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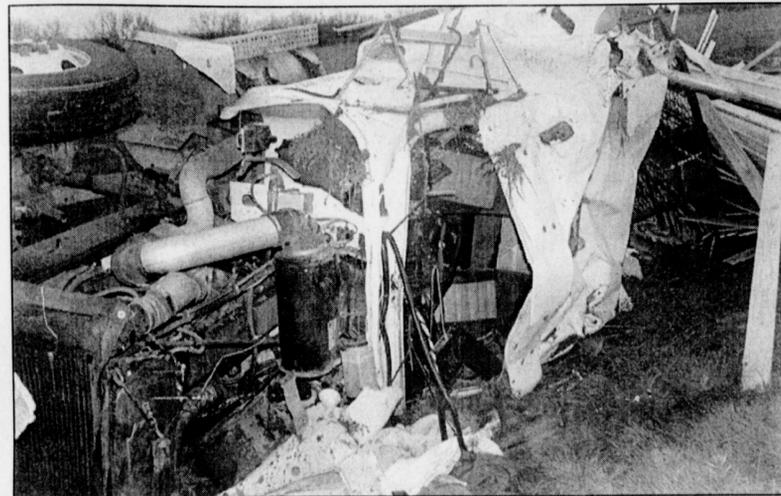
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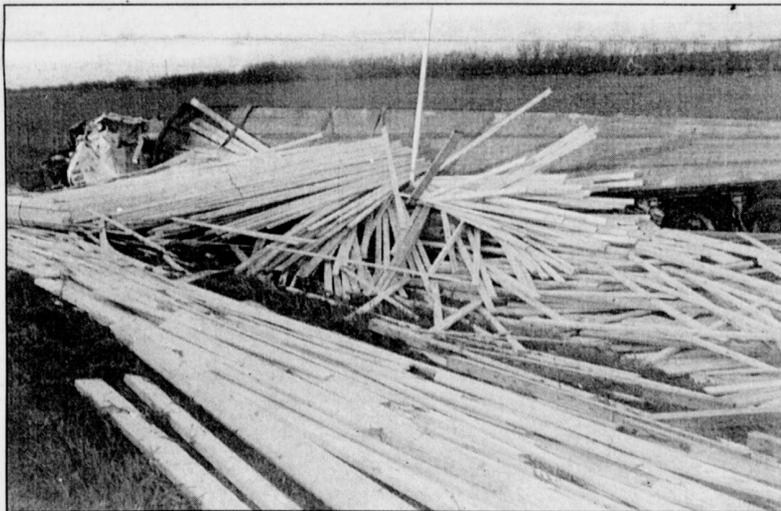
Winters, Texas

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Lucky Driver —



NABOR FLORES, 34, of Anson, escaped with minor injuries in this one-vehicle accident Monday morning. Flores, driver of a tractor-trailer rig owned by Alamo Forest Products, was southbound on US 83 when he apparently lost control of the loaded 18-wheeler which left the highway and made a complete rollover. The accident, which scattered lumber and debris, occurred at 6:50 a.m., 3.3 miles north of Ballinger, and was attributed to an "in-cab distraction," according to DPS trooper Scott Warren. Flores climbed out through the front window and was taken by ambulance to Ballinger Memorial Hospital where he was treated and released.



Judge okays construction management firm for new jail

Allows local contractors to bid on selected construction, services

Runnels County Judge Marilyn Egan was given the go ahead by county commissioners to enter into an agreement with Archisystems for construction management services on the new county jail to be built with proceeds from last November's bond issue. Commissioners met on Monday, April 7, at the county courthouse for their regular meeting.

Archisystems, a management firm connected to the architectural firm which designed the jail, had made a presentation earlier to commissioners, asking they be selected as construction managers rather than the county soliciting bids for a general contractor. Archisystems proposed, at that time, to act as construction manager for a cost of \$168,000.

Commissioner Skipper Wheelless, prior to making the motion to enter into the contract, said he and

Commissioner Ricky Strube met with several local contractors and he felt that the construction manager was the way to go to allow local labor and contractors to bid and participate in the building of the new jail.

Kelly Monse, a Ballinger heating and air conditioning contractor, was present at both the meeting with Wheelless and Strube and commissioners court, and he told the court he felt the construction management option was the only way to go.

The vote to allow Judge Egan work out an agreement with the construction manager was 3-1, with Commissioner Thurman Self voting against the proposition.

Following the working out of details in the agreement, Judge Egan told the court she would present the contract for their approval.

Commissioners opened bids for asphalt and topping rock, tabling action on the bids for topping rock. Commissioners accepted the bid of Koch Materials of Brownwood at a price of \$.7323 per gallon. The bids received on topping rock were tabled because some were in tons and some were in cubic yards and commissioners wanted time to study and convert the measurements to see which actually was the lowest bid.

Other action included:
•Approval of advertising for bids for the county depository to be opened on May 13 and awarded on May 19;

•Approval of Commissioner Keith Collom's request to sell an Autocar dump truck to Coleman County at a price of \$7,500.00;

•Approval of the fire fighting contract between the City of Miles and Runnels County, with the county paying Miles \$7,500.00;

•Approval of a \$10,000 bond for the County Auditor;

•Approval of tax abatement for Strube Packing Company. Commissioner Ricky Strube abstained from voting on the tax abatement because it involved a family member.

•Approved the purchase of a computer printer at a cost of \$209 for the District Judge's office.

•Approved an agreement with Southwest Consortium for random drug and alcohol testing on non-DOT employees who perform safety sensitive functions at a cost of \$40 per test.

•Approved Judge Egan's request to move the juvenile probation office to the third floor of the courthouse.

County Treasurer Margarette Smith reported to commissioners the county had earned \$26,917.50 for the first quarter of the year. **See COMMISSIONERS, pg. 3**

Six men contend for four hospital board positions

Six persons filed by the April 3 deadline as candidates for the North Runnels Hospital board local election. The election will be Saturday, May 3.

Randall Sneed, Jim Lincycumb, and Santos Rocha each seek a first time election to the NRH board. Also filing were incumbents Randall Boles, Phil Colburn, and Archie Jobe. Bob Webb was the only incumbent not to file.

Early voting by personal appearance begins April 14 and ends April 29 at the administrative offices of the hospital, located on Highway 153 East.

Ballots by mail should be requested from Larry Suit or Deedra

Yates, North Runnels Hospital, P.O. Box 185, Winters, Texas 79567. No ballots will be accepted after April 29.

Named during the February NRH board meeting, Winters officials will be Mary Beth Drake, presiding judge, assisted by Silena Perry and Melvena Gerhart. In Wingate, LaVoy McNeil will preside and Joyce Broadstreet will act as election clerk. Early voting judge is Deedra Yates, assisted by deputy clerks Tina Martinez and Shelly Sudduth.

Winters citizens vote 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. May 3 at the Winters Elementary School Library. Wingate citizens will vote at the Wingate Lions Club building.

Precinct 2 saves bundle on loader

With good planning, good employees and a touch of good luck, Runnels County Precinct 2 has purchased a government surplus scoop loader at an incredible price.

The General Services Commission (GSC) received six 1980 to 1982 W24C Case loaders from an Air Force base in Spain. The six loaders were earmarked for distribution in Texas to government entities through the four GSC areas.

Runnels County Commissioner Keith Collom stated that Precinct 2 foreman, Mike Calcote, went to Houston and inspected all six loaders.

Over 40 counties and cities sent representatives to Houston to inspect the six loaders. The loaders were ranked with the first choice being the loader with the least number of hours and in the best condition.

Due to having proper and timely paper work filed with the Lubbock office of the GSC, Runnels County Precinct 2 was selected to have first choice in the Lubbock area.

Luckily, Lubbock received the loader that Precinct 2 had ranked as number one. That loader had only 680 hours of use.

After purchasing the loader and a bucket (the loader had been used only as a fork lift and had no bucket), and paying the freight to have them delivered, the total cost of the loader was under \$30,000.

According to Collom, a new loader of this size would cost well over \$150,000.

After the Precinct 2 employees gave the loader a good cleaning and a new paint job over the mili-

tary green, the loader looks and operates like new.

Collom estimated that Precinct 2 puts 600 to 800 hours on a loader each year. The loader that

See LOADER, pg. 3



COUNTY PRECINCT #2 EMPLOYEES (left to right) Keith Collom, Mike Calcote, Billy Simpson, Larry Calcote, Ralph Whittenburg, and Robert Simpson proudly show off their newest "toy" — a 1982 Case loader. The new equipment was purchased for less than \$30,000 (a new loader would cost more than \$150,000.)

