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# THE WINTERS ENTERPRISE

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**NEW PARK FACILITIES** are planned for Elm Creek Reservoir. Participating in ground breaking ceremonies last week were (left to right) Scott Hay, engineer; Garry Goff, councilman; Bobby Palmer, city employee; Jack Davis, Jr., city employee; Henry Davis, city employee; Mayor Joe Gerhart; Jack Burns, city employee; Nelan Bahlman, councilman; Aref Hassan, city administrator; Felix Gonzales, city employee; and Charles Grenwelge, street department superintendent. Much of the labor and equipment will be provided by city employees for the \$305,700 project.

## New park facilities scheduled for Elm Creek Reservoir

Plans are underway for new park facilities at W. Lee Colburn Park at Elm Creek Reservoir. Groundbreaking ceremonies were held last week at the project site which is located eight miles east of Winters on the eastern shore of the lake.

Participating in the ground breaking were Mayor Joe Gerhart, City Administrator Aref Hassan, councilmen Garry Goff and Nelan Bahlman, street department superintendent Charles Grenwelge, engineer Scott Hay, and city employees Bobby Palmer, Jack Davis, Jr., Henry Davis, Jack Burns and Felix Gonzales.

The proposed development includes eight picnic tables with grills, ten RV hook-ups, pavilion with eight tables and two grills, lighted fishing pier, crappie house, 0.7 mile walking trail, baseball field, volleyball court, playground, utilities, bathhouse, roads and parking, landscaping, irrigation, and signs.

The planned total project cost is \$305,700 of which 50 percent, or \$152,850, will come from local match. The city of Winters intends to provide as much of the local match as possible with labor, equipment and materials from the city and labor and equipment from Runnels County. There will be no increase in taxes or bond election to pay for these services, according to Mr. Hassan.

The only segments of the project that the city intends to complete by contract include the reinforced cast-in-place concrete

slabs for the pavilion and the restrooms, the construction of the septic tank and drainfield system for on-site sewage disposal, and the construction of the lighted fishing pier and crappie house.

Completion deadline is February, 1, 1997. However, Hassan says he hopes the new facilities will be in use in the spring or early summer of 1996.

The City first applied with Texas Parks and Wildlife Department in September, 1992, for possible grant funds for further development of the 50-acre park at Elm Creek Reservoir. The first application was denied so Mr. Hassan made the appropriate changes and resubmitted the application in October, 1993. The TPWD found it to be a feasible project and approved the grant funding.

The next step for the City was to obtain an archeological study to submit to the Texas Historical Commission. This report was approved. The City then hired Hibbs & Todd, an engineering firm in Abilene, to assist with professional planning.

The finished plans were submitted to the TPWD and approved for a grant, allowing the ground breaking.

"We are very excited about this project and hope it will bring visitors and money into Winters," said Hassan.

A detailed diagram of the proposed facilities is on display at City Hall.

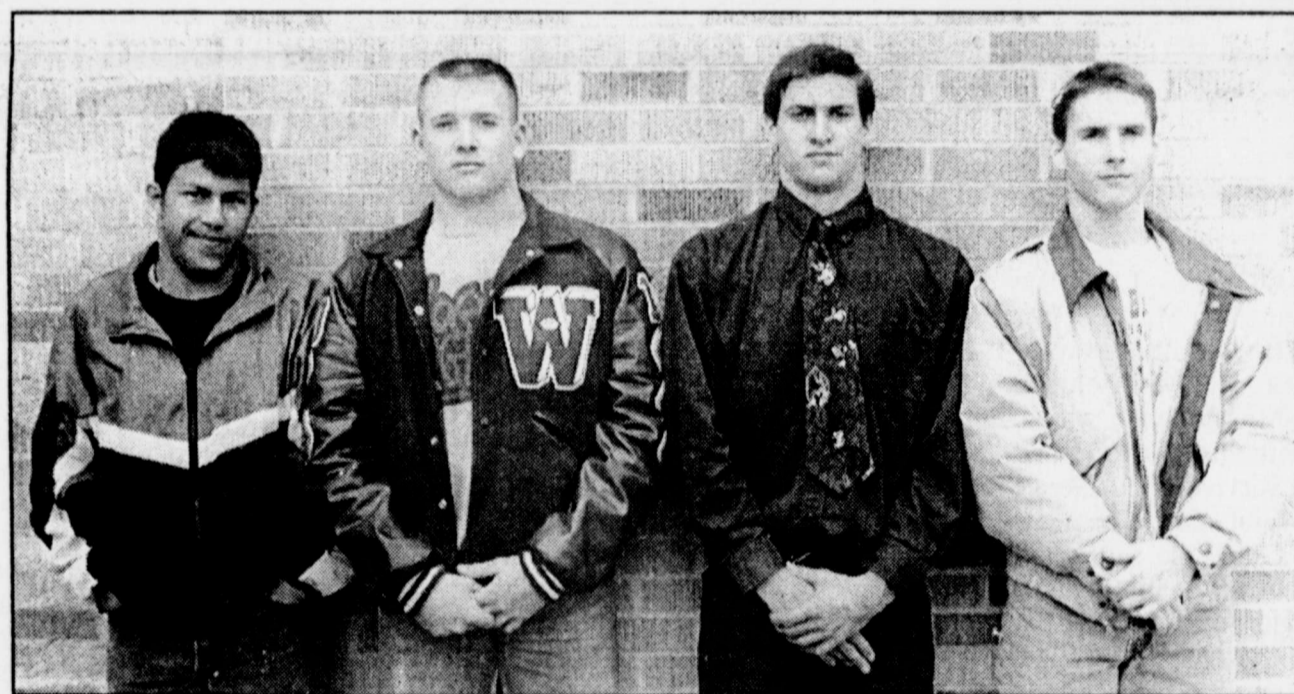
## Blizzards named to All-District teams

Four Blizzards have received All-District basketball honors.

Zane Guy, a 6'0" junior, was named to the All-District first team. Zane averaged 8.2 ppg, 6.5 rebounds, 5.3 steals, and 3.7 assists.

Senior Kevin Conner, 6'0", was selected to the second team. He averaged 7.1 ppg, 6.3 rebounds, 2.5 steals, and .7 assists.

Receiving Honorable Mention were Ramie Reyes and Mark Deike. Ramie is a 5'10" senior averaging 6.6 ppg, 3.4 rebounds, 3.2 steals, and 3 assists. A 6'1" junior at WHS, Mark averaged 4.2 ppg, 6.6 rebounds, 3.1 steals, and 1.1 assists.



**ALL-DISTRICT BASKETBALL HONORS** were awarded to (left to right) Ramie Reyes, Kevin Conner, Mark Deike, and Zane Guy. Zane was named to the All-District first team, Kevin to the second team. Receiving Honorable Mention were Ramie and Mark.

## Little League to meet Thursday night

The Winters Area Little League will hold a meeting Thursday, March 9, at 6 p.m. at the Mt. Carmel Catholic Church.

All interested parents are urged to attend this meeting so it can be decided how many coaches will be needed for each age group. Also anyone interested in umpiring or helping in any way is encouraged to attend.

If you have any questions, please call Mary Lynn Presley at 754-5144 or Paul Airhart at 743-2169.

## Christmas in April North Runnels, Inc. in need of volunteers, donations

Christmas in April North Runnels, Inc., is preparing for another successful work day April 22, with assistance from the community.

Local CIA directors met February 22. Eight houses have been selected for the work day and volunteers are needed. Sign-up forms are available at The Winters Enterprise, West Texas Utilities, and the Chamber of Commerce. Volunteers may also call Eva Reyna, volunteer coordinator, at 754-4571 or 754-4981 after 5 p.m.

Anyone with specific skills such as carpentry, plastering,

plumbing, electrical, painting, and roofing is desperately needed. Volunteer forms are to be returned by Wednesday, March 15.

Other areas where volunteers are needed are meal preparation, a clean up shift following the evening celebration meal, babysitting, clerical assistance, and general maintenance.

If you are unable to work on April 22, there are opportunities for addressing envelopes and providing snack foods.

The board also voted to sell CIA caps and sun visors as a fund

raiser. Red, white and green caps and visors will be available for \$10.00 each.

Last year's work day was a huge success that brought together the entire community. Approximately 270 volunteers worked together to repair six homes.

Christmas in April is a national organization whose purpose is to repair homes for handicapped, low income and disabled persons.

Volunteer for Christmas in April North Runnels, Inc. and be a part of an extremely worthwhile project.

## Runnels County Ag Day offers something for everyone Tuesday

The Tenth Annual Runnels County "Ag Day" is Tuesday, March 14, at Ballinger High School. The event is hosted by the Runnels County Crops and Home Economics Committees and the Runnels County Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

The theme this year is "Runnels County in the Changing World of Agriculture."

Programs have been planned for producers, ladies, and youth.

The Trade Show will kick off at 10:30 a.m., as well as an early-bird ladies program presented by the "Heart of Texas Cooking School."

After a complimentary lunch and at approximately 1 p.m., County Agent Mike Mauldin will welcome producers. At 1:15 p.m., Parr Rosson, Professor and Extension Economist of International Trade, will speak on "NAFTA - GATT and Texas Agriculture."

John Cargile, owner/manager of Producer Livestock will present "Opportunities for the Producers to Add Value to Their Cattle" at 2 p.m. Following at 2:20 p.m., Duery Menzies, Executive Director of the Mohair Council of America, will conduct "World Mohair Markets and Future of the Industry." President Allen Turner of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association will speak on "The See "Ag Day" pg. 10

## First Baptist to celebrate 105th anniversary with hall dedication

First Baptist Church of Winters will be hosting the dedication of the new church fellowship hall in coordination with the 105th church anniversary on Sunday, March 19, at 10:45 a.m.

Former church members, present church members, friends and relatives are invited to attend this special day.

## March 22 filing deadline for city, school elections

Wednesday, March 22, is the deadline for filing as a candidate for mayor, city councilman and school board trustee.

In the city race, districts 1 and 3 will be open as well as the mayoral position. Current Winters Mayor, Joe Gerhart, says he will not seek re-election as mayor but plans to run as a councilman. No other candidates have filed as of noon Tuesday, March 7.

In the school board election, Sealy Bryan has filed as a candidate in district 1. Incumbent Joe Pritchard has filed to run in the at-large position of district 7.

Citizens are reminded to contact city hall and the school administration office to determine eligibility for candidacy in the specific districts.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- March 9-11:30 a.m., Cancer Coalition, Brownwood
- 2:30-4:30 p.m., Commodities, Winters Multi-Purpose Center
- 6-9 p.m., ESL Class
- 7 p.m., Project Graduation, WHS Media Center
- 7-8 p.m., AA meets at 105 W. Truett
- March 10-Noon, Senior Citizens Meal
- March 12-Girl Scout Week Begins
- March 13-Noon, Senior Citizens Meal
- 6 p.m., City Council
- 7 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center
- 7 p.m., WFW & Auxiliary
- School Spring Break Begins
- March 14-10 a.m., Commissioners Court, Ballinger
- Noon, Lions Club
- 7 p.m., WVFD
- 7-8 p.m., AA meets at 105 W. Truett
- 7:30 p.m., Elm Creek Water Control
- 7:30 p.m., School Board
- Ag Day
- March 15-9 a.m.-1:30 p.m., WIC, Winters Housing Authority
- Noon, Senior Citizens Meal
- March 16-7-8 p.m., AA meets at 105 W. Truett
- Literary & Service Club

**OIL BUSINESS . . .**

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Desperation makes strange bedfellows, I suppose.

The current state of the oil patch being what it is, there have been some really unexpected things going on. In particular, the tightness of capital has caused many independents (this may be a misuse of the term) to form alliances with former rivals.

This has led to sharing information, offices, even personnel with a competitor once thought to be dangerous to a company's survival. These competitors were only just a few months ago out-bidding you for leases, making wells in areas that challenged you to drill offsets, and "tight-holing" information just to keep you a couple of steps behind them.

But, things have changed, even with oil prices being pretty steady. Efficiency is a must.

But, this is not the defining reason for the combination of once-rival companies to find new reserves.

No, it has to do with the age-old problem of producing away your assets. An oil and gas producer isn't like a manufacturer or retailer. Those businesses can just order some more stock, and their machines and buildings are their assets.

A producer's assets are his/her reserves in the ground. It is really a paradox if you think about it. A producer must produce as fast as he/she can to increase income, but, in the same motion, the assets for the future are decreased.

So, producers are just trying to keep replenishing their asset base—their oil and gas reserves. This is no different than it has been for ages in the oil patch.

The difference lies in the availability of capital for drilling and acquisition. It used to be that there were pools of investors, banks, and venture capital companies more than willing to take part in an oil deal. To be sure, there is still some money available from some of the same sources, today, but its quantity is less and it is harder to obtain.

Banks (except for a precious few) have stopped lending to independents for reserves development (except under draconian conditions like 40% loan-to-value ratios), and the doctors, lawyers, and dentists who provided large amounts of capital through investment pools during the early 1980's are gone—scared away by the bust of 1986.

Many deals are self-financed these days—either by cashflow or by equity markets.

As a result of this capital restriction, there is less room for loss. The larger the risk monetarily, the more devastating it can become for a company.

Combining with another producer to spread the risk becomes the best alternative for survival—the safest shot to replenishing reserves on the least amount of capital possible.

So, you see offsetting competitors on the same location and

in the same boardroom—discussing how they can find oil and gas to survive and how little information they can share and get by with it.

**HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY COMPLETIONS**

**Coleman County**

Fortuna Exploration has successfully re-entered the Harden #1 as a Wildcat, 1 mile S of Novice at an initial rate of 75 BOPD in the Morris (perfs 3260-68). Loc. is 2330 FWL & 1000 FNL of Sec. 17, Blk. 2, T&NO RR Sur., A-665.

**Nolan County**

Oryx Energy has completed two wells in the Nena Lucia Field (13 miles SW of Maryneal) in the Strawn Reef. The Southwest Nena Lucia Unit (SWNLU) # 1407 potentialled at 97 BOPD & 200 BWPD (perfs 6962-7128) and is loc. 2000 FWL & 800 FNL of Sec. 124, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur., A-835. The SWNLU #3823 potentialled at 74 BOPD & 601 BWPD (perfs 6958-94) and is loc. 1839 FSL & 519 FWL of Sec. 88, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur., A-1554.

**Runnels County**

Fortson Oil has completed the Belk #1 as a Wildcat (2 miles NW of Ballinger) at an initial rate of 116 BOPD & 1 BWPD in the Goen (perfs 4286-99). Loc. is 915 FWL & 150 FNL of Lge. 440, Lbr. 19, T. Fowler Sur., A-177.

**Taylor County**

Holden Oil & Gas has completed a re-entry in the W.H. Frazier #3 in the Reddin-Frazier Field (7 miles NE of Merkel) at an initial rate of 61 BOPD & 182 BWPD in an unidentified zone (perfs 2412-14). Loc. is 1800 FSL & 330 FWL of Sec. 26, Blk. 17, T&PRR Sur., A-824.

TKP Petroleum has completed the Proctor #1 in the Lake Abilene Field (2 miles NW of Buffalo Gap) at an initial rate of 15 BOPD & 30 BWPD in the "4000" sand (perfs 3896-3904). Loc. is 1528 FNL & 330 FWL of J.T. McComas Sur.

**STAKINGS**

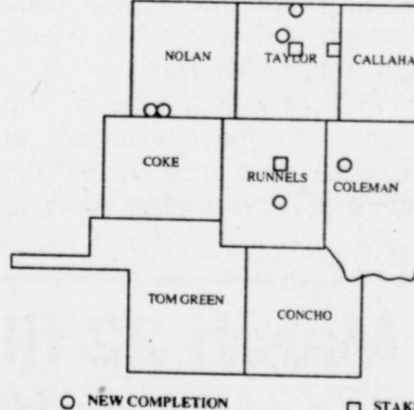
**Runnels County**

Pioneer Energy has staked the Milliff #1 in the West Ballinger Field, 9 miles S of Winters (Depth 4700). Loc. is 339 FNL & 3558 FWL of Sec. 530-5/8, J.A. Rich Sur., A-414.

**Taylor County**

Barbee has staked the Shotwell-Robinson #2 in the Cholla Field, 5 miles NE of Tuscola (Depth 2300). Loc. is 2250 FNL & 1150 FWL of W. Smith Sur., A-517.

Sojourner Drilling has staked the Perini -B- #4 in the Kirby Field, 1 mile SW of Buffalo Gap (Depth 2500). Loc. is 650 FWL & 2343 FNL of J.T. McComas Sur.



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**Auxiliary held potluck supper for firemen**

The Winters Firemen's Auxiliary met February 28, 1995, holding a potluck supper for all firemen and their families. Hostesses for the meeting were Jill Bredemeyer, Dawn Green, and Teresa Davis.

Discussion was held on the upcoming fire convention to be held April 1 in Brady. Firemen and their families will be attending the convention and participating in the pumper races. The Auxiliary would like to show their appreciation to Larry's Auto Express, Flowers Etc., and Casa Cabana for donating door prizes for their Valentine drawing. Linda Dry was the lucky winner. The next meeting of the Auxiliary will be March 28.

Firemen and their families present were Marvin Bedford; Christy Lindley; Robert and Rhonda Cook, Aaron and Kevin; Ramond and Debra Lindsey, Darci and Teri; Robert and Misty Doty, Melissa; Jack and Teresa Davis, Jennifer and Brandon; Wayne and Dawn Green, Amber and Allan; Rodrick and Jill Bredemeyer, Lori and Leah; and Bobby and June Blackwood.

**Big birds are migrating**

In response to the "Big Bird Alert" printed in *The Winters Enterprise* of February 23, Dr. Terry Maxwell, ASU ornithologist and instructor, reports.....

Sandhill cranes are nesting in this area, as well as the Big Spring area, and, at this time, are migrating to North America and Siberia.

It's not unusual to see the cranes traveling in multiples as they move from one place to another.

