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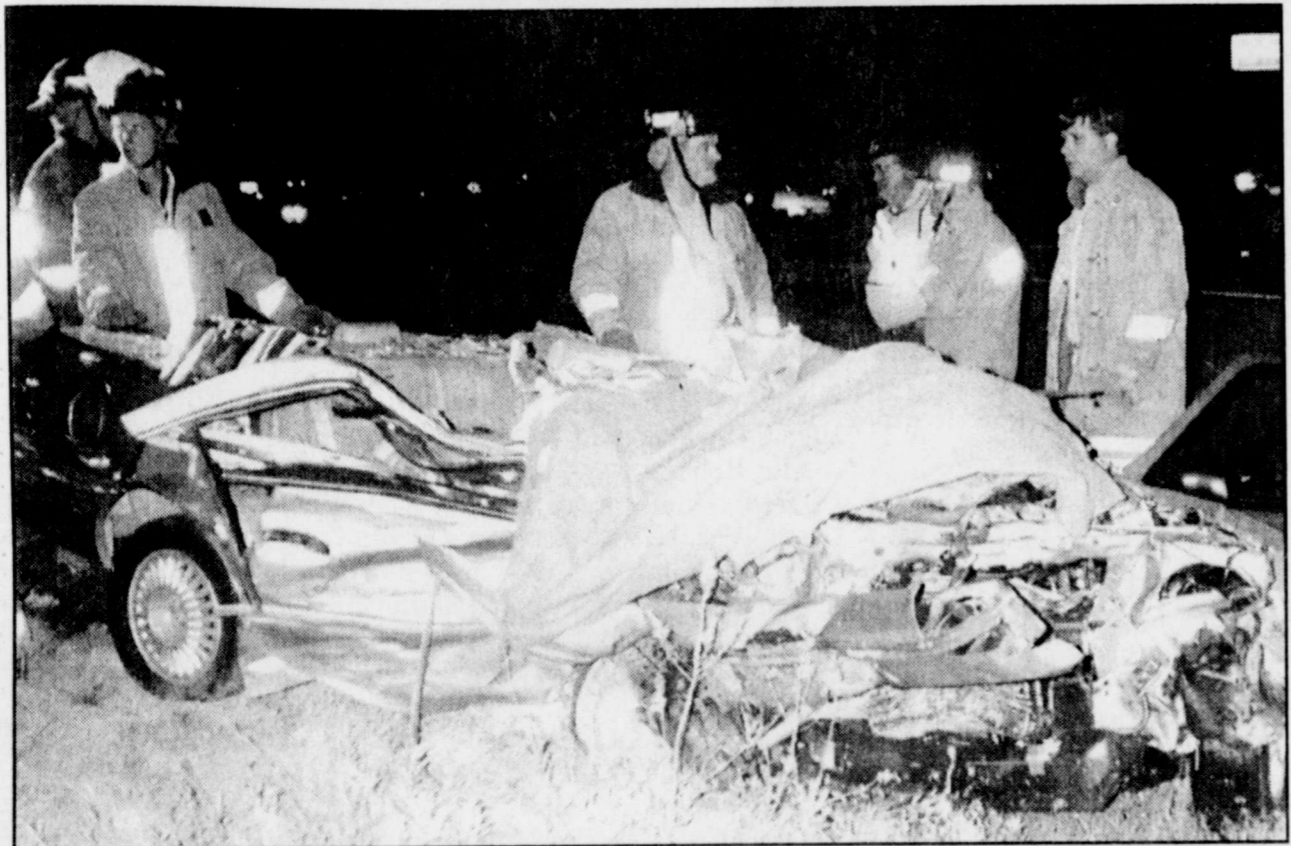
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TWO FATALITIES resulted from a near head on collision Sunday evening near Ballinger between this 1992 Mercury Topaz driven by Torivio Comacho, 37, of Ballinger, and a 1998 Dodge pickup driven by Brent Lee Thompson, 34, of Arlington. Pronounced dead at the scene were Sergio Acosta, Sr., 24, of Coleman and his 5 year old son, Victor. The Acostas were among five passengers in the Topaz. Thompson has been charged with two counts of intoxication manslaughter. See related story.

Alcohol related vehicle accident kills father & 5-year-old son

Four others seriously injured in near head-on collision

Alcohol and driving made for a tragic mix on U.S. Highway 67 south on Sunday night at the edge of Ballinger. A father, Sergio Acosta Sr., 24, and his 5-year-old son, Victor, were apparently killed instantly in a near head-on collision just after 8:30 p.m. Sunday. Four others in the 1992 Mercury Topaz driven by Torivio (Toby) Camacho, 37, of Ballinger, were injured in the accident. Linda Acosta, 21, the wife and mother of the two deceased, of Coleman, remains in serious condition at Shannon Hospital in San Angelo. Also injured were Sergio Acosta Jr., 18 months of age, and Mary Jane Najara, 45, all of Coleman. Najara, a dispatcher for the Coleman Police Department, remained in critical condition as of Tuesday.

Brent Lee Thompson, 34, of Arlington, was the driver of the other vehicle and has been charged with two counts of intoxication manslaughter, according to Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper Scott Warren. He was treated for minor injuries at Ballinger Memorial Hospital and released to County Sheriff's deputies on Sunday evening. He remained in Runnels County Jail on Tuesday with bond set at \$50,000 on each count. If convicted, Thompson could face sentences of from two years to 20 years and a fine of \$10,000 on each count. Intoxication manslaughter is a second degree felony. A motorist with a cellular telephone reported that Thompson's

1998 Dodge pickup was traveling at a high rate of speed southbound in the northbound inside lane. While the 911 dispatcher was taking information, the vehicle driven by Camacho collided with the pickup. Camacho apparently saw the pickup at the last moment and tried to swerve left as the collision was right headlight to right headlight, according to Trooper Warren. Warren said indications were that no seat belts were in use in either vehicle and that alcohol impairment was a factor for both drivers. Ballinger Police Chief Paul Boggess said Thompson had reportedly been in the vicinity of 8th and Bonsall earlier and had hit and damaged a couple of vehicles in that area.

School board hires two coaches, band director, and teacher

In a called meeting Tuesday night, members of the WISD Board of Trustees voted to hire Darrington E. White as band director, Kenneth Wayne Fowler as head girls basketball coach, Marsha Fowler as secondary math teacher, and Robert Lynn White as head boys basketball coach. Mr. White comes to Winters from 4-A Corsicana High School, where he has served as head band director. Coach Fowler has most recently worked for the Menard ISD where he served as girls head basketball coach, head girls track and cross country coach, and assistant football coach (offensive line and defensive ends). Marsha Fowler, also coming from Menard, began her teaching career in 1977, and is also a registered nurse. Coach Robert White joins WISD after having served as head coach at Brownwood High School, Tahoka High School and McCamey High School.

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FLYING THROUGH THE AIR WITH THE GREATEST OF EASE are raw eggs being traded during the exciting Egg Toss, one of the many games held during the annual Mayfest Celebration, sponsored by the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce.

Want to feel good? See this delightful musical Thurs.
The Winters first graders will perform *How Does Your Garden Grow?* on Thursday, May 7, at 7 p.m. in the High School Auditorium. Admission is free. The very enjoyable program is under the direction of music teacher Fran Kidwell, assisted by first grade teachers.

Winters Police make drug bust

Acting on information from a confidential source given to Terry Johnson of the Winters Police Department, law enforcement officers arrested four adults for possession of marijuana last Thursday, April 30, about 10:00 p.m. Those arrested at a residence in the 1000 block of North Concho for possession of marijuana were Jose Antonio Sanchez, Cornelio Reyna, Rodrigo Jimenez Reyna, and Jerry Alvarado. Jerry Alvarado was also charged with resisting search or arrest. All suspects are from Winters. The following agencies assisted in the search warrant: Winters Police Department, Ballinger Police Department, Runnels County Sheriff's Department, and the Texas Department of Public Safety. Officers who assisted were Sergeant Alfredo Sanchez, Corporal Terry Johnson, Officer Jose Herrera, Officer Toby Virden,

Deputy Kenyon Black, Deputy Dan Stoker, Trooper Scott Warren, and Trooper Geoff Aycock. See **DRUG BUST**, pg. 4

Voters choose Walker, Meyer in local elections

In a closely contested race for Place 7 At-Large, Larry Walker was elected by voters as the newest member of the Board of Trustees of the Winters Independent School District. Walker garnered 100 votes in last Saturday's election to win over Saam Geistmann's 92 and Barron Guy's 70 votes. Allen Andrae, who ran unopposed for Place 1, received 31

votes. New board members were sworn in during a called meeting of the school board on Tuesday, May 5, after canvassing of election results. Records of the number of registered voters for the applicable districts were unavailable at press time from the Runnels County Tax Office. Only about 8 percent of regis-

tered voters cast ballots in the city council elections, according to Rebecca McKown, assistant to the City of Winters Manager. In the only contested race for City Council, Mike Meyer won over Lisa Nitsch by a 15-7 vote for District 2, which records 280 registered voters. Steve Esquivel, who ran unopposed for District 4, received 19

votes out of 353 registered voters. Also running unopposed was Jimmy Butler, who received 39 votes in District 5 which has 344 registered voters. Canvassing of election results was done during the meeting of the Winters City Council on Tuesday, May 5, followed by swearing in of new councilmen.

Girls take fourth in regional track

Kozelsky to state in girls long jump, Bernal in boys 400

The girls scored 30 points at the Regional Track Meet and tied for fourth place with Hawley. Iraan won with 60 points. Panhandle had 49, Canadian 38, Hamlin and Clarendon 28, Shallowater and Ozona 22, and Hale Center 22. Jeanna Kozelsky placed second in the long jump to qualify for the State Met in Austin. She will compete at 9 a.m. on Friday, May 15. Individual events and times were:
High Jump
Cristin Corley, 7th, 5'

Triple Jump
Jeanna Kozelsky, 9th, 33'7"
Long Jump
Jeanna Kozelsky, 2nd, 17'5.5"
100M Hurdles
Kelli Slimp, 4th, 16.15
800M Relay
Kelli Slimp, Monica Parramore, Karen Oats, Misty Pritchard, 4th, 1:50.43 (prelims 1:48.40 school record).
300M Hurdles
Jeanna Kozelsky, 3rd, 46.71 (prelims 46.44 personal best)
400M Run
Kelli Slimp, 9th, 62.36
200M Run
Misty Pritchard, 4th, 26.67

(prelims 25.92 personal best). Lady Blizzards coach Deb Whittenburg says, "I want to congratulate all the girls for their hard work and dedication." Eric Bernal, WHS senior, earned a trip to the State Meet by winning first place in the 400 M run with a time of 50.3. Bernal will be competing in the 2A session of events which begins on Saturday, May 16 at noon. Jimmy Rodriguez took fourth place in the 3200M run with a time of 10.22, and 6th place in the 1600M run at 4.49. The Blizzard boys team is coached by Chuck Lipsey.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

May 7-9:30 a.m.-Noon & 1:30-3 p.m., Immunization Clinic, TDH
10-11 a.m., "Nutrition and Your Health Workshop," Housing Authority
11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
6:30 p.m., Game Night, American Legion
7 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center
May 8-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
Mothers Honored at Senior Citizens Nursing Home
May 10-Mother's Day
May 11-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
7 p.m., VFW & Auxiliary
7:30 p.m., School Board
May 12-10 a.m., Commissioners Court, Courthouse, Ballinger
11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
Noon, Lions Club
2-4 p.m., Open House Reception for Nurses, Sr. Citizens Nursing Home
7 p.m., WVFD
7:30 p.m., Elm Creek Water Control Board
Woman's Club
May 13-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
May 14-10 a.m., Triple L Club, First Baptist Church
11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Chicken Spaghetti Luncheon, Rock Hotel
6:30 p.m., Game Night, American Legion
7 p.m., Spring Concert of Bands, WHS Auditorium

Oil Bidness

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In the midst of the recent short-term developments in the oil patch, there are certain long-term, big-picture events that are shaping the present and the future of the oil and gas business.

I heard an interesting point of view the other day regarding this very subject and thought this would be the best time to share it with you. The thing most interesting about it was its apparent opposition to my own conventional wisdom.

