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Winters, Texas

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Commissioners give \$2,300 for Miles fire truck

At their special meeting Tuesday morning, Runnels County Commissioners approved a budget amendment to transfer \$2,300 from the Road and Bridge Fund, County Clerk's Fines budget, to the Paving Miscellaneous Fund. The \$2,300 was used to assist the Miles Volunteer Fire Department with the purchase of a pump for a fire truck used for fighting grass fires.

Commissioners also agreed to require county employees to attend a Heathwise and Self-Care Program provided by the Texas Association of Counties. This agreement was made in order to try to hold down health care costs of employees and families covered by the County's health insurance program.

County Extension Agent Patricia Hohensee, who will conduct the program, told commissioners the program would be forty minutes long and each participant would receive a handbook to go along with the course.

Healthwise sessions for county employees will be Friday, June 19. See COMMISSIONERS, pg. 8

Out with the old, in with the new

What to do with old phone books

The new phone books are in which means you can dispose of the old ones. You can take them to the recycling bin behind City Hall for easy disposal. You can also drop off old papers and magazines there.

Brandon R. Morgan joins Runnels Extension staff



BRANDON R. MORGAN, new Assistant County Extension Agent-Ag

Brandon R. Morgan will become the new Assistant County Extension Agent - Ag for Runnels County effective June 10. The joint announcement was made by County Judge Marilyn Egan and District 7 Extension Director Scott Durham.

"It's great to have Brandon going to Runnels County," said Durham. "He brings with him a wealth of livestock judging experience and leadership skills that should serve him well in this key county. Runnels County is very diversified and aggressive. The Extension staff is well respected in the state. I feel Brandon will fit the county's high standards and work ethic well."

The new agent earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science in 1998 from Oklahoma



LYING DOWN ON THE JOB are employees of Hughes Services, Floor Resurfacing Division, of Lubbock as they repair the floor of the school gymnasium. Due to water damage, the floor had to be sanded down and resurfaced with new Blizzard and Lady Blizzard designs. The interior walls of the gym will also be painted to complement the new floor and logos.

Mike Davis appointed as new WISD trustee; teachers hired

During a called meeting of the board of trustees of the Winters Independent School District at 7 a.m. on June 12, Mike Davis was declared appointed to Place 4 Trustee to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Bob Prewit.

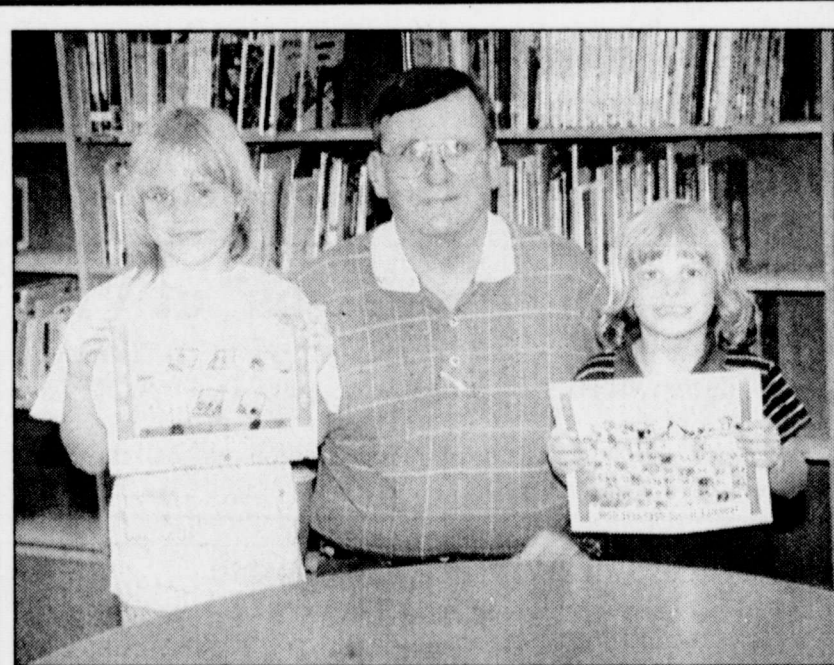
Davis and Randall Sneed had both received three votes from the trustees; therefore, President Allen Andrae conducted a drawing to determine the appointee.

Trustees also voted to hire Connie Tounget, Regina Newsome, Karen Mills, and Vanessa Clifton for the 1998-99 school year, subject to assignment at state base plus local supplements.

Board members set the school nurse's salary to begin on Step 8 of the State Teacher's Pay Scale (\$28,780) and progress along the scale in subsequent years.

A new school nurse is scheduled to be hired at the July 13 meeting of the WISD trustees. This vacancy was created when Bonnie Hood retired after 25 years as school nurse.

Board members present were Allen Andrae, Debbie Sudduth, Ronald Presley, Rodrick Bredemeyer, Jack Davis, Jr., and Larry Walker, Superintendent Mike Harris and Business Manager Jimmy Butler.



CELEBRATED ARTISTS, Susan Sneed (left) and Celisha Jackson (right) display their "works of art" which are used in the 1998-99 school calendars. Mike Harris, WISD superintendent, presented awards to the winning artists during Awards Day at Winters Elementary School at the close of the school year.

Winters sales tax rebates increase 125.14% for June

As reported by the office of State Comptroller John Sharp, June sales tax rebates for the city of Winters increased 125.14 percent as compared to the prior year's June payment.

Winters' rebates totaled \$25,639.11 this reporting period. For the prior year's reporting period, rebates totaled \$11,387.87.

This month's sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected in April and reported by businesses filing monthly tax returns in May.

Receipts in Miles increased

40.09 percent; Ballinger increased 14.72 percent and reported \$32,924.37 in payments.

City sales tax rebates to date for Runnels County for the 1998 reporting period total \$409,884.92, a 13.10 percent increase as compared to last year's period total of \$362,379.57.

The current city sales tax rate for Winters and Ballinger is 1.5 percent. Miles is 1.00 percent.