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- April 10-6:30 p.m., GED Classes, WHS
- 7 p.m., Spring Concert of Bands, WHS Auditorium
- April 11-9:30 a.m.-Noon & 1:30-3 p.m., Immunization Clinic, TDH
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 1:30-4:30 p.m., Cotton Workshop, Lubbock
- 4-8 p.m., Texas Touch at The Roundup Restaurant
- 7 p.m., Open Ceremonies Area 14 Special Olympics Summer Games
- McMurry University, Abilene
- SCHOOL HOLIDAY**
- High School District Track, Ozona
- Wine & Brew Festival, San Angelo
- April 12-9 a.m., Area 14 Special Olympics Summer Games, ACU, Abilene
- 9 a.m., Crews Cemetery Workday
- 8 p.m., "An Evening of Magic at the Pops," Abilene Philharmonic
- Wine & Brew Festival, San Angelo
- April 13-11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Veterans Barbecue, WHS Cafeteria
- 2-4 p.m., Academy Day, ASU, San Angelo
- Friends Day, North Main Church of Christ
- National Library Week Begins
- April 14-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 2:30 p.m., Runnels County Retired Teachers, First United Methodist Church, Ballinger
- 6 p.m., City Council
- 7 p.m., VFW & Auxiliary
- 7:30 p.m., School Board
- 4-H County Fashion Show
- Early Voting Begins for North Runnels Hospital Board Election
- April 15-10 a.m., Commissioners Court, Courthouse, Ballinger
- Noon, Lions Club
- 6-8:30 p.m., GED Classes, WHS
- 6:30-8 p.m., Public Hearing, Winters Elementary Library
- 7 p.m., WVFD
- 7:30 p.m., Eastern Star
- Women's Service League
- Tax/Extension Deadline
- April 16-8 a.m.-4 p.m., Head Start Applications Accepted
- 10 a.m.-Noon, FREE Blood Pressure Check, Sr. Citizens Center
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- WIC, Winters Housing Authority
- UIL High School Band Contest, Fredericksburg
- Retired Teachers Assn. "Texas Retired Public School Personnel Day"
- April 17-11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., TMCN Luncheon, Coleman
- 5:30 p.m., Literary & Service Club
- 6-8:30 p.m., GED Classes, WHS
- 7:30 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center

Oil Bidness

By Reg Boles ©1997



One of the big "things" in the oil patch these days is the "alliance." This type of deal has its share of champions and critics, but it is taking the industry by storm none-the-less.

An alliance is a title that covers a wide array of agreements between producers and service companies that basically trade risk/reward for lower costs.

Here's how it goes: A service company will agree to a reduced cash price (sometimes reduced to zero) for their services in exchange for a piece of the action. The operator hands over a portion of the ownership on the property that is benefiting from the service company's expertise.

The service company then shares in the risk and reward of the project or property where a producer needs the expertise of the service company. If it fails, then the service company gets nothing. If it is successful, then everyone shares in the bounty, including the service company.

The advantages (to the producer) of this set-up, as usually listed by proponents, are: (1) the service company works for less cash up front; (2) the risk is reduced for the producer; and (3) the work done by the service company is of the highest quality because they have a vested interest in doing a good job.

In order to make the most of these arrangements, service companies have been consolidating with other service companies to provide one-stop shopping for producers. This allows one company to handle all needed services, everything from cement, to perforating guns, to electrical contracting. By offering everything, service companies hope to avoid having to share a customer with a rival, and they hope to make it easier for the customer to choose them over several vendors.

But, a problem has arose that may indicate a troubling trend. Producers who have been a part of these deals say service companies surprisingly come back to them after failed deals to renegotiate. They humbly ask to get some reimbursement for services rendered, although they agreed to take on that risk when they began.

Even more surprising is that producers are giving in! The whole thing seems to be undermined by this, but the renegotiation scenario persists in reports from current alliances.

But, this doesn't seem to deter the alliances being formed as you read. Everyone is high on the theory, but it won't work unless everyone sticks by their original agreements.

We'll keep an eye on it for you.

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY

COMPLETIONS

Callahan County

Sabre Oil and Gas has completed the Jacobs #1 in the R.D. Raughton Field (6 miles SW of Putnam) at an initial rate of 128 BOPD & 62 BWPD in the Ellenburger (perms 4067-76). Loc. is 1625 FSL & 2335 FWL of Sec. 319, Blk. 5, SPRR Sur., A-373.

Coke County

Perkins-Prothro has completed the Jameson Strawn Sand Unit #B-28 in the Jameson Field (6 miles SW of Silver) at an initial rate of 30 BOPD & 85 BWPD in the Strawn Sand (perms 6509-6647). Loc. is 1333 FNL & 2639 FWL of Sec. 68, Blk. 2, H&TC Sur., A-1869.

Nolan County

Pecos Valley Management has staked the L. Monroe #4 in the South Lake Trammel Field (11 miles S of Roscoe) at an initial rate of 254 BOPD & 129 BWPD in the Canyon (perms 5283-5383). Loc. is 467 FEL & 2869 FSL of Sec. 32, Blk. X, T&PRR Sur., A-1442.

STAKINGS

Nolan County

Oryx Energy has staked 16 additional wells in the Southwest Nena Lucia Unit in the Nena Lucia Field (8 miles SW of Maryneal). Wells #1217, 1218, 1219, 1220, 1221, 1605, 2006, 2108, 2109, 2325, 2326, 2327, 2906, 3131, 4620, 4621 have been staked in Sec.'s 86, 90, 91, 92, and 123 of the H&TC Sur (Depth 7500).

Runnels County

Delray Oil has staked the R.L. Gary #1 as a Wildcat, 9 miles NW of Winters (Depth 5000). Loc. is 610 FNL & 1790 FEL of H.N. Baggs Sur., No. 80.

Purvis Operating has staked the L.J. Currie #1 as a Wildcat, 8 miles SW of Ballinger (Depth 4900). Loc. is 724 FSEL & 1400 FSWL of S. M. Lucas Sur., No. 348.

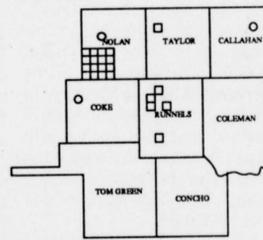
J.R. Small has applied to deepen the Vogelsang #1 in the Ballinger Field, 2 miles W of Hatchell (Depth 4200). Loc. is 2281 FNL & 660 FEL of ETRR Sur., No. 167, ETRR Sur., A-167.

Brent A. Wagman has applied to re-enter the Frerich #1 in the West Norton Field, 2 miles N of Norton (Depth 4120). Loc. is 330 FEL & 1810 FNL of Lbr. 11, Lge. 271, Burnett CSL Sur., A-19.

Wagman has also staked the Frerich #3 in the West Norton Field, 2 miles N of Norton (Depth 4150). Loc. is 1810 FNL & 430 FSL of same Lbr. as above.

Taylor County

Victory Oil & Gas has applied to plug back the King #2-V, 8 miles SW of Merkel (Depth 3335). Loc. is 2597 FSL & 267 FEL of Sec. 71, Blk. 19, T&PRR Sur., A-895.



Community leaders to meet

Community leaders are invited to take advantage of a networking opportunity Thursday, April 17, in Coleman, 11:30 to 1:30 at the St. Mark's Episcopal Church Fellowship Hall, 609 S. Neches.

City and county officials, chamber of commerce and economic development boards, and community volunteers from the surrounding towns of Ballinger, Brownwood, Comanche, Cross Plains, Early, Rising Star, Santa Anna, and Winters are encouraged to get together with their neighbors for lunch.

Texas Midwest Community Network (TMCN) is sponsoring a series of network luncheons this spring. The Coleman luncheon is third in the series. Last month approximately 28 community leaders from Jones, Haskell, and Stonewall counties met in Stamford. On May 15, the final luncheon of the series is set for Sweetwater.

Reservations are needed prior to each luncheon. To register for the Coleman luncheon, call 915/625-2163. Cost of the luncheon is \$10.

A brief presentation is planned

to update community leaders on the programs sponsored by TMCN and how towns in the region benefit. TMCN Executive Director Nicki Harle explained "the purpose of the luncheons is to enhance communications between town leadership through sharing ideas and success stories." She also pointed out "when folks from a neighboring town car pool to the luncheon, it gives them an opportunity to discuss activities and concerns in their own community so there's a lot of communicating that goes on before and after the luncheons as well."

