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Step to the plate at the Rogers Hornsby celebration this Saturday

Celebrity baseball game to highlight birthday party

The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a 100th birthday celebration in honor of Rogers Hornsby, Baseball Hall of Famer, on Saturday, April 27.

Hornsby was born in Winters on April 27, 1896, and was elected to the National Baseball Hall of Fame in 1942.

Festivities will begin at 5:00 p.m. and conclude about 9:00 p.m. at the city park. The chamber will be selling a special Hornsby collector's envelope. Winters postmaster, Deen Thompson, will be on hand to issue a special cancellation stamp for anyone interested in purchasing this keepsake. Cost of the envelope and cancellation stamp will be only \$2.00.

Complimentary birthday cake will be served during the birthday party. The Little League association will have their concession stand open for anyone interested in purchasing all types of "baseball" foods, including hotdogs, hamburgers, and soft drinks.

Specially designed baseball caps will be for sale for \$10.00. At 7:00 p.m. the "Almost Any-

thing Goes" baseball game will begin, featuring quite an array of talented (and possibly not-so-talented-but-good-sport-anyway) players.

Team #1—The Pop Flies will include such "professionals" as Leslie 'Curly' Pruser, Fran 'Walkin' Walker, Donna 'Little Mama' Pritchard, Jean 'The Scoop' Boles, Tad 'Mr. Deere' Cason, 'Big Bad' Bob Prewit, Charles 'The Dealer' Bahlman, Aref 'Hole-in-One' Hassan, 'Jumpin' Jim Hanson, Randall 'Seedy' Conner, Mike 'Digger' Meyers, 'Chucklin' Terry Wyatt.

Team #2 — The Foul Balls consists of the following players: Barbie 'Doll' Bishop, Janet 'Cookie' Cason, 'Slippery' Sue Prewit, Sherry 'Shezzy' Kurtz, Randall 'Bruiser' Boles, Joe 'Big Daddy' Pritchard, 'Diamond' Lanny Bahlman, Dawson 'His Highness' McGuffin, Jerry 'The Bagger' Sartor, Ken 'The Advocate' Slimp.

Jim 'Romeo' West, Glenn 'The Preacher' Shoemaker.

Announcer will be Jeff May, 'Dr. Softball' — The Voice of the Game'. Umpire will be Larry 'Eagle Eye' Walker. Wacky rules will almost be enforced, and the game should provide a humorous culmination to a fun evening for the public.

Rogers Hornsby is considered the greatest right-handed hitter in baseball history. His .358 career batting average ranks second only to Ty Cobb's .366 career mark. He batted .300 or better in 14 of his 23 big-league seasons and won seven National League batting titles. He is the only right-hander to bat .400 or better in three different seasons. Hornsby still holds the record for the highest single-season batting average of .424 in 1924. He won 1,530 games as a major league manager with six different teams from 1925-37 and 1952-53.

Additional activities honoring Rogers Hornsby will take place next weekend, May 4, during the annual Mayfest celebration.



BUSY HELPERS go into action during the Christmas in April project last Saturday. Beautiful weather and hard-working, caring people made the 3rd annual work day a big success. Complete story and pictures will be featured in next week's edition of *The Winters Enterprise*.

Johnny Merrill named Firefighter of the Year by Hill Country Association

Johnny Merrill, longtime Winters resident and member of the local volunteer fire department, has been selected as Firefighter of the Year by the Hill Country Fireman's Association. This is the first time that a firefighter from Winters has received this high honor which took place at the HCFA convention in Menard on April 13.

Merrill has been an integral part of the Winters Volunteer Fire Department since March 14, 1972. During the past 24 years he has held various offices and improved the department in many ways. He was Captain of Company #1 in 1975 and 1976, Training Chief from 1977 to 1979, First Assistant Chief in 1979, and Chief from 1980 to 1996.

He was named Fireman of the Year in 1980 and 1995.

Merrill has been instrumental in obtaining new firetrucks and other pertinent equipment for the Winters unit, including the Jaws of Life for emergency rescue.

Johnny obtained a low interest rate loan through the Texas Commission of Fire Protection for \$25,000 to help build the new fire station.

He also serves as Fire Marshall for the City of Winters.

Johnny and his wife Janice have not only been active in the Winters and Runnels County area, but have participated and supported the Hill Country Fireman's Association. He has moved through the ranks of that organization from

4th vice-president in 1973, to president in 1977. He is also a member of the Hill Country Instructor's Association.

Merrill has been a certified fire fighting instructor at the Texas A&M Fire School since 1978, Instructor in Charge at the Abilene Fire Prevention Fire Control since 1976, and instructor at the Concho Valley Area Protection Fire School from 1976 to 1990.

Johnny has an Advanced Fire Fighter's Certification, a Level II Instructor's Certification with the State Fireman's and Fire Marshall's Association of Texas, and an Intermediate Instructor's Certificate with the Texas Commission on Fire Protection. He also received a certificate in 1992 for obtaining 40 hours of Emergency Response to Hazardous Materials Incidence Course with the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Johnny has served as maintenance engineer for the Winters Schools for the past nine years. He and Janice have two children and three grandchildren. He has served in the Winters Lions Club, The Junior Jaycees, Winters Little League Baseball Association and as Scout Master with the Boy Scouts of America.

As HCFA Firefighter of the Year, Merrill will advance to the State level in June at the State Firemen's Convention in Amarillo, at which time the Texas Firefighter of the Year will be named.

Council ok's BFI rate increase

During their regular meeting Monday night, city council members approved a rate increase for BFI trash services.

Tim Henderson, facility manager for Browning-Ferris Industries, and Mike Birmingham with

Market Development for BFI, explained increasing costs of operation to the council, and asked for the rate increase.

Without hesitation, council members voted unanimously to See "Rate Increase" pg. 10



JOHNNY MERRILL, left, is congratulated by Winters fire chief **Jack Davis, Jr.**, after being named Hill Country Firefighter of the Year. Merrill has been with the Winters Volunteer Fire Department since 1972, and is the first fireman from Winters to receive this prestigious award. See related story.

Over \$4 million paid to welfare programs in Runnels County

The state spent a total of \$4,237,507 last year for major welfare programs in Runnels County, according to David Maberry, Regional Administrator for the Texas Department of Human Services.

Food stamps worth \$1,009,456 were issued for the fiscal year which ended August 31, while Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) totaled \$211,332.

Food stamps are funded entirely by the federal government, while the department determines

eligibility of applicants and issues the food coupons.

The state and federal governments share in the cost of AFDC to families where needy children are deprived of support because of the absence or disability of one or both parents.

"Nursing home costs of approximately \$2,499,501 were paid for aged and disabled residents. Community Care for Aged and Disabled spent \$333,130 for Medicaid related services and \$137,314 for non-Medicaid related services," Maberry said.

McDaniel challenges County Commissioners on EMS contracts

Bob McDaniel, owner/operator of the Runnels County subsidized Ballinger Emergency Medical Service, gave Commissioners an earful at the special meeting on Tuesday, April 16. With County Judge Marilyn Egan not present because of a death in the family, Commissioner of Precinct 3, Thurman Self presided in her absence.

Commissioners are beginning to look at contracts with both Ballinger EMS and North Runnels EMS and the service areas of both in preparation for the bidding on new contracts this summer. Apparently McDaniel had information that the Commissioners Court was looking at changing

the line dividing service areas and giving Ballinger EMS the Norton area.

McDaniel told commissioners his service is already stretched to the maximum. He told commissioners to look at the population density in his service area as compared to the service area of North Runnels EMS.

McDaniel went on to say that because the doctors in Ballinger were not using Ballinger Memorial Hospital as frequently and were sending most patients to San Angelo, his runs had gotten longer and costs had increased. He told commissioners if his boundaries were changed to include the

See "McDaniel," pg. 4

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- April 25-Noon, 39+ 5th Anniversary Celebration, First United Methodist Church
- 6-10 p.m., EMT Courses, North Runnels Hospital
- 7 p.m., Ladies Night Out, First Baptist Church Jones Fellowship Hall
- 7 p.m., Senior Parents Meeting, Project Graduation '96, WHS Media Center
- Second Grade Field Trip
- Last Day to Sign-up for Pest Management
- TQHA Amateur State Championship Show Begins, Expo Center, Abilene
- April 26-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- Regional Track Meet, ACU, Abilene
- Kindergarten Field Trip
- Last Day to Accept Mail-In Ballots
- April 27-9:30 a.m., Runnels County Consignment Sale, Wingate Lions Bldg.
- 5 p.m., Rogers Hornsby Birthday Celebration Begins, City Park
- 7:30 p.m., Winters Squares, School Activity Center
- Regional Track Meet, ACU Abilene
- Ethnic Festival, Courthouse Lawn, Ballinger
- Art Festival, Perini Ranch, Buffalo Gap
- April 28-3:30 p.m., Golf Play Day, Winters Country Club
- 4:30 p.m., Flute Choir Concert, Carnegie Library, Ballinger
- Ethnic Festival, Courthouse Lawn, Ballinger
- Art Festival, Perini Ranch, Buffalo Gap
- April 29-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal
- 6-9 p.m., ESL Classes, School Ag. Bldg.
- 6:30 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center
- 7 p.m., Band Banquet
- Cancer Society Benefit Golf Classic, Bentwood Country Club, San Angelo
- April 30-11 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Pasture Management, McLennan College, Waco
- Noon, Lions Club
- 6-10 p.m., EMT Courses, North Runnels Hospital
- 7 p.m., WVFD
- TAAS Tests, Math, Grades 3-6
- Early Voting Ends
- May 1-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- Hearing Services, North Runnels Hospital
- Loyalty Day
- May 2-9:30 a.m.-Noon & 1:30-3 p.m., Immunization Clinic, TDH
- 6-10 p.m., EMT Courses, North Runnels Hospital
- 7:30 p.m., Winters Masonic Lodge

OIL BUSINESS . . .

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As we continue our "Oil Patch Basics" tour through the personnel in the oil patch, we encounter a most colorful figure: the toolpusher.

This "pusher" is not of the drug dealer ilk, but rather a dealer in oil patch equipment and services. He could be a sales rep. for a workover rig company or for a specialty tool company or for any service company, for that matter.

You see, the term "toolpusher" is one that is used to refer to a representative of a company that has some service, some piece of equipment, some "tool" that no true oil man or woman can do without (at least, according to the toolpusher).

Most often, he or she is associated with a drilling rig or a workover rig. In fact, a toolpusher is usually "pushing" several rigs for a particular contractor.

The toolpusher visits with decision-makers in operating companies on a regular basis to advertise his/her rigs' availability and his desire to do business with that particular company. In old-fashioned, good 'ole boy style, he/she often takes people out to breakfast and lunch and often provides a turkey or ham for the holidays. All of this keeps relations good with operators and their personnel. And, it keeps his rigs or equipment on the operator's mind.

The toolpusher may also serve as the supervisor of the rigs and is often an expeditor when repairs or special equipment is needed. He/she can also be an intermediary between the operator's representative and the rig crew.

In some instances, the toolpusher can be the best friend a green engineer ever had. In this line of work, some split-second decisions have to be made, and only experience can ensure the correct decision.

Although the toolpusher is most often pushing rigs, he can also be selling pumps, bulldozers, drillpipe, drilling mud, and even frac tanks. There are also some specialty downhole tools that may have their own pushers.

As is often the case in the field, a toolpusher is on call up to 24 hours per day, 7 days a week. It is often looked upon by roughnecks and drillers as a job of which to aspire. (This is mainly because the toolpusher is his own boss and the job may include a car and a free lunch every day.)

All of this can take a toll, with lots of stress, too much rich food, etc. But, for the right person, it offers opportunity for a very good income and fringe benefits as a result of working one's way up from the bottom.

Next time, we get on the other side of the service transaction by looking in on the "company man."

HIGHLIGHTS
OF AREA
DRILLING ACTIVITY
COMPLETIONS

Nolan County
Tucker Drilling has completed the B.K. Harris -D- #4 in the South Lake Trammel Field (4 miles N of Maryneal) at an initial rate of 74 BOPD & 18 BWPD in the Canyon Sand (perms 5312-34). Loc. is 1069 FNL & 1506 FEL of Sec. 77, Blk. X, T&PRR Sur., A-489.

Runnels County
EDCO Petroleum has completed the Hughes #1 in the Deike Field (2 miles SE of Wilmeth) at an initial rate of 84 BOPD in the Fry Sand (perms 4328-38). Loc. is 330 FSEL & 1000 FSWL of H.L. Bays Sur. No. 444, A-17.

STAKINGS

Coleman County
Delray Oil has applied to plug back the J.V. Ray #1 in the County Regular Field, 2 miles SE of Talpa (Depth 3230). Loc. is 1329 FSL & 1351 FWL of Sec. 107, ETRR Sur.

Concho County
J.L. Kingery has staked the A. Steopler #2 as a Wildcat, 15 miles SE of Eden (Depth 2000). Loc. is 640 FWL & 1200 FNL of IRR Sur. No. 7.

H.R. Sullivan has staked two wells 8 miles SE of Vick (Depth 5000). The Kerr-McGee -B- #41-1 is a Wildcat 1320 FSL & 467 FEL of Sec. 41, Blk. 9, H&TC Sur., A-440. The Stone #48-3 is in the Burk Oak Field and is loc. 1800 FNL & 900 FEL of Sec. 48, Blk. 9, H&TC Sur., A-1819.

Nolan County
Enserch Exploration has staked the Enserch #1 as a Wildcat, 2 miles SE of Roscoe (Depth 7700). Loc. is 701 FSL & 368 FWL of Sec. 58, Blk. 23, T&PRR Sur., A-588.

Oryx Energy has staked the Southwest Nena Lucia #2322 in the Nena Lucia Field, 12 miles SW of Maryneal (Depth 7500). 1A, H&TC Sur. Loc. is 125 FWL & 2575 FNL of Sec. 92, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur.