The Comptroller's next sales tax allocation is scheduled for Friday, July 10.

Winters Police to begin Citizens Police Academy

The Winters Police Department is happy to announce the starting of a Citizens Police Academy. The academy will begin August 4, 1998, and will continue every Tuesday from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. for a total of six weeks. The classes will be held at City Hall.

According to Sergeant Sanchez, the Winters Citizen Police Academy was created in order to provide information to the attending citizens so that they may make informed judgements about the Police Department and police activity. It is further hoped that the instruction will increase police/community rapport through the educative process.

The Department, in turn, will become more aware of the feelings and concerns of the community from the students' interaction and input, says Sanchez.

It is, indeed, a two-way learning experience.

The Winters Citizens Police Academy will cover such diverse topics as training, communications, criminal investigations, DWI procedures, family violence, and juvenile laws. Instruction will consist of lectures, demonstrations, tours, and hands-on experience.

If you live or work in the City of Winters, are at least 21 years of age, and have never been convicted of a Class B misdemeanor or above, you are encouraged to apply. You may pick up an application form at City Hall or the Winters Police Department.

The first class will begin August 4, 1998. Applications are due back by July 17, 1998.

If you cannot be scheduled for attendance at the first academy, there will be others announced at a later date.

Paske receives Excellent rating on state solo

Julie Paske, a freshman at Winters High School this past year, participated in the Texas State

region being approximately a Division III level at state.

In previous years, Julie has

Solo and Ensemble Contest, a UIL event, at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos on Saturday, May 30.

Julie received a Division II (excellent) rating and a silver medal for her performance of a Class I (high difficulty level) vocal solo. She qualified for the opportunity to perform at state by receiving a Division I rating in UIL regional competition this past February in Cleburne.

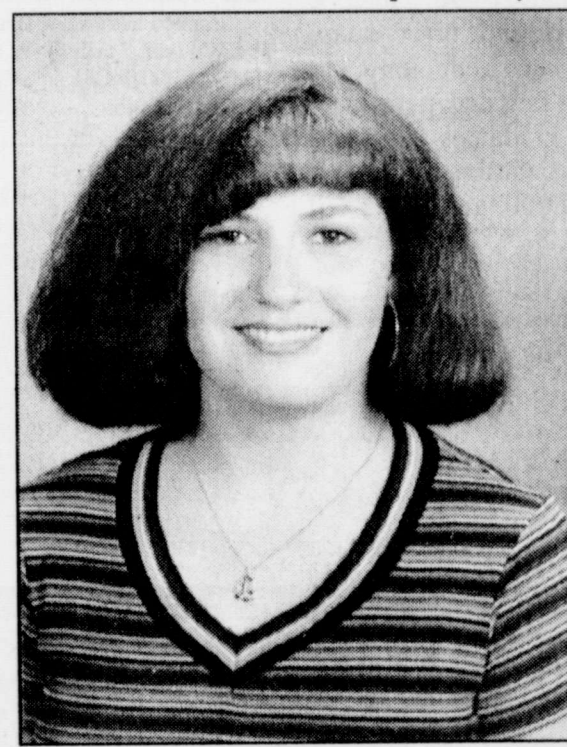
State level competition is judged on a higher standard of excellence than at the regional level, with a Division I rating at

been a member of the select Texas Music Educators Association Region VII Jr. High All-Region Choir for two years, and has received a Division I rating on a jr. high vocal solo.

Julie has recently sung for the Mayfest and for the Glacier King and Queen Coronation at Winters High School.

Tony Appuglies, interim band director this past year for Winters High School, was faculty sponsor of UIL music activities.

Julie is the daughter of Mrs. Mary Hollis of Ballinger.



WHAT'S HAPPENING?

- June 18-11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Buffet of Salads, Rock Hotel
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 6-7 p.m., Ladies Swim Night, City Swimming Pool
- 6:30 p.m., Game Night, American Legion
- 7 p.m., O.E.S. Officer Installation
- 7 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center
- June 19-5 p.m.-9 p.m. Garage Sale, Methodist Youth Building
- Cowboy Camp Meeting Begins, Hwy 84 between Coleman and Santa Anna
- June 20-8 a.m.-6 p.m. Garage Sale, Methodist Youth Building
- 7 p.m., Shep Community Supper & 42
- June 21-2-4 p.m., Sing-a-long, Guiding Light Church
- Father's Day
- First Day of Summer
- June 22-9:30-10:30 a.m., SS Rep, Winters Housing Authority
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 8 p.m., Wingate Masonic Lodge
- June 23-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- Noon, Lions Club, Community Center
- 6-7 p.m., Ladies Swim Night, City Swimming Pool
- Fire Dept. Auxiliary
- June 24-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 1:30-5 p.m., Podiatry Clinic, North Runnels Hospital
- June 25-10 a.m., 39+, First United Methodist Church
- 6-7 p.m., Ladies Swim Night, City Swimming Pool
- 6:30 p.m., Game Night, American Legion
- 8:00 p.m., Coleman Rodeo begins

Oil Bidness

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Some years ago, NBC did a football game without any announcers. They just let the pictures and sounds speak for themselves.

I am going to do something similar. I am going to list a few facts, news items, etc. and let you draw your own commentary.

1. A new report on the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR) by the U.S. Geological Survey office significantly increases the estimate of the size of potential reserves locked up by the region's current exploration moratorium. The U.S. Interior Secretary, Bruce Babbitt, interprets this as confirmation that there is nothing significant underlying ANWR, so lifting any restrictions is unnecessary.

2. Business leaders applaud lower oil prices as a welcome boost to the economy with little "real cost" to anyone but "wealthy oil companies."

3. Milk, water, Gatorade, iced tea, and perfume are examples of items that are more expensive than crude oil per volume.

4. \$75: the cost of filling the tank of a compact auto in Europe.