TMCN, a regional organization founded in 1994, covers a 20-county area surrounding Abilene. The focus of the organization is to find ways the 35 member cities can work together, pool resources, and organize mutually beneficial projects that one town could not do alone. Projects sponsored by the organization include tourism marketing, legislative issues, economic development research, and workshops and leadership training.

For information about TMCN, call 915/893-2099.

Obituaries

Leland Mills

WINTERS—Leland Mills, 75, died Saturday, April 5, 1997, at North Runnels Hospital in Winters.

He was born March 7, 1922, in Winters. He married Jo Brannon on March 7, 1941, in Abilene. He was a veteran of the Army Air Force, serving during World War II.

Mr. Mills worked for the Civil Service while living in Montana, North Dakota, and Abilene, Texas, where he was a traffic manager at Dyess Air Force Base. He retired in 1981. He was a member of First United Methodist Church in Winters.

He was preceded in death by a son, Steve Eugene Mills; a daughter, Jo Ann Mills; a granddaughter, Riea Bellinger; and a grandson, Jason Mills.

Survivors include his wife, Jo Mills of Winters; one son, Bruce Mills of Colorado City; one daughter, Marica Bellinger of Abilene; one brother, Kenneth Mills of Monahans; ten grandchildren; and twenty-one great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, April 7, at the First United Methodist Church in Winters with Dr. Jeff May officiating. Burial was in the Northview Cemetery, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Malcolm Boyles, Dennis Boyles, G.W. Mayo, Jimmy Wayne Cook, Kenneth Ray Mills, and Jeff Mills.

Johnie Faye Russell

BALLINGER—Johnie Faye Russell, 75, died at 11:40 p.m. Friday, April 4, 1997, at a San Angelo hospital.

She was born to John Batts and Katherine Zachary on August 28, 1921, in Ballinger. She married Taylor Russell March 17, 1945, in Ballinger.

She was preceded in death by her husband on August 29, 1991.

Mrs. Russell was a retired bookkeeper of the banking industry. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Ballinger where she attended the Friendship Sunday School Class.

Survivors include three daughters, Trisha Kennedy and her husband Jim of Lufkin, Linda Frossaro and her husband Woody of Corsicana, and Brenda Rea and her husband Tony of Amarillo; two sisters, Lois Simmons and Maurine Fowler, both of Ballinger; five grandchildren, Tracy Kennedy, Dusty Kennedy, Jeff Benton, Britt Rea, and Bryan Rea.

Visitation was from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Sunday, April 6, at Rains-Seale Funeral Home. Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, April 7, at the First United Methodist Church in Ballinger with Reverend Dale Schultz officiating. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery, Ballinger, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

Grace Marie Barker

LANCASTER—Grace Marie Barker, 87, formerly of Wilmeth, passed away on Monday, March 31, 1997, at Columbia Hospital in Lancaster, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her husband, King Barker, on November 23, 1991.

Survivors include one son, Bill Barker, and his wife Charlotte of Winters; one daughter, Betty Newhart, and her husband Joe of San Antonio; one brother, John Campbell of Red Oak; one sister, Kathaleen Morrow of Italy; five grandchildren, with one granddaughter and her husband, Paula and Jack Easter of Duncanville, giving Grace five years of loving care; and seven great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was held at 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 1, at De Soto. Graveside services were held at 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 2, at the Wilmeth Cemetery with Reverend Gayland Broadstreet officiating. Burial was directed by West/Hurt Funeral Home, De Soto.

"National Library Week" April 13-19

— Come find a book —

by Joyce Krause, Librarian

We are celebrating "National Library Week" April 13-19 and invite you to come to the library and look around. You can find a good book to read or look up information about Texas or any other subject.

In the month of March, we added 47 new books in the adult, paperback, and children sections. There were 501 books checked out (about 2,500 hours of reading), and we had 9 interlibrary loans. We have had approximately 100 interlibrary loans since January 1, 1997.

The entire Mayo Health Encyclopedia is now available on CD rom. If you need to look up anything, you are welcome to come in and search.

Runnels County Retired Teachers to meet April 14

The Runnels County Retired Teachers Association will meet on Monday, April 14, at 2:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Ballinger.

Ann Patterson will present the program, "England by Land, Sea, and Air."

It is hoped that each member will be at the meeting.

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The family of Grace Marie Barker appreciates the many prayers, concern, and love shown to us during our mother's illness and journey to her final resting place.

It is such a blessing to each of us to have caring friends and family such as each of you.

To Rev. Gayland Broadstreet, Rev. Glenn Shoemaker, Mike Meyer, the ladies of the Wilmeth community who so graciously prepared the meal, we are indeed grateful.

May we be of comfort and help to you in your time of need.

*Bill & Charlotte Barker
and family
Betty & Joe Newhart and family*

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank Dr. Lee and the hospital staff for the good care G.W. received while he was in North Runnels Hospital.

Thanks also for the prayergram from the First Baptist Church, for Bro. Glenn Shoemaker's visits, and for the cards, calls, and food from friends since G.W. has come home.

Mr. and Mrs. G.W. Scott

Immunization Clinic set April 11

The Texas Department of Health will hold an Immunization Clinic on Friday, April 11, 1997, 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.

Barbecue Lunch
Proceeds benefit restoration of Veteran's Room at Rock Hotel

**Sunday, April 13
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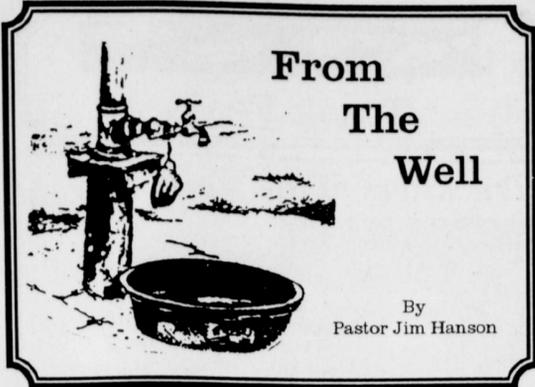
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From The Well

By Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

Today, for the first time in a long time, I saw the sun rise. It was wonderful. We were heading northeast on I-35. The night had been beautiful—a good night to drive. Stars, half-moon, and “the comet” to keep us company. And then, in slow motion, the scene changes. From darkness...to light. By stages.

First, along the horizon, a thin line of light. Then, expansion and layers of red, orange, and yellow—the Master Painter at work, making a new day bright and beautiful.

We sat there in silence. My soul stopped to look, to take it all in. I sensed the presence of countless others, from the beginning of history, who saw the sun rise...as for the first time, and stopped, and looked, and took it all in. Sunsets are beautiful. But sunrise has to be the best time.

Sunrise is a time for worship. Just being there, seeing it, stirs one's soul. In monasteries and convents all over the world, daybreak time means morning prayer, and the community gathers before breakfast. Many of our hymnals have a “service of prayer” in the morning, and, to this day, many churches have a daily “early morning” worship. One passage that is often read is Mary's Song, found in Luke 1:46 and following. It's what she sang after hearing the angel tell her the secret of Jesus' birth, and after hearing her cousin Elizabeth call her “the mother of my Lord.” She came up from the depth of her being, “My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.” So moving. And, as we read these words in worship, her new beginning becomes ours as we sing with her at dawn.

According to my understanding, Jesus was born at night. For sure it was while shepherds were abiding in the fields, “keeping watch over their flock by night” that the angels appeared and sent them to Bethlehem. Nighttime is a time of secrets and silence, the perfect time for God to enter into the world.

It was at midnight, at high noon, that Jesus was crucified. It was “high noon,” for it was then that he was “high and lifted up” on the cross. In broad daylight, that all the world might see and believe. But soon the darkness came, and all the earth did quake. Creation covered her eyes and her heart did break. It was the right time.

But, it was after the Sabbath, “very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, that the women went to the tomb and found it empty! It was at that time they heard the heavenly messenger say, “He is not here! He is risen!” It was at sunrise, or probably even pre-dawn, the Son rose!

And so, centuries later, as we were still out in the country approaching Kansas City on Easter Monday, we saw “morning gild the skies,” and our hearts were awakened, and from deep within these words came to me, “May Jesus Christ be praised!”

You don't have to go to the Holy Land to experience the presence of Jesus...to walk where he did walk. Just go to bed some earlier, and get up before dawn. And watch God do it again. Not the night show. Rather, the early morning one. Have a little taste of “that great getting-up morning.” Breathe in God's spirit. And, Jesus Christ will be praised in you.