Call 754-4958 to place an ad

**Obituary**

**Elder Ray Bahlman**

OLNEY—Elder Ray Bahlman, 65, formerly of Winters, died Thursday, March 2, 1995, at his residence.

He was born May 4, 1929, in Gonzales and moved to Drasco in 1930. He lived there until 1986, moving to Graham then to Olney.

Mr. Bahlman was a farmer and a member of the First United Methodist Church in Winters.

Survivors include a brother, George Bahlman of Littlefield, and several cousins, nephews, and nieces.

Graveside services were held Monday, March 6, at Lakeview Cemetery with Reverend Mike Madden officiating. Burial followed under the direction of Winters Funeral Home.

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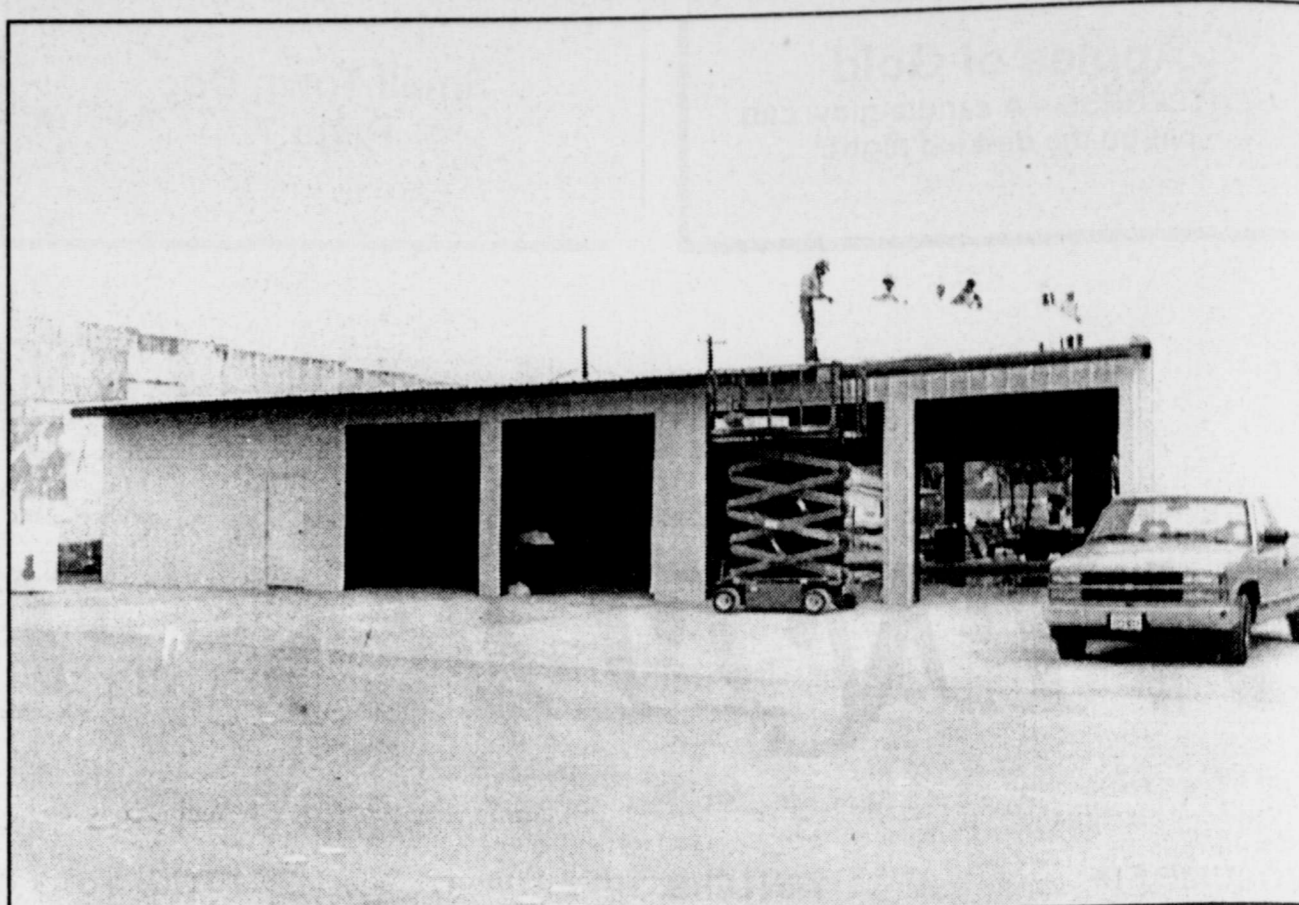
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**WORK CONTINUES** on the new fire station on Main Street. The Winters Volunteer Fire Department is still in desperate need of funds to complete the construction. Firemen are selling chances to win a new bass fishing boat or \$15,000 cash. Tickets are \$100 each and the drawing will be May 6.

**Commodities to be distributed**

Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. will distribute USDA Commodities at the Winters Multi-Purpose Center, 601 West Pierce, on Thursday, March 9, 1995, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

CTO has no control over what items are available or the quantity of the items. Allocations of all commodities depend on the availability of food items from USDA.

All eligible persons will receive this emergency food assistance without regard to race, sex, age, political beliefs, national origin and/or handicap. Shut-ins are encouraged to designate an authorized representative to pick up for them. Commodities will be distributed on a first come/first served basis.

Volunteers are greatly needed and appreciated to help with this much-needed program.



**FOURTH GRADE STUDENT STACIE WALDEN WAS RECOGNIZED** by WVFD Chief Johnny Merrill (left) for her Fire Prevention Poster. Stacie received first place for her efforts. The poster will enter competition at the Hill Country Firemen's Convention in April.

**Monthly call report of the Winters Volunteer Fire Department**

Members of the Winters Volunteer Fire Department responded to five emergency calls during the month of February, 1995, as reported by Rodrick Bredemeyer, recording secretary for WVFD:

- February 2 1:00 p.m. Grass fire at Nancy Spill's, 6 miles southeast of Winters. Dispatched one truck.
- February 6 2:45 p.m. Car fire at First State Bank parking lot on South Main. Dispatched one truck.
- February 13 11:30 a.m. Gas pump leak at south Wes-T-GO. Dispatched one truck.
- February 20 1:00 p.m. Grass fire at D.J. Goetz's, 5 miles southeast of Winters. Dispatched one truck.
- February 27 1:30 p.m. Hay and pickup fire at Emily Pendergrass', 6 miles northwest of Winters. Dispatched one truck.

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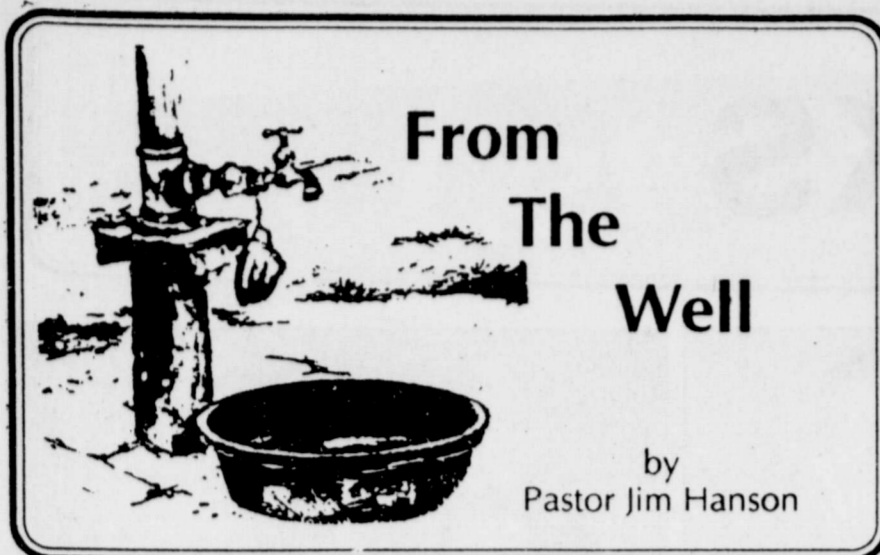
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**Senior Citizens Activity Center Menu**  
March 13 thru March 17  
Subject to change  
Monday, March 13: Chili, pinto beans, salad, cornbread, and rice pudding.  
Wednesday, March 15: Liver & onions, potatoes, broccoli, hot rolls, and Mexican wedding cake.  
Friday, March 17: Happy St. Patrick's Day! Green beef enchiladas, green beans, green Jello salad, Irish cornbread, and St. Patrick's Day cake.

As I write remembrance marks the b those church each Sunday salvation du celebrations cost.  
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**From The Well**

by Pastor Jim Hanson

As I write this column today, my well is bubbling up with many remembrances. For this day is Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. Lent is a season of the church year for those churches that follow definite assigned texts from Scripture for each Sunday of the year. The purpose is to cover the whole story of salvation during the year, Sunday by Sunday. Focusing on the three big celebrations of the Christian church — Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost.

Lent was so important to me as a young boy. It is the 40 week days prior to Easter, in remembrance of the 40 days of the temptation of Jesus in the wilderness, and focuses on the saving act of Jesus in his suffering and death on the cross. For me, as a child, it meant evening services, every Wednesday. A shorter service, with the sun setting outside and candle-glow on the inside.

The hymns we sang were old favorites: "Beneath the Cross of Jesus," "Just As I Am," "The Old Rugged Cross," "In The Cross of Christ I Glory." There was a kind of holy hush in the church. People walked in more softly, and if there was any talking prior to the service, it was in whispers, not much louder than the whirl of angels' wings. The organ was played in subdued tones. This was a holy time, when we were called upon to remember Jesus, his great act of love for us — the supreme sacrifice. What theologians called the mystery of our redemption.

The sermons were not bombastic! My father's sermons were always best in the evening during Lent. Everybody knew why we were having services. To hear, over and over again, in story after story, what Jesus did. My heart was filled with child-like faith as I heard the old, old story of Jesus and His love. When we sang, "Were you there when they crucified my Lord?", I was almost ready to say "yes," because the words of Scripture interpreted and repeated by my father, brought me there.

I could see the look on Judas' face when he betrayed our Lord. I could hear Peter's denial of the Lord he loved. I could sense the cowardice of Pilate as he washed his hands of the whole affair. I saw the crowd pressing together and I could hear them shout "Crucify Him." I felt the hurt when the whip snapped into the flesh of His back, the pain when they pressed the crown of thorns on His head, and the weight of the cross He had to carry up the hill to Calvary. I was there — transported back in time from that church in Brookings, South Dakota, to the place beneath the cross.

It was painful for this little boy's heart. How could they do it? It was so unfair. He never killed anyone. He didn't lie, or cheat, or steal, or gossip, or curse, or commit adultery, or covet. He lived a perfect life — a life of obedience to God and love for all people. And then there came the time when my father quoted Jesus. His first word from the cross, "Father, forgive them, they don't know what they are doing." That's why — they didn't know what they were doing.

I still love Lent. I suppose I'd have Wednesday night services during those 40 days even if nobody else came. Because I need to hear Jesus' answer to all the evil stuff that folks do to each other, "they don't know what they are doing." And, more important, to hear His solution to all of it, "Father, forgive them," and know that it's not only for the others, but most of all for me. Thank God for Lent.

**TSTC representatives to meet with Business and Industrial Corporation**

The Winters Area Business and Industrial Corporation met Wednesday, March 1.

The resignation of Joe Frank Guajardo was accepted; Larry Reed was welcomed as a new board member.

In beginning business, the Board accepted plans for a brochure, geared toward retirement and recreation, to be distributed to tourist bureaus and Chamber of Commerce offices. Total costs will be \$650 for 5000.

A survey conducted by WABIC showed that there is a need for young adults/children's activities. The City of Winters will be approached about the possibility of various organizations using the Community Center once a month to give local youth something to do.

Texas State Technical College in Sweetwater was pleased with the recent scholarship establishment and would like to consider other ideas. After reviewing the

WABIC survey, TSTC is interested in meeting with the Board, and anyone else interested, and are considering offering night classes in Winters. A future meeting date will be announced after contact.

Dry Manufacturing has added a new "elbow line" creating approximately 11 new jobs.

Construction on the school cafeteria is progressing.

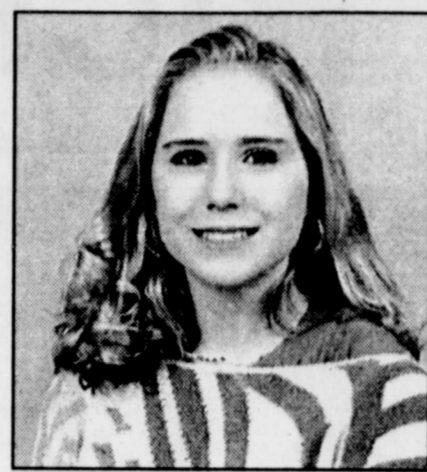
Problems in lack of available housing, both rental and purchase, will be studied and reported on at a later date.

Concerns of high property values in Winters will be addressed to Texas Midwest Community Network at Austin.

With no other business, members adjourned.

Present were Mac Sayles, Nelan Bahlman, Larry Reed, Gary Moore, Charles Bahlman, Larry Suit, Archie Jobe, Jim Hanson, Tommy Russell, Randall Conner, and Tommy Lancaster.

**Granddaughter will tour England as participant in SBC youth choir**



Melissa Oden, granddaughter of T.J. and Wennie Oden of Blackwell and Jon and LaVoy McNeill of Wingate, has been chosen to participate in the 1995 Southern Baptist Convention Youth Hymnody Heritage Tour to England and Scotland from June 18 through July 1.

Concerts are planned in Scotland at Glasgow, and in England at Grantham, Nottingham, Cambridge University, Oxford, Coventry, London, Epsom, and Tonbridge.

The youth choir will also sing at the 150th anniversary celebration of the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) at the Georgia Dome in Atlanta.

Ms. Oden, a junior student at Albany High School, was notified several months ago that she had been selected as a member of the elite choir, and has already begun raising her own funding for the trip. Choir members must raise the entire amount of the tour cost plus any spending money. The cost of the 14-day trip is \$2,209.

The vocalist was initially contacted by the SBC music department because she had participated

in the Texas Baptist Youth Choir last year. She was asked to send in an audition tape and was one of 16 Texas youths picked for the nationwide 150-member choir.

Among Melissa's accomplishments are the 1993 lead role in "Meet Me in St. Louis" and portrayal of "Calamity Jane" in the same Albany musical. As a member of the TBAS, she was chosen to sing solo in a talent show.

In February, as a member of the Texas Music Educators All-Regional Choir, she received a Division I rating on her solo and will travel to Austin in May to compete at the state level. At Albany, she was crowned as Choir Sweetheart.

She advanced to regional in UIL Academics and the One-Act Play, making All-Star Cast at both district and area.

Ms. Oden is a member of the National Honor Society and the Varsity Volley Ball Team, which is also advancing to area competition this year.

She is active in the Friendship Baptist Church and will travel to Mexico during Spring Break on a mission trip.

Melissa is the daughter of Joe and Jan Oden.

**Cancer Coalition to meet March 9**

The next meeting for Sub-Region 5 of the Big Country Cancer Coalition will be Thursday, March 9, 1995, at 11:30 a.m. in the Administrative Conference Room of the Brownwood Regional Medical Center.

Bring lunch and join members for an update on the "Travel and Lodge" project and the "Speakers Bureau".

**WIC guidelines to change April 1**

WIC is a special supplemental food program for women, infants, and children. Nutrition classes, breastfeeding help, healthy foods, referrals, and free immunizations are offered.

To be eligible for WIC you must be pregnant, be a breastfeeding mom, or be a woman who has had a baby in the last six months. Infants and children up to age five are also eligible. In addition, you must be a resident of Texas and meet income guidelines.

New income guidelines for WIC participants take effect April 1. The guidelines are as follows:

Family Size	Monthly Income	Annual Income
1	\$1,135	\$13,616
2	\$1,517	\$18,204
3	\$1,900	\$22,792
4	\$2,282	\$27,380
5	\$2,664	\$31,968
6	\$3,047	\$36,556

WIC representatives are in Winters the first and third Wednesday of each month at the Winters Housing Authority from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

For more information, please contact the Ballinger office on Tuesday or Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at (915) 365-5925.

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**Richard Lee honored for graduation**

Richard Lee, recent graduate of Texas State Technical College of Sweetwater, was honored with a surprise party on Monday night, the 27th of February, at the O.D. Reed home on Valley Creek.

The serving table was centered with a cap and diploma, along with a cake decorated with cap, diploma, and computer.

Enjoying the evening of Canasta, Eighty-Four, and Chicken Foot Dominoes was Dub Davis, Pee Wee and Kat Hope, Maurine Davis, Hortie Joyce, Estella Bredemeyer, W.T. and Betty Colburn, L.W. and Ellen Kettler, Joyce Bahlman, Alise Middleton, Rick and Gloria Cobb, Oneta Williams, Mike and Joanna Madden, Hazel Badgett, Larry and Sue Reed, G.W. and Flo Scott, Robert Reed, Leslie and Jonathan Cobb, the honoree Richard, and host and hostesses Bonnie Lee, Mamie Dell, and Ozzie Reed.

On Saturday, the 25th, The Shed operated by Betty and Hollis Dean, had a celebration and going away party for Richard. Richard had been employed at The Shed while attending T.S.T.C. in Sweetwater. Employees, friends, and family attended to wish him "Good Luck."

Richard will pursue work in the Computer field in Austin.

**Poe's Corner**

by Charlsie Poe



**Home Remedies**

When the nearest doctor lived many miles away, folks were forced to rely on their own knowledge to treat a wide variety of ailments. Most families had a "doctor book" of some fashion, usually handwritten, that contained instruction for home treatment.

The early doctors practiced without benefit of hospitals and there were no nurses; neighbors came in to help care for the sick. During a scarlet fever epidemic, my grandfather, Dr. Cooke, drove many miles in his buggy to sit up all night with the seriously ill.