5. Zero. The number of "experts" predicting current crude price drop. Also, the number of "experts" predicting any real growth in oil prices in the next decade.

6. Tobacco companies are the only business ranked lower in public esteem than oil & gas companies.

7. "Engagement is better than isolation" was a quote used by the English government regarding meetings with Hitler's government that were intended to stave off threats of invasion by Germany.

8. "There are many opportunities in the U.S., and we want to get our share..." This was a quote from a foreign national oil company offered recently to explain their participation in Gulf of Mexico acquisitions.

9. A recent study of industry reserves attributed more than 25% of recent worldwide reserve base additions to new technology.

10. Last fall, new petroleum engineering graduates were getting multiple starting salary offers of \$50,000 annually. Oil prices were \$18.50 in September. See you next time.

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY COMPLETIONS

Concho County
Petro-West Corporation has com-

pleted the Denis #4 in the Chile Pieper Field (12 miles W of Eden) at an initial rate of 58 BOPD & 6 BWPD in the King Sand (perms 2483-85). Loc. is 824 FSL & 639 FWL of Sec. 22, IRR Sur., A-1317.

Taylor County

Schlake Brothers Operating has completed the Hughes #5 in the Carl Worsham Catclaw Field (in the City of Abilene) at an initial rate of 17 BOPD & 14 BWPD in the Tannehill (perms 1874-76). Loc. is 220 FSL & 426 FEL of Lot 5, Steffens Subd., Merchants Pasture Sur. No. 85, A-231.

STAKINGS

Coleman County

Caddo Operating has staked the Renfro #2A in the South Coker Field, 4 miles NE of Novice (Depth 4900). Loc. is 580 FNL & 1017 FEL of Sec. 46, Blk. 2, GH&H Sur.

Concho County

Bowerman Energy Company has applied to re-enter the Sorrell #1 in the Lonesome Dove II Field, 7 miles SW of Eden (Depth 2200). Loc. is 1217 FEL & 467 FNL of L.C. Smith Sur. No. 9, A-1477.

Hollis R. Sullivan, Inc. has staked two wells as Wildcats, 9 miles SE of Vick (Depth 3000). The Beck-B-#4204 is loc. 2173 FSL & 330 FEL of Sec. 42, Blk. 9, H&TC Sur., A-1097. The Beck-H-#5601 is loc. 2173 FSL & 2100 FWL of 2173 FSL & 2100 FWL of Sec. 56, Blk. 8, H&TC Sur., A-1833.

Nolan County

Amerac Energy Corporation has staked two wells in the Rowan & Hope Field, 4 miles SE of Roscoe (Depth 7100). The Seago -50- #1 is loc. 1566 FSL & 1289 FWL of Sec. 50, Blk. 23, T&PRR Sur. The Young -60- #1 is loc. 1587 FSL & 2214 FWL of Sec. 60, same Blk.

Patterson Petroleum has staked two wells in the South Lake Trammel Field, 2 miles NE of Maryneal (Depth 5400). The Alexander Heirs #1 is loc. 562 FNL & 1977 FWL of Sec. 115, Blk. X, T&PRR Sur., A-507. The B.K. Harris -T- #7 is loc. 330 FNL & 467 FNL of Sec. 75, Blk. X, T&PRR Sur., A-488.

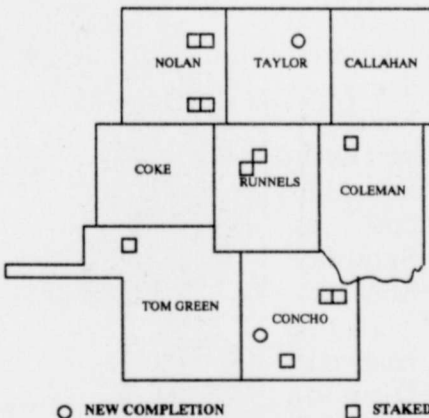
Runnels County

EDCO Petroleum has staked the Brown #3 in the West Dorman Field, 2 miles SE of Wilmett (Depth 4650). Loc. is 490 FNL & 550 FWL of R.A. Maultsby Sur., A-663.

Enrich Oil Corp. has staked the E. Gottschalk #1-A in the GWP Field, 5 miles E of Norton (Depth 4800). Loc. is 467 FNL & 1667 FNL of J. Harkins Sur. No. 19-1/2, A-1039.

Tom Green County

Enxco has staked the Hargraves #1 as a Wildcat, 7 miles NW of San Angelo (Depth 6300). Loc. is 648 FNL & 5124 FEL of S. Ligon Sur. No. 18, A-8140.



Thank you for reading
The Winters Enterprise

VFW Auxiliary awards year pins

The Winters VFW Auxiliary held their regular meeting Monday, June 8. Year pins were awarded to members.

The business meeting began with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. A 40-year pin was given to Ellen Meyer. A 15-year pin was awarded to Evelyn Smith. Nell Bowen has been in the Auxiliary 30 years; June Hays, 40 years; and Saam Geistmann, 15 years.

Before the business part of the meeting began, nylon hose stuffed pillows were presented to Joyce Bahlman on behalf of Hospice. The Auxiliary collected old nylon hose some months ago and pillows were sewed as an Auxiliary Hospice project.

VFW and its Auxiliary then discussed progress on the Veterans Room at the Rock Hotel.

Ballinger Masons to install officers

Ballinger Masonic Lodge #643 will install new officers Saturday, June 27, 1998.

Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. followed by the installation at 7:30. Members are urged to attend.

Shep to host supper, 42 party

The Shep community will host a supper and 42 party Saturday, June 20, 1998.

The meal will be served promptly at 7:00 p.m. at the Shep Community Center.

Bring your dominoes and enjoy the fellowship and games.

For more information, contact Lucille Reagan at 743-6071.

Sing-a-long at Guiding Light

The Guiding Light Church will have a sing-a-long Sunday, June 21, from 2-4 p.m.

Gene Porter from Abilene will be leading the singing.