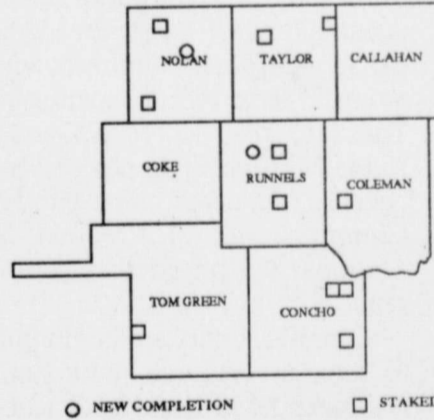
Runnels County
Bristol Resources has applied to re-enter the Dierschke #3 in the Rowena Field, 2 miles NE of Rowena (Depth 3850). Loc. is 467 FEL & 467 FNL of Sec. 132, P. Zabel Sur.

Enrich Oil has staked the Uno Mas #2 in the Dorman Field, 5 miles SW of Winters (Depth 5000). Loc. is 1387 FNL & 1349 FEL of Sec. 14, Blk. 442, J.Lynch Sur., A-346.

Taylor County
Clear Fork has staked the Hrubetz Unit #11 in the Hrubetz Field, 5 miles SE of Trent (Depth 3700). Loc. is 1700 FNL & 1290 FWL of Sec. 67, Blk. 19, T&PRR Sur.

Midland Oil & Gas has staked the Grand Canyon Patterson #1 in the Big Easy Field, 6 miles E of Abilene (Depth 3400). Loc. is 507 FSL & 581 FEL of Sec. 58, BAL Sur., A-1240.

Tom Green County
B&R Operating LLC has staked the Rathbone #1709 in the McIntire Field, 5 miles SW of Knickerbocker (Depth 1200). Loc. is 3288 FEL & 355 FSL of Sec. 8, Blk. 20, H&TC Sur.



Classifieds Get Results

Conference April 30-May 1 to study horizontal drilling

The Permian Basin Horizontal Well Conference and Exhibition will be held at the Midland Center April 30 and May 1. A goal of the event is to share horizontal drilling experiences and knowledge so that Permian Basin operators can benefit. Included in the discussion topics are key horizontal well considerations such as stimulation, secondary, and tertiary applications, and technology transfer.

The two-day seminar will feature Permian Basin horizontal application case studies and will be highlighted by a training session by Dr. Sada Joshi, a recognized industry leader in horizontal well development. The presentations and panel discussions on horizontal drilling are designed for reservoir, drilling, and production engineers.

"We'll also have a discussion on horizontal costs," said Texaco's Mark Wilkins, leader of the Permian Basin Society of Petroleum Engineers—Continuing Education Subcommittee/Horizontal Symposium which identified the need for a conference addressing specific Permian Basin applications. "The conference is intended to appeal to anyone in the industry who has the inclination to learn about horizontal drilling and completion, from short-radius re-entry to long radius wells."

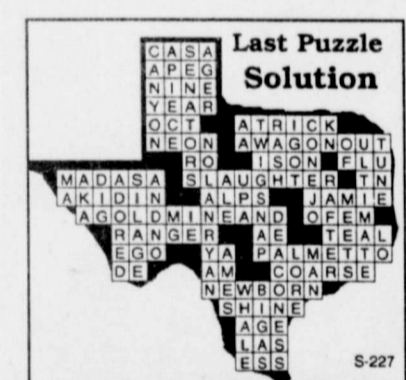
Along with the training seminar, speakers, presentations, and panel discussions, ongoing vendor exhibits will introduce technology, software, and various aspects of horizontal wells.

The conference is a joint effort of the Midland Reporter-Telegram and the Permian Basin Chapter of SPE.

Senior Citizens Activity Center Menu

April 29 thru May 3

Subject to change
Monday, April 29: Stew, vegetable sticks, Jello salad, cornbread, and bread pudding.
Wednesday, May 1: Roast & gravy, potatoes, green beans, rolls, and peanut butter pies.
Friday, May 3: Ham & gravy, lima beans, mixed greens, cornbread, and cobbler.



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WINTERS VOLUNTEER FIREMEN Wayne Green and Rodrick Bredemeyer strapped on oxygen tanks and donned firefighting clothing to enter the burning home of Jesus, Amelia, and Juan Tamez during an early morning fire at 609 West Dale, Monday, April 8. The home, owned by Tammy and Agatipo Tamez, suffered heavy smoke damage. Faulty electrical wiring is suspected to be the cause of the fire. The Tamezes lost all their personal belongings and household furnishings. No one was home when the smoke was noticed and reported by neighbor, Herb Bentrup. The community of Winters has contributed generously to the aid of the fire victims.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks for the use of the Wingate Lions Club building for our family luncheon served by the gracious Church of Christ ladies.

Thanks to The Shed and all others who brought food, sent flowers and memorials, and sang lovely hymns at the service.

A special thanks to Mike Meyer and Linda Dry at Winters Funeral Home for their care.

The family of
Oletha Bradberry Riley

Card of Thanks

Words cannot express the thanks to each of you that helped on Mama's house. Your labor of love, time, and energy are greatly appreciated. Even when the job continued into additional days your generosity and efforts were still there. Mama loved visiting with each of you and couldn't quite understand all of the attention given to her. Her life has been enriched by so many this past weekend. Needless to say the house is now in great shape.

Our love and thanks again to all of you. We will never forget you.

Mrs. J.C. Haynes, "Mama"
Linda Connor, granddaughter

Card of Thanks

The Blizzard Varsity Cheerleaders want to thank the Winters community for their support of our recent hamburger lunch fund raiser. The proceeds will help defray the expenses of cheerleading camp in San Angelo.

A special thanks to the parents, aunts, and cousins who helped prepare and serve the meal.

It is an honor to represent Winters, and we appreciate everyone for their support throughout the year at our fund raisers and at all school events.

Linsy Brown, Cristi Burton,
Michelle Castillo, Heather
Watkins, Monica Parramore,
and Jeanna Kozelsky

Obituaries

Oletha "Sis" Allen Riley

WINGATE—Oletha "Sis" Allen Riley, 84, died Thursday, April 11, 1996, in an Omaha, Nebraska nursing home.

She was born on September 27, 1911, in Taylor County and moved to Wingate at age 5 and lived there most of her life. She married Coby Bradberry in October, 1933, in Wingate. He died in February of 1943. She then married Harvey Riley in 1944; he preceded her in death.

Mrs. Riley was a homemaker and a member of the Church of Christ. Survivors include one son, Harold Bradberry of Omaha, Nebraska; one stepson, Bill Riley of Irving; four stepdaughters, Betty Johnson of Farmersville, Madene Haynes of Lubbock, Delores Stewart of Roanoke, and Barbara Burks of Lampasas; one brother, Cloy Allen of St. Hedwig; two sisters, Ruby A. Phillips of Wingate and "Snookie" A. Ricketts of Axtell; 21 grandchildren; and 36 great-grandchildren.

Family visitation was at 7:00 p.m. Saturday, April 13, at the Winters Funeral Home. Services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 14, at the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with Tott McCown officiating. Burial was in the Wingate Cemetery, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were grandsons.

Verda Pruett

BALLINGER—Verda Pruett, 80, died Thursday, April 18, 1996, at Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo.

She was born on October 24, 1915, in Brazos County, Texas, and married R.B. Pruett on October 31, 1932, in Bryan.

Mrs. Pruett was a lunchroom worker for the Ballinger Independent School District and a member of the Seventh Street Baptist Church in Ballinger.

She was preceded in death by her husband on October 12, 1987. Survivors include one son, Barton Pruett of Graham; three daughters, Margaret I. Cooke of Abilene, Patsy Jones of Ballinger, and Bobbie Dell Elder of Spiro, Oklahoma; one sister, Montel Kincannon of Caldwell; 14 grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren.

Family visitation was from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Friday, April 19, at Rains-Seale Funeral Home. Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, April 20, at Seventh Street Baptist Church with Reverend Tony King officiating. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

Card of Thanks

To all the Christmas in April volunteers/coordinators, I would like to thank everyone who helped fix my house for the Christmas in April.

It really means a lot for me to know that there is a program here in Winters with special people who take the time to help others in the same community. With people like this here in Winters, it makes it even more special to be a part of it.

Thanks again for all the hard work that was put into helping me.
Mrs. Castillo, 509 Quanna St.

Card of Thanks

I would like to take this opportunity to thank "Christmas in April" and their volunteers in painting my house last Saturday. A special thanks to Donald Wade, team captain, and the volunteers in doing such an excellent job. May God bless each of you.

Charlene Craven

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank all the beautiful people who did such a beautiful job on my house on Christmas in April day last Saturday. I know that God will richly bless you. Love you.

Wayne Satterfield

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CAFETERIA MENU

April 29 - May 3
Subject to change

Breakfast
Monday-April 29
Pancakes w/Syrup
Sausage
Cereal
Orange Juice
Tuesday-April 30
Muffins
Toast & Jelly
Cereal
Pears
Wednesday-May 1
Chocolate Donut
Toast
Cereal
Orange Juice
Thursday-May 2
Cheese Toast
Cereal
Fruit Cocktail
Friday-May 3
Danish Roll
Toast
Cereal
Apple Juice

Lunch
Monday-April 29
Pizza
English Peas
Tossed Salad
Lemon Pudding
Tuesday-April 30
Chicken Nuggets
Cream Potatoes w/Gravy
Mixed Vegetables
Hot Roll
Wednesday-May 1
Enchiladas
Red Beans
Coleslaw
Cornbread
Lime Jello
Thursday-May 2
Turkey Pot Pie
California Vegetables
Garlic Roll
Peaches
Friday-May 3
Hamburger
Tator Tots
Hamburger Salad
Peanut Butter Cookies

All meals served with milk

Team: Varsity Boys
Coach: Charles Murphy
Date & place of game:
April 16, 1996—Winters
Opponent: Coahoma
Winning pitcher: Ruiz
Losing pitcher: Mark Deike
Key plays:

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	2	6	3
OPPONENT	4	3	2

Coach's comments: Mark Deike threw well. He allowed only 3 hits, while we made only 3 errors. Mark was also 2 for 2 at the plate. This was our best defensive effort yet. We left too many runners on base.

Monday's banquet to honor band students

The Winters Band Boosters will host their annual Band Banquet to honor all high school band students Monday, April 29, at 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria. The Martha Davis and John Philip Sousa awards will be presented along with other awards. All high school band members will receive a ticket to the banquet. Parents and other interested individuals may purchase tickets for \$7.50 each. Band members

that wish to bring guests will need to purchase a ticket. No tickets will be sold the night of the banquet. The last day to purchase tickets will be Friday, April 26. Tickets may be purchased from Sandy Hamrick at the Pizza Hut or at 754-4208; Shelia Paschal, 723-2697 or 754-4424; Teresa Davis, 754-5422; or Todd Fely at the band hall. The Shed will cater the event.

Play Ball '96

April 29— Jim Ned, There, 5 p.m., JVB
April 30—Coahoma*, There, 5 p.m., VB

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

Team: Varsity Boys
Coach: Charles Murphy
Date & place of game:
April 19, 1996—Wall
Opponent: Wall
Winning pitcher: Martinez
Losing pitcher: Jerry Esquivel
Key plays: 2B Bear Nitsch, John Biddix

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	6	7	3
OPPONENT	9	11	4

Coach's comments: Paige Bishop came in and pitched very well. Charlie Yanez had a very good game at third, as well as being 2 for 4 at the plate.

Team: Junior Varsity Boys
Coach: Ed Henley
Date & place of game:
April 15, 1996—Winters
Opponent: Eula
Winning pitcher: Abe Vasquez
Losing pitcher: Gray
Key plays: 2B Uresti, Minzenmayer, Tekell (2)

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	13	13	2
OPPONENT	2	4	5

Coach's comments: We played a pretty good defensive ball game, getting out of 2 bases loaded situations with no runs being scored. Leo Uresti, 2 for 3; Justin Minzenmayer, 3 for 4, 2 RBIs; Abe Vasquez, 2 for 4, 2 RBIs; Michael Pritchard, 2 for 3, 1 RBI; Eric Tekell, 2 for 4, 3 RBIs.



The average government worker makes about \$18 an hour, plus another \$8 in benefits.

Attn: WHS senior parents

Parents of seniors are asked to attend the first meeting for Project Graduation '96 on Thursday night, April 25. Plans will be discussed for the alcohol free, drug free, all night party for this year's senior class. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. in the High School Media Center. You are encouraged to attend.

"McDaniel" con't

Norton area, they will be looking at an increase in the subsidy request this fall. Both Ballinger EMS and North Runnels EMS currently receive \$4,500 per month subsidy from the county. Commissioner Keith Collom, looking at the current contract, told McDaniel the county has not been receiving a copy of the Ballinger EMS bank statement each month as the contract specifies. McDaniel responded with the question, "Do you get one from Winters?" Collom replied that they hadn't been, but that he had been given copies the day prior



MARCIE PRITCHARD (center), WHS senior, displays her certificate of appreciation for her Voice of Democracy speech she presented in the VFW district competition. For her efforts, Miss Pritchard received a \$100 scholarship. Making the presentations were commander Frank Carter and Auxiliary President Mary Kurtz.

when he brought it to North Runnels' attention. The next question raised concerning contract compliance involved an audited financial statement. County Auditor Darlene Smith said she had been receiving one from North Runnels EMS but had not received one from Ballinger EMS. McDaniel said he had not submitted an audited financial statement, but had mailed an unaudited financial statement in January. He then asked to see the North Runnels statement and read from the cover letter which stated the statement was unaudited.

Commissioner Skipper Wheelless then read from the state statutes which said if the county required an audited financial statement, then the county had to give specific reasons for wanting it and also was obligated to pay for the audited statement. McDaniel, looking at Commissioner Collom, then said he hoped the changes being discussed were not a "personal vendetta" against him. Then, speaking to Collom, said "since your relatives (a sister-in-law is director of North Runnels EMS and your brother works for the service) work for North Runnels EMS, I hope you

will recuse yourself from voting on the emergency service bids to be awarded this fall." Collom's reply was that he would do the right thing when the time comes, but that his main interest in including Norton in the Ballinger EMS service area is for a quicker response time, and next, to see that everyone is complying with the contract requirements as written. Commissioner Skipper Wheelless then moved to table any action on the matter, seconded by Ricky Strube, and the motion passed.

