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## Judge Egan to act with jail construction management firm

*Commissioner disagrees with overall contract approval*

A contract between Runnels County and ArchiSystems, L.L.C. for management of the construction of the new county jail was approved by commissioners at their special meeting on Tuesday morning. Mike Brumley, of ArchiSystems, who will be the construction manager for the project, was present for the meeting and asked commissioners to designate someone to act on behalf of the county during construction. He said there would be instances when changes would need to be made, or possibly a cash on delivery shipment received, and he would need someone to authorize for the county at that time.

Commissioners voted to appoint County Judge Marilyn Egan as that person for Runnels County.

Precinct 3 Commissioner Thurman Self voted against the approval of the contract. Following adjournment of the meeting, Self said he voted against the construction manager and the contract because he feels commissioners court will be having to make decisions and meeting regarding bids with contractors. Self said, "They say the construction manager concept will save the county a lot of money. We are already paying the architect a lot of money and ArchiSystems is affiliated with the architect. I have a problem with that and will have to be shown that a lot of money will be saved over a general contractor. With a general contractor

the county would bid the job one time and be through with it until construction is finished. I feel like we'll be meeting down here a lot during jail construction."

Self said with the cost of \$168,000 for the construction manager, along with the architect fees, he just feels it will be nearly impossible to save money over a general contractor.

The contract with ArchiSystems calls for payment of \$36,000 for pre-construction work and \$132,000 for services during the construction of the jail.

In other business on the agenda, commissioners heard Jack Farmer ask for the court's support for a petition he is circulating regarding the abolition of Ballinger Memorial Hospital District. Commissioner Skipper Wheelless suggested to Mr. Farmer that some signatures might be invalid since he believed the signers must be registered voters. Mr. Farmer told Commissioner Wheelless his understanding was that signers did not have to be registered voters.

Wheelless said he thought it would be very premature for commissioners to act on Mr. Farmer's request since the state legislature would have to pass a bill abolishing the hospital district. He said the deadline for filing bills for this session was on March 15 and if no one had submitted the bill, then it would be two years before it could be considered by the legislature.

Commissioners voted to take no action on the request.

Other business on the agenda included:

- A request from the Community Supervision and Corrections Department for a copier was tabled until more information could be gathered.

- Approved the request of Harriett Halfmann of Ballinger Senior Citizens Center to hire a temporary part-time cook while the head cook was out for six weeks because of surgery.

- Approved fire fighting agreements between Runnels County and the City of Ballinger and Wingate Volunteer Fire Department. The county will pay Ballinger \$7,000 and Wingate \$1,800. Judge Egan pointed out that the story in the newspaper regarding the City of Miles contract should have read \$2,400 rather than \$7,500 as reported.

- Okayed membership in the Texas Association of Watershed Sponsors at a cost of \$25 to be paid by individual commissioners and the county judge.

- Voted to reject all bids on topping rock which were opened at last week's meeting.

- Approved budget amendments making line item transfers, including transferring \$36,000 from the Emergency Medical Service line item to the County General Fund designated for jail planning expenses. The \$36,000 represents money not paid in emergency service subsidies for the months of January, February, and March.



ABOUT 200 VOLUNTEERS worked all day Saturday during the fourth annual Christmas In April work day. Pictures and listing of volunteers will be published in the May 1 edition of *The Winters Enterprise*.

## Hubbard wins State FHA award; to represent Texas at National event

Mandi Hubbard of Winters FHA competed at the State FHA Leadership Meeting April 17-19 in Dallas in STAR (Students Taking Action for Recognition) events. Members from across the state competed in these events.

STAR events are competitive events where members use their skills learned in home economics. Mandi competed in the Entrepreneurship STAR event, in which she created a portfolio that contained a plan for creating a business. She researched all areas necessary to start a small business. Mandi chose to "start" a monogramming business called the "Sew and Sew."

At the Dallas competition

Mandi was judged on her portfolio as well as a 15-minute presentation and a 10-minute question session. Mandi placed first in the State competition.

She will now represent Winters High School FHA chapter as well as the State of Texas at the National FHA Leadership Conference in San Diego, California in July. Her advisor is Lori Smith.

In the coming months Mandi will be perfecting her presentation for the national meeting. She is interested in giving her presentation to organizations for additional practice and input. If any organizations are interested, please contact Lori Smith at WHS at 754-5516.



Mandi Hubbard



THE BALLINGER FIRE DEPT. RESCUE SQUAD worked to free 64-year-old Alfred Mechacek, of Midland, from entangled wreckage. The Medivac helicopter waited to airlift Mechacek to Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo where he remains in intensive care. The passenger of the pickup and Mechacek's fishing partner, Frank Harrell, Jr., 64, of Odessa, was pronounced dead at the scene.

## Fisherman dies in wreck, another remains in ICU

A fishing trip turned tragic on Saturday near Maverick when a pickup pulling a boat and trailer hit a large mesquite tree. Frank Harrell, Jr., 64, of Odessa, was pronounced dead at the scene of the accident by Runnels County Precinct 2 Justice of the Peace Joyce Weems.

The driver of the pickup and Harrell's fishing partner, 64-year-old Alfred Mechacek of Midland, was airlifted by Medivac helicopter to Shannon Medical Center in

San Angelo. As of Tuesday, Mechacek was in the intensive care unit with broken pelvic bones and a broken leg. His son, Steve, said he would have surgery Tuesday afternoon to repair some of the damage done in the accident.

Harrell was the passenger in the vehicle, driven by Mechacek, returning home from a fishing trip to Lake O.H. Ivie. The vehicle veered to the left off Highway 158 and hit a large mesquite tree. Both men were wearing seat belts ac-

ording to the Department of Public Safety report.

Ballinger Volunteer Fire Department rescue squad members worked for almost two hours to free Mechacek from the vehicle.

The accident was investigated by Highway Patrol Troopers Scott Warren and Geoff Aycock. San Angelo DPS Trooper David Martinez and the Runnels and Coke County sheriff's departments assisted.

Mayfest '97 is just around the corner with great fun, food and entertainment. Details in Chamber Memo, page 3.

## Early voting continues for NRH trustees

Early voting in the hospital board election began April 14, and will end April 29.

Persons wanting to vote early by personal appearance in the election for North Runnels Hospital board of directors should go to the hospital business office between the hours of 8-12 a.m. and 1-5 p.m.

Persons over 65, disabled, or temporarily living outside of the county who request ballots by mail must do so by Friday, April 25. Requests should be mailed to North Runnels Hospital, P.O. Box 185, Winters, Texas 79567.

Candidates vying for four positions on the NRH board are Randall Sneed, Santos Rocha, Archie Jobe, Phil Colburn, Randall Boles, and Jim Lincycumb.

Election will be held on Saturday, May 3.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- April 24-6 Noon, 39+, First United Methodist Church
- 7 p.m., Athletic Banquet, Community Center
- HSU Rodeo Begins
- April 25-11 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Pasture Management Seminar, San Marcos
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- Regional Track, ACU, Abilene
- Boy Scouts Rendezvous II, Hords Creek Lake, Coleman
- April 26-10 a.m.-Noon, Children's Music Fair, ACU, Abilene
- 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Railfair '97, San Angelo
- 7:30 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center
- Ethnic Festival, Ballinger
- Area 14 Special Olympics Spring Games, Brownwood
- Folklife Festival, Cisco
- Regional Track, ACU, Abilene
- Boy Scouts Rendezvous II, Hords Creek Lake, Coleman
- HSU Rodeo Ends
- April 27-11 a.m.-5 p.m., Railfair '97, San Angelo
- 6 p.m., Baptist Associations Evangelism Rally, First Baptist Church, Eden
- Ethnic Festival, Ballinger
- Folklife Festival, Cisco
- April 28-9:30-10:30 a.m., SS Rep, Winters Housing Authority
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 6 p.m., City Council
- 6:30-7:30 p.m., 4-H Meeting, Catholic Church Hall
- 8 p.m., Wingate Masonic Lodge
- April 29-Noon, Lions Club
- 7 p.m., WVFD
- Early Voting Ends, North Runnels Hospital Election
- TAAS Testing at School
- April 30-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- TAAS Testing at School
- May 1-9:30 a.m.-Noon & 1:30-3 p.m., Immunization Clinic, TDH
- 6:30-8:30 p.m., Caregivers Series Begins, First Presbyterian Church, Ballinger
- 7:30 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center

# Oil Bidness

By Reg Boles ©1997



It's time for "Oil Patch Basics" again, and this time we are going to investigate the intricacies of "fishing" parted tubing.

Staying within the theme of this year's "Basics," we are going to talk about the specifics of fishing tubing and nothing else—not rods, not packers. We have to do that because fishing is an art unto itself and can involve numerous downhole components.

A book could be written on the subject, but all we have is this little 'ole column.

Fishing is the process of getting a hold of something that is down inside a wellbore. You may have used the term to describe other endeavors, such as fishing a match out of the furnace or fishing a nickel out from under the refrigerator.

In the oil patch, fishing is the term used to describe the very difficult job of retrieving something out of a well. Fishing tubing is...well...fishing tubing (what else?) out of a well.

Usually, the tubing has been left in the hole due to no intentional act. In fact, it is a sign of trouble if you have tubing to fish.

Tubing may have been dropped by a workover rig, or the tubing may have been left in the wellbore by a previous operator who took the money and ran (the RRC frowns on such things). However it got there, the tubing is usually down in the hole out of easy reach.

The first job is to locate the top of the "fish" and try to ascertain its condition. This can be done in a variety of ways, but a popular and effective method is to put a tool made of soft lead on the end of a working string (the tubing you are using to fish with) and run it into the hole until it tags the fish. This tool is called an impression block.

When you tag the fish, you put a little weight on the tool and pull it back out. When it reaches the surface, you can see a molded replica of the top of the fish.

Knowing the shape and condition of the fish assists in selecting the type of tool you should try.

If the fish is rounded, then one might try an overshot. An overshot is a tool with a tapered internal diameter that allows the tool to slip over a fish and tighten as it is pushed down over the fish.

It will usually take a few dozen tries to get the fish this way, but it works many times. If not, then more complicated and expensive fishing tools and methods must be employed.

Washpipe is similar to an overshot, but it allows fluid to be

pumped through it to help wash around a fish to allow for a better grip. A hollow bit or notched collars (hollow pipe with teeth) could be attached to the wash pipe if metal, mud, or formation is blocking the way.

Spears are also used to go inside of the fish to retrieve open ended tubing. This provides a grip that is hard to get otherwise.

I have already exceeded my allotted space, so I must close. I'll say it again—fishing is a broad topic and I have only touched on a few of the tools and methods.

Have always greatly respected fisherman of the oil patch, because they have the patience of Job and the ingenuity of Edison. I think you understand why just from this column's discussion.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY

#### COMPLETIONS

##### Coleman County

DelRay Oil has completed a re-entry in the R. Brookshier -A- #1 in the Rachel Field (2 miles SE of Talpa) at an initial rate of 42 BOPD & 140 BWPD in the Gunsight (perfs 2284-90). Loc. is 3432 FNL & 2475 FSL of ETRR Sur. No. 107, A-173.

##### Nolan County

Amerac Energy Corporation has completed the Patterson -244- #1 as a Wildcat, 7 miles W of Blackwell at an initial rate of 66 BOPD in the Ellenburger (perfs 6820-37). Loc. is 1506 FNL & 2458 FSL of Sec. 33, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur., A-1657.