Come and join in the gospel singing.

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Social Security Rep. in Winters on June 22

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his June visit to Winters. He will be at the Winters Housing Project Office on Monday, June 22, between 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

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

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

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

Alzheimer's Association workshop June 26 in Abilene

The Alzheimer's Association of West Central Texas will present a workshop for caregivers on Friday, June 26, 1998, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Activity Building at Minter Lane Church of Christ, 2502 Minter Lane in Abilene.

The workshop, entitled "A Breath of Fresh Air," will be presented by Bill and Lyn Roche, both children of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders in a practical, realistic way designed to uplift family caregivers and validate their memory-impaired loved ones.

There is no charge for the workshop, and no advance registration is required. Attendees will receive a ten-page handout containing reality checks, networking resources, self-care considerations, time-outs, and things that work. In addition, participants will receive other helpful literature from the Alzheimer's Association.

Though the workshop is designed primarily for family caregivers of dementia patients, healthcare professionals and other interested persons are welcome to attend.

The program is sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association of West Central Texas and made possible by the Texas Department on Aging and the West Central Texas Area Agency on Aging. For additional information, call the Alzheimer's Association at (915) 672-2907 or (888) 511-4132.

Get "Hooked on Jesus" at VBS

The First Baptist Church invites everyone to get "Hooked on Jesus" during Vacation Bible School on June 22-24 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Anyone needing a ride or more information may call the church office at 754-5521.

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Obituaries

Ludwig F. Schwertner

ROWENA—Ludwig F. Schwertner, 85, passed away at 5:45 a.m. Saturday, June 13, 1998, at his home.

He was born April 4, 1913, in Rowena to Frank and Adala Ernst Schwertner Jr. He married Olivia F. Moeller on November 18, 1935, in Rowena.

Mr. Schwertner farmed in the Rowena area and did custom harvesting. He was a member of the Rowena Lions Club, a charter member of the Rowena Volunteer Fire Department, and was a past director of the First National Bank in Rowena. He served on the board of St. Joseph School and St. Joseph Parish Council and was a member of the St. Joseph Society. He was also a member of the Sons of Hermann and was a trustee of the ODHS Hall in Rowena for over 20 years.

He was preceded in death by his wife on May 14, 1998; a sister, Dora Pechacek; a brother, Victor Schwertner; and a grandson, David Schwertner.

Survivors include two sons, Lloyd Schwertner of San Angelo and Maynard Schwertner and his wife Nancy of Rowena; two daughters, Jane Holtman of Ballinger and Rita Frey and her husband Will of Mason; a brother, Robert Schwertner of Rowena; and two sisters, Katherine Werner of Ballinger and Lily Schraer of Lowake. He is also survived by fourteen grandchildren and their spouses, Kyle and Rose Green, David and Helen Hulse, Lamar and Karen Evans, Bonnie Holtman, Derek and Becky Holtman, David and Roxanne Benefield, Kevin and Frank Herron, Ty and Mary McMillan, Holly Frey, Jason Schwertner, Jeff Schwertner, Brad Schwertner, Becky Schwertner, and Matt Schwertner; and eleven great-grandchildren.

Rosary was held at 8:00 p.m. Sunday, June 14, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rowena. Funeral mass was at 2:30 p.m. Monday, June 15, at St. Joseph with Father Benedict Zientek and Father Stephen Kennelly co-celebrating. Burial followed in the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Rowena, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home of Ballinger.

Grandsons and grandsons-in-law served as pallbearers. Memorials may be made to St. Joseph Cemetery Association or a favorite charity.

Joe F. Pfluger

SAN ANGELO—Joe F. Pfluger, 79, died Tuesday, June 9, 1998, at 4:20 a.m. at his residence.

He was born on May 6, 1919, in Dundee, Texas, to Clara Kurzman Pfluger and Edmund Ernst Pfluger. He attended school in Pflugerville, Texas, and enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in February 1941. He served in Guam, New Zealand, and Iwo Jima. He received a Purple Heart for wounds received in Guam and was honorably discharged in June 1946.

Shortly thereafter, he and his brother-in-law bought a farm outside of Ballinger. He made his home with his sister, Katie, and brother-in-law, Oscar Priem, until the death of Oscar in 1968. He and Katie continued to run the farm.

Mr. Pfluger was active in the Young Farmers and raised Registered Hampshire Hogs until he was forced by ill health to retire from active farming. He still maintained and oversaw their vegetable garden for many years. In 1995, he and Katie decided to sell the farm which they had owned for 50 years. They bought a place in San Angelo and again he became the garden overseer.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brothers-in-law, Oscar Priem and Weldon Buxkemper.

Survivors include two sisters, Katie Priem of San Angelo and Edleen Buxkemper of Rowena; a special niece, Oleen Priem of San Angelo; nieces and their family, Barbara and Kenneth Lange of Miles, Linda and Wilbert Dieringer of Garden City; a nephew and his family, Robert and Kim Buxkemper of Ballinger; and many cousins.

Military graveside services were at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, June 11, at the Protestant Cemetery in Rowena. Arrangements were directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home of Ballinger.

Memorials may be made to Family Hospice, 1121 S. Bryant Blvd., San Angelo, Texas 76903.

Charles Ray Brice

ODESSA—Charles Ray Brice, 66, formerly of Winters, died Tuesday, June 2, 1998, at his residence.

He was born September 3, 1931, in Blackwell. He married Anna Elizabeth King on August 24, 1951, in Robert Lee.

Mr. Brice was employed by Ranch Supply Feed Store for over 30 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Edward Brice.