TPWD representatives address allegations at Runnels County Commissioners Court

The Commissioners Court special meeting of Tuesday, April 16, was the site of a large contingent of Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife personnel answering allegations by Runnels County citizen Allen Belk in a letter to commissioners. The letter and allegations had been brought to the court by Belk at their meeting on March 19. The Parks and Wildlife personnel spent the better part of two hours answering the letter point by point as read by Commissioner Skipper Wheelless. Most of the points Belk had brought out in his letter, such as preventing the department from owning any more

land, would have to be handled by legislative action. One of Belk's contentions was that game wardens have more stop and search powers than any other law officers. Terry Joy, a district supervisor with the department, told Belk and the commissioners that game wardens work under the same powers as any other peace officers—no more and no less. The conclusion drawn from the two-hour discussion was that those laws with which Mr. Belk disagreed would need to be changed through the legislative process and could not be changed through commissioners court.

Other matters handled at the meeting included: consideration of rescinding the open burning prohibition. Because of a number of grass fires in the Winters and Wingate areas, commissioners decided not to rescind the open burning ban at this time. Amended the budget to transfer \$5,190 from the general fund to a new 911 addressing line item. Sheriff Bill Baird told commissioners there is apparently a major sewer problem at the jail which might necessitate closing down the jail and moving prisoners elsewhere until it could be repaired.

Support Your Local Businesses

Co-ed softball tournament to be held May 3-4

The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a co-ed and a men's softball tournament to be held May 3 and 4 in conjunction with the Rogers Hornsby-Mayfest celebration. Entry fee is \$100 per team and two blue dot balls. For more information and a complete set of rules, please contact Lisa Nitsch at 754-4231 or 754-5577, or Terry Wyatt at 754-5783 or 754-5577.

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Athletic Booster Club promotes banquet

The Booster Club held their last meeting, of this school year, Thursday night, April 18. The meetings will resume in August. The Boosters completed unfinished business. The upcoming athletic banquet was discussed. The banquet will be in the Community Center, Thursday, May 9 at 7:00 p.m. Tickets can be purchased for \$7.50 each at both school offices. The Winters Enterprise, the Hair Post or the Security State Bank. Tickets can also be purchased from some of the Booster Club members. Contact Susan Connor at 754-5760 or Rick Cobb at 754-4183 or 754-4182. There will be no tickets

sold at the door. There will be an added feature at the banquet this year. A raffle will be conducted for a large Varsity Football Team Poster. The tickets for the raffle will be \$1.00 each at the banquet. Football plaques and T-shirts will also be sold at the banquet. The football highlight films have been ordered and will be in shortly. If you did not order one, there will be a few extras to be sold. Contact a member for more information. The Booster Club is very thankful for all the support received and given this past school year. It is hoped that next year will have more of the same support.

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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.

Andrew Medina, 14, is "Boy of the Month" for April. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Medina.

Andrew is in the seventh grade where his favorite subjects are math and athletics. He received second place in doubles at District Tennis and has received awards for Perfect Attendance.

He enjoys playing football and Nintendo. To pass the time, Andrew watches TV.

His duties include taking care of the pets, helping keep the house clean, and taking out the trash.

The people Andrew admires most are his parents.

He plans to attend college and study Computer Technology.

Fallen Perrie, 12, has been chosen as the "Girl of the Month" for April. She is the daughter of Allen and D'Ann Perrie.

Fallen is in the seventh grade and enjoys athletics, keyboarding, and Texas history.

She is honored to have played singles at District Tennis and be a twirler. She has received Perfect Attendance awards.

Fallen enjoys twirling and playing softball and tennis.

Her duties include keeping her room clean and watching her little brother and sister.

She plans to become a Cosmetologist.

Fallen most admires her parents.



Andrew Medina
Boy of the Month



Fallen Perrie
Girl of the Month

Varsity boys prepare for Regional meet

The varsity boys track team competed at Wall on April 19 and at Clyde on April 20 in preparation for Regionals. Coach Jeff Butts says, "These guys are on track to do very well (at the Regional meet). Hopefully we can qualify for the State meet."

Individual places include:

- 400 M Dash
Jonathan Gann, 3rd, 51.6
- 110 M High Hurdles
Mark Deike, 2nd, 15.1
- 300 M Intermediate Hurdles
Mark Deike, 2nd, 40.2
- 400 M Relay
Jace Wade, Jonathan Gann, Eric Bernal, and John Belew, 6th, 44.8

1600 M Relay
Eric Bernal, Mark Deike, Jace Wade, and Jonathan Gann, 3rd, 3:27.8

Shot Put
John Belew, 1st, 51'9"
Kevin Conner, 3rd, 47'8"

The Regional meet will be Friday, April 26, and Saturday, April 27, at Abilene Christian University in Abilene. On Friday, running events begin at 9:00 a.m.; field events begin at 10:00 a.m. On Saturday, running events begin at 2:00 p.m. while field events begin at 9:00 a.m.



A MONETARY DONATION FOR LANDSCAPING AROUND THE WINTERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL was presented by Winters Woman's Club President (far right) Marthiell Russell and Treasurer (second right) Lavera Tharp to Elementary Principal Terry Wyatt and Gifted/Talented Sponsor (far left) Brilla Magee and GT students (left to right) Mandy Pritchard, Megan Nitsch, Jared Airhart, Shane Colburn, Brandon Davis, Kirby Meyers, Brian Pritchard, Lincoln Edwards, Stefanie Davis, Jena Bahlman, Stacey Sneed, and DeAnna Goff.

You can do anything with children if you only play with them.
—Prince Otto von Bismarck

A small man can be just as exhausted as a great man.
—Arthur Miller



COLBY WALKER stretches to make the shot during the junior high district tennis competition Saturday. Colby, a Winters 7th grader, won first place in the boys singles division.

Letter to the Editor

New track field needed?

Dear Editor,
Each year at this time we have parents and students complain about track facilities. It has been brought to the attention of the administration and the School Board several times. The people in charge for the most part seem interested, but after the track season gets underway everything seems to be forgotten and still no new track.

The people that I've talked to would like to know just what the town has to do to convince the people in charge to consider the wishes of the ones that have elected them? How many times does a student have to get hurt on the old track field in order for the administration to listen? Each year we always have track participants from the U.I.L track meet qualify for the regionals, and they have to practice out of town in order for them not to get hurt on our old track field.

We got a new sport started here in Winters and in no time the field was up and looking good for the baseball program, which is good, but, how many years will it take in order for us to get a new track field? 5 years, 10 years? We've asked more than once and if we would of been heard 5 years ago

Salad Luncheon at noon today

The Winters Band Boosters host their annual Salad Luncheon today, April 25, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Church of Christ Fellowship Hall.

Many varieties of salads are available including vegetable, meat, Mexican, and more.

Tickets are \$4 per person and may be purchased from any Band Booster or at the door.

Treat yourself and a friend to a quick, healthy meal.

we could of had a new track already and this letter would not have to be written.

Our community would profit off a new track field as we could host our own track meets. It would help the economy of Winters by bringing the out-of-towners to spend locally which is good. Also, when new residents look into Winters to move to the first thing they seem to look at is our school facilities. There are a lot of people that walk on the track that would enjoy a nice surface. This would be a health benefit to our community also.

I feel that if we can get the community as well as the administrators to come to the same decision, I think we will have a new track field.

Thank you,
Becky Ramirez

Articles received after Monday will be printed the following week

The Winters Enterprise reminds all individuals, clubs, and businesses of submission deadlines. Any news turned in after the deadline will be printed the following week.

Noon Monday is the latest date to turn in news articles and retail advertising. Classified ads will be accepted until 5 p.m. Monday.

The Winters Enterprise would like to encourage everyone to turn in information as soon as possible to ensure adequate time for typesetting and reservation of space. Thank you for your cooperation.

5TH SIX WEEKS HONOR ROLL

THIRD GRADE

A

- Jacob Bridgeman
- Rachel Davis
- Megan Felty
- Amber Green
- Peter Griffin
- Kathryn Hatler
- Laura Jackson
- Jeremy Mendoza
- Christina Perrie
- Amanda Ripple
- Brenda Rodriguez
- Alecia Sudduth
- Kaylee Walker
- Katy Wilkerson

A-B

- Scott Bryan
- Aaron Cook
- Deena Drake
- Adam Escalona
- Esmiralda Espino
- Kendra Esquivel
- Adrian Hernandez
- Kenneth Kline
- Della Labeledelle
- April Leverett
- Claudia Llanas
- Carol Marshall
- Angelita Moreno
- Marci Paschal
- Cody Pritchard
- Amy Reyes
- Lydia Sanchez
- Jacob Vasquez

- Kari Walker
- Chad Walter

A-B

- Danielle Clark
- P.J. Delacruz
- John Heathcott
- Suzanne Jones
- Jeremy Jordan
- Heather Martin
- Monica Martinez
- Hope Ontiveros
- Vanessa Ontiveros
- Cecilia Ovalles
- Jessica Perry
- Elizabeth Pinon
- Valerie Presa
- Tayna Price
- Jessica Pritchard
- Amanda Reyes
- Andrew Reyna
- Raquel Rios
- Basilio Rocha
- Jessica Rodriguez
- Tasha Roznovsky
- Francisco Santos
- Jo Anna Torres
- Benjie Valles
- Marisela Vidaurri

SIXTH GRADE

A

- Juanita Armendariz
- Scarlett McMinn

A-B

- Staci Bishop
- Tracey Burns
- J.T. Davis
- Manuel DelReal
- Megan Galvan-Nitsch
- Travis Grohman
- Jeremy Hope
- Chris Hoppe
- Georgetta Horton
- Joey Joeris
- Cassandra Jincymb
- KaLene Lincymb
- Marie Llanas
- Wade Parramore
- Mandy Pritchard
- Toni Retana
- Kelly Walker
- Raul Zermeo

FIFTH GRADE

A

- Jena Bahlman
- Allison Calcote
- Stefanie Davis
- Lincoln Edwards
- Leslye Geistmann
- Deanna Goff
- Justin Lange
- Lydia Rocha
- Guy Slimp
- Stacey Sneed

A-B

- Jared Airhart
- Leah Bredemeyer
- Dana Clough
- Shane Colburn
- Brandon Davis
- Michelle Dexter

FOURTH GRADE

A

- Will Ahrens
- Timothy Fenwick
- Chance Hogan
- Joe Jackson
- Briana Parramore
- Rebekah Sartor
- Maegan Schwartz

Jr. High girls teams take 3rd and 4th places in District Track

The Jr. High girls participated in District running and field events April 4 at Stanton. The 7th grade team placed 4th overall, and the 8th girls took third. Coach Corley says "For as few in number as we had, the girls did a good job. It is hard to compete with teams of larger numbers."

Individual places included:

- 7TH GRADE
- 400 M Dash
Jackye Dexter, 6th, 75.2
- 800 M Run
Jackye Dexter, 4th, 3:02
- Desiraé Hammersmith, 6th, 3:05
- 1600 M Run
Jessica Corley, 5th, 7:16
- 2400 M Run
Luccero Vega, 4th, 11:38
- Kayla Torres, 6th, 12:30
- 110 M High Hurdles
Jessica Corley, 4th, 20:42
- 300 M Intermediate Hurdles
Kacy McCuiston, 2nd, 57.4
- 400 M Relay
Lori Bredemeyer, Michelle Paschal, Kendra Hope, & Kacy McCuiston, 3rd, 58.92
- 800 M Relay
Lori Bredemeyer, Jackye Dexter, Kendra Hope, & Michelle Paschal, 3rd, 2:06.62
- 1600 M Relay
Lori Bredemeyer, Michelle Paschal, Kendra Hope, & Kacy McCuiston, 1st, 4:49.4

Discus

- Michelle Paschal, 3rd, 69'4"
- 8TH GRADE
- 100 M Dash
Angela Jacob, 4th, 14:32
- 200 M Dash
Angela Jacob, 2nd, 30.1
- 400 M Dash
Darcie Lindsey, 4th, 67.4
- Paula Salas, 5th, 69.8
- 800 M Run
Paula Salas, 2nd, 2:46
- 1600 M Run
Shelley Meyer, 3rd, 7:11

- 2400 M Run
Shelley Meyer, 2nd, 10:48
- Kristen Goff, 3rd, 11:33
- 110 M High Hurdles
Kelly Slimp, 1st, 17:57
- 300 M Intermediate Hurdles
Kelly Slimp, 2nd, 50.6
- 1600 M Relay
Darcie Lindsey, Angela Jacob, Paula Salas, & Kelly Slimp, 2nd, 4:39.19
- Shot Put
Marcie Ortiz, 3rd



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- Michael Ball
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- Marcie Espino
- James Fine
- Ashley Gann
- Allan Green
- Chris Guerrero
- Michael Hubach
- Leo Jacques
- Terri Larkin
- Jose Moreno
- Cameron Myrick
- Amber O'Keeffe
- Jordan Rogers
- De'Lise Sanchez
- Edgar Vega

COLBURN

- Ashley Belk
- Aaron Briley
- Ty Cason
- Yesenia Flores
- Judy Garcia
- Trenton Grohman
- Charlotte Horton
- Steven Kruse
- Keegan Kurtz
- Ashley Laird
- Will Mathis
- Fernando Perez
- Anthony Ramirez
- Aaron Reyna
- Cory Sudduth
- Lindsey Summerlin
- Manuel Vega
- Crystal Waller

SNEED

- Patricia Carrillo
- Don Davis
- Luke England
- Danielle Felty
- Samantha Frasier
- Stephen Goetz
- Joseph Lara
- Kody McCuiston
- Bryant Mikeska
- Amy Pinon
- Cory Pringle
- Francis Reyes
- Hector Reyna
- Javier Rodriguez
- Marcus Rodriguez
- Savannah Sanchez
- Jennifer Yates

SECOND GRADE

LINCYPOME

- Amanda Blackshear
- Lucia Chavez
- Aaron Colburn
- Jose Cruz
- Paige Geistmann
- Erica Lujano
- Tod Martin
- L.J. Nitsch
- Chris Peyton
- Jordan Sanchez
- Matt Tekell
- Marcus Tubbs
- Ashley Vasquez
- Eric Wyatt

MEYERS

- 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
- Bryce Wilkerson

RUSSELL

- Todd Ball
- Angelica Campos
- Justin Fenwick
- Luke Hale
- Randy Jackson
- Yazmine Lopez
- Jessica Meyer
- Beca Morrison
- Armando Nava
- Margarita Pinon
- Amanda Polk
- Vickie Santoya
- David Scates
- Priscilla Vara
- Kindra Walker

Poe's Corner

by **Charlsie Poe**



Kinfolk galore

Research on the life of Rogers Hornsby as a world champion baseball player with roots in Winters has brought forth many facts and relatives who have become interested in knowing more about him.

