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Funds needed for local CIA housing repairs

Time is drawing closer for the annual Christmas in April workday for the Winters community.

Melanie Wade, local CIA president, said plans are underway to improve twelve (12) homes during the workday April 20, and much is still to do.

Donations of volunteers, materials, and food are needed, with special emphasis on money to support this project.

To help with fundraising, the local CIA chapter is selling Christmas in April t-shirts and caps. The t-shirts are available in small, medium, and large for \$10.00, and in extra large and extra-extra large for \$12.00 at the Hair Post at 406 N. Main. Red or green caps are \$10.00 each.

The CIA chapter is also selling cooked briskets for \$20.00 and may be purchased by calling Janet Cason at 754-5205.

Christmas in April is a national organization whose purpose is to provide free home repairs to low income, elderly, or handicapped individuals.

Your help is needed to make this project a success. Anyone willing to contribute to this worthwhile project is asked to contact Melanie Wade at The Hair Post, 406 N. Main, Winters 79567 or call 754-4385 or 754-5025, Sue Spill at 754-4847 or 754-4513, or the Winters Enterprise at 754-4958.

Industrial Corporation searching for buildings, land for potential businesses

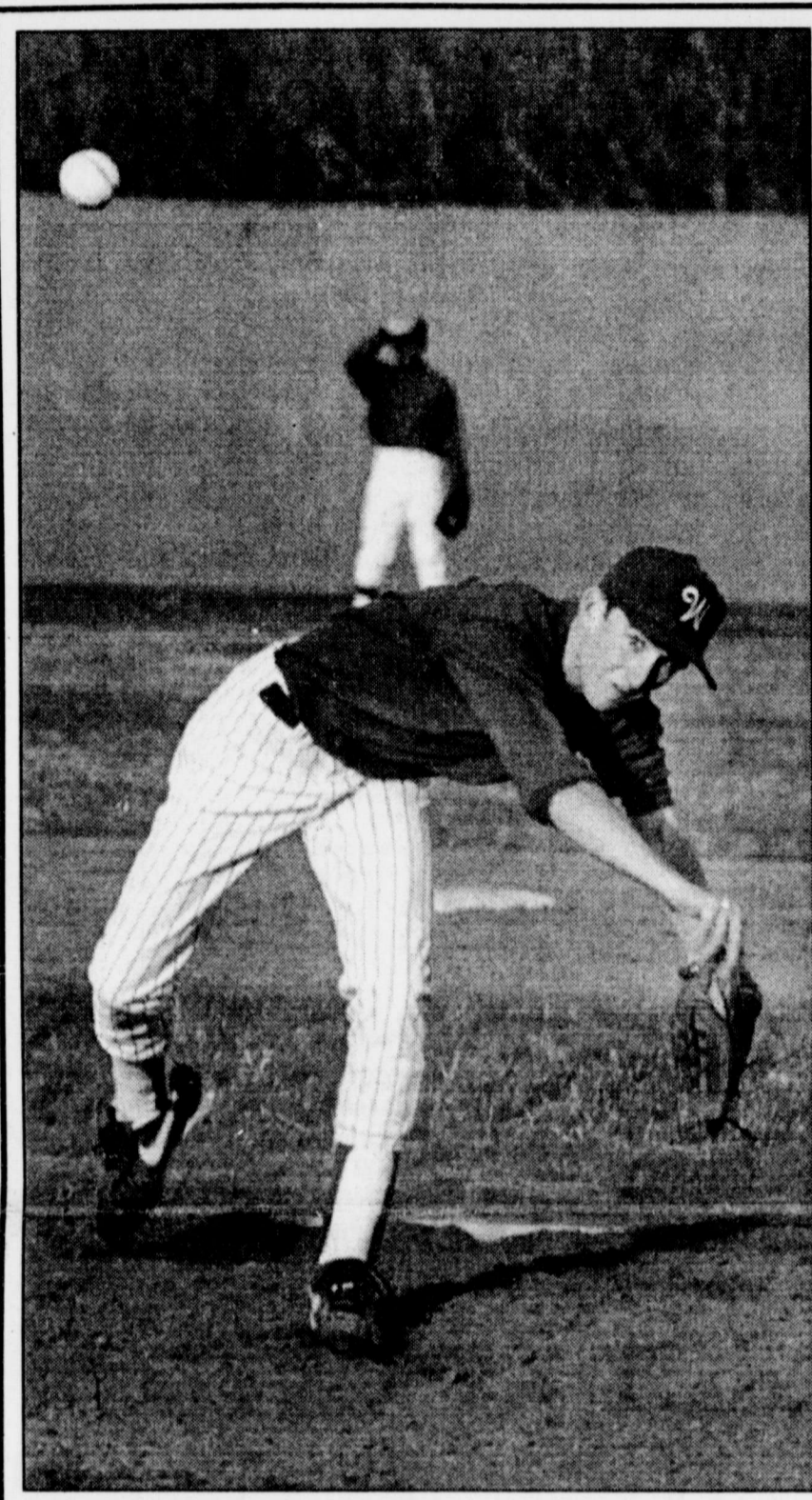
The Winters Area Business and Industrial Corporation is in need of buildings and/or land for commercial and industrial site locations. Several businesses, interested in locating in Winters, have contacted WABIC and need property to consider.

Current interests exist in buildings of 12,000-14,000 square feet and 25,000 square feet, and property of 5-10 acres with access to utilities.

If you have ANY buildings or

land for sale or lease, the Industrial Corporation would like to know so that it may be shown to these potential businesses.

Please contact, or have your realtor contact, members of the Winters Area Business and Industrial Corporation with the address, size of property, conditions of sale or lease, and price. You may call WABIC President Charles Bahlman, 754-4551; Vice President Randall Conner, 754-5373, or Secretary Gary Moore, 754-4541.



PAIGE BISHOP aims for homeplate during varsity Blizzard action against Anson.

Pope grants special award to Father John Hoorman

Pope John Paul II, at the recommendation of Bishop Michael Pfeifer, OMI, conferred the highest papal honor on Father John Hoorman, C.P.P.S., who had been serving as Pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church in Winters at the time of his death on December 30, 1995.

Bishop Pfeifer had requested this special pontifical medal "Pro Ecclesiae et Pontifice (For the Church and Pope) for Father Hoorman back in October of 1995. As the award arrived shortly after Father Hoorman's death, the medal has been sent to his order, the Precious Blood Fathers, whose headquarters are in Liberty, Missouri, where it will be kept in his memory.

The Pro Ecclesiae et Pontifice

award is given to those who have served the Church and the Pope many years with loyalty and in an exemplary manner.

Bishop Pfeifer said "that he was very sorry this papal recognition did not arrive before Father Hoorman's death." The Bishop added, "Father Hoorman was an outstanding priest and a very compassionate minister of Christ. We in the Diocese of San Angelo are most grateful to him for his Christ-like service, especially for the wonderful priestly service he gave to the people of Winters, Texas."

Bishop Pfeifer requested this high award to express his gratitude and that of the Diocese to Father Hoorman for his many years of dedicated priestly service.

Suspect of Ballinger shooting incident still at large

A local businessman is suspected in a shooting incident and high-speed chase which occurred in the early morning hours of Thursday, February 22. Known as Clinton William Lee in Ballinger, he is owner of Around the Corner game room. He was observed by Ballinger Police Officer Jimmy Sailer firing four times at the First National Bank of Rotan, Ballinger Branch building, on Hutchings. When Officer Sailer attempted to stop the suspect, he fled in a late model white Oldsmobile.

Sailer pursued the vehicle north on Highway 83 toward Winters with the suspect firing through the back window of his vehicle four or five times at the pursuing police vehicle. At Hatchel, the vehicle turned back toward Ballinger on the old Winters Highway (FM 2887).

The suspect led Sailer to the Housing Authority apartments on 13th Street before abandoning his vehicle and fleeing on foot.

Police have now identified Lee as the same person known as William Lee Williams who is a fugitive from Montgomery County, Texas, on a warrant for burglary of a habitation. He has been wanted in Montgomery County since 1994. The Texas Department of Public Safety Fugitive Apprehension Unit assisted in the

identification of Lee/Williams.

Ballinger Police Chief Paul Boggess says there is a warrant for Lee/Williams' arrest on a warrant for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon on a peace officer. Information sent to other law enforcement agencies by the Ballinger Police Department says Lee/Williams is armed with a chrome .45 semi-automatic handgun and possibly a .380 semi-automatic handgun. Although Lee is from the Houston area, police believe he is still in the Ballinger-San Angelo area.

The vehicle he was driving has been impounded by the police department. Inside the vehicle, police found a police scanner, black clothing, and a black ski mask along with body armor (bullet proof vest).

Lee/Williams is also a diabetic and must have insulin injections twice a day. He is 6'1" tall and weighs 160 pounds and has brown hair and blue eyes and is 27 years of age.

Boggess says there have been two separate reports of Lee/Williams being seen in San Angelo since the incident. Police warn against approaching Lee/Williams if he is spotted by the public. Anyone having any information on Lee/Williams is asked to call the Ballinger Police Department at 365-3591.



FIFTH GRADERS watch intently as Darrell Tapley of Valera demonstrates making glass beads and jewelry during the fourth annual Elementary Arts and Crafts festival sponsored by the Women's Service League.

Fire destroys house, 800 acres

Citizens urged to prevent grass fires during dry conditions

Volunteer firemen from Winters, Wingate, Lawn, ECCA, and Tuscola were called to extinguish a fire that burned several hundred acres and destroyed a two-story home in south Taylor County Friday afternoon.

The fire began around 12:30 p.m. when a pickup caught fire on Highway 83 north of Bradshaw, according to eyewitnesses and firefighters at the scene.

Witnesses reported that the pickup was pulling a recreational trailer when the transmission blew. The driver pulled over to the roadside when his gas tank ruptured, spilling burning gas into the ex-

tremely dry grass. The truck and the trailer were burned to the frame.

Flames, aided by high, gusty winds and more dry brush, quickly spread north and west of the one-house community of Guion.

A second home of Bill and Easter Belle Hothan of Abilene, located just south of Guion, was consumed in minutes, partly because of all the dead vegetation around it.

Estimates have been made that from 600-800 acres burned before the blaze was contained about 3:00 p.m.

Jack Davis, Jr., fire chief of the Winters Volunteer Fire Department, reminds everyone to be extremely cautious about the possibility of fires. A city ordinance prohibits any outside burning without a permit.

Smokers are reminded not to carelessly toss burning cigarettes out of car or pickup windows.

Since January 1, 1996, the WVFD has responded to 22 fires, with 111.5 man hours spent in February.

Runnels County Commissioners have banned all open burning within the county except in approved containers.

City elections to place three aldermen

Winters city elections will be May 4 in the Winters Elementary School Library. Three alderman places will be open in the 1996 election. Places 2, 4, and 5 are currently held by Nelan Bahlman, Shirley Hall, and Garry Goff, respectively, and will expire in May.

Applications to file for election may be picked up at the city administrator's office at City Hall, 310 S. Main, beginning Tuesday, February 20, Wednesday, March 20, is the last date to sign up for the election.

Completed applications may be received any weekday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at City Hall.

March 5 is the first date to accept requests for early or absentee ballots by mail. April 26 is the last day mail-in ballots will be accepted. Requests for ballots should be mailed to City of Winters, Aref Hassan, City Administrator's Office, 310 S. Main, Winters, Texas 79567.

Early or absentee voting by appearance begins April 15 in the city administrative office and continues until April 30.

Weekend early voting Sunday

Weekend early voting will be conducted on Sunday, March 3, between the hours of 12:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. in the Runnels County Clerk's Office in Ballinger and in the Runnels County Tax Branch Office, 143 West Dale, in Winters. Voters may vote either

See "Early voting" pg. 10

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- Feb. 29-6-10 p.m., EMT Course, North Runnels Hospital
- 6:30 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center
- 7 p.m., Sea Cadets, Winters High School, Classroom #1
- 7 p.m., Baseball Association, City Council Chambers
- 7:29 p.m., Ballinger Chamber of Commerce Banquet, Ballinger High School Cafeteria
- March 1-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- March 2-9 a.m., Registration, College Days, Angelo State University, San Angelo
- 10 a.m., Special Olympics, Ballinger High School
- March 3-11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., CYO Spaghetti Dinner & Slave Auction, Mt. Carmel Catholic Church Parish Hall
- 12:30-5:30 p.m., Weekend Early Voting
- 2 p.m., Baseball Equipment/Uniform Turn-in, Cook's Storage
- Houston Livestock Show/Rodeo Concludes
- March 4-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 6:30 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center
- 7 p.m., American Legion
- 7 p.m., Knights of Columbus
- 7 p.m., Late Sign-up for Little League, Catholic Church
- March 5-Noon, Lions Club
- 6-10 p.m., EMT Course, North Runnels Hospital
- 6:30 p.m., DARE Graduation, WHS Auditorium
- 7 p.m., WVFD
- TAAS Test
- March 6-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 3:30-5:30 p.m., 4-H Sewing Session, Home Economics Bldg.
- TAAS Test
- March 7-9:30-Noon, 1:30-3:30 p.m., Immunization Clinic, Texas Dept. of Health
- 6-10 p.m., EMT Course, North Runnels Hospital
- 7:30 p.m., Winters Masonic Lodge
- TAAS Test

OIL BUSINESS

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People sometimes ask me what I mean about competition in the oil business.