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Tax Help for Late Mailers

For those of you who get your taxes done at the last minute, there is some help.

Winters Postmaster Deen Thompson announced that any out-going mail deposited in the Winters post office inside or outside boxes on April 15th by 12:00 midnight will receive the April 15, 1997, postmark.

Chamber Memo

By Julie Springer, manager

Chamber still seeking booths and volleyball tournament coordinator

Mayfest is May 3 and the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce is still in need of more food booths and many more arts & crafts booths. Also, someone is needed to head the volleyball tournament. If you would like to reserve space or inquire about the volleyball coordinator position, please call 754-5210.

This last week was a very interesting week. On Wednesday, a group from the City Council and I attended a workshop/seminar in Austin promoting the Main Street Project. The seminar was very informative and gave us a lot of good ideas.

I dream all the time of downtown Winters being spruced up and many visitors and shoppers going up and down the sidewalks. Don't sit there and say this could never happen in Winters. Because it can!!! And we can make it happen if we all work together.

Through the next months, town hall meetings and Chamber meetings will be held to promote this wonderful project. Please call the Chamber if you would like to know more about this project.

We are also working right now to raise funds for Christmas lights

for the downtown area and the lake. We have none right now, so dig deep and find some extra coke money that you can spare and bring it to the Chamber. Your name will go on the donor list for Christmas lights. Remember—every little bit helps. Let's make this everyone's project!

The Chamber has a request for very important information from Winters/Wingate citizens. Please write or call the Chamber with ideas of services needed in Winters/Wingate. We have some new restaurants, but we still have a long way to go. We are compiling a list at the Chamber and we need your input.

The luncheon to benefit the VFW Veteran's Room Restoration is this Sunday, April 13, at the school cafeteria. Tickets are \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for under age 10. The menu includes brisket, beans, potato salad, pickles, onions, cake, and a drink. Nowhere else can you get a meal like that for that price with the money going for a worthwhile project. Even if you can't come, please donate at least \$5.00 for this project—it will be a great place to put \$5.00.

N. Main Church of Christ to have "Friends Day"

The North Main Church of Christ is having a special emphasis on friends, Sunday April 13. All are invited to come and learn what the Churches of Christ are about. The Bible classes and worship service will be designed with those who are not familiar with the Churches of Christ in mind. The 10:30 a.m. sermon, “Why I Am a Member of the Churches of Christ,” will be delivered by Rick Cobb. Rick will be giving personal testimony and background information on this church tradition. The 6:00 p.m. sermon is entitled “Real Friends.”

Bible classes for all ages begin at 9:30 a.m. Worship service begins at 10:30 a.m. Following worship service, everyone is invited to a potluck meal in the fellowship hall, where posters and pictures of the church's activities will be on display. Informative brochures and booklets will also be available.

North Main Church of Christ is located at 502 North Main Street, Winters, TX. For more information, call 915-754-4183, Tuesday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m.

LOADER, continued

is being replaced is a 1973 Trojan with approximately 16,000 hours. Trojan loaders have not been made in many years and they are very expensive to work on. The last time the Precinct 2 Trojan was in the repair shop was in 1994, and the repair bill was over \$26,000.

Commissioner Collom stated that he is very proud of the Precinct 2 employees and that about 95% of all maintenance and repairs on Precinct 2 equipment are now performed by the employees at the county barn.

“I feel that equipment is better cared for when the operators of the equipment are responsible for the maintenance and repairs. By county employees making repairs rather than the industrial equipment shops in Abilene and San Angelo, Precinct 2 is saving thousands of dollars, thus freeing up those dollars to be used to replace old, worn out equipment,” said Commissioner Collom.

Precinct 2 employees consist of foreman Mike Calcote and equipment operators Ralph Whittenberg, Bill Simpson, Robert Simpson, and Larry Calcote (chief mechanic).

Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz



Hilda Kurtz

Work is work only when you'd rather be doing something else.

A workday is scheduled at the Crews Cemetery at 9:00 a.m. this Saturday, April 12. Bring your tools. If you need information, call Therin Osborne at 723-2322 or Dale Duggan at 365-3145.

Visitors at Hopewell Sunday services were Ruth Birds and Judy Miller, both of Ballinger.

Mildred Morrison was in Abilene Thursday to be with Arthur Kerby while he was having surgery. He is home now and is doing okay.

Brad Pape is home after a stay in North Runnels Hospital. He had a couple of days of checkup on his chest.

Melvina Gerhart and Myrtle Wright were at Shannon Hospital in San Angelo Wednesday to be with Roy Parker during his surgery. He is doing okay also.

A nice group of folks turned out Saturday for the usual get-together at the gym for a potluck supper. The supper was hosted by Marqué and Bill Mathis, Brenda and Fred Watkins. Teresa Stone and son Shane of DeLeon were visitors. Audine McBeth cut the German chocolate birthday cake while “Happy Birthday” was sang loud and clear to honor Dennis McBeth. “May you enjoy many more birthdays, Dennis!”

After being with their son and brother in Shannon Hospital, Myrtle Wright and Melvena Gerhart traveled to Menard. Melvena took her mother Myrtle home after spending several days with the Gerhart families. They also went by Ballinger to check to see how Roy is doing at home.

Teresa and Shane Stone of DeLeon visited with the Bill Mathis families on Saturday.

Desiree Mathis attended the track meet at Jim Ned during the week.

The Crews community folks all received about 1 inch (more or less) of moisture last week.

I went by to see Harvey Mae

and Noble Faubion on Saturday evening. I enjoyed the visit very much before going on to the supper. I found out that Noble has a renter in his rent house. She is Jeannie Jordan.

On Easter Sunday, Mildred Morrison had lunch with Edith Everett. They played Skip-Bo til time to go to evening church services.

Nila and Therin Osborne, John and Stefanie McCallian of Wingate visited Mildred Morrison on Monday.

On Tuesday, Maggie Ruth Stokes of Coleman was surprised with a birthday party. Those attending were Mildred Morrison, Naomi and Elvin Berry of Andrews, and Lawton Brevard of San Angelo. On Saturday, Martha Morrison and her three little grandchildren of Odessa visited Mildred.

Bro. Ferris and Ramona Akins of Ballinger, Therin and Nila Osborne were visitors for lunch, after Sunday church services, with Mildred Morrison.

Ours sympathy to Carolyn Webb due to the death of her sister, Billie McDonald of Erie, Pennsylvania.

Patsy Giles of Brownwood spent Wednesday with her folks, Leona, Charles, and Roy Mathis.

Doris Wood and Wes Calcote visited Sunday and had lunch with the Maloe Bryant family in Abilene.

Bill Hoppe's friend, Wallace Fairies of Coleman, spent Saturday with Bill. On Sunday, all of the Hoppe children came with a potluck dinner.

Brad and Ruth Pape had their usual Sunday phone visit. Ruth is fixing to take a trip with a busload of Senior Citizens on a tour around parts of Old Mexico.

Ilene Cannon of Fort Worth spent several days with her brother, Coleman Foreman. While here, they went to see Lawaan Foreman in the Senior Citizens Home in Winters.

Jerry Alexander and Casey of Tuscon, Arizona, spent the Easter holidays with Helen Alexander.

Sybil Waller and Margie Jacob visited with Mary D. Hoelscher of Hereford on Wednesday. Mary was visiting relatives here.

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April 14 - April 18
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Breakfast

- Monday-April 14
 - Waffles
 - Sausage
 - Pineapple Juice
- Tuesday-April 15
 - Breakfast Pizza
 - Cereal
 - Orange Juice
- Wednesday-April 16
 - Toast
 - Cream of Wheat
 - Sliced Peaches
- Thursday-April 17
 - Biscuits
 - Ham Slice
 - Apple Juice
- Friday-April 18
 - Cinnamon Toast
 - Cereal
 - Apple Juice

Lunch

- Monday-April 14
 - Italian Spaghetti
 - Steamed Broccoli
 - Hot Roll
 - Sliced Peaches
- Tuesday-April 15
 - Steak Fingers/Gravy
 - Mashed Potatoes
 - Green Beans
 - Hot Roll
- Wednesday-April 16
 - Pineapple Pudding
 - Chalupa/Meat/Cheese
 - Refried Beans
 - Tossed Salad
 - Sliced Pears
 - Cinnamon Roll
- Thursday-April 17
 - Corndog
 - Potato Salad
 - Baked Beans
 - Mixed Fruit
 - Chocolate Cake
- Friday-April 18
 - Sloppy Joe
 - Lettuce/Pickles
 - French Fries
 - Cherry Cobbler

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1997 Blizzard Tennis Teams



BACK (l-r): Tony Walden (V), Adam Cruz (V), Janet Guy (V), Barrett Brown (V), Jonathan Cobb (V), Jaime Bahlman (V), Chip White (V), and Josh Lincycob (JV).
FRONT (l-r): Tarra Burns (JV), Jamie Bishop (JV), Christy Calcote (V), Cristi Burton (V), Heather Watkins (V), and Nicole Cross (V).