Jimmie Whittenburg, a second cousin, remembered her father, Max Ray Rogers, was a first cousin to Mary Rogers Hornsby. He talked some about Hornsby, but most of the family thought he was a reprobate because he didn't work, he just played ball. He was twice married and had two sons. Four grandchildren are living but it is not known where they are—possibly in Denison, Travis County.

Four second cousins reside in Winters. In addition to Whittenburg, they are Ouida Rogers Nichols, Bobby Rogers, and Wilbur Phelps.

A fourth cousin is Brock Guevara, age 19, a sophomore at Angelo State University. He bought a set of baseball cards several years ago and it included one of Hornsby. Other fourth cousins are Craig Gray, Cody and Kenny Whittenburg, Lance Guevara, Shane Smith, and Netasha Johnson. There are two fifth cousins.

The Texas Rangers honored the baseball Hall of Famer, April 20. Four of his grandchildren and a niece were present.

The native Texan must have learned a great deal in his early playing career from Manager Miller Huggins, because he had a long and successful managing career himself, according to Joe H. Levy of Austin.

Though not well educated, he dedicated his life to the game of baseball and became quite a student and teacher. His father died when he was 2-1/2-years-old. His mother returned to her people in the Austin area.

Legends are often controversial, and this man was no exception. He said what was on his mind, but was very honest and sometimes tactless. Few players were daring enough to stand up against the lofty Lords of the era, namely the team owners.

One of his only few recreations, outside of baseball, was horse racing. He gambled heavily at the race track, all perfectly legal, though he neither smoked nor drank. This hobby would later prevent him from managing at the big league level on a continued

basis. His final stint as a major league manager came in 1953, with the Cincinnati Reds.

He later went back to his roots, when he managed in the Texas League during the late 1950s. On January 5, 1963, he died of a heart attack in Chicago. The right-handed batter could certainly hit, hard and often.

This Rogers Hornsby is now at rest in Hornsby's Bend, Texas.

The Winters Public Library has recently bought a biography of Rogers Hornsby, written by Charles E. Alexander.

Alexander says that when her husband died at Winters in 1898, Mary Rogers Hornsby buried him in the family cemetery at Hornsby's Bend; she resettled in Travis County. During the next four years, while three of her sons grew big enough to start making a living, the six Hornsbys resided with Mary's parents about nine miles outside of Austin.

The young people played baseball on the bottomland near the river until it was too dark to see. Some people remembered Rogers Hornsby—a little boy in overalls with a bandana hanging from his rear pocket who insisted on being allowed to play with the big kids. He said, "I can't remember anything that happened before I had a baseball in my hand."

"Although Hornsby had little contact with his older son after the breakup of his first marriage, he seems to have been a reasonably good father to his son by his second wife—at least while the boy was growing up. He generally enjoyed the company of young people, and in the many schools and clinics with which he was associated, beginning in 1933 he worked to teach tens of thousands of boys the basics of the game," said Alexander.

Wingate Church of Christ to present "Christ Crucified"

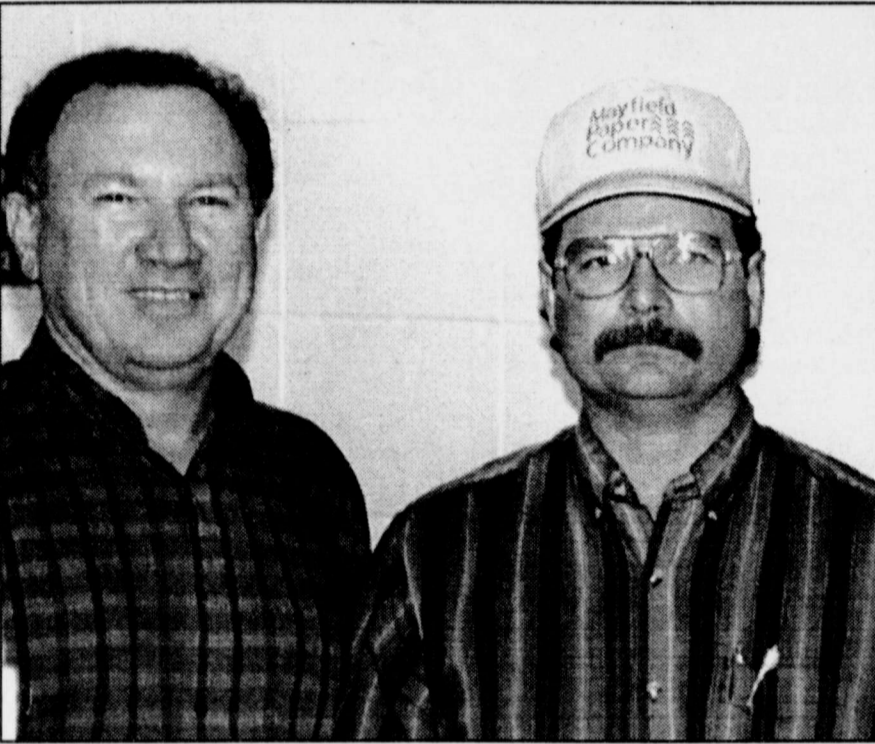
The Wingate Church of Christ will be conducting a gospel meeting entitled "Christ Crucified" Sunday, May 5, through Wednesday, May 8.

E.B. McCown is Sunday's speaker at 10:30 a.m., followed by a pot luck lunch. J.F. Lilly will speak at 5:00 p.m. Sunday and at 7:30 p.m. Monday-Wednesday.

An area-wide singing will be from 2:00-4:00 p.m. on Sunday. Nelan Balhman is song leader.



EMPLOYEES OF THE QUARTER recently honored at North Runnels Hospital were Judy Palmer, shown above with Larry Suit, NRH administrator, and Dickie Clough, shown below at right with NRH board president Randall Boles.



North Runnels Hospital honors two Employees of the Quarter

Two employees of North Runnels Hospital were recognized last week as Employees of the First Quarter during ceremonies at the hospital. Judy Palmer, office coordinator of North Runnels Home Health, and Dickie Clough, director of maintenance and house-keeping, each received recognition awards.

Ms. Palmer has been a hospital employee since 1990. She first worked in the business office and transferred to the home health department in 1994. After graduation from high school in Junction, she attended Western Texas College where she completed computer courses.

Ms. Palmer is married to Bobby, an employee of the City of Winters. They have two sons, Jim and Bill, and one daughter, La Trisha.

Dickie Clough began employ-

ment at the hospital last summer, having previously worked at Dry Manufacturing and Mac Oil Field Company. Dickie is a graduate of Winters High School and studied with ICS to become a licensed electrician.

He and his wife, Brenda, an employee of Dry Manufacturing, have two daughters, Gayla and Dana, and one son, Billy.

Chipper service to begin April 26

A new city service will be provided free of charge beginning Friday, April 26. Sponsored by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, the newly acquired chipper and a city crew will make rounds to dispose of tree limbs or shrubs.

Residents are asked to place limbs and shrubs at curbside for easy access. Chips will be hauled to City property and may be picked up by appointment only by calling City Hall, 754-4424.

Plans are to offer the chipping service once a month on the last Friday of every month.

Abuzz activity at Z.I. Hale Museum

by **CHARLSIE POE**

Business has been picking up at the Z.I. Hale Museum. Many passers-by have noticed the activity and cleaning that is taking place at the Rock Hotel.

Hassan and his workers did such a bang up job that we have appointed him a member of the museum board. Another new member is Larry Suit. Phyllis Boles has returned to us and has been given the place as secretary of the board.

We are rocking around the rock with a set of new officers. Randall Conner is chairman of the board; Jim Hanson, vice chairman; Edna England, treasurer; Phyllis Boles, secretary; and Charlsie Poe, historian. Other members are Kay Colburn, Judy Biddix, and Homer Hodge.

Colburn and Kat Young spent time on the clean-up day by rearranging the Rogers Hornsby sweaters that are for sale on the museum. Sergio Martinez was an avid helper on the lower floor cleaning that took place at the hotel recently.

We take pride in the museum that is progressing with the possibility of being a great museum complex for Winters as well as Runnels County.

Please observe Loyalty Day, May 1

by **MARY KURTZ**
VFW Auxiliary President

The Winters Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9193 and the Ladies Auxiliary asks that everyone observe Loyalty Day on May 1st. A special date, established by Congress and proclaimed by our President, as a day for Americans to join together and openly display their love of the Flag and Country. May 1st, one day to celebrate the loyalty we live by for the rest of the year.

Some quotes from past American leaders are:

"God grants liberty only to those who love it so strongly that they always loyally guard and defend it."—Daniel Webster

"Swim or sink, live or die, survive or perish, loyally with my country."—John Adams

"You cannot dedicate yourself to America unless, through loyalty, you become in every respect and purpose—thorough Americans."—Woodrow Wilson

"Gold is good in its place but loyally patriotic men are better than gold."—Abraham Lincoln

Never was there a more obvious need for true patriots to stand together in a just cause. Staunch Americans must awaken and live up to their obligations as responsible citizens if they truly desire to remain free, for only the loyal and responsible fully deserve to be free.

Here are some suggestions for

your personal actions:

1. Fly your American Flag and encourage others to do the same.
2. Urge the use of the Pledge of Allegiance at public meetings.

3. Enlighten those you come in contact with about the importance of preserving law and order and of the necessity to proclaim their love for America and "Old Glory."

4. Ensure that our youngsters are receiving a positive approach to Americanism and American government through the schools and other activities.

5. Take greater interest in local and national government than ever before. If it is necessary to run for office to help—then do so.

6. Help others to develop a proper sense of civic responsibility. Show them that apathy is their worst enemy.

7. Explain to all who will listen that materialism cannot replace spiritualism. Despite what dissidents say, God is not dead. A moral collapse of our nation will bring on increased lawlessness and vice.

8. Never falter in your love for America, support its Constitution, respect its flag and defend it against all enemies.

It is the responsibility of every loyal American to keep the light of nationalism from dying out. No individual is powerless to do good.

Town Criers

Katy Shea Butts

Jeff and LaShea Butts of Winters are proud to announce the birth of a daughter, Katy Shea, born Wednesday, April 10, 1996, at 6:20 p.m. at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

Katy weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are Junior and Kay Guy of Winters and Bobbie Butts of Abilene. Great grandparents are Eva Jolley of Abilene, Shirley and Jackie Howard and Doll Guy, all of Winters.

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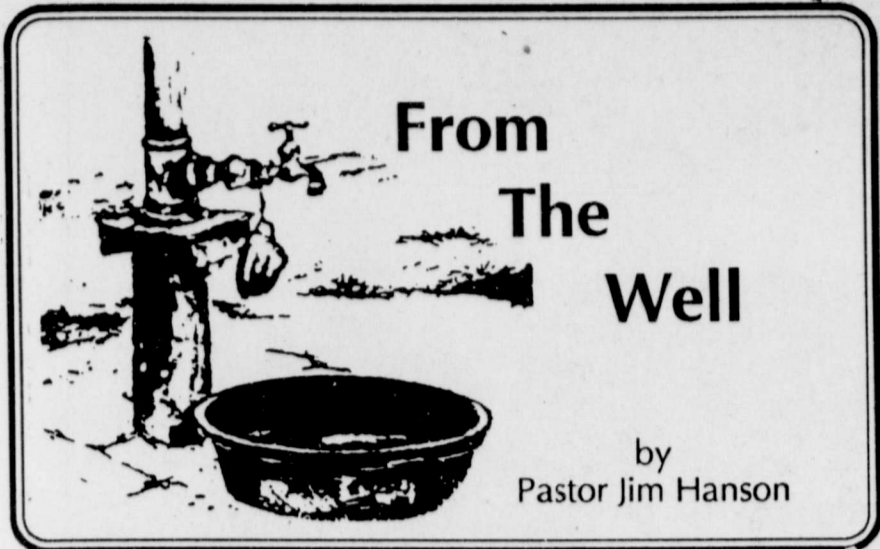
ACROSS

- Fort Worth theater: _____
- Manana _____
- TXism: "got knocked down _____ or two"
- XIT Ranch covered _____ counties
- Anthony is "Leap _____ Capitol of the World"
- TX Poetry Day is in this month (abbr.) _____
- opposite of Halloween "treat" (2 wds.) _____
- TXism: "never sign anything by the glow of a _____ light"
- TXism: "could talk _____ of a ditch"
- Texan who sang "Oh Pretty Woman" (init.) _____
- TX George Jones hit: "The Race _____"
- Bush illness on '92 Tokyo trip _____
- TXism: "_____ wet hen" (angry)
- old TV series: "Texas John _____"
- Davy's state (abbr.) _____
- TXism: "restless as _____ church"
- Alpine, TX named for these Swiss mts. _____
- TX comedian Foxx or Farr of MASH _____
- Hilton called Cisco's Mobley "a cross between _____ a flophouse"
- TXism: "scared the dickens out _____"
- The Lone _____
- ex-Mav. Alex (init.) _____

DOWN

- Palo Duro _____
- TXism: "just down the road _____"
- Gramm & Hutchison _____
- follows teen or man _____
- Oiney H.S. class _____
- Canonsonap Creek was misnamed for this in 1837 (2 wds.) _____
- "don't do anything _____"
- TXism: "_____ shared like a spring lamb" (swindled)
- bluebonnet: "El _____"
- ex-Cowboy Norton (init.) _____
- TX pitching legend _____
- TXism: "pick _____ the litter"
- TX Cindy Garner book: "The _____"
- Wichita Falls dancer and actor Tommy _____
- Ferguson was _____
- 1st female governor _____
- also known as (abbr.) _____
- TXism: "shin _____ (big event)"
- loved _____
- TX forage crop _____
- TXism: "he's all show _____ go"
- TX singer Gilley (init) _____
- that is (abbr.) _____
- female church leader _____
- TX creek: _____
- Yo _____ Digo _____
- TX of Iowa town _____
- TX Folk _____ Society _____
- Waco's Jules Bledsoe sang "Old _____ River"
- TXism: "had a _____ of a time" (fun)
- TXism: "got a heart as _____ Texas" (kind) _____

Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.



