production has already been established, then you are looking more towards development.

In a development situation, you probably have some nearby wells that you can pull information from. In that case, you would probably look at some well logs.

Well logs are not something you burn in your fireplace. They are measurement of electrical and nuclear properties taken with a tool down inside of a wellbore. These measurements are plotted against depth, and a long record of these measurements is produced for evaluation.

At different depths, the measured properties can tell you two important things: what is the porosity (void space in rock that might contain oil or gas) and how much of the pore space is filled with oil.

In addition, the logs can give you hints about where certain formations (specific layer of those discardables we talked about last time) begin and end. This allows a geologist and/or engineer to determine correlations between one existing field and another potential oil or gas field.

One can then produce maps of certain properties and "pay" (part of the well that has producible hydrocarbons) to create a structural picture of the subsurface in a certain area.

All of this information plays a very big role in developmental drilling. It can tell where and potentially how much oil and gas is at a certain location. In the case of development, it is done by analogy to known producing areas. In other words, if oil is in one place with certain log properties and structural tendencies, then it is most like in a nearby area with similar properties.

In a new or frontier area, there are usually no logs and little experience from which to draw. This requires building a subsurface picture from different information sources.

This usually involves seismic information, depositional models, and more complicated evaluation. In the end, though, it still boils down to the potential oil that may be in a certain area and whether it justifies taking some risk to find.

In the case of exploration in a new area, porosity and oil saturation cannot be determined before the first well is drilled. So, the structural picture is often the determining factor in pursuing drilling in a certain area. With less information, exploration is inherently riskier.

Next time, we will learn how to go out and get the rights to drill in a certain area that has been determined as a desirable target.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY

### COMPLETIONS

#### Nolan County

Union Pacific Resources has completed the Richard #1 as a Wildcat, 2 miles SE of Sweetwater at an initial rate of 200 BOPD & 1 BWPD in the Caddo (perfs 6148-85). Loc. is 1705 FWL & 586 FSL of Sec. 54, Blk. 21, T&PRR Sur., A-772.

### STAKINGS

#### Coleman County

Caddo Operating has staked three wells in the County Regular Field, 2 miles W of Trickham (Depth 1900). The Taylor Motor #1A is loc. 3150 FEL & 2450 FSL of M. Baker Sur. No. 223. The #2A is loc. 900 FWL & 1740 FSL of same Sur. The #3A is loc. 2090 FSL & 3500 FSL of same Sur.

#### Nolan County

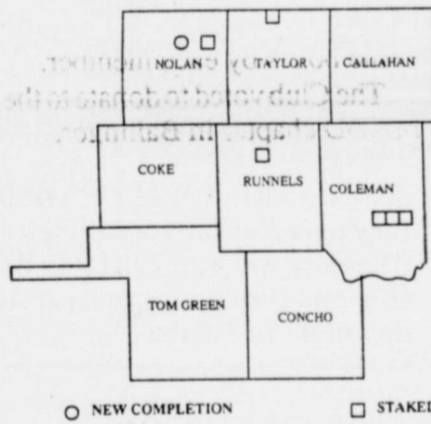
Clear Fork has staked the Ussery #1 as a Wildcat, 2 miles NW of Nolan (Depth 6800). Loc. is 1639 FEL & 2476 FSL of Sec. 66, Blk. X, T&PRR Sur., A-995.

#### Runnels County

EWD Oil has applied to re-enter the A. Belk #1 in the Vogelsang Field, 3 miles NE of Norton (Depth 4600). Loc. is 1370 FSL & 1230 FEL of Sec. 18, T. M. Fowler Sur. No. 440, A-177.

#### Taylor County

Jones Company Ltd. has staked the Estes-64-#1 in the County Regular Field, 2 miles E of Hamby (Depth 4500). Loc. is 406 FWL & 414 FSL of Sec. 64, Blk. 14, T&PRR Sur.



## Senior Citizens Activity Center Menu

February 27 thru March 3

Subject to change

**Monday, Feb. 27:** Chicken & dressing, macaroni & cheese, green beans, hot rolls, and banana pudding.  
**Wednesday, March 1:** Roast & gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, rolls, and Jello cake.  
**Friday, March 3:** Taco w/lettuce & tomato, pinto beans, Spanish rice, tortilla chips, and brownie.

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# Obituaries

## Ida Lee Bates

**WINTERS**—Ida Lee Bates, 92, died Sunday morning, February 19, 1995, at Brownwood Regional Hospital.

She was born January 15, 1903, in Brown County and lived there most of her life. She lived in Winters for 30 years.

Miss Bates was a homemaker and a member of Southside Baptist Church.

Survivors are nieces and nephews.

Services were held Wednesday, February 22, at the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Gayland Broadstreet officiating. Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery under the direction of Winters Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were nephews.

Memorials may be made to North Runnels Hospital in Winters.

## Claudia Hill

**CREWS**—Claudia Hill, 80, died Wednesday morning, February 15, 1995, at the Eastland Memorial Hospital.

She was born March 27, 1914, in Salado, Texas, and moved to Runnels County in the early 1920's. She graduated from Maizeland High School as salutatorian of her class. She married Robert Lee Hill on March 28, 1937, in Anson. They lived in the Wilmeth, Winters, and Crews area. She moved to Eastland in 1994.

Mrs. Hill was a homemaker, a member of the Wilmeth Friendly Helpers Club and the Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1990.

Survivors include five sons, Robert Leon Hill of Austin, Ronald Hill of Sweetwater, Gary Hill of Eastland, Stan Hill of Swampscott, Massachusetts, and Michael Hill of Sweetwater; one sister, Arbie Warren of Midland; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services were held Friday, February 17, 1995, at the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with Robert L. Hill officiating. Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery under the direction of Winters Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Robert Hill, Ronald Hill, Gary Hill, Stan Hill, Michael Hill, and Michael Shane Hill.

## Barbara Carol Bolden

**HOUSTON**—Barbara Carol Bolden, 51, formerly of Winters, died Friday, February 17, 1995, at St. Luke's Hospital in Houston.

She was born October 12, 1943, in San Angelo and moved to Winters in 1954. She graduated from Winters High School in 1962. At Winters High School, she was a member of the Snoflakes Choral Group and was the soloist. She was also the school and county winner in typing and shorthand. She had lived in New York City, New York, and Cleveland, Ohio, moving to Houston in the early 1970's.

Miss Bolden worked as a secretary for Dr. Leachman for 25 years and was a member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors include her parents, Paul C. and Lou Esther Gerhardt of Winters and Curtis Lee and Louise Bolden of San Angelo; three brothers, Curtis D. Bolden of Odessa, Stanley Wade Bolden of Granbury, and Paul C. Gerhardt Jr. of Palm Springs, California; and one sister, Frances Monath of Houston.

Services were held Tuesday, February 21, at the First United Methodist Church in Winters with Reverend Mike Madden officiating. Burial was in the Protestant Cemetery in Rowena, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

## Carroll B. Bell

**BRADY**—Carroll B. Bell, 96, died Tuesday, February 14, 1995, at Heart of Texas Memorial Hospital.

He was born March 27, 1898, in Holland, Texas, and married Luda Jones August 17, 1920, in Ballinger.

Mr. Bell was a lifetime member of the American Legion in Placerville, California. He lived in Runnels County for many years.

He was preceded in death by his wife.

Survivors include two sons, Clifton Bell of Sacramento, California, and Robert Bell of Del Rio; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Services were held Saturday, February 18, at Rains-Seale Funeral Home with Reverend Dale Schultz officiating. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery under the direction of Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

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## Margaret McClelland

**BALLINGER**—Margaret McClelland, 91, passed away Tuesday, February 14, 1995, in the Heritage Oaks Estate Nursing Home.

She was born August 13, 1903, in Runnels County, to the late John and Minnie Stubblefield. She married John Artie McClelland on November 24, 1921, in Ballinger.

Mrs. McClelland was a homemaker and a member of the Avenue B Church of Christ in Ballinger.

She was preceded in death by her husband on April 24, 1983; a son, Glyn; a grandson, Jimmy; and two sons-in-law, Lonnie Foreman and Varnell Johnson.

Survivors include two daughters, Dorothy and her husband Clarence Hallmark of Ballinger and Doris Johnson of Dallas; two sons and their wives, J.A. and Sandra McClelland of San Antonio and Robert and Jean McClelland of Willow Park; a daughter-in-law, Gene McClelland of On, Alaska; a sister, Ruby Cowan of Mesquite; two brothers, Steve Stubblefield of Norton and Ellis Stubblefield of Ballinger; 11 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

Services were held Thursday, February 16, at the Avenue B Church of Christ with John Morgan and Mark Banks officiating. Burial followed in the Old Runnels Cemetery, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home of Ballinger.

## Joe M. (Mike) Guyton

**BALLINGER**—Joe M. (Mike) Guyton, 41, died Monday, February 20, 1995, in Angelo Community Hospital.

He was born September 18, 1953, in Fredricksburg, Texas.

Mr. Guyton worked as a desk clerk for a rehabilitation center and was a member of the Ninth Street Church of Christ.

Survivors include one son, Sean Guyton of Ballinger; his parents, Otis L. Guyton of Ballinger and Johnice Guyton of Ballinger.

