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## Junior Livestock Show starts Friday

The 1998 Winters Junior Livestock Show begins Friday, January 16, at the Winters Show Barn. The show will conclude Saturday, January 17.

Winters Agricultural Advisor is Roy Shackelford. Show superintendents are Dennis McBeth, general; Jim West, assistant general; Denny Heathcott, rabbit; Gary Schwartz, assistant rabbit; Bill Bredemeyer, swine; Jim Jordan, assistant swine; Buddy Miller, lamb/goat; Greg Donica, assistant lamb/goat; Allen Andrae, cattle; Jack Burton, assistant cattle; and Penny Pritchard, Little Britches pig show.

All animals must be in the barn

by 9:00 Friday morning. Weigh in and checking registration papers follows promptly at 9:30.

The rabbit, lamb, and goat shows will begin at 2:00 Friday afternoon.

Saturday's events kick off at 8:30 a.m. with the Swine, Little Britches Pig Show (at conclusion of swine show), Steers, and Heifers.

Showmanship awards will also be given in the lamb, goat, swine, and cattle divisions. Kindergarten through 6th grades qualify in the Junior division while 7-12 grades will compete in the Senior category.

## Concession stand construction at track complex—



NEW CONCRETE FOUNDATION is ready to be poured for the track field facility which consists of a concession stand, restrooms and storage area located at the northeast corner of the track complex. Dale Montgomery, WISD maintenance supervisor, said he hopes to have the 1,800 square foot building completed by track season barring setbacks due to poor weather and delays in receiving construction materials.

## Suit resigns as NRH administrator

In their regular meeting on January 12, directors of the North Runnels Hospital accepted with regret the resignation of Larry Suit, hospital administrator, effective February 28.

While working as vice-president of Clinical Services at Hendrick Medical Center, Mr. Suit served as interim administrator from December, 1993, until March 1, 1994, when he was named full-time administrator of North Runnels Hospital.

During his tenure, Mr. Suit has been involved in many civic organizations and community projects

including Lions Club, Chamber of Commerce, Winters Area Business and Industrial Corporation, Christmas in April and the First United Methodist Church.

"I have really been personally rewarded working with the hospital board and its employees, as well as this fine community," said Suit. "We have thoroughly enjoyed living here and being a part of Winters."

With retirement, he and his wife Carol, a marriage and family therapist in Abilene, plan to snow ski, travel and enjoy their grandchildren.

## Community-wide celebration for Christian unity is Jan. 18

by DR. GARY TORIAN, Winters Ministerial Alliance

"Be Led By The Spirit Of Hope" is the theme of a community-wide celebration of the Word of God at First United Methodist Church this Sunday, January 18, at 7:00 p.m.

Christian unity is at its best when Christians of all denominations come together to worship the God and Father of us all, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. All people in the area are invited to attend.

The service will consist of songs and hymns, prayers re-

sponses, readings from Scripture, and a short sermon. Persons from the various churches in the community will participate in leadership of the service. It should be a wonderful evening and an opportunity for friends and neighbors to worship together.

A free will offering will be received for the Food Pantry and the Winters Relief Fund.

There will be a reception in the church's fellowship hall immediately following the service. Come and be part of this special event.



CONGRESSMAN CHARLES STENHOLM greets Chamber of Commerce director Julie Springer during his brief visit to Winters last week. During his stopover, Mr. Stenholm announced his candidacy for re-election to the House of Representatives.

## Date, location changed for upcoming Chamber of Commerce banquet

Due to a scheduling conflict with the Cooper Fiddlers, the annual Winters Area Chamber of Commerce banquet has been moved to Saturday, February 7, at 7:00 p.m. Location has also been changed to the school cafeteria.

The Cooper Fiddlers are 15 very talented young adults from Cooper High School in Abilene.

Also performing will be the popular Winters Elementary Select Choir under the direction of Fran Kidwell and Joanie Prado.

The delicious menu consists of eight-ounce New York strip steaks, baked potatoes, salad, rolls, dessert, and tea, catered by James West of Hobo Barbeque.

Cost for the meal and a delightful evening of entertainment is only \$12. Tickets are available at the Chamber of Commerce office at 118 West Dale from 9 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday.

Highlighting the evening will be the announcement of Citizens of the Year. Nominations are being accepted for Man of the Year and Woman of the Year. Winters residents are asked to send their nominations to the Chamber office or give to any Chamber director before January 26.

Chamber directors include Bill Spiller, Kay Sharpes, Pat Fenter, Steve Esquivel, Ann DeBerry, Julie Springer, Lavelle Killough, Saam Geistmann, Brenda Burton, Sandy Mesey, Julie Frierson, and Rene' Woffenden.

## The thrill of victory, the agony of defeat



MICHAEL PRITCHARD (left) celebrates the varsity win with teammate Bear Nitsch as the Ozona player at right shows his disappointment. The Blizzards won the very physical battle with a 3-point shot by Jeremy Alvarado in the final six seconds of the game.

## Primary election final filings

Final filings in the Democratic and Republican Primary election set for March have contested races in all races except District Clerk, County Clerk, and Commissioner Precinct #4. Two persons have filed for County Clerk, but there is one candidate each in the Democratic and Republican primaries.

Final filings show the following candidates for county offices:

- Runnels County Judge**  
Marilyn Egan (I)  
Bob McDaniel
- Runnels County Treasurer**  
Margaret Smith (I)  
Michael Murchison
- Runnels County District Clerk**  
Loretta Michalewicz
- Runnels County Clerk**  
Elesa Ocker (D)  
Vicki Rutledge (R)
- County Commissioner Precinct #2**  
Keith Collom (I)  
Jeryl Priddy  
Denny Heathcott

See CANDIDATES, pg. 7

## WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- Jan. 15-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal  
Literary & Service Club
- Jan. 16-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal  
Winters Stock Show  
SCHOOL HOLIDAY
- Jan. 17-10 a.m.-7 p.m., Hatchel Reunion,  
First Christian Church of Ballinger  
1-3 p.m., Petroglyph Tour, San Angelo State Park  
3-6 p.m., Pinewood Derby Workshop, Scout Hut  
Winters Stock Show
- Jan. 18-7 p.m., Community-Wide Celebration for Christian Unity,  
First United Methodist Church
- Jan. 19-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal  
5:30 p.m., Runnels Baptist Association, Paint Rock  
6-9 p.m., GED Classes, IA Bldg., Room A, WHS
- Jan. 20-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal  
Noon, Lions Club, Community Center  
7 p.m., WVFD  
7 p.m., "Eternity" Concert, First Baptist Church  
7:30 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center  
7:30 p.m., Eastern Star  
Women's Service League
- Jan. 21-10 a.m.-Noon, FREE Blood Pressure Check,  
Senior Citizens Center  
11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal  
6-9 p.m., GED Classes, IA Bldg., Room A, WHS  
WIC, Winters Housing Authority  
Texas Scholars Conference, Abilene  
Texas Hospitality Training, Brownwood
- Jan. 22-10 a.m., 39+, First United Methodist Church  
11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal  
Texas Hospitality Training, Brownwood

## Oil Bidness

By Reg Boles ©1998

What would you do if the market price for your product had dropped 20 percent but your cost of doing business had increased 15% over the last twelve months?

If you sold widgets, you might panic. If you had to cover the costs for very long, you might be out of business. The same could be said for many businesses.

The companies that survive would have to have a strong hoard of cash or else pray for a quick price revival.

While potentially catastrophic for many businesses, it is just another day in the oil patch for producers and contractors.

Don't get me wrong. It can be serious trouble for oil companies, as well. It's just that most oil patch industry players have gotten used to this sort of thing. It has been a nice two years without such an episode, but it's right back on us again.

If it lasts six months, many companies will get caught in a whiplash. While recent activity surges have increased prices (rigs, services, etc.), lower prices will yank operators back like one of those car-chasing dog leashes. The result could be just as ugly.

Those companies without the forethought to plan for these inevitable episodes will suffer the most. While all companies are familiar with these periods of low prices, I'm afraid far fewer adequately prepare for them.

The problem lies in the elasticity of prices versus the elasticity of costs in the oil patch. Beyond the basic movement of those prices and costs, there is the additional influence of the time scale of expenditures in the oil and gas business.

Let me try to explain without being quite so cryptic.

Oil and gas prices can change in large percentage increments rather easily. In the last three weeks, prices have dropped \$3 per barrel which is approximately 20%. This type of percentage movement (up or down) is not uncommon.

Costs for rigs, stimulation, pipe, etc. don't change that easily, particularly on the down side. The recent run-up in costs for rigs, personnel, and hardware has a lot of momentum. This can't be broken in a month's time. It could take a full year, maybe longer, to change directions.

The result is that operators have to deal with lower prices in an environment of rising costs. It doesn't always happen to the current severity, but things have worked out this way this time.

The long range planning required in the oil business only

makes it worse. Operators are currently making expenditures for returns that may not be realized for several years. So, again, operators find themselves making decisions for expenditures in an environment of falling prices that will have an impact when prices will be virtually unknown.

So, if you see your local oil company representative with a long face in the coming days, try to sympathize. His heart is heavy with tough decisions.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY COMPLETIONS

#### Nolan County

Robertson Resources, Inc. has completed the George #1 in the Little Horn Field (18 miles S of Sweetwater) at an initial rate of 107 BOPD & 49 BWPD in the Canyon Lime (perms 5533-41). Loc. is 595 FSL & 200 FEL of Sec. 143, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur.

#### STAKINGS

#### Coke County

Heart Land Petroleum has staked the Stowe #3 in the Fort Chadbourne Field, 7 miles NE of Bronie (Depth 5800). Loc. is 74 FNEL & 1918 FNWL of M. Monteith Sur. RULE 36.

#### Nolan County

Walter Exploration has staked the Marshall #1 in the Sprague Field, 11 miles SE of Sweetwater (Depth 4500). Loc. is 2640 FSL & 2201 FWL of Sec. 83, Blk. 21, T&PRR Sur.

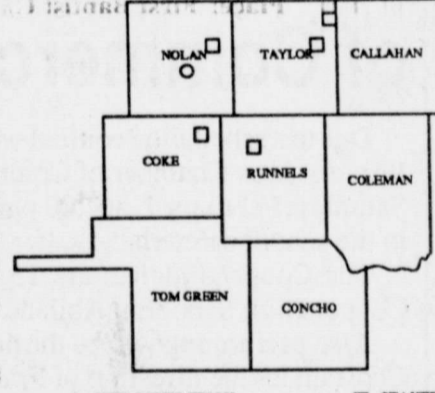
#### Runnels County

Hudgens Operating Co., Inc. has staked the W.T. Colburn #1 as a Wildcat, 7 miles W of Winters (Depth 4800). Loc. is 700 FWL & 467 FEL of Sec. 95, Blk. 64, H&TC Sur., A-314.

#### Taylor County

Midland Oil & Gas has staked the Antilley -B- #1 in the Big Easy Field, 6 miles SE of Abilene (Depth 3700). Loc. is 146 FEL & 509 FSL of Sec. 55, BAL Sur.

Jack Neal Engineering has staked the Chrane -B- #18 in the South Potosi Field, 3 miles SE of Potosi (Depth 2500). Loc. is 1700 FWL & 477 FSL of Sec. 2, Blk. 7, SPRR Sur.



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The only reason some people get lost in thought is because it's unfamiliar territory.  
—Paul Fix

## Library News



### One hundred twenty-five observe, surf Internet during training

by JOYCE KRAUSE, librarian

"YuleNet '97: Bringing Home the Net for Christmas" ended Saturday afternoon, Jan. 10.

Approximately 100 people took advantage of Internet training during regular and extended library hours. A visit was made to the Lions Club and the City Hall. A special night session was made available for members of the Lions Club.

There was also a visit to observe by a Boy Scout troop, their parents and sponsors, adding another 25 visitors.

All attending these training sessions were pleased with what they learned. Most were people who grew up before computers were in our schools and feel insecure about using the Internet. Patrons learned about using search engines to help find the information desired, about e-mail, and how to surf the net with their own personal life guard.

The program was a success and helped the Winters Public Library meet their mission to provide the best and latest information and education for the community.

Robyn and Kevin have now completed the Winters homepage. Check it out at: <http://texasrural.org/> (Next click on Interactive Vacation Community Websites, then click on Winters.)

Public awareness of the program came through *The Winters Enterprise*, *The Abilene Reporter News* and KTXS-TV 12. *The Reporter News* included a story about Winters and Rotan in their January 12th edition.

There were 56 area people at the opening reception Dec. 18 to meet Internet Trainers Robyn Parramore and Kevin Conner.

We thank Robyn and Kevin, Texas Rural Communities, and the Tocker Foundation.

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Jan. 19 thru Jan. 23  
Subject to change

**Monday, Jan. 19:** Closed for Martin Luther King's birthday.  
**Tuesday, Jan. 20:** Steak & gravy, corn salad, mixed greens, cornbread, and chocolate pudding.  
**Wednesday, Jan. 21:** Chicken & gravy, potatoes, peas & carrots, rolls, and cake.  
**Thursday, Jan. 22:** Ham & gravy, beans, lima beans, cornbread, and Jello w/cream.  
**Friday, Jan. 23:** Hamburger, French fries, cottage cheese salad, cookies, and ice cream.