From The Well

by
Pastor Jim Hanson

"Grass Roots" is the title of a book I'm reading. I got it last fall at a conference at Shalom Hill Farm in rural Minnesota. *The Washington Post* wrote about the author, Paul Gruchow, "His sensitivity to the environment...makes nature come alive." And, another critic says, "He needs us to trust nature, doubt power, and look closer." That's what he does to me — he makes me look closer. At home.

He says, "A home, like a garden, exists as much in time as in space. A home is a place in the present where one's past and one's future come together, the crossroads between history and heaven." And then he goes on to say, "I learned this truth the day we buried my mother."

His mother had been very sick and was in the hospital. She had one desire, to see Paul's brand new baby daughter before she died. The weather was fiercely cold — daytime temperatures did not rise above zero. No weather to take a baby out in — for a three-hour drive. But, one day there was a let up in the weather. In the darkened hospital room grandmother and granddaughter were introduced for the first and the last time on earth. The baby slept against the rails of the bed while Mother fondled her with eyes too small for their bony sockets. They joined hands, the baby's fat and warm, Mother's cold, gaunt, and hard. With tremendous effort, Mother whispered three words barely audible above the hum of the humidifier, "Is she healthy?" We wept, because she was.

When we arrived home, the telephone was ringing. A nurse was on the line with the word, hardly news, that Mother had died.

The crossroads between history and heaven. The place in the present where one's past and none's future come together. Home. Grass roots.

After the funeral, feeling very much like children again that day, vulnerable and bewildered in an impossibly big world, Paul and his two sisters took refuge one last time in the farmhouse where they had laughed and cried, together and alone, so many times. They had meant to see the household goods, but the first items they came across were the photo albums. And they looked at the pictures and talked until the day died.

"Do you remember when Mother turned toward the back seat of the car and said, 'Where's your sister?' and Paul said, 'Oh, she fell out a long time ago,' and she had?"

"Do you remember the day Mother told the neighbor she couldn't go to the Women's Christian Temperance Union meeting because her wine was ready for bottling?"

"Do you remember the day Kathy fell through the outhouse hole?"

"Do you remember the time we floated a pound of butter in Mother's hot laundry starch?"

Do you remember? Do you remember?

He goes on to say, "I think I have never been more exactly at home, more tenaciously alive, than that afternoon, when old joy and new sorrow and present love reverberated together inside me." At home.

Telling my story and listening to others tell their story is what family reunions and family get togethers are all about. In many cases — what ought to happen at a funeral. Do you remember? The mysterious word "remember," which connects us to that vast closet of memories, enabling them to tumble out and give us life and love again. The roots of the grass. Home. Linked to the past, launching us into the future.

How boring can T.V. really get, as we watch and listen to the stories of others — so many of them horrible and vicious and cruel? How much better to get together with other folks and share our stories and get home again! No wonder Jesus said, when He gave us the Lord's Supper, "do this in remembrance of me." And, as we remember the story, His and ours, and eat the bread and drink the cup — another crossroad between history and heaven, and we are truly at home again.

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June 2, 1996

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VOTE

DEBBIE SUDDUTH
Saturday, May 4, 1996
WISD School Board - District 5

Dear friends,

My name is Debbie Sudduth; one of two you will see on the School Board ballot for District 5. The purpose of this letter is only to inform you of my reasons for seeking a school board position.

As most of you know, my life revolves around being an active participant in the community. I thoroughly enjoy working with other "work-a-holics" in maintaining a wonderful community to live and work in. My participation in the activities of the community and my children's endeavors, is what gives me my energy!

The children of Winters are the leaders of tomorrow. Their education and growth is the responsibility of EVERYONE, not only the teachers and parents. The scout leaders, Sunday School teachers, Little League coaches, and friends of the family all influence our children every day.

My children, and the children of Winters, have always played a significant role in my life. I would like to broaden that role, by becoming more involved with the decisions facing our school system. I believe I can offer a lot to our current school board, due to my involvement with the children and experience gained in various other activities.

I hope you will elect me for your District 5 - School Board representative on May 4th.

Sincerely,
Debbie Sudduth

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Mayfest to provide food, shopping, and tournaments

This year's Mayfest on Saturday, May 4, will begin at 9:00 a.m. in the city park. Arts and crafts, antiques, children's booths, and food booths will operate all day. In addition to food and shopping, various tournaments will be played including tug-of-war, men's softball, co-ed softball, a home run derby, and volleyball.

The Tug-of-War tournament will be sponsored by the Winters Volunteer Fire Department. Entry fee is \$50 per team of ten pullers and two alternates. For more information, contact Christy Lindley at 754-4959.

Men's softball begins Friday, May 3, at 7:00 p.m. and resumes Saturday, May 4, at 8:00 a.m. on the north field at the baseball complex. Team fees are \$100 for a 15-man roster and two Blue Dot balls. Trophies will be awarded to first, second, and third place teams, as well as Most Valuable Player. The first place team will also receive individual trophies. Games have a 50-minute time limit and will be played following ASA rules in double elimination.

Entry fee for the co-ed tournament is \$100 per team of 16 and two Blue Dot balls. Play will be on the southwest field in alternating men's and women's positions. A trophy will be awarded to Most Valuable Man and Most Valuable Woman.

The Home Run Derby will also be played on the southwest field beginning at 12 noon. Each \$10 entry fee entitles the entrant to a set of ten pitches in two minutes. Entrants provide their own pitcher. The player hitting the most home runs will receive a trophy and 30% of the HRD entry fees.

For ball tournament inquiries, contact Directors Terry Wyatt or Lisa Nitsch.

Volleyball will be played in two categories — co-ed six person team and a four man team. Best two out of three wins. If possible, double elimination may be considered. The tournament begins at 9:00 a.m. and will take place on the infield of the track field and conclude with the trophies being presented sometime in the afternoon. Each participant may play only one categorical team. Entry fee is \$25 per team. Deadline for entry is May 3. For more information, contact Dena Santoya at 754-5375 or Marie Fisher at 754-4246.

Entry forms for tournaments are available at the Chamber of Commerce office, 118 West Dale, or from any of the listed representatives.

If you would like to set up a booth at Mayfest or if you have any questions pertaining to the day's activities, please call the Chamber office at 754-5210.

Hope to see you there!

Literary and Service Club makes plans for Mayfest and Senior Tea; honors Spring Convention winners

The Winters Literary and Service Club met Thursday, April 18, at 5:30 p.m. in the home of Emily Pendergrass to discuss upcoming activities and congratulate Spring Convention award recipients.

Hostesses Emily Pendergrass, Gwen Andrac, and Doris Prewit served sandwiches, chips, and apple pie. Noma Eoff led the Federation Creed and Pat Fenter, the flag pledges. Theresa Patterson presided.

Members agreed to serve brownies and com-on-the-cob at Mayfest, Saturday, May 4. A Senior Tea honoring the 1996 seniors and their parents will be held May 13 at the school cafeteria from 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Eula Mae Kruse reported on the Spring Convention held in Mason and presented first place awards to Emily Pendergrass, Public Affairs; Gwen Andrac, Home Life; and Sue Prewit, Education.

In other business, a donation

was made to the Winters Little League and to the H.O.B.Y. Seminar. Noma Eoff read correspondence which included a letter of resignation from Gloria Poehls.

Mary Margaret Leathers gave the program on the Daughters of the American Revolution. DAR was formed in 1890. Headquarters are located near the White House in Washington, D.C. Mary is a DAR member and attends in Coleman.

Members present were Gwen Andrac, Noma Eoff, Pat Fenter, Jo Olive Hancock, Eula Mae Kruse, Mary Margaret Leathers, Theresa Patterson, Emily Pendergrass, Doris Prewit, Sue Prewit, Darlene Sims, Lela Thormeyer, and Melinda Tucker.

The next regular meeting will be May 16 at St. John's Lutheran Church for a salad supper.

There's a difference between a philosophy and a bumper sticker.
—Charles M. Schulz

Farm equipment, vehicles to be auctioned at Wingate Saturday

The 9th Annual Runnels County Consignment Sale will be Saturday, April 27, beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the Wingate Lions Club Building. Kevin Hutson will be auctioneer.

Pickups, cars, tractors, trailers, hay and grain equipment, tanks, irrigation equipment, a combine, a boat, and much more will be sold.

The Winters Lions will provide refreshments and food throughout the day. Coffee and doughnuts will be available at 8 a.m. Drinks, BBQ plates, sandwiches, and whole cooked briskets will also be sold.

If you are in the market for farm equipment or a used vehicle, be sure to attend.



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A NEW SCOREBOARD at the north baseball field was donated by Coca-Cola, Security State Bank, and Winters Little League Association. Overseeing installation are Bobby Airhart, Security State Bank president; James Howard, Coca-Cola representative; Darrell Kurtz; Jim West; and Michael Minzenmayer, Boys Little League president. Those helping to install the scoreboard and not pictured are John Parramore, Bill Mesey, John Joeris, Brent Bryan, and Jim Wilkerson.

Women's Service League elects 1996-'97 officers

In their meeting of April 16th, the Women's Service League installed officers for the 1996-'97 year. Serving as president will be Shelia Paschal. Vice president is Donna Guy. Other officers are as follows: J'Lynn Cooper, recording secretary; Deedra Yates, corresponding secretary; Melissa Mints, treasurer; Julie Frierson, parliamentarian; Deb Pritchard, historian; and Amy Lujano, projects chairman.

Marthiel Russell graciously inducted the eight new officers by presenting each with a flower to correspond with their post. The officers in turn placed their flower in an arrangement, making one unified arrangement from the group of flowers. Mrs. Russell correlated the symbolic meaning of the presentation to the individual officers and club members standing together to form one united club.

The evening presented loads of fun for those attending. A delicious covered dish/salad supper was served by hostesses Tammy Kaczyk, Diane Torres, Deedra Yates, and Dawn Green. The ladies decorated the Methodist Hall in spring flowers, decorated bird cages, parasols, and English ivy. A beautifully decorated cake was

provided for dessert. Following the meal and officer induction, President Sherri Mikeska presented the outgoing officers with gifts and gratitude. Former Vice President Shelia Paschal presented Sherri a gift in appreciation on behalf of the Women's Service League. Each member then revealed secret pals by exchange of gifts, a lot of love and laughter.

The business meeting entailed with disbursements of funds for the end of the term, information about the Mayfest booth, and the Girl of the Month Tea in May. Members are encouraged to sign up to help with Mayfest and to attend the May meeting.

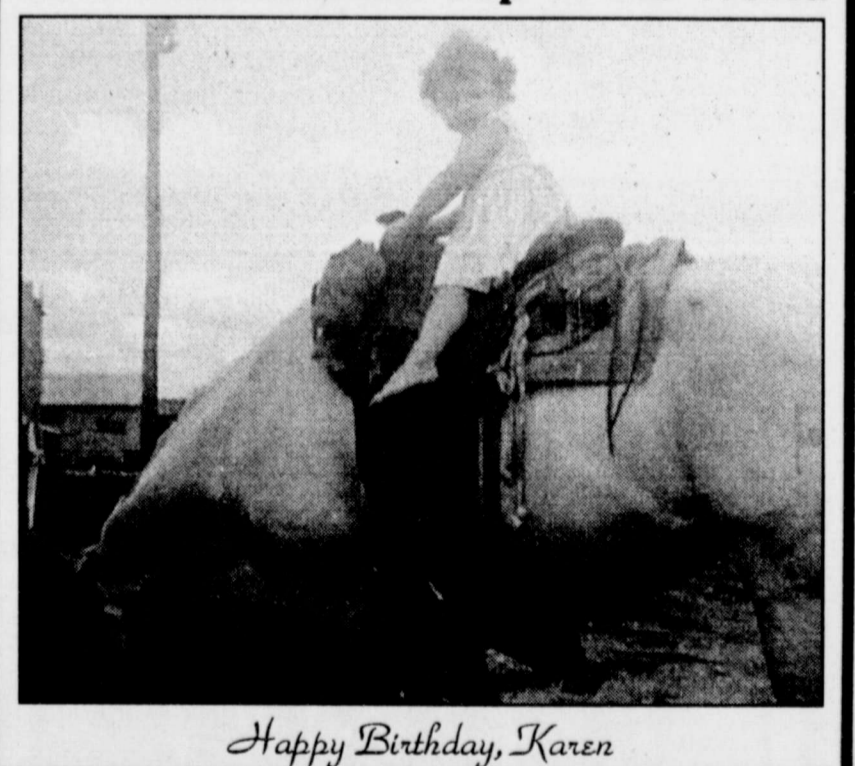
Seeking info for Wingate Reunion

A Wingate School Reunion is being planned for June, 1996. Any school or group pictures and school related stories are needed.

Information is sought for anyone who attended Wingate School from its inception to its closing.

If you would like to contribute, please contact Ronny Burns, 5009 Oaklawn Circle, Abilene, TX 79606 or call (915) 692-8335.

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Happy Birthday, Karen

Identity of birthday girl is revealed elsewhere in this issue.

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NENA'S fast food business celebrated a ribbon cutting ceremony hosted by the Winters Chamber of Commerce. On hand for the event were chamber directors (from the left) Larry Suit, Phyllis Boles, Leslie Pruser and Janet Cason (far right). Cutting the ribbon is owner Mary Ellen Estrada with help from daughters Rebecca and little Ursula.



ART WINNERS in the March 1996 Elementary School Contest, sponsored by the City of Winters, are (front, left to right) Antonio Aragon, 5th grader; Joshua Vidaurri, overall winner and 6th grader; Vickie Santoya, 2nd grader; and Cory Sudduth, 1st grader. Certificates and monetary awards were presented to winners by (back) City Administrator Aref Hassan, Principal Terry Wyatt, and Mayor Dawson McGuffin.

Crews News by Hilda Kurtz



The most costly kind of wood is the chip on the shoulder.

Correction: The Crews Community Supper will be the third Saturday in May, May 18th and not May 3rd.

Visitors to Hopewell Baptist Church Sunday morning services were Mr. and Mrs. Mike Boatwright of Winters, Carolyn Webb, Joe Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Copland Austin, and West Ward of Ballinger.