Graveside services were held Wednesday, February 22, at the Old Runnels Cemetery with Max Pratt officiating. Burial was under the direction of Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

## Ambers Everett Mayfield

**ODESSA**—Ambers Everett Mayfield, 75, died Saturday, February 18, 1995, at his residence.

He was born April 21, 1919, in Talco, Texas. He married Ollie Maye Jeffreys on October 15, 1945, in San Angelo.

Mr. Mayfield came to Odessa in 1947 from Proctor, Texas. He retired in 1979 from the oilfield where he was a superintendent. He served in the U.S. Army and was a veteran. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the First Baptist Church in Proctor.

Survivors include his wife, Ollie Maye Mayfield of Odessa; two sons, Kerry Blaine Mayfield and Randall Everett Mayfield, both of Odessa; two daughters, Marsha Leah Bowling of Arlington and Rebecca Darlene Goyno of Monroe, Louisiana; one brother, Robert Mayfield of Winters; two sisters, Gladys Haynes of Guyman, Oklahoma, and Ellen Mayfield of San Angelo; and seven grandchildren.

Services were held Tuesday, February 21, at Hubbard-Kelly Chapel with Reverend Bill Cook officiating. Burial was in Sunset Memorial Gardens in Odessa under the direction of Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home, Odessa.

## Mary Alea Thomas

**WHARTON**—Mary Alea Thomas, 71, died Saturday, February 18, 1995, in Hood General Hospital in Granbury.

She was born May 7, 1923, in Duncan, Oklahoma. She moved to Borger as a small child with her family. She married Grady Thomas in Stinnett, Texas, on December 25, 1941. She moved to Wharton in 1953 where she had lived since.

Mrs. Thomas was a Baptist.

She was preceded in death by her husband and a daughter, Vivian A. Lee.

Survivors include one son, Grady Rowland Thomas of West Columbus, Texas; two daughters, Yvonne Morton of Houston and Margaret Ardry of Granbury; one sister, Geneva Phillips of Perry, Oklahoma; seven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services were held Tuesday, February 21, in the Winters Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was in the Shep Cemetery, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

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Thank you so much for the concern, visits, calls, and prayers for me when I had surgery and since I've returned home. All these things mean so much.

My family joins me in saying "Thank You".

Loretta Pierce

## Social Security Rep. in Winters on February 27

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his February visit to Winters. He will be at the Winters Housing Project Office on Monday, February 27, between 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact him at this time.

Your Social Security matters can be handled just as quickly by telephone. For help when you first want to sign up for Social Security or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits, call (915) 949-3718. The office is open every weekday (Monday through Friday) except holidays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you just need information or are already receiving benefits, call 1-800-772-1213 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. every weekday except holidays.

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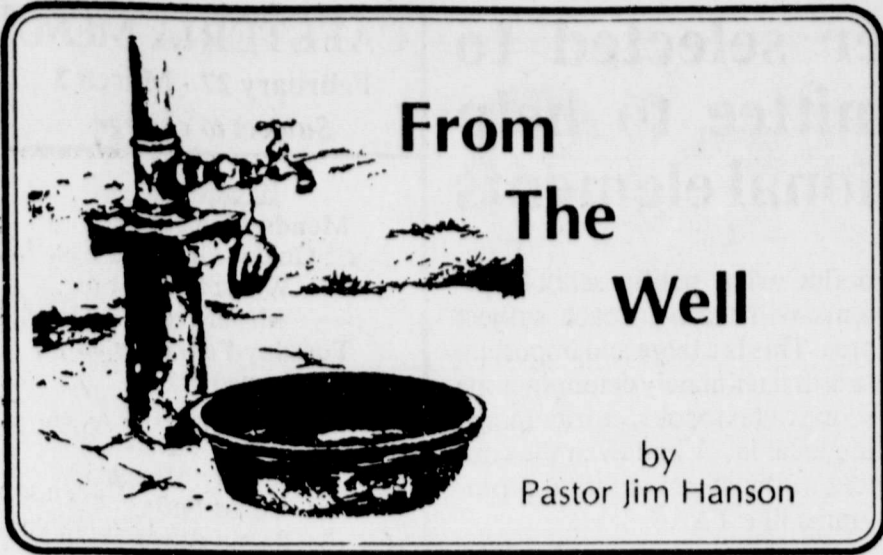
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**From The Well**

by  
Pastor Jim Hanson

There are lots of times in my life when I didn't know what I was doing. When one's life is full of frustration, or envy, or resentment, why, it's not telling what a person will do. And not really know what you are doing.

One such time in my life was when our son John was about five-years-old. He had been toilet trained by the time he was one. You know how important that is to young parents. To bring that whole human sewage system under control is a big job. It takes a lot of effort. Energy. On our part as well as the child's. In this area our son John was an early achiever.

Then, all of a sudden, at age five, when it shouldn't have happened, it did. John started to have accidents. Ever so often he could not contain himself and he would wet his pants. At first I could handle it. After all, he was only a boy of five. But it continued. It drove me crazy.

Now, the boy was not sinning. He wasn't doing this on purpose. It was not intentional. But, for sure it was aggravating. So, one day, when it happened, I was furious. I decided to teach him a lesson. I took him into the house. He changed clothes. Then, as a sign of his incontinence, I put a pair of diapers on him, outside of and over his clothes, and made him go out and play.

Of course he was humiliated. His little friends made fun of him. I had taught him a lesson. One that he never forgot. The lesson he learned was "My dad humiliated me in front of my friends. I'll get even."

And, he did. Every once in a while he would come up with a one-liner like, "How come daddy does all the talking in church?" Or, "Mom, why does he talk so loud?" Or, "Why does he pray so long?" He would say it, out-loud, in church. Humiliating. At the time I didn't even know why. I had forgotten the diaper incident. He hadn't.

As I reflect on it there was a kind of distrust and a distance between us from that time on. It never occurred to me as to why. He was more of a rebel than the others. All the other children got good grades in school. Made the honor roll. Graduated with high honors. John just graduated. He said, "I'm different."

One day, when he was older, out of high school and when I was wiser and knew what I was doing, I asked him, "John, is there something for which I need your forgiveness?" Children do sin against their parents. And, for sure parents sin against their children. Children need to be forgiven by their parents. And, parents need to be forgiven by their children. That's what I was concerned about. Not what John had done against me. But what I had done against John.

When I raised the question, I anticipated a number of responses. I had done a number of things to John for which I needed forgiveness. But I had completely forgotten this incident.

John hadn't. It didn't take him but a few seconds to say, "Remember the time you put diapers on me, outside my clothes? You humiliated me. You embarrassed me. I did nothing wrong." I did remember. For a spell I could feel the shame, the anger, the resentment and the hurt I had inflicted on that little boy. I knew what I had done. So, I asked him, from my heart, "John, will you forgive me?" He said, "I'll think about it."

He did think about it. Sometime later he forgave me. How good it was. His forgiveness of me was the highest, most beautiful form of love that a human can give. Like Jesus, who said on the cross, "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do." Today we are best friends. Last night, Valentine's night, he didn't have time to talk on the phone, but he did have time to dial the number and hand the phone to Peter, his five-year-old son and say, "Talk to grandpa and grandma. Give them our love."

What a sign, what a wonderful sign of love and forgiveness! Five-year-old Peter. John's ambassador. My well is full. My cup runs over.

**Judy Holik & Dwaine Lange announce engagement**



Judy Holik and Dwaine Lange announce their engagement and approaching marriage.

Judy is a graduate of Miles High School and is employed at GTE in San Angelo. She is the daughter of Bobbie and Marvin Saeling of Miles.

Dwaine is a graduate of Norton High School and is a farmer. He is the son of Amanda and Anton Lange of Norton.

The couple will exchange wedding vows on March 18, 1995, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Ballinger.

**Deike and Campbell exchanged vows**

Julie Darleen Deike and Bobby Wayne Campbell exchanged marriage vows on Monday, February 13, 1995. The service was performed by J.P. Joyce Weems.

Julie is the daughter of the late Frank O. Deike of Winters and Nellie Joy Deike of Abilene.

Bobby is the son of Linda Collier of San Angelo and Gary Campbell of Ballinger.

Julie is attending CAPS High School. Bobby attended Midland Junior College and is currently employed by John's International.

The couple will reside at 108 1/2 S. Magnolia in Winters.

**L & S Club learns of Australian lifestyle**

The Winters Literary and Service Club met Thursday, Feb. 16, at the home of Pat Fenter.

The program was presented by Trish Sloan, native of Australia, now living in Talpa. Trish gave a very informative program about the customs, cattle, and sheep industry, kangaroos (she brought some toys belonging to her son made out of the red roo and gray roo skin), the climate, trees, outback, and paddys.

Trish stated that the farming and gardening season in Australia are winter months here. Just to sit and hear her account is exciting, and no, Virginia, they don't have a Wal-Mart. A Target, K-Mart, Woolworth, and McDonald's—yes.

Theresa Patterson presided over the business meeting.

Gloria Poehls led the collection, Selma Dietz led flag pledges, Emily Pendergrass read the minutes, and Estella Bredemeyer gave the treasurer's report.

Hostess Pat Fenter served sandwiches, chips, dips, chocolate-kiss cookies, mini cherry cheese cakes, Valentine's cookies, punch and coffee carrying out the Valentine theme of red and white.

After the program each member had made a Valentine box.

They were judged. First place went to Pat Fenter, second to Emily Pendergrass.