##### Runnels County

Geonatural Resources Inc. has completed the Bunyard -192- #1921 as a Wildcat, 10 miles S of Ballinger at an initial rate of 230 MCFPD (AOF) in the Odom Lime (perfs 3742-52). Loc. is 1264 FNL & 2108 FSL of J. Wangemann Sur. No. 192, A-511.

##### Taylor County

Ventex Operating has completed a plug back in the Irvin Unit #1 in the Lane Field (3 miles NW of Merkel) at an initial rate of 102 BOPD & 40 BWPD in the Canyon (perfs 4228-4334). Loc. is 851 FNL & 1217 FSL of Sec. 23, Blk. 18, T&PRR Sur., A-366.

##### Tom Green County

Costilla Petroleum Corp. has completed the J. Robertson -C- #28H in the Susan Peak Field (15 miles S of San Angelo) at an initial rate of 98 BOPD & 5784 BWPD in an unidentified zone (perfs 4972-5700). Loc. is 1202 FNL & 957 FSL of S. Lubbock Sur. No. 6, A-8388.

#### STAKINGS

##### Callahan County

Hexagon Oil and Gas has staked the ThreeJay #1 in the R.D. Raughton Field, 8 miles SW of Putnam (Depth 4200). Loc. is 330 FNL & 330 FSL of W.A. Jones Sur. No. 4, A-1725.

##### Coke County

Oryx Energy has staked two wells in

IAB Unit in the IAB Field, 8 miles NW of Robert Lee (Depth 6500). The IAB Unit #745 is loc. (BHL) 300 FNL & 5450 FSL of C. Kleb Sur. No. 505, A-482. The IAB Unit #1208 is loc. 3700 FSL & 350 FSL of W. Scott Sur. No. 4, A-638. RULE 36.

##### Coleman County

DelRay Oil has applied to plug back two wells in the County Regular Field, 4 miles NE of Talpa (Depth 3650). The B. Stone #16 is loc. 1650 FNL & 1973 FSL of H. Childress Sur. No. 73. The B. Stone #18 is loc. 1973 FNL & 330 FSL of same Sur.

##### Runnels County

J.H. Oil has staked the R. Schaefer #14 in the Busher Field, 7 miles W of Ballinger (Depth 4400). Loc. is 2443 FNL & 2019 FSL of S. Bacon Sur. No. 435, A-18.

Shamrock Minerals has staked the Chisum #1-94 in the Fenner Field, 4 miles SE of Wingate (Depth 5000). Loc. is 1904 FNL & 1520 FSL of Sec. 94, Blk. 64, H&TC Sur.

Brent Wagman has applied to re-enter the Wilde #7 in the West Norton Field, 2 miles N of Norton (Depth 4750). Loc. is 600 FNL & 1760 FSL of Lbr. 14, Lge. 271, Burnett CSL, A-19.

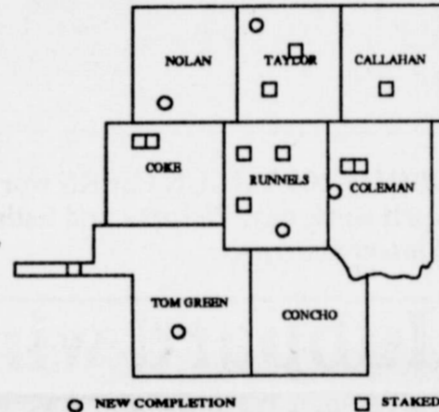
##### Taylor County

Barbee has staked the Shaw-Davis #1 in the County Regular Field, 6 miles SW of View (Depth 3200). Loc. is 2000 FNL & 330 FSL of Sec. 16, Blk. 4, T&PRR Sur.

SHL Operating has staked the Allyn #1 in the County Regular Field, 5 miles SW of Buffalo Gap (Depth 2999). Loc. is 330 FNL & 1573 FSL of Sec. 8, Blk. 3, SPRR Sur.

##### Tom Green County

Conquest Oil has applied to re-enter the Hall #2 as a Wildcat, 11 miles SW of Water Valley (Depth 1500). Loc. is 1667 FNL & 467 FSL of Sec. 51, Blk. 5, H&TC Sur.



### Card of Thanks

A special "Thank You" to everyone who worked so hard on my house during Christmas in April.

It is truly appreciated.  
Jo Ann Dillard

### Card of Thanks

I want to say thanks to all the wonderful people who made "Christmas in April" so great for me.

Mr. Phil Colburn is a great leader. And many thanks to the ladies that served sandwiches. Bless each of you.  
Ella Mae Sawyer

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## Social Security Rep. in Winters on April 28

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his April visit to Winters. He will be at the Winters Housing Project Office on Monday, April 28, between 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

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

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

If desired, write to the office at P.O. Box 3808, San Angelo, Texas 76902.

### Card of Thanks

At this time we find out really how much our friends, family, and acquaintances mean to us.

We wish to thank the North Runnels Ambulance Service and EMTs, Winters Police Dept.—Officers Jason Pierson, Terry Johnson, and Mark Welander, Dr. Y.K. Lee, and the North Runnels Hospital staff for being there when we needed them most.

A special thanks to Winters Funeral Home—Mike Meyer and Linda Dry and staff for such care of our loved one and for the beautiful service.

Thanks also to the Southside Baptist Church ladies and Rev. Gayland Broadstreet for the wonderful meal.

Thanks to Revs. Louis and Wynette Halford for the words of encouragement and the beautiful service.

To each and every one who sent cards, flowers, and the many calls of concern and the very good food each person sent, a very special thanks and may God richly bless your lives. Thanks so much for the continuing support and prayers of love, caring, and for strength in our time of need. And thanks many times over for the memorials, donations, and all the volunteers to babysit.

The people in this small town are truly blessed to help each other in a very compassionate manner.

Much love,  
Kelli Hubach, Justin Davis, J.T. Davis, Kaci Hubach, & Courtney Hubach

Tiffany & Kayla Hubach  
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Michael Hubach  
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## Obituaries

### Billie F. Wilkey

BALLINGER—Billie F. Wilkey, 88, died Tuesday, April 15, 1997, at Ballinger Memorial Hospital.

She was born February 22, 1909, in Ballinger, the fifth child of J.T. and Joanna Farley. She married Emmitt James Wilkey on September 22, 1930, in San Angelo. They lived in San Angelo and Ballinger after retiring from the State of California in 1974.

Mrs. Wilkey was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

She was preceded in death by her husband; a son, Emmitt James Wilkey Jr.; a son-in-law, Valton Condra; three sisters, Sadie Bryan, Ada Hale, and Josie Boswell; and a brother, Ed Farley.

Survivors include a daughter, Barbara Condra of San Angelo; a daughter-in-law, Marlene Faust of Joshua Tree, California; two grandsons, Gary Wilkey and Michael Condra of San Angelo; two granddaughters, Billie Hendrickson of Cedar City, Utah, and Kathy Hogue of Joshua Tree, California; five great-grandchildren, Brian, Jason, Renee, Jill, and Randy; one great-great-granddaughter, Rayanna; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were held at 3:00 p.m. Thursday, April 17, in the Garden of Memories in Ballinger, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home, Ballinger.

### Edna Mae Grier

BALLINGER—Edna Mae Grier, 91, died at 6:02 p.m. Saturday, April 19, 1997, at Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Ballinger.

She was born January 9, 1906, in Ballinger to Robert Mason Lowry and Carrie Ophelia Brown. She married William G. Grier on June 14, 1953, in Winters.

For 40 years, Mrs. Grier was secretary to the president of First National Bank of Ballinger. She was a lifetime member of Ballinger Chapter #266 Order of Eastern Star and a member of the First Baptist Church in Ballinger.

She was preceded in death by her husband on March 31, 1973.

Survivors include a cousin, Shirley Anne Brown; a great-nephew Robert M. Lowry III; and two great-nieces Debra Neal and Mary Lowry.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 22, at Rains-Seale Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Jerry Howe officiating. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home, Ballinger.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of San Angelo, 16A East Beauregard, San Angelo, TX 76903.

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Monday, April 28: Beef casserole, beets, corn, combread, and rice pudding.  
Wednesday, April 30: Chicken noodles, English peas, tossed salad, rolls, and pies.  
Friday, May 2: Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, green beans, salad, garlic bread, and cupcakes.

Idleness, like kisses, to be sweet must be stolen.  
—Jerome K. Jerome

### Did you know?

If you want faster service from Social Security, there are a few things you can do.

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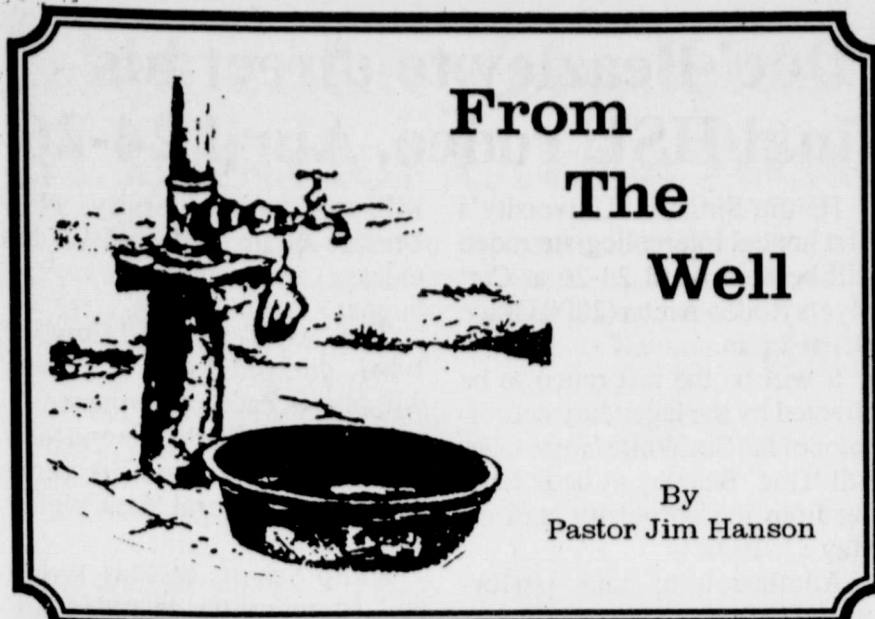
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## From The Well

By Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

I have been reading a book. It's not a new one. It is really an old one. It is a collection of daily readings taken from a series of talks given to college students in England during the years 1911-1915. And, from talks given by night in the Y.M.C.A. huts in Zeitoun, Egypt 1915-1917. The author's name is Oswald Chambers. He died in 1917. His wife collected the readings and assembled them in this book entitled "My Utmost for His Highest."

Almost every day a line or two from these short selections leaps out at me. About six weeks ago, on February 19, these lines came up off of the paper and implanted themselves deep in my soul. "We must do the thing and not lie like a log. If we will arise and shine, drudgery becomes divinely transfigured." Can you believe it? The man is exalting drudgery!

He goes on to say, "Drudgery is one of the finest touchstones of character there is. Drudgery is work that is very far removed from anything to do with the ideal — the utterly mean grubby things; and when we come in contact with them we know instantly whether or not we are spiritually real." Like Jesus, doing the drudgery of washing fisherman's dirty, smelly, calloused feet. And yet, centuries later, all over the world, Jesus is remembered as "the One who washes feet." When people go through drudgery with the light of God upon it, it hallows that thing forever.