Without telephones in Winters, when illness was reported it was the duty of the storekeeper to saddle his horses and ride for the doctor. Sometimes it was very difficult to find the doctor as he might go on to another patient, so he would be gone for several days on a call.

There was little medicine to prescribe, but one of grandpa's favorite remedies was Simra tea. Sometimes Black Draught and epsom salts were prescribed. He never mentioned castor oil.

One patient wanted to know what she could do to improve her complexion, and he suggested a few drops of carbolic acid in the water would bleach her skin. If a few drops were good, she thought a lot more would be better, with the result that she really had a "new face."

Grandma was a good nurse and she had some remedies of her own. If she or any of us had a cold she made some hot lemonade by boiling the lemon, peeling and all, then had us drink it. She saw to it that "doctor" took his medicine. He would fuss and fume and say, "Medicine was to give, not to take."

I can remember when my sister, Gladys, and I were small. We woke up sometimes with the

"croup" and we couldn't talk. We were given a teaspoon of sugar with a few drops of turpentine in it. A poultice of maderia vines was made by crushing the leaves of the plant and placing it on a cloth. This was used when we had sore eyes.

Hallie Sims says it is wasp season, we had better get out the bluing. Lillian Eubanks says that vinegar is good also for wasp or bee stings. Her grandmother made a poultice of vinegar and salt on brown paper and tied it around a sprain — and it worked. She had another remedy of dusting snuff on ringworms.

Verline Anthis wishes often for her mother's earache remedy. In summer, save some peach kernels; when dry, crack with a hammer and remove the soft inside. Chip it in little pieces and fry it in butter. It will jell. In time of an earache, drop two or three drops in ear and plug with cotton.

Another handy remedy that mother used, said Verline, is that for a nail puncture. Take one tablespoon of sugar and one of kerosene. Place on a cloth and put around the puncture. Fasten securely and leave for several hours.

For this remedy, take one large onion, peel and slice into bowl. Add three tablespoons of sugar and let it set over night. The next morning, take one tablespoon of juice for coughs. Verline says it will kill or cure you.

Edna England has an old-time medical book that she says her father lived by. Some of the front pages are gone, but the preface says, "These pages embody the wisdom and experience, and best results of years of practical observation of prominent and enlightened physicians, upon the simplest and most effectual methods of promoting health, overcoming disease, and prolonging life."

**Notice**  
the office of  
**Dr. Tommy L. Russell, DDS**  
will be closed during Spring Break  
**Monday, March 13, thru Friday, March 17, 1995.**  
Dr. Russell will be attending Continuing Education Courses.

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- Dr Pepper Museum is in this town
- TXism: "got the morals" alley cat
- Presidio was TX gold & silver source
- Dallas' 214 code
- the 1st to speak from the moon to Houston
- Antonio or Jacinto
- TX Foreman cut
- TX Bush's choice for Supreme Justice (init.)
- race at TX Oatmeal Festival: \_\_\_\_\_Thon
- Houston Post VIP
- its seat is Dimmitt
- Maverick Tarpley's former Greek club: \_\_\_\_\_ Salonica
- TXism: "two \_\_\_\_\_ in a pod" (alike)
- Henry Wade's job when he prosecuted Jack Ruby (abbr.)
- TXism: "numerous as \_\_\_\_\_ TX"
- State \_\_\_\_\_ of Texas
- first name of 4-down
- TXism: "you \_\_\_\_\_ death warmed over"
- TX perennial
- 49ers to Cowboys
- bundled hay
- UT-Dallas Polykarp Kusch won \_\_\_\_\_ Prize in physics (55)
- TX George Jones' "He Stopped Loving Her \_\_\_\_\_" (80)
- Morales' job (abbr.)
- TXism: "suits me to a fare-\_\_\_\_\_well"
- Astro mistakes
- TX Parrot's group: "United \_\_\_\_ Stand"
- TX Stadium is open-\_\_\_\_\_
- Eve's "running mate"
- TX Strait's "When Did You Stop \_\_\_\_\_"
- TX A.J. Foyt: 1st 4-time winner of \_\_\_\_\_ 500
- TXism: "hog \_\_\_\_\_" (pistol)
- Sam Houston's last wife: Margaret
- TX Parrot's old company
- national gun group
- Ty Cobb & Ping Bodie came to blows in Dallas' \_\_\_\_\_ Hotel
- Charley & Guy: \_\_\_\_\_ creators of the Texas Crossword
- TXism: "down in the mouth"
- TXism: "ain't \_\_\_\_\_ particular where he spits"
- Dublin h.s. class
- TX town is a backward "Walker"
- "\_\_\_\_\_ a silly question" bucket
- TX Debbie Reynolds "Say One \_\_\_\_\_"
- Harris \_\_\_\_\_ tem ranks TX h.s. football
- Tony Dorsett "Fame" site: Canton, \_\_\_\_\_
- Johnson Space Ctr. tour transport
- TXism: "hearin' footsteps"
- '88 seller of Big Bend area: Humble Oil \_\_\_\_\_ Co.
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ that like a duck needs an umbrella"

**DOWN**

- today Denton's TWU is less of a \_\_\_\_\_
- TXism: "exciting as \_\_\_\_\_ the IRS office"
- TX Gene Watson's "Raisin" \_\_\_\_\_ TX
- 14-year-old TX of film "Mighty Ducks"
- Delon of "Texas Across the River"
- TX has 50 species of \_\_\_\_\_ & mice
- C & W music label
- to Tyler from Paris
- TX King Vidor's \_\_\_\_\_ "A Tree"
- DPS speed gun
- Rockets Thorpe
- Fort Worth's \_\_\_\_\_ Colonial
- Houston's \_\_\_\_\_ Tire & Rubber Co.
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Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

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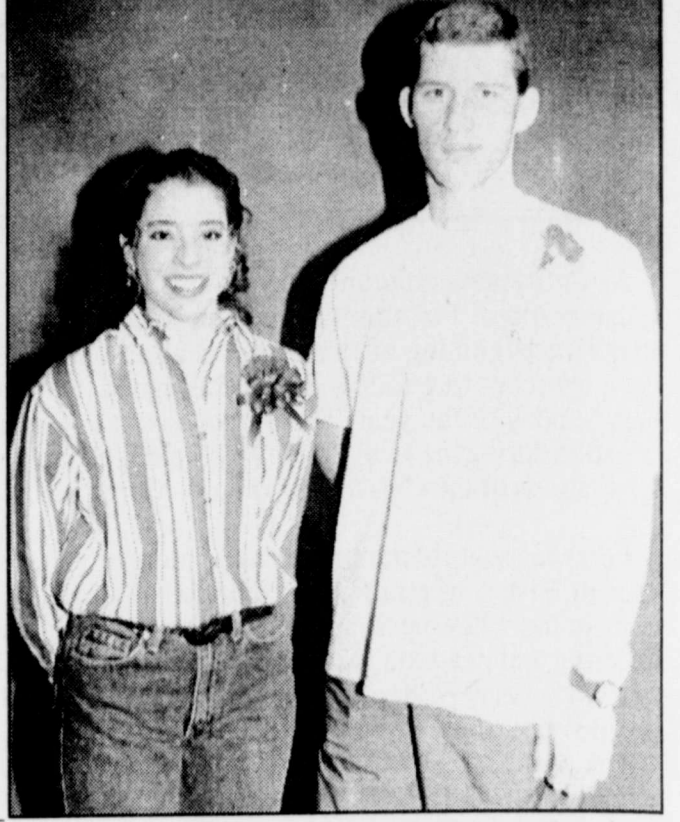
**MOST ATHLETIC**  
Brooke Killough & Cody Whittenberg



**MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED**  
LisAnne Smith & Heath Watkins



**MOST SCHOOL SPIRITED**  
Jamie Sims & Chane Reagan



**FRIENDLIEST**  
Jamie Brown & Scott Kozelsky

## Student Council members attended Spring Convention

The Winters High School Student Council sent 13 members to Abilene Wednesday, March 1, to the Spring District Student Council Convention held at McMurry Student Center. Twenty-one schools were represented with a total of 37 in attendance.

The Convention theme was "The Circle of Life." The morning session consisted of a political rally for those schools running for district office. Students and sponsors also enjoyed hearing feature speaker, Mr. Charles Hundley, superintendent of the Abilene I.S.D.

The Winters Student Council was recognized for their SMILE project—a drug prevention/awareness program entitled "Substances Mar Important Life Experiences."

Those attending from Winters were Chane Reagan, Rachel Edwards, Marcie Pritchard, Janabeth Bryan, Michael Pritchard, Ida Arezmeendi, Kathy Torres, Virginia Horton, Zane Crouch, Adela Fernandez, Amanda Collom, Lawanda Rainey, Lori Jobe, and sponsor Laura Dees.

## School to dismiss for Spring Break

Students and faculty of Winters Independent School District will observe Spring Break the week of March 13 through March 17. No classes will be conducted. Classes resume at the regularly scheduled time on Monday, March 20.

## Band members receive excellent ratings at Region

Twenty-three members of the 1994-95 Blizzard Band attended the Region VII Solo and Ensemble Contest Saturday, February 18th, on the campus of San Angelo State University.

All received excellent ratings, with participation in six solos and three ensembles.

## WHS girls' golf team wins first place at Hamlin tourney

The varsity Lady Blizzard golf team finished in first place with a score of 447 at the Hamlin High School golf tournament Monday. Team members who participated and their scores were Brandi Gray with 103, Gayla Clough with 111, Lacy Torres 113, Michelle Gonzales with 120, and Julie Lancaster with 140. The team is coached by Robin Byrd.

**PLAY '95**

March 9—Merkel, 4:30 p.m., Here, G

March 10—Eula, 4:30 p.m., There, G

March 13—Hawley (DH), 1:00 p.m., Here, JVB

March 13—Jim Ned, 4:30 p.m., Here, G

V.B. - Varsity Boys Baseball  
 J.V.B. - Junior Varsity Boys Baseball  
 G - Girls Softball

## College scholarships are available

Each year individuals preparing to go to college or graduate school face the dilemma of how to pay for tuition, room & board, text books, lab fees, and other expenses. That's because college costs have skyrocketed and continue to increase yearly, putting extra strain on family budgets and assets.

Yet there are over 375,000 funding sources available to assist these students. Contrary to popular belief over 80% of the funds available to students do not depend on family need or high grades. Many are based on factors such as the student's interests, hobbies, academic focus, age, ethnic background or parent's work or military service.

Remarkably over \$6.6 billion of this funding goes uncollected each year simply because people do not ask for it, according to a report by the National Commission on Student Financial Aid. Now a new academic funding publication, updated for 1995 is available to help step students through the process and to outline their options and identify sources for assistance.

For information on how to receive academic funding and scholarships send a No. 10 self addressed, double stamped envelope plus \$2.00 to cover handling to the National Academic Funding Administration, 815 Middle Street, Suite 1300, Portsmouth, NH 03801.

## ESL classes cancelled for Spring Break

English as a Second Language (ESL) classes for March 13 and March 16 have been cancelled in conjunction with Spring Break. Classes resume Monday, March 20, at 6 p.m.

## Deadline for Poetry Contest is March 31

The National Library of Poetry has announced that \$24,000 in prizes will be awarded this year to over 250 poets in the North American Open Poetry Contest. The deadline for the contest is March 31, 1995. The contest is open to everyone and entry is FREE.

To enter, send one original poem, any subject and any style, to the National Library of Poetry, 11419 Cronridge Dr., P.O. Box 704-1983, Owings Mills, MD 21117. The poem should be no more than 20 lines, and the poet's name and address should appear on the top of the page. Entries must be postmarked by March 31, 1995.

A new contest opens April 1, 1995.

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Rubber Bands	box	.79
Legal Pads	each	1.29
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9" x 12" Clasp Envelopes	each	.15
Note Cards, 3" x 5"	package (100)	.79
Note Cards, 4" x 6"	package (100)	.89
Rolodex Cards	package (100)	.99
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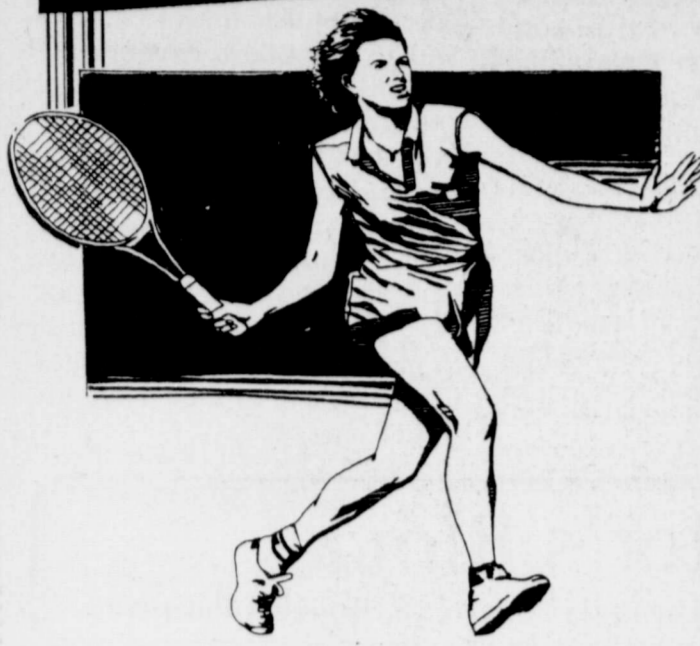
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# Let The Games Begin!



Team: Junior Varsity Baseball Coach: Ed Henley  
 Date & place of game: Feb. 25, 1995—Jim Ned Tourney  
 Opponent: Coahoma  
 Winning pitcher: McHugh  
 Winning catcher:  
 Losing pitcher: Tim Hilliard  
 Losing catcher: Moore  
 Key plays: HR Marshall Scates, 2B Dennis Conner, 3B

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	4	7	1
OPONENT	6	3	2

Team: Junior Varsity Baseball Coach: Ed Henley  
 Date & place of game: Feb. 25, 1995—Jim Ned Tourney  
 Opponent: Merkel  
 Winning pitcher: Wade  
 Winning catcher:  
 Losing pitcher: Nitsch  
 Losing catcher:  
 Key plays: HR 2B Justin Minzenmayer, 3B

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	0	3	0
OPONENT	10	3	1

Coach's comments: Too many base on balls.

Team: Junior Varsity Baseball Coach: Ed Henley  
 Date & place of game: Feb. 23, 1995—Jim Ned Tourney  
 Opponent: Hawley  
 Winning pitcher: Shane Lewallen  
 Winning catcher:  
 Losing pitcher: Stephens  
 Losing catcher:  
 Key plays: HR 2B Marshall Scates 3B

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	14	11	2
OPONENT	13	9	4

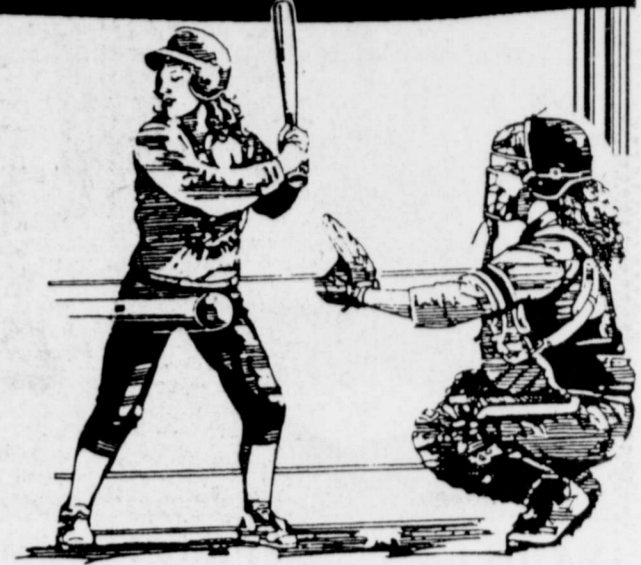
Coach's comments: Travis Calcote - 2 for 2 (1 RBI); Lorenzo Castillo - 2 for 3 (3 RBI).

## 1995 WHS Golf Schedule

- March 2....Hamlin....Boys
- March 6....Hamlin....Girls
- March 20....Anson....Boys
- March 23....Anson....Girls
- March 29....Coahoma.... Boys & Girls
- April 5....Big Spring....District Tournament
- April 12....Abilene....District Tournament
- April 24-26....Abilene....Regional Tournament



LADY BLIZZARD SOFTBALL team members are (left to right, standing) coach Beth Wortham, Jennifer Davis, Alina Briley, Amy Heathcott, Cristi Burton, Christy Calcote, Raquel Luz, Brooke Killough, Marcie Pritchard, Rachel Edwards, coach Chris Wilde. Front row Karen Oats, Addie Wilkerson, Lacy Torres, Stephanie Flores, Mande Hale, and Alisa Presley.

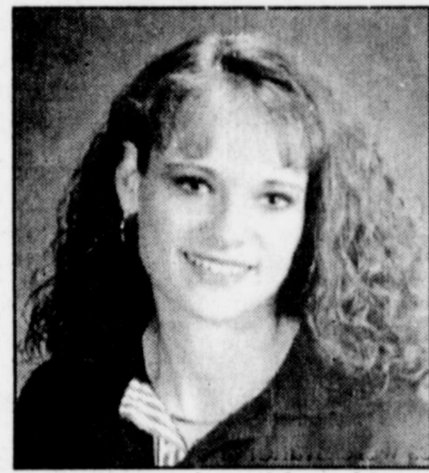


Team: Varsity Baseball Coach: Charles Murphy  
 Date & place of game: February 28, 1995—Hamlin  
 Opponent: Hamlin  
 Winning pitcher: Ricky Bishop  
 Winning catcher: Luke Wyatt  
 Losing pitcher: Hargrave  
 Losing catcher: Moore  
 Key plays: HR 2B 3 3B

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	18	13	4
OPONENT	10	8	5

Coach's comments: We played much better this time out. We got 13 hits and made 4 errors. This was a 4-hour marathon game played under adverse conditions (cold and windy). We made a lot of routine plays. Jerry Esquivel and Ricky Bishop combined for a good job on the mound.