We are all aware of the consolidation that has taken place over the last 10-12 years in our business. Oil companies and service companies have made several combinations that have served to shrink considerably the number of players in this game. It seems there may soon be only two service companies and about five oil companies.

This observation holds true to some extent; however, the more subtle change is a significant, albeit less visible, occurrence. And, the change is quite unexpected.

If you examine the industry closely, you might be able to detect this shift.

The incremental result to the industry consolidation and re-organization is that there is actually a greater compartmentalization in the oil patch.

By this, I mean that there are companies that are actually filling niches instead of being broad-based companies. During the 1970's and early 1980's, companies that could do a lot of things in a lot of places were the successful models for profit in the oil and gas business. But, now, there are more and more companies that are specializing in certain skills, applications, and locations.

This is directly opposed to my assumption that there would be less specialization because there are less and less companies.

Some companies are becoming specialists at horizontal drilling, while others may be experts at deep-water development, etc. Companies are actually combining and merging to strengthen their specialties by adding skills or properties in their areas of expertise.

What this portends for the future is not altogether clear; however, it does indicate that anybody operating in the oil patch better have something they are good at. Otherwise, somebody else will come along with a particular skill or acumen that will allow them to have a competitive advantage.

Next time, we will examine this in some detail to consider what it may mean for the future of producers and service companies.

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY

COMPLETIONS

Coleman County
DelRay Oil has completed the Green #1 in the Rachel Field (4 miles SE of

Talpa) at an initial rate of 15 BOPD & 96 BWPD in the Gunsight (perms 1357-58). Loc. is 467 FNL & 1400 FNL of Sec. 37, Blk. 1, GH&H Sur., A-279.

Nolan County

Chisholm Exploration has completed the TXL #3 in the Maryneal Field (5 miles S of Nolan) at an initial rate of 60 BOPD & 25 BWPD in the Cisco (perms 4056-62). Loc. is 2470 FSL & 765 FNL of Sec. 15, Blk. Z, T&PRR Sur., A-441.

Hallwood Petroleum has completed the Guthrie Unit #1 in the Weaver Springs Field (15 miles SE of Sweetwater) at an initial rate of 364 BOPD in the Palo Pinto (perms 4770-4800). Loc. is 297 FNL & 2289 FNL of Sec. 73, Blk. 5, T&PRR Sur., A-516.

Oryx Energy has completed two wells in the Nena Lucia Field (5 miles SW of Maryneal). The North Nena Lucia Unit #202 potentiated at 185 BOPD & 1358 BWPD in the Strawn Reef (perms 6741-6889) and is loc. 500 FSL & 150 FNL of Sec. 153, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur., A-168. The Southwest Nena Lucia Unit #1221 potentiated at 45 BOPD & 303 BWPD in the Strawn Reef (perms 6663-6914) and is loc. 594 FNL & 604 FNL of Sec. 123, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur., A-64.

Taylor County

Hallwood Petroleum has completed two wells in the Weaver Springs Field (5 miles S of Trent) in the Palo Pinto. The BMC #1 potentiated at 127 BOPD & 44 BWPD (perms 4660-80) and is loc. 2010 FNL & 1007 FNL of Sec. 59, Blk. 5, T&PRR Sur., A-404. The King #2 potentiated at 155 BOPD & 21 BWPD (perms unavailable) and is loc. 176 FNL & 1635 FNL of Sec. 65, Blk. 19, T&PRR Sur., A-377.

Jack Neal has completed the Chrene -B- #18 in the County Regular Field (3 miles SE of Potosi) at an initial rate of 17 BOPD & 30 BWPD in the Cook Sand (perms 2096-98). Loc. is 1700 FNL & 477 FNL of Sec. 2, Blk. 7, SPRR Sur., A-1214.

STAKINGS

Callahan County
Miles Moore, Inc. has staked the LaReats #1 as a Wildcat, 8 miles S of Putnam (Depth 4250). Loc. is 1003 FNL & 6493 FNL of Sec. 5, E. Shipman Sur., A-299.

Coke County
Exxon has staked a well in the Bronte Field, 1 mile SW of Bronte (Depth 5700) which could have one of four potential names depending upon where the well is completed. The Bronte Cambrian Unit or Bronte Capps Unit or Bronte Palo Pinto Unit or J.L. Brunson -C- #309 is loc. 5239 FNL & 1282 FNL of N. Eastland Sur. No. 331.

Concho County
Concho Oilfield Service has staked the T.R. Ellis #K-7 as a Wildcat, 8 miles NW of Eden (Depth 3900). Loc. is 138 FSL & 2401 FNL of Sec. 18, Blk. 9, H&TC Sur., A-1942.
H.R. Sullivan has staked the Wood #1 in the Dare I Field, 1 mile E of Eden (Depth 2000). Loc. is 1732 FNL & 1157 FNL of Sec. 3, HE&WT RR Sur., A-1089.

Nolan County
Northland Operating has staked three wells in the Lake Trammel Field, 7 miles SW of Sweetwater (Depth 5300). The Frymire Waterflood Unit #19A is loc. 523 FNL & 458 FNL of Sec. 80, Blk. 22, T&PRR Sur., A-1218. The Frymire Waterflood Unit #20 is loc. 394 FNL & 1406 FNL of the same Sec. The Whitfield #1-A is loc. 645 FNL & 384 FNL of Sec. 81, Blk. 22, T&PRR Sur.
Pioneer Exploration has staked the R.R. Petty #15 in the E.A. Field, 3 miles SW of Nolan (Depth 5800). Loc. is 1035 FNL & 1825 FNL of Sec. 6, Blk. Z, T&PRR Sur., A-1066.
Sinclair Oil has applied to plug back the Raymond #1 in the Southwest EVB

Field, 15 miles SE of Sweetwater (Depth 5930). Loc. is 1100 FNL & 1000 FNL of Sec. 185, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur.

Runnels County

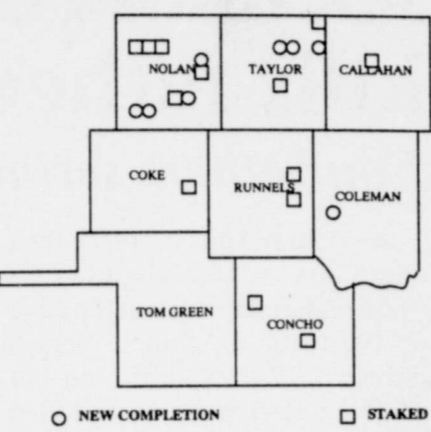
Barbee, Inc. has staked the Mebane-Hoffman #1 as a Wildcat, 2 miles N of Benoit (Depth 2500). Loc. is 500 FSL & 4000 FNL of A&W Sur. No. 262, A-2.

Pioneer Energy has staked the Snelson #2 in the Saxon Field, 4 miles NW of Talpa (Depth 4550). Loc. is 973 FNL & 2161 FNL of ETRR Sur. No. 119, A-148.

Taylor County

R.L. Adkins has staked the Wagstaff-A&S Railway Unit #1 in the County Regular Field, 2 miles N of Tuscola (Depth 4999). Loc. is 2310 FNL & 1025 FNL of Sec. 20, Blk. 1, SPRR Sur.

P.C. Burns Oil Producers, Inc. has staked the Ford #1 in the East Abilene Field, 4 miles NE of Abilene (Depth 4000). Loc. is 1200 FNL & 150 in Sec. 20, BAL Sur.



4th Annual Girl Scout Awards Banquet to be May 13

Girl Scouts will officially conclude this year with their 4th Annual Girl Scout Awards Banquet to be held Wednesday, May 13, 1998, at 5:30 p.m. at the Winters School Cafeteria.

The theme for this year's banquet is "Spring Into New Beginnings" and encourages members and their leaders to take a leap forward in great expectations of the upcoming year. Many girls will advance to new levels and begin new adventures in Girl Scouting.

Jan Cate, Heart of Texas Girl Scout Council Adult Coordinator, of Brownwood, will be a special guest.

Hospice volunteer training begins Saturday, May 16

Hospice of the Big Country will hold a volunteer training program starting May 16, 1998, in Coleman.

The 30-hour course will be held in the First Presbyterian Church located at 400 West College.

Volunteers will learn to work with terminally ill patients and their families. In addition to patient care, volunteer positions are available with special events, speakers bureau, and other related areas.

For details, call Mary Lois Duke at 1-800-588-0300.

Hospice of the Big Country is a nonprofit agency serving the terminally ill and their families in Taylor and 19 other counties in the Big Country.

Eastern Star to conduct bake sale

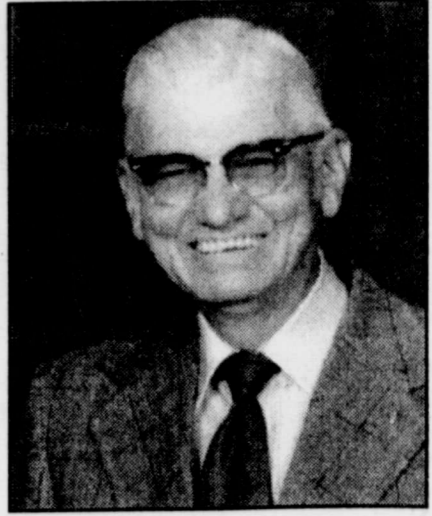
Winters O.E.S. will have a bake sale Friday, May 8, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at Lawrence Bros. IGA Grocery Store.

Members are to have their baked goods at the store between 8:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.

All members are urged to participate.

Obituaries

Floyd Millorn



WINTERS—Floyd Millorn, 89, died Thursday morning, April 30, 1998, at Abilene Regional Medical Center.

He was born January 9, 1909, in Washita, Arkansas, and came to Texas with his parents when he was 10, settling in Drasco. He graduated from Drasco High School in 1929. In 1931, he began working for Southwest Dairy Products Company in Fort Worth as a retail milk salesman. He married Opal Griffith on December 22, 1932, in Drasco. They lived in Fort Worth until 1942 when they moved to Dallas.

Mr. Millorn worked for the Dallas Railway and Terminal Company for 32 years as a street car operator, retiring in 1974 and moving to Winters. He was a Mason and a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Opal Millorn of Winters; one son, Ray Millorn of Dallas; one brother, Charles Millorn of Tucson, Arizona; one sister, Ada Teten of Abilene; four grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, May 2, at the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Gary Torian officiating. Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery in Winters, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

June Lamberth Robbins

MESQUITE—June Lamberth Robbins, 83 died Friday, April 3, 1998, in a nursing home in Mesquite, Texas.

Mrs. Robbins was the daughter of the late John A. and Sarah Louise Lamerth, pioneer settlers in the Winters area, and sister of Frances Campbell and Kathaleene Young of Winters. She was married to the late John E. Robbins Jr. in 1933 in Winters. The Robbins lived and raised their children in San Angelo and in Brownwood where he was an officer with General Telephone.

Mrs. Robbins was a homemaker and member of the Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, three sisters, a brother, and an infant daughter.

Survivors include three sons, John E. Robbins III and his wife Janet of Garland, Joe Robbins and his wife Carolyn of Irving, Jerry Robbins and his wife Cheryl of Irving; one daughter, Janice Mauldin and her husband Tony of South Africa; eleven grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were held Monday, April 6, at 10:00 a.m. in the Fairmount Cemetery in San Angelo.

Mrs. Robbins will be remembered by a number of friends and relatives in the Winters area.

New jail expected to be complete by year-end

Jim Wiginton of Hooker, Jeffrey, P.C. Architects, told Runnels County Commissioners the new jail and addition should be complete by the end of the year.

Wiginton presented figures and projected figures on costs related to the jail construction and said, "From my knowledge, it looks like we're pretty much on budget and will be able to complete the project pretty close to budget. We would have been pretty much under budget if we hadn't run into the soil problems on the site."

Commissioners met in a special meeting Thursday morning to hear the report and discuss the addition of the federal beds to the new jail.

Wiginton told commissioners, in answer to a question from Commissioner Thurman Self, that not much time will be lost on the added beds. He said the masons may have some delay in moving to the new area, but, "As we move further into the project things should catch up, so all the contractors can move to their work as needed."

Wiginton said the thing that really hurt on the additional beds was the timing of the additional money. "If the Marshall's money could have come last October, everything would have fallen right into place on the project."