When I think of drudgery in this light, people come to mind. Like my mother, who in addition to being the wife of a very successful and popular preacher, raised four sons and cared for her invalid mother, my grandma. Grandma came to live with us before I was born. She died when I was 16. The last ten years of her life she was confined to her bedroom. In those days there was no "home health" nurse. My mother was the home health nurse! She brought her meals to her room, bathed her, did the bedpan duty — every day. I never heard her complain about Grandma. She just did it. And the light of God shined, not only in Mother, but in the chores that she did.

I think of my wife, who, when she was a young woman, went home to take care of her mother, who was full of cancer. Each day she had the "chore" of being like a home health nurse. Shortly after her mother died, her father came up with cancer. So, for another year, in the prime of her life, she was "at home, caring for her folks." She says, "I really had no choice." But the light of God shines through that choice, for her character was formed through that drudgery.

I am reminded of my friend Herschal, who at age 85 is one of the strongest characters I have ever known. Tough. Athletic. A real leader. He nursed his wife of forty years through her bout with cancer — which she lost. It was a messy, hopeless thing. But he stayed there, cleaned up after her, slept little, waited on her. When I asked him, "How do you do it?," his response was, "I just do what I have to do." And he said it with a smile. Now, his second wife is dying, too. And Herschal is doing it again. Drudgery is one of the finest touchstones of character.

Last Sunday afternoon was not good for my friend Hilda. She came home after church and a good meal at the school cafeteria, the fundraiser for the veterans. She sat down to write her column, and, as she looked out the window, the cows were "out." They had broken through the barbed wire gate. And, she had to go fix it. Right now. She had to postpone writing her column. Drudgery. She told me about it something like this:

"Those cows. Broke through the barbed wire gate. I had a column to write. But, I had no choice. I had to go fix it. Barbed wire. Hard work." But then she went on to say, "I got it fixed. It took a while, but I fixed it. Actually it was kind of fun...I really enjoy fixing barbed wire gates!"

As Chambers puts it, "Some people do a certain thing and the way in which they do it hallows that thing for ever afterwards. It may be the most commonplace thing, but after we have seen them do it, it becomes different." From now on, every time I see a barbed wire gate, I'll think of Hilda, and her character. When the Lord does a thing through us, He always transfigures it. Drudgery is a fine touchstone of character. And character is what counts!

## National Infant Immunization Week — a week of opportunity

By CARRIE STEGEMOLLER, Health/Nutrition Coordinator  
Central Texas Opportunities-Head Start Program

Although immunization rates in our country are high and the occurrence of disease is low, many children are still underimmunized. Approximately one in four newborn to 2-year-old children in the United States is not properly immunized against infectious and potentially deadly diseases, such as measles, whooping cough, and diphtheria.

The good news is that more children in the past few years have been vaccinated than ever before. This is due in large part to the efforts of thousands of individuals throughout our communities. These community members have worked diligently to raise awareness about childhood immunizations and to ensure that underimmunized children receive their necessary vaccinations.

Community efforts are needed to reach the goal of immunizing at least 90 percent of America's 2-year-olds by the year 2000. National Infant Immunization Week (NIIW), April 20-27, 1997, offers a chance to highlight the role we all play in raising infant immunization rates across the country. The campaign offers communities the opportunity to promote childhood vaccinations and to build awareness about the important role that communities play in this effort. Together, we can carry

the immunization message to all members of every community, city, and county throughout the nation. This year's message is **Don't Wait-Vaccinate.**

Presently, the greatest challenges facing infant immunization revolve around the public perception that we do not have a childhood immunization problem in this country. Issues such as violence, drug abuse, education, and other health problems tend to garner the most media attention and public interest, and, as a result, immunization does not get the attention it deserves. But it is a fact: Too few children in our communities are fully immunized and are at risk for vaccine-preventable diseases.

Through combined local, regional, and national efforts, NIIW can help to raise infant immunization rates and bring in more diverse partners to contribute to the effort to protect our nation's children.

To learn how you can get involved with local immunization activities, call Carrie Stegemoller, Health/Nutrition Coordinator, Central Texas Opportunities Inc.—Head Start Program. To learn more about immunization, including schedules, call 1-800-232-2522 (English) or 1-800-232-0233 (Spanish).

## Chamber Memo

By Julie Springer, manager

### Mayfest scheduled for Saturday, May 3, in Ted Meyer City Park

The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce is hosting its 16th Annual Mayfest, Saturday, May 3, in the Ted Meyer City Park. Come out and help celebrate!

#### A tentative schedule follows:

9:00 a.m.	Mayfest officially open
10:00 a.m.	Flag ceremony and National Anthem
10:30 a.m.	St. John's Lutheran Preschool
11:00 a.m.	Scurry County Senior Citizens Kitchen Band
12:00 noon	Winters Elementary Select Choir
1:00 p.m.	Heaven's Jubilee
2:00 p.m.	Winters Squares
3:00-6:00 p.m.	Gene Christian and area fiddlers

#### Outside Activities:

Grohman Kids Petting Zoo, Child Protective Services Celebrity Jail, Jr. High Cheerleaders Face Painting, Project Graduation Treasure Find & 3-on-3 Basketball, American Legion Dart Throw, Piggy Pop Express (from 9 a.m.-6 p.m.), Magical Majorettes & Rosie Rocha, Tri-State Attractions (behind community center May 1-May 4), Softball Tournament, Washer Throw (please call Chamber for more info), Tug-O-War (please call Chamber to sign up a team), Egg Toss (Mary Slimp will sign up teams that day).

#### Food Booths:

Chamber of Commerce has all soft drinks, tea, & lemonade. Literary & Service Club w/coffee and donuts (morning only) and cobbler, brownies, and pickles (all day). Mt. Carmel Catholic Church and CYO w/chicken tacos and nachos. Kurt Rominger w/roasted corn. Lawrence Bros. IGA w/BBQ. Winters Fire Dept. w/hamburgers and French fries. EMS w/Gatorade and bottle water. Submarine Sandwiches.

#### Booths in the Community Center:

Winters Senior Citizens Bake Sale; Shirley Meyer, silver jewelry; Kenneth Thompson, saddlery; Angie Parker, arts & crafts; Eastern Star, knives and cards; Staked Plains Press — Bill Modisett w/"J. Evetts Haley — A True Texas Legend;" Cameleon Enterprises NIKE, Tommy Hilfiger, Polo t-shirts, Oakley & NIKE sunglasses at a reduced price plus much more; Nelda Briley, arts & crafts; First Med of Winters Health Fair; Candle Decor & More.

The Chamber is now selling Mayfest t-shirts. Orders will be taken up to May 3. T-shirts are available in sizes small through 3X. Small is very limited so place your order early. "Kickin' Back in Winters, Texas" is featured on the shirt with a 4-color picture of boots and spurs. The Blizzard logo is on the calf of the boot. The cloth is natural-colored.

Chamber membership is desperately needed. Please contact Julie Springer for more information about fees and what the Chamber can do for you.

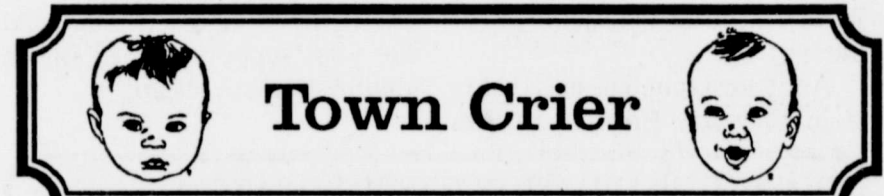
### WHS Cheerleaders to serve Hamburger Lunch on Sunday

1997-'98 WHS Cheerleaders Jeanna, Heather, Monica, Misty, Alison, and Candi invite everyone to their Hamburger Lunch on Sunday, April 27. Serving will begin at 11:00 a.m. and conclude at 1:00 p.m. at the School Cafeteria.

Items on the menu this year include a hamburger, French fries, tea, and dessert. Cost of the plate is \$4.00 each.

Proceeds will be used to offset expenses for camp, uniforms, and supplies for sign-making.

Enjoy your meal and support the team that backs the Blizzards all the way!



## Town Crier

### Rylee Nicole Randolph

Ashley Allcorn is proud to announce the arrival of her new niece, Rylee Nicole Randolph.

Rylee was born at 3:04 p.m. Friday, March 14, 1997, at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock. She weighed 7 pounds, 7 ounces and was 21 inches long.

Rylee is proudly welcomed by her big sister, Reagan Randolph. Parents are Danny and Allison Randolph of Sundown, Texas.

Maternal grandparents are Charles and Jane Allcorn of Winters, Texas. Paternal grandparents are Don and Sunnye Randolph of Earth, Texas.

### Immunization Clinic set May 9

The Texas Department of Health will hold an Immunization Clinic on Friday, May 9, 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.

### Winters Squares to dance April 26

The Winters Squares will host their monthly dance session on Saturday, April 26, at the Winters Community Center.

Line and country dancing will begin at 7:30 p.m. Square dancing begins at 8:00 p.m.

A potluck dinner will be served. Ed Hart will be the caller.

### Diabetes Support Group to meet

The Diabetes Support Group of Winters, sponsored by North Runnels Hospital, will hold its next meeting on May 1 at 7:00 p.m. at the fellowship hall of the First Baptist Church of Winters.

Speaker for the meeting is John Welchon, DPM, of San Angelo, who will present information on foot complications of diabetes as well as tips and suggestions in regard to the prevention of foot problems. Dr. Welchon has extensive experience in the prevention and treatment of foot complications. He has recently moved his practice to San Angelo from San Antonio.

There is no charge for the meeting and anyone with an interest in diabetes is welcome to attend.

#### Correction

In last week's edition, the name of Suzy Mendoza was inadvertently omitted as a Girl Scout leader of Brownie Troop #181. The article was in reference to Girl Scout Leader Appreciation Day.

Please offer thanks to Suzy for her hard work and dedication as a leader of our youth.

The Winters Enterprise apologizes for the error.

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## WISD bus carrying 34 children hits car

A 1995 WISD school bus carrying thirty-four children collided with a 1986 Chevrolet van driven by Cynthia Mata last Friday afternoon at 3:44.

Mata was southbound on North Melwood when she approached the intersection of West Parsonage.

According to Winters police officer Alfredo Sanchez, Mata said she "didn't see anybody" after she checked the intersection then proceeded forward.

The bus, driven by Betty Grenwelge, was traveling west on Parsonage when it struck the middle to back portion of the van, spinning the van 180-degrees. The right front tire of the van then hit a sidewalk and bent the wheel under the car. The bus sustained very minor damage.

None of the children nor Grenwelge were injured. Mata received slight bruises on her arm and leg. She was cited for failure to yield.

## Mobile mammography unit now serving Winters

Shannon Clinic's mobile mammography unit is making on-site visits throughout the Concho Valley and will be at North Runnels Hospital Thursday, May 8. Further dates will be announced as they are scheduled with the local hospital.

The mobile unit is a first for San Angelo and one of only a few available regionally. According to David Trevino, radiology manager at Shannon Clinic, until now, Lubbock and San Antonio were the closest cities to operate mobile mammography units.

"It's now a lot easier for women in the regional area to have access to mammography," he said. He believes many women put off the screenings because of the inconvenience of having to leave their hometowns to get the test done.

The mobile program is working with local hospitals and clinics to schedule dates for screenings. Once a schedule is established, doctors will be able to set up appointments with their patients for screenings.