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## Obituaries

### Mary A. Whitlock

**BALLINGER**—Mary A. Whitlock, 78, died at 11:15 a.m. Sunday, January 11, 1998, at Ballinger Memorial Hospital. She was born March 25, 1919, in Runnels County, Texas, to David Jefferson McDaniel and Minnie Lee Williams. She married Ned Decol Whitlock on July 13, 1938, in Dallas.

Mrs. Whitlock was a waitress and cook, working for cafes in Dallas, Junction, San Angelo, and Ballinger for over 30 years. She was a member of the Third Avenue Baptist Church in Ballinger.

She was preceded in death by her husband, August 24, 1977. Survivors include two sons, Ted Doyle Whitlock of San Angelo and Donald Whitlock of Ballinger; one daughter, Patsy Geeslin of Ballinger; one brother, Mack McDaniel of Ballinger; six grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 14, at Evergreen Cemetery in Ballinger. Reverend Winford Gore officiated. Burial was directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

### Arlene Smith

**BALLINGER**—Arlene Smith, 76, died at 8:25 a.m. Sunday, January 11, 1998, at Heritage Oaks Estate Nursing Home in Ballinger. She was born October 8, 1921, in Ballinger to Richard Luna Boothe and Jessie May James. She married Tine Smith on November 26, 1943, in Ballinger.

Mrs. Smith worked for several local florists and was known throughout Central Texas for making small decorative silk roses. She was a member of the Seventh Street Baptist Church in Ballinger.

She was preceded in death by her husband on July 31, 1995. Survivors include two sons, Rusty Smith of San Marcos and Bill Smith of Mesquite; one sister, Laverne Gallant of Ballinger; six grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

Visitation was from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Monday, January 12, at Rains-Seale Funeral Home in Ballinger. Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 13, at Seventh Street Baptist Church, Ballinger, with Reverend Tony King and Reverend Jerry Taylor officiating. Burial was in the Evergreen Cemetery in Ballinger, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

### Wayne B. Irby

**BALLINGER**—Wayne B. Irby, 59, passed away at 3:00 a.m. Saturday, January 10, 1998, after a lengthy illness.

He was born February 5, 1938, in Abilene, Texas, to W.O. and Margaret Pate Irby. After graduating from high school, he attended Southwestern University at Georgetown. He married Betty Sue Nix on June 14, 1958, in Ballinger.

Mr. Irby owned and operated Wayne Irby Oil Company and was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Ballinger. Active in the church and community, Mr. Irby was ordained a deacon of the church in 1973 and an elder in 1977. He was elected as a city councilman of Ballinger in 1978, serving two terms prior to his election as mayor. He also served two terms as mayor.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Irby of Ballinger; one daughter, Terri Rangel of San Angelo; two sons, Rodney Irby of Tucson, Arizona, and Mark Irby of Rowena; three grandsons, Jarred Irby of Roanoke, and Gregory and Geoffrey Selby of San Angelo.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, January 12, at the First Presbyterian Church in Ballinger with Reverend Henry Chisholm officiating. Burial followed in the Garden of Memories Cemetery in Ballinger, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Ebb Grindstaff, Robert N. Robinson, Clovis Smith, Don Haley Sr., Weldon Brevard, and Joe Stokes.

Memorials may be made to the West Texas Rehab, First Presbyterian Church of Ballinger, or a favorite charity.

### Bob L. "Boppy" Davis

**SAN ANTONIO**—Bob L. "Boppy" Davis, 77, died Monday, January 5, 1998, in San Antonio.

He was born October 16, 1920, in Robert Lee. He married Nona Catherine Inman in 1945.

Mr. Davis served as Coke County Judge and later entered the investment banking business. He was instrumental in financing numerous schools, hospitals, and municipal projects throughout Texas. He was active in youth activities and served as a deacon at Northeast Baptist Church in San Antonio.

Survivors include his wife, Nona Davis of San Antonio; one sister, Dean Kinsey of Robert Lee; three sons, Dr. Jim Davis and his wife Kathy of Arlington, Dr. Ken Davis and his wife Kitty of Conroe, and Charlie Davis of San Antonio; two granddaughters, Hilary Davis of Narragansett, Rhode Island, and Ashley Davis of Fort Worth; numerous nieces and nephews; and longtime friends, Hubert and Alice Coon of San Antonio and the Paul Green family of Austin.

Visitation was Wednesday, January 7, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Porter Loring. Services were held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, January 8, at the Northeast Baptist Church in San Antonio, and at 1:00 p.m. Friday, January 9, at Robert Lee Baptist Church. Reverend Daniel Harrison and Reverend Harvey Tipton officiated. Burial was in Robert Lee Cemetery, directed by Porter Loring.

Memorials may be made to West Coke County EMS in Robert Lee, Texas 76945 and the Northeast Baptist Church Organ Fund in San Antonio.

### Stella Bess Hand Johnston

**ARLINGTON**—Stella Bess Hand Johnston, 91, formerly of Winters, died Saturday, January 10, 1998, at Arlington.

She was born August 13, 1906, in Mineral Wells, Texas.

Mrs. Johnston had worked for the ordering department of the Fort Worth Public Library until her retirement.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Dorothy Louise Johnston and a great-granddaughter, Alisha Johnston.

Survivors include her husband of 72-1/2 years, M.D. (Doc) Johnston of Hurst; two sons, Clifford D. Johnston and his wife Charline of Arlington, and James D. Johnston and his wife Mary of Friona; seven grandchildren; and twelve great-grandchildren.

Visitation was from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Monday, January 12, at Arlington Funeral Home. Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 13, at Hurst Baptist Church in Hurst. Burial was in Mount Olivet Cemetery in Forth Worth, directed by Arlington Funeral Home.

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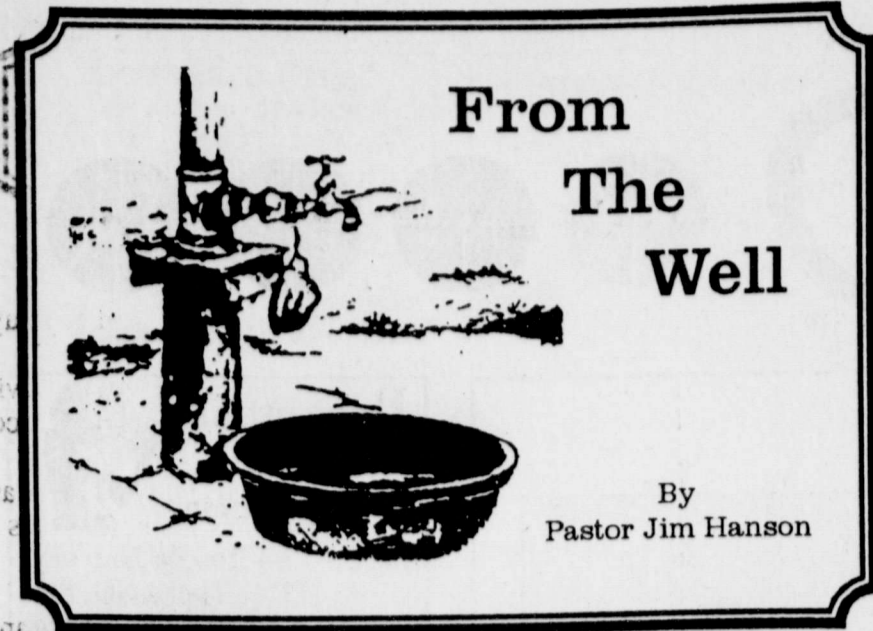
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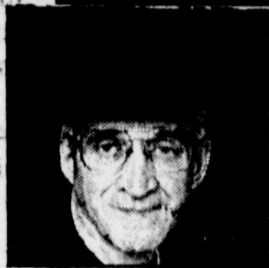
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## From The Well

By Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

Last week I wrote about bells, church bells. And what their message was and is. "Come home." To God. To hope.

But, as I was writing there's another kind of bell, that has its special call. Not so loud and not so deep. But sort of an announcement, too. And a sound to accompany us on our journey.

Sleigh bells. Every year we hear it, even down south where there is seldom snow, we hear "Sleigh bells ring, are you listening?" Or "Jingle Bells." For sure, Budweiser will have its Clydesdales hitched up and sleigh bells ringing. I usually wear a single bell on a red cord around my neck. It is hardly audible, but you'd be amazed at the number of folks who hear it...and smile.

And, when we go caroling at Christmas time, and we still do that, I will wear one string of sleigh bells around my neck. To announce our coming. And, to accompany our singing and keep up the tempo. These sleigh bells are different. And they have a story to them that goes back to 1922 and a little town in Northern Minnesota where my father and mother lived. They were married in June of that year, and dad took a call to serve 7 little churches in that area. He was what they called a "Home Missionary," meaning he was doing missionary activity, starting up churches and building up those little groups that had just started. "Home mission" was mission work in the U.S. "Foreign mission" was mission work overseas.

When they first came to town, there was no place for them to live. Truly, no houses were vacant. But, there was a small bank building that was vacant. And it was available. Hardly first class. But, even if it had no plumbing and no "inside water," it was livable. And soon Mother and Dad made it home. (I thought of that often when the congregation here remodeled the parsonage kitchen this fall. For a few weeks, the house was a mess. And we had to eat out for a few days. But, how on earth did Mom and Dad do it?)

It was Christmas time in '22, and Mother wanted to buy her "hubby" (that's what she called her husband) something special. Something that he could use that would be fun for him. She went down to the local mercantile and looked for something to buy. And then, she saw it! Just the gift! A pair of sleigh bells, one for each horse.

For, you see, Dad did not drive a car up north. Not for the months from November until April. The roads were drifted in with snow. No car could make it. So the folks all had teams of horses. And big sleds. This was their only transportation — and my dad's, as he drove to the little churches in the open country and to those in the little nearby towns. He never had to go more than 7 miles one way, but, sometimes that was a 2-hour drive. The other day I saw a photograph...it showed his snowmobile. What it was...was a small upright building, looked like a deer stand (or an outhouse) perched on a sled about 10' long. With a team in front. With a window to look through to see what was ahead.

She went up to the owner of the store. "Sir, how much are the sleigh bells?" He replied, "12 dollars." My mom had only 3 dollars to spend. So, she asked, "How much for one?" He replied, "6 dollars." Pause. And, long pause, then the storekeeper said, "How much do you have, Mrs. Hanson?" Pause. My mother, "I have just three dollars." And the man said, "That will be just fine, ma'am. You can have one for 3 dollars."

Mother was overjoyed! She could hardly believe it. She felt warm all over. She looked around the store for a few minutes while he wrapped the bells. Then, when she went to the counter to pay, the storekeeper said, "Mrs. Hanson, I wrapped up the whole set, two strings of sleigh bells. Merry Christmas." Mother's eyes glistened with gratitude. (Mine, too, as I think about it.)

That very next night Dad had a service at a country church. As he came home, his trip was accompanied by the jingle of the sleigh bells as he rode merrily along. And Mother's ears picked up the sound as he came closer home — listening to the sleigh bells which seemed to sing "I'm coming home." And every time I put them on, and let them ring, I feel the same. Like "I'm coming home."

**Hatchel Reunion set for Jan. 17**  
The Hatchel community reunion has been scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 17, from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the First Christian Church Fellowship Hall on Broadway in Ballinger. Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. All friends welcome. For questions, please call 365-5160.

## "Eternity" to be in concert at First Baptist Church

"Eternity," one of America's leading contemporary Christian music artists, based in Austin, Texas, will be in concert on Tuesday, January 20, at 7:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church auditorium in Winters.

"Eternity's" sound is vibrant and exciting, on the cutting edge of Christian music. Their music will appeal to audiences of all ages. "Eternity" is dedicated to communicating the Gospel through excellence in music.

"Eternity" has performed with artists such as Michael W. Smith, Steve Camp, Bryan Duncan,

Carman, and David Meece. They have appeared in locations all over the world including Disney World, the Pentagon, Six Flags, and countries in Europe, Central America, and the Middle East. Now they are coming to Winters, Texas.

You will not want to miss this special event featuring "Eternity" in concert.

There is no charge for the event, but there will be a love offering taken to help offset their traveling expenses.

For more information, contact Tony Appuglies at 754-5521.

## Dry's retiree—



WILMA "MICKIE" GANN, supervisor in the Finish Department, was recently honored with a retirement dinner in the Paint/Finish Department at Dry Manufacturing Division. She is being congratulated by E.A. Scates, plant superintendent. Mickie has worked for the company for over 28 years.

## Letter to the Editor

### Our nation — twenty-five years after Roe v. Wade

Editor:

On January 22, 1998, as our nation marks a quarter century of legalized abortion, millions of Americans express profound grief and sadness, as well as hope for the future.

Twenty-five years ago, commentators announced that the U.S. Supreme Court had resolved the abortion debate. Major institutions of law, medicine, politics, and education quickly accepted the view that abortion was a constitutional "right," one that would prove beneficial to personal and public health, social stability, and individual freedom. Women's role in society would be enhanced, it was said, and child abuse and poverty reduced. The sad legacy of Roe v. Wade has clearly been otherwise.

Twenty-five years after Roe, we mourn those destroyed or harmed by abortion: more than 35 million unborn children; mothers who have lost their lives in abortion clinics or survive with physical, emotional, and spiritual scars; fathers and grandparents who grieve for a child they never met.