## Rachel Edwards to participate in National Young Leaders Conference in Washington



Rachel Edwards, a senior at Winters High School, the daughter of Murray and Kathi Edwards, will travel to Washington D.C. the week of March 12-19 to participate in the National Young Leaders Conference. Rachel was selected by WHS English/Language Arts teacher Laura Dees.

The National Young Leaders conference is a unique leadership development program for high school students who have demonstrated leadership potential and scholastic merit. These students will be among 350 scholars attending the Conference from across the United States.

The theme of the National Young Leaders Conference is "The Leaders of Tomorrow Meeting the Leaders of Today." Throughout the six-day conference, scholars interact with key leaders and newsmakers from the three branches of government, the media and the diplomatic corps.

Highlights of the program include welcoming remarks from the Floor of the United States House of Representatives and a panel discussion with prominent journalists at the National Press Club. Scholars visit foreign embassies and receive policy briefings from senior government officials. Scholars may also meet with their Senator and Representative or an appointed member of their staff to discuss important issues facing Winters and the nation.

To complement these special meetings and briefings, scholars participate in a number of leadership skill-building activities. In one activity, "Foreign Policy and the President", students role-play the President, members of the Cabinet, and representatives from Capitol Hill who must respond to an international crisis in North Korea. Culminating the National Young Leaders Conference is the "Model Congress," in which scholars assume the roles of United States Representatives by debating, amending, and voting on proposed legislation on crime.

The National Young Leaders Conference is sponsored by the congressional Youth Leadership Council, a non-profit, non-partisan educational organization. Founded in 1985, the council is committed to "fostering and inspiring young people to achieve their full leadership potential."

Over 300 members of the United States Congress join this commitment as members of the Council's Honorary Congressional Board of Advisors. Each year, only 7,000 outstanding youth nationwide may participate in the 20 sessions of the National Young Leaders Conference.

"The conference provides the opportunity for students, like Ms. Edwards, to distinguish themselves as tomorrow's leaders," said John Hines, Council Executive Director. "Scholars not only gain knowledge and experience in the nation's capital, they leave with a sense of accomplishment and an increased ability to face the challenges of the future."

## Erika Vega's stats omitted in error

Erika Vega's season statistics were inadvertently omitted from the Lady Blizzards' article in last week's edition.

Erika averaged 5.1 ppg, 3.8 rebounds, 1.8 assist, and 2.4 steals. The 5'8" junior was named to the All-district Second Team.

**GO BLIZZARDS!**

## 1995 GIRLS SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE
March 3	Clyde	Clyde
March 9	Merkel	Winters
March 10	Eula	Eula
March 13	Jim Ned	Winters
March 18	Hawley	Winters
March 20	Open	
March 24	Wylie	Wylie
March 28	Clyde	Winters
April 1	Merkel	Merkel
April 3	Eula	Winters
April 7	Jim Ned	Tuscola
April 10	Hawley	Hawley

All games begin at 4:30 p.m. until Daylight Savings Time begins on April 3, then start time will be 5 p.m.

## 1995 Varsity Track Schedule

Date	Meet	Team
March 4	Goldthwaite	Boys
March 11	Anson	Boys/Girls
March 18	Mason	Girls
March 24-25	San Angelo Relays	Boys
March 24-25	All American City Classic /Abilene	Girls
March 31	Wall	Girls
April 1	Jim Ned	Boys
April 8	Haskell	Boys/Girls
April 13	District/Jim Ned	Boys/Girls



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MAYOR JOE GERHART PROCLAIMS March 12-18, 1995, as Girl Scout Week in Winters. Left to right, Amanda Ripple, Troop #163; Jessica Meyer, Troop #180; Briana Parramore, Troop #179; Mayor Gerhart; Heather Martin, Troop #162; and Kimberly Sartor, Troop #162, anticipate the week-long celebration of the 83rd birthday of Girl Scouting.

**Proclamation**


Whereas, March 12, 1995, is the 83rd anniversary of the founding of Girl Scouts of the U.S.A., the largest voluntary organization for girls in the world;

Whereas, Girl Scouting is a vital organization for girls who are growing up, enabling them to develop self-esteem and leadership skills, and providing an atmosphere of warm and true friendship;

Whereas, the Girl Scout program not only reflects the enduring values and standards that have been part of the organization since 1912, but also lends itself to the special and unique situation of girls in the 1990s;

Whereas, Girl Scouts of all ages have made important contributions to the life of this, our own home community;

Now, Therefore, I, Joe Gerhart, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Winters, hereby proclaim March 12-18, 1995, Girl Scout Week in Winters and thus, do urge the citizens of Winters to support in every way the activities and endeavors of Girl Scouts.



**County athletes take first & third place honors at tournament**

The Area 14 Special Olympics Basketball Tournament was played in the Ballinger Junior and High School gyms on Saturday, March 14.

Runnels County Reds, athletes from Ballinger and Winters, hosted the tournament. Ballinger High School Principal Larry Howe was master of ceremonies, and Jimmy Stubblefield, jr. high principal, gave the welcome. Charles Kidwell, Winters High School principal, led the athletes in the Special Olympics oath. Dick Reeder led the prayer; Miss Christa Grower led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Miss Julie Riley led the National Anthem. The athletes presented the torch run.

Nine teams were entered in competition with 100 athletes from Runnels County, San Angelo, Abilene, and Odessa. The Reds girls team won the first place trophy and gold medals in their division. Reds boys teams won a third place trophy and bronze medals. For individual skills,

**CAP students to take projects to State competition**

CAP High School students traveled to Killeen to participate in the District 10 VICA competition on February 24, 1995. Students had entries in Graphic Communication and Welding projects.

The welding team scored 100 on a deer feeder featuring a winch system for hoisting the feed barrel to a height of 10 feet. Cross braces lend support of the barrel when loaded with feed. It also featured a feed funnel inside the barrel for emptying the entire contents of the barrel to the spincase feed distributor. It is possible to assemble and disassemble the entire feeder in 2 to 3 minutes for easy transport. The team received a blue ribbon qualifying them for state competition in Dallas on March 29, 1995. The team is composed of Bobby Sears, Cory Simms, Raul Ochoa, and Adam Tamez with Mr. Paul Martin as sponsor.

Students entering the Graphic Communication projects which received blue ribbons making them eligible for state competition in Dallas were: Wendy Bowden with an annual cover, Richard Brown with a business card, Luis Delgadillo with a business card, Richard Diaz with a business card, Tabitha Dobbins with an annual cover, Brandon Griffin with an annual cover, Latasha Railsback with business

**Learn To Drive Safely—Even In Rainy Weather**

(NAPS)—Besides lush flowers, spring rains often bring hazardous driving conditions. "Slow your speed" is the National Safety Council's primary rainy weather message for drivers. Experts at Shell Motorist Club (SMC) urge drivers to refresh their wet weather driving skills to help prevent roadway mishaps and accidents.



Safety recommendations for wet weather driving include:

- Increase distance between vehicles. Allow two car lengths for every ten miles per hour of speed.
- Avoid sudden moves with the steering wheel, brakes or accelerator to reduce the chances of a skid.
- Watch out for hydroplaning. Hydroplaning means your vehicle's tires are riding on a thin layer of water and have no contact with the road surface. If this happens, take your foot off the accelerator. As you slow, your tires will cut through the water, grip the road and give you control again.
- Move slowly through deep water. Lightly pump your brakes to test them. If they are wet, shift into low gear and drive slowly holding the brakes on lightly until they dry.
- Keep headlights, taillights clean. Mud sprayed from the road can cut their lighting power considerably.
- Join an automobile club. Auto clubs provide towing and road service benefits to assist drivers who are stranded by high water or involved in breakdowns or accidents.

**Girl Scouting celebrates 83rd birthday on March 12**

by LANA WEBB, Community Relations Director  
Heart of Texas Girl Scout Council, Inc.

In a world where newspaper headlines are filled with words such as "rioting," "famine," "child abuse," and "cocaine," it is heartening to be reminded that Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. is with us — and celebrating its 83rd year. If we were writing headlines about Girl Scouting, these are the kind of words we would use: "values," "leadership," and "growth."

On March 12, 1912, a remarkable woman named Juliette Gordon Low decided that what the girls of the United States needed was an organization of their own — an organization where they could learn skills, develop self-esteem and have a wonderful time.

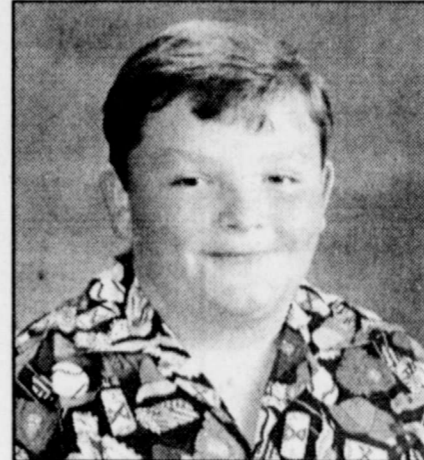
From those first 18 Girl Scouts have grown the largest voluntary organization for girls in the world. Today more than three million girls and adults share the experience of Girl Scouting.

Over the years, Girl Scouting has proved itself to be a highly flexible organization. While dedicated to those enduring values that have always been at the heart of the movement, today's Girl Scouts are as up-to-date as tomorrow.

When Juliette Gordon Low founded the Girl Scouts she did not envision the world of the 1990s with its drug abuse, environmental perils, and the need for racial and ethnic understanding. However, the values and standards she set are timeless, and the Girl Scout program is continually responsive to the changing needs of girls. Girl Scouting offers a way for America's girls and young women to meet the complex challenges that face them as they move toward a new century.

**Writer's Block**

contributed by Paula Corley's fourth grade students



**Brandon Ripple**  
Guest Writer

*Editor's Note: Winters Elementary School students have been practicing writing in preparation of the TAAS testing and should be commended for their efforts. The following story was submitted for Persuasive Writing.*

If you like sports, I think you need to tell your elementary teacher you need to have elementary sports. I don't know about you, but I need it.

One reason we need elementary sports is it keeps us busy so we won't be so lazy. It does this by making us get up early, stay up long, and helps us not to be tired.

The second reason is it keeps us out of trouble like teaching us not to take drugs, to defend yourself, and the coach would be keeping an eye on us. For example, when you go to practice the coach will be watching what you do and make sure you're as healthy as a horse.

The third reason we need it is it teaches us to be men and not to be girls by teaching us to be as rough as a badger, as strong as an ox, and to lift weights like a professional weight lifter. For example, when your coach gets angry with you he makes you do 100 pushups and then you will get strong and rough.

I would enjoy playing elementary sports if our school had baseball. If you are lazy, you need to get an elementary sports team to get some muscles pumping. Now you know why we need elementary sports.

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### A Resolution Authorizing Participation in the "Main Street" Program and Designating the City Manager to Coordinate All Program Activities

WHEREAS: The Texas Main Street Program of the Texas Historical Commission has been created to assist small cities to develop a public/private effort to revitalize their "Main Street" areas, and up to five Texas cities will be selected to participate in the project in 1996,

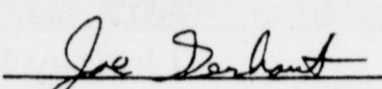
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WINTERS:

SECTION 1. That the City of Winters reapply for selection to participate in the 1996 "Main Street" Program with the specific goal of revitalizing the central business district within the context of the preservation and rehabilitation of its historic buildings.

SECTION 2. That the City of Winters has employed a part-time Main Street Program Manager and has provided the funds needed for that position.

SECTION 3. That the City Manager be designated to coordinate the program activities.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 7th day of March, 1995.

  
Joe Gerhart  
Mayor

### Winters sales tax rebates decrease; all holiday sales included

February sales tax rebates for the city of Winters decreased 11.59 percent as compared to the prior year's payment. Rebates totaled \$17,045.96 this reporting period. For the reporting period in 1994, rebates totaled \$19,282.66.

This month's payments include taxes collected on holiday sales in December and reported by businesses filing monthly returns in January, quarterly returns for sales made in October, November, and December, and yearly filings for 1994.

Payments to date for 1995 are \$27,314.859 as compared to 1994 payments to date of \$31,825.96, a 14.17 percent decrease. Ballinger has reported \$116,574.60 in payments to date for 1995.

For this reporting period, receipts in Miles decreased 1.58 percent; Ballinger increased 2.15 percent. Overall, Runnels county decreased 0.34 percent.

### The Education of a Small Town Doc

by Keith Boles



Keith Boles has signed a contract with North Runnels Hospital to practice medicine in Winters after he completes medical school and residency. At this time, he is a third year medical student at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

Howdy Winters, it's about time for me to write, huh? Sorry it's been so long. Since my last article, I finished surgery, had two weeks of Christmas break, and finished my six week Pediatrics rotation.

Pediatrics was fun but a lot of work. We were without one of our students on this rotation due to maternity leave, and this is the busiest time of year for Pediatrics because of all the colds and other winter-time infections. We were at the hospital on call every fourth night for four weeks. We spent two afternoons a week in the Pediatrics clinic and the rest of the time on the Pediatrics floor in the hospital. Our days usually lasted from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. when not on call on weekdays, and from 6 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturdays. We had Sundays off unless we were on call.

There were several things I liked about this rotation. For one, we spent a lot of time with the attending physicians, our teachers. Six days a week, we had "Attending rounds" where we "presented at the door". That is, we stood at the patient's hospital room door and summarized their case for the attending. Early in the morning, the students saw all the patients and found out how they were doing and if there were any problems throughout the night.

When the attending and the residents arrived, we would load all the patients' charts on a rack and push it from door to door, presenting the status of each patient to the attending. This gave the attendings the chance to share with students little tidbits and pointers they had learned over the years. The students got to benefit from the vast experience of the older, wiser doctors.

Another good point about Pediatrics was that we were given a lot of responsibility for patient care. We were given opportunities to suggest treatment plans, and many times our suggestions were implemented.

I really enjoyed working with

the kids on this rotation. Probably the most fun thing was newborn exams. At 10 p.m. every night on call I went to the newborn nursery and we examined all the babies born that day.

There were some not-so-fun things, too. It was sad to see kids with terminal illnesses and severely handicapped kids who would spend most of their lives in the hospital. I have the utmost admiration for these kids and their parents or guardians who support them.

The most disheartening thing I saw were children who were victims of child abuse. Nothing makes my blood boil more than thinking about people who physically, mentally, or sexually abuse helpless children. Although patience is needed when helping these adults to overcome their "disease," I find patience hard to come by.

One of the top three causes of cerebral palsy is the "shaken baby syndrome". This is where mothers, fathers, or other caretakers lose their temper and shake their

infants uncontrollably. Since young babies don't have good control of their heads, this shaking can cause brain damage and leave a child to a life with cerebral palsy. Some children recover and lead almost normal lives while others remain in near vegetable states, depending on the severity of the brain damage.

I was surprised at how commonplace this type of abuse is. I saw three patients who were victims of shaking. Two were elementary school age children in near-vegetative states and one was a one-month-old who had just recently been abused. This baby's prognosis was unknown.

If you know of any incidences of child abuse, please report them to the local authorities or to Children's Protective Services (listed in the Yellow or White pages). The laws are designed to protect those who report child abuse.

Sorry to end on such a depressing note. I'll try and perk things up next time. See ya!

### Crews News by Hilda Kurtz



*How come we trust banks with our money, but they can't trust us with their pens?*

**Correction**  
Grandsons Wes and Steven celebrated their birthday last weekend in the home of Doris Wood and not with Margie Jacob. Sorry.

There was a good turnout at the Crews dinner Saturday night. President Bill called a brief business session. Secretary Marqué read the last meeting's report. Discussion was heard concerning the Christmas in April program. It was agreed to make a donation to the program. All visitors were welcomed. An Easter egg hunt was planned for next month. Nila and Therin Osborne and Doris Wood were the hosts. Sam and Dee Faubion will hosts the April dinner.

Hopewell Church Sunday visitors were Wanda McLarty of Ballinger, Joe Riley Sims of Wylie, and Katherine and Luke Thomas.

Doris Wood spent Saturday in Abilene with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Maloey Bryant.

Visiting Adeline Grissom and other relatives in Ballinger last weekend were Bill and Sharon Grissom of Colorado City and Steve Grissom of Richland Hills.

Katherine and Luke Thomas enjoyed the circus in San Angelo. Luke rode an elephant and, of course, ate cotton candy.

Bill Mathis' mother, Margaret Mathis of Abilene, spent the weekend with the Bill Mathis family. Eileen Cartwright attended

Jeremy's school class on Wednesday.

Bill and Josie Hoppe wish to thank Brent Bryan again for bringing them a big load of fire wood. It sure came in handy.

Christine Patterson and a friend from Ballinger spent Sunday afternoon with Josie and Bill Hoppe.

Visiting Georgia and Connie Gibbs Saturday were Tammy, Haley, Justin, and Mark Kaczyk of Winters.

Audine and Dennis McBeth were in Abilene Friday to watch the regional 2A basketball games. They rooted for the Robert Lee team who are now headed for Austin next.

Ruth and Brad Pape got a phone visit from a friend, Virginia Dickie in Mexico. She had lots of interesting news.

Noble Faubion came several days and sit with Brad during the week. Brad will start his treatment this coming week. Ruth's son, Lee Ueckert of Houston, called Saturday to let them know the icy weather was too bad to come as planned.

Pat Cooper's brother, Lanny Lacy, and a friend of Granbury Lake called.

Brenda and Richard Chambliss

of Blackwell visited Saturday.

Sara and Bradley Scott came during the week to see Mildred and Haeward Morrison.

Visiting Harvey Mae and Noble Faubion during the weekend were Gladys Cotton of Ballinger and Walter Pape of Santa Anna. Melinda Kraatz and Brian Faubion came Saturday. Carolyn Kraatz and Rodney Faubion came Sunday.