They sometimes ask me to leave after taking an hour answering their question, but I promise reading this column this week won't take that long (graduates of certain universities excepted).

Competition is a word that evokes thoughts of two or more companies duking it out for customers. Like two grocery stores going after the same customers by offering sales and green stamps and such.

In this respect, people often wonder how there could be competition in the oil patch, as there is demand for every drop produced and the price is pretty much set by world markets. As a result, oil producers shouldn't have to fight for customers, so there shouldn't really be any competition.

Ah, but there is competition! It's just not in the classical sense.

One is correct in noting that there is no problem attracting customers to buy oil. However, the competition comes in on the cost side of the equation. An oil company controls the level of profit it can make for a set world price by controlling its costs.

But, the cost of producing and selling oil has more far-reaching effects than just short-term profit.

Costs impact how much a producer can pay for a lease bonus in a prospective area. A high cost basis will result in a competitor getting a lease because they can afford to bid more if their costs are lower.

The long-term profit margin of a producer also impacts the types of development pursued, the amount of risk tolerance a company has, and the return on invested capital of any investors, among other things.

All of these things are, in fact, competition because they involve companies that are pursuing the same natural resource.

At this point, one might ask why it matters if a producer gets a particular lease or not?

To answer that question, consider this:

Oil and gas companies continue as viable entities by finding new sources of their products. They produce daily, all the while depleting their asset base. They must find new oil and gas, or they will put themselves out of business by literally selling everything they have.

If they can't be competitive on buying leases, attracting capital with good returns, and pursuing riskier projects, then they will lose in the marketplace. Another, more profitable company will get more of the limited opportunities and the less profitable company may go out of business.

So, in fact, there is competition in the oil patch, it is just a little different than two competing lemonade stands on the same

corner. After all, those lemonade stand guys just have to get their mother to refill their pitcher when they run out of product, while oil companies have to try to get *Mother Nature* to help out.

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY

COMPLETIONS

Coke County

Delray Oil has completed the Arrot Brothers -A- #1-13 as a Wildcat, 3 miles SW of Tennyson at an initial rate of 35 BOPD in the Ellenburger (perms 5712-18). Loc. is 700 FEL & 855 FSL of T. Rowe Sur. No. 13, A-602.

Nolan County

Oryx Energy has completed the Southwest Nena Lucia Unit #4820 in the Nena Lucia Field (12 miles SW of Maryneal) at an initial rate of 120 BOPD & 471 BWPD in the Strawn Reef (perms 6994-7040). Loc. is 700 FEL & 2550 FSL of Sec. 87, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur., A-43.

Runnels County

J.H. Oil has completed the R. Schaefer -A- #12 in the Busher Field (7 miles W of Ballinger) at an initial rate of 32 BOPD in the Morris (perms 3843-51). Loc. is 1839 FNL & 3118 FEL of S. Bacon Sur. No. 435, A-18.

Taylor County

Barbee, Inc. has completed the Shotwell-Robinson #7 in the Cholla Field (5 miles NE of Tuscola) at an initial rate of 61 BOPD in the Flippen (perms 2102-04). Loc. is 2910 FNL & 500 FEL of W.M. Smith Sur. No. 517, A-238.

R. Guffey Oil has completed the Ledbetter #1 as a Wildcat, 4 miles SW of View at an initial rate of 18 BOPD in the Cook Sand (perms 2748-70). Loc. is 3550 FNL & 720 FEL of Goliad CSL Sur. No. 143.

STAKINGS

Concho County

Tri-Dyne Resources has staked the B. Sims #1 in the Paint Rock Field, 8 miles E of Paint Rock (Depth 4000). Loc. is 1822 FNL & 5175 FEL of Sec. 310, H. Schumacker Sur., A-737.

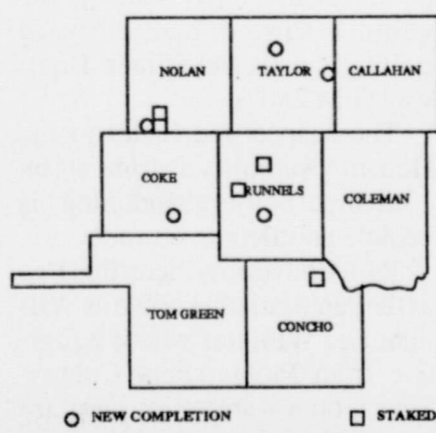
Nolan County

Oryx Energy has staked two wells in the Southwest Nena Lucia Unit (SWNLU) in the Nena Lucia Field, 11 miles SW of Maryneal (Depth 7500). The SWNLU #2206 is loc. 2450 FEL & 350 FSL of Sec. 91, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur. The SWNLU #3123 is loc. 2351 FEL & 2629 FSL of Sec. 86, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur.

Runnels County

EWD Oil has applied to re-enter the M.L. Deike #2 in the Deike Field, 2 miles E of Wilmeth (Depth 4532). Loc. is 3322 FSWL & 467 FNLW of Blk. 19, H.L. Bays Sur. No. 444.

Enrich Oil has applied to plug back the G.W. Pruser #3 in the Chayo Field, 11 miles NW of Ballinger (Depth 4253). Loc. is 2034 FNL & 560 FEL of E.S. Field Sur. No. 40.



Obituaries

Oneta Williams

WINTERS—Oneta Williams, 79, died Friday, February 23, 1996, at Concho Valley Regional Hospital in San Angelo.

She was born on October 30, 1916, in Norton and was a lifetime Runnels County resident. She married D.W. Williams on June 3, 1934, in Norton.

Mrs. Williams was a homemaker and a member of First United Methodist Church in Winters.

Survivors include one son, Dwayne Williams and wife Gail of Edmonds, Washington; two daughters, Lavera Tharp and husband Paul of Winters, and Judy Parker and husband Don of Andrews; one brother, Neil Stewart of Farwell; three sisters, Lesta Hanna of Abilene, Vesta Fagan of Ennis, and Juanelle Chapman of Austin; six grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, February 26, at the First United Methodist Church with Reverend Ed Otwell and Reverend Jeff May officiating. Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church in Winters.

Leona Mae Billups

WINTERS—Leona Mae Billups, 86, died Thursday, February 22, 1996, at Heritage Oaks Nursing Home in Ballinger.

She was born on May 29, 1909, in Runnels County and was a lifelong resident. She married Truitt Billups on April 14, 1924, in Ballinger.

Mrs. Billups was a homemaker and a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, Lynn Billups of Winters; one daughter, Gene Nichols of San Antonio; seven grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 24, at Northview Cemetery with Reverend Gayland Broadstreet officiating. Burial was directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

Gertie Hagle

WINTERS—Gertie Hagle, 87, died Saturday morning, February 24, 1996, at the Ballinger Memorial Hospital.

She was born on August 6, 1908, in Pauls Valley, Oklahoma, and moved to Throckmorton as a child. She married Clarence Hagle on December 31, 1924, in Throckmorton. They moved to Ballinger about 1928 and to Winters in 1950.

Mrs. Hagle was a homemaker and a member of the Church of Christ. She was preceded in death by her husband, Clarence Hagle, on April 4, 1961.

Survivors include five sons, Clarence George Hagle of Coleman, Robert Thomas Hagle, J.B. Hagle, Charles Wesley Hagle, Wayne Hagle, all of Winters; one daughter, Peggy Barnes of Bradshaw; 23 grandchildren; 43 great-grandchildren; and 8 great-great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, February 27, at Lakeview Cemetery with Reverend J.O. Mitchell officiating. Burial was directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Alma Irene Wellbrock

BALLINGER—Alma Irene Wellbrock, 77, died Monday, February 19, 1996, at Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Ballinger.

She was born on May 8, 1918, in Concho County, Texas. She married John William Wellbrock on January 6, 1935, at Paint Rock.

Mrs. Wellbrock was a homemaker, as well as an artist and writer. She was a former Pre-kindergarten teacher.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John William Wellbrock, in 1963.

Survivors include one son, Clarence Wellbrock of Arvada, Colorado; two daughters, Patricia Barbarits of Durham, New Hampshire, and Emerine Jonas of Ballinger; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held at 10 a.m. Friday, February 23, at the Old Runnels Cemetery in Ballinger. Burial was directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

Maria Luisa Marin

PAINT ROCK—Maria Luisa Marin, 48, died Thursday, February 22, 1996.

She was born on December 30, 1947, in Mexico. She married Heriberto Marin on November 11, 1963, in Mexico.

Mrs. Marin was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Heriberto Marin of Paint Rock; five sons, Jose Luis Marin of Oklahoma, Alfonso Marin of Waco, Heriberto N. Marin Jr. of Paint Rock, Sergio Marin of Ballinger, and Edward Marin of Paint Rock; three daughters, Rosalinda Medrano of Albany, Judy Marin of Paint Rock, and Maribel Marin of Paint Rock; her mother, Josefa Cardona of Mexico; four brothers, Lorenzo Cardona, Santiago Cardona, Gilberto Cardona, and Guadalupe Cardona; and one sister, Juanita Eabela.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, February 24, at the Latin-American Cemetery with Joelda Cuellar officiating. Burial was directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home in Ballinger.

Faye Anderson

HALTOM CITY—Faye Anderson, 75, formerly of Winters, died Tuesday, February 20, 1996, at a Fort Worth hospital.

She was born on March 25, 1920, in Dangerfield, Texas.

Mrs. Anderson was a retired supervisor of Hendrick's Home for Children.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Raymond Earl Anderson, in 1981, and a son, Joe Lynn Anderson, in 1950.

Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, Raymond Duane Anderson and wife Peggy of Highland Village, and Mike Anderson and wife Robyn of Grapevine; two brothers, Stiles Watson Sr. of Freeport and Hoyt Watson of Sun City, Arizona; six grandchildren, Holly, Ashely, Mendi, Kim, Wes, and Chad; and three great-grandchildren.

Visitation was from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, February 22, at Mount Olivet Funeral Home in Fort Worth. Services were held at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, February 23, at Mount Olivet Chapel. Graveside services were held at 3:00 p.m. Friday at Lakeview Cemetery in Winters. Burial was directed by Mount Olivet Funeral Home, Fort Worth.

Memorials may be made to Birdville Baptist Church in Haltom City or the American Cancer Society.

Hospital Board sets election date

During the February meeting of the North Runnels Hospital Board of Directors, Saturday, May 4, was set as election date. Three positions will be on the ballot. The positions are currently filled by Kathi Edwards, Tobin Burns, and Mike Davis.

The Board also appointed election officials. Mary Beth Drake will be the Presiding Judge of the Winters polling place. She will be assisted by Silena Perry and Melvena Gerhart. Lavoy McNeill will preside in Wingate and will be assisted by Joyce Broadstreet.

Persons desiring a candidate's application may obtain one at the administrative offices of North Runnels Hospital. Applications will be taken until close of business on Thursday, April 4.

Senior Citizens Activity Center Menu

March 4 thru March 8

Subject to change

Monday, March 4: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, broccoli & cauliflower, cornbread, and fruit.

Wednesday, March 6: Liver & onions, okra gumbo, macaroni & cheese, rolls, and hummingbird cake.

Friday, March 8: Stew, vegetable sticks, Jello salad, cornbread, and dump cake.

Support Your Local Businesses

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our gratitude and appreciation for all thoughtfulness and kindness shown to us in our time of bereavement.

The family of Leona Billups

Card of Thanks

We would like to offer our appreciation and sincere thanks to the Winters Volunteer Fire Department, our friends and neighbors, and the county employees who assisted in putting out the grass fire on our place.

Nila and Therin Osborne

Card of Thanks

I would like to say "thank you" to everyone for their concern during my recent hospitalization and surgery.

I appreciate the cards, prayers, food, visits, and flowers since my return home.