Spring Concert of Bands scheduled Thursday, April 10 at WHS

Bands of the Winters schools will perform a Spring Concert Thursday, April 10, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the high school auditorium.

The program will feature 5th and 6th grade bands, the junior high band, and the high school band.

Music selections will be the same as what will be performed at contests. High school competes in the University Interscholastic League contest April 16 at Fredericksburg, Jr. High will attend a music festival at Howard Payne University in May.



Cut off the bottom of a plastic bleach container at an angle and with the cap in place and you have a good beach toy.

Athletic Banquet set for April 24

The Athletic Booster Club met March 24 and discussed the Athletic Banquet. The banquet will be held April 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the Winters Community Center.

The entree will be chicken fried steak with cake for dessert. Tickets are available at the door or at *The Winters Enterprise* for \$7.50. The athletes will not have to purchase tickets.

David Evans, president of the booster club, will be the Master of Ceremony. Everyone is invited to come and honor the athletes for their efforts.

Other items discussed were a concessions committee and helping to buy a stringing machine for the tennis team. The concessions committee would oversee buying and selling during the summer months.

This was the last scheduled meeting until August.

Boys continue to improve golf game

WHS boys played in the Coahoma Golf Tournament March 26 at Big Spring. Coach Robin Byrd says the boys played better this week as compared to the previous week's play. "The team knocked 94 strokes off their score from last week," says Byrd, "and they continue to improve."

Winters finished with a total of 440 strokes. McCamey took first place with 319; Coahoma and Merkel, second place (tie), 323; and Ozona, third place, 332. There were 12 teams competing for positions.

Blizzard Brent Jacob scored a 95 and was followed by teammates Justin Meyer, 110; Josh Emard, 112; and John Bahlman, 125.

The first round of District was April 1 at Shady Oaks. The second round will be at Riverside in San Angelo on April 9.

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Eighth grade girls finish behind Wylie at Jim Ned Invitational

The seventh and eighth grade girls ran in the Jim Ned Invitational March 27. The 8th grade girls finished second, behind Wylie.

Individual events and places are:

- 8TH GRADE**
- 200 M Dash
Leslie Luna, 2nd, 29.69
- 400 M Dash
Lori Bredemeyer, 4th, 71.30
- Elizabeth Drake, 5th, 72.35
- 800 M Run
Elizabeth Drake, 4th, 2:52
- 1600 M Run
Kendra Hope, 4th, 6:43
- 2400 M Run
Kayla Torres, 2nd, 12:23.94
- Teresa Cangioli, 3rd, 12:43.49
- Lucero Vega, 4th, 12:54.77
- 300 M Inter Hurdles
Kacy McCuiston, 3rd, 56.47
- 400 M Relay
Brittney Tekell, Desiraé Hammersmith, Jackye Dexter, and Leslie Luna, 5th, 58.40
- 800 M Relay
Lori Bredemeyer, Desiraé Hammersmith, Leslie Luna, and Kacy McCuiston, 2nd, 2:02.01
- 1600 M Relay
Elizabeth Drake, Desiraé Hammersmith, Lori Bredemeyer, and Kacy McCuiston, 2nd, 4:52.58
- High Jump
Kacy McCuiston, 4th, 4'6"
- Triple Jump
Desiraé Hammersmith, 3rd, 29'4-1/2"
- Shot Put
Michelle Paschal, 2nd, 27'1/2"
- Discus
Rebecca Moreno, 3rd, 7TH GRADE
- 100 M Dash
Michelle Walden, 6th, 15.04
- 200 M Dash
Amanda Ortiz, 5th, 31.80
- 1600 M Run

Track Feats

Tracksters of the Week

HEATHER WATKINS
Junior
1600 M & 3200 M

TARRA BURNS
Sophomore
400 M & 1600 M Relay

Varsity girls take third at Jim Ned

The girls team placed third in the Jim Ned Relays on Saturday, April 5. Coleman won the meet with 92 points; Clyde was second with 90-3/4; Winters had 74.

Other teams entered included Hawley, Eastland, Stamford, Jim Ned, Hamlin, Eula, Ballinger, Anson, and Merkel.

Individual events and places include:

- 3200 M
Heather Watkins, 4th, 13:28
- Noemi Vega, 5th, 13:51
- Kourtney Cathey, 6th, 14:00
- 100 M Hurdles
Kelli Slimp, 1st, 16.05
- 100 M
Monica Parramore, 4th, 13.24
- 800 M Relay
Tarra Burns, Monica Parramore, Darci Lindsey, Kelli Slimp, 5th, 4:28.

Athletes give personal best

According to Coach Chuck Lipsey, six of the varsity athletes performed a personal best against good competition at Jim Ned. The meet was held Saturday, April 5.

"This is what we needed to get ready for District," said Lipsey. The district meet will be Friday, April 11, at Ozona.

Individual events and placings include:

- 200 M Dash
Eric Bernal, 5th, 22.53
- 400 M Dash
Jonathan Gann, 2nd, 50.24
- 800 M Run
Ricky Luz, 5th, 2:07
- 3200 M Run
Felix Portillo, 3rd, 11:30
- 1600 M Relay
Winters, 4th, 3:27.61
- Pole Vault
Jeremy Alvarado, 6th, 9'
- Long Jump
Lee Wolfenden, 5th, 19'4-1/4"
- Shot Put
Michael Prewit, 4th, 48'3"

Kirk Byrd sets new shot put record

At the Jim Ned Relays on April 5, Kirk Byrd set a new JV shot put record at 42 feet, 8-1/4 inches. Overall, the junior varsity boys finished third in team standings.

Individual events and places include:

- 100 M Dash
Wes Calcote, 4th, 11.85
- Kirk Byrd, 5th, 11.95
- 200 M Dash
Wes Calcote, 5th, 24.64
- 1600 M Run
V.J. Santoya, 5th, 5:35
- 3200 M Run

- V.J. Santoya, 3rd, 12:29
- 400 M Relay
Winters, 3rd, 47.9
- Pole Vault
Leo Uresti, 2nd, 9'6"
- Long Jump
Wes Calcote, 2nd, 17'3-1/2"
- Triple Jump
Wes Calcote, 5th, 35'1/4"
- Shot Put
Kirk Byrd, 1st, 42'8-1/4"
- Craig Conner, 6th, 36'2"
- Discus
Kirk Byrd, 2nd, 107'6"
- Craig Conner, 100'8"

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ACROSS

- 1 in Wood Co. on 69
- 5 TXism: "it's ___ bout" (about)
- 6 legendary A&M coach ___ X. Bible
- 7 TXism: "foaming ___ the mouth" (angry)
- 8 picnic pest
- 9 Spindletop driller: Capt. ___
- 16 gem found in TX resident of town in Lubbock Co. on 85
- 20 TXism: "cream ___ the top"
- 22 not lighted
- 23 "Lucille" was this for TX Kenny Rogers (2 wds.)
- 28 TXism: "let him ___ in his own juice"
- 29 this Dona was in TX film "Son of Belle Starr"
- 30 Dallas oilman ___ Pickens
- 31 FDR did this for Possum Kingdom Lake (2 wds.)
- 33 C&W singer: Chris ___ Doux
- 35 no one bought a ___ Noah's Ark from Neiman-Marcus in 1970
- 38 raise a young'un
- 39 TXism: "commit matrimony"
- 40 "Fergie," Duchess ___ allegedly had a TX lover
- 41 retreads his boots
- 43 wailing cry