Attending Bible Study on "The Holy Spirit" on Monday morning at Hopewell Fellowship Hall were Mildred Morrison, Dee Faubion, Ramona Akins, Helen Alexander, Nila Osborne, and Netha Kerby.

Bro. Ferris and Ramona Akins and Helen Alexander were dinner guests with Nila and Therin Osborne on Sunday. Ramona, Helen, and Nila attended the Southside gospel singing Sunday evening. Bro. Akins, Ramona, Melvena and Marvin Gerhart enjoyed refreshments Sunday night after services with Nila and Therin.

Sissie Alexander, I enjoyed having breakfast with you Sunday morning.

Margie Jacob was honored on her birthday Tuesday in the home of Carol and Mike Kozelsky with a supper and birthday cake. Those attending were Jerry and Sharon Engler of Brownwood; Brenda Jacob; Jeri Dunken of San Angelo; Beverly, Corey, and Brad Van Zandt; Scott, Jeanna, and Kathryn Kozelsky; and Bryce Busenlehner. "Many more happy birthdays, kido!"

Margie Jacob had a nice visit with Angie Olsak at Heritage Oaks Estate in Ballinger on Monday.

Beverly, Corey, and Brad Van Zandt; Brenda and Margie Jacob attended church services Sunday

in Brownwood at St. Mary's. Afterwards all enjoyed lunch with the Jerry Englers to celebrate Sharon Engler's birthday. Later in the evening, they attended the bar-b-q supper at St. Mary's Hall honoring Father Zientek on his promotion to Monsignor. All in all this was a memorable day.

Hildregard Asbury of San Angelo spent Friday and Saturday with me. Billie and Mike Boatwright were welcome surprise visitors on Monday evening.

Margie Jacob hosted supper and a 42 party in her home Saturday night. Cookie and Brenda were helpers. Those who came were Hattie Minzenmayer, Jerry and Frances Holly, Anita and Roy Schafer, Olin and Merline Weishuhn, and Herbert and Evelyn Jacob. Prize winners were Roy, Olin, and Hattie.

Mary Esquivel of Winters and Mildred Morrison visited Selma and Viron Wilkerson in Brownwood on Thursday.

On Friday, Mildred visited with the Barkleys, Tom and Sue. Afterwards they went by and visited Helen Alexander. Mildred attended the Southside Baptist Church singing Sunday afternoon.

Ruth Pape is spending several days in Houston with her families. While there, they celebrated the 6th birthday of great-grandson Randy Kennedy Jr. Brad and Ruth had several phone visits.

Doris Wood visited several friends at Our House retirement center in Winters on Sunday.

Eileen Cartwright called home Sunday and had a nice phone visit. All are doing ok. Jeremy had his 15th birthday during the week.

Visiting during the week with Noble and Harvey Mae Faubion were Carolyn Kraatz, Walter Pape of Santa Anna, and Gladys Cotton

of Ballinger. Valerie Carlisle of Ballinger came by after church services. Rodney Faubion of Lubbock came during the week.

Bobbie Huffman of Winters and Dennis McBeth entered the team penning contest in San Angelo Saturday. They won third overall.

Helen Alexander's sister, LaVonda, and her husband Weldon Foreman of Kerrville, visited Sunday night through Monday.

Randall and Eva McCutcheon of Mertzon spent Saturday with Connie and Georgia Gibbs.

Coleman Foreman and his brother, Weldon, had a phone visit during the weekend. I enjoyed having Randall Kurtz of Ballinger at my dinner table several times during the week.

Friday night the Bill Mathis family ate at Casa Cabana. On Saturday, all helped with Christmas in April.

Marqué attended the lecture by 1994 Noble Peace Prize Winner of Medicine, Dr. G.A. Gillman, in San Angelo on Monday.

The Crews rain gauges came out like this: 3/10", 8/10", and 1-3/10" with small hail in places.

Immunization Clinic May 2

The Texas Department of Health will hold an Immunization Clinic on Thursday, May 2, 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.

For more information, call 754-4945 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Ballinger Ethnic Festival set last weekend in April

The 21st annual Texas State Festival of Ethnic Cultures and Arts and Crafts Show will be held in Ballinger again this year on the last full weekend in April ... the 27th and 28th. The festival will be on the Runnels County Courthouse lawn (or in case of inclement weather, the Community Center).

Saturday, the 27th, the event will kick off downtown at 9:00 a.m. with the Colorado River Bike Fest (100K, 35 mile, 18 mile, 5 mile), followed by a large parade at 9:30 a.m.

Ethnic food booths, hand-made arts & crafts, live entertainment, Antique Tractor and Farm Equipment Show, community booths, pony rides and games for the children will be included in the activities. A big Saturday night dance featuring the band "SWIGS" is planned. Also, Miss Ballinger will be crowned during this two day event!

Everyone's invited for two big fun filled days!

Hubbards to be honored at Golf Play Day Sunday

The Winters Country Club and the Ladies Golf Association will hold an appreciation Play Day honoring Peggy and Cotton Hubbard on Sunday, April 28.

Play will be nine holes — best ball for two men and one woman teams — and three flights with token prizes.

Sign up will be at 3:30 p.m. with tee off at 4:00.

Cost per team is \$18 which includes supper. Extra plates for non-players will be \$3.

All members and non-members are welcome to come play.

In American there are two classes of travel—first class and with children.
—Robert Benchley

Green and Growing

The right equipment: Make mowing fast and easy

by DR. ELLEN HENKE, John Deere Lawn and Garden Expert

If you're like me, you look forward to and dread weekends all at the same time. As the pressure of meeting deadlines at work eases up, you begin to wind down. Just resting and relaxing... after grocery shopping, laundering, vacuuming, mowing the lawn, fixing dinner, and on, and on, and on.

Facing a lengthy list of weekend tasks, you want to mow your lawn quickly and easily. So when shopping for a new mower, pick a model that can make short work of your mowing chores. The type of mower you purchase depends in large part on the size and contour of your lawn. Other things to consider when purchasing a mower include: Are there many trees or natural areas? What about slopes?

A walk-behind mower can handle up to 1/3 acre in about an hour. If you have lots of trees, shrubs or decorative features, walk-behind mowers allow easier negotiation of curves and are generally much easier for getting in and out of tight spaces. Look for a walk-behind mower with large diameter wheels. Larger wheels allow you to maneuver the mower more easily and save time, leaving more of the weekend for a little "R and R."

If you have a larger yard with a number of mowing obstacles, consider a front-mower. Front mowers can cut mowing time in half. With their great visibility and front-mounted cutting deck, you can cut larger areas quickly and still get in tight for trimming around trees and shrubs. And with its low profile, a front mower can actually be fun to drive.

If your lawn is more than 1/2

acre, you may want to consider purchasing a riding mower or lawn tractor. A lawn and garden tractor is your best choice if you mow more than an acre and want to plow or till a vegetable garden, pull a garden cart or add a number of other attachments to make weekend life easier.

Finally, when you buy, be sure you're getting a mulching mower or one for which mulching attachments are available. University tests have proven that mulching mowers contribute to greener, healthier lawns and they can save time. Rather than bagging clippings, you can return them to the lawn. Mulching mowers are especially good time savers in the fall. By attaching a material collection system to a walk-behind mower, you can mulch and redistribute the chopped leaves in a natural area or around trees or shrubs. With riding mowers, the mulching system actually pulverizes leaves so they can be returned to the turf and recycled in the soil.

Lawn care dealers can help you choose a mower that best meets your needs and makes this weekly chore easier and maybe even a little fun. So there's plenty of time left to walk the dog, mop the floor, pick up the dry cleaning...

Choosing the right mower

- Walk-behind mower
 - Up to 1/2 acre
 - Easy negotiation of curves
 - Easy to maneuver in tight spaces
- Front mowers
 - Up to an acre
 - Great visibility
 - Easy to maneuver in tight spaces
- Riding mower or lawn tractor
 - 1/2 acre to an acre
 - Easy negotiation of curves
- Lawn and garden tractor
 - More than an acre
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NORTH RUNNELS EMS PERSONNEL transported a 13-year-old juvenile to North Runnels Hospital following a two vehicle accident at the intersection of Highway 153 and Highway 83 on Monday, April 15, at approximately 5:15 p.m. A 1985 gold Chevrolet Celebrity driven by Charlie Grohman was south bound, making a left-hand turn onto Hwy. 153 when it came into contact with a north bound 1976 Chevrolet Malabu driven by Andrea Hullett. There were no passengers in the Grohman automobile. There were three children in the Hullett vehicle. Ms. Hullett was also transported to North Runnels Hospital where both accident victims were treated and released.



LOCAL DAY CARE PROVIDERS are (left to right) Norma Arispe, Janie and Santos (top) Rocha, Eva Leta Smith, Bobbie Calcote, Valerie Summerlin, Patsy Staggs, Nadine Bedford, Pat Fenter, and Theresa Briley.

Choosing the right day care facility

Looking for someone to provide child care for your children? Finding the right facility for your child may require a lot of research, or you may be lucky enough to find one right in your neighborhood. It is your responsibility to choose the right child care facility—one that meets your standards and is a place where your children will learn and thrive.

According to the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services (PRS) Licensing Division, Winters currently has two licensed facilities and five registered family homes.

Winters Child Development Center, more frequently called Head Start, located at 601 West Pierce, 754-4325, is a licensed day care center for children ages 3 to 5. Valerie Summerlin is the Instructor/Supervisor. Patsy Staggs serves as Instructor Aide, and Norma Arispe, the Disability Aide.

Lacey Lane Day Care, 754-4376, is owned and operated as a licensed group day care home by Janie and Santos Rocha. Located at 601 W. Heights, care is provided for most any age of children, infants to school age.

Local registered family homes are operated by Nadine Bedford, 207 N. Church, 754-4593; Theresa Briley, 407 S. Frisco, 754-4196; Bobbie Calcote, 310 S. Magnolia, 754-5376; Pat Fenter, 215 S. Melwood, 754-4727; and Eva Leta Smith, 104 Bishop, 754-4748.

What is the biggest difference between licensed and registered centers/homes? A licensed facility is routinely inspected by the Department of Protective and Regulatory Services, whereas, a registered facility may be inspected on a random basis. However, a licensed facility may hire additional caretakers, whereas, a registered facility may not. Care must be provided by the person registered with PRS.

Licensed facilities are expected to maintain:

- a well-managed, accountable organization,
- adequate supervision,
- a safe facility and a healthy environment, and
- safe activities that are geared to specific age groups.

PRS inspects all licensed facilities three times prior to issuing a license and at least once a year thereafter to make sure they comply with minimum standards.

Applicants for a registered facility are required to be 21 years of age, attend a child care orientation session, and they must have a high school diploma or GED, and CPR and first aid certification. PRS only requires a caregiver to state in writing that the home meets PRS's minimum standards.

Homes providing child care for four or more children are required by Texas law to be registered with PRS. The number of children in a registered program depends upon the ages of the children.

While many centers and homes are excellent, registration by PRS does not ensure safety or quality. It is important for you to make sure you are comfortable with your decision for both your child and yourself.

When considering your child care options, you'll want to keep several issues in mind:

- your child's age and personality,
- the location of your home and workplace in relation to a child care home or center,
- the hours of care you'll need, and
- the fees you can afford to pay.

Following are some general guidelines to help you get started in making what may be one of the most important decisions in your life:

☞ Talk to friends, family, and parents of children in care to get their recommendations.

☞ Visit several day care facilities and compare overall atmosphere and child supervision. Visit when children are there so you can see what kind of activities are planned and how the caregiver interacts with the children.

☞ Take note of indoor and outdoor play space, the number of children, bathroom facilities, and room for napping. Make sure the caregiver explains safety precautions.

☞ Set up a time to meet with the caregiver. Discuss any of your concerns and make sure your questions are answered to your satisfaction.

There are no "dumb" or "stupid" questions.

☞ It may be a good idea to make an unannounced visit. If you have any reservations about the caregiver or the home/center, trust your instincts and keep looking.

☞ Take your child for a visit so that he/she may become accustomed with the caregiver and the surroundings prior to leaving the child.

A child care program can have great influence on your children. Your children may improve their vocabulary, learn to share with others, and gain confidence. They may also learn new skills—physical, social, emotional, and intellectual. While no program can replace a parent's love and attention, a good program can complement your efforts and greatly enhance your child's development.

PRS is committed to helping you find a child care program that is right for you and your child. Please call 1-800-862-5252 for more information about licensed and registered facilities. Several informational brochures are available. Remember, a good beginning lasts a lifetime.

Complaints against licensed or registered day care facilities in this area may be reported to Lou Mar Stewart, Supervisor, Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services, Licensing Division, P.O. Box 6635, Abilene, Texas, 79608 or (915) 676-0061.

*** An intellectual is a person whose mind watches itself. —Albert Camus



The United States is the world's largest producer of lead. It's mostly used for batteries and in construction.



RUNNELS COUNTY SHERIFF BILL BAIRD looks into a hole in the floor of the county jail where sewage had collected from a leak in the drain. Baird closed the jail on Saturday, April 20, and moved 14 prisoners to Abilene and 10 to Roby until repairs can be completed. Baird said the Taylor County (Abilene) Jail is costing \$35 per prisoner per day and the Fisher County (Roby) Jail is costing \$20 per prisoner per day. Roby was only able to take 10 prisoners because of limited jail space. Sheriff Baird hopes to have the Runnels County Jail back in operation by the end of the week.



In the mid-1600s, King Louis XIII of France began wearing a wig to hide his baldness. Fashionable Frenchmen soon began to shave their heads and wear wigs.

*** No man can think clearly when his fists are clenched. —George Jean Nathan

*** Fashions fade—style is eternal. —Yves Saint Laurent

PTAs honor teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week

Teacher contributions in instructing, inspiring, and encouraging young people are appreciated by many—especially parents. Often, those outside of family members are unaware of the daily preparations educators must undertake in order to prepare for academic and social challenges that occur in the classroom. Teachers are appreciated for their knowledge, patience, creativity; understanding and love of the profession and children.

PTAs throughout Texas will recognize the contributions of teachers during National PTA Teacher Appreciation Week, May 5-11.