**Poe's Corner**

by *Charlsie Poe*



**Fun and frolic**

Magic Travel, sponsored by Dean and Lois Smith, has presented its 19th year schedule of escorted group tours and cruises.

The Smiths are noted for their excellent, well-planned trips both near and far -- from one day to twelve days.

I have taken many trips with Magic Travel in the past. They never overlook anything to entertain their patrons, even to asking the passengers to help with jokes and tall tales at times.

On one occasion I assisted with the program and my memorabilia of jokes and puzzles follows:

■ There is a place in the United States that combines 3/7 of a chicken along with 2/3 of a cat and half a goat. The result is one big place. Where is it?

■ There was a friendly witch who opened a tea room. She picked a good location and soon business was booming. She got greedy and skimmed on ingredients, using the same bags over and over. But her customers got fed up with weak tea. Her business failed and she went bankrupt. The moral: Honest tea is the best policy.

■ Do your eyes really see? Here is a list of questions about objects that we see and use every day. How many can you answer?

1. On which side of a man's shirt are the buttons?
2. Is the full moon high or low in the summer sky?
3. On a clock faced with Roman numerals, what does the four look like?
4. How many ribs has the regulation man's umbrella?
5. How many keys has a piano?
6. Whose head is shown on the

common eight-cent stamp?

■ Dean found holes in his socks and asked his wife why she hadn't mended them.

"Did you buy that coat you promised me?" Lois asked.

"No-o," he replied.

"Well then, if you don't give a wrap. I don't give a dam."

■ An old man was sitting on the porch of the little village store when a big, shiny car drove up with two strangers in it.

"Hey, grandpa," one of them called out derisively, "How long has this burg been dead?"

The old man looked at them carefully over the rim of his spectacles before he replied, "Not long, I guess. You're the first buzzards I've seen."

■ A Texan entered the office of a foreign car dealer and ordered three dozen of the small autos. Startled by the size of the order the salesman asked, "Are you buying these as gifts for friends?"

"No" replied the Texan, "I'm going to use the cars in place of grocery carts."

■ Senior citizen to friend: I survived World War II, 3 auto accidents, 2 bad marriages, 13 company strikes, 3 mortgages, and the government farm policies. And a fresh teenager tells me I don't know what life is all about.

■ Take your age, multiply by 2, add 5, multiply by 50, subtract 365, add the loose change in your pocket -- under a dollar, then add 115. The first two figures in the answer are your age and the last two are the change in your pocket.

■ You are old if it takes longer to rest than it does to get tired.

**Card of Thanks**

Louis Gonzales' family and the children of the late Theresa Santibanez would like to express their deepest thanks during the loss of a sister and mother. Words can never express our appreciation for the kindness we received.

A special thanks to Mike Meyer and his staff, Father Hoorman, the Catholic Church ladies for the wonderful meal, and everyone who sent cards, food and flowers. Again thanks to everyone.

*Louis Gonzales & family*

**Way to go, Lady Blizzards! Bi-district champions**

**Town Criers**

**Sadie Elaine Willborn**

Travis Jr. Willborn would like to announce the arrival of a little sister, Sadie Elaine Willborn, born Sunday, February 12, 1995, at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. She weighed 3 lbs.

Her parents are Katherine and Travis Willborn of Winters. Grandparents are Lue and Leonard Bowden of Winters and Faith Willborn of Winters. Great-grandmother is Della West of Abilene.

**Sr. Citizens Nursing Home News**  
by *Billie Ruth Bishop*

We welcome Mr. Pete Polk from Wingate. He is in room 3B.

Mr. Bill Mayo was crowned King and Mrs. Edna Sudduth was Queen at our annual Valentine Party last Tuesday. Congratulations to these two, and thanks to Pastor Jim and Ramona Hanson for the fine program.

Thursday at 3 p.m. will be the time for our monthly birthday party. Our honorees for the month of February are Irma Ueckert and Frank Collins. The hostesses for this month are the ladies of Drasco Baptist Church.

The sixth grade class, under the direction of Fran Kidwell, will present a program Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. We are looking forward to seeing them again.

Mr. Willie Collins has been a patient in North Runnels Hospital but has returned to the nursing home.

**Card of Thanks**

My family joins me in expressing our gratitude for all the expressions of kindness, love, comfort, and sympathy shown during the illness and death of our loved one, E.B. Underwood. May the Good Lord continue to shed His countless blessings upon all of us.

*Bobbie Underwood  
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**ACROSS**

- 1 JFK's limo was headed for Dallas' triple under
- 5 TXism: "active as a fox in \_\_\_ house"
- 6 Houston's Kathryn Sullivan is scientist at this Oceanic agency (abbr.)
- 7 This James was first native-born TX gov. with Nueces & Frio, Three Rivers, TX is named for this
- 18 TXism: "couldn't find hide \_\_\_ hair of him"
- 19 TXism: "\_\_\_ up" (believed)
- 21 \_\_\_ Pepper
- 22 TX Quannah Parker's chief dad Nocona
- 23 this William starred with TX Tommy Lee in "Rolling Thunder"
- 24 TXism: "tough as \_\_\_ drive steak"
- 29 none of these seven touch Texas
- 30 San Antonio-based insurance giant
- 31 TXism: "last \_\_\_ small town gossip"
- 32 TXism for dancer
- 34 TX Viki Carr album: "\_\_\_ Hombres" (89)
- 35 San Marcos univer. TX became a \_\_\_ when drillers hit a hot artesian well
- 37 DFW: metro \_\_\_
- 38 TXism: "tax wranglers"
- 39 TX atheist: Madalyn Murray \_\_\_
- 40 TX Autry sang about \_\_\_-nosed reindeer
- 41 Laredo FM radio
- 42 TXism: "he's \_\_\_ my parade" (interfering)
- 44 best supports
- 45 C&W music cable network
- 46 TX Roy Orbison film: "\_\_\_ Guitar Alive" (67)
- 48 JFK assassin Oswald
- 49 "Star Wars" cowboy Han
- 50 specialty of San Antonio Spurs Robinson: \_\_\_ dunk
- 51 TXism: "\_\_\_ as dirt" (elderly)
- 52 this Ralph beat Bush in '64 senate race (init.)
- 15 TX-made film: "\_\_\_ Zapata!" (52)
- 16 DFW arrival guess
- 17 kids who left home
- 20 crop-eating insects
- 22 TXism: "\_\_\_ em off" (get undressed)
- 24 TX Audie Murphy film: "Dual Silver Creek"
- 25 TXism: "\_\_\_ notches full" (ate too much)
- 26 TXism: "get your ducks in a \_\_\_"
- 27 TXism: "have \_\_\_ (take a drink)"
- 28 TXism: "more of \_\_\_ Carter has liver pills"
- 29 theme of '92 State Fair: "\_\_\_ of Discovery"
- 30 previously owned
- 33 what doctors call "discomfort"
- 34 TX Buddy's widow: Maria \_\_\_
- 35 measles marked
- 37 Senator Gramm was once an A&M economics \_\_\_
- 38 Houston-made film: "The \_\_\_" (93)
- 40 Cowboys fullback Tommy
- 41 Cleveland AM radio
- 43 Dallas Stars league
- 44 in Houston, States Rights Party nominated \_\_\_ Thurmond for president
- 47 served before the chicken fried steak

Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

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ERIKA VEGA #15 shoots over the Eldorado defender with some help from Janabeth Bryan #24 during bi-district playoff action last Friday. The Lady Blizzards squeaked by with a 62-61 win.

### Scout banquet is this Thursday

Due to conflicts with events scheduled last Friday, the Boy Scout Blue and Gold Banquet was postponed until this Thursday, February 23. Hosted by Boy Scout Pack #249, the event begins at 6:30 p.m.

On this occasion, the Cub Scouts and their families will gather to celebrate scouting and its positive influence on their lives.

The group meets at the Winters School Activity Building to enjoy a buffet-style dinner and fellowship.

### "Lady Blizzards" continued

for the 6th ranked Winters team. Then Edwards forced a steal on the Lady Eagles' ensuing possession, but Karolen Biddix missed the layup. Eldorado rebounded and raced the length of the court only to miss two short jumpers in heavy traffic as time finally ran out with Winters on top 62-61.

The Lady Blizzards finished the season as district 6-2A champions and bi-district champions with a 25-6 record.

## Winters teacher selected to statewide committee to help redefine educational elements



Ms. Jody Meyer

Jody Meyer, a fifth grade teacher at Winters Elementary School, has been selected to be a member of the statewide committee to rewrite the "Texas Essential Elements".

The Texas Education Agency is beginning the process of rewriting the "Texas Essential Elements". The "Essential Elements" are the basic statements which

define what public school systems will teach in each subject area. This is a large and important task that ultimately determines the scope of textbooks, curriculum at the local level, and even the content of the statewide testing programs like TAAS.

Several weeks ago, the TEA asked districts around the state to nominate teachers for these committees. Mrs. Meyer was nominated for this position by Terry Wyatt, elementary principal. Nominations were received by TEA from around the state, and Mrs. Meyer was selected based on her abilities and expertise in the field of language arts.

Mrs. Meyer will be working in Austin on this project over the next several months. Work sessions will be every couple of weeks for a couple of days at a time.

TEA is funding all expenses related to the effort.