DOWN

- 1 TXism: "full of spit ___ vinegar" (active)
- 2 this Margaret was Houston's last wife
- 3 monkey food
- 4 TXism: "welcome ___ as a prairie dog town"
- 8 TXism: "sour enough to pucker ___" (tart)
- 9 TXism: "___ winder" (exciting)
- 10 Lady Bird project: National Wild ___ Center
- 11 TX Steve Martin film: "___ Story"
- 12 Bevo's university
- 13 where TX judges reside
- 14 Santa ___ was beaten at San Jacinto
- 15 a Cher film made in Dallas: "___ wood"
- 16 TXism: "___ a mule colt"
- 18 a cowboy without his bolo
- 19 Taylor of TX film "Giant" (init.)
- 21 TXism: "his axles ___ hot" (active)
- 23 TX singer Hank (init.)
- 24 TX Perot was salesman for this corp.
- 25 TXism: "___ big for his britches"
- 26 same sex act outlawed in TX
- 27 TX Debbie Reynolds' "Say ___ Me"
- 29 "buehas ___ Park, TX ___ couch, TX ___ state buildings are ___ smoking ___ Pepper
- 37 TXism: "___ a drowned rat"
- 39 TXism: "___ Baines Johnson ___ gun totin' group region in TX: West Cross
- 52 ___ the Kid
- 53 TXism: "___ some gravel" (fell)

Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

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1997 Lady Blizzard Softball



BACK, (L-R): Angie Lee, Marci Ortiz, Georgie Murchinson, Blanca Villireal, Tina Sherman, Karen Oats, Raquel Luz, Wendy Arredondo, Kim Crouch (Mgr.)
MIDDLE, (L-R): Benita Flores, Paula Salas, Crystal Santoya, Rachel Esquivel, Sandy Calcote, Michelle Castillo, Nikki Cruz.
FRONT, (L-R): Coach Shelly Hayes, Jennifer Davis, Amy Heathcott, Erika Martinez, Cristi Burton, Jana Presley.

Play Ball '97

April 14—Baird, There, 5 p.m., JVB
 April 15—Eldorado*, There, 5 p.m., VB

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

Team: Girls Varsity Softball
 Coach: Shelly Hayes/Chris Bearden
 Date & place of game: March 24, 1997—Winters
 Opponent: Jim Ned
 Winning pitcher: A. Morris
 Losing pitcher: J. Current
 Key plays: Jana Presley, Tina Sherman

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	9	6	9
OPPONENT	12	5	9

Coach's comments: Good "come back from behind" effort. We almost got 'em! If the girls would have played the first few innings like they did the last inning, we could have possibly won the game.

Team: Girls Varsity Softball
 Coach: Shelly Hayes/Chris Bearden
 Date & place of game: March 27, 1997—Hawley
 Opponent: Hawley
 Winning pitcher: Amanda Cobb
 Losing pitcher: Robyn Vinson
 Key plays: Jana Presley, Tina Sherman

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	1	1	5
OPPONENT	11	10	0

Coach's comments: This was a better game defensively! We only had 5 errors this game. Even though the score does not show it, we played well. Cobb is an All-State pitcher and very hard to hit off of. Even though we lost, the girls played well and I was very proud of their effort. Wendy had an excellent defensive game at 3rd. RECORD: 2nd Half 0-2, Overall 5-9.

Parramore places second medalist in Big Spring

Robyn Parramore tied for first place medalist with Shelly Sullivan of Ozona after 18 holes at the Coahoma Invitational Golf Tournament in Big Spring. Both girls shot a 90. Robyn lost in sudden death playoff on the #1 hole.

Lacy Torres shot a 98 and finished in the Top 10 medalists.

Robyn and Lacy play as medalists for the Lady Blizzard Golf Team. Both girls have been on varsity for four years and have played at the regional meet for the last two years. Coach Robin Byrd says, "Both girls play well and should do well in the District race."

The first round of District was April 1 at Shady Oaks. The second round will be at Riverside in San Angelo on April 9.

GO BLIZZARDS!

Team: Varsity Boys
 Coach: Charles Murphy
 Date & place of game: March 27, 1997—Abilene
 Opponent: Abilene Sophomores
 Winning pitcher: Shane Lewallen
 Losing pitcher: Paige Bishop
 Key plays: 2B Justin Minzenmayer, Mike Pritchard

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	11	11	1
OPPONENT	8	11	3

Team: Varsity Boys
 Coach: Charles Murphy
 Date & place of game: April 1, 1997—Coahoma
 Opponent: Coahoma
 Winning pitcher: McMillan
 Losing pitcher: Paige Bishop
 Key plays: HR Justin Minzenmayer, Bear Nitsch

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	7	9	7
OPPONENT	9	8	4

Coach's comments: This was a very exciting ball game. We competed very well. We must learn how to put somebody away when you have them down.

Team: Girls Varsity Softball
 Coach: Shelly Hayes/Chris Bearden
 Date & place of game: April 1, 1997—Anson
 Opponent: Anson
 Winning pitcher: J. McLaren
 Losing pitcher: Jana Presley
 Key plays: Tina Sherman

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	7	6	7
OPPONENT	13	12	4

Coach's comments: Tough loss!! It was a pretty even match until the 6th inning. Anson pulled ahead and we could not score! We had bases loaded three times, twice with no outs and only converted 3 runs out of all three times. I think the girls try too hard sometimes and can't relax and play. The mental part of the game is very important, and the girls are still learning how to play. They will come around in time! I'm not giving up on them!!!

Team: Girls Varsity Softball
 Coach: Shelly Hayes/Chris Bearden
 Date & place of game: March 21, 1997—Winters
 Opponent: Eula
 Winning pitcher: Anna Gardner
 Losing pitcher: Carnie Altman
 Key plays: 3B Davis

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	7	5	15
OPPONENT	21	5	4

Coach's comments: We did not even show up to play in this game! Too many errors NOT enough hits!!! That says it all!

Student Council elects 1997-1998 officers and reps

On April 1, the Student Council of Winters High School elected officers and class representatives for the 1997-1998 year.

New officers are: Michael Pritchard, president; Brooke Tounget, vice-president; Misty Pritchard, secretary; Jamie Bishop, historian; and Tarra Burns, parliamentarian.

Representatives are: Kathy Torres, Amy Heathcott, Justin Kazzyk, Chip White, Holley Woffenden, Tracie Morrison, Kenny Green, John Bahlman, Shelly Meyer, Kellie Sliemp, Tammy Thorpe, Andrew Medina, and Aaron Pritchard.

This year's Student Council will be attending the state convention on May 1, 2, and 3 in Austin. Members will receive the "Sweepstakes Award" for the second consecutive year.

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WHS students compete in District UIL Academic Meet

Seven advance to regional competition

Twenty-nine (29) students of Winters High School competed in sixteen events at the 8-AA District University Interscholastic League Academic Meet on March 18 at Winters, March 24 at Eldorado, & March 25 at Grape Creek.

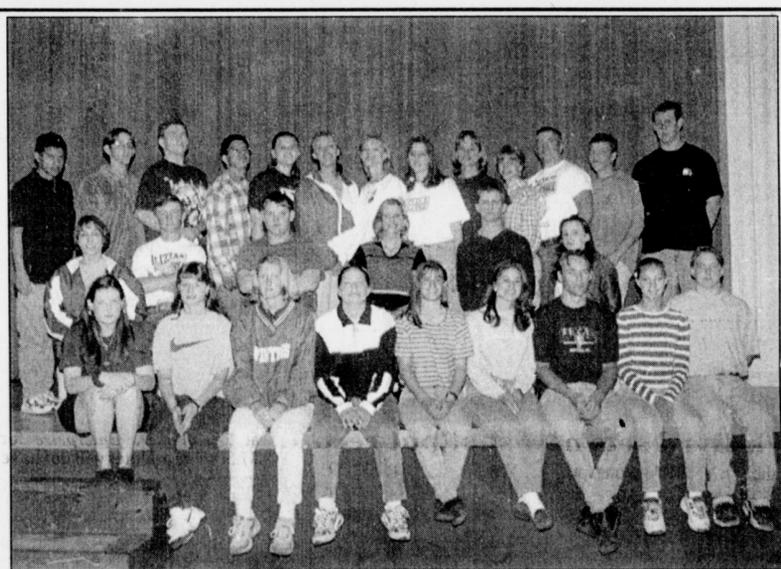
Eight students qualified for regional U.I.L. to be April 19 at Abilene Christian University, Abilene. Advancing to regional are Austin Jobe, Accounting; Jobe, Jaime Bahlman, and Steven Sneed, Accounting team; Alison Wells, Spelling; Paige Bishop and Brooke Tounget, News Writing; Tammy Thorpe, Feature Writing; and Jace Wade, Headline Writing.