Survivors include his wife, Beth Brice of Odessa; five daughters Linda Scott, Ann Bedrick, Georgia Collier, and Christina McKinley, all of Odessa, and Jackie Felice of State College, Pennsylvania; three brothers, Billy Jay Brice of Sweetwater, Leon Brice of Comanche, and Leslie Brice of San Angelo; seven sisters, Juanita Bradley of Bronte, Joyce Weidner of San Angelo, Fayrene Heanager of Belton, Iris Coffey and Frances Faglie of Port Lavaca, Oleta Webb of Winters, and Odell McGinnis of Mineral Wells; eleven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Friday, June 5, at Odessa Funeral Home Angeles Memorial Chapel with Reverend Don Fankhauser officiating. Burial was in Ector County Rose Hill Cemetery.

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Plus 50¢ Delivery Charge
Expires July 31, 1998

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Plus 50¢ Delivery Charge
Expires July 31, 1998

Call 365-2566 to order at least 1 1/2 hours prior to delivery time. Pizza must be picked up within 30 minutes of delivery to Winters.

Vacation Bible School successful at North Main Church of Christ

This was a great week that kicked off the summer for the kids of Winters, Texas.

Through Vacation Bible School at North Main Church of Christ, June 1-3, the kids were able to travel to five different places to study about Jesus and the people that Jesus encountered. They were able to see Nazareth, Capernum, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, and Bethany.

Eighty-eight children attended on Monday, 102 on Tuesday, and 111 on Wednesday. The program concluded Wednesday with 190 present.

North Main Church of Christ would like to thank the teachers: Landa Grohman, Alicia Wyatt, Karen Colburn, Tamra Grohman, Rhonda Kruse, Doddie Drake, Donna Guy, Becky Airhart, Sondra Petty, Sue Reed, Cheryl Kruse, Kayla Colburn, and Kelli Slimp.

Also, congratulations go to Abby Guy, Camille Kruse, and Kinsey Airhart who won prizes for bringing the most visitors.

Thanks to all those who helped and those who allowed their kids to come.

It is all of you who made this VBS such a big success.

Local student in commencement at ACU

Sherry Ann Myrick of Winters graduated Magna Cum Laude from Abilene Christian University with a Bachelor of Applied Studies degree in teaching during May commencement.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Myrick and graduated from Breckenridge High School in 1986.

Open House at new dam site

Elm Creek Water Control will host Open House at its new dam (Site 7) on Saturday, June 27, 1998, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

The site is located on Highway 153 approximately seven miles east of Winters. Please come.



BUSY IN THE POTTER'S BOOTH during Vacation Bible School activities at North Main Church of Christ are (left to right) Evita Vasquez, Kellyn Airhart, Stephen Kruse, Jessica Kay, and Aaron Colburn.

Come one, come all... to the 32nd Annual Cowboy Camp Meeting, June 19-28

Dear Friends and Camp Meeting Folks,

Back in the days of the Old West, about once a year or so, the God-fearing cowboys and their families would come together for worship and fellowship at a Cowboy Camp Meeting.

They would gather into one place in their covered wagons, their buggies, or whatever their transportation was. Come dusk, they would each and all gang around the old chuck wagon and feast from the old bean pot.

Then they would come together and sing the old hymns that everyone knew while a cowpoke here and there played along on his guitar, banjo, fiddle, or maybe a harmonica.

Then some would start testifying! Some wrangler with an extra good understanding of the Good Book might even get up and preach a sermon.

Before you knew it, some of the folks had gotten so happy they'd even started shouting!

Those were the good ole days. Wish we could have some times like that in this modern age?

We can and have done so at the Little George Havens' Annual Cowboy Camp Meeting, now in its 32nd year. June 19-28, we are invitin' folks from all over to the Flying H Acres, located on Highway 84, along the Old Western Cattle Trail, between Coleman and Santa Anna, Texas, for just such an old-fashioned Cowboy Camp Meeting.

Yes, the old bean pot will be there. So will the chuck wagons. One of the chuck wagons, made by a Texas Ranger and his brother, was used on early-day Texas ranches in Standard Oil Co. Films, and even in a John Wayne movie. Richard Newsome will be our outdoor barbecue chef and Sarah Graham will oversee the kitchen meals. At 5:30 each evening, cowboy vittles will be served. On Saturdays, the Camp furnishes the meat, the sour dough bread, the iced tea, and the creek-bank coffee. The area folks come bringing salads, vegetables, or desserts. On the other evenings, all the campers make the supper a potluck affair.

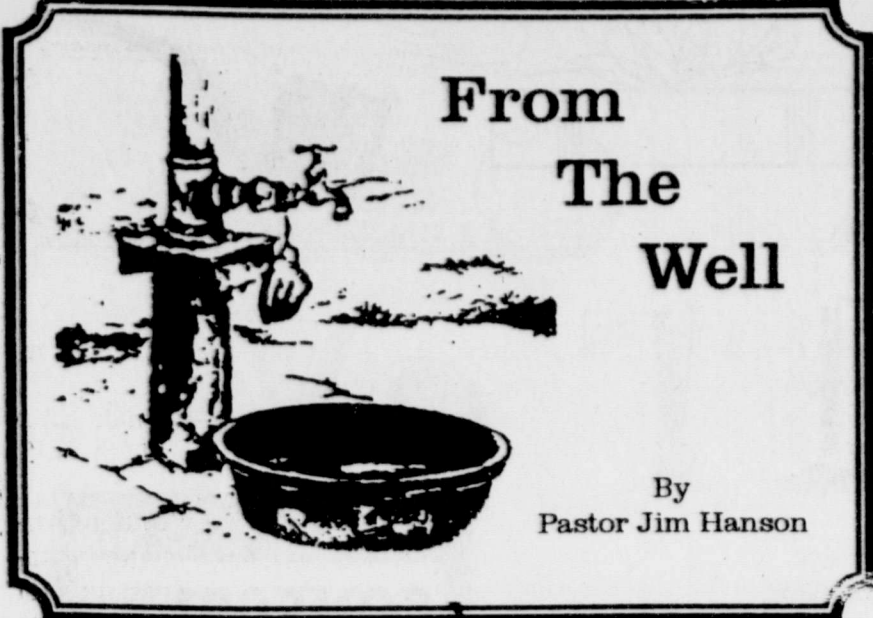
Folks who for some reason or "nother" don't own a covered wagon or a buggy are welcome to come and camp in their house trailers, tents, or whatever. Last year, we added new R.V. spaces, with of course, water and electricity hookups and septic tank disposal. There are tent dormitories for men and women. You will need to bring your cot and bed roll if you stay in these. The youth and the children like to spend these days in the covered wagons just as did their forefathers at the early-day Camp Meetings. There are motels near by for those who don't prefer the "outdoors" or don't want to "rough it."