### CAFETERIA MENU

February 27 - March 3  
Subject to change

#### Breakfast

- Monday-February 27
  - Golden Grahams
  - Wheat Bread
  - Mixed Fruit
- Tuesday-February 28
  - Frosted Flakes
  - English Muffins
  - Sliced Peaches
- Wednesday-March 1
  - Cocoa Puffs
  - Raisin Bread
  - Pineapple Chunks
- Thursday-March 2
  - Lucky Charms
  - Butter Bread
  - Mixed Fruit
- Friday-March 3
  - Fruit Loops
  - Honey Wheat Bread
  - Peach Half

#### Lunch

- Monday-February 27
  - Hot Dogs/Chili/Cheese
  - Tossed Salad
  - Sliced Peaches
- Tuesday-February 28
  - Bar-B-Q on Bun
  - Pickles/Onions
  - Red Beans
  - Mixed Fruit
- Wednesday-March 1
  - Frito Pie/Chili/Cheese
  - Tossed Salad
  - Pineapple Chunks
- Thursday-March 2
  - Chicken Nuggets
  - Green Beans
  - Bread
  - Peach Half
- Friday-March 3
  - Hamburgers
  - Mustard/Mayonnaise
  - Lettuce/Pickles
  - Potato Chips
  - Mixed Fruit

All meals served with milk

## Parent Visitation Day set for high school March 1

In observance of Public Schools Week, Winters High School is having a Parent Visitation Day on Wednesday, March 1.

From 8 a.m. until 1 p.m., parents are invited to visit the high school. You are encouraged to visit your student's classes and eat with the students in the cafeteria. Mr. Kidwell - principal, Mr. Cathy - dean of students, and Mr. Wilson - counselor, will be available to answer any questions and address any concerns parents may have.

The computer lab and the media center will also be open for parents to visit.

## Students challenged by Academic Competition

Nine Winters students will be participating in the 7th Annual Area Small Schools Academic Competition to be held Sunday afternoon, February 26th, beginning at 2 p.m. in the Coleman High School gym.

Students will vie for approximately \$10,000 in scholarship money. Twenty-one teams from ten school districts will be participating. Other districts to participate include Ballinger, Bangs, Brooksmith, Coleman, Graham, Hondo, Mason, Santa Anna, and Woodson.

Each team is composed of one "A" student, one "B" student, and one "C" student. The school districts pay a \$500 entry fee for each team and this money makes up the scholarship funds to be divided among the top five teams.

Three teams have been elected. Team #1 is Trevor Richards, Perry Blackshear, and J.G. Heidenheimer. Team #2 is Heath Watkins, Kelly Thompson, and

Robert Silva. Alisa Presley, Kyle Green, and Jason Mitchell compose Team #3. Alternate team members are Jamie Sims, Chane Reagan, and Lance Donica.

The Texas Association of Community Schools sponsors the Small Schools Academic Competition and will endorse the state contest which will be held March 26, 1995, at Tarleton State University in Stephenville.

The event is open to the public.

# Congratulations, Lady Blizzards, on a great season!

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Feb. 24—Hamlin, 4:30 p.m., Here, V  
Feb. 27—Brady, 4:30 p.m., There, JV  
Feb. 28—Hamlin, 4:30 p.m., There, V  
March 2-4—JimNed,Tourney, TBA, There, V

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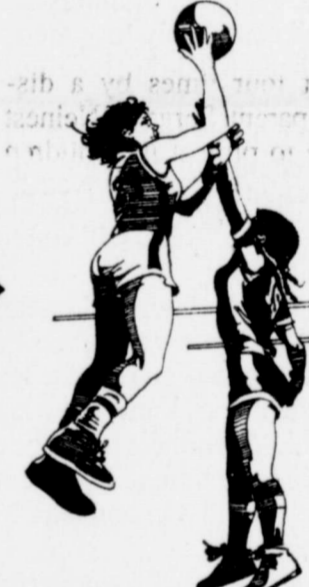
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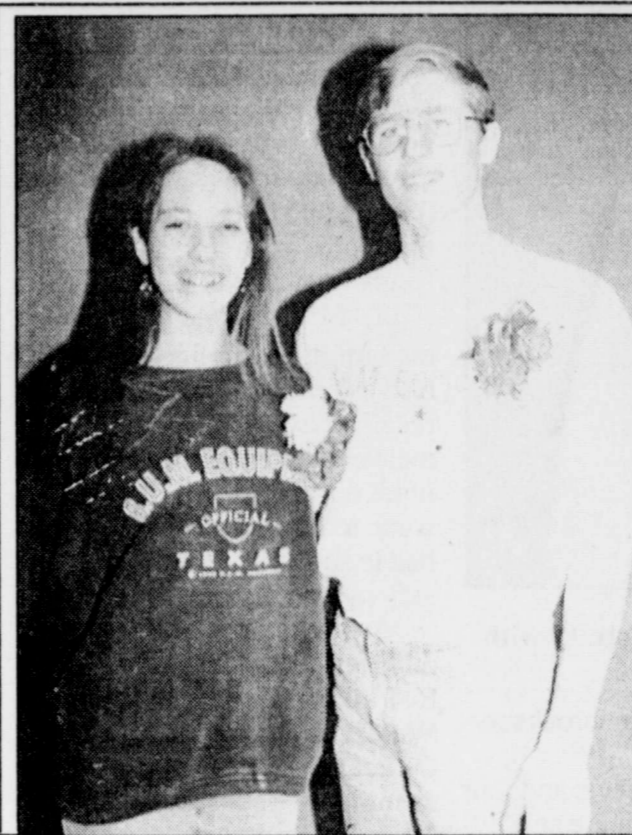
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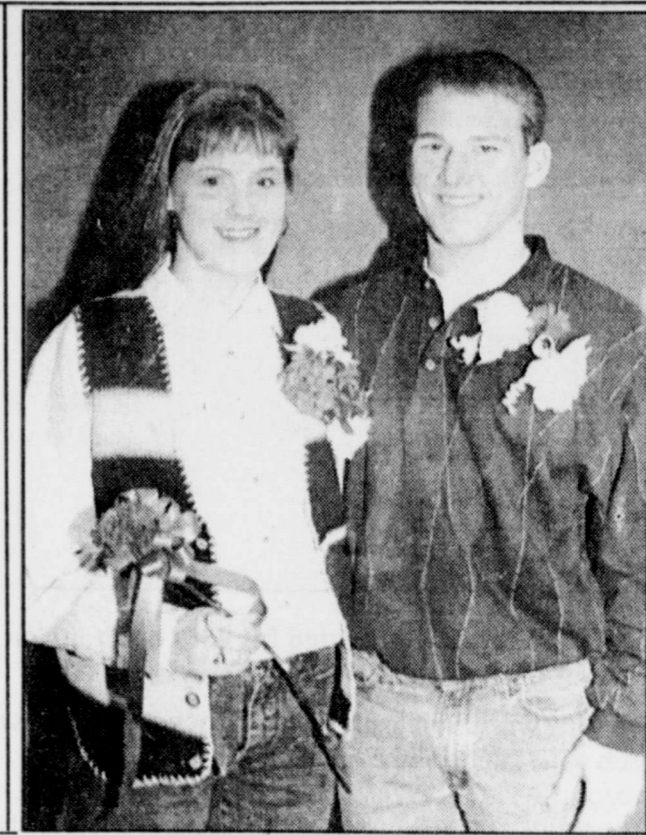
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**JUNIOR FAVORITES**  
Sherry Poindexter & Fred Poe



**SENIOR FAVORITES**  
Brooke Killough & Kelly Thompson

## D.A.R.E. program celebrates graduation

Graduation exercises were held Sunday, February 19, in the high school auditorium for the Winters D.A.R.E. program. Certificates were awarded to 87 students who have completed their training by officer Robert Garza with the Runnels County sheriff's department.

Guest speaker for the event was sergeant Lowell Neinast of the Houston police department. Mr. Neinast has been a law enforcement officer for many years and has appeared on the television program "COPS". He has been with the D.A.R.E. program for four years. During one of his appearances at a school in Houston, he was shot four times by a disgruntled parent. Sergeant Neinast was able to protect the children from the gunman and received an award for bravery from the President.

During his appearance in Winters, Sergeant Neinast used the story of "The Wizard of Oz" to impress to the students and audience the need for courage, intelligence and heartfelt dedication to avoid drugs.

Winters sixth grade students receiving diplomas were Tony

Aguero, Eileen Alvarado, Kristian Castillo, Chris Collins, Amanda Cooper, Eric Cortez, Ronald Curry, Jackye Dexter, Elizabeth Drake, Jason Esquivel, Louis Esquivel, Thomas Esquivel, Lori Esquivel, Amy Galloway, Hailley Haussecker, Gabriel Hernandez, Stephanie Herridge, Kendra Hope, Kayla Hubach, Samson Jackson, Jaime Lopez, and Lisa Marie Martinez.

Also Andrew Medina, Joshua Minzenmeyer, Rosanna Moreno, Tracie Morrison, Julian Nava, Fabian Ortiz, Geneva Ovalles, Fallen Perrie, Johathan Plumley, Jamie Reeves, Jessica Rivera, Ernest Rodriguez, Jimmy Rodriguez, Rebecca Scates, Naomi Torres, Clay Trojack, Lucero Vega, Gracie Vidaurri, Cliff Wimberly, and Holly Woffenden.