There were no other items on the Commissioners Court agenda for the special meeting.

Immunization Clinic set for Thursday, May 7

The Winters office of the Texas Department of Health has scheduled their May Immunization Clinic.

The clinic will be conducted Thursday, May 7, 1998, from 9:30 a.m.-12:00 noon and 1:30 p.m.-

3:00 p.m. Location is in the Professional Building, Suite 108, on Grant Street Entry.

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

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May 11-May 15
Subject to change

Monday, May 11: ham & gravy, lima beans, mixed greens, cornbread, and bread pudding.

Tuesday, May 12: BBQ on bun, ranch style beans, potato chips, and pickles & onions.

Wednesday, May 13: Summer-time Salad Luncheon: Chicken salad, tuna salad, 3-bean salad, orange Jello salad, and pink salad.

Thursday, May 14: Soft tacos, coleslaw, pinto beans, chips & hot sauce, and dump cake.

Friday, May 15: Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, tossed salad, green beans, garlic bread, and coleslaw.

In Appreciation

Card of Thanks

Words cannot express how much we appreciate the prayers, the love, and support of everyone shown to our family during our time of sadness.

We are overwhelmed by the cards, calls, food, and flowers. God bless each of you.

The J.F. Priddy family
Omega, Mike & Debbie, Jeryl and Caroline, and the grandchildren

Card of Thanks

We would like to express our thanks to all our friends and family for food, flowers, visits, telephone calls, and prayers during the illness and death of our loved one.

Special thanks to Brother Torian, Winters Funeral Home, and the First United Methodist Church.

The family of Floyd Millorn

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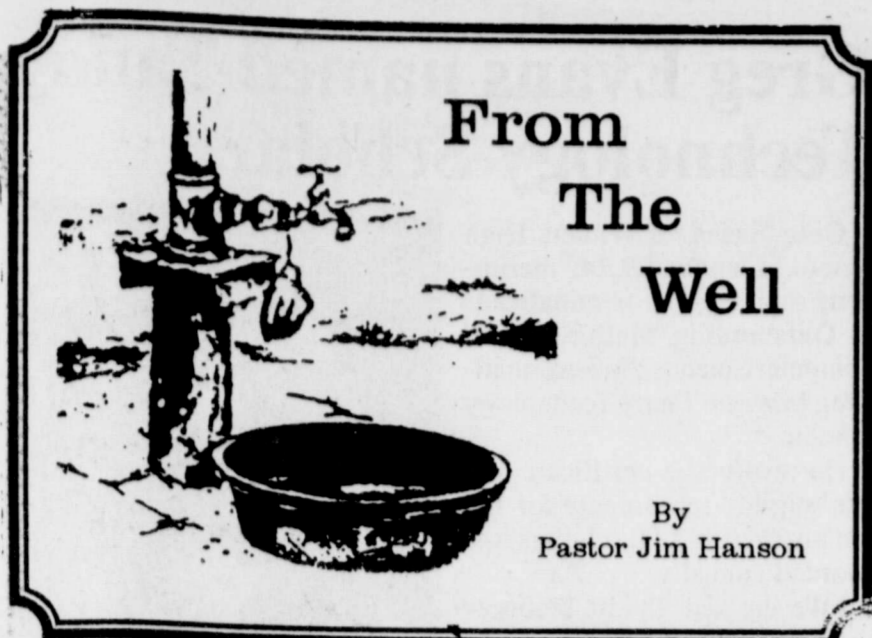


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From The Well

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"In spite of all its accomplishments, humanity exists because of 6 inches of topsoil and the fact that it rains." What do we do when it doesn't rain? And, how do we handle it when it comes down in sheets?

In my column this week, I'm going to let Baxter Black, who wrote a book, "Cactus Tracks and Cowboy Philosophy," describe how some have handled it. In two poems from that book.

The first entitled, "Hangin' On, Hopin' and Prayin' for Rain," deals with these times where there is no rain.

Hangin' On, Hopin' and Prayin' for Rain

There's a fingernail moon hangin' low in the sky.
The crickets make small talk as he passes by.
As the gentlest breeze stirs what's left of his hair
He spits and he sniffs it, but no moisture there.
He stares at the field and remembers the year
These same eighty acres paid the loan free and clear.
But these last thirty days have scared him to death.
The dirt's as dry as a horny toad's breath.
He called up his banker after supper tonight
They talked for an hour and he's sure gettin' tight.
Ol' Thelma had kissed him and went on to bed
So he took a walk, thought it might clear his head.
The doctor has told him he has to slow down,
Sell out the home place and move into town.
Move into town! What the hell would he do?
He shook off the thought and took a fresh chew.
A bachelor cloud, thin as fog on a mirror,
Crossed over the moon and then disappeared.
He sniffs at the air that's still dry as a bone,
And takes one more look at the seeds that he's sown.
He'll be back tomorrow if somethin' don't change,
Just hangin' on, hopin' and prayin' for rain.

The second "Feast or Famine" is all about when the rain comes tumbling down.

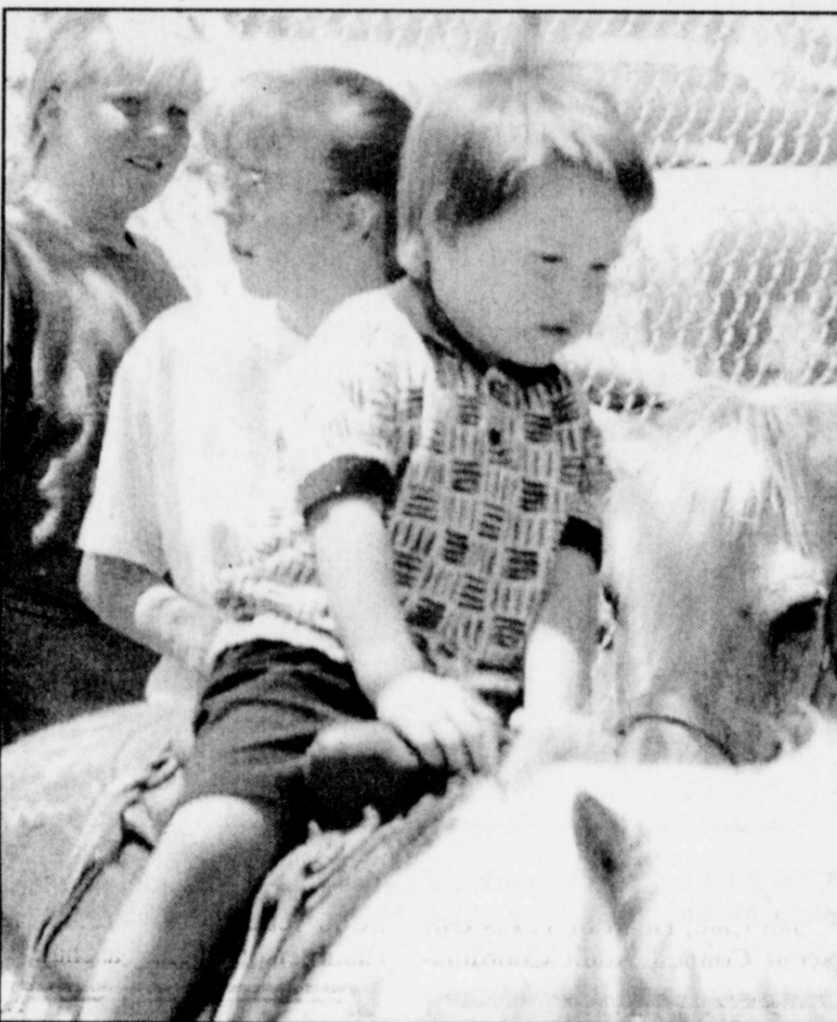
Feast or Famine

"Just let 'er rain," the rancher said. "We've built up quite a thirst.
I know the low road's plum washed out, the tank dam's bound to burst.
We'll have to plant the wheat again and clean the water gaps
But you won't hear this fool complain if it reaches to my chaps!
"The truth is, friends, we've needed this. We've been so dry so long
I thought I'd have to seel the cows and pay the piper's song.
The winter grass just lay there, stiff, for months it never changed.
I'd walk out through the cracklin' brown that covered all my range
"And watch the wind blow dust clouds where the good grass shoulda been.
I'd count the bales in the stack and calculate again.
The days of feadin' I had left before I'd have to face
The ultimate decision...what I'd do to save the place.
"The weatherman was helpful, 'cept he always told the truth!
Piddlin' chance of ten percent meant it just rained in Duluth!
That's nice for Minnesota but it don't help me a bit,
I gave up chewin' Red Man so I wouldn't have to spit!
"But he said last night 'a chance of rain.' More than just a trace.
I washed the car and left the windows open just in case
And sure enough this mornin' big ol' clouds came rollin' in.
They parked above the driveway and the thunder made a din
"That rattled all the winders in the house where I sat still.
And at two it started rainin'. I still ain't got my fill.
It's comin' down in buckets like it's payin' back a debt.
Me? I'm standin' in the front yard, in my shorts and soakin' wet!
"When the sun comes out tomorrow and sparkles all around
Off pools and puddles standin' like big diamonds on the ground
I'll remember feast or famine, but when it comes to rain
Ya take the feast when offered, if ya live out on the plain."

Hope you enjoyed reading them as much as I did. The book is published by Crown Publishers Inc., 201 W. 50th St., New York, New York, 10022—copyright 1997 by Baxter Black. For sure, the poems are down to earth. They connect with my feelings about the "fact" of rain. Nudge my faith in God's direction. And give me a chuckle deep down in my well.



JOANIE PRADO, seated center on grass, leads members of the Elementary Select Choir through their entertaining musical performance at the Winters Mayfest Celebration last Saturday.



EUSEBIO REYNA IV, age 3, rides tall in the saddle with some coaching from Marci Paschal (left) and Tamara Grohman.

Wingate all-school reunion planned

A Wingate School Homecoming is planned for Sunday, June 7, at the Wingate school house.

Those who attended any grades of Wingate Independent School District are invited.

Registration will begin at 10:00 a.m. Activities include a meal catered by The Shed (cost

of \$5 per person), special music, a flag presentation to the Wingate area school veterans, a business meeting, door prizes, and lots of visitation.

For more information or to RSVP for the meal, call Hollis Dean at (915) 743-6142 no later than May 24.

Chamber Memo

Mayfest deemed a success

by Brenda Burton

The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce "Did It Our Way" and had a very successful Mayfest on May 2.

Many, many thanks to all the volunteers, those who operated booths, the entertainers, and especially to the crowds of people who came out to the park and to the ball tournaments.

There were eleven co-ed teams and nine men's team in the tournaments. First and second place teams received t-shirts and trophies.

Mixed Breed of Coleman won the ladies softball tournament. The Agitators of Ballinger took second, and the Bandits of Brownwood took third. Most Valuable Female Player was Marisha Thompson of Mixed Breed.

ShagNasty of Sweetwater took first place in the men's tournament. Merkel Express won second and Murphy's Law of Brownwood won third. Most

Valuable Male Player was Speed Holloway of Mixed Breed.

The homerun derby winner was Danny Riggan of Merkel Express.

Special thanks to all the numerous scorekeepers and umpires Mary Arredondo, Louis Esquivel, Ricky Davis, Joe Escalona, Kirk McCuiston, and David Esquivel. Thanks also to Barbie Bishop, tournament committee chairperson.

Each year the Chamber strives to please everyone, involving a lot of long hours and hard work by all the directors and volunteers. The directors are open for any suggestions and will try to heed those suggestions when possible. Being only human, it is not always easy to satisfy the public, but the effort is there.

The Chamber welcomes Kendrick Air Conditioning and Heating to the Winters area businesses. The grand opening and ribbon cutting was held Friday, May 1.

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Chicken spaghetti lunch to be served Thursday, May 14

The chicken spaghetti lunch at the Rock Hotel has been rescheduled for Thursday, May 14, from 11:30 to 1:30.

The menu will consist of delicious chicken spaghetti, a springtime green salad, homemade breadsticks, tempting pound cake with fruit topping, coffee, tea, or water. All this for only \$4.00.

Takeouts will be available and proceeds will go to help with utilities and upkeep of the Z.I. Hale Museum in Winters.