We do this to try to recapture some of the Christian heritage from our forefathers. We wish everyone would come and join in the fun and blessing!

P.S. The Hispanic Camp Meeting, now in its 5th year, starts July 1st and runs through the 5th. Some of our Latin-American friends who have attended the meeting, now live in Winters.

Lucy Havens
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Love conquers all things except poverty and toothache.
—Mae West



From The Well

By Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

These past few days I have been getting re-acquainted with nature. Church Camp does that for me. We had a good one at Lake Brownwood 4-H Center. What made it especially good was that we could spend many hours each day "out of doors," in God's creation.

We started each day by gathering around the flag pole, raising the flag, and saying the Pledge of Allegiance. Then, a time of praise and worship inside. Then breakfast. And we were off and running. Especially some of the younger ones, the fourth graders. Perpetual motion. On the move. No couch potatoes in this camp! No T.V. No radio. No "walkmans."

But, lots of good food. Lots of fresh air, and outdoor games, and swimming, and canoeing, and rifle, and bow and arrow. Exercise. Good weather. Bible studies. And, at the end of the day, a campfire. We gathered around "the star," and the gas fueled flame (too dry for wood fires) to sing praises to God under the stars, to be thankful for the goodness of it all.

It was an immersion into creation. And, like the first story of creation, "God saw that it was good." For it was good for us all, to be there, in nature. The lake, the sky, the earth were our surroundings. It was a time of renewal, of getting re-acquainted personally with nature. And we did it together.

It was a St. Francis kind of time. Some call St. Francis of Assisi the greatest saint since New Testament times. Some of us have statues of St. Francis in our gardens and on our lawns. Why? Because Francis had a special relationship with all of creation. Tradition has it that he preached to the birds, encouraging them to sing their praises to God. That's why we often see a bird or two perched on his arm in the statues that portray him.

He had a special relationship with animals. There are accounts of sheep looking up from their feeding when Francis came near, and running to him to receive a blessing. St. Bonaventure, who knew Francis, contends that when this happened, Francis would invite the sheep to sing praises to God. He would first bless them and then ask them to "bah" to the glory of God.

According to the reports of those who lived with him, he had a closeness to all the creatures Jesus had created — even insects. Apparently there was one cricket which drew his attention one night as he tried to sleep. Instead of being irritated, and trying to hush it up, Francis invited the cricket to join him in prayer. Not only did he teach the cricket to make music for the Lord's pleasure, he invited the cricket to return each day at the same time to share a prayer time with him.

Francis wrote a hymn that he would sing with the brothers in his group. Legend has it that his hymn just came to him as he walked along.

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing...alleluia
O burning sun with golden beam
And silver moon with softer gleam...O praise him!
O rushing wind and breezes soft
O clouds that ride the winds aloft...O praise him!
O rising morn, in praise rejoice
O lights of evening, find a voice...O praise him!"

And he goes on, and on. Invites the flowing waters, fire, mother earth, flowers and fruits, everyone of tender heart, you who pain and sorrow bear, to let all things their Creator bless and worship God in humbleness!

Camp was like that! Days of praise. Including the insects! But praise won! As we got into God's good creation, God's good creation got into us. So — why not each day take some time. Stop, look, and listen. Out of doors. Or, at least, look out the window. Get in touch with creation. Let it get into you as you get into it. And...praise God!