Ray and J.T. Coopers spent Sunday with Pat and Earl Cooper.

Sunday dinner guests in the home of Nila and Therin Osborne were Wesley, Karen, John, and Stefanie McCallian of Wingate; John's friend, Richard; Kenneth and Betty Lemon of Coleman; and Sue Campbell and Louise Osborne of Winters.

Selma Dietz, Eileen Cartwright, Netha Kirby, and Nila Osborne were proud to have Mildred Morrison as a visitor. All met in the home of Dee Faubion Monday morning for a week of prayer.

Ruth Pape spent Friday morning with me, and Sunday evening Randall and Janice Kurtz of Ballinger came and made their granny real happy.

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### Fund established to help Craig Gray

A fund has been established at First American Bank and at Peoples National Bank in Winters to help defray medical expenses for James Craig Gray.

Mr. Gray has been ill with a debilitating disease since 1989, and since October, 1994, has been unable to work.

He is a lifelong resident of Winters and is married to the former Lisa Bedford.

Any assistance will be appreciated.

### Keeping an eye on Texas

#### Texans chomp on hamburgers

Restaurants that serve the all-American hamburger are Texas favorites, with gross sales weighing in over \$2.5 billion of the \$14 billion in total restaurant sales in the state in 1993.

1993 gross sales for Texas' top 10 restaurants, in billions of dollars



SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts and the Texas Restaurant Association.

### March 31 deadline set for '94 Disaster Program

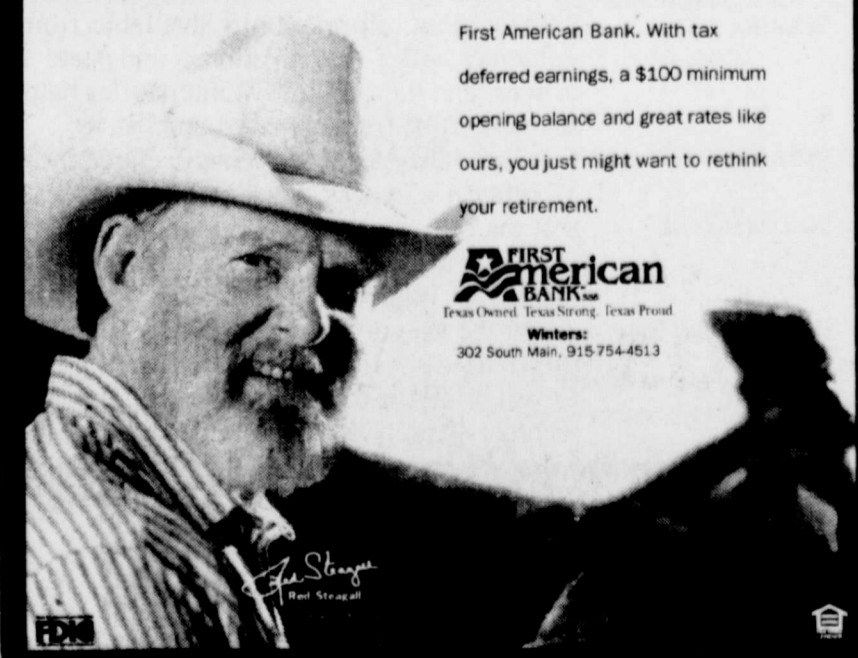
This is a reminder that March 31, 1995, is the final date to sign-up for the 1994 Disaster Assistance Program.

If you have greater than a 65% loss on a crop that you are filing disaster on, you will be required to purchase crop insurance for 1995 for that crop. Keep in mind the deadline for purchasing insurance is March 15, 1995 and the deadline for filing for disaster is March 31, 1995. You cannot forgo the requirement of obtaining 1995 crop insurance by waiting to sign up into the 1994 disaster program after the crop insurance sales date has passed. Your disaster application will be disapproved for any crop that is required to have 1995 insurance but does not due to the fact that the 1995 insurance closing date has passed.

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# Ballinger names citizens, business of the year

by SHAWN ANKROM  
Special to The Enterprise

A star-studded gala at the annual Ballinger Chamber of Commerce banquet February 23 featured the top citizens and business for 1994 and several music stars from the past.

Bob Boone, area manager for West Texas Utilities in Ballinger, was named 1994 Citizen of the Year.

Born and raised in Stamford, Boone has been employed by WTU for 28 years.

His efforts as a dedicated Ballinger citizen the past four years include serving on the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce and as president of the chamber, serving as a director on the Ballinger Housing Authority, holding memberships in the Rotary Club and Ballinger Country Club, serving on the City of Ballinger Parks Board, gaining donations for the 12-mile boat ramp, and participating in the Vision 2000 Program Beautification and Tourism Committees.

The 1994 Business of the Year, the first year for this award, was earned by Curiosities, owned by Alton and Iris Bryan.

Award winners exemplify a totally dedicated effort between owners, managers, and employees to unite together and function as one complete unit with one simple goal in mind — to take care of business every day.

Acting on a dream, the Bryans began the road to a successful business in 1991 by restoring a building that had been vacant for five years. Doing most of the work themselves, the Bryans replaced a buckled floor, repaired a roof which was falling in and removed the wild mushrooms growing in the building.

## Memorial fund & annual award established in honor of a former Winters resident

A memorial service was held on February 22, 1995, at the St. Luke's Chapel, Houston, Texas, for Barbara Carol Bolden who passed from this world on February 17, 1995, in St. Luke's Hospital, Houston, after a short illness. Barbara was office manager of the Leachman Cardiology Associates of St. Luke's Hospital for over 24 years. There was an over capacity attendance of relatives, friends, associates, and physicians at the St. Luke's Chapel. The service was conducted by St. Luke's Chaplain, and eulogies were given by her longtime friend, Keith Singleton of Colorado Springs, Colorado; Dr. Leachman; Laura Torres; and M.C. Dazault gave Dr. Angelini's eulogy as Barbara had scheduled him on a trip to New York.

In honor of Barbara's superior and excellent service to the medical profession, her associates have begun a fund founded as the Barbara Bolden Memorial Fund, from which the interest will fund a "St.

Persistence and commitment have established this business as a forerunner in the development and revitalization of downtown Ballinger.

The 1994 Ballinger Junior Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year is Lisa Halfmann.

A graduate of Ballinger High School, Lisa has owned and operated Apples N Spice Florist for seven years. She has been married to Dale Halfmann for 10 years and they have a daughter, Kendra, who is two-months-old.

Halfmann is active in the community as a member of Alpha Upsilon Phi Sorority and the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce where she is a past board director. She is also a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church of Rowena.

Amidst the chamber awards and door prize giveaways, several "stars" performed for banquet attendees.

Marilyn Monroe (Susan Mansell), Roy Orbison (Mike Riley), Patsy Cline (Elaine New), Linda Ronstadt (Lori Wisenhunt), and Freddy Fender (Danny Hamilton) entertained the crowd with renditions of their classic songs.

Ken Kvapil, 1994 Chamber president, gave a report of 1994 activities while James Pechal, 1995 Chamber president, reported on upcoming events. Greg W. Schwertner served as master of ceremonies. Dale A. Schultz, pastor of First United Methodist Church, gave the invocation and benediction.

The Jeweled Sampler Tea Room catered the meal. Guest speaker for the evening was David Fry of Abilene.

Luke's Secretary of the Year Award." Donations can be sent in care of the Leachman Cardiology Associates, 6624 Fannin, Suite 2780, Houston, Texas 77030, Attn: Sandy Zeluss.

Barbara was also sought after for her beautiful art work in ceramics and needlepoint in her more current years and as a talented singer in her youth. She also helped to organize her Winters Blizzards Class of 1962 reunions.

Barbara's funeral was held at the Winters United Methodist Church, Winters, Texas, on February 21, 1995. Graveside service followed at Rowena Cemetery.

Barbara Bolden was survived by her parents, Curtis and Louise Bolden of San Angelo; Paul and Lou Esther Gerhardt of Winters; brothers, Stanley Bolden of Granbury, Curtis D. Bolden of Odessa, Paul Gerhardt Jr. of Palm Desert, Ca.; sister, Frances Monath of Houston; and many dear nieces and nephews and great-nieces and great-nephews.

## Local Severe Weather Awareness Week Proclamation

Whereas, Severe Weather Awareness Week is March 5-11, 1995 and while many areas of Texas were spared major tornado and severe weather damage in 1994, others were less fortunate. The vivid memories of storms in communities like Gainesville, DeSoto, and Lancaster and of flooding in Southeast Texas remain fresh in the minds of most Texans, and each year brings the potential for violent weather — tornadoes, flooding and flash flooding, lightning, hail, and thunderstorms to our area; annually large portions of the State including the City of Winters can be devastated by flooding and tornadoes, and no part of Texas is immune to the vagaries of severe weather, and the Governor's Division of Emergency Management, the National Weather Service, and the Insurance Information Institute urge that all citizens and visitors to Winters become aware of the need to plan and prepare for severe weather, and preparedness information is available from libraries, weather service offices, volunteer relief organizations, and state and local emergency management offices; and the state and Winters offer help in learning about and preparing for severe weather emergencies, and Governor George W. Bush has declared the week of March 5-11, 1995, as Severe Weather Awareness Week in Texas, Now, Therefore, that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winters, join Governor Bush in declaring the week of March 5-11, 1995, as Severe Weather Awareness Week in the city of Winters, and Be It Further Resolved, that the Mayor and Council urge all citizens to participate in severe weather preparedness activities available through the City of Winters, including attention to watch and warning instructions and their meanings, and the use of severe weather awareness literature for all ages and needs.

In official recognition whereof, I, the undersigned, hereby affix my signature this 28th day of February, 1995.

## Pioneer Church of God News

### Triumph of Trust

by HELEN MURCHISON  
We had a great time in our service Sunday, March 5. Pastor Mitchell spoke on trusting the Lord and how Job was a man after God's heart. We had communion; everyone participated.

On Sunday night, Reverend and Sister Mitchell's daughter and grandson visited us from New Mexico. Becky and Rob will be here for 10 days. We are looking forward in worshipping the Lord

### Assembly of God Church to host guest ministers

The Assembly of God Church, 304 Wood Street, announces that Barney and Muriel Barnett will be guest ministers on Sunday, March 12. Morning services begin at 10:45, with evening services at 6:00 p.m.

The Barnetts have been involved in various ministries ranging from ministering to street people in the missions of San Diego, California, as Sunday School teachers, founding and directing two "People That Love" centers — one in Poway and the other in Escondido, California, and establishing a campground ministry for travelers.

They have taught the Word of God and shared their testimony in many churches and Christian organizations, both in California and Texas.

### Boys & Girls: win lifetime combination hunting and fishing license

Fifteen fortunate Texas school students will be awarded a lifetime combination hunting and fishing license as winners of the Texas Wildlife Expo '95 poster, essay and poetry contest.

The 1994 contest, judged by several members of the Texas Outdoor Writers Association, drew 1,743 entries, including 543 posters, 119 essays and 1,081 poems. Entry forms for this year's contest will be going out to schools this month.

The poster contest is open to students in kindergarten through sixth grade and must be on standard-size poster cardboard (approximately 22 inches by 28 inches) and be in any medium. Students in grades seven through 12 are eligible for the essay contest. Essays must be 500-1,000 words. The poetry contest is open for students in kindergarten through 12th grade. Poems must be 50-500 words.

This year's theme is, "Touch the Texas Outdoors." In addition to the lifetime hunting and fishing license, winners will receive the Texas Wildlife Viewing Guide and a one-year subscription to Texas Parks and Wildlife magazine. The total value of each prize is more than \$800.

One winner will be selected from each grade level for the poster and essay contests. Two poetry winners will be selected, one in

with you both!  
Within the next two weeks, Pioneer Church children will be dedicated to the Lord. Parents are welcome to dedicate their baby or children at this time.

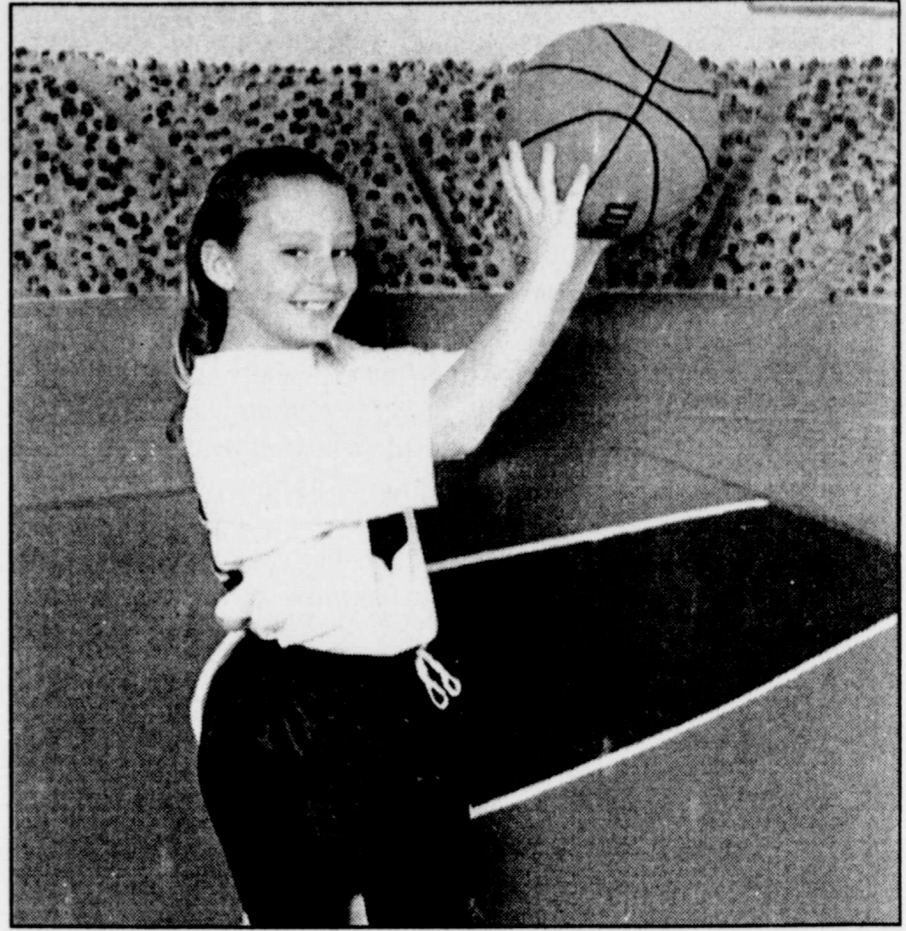
Everyone is invited to come and worship with us in the spirit and in truth!

If anyone needs counseling, please call Reverend and Sister Mitchell at 754-4833.

May God richly bless you!

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Praise & Worship 7:00 p.m.

## Former Winters Elementary student successful in sports



Lindsay Springer

Lindsay Springer, 9, formerly of Winters, recently competed in the Cowtown Marathon and 10K Run. She came in 91st out of 866 participants in her age group. A total of 12,000 were entered.

Lindsay's time was 1 hour, 10 minutes, and 32 seconds. She trains with the Meadowcreek Mustangs three days a week and represents Meadowcreek Elementary School in Fort Worth.

Lindsay's soccer team, "Flashback," won third in the Fort Worth Yellow Rose Tournament February 11, 1995. The team also competed in the Plano Tournament of Champions before Christmas and were Quarterfinalists.

Lindsay will be playing AAU basketball in her spare time this summer, along with baseball, soccer, and running.

Lindsay is the granddaughter of Pat Fenter of Winters.

## Somebody Cares!

And the winner is...

Somebody Cares Ministries is proud to announce that Eddie Rodriguez of Winters is the winner of \$50 worth of fuel. The drawing was held on February 25.

In addition, Somebody Cares Ministries would like to thank the staffs of the south Wes-T-Go and Lawrence Brothers IGA Grocery, as well as the community for helping make the Food Fest a success. A special thanks to all the members of SCM that participated in this fundraiser.

I cannot give you the formula for success, but I can give you the formula for failure—which is: Try to please everybody.  
—Herbert Bayard Swope

## NOTICE OF CITY ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION DE CIUDAD)

To the Registered Voters of Winters, Texas:  
(A los votantes registrados del Winters Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 7, 1995, for voting in a City election, to elect a Mayor and two Aldermen.  
(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales citados abajo se abirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hast las 7:00 p.m. el seis de mayo de 1995 para votar en la Eleccion para electar un Mayor 7 dos Regidor.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES  
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(Biblioteca Escolar Elemental de Winters, 702 N. Heights, Winters, Texas)

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at  
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City Hall, 310 S. Main, Winters, Texas  
(Municipalidad, 310 S. Main, Winters, Texas)

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on Monday, April 17, 1995  
(entre las ocho de la manana y las cinco de la tarde empezando el 17 de abril, 1995)  
and ending on Tuesday, May 2, 1995.  
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**Public Notice**  
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**Garage Sales**

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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 26, through Saturday, March 4, 1995. Winters Police Officers:
  - received a report of a Class A Assault-Family Violence in the 300 block of N. Fannin. Eloy Thomas Rodriguez, 24, of Winters, was arrested under warrant the following day and transported to the Runnels County Jail.
  - while investigating a report of a person attempting to cash in a stolen Texas Lottery Game ticket, several juveniles confessed to committing numerous offenses, including burglaries, criminal mischief, and an attempted arson. These confessions led to the clearance of approximately 50 cases. Several juvenile suspects will be referred to Juvenile Probation authorities.
  - investigated a Class A Assault in which a juvenile assaulted an adult. The case is being referred to Juvenile Probation authorities.
  - investigated a criminal mischief in the 500 block of W. Parsonage. A suspect is known and the complainant was advised of how to go about filing charges with the appropriate court.
  - received a report of a fight in progress in the 400 block of N. Murray. Upon arrival, the fight had ended. All parties were advised of how to go about filing charges with the appropriate court.
  - responded to a report of a fight in progress in the 400 block of S. Main. George Lozano, 24, and Jessie Ortiz, 17, both of Winters, were arrested for Disorderly Conduct.