Texas PTA understands the impact of educators in putting

children first, as the president of the 800,000-member organization is a classroom teacher. "A teacher has touched the lives of everyone of us. Seeing the spark in a student's eye when they finally understand, gives a teacher an internal feeling of thanks. But, the Texas PTA hopes you will take some time during this week to personally thank a teacher for enriching your life through learning," said Charlotte Travis, Ph.D. Texas PTA President.

Appropriate acknowledgments for appreciation may be in the form of cards, flowers, luncheons, gift certificates, classroom assistance, public recognition by the community, or scholarships for continuing education.

Last year, Texas PTA awarded 13 scholarships to teacher totaling \$6,500. Scholarships are funded by local unit gifts to the Texas PTA Endowment Fund. The generosity of friends and members is responsible for a total of 480 scholarships worth \$235,000 awarded to teachers since 1964.

Texas PTA, established in 1909, is the largest child-advocacy organization in the state. Its affiliation with National PTA makes it the oldest and largest child-advocacy organization in the nation. PTA continues to fulfill its mission to support and speak on behalf of children and youth in the schools, assist parents in developing the skills they need to raise and protect their children, and encourage parent and public involvement in the public schools of this nation.



Pansy flowers are so-called from the French *pensée*, meaning "thought."

City of Winters, Texas

Proclamation

WHEREAS, The legendary baseball player Rogers Hornsby was born in Winters, Texas, on April 27, 1896; and

WHEREAS, Rogers Hornsby, a right-handed batter, hit a .424 average in 1924, a record which stands today as the highest single season batting average in major league baseball and holding the second highest career average in major league baseball and holding the second highest career average in major league history at .358; and

WHEREAS, Rogers Hornsby, often called "Rajah", had a successful career in baseball, with 23 years as an active player beginning in 1915, and 15 years as manager of 6 different teams; and

WHEREAS, Rogers Hornsby was honored in 1942 by being inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame at Cooperstown, New York.

THEREFORE, as mayor of the City of Winters, Texas, I proclaim the week from April 27, 1996, to May 4, 1996, to be a time to honor the memory of the legendary Rogers Hornsby on the 100th anniversary of his birth in Winters and I invite all Rogers Hornsby fans everywhere to join in this celebration in Winters on May 4, 1996.

IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF WINTERS TO BE AFFIXED, THIS THE 15TH DAY OF APRIL A.D. 1996.

Dawson McGuffin
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Mayor of the City of Winters

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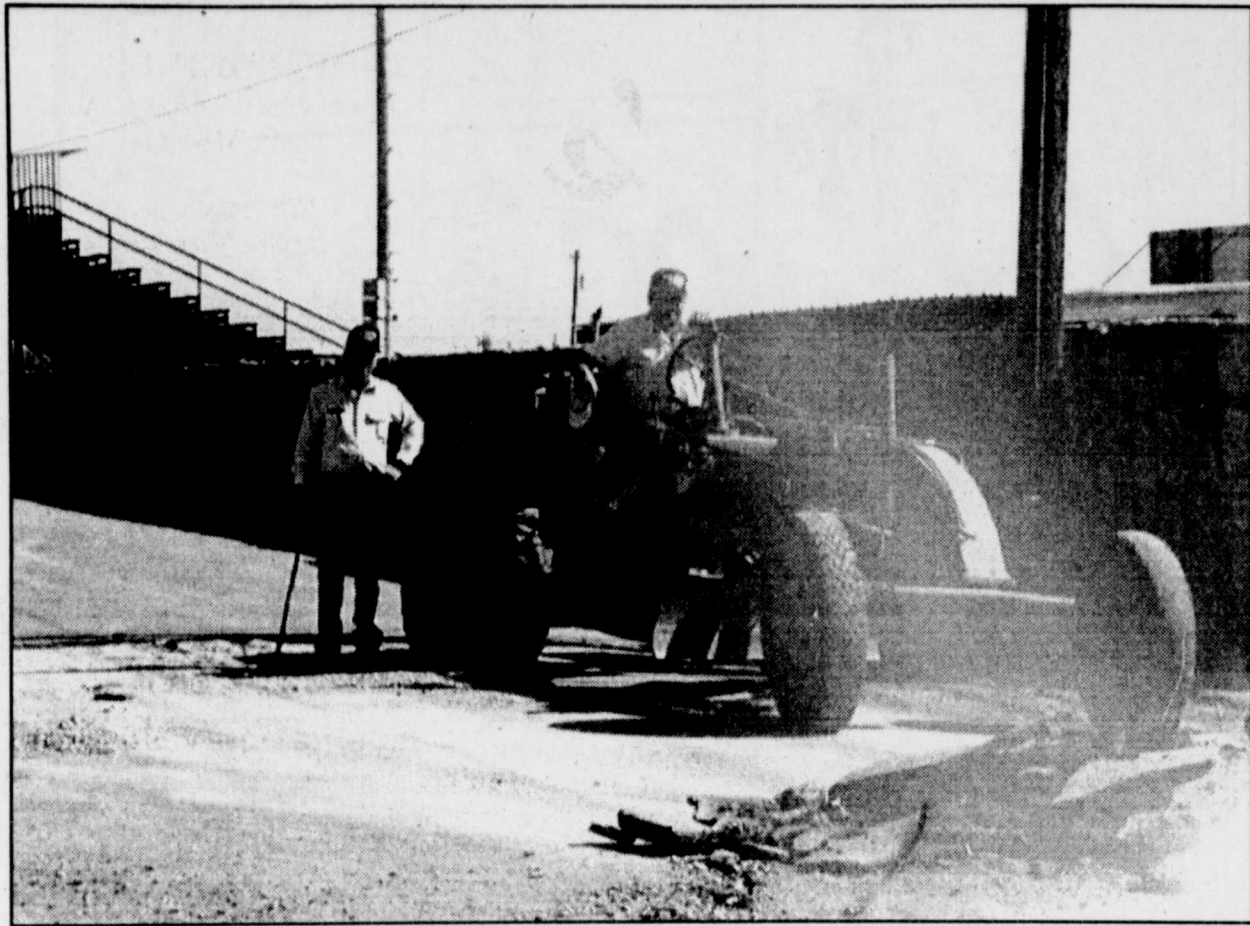
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REMOVING SPEED BUMPS from areas around the school are City Street employees Jack Burns and Supervisor Charles Grenwelle. The bumps are being removed in preparation for repaving these streets sometime during the summer months.

Per person pricing takes effect at State Parks May 1

Beginning May 1, Texas state parks will charge visitors the same way movie theaters, ball parks, and other recreational facilities do—by the person.

Instead of paying a per-vehicle price, adult visitors will pay fees from \$1 to \$5 per person, with 76 percent of the parks charging \$2 per person or less. Only three state parks—Devils River, Dinosaur Valley and Garner—will charge \$5.

There are 125 state parks, 84 of which charge entrance fees (many of the others, such as historic sites, charge tour fees, but not entrance fees).

To encourage family visitation, children 12 and under will get in free to all state parks under the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's new fee schedule. Avid park users will still have an option to save on entry fees and tours with special licenses. Beginning May 1, the new Gold Texas Conservation Passport will be sold for \$50, replacing the current \$25 TCP.

The move to per person pricing is one part of a plan to fund a huge backlog of statewide park repair needs.

In a 1995 management audit, the Texas state auditor's office estimated a \$186 million dollar backlog of state park repairs and capital project needs through the end of the century. Many of the state's most beloved parks face serious problems, from lagging water and wastewater systems at Garner to dilapidated restrooms and other facilities at Palo Duro Canyon to aging electrical wiring

at Davis Mountains.

It costs TPWD about \$32 million a year to operate state parks, while park fees generate about \$21 million annually. Per person pricing is estimated to generate an additional \$5 million to \$7 million for state parks.

Under the new fee schedule, last year's changes to the Parklands Passport (for seniors) remain in effect. All persons who reached 65 years of age before Sept. 1, 1995, and veterans with a 60 percent or greater disability rating will still get in free to state parks. Texas residents who turned 65 on or after Sept. 1, 1995, are eligible for discounted entry fees, while non-residents who became 65 on or after Sept. 1, 1995, pay the regular entrance fee.

The new \$50 Gold Texas Conservation Passport is a vehicle pass. The purchaser gets a vehicle sticker that will provide all occupants in that vehicle unlimited entry to parks and wildlife management areas for one year. The purchaser may also buy up to two additional stickers for \$15 each for any other vehicles they own. The Gold Passport will also be available with the hunting-fishing combo license and a group of hunting stamps in a new \$100 license package called "The Texan" beginning in August.

A new \$25 Silver Texas Conservation Passport also will be introduced May 1. It will offer access to TPWD wildlife management areas and free or discounted tours at both parks and WMAs, plus a discount on Texas Parks & Wildlife magazine.

Rate Increase, cont'd.

approve a \$0.40 increase for residential service and \$0.25 per loose yard increase for commercial service. This increase will show on the next billing cycle of May 15, 1996.

City Manager Aref Hassan reports that the last increase was in April of 1993, and that the city's contract with BFI allows an increase periodically if needed.

In other business, the council heard a status report on substandard buildings by Mr. Hassan who reminded the council of the City Code which requires buildings and homes to meet certain standards of the law so as not to endanger the life, health and welfare of the people. If a structure fails to meet these standards, it shall be condemned and demolished.

Due to public complaints about city employees gathering useable materials from some of the demolished properties, the council voted to disallow anyone from gathering any materials from any demolished building. In the past, the council had allowed anyone to gather salvagable materials. By allowing the public to gather and haul away remnants from the demolition sites, the city saved using up scarce landfill space which must be bought by the city.

In other council action, the Fire Department budget was amended to reflect the increase of the cost of the new fire truck which increased \$1,699 due to inflation and an additional \$1,500 for truck delivery.

Mayor Dawson McGuffin recognized the leaders of the local Girl Scouts with a Proclamation and thanked them for their contributions to the community and the Girl Scout program.



HANGING OUT WITH THE MONKEYS in the Fort Worth Zoo are members of Girl Scout Troop #163. Pictured in front are Carol Marshall, Alecia Sudduth, Crystal Grenwelle, and Amanda Ripple. Tina Perrie stands left of gorilla; Marci Paschal, right. Around the back, from left to right, are Della Jackson, Deena Drake, Kaylee Walker (top of gorilla), guest Michelle Paschal, and Laura Jackson. The scouts were able to take an all day adventure to Fort Worth/Dallas because of excellent 1996 cookie sales.

Adventures in the Big Cities

by SUSAN RIPPLE

What happens when an elite group of young ladies from the small town of Winters travel to the big cities of Fort Worth/Dallas for an all-day adventure? We hang out with the monkeys, swim with the fish, dig for dinosaur bones, travel back in time, go to unplanned places, and skate among the stars!

All ten members of Brownie Troop #163, two encouraging leaders, and three brave volunteers (one adult and two students) arose early one Monday morning in March, the 11th to be exact, on the first day of School Spring Break.

Meeting at the Scout Hut before the sun was up, travelers departed in three vehicles for Fort Worth. Drivers were leaders Debbie Sudduth, Shelia Paschal, and volunteer Susan Ripple. Scouts were Deena Drake, Crystal Grenwelle, Della Jackson, Laura Jackson, Carol Marshall, Marci Paschal, Tina Perrie, Amanda Ripple, Alecia Sudduth, and Kaylee Walker. Students also enjoying the trip were Michelle Paschal and, yes, one boy, Brandon Ripple.

Excitement was high! Everyone looked forward to arrival at their first destination—the Fort Worth Zoo. For those of you who have not visited this zoo, the animal habitats are supremely designed. The gorillas and monkeys were the first species we saw and probably the most enjoyed. Many of the girls beat upon their chests; the gorillas imitated. The monkeys were simply amazing to watch. We continued our route and journeyed throughout the entire zoo in just a couple of hours. We enjoyed a picnic lunch in the zoo park before going to the museum.

The Fort Worth Museum of Science and Natural History was our second stop. Leaders Debbie and Shelia had planned our trip so that we would arrive at the museum just as "The Living Seas" was to begin at the planetarium. What a relief after walking for several hours at the zoo—a nice

place to sit back and relax. Thoughts of taking a quick nap passed through our minds, but once the program started most everyone was hypnotized by the film and its advanced technology. We learned of many species of fish and sea creatures in many bright colors and forms. The dome-shaped screen surrounded us, making it seem as if we were in the middle of the ocean. Several girls thought we were actually moving and even jumped a time or two when it appeared that the water was coming directly toward us from the splashes of a passing boat.

DinoDig® was pretty much what the name implies. An outside feature of the museum where one could dig for dinosaur bones and fossils. Most of the larger bones were impacted deep into the sand and were immobile. Several small fossils were found and brought back as souvenirs.

Though the young girls were not as interested as the "older" regulars, we did quickly view the regular aspects of the museum.

We left on schedule to travel to Dallas to the infamous mall, The Galleria, for ice skating. Though not planned, what happened next turned out to be one of the bigger events of the day.

Of course, I, being the great traveler that I am, had no idea of where any of these places were located. I took the easy way out when we left Winters and asked to be placed in the middle of our caravan. Debbie led, I followed, and Shelia tagged behind. If anyone of us got separated and ended up lost, I figured it would be me. Guess again. Have you figured it out? Shelia was the culprit! (Ha, Ha.)

To make a long story short, Shelia had missed an exit. We each had a car phone, but could not contact Shelia. Her phone was new, and she hadn't yet learned how to operate it.

Surprisingly my girls were laughing all the way—no panic! I had made several praises to the good Lord thanking him for let-

ting it be Shelia, and not I, that was lost.

After taking the paid tollway, Debbie, myself and our girls arrived at The Galleria—just a little behind schedule. We knew Shelia would arrive eventually and later learned she and her girls had viewed Texas Stadium.

We entered the mall in a side door, found our way through a maze of corridors and offices passing many people. Once in the store, I tripped over a piece of plywood on the floor and fell flat on my face. Someone immediately rushed over to see if I was ok. Nothing was hurt but my pride. Then came the questions. How did we get into the store? Apparently it was assumed that we were the spouses and children of store employees. Nordstrom's was not yet open to the public. A grand opening had been planned March 22.

Reaching our final destination was quite an accomplishment! Everyone was together again.

We had missed our planned session for ice skating, but decided to stay for the later session because the girls had looked forward to this part of our adventure. During our wait, we dined in style at Bennigan's, an Irish pub in the mall.