Thanks especially to the good Lord, my husband Bob, my family, the ones who work with me at Head Start, and the church for their prayers.

May God bless you,
Patsy Staggs

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Disc. \$757

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March 4 - March 8
Subject to change

Breakfast

- Monday-March 4
 - Waffles w/Syrup
 - Toast
 - Cereal
 - Orange Juice
- Tuesday-March 5
 - Breakfast Burrito
 - Cereal
 - Toast
 - Tater Tots
- Wednesday-March 6
 - Biscuits w/Gravy
 - Ham
 - Cereal
 - Pineapple Juice
- Thursday-March 7
 - Breakfast Cookie
 - Cereal
 - Apple Wedges w/Peanut Butter
 - Orange Juice
- Friday-March 8
 - Cream of Wheat
 - Cinnamon Toast
 - Cereal
 - Applesauce

Lunch

- Monday-March 4
 - Steak Fingers
 - Cream Potatoes w/Gravy
 - Green Beans
 - Hot Roll
 - Chocolate Pudding
- Tuesday-March 5
 - Grilled Cheese
 - Vegetable Beef Soup
 - Vegetable Dippers w/Dip
 - Apple Cookie
- Wednesday-March 6
 - Soft Tacos
 - Refried Beans
 - Taco Salad
 - Applesauce
 - Cake
- Thursday-March 7
 - Grilled Chicken Bits
 - Stir Fry Vegetables
 - Rice
 - Fruit Cocktail in Jello
- Friday-March 8
 - Hot Dog
 - ABC Fries
 - Macaroni & Cheese
 - Sliced Pickles
 - Pears

All meals served with milk

Team: Junior Varsity Boys
Coach: Ed Henley
Date & place of game:
Feb. 24, 1996—Hawley Tournament
Opponent: Clyde J.V.
Winning pitcher: Jeremy Alvarado
Losing pitcher: Chapman
Key plays: 2B Calcote, Minzenmayer (2), Rodriguez, Conner

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	11	10	1
OPPONENT	3	2	2

Coach's comments: Justin Minzenmayer 2-4, 2 RBIs; Dennis Conner 2-2, 4 RBIs; Eddie Rodriguez 2-2, 2 RBIs; Jeremy Alvarado had 6 strikeouts in 4 innings.

Birthday girl is Karen Colburn.

Students of the Month

Each month the junior high teachers select students from the 7th and 8th grades to be Boy and Girl of the Month. These selections are made on the basis of academics, leadership, and citizenship.

Jeff Jordan, 13, is "Boy of the Month" for February. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jordan.

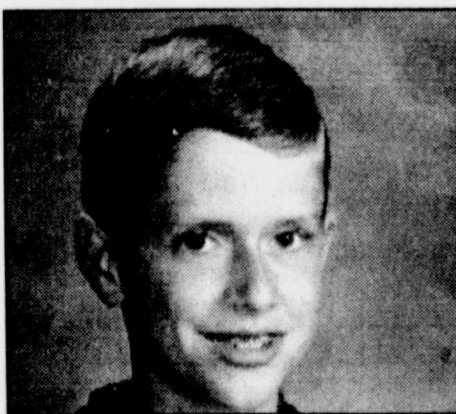
Jeff is in the seventh grade where his favorite subject is history.

He has received honors at stock shows including Reserve Champion Fine Wool Lamb and Champion English Heifer. He enjoys playing sports, working with animals, and collecting cards.

His duties include taking care of the house and animals.

The people Jeff admires most are his mom and dad.

He plans to attend Abilene Christian University, majoring in dentistry.



Jeff Jordan
Boy of the Month

Kelli Slimp, 14, has been chosen as the "Girl of the Month" for February. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Slimp.

Kelli is in the eighth grade and enjoys history and athletics.

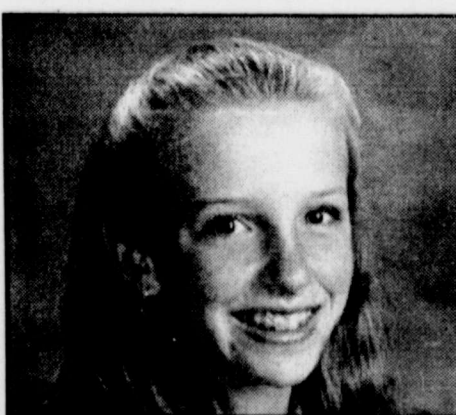
She is a cheerleader and serves on the youth council at First United Methodist Church.

Kelli has received awards for playing basketball and running track. She enjoys all sports, reading, watching TV, and playing the piano.

Her duties include taking care of her sister, keeping her room clean, taking out the trash, and tending to the animals in partnership with her brother.

She plans to attend Texas Tech University and pursue veterinary medicine.

Kelli most admires her parents.



Kelli Slimp
Girl of the Month

1995-1996 7th Grade Breezes



Back, left to right:
Mgr Theresa Cangioli
4 Ashley Harris
45 Rebecca Scates
25 Michelle Paschal
22 Kayla Colburn
Coach Charles Murphy
30 Kacy McCuiston
43 Ophie Lopez
51 Tracie Morrison
15 Leslie Luna
Mgr Stefanie McGallian

Middle:
Mgr Geneva Ovalles
21 Lori Bredemeyer
13 Desirae Hammersmith
41 Jessica DeLaRosa
24 Kendra Hope
3 Kristian Castillo-Cadena
23 Jackye Dexter
15 Kayla Torres
Mgr Holly Woffenden

Front:
31 Lucero Vega
32 Jamie Reeves
23 Fallen Perrie
20 Jessica Corley
5 Brittney Tekell
11 Tiffany Prater

Not pictured:
Mgr Rebecca Moreno

Baseball Scoreboard

Team: Junior Varsity Boys
Coach: Ed Henley
Date & place of game:
Feb. 19, 1996—Stamford
Opponent: Stamford J.V.
Winning pitcher: Stinett
Losing pitcher: Justin Minzenmayer
Key plays: HR 2B 3B

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	8	6	4
OPPONENT	10	4	2

Coach's comments: Too many walks.

Team: Junior Varsity Boys
Coach: Ed Henley
Date & place of game:
Feb. 24, 1996—Hawley Tournament
Opponent: Hawley J.V.
Winning pitcher: Eddie Rodriguez
Losing pitcher: Mills
Key plays: 2B Conner, Minzenmayer 3B Conner

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	11	8	1
OPPONENT	3	1	1

Coach's comments: Justin Minzenmayer 2-2, 2 RBIs; Dennis Conner 3-3, 5 RBIs; Eddie Rodriguez had a no-hitter until 5th inning along with 5 strikeouts.

Team: Junior Varsity Boys
Coach: Ed Henley
Date & place of game:
Feb. 24, 1996—Hawley Tournament
Opponent: Abilene High Freshmen
Winning pitcher: Massey
Losing pitcher: Conner
Key plays: HR 2B 3B

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	2	0	2
OPPONENT	10	4	2

Coach's comments: 2ND PLACE; 3rd game of the day and 5th in two days. All taken into consideration, this was a pretty good showing. Our pitching has begun to catch on; our hitting has picked up. Right now, we just need to maintain in these two areas and go to the next level.

Go Blizzards!

4TH SIX WEEKS HONOR ROLL SECONDARY SCHOOL

Seventh Grade

- Lori Bredemeyer
- Desirae Hammersmith
- Jeffrey Jordan
- Josh Minzenmayer
- Tracie Morrison
- Michelle Paschal
- Aaron Pritchard
- Colby Walker
- Holly Woffenden

Eighth Grade

- Matthew Angel
- Misty Melton
- Shelley Meyer
- Jana Presley
- Kelli Slimp
- Cari Trojcek

Freshmen

- Jamie Bishop
- Chip White
- Kenny Whittenburg

Sophomores

- Debbie Baize
- Nicole Cross
- Jennifer Davis
- Greg Evans
- Jeanna Kozelsky
- Stacy McMinn
- Monica Parramora
- Heather Watkins

Juniors

- Jaime Bahlman
- Paige Bishop
- Cristi Burton
- Brent Jacob
- Austin Jobe
- Chris McCaslin
- Robyn Parramora

Seniors

- John Paul Belew
- Karolen Biddix
- Gayla Clough
- Leslie Cobb
- Kevin Conner
- Mark Deike
- Rachel Edwards
- Brandi Gray
- Lori Jobe
- Jason Jordan
- Marcie Pritchard



LUKE WYATT snags the strike as the varsity Blizzards faced the Anson Tigers last week at Winters. The game was called due to darkness.



SIXTH GRADERS AMANDA COTTER, MANDY PRITCHARD, AND MONICA HICKS (left to right) carefully use hot irons to press fabric flower cut-outs on gift sacks. Rhonda Kruse and Julie Frierson assisted Martha Hatler as she taught the students how to use "Wonder-Under," a fabric adhesive, to decorate articles at the annual Arts and Crafts Festival sponsored by the Women's Service League.

4TH SIX WEEKS PRIMARY PARADE

FIRST GRADE

CAVAZOS

- Israel Aragon
- Matthew Awalt
- Aaron Colburn
- Amanda Brewer
- James Fine
- Ashley Gann
- Allan Green
- Chris Guerrero

- Michael Hubach
- Leo Jacques
- Jordan Sanchez
- Jose Moreno
- Cameron Myrick
- Jordan Rogers
- De'Lise Sanchez
- Edgar Vega

- Ashley Belk
- Aaron Briley
- Ty Cason
- Yesenia Flores
- Amanda Fuentes
- Trenton Grohman
- Charlotte Horton
- Steven Kruse

- Keegan Kurtz
- Ashley Laird
- Will Mathis
- Anthony Ramirez
- Cory Sudduth
- Lindsey Summerlin
- Advita Vasquez
- Crystal Wallar

- Kelly Bennett
- Patricia Carrillo
- Don Davis
- Luke England
- Danielle Felty
- Samantha Frasier
- Stephen Goetz
- Joseph Lara

- Kody McCuiston
- Bryant Mikeska
- Amy Pinon
- Cory Pringle
- Francis Reyes
- Javier Rodriguez
- Marcus Rodriguez
- Savannah Sanchez
- Jennifer Yates

SECOND GRADE

LINCYCOMB

- Amanda Blackshear
- Lucia Chavez
- Aaron Colburn
- Jose Cruz
- Ana Diaz
- Paige Geistmann
- Erica Lujano
- Tod Martin

- L.J. Nitsch
- Chris Peyton
- Jordan Sanchez
- Matt Tekell
- Marcus Tubbs
- Ashley Vasquez
- Eric Wyatt

- Steven Clark
- Jennifer Esquivel
- Raysha Garcia
- Krystal Gibbens
- Israel Guerrero
- Jessica Hamilton
- Jonathan Meyer
- Mindy Presa

- Angel Ramirez
- Elizabeth Sartor
- Amber Totten
- James Vasquez
- Manuel Vega
- Brandi Wemken
- Bryce Wilkerson

- Todd Ball
- Angelica Campos
- Justin Fenwick
- Luke Hale
- Randy Jackson
- Yazmine Lopez
- Beca Morrison
- Armando Nava

- Dylan Perrie
- Margarita Pinon
- Amanda Polk
- Vickie Santoya
- David Scates
- Priscilla Vara
- Kindra Walker

Play Ball '96

Feb. 29-March 2—Merkel Tourn., There, TBA, VB
March 4—Stamford, Here, 4:30 p.m., JVB
March 5—Brady, Here, 4:30 p.m., VB
March 5—Coleman, There, 5 p.m., VG

VB-Varsity Boys VG-Varsity Girls
JVB-Junior Varsity Boys
*Denotes District Games

Team: Junior Varsity Boys
Coach: Ed Henley
Date & place of game:
Feb. 23, 1996—Hawley Tournament
Opponent: Stamford J.V.
Winning pitcher: Michael Pritchard
Losing pitcher: Spalding
Key plays: 2B Dennis Conner (2)

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	4	2	3
OPPONENT	3	3	2

Team: Junior Varsity Boys
Coach: Ed Henley
Date & place of game:
Feb. 23, 1996—Hawley Tournament
Opponent: Abilene Cooper Freshmen
Winning pitcher: Meyer
Losing pitcher: Abe Vasquez
Key plays: HR 2B 3B

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	3	2	2
OPPONENT	7	2	2

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JUNIOR

3:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.

EAG GOLD

8:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m.

9:45 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

3:00 p.m.

JOSH G

Register for ESL classes March 25

Registration For ESL (English as a Second Language) classes will be March 25, 1996, from 6-9 p.m. at the Agricultural Building of Winters I.S.D.

There must be a minimum of eight (8) participants for the class.