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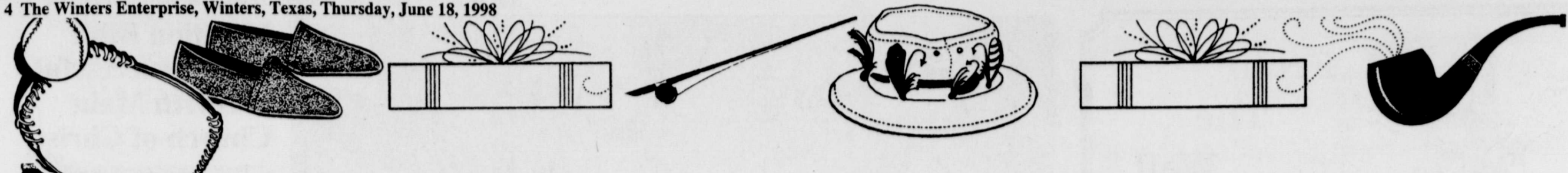
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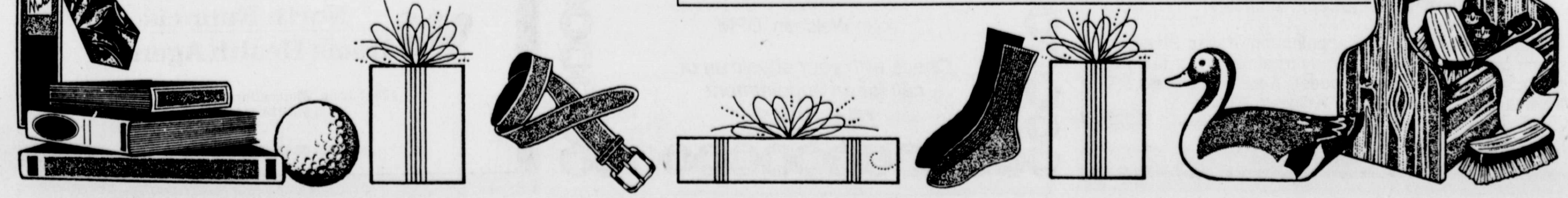
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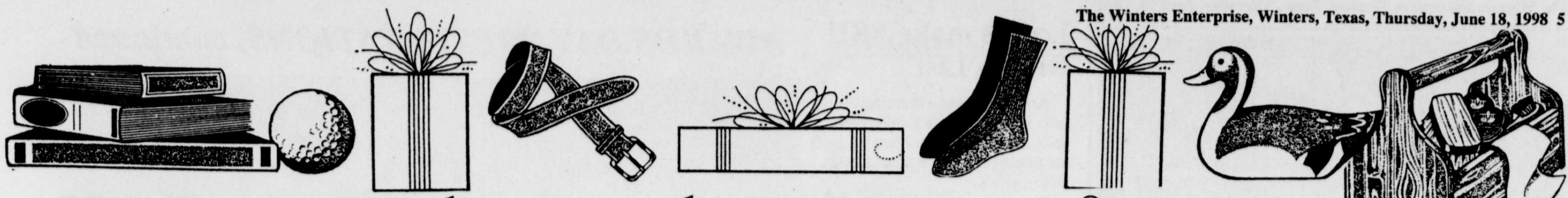
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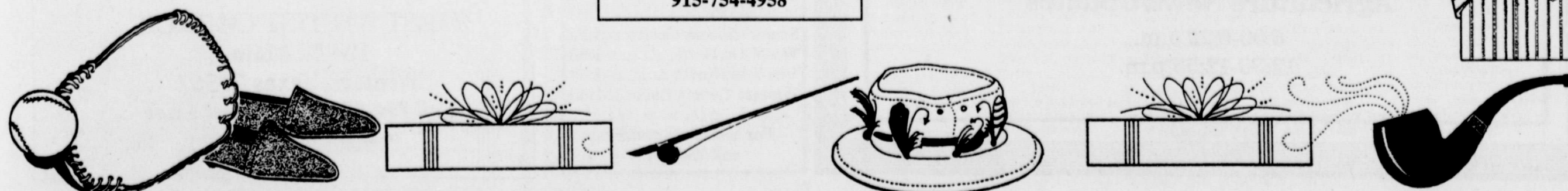
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Rosie Rocha pursues twirling

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Rosie Rocha, daughter of Santos and Janie Rocha of Winters, received a I rating in State UIL Twirling competition at San Marcos on Monday, June 1. For her efforts, Rosie received a gold medal.

Also, Rosie was chosen to be Feature Twirler for Cisco Junior College beginning in March 1999 for the 1998-1999 school year. She will be featured in all

home games and several parades including the Apple Blossom Festival Parade in Washington D.C. in 1999.

A \$1,050 scholarship was awarded to Rosie by the CJC Wrangler Band and will be used towards her continuing education at the college.

Rosie will travel to Camp of Champs in Inid, Oklahoma, on June 8-10.

Locals make ASU Dean's List

Area students attending Angelo State University, in San Angelo, are listed on the Dean's List for the Spring semester at the University.

Those listed from Winters include Kevin M. Conner, a computer Science major; Brandi M. Gray, a Nursing major; Austin T. Jobe, an Accounting major; Jason D. Jordan, a Computer Science major; Lisa Lee Nitsch, a Government and Psychology major; Robyn R. Parramore, a Communication major; and Deedra Renee Yates, an Accounting major.

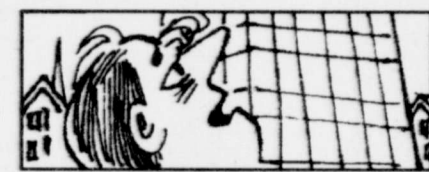
To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must be enrolled as a full time student and have at least a 3.25 grade point average.

Ripple on TSTC President's Honor Roll

The Admissions and Records Office of Texas State Technical College at Sweetwater just released the President's Honor Roll for the Spring 1998 Quarter.

Allen Ripple of Winters was recognized for his academic excellence in Air Conditioning/Refrigeration Technology.

Students must earn a 4.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale to be recognized on the President's Honor Roll.



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AWARDS DAY PRESENTATIONS, continued



GIRLS OF THE MONTH selected from the 7th and 8th grades by school faculty during the past year include (left to right) Samantha Montgomery, Laci Walker, Lindsay Springer, Juanita Armendariz, Staci Bishop, Allison Calcote, Stacey Sneed, Jena Bahlman, and Stefanie Davis. These special ladies were honored with a tea sponsored by the Women's Service League of Winters.



BOYS OF THE MONTH selected from the 7th and 8th grades by school faculty during the past year include (left to right) Mark Moreno, Wade Parramore, Guy Slimp, Chris Hoppe, Brian Pritchard, Jeremy Hope, Jeffery Oats, Bear Webb, and Justin Jones. Boys of the Month were guests at lunch with the Winters Lions Club throughout the year.

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Matt Awalt
Amanda Brewer
Don Davis
Luke England
Allan Green
Michael Hubach
Steven Kruse
Keegan Kurtz
Jennifer Lujano
Kody McCuiston
Bryant Mikeska
Adrienne Montgomery
Cory Pringle
Anthony Ramirez
Anitarita Robles
Jennifer Yates
"A-B"
Ismael Aragon
Ashley Belk
Aaron Biley
Andrew Caldwell
Patricia Carrillo
Ty Cason
Anthony Delacruz
Marcie Espino
James Fine
Yesenia Flores
Ashley Gann
Mercedes Garcia
Stephen Goetz

Trenton Grohman
Charlotte Horton
Kaci Hubach
Leo Jacquez
Ashley Laird
Will Mathis
Jose Moreno
Cameron Myrick
Keshia Rainey
Francis Reyes
Javier Rodriguez
Marcus Rodriguez
Savannah Sanchez
Mark Scates
Cory Sudduth
Advita Vasquez
Naomi Vasquez
"B"
Judy Garcia
Terri Larkin
Lindsey Summerlin