What was once universally seen as an act of desperation, the killing of one's own child, sadly today is fiercely defended by some as a "right."

Yet, despite this bleak landscape, signs of hope are visible. Roe v. Wade did not resolve the abortion debate. Instead, it set in motion the broadest grassroots movement this nation has ever seen. Its members reject violence as a way to solve human problems, and seek just laws to protect every human life from conception to natural death. Despite continual declarations that abortion is morally acceptable because it is legal, most Americans do not accept such a claim.

True pro-life people must be in radical solidarity with women. Solidarity with women involves true compassion, which never causes harm or encourages another to do harm to their selves or someone else. True compassion does not leave a woman all alone, isolated in her privacy, feeling that she must have an abortion, because she has nowhere else to turn.

The right to exist, the right to be allowed to live, is the basis for every other human right and the necessary condition for their realization.

Yours sincerely,  
**Bishop Mike**  
Most Reverend Michael D. Pfeifer, OMI  
Bishop of San Angelo  
(29 counties of West Texas)

## Thirty-Nine Plus to meet Jan. 22

Thirty-Nine Plus, an outreach agency of the United Methodist Church primarily but not exclusively for senior citizens, will hold its first meeting of 1998 on Thursday, January 22, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Activities are usually associated with table games. At the present time, this is based on Spinnery, itself a variation of dominoes, using numbers up through nine and spinners to add zest and spice to the game. Possibilities for other games are numerous. In

fact, when the group started in 1991, Spinnery was unknown.

Activities cease around noon, when a prayer is given listing the persons with special needs in the community, praying for them as well as for the food. Those participating furnish the noon meal, bringing dishes of their own choice.

It is anticipated that the meetings through October will ordinarily be on each fourth Thursday.

The public is invited.

Family and friends are cordially invited to attend  
**A Reception**  
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**W.J. and Theresa Briley**  
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Date: January 17, 1998 Time: 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.  
Place: First Baptist Church of Winters, Texas

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## Health Notes

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### Heartburn

#### What Is Heartburn?

Heartburn (also known as *acid indigestion*) is a painful burning sensation at the base of the breastbone.

Although heartburn is not a major health threat, the pain can be so intense that it is mistaken for a heart attack. In fact, some experts estimate that as many as 70 percent of emergency room patients who believe they are having a heart attack are actually suffering from heartburn.

#### What Causes Heartburn?

Heartburn is caused by a backflow of stomach acids into the esophagus. When food is swallowed, it travels down a tube called the *esophagus*, and a valve (*sphincter*) at its bottom relaxes to allow the food to enter the stomach. This valve normally only allows food to move downward, but a drop in pressure in the lower esophagus or a weakening of the sphincter muscle can permit a backflow (*reflux*) of powerful stomach acids into the esophagus. This causes the burning sensation associated with heartburn.

Certain food or circumstances greatly increase the risk of heartburn. Overeating, consuming alcohol, cigarette smoking, and eating fatty or spicy foods can lead to acid indigestion. Pressure on the esophageal sphincter (usually from eating too much, exercising, bending over, or lying down after a large meal) can cause a drop in pressure in the esophagus that allows the stomach acid to flow back into it.

A *hiatal hernia*, a disorder in which a portion of the stomach pushes up through the small opening in the diaphragm where the esophagus and stomach meet, also can allow a backflow of acids.



Lea Angel, RN, BSN

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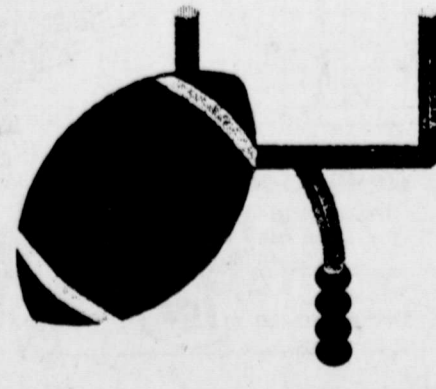
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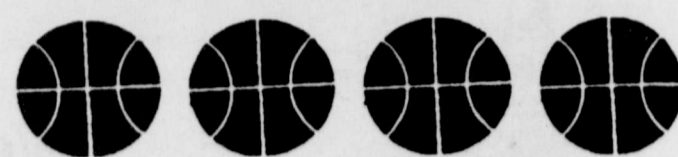
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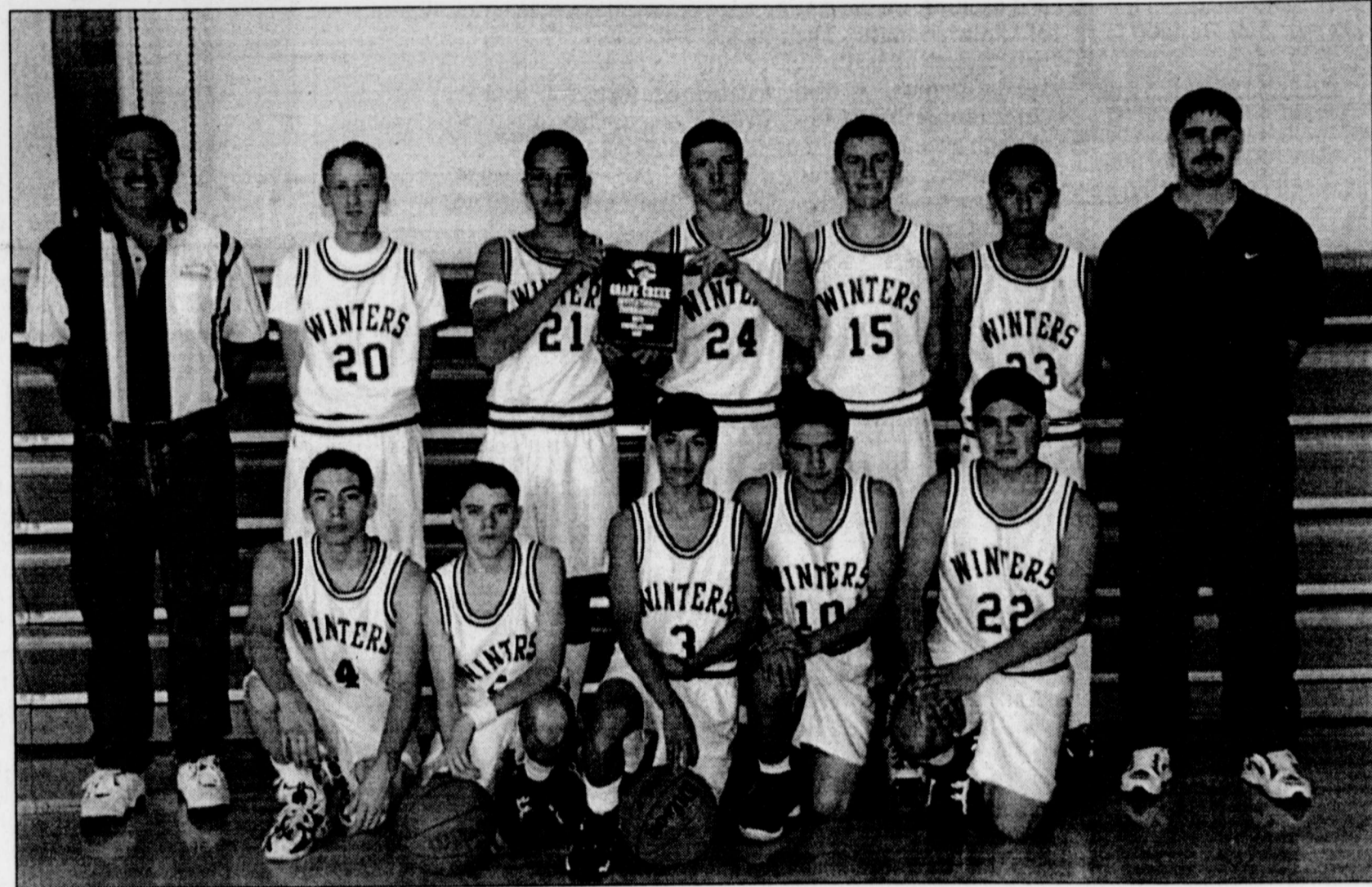


# BLIZZARD



# ASKETBALL

## 1997-'98 JV Blizzards



Back, left to right:  
 Coach Biff White  
 #20 Courtney Collom  
 #21 Joe Ortiz  
 #24 Larry Hoyle  
 #15 Matt Angel  
 #23 Felix Portillo  
 Student Coach Monty Griffin

Front:  
 # 4 Robert Medina 5'9" Jr.  
 # 5 V.J. Santoya 5'6" Jr.  
 # 3 Chris Santoya 5'4" Soph.  
 #10 Arthur Martinez 5'5" Soph.  
 #22 Ruben Garcia 5'8" Jr.

Team: Junior Varsity Boys Coach: Biff White  
 Opponent: Comanche Date: Dec. 27, 1997  
 Place: Winters

| POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER         |        |          |        |         |         |
|------------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|---------|---------|
| WINTERS                            | 1      | 2        | 3      | 4       | OT FIN. |
| WINTERS                            | 4      | 2        | 1      | 4       | 0       |
| OPPONENT                           | 12     | 15       | 22     | 16      | 65      |
| Free throws made: 12 of 26 for 46% |        |          |        |         |         |
| Player Name                        | Points | Rebounds | Steals | Assists |         |
| Matt Angel                         | 3      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Courtney Collom                    | 6      | 0        | 1      | 4       |         |
| Ruben Garcia                       | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Larry Hoyle                        | 27     | 10       | 2      | 1       |         |
| Arthur Martinez                    | 4      | 1        | 4      | 4       |         |
| Robert Medina                      | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Joe Ortiz                          | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Felix Portillo                     | 1      | 1        | 2      | 0       |         |
| Chris Santoya                      | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| V.J. Santoya                       | 0      | 1        | 2      | 0       |         |

\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: Junior Varsity Boys Coach: Biff White  
 Opponent: Stamford Date: Dec. 31, 1997  
 Place: Winters

| POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER         |        |          |        |         |         |
|------------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|---------|---------|
| WINTERS                            | 1      | 2        | 3      | 4       | OT FIN. |
| WINTERS                            | 5      | 7        | 14     | 8       | 34      |
| OPPONENT                           | 14     | 6        | 6      | 10      | 36      |
| Free throws made: 12 of 21 for 57% |        |          |        |         |         |
| Player Name                        | Points | Rebounds | Steals | Assists |         |
| Matt Angel                         | 5      | 1        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Courtney Collom                    | 3      | 3        | 1      | 1       |         |
| Arthur Martinez                    | 3      | 1        | 0      | 2       |         |
| Joak Minzenmayer                   | 10     | 9        | 1      | 1       |         |
| Felix Portillo                     | 0      | 1        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Arnon Pritchard                    | 10     | 1        | 0      | 1       |         |
| V.J. Santoya                       | 0      | 1        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Colby Walker                       | 3      | 3        | 5      | 4       |         |

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Team: Junior Varsity Boys Coach: Biff White  
 Opponent: Isard Date: Jan. 6, 1998  
 Place: Winters

| POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER        |        |          |        |         |         |
|-----------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|---------|---------|
| WINTERS                           | 1      | 2        | 3      | 4       | OT FIN. |
| WINTERS                           | 12     | 12       | 12     | 19      | 55      |
| OPPONENT                          | 5      | 9        | 11     | 12      | 37      |
| Free throws made: 5 of 11 for 45% |        |          |        |         |         |
| Player Name                       | Points | Rebounds | Steals | Assists |         |
| Matt Angel                        | 6      | 3        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Courtney Collom                   | 8      | 4        | 0      | 1       |         |
| Chris Connor                      | 0      | 5        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Ruben Garcia                      | 0      | 7        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Larry Hoyle                       | 13     | 9        | 1      | 0       |         |
| Greg Lee                          | 6      | 0        | 2      | 4       |         |
| Arthur Martinez                   | 0      | 0        | 3      | 4       |         |
| Robert Medina                     | 0      | 2        | 0      | 3       |         |
| Joe Cruz                          | 15     | 9        | 6      | 1       |         |
| Felix Portillo                    | 2      | 1        | 0      | 0       |         |
| V.J. Santoya                      | 2      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |

\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: 7th Boys "A" Coach: Charles Murphy  
 Opponent: Venbest Date: Jan. 5, 1998  
 Place: Winters

| POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER         |        |          |        |         |         |
|------------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|---------|---------|
| WINTERS                            | 1      | 2        | 3      | 4       | OT FIN. |
| WINTERS                            | 12     | 18       | 15     | 8       | 53      |
| OPPONENT                           | 2      | 3        | 0      | 0       | 5       |
| Free throws made: 12 of 13 for 92% |        |          |        |         |         |
| Player Name                        | Points | Rebounds | Steals | Assists |         |
| Shane Colburn                      | 4      | 2        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Brandon Davis                      | 7      | 7        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Michael Flores                     | 7      | 7        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Rusty Jackson                      | 8      | 8        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Tim Medina                         | 10     | 9        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Mark Moreno                        | 9      | 8        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Matt Moreno                        | 1      | 1        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Dusty Palmrose                     | 6      | 6        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Huan Pritchard                     | 4      | 4        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Corey Simpson                      | 2      | 2        | 0      | 0       |         |