The Friends of the Museum cordially invite everyone to enjoy a great meal, a visit with friends, and to help support a fine educational facility, the Z.I. Hale Museum.

Winters O.E.S. BAKE SALE

Friday, May 8
beginning at
9:00 a.m.

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- 5 Cowboys' Lett
- 6 TX Garner said his VP job "worth a bucket of warm spit"
- 7 ex-Ranger Cansaco
- 8 TXism: "table grazed"
- 9 puffy pastries
- 17 Dallas or Houston rush hour sound
- 19 TXism: "could talk a wagon out _____" (persuasive)
- 20 south of border "yes"
- 21 TX Vikki Carr tune: "Hombres" ('89)
- 22 TXism: "took everything but the _____ in my lungs!" (robbed)
- 24 TXism: "_____ a hungry calf"
- 30 description of TX Stanley Marsh or Howard Hughes
- 34 Yo _____ Digo creek
- 35 college in Carthage
- 36 San Antonio street: _____
- 37 some SMU exams
- 39 TX bandit Sam Bass is buried at Round _____
- 43 this Comaneci's coach moved to TX
- 44 TX drawl for "tired"
- 45 TXism: "don't _____ off half cocked"
- 46 Astro victories
- 47 bullfight cheer
- 48 TXism: "_____ big for his britches"

DOWN

- 1 Capitol designer Myers
- 2 south of Dallas on Belt Line Rd.
- 3 TXism: "oockamamie"
- 4 poker stake
- 9 TX eatery: _____ Folks
- 10 Amarillo's Pantex plant is under the U.S. Dept. _____
- 11 Rangers' Eric Nadel book: "A Page from Baseball's _____"
- 12 boot aroma
- 13 Texas State Optical improves this _____
- 14 "Giant" star Taylor (init.)
- 15 TX Clint Black's recording label
- 16 British "dinero"
- 18 SMU was _____ of NCAA football for two years
- 23 TX Marty Robbins sang of _____ Cantina
- 24 TX Willie disc type
- 25 TXism: "he's only got one _____ in the water"
- 26 _____ dos, tres . . .
- 27 TX Red Duke's profession
- 28 Dublin's Dr. Pepper plant uses hot _____ water to wash bottles
- 29 Indians thought Enchanted Rock was a _____ site
- 31 TXism: "_____ got his tongue"
- 32 TXism: "in a pig's _____" (never)
- 33 TX fish bait: _____ night
- 38 "goodbye" south of the border
- 40 TXism: "let _____ rip!"
- 41 TX ivory Joe sang "Since I _____ You, Baby"
- 42 TX Willie tune: "What Was It _____"
- 49 non-TX oil producer
- 51 to fall behind
- 52 Laredo throws big New Year's _____ party
- 57 exotic antelope raised in TX
- 58 TXism: "_____ soul" (no one)

TEXAS CROSSWORD
by Charley & Guy Orbison
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Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

CAFETERIA MENU

May 11 - May 15
Subject to change

Breakfast

- Monday-May 11
Cinnamon Roll
Cereal
Juice
- Tuesday-May 12
Biscuits
Sausage
Juice
- Wednesday-May 13
Toast
Cereal
Juice
- Thursday-May 14
Waffles/Syrup
Cereal
Orange Juice
- Friday-May 15
Muffin
Oatmeal
Juice

Lunch

- Monday-May 11
Fish
Macaroni/Cheese
Green Beans
Hot Roll
Pear Half
- Tuesday-May 12
Pizza
Corn
June Peas
Chocolate Pudding
- Wednesday-May 13
Taco/Meat/Cheese
Red Beans
Tossed Salad
Brownie
- Thursday-May 14
Sloppy Joe on Bun
Pickles
French Fries
Peach Cobbler
- Friday-May 15
Grilled Cheese Sandwich
Vegetable Beef Soup
Banana Pudding
Sliced Pickles

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READY TO CHEER are the new 1998-99 WHS cheerleaders, left to right, Candi Lara, Shelley Meyer, Alison Wells, Angela Jacob, and Esmeralda Sanchez.

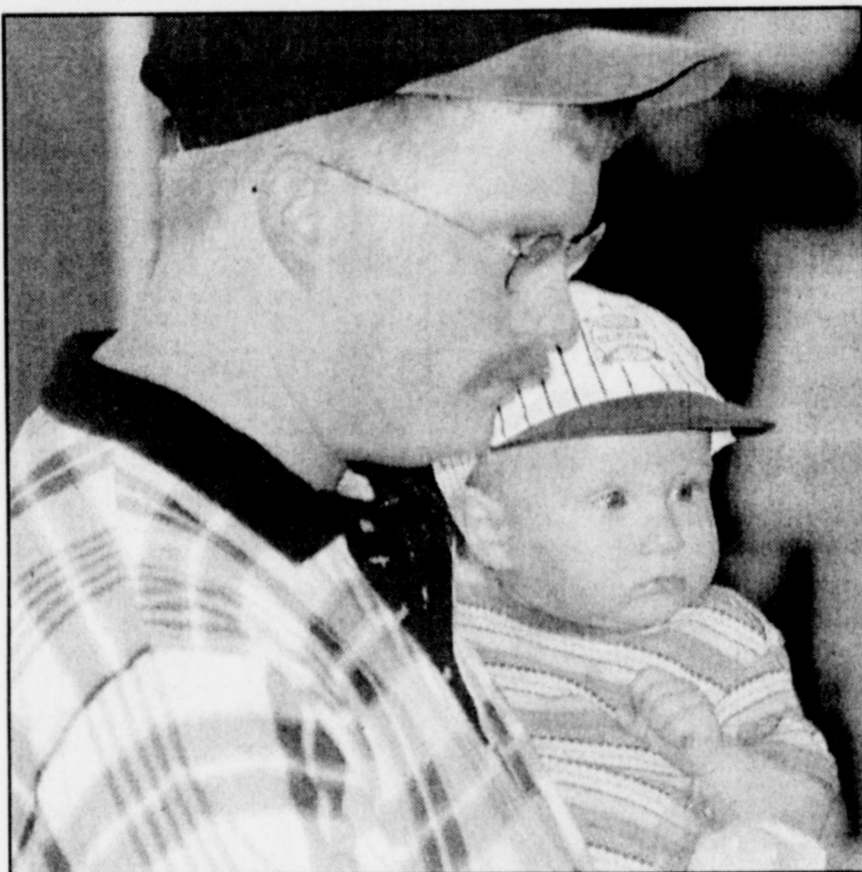
Farmers helps to insure safe graduation

Farmers Insurance Group announced a donation of \$250 to Winters High School for "Project Graduation 1998." Project Graduation is a drug and alcohol-free alternative to post graduation parties for seniors.

Winters High School Commencement and post graduation festivities are scheduled for May, 1998.

Farmers' agents have become dedicated to Project Graduation out of concern for the safety of graduating seniors and young people across the state.

"Graduation from high school is an exciting and memorable time. The company wants to avoid a tragedy in our community by helping make this event fun for all," noted local Farmers' agent Jim Hatler.



ROBERT FLOYD, 9-month old son of Kevin and Landa Floyd, took in all the sights and sounds of his first Mayfest last Saturday in the comfort of dad's arms.

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Gospel singing at West Texas Ranch For Christ May 17

J.D. Taylor announces a gospel singing at the West Texas Ranch For Christ, Sunday, May 17, from 1:00 till 4:30 p.m. Special guests will be the West Texas Gospel Singers. All are invited to join in this singing and fellowship. For more information, contact Mr. Taylor at 282-2756.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Winters, Texas, will conduct a PUBLIC HEARING to allow public comment on a Texas Community Development Program improvements project (TCDFP Contract No. 716971). The project involved sewer system improvements. The intent of the public hearing is to review program performance and receive public comments. The public hearing shall be as follows:
DATE: May 12, 1998
TIME: 5:00 PM
PLACE: Winters City Hall
Should you not be able to attend and wish to comment, please mail your comments to City of Winters, 310 South Main Street, Winters, Texas 79567.

Greg Evans named Tandy Technology Scholar



Greg Evans, of Winters High School, is among 29,249 meritorious seniors to be nominated as an Outstanding Math/Science/Computer Science Student, qualifying him as a Tandy Technology Scholar.

He received a certificate and was eligible to compete for the one hundred \$1,000 scholarships awarded annually.

"We created Tandy Technology Scholars nine years ago to encourage excellence and competition in mathematics, science, and computer science," stated John V. Roach, chief executive officer and chairman of the board of Tandy Corporation, as he announced the recipients of awards totaling \$350,000. According to Roach, this is the ninth year of the program that is the largest single awards program to honor both students and teachers.

The academic top two percent of graduating seniors are eligible to receive certificates recognizing their academic achievements.

Nearly 83 percent of all secondary schools in the United States are enrolled in this prestigious education initiative. Tandy Technology Scholars has awarded

more than three million dollars and 300,000 certificates of academic excellence.

More than one third of all high schools participated in the program, and 40,000 individuals will be recognized at school awards ceremonies across the country. The program is open to all accredited high schools in the United States. Tandy Prize recipients were selected by a panel of educators and approved by the National Advisory Council.

Evans is the son of David and Nancy Evans of Winters.

Three WHS seniors receive \$1,000 scholarships from Taylor Telephone

Three Winters High School seniors are among 20 to receive \$1,000 scholarships from Taylor Telephone Cooperative Inc.

The scholarships were recently awarded to area students whose parents are members and reside in Taylor Telephone Cooperative's service area.

Recipients from Winters are Debbie Baize, Michael Pritchard, and Steven Sneed.

Other recipients are Elizabeth

Camarillo and Joanie Ussery from Blackwell High School; Matthew Crowell, Jessica Current, Justin Fuller, LeRoyce Hart, Megan Leszczynski, Amanda Mansfield, Emily Martin, and Cody Peterson from Jim Ned High School.

And Grahn Donavan, Maranda Malone, Kelley Pearson, Christy Robinson, Mary Thompson, and Cody Bob Williams from Eula High School; and Joseph Scott from Hawley High School.

Play Ball '98
May 8—Eldorado*, There, 5 p.m., VB
May 12—Wall*, Here, 5 p.m., VB
VB-Varsity Boys VG-Varsity Girls
JV-Varsity Boys JVG-Varsity Girls
*Denotes District Games

Spring Concert of Bands, May 14

A Spring Concert of Bands is scheduled for Thursday, May 14, at 7 p.m. at the high school auditorium.

Fifth and sixth grade, jr. high, and high school band students will perform a variety of music. Everyone is invited!

Donations needed for Class of '98 Project Graduation

Graduation is growing near and the Class of '98 parents need support from the community to have a successful party.

Project Graduation is held after graduation to ensure new graduates have a safe celebration. Games are played and prizes are awarded. Parents host the party from 11:00 p.m. until 5:00 a.m.

If you would like to make a monetary donation or donate a door prize, please contact Donna Pritchard 743-8296, Teresa Davis 754-5422, or Rhonda Joeris 754-4687.

All donations will be greatly appreciated.