Also Brandi Baize, Taylor Brown, Justin Calcote, Theresa Cangioli, Cresencio Chavez, Jessica Corley, Erica Cortez, Tanner Donica, Robert Gibbs, Norma Gonzales, Desirae Hammersmith, Priscilla Hernandez, Ophie Lopez, Ezequiel Martinez, Stefanie McGallian, Kasey Murphy, Tiffany O'Dell, Michalle Paschal,

Jose Santos, Brittney Tekell, Cole Torres, and Chris Yanez.

Others were Lori Bredemeyer, Kayla Colburn, Jessica DeLaRosa, Adella Edging, Gabriel Hernandez, Cole Hogan, Craig Jacob, Jeffrey Jordan, Luis Llanas, Leslie Luna, Carmen Martinez, Kacy McCuiston, Justin Mendoza, Rebecca Moreno, Tiffany Prater, Aaron Pritchard, Jaslyn Rivera, Adrian Rodriguez, Heather Rodriguez, Angie Roman, Juan Santos, Kayla Torres, and Colby Walker.

## Woman's Club holds regular monthly meeting

The Winters Woman's Club met Tuesday, Feb. 14, 1995, in the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. Hostesses were Marsha Shoemake, Tooter Harrison, Marlene Wood, and Pat Russell.

Brother Jim Hanson and wife Ramona presented a humorous and inspiring musical program from "The Fiddler on the Roof". Tina Geistman played the piano.

President Marthiel Russell presided for the business meeting with Edna England reading the minutes, and Melvena Gerhart giving the treasurer's report.

Marlene Wood presented the name of Mary Ellen Moore as a new member.

Thank you notes were read by Lois Jones from Jo Beth Shields and Fran Kidwell on behalf of the TIPS program at school. Also read were thanks from J'Lynn Cooper and Krystal Gibbons on behalf of the Winters Stock Show.

Kay Colburn, Ways and Means Chairman, presented ideas for a spring fundraiser.

Edna Ruth Self reported on the "Christmas in April" projects.

Members present were Uvah Hollander, Marlene Wood, Marsha Shoemake, Edna Ruth Self, Pat Russell, Marthiel Russell, Ouida Nichols, Bonnie Lee, Dorothea Laughon, Ceclia Kniffen, Horte Joyce, Lois Jones, Tooter Harrison, Melvena Gerhart, Vivian Foster, Edna England, Kay Colburn, Margaret Burton, Cheryl Bryan, Virginia Brown, Pat Ambrose, and Billie Alderman. Guests were Mary Jo Dozier and Jo Stoecker.

## Project Graduation offering "Weekend Excursion"

The seniors are currently offering chances to win a "Weekend Excursion" at Sulphur Springs Fishing Camp for May 5 & 6, 1995. A \$2 donation could win a trip that includes a furnished cabin for 4 on the Colorado River at Bend, Texas (between San Saba and Lampasas). Fishing, swimming, and tubing are available.

The drawing will be April 15, 1995, and you need not be present to win.



FUN CRAFTS were the order for the day during the elementary art festival. Teacher LeShea Butts compliments Travis Walker and Steven Cavazos as they work in the sand art.

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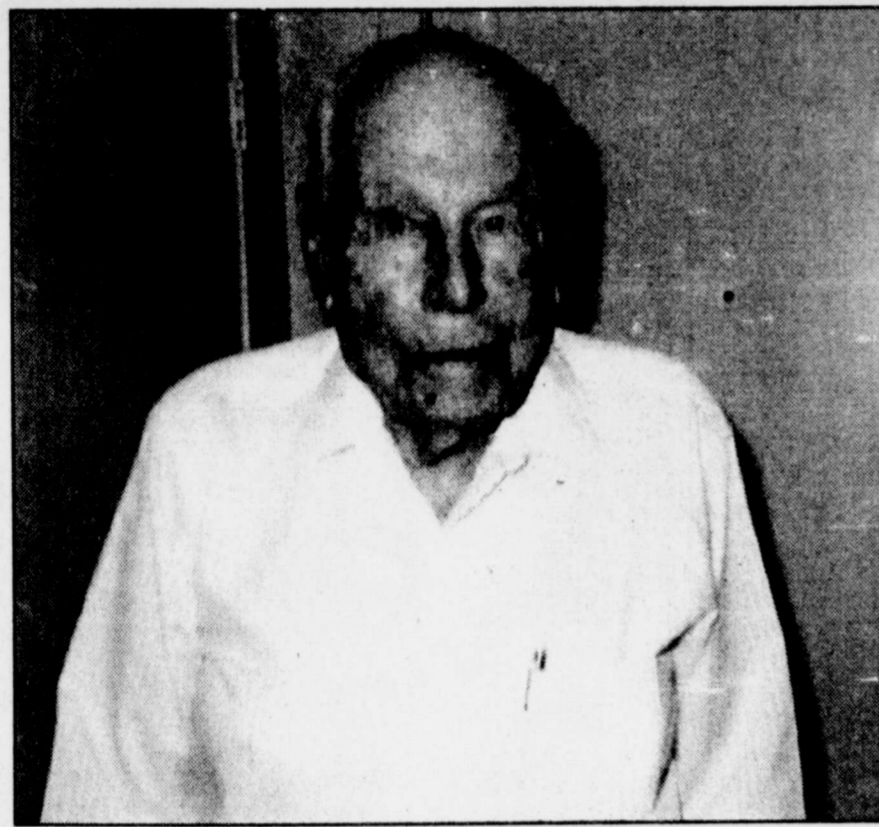
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## Alvin Nitsch celebrates 95th birthday

by Jean Boles



ALVIN NITSCH celebrated his 95th birthday on Feb. 13 with a host of friends and relatives.

Visiting with 95-year-old Alvin Nitsch of Winters is like taking a trip back in a time-travel machine.

The spunky nonagenarian with the sparkling blue eyes celebrated his birthday last week with a party at his home, hosted by friends and relatives.

Alvin Ben Nitsch was born February 13, 1900, to Ben and Clara Spill Nitsch in Seguin, Texas. At age 2, he moved with his family to Winters, his mother's homeplace. Clara Spill Nitsch's family settled in Winters in 1880.

Mr. Nitsch has many wonderful stories to share about his childhood.

He remembers when there were very few trees in Winters, only tall grass. At age 7, his mother would give him a nickel and he would walk through the tall grass to the store for a big sack of candy.

He recalls the day in 1909 when the railroad came to Winters and how all the townspeople turned out for the celebration. He tells of the time in 1918 that a large fire destroyed part of downtown Winters. The two-wheel firetruck was too small to put out the fire which was finally stopped by rock buildings.

Alvin has always enjoyed good food and he tells of when as a youngster he would go to the Rock Hotel for a piece of coconut pie that cost a whopping 5¢. He says the pie was an especially good bargain because "in those days" pies were cut into only four slices

so each piece was a generous serving.

He had three brothers and four sisters, two of whom are still living. Clara Holiman resides in a nursing home in San Antonio and Edna Maye Ludwig lives in New Braunfels.

When asked about his involvement in childhood pranks, Mr. Nitsch gets a special twinkle in his eyes. He vividly recalls a certain group of fellows "a little older than I was" who delighted in overturning a local eatery located on Main Street. The establishment was quite small, seating only four people. Mr. Nitsch said he never actually took part in that particular prank but watched it happen. Of course, he never told who the boys were.

He did confess to tying a lantern to a cow's tail one dark evening when he was supposed to check on the animals in the barn. The cow got spooked and ran off through the pasture with the lantern still attached. He was six years old and never confessed to the act or the location of the lost lantern.

He saw his first car in 1906 and wasn't sure what it was. He bought his first car when he was 17 and paid \$350 for an "almost new" Ford. He was proud of his good buy that he got from a man who left to serve in World War I. He was even more proud when he was able to sell that same car for \$750 in 1919. His next new car cost him \$480.

Until age 13, Alvin attended the old Cochran School which was located at the present site of the Gary Jacobs farm. Then he went to Mann school near Norton where his father was a school trustee.

Mr. Nitsch was raised on a farm and continued to farm as an adult. He used a mule team for plowing until the 1940's when he bought a Case tractor for \$1,600 and a Ford tractor for \$1,200. He never paid for mules or horses — he just "borrowed" them from his father.

In 1919 he made \$8,000 with his farming operation so he traveled to several states in 1920. He recalls paying \$1.00 for three meals and an overnight stay in a hotel during his trip in 1920. He went to California in 1970 and had to spend \$100 for a one-night stay in a hotel.

Mr. Nitsch worked in the oilfields during the 1950's for C. R. Pinkerton, owner of Winters Welding Works and Winters Oilfield Supply, then returned to farming for a short time. He says, "I was finally broke enough I could retire" in 1960.

He married Frances Paske in Winters and enjoyed 62 years of marriage before her death in 1990.

Mr. Nitsch has two sons and a daughter: Alvin Nitsch, Jr. of Ballinger, Eugene Nitsch of Santa Paula, California and Evelyn Michael of Ft. Worth. Another son, Charles Nitsch, died 1989.

He has been a lifelong member of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church.

Mr. Nitsch enjoys good health which allows him daily visits around town. He doesn't wear a hearing aid or dentures. He doesn't take any medication on a regular basis except for eye drops needed since his cataract surgery three weeks ago. He said he had eye surgery so he can pass the eye test and get his driver's license again. He drives his own automobile and "hasn't bumped anybody yet," he says, except for a minor wreck in 1918 during a bad sandstorm and in 1922 when he fell asleep and hit the back of another car.