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Team: Freshmen Boys Coach: Chris Bearden  
 Opponent: Grape Creek JV Date: Jan. 6, 1998  
 Place: Grape Creek

| POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER        |        |          |        |         |         |
|-----------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|---------|---------|
| WINTERS                           | 1      | 2        | 3      | 4       | OT FIN. |
| WINTERS                           | 8      | 9        | 15     | 3       | 35      |
| OPPONENT                          | 15     | 27       | 14     | 19      | 77      |
| Free throws made: 8 of 18 for 44% |        |          |        |         |         |
| Player Name                       | Points | Rebounds | Steals | Assists |         |
| Lony Aguero                       | 3      | 2        | 5      | 0       |         |
| Ben Blaine                        | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Laylor Brown                      | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Justin Calcutt                    | 2      | 0        | 2      | 0       |         |
| Janmer Domico                     | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| James Esquivel                    | 0      | 0        | 2      | 0       |         |
| Greg Hernandez                    | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Gabriel Hernandez                 | 5      | 3        | 3      | 1       |         |
| Samson Jackson                    | 9      | 2        | 3      | 2       |         |
| Craig Jacob                       | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Jeffrey Jordan                    | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Zeek Martinez                     | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Kasey Murphy                      | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Aaron Pritchard                   | 14     | 3        | 3      | 0       |         |
| Jimmy Rodriguez                   | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Sam Samps                         | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Clay Trojak                       | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Colby Walker                      | 2      | 0        | 1      | 3       |         |

\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: Freshmen Boys Coach: Chris Bearden  
 Opponent: Ozona Date: Jan. 9, 1998  
 Place: Winters

| POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER        |        |          |        |         |         |
|-----------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|---------|---------|
| WINTERS                           | 1      | 2        | 3      | 4       | OT FIN. |
| WINTERS                           | 10     | 13       | 9      | 7       | 39      |
| OPPONENT                          | 10     | 13       | 9      | 7       | 39      |
| Free throws made: 9 of 21 for 42% |        |          |        |         |         |
| Player Name                       | Points | Rebounds | Steals | Assists |         |
| Lony Aguero                       | 0      | 0        | 8      | 1       |         |
| Ben Blaine                        | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Laylor Brown                      | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Justin Calcutt                    | 2      | 2        | 4      | 0       |         |
| Janmer Domico                     | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| James Esquivel                    | 2      | 1        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Greg Hernandez                    | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Gabriel Hernandez                 | 12     | 3        | 2      | 1       |         |
| Samson Jackson                    | 11     | 3        | 2      | 0       |         |
| Craig Jacob                       | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Jeffrey Jordan                    | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Zeek Martinez                     | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Kasey Murphy                      | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Jimmy Rodriguez                   | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Sam Samps                         | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Clay Trojak                       | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Colby Walker                      | 7      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |

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Team: 7th Girls Coach: Shane Mobley  
 Opponent: Venbest Date: Jan. 5, 1998  
 Place: Winters

| POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER        |        |          |        |         |         |
|-----------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|---------|---------|
| WINTERS                           | 1      | 2        | 3      | 4       | OT FIN. |
| WINTERS                           | 8      | 7        | 6      | 8       | 29      |
| OPPONENT                          | 2      | 0        | 2      | 0       | 4       |
| Free throws made: 2 of 2 for 100% |        |          |        |         |         |
| Player Name                       | Points | Rebounds | Steals | Assists |         |
| Jena Bahlman                      | 0      | 4        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Janora Bell                       | 0      | 4        | 1      | 2       |         |
| Allison Calcutt                   | 0      | 5        | 0      | 2       |         |
| Dana Cough                        | 3      | 2        | 2      | 0       |         |
| Joann Cortez                      | 2      | 3        | 0      | 2       |         |
| Adriana Escobal                   | 0      | 2        | 1      | 0       |         |
| Renan Hale                        | 0      | 3        | 5      | 0       |         |
| Stacey Sneed                      | 0      | 4        | 2      | 1       |         |
| Lindsay Springer                  | 0      | 5        | 6      | 2       |         |
| Traci Walker                      | 0      | 2        | 8      | 1       |         |

\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: 8th Boys Coach: Chuck Lipey  
 Opponent: Venbest Date: Jan. 5, 1998  
 Place: Winters

| POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER       |        |          |        |         |         |
|----------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|---------|---------|
| WINTERS                          | 1      | 2        | 3      | 4       | OT FIN. |
| WINTERS                          | 4      | 14       | 13     | 15      | 46      |
| OPPONENT                         | 4      | 0        | 2      | 7       | 13      |
| Free throws made: 1 of 2 for 50% |        |          |        |         |         |
| Player Name                      | Points | Rebounds | Steals | Assists |         |
| Jared Ahrhart                    | 0      | 6        | 0      | 1       |         |
| Jeremy Alvarado                  | 2      | 5        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Chris Lopez                      | 10     | 5        | 2      | 3       |         |
| Travis Lopez                     | 18     | 10       | 2      | 1       |         |
| Joseph Joens                     | 5      | 5        | 1      | 2       |         |
| Chris Kratz                      | 2      | 2        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Wade Parramore                   | 14     | 6        | 0      | 3       |         |

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## Basketball '98



### Catch the Action

Jan. 15-17—Roscoe Tourney, TBA, There, 8G, 8B  
 Jan. 16—Wall\*, 4:00, There, 9B, JVG, JVB, VG, VB  
 Jan. 19—Roscoe, 4:30, There, 7G, 7B, 8G, 8B  
 Jan. 20—Coahoma\*, 4:00, Here, 9B, JVG, JVB, VB, VG  
 Jan. 22-24—Blackwell Tourney, TBA, There, 7G, 7B, 8G, 8B

VG Varsity Girls VB Varsity Boys  
 JVG Junior Varsity Girls  
 JVB Junior Varsity Boys  
 9B Freshmen Boys  
 8B 8th Boys 8G 8th Girls  
 7B 7th Boys 7G 7th Girls  
 \*Denotes District Games

Team: Junior Varsity Girls Coach: Deb Whittenburg  
 Opponent: Baird Date: Jan. 6, 1998  
 Place: Winters

| POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER         |        |          |        |         |         |
|------------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|---------|---------|
| WINTERS                            | 1      | 2        | 3      | 4       | OT FIN. |
| WINTERS                            | 9      | 3        | 11     | 19      | 42      |
| OPPONENT                           | 4      | 8        | 4      | 12      | 28      |
| Free throws made: 17 of 26 for 65% |        |          |        |         |         |
| Player Name                        | Points | Rebounds | Steals | Assists |         |
| Kayla Colburn                      | out    | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Jessica Corley                     | 10     | 5        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Jessica DeLaRosa                   | 7      | 4        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Jackie Dexter                      | 0      | 2        | 1      | 0       |         |
| Kendra Hope                        | 12     | 2        | 3      | 1       |         |
| Kacy McCluskey                     | 3      | 1        | 1      | 0       |         |
| Michelle Paschal                   | 4      | 6        | 0      | 2       |         |
| Kelli Slump                        | 7      | 4        | 1      | 0       |         |
| Britney Tesell                     | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |

\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: Junior Varsity Girls Coach: Deb Whittenburg  
 Opponent: Ozona Date: Jan. 9, 1998  
 Place: Winters

| POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER        |        |          |        |         |         |
|-----------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|---------|---------|
| WINTERS                           | 1      | 2        | 3      | 4       | OT FIN. |
| WINTERS                           | 8      | 3        | 15     | 2       | 28      |
| OPPONENT                          | 1      | 6        | 6      | 6       | 21      |
| Free throws made: 6 of 10 for 60% |        |          |        |         |         |
| Player Name                       | Points | Rebounds | Steals | Assists |         |
| Lon Hedemeyer                     | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Kayla Colburn                     | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Jessica Corley                    | 0      | 4        | 0      | 1       |         |
| Jessica DeLaRosa                  | 0      | 0        | 1      | 0       |         |
| Jackie Dexter                     | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Kendra Hope                       | 3      | 1        | 1      | 0       |         |
| Kacy McCluskey                    | 3      | 1        | 1      | 0       |         |
| Michelle Paschal                  | 5      | 10       | 2      | 2       |         |
| Kelli Slump                       | 6      | 2        | 4      | 0       |         |
| Britney Tesell                    | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |

\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Ed Henley  
 Opponent: Archer City Date: Jan. 2, 1998  
 Place: Archer City Tournament

| POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER        |        |          |        |         |         |
|-----------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|---------|---------|
| WINTERS                           | 1      | 2        | 3      | 4       | OT FIN. |
| WINTERS                           | 4      | 2        | 3      | 20      | 40      |
| OPPONENT                          | 8      | 13       | 16     | 19      | 56      |
| Free throws made: 4 of 13 for 31% |        |          |        |         |         |
| Player Name                       | Points | Rebounds | Steals | Assists |         |
| Benny Alvarado                    | 6      | 4        | 6      | 4       |         |
| Oscar Luz                         | 2      | 2        | 4      | 1       |         |
| Justin Minzenmayer                | 9      | 9        | 8      | 0       |         |
| Bear Nitch                        | 5      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Michael Pritchard                 | 0      | 1        | 2      | 0       |         |
| Chris Soto                        | 6      | 2        | 2      | 1       |         |
| Chip White                        | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Kenny Whitteburg                  | 11     | 7        | 10     | 3       |         |
| Lee Wolfenden                     | 2      | 4        | 1      | 1       |         |

\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Ed Henley  
 Opponent: Ozona Date: Jan. 9, 1998  
 Place: Archer City Tournament

| POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER        |        |          |        |         |         |
|-----------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|---------|---------|
| WINTERS                           | 1      | 2        | 3      | 4       | OT FIN. |
| WINTERS                           | 13     | 13       | 11     | 9       | 46      |
| OPPONENT                          | 10     | 12       | 12     | 8       | 42      |
| Free throws made: 5 of 24 for 21% |        |          |        |         |         |
| Player Name                       | Points | Rebounds | Steals | Assists |         |
| Benny Alvarado                    | 3      | 4        | 2      | 3       |         |
| Oscar Luz                         | 0      | 0        | 0      | 0       |         |
| Justin Minzenmayer                | 4      | 12       | 9      | 4       |         |
| Bear Nitch                        | 24     | 14       | 2      | 4       |         |
| Chris Soto                        | 5      | 1        | 1      | 0       |         |
|                                   |        |          |        |         |         |

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**"A"**  
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Asenette Vasquez  
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Catala Kitchen  
Leann Lopez  
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Jordan Sanchez  
Vickie Santoya  
Amber Toten  
Marcus Tubbs  
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Todd Ball  
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Manuel Cordova  
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Nephthali Estrada  
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Raysha Garcia  
Luke Hale  
Randy Jackson  
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Rebeca Morrison  
Rosendo Ovalles

**FIFTH GRADE**

**"A"**  
Kinsey Airhart  
Jacob Bridgeman  
Flor Cordova  
Pete Griffin  
Jeremy Mendoza  
Brenda Rodriguez  
Alecia Sudduth  
Katy Wilkerson  
**"A-B"**  
Scott Bryan  
Aaron Cook  
Rachel Davis  
Adam Escalona  
Esmeralda Espino  
Dawn Fransworth  
Adam Fine  
Shyla Garza  
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Crystal Grenwolge  
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Lydia Sanchez  
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**SIXTH GRADE**

**"A"**  
Timothy Fenwick  
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Chance Hogan  
Briana Parramore  
Rebekah Sartor  
Manuel Vega  
**"A-B"**  
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Spring registration at Western Texas College in Snyder begins January 19.

Classes toward an associate's degree in a variety of liberal arts and pre-professional fields are offered, along with vocational programs in electronic office technology, welding, criminal justice, golf and landscape technology, and licensed vocational nursing.

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Cisco Junior College's Dean of Admissions, Olin O. Odom III, reminds area residents that registration in underway and will continue through January 21 at the Cisco campus and the CJC Abilene Educational Center.

Classes began on January 14 and a minimum amount of missed time is beneficial to the student. Students may register at the main campus in Cisco or the Abilene Educational Center at 841 North Judge Ely Blvd. during regular office hours.

For more information, call the appropriate campus at one of the following numbers: Cisco (254) 442-2567 or Abilene (915) 673-4567.