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You have the Best Kisser in The Whole White World. I Love You Very Much. I appreciate You making me a Big Pizza!
Your daughter, Terri

Dear Mom,
I Love you very Much and I appreciate you Making Me food and for your Love. You are the best Mom. You are the sweetest Mom. I hope you have a Good Mother's day.
Your lovely son, John Paul

Dear Mommy,
I Love more than tweety Bird! I hope you have a wonderful mothers day. You are the nicest mother in the world. I Love you so much I want to die for you. Roses are red, Violets are blue, Sugar is sweet, And so are you.
Love, Naomi Vasquez

Dear Mom,
I Love you vey much more than my favorite movie. I Like it when you hug me and I hug you back. I Like when I come home and you have food on the table.
Your sincerely, Savannah Ann Sanchez
Rose are red, violets are blue, what ever you do, I'll always Love you

Dear MiMi,
I love you so much and you are so sweet to me. I like to live with you. You are sweet as chocolate. Have a happy mothers day. We love you. I am glad you help me with my homework.
Love, Kaci

Dear Mommy,
I Love you so much I appreciate you. You are the best mom in the whole world. and thank you for what all you done taking care of us and giving us are clothes. and feeding us blessing us. and giving us shoes.
your daughter, Lupe
turlly yours

Dear Mom,
I love you more than pizza. I love you more than my life. I appreciate what you make me. I appreciate what you buy me.
your daughter, Rebecca Reyna

Dear Mom,
I love you more than pizza. Your always buying me stuff. And you always have food on the table. And when I hug you, you make me happy. On mothers day we're buying you a present so happy mothers Day!
Your son, Anthony Ramirez

Dear Mom,
You're the best mom in the hole universe and the galaxy. I appreciate you cooking for me and giving me hugs before I go to school. I think about you during school. After school I can't wait to see you.
Your son, Kody

Dear Mom,
I love you more than I do Lego island. I appreciate evrey thing you do. I love you a lot more than I do school!!!!
You are the best mom a kid can have.
Love, Cory Sudduth

Dear Mom,
I love you very much. I Love you more than a Bear Loves honey. I Love more than the whole galaxy. I Love you cooking my supper and loveing me always.
Love, Adrienne

Dear Mommy,
I love you as much as Hamburgers. I appreciate you cooking for me. You are the best mommy I ever had. I hope you Have a good mothers Day. Roses are red, Violets are blue, Sugar is sweet, and so are you. Roses are Red, violets are Blue from me to you.
Love, Patricia Carrillo

Dear Mom,
I love you. I appreciate you being the best mom in the universe.
Your Son, Michael

Dear Mommy,
I love you very much. I appreciate. you are the best helper. I thank you for ceking over my home work and cooking some food and taking caer of me and. I Love you as a honey.
Yours Truly, John Reyna

Dear Mom,
I love you more then a bear likes honey your the most beautiful thing in the world. I love you very much. Your very special in my heart.
Yours Truly, Keegan

Dear mom,
I love you very very much, and I love you more then pizza. I appreciate you washing my clothes and taking care of me and checking my home work and paining my hosptial Bill and have a happy mother day. I will bring you some flowers on mother day. We love you mom you are sweet to me. When are you going to get Abby the dog back.
Love, Kaci

Dear Mom,
I hope you like your surprise. You are sweet to me sometimes. I will be nice to you on Mother's Day.
Your son, Aaron

Dear Mom,
I love you more than honey.
Your Son, Mark Scates

MRS. MITCHELL'S THIRD GRADE STUDENTS

Dear Mom,
Happy Mother's Day. I like the way you cook noodles. Thank you for letting me go to my grandma's on my bicycle. I really like getting to ride the dirt bike. You are the best mom in the world. Your cherry pies are great!
Love, Donovan

Dear Mom,
I hope you have a nice vacation this summer. Taking care of Justin has to be a lot of work especially if he cries everytime you walk out the door but in June I'll take care of him. You'll have a lot of extra time then. Happy Mother's Day. Thank you for being my mom.
Love, Matt

Dear Mom,
I hope you have a good Mothers Day. I feel special when you help me work on my homework and mow the lawn. I love you very much. You let me go over to a friend's house nearby. You're the first person I would ask to help me on my homework.
Love, Ty

Dear Mom,
I really appreciate how you treat me and Jacob. You take care of me, Jacob and Dad. You are very special.
Love, Stephen

Dear Mommy,
I love you a lot. You help lots of people who need help. Mommy, you're a great cook. You help me when I need help. Mommy, you help me, Angel, and Alberto with our home-work. You make me feel special when we go out together. We have lots of fun together. Happy Mother's Day.
Love, De'Lise

Dear Mom,
I really appreciate you as my mother. I love you very much. I want to wish you a Happy Mother's Day. You make me feel special because you buy shoes and socks for me.
Love, Leo

Dear Mama,
I want to wish you a Happy Mother's Day. You're very special to me. I felt special when you bought me a new bicycle for my birthday. You are the best mom in the whole world.
Love, Amanda

Dear Mom,
I hope you have a Happy Mother's Day. I am glad you are my mom because you do a lot of things for me. I feel special because you are nice to me. I like the things you buy me. I like the noodles you cook.
Love, Steven

Dear Mommy,
Hapy Mothers Day! I love you. I appreciate all have done for Justin, Jason and Me. Thank-you for buying us a satellite dish. Thank-you for buying us food and clothes. Thank-you for letting us come to school. I know you love me.
Love, Ashley

Dear Mom,
You have given me so much. You make me so happy. I love you with all my heart. I wish we could go places and see family members. I hope we get a car. You are the heart in my body. You have been there for me my whole life and I will always love you. Happy Mother's Day.
Love, Keshia

Dear Grandma,
I love you very much and I promise you that you have a very good Mothers Day because I got you a surprise for Mothers Day I bought you this present because I love you very much and I hope you like it.
Love, Aaron

Dear Mom,
I hope you have a great Mother's Day. I really appreciate what all you do for me such as you feed our family, leting me have friends over. I appreciate the way you help me when I need help.
Love, Luke

Dear sweet Grandma and Mom,
Thank you for all the love you give me. I am very happy that you have given me a home, a place to sleep, and a place to play. I hope I never ever loose you. You are the most important part of my life. Thank you for everything you've given me.
Love, Cory

Dear Mom,
Happy Mother's Day. I love you for who you are and for what you do for me like buying food for me. Thank you for buying me a bike. Thank you for helping me take care of my puppy and buying him food. Thank you, Mom, for taking care of me.
Love, Lindsey

Dear Mom,
I appreciate the things you give me and I hope you will get some rest so we can go shopping together and can spend more time with the baby. I hope you will have a great day. You're more special than a star. Happy Mother's Day!
Love, Francis

Dear Mom,
I like when you take me to the lake. I like the way you cook. Mom I love you very much. Happy Mother's Day.
Love, Joseph

MRS. PRINGLE'S THIRD GRADE STUDENTS

Dear Mom,
Thank you for a kind, sweet, and helpful mom you are. I just love you to pieces. One of my favorite memories is when we went to Abilene. You always said you love eating fish. I feel I was raised by a special mother. I feel so lucky. I am glad you are my mother.
Your daughter, Yesenia Flores

Dear Mom,
Thank you for your love and some of your freedom. I am sorry that I have argued in the past 9 years. I love you and I hope you never, never passaway.
Love, Cameron

Dear mom and dad.
Thank you for putting me in third grade. Mom and dad I appreciate you for letting me mow the yard. mom and dad also chirstain BuBba loves you ok. I miss you.
Hector Reyna

Dear mom,
I love you as much as my heart can beat. I think you are nice. I feel happy to have a mom like you. Thank you for holding my home work for me.
Jose Moreno

Dear Mom,
I love you and thank you for loveing me and I care for you. I enjoy the special times we have together.
Your sun, Andrew

Dear Mom,
Thank you for checking my homework. I even Love you no matter what. I appreciate you letting us ride the bus. I enjoy you taking us to Royal Inn, mom. I even enjoyed going walking with you. My favorite thing was going swimming at Royal Inn. My favorite thing was going fishing with you. Every day at school I think of you because I Love you. Every day I think of you at grandma's. I cared when you were sick.
Sincerely, Advita Vasquez

Dear Mommy,
You are the best. Thank you for everything. I love you more than anything. Your eyes are the prettiest. I think you are beautiful. I think about you all day.
Your son, James Fine

Dear Mom,
You are my favorite. I love you. Happy Mother's Day. You are so special. You are a treasure and nobody will take it.
Your love, Ashli

Dear Mom,
Thank you for taking care of me when I was sick last time. I appreciate it. I love you mom. I like it when you help me mak cookies. I liked them a lot mom Thank you for helping me do stuff and I love you mom.
Love, Angela Maire Garcia

Dear Momy,
Thank you for taking care of me and my brother Manuel, and for buying me toys. I hope you and my dad have a happy life. I love you so much I'll love you for ever. I remember when I thought you how to play cards, and the time that you showed me how to tie my shoes, and you took me to the store, and the time you showed me how to bake cookies. I love you with all my heart.
Edgar Vega

Dear Mom,
Thanks for letting my friend spend a night on Saturday. Thank you for letting me help you make cookies and for letting me have a dog too. Thank you for buying me some movies and I will allway Love you forever.
love, Mercedes

Dear Mom,
Thank you for everything you do for me and I love you so much. I will never forget you for it. I like when you let me bake cookies with you, and when you wash dishes with me, and when you buy me new toys.
love, Charlotte Horton

Dear Mother,
Thank you for spending the time with me. Thank you for helping me with my homework and my reading. Thank you for taking me to school. I love you.
Chris Guerrero

Dear mommy,
Thank you for everything that you do for me. I really appreciate you letting me keep First one and chubby because Little one died. Im sorry I keep forgetting to do the dishes, and Ill love you forver.
Love, Ashley Gann

Dear Mom,
Thank you for helping me on my 4H cooking. You helped me feed my rabbit. I love you. Thank you for taking care of me.
Your son, Corbin

Dear Mom,
Thank you for helping me with my homework becauses it is very difuoclt. Than you for taking me to the mall to see videos on the big screen TV. and I appreciate you spening time with me.
I love you Sincerely, Will

MRS. SMITH'S THIRD GRADE STUDENTS

Dear Mother,
I love you because you buy me and my brother cloths and buy us shoes and food for us and you. happy mothers day
Love, Fernando

Dear mom,
I like you laugh and how you cook. You are a very nice person and you are very fun. Happy Mothers day.
Love, Kellyn

Dear Mom,
Thank you for giving me all the toys and I am going to give you something to you on Mothers Day.
Loe, Angelina

Dear mom,
Thank you for giving me all the toys and things that you give me. Your a gret mom. I am going to tel dad to get you something for Mothers day.
love, Bryant

Dear Mom,
I love you Because you are nice to me and Sarah Rodriguez and Caroline Rodriguez and very much Michail Rodriguez and Dad we all love you very much. You are a Good cook I love you!!!!!!.....Do you love me? yo do not have to answer I know you love me. And I love you to.
Love, Marcus N. Rodriguez

Dear Mama,
I love you for giving every nice thing you gave me. Thanks for the trampalene you bought for me and allison. I love you very much. On mothers day I'm going to buy you a surprise. I love you.
Love, Jennifer Yates

Dear Mom,
I love you for ever and ever because you give me money and you love me to and for the bed.
Love, Marcie Espino

Dear Mother,
On Mothers day I will come home and at super time I will fix it for you. After we finish eating I will clean the dishes. I will be a good boy for you.
Love, Charles Allan Green

Dear Mom,
I hope that we can get our puppies at our gramals house. You are a good mom. and thank you for taking care of me.
love, Karla

Dear mom,
thank you for letting me do the clean room and do the dishes and the best mom.
Thank you
Judy G.