- received a report of a theft in the 300 block of Redner in which mail was being stolen from a mail box. There is a suspect and the investigation continues.
  - received a report of a burglary of a habitation in the 300 block of Redner. There is a suspect and the investigation continues.
  - arrested Danny Trevino, 24, of Winters, for Public Intoxication in the 900 block of N. Main.
  - arrested Tommy Lee Hord, 44, and Reba Heath, 42, for Violation of City Noise ordinance in the 800 block of E. Truett. It is a violation of city ordinance to cause excessive noise between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. within the city limits.
  - while investigating the above case, one subject evaded the investigating officer. During the effect of the arrest, the subject resisted arrest. Charges were filed on Tommy Lee Hord, 44, of Winters, for Evading Detention and Resisting Arrest. Hord was transported to the Runnels County Jail.
  - are investigating an indecency with a child case.
  - received a report of an endangering a child case in the 200 block of E. Charles. The investigation continues.
  - are investigating a report of a sexual assault of a child. There is a suspect and charges are expected to be filed this week.
- 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  
 Ballinger Police Department—365-3591  
 Runnels County Sheriff's Department—365-2121

**Public Record**  
**COUNTY COURT**  
 Joe Elda Jaloma, 02-24-95, 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 Merchants Fee Fund. To pay restitution of \$28.74.  
 Susie Medina, 02-27-95, Theft of Merchandise by Check. Defendant entered a plea of guilty; Fined \$50 plus \$137 costs. To pay \$10 to Hot Check Fee Fund and \$5 to Merchants Fee Fund. To pay restitution of \$35.02.  
 Susie Medina, 02-27-95, Theft of Merchandise by Check. Defendant entered a plea of guilty; Fined \$50 plus \$137 costs. To pay \$60 to Hot Check Fee Fund and \$30 to Merchants Fee Fund. To pay restitution of \$161.10.  
 San Joseph Salinas, 02-27-95, Fraud. Defendant entered a plea of guilty; Ordered to pay restitution direct. No fine and no costs.  
 Nora Martinez Salinas, 02-27-95, Fraud. Defendant entered a plea of guilty; Ordered to pay restitution direct. No fine and no costs.  
 Tommy Bryant, 02-27-95, Theft of Merchandise by Check. Defendant entered a plea of guilty; Fined \$50 plus \$165 costs. To pay \$30 to Hot Check Fee Fund and \$5 to Merchants Fee Fund. To pay restitution of \$132.70.  
 Ella Bandy, 02-27-95, Assault. Order of dismissal.  
**DISTRICT COURT**  
 Sonja Dee Pechal vs. James Ray Pechal, 02-27-95, Divorce.  
 Burwick Oilfield Services Inc. vs. Gene Worthington dba Evangeline Trading Company, 02-27-95, Account.  
 Rose Marie Martinez vs. Jose Nieves Martinez, 02-27-95, Divorce.  
**J.P. COURT**  
 Montgomery Trailer Park-Tom Montgomery vs. Sharon Crenshaw, 02-24-95, Forcible Detainer.  
 Mary Ann Stiefel vs. Estorgio Martinez, 03-02-95, Forcible Detainer.  
 Jason Gonzales, 02-16-95, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.  
 Benneto Juarez Jr., 02-16-95, Fishing Without a Valid Fishing License.  
 Everett P. Pounds, 02-24-95, No Fire Extinguisher on Board a Motorboat.  
 Steven D. Bodden, 02-24-95, No Fire Extinguisher on Board a Motorboat.  
 Kermit P. Hutchings, 02-22-95, No Fire Extinguisher on Board a Motorboat.  
 Jeff DeJamett, 02-26-95, Fishing Without a Valid Fishing License.  
 Roger S. Rodriguez, 02-26-95, Theft by Check.  
**MARRIAGE LICENSES**  
 Jerry E. Prendez and Helen Mancha Juarez, 02-24-95.  
 Demetrio Lara and Brenda Elizabeth Trevino, 02-24-95.  
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# Hunter's Camp

with Don Haley

## Hunter's Camp guide to fine dining

Is it just me, fellow husbands, or do you feel the same way too? Standing in line to eat, I mean. If there's anything that drives me up the wall, that has to be the most.

My wife and I are on what you might call "opposite sides of the fence" on the matter. No, make that the opposite sides of the equator.

To my wife, waiting to be seated at a fancy restaurant is part of the pleasure of going out to eat. It all has to do with "ambiance and charm of setting," she says.

I say, "cheeseburger and fries to go!"

When I enter an eating establishment, I just want something to eat in a reasonable length of time, say ten minutes max. But keeping my wife speaking to me involves a great many sacrifices.

Take the other day for example. We were in Lubbock and she wanted to eat at The Outback Steak House. We tried to eat there once before, but the outside waiting line was a mere one hour and fifty minutes.

And that was just to get inside the door! Who knows when you ever got to actually sit down. After some heavy-duty sniveling on my part, we got to leave. My wife's second choice for someplace to stand in line was either Olive Garden or the Black-eyed Pea.

By this time, I was so hungry I was gnawing the seat covers. When we came across a Whataburger, I pulled in. The sign said "All You Can Eat, What-A-Special for \$1.99."

After some serious supper-time debating, we walked right in and sat right down -- me in one booth and my wife in another.

"See, no waiting," I hollered over to her.

This time though, it was only about 4:00 in the afternoon. Surely we could get a peek inside The Outback now.

Ha! But the good news was that the waiting time for a table was only 55 minutes. I've seen

shorter lines at Six Flags during Spring Break.

So anyway, there we stand out in the hot sun, waiting for someone to do the honor of letting us come in, sit down and spend a small fortune.

"This wouldn't be happenin' at Long John Silvers," I whine. "We'd already have our chicken planks and fish and Dr. Pepper an hour ago and still have some money left to make the house payment."

"Be quiet," my wife scolds, "this is fun for a change."

"If this is such a fine dining place," I ponder out loud, "then why are we standin' in line in the parkin' lot?"

"The food is supposed to be fabulous," she says, looking at me with that look that says I'm about the dumbest person she knows.

"What could be better than Taco Bell?" I say in all honesty, my mouth watering at the thought of a Burrito Supreme.

"Knowing that you really mean that is one of the things that's scary about you," she says without looking at me.

I make eye contact with a guy standing behind us.

"Hey, wouldn't happen to have a razor on you, would you," he says with a sly grin. "I'm startin' to need a shave."

His wife elbows him hard in the gut and he turns away.

"What I wouldn't give for a Der Wienerschnitzel chili-cheese dog right now," I moan over my wife's shoulder. "Just tell 'em what you want and two minutes later you got chili on your shirt."

"If you want to go to Der Wienerschnitzel, go to Der Wienerschnitzel," she says, turning to look me straight in the eye.

"While you're gone, I'll stay here and look around. Maybe I can find someone besides a whimpering hayseed plowboy to take me somewhere fun and nice without griping and crying like a baby."

"And while we're on the subject," she continues, "maybe the

couch would make you a nice little home from now on. Or better yet, maybe you might be better off alone so you can eat at Der Wienerschnitzel every night."

"Maybe you'll even meet your next wife there, with a mouth stuffed full of greasy fries and pickles and onions and chili-cheese hanging off her chin."

"And it'll be lucky for you that the food at Der Wienerschnitzel doesn't cost much. That's because you won't have much left or anything else left for that matter. Not after my attorney convinces the judge that your idea of a night on the town is extra tater tots at Sonic!"

You know guys, now that I think about it, standing in line for hours to eat is not all that bad.

In fact, it can be downright fun.....

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### "Ag Day" continued

Export Side of Sheep and Lamb Marketing."

The program resumes, after a short break, at 3:30 p.m., with "Changing Structure of the U.S. Grain Market" by Mark Waller, Assoc. Professor and Extension Economist of Grain Marketing Policy. At 3:55 p.m., Jackie Smith, Professor and Extension Economist of Management, presents "Cotton Marketing Today and Tomorrow." Runnels County Agent of Entomology Rick Minzenmayer will speak on "The 1994 Results of Cotton Research and the Insect Pest Outlook for 1995."

The education program for producers concludes at 4:35 p.m. with an "Update on the Southern Rolling Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Program" by Osama El-Lissy, Director of Southern Rolling Plains Zone, Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation.

The Shed will cater supper at 5:30 p.m.

The Farm Family of the Year, the Agribusiness of the Year, and the recipients of the Pat Lee Memorial Scholarship will be recognized during the evening awards program beginning at 6:45 p.m. in the auditorium.

The keynote speaker, Dr. George Newman, is a well-known professor turned cowboy poet.

The ladies program will run in conjunction with the producers program. The schedule follows:

1 p.m.—"Schemes, Scams, & Flim Flams: Stopping Senior Fraud" by Hal R. Ray Jr., Assistant Attorney General  
2 p.m.—"Texas Cotton Wear-

able Art" by Jan Mallory  
2:30 p.m.—Kim Dutton, Mohair Council of America  
3 p.m.—Break & Trade Show Visitation

3:30 p.m.—"Property Rights and Endangered Liberties" by Floy Lilley, University of Texas  
4:20 p.m.—"Textile Artistry" by Ethel Jansa.

The youth program is scheduled for 4 p.m. at the Ag Science Building of Ballinger High School. The program "Lead, Follow, or Get Out of My Way" will be presented by Terri Wilcox and Cody Stone. Door prizes will be given and free bar-b-que sandwiches will be served for supper.



**SECOND PLACE GROUP NEATNESS WINNERS, Junior Market Barrows division, at the 1995 San Antonio Stock Show are Runnels County 4-H participants (front row, left to right) Steve Pritchard, Jana Jackson, Cody Pritchard, Mandy Pritchard, Jessica Pritchard, Colby Pritchard, Deb Pritchard, (back) agent Lance Rasch, exhibitor Robert Behrens, Johnny Pritchard, Penny Pritchard, Neatness Committee member Darlene Maryo, Grey Cowan and Taw Dunham of Purina Mills.**

## Stripers in Lake Ivie???

A fish record application for a new lake record striped bass weighing 13 pounds 4 ounces by Sam Keel of San Angelo at Lake O.H. Ivie was submitted to Texas Parks & Wildlife Department (TPWD) for verification. The big question is: Where did it come from? Well, TPWD Fisheries Biologists have NOT stocked stripers into the lake, so that fish had to come from somewhere else. There are 3 possible ways that striped bass got into Ivie.

First, someone could have caught it somewhere else and transported it to Ivie, and then released it. This is not very likely since stripers do not usually survive being hooked, played, stuck in a live-well, and then transported. Second, the striper could have swum up the Colorado River from lake Buchanan before Ivie was impounded, and then stayed in the reservoir when it was flooded. This is also unlikely due to the long distance and numerous obstacles (dams, water-falls, low water flow).

Third, and most likely, the striper came out of Lake Spence during a water discharge period and made its way down to Lake Ivie, where it remained until caught a few weeks ago. And yes, there are probably more of them out there, but not enough to get excited about going to Lake Ivie to fish for them. Since it is almost impossible for stripers to reproduce in this area, there should never be a significant population of them in Lake Ivie; only the few that escape from Lake Spence. There will occasionally be reports or rumors of anglers catching a big striper, or hooking a fish that smoked their drag and broke them off, but that is the stuff good stories are made of. And, if anglers couldn't tell stories, most of us wouldn't go fishing.

For more information contact: John A. Dennis, Fisheries Biologist, TPWD, Inland Fisheries, District 1-C, 4002 N. Chadbourne, San Angelo, TX 76903, (915) 655-9413.

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## Farm loans require crop insurance coverage

by BRUCE R. BAILEY, County Supervisor  
USDA, Rural Economic Community Development

Any producer who anticipates applying for a farm loan from USDA must obtain at least Catastrophic (CAT) crop insurance coverage on all crops of economic significance. This coverage must be obtained before the sales closing date for the producer's particular crops. The requirement applies to both direct and guaranteed farm ownership, operating, or emergency loans administered by the former Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) offices, now using the working name Rural Economic and Community Development (RECD).

This change is required by the Federal Crop Insurance Reform and Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994. The Act also authorized the reorganization of USDA, which combined

the programs of the former ASCS and FCIC with the farm loan programs of FmHA, under the newly created Consolidated Farm Services Agency (CFSA).

The sales closing dates are approaching quickly. It is crucial for applicants to contact their local CFSA office because once the deadline has passed and the loan applicant has crops without CAT coverage, they will likely have to wait until the following crop year to be eligible for loan assistance.

Further information about the coverage can be obtained from any local crop insurance agent or the CFSA (formerly ASCS) office. Questions regarding the loan requirement can be answered by the local RECD (formerly FmHA) office.

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By Ace Reid

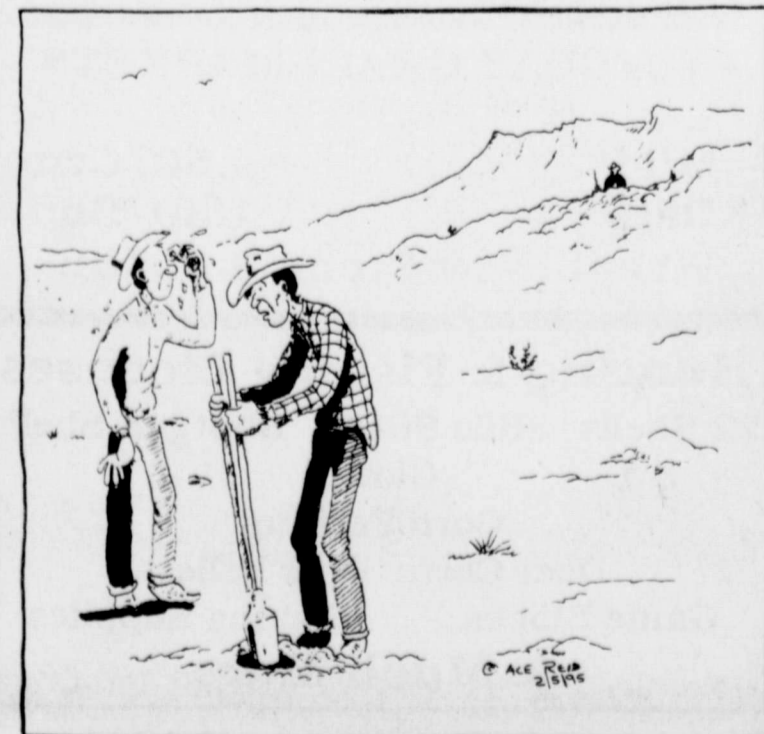
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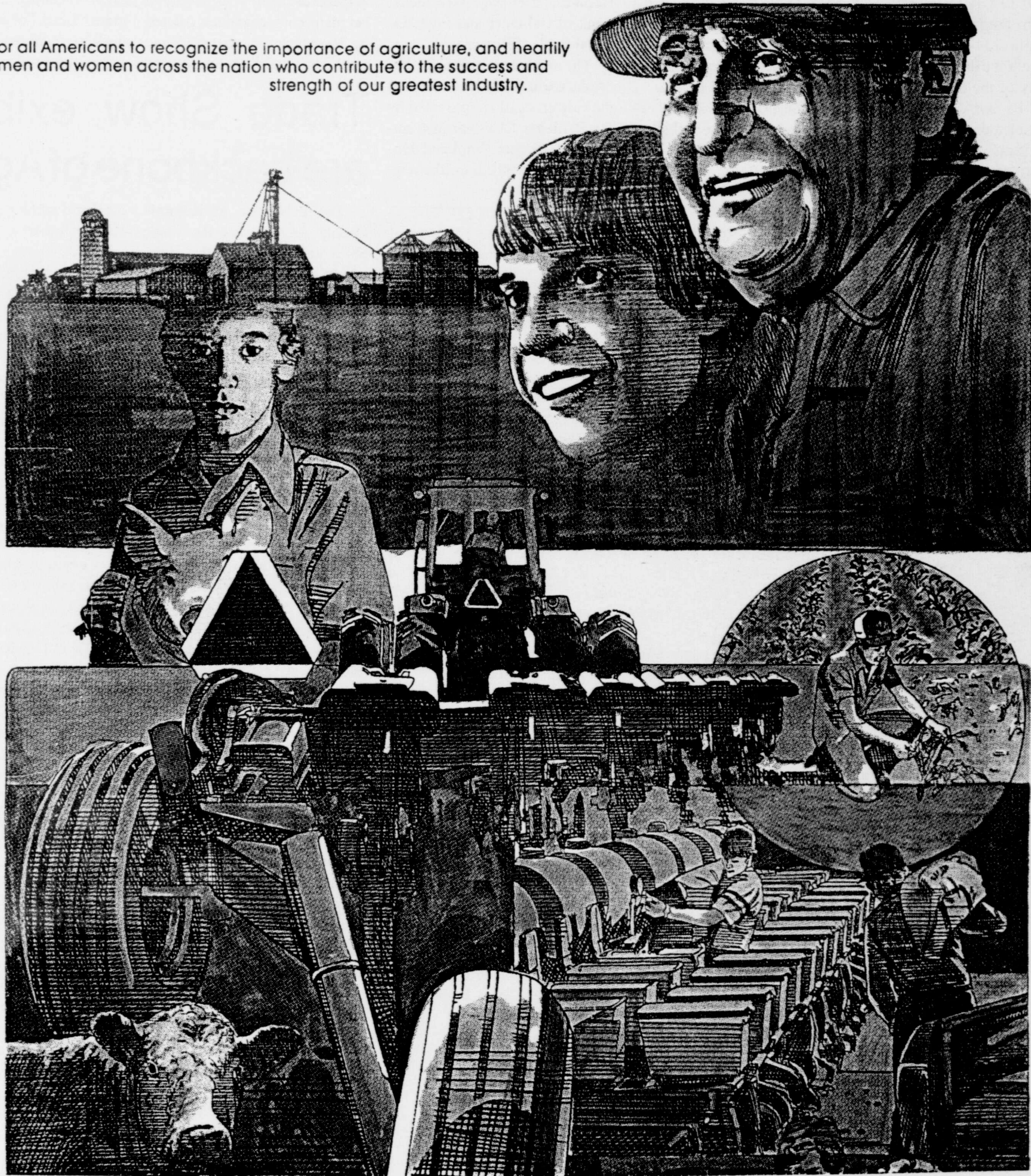


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# Annual Ag Day provides much to see, do

Don't be late for Ag Day. The doors will open at 10 a.m. for registration and the Trade Show begins at 10:30 a.m. Door prizes, sponsored by the Trade Show exhibitors begin at 11 a.m. and continue through the day. However, the majority of the 60-plus door prizes will be awarded from 11 a.m. until the producers' program begins at 1 p.m.