Mr. Nitsch attributes his longevity to "looking at pretty girls and not working very hard."

That quick smile and twinkle in his eyes say there must be more to it than he admits. After all, he's never been one "to tell".

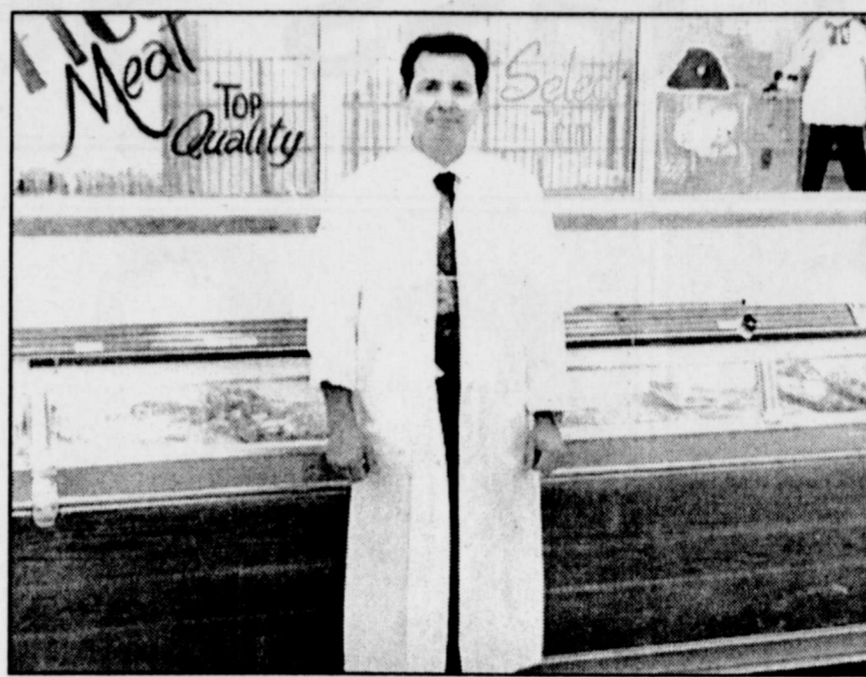
### Methodist youth to sponsor luncheon benefiting "Xmas in April"

The youth of the First United Methodist Church, Winters, will sponsor a Mexican Luncheon, Sunday, Feb. 26, from 12:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall of the church.

Proceeds will benefit "Christmas in April". The meal will consist of a Mexican casserole, coleslaw, tea and desert. Price is \$4.50 for adults and \$3.50 for children, 10 and under. Carry-outs will be available.

Join the youth Feb. 26 in fellowship, good food and help support a worthwhile community project—"Christmas in April". Please call the church office, 754-5213, if you plan to attend.

## Richard Benavidez, new meat market manager at Lawrence Bros. IGA



TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF EXPERIENCE support Mr. Richard Benavidez's profession as meat market manager and butcher. He strongly believes in customer satisfaction and looks forward to his association with the people of Winters.

Lawrence Brothers IGA Grocery and Supermarket and General Manager Jerry Sartor are proud to announce the hiring of meat market manager and butcher, Richard Benavidez.

Mr. Benavidez was born and raised in Brady, Texas. He began working in the meat department of a Brady grocery store at the age of 16.

A graduate of Brady High School, he brings 21 years of experience in this specialized field to Winters. Among his many duties are the daily orientation of other department employees, ordering of meats, scheduling truck deliveries, overseeing the general operations which include cleaning and sanitizing all equipment and work areas and, of course, cutting up and packaging meat.

In addition to the regularly scheduled Gigantic Ten Pound Meat Sale, customers may, at any time, purchase large quantities of

### Pastor Hanson to participate in rural outreach program

Pastor Jim Hanson of St. John's Lutheran Church in Winters is one of 24 persons, lay and clergy, selected for a consultation on "Sustainable Outreach" in small farm and rural congregations. Participants come from rural and small town settings from the Caribbean to the Inward Peninsula of Alaska, from Upstate New York to the U.S. Mexico border in Texas and other places in between.

The meeting will be held at the national headquarters of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America in Chicago, Illinois, February 24-26.

Acc Polk and Mark Goetz will lead in worship on February 26 at St. John's in Pastor Hanson's place.

### Notice of Application for Fluid Injection Well Permit

SAGA Petroleum Corp., 415 W. Wall, Suite, 835, Midland TX 79701 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Capps, Bredemeyer, Well Number 2. The proposed injection well is located 5 Miles Northeast of Winters, in the Winters (Capps), in Runnels County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 3870 to 3886 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6790).

The Benavidezes are Catholics.

As an outside hobby from work, Richard enjoys most outdoor activities including golfing, carpentry, and landscaping.

He states that he likes small towns and is used to this type of 'friendly' community atmosphere. He asks that you feel free to visit with him the next time you are in the store. Just ask for Richard and he will make the time to answer any questions, help with any related problems, or simply 'cut up'. The choice is yours!

### Squares host monthly dance

The Winters Squares will host their monthly dance Saturday, February 25, at the Winters Community Center. Country and line dancing will begin at 7:30 p.m. followed by square dancing at 8:00 p.m.

Tracy Dowell will be the caller. Everyone is invited to come join in a fun group.

### Deadlines

General News  
Noon Monday

Retail Ads  
Noon Monday

Classified Ads  
5 p.m. Monday

### NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
County of RUNNELS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That by virtue of a certain WRIT OF EXECUTION issued out of the Honorable J.P. WEEMS, PCT. 2 Court of RUNNELS County, on the 16th day of DECEMBER 1994, by J.P. JOYCE WEEMS of said PCT. 2, RUNNELS COUNTY for the sum of ONE THOUSAND SEVENTY ONE AND EIGHTY SEVEN CENTS (\$1,071.87) Dollars and costs of suit, under a JUDGMENT, in favor of WINTERS FUNERAL HOME, INC. in a certain cause in said Court, No. 4498 and styled WINTERS FUNERAL HOME, INC. vs. SAM B. WOOD, placed in my hands for service, I, WILLIAM BAIRD as Sheriff of RUNNELS County, Texas, did on the 10th day of JANUARY 1995, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in RUNNELS County, Texas, described as follows: to-wit:

50 ACRES OUT OF A 150 ACRE TRACT, SITUATED AS FOLLOWS:

SE 1/4 OF THE H.N. BRAGGS SURVEY #80, ABST. 691 AS DESCRIBED IN VOL. 155, PAGE 329 DEED OF RECORDS, RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS

and levied upon as the property of SAM B. WOOD and that on the first Tuesday in MARCH 1995, the same being the 7th day of said month, at the Court House door of RUNNELS County, in the CITY OF BALLINGER, Texas, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., by virtue of said levy and said WRIT OF EXECUTION I will sell above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said SAM B. WOOD.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the WINTERS ENTERPRISE, INC., a newspaper published in RUNNELS County.

Witness my hand, this 10th day of JANUARY 1995.  
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### CONTRACTOR'S NOTICE OF HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE WORK

Sealed proposals for LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE at the US 83/US 67 Interchange in Runnels County and covered by Contract No. 075XXM7003 will be received in the Assembly Room of the Texas Department of Transportation's District Complex located at 4502 Knickerbocker Rd., San Angelo, Texas until 2:00 PM, March 8, 1995 and then publicly opened and read.

### THERE WILL NOT BE A PREBID MEETING FOR THIS PROJECT.

Specifications and proposals for the above mentioned contract are available at the office of Mr. Dennis W. Wilde, P.E., Director of Operations, 915/944-1501, Loop 306 & Knickerbocker Road, San Angelo, Texas. Mailing address is 4502 Knickerbocker Rd, San Angelo, Texas 76904.

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

#### TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE FREEWAY ROUTE CONNECTING LUBBOCK AND INTERSTATE 10 (BETWEEN FORT STOCKTON AND JUNCTION)

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is initiating studies to identify possible freeway routes between Lubbock, beginning at the terminus point of Interstate Highway 27, and terminating at points along Interstate Highway 10 between Fort Stockton and Junction. The study will also identify possible freeway routes located north of Interstate Highway 40 to the Texas state line commencing at Interstate Highway 27 in Amarillo. TxDOT will conduct a public meeting on Wednesday, March 22, 1995 starting at 7:00 p.m. with public input beginning at 7:30 p.m., at the Holiday Inn Convention Center located at 441 Rio Concho Drive in San Angelo for the purpose of discussing the route study and soliciting input from citizens and other concerned groups. TxDOT will also conduct an open house at the same location from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to answer questions and provide assistance.

All interested citizens are invited to attend and participate in this meeting and/or open house.

Written comments will be accepted through April 1, 1995 and should be addressed to:

Walter G. McCullough  
District Engineer  
Texas Department of Transportation  
4502 Knickerbocker Road  
San Angelo, Tx 76904

Persons interested in attending the meeting who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact the District Public Information Officer at (915) 947-9205 or 944-1501. Requests should be made no later than two days prior to the meeting. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

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**Building Fund Benefit Rummage Sale** at Gateway Baptist Church in Tuscola, Sat., Feb. 25, 8:30 a.m. til 4:00 p.m. 6-8(1tp)

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**HOUSE FOR SALE:** 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, central heat, older home. Large pecan trees. By appt. Call 754-5301 after 6 p.m. 6-3(nc/tfc)

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### Jail Bond Issue, con't

time jailer; and Ace R. Polk, part-time in Precinct 2 for road construction.