Dear Mom,
Thank you for all you have done. You have help at class program. I like when you help me at school homework. I love you.
Always love, Anitarita Robles
Happy Mother's Day

Dear Mom,
I love you very much. Your my only mother I ever had. Thank you for evething you've done. Happy Mothers day
Love, Jennifer Lujano

Dear mom,
I love you because you help me do my home work and every thing else. I love you mom.
love, Don A. Davis

Dear Mom,
On Mothers day I will clean the house clean, the dishes, fix the bed, and take the trash out side when your at work.
Love, Ismael Aragon

Dear Mom,
I like when you take me to chuch I like what you do for me.
love, Javier Rodriguez

Dear Mother,
Thank you, mom for bringing me to this world and loving me an giving me everthink I need. Thanks for my shoes and clothes and for everything you gave me, and I should give the same to you. I will love you the way you loved me and give you stuff too. I will love you for ever and never stop loving you.
Love, Ashley Belk

Dear mom,
I hope you have a good mother's day with you. You are a good mom because you buy me toys. I Love you very much.
Love, Trenton

MRS. HATLER'S FOURTH GRADE STUDENTS

Dear Mom (Theresa),
Mom I just wanted to thank you for all the cool things you do, like play basketball with me and throw the football back and forth with me. Mom, have a far out and groovy Mothers day, But before I end this letter hear is a poem. Bulls are Red, Orlando is blue, Micheal Jordan is sweet and so are you.
Love, Jordan Sanchez

Dear Mom (Frances),
I just want to let you know that I am happy for every thing you do for me and you are very nice and Im glad you are smart. I hope you have a Lovely Mothers Day.
Love, Jonathan Meyer

Dear Mom (Ann),
I wanted to tell you how much I care about you. And your always having dinner for us. I can always count on you. I will always love you forever.
Love, Tod

Dear Mom, (Saam)
Roses are red, violets are blue I just wanted to say how much I love you. Mom I love you for how you support the family so much, how you love so much, and just as a reminder I love you very very much. you are the #1 Mother!!
Love, Your loving daunder Paigawadge Geistmann

Dear Mother (Mary),
I just wanted to say hi in realy quick short little parigaph. I apresheat all the things you've done for me and for the shelter and for all the hard work just to protect us and for two brother's and a sister.
Your favorite Daughter, Jennifer Esquivel

Dear mom, (Elena)
I appreciate all the nice things you have done for me. like having dinner on the table. Also how you work hard to keep me happy.
Love, Son James Vasquez

Dear Mom, (Shawna)
Roses are red, vilots are blue, suger is sweet, and so are you. I love you.
Love, Randy

Dear Mom, (Irma)
I would like to thank you for bringing me in this world and for being there when I need you. I know I have done some ungrateful things to you. Thank you for giving me shelter and my 2 beautiful sisters. I just want you to know how much I love you and that I will always care for you and love you forever. God Bless you.
Love, Miralra Lara

Dear Mom, (Carolina)
I just want to thank you for the things you do for me. Like having supper ready for me when I come home from school. And also checking over my homework every day. Also I will never forget you.
Love You, Manuel Vega

Dear Mom, (Cynthia)
I would just want to thank you for what you did and that you brought me to this world. I realy like having you for a mom and your very nice to me.
Love, Priscilla Vana

Dear Mom, (Jennie)
Apples are red, Jeans are blue. I am sweet, and so are you! I love you very much. Thank you for all the things you have done for me. Once again, "I LOVE YOU!"
Love, Trey Weed

Dear Mom, (Julie)
M is for mavel
O is for Orosilly speacil
M is for Mom who I care for the most.
So that's why I have written a poem. I am glad your my mom. for without you I have no song so that is why you are a marvols mom. So I have told you screaming I LOVE YOU.
love, Beca Morrison

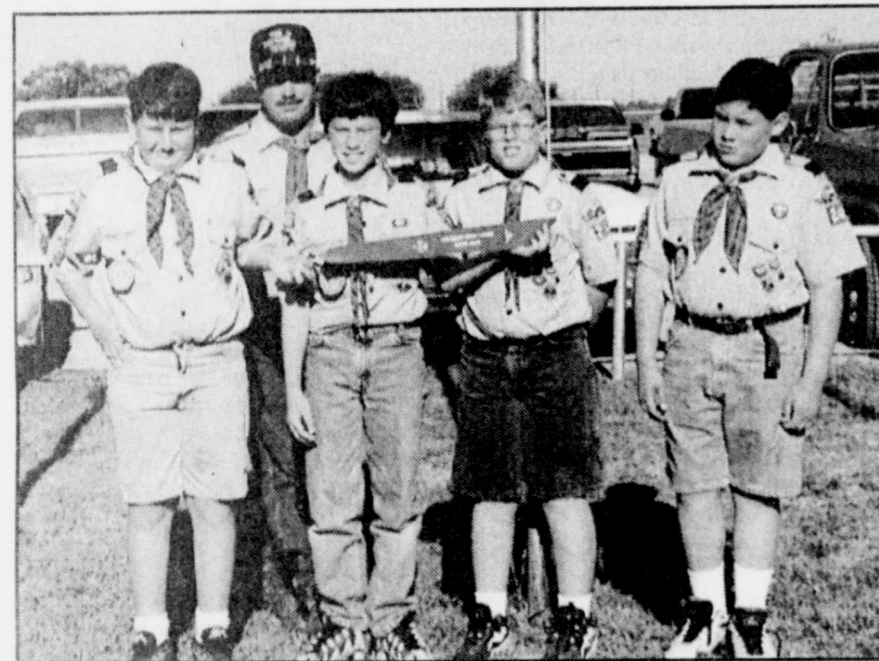
Dear Momma, (Becky)
Roses are red vilots are blue but no other mother could compare to you. Sugar is sweet and you are to. Elephants are gray pigs are pink the sea is blue but none of the colors compare to you. You were born in April with a easter egg toe. Showers in April sound so nice but your music sounds the nicest. Trucks are round squares are squares but your heart is the nicest shape ever. Turtles are green money is too but your money is what kept me alive. The color of rainbows look just like you. You tickle me pink your heart is full of gold.
Love, Elizabeth Sartor

Dear Mom, (Rita)
Roses are red vilotes are blue they smell good so do you! Roses are red vilotes are blue there sweet so are you. M is for mean O is ozey M is for nice you nice. Trckes are round square are pare but your hart is so much spear. Yo are mean sometime you are nice. but I still Love you as nice as a mice. I LOVE YOU!
Love, Matthew

Dear Mama Sita (Cynthia)
bulls are red Orlando are blue and Michael Jordan is sweet and so are you from Gary Boo-Boo



PRESIDENTIAL AWARD HONOREES at the 1998 Boy Scout Camporee were Winters Webelos I Jordan Sanchez, Jonathan Meyer, Joe Cruz, and leader Joe Gerhart. Not pictured were Dylan Perrie, Justin Fenwick, Tod Martin, Randy Jackson, and leader Theresa Gerhart. The Presidential Award is given to the highest scoring troop based upon the events of Compass Reading, Tying Knots, First Aid, Tracking/Sign Reading, and Lashing (binding so as to fasten). The troop also received a second place ribbon in their division for their overall performance and sight.



OVERALL SECOND PLACE AWARD HONOREES were Winters Webelos II (from left) Jacob Bridgeman, leader Robert Cook, Peter Griffin, Aaron Cook, and Adam Escalona. Not pictured were Thomas Doty and Cody Pritchard. Members were recognized for their overall performance and sight during their recent Chisholm Trail Camporee at Elm Creek Reservoir.

4-H Happenings

4-H elects new officers

by Amy Heathcott

The April meeting of the Winters 4-H Club was called to order Monday, April 24, at 5:15 p.m. by President Misty Pritchard.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by Wacey Cason, followed by the 4-H motto and pledge by Keagan Kurtz. The inspiration was given by John Heathcott. Club Secretary Chanda Hoppe took silent roll and read the minutes of the previous meeting. Thirty-four members were present.

In the business portion of the meeting, officers for 1998-'99 were elected.

New officers are Mandy Pritchard, president; Chanda Hoppe, vice-president; Angela Jacob, secretary; John Heathcott, treasurer; Tamra Grohman, reporter; and Craig Jacob, historian. Chanda Hoppe and Misty Pritchard will serve as county council delegates. Phone and refreshment committee members are Ryan Bland, Jessica and Cody Pritchard, Wacey Cason, and Leslye Geistmann.

Installation of officers will take place at the May meeting.

In other business, Club Treasurer Craig Jacob reported a balance of \$1,108.14. He also read thank you letters in regards to the memorials the club made to the

Virginia "Ginny" Smith Memorial and the Pat Lee Memorial Scholarships.

Aaron Pritchard told abc at the club's community service for the month. The club donated Golden Books to the Head Start program and canned goods to the Winters Food Pantry. A motion was made and seconded that the Winters 4-H'ers donate their time to work at the benefit for Mandy England on May 24.

A gift of appreciation and a card of thanks were given to Chad Coburn to show appreciation for everything he has done for the Winters 4-H Club. Chad is leaving Runnels County to become the extension agent in Sterling County, and he will be greatly missed.

Announcements:

- If you would still like to sign up for camp, contact the extension office.

- Jr. 4-H'ers are encouraged to sign up for sewing projects by contacting the extension office.

- Points pages are due by May 18th.

- Sr. 4-H'ers who would like to sign up for Congress should also contact the extension office.

Words of Wisdom: Don't let other people set you back or get you down — only you can do that.

Lutheran youth, parents selling bar-b-que to raise camp funds

St. John's Lutheran youth and parents are selling bar-b-que brisket and chicken just in time for Mother's Day, May 10.

One brisket, fully cooked and sliced, with Ace's sauce is \$20. One chicken, halved, with sauce, is \$5.00.

Delivery can be made to your home or you can pick them up at the church, Saturday morning, May 9, from 8-10 a.m.

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church youth to camp.

Aid Association to Lutherans Branch #7878 and Lutheran Brotherhood Branch #8824 will provide some matching funds.

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Official Records

County Court Criminal
April 21
Alejandro Ochoa, Winters, filed for criminal trespass

April 24
Cape Edward Tucker, Vega, filed for driving while license suspended

Marriage Licenses
April 28
Gaylor Berry Kimmell and June Stenbridge McQuiston

District Court Divorces filed
April 28
Darlene Daniels & Shaun Vanreeth
Dennis Rozman and Linda Rozman
Civil
May 1

First Deposit National Bank, a national banking association vs. Pam Helm—account

Mother's Day is Sunday, May 10

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Michelle Dexter wins VFW Youth Essay Contest

The Winters Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9193 and the Ladies Auxiliary recently held a Youth Essay Contest for students in the 7th, 8th, and 9th grades in the Winters Public School.

This national essay contest is designed to give young students the opportunity to use their writing skills and to voice their opinion on the announced program theme. The 1998 theme was "What Patriotism Means To Me."

Nine freshmen and twenty-seven 7th graders entered the contest with the help of David Evans and Laura Dees, Winters English teachers.

Winners were Michelle Dexter, 1st place; Michelle Paschal, 2nd place; and Kasey Murphy, 3rd place. Receiving Honorable Mention were Chappell Torian, Leslye Geistmann, and Lacy Meyer.

The Post and Auxiliary pre-



sent a \$50 U.S. Savings Bond to Michelle Dexter.

They would like to thank all the students and teachers and Mr. Kidwell for their support and participation in this contest and hope that the ones eligible will participate again next year.

Joseph Sanchez, now a Marine

Marine Pvt. Joseph Sanchez, son of Jo Ann and Donato Sanchez Jr. of Winters, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

Sanchez successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

Sanchez and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m., by running three miles and performing calisthenics. In addition to the physical conditioning program, Sanchez spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat, and assorted weapons training. They per-

formed close order drill and operated as a small infantry unit during field training.

Sanchez and other recruits also received instruction on the Marine Corps' core values — honor, courage, and commitment, and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct.

Sanchez and fellow recruits ended the training phase with The Crucible, a 54-hour team effort, problem solving evolution which culminated with an emotional ceremony in which the recruits were presented the Marine Corps Emblem, and were addressed as "Marines" for the first time since boot camp began.

Sanchez joins 41,000 men and women who will enter the Marine Corps this year from all over the country.

Moore, Merrill, and Sprinkle win at ladies golf playday

The Winters Ladies Golf Association met Tuesday for their weekly ladies night play.

The winning team this week was Mary Ellen Moore, Janice Merrill, and Sac Sprinkle.

Those present were Joan Hightower, Mary Ellen Moore, Beth Whitlow, Tina Smith, Ora Lee Dean, Janice Merrill, Myrna Steward, Lois West, Sac Sprinkle, and Sherry Gilmore.

Anyone may join the ladies by paying membership and green fees at the Winters Country Club. Fun times are the main rules!

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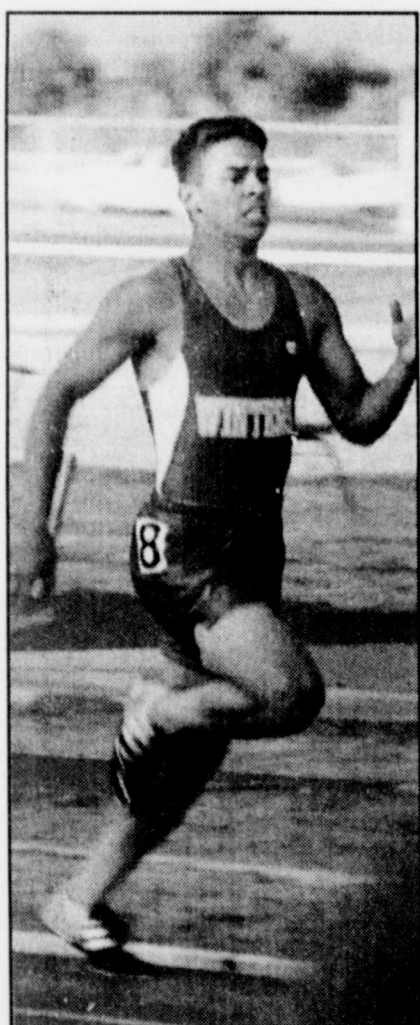
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MONICA PARRAMORE hands off to teammate Karen Oats in the 800M relay at regional competition last Friday. The team, consisting of Oats, Parramore, Kelli Slimp and Misty Pritchard, finished fourth with a time of 1:50.43.