A clerk and a technologist travel to each remote site and set up the unit in an exam room. The clerk greets patients and handles paperwork, and the technologist conducts the screenings. The process takes about 25 minutes. Images from the mobile screenings will be processed and interpreted at Shannon Clinic and the results mailed to patients about two or three days later. If an abnormality is detected, patients will be called immediately.

Jo Millican, mammography coordinator for Shannon Clinic, handles scheduling. "It's important to be flexible even when the patient load is high—especially for a procedure many women are apprehensive about," she said. "If

a patient is hesitant to go for a screening, they're less likely to delay or cancel the appointment if they can get their exam right away."

Although women should get an initial mammogram by age 40, it's especially crucial for older women to have regular screenings because the risk of developing breast cancer increases with age. Women between ages 40 to 49 should get mammograms every two years, and women over age 50 should have annual screenings. "Early detection is a key factor in successful treatment of breast cancer, so it's not a good idea to postpone a checkup," Millican said.

Why do some women tend to put off having a mammogram? "Many hear that screenings are painful. They can be uncomfortable but usually not painful," Millican said. "Then most women consider their breasts a very private part of the body, so they may experience some emotional discomfort as well." She said all of the clinic's technologists are female which helps put patients at ease.

Shannon Clinic averages more than 5,000 screenings a year, and that number is expected to increase significantly now that the mobile unit program is underway. "Mammography is a vital tool in detecting breast cancer, and women have gotten that message," Millican said. "What we're doing now is making it easier for them to follow through."

For a mammography appointment or for more information on the screening procedure or breast cancer in general, call Shannon Clinic at 1-800-530-4143, extension 3235 or 3229.

**Attention all parents of high school seniors :**  
The next PROJECT GRADUATION meeting will be Monday, April 28 at 6:30 p.m. in the band hall. All interested parents need to be in attendance. There are still many details that need to be discussed before May 30. ALL parents need to be involved.

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NORMA HOGAN is presented with the crocheted afghan donated by Ollie Webb as a Christmas in April fund-raiser. Seventy-five dollars was collected by Lawrence Bros. IGA Grocery employees for chances on the afghan. Rhonda Joeris, scan coordinator, makes the presentation.

## Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz

Crews News is unavailable this week and may not be printed for quite some time.

Hilda Kurtz, at an active age of 87, has taken a fall while tending to her sheep and has cracked her femur (the long bone at the top of the leg).

As of press time Tuesday, Hilda is in Shannon Hospital in San

Angelo and is scheduled to have surgery Wednesday afternoon. The bone specialist said that she would require pins to hold the bones together.

Please drop Hilda a line or two or stop by to visit her. She could use your support—especially in tending to those sheep!

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## 'Doc' Beazley to direct his final HSU rodeo, April 24-26

Hardin-Simmons University's 51st annual intercollegiate rodeo will be held April 24-26 at Carl Myers Rodeo Arena (2800 Grape St.) at 8 p.m.

It will be the last rodeo to be directed by the legendary coordinator of the Six White Horses, Dr. Bill 'Doc' Beazley as he is retiring from the university staff on May 31, 1997.

Admission to each performance is free.

Dr. Beazley said that approximately 225 to 240 college and university cowboys and cowgirls from 22 schools are expected to compete in bareback and saddle bronc riding, calf roping, team roping, breakaway roping, barrel racing, bull riding, goat tying, and steer wrestling.

Among schools expected to have competitors are Western Texas College, Cisco and Ranger colleges, Texas Tech University, Frank Phillips College, Vernon Regional Junior College, Sul Ross State University, Tarleton State,

Midwestern University, New Mexico State University, and Odessa College.

The "world famous" Cowboy Band, directed by Don Hanna, will play at each performance.

The Six White Horses and their co-ed riders will also be featured along with several area riding clubs.

Philip Schutts of Fort Worth will be returning as rodeo announcer.

Quail Dobbs, professional and nationally-known rodeo clown, and Gerry Bryan of Stephenville will be in charge of the specialty acts.

Stock from Terry Walls of Stephenville will again be provided.

The HSU Rodeo Association, headed by Jonathan Gay, will assist with details of the rodeo. Sponsors are Dr. Lawrence Clayton, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and Watson Moore, controller.

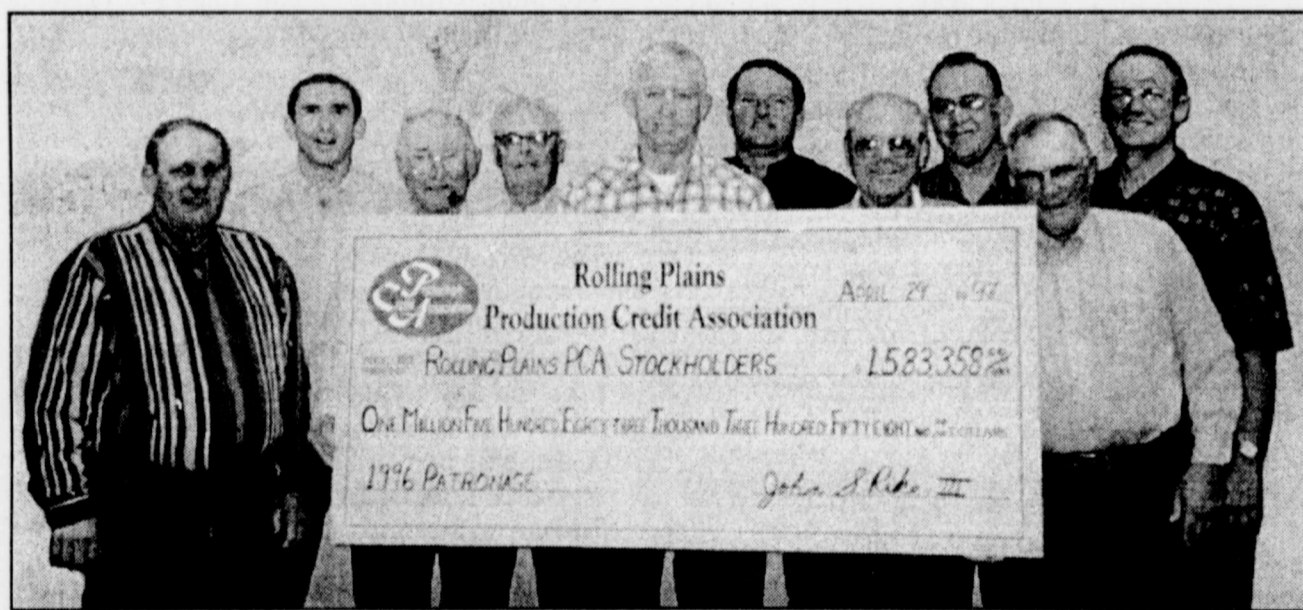
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# Elementary students take second at District U.I.L. Academic Meet

Winters Elementary School is proud to announce results of the District 8AA U.I.L. Academic Meet held Thursday, April 3, and Monday, April 7, in Roscoe.

Winters received the overall second place honor competing against Wall, Forsan, and Coahoma. Students received medals for 1st through 3rd places and ribbons for 4th through 6th places.

In thirteen events, Winters students achieved 50 placings. Coordinator Troylene Lincycomb is proud to say that of 15 students in grades 2-6 competing in writing events, twelve placed within the top six positions in their divisions. She notes that this is very good and shows the yearlong efforts of both the students and the teachers.

Events, grade levels, and placings are as follows:

### ART CONTEST

**4th Grade**  
Katy Wilkerson, Kathryn Hatler, Rachel Davis, & Christina Perrie, 1st (team); Amber Green, alternate

**5th Grade**  
Briana Parramore, Maegan Schwartz, Kari Walker, & Monica Navarro, 2nd (team); Will Ahrens, alternate

### CALCULATOR

**6th Grade**  
Jared Airhart, 4th  
Laci Walker, 6th  
Leah Bredemeyer  
Stacey Walden, alternate

### CREATIVE WRITING

**2nd Grade**  
Luke England, 3rd  
Cory Sudduth, 4th  
Cory Pringle, 5th  
Steven Kruse, alternate

### DICTIONARY SKILLS

**5th Grade**  
Jennifer Hagle, 4th  
Jessica Pritchard, 6th  
Jonathan Lujano  
Chance Hogan, alternate

### 6th Grade

Stacey Sneed, 1st  
Laci Walker, 3rd  
Jena Bahlman  
Brian Pritchard, alternate

### LISTENING SKILLS

**5th Grade**  
Jennifer Hagle, 3rd

Peter Griffin

Adam Escalona (competed at higher grade level)  
Angela Navarro, alternate

**6th Grade**  
Aaron Gann, 1st  
Leslye Geistmann, 2nd  
Kirby Hatler

Tia Santoya, alternate  
**MAPS, GRAPHS, & CHARTS**

**5th Grade**  
Eric Wyatt, 2nd (competed at higher grade level)

Timothy Fenwick, 6th  
Benji Valles  
Will Ahrens, alternate

**6th Grade**  
Deanna Goff, 1st  
Brian Pritchard, 3rd  
Shane Colburn, 4th  
Guy Slimp, alternate

**MUSIC MEMORY**

**5th Grade**  
Jennifer Hagle, Rachel Rios,

Angela Navarro, & Monica Navarro, 5th (team); Minnie Jo Kraatz, alternate

**6th Grade**  
Leah Bredemeyer, Stefanie Davis, Amy Patterson, & Stacey Sneed, 4th (team)

**MATHEMATICS**

**6th Grade**  
Brian Pritchard, 1st  
Shane Colburn, 3rd  
Jared Airhart, 4th  
Stefanie Davis, alternate

**NUMBER SENSE**

**4th Grade**  
Laura Jackson & Kinsey Airhart, 4th (tie)

Marci Paschal, 6th  
Becky Lockstedt, alternate

**5th Grade**  
Francisco Santos, 4th  
Chance Hogan  
Timothy Fenwick

Maegan Schwartz, alternate

**6th Grade**  
Shane Colburn, 1st  
Brian Pritchard, 2nd  
Laci Walker, 6th  
Jared Airhart, alternate

**ORAL READING**

**4th Grade**  
Jeremy Mendoza, 6th  
Kinsey Airhart  
Katy Wilkerson  
Kathryn Hatler, alternate

**5th Grade**  
Kari Walker, 2nd  
Briana Parramore, 6th  
Wacey Cason  
Kayla Calcote, alternate

**6th Grade**  
Lacey Meyer, 1st  
Amy Patterson, 4th  
Stacey Sneed, 5th  
Deanna Goff, alternate

**READY WRITING**

**3rd Grade**  
Krystal Gibbens, 2nd  
Eric Wyatt, 6th

Rebecca Morrison  
Aaron Colburn

**4th Grade**  
Katy Wilkerson, 3rd  
Rachel Davis, 6th  
Christina Perrie  
Kathryn Hatler, alternate

**5th Grade**  
Briana Parramore, 1st  
Joe Jackson, 2nd  
Kari Walker, 3rd  
Benji Valles, alternate

**6th Grade**  
Lacey Meyer, 4th  
Stefanie Davis, 5th  
Jena Bahlman

**SPELLING**

**3rd Grade**  
Jessica Meyer  
Eric Wyatt  
Krystal Gibbens  
Aaron Colburn, alternate

**4th Grade**  
Jacob Bridgeman, 6th  
Shyla Garza  
Laura Jackson  
Jonathan Meyer, alternate (to

compete at higher grade level)

**5th Grade**  
Timothy Fenwick, 4th  
Jessica Barron  
Cecilia Ovalles  
Francisco Santos, alternate

**6th Grade**  
Brandon Davis, 3rd  
Kemari Hale  
Allison Calcote  
Heather Martin, alternate

**STORYTELLING**

**2nd Grade**  
Kody McCuiston, 2nd  
Allan Green  
Yesenia Flores  
Bryant Mikeska, alternate

**3rd Grade**  
Amanda Polk, 1st  
Aaron Colburn  
Amber Tolen  
Elizabeth Sartor, alternate.

Coaches for events were Troylene Lincycomb, Cheryl Sneed, Melinda Meyers, Mary Beth Ahrens, Kathy Pringle, Cindy Cathey, Marthiel Russell, Terry Wyatt, Penni Smith, Brilla Magee, Lou Ann Hatler, Cindy Brown, Jody Meyer, Naida Barker, Christi Bearden, Joanie Prado, Ann Shackelford, and Helen Grantham.