Classes will be Mondays only, beginning March 25. Certificates will be presented to students having completed the class.

For more information, contact Ms. Mary Ellen Estrada, (915) 754-5516, ext. 323; Ms. Barbara Everett, (915) 754-5574.

ESL clases serán 25 de marzo

Matriculaciones para las clases de ESL (Inglés como la lengua secundaria) serán el 25 de marzo de 1996, a las 6 de la noche, en el Edificio de Agricultura de la Escuela Secundaria de Winters.

Se requiere el mínimo de ocho participantes para que la clase se lleve a cabo.

Las clases se darán los lunes, de 6-9 de la noche, en el Edificio de Agricultura. La primera clase será el 25 de marzo.

Se les entregarán certificados a los alumnos quienes terminan el año.

Para mas informacion, llamen a la Srta. Estrada al (915) 754-5516, ext. 323; o la Sra. Everett al (915) 754-5574.

Play-off T-shirts

The Booster Club has play-off T-shirts available for \$10. Sizes offered are L, XL, XXL, and a few XXXL.

They can be purchased at the Hair Post, 406 N. Main, Winters.

JUNIOR HIGH TRACK MEET AT WALL

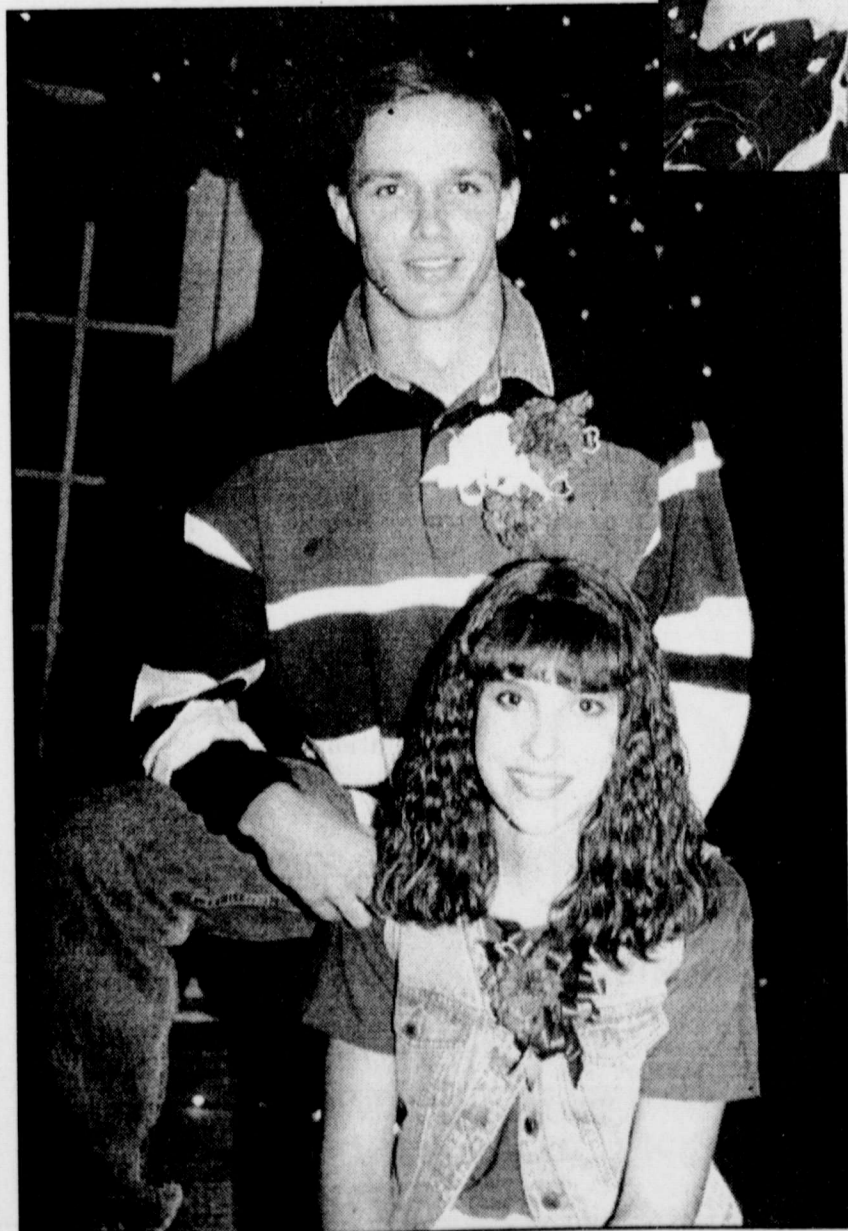
Friday, March 1, 1996
3:30 p.m. Field Events
6:00 p.m. Running Finals

EAGLE RELAYS FOR VARSITY - GOLDTHWAITE MEET AT BANGS

Saturday, March 2, 1996
8:00 a.m. Coaches Meeting - Weight Room
8:30 a.m. Field Events
Shot Put - Girls
Discus - Boys
Long Jump - Girls in south pit
Long Jump - Boys in north pit
High Jump - Girls
Pole Vault - Boys
9:45 a.m. Field Events
Shot Put - Boys
Discus - Girls
Triple Jump - Girls in south pit
Triple Jump - Boys in north pit
High Jump - Boys
11:00 a.m. Running Preliminaries
400 m relay (if needed)
100 m hurdles
110 m hurdles
100 m run
400 m run
300 m hurdles
200 m run
3200 m run (final event)
3:00 p.m. Running Finals
400 m relay
800 m run
100 m hurdles
110 m hurdles
100 m run
800 m relay
400 m run (boys run first)
300 m hurdles
200 m run
1600 m run
1600 m relay

JOSH GROHMAN and GAYLA CLOUGH

Senior Favorites



Choir Notes

BY FRAN KIDWELL

The Winters Elementary Select Choir is meeting on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings at 7:30 a.m.

The children are practicing for upcoming performances, including an all-day road trip in May to nearby schools.

Keep on the look-out for additional practice times. Notes will be sent home as well as articles printed in the paper!

Athletic Boosters agree to the joint concession stand

In their February 15th meeting, the Athletic Booster Club approved building a new concession stand on the north end of the field in a joint venture with Band Boosters. An agreement was made by both clubs where revenues from the new concession stand and certain fund raisers would be shared. Pending final approval by Band Boosters, presentation of the joint venture will be made to the School Board at their next meeting March 12.

In quick discussion of old business, the date for the Sports Banquet was set May 9. Playoff T-shirts are in and are available. The highlight video from football season is in progress and will be made available in the future. A quarterfinalist sign will be made. Research will be conducted for painting the playoff record on the side of the gym. Athletic Boosters will not seek to run the concession stand for baseball.

The 7 p.m. meeting was opened by Allen Andrae, with Michael Deike assuming the chair after his arrival.

Little League ball equipment and uniform return

Anyone with Little League baseball equipment or uniforms from last year is asked to please turn them in Sunday, March 3, at 2 p.m. at Cook's Storage on North Main, or call Maggie at 754-4940.

Little League offers final registration

Winters Little League will hold its final registration Monday, March 4, at 7 p.m. at the Catholic Church Hall.

Registration will be \$30 plus a \$5 cap fee.

No members will be accepted after this date.

Band Boosters need active members

Only seven (7) Band Booster members showed up at their February 22nd meeting. Members are asked and encouraged to participate in all meetings and decisions.

The joint concession stand, along with Athletic Boosters, was approved.

The salad luncheon was set for Monday, March 25, from 11:00-1:30 p.m. Details will follow later.

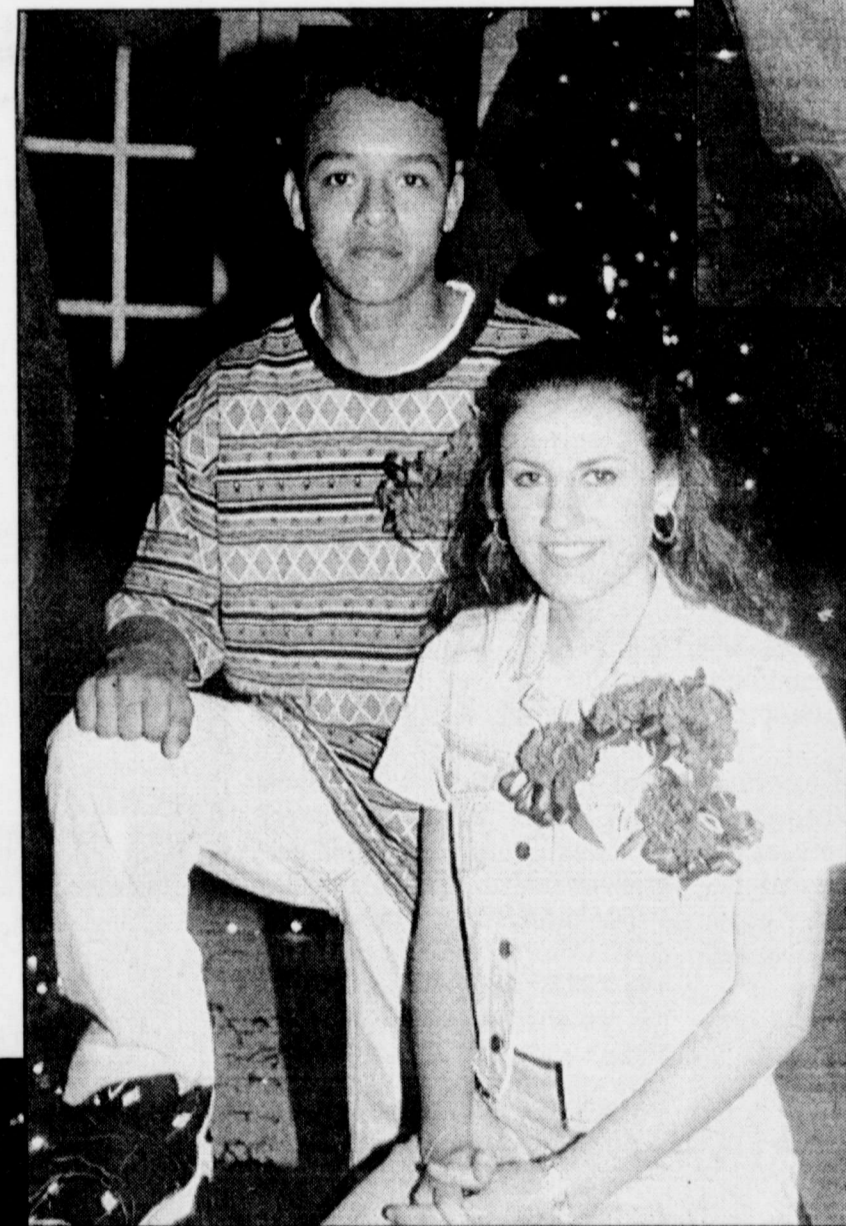
The next meeting will be March 11 at 7 p.m. at the Band Hall. Please attend!

Support your Band Booster Club

The 4th Six Weeks Elementary Honor Roll will be published next week.

CHARLIE YANEZ and JANET GUY

Junior Favorites



Area Baseball Association needs team sponsors

The Winters Area Baseball Association needs team sponsors for the 1996 Spring season. The cost of sponsoring a team is \$175.

An advertising sign to back the Baseball Association may be purchased for \$35. The signs will be placed along the fence at the ball parks.