Though many of the girls had never been ice skating, they took to the ice with ease. Stars and streamers hung above the ice rink creating a most enjoyable atmosphere.

As we returned home, not a peep was heard. We arrived back in Winters at 2 a.m. Tuesday morning.

What a memorable adventure for all!



Interest on the federal debt consumes about one in every five dollars the government has,

"Life is a Circus" to be presented Ladies Night Out

The Second Annual Ladies Night Out, sponsored by the Winters Woman's Club, will present guest speaker Paul Shero of San Angelo in "Life is a Circus" Thursday, April 25, at 7:00 p.m. at the Jones Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church.

Dinner will be served with the program. Door prizes will also be given.

A limited number of tickets are available at \$10 per person from any club member. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Call Ouida Nichols at 754-4171 for more information or to reserve your ticket!

39+ to celebrate fifth anniversary

Thirty-Nine Plus will celebrate its fifth anniversary on Thursday, April 25. It was on the fourth Thursday in 1991 that the first meeting was held, with seventeen in attendance.

The activities will begin about 10:00 a.m. with greetings and conversation. When a sufficient number has arrived, a game, usually "Spinner," starts. At noon, the group adjourns for a pot luck meal.

The general public is invited to attend this gathering at First United Methodist Church.

Texas State Parks Per-Person Pricing Schedule (Effective May 1, 1996)		
Entry Fee \$1.00 (15 of 84 parks or 18%):		
Atlanta	Fort Parker	Mission Tejas
Big Spring	Jim Hogg SHP	Mother Neff
Confederate Reunion Grounds	Lake Houston	Rusk/Palestine
Eisenhower	Lake Whitney	San Angelo
Fannin Battleground	Landmark Inn	Sea Rim
Entry Fee \$2.00 (49 of 84 parks or 58%):		
Bentsen-RGV	Galveston Island	Lockhart
Blanco	Goliad	Martin Creek Lake
Bonham	Goose Island	(\$2 daily, \$1 overnight)
Buescher	Huaco Tanks	Martin Dies, Jr.
Caddo Lake	Kerrville-Schreiner	McKinney Falls
Caprock Canyons	Kickapoo Cavern	Meridian
Cleburne	Lake Arrowhead	Monahans Sandhills
Colorado Bend	Lake Bob Sandlin	Monument Hill/Kreische
Copper Breaks	Lake Brownwood	Mustang Island
Cooper Lake	Lake Casa Blanca	Palmetto
Dawson	Lake Colorado City	Possum Kingdom
Davis Mountains	Lake Corpus Christi	Puritas Creek
(\$2 daily, \$1 overnight)	Lake Livingston	Seminole Canyon
Fairfield Lake	Lake Mineral Wells	(\$2 daily, \$1 overnight)
Falcon	Lake Somerville-Birch	South Llano River
Fort Griffin	Lake Somerville-Nails	Tyler
Fort Richardson	Lake Texana	Village Creek
Franklin Mountains		
Entry Fee \$3.00 (16 of 84 parks or 19%):		
Abilene	Choke Canyon	Lost Maples
Bairmorea	Enchanted Rock	(\$4 Oct-Nov)
(\$3 daily, \$2 overnight)	Guadalupe River	Palo Duro Canyon
Big Bend Ranch	Hill Country	Ray Roberts Lake
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Brazos Bend	Huntsville	
Cedar Hill	Inks Lake	
Entry Fee \$4.00 (1 of 84 parks or 1%):		
Pedernales Falls		
Entry Fee \$5.00 (3 of 84 parks or 4%):		
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The real danger is not that computers will begin to think like men, but that men will begin to think like computers.
—Sydney J. Harris

Birthday girl is Karen (Simpson) Musick.

Citation by Publication, Divorce with Children Notice to the Defendant: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you."

THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Ray Edward Lawson
GREETINGS: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable District Court, 119th Judicial District, Runnels County, Texas, at the Courthouse of the said County in Ballinger, Texas, at or before 10:00 o'clock A. M. of the Monday next after the expiration of twenty (20) days from the date of service of this Citation, then and there to answer the First Amended petition on Ruth Marie Lea, Petitioner(s), filed in said Court on the 18th day of April, 1996, against Ray Edward Lawson, Respondent(s), and the said suit being number 12,385, on the docket of said Court, and entitled: "IN THE MATTER OF THE MARRIAGE OF RUTH MARIE AND RAY EDWARD LAWSON, the nature of which suit is a request to dissolve marriage by divorce and matter of conservatorship of minor children.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any Judgment or Decree dissolving the marriage and providing for the division of property and providing for any matter in the interest of the Children including, but not limited to, the appointment of a conservator and order for child-support, all of which will be binding on you.

ISSUED AND GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL of said Court at Ballinger, Texas, this the 18th day of April, 1996.
Loretta Michalewicz, District Clerk, Runnels County, Texas

Public Record

COUNTY COURT
Raymundo Carrera Garcia, Rowena, 04-15-96, Driving While Intoxicated.
Jackie Wayne Allen, Denver City, 04-15-96, Driving While Intoxicated.

DISTRICT COURT
Theresa Lynn Smotherman vs. Tommy Devane Smotherman, 04-16-96, Divorce.
Ann Neal vs. Billy Neal, 04-16-96, Divorce.
Theresa Gray, individually and next friend of Seth Gray, a minor vs. Ed Jason Pospichal, 04-17-96, Damages.
Roy V. Minzenmayer vs. Odetta Minzenmayer, 04-18-96, Divorce.

MARRIAGE LICENSES
Fortunato Garcia and Maria Garza, 04-15-96.

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**Runnels Natural Conservation
News and Notes**

"Harmony: People and Places" is the theme of the 1996 Soil and Water Stewardship Observance

The Runnels Soil and Water Conservation District (RSWCD) has joined the national observance of Soil and Water Stewardship Week to take place on April 28-May 5, 1996.

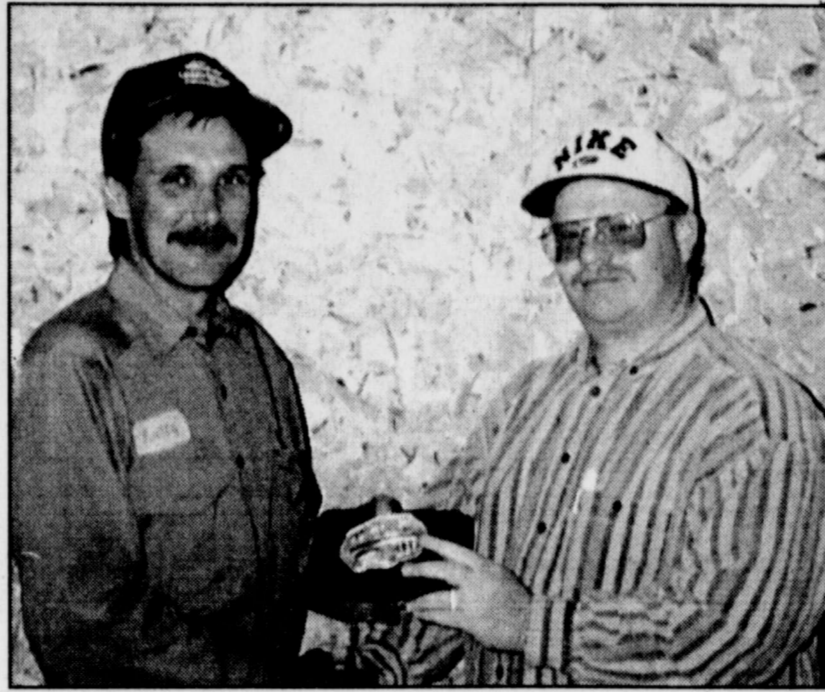
The theme of this year's observance is "Harmony: People and Places." This focus is especially appropriate as our need for stewardship is vital if we are to maintain the productive capabilities of our basic natural resource of soil and water. Together, we must work for the good of all to utilize, conserve, and properly manage those resources in our care. Participation in Soil and Water Stewardship Week activities offers an opportunity to reflect on the nation's natural renewable resource problems and consider actions to resolve them or reduce their impact.

The Runnels SWCD was organized in 1949 for the purpose of offering farmers, ranchers, and the local community a voluntary conservation technical assistance program through which individuals could seek and request conservation assistance to meet the capabilities and needs of their land.

Basically it is the district's responsibility to provide technical assistance when requested relative to proper soil use and treatment, erosion control practices, solve drainage problems, and assist farmers and ranchers with crop, range, and pastureland management.

The National Association of Conservation Districts has sponsored Soil and Water Stewardship Week in the United States since 1955, in cooperation with the nation's nearly 3,000 soil and water conservation districts. Informative material on the Soil and Water Stewardship Week theme each year is distributed through local conservation districts to clergymen, lay leaders, civic and educational organizations, and individuals interested in participating in the celebration.

Information and materials for the 1996 observance of Soil and Water Stewardship Week can be obtained in this area from the Runnels Soil and Water Conservation District at 2000 Hutchins Avenue in Ballinger or call 365-3415.



RANDALL KURTZ (left), Winters Rodeo Association president, was presented a belt buckle by Secretary Larry Collom in recognition of his past years of service to the organization.

Pest Management News

by Richard Minzenmayer

Extension Agent-Ento. Runnels-Tom Green Counties

Fleas, troublesome pests

Fleas are troublesome ectoparasites on mammals and birds. Both male and female fleas bite and suck blood; the bite often leaving an itchy red spot. Certain kinds of fleas can transmit diseases such as bubonic plague, endemic typhus, and tularemia to man. This is because many fleas feed on a variety of animals and birds so they are able to spread disease from one kind of animal to another. Also, the cat flea and dog

fleas are sometimes intermediate hosts for the dog tapeworm which may infest man.

Understanding the life cycle of this pest is important in eliminating it from the home. The life cycle begins when the female flea lays eggs on the host animal. Eggs may drop off the host in the home or lawn then hatch into tiny pearly white larvae. The flea larvae are found in cracks and crevices or in the carpet where the pet rests. Following the larval stage, the flea goes into a resting stage called a pupa. When environmental conditions are favorable for the flea, it will emerge from the pupa and seek a host in order to obtain a blood meal.

Examples of insecticides labeled for flea control that are readily available to homeowner's include chlorpyrifos (Dursban®), propoxur (Baygon®), diazinon (Knox-Out®) and Precor® IGR. Be sure to read and follow precautions and restrictions on the insecticide label.

Rodeo Association elects new officers

The Winters Rodeo Association met April 2 to elect directors and officers. Officers are Randall Kurtz, president; Wendell Lee, vice president; Larry Collom, secretary, and Archie Jobe, treasurer.

Randall Kurtz was presented a belt buckle for past years of service as president of the organization.

Lanny and Mandy England will soon be organizing Play Days twice a month at the arena. All area youth are invited to attend.

Wilson Marks and Barry Hilliard invite local youth who want to learn more about roping to come out to the arena on Sunday afternoons through May.

Wingate Lodge #1042 meets fourth Monday

Wingate Masonic Lodge #1042 now meets on the fourth (4th) Monday of each month. The time for the meeting is 7 o'clock p.m.

Special note: The May 1996 meeting will be on Tuesday, the 28th of May, due to Monday being Memorial Day.

Squares monthly dance at school activity building

The Winters Squares host their regular monthly dance on Saturday, April 27, at the school's yellow metal building. This dance will not be held at the community center.

Line dancing starts at 7:30 p.m. and the Grand March at 8:00 p.m. Everyone is invited!

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TQHA to hold Amateur State Championship Show in Abilene

The Texas Quarter Horse Association's Amateur State Championship Show is coming to Abilene April 25-28. Held in conjunction with the Big Country Quarter Horse Association Spring Shows at the Expo Center of Taylor County, this dynamic event promises to be a showcase of the versatility of the American Quarter Horse.

Beginning at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday with the speed events and team penning, exhibitors will compete in almost every sanctioned AQHA event ranging from halter, western pleasure, jumping, and trail to cutting and roping events. Action in the coliseum will kick off Friday morning at 7:00 a.m. with the jumping classes while the exhibitors in the horse barn begin with the showmanship and halter classes.

Wayne Pooley will judge in the horse barn on Friday, and Carla Wennberg will officiate Friday's classes in the coliseum.

The Saturday and Sunday shows will be split/combined. Karen Watters and Kim Myers will be the judges in the coliseum both Saturday and Sunday as Al Walton and Johnny Mac Sanders judge the action in the horse barn.

Texas Amateur Quarter Horse Association will award twenty-eight championship buckles to amateurs and six championship buckles to novice amateurs. Big Country Quarter Horse Association will award sports bags and buckles to the overall high-point youth and novice youth and a buckle to the overall high point horse in the open division.

The sports bags are being contributed by Jeanne and Tony Farquharson and by Cathy and Billy Keith. Buckle sponsors are Abilene Equine Care, West Texas

Veterinary Supply, Double S Show Secretaries (Sandy Merchant & Sharon Rice), and Shane Rice Performance Horses of College Station, Texas. Jamie and Shannon Miers are giving a horse-shaped windsock to the third place overall amateur western riding horse. J.H. Taylor of Taylor Farms in Abilene is hosting a party for all of the exhibitors.

Host motels are Days Inn, Thunderbird Lodge, Quality Inn, and Holiday Inn Express of Abilene.

For more information call (915) 754-5681 at night or call Texas Quarter Horse Association at (512) 458-5202.

FFA's rank in Area Judging

FFA's traveled to Tarleton State University at Stephenville Wednesday, April 10, to compete in Area judging team events. Teams ranked as high as third position, and many individuals placed as well, earning the prestige of advancing to State.

Receiving third place in Livestock Judging were Amy Heathcott, J.W. Angel, Chanda Hoppe, and Jason Jordan.

For Dairy Products, Stephen Garza, Tiffany Donica, Zane Crouch, and Cortney Collom received fourth place. Zane Crouch walked away with fifth place individually.

Lori Jobe, Jana Jackson, Jennifer Prewit, and Stephen Herrington took sixth place in the Horse Judging contest. Lori Jobe was ninth high individual.

Placing 21st in Dairy Cattle Judging was Robert Bedford, Dustin Priddy, Fred Poe, and Kyle Loudermilk.

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