**Special Olympics Spring Games rescheduled**

Area 14 Special Olympics Spring Games were canceled April 12 due to inclement weather.

Competition has been rescheduled for Saturday, April 26, at Gordon Wood Stadium in Brownwood.



2ND & 3RD GRADE U.I.L. PARTICIPANTS were (top, l to r) Elizabeth Sartor, Eric Wyatt, Aaron Colburn, Jessica Meyer, Rebecca Morrison, Krystal Gibbens, (middle) Yesenia Flores, Kody McCuiston, Wiley Guy, Luke England, Allan Green, Cory Sudduth, Bryant Mikeska, and (front) Cory Pringle. Not pictured is Steven Kruse, Amanda Polk, and Amber Tolen.



4TH GRADE U.I.L. PARTICIPANTS were (top, l to r) Amber Green, Kathryn Hatler, Christina Perrie, Katy Wilkerson, Becky Lockstedt, Laura Jackson, Shyla Garza, Adam Escalona, (middle) Marci Paschal, Kinsey Airhart, Rachel Davis, Jeremy Mendoza, Peter Griffin, and (front) Jonathan Meyer. Not pictured is Jacob Bridgeman.



5TH GRADE U.I.L. PARTICIPANTS were (top, l to r) Francisco Santos, Joe Jackson, Benji Valles, Jonathan Lujano, Maegan Schwartz, Kari Walker, Kayla Calcote, Monica Navarro, Raquel Rios, Wacey Cason, (middle) Chance Hogan, Will Ahrens, Jessica Pritchard, Cecilia Ovalles, Briana Parramore, Jessica Barron, Timothy Fenwick, (bottom) Angela Navarro, and Jennifer Hagle. Not pictured is Minnie Jo Kraatz.



6TH GRADE U.I.L. PARTICIPANTS were (top, l to r) Kemari Hale, Lacey Meyer, Jena Bahlman, Leslye Geistmann, Stacey Sneed, Allison Calcote, Aaron Gann, Shane Colburn, (middle) Tia Santoya, Stefanie Davis, Laci Walker, Leah Bredemeyer, Brian Pritchard, Jared Airhart, Guy Slimp, (bottom) Kirby Hatler, Stacey Walden, Deanna Goff, Brandon Davis, (center front) Heather Martin. Not pictured is Amy Patterson.

## Blizzard relay team takes second at qualifiers' meet; ready for regionals

The WHS Blizzard 3200 meter relay team brought home a second place win with a time of 3:29 at the Regional Qualifiers' track meet last Saturday at Wall.

Team members are Jace Wade, Eric Bernal, Jonathan Gann and Lee Woffenden.

Gann also snagged a second place in the 800 meter run with a time of 1:59.

Michael Prewit won fifth place in the shot put with a toss of 47'11".

The regional track meet will begin with preliminaries on Friday, April 25, and finals on Saturday at Abilene Christian University.

## Mayfest Spring Specials May 3



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**Tuesday-April 29**  
Blueberry Muffins  
Cream of Wheat  
Apple Juice

**Wednesday-April 30**  
Cinnamon Toast  
Cereal

Mixed Fruit

**Thursday-May 1**  
Biscuits  
Sausage  
Sliced Peaches

**Friday-May 2**  
Toast  
Scrambled Eggs  
Orange Juice

#### Lunch

**Monday-April 28**  
Fish Sticks  
Macaroni/Cheese  
Green Beans  
Hot Roll  
Fruit Salad

**Tuesday-April 29**  
Hot Dog  
Tater Tots  
Sliced Pickles  
Coleslaw  
Chocolate Cake

**Wednesday-April 30**  
Oven Fried Chicken/Gravy  
Mashed Potatoes  
Broccoli  
Hot Roll  
Sliced Peaches

**Thursday-May 1**  
Frito Pie/Chili/Cheese  
Red Beans  
Tossed Salad  
Cornbread  
Pineapple Pudding

**Friday-May 2**  
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## Track Feats

### Girls 800 meter relay team sets new school record

The girls track team competed in Wall on Friday, April 18. They turned in good times and are ready for the regional meet this weekend at ACU's Elmer Gray Stadium in Abilene.

The 800 meter relay team of Karen Oats, Monica Parramore, Jeanna Kozelsky, and Misty Pritchard set a new school record of 1 minute, 49.28 seconds and also took first place in the meet.

Other individual events and times included:

**100 M Hurdles**  
Kelli Slimp, 16.61

**100 M**  
Karen Oats, 13.3  
Monica Parramore, 13.53  
**300 M Hurdles**  
Jeanna Kozelsky, 3rd, 48.50  
Kelli Slimp, 4th, 49.02  
**200 M**  
Misty Pritchard, 2nd, 26.58  
**1600 M Relay**  
Misty Pritchard, Monica Parramore, Tarra Burns, and Kelli Slimp, 3rd, 4:22.53  
**Long Jump**  
Jeanna Kozelsky, 5th, 15'2"  
**Triple Jump**  
Jeanna Kozelsky, 5th, 32'10-1/2"

### Junior High girls run to second, third place finishes at District

The Winters Junior High girls competed among District 8AA track teams in Roscoe on Friday, April 4. In respective divisions, the eighth graders finished in second place and seventh graders in third.

Individual events and placings included:

**8TH GRADE**  
**Shot Put**  
Michelle Paschal, 1st, 27'3-1/2"  
Jessica DelaRosa, 4th, 23'8-1/2"  
Tracie Morrison, 5th, 21'6-3/4"  
**Discus**  
Rebecca Moreno, 4th, 66'3"  
Jessica DelaRosa, 5th, 61'7"  
Tracie Morrison, 6th, 55'10"  
**High Jump**  
Kacy McCuistion, 3rd, 4'  
**Long Jump**  
Kacy McCuistion, 3rd, 14'6"  
Elizabeth Drake, 11'7-3/4"  
Theresa Cangiolioli, 10'5"  
**Triple Jump**  
Desirae Hammersmith, 1st, 27'2"  
Lori Bredemeyer, 6th, 23'3-1/2"  
**2400 M Run**  
Theresa Cangiolioli, 3rd, 12:05.09  
Lucero Vega, 4th, 12:30  
Kayla Torres, 5th

**Team:** Girls Varsity Softball  
**Coach:** Shelly Hayes/Chris Bearden  
**Date & place of game:**  
April 4, 1997—Winters  
**Opponent:** Panther Creek  
**Winning pitcher:** Jana Presley  
**Winning catcher:** Tina Sherman  
**Losing pitcher:** Holly Stephenson  
**Losing catcher:** LeAnna Jones  
**Key plays:** HR Heathcott 2B Heathcott, Luz 3B Heathcott  

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	14	8	4
OPPONENT	4	2	4

**Coach's comments:** We started off a little slow but really put on a performance later in the game. We turned 3 double plays—one from Raquel and one from Jennifer. Amy really came through and "smacked" the ball! She did it all with 1 double, 1 triple, and then an inside-the-park homerun. The girls dddd the season on a good note! I am prouddddd of their effort this year. I am already looking forward to next year! RECORD: District 3-7, Overall 6-11.

**400 M Relay**  
Jessica DelaRosa, Desirae Hammersmith, Brittney Tekell, and Leslie Luna, 2nd, 58.18  
**100 M Dash**  
Jessica DelaRosa, 2nd, 13.91  
Brittney Tekell, 5th, 14.78  
Rebecca Moreno, 15.58  
**7TH GRADE**  
**Shot Put**  
Michelle Walden, 2nd, 21'3/4"  
Amanda Ortiz, 5th, 20'4"  
Georgetta Horton, 17'5-1/2"  
**Discus**  
Michelle Walden, 6th, 57'10"  
**Long Jump**  
Monica Hicks, 6th, 12'5-1/2"  
Juanita Armendariz, 12'4"  
**2400 M Run**  
Cassandra Johnson, 1st, 10:58  
Juanita Armendariz, 2nd, 11:02.18  
Scarlet McMinn, 5th, 11:37.99  
**400 M Relay**  
Michelle Walden, Monica Hicks, Staci Bishop, and Amanda Ortiz, 2nd, 59.12  
**800 M Run**  
Monica Rodriguez, 1st, 3:25.87  
Isiah Lara, 2nd, 3:29.52  
**100 M Hurdles**  
Mandy Pritchard, 4th, 20.35

**Team:** Varsity Boys  
**Coach:** Charles Murphy  
**Date & place of game:**  
April 12, 1997—Eldorado  
**Opponent:** Eldorado  
**Winning pitcher:** Bishop  
**Winning catcher:** Nitsch  
**Losing pitcher:** Bownds  
**Losing catcher:** Paynor  
**Key plays:** 2B Murphy, Yanez 3B Bishop, Hilliard  

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	16	14	5
OPPONENT	11	12	8

**Coach's comments:** This game was somewhat like a track meet. We played fair defense and hit the ball very well. Shane Lewallen was 3 for 5 while Justin Minzenmayer and Bear Nitsch were 2 for 4. Every starter but one scored at least one run.

**Team:** Junior Varsity Boys  
**Coach:** Ed Henley  
**Date & place of game:**  
April 14, 1997—Baird  
**Opponent:** Baird  
**Winning pitcher:** Jeremy Alvarado  
**Winning catcher:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Losing pitcher:** Rivera  
**Losing catcher:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Key plays:** HR Eric Tekell, Chris Lujano 3B Chris Lujano  

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	8	12	1
OPPONENT	3	4	2

**Coach's comments:** Played well on defense and offense. Chris Lujano 3 for 4, 3 RBIs. Eddie Rodriguez 3 for 4, 2 RBIs. Jeremy Alvarado 2 for 3, pitched complete game (71 pitches, 6 strikeouts).

**Team:** Girls Varsity Softball  
**Coach:** Shelly Hayes/Chris Bearden  
**Date & place of game:**  
April 7, 1997—Eula  
**Opponent:** Eula  
**Winning pitcher:** Anna Gardner  
**Winning catcher:** Kelley Pearson  
**Losing pitcher:** Jana Presley  
**Losing catcher:** Tina Sherman  
**Key plays:** \_\_\_\_\_  

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	4		
OPPONENT	12		

**Coach's comments:** We played a good game. Eula is a good team! They got the hits and runs when they needed them and we didn't. Jana pitched a good game and Michelle had some good hits. We just came up short!