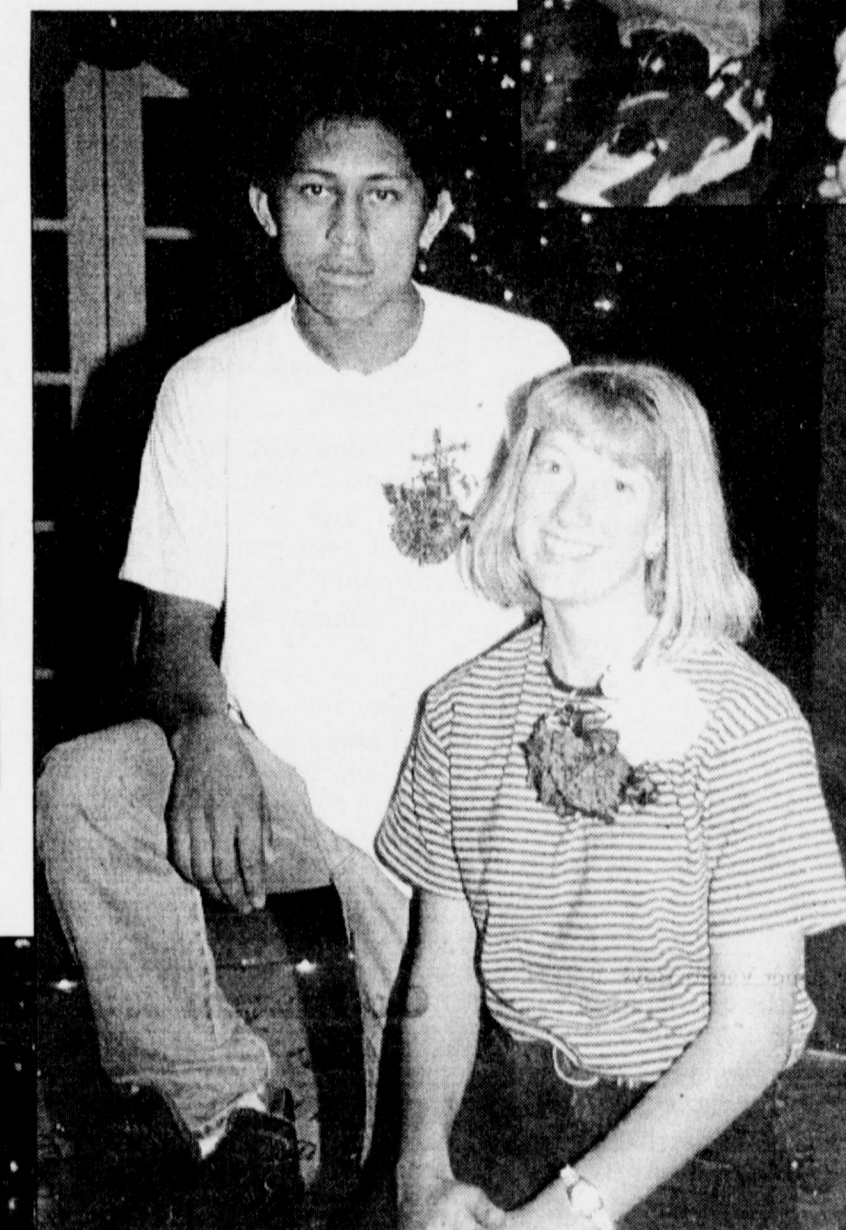
The Association is also asking for donations of any amount to go towards the equipment fund.

This year's representatives for the WABA Advertising Committee are Brenda Anderson and Shelia Paschal. They will be contacting area businesses.

Your help is appreciated!

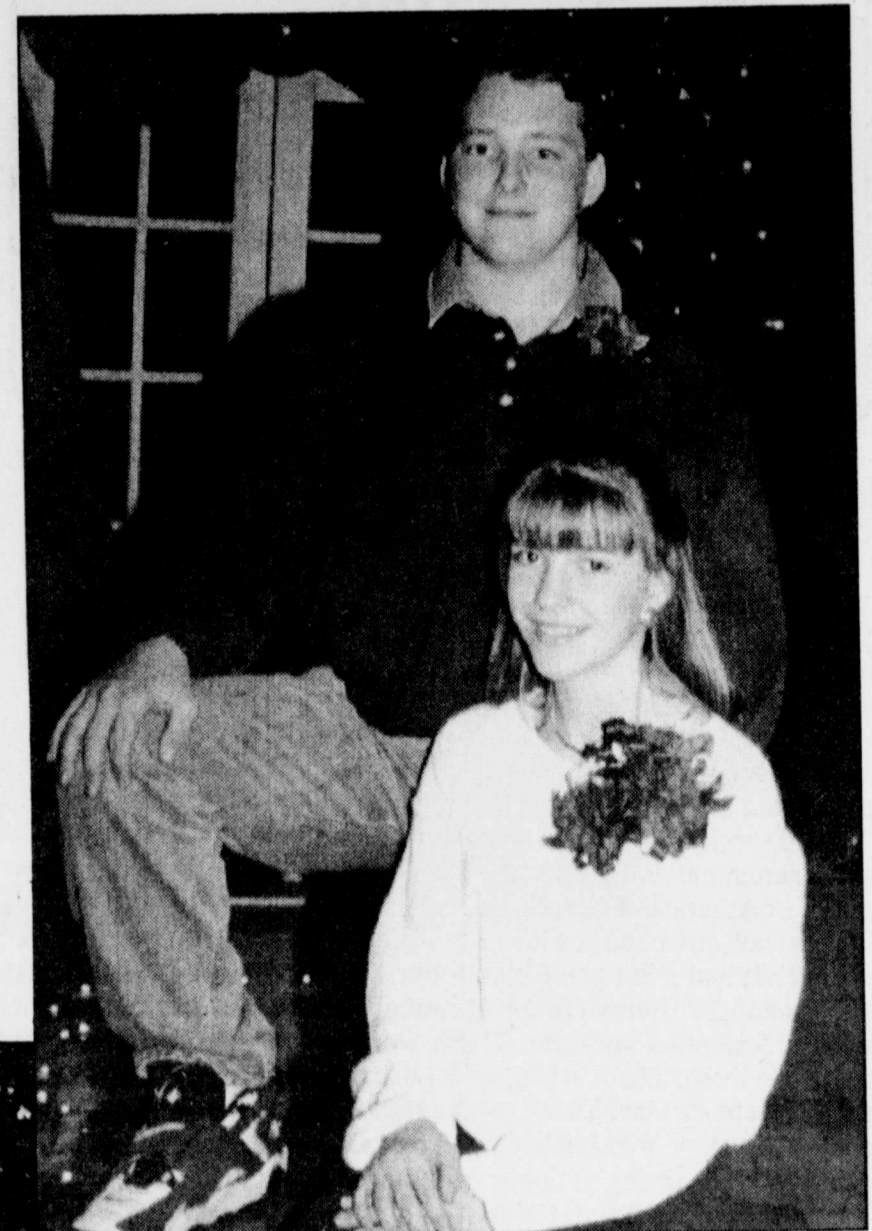
ANGEL GALLEGOS and JENNIFER DAVIS

Sophomore Favorites



CHIP WHITE and MISTY PRITCHARD

Freshmen Favorites



C L A S S F L A V O R I T E S

Now Hear This!!!

Announcing the formation of a unit of the **United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps** in Winters, TX

A meeting will be held at Winters High School on Thursday, February 29, at 7:00 P.M. in classroom #1 for all young men and women between the ages of 13 and 17 interested in becoming members of this exciting organization.

For more information, contact Mr. Burt at 754-4724 anytime after 5:30 P.M.

Parents encouraged to attend

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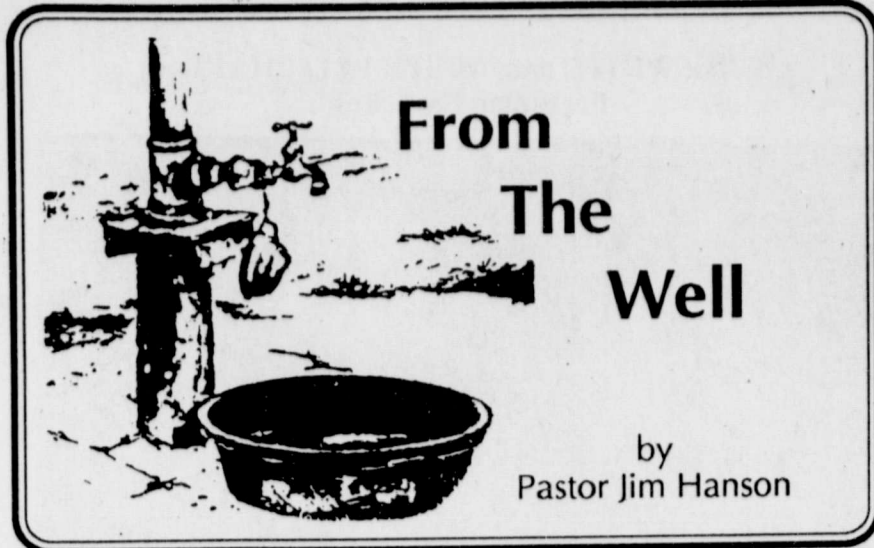
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The very best place for a grandpa and grandma to go on Valentine's Day is...to a Valentine's Day Party in the third grade of an elementary school. It helps, of course, if one of the students is a grandson. Why is it the best place? Because the whole room full of students and teacher and parents and helpers (grandparents, too) was full of love.

Imagine this scene. Outside the sun is shining and the snow is melting. The air is washed clean, and it smells as fresh as after a good gentle rain. We walk into Hillcrest Elementary School, and walk past several rooms. The doors to these classrooms are open. But each is completely covered with a poster—a bear or a "Barney" or some such loving animal with a greeting coming out of his mouth, like "Luv ya," "You're special," or "There's room in my heart." Inside each room—such excitement and goings on. Everybody's happy! At least in this school in American Falls, Idaho.

This walk down the corridor was a prelude of things to come. As we entered Samuel's 3rd grade classroom, the first thing we noticed was "the exchange." Every child had brought a card, or some treat (Sam brought Valentine suckers). There were cupcakes with little heart candies in them. There was orange punch. Everybody got something from everybody. And a sack to take the love-stuff home. And, on the teacher's desk—a dozen beautiful roses. It was a chaos of caring—everybody was trying to outdo the other in giving.

On the wall, up front, the first thing that caught my eye was this verse, written big and bold so that everyone could read it:

"My feet are cold
My nose is, too.
But my heart is warm
With love for you."

Zingo! One of cupid's arrows was that message. And it went right to my heart.

But, that wasn't all. There was encouragement for love of our country. Half of one wall, up front, was filled with photographs—big ones—of the mountains, of the lakes, of the forests, of the wheat fields. I was reminded of the song that Kate Smith used to sing when I was a boy.

"God bless America! Land that I love
Stand beside her and guide her
Thru the night with a light from above.
From the mountains to the prairies
To the oceans white with foam,
God bless America, My home, sweet home,
God bless America, My home sweet home."

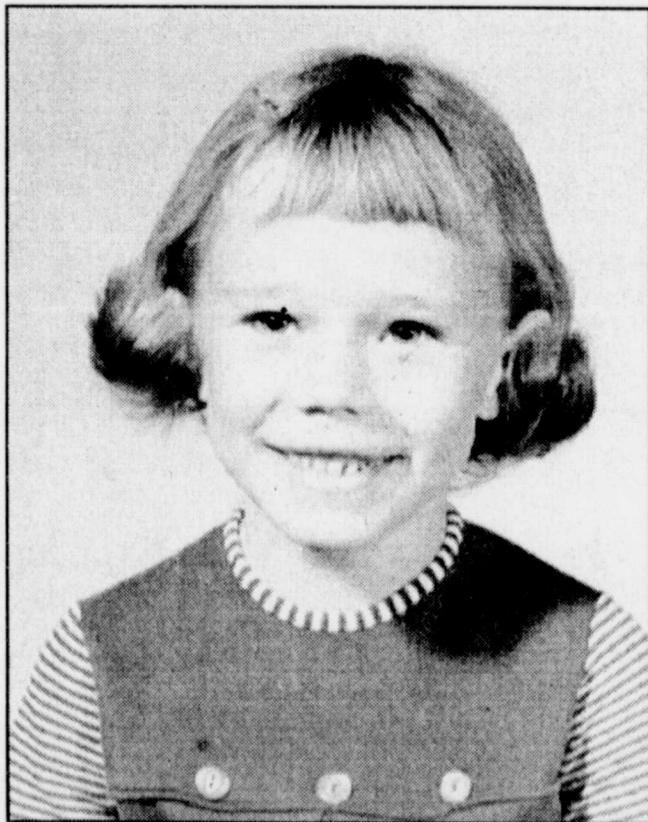
There was a big sign over the photographs entitling the display: The Beauty of America.

And, off to one side, a big calendar of the month of February. On February 12, a picture of Abraham Lincoln. On February 22, a picture of George Washington. And these words, "Happy Birthday, George and Abe."

The whole event, which lasted only about thirty minutes, drew deep from my well. I was a child again. The flame of love for children, for our land, for our country, for our heritage as a nation was rekindled and encouraged. And, hope came again into my heart.

Oh, it's great to spend some time with your grandkids. But there are times when it is greater—to go with them—to join with them—getting back to the elements that we learned in elementary school and seem to have forgotten. It's still going on, folks, and God bless our teachers and students and parents who do the job in spite of the obstacles. And, for us who are the grey hairs, "rekindle the gift" of love. And, pass it on. Where are you going to spend next Valentine's Day?

Support your Winters Volunteer Fire Department



Hey everybody, looky here
It's a special birthday this Leap Year

Born on February's extra day
It takes 4 years to come this way

36 years have passed with time
But her birthdays number only 9

Happy Birthday, Karen Lynn
With lots of love from all your kin!