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**Tuesday-Jan. 20**  
Blueberry Muffins  
Cream of Wheat  
Apple Juice  
**Wednesday-Jan. 21**  
Biscuits  
Sausage  
Orange Juice  
**Thursday-Jan. 22**  
Breakfast Burrito  
Cereal  
Juice  
**Friday-Jan. 23**  
Toast  
Cereal  
Juice

**Lunch**

**Monday-Jan. 19**  
Fish  
Macaroni and Cheese  
Green Beans  
Hot Roll  
Fruit Salad  
**Tuesday-Jan. 20**  
Hot Dog/Chili/Cheese  
Tater Tots  
Pickles  
Chocolate Cake w/Powdered Sugar Icing  
**Wednesday-Jan. 21**  
Oven Fried Chicken/Gravy  
Mashed Potatoes  
June Peas  
Hot Roll  
Pineapple Chunks  
**Thursday-Jan. 22**  
Frito Pic/Chili/Cheese  
Refried Beans  
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Cherry Cobbler  
**Friday-Jan. 23**  
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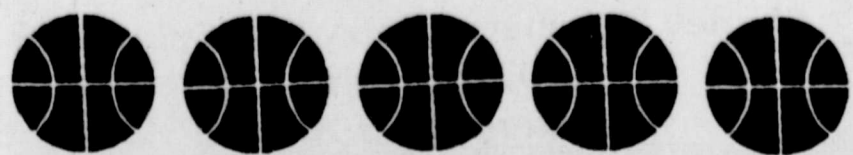
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## Poe's Corner

By Charlsie Poe

### The Newton Boys

When the Newton gang robbed the Winters State Bank in 1918, all anyone knew about them was they were the Newton brothers from Uvalde.

Not until I read an article in the Texas section of the Houston Chronicle magazine for November 23, 1997, did I learn anything about the outlaws and their background.

On the cover was the following introduction: Somewhere between the cowboys of the Wild West and the gangsters of the Depression era came the Newton Boys. These four Texas lads led a 1920's crime spree including 60 bank robberies and six train holdups. They outfoxed law enforcements with clever planning, fast getaway cars, and sheer daring.

Now Austin director Richard Linklater brings their story to the big screen in "The Newton Boys," scheduled for spring release. Freelance writer Carlton Stowers recalls the Newton Boys headlines of his youth and interviews their biographer, Claude Stanush.

Only now, decades after their glory days will the world come to know Willis, Dock, Jess, and Joe Newton. This spring, the movie will reach theaters nationwide.

Their father, born in the Callahan County farming community of Cottonwood, was a share-crop farmer who constantly moved from one dusty patch of land to the next.

Janetta Pecos Newton, the mother, worked miracles to keep food on the table and outfit her 11 children in homemade clothing. When the seat of fourth grader Willis' pants finally frayed beyond the ability of his mother to repair, he avoided further embarrassment by simply dropping out of school. Soon his brothers followed suit.

While other children learned their lessons, the Newton boys grew up working in the cotton fields with their father. To escape the hard work and dreary farm life, they occasionally hid out in box-cars and rode trains to such places as Cross Plains, Big Spring, and Abilene for a sample of big city life. They were touched by wanderlust and an affection for bright lights early on.

They were generally credited by newspapers and historians with



Charlsie Poe

bank robberies in such Texas towns as Winters, Coleman, Waxahachie, San Marcos, Boerne, and New Braunfels, as well as throughout the Midwest and into Canada. They hit six trains in all, practicing for the multimillion dollar Illinois robbery by holding up mail trains near Denison, Bells, and Texarkana.

As colorful as they were daring, the Newtons thrived in the public imagination, bridging the old west outlaw and the gangsters of the Al Capone era. The Newtons rode horses and drove Cadillacs. They wore cowboy boots and diamond stickpins.

On the evening of June 13, 1924, Engine No. 57 of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Express left Union Station with nine mail and two express shipment cars in tow. In less than two hours, it would find its place in history and in the folklore of the hometown story tellers.

Months of preparation had gone into the robbery. Willis and Jess Newton and Brent Glasscock had boarded the train in Chicago, posing as railroad employees. They climbed toward the engine in time to order the engineer to stop the train at a spot known as Buckley Road. Dock Newton was to take his position on foot, just outside the lead mail car while the others entered and located the pouches containing money and jewels.

There was a hitch in the plan, the train crept another hundred yards down the track before the engineer brought it to a complete stop. Dock ran alongside of the mail car and was irritated at the change of plan. He shouted toward a figure stepping from the rear of the train and was answered by five gunshots. He fell to the ground unconscious.

Not until the robbery was completed did the outlaws notice that Dock was missing. His two brothers loaded him in the back seat of the car where he rode for two days. Gangrene set into the jaw

and his brothers had to take him to an underworld doctor in Chicago. As a result, the gang was apprehended. The stolen money and fruit jars filled with uncut diamonds were returned in exchange for lenient sentences. Willis and Dock Newton were sentenced to 12 years in Leavenworth while their brother Joe received a three-year term. Jess, the youngest of the brothers, received a short sentence behind bars, but only after leading officers on a winding chase.

After serving their respective sentences in Leavenworth, Kansas, for the Illinois train robbery, the Newtons dropped from the criminal limelight and settled down on small farms in Texas and Oklahoma. Dock married, but soon his wife and farm were both gone. He moved to Uvalde to exercise the boiler maker trade he had learned in prison.

Jess Newton was the first to die of cancer in 1960. On the evening of March 5, 1968, 78-year-old Dock Newton found himself back in the country he'd known as a boy, taking a last look at the West Texas Plains. That night, he and a friend robbed the Rowena Bank and Dock found himself back in custody 54 years after he had served his sentence for his first Illinois train robbery.

After spending eight months in a prison hospital, Dock Newton was released and died in a Uvalde nursing home in 1974 at age 83. Willis died in 1979 and Joe died in 1989 at age 88.

Before their deaths, Willis and Joe visited the author, Claude Stanush, in San Antonio, looking for someone who might tell their story. Willis was dressed like an elderly business man and Joe was dressed like the cowboy he had always been.

"What they wanted to do was set the record straight. While they had robbed a lot of banks in their day, they were credited with a number of crimes they didn't commit. Willis said the reported amounts of money they had taken was often inflated by bank owners who were "just as crooked as we were."

What was stolen was spent. They were young and liked to have a good time, dress well, and drive new cars. Nothing was put back for a rainy day.

### "Pinewood Derby Car Workshop" set for Jan. 17

Cub Scout Pack 249 will be having a "Pinewood Derby Car Workshop" on Saturday, January 17, 1998, at the Winters Scout Hut.

The workshop will be held from 3:00-6:00 p.m.

If any Scout needs help cutting out his pinewood derby car, he should plan to attend this workshop.

Scouts who have not received their car kits may pick them up at this time. If you are unable to attend, Bill's Woodworks will cut out your car for a fee.

### Start the New Year touching someone's life

The YES program, a non-profit organization that fosters goodwill and friendship between Americans and people of other nations through the enriching experience of intercultural exchange, is looking for families who will open their homes and hearts to an international student.

Host homes are needed so that students can be suitably matched with families and schools for second semester or one year (98). Host families greatly benefit from the cultural exchange by sharing customs, ideas, experiences, and love. At the same time, the students carry their memories back to their homelands to share with their countrymen.

It is the hope of the Youth Exchange Service, an organization that since 1974 has brought thousands of students together with their host families throughout the nation, that world peace will be enhanced through its efforts.

YES students are high school scholars from Europe, the far East, South and Central America, or Mexico who are carefully selected for good moral and ethical behavior and have medical/accident insurance.

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Interested families may call YES at 800-848-2121 ext. 115.

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### Quarterly sales almost unchanged

As reported in December 1997 by the office of State Comptroller John Sharp, gross sales for Runnels County decreased only .8 percent for the second quarter of 1997 as compared to the same reporting period in 1996.

Sales for the second quarter of 1997 totaled \$13,806,662 as compared to \$13,924,263 for the same period in 1996.

Use tax purchases include \$52,943 while \$6,763,670 is subject to state sales and use tax.

For the second quarter, there were 150 reporting outlets in Runnels County in 1997 and 170 in 1996.



MR. and MRS. W.J. BRILEY

### Brileys to be honored on 50th wedding anniversary

To celebrate 50 years of marriage, W.J. and Theresa Lewis Briley will be honored by their children with a reception and stroll down memory lane.

The reception will be held at First Baptist Church on Saturday, January 17, 1998, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

The Brileys were married January 13, 1948, in Ballinger.

He is a custom harvester. She operates a child care service. They have three children: Bobby Briley and his wife Connie of Winters, Beverly Briley of Big Lake, and Carla Hooper and her husband Worth of Winters. The couple has four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

All family and friends are invited. In lieu of gifts, please bring a picture, card, or letter for the memory book to be cherished forever.

### It's Girl Scout cookie time!

It's time to buy Girl Scout cookies — the cookies that provide unlimited possibilities to girls. Girls will team up and take orders through January 21 with delivery scheduled February 9 through March 2.

The price will remain at \$2.50 per box; customers SHOULD NOT PAY FOR COOKIES until they are delivered.

Girl Scout cookies freeze well and may be purchased now to enjoy at a later date. Don't miss your opportunity to get a delicious treat or a gift for that special person at an affordable price!

There are eight kinds of Girl Scout cookies. The ever-popular Thin Mint is a thin wafer covered with smooth cocoa coating and made with natural peppermint. The second most popular cookie is the Samoa which is a tender vanilla cookie covered with caramel on top and bottom, rolled in toasted coconut and striped with a rich, cocoa coating.

Other favorites include the Do-Si-Do, an oatmeal and peanut butter sandwich; the Tagalong, a tasty cookie topped with creamy peanut butter covered with a luscious, chocolate coating; the Trefoil, a short, tender, delicate tasting shortbread made with butter and eggs; and low-fat iced oatmeal/raisin Snaps.

The Chalet Cremes have been changed this year to be only lemon sandwich cookies and are sugar-free.

The entirely new cookie this year is the Striped Chocolate Chip. It is a chocolate chip and pecan cookie with a chocolaty bottom and has chocolate stripes on the top.

Sports play an important role in the lives of most children today. The theme for the 1997-98 Girl Scout cookie sale is "Team UP and win!" By working as a team to set and reach common goals, girls will discover that anything is possible — both now and

in the future. The skills they develop through their team experiences will help them achieve whatever they want to achieve...do whatever they want to do...and be whatever they want to be. The possibilities truly are unlimited for today's Girl Scouts!

This year's team approach to the cookie sale will teach girls how to set goals; demonstrate the value of fair play, cooperation, and personal achievement; give girls the skills to be good team players; help them understand that they can achieve more success as a team than as individuals; develop the concept that girls and troops belong to a larger team: The Girl Scout Movement and the community; build their confidence; give them a feeling of self-worth and result in long-lasting friendships.

Proceeds from the cookie sale make unlimited possibilities available to girls. In addition to underwriting special activities and financing travelships, cookie funds are important in reaching out to girls who might not otherwise have access to membership. Also, these funds underwrite the very important leadership development training for adults who will bring the Girl Scout program to these girls.

The cookie sale earnings help provide salaries for staff who plan and organize council-sponsored program activities, recruit and organize troops, and train Girl Scout leaders. Cookie sales support council activities that take place all year long — from special workshops to day trips to awards banquets.

The Heart of Texas Girl Scout Council gets their income from United Ways, donors, annual giving campaigns that involve parents and the community-at-large, and the cookie sale. More than 80% of Girl Scout income is spent on program, which means that girls benefit directly from 80% of all Girl Scout income, including cookie funds.

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- what many Texans wear in the casa
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- some TX pro athletes are subject to ... drug tests
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- carpet type
- Waco's leading lady of the 40s, Gwynne
- former San Antonio mayor Henry (init.)
- cance race: "Safari"
- TXism: "... rag" (tissue)
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- leather horse strap
- TXism: "busy as ...-armed paper hanger"
- TXism for vicinity
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- recognition event for hopeful TX actors
- Tom Landry's status in Texas Stadium's Ring of Honor
- working by TX Tommy Lee Jones
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- TX producers do this to Angora goats to get mohair
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- you get points if the horseshoe ... against the post
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- Hobby arrival guess
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- illegal drugs
- TXism: "you're buying ... for a dead horse"
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- TXism: "every ... and than"
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- TXism: "looks like ... ridden hard and put up wet"
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- TXism: "hard as dodging rice ... a wedding"
- TX oil fighter Adair
- wood splitter
- " ... it" (man who lives alone)
- Spanish explorer
- TXism: "gave me a song and dance"
- house storage area
- TX Oatmeal Festival features an ...-Thon race
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- they race at the Ballpark in Arlington
- where TX Kenny didn't want Ruby to take her love (2 wds.)
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# Commissioner Collom announces for re-election of Precinct 2

Keith Collom announced that he is seeking re-election as Runnels County Commissioner Precinct 2. He is a democratic candidate in the March 10th primary election.

Keith is married to Karen Rightmire Collom. She is a physician at Ballinger Rural Health Clinic.

Keith has two children. Amanda attends Howard College, and Courtney is a junior at Winters High School. Keith and his family are members of the Winters First United Methodist Church and live between Winters and Crews. Keith's parents are Al and Jessie K. Collom of the Crews community. Karen's parents are Dick and Helen Rightmire of Fort Worth.

Commissioner Collom took office in January 1995. Since that time, he has completed 135 hours of continued education for county commissioners, and he has completed 51 credits of training in the Curriculum 2000 program. Curriculum 2000 is an advanced level of continued education designed specifically for county commissioners.

Commissioner Collom is currently serving on the board of

directors of West Central Texas Council of Governments and as the executive committee member for Region V of the West Central Texas Council of Governments.

Keith moved to the Crews community in 1973, where he farmed and ranched for 13 years (and occasionally worked in the oil field). He entered law enforcement, working for the Runnels County Sheriff's Department, the Winters Police Department, and the Rio Concho Drug Task Force before taking office as Precinct 2 County Commissioner. He has 11 years experience working for local government with nine of those years as a supervisor with Runnels County and the City of Winters.