**Team:** Junior Varsity Boys  
**Coach:** Ed Henley  
**Date & place of game:**  
April 19, 1997—Abilene  
**Opponent:** Abilene High Freshmen  
**Winning pitcher:** Estrada  
**Winning catcher:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Losing pitcher:** Eddie Rodriguez  
**Losing catcher:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Key plays:** 2B Alvarado  

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	1	4	5
OPPONENT	11	13	2

Jenny Stokes, 21.70  
Kalene Lincycomb, 22.00  
**100 M Dash**  
Michelle Walden, 2nd, 14.04  
Monica Hicks, 14.66  
Kelly Walker, 16.22  
**800 M Relay**  
Amanda Ortiz, Staci Bishop, Traci Burns, and Mandy Pritchard, 2:14.2  
**400 M Dash**  
Karen Wimberley, 1:29.17  
Kyla Collins, 1:29.72  
Samantha Montgomery, 1:31.56  
**300 M Hurdles**  
Jenny Stokes, 2nd, 1:02.61  
Kalene Lincycomb, 6th, 1:09.14  
**200 M Dash**  
Amanda Ortiz, 4th, 32.7  
Maegan Nitsch, 35.95  
Georgetta Horton, 36.86  
**1600 M Run**  
Juanita Armendariz, 1st, 7:01.32  
Cassandra Johnson, 3rd, 7:24.22  
Tassi Hopson, 4th, 7:29.82  
**1600 M Relay**  
Mandy Pritchard, Traci Burns, Tassi Hopson, and Juanita Armendariz, 2nd, 5:36.

**Team:** Varsity Boys  
**Coach:** Charles Murphy  
**Date & place of game:**  
April 8, 1997—Winters  
**Opponent:** Wall  
**Winning pitcher:** Sefeik  
**Winning catcher:** Sykes  
**Losing pitcher:** Bishop  
**Losing catcher:** Nitsch  
**Key plays:** \_\_\_\_\_  

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	0	2	13
OPPONENT	14	8	4

**Coach's comments:** Thank goodness this only lasted five innings.

### Ballinger Rural Health Clinic's proposal accepted for inmate care

A proposal from Ballinger Rural Health Clinic for care of county jail inmates was accepted by Runnels County Commissioners Court at a special meeting on Tuesday, April 22.

The proposal for care includes charges of \$35 per patient visit to the clinic and \$28 per subsequent visit to the clinic. The same charges would apply for a Physician's Assistant's twice weekly visits to the jail for inmate care. There will be an additional charge of \$10 per patient for the P.A.'s visit to the jail if it is not on the regularly scheduled days.

Others submitting proposals included Ballinger Family Health Clinic and Dr. Jerry W. Biddix of Winters. Dr. Y.K. Lee of Winters sent a letter declining a proposal.

Commissioners also approved tax abatement agreements between the County, City of Ballinger, and Ballinger Memorial Hospital District and Studer Rental Corp. and National Diversified Company. The Court had already agreed to allow the abatements, but formally approved the signed agreements on Tuesday.

The only other item of business on the agenda was the approval of advertising for bids for supplies needed for water system improvements for Rowena Water Supply Corporation. The corporation has received a STEP grant for improvement of its water distribution system and work is about to begin, according to Commissioner Ricky Strube.

### Luna elected to WTC Senate

Michael Luna of Winters has been elected to the Student Senate at Western Texas College.

Michael is the son of Valentine Luna and is a freshman, majoring in Criminal Justice.

### Project Graduation needs HELP!!!

Donations for Project Graduation are extremely down this year from previous years. Businesses and individuals are having trouble with their finances so everyone seems to suffer. But remember...these kids and their families have supported your businesses for more than the past 13 years...and they deserve to be shown how proud we are of their accomplishments upon graduation, and they should be able to enjoy a graduation party this year, the same as those in the past years have done.

If you have not yet contributed to Project Graduation, please do so now. If you have been "thinking" about giving something, do so now. The amount doesn't have to be great...\$1, \$5, \$10...any cash donation is welcome. Gift items are accepted, also, and greatly appreciated.

Project Graduation is an all night chemical-free party given by the parents of the graduating seniors. This year there will be 56 seniors benefiting from this event. The party will be fun, exciting and safe. EVERY SENIOR will receive at least one major gift (\$50 or more in value), one door prize, the opportunity to win other prizes throughout the night, and the chance to bid on other prizes at an auction toward the end of the event. The excitement of receiving these gifts is the enticement for remaining at this party instead of staying out all night on their own and having an accident. Without donations, there cannot be as many gifts.

The parents of these worthy seniors depend on the generosity of their friends, neighbors and the businesses they patronize to provide these prizes.

With all the other fund raisers going on at this time, please remember, this will be the LAST CHANCE to support this group of young people.

Dig a little deeper...PLEASE!!!  
Call Barbie Bishop 767-3788 or 754-4513, or Melanie Wade 754-4385 or 754-5025, or any parent of a senior.

## April is Community Bank Month

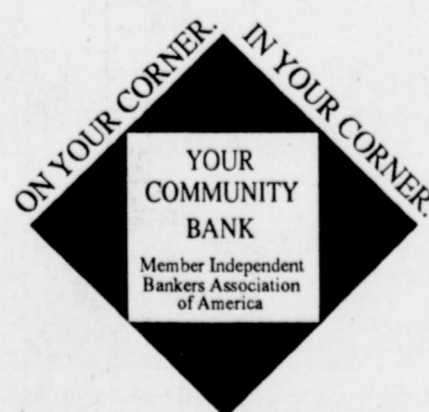
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### Students of the Month

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.

Justin Calcote, 14, is "Boy of the Month" for February, 1997. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Mike Calcote.

Justin is in the eighth grade where his favorite subject is science. He is honored to have received sports awards in tennis, football, basketball, and track.

He enjoys playing tennis. To pass the time, Justin is challenged by computer games.

His duties include working in the yard and keeping his room clean.

The people Justin admires most are his parents.

He plans to work with computers.

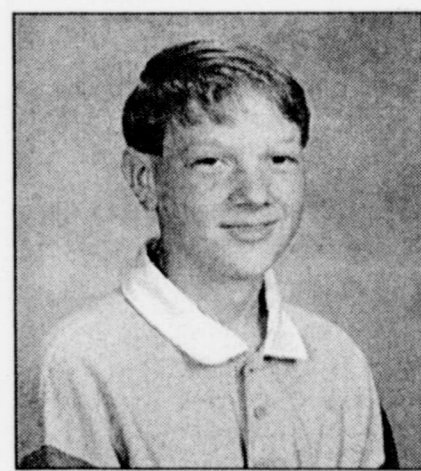
Michelle Walden, 13, has been chosen as the "Girl of the Month" for February, 1997. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Walden.

Michelle is in the seventh grade and enjoys math. She is honored to receive "Perfect Attendance" awards.

Michelle enjoys riding horses. To pass the time, she talks on the phone and plays computer games.

Her duties include taking care of livestock and keeping her room clean.

She plans to train horses for barrel racing. Michelle most admires her parents.



Justin Calcote  
Boy of the Month



Michelle Walden  
Girl of the Month

### W.H.S. Cheerleaders Hamburger Lunch

\$4.00 per plate

Sunday, April 27,

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

School Cafeteria



Hamburger, French Fries, Tea & Dessert  
Take-outs available.

## Poe's Corner

By Charlsie Poe

### How to choke a lynx cat

*Writer's Note: This is the true story of a fascinating woman whom I met while vacationing in Arizona.*

We were visiting George's sister and family when his niece invited me to attend her on a trip to the Papago Indian reservation where her husband was building water tanks for the Indians.

I was introduced to Goldie Richmond, who owned and operated Tracy's Trading Post. She had saved her husband's life by strangling a lynx cat with her bare hands.

My book, "Angel to the Papagos," was published in 1964, and interest has been revived in Goldie's life and times by the beautiful quilts she made depicting her life on the desert.

My interest has been renewed by Carolyn Davis of Tucson, Arizona, who has been researching Goldie's stunning quilts, and who wrote me for information.

The nips of winter had already been felt on the desert. The clear brilliance of November days and skies of infinite blue had turned gray and somber.

Deer were scarcer now, but a herd led by a wily old buck had left the higher elevation and was browsing its way to the valley below. This mysterious plain, full of brooding silence, was the home of the Papago Indians known as the Bean People, gentlest of Ari-



Charlsie Poe

zona tribes.

These brown skinned ones wandered calm and smiling across the barren wasteland, secure in the knowledge that Elder Brother, their God, had protected them by giving them a land no one else desired. Had they not been found and left alone? First there were hurried trips by the Spanish missionaries and soldiers and several raids by the Apaches, but they all came and went. Even the Americans, who now owned their land, stampeded westward after gold, but steered clear of this rainless valley.

Far in the distance, two alien pale faces, like small bugs, crawled across the desert sands toward the eternal mountains of the Quijota. Winding their way among the tall saguaro cacti, prickly pear, and shrubs, the figures appeared at the mouth of a box canyon, between jagged walls of rock. In the lead was a thin, stoop-shouldered man who parted the bushes and looked carefully at the ground. White bushy hair stuck out like a halo under his old hat. He was followed by the huge fig-

ure of a woman, dressed in a homemade denim dress, with a hat pulled low over kean blue eyes. She looked also for cactus thorns each time before setting her foot, encased in a size 13 man's shoe, on the ground. In her hands, she carried a bait bucket full of rabbit meat, pliers, and some old newspapers. Several steel traps were slung over her arms.

"We're about half-way through, Goldie," said the man. "We'll set the new traps above the water hole." He pushed through a desert hackberry bush and she followed right behind him.

Coming out of the bush, a furry streak hurtled through the air from an overhanging rock and landed on the man's back. He screamed in agony and surprise as the huge animal ripped him with his claws and began to chew on his flesh. Startled, Goldie lunged at the cat, with all the power of her 330 pounds, grabbed him by the throat and squeezed with her tremendous strength.

Fear gripped her as the powerful animal clawed her arms with its hind feet and ripped off her skirt, then her petticoat and her stockings, but she held on. She dared not let go, knowing the cat would kill her. Perspiration ran in rivulets down her face but she kept squeezing. After a seeming eternity, when the powerful jaws finally went limp and his teeth loosed from her husband, she dropped him. He was dead!

Although Goldie's arms ached and burned from the long, deep scratches they bore and her husband Marion was badly bitten, they took no thought of their wounds. Knowing that the pelts would spoil if left overnight, they finished checking the eight-mile trap line and managed to crawl back to their model T car and drive back to their camp homes carrying the animal Goldie had choked. Its long, light-brown, silky hair which grew even on its cheeks and the pointed ears also tipped with tufts of fur, plus a stubby tail, made her recognize it as a lynx cat.

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We love in others what we lack ourselves, and would be everything but what we are.  
—R.H. Stoddard

## Local children infected with hepatitis A

Please take precautions—remember to wash your hands

Most would agree that "an ounce of prevention is worth its weight in gold."

Please be advised that several cases of hepatitis A have been confirmed in Winters in children ages 7 to 12, according to local health officials. The virus began in mid-November 1996, with the most recent case being reported approximately three weeks ago. Two children in first grade and two children in seventh grade are confirmed to have become ill with hepatitis A.

Hepatitis A is a viral infection which primarily affects the liver and is usually a disease of children and young adults, although all ages are susceptible. The incubation period ranges from 15-50 days, with the average period being 25-30 days.

The A virus is contagious and is spread directly from person-to-person by "fecal-oral" route of transmission. This means that an infected person who used the restroom did not properly wash their hands and contaminated other objects. Fingers, food, and water serve as a mechanism for spreading the disease. J'Lynn Cooper, registered nurse with the Texas Department of Public Health—Winters Office, notes that sneezing and coughing do not promote the A virus.