KELLI SLIMP, WHS sophomore, skims over another hurdle for a 4th place finish in the 100M race with a time of 16.15.



ERIC BERNAL won first place in the 400M run and will compete at State on May 16.

Next Depot Daze is May 30 & 31

When looking for something fun to do in Texas...mark your calendar for a visit to historic Ballinger and "Depot Daze."

The trade day is scheduled for the last weekend of each month through September.

Display booths full of arts and crafts, commercial items, trader/flea market goods and food will be set up on the pecan tree shaded land adjacent to the railway in beautiful downtown Ballinger, directly behind the restored Santa Fe Depot.

The two-day event is sponsored each month by the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce.

You are invited to visit the Depot Daze and historic Ballinger soon! Next show date is May 30 & 31.

For more information on this event or vendor spaces, call 915-365-2333 or 915-365-5611.

City Manager attended human relations seminar

Aref Hassan, Winters city manager and city secretary, attended an educational seminar on human relations held in Denton, Texas. The purpose of the session was to increase productivity through effective, efficient government service delivery.

The two-day workshop focused on understanding levels of diversity in how people think and learn, how organizations are best managed, and how cities and societies change.

Chris Cowan, co-director of the National Values Center Inc., Denton, Texas, taught the classes. The Center is at the leading edge of theory-building and research in Value Systems and memetics. Associates of the Center operate throughout the world in arenas such as social service, executive development, law enforcement,

education, and industrial/corporate management. Cowan is co-author with Dr. Don Beck, Denton, of "Spiral Dynamics: Mastering Values, Leadership, and Change."

The Texas Municipal Clerks Certification Program, an educational and professional development institute located at the University of North Texas, Denton, sponsored the seminar.

Mr. Hassan received the Texas Registered Municipal Clerks Certification in 1989. Attendance at this workshop completes part of the requirements for the recertification required every five years.

Hassan is a member of the Texas Municipal Clerks' Association Inc., a statewide, professional organization of approximately 740 city secretaries and municipal clerks.

Vogler Reunion held at Winters

The fifteenth annual Vogler Family Reunion was held April 18, 1998, in the Winters Community Center for the descendants of Carl and Louise Vogler.

Mrs. Ted Hantsche was the only one of two living children to attend. Sally Marie Brown and Cameron Doyle Cooper were recognized as being the youngest descendants attending. Madison Buckley was recognized as traveling the longest distance. Madison came from China and now lives in Oklahoma.

Family members attending were Arliss and Helen Hantsche, Bryan Hantsche, Lauren and Lindsey, Karen Foster and Peyton, all of Arlington; Byron Hantsche, Lydia and Aaron of Waxahachie; Becky Vaughan and Nicole, Fred and Jean Onken, Kenneth Onken, Edith Onken, and Jerry Baumann, all of Fort Worth; and Pat and Linda Land, Cara, Brianna and McKenzie of Gardendale.

Also M.L. and Anna Rose Standefer, Henry and Rosalie Vogler, Donald and Brenda Vogler, and Brad Vogler, all of Lamesa; Clayton and Linda Brown, Lauren and Weston of San Antonio; Bret and Renee Brown, Bret Jr. and Sally Marie, Newby and Louise Brown, all of Seguin; Regina Walker, Emily and Whitney, Jack and Betty Jackson, all of Houston; and Marvin and Lucille Menzel of Shallowater.

Also Harvey Hantsche of Point; Carolyn Walker, R.J. Baumann Jr. of Colorado City; Ted Hantsche Jr. of Pampa; Susan McGregor, Taylor and Ery Brendon, Sharon Buckley, Madison, all of Yukon, Oklahoma; Tony and Julie Cooper of Wichita Falls; and Dennis and Trisha Bailey, Gary and Theo Onken, Gregg Onken, Dwain and Volene Vogler, J and Keri Sanders, Donny and Connie Vogler, Landon, Angie Vogler, Dan and Alaina Vogler, Blake, Lela Futrell, all of Abilene.

Also Karen Baskett, Hunter and Colby of Sweetwater; Erwin and Lena Voss, Wanda Voss of San Angelo; Charlotte Vogler, Tanner and Brent of Anson; Clo Holland of El Paso; Rita Anderson, Amanda Williams, Terry and Jo Ann Ely, all of Lubbock; Mrs. Ethel Hantsche, George and Eris Beard, Alan and J'Lynn Cooper, Alanna and Cameron, Ruth Cooper, Helen Onken, all of Winters.

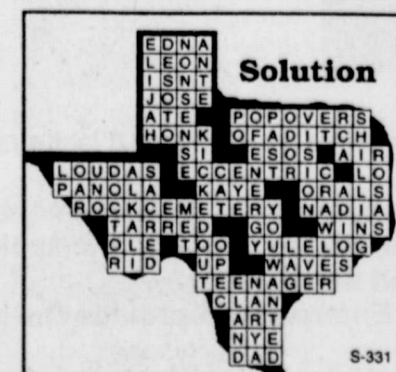
Visitors during the day included Mrs. Jo Anderson of Lubbock; Betty Jo Brown, Cynthia Glass, and Darlene Sims, all of Winters; and Alma Jordan of Point.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Winters, Texas, will conduct a PUBLIC HEARING to allow public comment on a Texas Community Development Program improvements project (TCDP Contract No. 716117). The project involved sewer system improvements. The intent of the public hearing is to review program performance and receive public comments. The public hearing shall be as follows:

DATE: May 12, 1998
TIME: 5:00 PM
PLACE: Winters City Hall

Should you not be able to attend and wish to comment, please mail your comments to City of Winters, 310 South Main Street, Winters, Texas 79567.



Poe's Corner

By Charlsie Poe

The Goose takes us home

A few hours later we were headed for home, Hobbs AAB. After entering the traffic pattern and during the final approach, the Major said to Lt. Rogers, who was flying as copilot, "I'll take it, Lieutenant."

Lt. Rogers didn't move. Major Trent yelled, "I said I'll take it!" In panic, Lt. Rogers was frozen to the control. He had never made night landings in a B-17.

The Major shouted, "Chief, get him off these controls, now!"

I got a head lock on the Lt. and jerked with all my might. Nothing! Major Trent grabbed a fire extinguisher and slammed Rogers upside the head. That broke him loose from the control. By this time, the Goose was dangerously low and the left wing tip was canted almost straight down.

We were dropping frighteningly fast. Major Trent was bringing in full power and as we began to level we heard an unusual sound which neither of us recognized. He pushed harder on the throttles and cautiously continued with back pressure on the control column.

I held my breath and prayed for the Goose not to stall. Fortunately, her only sign of complaint was the initial tremor. When the stall signal faded, I could breathe again.

The Major returned us to the traffic pattern, reentered final approach and delicately landed. We slowly taxied to park "The Wild Goose" in her "nest" on the ramp. We started going through his shutdown checklist. With engines quiet, no one said a word or made a sound. My heart was still in my throat.

Lt. Rogers had been knocked unconscious and was beginning to come around. When he did, he just sat there with his head down. To



Charlsie Poe

me, it seemed like thirty minutes.

I got my chutes and other gear, went back through the bomb bay and out the waist exit. I set my gear aside, put the wheel chocks in place and performed my post-flight walk-around. I noticed the navigation lights were still burning as the Major was finishing the last of his checklist.

When Major Trent had swung himself to the ground, I called him over and pointed to where the glass cover for the light on the left wing-tip should have been. Only that could account for the strange noise we had heard as the Major righted the plane. A wing-tip whisper of a touch to one of the runway lights is what it must have been. God had His hands on the controls that night.

As we walked away from the plane, the Major looked back at the remaining broken glass and shook his head. As he walked by me he asked, "How'd you like your first flight, chief?"

With a shaky voice I replied, "Sir, it was exciting, for sure. Same time tomorrow night, sir?"

He told me to check at Base Operations. He turned to Lt. Rogers and said, "Lieutenant, let's go to my office."

As a truck came by Lt. Franks and I caught a ride to the barracks areas. I don't know what was said to Lt. Rogers, but I never saw him again.

Next week, "Now There is One."

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Your diabetes doctor should inspect your feet carefully at every visit. Remember to take off your socks and shoes while you wait for your physical exam. Also, at least once a year, your doctor should check your feet for blood vessel, muscle, and nerve problems.

If you have corns or calluses, your podiatrist can trim them for you. Your podiatrist can also trim your toenails if you cannot do so safely.

Caring For Your Feet

1. Wash your feet every day. Dry them carefully, especially between the toes.
2. Check your feet every day. Be sure to look between the toes, at the toe webs, and on the bottoms (use a mirror). If you cannot see well, have a friend or relative check your feet every day. Also feel the temperature of your feet. If they feel hot or cold, something could be wrong.
3. Don't put your feet into hot water. Test water before putting your feet in it.
4. If your feet are cold, wear socks. Never use hot water bottles, heating pads, or electric blankets. You can burn your feet without realizing it.
5. Don't cut off blood flow to your feet. Don't wear garters. Don't smoke.
6. Do not use chemicals on corns, calluses, or warts. Over-the-counter products are often too strong for use by people with diabetes. They can burn your feet. Also, do not cut corns or calluses yourself.
7. Cut your toenails to follow the curve of your toe. Do not rip off hangnails.
8. Wear flat shoes that fit your feet.
9. Consider wearing comfortable walking shoes every day.



Stephanie Burleson, director

10. Check your shoes before putting them on. Make sure there are no stones, nails, or other sharp objects in them and that the shoe itself is not rough and the lining is not torn.

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A RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY AND GRAND OPENING was held Friday, May 1, at Kendrick Air Conditioning & Heating, 134 S. Main, in Winters. On hand for the occasion were (left to right) Chamber Directors Lavelle Killough and Bill Spiller, family members Roy Kendrick, Melanie Van Pelt, Cody Kendrick, Chelsey Van Pelt, employee Jim Burleson, Ozane Kendrick, co-owners Fred Kendrick and son Butch Kendrick, Tancy Kendrick, Paula Van Zandt, Inez Archer, and Chamber Directors Brenda Burton and Kay Sharpes. Ozane is the wife of Fred, and Tancy is married to Butch.

Try Transit Week—"Do the Ride Thing"

May 11 through May 15 has been designated by the Texas Department of Transportation as Try Transit Week! The theme of this year's Try Transit Week is "Do the Ride Thing!" Each year the Texas Department of Transportation sponsors this state wide promotion.

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William Evrard, Transportation Director, states that "C.A.R.R. will be participating in this year's activities. We will be

sponsoring a free ride day, employee recognition day, and various public awareness campaigns and promotions."

City and Rural Rides is operated by Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. For more information or to schedule a ride, please call 1-800-710-2277.

Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz



Hilda Kurtz

When you have to swallow your own medicine, the spoon always seems three times as big.

Gene Faubion was the only visitor at Hopewell services Sunday. He is from California and serves at the San Francisco Marine Base.

Our sympathy to the families of Christine Simpson, former resident of Crews. She died Saturday and was buried Monday.

Brother Akins and Ramona of Ballinger enjoyed Sunday dinner with Fairy and Wilbert Allcorn. Mr. and Mrs. David Talbot were also guests.

Those helping Pat Cooper celebrate her birthday Sunday were Brenda and Richard of Blackwell; Ray and Sherry of San Angelo; Steve and Gene Shultz of Bronte; and Lanny Lacy of Granbury. I am sorry that Doddie Drake did not get to attend. She was in the hospital, but is doing okay now.

Pat Cooper is taking three treatments a week at the Abilene Rehab.

Many more happy birthdays "kiddo."

Abe and Pat Giles of Brownwood spent Saturday and Saturday night with Leona and Roy Mathis. They enjoyed supper.