Keith has served on numerous church and civic boards including board of trustees member, chairperson of the board of trustees, church treasurer, administrative board member, Lord's Acre chairperson of the Winters Methodist Church; board of directors and president of the Winters Rodeo



Association; board of directors of Winters Jaycees; board of directors of Runnels County Crimestoppers; board of directors and president of Runnels County Law Enforcement Officer Association; board of directors of West Central Texas Law Enforcement Association; member, vice-chairperson, and chairperson of Runnels County Children's Protective Services Board; and board of directors of North Runnels Christmas in April. Keith has also worked as an emergency medical technician for the North Runnels Emergency Medical Services.

Commissioner Collom stated, "I have made several positive changes during my first term of office and I will continue to stretch your tax dollars and make informed decisions on your behalf. I appreciate the confidence placed in me by the citizens of Precinct 2 and will work hard for you to ensure I maintain that level of confidence. I know that confidence and support are not automatically given, but rather must be continuously earned. I would appreciate your vote and support on March 10 and I look forward to being your commissioner for another four years."

## CANDIDATES, cont'd.

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Ricky Strube

### Justice of the Peace Precinct #1

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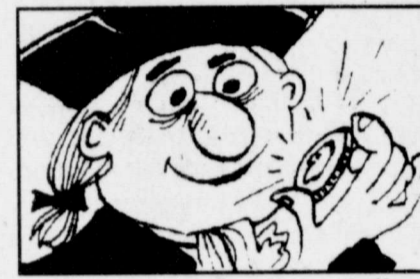
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The first primary will be March 10, 1998, with any runoff to be held April 14, 1998.

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# Stenholm looks to future as he announces for re-election

During a short campaign visit to Winters Friday, Congressman Charlie Stenholm announced that he would be a candidate for re-election to the U.S. House of Representatives.

In making his announcement, Stenholm cited several accomplishments of the past year in Congress, including passage of legislation that will balance the federal budget. "I'm proud that after all these years that I have been fighting for a balanced budget, Washington finally came around to our Texas way of thinking about the budget—putting it into balance," said Stenholm. The budget legislation also contained important tax relief for working families, including a \$500 per child tax credit and college tuition tax credits that will assist young people who otherwise would not be able to go to college.

"As a former teacher, I understand the importance of education," commented Stenholm, who recently hosted an Education Summit in Abilene with Secretary of Education Richard Riley. "Children are our most precious resource. Our focus should be training our kids with the basics and giving them the tools they need for college or a career in the 21st century."

Stenholm serves as Ranking

Member on the House Agriculture Committee. In this important position, he has a great deal of influence on all agriculture legislation and programs, including the rural water development and the Boll Weevil Eradication Program. "This makes it possible for me to do so much for my district and for American agriculture," said Stenholm.

Rural health care is also an important issue for Stenholm. "I have fought for affordable health care, available in rural areas to seniors, working families, and veterans," said Stenholm. The Congressman, a long-time advocate of veterans' issues, recently announced the opening of two veterans' outpatient clinics in Abilene and San Angelo and a veterans' nursing home in Big Spring as well as the establishment of five more outpatient clinics over the next three years.

The Congressman recently formed the House Public Pension Reform Caucus with U.S. Rep. Jim Kolbe (R-Arizona) to find solutions to protect the Social Security program. "We must maintain benefits for those who are currently on Social Security, but we must work to ensure that it will be there for future generations," commented Stenholm.

"As a father and grandfather, I want to make the future brighter for every child in every family that I represent," said Stenholm. "The most important thing that I can do as your Congressman is to make this country a better place for our sons and daughters."

## Championship t-shirts on sale

Area Championship Blizzard football T-shirts are now on sale from the Athletic Booster Club.

Adult sizes are medium, large, extra large, and extra extra large. The price for all sizes is \$10 per t-shirt.

The tees are gray with "Men in Blue" featured in white letters, outlined in blue, on the front. Also included are "1997 Winters Blazers." Scores of this year's games are listed on the back of the tee.

Please contact Susan Conner at 754-5760 or Renee Calcote at 754-5600 if you would like to purchase a t-shirt.

## Official Records

### County Court

#### Criminal

December 29

Pamela Elliott, Ovalo, filed for theft of merchandise by check

December 30

Gabriel J. Ortiz, Winters, filed for theft of merchandise by check

December 31

Robert Pena, Winters, filed for assault

Jeff Schwertner, Rowena, filed for criminal mischief

January 5

Edwin Allen Bicknell, Paint Rock, filed for driving while intoxicated

John Lynn Kolster, San Angelo, filed for failure to appear, two counts

Thanet Intrach, San Angelo, filed for driving while license suspended

Jason Ed Pospicahl, Ballinger, filed for driving while license suspended

James Franklin Smith, Tye, filed for driving while license suspended

Jerry Lee Alvarado, Winters, filed for possession of marijuana, assault

January 6

Paul Trevino, Winters, filed for failure to stop at scene of accident

Jerry Wayne Croker, Winters, filed for driving while license suspended

Ameria Martinez Tamez, Winters, filed for terroristic threat

Shannon Oswald, Winters, filed for assault

Demitrio (Junior) Martinez, Winters, filed for assault

Dispositions

Frank Rodriguez Ortiz, displaying a fictitious inspection sticker, dismissed, defendant convicted in another case, dismissal part of plea bargain.

Tony Devan Chavis, driving while

license suspended, pleaded guilty, fined \$350 and \$157 court costs.

Arnold Cruz, driving while intoxicated (subsequent offense), pleaded nolo contendere, fined \$1,000 plus \$212 court costs, sentenced to 33 days in county jail, 30 days suspended.

Efrain Sanchez Jimenez, driving while intoxicated (subsequent offense), pleaded guilty, sentenced to one year in county jail, probated to two years, fined \$2,000 plus \$212 court costs and 50 hours community service.

David C. Luera, theft of groceries by check, pleaded guilty, fined \$50 plus \$137 court costs, \$20 hot check fee and restitution of \$64.16.

James Weatherford, making alcoholic beverage available to a minor, dismissed, defendant convicted in another case.

Michael E. Lindblom, theft by deception, dismissed, defendant convicted in another case.

Gilbert Gonzales Campos, assault, dismissed, complaining witness requested dismissal.

Jimmy Lee Carson, resisting arrest, assault—two counts, driving while license suspended—two counts, criminal mischief, dismissed, defendant convicted in felony case.

John Martens Wall, driving while intoxicated, dismissed for community service restitution.

Heather M. Goolsby, theft of merchandise by check, pleaded guilty, fined \$50 plus \$157 court costs, \$15 hot check fee and restitution of \$31.70.

Larry Kyle Thompson, assault, dismissed, complaining witness requested dismissal.

Charlotte N. Crain, theft of merchandise by check, pleaded guilty, fined \$50 plus \$157 court costs, \$15 hot check fee and restitution of \$52.68.

Danny Shane Eldred, criminal trespass, pleaded guilty, fined \$400 plus \$184.25 court costs.

Joseph Lee Ovalles, driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in county jail, probated to one year, fined \$1,000 plus \$212 court costs and 50 hours community service.

Walter Louis Hill, driving while license suspended, pleaded guilty, fined \$350 plus \$184.25 court costs.

Teofilo Santoya, Sr., criminal trespass, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months county jail, probated to one year, fined \$750 plus \$157 court costs and 24 hours community service.

Dave Harrell, driving while intoxicated, assault, and unlawfully carrying a weapon, dismissed, defendant convicted in another case.

Elodia Ysa, theft of merchandise by check, pleaded guilty, fined \$50 plus \$157 court costs, \$35 hot check fee and \$125 restitution.

Danny Lynn Ercanbrack, driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in county jail, probated to one year, fined \$750 plus \$212 court costs and 50 hours community service.

Robert Ross Burns, assault, dismissed, insufficient evidence.

Larry Darnell Carson, driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in county jail, probated to one year, fined \$750 plus \$220 court costs and 50 hours community service.

Francisco Reyna, driving while intoxicated (subsequent offense) pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in county jail, \$212 court costs.

Betty Jo Cabrera, theft of cash by check, pleaded guilty, fined \$50 plus \$157 court costs, \$55 hot check fee and restitution of \$325.

Felicitas Sanchez, theft of merchandise by check, pleaded guilty, fined \$50 plus \$157 court costs, \$35 hot check fee and restitution of \$140.

Joyce Ellen Beck, driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in county jail, probated to one year, fined \$750 plus \$227 court costs.

Sherry Ann Fields, driving while intoxicated, sentenced to six months in county jail, probated to one year, fined \$515.75 plus \$184.25 court costs and 50 hours community service.

Leandro F. Rendon, driving while license suspended, dismissed, insufficient evidence.

Jesse Lynn Saunders, driving while intoxicated, dismissed, pre-trial intervention completed.

Mary Hollis, theft of merchandise by check, pleaded guilty, fined \$100 plus \$184.25 court costs, \$35 hot check fee and restitution of \$147.07.

Kenneth H. Kline, Jr., theft of merchandise by check, pleaded guilty, fined \$100 plus \$157 court costs, \$15 hot check fee and restitution of \$32.72.

Daniel Lopez, criminal mischief, sentenced to six months in county jail, probated to 18 months, fined \$750 plus \$209.25 court costs, 50 hours community service.

Jo Stanley, theft of merchandise by check, pleaded guilty, fined \$100 plus \$184.25 court costs, \$45 hot check fee and restitution of \$102.53.

Robert Patton, theft of merchandise and/or cash by check, pleaded guilty, fined \$100 plus \$184.25 court costs, \$160 hot check fee and restitution of \$1550.

Darryl Glen Campbell, possession of marijuana, dismissed, defendant convicted in another case.

Samuel Joe Lopez, assault, pleaded guilty, sentenced to 60 days in county jail, court costs of \$184.25.

Gabriel Hernandez, driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in county jail, probated to 18 months, fined \$750 plus \$224.25 court costs, 50 hours community service.

John Grohman, terroristic threat, dismissed, insufficient evidence.

### Marriage Licenses

January 8

Mario R. Espino and Carolina M. Acevedo.

### District Court Divorces filed

January 8

Tammy Sue Hemby and Ross Woods Hemby

Patsy Garza Meza and Humberta Meza, Jr.

January 12

Joe Willard Lee vs. Margaret Jane Lee

### Divorces Granted

December 31

Cameron Keith Butler and Mitzi Butler

January 8

Billy Holland and Sandee Lenea Holland

Leslie Jay Smith and Sheila Marie Lincoln Smith

### Justice of the Peace Court Precinct #1 Criminal

January 2

Preston Corey Petrey, filed for minor in possession of alcoholic beverage

January 4

Juan Martin Escobar, filed for public intoxication

Dennis Lee Eisenbach, filed for minor in possession of alcoholic beverage

January 9

Shawn Riley, filed for forgery by passing

Roy D. Fort, filed for theft by check

### Small Claims

January 6

R. A. Bagwell Oil Co., Inc. vs. Henry Garcia—account

R. A. Bagwell Oil Co., Inc. vs. William Soto—account

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**What you eat effects your blood pressure**

Much of it has to do with what you eat. Many people respond adversely to salt—too much salt in the diet raises the blood pressure. Also a low potassium, common in American diets, may contribute to hypertension.

It is not only the salt in the diet; it is the calories too, and the fats do not help either. Being overweight is one of the biggest factors for hypertension. Losing weight to within 15% of your ideal weight is very helpful in controlling blood pressure. This alone will keep many people from needing medicines. Losing weight also helps many other illnesses such as diabetes and arthritis.

**Tobacco raises blood pressure**

Tobacco is another big cause, whether smoked or chewed. A high level of nicotine is absorbed which raises the blood pressure as well as having many other ill effects.

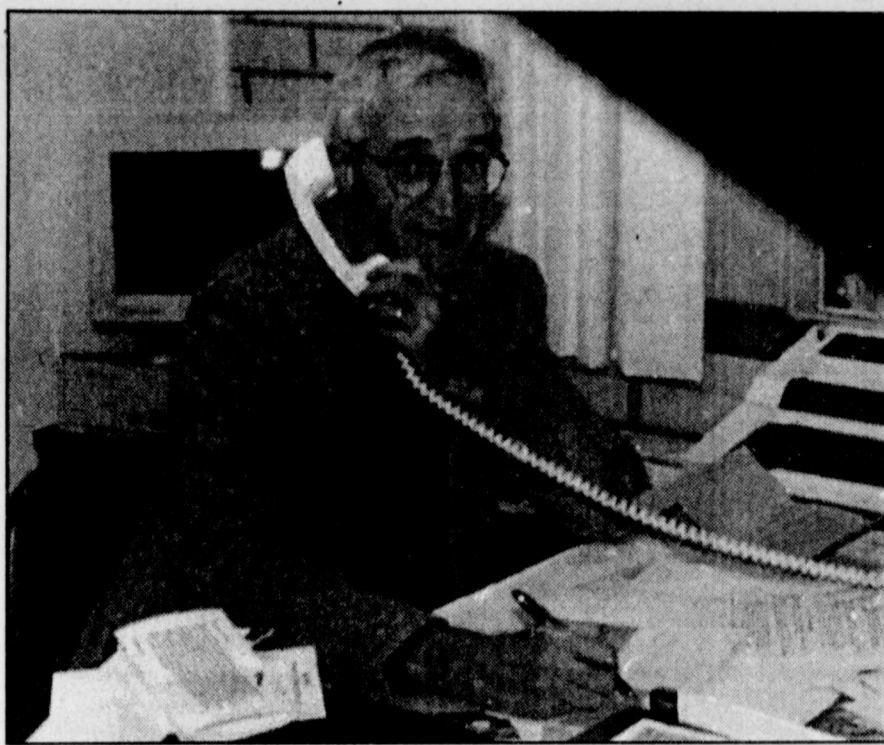
**Alcohol also raises the blood pressure**

Alcohol will raise the blood pressure, especially if a person consumes more than two ounces per day.