Signs and symptoms vary widely in their severity, ranging from mild, flu-like illness in young

children to serious liver inflammation in the elderly.

In children, the virus begins suddenly with a headache, fever, vomiting, and abdominal pains lasting only for a very short time (7 days or less). Very young children may have hepatitis without ever showing any signs or symptoms at all. Sometimes they may have mild diarrhea or just appear to have a bad cold when they really have a type A infection.

Patients with viral hepatitis may have some or all of the following symptoms. Be alert for:

1. Aches in the head, back, or joints;
2. Fever, nausea, and vomiting;
3. Tenderness over the liver or a heavy feeling in the abdomen;
4. A washed-out feeling, like flu;
5. Yellow (jaundiced) appearance of the skin and the eyes. (Children with hepatitis usually do not become jaundiced.)

If you or anyone in your family has these symptoms, call your family physician or clinic. Your doctor may recommend immune globulin (IG) for close contacts of the ill child to help prevent the disease. Given early to persons exposed to hepatitis A, IG frequently prevents the illness or makes the symptoms less severe. Rest and proper diet are also important in the patient's recovery.

Cooper says "As of August 1, 1998, it will become mandatory to vaccinate against hepatitis B (caused by a totally different virus and circulated in the bloodstream, excreted in the sick person's body fluids). The immunization will help eliminate the B virus, but not type A."

Cooper recommends anyone getting immunized now receive the shot.

To prevent the spread of the disease, the most important and effective thing to remember is to wash hands after a visit to the restroom. School Nurse Bonnie Hood says in a letter to parents/guardians "school staff will continue to stress good handwashing practice with the students."

Hood believes that viral hepatitis should be noted and treated with caution; however, she is "not alarmed." She has been in contact with health officials in Austin and all confer that no proportionate problem exists at this time. Children in the same grade levels as those who have been ill, as well as the entire student body, are being watched.

"The A virus is the less sinister of the hepatitis infections," says Hood. "I believe that this virus circulates ever so often kind of like the flu and various other viruses."

Recognize infectious hepatitis early and take prompt measures to prevent its spread.



**City Park**  
May 1-May 4

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**Family Night**  
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### Wingate Church of Christ to host gospel meeting

The Wingate Church of Christ will host "The Word of Life," a gospel meeting, Sunday, May 4, through Wednesday, May 7.

On May 4, E.B. McCown will be the speaker. A potluck lunch will be served, followed by area-wide singing from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Speaker for services Monday-Wednesday is Frank Duckworth. Neil Hall is the song leader.

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### Co-Ed baseball to be played

Co-Ed baseball will be played again this summer. Please begin to organize teams. For more information, contact Angela Brewer at 754-4031 or Alfred Yates at 754-4484.

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—Charles Caleb Colton

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\_\_\_ Systems

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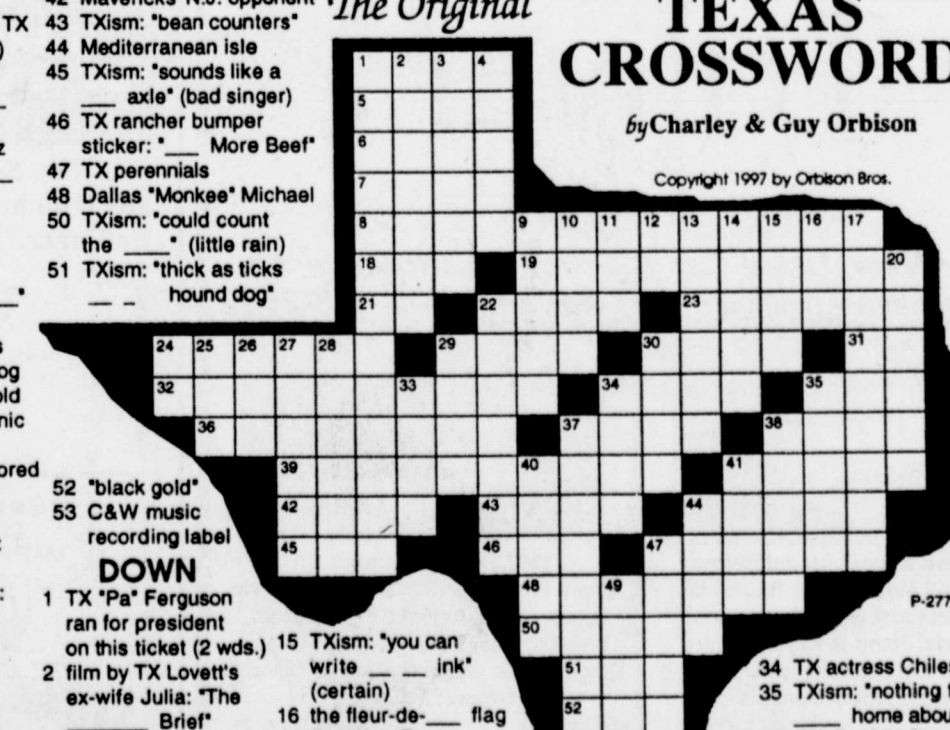
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16 the fleur-de-\_\_\_ flag  
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20 TX-Mex appetizers

22 TX Rangers 7th  
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24 TX eatery: \_\_\_ Folks

25 TX eatery: Steak  
\_\_\_ Ale

26 TX Gary Morris  
tune: "The Love  
\_\_\_ Found in Me"

27 pre-Exxon: Humble  
\_\_\_ Refining Co.

28 TXism: "as much  
chance as \_\_\_  
in a packing plant"

29 TXism: "put on  
tallow" (\_\_\_ weight)

30 TX jazz bass  
musician Johnson  
southeast Asian  
country

34 TX actress Chiles

35 TXism: "nothing to  
\_\_\_ home about"

37 Jay Gould's four-  
\_\_\_ RR car  
is in Jefferson, TX

38 TXism: "\_\_\_ mar-  
ried" (newlyweds)

40 TXism: "\_\_\_ at  
'em juice" (coffee)

41 Campbell played a  
Texan in "True \_\_\_"

44 ex-Ranger pitcher  
Carpenter

47 model made at GM  
Arlington plant

49 TX drive-in eatery

Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

## City applies for funding to improve sewer system

In their regular meeting April 14, City Council members approved a resolution to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs applying for funds in the amount of \$240,000 to provide sewer system improvements.

The City's existing wastewater collection system was originally constructed in the mid to late 1930s and consists of clay pipes ranging in size from 4" to 12". In the proposed southwestern section of Winters, the clay lines are experiencing significant infiltration and inflow of local groundwater, due to the dilapidated condition of lines. Additionally, the design and construction practices of that period did not consider the need for minimum slopes (needed for peak flow conditions) nor did they include the use of water tight joints.

The infiltration has caused between 600,000 and 650,000 gallons per day of wastewater. Based on average flow conditions and the size of the city, the wastewater treatment plant should be receiving between 225,000 and 250,000 gallons of raw sewage per day.

This area is served by a single dilapidated lift station located on Parsonage Street, one block east of West Street. The lift station also shows signs of infiltration and needs replacement.

The City has agreed to contribute \$37,100 in order to help provide these sewer system improvements.

Due to a need in mobility for a track-type (without wheels) dozer, a 1977 International TransStar

4300 flatbed truck was purchased from Jerry McCabe at a cost of \$9,500. A \$1,000 down payment will be made with the balance to be financed at a local bank. Street Department Superintendent Charles Grenwelge explained that without the truck, the dozer is unusable. Prior to McCabe's ownership, the haul truck was owned by Runnels County and had been loaned to the City on an "as-needed" basis.

In executive session, alderpersons hired Gordon Fenwick for the Street Department and Joe Reyna Jr. for the Water Department. The probationary period of Officer Mark Welander expired with satisfactory evaluation, and he was given a one-step pay increase. Officer Alfredo Sanchez was promoted to Sergeant to fill the vacancy created by Virginia Skaggs.

Demolition of the lockerplant is reported to be complete. Debris will be disposed of as quickly as possible by Street Department crews using the track-type dozer.

Charles Grenwelge requested to purchase a trailer at 607 Trinity upon its demolition. A majority of the aldermen voted against the request. Gerhart and Bahlman said that they were not in favor of selling any condemned property.

Inspection of the south water tower by City Administrator Aref Hassan, Water Superintendent Jack Davis Jr., and Engineer John Voller proves unsatisfactory. Voller has sent a letter to the contractor asking that the Blizzard logo be repainted with an increase

in size. In other business, council members —

- agreed to take sealed bids on seven residential lots for back taxes.
- contracted with Brad Eggemeyer dba Concho Valley Ag Flying Service for use of the airport.
- waived fees for use of the lake pavillion by the Senior Class of Winters High School.
- reviewed correspondence. Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission cites outstanding performance by the City of Winters. Comptroller will accept \$50.00 per month from City of Winters for overpayment of \$1,793 in sales tax. Surety Title Company of Ballinger agreed to regular monthly payments against a lien of \$1,267.91.
- heard monthly reports from the city administrator, the chief of police, and municipal judge.
- approved bills and the previous meeting's minutes.

**Official Records**

**County Court Criminal Cases**  
**April 14**  
 Christine Liggins, Winters, filed for driving while intoxicated.  
**April 15**  
 Rogelio Andrade, Robert Lee, filed for driving while intoxicated.  
 Richard Ochoa, Winters, filed for possession of marijuana.

**Marriage Licenses**  
**April 15**  
 Kenneth Wayne Baker and LeMonda Ann Keith-Parrish.  
 Billy Allen Kline and Madelyn Thompson Hobby.  
**April 18**  
 Joe H. Stubblefield and Jacqueline A. Peters.

**District Court**  
**April 17**  
 Mueller, Inc. vs Ronald Miley dba Ronald Miley Construction—account.  
 Mueller, Inc. vs. Charles Ashby dba Ashby Construction Co.—account.  
 Mueller, Inc. vs Streamline Construction, Inc. and Bobby L. Compton.  
**April 18**  
 In re Estate of Mary Margaret Leathers, appointment of substitute trustee.  
**Divorces Filed**  
**April 18**  
 Christi Michele Byrd and Mark Alan Byrd.

**Justice Court #1 Criminal**  
**March 31**



**THE ROUNDUP, ONE OF THE NEW RESTAURANTS** in Winters, celebrated their Grand Opening and ribbon cutting on April 11. Winters Chamber of Commerce secretary Julie Springer cut the ribbon being held by Chamber Director Bill Spiller (L) and Roundup manager Leroy Schafer (R). Others in attendance were (far left) Irene Simpston, Jeanne Hilliard, Ruth Grenwelge, Tammy Kaczyk, Jim Jordon and Theresa Patterson.

## Caregivers series to be held

A second "Coping With Caregiving" Support Group will be offered again this spring following last year's most successful group. Family members who take on the role of caregiver to an elderly relative seldom have time on their hands. Today caregivers often have a full-time job, children, and many other responsibilities. Yet these caregivers are usually greeted by friends and family: "How is your mother? She's having such a hard time...you should appreciate the health she has left."

A support group to help family caregivers cope with the many stresses involved in caring for an elderly relative — guilt, frustration, work overload, and lack of support by other relatives and friends — will be presented during 8 sessions in May and June. The series is non-sectarian and is aimed at giving caregivers insight into their individual stresses and some key skills to improve their situation.