Celebrating an early Mother's Day and the birthday of 11-year-old Jana Cameron, the daughter of Jeff and Darla Cameron of Brownwood, in the home of Doris Wood were Mrs. Doug Bryant and girls of Brownwood; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Calcote of Winters; Aaron Calcote of Weatherford;

Jim Calcote and Lucy of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Maloey Bryant, Robert and Douglas of Abilene; Frances Mincey of Big Spring; Kory Murphy of Winters; and Paige Bishop of Kerrville.

Juanita Shields attended the homecoming in Silver Valley on Sunday.

Rudy and Paula New and children of Abilene spent Sunday with Dee and Sam Faubion.

Noble Faubion talked to Brad Pape in Abilene Regional Hospital on Monday and he is doing some better.

Nila and Therin Osborne visited Netha and Arthur Kerby in Abilene during the week.

Coleman Foreman's sister, Eilene Cannon, came Friday from Fort Worth and spent the night.

On Saturday, she went to her sister's in Abilene. Coleman and Eilene also went to see Lawan at the Senior Citizens Center in Winters.

During the week with Harvey Mae and Noble were Rodney Faubion of Fort Worth, Gene Faubion of California, Bernie Faubion of Abilene, Rosie and her husband and three children, Carolyn Kraatz, Melvena and Marvin Gerhart, and Nila Osborne.

The last report on Brad Pape is that he is still in an Abilene hospital and is doing some better.

During the week with Georgia and Connie Gibbs were Linda and Travis Ford of Rising Star, Jean and Connie Mac Gibbs of Winters, Kenny and Lane Gibbs of Winters, Troy and Estelle Smith of Mesquite, Donnie and Nancy Gibbs and boys of Menard, Melvena Gerhart, and Pastor Akins and Ramona of Ballinger. Georgia is recuperating slowly but nicely at home since her stay in the hospital in Abilene on Saturday.

Gene Faubion came by to see me Monday and to say hello. He said he will see us again in August. Noble and Rodney Faubion were with him.

Hildegard and Calvin Schovajsa of San Angelo spent Saturday with me. Calvin got my washer working again. May I say they did several more odd jobs? RC and Randall also came by.

Maurine and Sara Scott of Sweetwater spent Monday and Monday night with Mildred Morrison. They went home Tuesday at 3 p.m.

Marvin Jacob and Selma and Viron Wilkerson came Wednesday afternoon and played 80. Selma brought some homemade cinnamon rolls for refreshments.

Will Duggan and friend Kelly Cook of Abilene came home to his folks Friday for a visit. On Saturday, Roy Brown and son Benjamin Andrews came from Ruidosa, New Mexico, and spent the weekend. Roy Brown's family, Becky and Elwood Brown, Susan and Chauncey Mansell, Katy Duggan and Amy Mansell of Abilene, and Will Duggan and Leslie Pruser came for lunch on Sunday.

On Sunday night, Dale and Linda Duggan had supper with Harma, Cynthia, and John Glass.

Linda's niece, Brandy Underwood, and her daughter Susan Marie and mother Kathy Johnson came to visit.

Everyone attending Dan and Elaine Miller's picnic at the Bill Hoppe park Sunday evening really enjoyed lots of smiles and laughter. Most came with hats, bonnets, comfortable shoes, and lots of good food. Dan's barbecue and sausage was delicious, and even the weather behaved. Many thanks to the Millers.

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Winters Police Department reports received and/or investigated from Sunday, April 26, 1998, through Saturday, May 2, 1998. Winters Police Officers:

- issued a citation to Brandi Mathis, 20, of Winters, for possession of drug paraphernalia.
 - received a report of a theft in the 300 block of Jewel Street.
 - received a report of criminal mischief in the 400 block of S. Melwood.
 - arrested John Sanford Thralls, 30, of Winters, for public intoxication.
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Runnels Extension agent Chad A. Coburn transfers to Sterling County

Chad A. Coburn became the new Sterling County Extension agent effective May 1, according to an announcement made jointly by Sterling County Judge Bob Browne and Scott Durham, District 7 Extension director.

As the new Sterling County agent, Coburn will be responsible for all Extension endeavors in the county.

Since 1996, Coburn has been the assistant county Extension agent and 4-H coordinator for Runnels County. "We are very fortunate to be able to keep Chad in District 7," said Durham. "He is one of the best and brightest young agents that I have had the privilege of supervising. He knows the area, and his self-starting enthusiasm will be nothing but an asset to this strong Extension county."

The agent earned M.S. (1995) and B.S. (1993) degrees in animal science from Angelo State University. While attending ASU, he was an animal science teaching assistant and coach of the university's winning wool judging team. Under his leadership, the school took national champion wool judging honors in 1995. They were also named the high overall team at the Houston Livestock Show and the second high team overall at the National

Western Stock Show in Denver, Colorado.

While a student at ASU, Coburn was a member of the highly successful ASU Livestock Judging and Wool Judging teams. The livestock team ranked number one in horse and sheep judging at the Arizona National Livestock Show at Phoenix, Arizona. Coburn, himself, was named high individual in sheep judging at the Southwestern Livestock Exposition in Fort Worth.

Also, while at ASU, Coburn received scholarships from the San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo, the Coleman Scholarship Award, and the Noelke Scholarship Award. As a student, he coached YMCA Youth Football, the Tom Green County 4-H team, and was a member of ASU's Block and Bridle Club.

The new agent is a current member of the Texas County Agricultural Agents' Association and was honored with the organization's New Agent's Recognition Award in 1997.

Coburn is a Cleburne native with an agricultural background. He was active in FFA in high school.

Coburn is married to the former Traci McGehee of San Saba. She is an elementary school special education teacher.

Extension News & Views

By Rick Minzenmayer, Extension Agent-IPM

Much to do about mulch

Are you aware of the advantages of using a mulch in your garden? In one stroke, you can reduce weed problems, improve soil structure, attract beneficial earthworms, keep the soil moist and cool, prevent erosion, and add nutrients to the soil. In short, good gardeners have much to do with mulch.

Texans should be thoroughly familiar with mulch; after all, nature has been depositing it for years on the floor of our Texas forests. Mulch is a ground covering, and the springy carpet of the forest floor is a natural example. The forest carpet decomposes, adding nutrients to the soil beneath. An organic garden mulch does the same thing for the garden, adding humus to the soil and improving its structure. Man simply takes his cue from nature, applying his own ground covering, natural or inorganic.

By depriving developing weed seedlings of light, mulch minimizes weed problems in the garden. The occasional weed that does appear is easier to pull. This easy weeding is the result of another benefit: moisture retention.

Mulch slows moisture evaporation, protecting tender new roots from overheated soil while also lessening the watering chore.

A mulch can consist of inorganic or organic materials. Organic mulches include straw, pine needles, and bark. Inorganic mulches include gravel, stones, and even plastic.

Availability is one factor to consider in selecting a mulch. Your choice of mulch depends on your personal preferences as to what looks the best and will be readily available.

Of the materials listed, sawdust is probably the least desirable (even though it is available in most parts of Texas) because of its ability to rob nitrogen from the garden plantings. The key to using sawdust successfully as a mulch is to find well rotted and aged material.

If you are tired of seeing the weeds in your garden doing better than the plants, or if you want to reduce your water chores and your water bill, give mulch a try in your garden.

Reservoir News

Elm Creek lakekeepers ask for help in promoting "your" business

As the season progresses, Elm Creek Lakekeepers Bill and Jean Lafair want to remind you that they have campers visiting the area who are often unfamiliar with the businesses in Winters and what's going on. For that reason, any information that can be passed along to these visitors is most welcomed.

Jean says, "Whether it's a fund-raiser, a business card, a menu from an eating establishment, or a garage sale, there may be someone passing through or camping for a few days who would be interested in knowing the people and activities available.

"We enjoy having these visi-

Sixth BLT workshop to be held May 7

County Extension Agent, will focus on food buying on a budget, healthy eating patterns, and simple food preparations.

The workshop is the sixth in a series of seven that are being done as part of Runnels County's Better Living for Texans project. The project focuses on providing basic education to limited source families.

Participants will receive recipe handouts and samples of recipes.

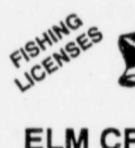
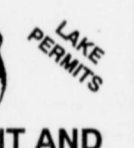
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Rolling Plains PCA held 64th annual meeting

Rolling Plains Production Credit Association held its Annual Stockholder's Meeting in Canadian on Tuesday, April 28; Childress on Thursday, April 30; and Stamford on Friday, May 1.

Garon B. Tidwell of Munday and Dan Henard Jr. of Wellington were re-elected to the Board of Rolling Plains PCA. John R. (Bob) Beagle of Perryton was chosen by stockholders to represent the Perryton Branch Office area. Board members serve three-year terms.

Other Board members are Lance D. Morris of Crosbyton, Terry O'Neal of Pampa, Thomas R. Helton of Wheeler, Keith Corzine of Stamford, Garner Schoenhals of Canadian, Dean Turner of Matador, and Jack Reese of Abilene.

Terry O'Neal gave the Board Report to the gathering. Earning the highest rating possible by the Tenth District Regulator for the tenth consecutive year, the Association maintains its Tier I designation and won the Farm Credit Bank's prestigious Pace Setter award. The award is based on financial performance and business development.

The Association made a net profit after taxes of \$2,016,479. In 1997, Rolling Plains Production Credit Association loaned more than \$115 million to approximately 1,000 borrowers in its 25-county territory.

The Association's Board of Directors declared a patronage distribution based on 1997 fiscal year earnings. Total patronage was \$1,413,231 with 40% being paid at the three sessions of the Annual Meeting. This patronage returned 19-1/3 cents for every one dollar of loan interest accrued on loans of stockholder-members in 1997.

The Nominating Committee Report was presented by Danny Thurman of Perryton at Canadian, Larry Browning of Childress at Childress, and Robert D. Aycock of Haskell at Stamford. Elected to

serve on the 1999 Nominating Committee for the areas indicated were: Warren Rivers - Canadian; J.D. Paris - Pampa; Dean Leighnor - Perryton; W.D. Mitchell - Wheeler; Andy Henard - Childress; Larry Bob Clay - Matador; John Ben Glover - Munday; J.R. Edinburgh - Spur; Terry White - Stamford; and Lloyd Wayne Williams - Abilene.

Recognized as 50-year members in the Canadian section by Fred Goad and Robert Bain, Wheeler and Canadian Office Managers, respectively, were Mrs. Grady Dodd and Mrs. Irvin Seitz of Wheeler and Walton and Morris C. Moore of Canadian. In the Stamford section, W.L. Jensen of Avoca, Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Kupatt of Sagerton and Mrs. Otis White of Anson were recognized by Mike Guess, Stamford Office Manager.

In all sessions, special recognition was given to Grover and Cleo Crum of Darrouzett, retiring director representing the Perryton area. Also, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Parnell of Canadian were honored by the PCA in recognition of the Texas Department of Agriculture Family Land Heritage Program Award for being on the same land for over 100 years.

Special honor was given at the Stamford session to J.T. Smith, farm editor with *The Abilene Reporter-News*, in recognition for excellence in agricultural journalism and for his many years of service to farmers, ranchers, and ag related businesses in the Rolling Plains and Big County of West Texas.

In the Stamford session, PCA member Welton Robinson, owner of Farm & Ranch Western Wear of Abilene, donated a \$500 pair of ostrich boots which were won by Frances Clark of Sagerton.

Cash prizes totaling \$400 were awarded at each session in a drawing from PCA stockholders in attendance. Entertainment was provided by popular Kansas ventriloquist Greg Claassen.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Winters, Texas, shall conduct a public hearing to advise the public about the Texas Community Development Program and to obtain citizen views and comments regarding the city's proposed application for assistance funding through the Texas HOME Investment Partnership Program. This program is administered by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

The public hearing shall include a discussion on the HOME Program, all eligible activities, the amount of funding available, the amount of funding requested and the use of past Texas Community Development Program contract funds. Citizens are encouraged to attend the hearing and offer their views and comments.

The public hearing shall be as follows:

DATE: May 12, 1998
TIME: 5:00 PM
PLACE: Winters City Hall

If you are unable to attend, please submit your written comments to City Secretary, City of Winters, 310 S. Main Street, Winters, Texas 79567 on or before the scheduled hearing date. Please call the City Secretary if interpreter assistance is needed. Accessibility to the handicapped will be provided.