Requests were approved from GTE, an individual and Lone Star Gas to repair or install new pipe lines for service to customers.

A request from Curtis Smith to provide catastrophic insurance to county employees was tabled pending discussion with the employees.

The commissioners approved a request from Margarette Smith, county treasurer, to use old office space in the courthouse for storage.

Commissioners present were Richard Strube, Thurman Self, Skipper Wheelless, and Keith Kollom, county judge Michael Murchison, county clerk Linda Bruchmiller, and county treasurer Margerette Smith.

### Automobiles

**For Sale:** 1991 Red Ford Escort LX, 4-door, auto trans. One owner, excellent condition, great fuel economy, all highway mileage. Good school car. Service records available. \$3850. Call 754-5016 nights. 6-7(3tp)

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## Winters Police Beat

The information below is taken from reports on file with the Winters Police Department. Some of the information is provided to police by citizens, and in some cases, police have not finished investigating the reports. These reports make up a small percentage of the total calls the Department receives and responds to each week.

Winters Police Department reports received and/or investigated from Sunday, February 12, through Saturday, February 18, 1995. Winters Police Officers:

- responded to a family disturbance in the 400 block of S. Main and arrested Oscar Ortiz, 22, of Winters, for Assault Class A Family Violence. Ortiz was also filed on for Assault Class C after offensively contacting another person. Ortiz was transported to the Runnels County Jail.
- received an allegation of child abuse. The case was referred to the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services Child Protective Service.
- arrested Mollie Maria Barrientes, 27, of Winters, on an outstanding Capias Pro Fine originating from the City of Ballinger Municipal Court. Barrientes was transported to the Runnels County Jail.
- received a report of a theft in the 900 block of N. Cryer in which a barbecue pit was taken from a residence. The investigation continues.
- investigated an attempted arson in the 200 block of N. Melwood in which person(s) unknown attempted to set fire to a building. There are suspects and the investigation continues.
- investigated a one vehicle traffic accident in the 400 block of N. Rogers in which a 1987 Chrysler four-door driven by Teresa Roman of Winters collided with a stationary mobile home. There was minimal damage to the vehicle and the mobile home. Roman was cited for Reckless Driving, Failure to Control Speed, and Failure to Stop and Leave Information. There were no injuries.
- investigated a traffic accident in which a 1994 Geo driven by Joseph Walker of Austin was struck from behind by a 1993 Chevrolet pickup driven by Edwin Mueller Jr. of Stamford. Damage to both vehicles was minimal. Mueller was cited for Failure to Control Speed. There were no injuries.

Runnels County Crimestoppers offers a cash reward for information which leads to the grand jury indictment or conviction of offenders and the caller does not have to give his or her name. To give a Crimestopper's tip, call your local law enforcement agency at:

Winters Police Department—754-4121  
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**COUNTY COURT**  
 Arthur Pena, 02-07-95, Two counts of Theft of Merchandise by Check. Order of Dismissal.  
 A.G. Williams, 02-09-95, Theft of Merchandise by Check. Defendant entered a plea of guilty; Fined \$50 plus \$165 costs. To pay \$50 to Hot Check Fee Fund and \$5 to Merchant's Fee Fund. To pay restitution of \$378.50.  
 Lesley Schneider, 02-13-95, Theft of Merchandise by Check. Defendant entered a plea of guilty; Fined \$50 plus \$165 costs. To pay \$10 to Hot Check Fee Fund and \$5 to Merchant's Fee Fund. To pay restitution of \$68.83.  
 Lesley Schneider, 02-13-95, Theft of Merchandise by Check. Defendant entered a plea of guilty; Fined \$50 plus \$165 costs. To pay \$10 to Hot Check Fee Fund and \$5 to Merchant's Fee Fund. To pay restitution of \$91.09.  
 Stephanie Flores, 02-14-95, Theft. Order of Dismissal.  
 Juanita Aguero, 02-14-95, Theft of Merchandise by Check. Order of Dismissal.  
 Ryan King, 02-16-95, Reckless Driving. Defendant entered a plea of nolo contendere; Fined \$500 plus \$165 costs.

**DISTRICT COURT**  
 Angela Diane Stewart vs. Michael Jason Stewart, 02-13-95, Divorce.  
 Susan B. Hurt vs. Mark Harper Hurt, 02-15-95, Divorce.

**DIVORCES GRANTED**  
 Francisca Castillo and Robert V. Castillo, 02-16-95.

**J.P. COURT**  
 Handy Hut vs. Austin Mann, 02-06-95, Property in Storage.  
 Shane Bilbrey, 02-06-95, Sexual Assault of a Child.  
 Billy W. Spralding, 02-04-95, Insufficient Number of Life Saving Devices.  
 Billy Smith, 02-08-95, Issuance of a Bad Check.  
 Joe Binder, 02-11-95, Public Intoxication.

**MARRIAGE LICENSES**  
 Ben Bowman and Reita Crabb Cowin, 02-12-95.  
 Gabriel James Ortiz and Norma Cavazos, 02-14-95.

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**OUT IN A BLAZE**, this Chrysler caught fire under the hood Monday, February 6, as owner Mary Campos pulled into the parking lot of First State Bank. Officials quickly reacted preventing further damage to any other vehicles. Heavy smoke could be smelled and seen throughout the southeast portion of town. There were no injuries. The cause of the fire is undetermined.

## Women's Service League thanks artists for participation in Festival

The Women's Service League met at the school activity building for their February 16 meeting. A short business meeting entailed, discussion of possible fundraisers, and disbursement of funds. It was decided to conduct a fundraiser at the Mayfest.

Women's Service League presented President Sherri Mikeska with a surprise baby shower. Hostesses for the evening were Donna Guy, J'Lynn Cooper, and Julie Frierson. The ladies decorated the serving and gift tables in baby colors, an afghan, a fresh floral arrangement, and balloons. The hostesses served tea, chips, dips, sausage balls, cheese biscuits, finger sandwiches, and cookies.

After refreshments, members prepared the activity center for the Art Festival. Ladies present to help were Donna Guy, J'Lynn Cooper, Julie Frierson, Dawn Green, Tammy Kaczyk, Debbie Dexter, Twyla Felty, Shelia Paschal, Diane Torres, Belinda Schwartz, Melinda Hoppe, Sherri Mikeska, Fran Walker, Renee Calcote, Donna Pritchard, Theresa Gerhart, Brenda Hope, Amy Lujano, Chris Parramore, Sherry Calcote, Heidi Brewer, Rhonda Kruse, and Cheryl Butler.

Thanks to the following men for helping set up for the festival and their extra hours: Terry Wyatt, Joe Gerhart, Barron Guy, Kerry Frierson, Keith Paschal, Jimmy Butler, and Larry Walker. Also thanks to Mike Meyer and the Winters Funeral Home for the use of the tent.

Gratitude is extended to two very talented local artists, Mrs.

Pat Zappe and Mr. Hugh Campbell, for spending their entire day explaining their talents to the many children and adults who enjoyed their work. Thanks also to the Winters School teachers and their aids and janitors for all their cooperation and help to make this year's festival a success.

## MADD chapter to meet Feb. 28 in Coleman

Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Big Country Chapter, which serves twelve counties, will meet Tuesday, February 28, at 7 p.m. in the Hospitality Room of the First Coleman National Bank, 100 Commercial Avenue, in Coleman.

Legislative reports of meetings held with Senators and Representatives serving the chapter's counties will be given. Information will be given out for individuals to contact their Legislators and the stand they are taking.

Information obtained at a recent State Organization meeting will be shared along with an upcoming National Conference. Many other items of interest to be taken back to the various counties for their local use will be presented.

All interested individuals (men, women, and students) are urged to attend this meeting.

The contact person for Runnels County is Gayle Bickel, (915) 365-5301.

The chapter's phone number is 1-800-200-MADD (6233) if you need further information.

## Letter to the Editor

### County funds are secure

Dear Editor:  
Please publish the following information for the voters of Runnels County.

A lot of concern has been expressed relating to the finances of the County. I want to assure the voters that we do not have any investments outside of the County. Also, we do not have any long term investments. Our County funds that are invested are in CD's with a maturity date on most for 182 days. The longest maturity date has been for 365 days on two CD's.

All of our County funds are secured with U.S. Treasury notes through our local bank.

I appreciate the concern of the voters and want you to feel free to call my office if you have further questions on this matter.

Margaret Smith  
Runnels County Treasurer

## Somebody Cares Ministries to sponsor "Three-Day Food Fest"

Somebody Cares Ministries will be having a "Three-Day Food Fest" on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, February 23, 24, and 25. A special food booth will be set up outside of the south West-T-Go located at 800 South Main, Winters.

The booth will be open from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. so all are encouraged to drop by for breakfast and lunch.

The menu will be as follows:  
Breakfast burritos - \$1 (available all 3 days)

Thursday: Choice of bowl of chicken soup, beef noodle soup, or chili served with cornbread and

drink. \$3

Friday: Plate lunch - brisket, Spanish rice, beans, potato salad, bread, dessert, and drink. \$4.50

Saturday: Plate lunch - BBQ roast, spanish rice, beans, potato salad, bread, dessert, and drink. \$4.50

In addition, Somebody Cares Ministries will be accepting \$1 donations for a chance to win \$50 worth of fuel from the local vendor of your choice. Drawing will be held on February 25, 1995.