Complete information on the series is as follows:

**Place:** First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall, 301 Broadway, Ballinger, Texas 76821  
**Time:** 6:30-8:30 p.m.

**Thursday, May 1**  
 "Adjusting to Aging"  
 Patricia Hohensee, County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Services; Mary Sykes, Eldercare Volunteer.

**Thursday, May 8**  
 "Learning to Listen"  
 Carla Campbell, Previous Support Group Participant.

**Thursday, May 15**  
 "Which Problems Can I Solve"  
 Kim Peck, M.D.

**Thursday, May 22**  
 "Why Do I Feel Stuck"  
 Moyra Chisholm, Eldercare Volunteer.

**Thursday, May 29**  
 "How To Help A Friend"  
 Mary Sykes, Eldercare Volunteer.

**Thursday, June 5**  
 "Heartache & Healing"  
 Rev. Chester McCown, Master of Divinity, Member of American Association of Pastoral Counselors

**Thursday, June 12**  
 "Trusting My Decision"  
 Betty Ford, Agency on Aging

**Thursday, June 19**  
 "Fulfilling My Responsibility"  
 Rev. Dr. Henry Chisholm, First Presbyterian Church; Linda Dry, Previous Support Group Participant.

The support group series is designed solely for individuals who are experiencing the trials of caring for the aging. Because of the sensitivity and confidential nature of agenda items, only serious participants are encouraged to participate. There will be a \$15 charge that will cover support group workbooks, refreshments, and supplemental reference materials. To register or for additional information, call Runnels County Extension Office at 365-5042 or Mary Sykes at 365-2207. The series is sponsored by Texas Agricultural Extension Service - Runnels County and the First Presbyterian Church of Ballinger.

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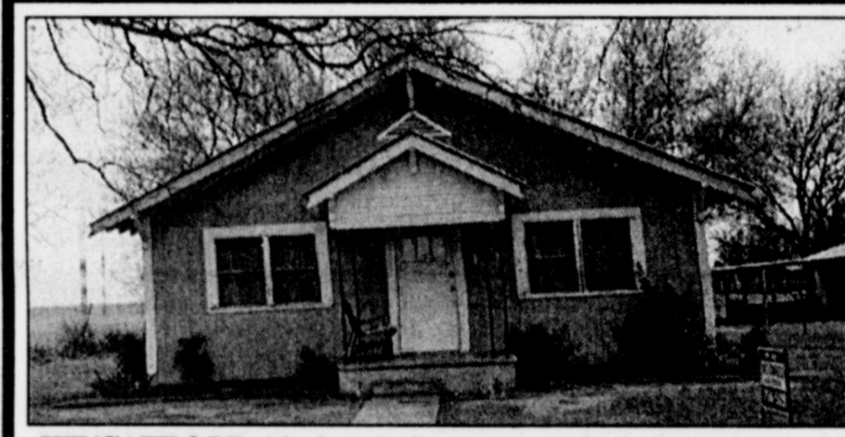
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ATTENDING THE AREA CONSERVATION AWARDS BANQUET are (left to right) Fred Wilde, district director; Russ Vanicek, Outstanding Poster Winner; David Lange, Outstanding Conservation Farmer; Nancy Halfmann, Outstanding Conservation Homemaker; Don Davis, district director; and Ronnie Vanicek, district conservationist.

## County conservation winners honored

Recently three Runnels County conservation winners were honored at the Area Awards Banquet in San Angelo at the Houston Harte University Center on the campus of Angelo State University.

Runnels County recipients are: David Lange, of Rowena, honored as the Outstanding Conser-

vation Farmer; Nancy Halfmann, of Norton, honored as the Outstanding Homemaker; and Russ Vanicek, a Ballinger Elementary student, honored as the Outstanding Poster Winner.

The San Angelo Area Awards Banquet gives local conservation districts an opportunity to recognize and honor individuals who

have dedicated their efforts and talents to making wise use of renewable natural resources.

Sponsors of the awards banquet are the Soil and Water Conservation Districts of Coke, Concho, Eldorado-Divide, Glasscock, Middle Concho, North Concho River, Runnels, and Tom Green counties.

## Contest asks kids to name biggest bass in Texas

The most famous fish in Texas doesn't even have a name, and the Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center (TFFC) is looking to elementary school age children (grades K through 6) to help through a contest to name the biggest bass in captivity.

The 20-pound-plus largemouth bass has been a feature attraction at the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's (TPWD) new fish hatchery and visitor's center complex in Athens. The nameless bass resides in a 26,000-gallon aquarium "dive tank" at the \$18 million state-of-the-art TFFC.

The rules of the contest are simple. Youngsters must be Texas residents currently enrolled in

school grades K-6. Entries must be postmarked no later than midnight May 5, 1997, to be eligible.

The best entry and a runner-up will be chosen from each grade, and the Grand Prize winner will be selected from these. Winners will be announced May 15, 1997.

The Grand Prize winner will receive a lifetime Texas Hunting and Fishing License, a special recognition plaque with his/her name on display at the TFFC, a Zebco deluxe fishing rod and reel combo, free admission to the TFFC for everyone in his/her homeroom class, and free admission for his/her immediate family.

Entry blanks should be available at elementary school offices

and at TFFC, 5550 Flat Creek Road, Athens, TX 75751.

For more information, contact TFFC at 903-676-BASS (2277).

## Letter to the Editor

### College professor commends students

Dear Ms. Boles:

I wanted to take this opportunity to brag on your daughter and to ask you to share this information with your readers.

Jennifer is in my State Government class at McMurry University. She is to be commended for attending college to begin with, but she has excelled herself above and beyond just attending.

It is refreshing in this day and age to have a student who is eager in her quest for knowledge and who outwardly seeks information, knowing that what she learns today will help her succeed in the future.

Jennifer and her fellow classmate, Kelley Kennedy, missed class one day last week because they were attending a tennis competition (which they performed well in). Before the next class even began, Jennifer and Kelley both apologized for missing class, but even more important than that, asked if I could share with them what they had missed from my lecture. This may seem insignificant, but many of my students who miss class do not give any explanation as to why they missed class, much less ask what information they missed.

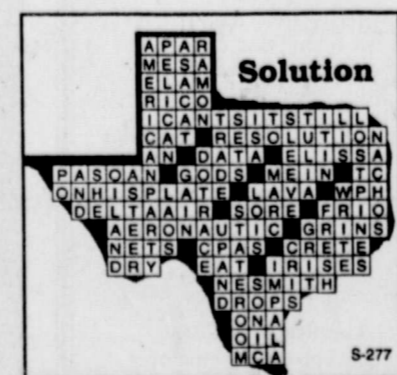
Jennifer will do well in her future. There is a reassuring feeling to know that the future of our world will be touched by young women such as Jennifer and Kelley.

Good luck to them and us all.

Sincerely,  
Joe Pelton, Lawyer

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## Production Credit Association to host annual stockholders meeting

Rolling Plains Production Credit Association's 63rd Annual Stockholders Meeting will be held in three sections on Tuesday evening, April 29, in Canadian, Thursday evening, May 1, in Childress and Friday evening, May 2, in Stamford. Registration and the meal will begin at 6:00 p.m. and be followed by a brief business session. In Canadian, stockholders and guests will meet at the School Cafeteria. The City Auditorium will be the site of the Childress session with the Stamford meeting held in the High School Cafeteria.

The Association's Board of Directors has declared a patronage distribution based on 1996 fiscal year earnings. Total patronage is \$1,583,358 with 40% being paid at the three sessions of the Annual Meeting. This patronage returns 20-1/2 cents for every one dollar of loan interest paid by stockholder-members on their loans in 1996.

Drawings will be held from members' registration cards until a total of \$400 is awarded in each

session. Greg Claassen, Kansas ventriloquist, will present a highly entertaining program at all three sections.

Three directors representing the Spur, Pampa, and Wheeler areas will be elected during the short business session. Nominees are Lance D. Morris of Crosbyton and Z. R. Chisum of Jayton for the Spur position. Pampa area nominees are Gerry Ingram and Terry C. O'Neal of Pampa. Running for the Wheeler position are Thomas R. Helton of Wheeler and H.R. Krug of Shamrock.

As part of the nationwide Farm Credit System, Rolling Plains PCA serves some 950 borrowing members in 25 counties of the Rolling Plains of West Texas and the Eastern portion of the Texas Panhandle. As of March 31, 1997, the Association's outstanding loans to farmers, ranchers, and ag-related businesses were over \$76 million. The Association has been rated as a Tier I PCA for nine consecutive years. This rating is based on safety, soundness, and financial strength.

## County Farm Bureau participates in Leader Day at Austin

Local farmers attended the Texas Farm Bureau "Leader Day" in Austin on Wednesday, April 9, 1997. Attending from Runnels County Farm Bureau were Doyle and Ella Condra, Bill Bredemeyer, and County Farm Bureau President Dale Duggan.

"A number of issues that affect agriculture are very hot in the Legislature right now," Duggan said. "Property tax reform is our number one issue, but we are also concerned about water and home equity lending."

County Farm Bureau leaders from all over Texas convened in the capital city to discuss these and other issues of concern, and to make contact with legislatures to promote the Farm Bureau's legislative agenda.

The property tax reform plan under consideration in the legislature got a lot of attention from the TFB members. "Agriculture

is one of those industries that carries a lot of the load for education funding, and it's getting to be a real heavy burden for homeowners," Duggan said.

TFB also supports pending water legislation that focuses on drought planning and preserves key property rights for agriculture with respect to water.

The state's largest farm organization opposes attempts to lift Texas' 15-year-old prohibition against "second equity lending." The changes would allow, for the first time, Texas citizens to borrow against accumulated equity in their homes.

"Farmers and ranchers fear that the equity in our homes would become automatic for any substantial loan," Duggan said. "A good banker always goes after as much collateral as he can get, and we are more comfortable with home equity being off limits."

## 4-H Happenings

### 4-H Club to elect officers April 28

The Winters 4-H Club will meet on Monday, April 28, at the Mount Carmel Catholic Church Hall from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. to elect officers.

Requirements to be eligible to run for the offices of president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, or council delegate follow:

- Must have attended 5 to 10 meetings this year.
- Must be a 4-H member for at least two years.

Election will be by self-nomination followed by speeches of why one thinks he/she can do a good job while in office. Come prepared.

Installation of officers will follow at the May meeting.

Remember—point pages must be turned in to the County Extension Office in May. It was mandatory for members to participate in the Bike-a-Thon to qualify for trips.

The lucky winner of the ham was Barbara Childers. A donation of \$87 was given to Christmas in April. Thanks to everyone who sold chances.

Those helping with the April 28 program are Cody Pritchard, Pledge of Allegiance; Wacey Cason, 4-H Pledge; Mandy Pritchard, 4-H Prayer; Marcie Paschal, Aaron and Bryan Pritchard, and Wacey Cason, refreshments.

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A NEW TREE was planted during a memorial service last Friday on the grounds of the Runnels County Courthouse. The event, hosted by the Ballinger Civic Garden Club, was to honor the victims of the Oklahoma City bombing on the second anniversary of the tragedy. Boy Scouts from Ballinger, Olfen and Rowena conducted a flag raising ceremony during the service.

## ATTENTION FARMERS

### Concho Valley Ag Flying Service Is now permanently located at the Winters Airport!

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"Let's see now, did the boss say put this fence across the south half of the north pasture, or the north half of the south pasture?"