Identity of birthday girl is revealed elsewhere in this issue.



JOANIE McADOO (second from right) was recently honored with a surprise retirement party after working 35 years for Dry Manufacturing. Sharing the celebration were Joanie's son David Lee and his wife, Cheri of Leander, and husband John Edward McAdoo.

A hundred friends surprise Joanie McAdoo with retirement/birthday party

by Jean Boles

Joanie McAdoo, longtime Dry Manufacturing employee, was recently honored with a surprise birthday/retirement dinner at The Shed.

The event was hosted by her co-workers in the customer service department of Dry and was attended by special business acquaintances, Joanie's son and daughter-in-law, and about a hundred friends.

Longtime customers on hand to surprise Joanie were Earl Bender and Phillip Bender of Tulsa, Oklahoma; Bill Paschich and Ronnie Paschich of El Paso, Texas; Robert and Annette Hill of Austin.

Sales representatives present were Lennie Anderson and Chris Thompson of Atlanta, Georgia; Marshall Gunder of Dallas, Roy Heimbrock of Denver, Colorado; Ralph and Jerry Easterday of Memphis, Tennessee; and Pat and Marlene Wood of Winters.

Dave Rockwell and Vaughan DuBose with Eljer Manufacturing of Dallas also attended as did former Winters branch president William Griffin and his wife Sandy, and founder Hal Dry and his wife Frances.

Master of ceremonies for the evening was Randall Boles, former co-worker with Joanie at Dry.

Special guests were recognized and several lauded Joanie with a good-natured roast, reminiscing her years of devoted service.

A beautiful, large painting was presented to Joanie by her co-workers who also provided a birthday cake and a retirement cake.

The fun evening ended with a traditional Dry singing rendition of "The Twelve Days of Christmas", with Joanie soloing as "Five Golden Rings."

Joanie began her career with Dry Manufacturing on July 1, 1963, in the finish department.

She worked there for about four years before transferring to the customer service department. During her career, she has made an abundance of friends over the past 35 years, many of whom she has never met face to face but talked with over the telephone for years.

Joanie says that in addition to introducing her to many friends, her years of selling have produced several funny happenings.

She relates one amusing story that happened fairly recently when a lady from Lampasas called to order a "grill." Using her best professional salesmanship skills, Joanie went through all the song-and-dance of determining exactly which return air vent "grille" the lady was wanting. Finally, the lady said, "I don't care what you send me as long as I can fry hamburgers on it."

Knowing Joanie, she probably made the sale and got an invitation to dinner also.

Murphy graduated from basic training

Army Pvt. Silvia C. Murphy has graduated from basic military training at Fort Leonard E. Wood, Waynesville, Missouri.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

Murphy's husband, Frank, is the son of James Murphy of Miami and Loretta Herrington of Winters.

Sherry Myrick named to ACU Dean's List

Sherry Myrick of Winters was among more than 800 students from Abilene Christian University named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the Fall 1995 semester.

To make the honor roll, a student must complete at least 12 semester hours and earn a 3.45 or higher grade point average.

CYO to hold spaghetti lunch, "slave auction"

During their last meeting, the CYO (Catholic Youth Organization) decided to host a fund raising spaghetti lunch on Sunday, March 3. This lunch will be held from 11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at the Mt. Carmel Catholic Church Parish Hall and will include a choice of chicken spaghetti or regular spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, dessert, and tea. Admission prices are \$4 for adults and \$2.50 for children.

Throughout the meal, the CYO will hold a "slave auction" where members will sell to the highest bidder 2-3 hours of their time.

Come with a hefty appetite and a list of those Spring chores in which you could use some help!

United States Naval Sea Cadet unit to be formed in Winters; meeting Thursday, February 29

Plans are being made to establish a unit of the U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps in Winters. The Sea Cadets are sponsored by the Navy League and the United States Navy, and offers junior high and high school aged boys and girls the opportunity to receive training in military and marine skills at local drills, as well as at the U.S. Navy and Coast Guard installations and aboard Navy and Coast Guard vessels throughout the United States.

There are currently at least eight units of the Sea Cadets in the State of Texas including three in the Dallas/Fort Worth area alone. Other units are active in Austin, San Antonio, Kerrville, Houston, and Corpus Christi.

In order to qualify as a prospective cadet, you must be a

young man or woman between the ages of thirteen and seventeen, must not have completed your junior year of high school, and must meet the physical requirements. Adult volunteers, with or without prior military experience, male and female, with an interest in working with youth in a highly disciplined training environment, are also needed for this unit.

A meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 29, at 7:00 p.m. in classroom #1 at Winters High School. Persons interested in learning more about this program are encouraged to attend.

For more information, please call Frank Burt in Winters at (915) 754-4724 after 5:30 p.m. during the week or anytime on weekends.

Immunization Clinic set at Dept. of Health March 7

The Texas Department of Health will hold an Immunization Clinic on Thursday, March 7, 1996, from 9:30 a.m.-12:00 noon and 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Location is in the Professional Building, Suite 108, on Grant Street Entry.

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Crews News by Hilda Kurtz



By the time we get old enough to watch our steps, we're too old to go anywhere.

We welcome all to attend our game and baked potato supper Saturday night, March 2, at 7 p.m. at the gym. The hosts will bring the baked potatoes. You bring what goes with it; things like salads, cheeses, desserts, etc. See you there.

Brother Roy Epperson of Ballinger was the speaker at Hopewell Baptist Church Sunday morning. A pot luck dinner was served at noon. Afterwards evening services were held. There were no night services. Visitors were Mrs. Epperson and Katherine and Luke Thomas.

Ladies attending Bible study Monday at 9 a.m. in the church fellowship hall were Mildred Morrison, Netha Kerby, Juanita Shields, and Nila Osborne.

Doddie and Scooter Drake of Winters enjoyed dinner Sunday with Earl and Pat Cooper.

Nila and Therin Osborne wish to thank the Winters Fire Department for the quick response in putting out the grass fire on the Osborne farm. Also thanks to those who operated the water truck, neighbors, and friends. Again many thanks.

Our sympathy to the Berry families who buried Te Berry of McCamey Saturday in the Crews Cemetery. Memorial services were at 1 p.m. Saturday. I must say also it was Te's 87th birthday Saturday.

Mary Louise Dunivan is back home after being in the Ballinger hospital for checkup and treatment. She is doing okay.

Eileen and Kenny Cartwright and Jeremy and Tiffany Prater of

Rotan spent Sunday with Harvey Mae and Noble Faubion. The Cartwright goat had her kid last week. It was named "Nanny" after Tiffany.

Abe and Pat Giles of Brownwood visited Fairy and Wilbur Alcorn Saturday.

Steve Grisson and Penny of Fort Worth visited Katherine and Luke over the week. Also visiting were Adeline Grisson and Wanda of Ballinger.

Pat and Earl Cooper were in San Angelo during the week for Earl's checkup. They went by to see Aunt Mae Lacy who is living in the Baptist Memorial Nursing Home in San Angelo.

Mildred Morrison and Helen Alexander spent Thursday afternoon with Carolyn Webb and Edith Everett.

Lavina and Jim Webb of Dallas visited the Noble Faubions Saturday. Later they went on to San Angelo and attended the christening of their son's new baby girl. Their son and daughter-in-law are Lonnie and Carla Webb.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Boatwright of Winters spent Sunday afternoon with Noble and Harvey Mae Faubion.

Nila and Therin Osborne were in Abilene Wednesday and went by to see Brother Oscar and Jamie Fanning. Nila had a nice phone visit with Bernie Faubion of Abilene.

Audine and Dennis McBeth visited with Joe Irvin in Our House on Sunday.

Pat and Abe Giles of Brownwood spent part of Saturday with Leona and Charles Matthes.

Larry and Bobbie Calcote brought their Sunday dinner to

Doris Woods'. What a wonderful treat!

Carolyn Webb and Edith Everett spent last week in Grand Falls and Marfa with Carolyn's two brothers, Jim and Bob, and their families. They were also in Marfa trying to sell Edith's house.

On Thursday, Helen Alexander and Mildred Morrison came and played a game of SkipBo.

Richard Schwartz and Fred Grohman were out to look for rattlesnakes, which is okay by me (Hilda).

Around 7 little league baseball team members came out to Josie and Bill Hoppe's with plates of chicken fried steak on Sunday.

Margie Jacob, Cookie, Brad, and Cory spent Monday with Margie's daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Engler in Brownwood. Later they drove to Comanche and did some shopping. On Sunday, Cookie and Margie attended the Catholic Life Inc. meeting and dinner at Saint Mary's in Ballinger.

Sunday, the 18th, Mildred Morrison's family, Maurine, Bob, and Sara Scott, spent the night.

On Monday morning, Selma and Viron Wilkerson brought their yard man to spade up the backyard. After lunch, Helen Alexander came to play 80 with Selma, Viron, and Mildred.

On Friday night, Jean and George Mann from Realitos, Pearlina Lacy from Corpus, Louise Cecil and Billie Ruth Bishop from Winters ate supper with Mildred. All spent the night except Louise and Billie Ruth.

On Saturday, Mildred had these visitors at her home to enjoy lunch: Russell and Elda Faye Atchley from Novice; Maurine, Bob, and Sara Scott; Jean and George Mann; Pearlina Lacy; Buddie and Charlotte Southerland from McCamey; Louise Cecil; Quida Jo Foster; Mary Esquivel; and the minister from the Church of Christ in Ballinger.

For supper Saturday night, dining were Elda Faye and Russell, Susie McDaniel, Lucy Sansom, Quida Jo, Louise, Jean and George Mann, Pearlina Lacy, and Inez Kerby. Inez and Joe Kerby will be staying awhile with Mildred.

The Crews gang wishes to say happy birthday to Corra Petrie, who is in the Senior Citizens Nursing Home in Winters. "Have a good and enjoyable birthday on March 2nd. Happy birthday, kiddo!"

Ace Polk shares stories & poetry with Women's Service League

The Women's Service League enjoyed an enlightening program by local author Ace Polk. Mr. Polk shared his own short story and poetry with the club.

Hostesses for the February 20th meeting were Belinda Schwartz, Donna Guy, Theresa Gerhart, and Saffron Gibbs who served red decorated cookies, tropical punch, strawberries, and chips and dip. The theme for the evening was Valentine red and pink.

After the presentation from the guest speaker, Vice President Shelia Paschal conducted the business meeting. Amy Lujano read the prior minutes. Sherry Calcote read a thank you note from Christmas in April and resignations from several members. Donna Guy updated members on the Arts and Crafts day plans for the elementary students. Officers for the 1996-98 term were nominated and approved.

The following members were present: Shelia Paschal, Sherry Calcote, Donna Guy, Melissa Mints, Twyla Felty, Amy Lujano, Saffron Gibbs, Belinda Schwartz, Tammy Kazczyk, J'Lynn Cooper, Joanie Prado, and Johnna Busher.

The Women's Service League thanks everyone who helped prepare and work at the recent Art Fair at school. Special gratitude is extended to area artists, Martha Hatler, Phyllis Boles, Belinda Schwartz, and Darrell Tapley, for dedicating their talents and hard work to the elementary students.

Chamber of Commerce Business of the Month



BLACKWOODS INTERIOR DESIGNS AND SERVICE, 128 South Main, is the Chamber of Commerce Business of the Month for February, 1996. Bobby and June Blackwood (second and third from left), local owners and operators, are a husband and wife team who began their business in October of 1989. She came to Winters from San Angelo following her marriage to Bobby, a lifetime Winters resident. June is a qualified interior decorator who designs and constructs bedspreads, quilts, pillows, drapes, and valiances. Ceelia Kniffen (far left) and Teri Balentine (not pictured) are part-time employees.

Poe's Corner by Charlsie Poe



Cool Water

Part 1 of 2

Last week *The San Angelo Standard Times* announced Black History Month was being observed with two special activities for the weekend. This reminded me of some writing that Alex Orr asked me to help him revise. It begins with his early visits to see his grandparents, Wash and Leila Nance, in Winters, and has an imaginary ending.

Since I was six-years-old, I spent the summers with my mother's parents. James and his grandparents lived in a small house behind Mom and Pop's home. Agnes did the laundry for the rent.

James and I had chores. Early on Monday, we drew water from the cistern and filled the washpot. It caught rain water off the roof. From the gutters, it went through a downspout to the cistern. The water was very soft; great for washing clothes.

After filling the washpot, James and I put wood around it. We'd light the fire about an hour before Mom and Agnes started the laundry. That way the water was plenty hot.