**Regular exercise improves efficiency of heart & circulation**

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**PASTOR JIM HANSON** was busy manning the telephone at St. John's Lutheran Church Saturday evening during the West Texas Rehabilitation telethon. Pastor Hanson and members of the Lutheran Church conducted the local phone bank for donations from Winters and the surrounding area. The telethon raised approximately \$1,118,000.

## Underground work at jail site near completion

Runnels County Commissioners heard a progress report on the new county jail from Jimmy Guevara at their regular meeting on Tuesday morning. Guevara, project superintendent for Archi-systems, the project manager, told commissioners the underground work is approximately 100% complete. He said he hoped to complete the underground portion of the construction within the next two weeks.

Guevara expressed appreciation for the help and support from commissioners and their employees on the project. He said he is watching costs daily to try to stay within budget on the project.

Other agenda items included: Commissioners approved amendment documents pertaining to Runnels County Home Delivered Meals Program for the period February 1, 1997, through January 31, 1998. A slight increase in funding made the amendment necessary.

The court approved an Inter-local Participation Agreement between Texas Association of Counties Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance Fund and the county. The last agreement signed by the county was dated 1977 and

changes in state law made the new agreement necessary. Commissioner Ricky Strube said he had read the new agreement and it was close to the old agreement, just more words.

Commissioners approved a reimbursement forms package between Precinct #1 and Omega Environmental Services. Commissioner Skipper Wheelless said, "This is just one more part to the continuing seven-year saga of one 500 gallon buried tank." He said the state was still paying for the work done and "these forms just allow Omega to be reimbursed by the state."

Commissioners voted to have the county salary grievance committee made up of nine citizens rather than a combination of elected officials and citizens. Following that action, County Judge Marilyn Egan drew nine names from the grand jury pool of names to ask to serve on the committee. County Clerk Linda Bruchmiller was instructed to notify those on the list and get their acceptance or rejection for serving on the committee.

Judge Egan reported to commissioners on the contracts signed on the new jail project.

## Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz



Hilda Kurtz

*Gossip is the art of saying nothing in a way that leaves nothing unsaid.*

The ladies were real happy to have Carolyn Webb and Leona Matthies attend their mission study Monday morning. Ladies present were Mildred, Juanita, Melvena, Nila, Ramona, and Dee. Sunday dinner guests with Fairy and Wilbert Alcorn after church services were Brother Ferris and Ramona Akins of Ballinger, Doris Wood, and Juanita Shields. Later in the afternoon, Fairy and Wilbert went over to Juanita Shields' home.

On Saturday, Abe and Pat Giles of Brownwood spent the day with the Matthies family.

John Johnson found a rattlesnake den in an old barn. The snakes are all sizes. He managed to kill around eight. Sunday afternoon, he looked again and noticed there were more. He hopes to get some help before he wakes them up.

The Bill Mathis family attended the basketball game in Winters on Friday night. They ate dinner before the game—Mexican food.

Melvina and Marvin Gerhart were dinner guests Wednesday with Nila and Therin Osborne. Later the Osbornes were in Wintgate and had supper with Karen, Wesley, Stefanie, and John McCallian. On Friday, Nila and Therin were in Abilene and went by to see Arthur and Netha Kerby. Paula, Rudy, Ron, and Dee

Bnea New of Abilene enjoyed lunch with Sam and Dee Faubion after church. Sam and Dee visited Ada Mae and Carl Faubion in Coleman on Friday night.

Rodney Faubion of Fort Worth spent the weekend with his folks, Harvey Mae and Noble Faubion.

During the week with Connie and Georgia Gibbs were Lynda and Travis Ford of Rising Star, and Connie Mac and Jean Gibbs of Winters.

Hildegard and Calvin Schovajsa of San Angelo spent Saturday with me. I spent Friday with Adeline Grissom and shopped later.

Katherine Grissom carried her son, Luke, to his little friend's 7th birthday party in Ballinger at the skating rink.

Adeline Grissom had lunch Sunday with Katherine and Luke Grissom after church services. Afterwards, they took a walk, kind of like "memory lane."

Brenda Jacob of San Angelo spent the weekend with Margie. On Friday night, Brenda and Margie Jacob, and Carol, Mike, Katherine, and Scott Kozelsky attended the Ozona-Winters basketball game in Winters.

While in Winters on Saturday, Margie and Evelyn Jacob ate out at the Casa Cabana.

On Sunday, Jessie and Al Collom had Gladys Cotton; Walter Pape; and Keith, Karen, and Courtney Collom as dinner guests.

Josie Hoppe is recuperating nicely at home after being in the hospital for treatment.

Carolyn Webb and Edith Everett were in Winters Sunday and ate out at the Roundup cafe. They liked it so much they returned on Monday and ate lunch again.

## Super Bowl Dinner Jan. 25

Proceeds benefit "Christmas in April" project

"Barbequed brisket and barbequed chicken dinner with all the fixings and desserts" are the order of the day for Super Bowl Sunday, January 25, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the school cafeteria.

There will also be whole briskets and whole chickens for sale, and "take outs" too. Meals will be delivered if so desired.

All proceeds will go to "Christmas in April," sponsored by St.

John's and Lutheran Brotherhood Branch #8824. Lutheran Brotherhood will provide up to \$1,000 in matching funds through its Branch Challenge Fund. Last year, the meal netted over \$3,000.

There will be no ticket sales, but a "free will" donation will be received.

Orders for "take outs," briskets, or chickens will be taken by Nancy Spill at 754-4073 or Ramona Hanson at 754-4074.



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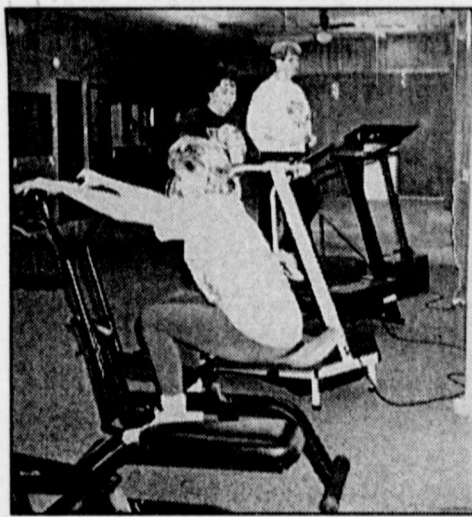
— I can't come in today because my dog ate my pantyhose.

— I have to cancel my appointment because my toenails are still wet from my pedicure.

— I spilled perfume in my purse and the smell has made me too sick to work out.

— I have gained so much weight that I can't step back inside the gym until I lose 10 pounds.

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## A New Year's resolution for your family's safety

by RICK PERRY, Texas Commissioner of Agriculture, Republican candidate for Lieutenant Governor, and husband and father of two

The holiday season is a time of love, faith, family, and reflection on the year past and the one to come. It is a time of great activity. If your family is anything like mine, the chaos under the tree on Christmas morning is preceded by last minute shopping trips, family get-togethers, and Christmas parties.

With all of the seasonal travel, Texas law enforcement officials have been busy reminding us about safety on our streets and highways. The Department of Public Safety has estimated that 88 people could lose their lives on Texas highways during the Christmas and New Year's holidays. Many of these holiday traffic fatalities will be alcohol related.

Drunk driving is more than a holiday problem in Texas. Last year alone, 1,991 Texans lost their lives in alcohol related accidents. Texas leads the nation in drunk driving fatalities. That's unacceptable in a state as great as ours. We must fight drunk driving, not just during holidays, but 365 days a year.

I don't want your family to suffer like those whose loved ones have been victims of drunk drivers in Texas. As a candidate for Lt. Governor of Texas, I have a plan to crack down on drunk driving and make our neighborhood streets and highways safer.

When the Texas Legislature meets in January of 1999, lowering the blood alcohol content threshold for driving while in-

toxicated to .08 from the current .10 must be a priority. To deter drunk driving and punish lawbreakers, I believe drunk drivers should serve time in jail, the first time and every time.

I want to change state law to require first-time DWI offenders to spend a minimum of three days in jail. They should have their drivers' licenses suspended for a minimum of 30 days as a condition of probation. Occupational licenses to allow driving to and from work should no longer be granted for those convicted of drunk driving.

Texas must get tougher on habitual drunk drivers. Those convicted a second time should face a minimum of 30 days in jail, no probation, and a six-month suspension of their drivers' license. Third-time offenders would face a felony conviction, 180 days in jail, a 1-year license suspension, and the seizure of their vehicle.

The new penalties I propose are tough. But we owe this to the families of drunk driving victims and to the parents, husbands, and wives who worry about their children and loved ones out on our roads. It's a deterrent when those who have been drinking know they will face jail and license suspension if they get behind the wheel.

I am confident that these new penalties will lower the number of drunk driving fatalities and make our Texas roads and highways safer. And the safety and security of our friends and families is one New Year's resolution we can all agree on.

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## IRS offers more options this year for Texans seeking tax help and forms

The beginning of a new year also signals the start of the annual federal tax filing season. More than 3.3 million North Texans are now finding tax packages in their mail boxes, a reminder that it's time to file their income tax forms again.

This year's tax forms look a lot like last year's forms despite a huge number of tax law changes. For example, Form 1040 has just two new lines—one for the medical savings account deduction and the other for the adoption credit, both provisions resulting from 1996 legislation. Most of the changes in the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 will not start until 1998.

According to the IRS, most taxpayers file their taxes between the last few days of January through the first three weeks of February. That's the IRS' "peak filing period." About 7 out of every 10 North Texas taxpayers will receive tax refunds this year. For most people, the annual chore is

an easy one. All the help they need is explained in their tax package.

If people still need help, they can call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040. The IRS has expanded its telephone hours to six days a week, sixteen hours a day. IRS customer service representatives can be reached by telephone Monday through Saturday from 7 a.m.-11 p.m.

For people who prefer to do business "on line" without standing in line, they can access the IRS HomePage in the Internet. It has free tax forms, publications and other helpful information. The IRS Internet address is: www.irs.ustreas.gov.

There are several other ways for North Texans to get tax help. They include:

- Calling 1-800-829-4477 or the number listed in the tax package to hear recorded tax information messages. Tax packages contain a list of the subjects covered

on these recordings.

- Ordering free tax publications and forms by calling 1-800-829-3676. A list of available forms and publications is included in each tax package. Tax forms are also available through IRS TaxFax by dialing 703-487-4160 from a fax machine. Most forms and publications are also available at libraries, banks, and post offices.
- Getting free one-on-one tax help by visiting one of the many IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) or Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) sites across North Texas.

Approximately 800,000 of the tax packages sent to North Texas will not have any tax forms inside. That's because the recipients are eligible to file their taxes by telephone. TeleFile, the IRS' award-winning 10-minute file-by-phone system is available only to people who meet certain filing categories and those who receive the special tax package.

### Garage Sales

**Garage Sale** - Sewing machines, vacuums, playhouse, sweaters, t-shirts, jeans, bedding, coats, more. Saturday, 8 a.m. (Robbie and Lanell) 204 Penny Lane. 9-3(1tp)

**Backyard Garage Sale** - FRI. & SAT. Jan. 16 & 17, 8 a.m. 215 S. Melwood (behind Alderman Cave). Double oven, cooktop, venthood, punch bowls, tupperware, couch, equalizer trailer hitch, misc. 9-3(1tp)

### Special Services

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### Miscellaneous

**DON'T FORGET** to pick up your pictures or other related items that have been published in *The Enterprise!* 8-10(tfc)

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### For Rent

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## Police Beat

The information below is taken from reports on file with the Winters Police Department. Some of the information is provided to police by citizens, and in some cases, police have not finished investigating the reports. These reports make up a small percentage of the total calls the Department receives and responds to each week.

Winters Police Department reports received and/or investigated from Sunday, January 4, 1998, through Saturday, January 10, 1998. Winters Police Officers:

- received a report of a family disturbance in the 100 block of Novice Road. Separation was made, and no charges were filed.
- received a report of a Class C theft in the 100 block of Grant. This case is still under investigation.
- received a report of an assault that occurred in the 400 block of N. Cryer. Charges on two suspects are pending at this time.
- received a report of a criminal mischief in the 200 block of Willis. There are no suspects at this time.
- arrested Amelia Martinez Tamez, 54, of Winters, for terroristic threats.
- received a report of a theft in the 900 block of N. Main. This case is still under investigation.
- arrested Lisa Marie Ingram, 30, of Winters, for possession of marijuana in the 200 block of Laurel Drive.
- arrested Glenn Allen Tischler, 17, of Winters, for possession of marijuana in the 200 block of Laurel Drive.
- received a report of phone harassment in the 200 block of N. Church. This case is still under investigation.
- received a report of an attempted suicide in the 200 block of W. Pierce. The victim was transported to North Runnels Hospital and later to a hospital in Abilene. This case is still under investigation.