All proceeds raised will be used to defray cost of renovating Somebody Cares Ministries new home sanctuary.

## Jail deputies are re-classified as jail administrators by County Commissioners Court

In the February 7 special meeting of the Runnels County Commissioners, Deputy Quentin Watkins was assigned to the position of Jail Administrator at his same salary. James Scrivener will be Assistant Jail Administrator, and allowance was made for a deputy at an annual salary of \$18,936.

Sheriff Bill Baird's request to hire Jail Consultant Bob Frisby was tabled.

Soil and Water Conservation District members appeared before the board and asked that County donations be continued to help defray expenses for worker's compensation and various projects sponsored by SCS. It was approved that \$2,000 be donated.

Tax Assessor Collector Robin Burgess informed the court that the dispute between the Appraisal District and Mueller Supply Company regarding 1992-93 tax values had been settled. Mueller Sup-

ply will receive a payment of \$19,059.42.

Requests from the tax assessor collector and the district clerk to use the records management fund to microfilm a portion of their records were tabled. Also tabled was the payment of 1994 taxes due on the formerly owned Winters Tax Office building which was sold to Randall Conner.

No action was taken on consideration of a maintenance contract between M.D. Helm Services of San Angelo and Runnels County regarding copy machine repair.

Western Gas Resources, Inc. of Bronte will be burying a gas pipeline across County Road 349.

Current accounts were approved for payment.

Members present were Skipper Wheelless, Keith Collom, Richard W. Strube, and Linda Bruchmiller. Judge Michael B. Murchison was absent.

## Crews News by Hilda Kurtz



Laziness is nothing more than resting before you get tired.

Our sympathy to the sons and their families and other relatives due to the death of Claudia Hill. The funeral was at 10:30 in Winters Funeral Home with burial in Lakeview Cemetery. The Hills were former residents of Crews.

Pat Hambright carried Corra Petrie to San Angelo to West Texas Medical Association for her eye appointment on Tuesday.

Wayne Foreman of Arlington and Coleman Foreman attended the funeral of Mrs. Emmie McClelland on Thursday in Ballinger. Wayne spent the night with Coleman on Thursday.

Brother Oscar and Janie Fanning were dinner guests with Sally Mae and Wilmer Gerhart Sunday. Sunday Hopewell Church visitors were Sherri, Bryant, and Braden Mikeska; Luke and Katherine Thomas; Joe Riley Sims; Wanda McLarty; Mildred and Haeward Morrison.

Leslie and Katy Miller of New Mexico came by for a short visit with Josie and Bill Hoppe on Saturday afternoon.

Melvina and Marvin were in San Angelo Tuesday to see Uncle Melven Parker of Mereta. He is in the Angelo Community Hospital. Bryant and Braden spent Saturday and Sunday with the Marvin Gerharts.

Debbie Horn of Corsicana and Lee Ueckert of Houston spent Friday through Sunday with Brad and Ruth Pape. The Horns, Ueckerts, and Ruth Pape were in Buffalo Gap to attend the flea market on Sunday.

Brad is doing fairly well after surgery.

Margie Jacob attended the supper and 42 in the home of Frances and Jerry Holle. Others who came were Roy and Anita Schaefer, James and Lorene Halfmann, Evelyn and Herbert Jacob, and Hattie Minzenmeyer. Prize winners were Margie, Evelyn, and Roy.

Visiting Harvey Mae and Noble Faubion Sunday afternoon were Maggie Ruth Stokes, Loy Whittle of Coleman, Gladys Cotton of Ballinger, and Walter Pape of

Santa Anna. Jimmy, Frances, Garrett, and Katie Chapman of Ballinger spent the day Saturday with Selma Dietz.

Ruth Pape came after her eggs and pecans on Friday and had coffee with me.

Pat Stevens and Rose Anna Lillian Hendrix of Abilene spent Saturday with Leona and Charles Matthes.

Dee and Sam Faubion attended the funeral of Emmie McClelland in Ballinger on Thursday.

Spending Sunday afternoon with Josie and Bill Hoppe were Dawn, Brent, Scott, and Clint Bryan, and Dan and Elaine Miller, all of Winters.

Charles and Libby Wilson of Georgia spent Saturday night with Mildred and Haeward Morrison. These couples met in Japan years ago.

Mildred and Haeward Morrison ate out in Coleman after attending Hopewell Church services on Sunday.

Margie Jacob visited with Helma Dunn and Beatrice Schroeder in the Winters Nursing Home.

Having Sunday dinner with Margie Jacob were Sharon and Jerry Englert; Cookie, Brad, and Corey Van Zandt; and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Halfmann of Garden City. Evelyn and Herbert Jacob came in the afternoon.

Brenda Jacob; Beverly, Brad, and Corey Van Zandt; Bryce Busenlehner; and Mike and Carol Kozelsky attended the basketball game in Tuscola. Afterwards they went to Abilene and had dinner at Mr. Gatties in honor of Brad's birthday.

Kathryn Kozelsky was honored on her birthday last Sunday with dinner in the home of her parents, Mike and Carol Kozelsky. Others present were grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kozelsky; Margie Jacob, Sharon and Jerry Englert; Joe and Juanita Kozelsky; Brenda Jacob; Cindy Yarger; Cookie, Brad, and Corey Van Zandt; Kelly Thompson; Robert Silva; Adam Cruz; Cody Whittenburg; and Jeanna and Scott Kozelsky.

Nila Osborne's sister, Doris Tippet of Odessa, was here Wednesday through Friday. On Thursday night, L.C. and Ouita Foster of Winters; Deloris Parks

of Glen Cove; and Karen, Welsey, John, and Stefanie McGallian had supper with Nila and Therin.

On Friday night, Therin and the Wesley McGallian family honored Nila on her birthday with supper at The Shed.

On Sunday, Karen and Wesley McGallian fixed Nila a birthday dinner. Present were Leroy and Tiffany McGallian of Houston, Sue Campbell, C.J. Cornett, and Therin Osborne.

Selma Dietz and Nila Osborne met in the home of Netha Kirby to study royal services.

Bernie Faubion came by late Wednesday night to see the Osbornes before leaving for Colorado to visit her mother, Betty Whittemore. On Friday night, Bernie called from Colorado and sang happy birthday to Nila.

Ray and J.T. Cooper spent part of Sunday with Pat and Earl Cooper.

The Bill Mathis family was in Abilene Thursday to shop and enjoy dinner. Friday night, Desiree was in Big Spring to play basketball with the varisty team. Winters won. Bill Mathis took in the flea market at Tuscola on Saturday.

## Rodeo Association to elect directors on February 28

The Winters Rodeo Association will hold its annual meeting to elect directors on February 28 at 8 p.m. The meeting will be held at the rodeo arena building.

Everyone is invited to attend. It is time to start planning summertime activities, so bring your ideas and enthusiasm.

## Senior Citizens Recreation Night is Friday

The Winters Senior Citizen Activity Center is hosting a Recreation Night on Friday, February 24, at 6 p.m.

Everyone is invited to bring a covered dish, eat, and enjoy the fellowship of friends.

Games will be played after serving of the meal.

## Consignment sale cancelled

The annual Runnels County Consignment Sale originally scheduled for February 25 has been cancelled due to lack of equipment for sale.

## COW POKES

By Ace Reid

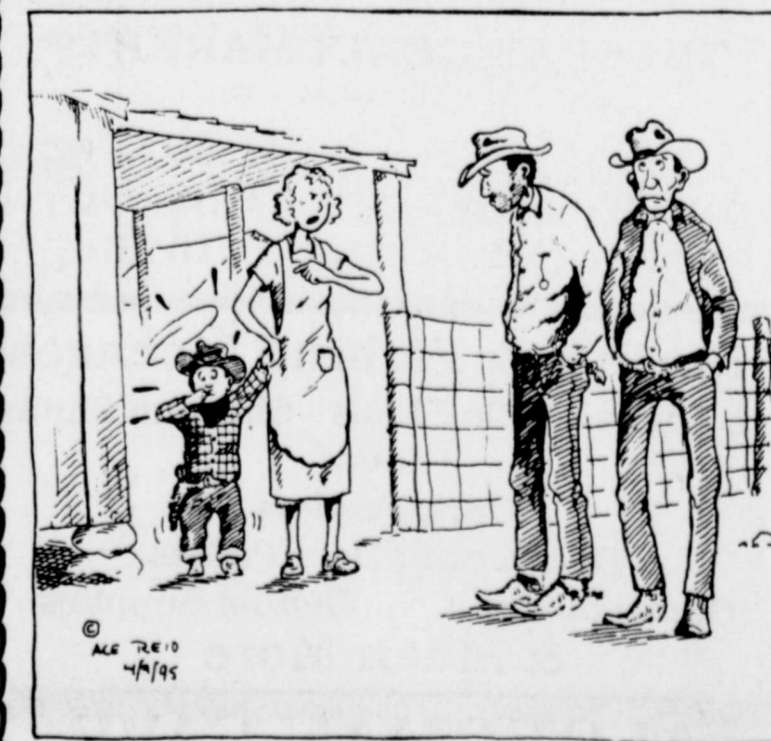
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