When we finished, Mom let us build a campfire and cook our dinner with the leftover chips. Fried potatoes, bacon, and warmed pork & beans never tasted so good. A piece of chicken or chocolate cake from the kitchen made it a feast.

James and I were the same age. By the time we were ten-years-old, I was five feet tall and weighed about 75 pounds. He was an inch taller and outweighed me by twenty pounds. Most of the time we wore striped overalls. Our

shirts were made from flour sack material of colorful prints. Too loud for us boys, I thought.

After chores we usually joined the guys from the neighborhood in a game of scrub softball. We played in a vacant lot and some days we kept at it until dark.

Even today, I can hear Mom call, "Charlie, it's time for supper. Don't forget to wash your face and hands and comb your hair."

"See you tomorrow, James." "OK, soon as I does my cho's." That's how summers went until the year I was to enter high school. After my parents were killed in a car wreck, I came to live with my grandparents permanently. Having spent my summers with them helped me to adjust as well as a 14-year-old could.

The first day of school, I saw one of my softball playing buddies at his locker. I said, "Hey, Bill where's James?" I've been looking all over for him.

He gave me a funny look. "You know he can't go to school with us. He's a nigger!"

James was my friend. I thought Bill was his friend too. This is the first time I had connected people going to school with the color of their skin.

Because he lived behind me, I

saw James nearly every day. He spoke or waved. We were friends, but neither of us had much time for throwing the softball around.

James and I graduated from our high schools at the same time. He went to work at the cotton oil mill. Pop was a building contractor. I worked with his crew building houses that summer.

In September, I entered junior college and spent some time in the service before returning to college. I took time out at Christmas to see Mom and Pop. James and I got in a couple of visits. Mainly we threw the ball around and laughed about the good times we had as kids.

After graduation, I accepted a job as a sales engineer with Concord Oil Company. I transferred to Oklahoma.

I married Ann. The years flew by, and before we knew it, I had reached retirement age.

After retiring, Ann and I decided we'd had enough of "life in the fast track." We made plans to move back to my hometown. My grandparents had long since died. Some of my classmates were still there. We met others and before long we were caught up in the social life.

Continued next week

Golf Tournament March 16 to benefit Christmas in April

The second annual Christmas in April Golf Tournament will be held Saturday, March 16, 1996, at the Winters Country Club. Tee off is at 10:00 a.m.

A \$10 donation per player is asked. All proceeds benefit the 1996 Christmas in April program for Winters. Twelve (12) houses are scheduled for assistance this year, with more donations needed.

Bar-B-Q sandwiches, chips, and drinks will be available. To register for the tournament or for more information, contact the Winters Country Club at (915) 754-4679; Sue Spill at First American Bank, (915) 754-4513; or leave a message at (915) 754-4847.

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MADE THROUGH THE YEARS WITH LOTS OF LOVE by 90-year-old Nannie Bell Bryan are these few of many quilts and paintings. Mrs. Bryan began quilting at a young age and started painting "because she needed something else to do to occupy her time when she wasn't quilting." To date, she has completed 80 quilts and 60 oil paintings. Given to friends and family members as gifts to mark special occasions, much of her handwork is personalized by stitching names and dates and by using material from former clothing.

Remarkable 90-year-old gives fond memories to family and friends in quilts and paintings

Ninety-year-old Nannie Belle Bryan, grandmother of Bill Wayne Walker of Winters, is known by family and friends as "a remarkable lady."

Grandmommie, as she is fondly called by her 12 grandchildren and 14 great-great-grandchildren, pieces segments of one's life into quilts and captures beauty she sees on canvas. To date, she has made 80 quilts and painted 60 oil paintings.

In her 90 years, Mrs. Bryan has seen two World Wars; more than two dozen presidents; the invention of electricity, the push button telephone, and computers; the introduction of the Model T Ford; and the development of events that she would never have dreamed about.

"Long time ago, not everybody had electricity. Quilts came in very handy. My mother taught me how to make quilts (as a young girl)," she said of a hobby that helped provide warmth and heirlooms for family members and friends.

Growing up in a family that included two brothers and five sisters, Bryan said she had plenty of chores and people for whom to make quilts to keep them warm.

She has made quilts for her own children, including one for her son that he has kept nearby since she gave it to him. The 60-year-old quilt, made in 1936, has a butterfly and poppies applique in fugitive green colors.

In recent years, her family has heard from people whom Bryan gave quilts for special occasions. She would make quilts for someone who graduated from high school, got married, had an anniversary or other special occasion.

Mrs. Bryan designs quilts with rich colors and defined patterns, and has made many of her personalized quilts from scraps of clothing and sewing pieces. A quilt

made from grandsons' old blue jeans with their stitched names was entered in the West Texas Fair in Abilene and took first place. Another called "London Square" was made from fabric pieces of her daughter's maternity dresses, blouses, and housecoat. The names of classmates, neighbors, and family members were featured on a quilt made for another daughter in recognition of her high school graduation.

Thinking that she probably needed something else to occupy her time when she wasn't quilting, Bryan began painting pictures of trees, flowers, and landscapes. She also decided to start crocheting and made many afghans and clothes for family members.

Bryan, a resident of Park Highlands Nursing Center in Athens, was presented a memory picture book at her family birthday party January 15. The book chronicled her "busy hands and loving heart" philosophy as expressed in her quilts and paintings.

Morals, manners, religion, frugality, and beauty were essential to the traditions of Mrs. Bryan's long, rich life. She was strongly influenced by both her maternal and paternal ascendants, the Day family from England and the DeVore family from France, respectively.

Nannie Belle was born January 15, 1906, in Runnels County, Texas. She was married to Lawrence Bryan for 59 years before his death in 1981. They had lived in the Norton community and had five children, Calvin Bryan of LaRue, Lou Ann Scott of Athens, Betty Allard of Abilene, Jane Walker of Blackwell, and Frances Sumrall who is deceased.

Mrs. Bryan lived in Winters then Abilene prior to moving to Athens, seven years ago.

Baseball Association elects Board of Directors; appoints committees

The Winters Area Baseball Association elected a Board of Directors in their second meeting of the 1996 season February 20. Approximately 30 people were present for the meeting at the Catholic Church Hall.

The WABA Board and committees will be as follows:

BOARD

President (Boys)-Michael Minzenmayer;
President (Girls)-Mary Lynn Presley;

Vice President-Ken Slimp;
Secretary-Dawn Green;
Treasurer-Teresa Davis;
Accountant-Benny Polston;
Director-John Parramore;
Director-Bill Mesey;

COMMITTEES

Purchasing-Teresa Davis & Barbie Bishop;
Inventory-Maggie Scates & 3 helpers;
Advertising-Brenda Anderson & Shelia Paschal;
Sign Painting-D'Ann Perrie;
Concession Stand-Sandy Mesey, Carolyn Reeves, & 6 helpers;
Purchaser for Concessions-Rhonda Joeris;

Phone-Fran Walker & Rhonda Goetz.

Discussion was heard concerning classification for the boys teams. It was agreed to remain in the division of Little League, as opposed to Texas Teenage, with the exception of high school aged boys. Their classification decision is pending contact with Ski Lisewski, Texas Teenage representative, who will offer a comparison to Little League of prices, game schedule, etc.

Upcoming clinics for umpires and coaches are to be scheduled. Currently, an ASA (girls) umpire clinic for state certification is set March 2-3 in Abilene. If umpires/coaches for Winters teams are interested in conducting a clinic here, please contact Mary Lynn Presley or Michael Minzenmayer. A girls coaches meeting will be held in Abilene on March 17 at 2 p.m. at the South Park Recreation Center, located on Cherry Street.

Girls play district, state, regional state, and national tournaments, with the schedule as follows:

Pixie League (8 & under)
Coach Pitch Division
District—June 7-9
State—July 14-15

10 & under
District—June 7-9
State—June 21-23 at Baytown
Regional State—July 19-21

12, 14, 16 & 18 & under
District—June 21-23
State—July 5-7

Other business items addressed included:

- a work day at the ball parks,
- needed improvements,
- north field scoreboard cost,
- selling canned cokes and candy at high school games,
- baseball buttons and pictures,
- fundraisers,
- a pre-school division for 4- and 5-year-olds,
- opening day ceremonies and games, and
- sign-up for high school boys with no allowed practices because of UIL rules.

The next meeting is Thursday, February 29, at 7 p.m. at City Council Chambers.

"College Days" March 2 and 30 at Angelo State

Angelo State University will host two "College Days" for high school juniors and seniors on Saturdays, March 2 and March 30.

Prospective students and their parents are invited to attend the program that includes presentations on academic offerings, student activities and organizations, scholarship offerings and financial aid packages.

The program begins at 10 a.m. and continues until 3 p.m. Registration begins at 9 a.m. in the Houston Harte University Center.

There is no charge and lunch will be provided. Guides will lead campus tours. A.S.U. staff, faculty, and organization leaders will be available to answer any questions. The A.S.U. Jazz Ensemble will perform at 9:30 a.m. and the Planetarium will have special programs at 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. The University bookstore, snack bar, and Super Slab recreation facility will remain open all day during the program.

For more information, contact the Office of Admissions at (915) 942-2058.

First American Bank^{SSB} and KTXS-TV purchase Live Doppler radar system

In an effort to give Big Country and Concho Valley residents more advanced warning of severe weather, First American Bank and KTXS-TV have joined in a partnership to bring an advanced Live Doppler Radar system to the area.

William C. Atkinson, president and chief operating officer of First American Bank, says the effort reflects the bank's commitment to the region.

"Threatening weather affects everyone," Atkinson says. "The Live Doppler Radar provides advanced warning of such situations and will definitely help protect the families, homes, and businesses within The Big Country area. We are very pleased to be a part of this program."

According to KTXS-TV General Manager Jackie Rutledge, the partnership between the station

and First American Bank, affords a degree of protection from severe weather never available before in the area.

"Live Doppler Radar, for the first time, allows our station Meteorologist to see wind direction and velocity instantaneously. Previously, we had access to Doppler Radar as well as the National Weather Service Bureau in Abilene, but the information we made available to our viewers was not live and had a time lag built into it. Since the National Weather Service Bureau in Abilene is scheduled to close in August of 1996, the fact that the Live Doppler system will be located at KTXS will not only provide instant access to our viewers, but will serve to protect our community far into the future. The new Doppler will transmit live pictures of local storms, allowing us to focus our equipment on saving lives here in The Big Country when severe weather threatens residents and their property," says Rutledge.

KTXS-TV Chief Meteorologist Steve Kersh explains that the Live Doppler System "will give us the ability to actually peer in to a storm system, since it can predict severe weather up to 10 times faster than conventional tracking methods." Kersh points out that "standard weather radar can only detect rain, sleet, or snow, but the Doppler can show us the usually far more dangerous aspect of violent wind. It can detect a tornado 20 minutes before it strikes and can identify the presence and size of possibly damaging hail.

Additionally, our viewers will benefit from the ability to track a storm as it develops through our Storm Tracker system, which is accurate to within 30 seconds. If precautionary measures are necessary, our new Sky Warn 12 system will alert viewers within four seconds after a warning has been issued, by indicating what type of storm is in the area and which counties are affected."