A special "early-bird" program

will begin at 10:30 a.m. in the home economics room featuring the Heart of Texas Cooking School. These ladies were such a hit last year that they have been invited back to share more of their Texas cuisine. Seating is limited and the doors close at 11 a.m.

At noon, exhibitors and attendees will be treated to a chicken breast sandwich with trimmings, compliments of Ag Day "Gold

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The mid-afternoon hospitality breaks are in the snack bar area of the cafeteria and are provided by the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce, Ballinger Wool and Mohair, Shoppin' Basket and the Win-

ters Chamber of Commerce.

Following the afternoon producers' and ladies' programs, participants can enjoy a barbecue brisket plate, cobbler and tea, catered by The Shed. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased anytime during

the day at the front registration desk.

And not to be left out, all those attending the Youth Program, "Lead, Follow or Get Out of the Way," will be treated to barbecue brisket sandwiches and chips.

## Trade Show exhibitors are backbone of Ag Day

The backbone of Runnels County Ag Day are the Trade Show and exhibit booths. Businesses and organizations are extended an invitation to be an exhibitor at Ag Day to meet and talk with area residents. Each year over 40 local and out-of-town exhibitors fill the halls at Ballinger High School.

This year there are over 30 commercial booths, along with the complimentary booths sponsored by the Farm Service agency, Texas Agricultural Extension Service Computer Specialists, Railroad Commission's Alternative Fuel Resources Education Division (AFRED), Ballinger Chamber of Commerce, Bobwhite Brigade, Texas Department of Health, Natural Resource Conservation Service and the Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation.

The day's events will kick off with the opening of the trade show at 10:30 a.m. Along with indoor exhibits, implements dealers will have farm machinery exhibited in the parking lot area adjacent to the high school. Representatives from various seed, chemical, insurance, financial institutions and various other agricultural-related businesses will be available to discuss their products and answer questions. Rick Minzenmayer, Extension agent-entomology (PM) said there is something of interest to both

rural and urban residents and exhibitors cover a wide range of interests.

A special attraction for participants are the "early bird" door prizes, which are donated by the Trade Show exhibitors. Over half of the more than 60 door prizes to be awarded throughout the day, will be announced from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sign-up for door prizes for both the producers and ladies will be at the registration table at the front entrance to the high school. The lucky winners must be present to win and will claim their prize at the sponsoring booth.

Commercial booths for out-of-town exhibitors include: G&P Seed Co., Zeneca, Merck AgVet, Rhone Poulenc, Monsanto, SEEDCO, Dow Elanco, Delta Pine and Land Co., Levelland Seed & DeLinting, Pioneer Seed, DuPont, CIBA, Sandoz Crop Protection, Miles Inc. and Ranger Seed.

This year's local exhibitors include Faubion Implement, Coleman County Electric Cooperative, First National Bank of Rotan, Tom Green national Bank, Rowena Pellet Mill, Runnels County Farm Bureau, The First National Bank of Ballinger, West Texas Utilities, Porter Henderson Implement Company, Weant and Associates, Ballinger Co-Op, Rolling Plains PCA, American State Bank, Sherry Wegner Insurance, Farmers Seed & Supply and Halfmann Agri-Supply.

1995 RUNNELS COUNTY AG DAY PRODUCERS PROGRAM	
PRODUCERS PROGRAM	
10:00 a.m.	REGISTRATION
10:30	TRADE SHOW VISITATION
Noon	Complimentary Catered lunch
FIRST SESSION PRODUCERS PROGRAM - Auditorium	
1:00 p.m.	Welcome - Mike Mauldin CEU forms distributed - 2 CEU's earned for attending programs
1:15	"NAFTA - GATT and Texas Agriculture" Parr Rosson, Professor and Extension Economist-International Trade
2:00	"Opportunities for the Producers to Add Value to Their Cattle" John Cargile, Owner/Manager Producer Livestock
2:20	"World Mohair Markets & Future of the Industry" Duery Menzies, Executive Director, Mohair Council of America
2:40	"The Export Side of Sheep & Lamb Marketing" Allen Turner, President, Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Assoc.
3:00	BREAK - TRADE SHOW VISITATION
SECOND SESSION PRODUCERS PROGRAM - Auditorium	
3:30	"Changing Structure of the U.S. Grain Market" Mark Waller, Assoc. Professor and Extension Economist-Grain Marketing Policy
3:55	"Cotton Marketing Today and Tomorrow" Jackie Smith, Professor and Extension Economist-Management
4:15	"1994 Results of Cotton Research and Insect Pest Outlook for 1995" Rick Minzenmayer, Extension Agent-Entomology (PM)
4:35	"Update on Southern Rolling Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Program" Osama El-Lissy, Director Southern Rolling Plains Zone, Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation
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TRADE SHOW VISITATION	
5:30	Evening meal
6:45	EVENING PROGRAM - Auditorium Farm Family of the Year, Agribusiness of the Year, Pat Lee Memorial Scholarships Awarded
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## Ladies Program Schedule

10 a.m.	Registration opens
10:30 a.m.	Early Bird program and lunch Heart of Texas Cooking School by Lenny Angelo and Sharon Lyons, culinary professionals from San An tonio
1 p.m.	"Schemes, Scams & Flimflams: Stop ping Senior Fraud"; speaker, Hal R. Ray Jr., assistant attorney general.
2 p.m.	"Texas Cotton Wearable Art"; speaker Jean Mallory, Lubbock
2:30 p.m.	Kim Dutton, Mohair Council of America
3-3:30 p.m.	Break - Hospitality/refreshments in cafeteria lobby
3:30 p.m.	"Property Rights and Endangered Lib erties"; speaker Floy Lilley, University of Texas
4:20 p.m.	"Textile Artistry"; speaker Ethel Jansa.
4:30 p.m.	Door prizes - must be present to win.
5-6 p.m.	Viewing trade show exhibits
5:30 p.m.	Supper catered by The Shed (tickets sold at registration for \$5).

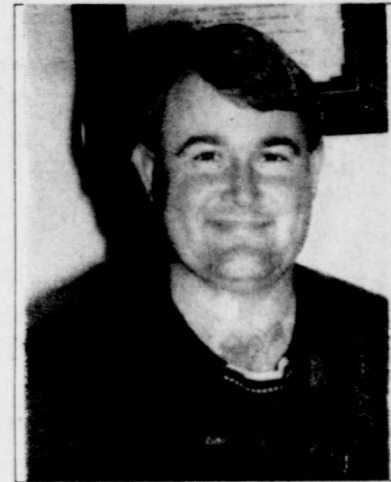
## Minzenmayer speaks on entomology

Richard Minzenmayer, Extension agent - entomology (PM), with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will speak at 4:15 p.m. on "1994 Results of Cotton Research and Insect Pest Outlook for 1995."

Minzenmayer conducts extensive demonstration and applied research work in Runnels and Tom Green Counties. He specializes in cotton and grain sorghum management, but is experienced in many other areas of pest management including crop, ornamental, vegetable, and fruit and nut tree pest control. Minzenmayer received his bachelor of arts degree from Texas Tech University and is currently working on a master's degree at Angelo State University.

Rick has given presentations at the Beltwide Cotton Conference, sponsored by the National Cotton Conference of America, the 1995 Southwest Cotton Technical Conference, and he participated in Fiber Magazine's Bt Conference in Memphis, TN, which was featured in their January 1995 edition. He is active in many organizations, including the Entomological Society of America, the American Society of Agronomy and the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association. He is currently on the Board of Directors of the Ballinger Junior Livestock Association and treasurer of the Runnels County Club Lamb Association.

During his presentation,



**Rick Minzenmayer**

Minzenmayer will give an overview of the potential pest situation during the 1995 growing season and will discuss the results of the boll weevil overwintered habitat studies which are currently underway.

## Government to phase out wool, mohair programs

By Mike Mauldin  
County Ext. Agent-AG  
Runnels County

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Commodity Credit Corporation announced that support prices for wool and mohair for the 1995 marketing year are \$2.12 per pound for shorn wool, and \$4.657 per pound for mohair.

Mohair is being supported at 85 percent of the percentage of parity at which shorn wool is being supported. Wool of unshorn lambs will be supported, as in the past, at a level determined by formula based on the hundred-weight of live, unshorn lambs marketed.

In accordance with Public Law 103-130, the two-year phaseout of the wool and mohair programs began with the 1994 marketing year. In 1994, producer payments were reduced by 25 percent. Payments for 1995 will be calculated using the support prices announced, but producers will receive only 50 percent of the calculated payment.

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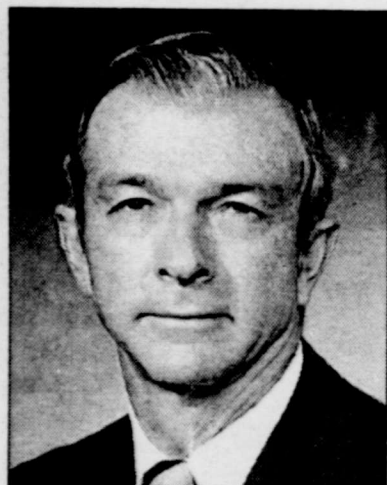
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## Cattle producers 'pop' high beef prices

By Mike Mauldin  
CEA-AG Runnels County

After nearly seven years (Aug. 1987-May 1994) of most favorable cattle and calf prices, the bubble finally popped. Six consecutive years of good prices were just too much temptation for beef cattle producers. From July 1993 to July 1994, producers expanded U.S. beef cow numbers by three

percent, matching the entire growth rate percentage for the previous five years.

But the increased cow herd and the ensuing larger calf crop were not the only factors causing the June 1994 price crash. Large supplies of fed cattle at record slaughter weights pushed beef production well above expected levels. By the last week in June, fed cattle prices had plummeted to \$60 per

hundredweight (cwt.) In real dollars or with adjustments for inflation this was the lowest fed cattle price in the 20th century.

Along with the crash in fed cattle prices came lower prices for feeder calves and cattle. By year's end (1994), even replacement heifer and cow prices had declined. Some cattlemen are looking for a quick turnaround in the market, but without some market disrupt-

ing disaster or some unforeseen increased demand for U.S. beef, it's just not going to happen. Cattle and beef supplies, along with pork and poultry supplies are too large and there is no quick fix, especially for the beef industry.

As with most cattle cycles, once herd expansion exceeds current demand conditions, fed cattle and feeder cattle and calf prices are first affected. Breeding cattle prices usually lag this initial decline by 6 to 12 months. Unfortunately, once cattle prices begin declining it is usually two to three years before the beef cattle industry can begin reducing beef production and achieve some price increases rather than price decreases.

At this year's Ag Day, John Cargile from San Angelo is one of the featured speakers for the afternoon program. The topic of his presentation will be "Opportunities for the Producer to Add Value to His Cattle." He will discuss 1) the cattle marketing cycle and its current status; 2) demand for beef in Mexico; 3) Canadian beef imports and exports; and 4) the pre-weaning vaccination and conditioning programs that can add profit to calf producers.

Cargile graduated from the University of Texas with a degree in business administration in 1948. He manages his family enterprises consisting of Producers Livestock Auction Company, Inc., San Angelo Feed Yard and ranching operations. He is the past president of Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association, Board of City Development of San Angelo and Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association. From 1988-1992, Cargile served as the chairman of the Texas Animal Health Commission.

We feel very fortunate to have John Cargile as one of the speakers this year and we urge all area beef cattle producers to attend.

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# US agriculture future depends on foreign trade

By Mike Mauldin  
County Ext. Agent - AG Runnels County

Since U.S. agricultural production efficiency is increasing faster than domestic consumption and about 96 percent of the world's population and consumers of agricultural products live outside the U.S., the future of U.S. agriculture depends on foreign trade.

A recent USDA study of GATT indicates that U.S. exports will increase 4-10 percent by 200 and 8-15 percent by 2005.

### Wheat

GATT will change world wheat markets fundamentally as subsidized exports will be reduced substantially. Even though many countries subsidize agricultural exports, the rate of U.S. export subsidies is substantially lower than many other exporting countries. By reducing export subsidies of competitors and opening markets, the U.S. will increase exports.

According to USDA, subsidized exports from the European Union (EU) of nations will be reduced by over 8 million tons in 2000, one-third below baseline projections, and by almost 11 million tons in 2005. Additional EU exports will occur only in years of world production shortages and

high prices about \$155 per ton at Gulf ports.

U.S. wheat exports are forecast to rise 100-150 million bushels above 1993, the baseline year, by year 2000 and 150-200 million bushels in 2005. U.S. season average farm prices will increase 3-6 percent above baseline by 2000 and 8-12 percent by 2005.

### Corn

U.S. corn exports are forecast to rise 200-300 million bushels by 2005. Increased U.S. exports of livestock products also will increase domestic feedgrain use. U.S. corn prices will rise 6-9 percent over baseline projections by 2005, increasing market returns and farm incomes and decreasing deficiency payments.

Estimates of higher world incomes after 2000 provide the greatest contribution to increased world demand for livestock products and import demand for feedgrains.

Increased access commitments and reductions in subsidized exports by competing world exporting countries also will provide trade opportunities. World trade will expand by 5-7 percent by 2005.

The U.S. is the dominant exporter in world coarse grain trade and will claim the greatest share of the increased global trade opportunity.

### Beef

U.S. beef imports will rise more quickly than exports before 2000, but by 2005, U.S. beef exports should increase 10-14 percent above baseline projections, significantly more than imports. U.S. producer prices are projected to increase 2-4 percent above baseline levels by 2000 and 5-7 percent by 2005.

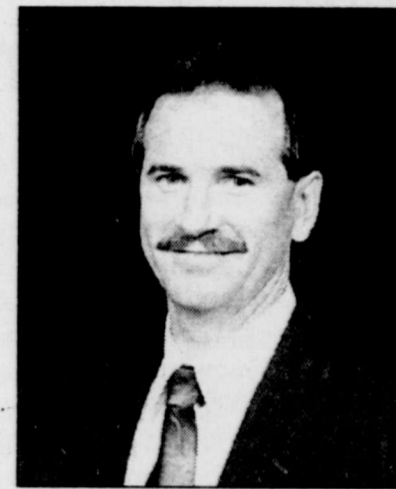
The largest impacts of GATT for world beef trade result from increased access to markets in Ja-

pan, Korea, Canada, and the United States. The Philippines and Thailand also will increase access and higher world incomes will contribute to increased beef consumption, particularly in East Asia and Latin America.

The EU will reduce subsidized exports about 100,000 tons below baseline projections for 2005. World beef exports are projected to increase by as much as 4 percent in 2000 and 11 percent in 2005, despite EU export declines.

The high quality of U.S. grain-fed beef allows the United States to capture much of the increased trade opportunity in Korea and maintain its share of the increased Japanese market.

Dr. Mark Waller, associate professor and Extension agronomist-grain marketing and policy, will be on hand at Runnels County Ag Day to discuss these changes. His talk entitled "Changing Structure







Dr. Mark Waller

of the U.S. Grain Market" will let Runnels County producers know what to expect. Dr. Waller grew up on a farm near Paris, Illinois and received his PhD in agricultural economics from the University of Illinois in 1988. He went to work for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service upon graduation. Dr. Waller has received several awards, with the most recent being a Vice-Chancellor's Award in Excellence Team Award in January 1995.

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# Poet, storyteller presents cowboy way of life

By Rick Minzenmayer  
Ext. Agent - Entomology (PM)  
Runnels-Tom Green Counties

The evening program for Runnels County Ag Day has always been a special time when folks can unwind and relax from the bustle of the day's activities. It has also been a time when Runnels County recognizes outstanding individuals in their community.

During the awards program, a presentation will be made to the Farm Family of the Year and Agribusiness of the Year. This special recognition is given to farm families that exemplify the "rural" life and businesses that positively impact agriculture in our area. Also included in the awards program is the announcement of the 1995 Pat Lee Memorial Scholarship recipients. Two high school

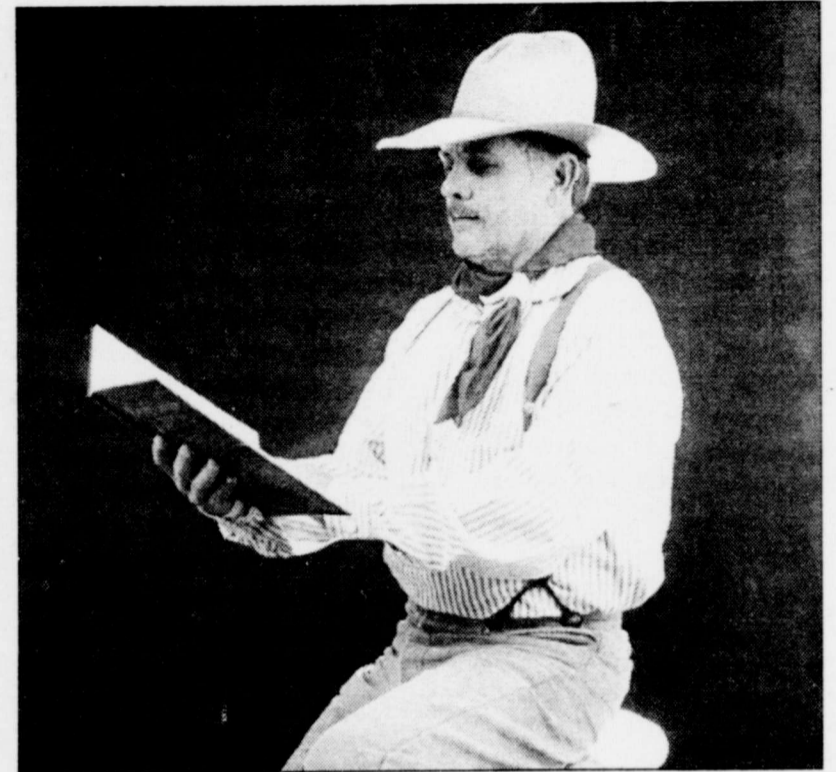
seniors will be awarded \$500 scholarships to be applied toward their college education. These scholarships were initiated by the Runnels County Crops Committee in memory of Pat Lee, long-time secretary for the Runnels County Extension office, and are maintained through sponsorship by the Crops Committee and memorial contributions.