Events and placings at District U.I.L. are:

- Accounting**
Accounting Team, 1st
Austin Jobe, 1st
Steven Sneed
Jaime Bahlman
Steven Cross, substitute
Calculator Applications
Christy Calcote
Marie Chavez

- Teri Ledbetter
Jaime Bahlman
Computer Applications
Nicole Cross, 5th
Jennifer Davis, 6th
Debbie Baize
Current Issues & Events
Chip White
Alison Wells
Tarra Burns
Misty Pritchard
Barrett Brown, substitute
Literary Criticism
Austin Jobe
Greg Evans
Mathematics
Austin Jobe
Brent Jacob
Paige Bishop
Greg Evans
Arthur Martinez, substitute
Number Sense
Greg Evans
Austin Jobs
Paige Bishop
Jamie Bishop
Eric Tekell, substitute
Ready Writing
Cristi Burton, 6th
Greg Evans
Heather Watkins

- Cari Trojcek, substitute
Spelling & Vocabulary
Alison Wells, 2nd
Tony Walden
Science
Brent Jacob
Greg Evans
Eric Tekell
Arthur Martinez
Poetry Interpretation
Angela Shoemaker, finalist
Prose Interpretation
Linsey Brown, finalist
News Writing
Paige Bishop, 1st
Brooke Tounget, 2nd
Jaime Bahlman, 5th
Feature Writing
Tammy Thorpe, 2nd
Paige Bishop
Jaime Bahlman
Editorial Writing
Jennifer Davis, 4th
Brooke Tounget
Tammy Thorpe
Headline Writing
Jace Wade, 4th
(Advance to 3rd due to conflict of schedule for 2nd place winner)
Stephen Garza, 6th
Jennifer Davis.



RECENT WINTERS HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT UIL PARTICIPANTS were:
BACK, (L-R): Arthur Martinez, Wesley Calcote, Greg Evans, Oliver Ortiz, Christy Calcote, Cristi Burton, Jaime Bahlman, Brooke Tounget, Alison Wells, Misty Pritchard, Steven Cross, Austin Jobe, and Eric Tekell.
MIDDLE, (L-R): Heather Watkins, Paige Bishop, Steven Sneed, Linsey Brown, Tony Walden, and Cari Trojcek.
BOTTOM, (L-R): Teri Ledbetter, Debbie Baize, Jennifer Davis, Nicole Cross, Jamie Bishop, Tammy Thorpe, Jace Wade, Tarra Burns, and Chip White.
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Poe's Corner

By Charlsie Poe

How to get a caboose

Those of us who were bemoaning the fact that our train was gone set in to acquire a caboose for our museum.

Roy Young started us off early in 1988 by announcing that Murray Edwards had given him the head office telephone number and the man to call in regard to some mementos from the railroad. Members agreed to give it a try and I was asked to do the telephoning.

The first call was to Roy Allamong, Union Pacific Railroad, Omaha, Nebraska, and I was referred to Tom LaHood, the public relations man in the same building, but a different office.

LaHood said they had been donating some cabooses to groups, and then I told him our purpose in asking for one — that it was such a part of our history and the Rock Hotel we had recently purchased to accommodate the railroad.

I was instructed to write a request letter, stating my purpose, and we would be put on the waiting list.

This sounded encouraging and the letter was written. We waited and waited and then waited some more, a wrecking crew had moved in and was taking up our railroad track at rapid pace. When we could stand it no longer, another call brought the information that we would receive the caboose sometime after the first of the year. Our plea to send it sooner, while it



Charlsie Poe

could be moved on the railroad track, went unheeded.

The first of the year came and went, February rolled by and then March. In desperation, another phone call brought the good news that LaHood was no longer with the company and his office had been closed. But wonder of wonders, I was put in touch with George Cockle and he apologized for the delay, but they were having a lot of changes and problems. Our caboos were numbered and had been on the track for a long time, but there was no one to haul it to Abilene. He'd take care of it as soon as possible.

This was the best news we heard, and March 31, 1989, I received a letter from J.R. Davis, executive vice-president of operations.

"Union Pacific will be happy to donate Missouri Pacific Caboos No. 13695 to the Museum Foundation with the understanding the caboos will be accepted in an 'as is' condition and that you will arrange for transportation from railroad property within 30 days upon arrival at Abilene. As

information, a caboos weighs about 54,000 pounds and is approximately 16 feet high, 11 feet wide, and 41 feet long.

"In order to make the caboos look as authentic as possible, one set of the decals is being mailed to you under separate cover. This will allow you to place a full set of decals on one side of the caboos. If you desire to affix decals on both sides, it will be necessary for you to forward a check made out to Union Pacific Railroad in the amount of \$200 for the second set.

"The caboos will be moved to Abilene and you will be notified when it is available. Please advise us when the caboos has been removed from railroad property so that we can clear the records. Because of the large number of donations, we have decided to not furnish the paint."

This was good news and we began to raise the more than \$2,000 it would cost to move the caboos.

M.R. Williams located a local mover. Bob Bowen accepted the job. Murray Edwards and James West provided the gravel and cross-ties. The railroad furnished the raiing, and the city used machinery to build the pad and trimmed pecan trees.

On May 26, we received a phone call from Charles David in Abilene that the caboos had arrived. On June 29, the caboos received a lot of publicity as it traveled down Ely Blvd. on a truck. The wheels were moved the next day. There was a delay in getting the rail, and the caboos stayed on the truck in Winters for several weeks.

The caboos moves easily and had to be welded to the raiing to keep it from running away. The pad made it so high off the ground, steps had to be added, and there was cleaning to follow.

We are grateful for our gift and proud of it. Caboos have been priced as high as \$15,000 to a woman who wanted to buy one.

Not one man in a thousand and not one woman in a million can resist an invitation to a free meal. —The Winters Enterprise, April 18, 1947

Special Olympics to ACU for Summer Games

Runnels County Reds, athletes from Winters and Ballinger, are entered in the Area 14 Summer Games on Saturday, April 12, at Abilene Christian University.

Opening ceremonies will be Friday, April 11, at 7:00 p.m. at McMurry University. A dance follows.

Track and field events begin at 9:00 a.m. Saturday.

The team will not attend the State Summer Games in Houston, May 22-25.

Quarterly sales down 19.5 percent

As reported in March of 1997 by the office of State Comptroller John Sharp, gross sales for Runnels County decreased 19.5 percent for the third quarter of 1996 as compared to the same reporting period in 1995.

Sales for the second quarter of 1996 totaled \$40,563,748 as compared to \$50,387,088 for the same period in 1995.

Use tax purchases include \$120,994 while \$12,085,866 is subject to state sales and use tax.

For the third quarter, there were 257 reporting outlets in Runnels County in 1996 and 283 in 1995.

Crews Cemetery Workday planned

A Crews Cemetery Workday is planned Saturday, April 12.

Volunteers should meet at the cemetery at 9:00 a.m. Please bring shovels, rakes, and other needed tools.

For more information, contact Dale Duggan at 365-3145 or Therin Osborne at 723-2322.

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PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF WINTERS TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The City of Winters is giving notice of the city's intent to submit a Community Development Fund application for a grant from the Texas Community Development Program. The grant application request is \$250,000 for sewer system improvements which will provide a benefit to residents in the western portion of the city. The application is available for review at City Hall during regular business hours.

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Barbecue lunch on Sunday to benefit Veteran's Room at Rock Hotel

A barbecue will be held Sunday, April 13, 1997, in the Winters School Cafeteria from 11:30 to 1:30 to benefit restoration of the Veteran's Room in the Rock Hotel.

The menu will consist of brisket, potato salad, beans, pickles, onions, cake and a drink.

Cost of the meal will be: Adults \$5.00 and children under 10, \$3.00.

The meal is being prepared by the Winters Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9193 and the Ladies Auxiliary and co-sponsored by the Z.I. Hale Museum.

This will be the beginning fundraising for the Veteran's Room and if enough donations are given maybe the last one. Everyone in Runnels County, not only veterans, is invited to help with this project. This room will not only honor the people of Runnels County who have served in the

Service of the United States Armed Forces, but will be a place that history can be taught by mementos in the coming years.

Some cash donations have already been received and are really appreciated. If you are thinking of helping with this project let it be known now. We do not intend for this to be a drawn out 5-year project. It is the desire of the ones planning it, to have it finished by Veteran's Day 1997. Every donation large or small will be appreciated.

Show your support by attending this barbecue luncheon. All Veterans or Veteran's family please put answers to the following questions and return.