Runnels County Crimestoppers offers a cash reward for information which leads to the grand jury indictment or conviction of offenders and the caller does not have to give his or her name. To give a Crimestopper's tip, call your local law enforcement agency at:

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## Texas Railroad Commission urges winter gas safety check

Will this be a particularly hard winter? No one knows for sure, but the old scout motto about "being prepared" certainly can't hurt. The Texas Railroad Commission says the two best ways for homeowners with propane gas heating systems to be prepared are: scheduling a gas check of all the gas system, including appliances and making sure the propane tank stays full all winter long.

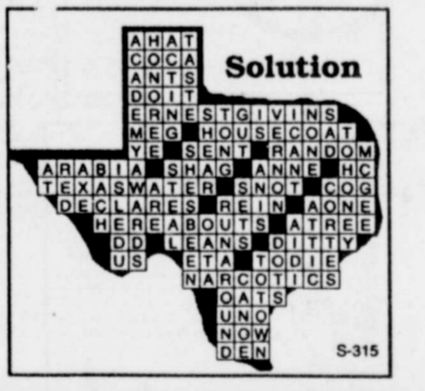
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Homeowners should check all gas appliance intakes and exhaust vents for the clothes dryer, furnace and water heater to make sure they are kept clear of debris, snow or ice. And the home's propane tank should have a protective cap or "dome" to cover the regulator, relief valves and fill valves.

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### Farm Bureau elects officers and committee members

The Runnels County Farm Bureau annual meeting was recently held in their meeting room at the Ballinger office. Officers and committee members for the coming year were elected.

Newly elected board president was Doyle Condra. Bill Bredemeyer was elected as vice-president, and James Eggemeyer was re-elected as secretary/treasurer.

Committee chairmen for the coming year are: Daniel Redman, membership and tax watch; Dale Duggan, policy development; Michael Deike, national legislative affairs; Alvin Niehues, state legislative affairs; Doyle Condra, information; Gary Jacob, economic services; Bill Bredemeyer, young farmers and ranchers; and Allen Belk, environmental-regulatory.

Commodity committee chairmen are: LeRoy Pelzel, cotton; Doug Bryan, sheep and goats; and Leon Frerich, beef.

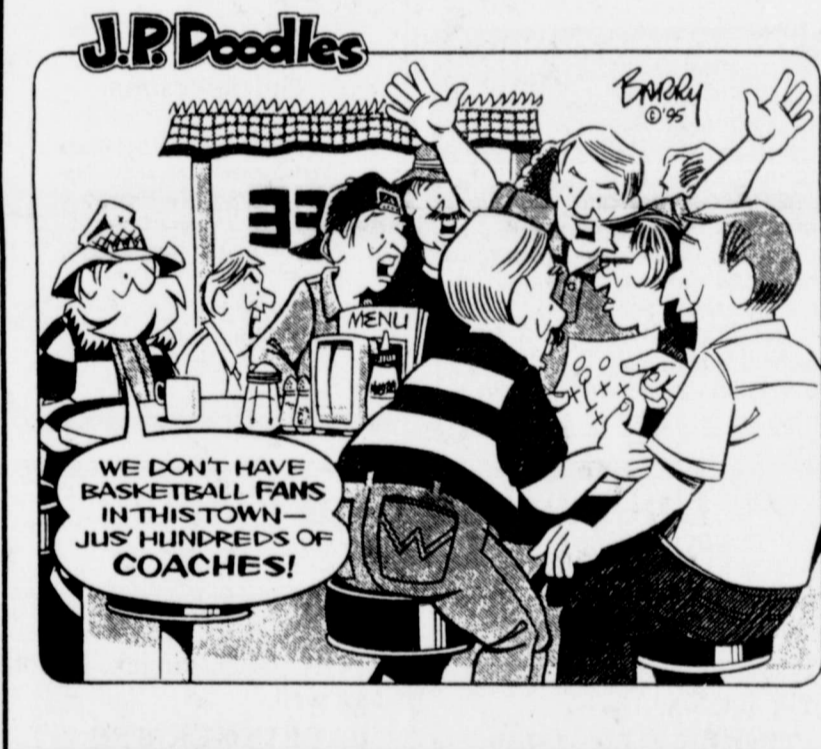
Please feel free to call any of these men for information concerning the Farm Bureau organization or if they may be of any help to you in your agricultural endeavors.

The Farm Bureau's main purpose is to promote agriculture, and since Runnels County is an agricultural county, this organization is very important.

Farm Bureau has many benefits available to its members. Information concerning these benefits may be obtained from Doyle Condra, any board member, or by calling or visiting the office at 809 Hutchings Ave. in Ballinger.

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### TDA to mail ballots for February 2 regional boll weevil vote

Cotton farmers and landowners with cotton production are eligible to vote in a Feb. 2 referendum that will determine whether a boll weevil eradication program should continue in the 9-county Southern Rolling Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone.

Eligible voters in the Southern Rolling Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone should receive an official ballot by mail the week of Jan. 12. A postage-paid return envelope will be included. Completed ballots must be postmarked before midnight, Feb. 2, to be counted. Producers who planted cotton in 1997, but do not receive a ballot should contact the Texas Department of Agriculture at (512) 463-7593.

In addition to deciding if an eradication program should continue in the zone, voters will elect a board member from the Southern Rolling Plains Zone to serve on the statewide board of directors for the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Inc. TDA received one nomination for this position before the Jan. 2 filing deadline. The name of Kenneth Gully of Concho County will appear on the ballot as a board nominee. Mr. Gully is a cotton producer who farms in the zone and has grown cotton for at least seven years.

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### Fort Worth Stock Show Rodeo tops on circuit

All the reigning champions from the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association are among the record entry list of 917 contestants for the 1998 Fort Worth Stock Show Rodeo, which will boast a new high of \$404,325 in prize money.

They will be contesting on stock provided by nine of the sport's top production companies when the World's Original Indoor Rodeo gets underway on January 23 for a 30-performance run through February 8.

The list of competitors includes the ladies entered in the Invitational Ranch Girls Barrel Race and all-around and bronc riding champion, Dan Mortensen; top bareback rider, Eric P. Mouton; and bull rider, Scott A. Mendes. They will compete against the sport's other top cowboys for one of the most lucrative purses of the year.

The stock show's policy of providing the sport's best stock assures each contestant the opportunity to gain high marks toward qualifying for a major share of the purse. Neal Gay, ProRodeo Hall of Fame honoree and long-time Fort Worth Stock Show production manager, has established a coalition of rodeo stock production companies that will provide the best rodeo stock in the sport.

The 1998 stock contractors include All-Star Rodeo Company, Bailey Rodeo Company, Battles Rodeo Livestock, Gay's Mesquite Championship Rodeo, Rafter H Rodeo Company, Vold Rodeo Company, Wayne Vold Rodeo Company, and Walls Rodeo Company.

Gay's production management team includes the top men in the business. His son, Jim Gay, serves as stock foreman. Chute boss is John Farris. Performing the chores of pickup men are John Patterson and Guy Yarbrough. Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association judges are George Gibbs, Butch Kirby, and Cliff Overstreet.

Mildred Farris, former PRCA Rodeo Secretary of the Year, returns to the secretary's office, along with timekeepers Raine Patterson and Penny Walton. The rodeo office staff, headed by Kay Gay, includes Brandy Cooper, Jackie Frank, and Brenda Gay.

Three of the best clowns in the rodeo business have been signed. Barrelman will be Jim Bob Feller, a newcomer to the stock show rodeo but a well-known face in many of the major rodeo arenas around the nation for more than 30 years. His arena comedy and light-hearted comments are unparalleled.

The two bullfighters will be Rob Smets and Frank Newsom. Smets, no stranger to Fort Worth Rodeo crowds having been there several years, was the Bullfighting World Champion four times. Newsom, one of the top bullfighters, will be performing at the Fort Worth Stock Show for the second consecutive year.

Tickets for the rodeo action and a day at the livestock show are priced at \$16 for Friday nights and all weekends, and \$14 for Monday through Friday matinees and Monday through Thursday nights. The Will Rogers Coliseum box office is open from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from noon until 5 p.m. on Sunday. Mail orders should include an extra \$4 per order for postage and handling, and be sent to the stock show at P.O. Box 150, Fort Worth, TX 76101-0150.

### Farm Bureau president supports state loan guarantee program

The president of Texas' largest farm organization said January 6, 1998, that difficulties reported by the state auditor in the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority do not reflect the ability of the state's farmers and ranchers to repay loans.

"TAFE is set up to provide more than one kind of loan, including those to assist young farmers and ranchers launch their operations," said Bob Stallman, president of the Texas Farm Bureau. "So far, though, the vast majority of loans have been to processing and other value added ventures in agriculture, not to farmers."

Stallman, a rice farmer from Columbus, said these kinds of ventures sometimes carry a high degree of risk, thus the involvement of the state loan guarantee program.

"It is not unreasonable to accept the contention of Texas Department of Agriculture personnel that the program will pay off

in the future," Stallman said. "If we look at this as an investment, then it is too early to bail out."

Some state employees and legislators have promised a hard look at TAFE's financial health. Stallman suggested that it is exactly these kinds of ventures that could open new markets and generate jobs in many agricultural areas.

"Very few farm and ranch operational loans, if any, have been made under the program," Stallman said.

The farm leader went on to say that agricultural loans are on a much firmer footing than during the farm crisis of 1980's, and the current troubles at TAFE, temporary or not, should not be viewed as precursors of a debt crisis. "Agriculture is a strong and viable industry that has been and continues to be an economic mainstay in Texas," Stallman said. "I encourage farm lenders to continue their support of farmers and ranchers."

### Petroglyph Tour set at Texas park

There will be a Petroglyph Tour January 17 from 1-3 p.m. at San Angelo State Park. Tourists will visit the site of a prehistoric Native American village and see Native American rock art.

In addition to the park entry fee, the tour fees are: free to Texas Conservation Passport (TCP) members, \$2 for non-members, and \$1 for children 12 and under. Reservations are available, but not required.

Contact 915-949-4757 for reservations or if you have questions.

## Nine Things You Should Know About Caring For TREES

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- Don't Top Trees!**  
 Never cut main branches back to stubs. Lightly, weakly attached limbs often grow back higher than the original branches. Many arborists say that topping is the worst thing you can do for the health of a tree.
- Use the 1/3 Rules for Pruning**  
 Never remove more than 1/3 of a tree's crown.  
 Where possible, try to encourage side branches that turn angles that are 1/3 of vertical (10:00 to 2:00 positions).  
 For most species, the tree should have a single trunk.  
 Ideally, main side branches should be at least 1/3 smaller than the diameter of the trunk.  
 If removal of main branches is necessary, cut them back to the trunk to avoid leaving stubs.  
 For most deciduous broadleaf trees, don't prune up from the bottom any more than 1/3 of the tree's total height.
- How to Make a Pruning Cut**  
 Large Limbs:  
 A. Make a parallel cut from beneath the limb.  
 B. Make a second cut from above several inches out and allow the limb to fall.  
 C. Complete the job with a final cut just outside the branch collar.  
 Small Branches:  
 Make a sharp clean cut just beyond a lateral bud or other branch.  
 Correct Cut: Top Cut, Tapering, Topward
- The Value of Mulch**  
 A tree's best friend, mulch insulates soil, retains moisture, keeps out weeds, prevents soil compaction, reduces leach-out damage, and adds an aesthetic touch to a yard or street. Remove grass within the mulch area, as grass from 3 to 10 feet in diameter, depending on tree size. Four wood chips or bark placed 2 to 4 inches deep within the circle, but not touching the trunk.
- How to Plant a Bare-Root Tree**  
 It is best to plant bare-root trees immediately in order to keep the fragile roots from drying out. If you can't plant because of weather or soil conditions, store the trees in a cool place and keep the roots moist.  
 1. Dig a hole, wider than the root ball. Do not start with packing material attached to roots, and do not allow roots to dry out.  
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 3. Show the remaining soil in the nursery bag. Family tie roots around the hole, leaving a water holding base around the tree. Use the tree stem as a lower guide. Do not add soil amendments.  
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 5. After the water has soaked in, place a 2 inch deep protective mulch in an area 2 feet in diameter around the base of the tree (but not touching the trunk).  
 6. During dry weather, water the tree generously every week or 10 days during the first year.
- Where Roots Really Grow**  
 We don't always appreciate how far roots can extend. Understanding how and where roots grow will help you avoid damage from trenching and construction.
- How to Plant a Containerized Tree**  
 In transplanting, be sure to keep soil around the roots. Always handle your tree by the ball, not by the trunk. Dig or rototill an area one foot deep and approximately 3 times the diameter of the root ball. The prepared soil will encourage root growth beyond the root ball and results in a healthier tree.  
 After planting the tree, pack soil tightly around the root ball. Water the soil and place protective 3 foot circle of mulch around the tree.  
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 From subject to present setting.
- Your Street Trees May Be City Trees**  
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