The highlight of the evening program is featured speaker Dr. George Newman, who will present "The Cowboy Way of Life: Readings from Poetry and Stories." Dr. Newman, who prefers the title of cowboy-rancher over his other lofty accomplishments as an author, professor, biologist, and PhD, is a popular speaker in West Texas and hopes he can use his life's work to promote some understanding between ranchers and the pub-

lic.

Newman received his PhD in wildlife from Texas A&M University in 1975 and continued his teaching as a professor at Hardin-Simmons University until his retirement in 1992. While at HSU, he was honored in 1981, 1986 and 1992 for excellence in teaching and research and was the recipient of several grants and scholarships for wildlife research.

He currently oversees his family's ranching and farming operations, along with being active in community activities. Newman has been a long-time supporter of ranchers' and landowners' rights and hopes that his experience as a biologist and a rancher will give him a rather unique background and perspective to help tell the rancher's story to the public.



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# Smooth transition to GATT may not happen for years

By Mike Mauldin  
CEA-AG Runnels County

After seven years of heated discussion, boycott by some of the 124 participating nations and a U.S. debate in Congress, the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement of Tariffs and Trade (GATT) passed the U.S. House and Senate by an overwhelming majority.

The transition into a smoothly working GATT, however, may take years to implement as new laws, rules and expected evolutionary business associations enter the world of international trade.

Patience and perseverance is the word since the agreement promises to increase world trade and economic activity substantially. The agreement will reduce tariffs by 36 percent, cut export subsidies globally, provide a system of protection for intellectual property and set rules for investment and trade in services. Exporters should benefit, along with big agricultural interests and producers of books, software and compact disks.

According to an initial analysis of the agreement, workers in the textile and apparel industries and related labor intensive industries in countries with high wage scales will be the likely losers.

With regard to agriculture, the

agreement requires countries that export farm goods to reduce the volume of subsidized exports by 21 percent over six years. Bans on rice imports in Japan and South Korea are to be lifted. Quotas for imports of sugar, dairy and peanuts into the U.S. are to be gradually phased out over 10 years and replaced by tariffs.

Initial access to previously closed markets would equal 3 percent of domestic consumption; Japan agreed to allow the share of imported rice to increase to 4 percent in 1995 and 8 percent over six years.

U.S. rice, grain, fruits, vegetables and animal products can be expected to gain most. Small farms, though, may face tougher competition from low cost producers. According to a recent article in the *Wall Street Journal*, as part of the GATT legislation, the administration promised to increase funds for agricultural export programs by \$600 million over five years.

Quoted in an article in the Dec. 2, 1994 issue of the *Wall Street Journal*, Bernard Steinweg, senior vice-president of New York-based Continental Grain Company, says he expects annual U.S. corn exports to climb back to the 2-billion-bushel level by the end of the decade, up 23 percent from

this year.

USDA projects that U.S. net farm income will increase a minimum of \$1.9 billion by the year 2005. This increase will be coupled with an additional 145,000 export-related jobs and reductions in government outlays of about \$2.0 billion, due to higher farm prices and lower deficiency payments to agricultural producers.

While these projections are subject to some uncertainty regarding how other countries implement GATT and subsequent income growth in major markets, they should serve as a barometer by which to measure the success of this trade liberalization effort.

One of the key speakers for the producers program at this year's AG Day is Dr. Parr Rosson, professor and Extension economist-international trade in the Department of Agricultural Economics at Texas A&M University. Rosson's current activities include educational program development and research related to the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), and identification of international marketing opportunities for Texas agriculture. He also teaches two undergraduate courses in International Trade and Agriculture and International Marketing at Texas

A&M.

Prior to coming to Texas A&M, Rosson was the director of International Programs in the Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources at Clemson University. He received both his PhD and master's degrees in agricultural economics from Texas A&M University. He received a bachelor of science degree in agronomy from Texas A&M in 1971 and was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Army. After completing Airborne and Ranger school, Rosson served five years in the army as an infantry rifle platoon leader, battalion air operations officer and infantry rifle company commander in Oklahoma, Georgia and Alaska. He



Dr. Parr Rosson

grew up on a grain sorghum and cotton farm in Taft, Texas, spending most of his early years working on the farm and his family's cotton gin, grain elevator and farm supply business.

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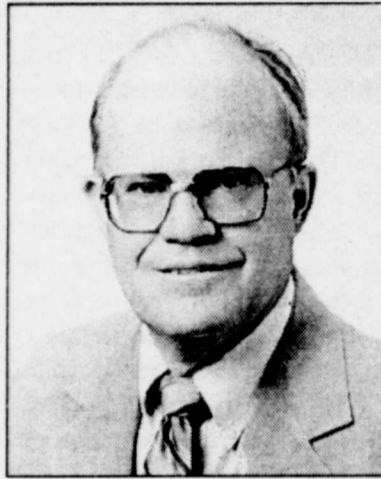
## World mohair future looks bright

By Mike Mauldin  
County Ext. Agent - AG  
Runnels County

The mohair industry is looking to the future with a great deal of optimism and enthusiasm. Many top designers throughout the world are incorporating mohair into their fashions and early indications look for mohair to continue to be a spotlighted fiber in the fall/winter 1995 collections. Those within the industry feel that mohair should enjoy four or five years in demand. American producers can take pride in the quality being produced in this country today. As prices for mohair improve, producers are seeing better prices for quality angora does. With the phaseout of the wool and mohair incentive program, producers will become more conscious of the genetics of their flock, world demand, quality of mohair produced

and preparation of the clip.

Discussing the mohair industry at Ag Day this year is Drury Menzies, executive director of the Mohair Council of America. Menzies, a native of Menard, retired as Gillespie County Extension Agent in 1992 after 31 years. He was previously Extension agent in Concho County and assistant in Taylor County. Menzies was no stranger to mohair producers in the Southwest when he took over the reins of the Mohair Council. He serves on a task force to study the economic impact of the loss of the wool act of rural Texas that was organized by the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association. He also serves as an advisor to the Texas Sheep and Commodity Board, which funds predator control programs in 100 sheep and goat producing counties. Menzies graduated from Texas Tech University in 1960 with a bachelor of



Drury Menzies

science degree in animal husbandry and has completed work toward a master of science degree at Texas A&M University.

Menzies will be discussing the current situation with mohair consumption and production. He will also highlight the outlook for 1995 and into 1996 for mohair production.

## Former Miss USA praises use of mohair

By Patricia Hohensee  
County Ext. Agent-HE  
Runnels County



Kim Dutton

Kim Dutton will be a special guest speaker for the ladies section at Ag Day. As the national spokesperson for mohair, Dutton will acquaint her audience with the luster, durability and unsurpassed thermal qualities that mohair fibers provide.

During her presentation that begins at 2:30 p.m. in the home economics department, Dutton will show her mohair wardrobe collection. She will be assisted by local Runnels County ladies modeling the attire.

Mohair is an elegant natural fiber that Texas and Run-

nels County angora goat producers are extremely proud of. Ms. Dutton will give perspectives of the impact that Texas mohair is making on the world's fashion industry.

Ms. Dutton resides near Boerne where her family is involved in ranching and raising angora goats, cattle and sheep. She currently hosts her own TV show, "Travel Texas." Many remember Ms. Dutton as a former Miss Texas and Miss USA.



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## Worldwide cotton supplies increase

By Rick Minzenmayer  
Ext. Agent - Ento (PM)  
Runnels-Tom Green Counties

In 1994 cotton supplies worldwide increased moderately with the U.S. situation, highlighted by a bumper crop, strong domestic and export demand and increasing stocks. Last year's world crop was 10 million bales larger than in 1993/94 and will likely exceed consumption of 86 million bales for the first time in two years.

With supplies adequate to meet expected market needs, the price rally in late 1994 was unusual. The strong market was apparently tied to the potential for increased exports. When looking to the future one of the greatest unknowns surrounds the harvest size and both domestic and trade policies in China, and their intended imports of U.S. cotton.

Market strategies covering the

1995-96 crop will need to consider the likelihood of larger crop than usage and more stocks, since foreign countries are expected to plant more cotton next year in response to the highest prices since the 1990-91 season. However, world mill use, which has been fairly stable since 1986, may edge up much less than production. That means an increase in stocks and prices will likely decrease substantially below levels for the 1994-95 crop.

Marketing plans are a very important part of your management strategies and Dr. Jackie Smith, professor and Extension economist, TAEX, will provide you with some of the necessary tools to make these marketing decisions in his presentation "Cotton Marketing: Today and Tomorrow," at Ag Day. Dr. Smith's areas of specialization include farm and ranch management and pro-



Dr. Jackie Smith

duction economics with special interests in computer spreadsheet decision aids, producer computer education and alternative cotton marketing strategies. He will give an update on last year's cotton market and will address market strategies for the pricing of the 1995 crop and the new crop insurance program.

## Youth face challenges

By Lance Rasch  
Asst. County Ext. Agent-AG  
Runnels County

Runnels County youth face great challenges as they move into the future. The greatest challenge to young people is stepping up to a leadership role and learning to work with others. The 1995 Youth Seminar will focus on these challenges. "Lead, Follow or Get Out of the Way...A Creative Leadership and Teamwork Experience", will be the theme at the Youth Seminar, conducted in conjunction with Runnels County Ag Day.

The date is Tuesday, March 14, beginning at 4 p.m. in the ag science classrooms at Ballinger High School. All youth, ages 9-19, are welcome. The speakers are Terri Wilcox of Levelland

and Cody Stone of Gail.

Wilcox is currently enrolled at South Plains College in Levelland and has been on the staff at the Texas 4-H Center for the past two years. She has taught leadership skills and teamwork with partner, Cody. Stone has worked as a staff member at the 4-H Center for three years and is a 1994 graduate of Texas A&M University with a bachelor of science degree in ag and life sciences. These two work as a very motivational team and will challenge you to become a better leader.

Door prizes will be given throughout the afternoon and youth will enjoy a free barbecue sandwich supper at the close of the program. Everyone is welcome at the evening program beginning at 6:45 p.m. in the auditorium.

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## Property rights issue hits home

By Patricia Hohensee  
County Ext. Agent-He  
Runnels County

Immediately following the mid-afternoon break, Floy Lilley of Austin will address stinging issues of government controls and environmental mandates. Her presentation "Property Rights and Endangered Liberties" should widen your exposure and strengthen your backbone to defend the concepts of private property rights.

Lilley is currently program manager of the Clint W. Murchison Sr. Chair of Free En-

terprise of the College of Engineering at the University of Texas at Austin. She helps fulfill the chair's mandate which is to research and remark upon the relationship between free enterprise, government affairs and social sciences.

In her straight forward style, Lilley will help her audience realize that the current trend toward more regulation is real and that citizen actions are a must if our liberties are to survive. If landowners stand idly by, they may soon experience their only right and that is the right to pay property tax on their land that is con-



Floy Lilley

trolled by their government.

Ms. Lilley is a strong proponent of human rights, economic prosperity for all and environmental stewardship. She believes that to be free is to be responsible for one's own actions and to be responsible, one must be free to make choices.

Hearing her 3:30 p.m. presentation will be a choice you will want to hear.

## Cotton bags become art

Lubbock's Jean Mallory will present her "Texas Cotton Wearable Art" program to ladies attending Ag Day. Her 2 p.m. presentation will tell of her experiences of designing her own clothing and applique patterns.

Mrs. Mallory's favorite textile medium is cotton bale bagging. Originally manufactured as an outer covering to protect cotton bales after leaving the cotton gin, up to being received at the textile manufacturing plant, the bale bagging was more recently discovered as fashion fabric.

Using her clothing design training from Baylor University, Mrs. Mallory has created several applique patterns that are ideal for embellishing bale bagging garments. During her presentation you will see her natural fiber works of art and learn some of the techniques used in applique artistry.

Ag Day folks will have a chance to visit with Mrs. Mallory (who has roots in Winters, by the way) throughout the day in her booth. There she will have available for purchase cotton bale bagging fabric and her Mallory Classic Design patterns.

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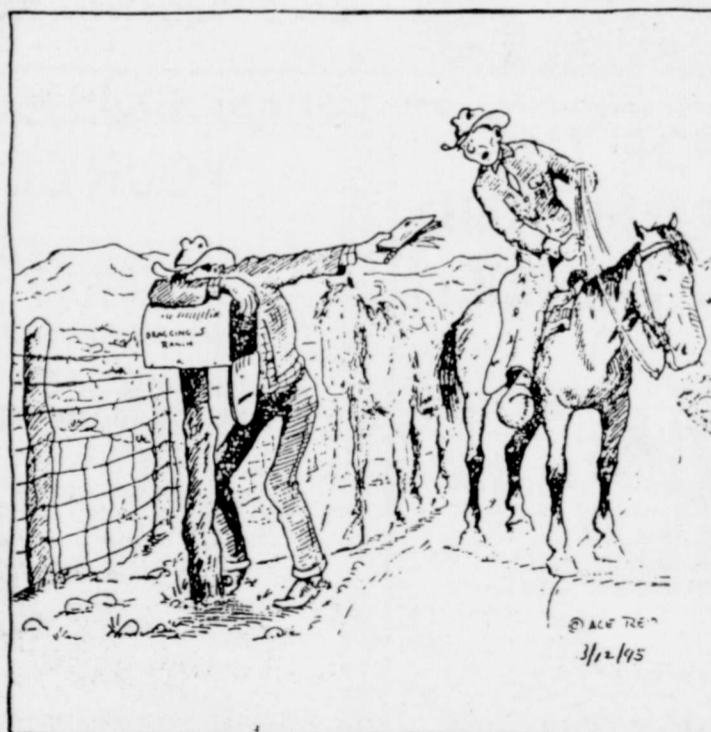
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# Boll weevil impacts science, society

By Rick Minzenmayer  
Ext. Agent - Entomology (PM)  
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The boll weevil has profoundly impacted both science and society in Texas and the United States. Since its introduction into the United States in 1892 from Mexico, the pest has caused billions of dollars in economic loss to the cotton industry and has been to a large extent responsible over the past 100 years in the reshaping of agriculture and the social structure in the southern U.S. Immediately following the invasion of Texas by the boll weevil, the United States Department of Agriculture was directed to stem the northeast movement of the boll weevil in Texas and to protect the flourishing cotton industry in the South. In 1899, the Department of

Entomology at Texas A&M University was founded with the primary purpose of eradicating the boll weevil from Texas. Despite the best efforts of USDA and Texas A&M University entomologists, the weevil spread across the South and reached the Atlantic seaboard during World War I, devastating the southern cotton industry.

Probably no other insect has received more scientific and resource investment than the boll weevil. Extensive research has been conducted on the systematics, biology, ecology, and management of this legendary pest of cotton. Research has targeted biological, cultural and chemical control tactics as the tools for developing integrated pest management (IPM) strategies in the southern U.S. In the late 1970s, a successful boll weevil eradication pro-

gram was initiated in the Southeast and, currently, over two million acres of cotton are now produced boll weevil-free in North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Alabama and Georgia. Following eradication, insecticide use on cotton plummeted by 50 to 99%.

Southern Rolling Plains cotton growers recognizing the success of boll weevil eradication, began a similar program in the fall of 1994. Osama El-Lissy, program director, Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation, will give an update on the program in the Southern Rolling Plains Zone at Ag Day. El-Lissy, a native of Cairo, Egypt, received his degree in entomology from the University of Cairo. He has managed the program in the Southwest and developed technology to combat the pink bollworm and whiteflies.

## Speaker helps stop scams

"Schemes, Scams and Flim-flams: Stopping Senior Fraud" is the 1 p.m. program for women in the home economics department. Plan to hear Hal R. Ray Jr., assistant attorney general and chief of the Elder Law and Public Health Division.

"Twelve percent of Americans right now are over 65 years of age, but that same population accounts for 30% of the consumer fraud victims," said Ray. He said senior citizens are targeted because they account for 50 to 77 percent of total financial assets in the nation.

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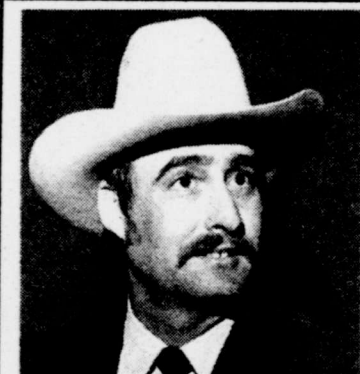
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## TDH offers shots

By Patricia Hohensee  
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TDH services will be available in the Health Fair area from 10:30 a.m. til 4:30 p.m. Other health-related information will also be available upon request.

All adults who have not completed a primary series against tetanus and diphtheria are encouraged to do so. Boosters are advised at least every 10 years, especially for agricultural workers who encounter numerous cuts, abrasions and puncture wounds on the job.

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