Please turn in the following form and any cash donations at the luncheon on April 13 or mail to Winters VFW Post 9193, Box 353, Winters, Texas or Z.I. Hale Museum, Box 42, Winters, Texas, 79567.

INFORMATION FOR VETERAN'S ROOM

1. Name and Rank _____

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3. Town or Community _____

4. School(s) _____

5. Where trained and served _____

6. Principal duty, medals, or other information you wish to share. _____

Each veteran will have their information put on a 3 by 5 card for a permanent exhibit. The committee will work with information provided by veterans and family. They will not go out and try to get it. (This information is on the veteran's 53-55 form or a DD-214 and should be filed at a County Courthouse. If a veteran has not filed this paper and is still alive, they should do so as soon as possible to protect their and their families Veteran's Rights.)

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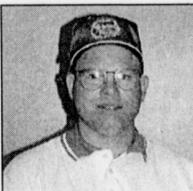
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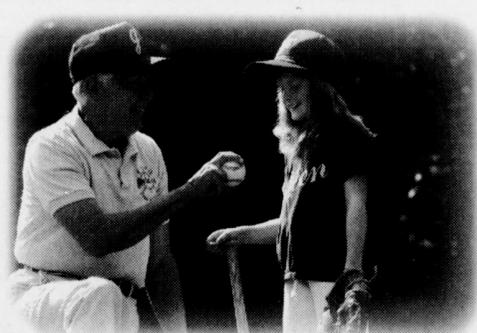


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The proposals will be received until 10:00 a.m. on April 22, 1997, at a special meeting of the Runnels County Commissioners Court.

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Official Records

County Court Criminal Cases
March 26
 Jose Angel Guerra, Dodge City, KS, filed for driving while license suspended.
March 31
 Alvis Loyd Jackson, Jr., Winters, filed for possession of marijuana.
 Shawna Denise Jackson, Winters, filed for possession of marijuana.
 Walter Franklin Massey, Ballinger, filed for driving while license suspended.
 David Espinos Garcia, Ballinger, filed for assault.
 Juan Flores, III, filed for driving while intoxicated, subsequent offense.
 James Henry McPherson, Ballinger, filed for assault.
April 1
 Ronnie Glenn Toungat, Winters, filed for criminal trespass.
Marriage Licenses
April 3
 Jasper Lynn Childers and Crystal Leane Willborn
Justice Court #1 Criminal
April 1
 Walter Franklin Massey, filed for felony driving while intoxicated.
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PLANNING FOR THE LANDSCAPE SEMINAR sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are (from left) John Begnaud, Extension Agent-Horticulture, Tom Green County; Kay Colburn; Rebbie Lange; Anthony Lange; and Chester McCown. The seminar will be held in Ballinger's Carnegie Library on May 8 and 13.

Extension Service to sponsor tri-county home landscaping school at Ballinger

A landscape which is both functional and pleasing to the eye should be the goal of the professional as well as the novice gardener. Many variables are involved in the selection of plant materials and their placement in the landscape. For this reason, no two are alike or should be.

In an effort to assist West Texans, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service Offices in Runnels, Coleman, and Concho Counties have planned a Basic Home Landscaping School. John Begnaud, County Extension

Agent - Horticulture, from Tom Green County, will cover topics that include soil structure and modification, plant materials, design principles, and maintenance guidelines, all as they pertain to our area of Texas.

This school will consist of 2 classes, meeting the evenings of May 8 and 13 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Ballinger Carnegie Library. The development of an acceptable plan for your landscape will be the objective. Whether you are establishing a new landscape

or renovating an existing one, this class will be educational.

An enrollment fee of \$25 per person will cover educational materials including textbook, handouts, and supplies. The school will be limited to the first 80 registrants.

In order to pre-enroll, or for more information, contact the Runnels County Extension Office at 365-2219, the Coleman County Extension Office at 625-4519, or the Concho County Extension Office at 732-4304.



RUNNELS COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE employees (from left) Pat Hohensee, Mike Mauldin, Chad Coburn, and Karen Binder welcomed guests to the new Extension Service office at 600 Strong Avenue during Open House on April 4.

Extension News & Views

By Patricia Hohensee, Extension Agent-HE

When your baby won't stop crying

April has been designated as National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Nationwide, reports of child abuse continue to rise steadily. Reported levels of child abuse and neglect have increased 49% between 1986 and 1995. Child fatalities have increased by 39%, with an estimated 1,215 fatalities last year. That means that more than three children die each day as a result of child abuse.

Child abuse can happen when loving parents reach high levels of frustration when dealing with a child. All babies cry when they are hungry, tired, or uncomfortable. Uncomfortable crying can become overwhelming.

Here are some tips to help parents in such situations.

1. Stay calm. It is normal for infants to experience crying spells, especially during the first three months. According to some estimates, as many as nine out of ten babies have fussy periods at some time during the day, and one in five experience the more severe crying periods known as colic. Crying spells can last from fifteen minutes to several hours and tend to occur around the same time every day, usually in the evening.

2. Try soothing the baby. Gentle

motion and steady, rhythmic sounds are very comforting, and may soothe a crying baby to sleep. Rocking, walking, and carrying the baby close to your body are all tried and proven methods, as are singing and patting the baby's back or stomach. Different methods work for different babies, and it may take some trial and error to find one that works for you.

3. Get relief. Ask your spouse, partner, or a trustworthy family member or friend to stay with the baby while you get out. Even if you are only able to take a short walk or make a trip to the store, a break will help you to keep your perspective. If possible, find opportunities to talk with other parents. Sharing your frustrations and knowing you are not alone can be a great relief.

4. Check with your doctor. If the baby continues to cry, or if you feel concerned, call your pediatrician or clinic. Chances are, it's nothing serious, but your practitioner may be able to offer reassuring advice.

5. Tune it out. If you're certain there is no reason for the crying, and nothing seems to comfort the baby, put her in her crib (on her back or side), and let her cry.

6. If you find yourself becoming angry...It is not uncommon for new parents to experience feelings of frustration and even anger when confronted with a baby who won't stop crying, especially if they are already tired and stressed. Most of the time these feelings pass quickly and do no harm. But if you find yourself increasingly angry at your baby or feeling violent impulses toward him, seek help immediately.

7. Never, never, shake your baby. Shaking a baby can cause internal injuries, brain damage, and even death. The medical term for the injuries incurred following a hard shaking is Shaken Baby Syndrome. Seizures, paralysis, and blindness are also common. Shaking a baby causes that baby's head to whip back and forth, slamming the brain repeatedly against the skull. The brain swells, blood vessels are torn, and often the retina of the eye is damaged.

Bones may also be broken. Most often, the victims are younger than one year of age. Infants are vulnerable because they have heavy heads supported by weak neck muscles. However, shaking can harm children up to age three.

Extension News & Views

By Mike Mauldin, Extension Agent-Ag

Raised beds for gardens

If you haven't had much luck with gardening efforts in the past, your soil may be the problem. Tight, heavy, poorly drained soils are common in many areas of Texas.

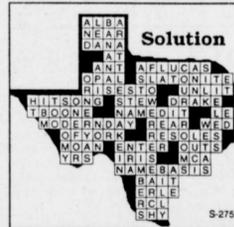
With good management practices and the addition of liberal amounts of organic matter, many of these soils can be improved so that they grow satisfactory plants. But if you are interested in a quick, highly productive garden, consider constructing a raised garden.

Raised gardens are often the simplest solution to a difficult soil

problem.

Advantages of raised gardens are: yields increase because the depth of top soil is increased; raised gardens filled with a good soil or soil mix drain rapidly and warm up quickly; water usually soaks in rather than running off; soil compaction is eliminated or reduced; and weeds, soil insects, and soilborne diseases are more easily controlled since recommended treatments are effective in raised gardens.

Raised gardens do not have to be expensive. Construct frames of railroad ties, bricks, flagstone, or other materials. Small raised gardens might be constructed with 2x8s or 2x10s.



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Businesses must file property tax renditions by April 14

In accordance with state law, Texas businesses must render their property with county appraisal districts by April 14. To render is to list the taxable property that businesses owned or managed as of January 1, 1997.

State law requires anyone who owns or manages income-producing personal property on January 1 to render with the local appraisal district. An exception is a business that receives the freeport exemption for managing cotton stored in a warehouse.

If more than one appraisal district appraises a property, the property owner should render in each appraisal district office. Taxpayers may contact the county appraisal district office for the rendition forms, or they may call the Comptroller's property tax hotline at 1-800-252-9121.

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