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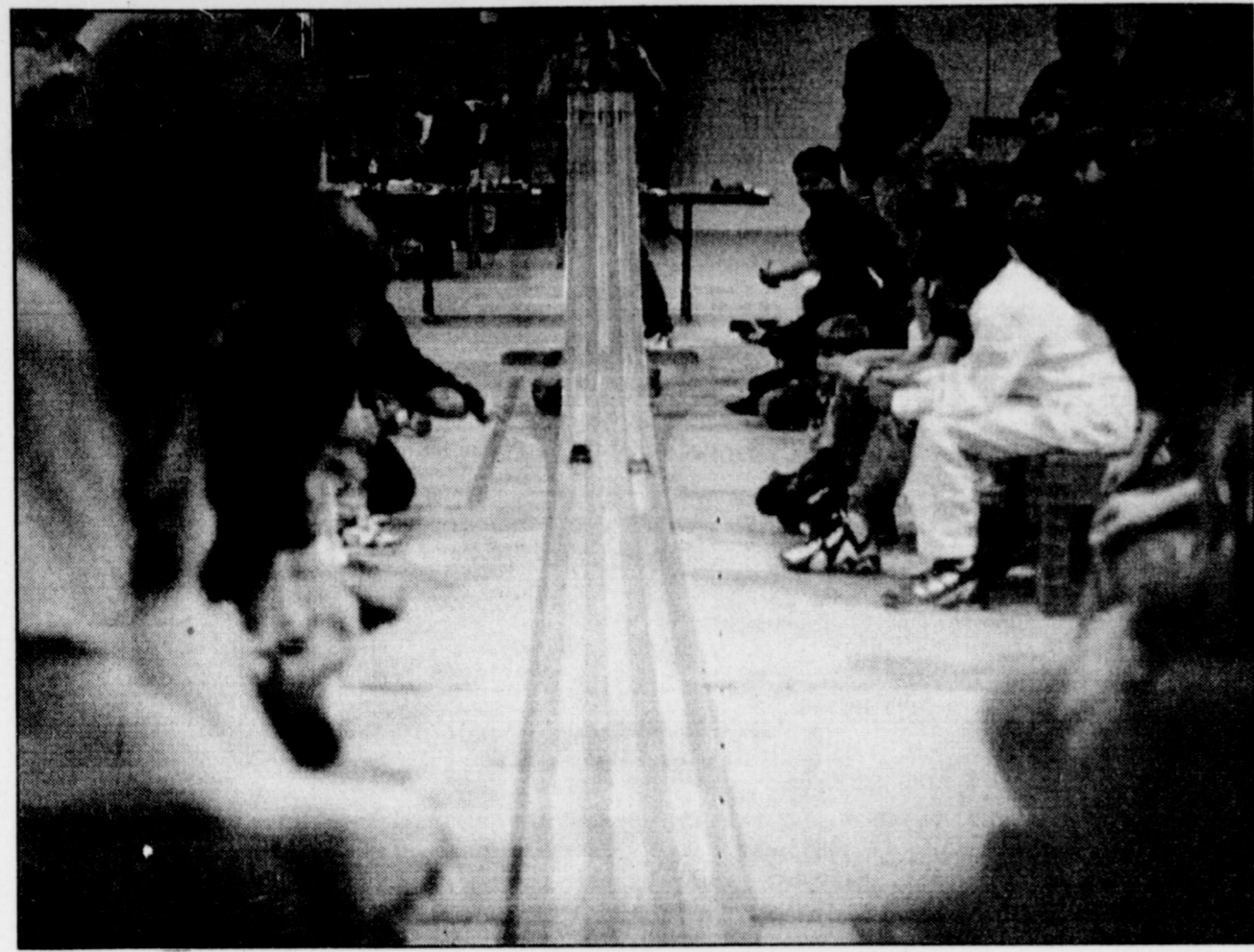
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SCOUT ERIC JOERIS (standing, center) served as starter of the annual Pinewood Derby. Twenty-four (24) cars vied for top spots and design awards on February 5 in the competition hosted by Cub Scout Pack #249. Races continue in April when the scouts take their cars to Abilene.



DERBY COMPETITORS were (front row, l to r) Cory Sudduth, Cory Pringle, Aaron Briley, L.J. Nitsch, Cody Pritchard, David Scates, Tod Martin, (second row) Matthew Meyer, Dylan Perrie, Jonathan Meyer, Basilio Rocha, Aaron Cook, Jeremy Mendoza, Max Harrison, (back row) Justin Young, Willie Wimberly, Brandon Davis, Will Ahrens, Justin Laird, Thomas Doty, Jacob Bridgeman, and Adam Escalona. Eric Wyatt and Mark Ramos (not pictured) were unable to attend due to illness, but their cars competed in the contest.

Commissioners ban open burning in Runnels County

In their regular meeting of Tuesday, February 13, Runnels County Commissioners banned open burning within the county except in approved containers. Dry weather conditions have caused numerous grass fires throughout the area that have spread quickly. The "preventative measure" order will be in effect until rescinded by the Commissioners Court.

In addition to the jail, its janitor, and employee-used antacid tablets (see related story in February 22 edition, page 8), other business discussed included:

- Okayed a permanent tax exemption for the ODHS hall at Rowena at the request of Lisa Jost;

- Heard a request from Kay McKinney that the county begin looking at grants for recycling. She said funds are available from Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission and the West Central Texas Council of Governments, as well as from some private sources. She said county residents have a problem with disposal of their trash and she would encourage commissioners to get started on some program to help them. She volunteered her services, free of charge, to begin looking into the possibilities. Action was tabled on a motion by Commissioner Keith Collom, seconded by Skipper Wheelless and passed unanimously.

- Rescinded a motion and order made previously to repay the sales tax requested by the state in four years and passed a new motion requesting a 20-year payout of the approximately \$119,000.

- Okayed the advertising to sell two inoperable road graders.

- Approved three requests from GTE for installation of communications lines under county roads.

- Okayed the payment to volunteer fire departments in the following amounts: Ballinger, \$7,000; Winters, \$7,000; Miles, \$2,400; Rowena, \$1,800 and Wingate \$1,800.

- Ordered the payment to libraries in the following amounts: Ballinger, \$3,300; Winters, \$2,100; and Miles \$750.

- Approved an order supporting Commissioner Skipper Wheelless for election to the board of directors of West Texas Judges and Commissioners Association.

- Approved the lease for the sub-tax office in Miles from Pace and Goff at \$300 per year.

- Approved the audit report of the 1995 fiscal year for Runnels County.

- Agreed to the City of Winters' intent to demolish and covenant not to sue regarding demolition of an unsafe structure located at 711 W. Pierce, Winters.

- Passed an order to set the next meeting March 11 rather than regularly scheduled March 12, election day.

Letter to the Editor

Rehab says thanks for your support

Dear Jean:
A few weeks ago, citizens of Winters and Runnels County stepped forward and helped make REHAB '96, the annual telethon benefiting West Texas Rehabilitation Center, the most successful ever.

These contributions — along with the ongoing support through local memorial gifts and participation in the Rehab golf tournament and Cattlemen's Round-Up — make it possible for the Rehab Center to provide the same top quality care we have for 42 years.

The Winters phone bank was spearheaded by the St. John's Lutheran Church. I want to publicly thank the members, especially Rev. Jim Hanson, for coordinating the effort, which raised \$540.00 for the Center. Thanks also to the people at the phone bank location, First State Bank, for allowing Rehab volunteers to use their facilities.

On behalf of the board of directors, the staff and especially the 15,000 children and adults served yearly, thank you, Runnels County, for your continuing support.

Sincerely,
John Thomas
Public Relations

J&P Interprises opens on N. Main

James West announces the opening of J&P Interprises at 1017 N. Main.

Open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday, this new business offers fresh fruits and vegetables, garden plants, bedding plants and shrubs.

"We're excited about this business and will be getting in more and more produce and plants," said West.

James and his associates invite everyone to come by, enjoy a cup of coffee, and check out their fine stock or give them a call at 754-4840.

"Early voting" con't Democratic or Republican.

The purpose of the early voting is for the First Primary Election to be held Tuesday, March 12, 1996.

Early voting during regular business hours will continue through March 8, 1996, in the County Clerk's Office in the Runnels County Courthouse.

Ads for Garage Sales and Cards of Thanks must be PAID PRIOR to publication

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"Preacher, for the first time since I married Wilbur, I'll know where he is when the sun goes down!"

Scouts raced homemade cars in annual Pinewood Derby

Cub Scout Pack #249 held their annual Pinewood Derby races February 5, 1996. Twenty-four cars vied for top racing spots and design awards. Judges for the derby were Kelly Blackerby, John Joeris, and Chuck Cravens.

The scouts will be taking their cars to the Abilene Pinewood Derby in April.

Results follow:

TIGER CUB RACE

1. Mark Ramos
2. Aaron Briley
3. Cory Sudduth
4. Cory Pringle

WOLF RACE

1. David Scates
2. L.J. Nitsch
3. Tod Martin

BEAR RACE

1. Thomas Doty
2. Jacob Bridgeman
3. Adam Escalona

WEBELO RACE

1. Brandon Davis
2. Matthew Meyer
3. Basilio Rocha

BEST PAINT JOB

1. Brandon Davis
2. Dylan Perrie
3. Cody Pritchard
4. Tod Martin
5. Max Harrison
6. Jacob Bridgeman

BEST DESIGN

1. Basilio Rocha
2. Aaron Briley
3. Jeremy Mendoza
4. Mark Ramos

MOST UNUSUAL

1. Justin Young
2. Willie Wimberly
3. Justin Laird
4. Thomas Doty
5. Aaron Cook
6. L.J. Nitsch

MOST ORIGINAL

1. Eric Wyatt
2. Cory Pringle
3. Will Ahrens
4. Matthew Meyer
5. Cory Sudduth
6. Adam Escalona

OVERALL RACE

1. Thomas Doty
2. Brandon Davis
3. Mark Ramos
4. David Scates

Emergency declared for Texas fire threat

The head of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) reported February 23, 1996, that President Clinton has declared an emergency exists in Texas because of the extreme threat of fires to communities in many areas of the state.

FEMA Director James Lee Witt said the President took the action after FEMA reported that the effects of a prolonged dry spell and an overabundance of vegetation placed much of the state at a high fire risk since the beginning of the year. More than 2,900 fires were reported by Texas fire officials to have broken out statewide this year as a result of the tinderbox conditions.

Witt said the emergency declaration makes federal disaster funds available to pay 75 percent of the cost for mobilizing and staging federal firefighting resources to assist state and local efforts in controlling the fire outbreaks as they may happen across the state.

Use of the resources, to be determined by the U.S. Forest Service, will be paid for under the federal fire suppression grant authorized for the state by FEMA February 22.

Counties designated by Witt for emergency assistance include Angelina, Bell, Bexar, Brown, Cass, Coryell, Dallas, Denton, Fayette, McLennan, Montgomery, Palo Pinto, Rusk, San Saba,

Taylor, Tarrant, Tom Green, Travis, Tyler, Wise, and Wichita.

Witt said the fire conditions are being evaluated in other areas and additional counties may be designated for the predeployment of federal firefighting resources based on the assessments. He named Dell Greer, of FEMA's regional office in Denton, Texas, to coordinate federal emergency operations in the threatened areas.

Emergencies are declared by the President when essential aid is needed by state and local governments to save lives and help protect property, public health and safety, or to lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe.

1996 RUNNELS COUNTY AG DAY SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, MARCH 12
BALLINGER HIGH SCHOOL

10:30 a.m.	Trade Show Visitation
11:45- 12:55	Complimentary Lunch Catered by The Shed
1:00 - 2:00 p.m.	Southern Rolling Plains Cotton Growers Association Gin Delegate Meeting Joe Forrester Gymnasium (new gym on north end of high school)
	PRODUCERS MEETING - AUDITORIUM
1:00	Opening Remarks and Introductions Mike Mauldin, CEA-AG Runnels County
1:20	"Cattle Market Cycles and Opportunities Thru Retained Ownership" Dr. Ernest Davis, Professor and Extension Economist - TAEX
1:45	"Sustaining an Acceptable Agricultural Lifestyle" Dr. Larry White, Professor and Extension Range Specialist - TAEX
2:10	"Making Crop Insurance Decisions" Dr. Laurence Crane, Director of Education and Training, National Crop Insurance Services
2:35	"USDA Programs and Crop Insurance Issues" Harold Bob Bennett, State Executive Director, USDA Farm Service Agency
3:00	BREAK AND TRADE SHOW VISITATION
3:30	"Boll Weevil Eradication in the Southern Rolling Plains - An Overview of 1995 and Plans for 1996" - Kenneth Gully, President, Southern Rolling Plains Cotton Growers Assn.
	Osama El-Lissy, Program Director Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation
4:30	"Stress Management Practices to Sustain the Farm Family" Panel Discussion: Monsignor Larry Droll, St. Ambrose Catholic Church, Wall, Texas - Pastor Jim Hanson, Lutheran Church, Winters, Texas - Mike Mauldin, CEA-Ag, Runnels County and Patricia Hohensee, CEA-FCS, Runnels County
5:00	"Reflections on Ag Day" Randall Conner, President Runnels County Executive Program Council
5:30	Supper Catered by The Shed
6:45	Awards Program Keynote Speaker - Mr. Jackson
	LADIES PROGRAM - HOME ECONOMICS ROOM
1:00 p.m.	"Insurance Dilemmas - Can't Live With It, Can't Live Without It" Kay Wachs, Texas Department of Insurance, Austin
1:45	"Farm Chemicals and My Family's Health" Sharon Carper, Shannon Medical Center Community Education
2:00	"Dining for the Health of It" Randy Coleman, Health Club of San Angelo
3:00	"Living Up to Your Superwoman Image" Jack Jackson
4:00	"Knits Making Fashion Statements" Iwanda Blessing, local professional seamstress and machine knitter
4:15	Break to Join in Joint Session With Producers Program
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