"A-B"

FOURTH GRADE

"A"
Amanda Blackshear
Angelica Campos
Aaron Colburn
Raysha Garcia
Paige Geistmann
Krystal Gibbens
Luke Hale
Miranda Lara
Erica Lujano

Tod Martin
Jessica Meyer
Armando Nava
L.J. Nitsch
Amanda Polk
Jordan Sanchez
Vickie Santoya
Amber Toten
Marcus Tubbs
Ashley Vasquez
Manuel Vega
Trey Weed
Eric Wyatt
"A-B"
Lucia Chavez
Manuel Cordova
Ana Diaz
Dustin Burton
Jennifer Esquivel
Justin Fenwick
Israel Guerrero
Randy Jackson
Christopher Medina
Jonathan Meyer
Rebeca Morrison
Rosendo Ovalles
Frank Perez
Dylan Perrie
Angel Ramirez
Elizabeth Sartor
David Scates
Matt Tekell
Priscilla Vara

"A-B"

FIFTH GRADE

"A"
Kinsey Airhart
Jacob Bridgeman
Rachel Davis
Dawn Farnsworth
Shyla Garza
Pete Griffin
Jeremy Mendoza
Alecia Sudduth
Katy Wilkerson
"A-B"
Scott Bryan
Flor Cordova
Kim DelReal
Esmeralda Espino
Adam Fine
Amber Green
Tony Hernandez
Laura Jackson
Claudia Llanas
Marcie Paschal
Christina Perrie
Adrienne Reyna
Amanda Ripple
Brenda Rodriguez
Skye Salinas
Lydia Sanchez
Amanda Weed
"B"

"A-B"

James Vasquez
Bryce Wilkerson

"A-B"

SIXTH GRADE

"A"
Timothy Fenwick
Jennifer Hagle
John Heathcott
Chance Hogan
Joseph Jackson
Briana Parramore
Tayna Price
Rebekah Sartor
Maegan Schwartz
Benjie Valles
"A-B"
Will Ahrens
Jessica Barron
Kayla Calcote
Danielle Clark
Macy Hopson
Suzanne Jones
Minnie Joe Kraatz
Vanessa Ontiveros
Cecilia Ovalles
Jessica Perry
Jessica Pritchard
Raquel Rios
Basilio Rocha
Jessica Rodriguez
Francisco Santos
"B"
Michael Roman

"A-B"



JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL PERFECT ATTENDANCE AWARDS were given to (left to right) Tim Medina, Kemari Hale, Jose Vega and Mark Moreno.

"Goodies Galore" garage sale to benefit area youths

Youths from the First United Methodist Church, First Baptist Church, Church of Christ, St. John's Lutheran Church, and Mt. Carmel Catholic Church are combining efforts to host a garage sale on June 19 and 20, at the Youth Building of the First Methodist Church.

Proceeds from this fundraiser will help send more than 75 area young people to Youth Evangelism Conference in Dallas on June 25-27. Approximately \$1,200 is still needed to reach the required expenses.

Donations are needed for the garage sale and must be received by 1:00 p.m. on June 19. If you need someone to pick up your donated items, please call the Methodist Church office at 754-5213.

Monetary donations are also accepted and can be made to the Methodist Church, earmarked "YEC". Funds will be used to assist youths from area churches.



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State and Paloma 7:43
Lutheran Church 7:45
West Dale Grocery 7:50
Child Development Center 7:55

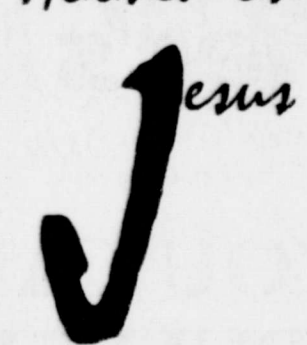
Breakfast 8:00-8:30
School 8:30-12:30
Lunch 12:30-1:00

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West Dale Grocery 1:10
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Blizzard Basketball Camp '98 coming in July

Blizzard Basketball Camp will be July 13-16 at both school gymnasiums, led by head girls basketball coach Ken Fowler and head boys basketball coach Robert White.

Other members of the Blizzard coaching staff, as well as other high school coaches, will be working the camp for any boy or girl age 6 through 15 who has not already attended Winters High School as a student.

According to Coach White, the camp will maintain a ratio of no more than ten campers for each coach in order to provide quality

instruction.

Three sessions will be held each day of the camp. This will allow the staff to better meet the developmental needs of each camper at his/her skill level. Sessions are as follows:

- Session #1 - ages 6, 7, 8
8:30-10:00 a.m. \$25.00
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10:30-12:30 \$25.00
- Session #3 - ages 12-15
1:00 - 3:30 p.m. \$25.00

Camp highlights will include fundamental skill development, individual shooting competition, 3-point contest, and team compe-

tion.

Individual and team awards will be presented at the conclusion of camp. Each camper will receive a camp t-shirt at the conclusion of the camp.

Registration deadline is July 7, 1998. Complete the form shown and return with the camp fee to:

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For more information contact Coach White at 915/754-4653. Additional registration forms may be picked up at *The Winters Enterprise* office at 104 N. Main.

Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz



Hilda Kurtz

It's amazing how there are people who say the "Lord is my shepherd" and then try and out-fox Him.

Visitors at Hopewell Church services on Sunday were Brian and Feris Chandler, Brianna Child of Marlin, Ruth Pape, and Brennan Harp of Stanton.

WMU ladies met Monday morning in the church fellowship hall with Juanita Shields, Ramona Akins, Fairy Alcorn, Melvena Gerhart, and Nila Osborne studying on missions.

Congratulations to Wanda and Wendell King on their first year wedding anniversary, June 14. May you have many more!

Juanita Shields hosted the people from the Novice Methodist Church on Tuesday night. Twenty-five enjoyed hamburgers and a cookout. On Saturday, Juanita attended the Eastern Star installation in Coleman.

Nila and Therin Osborne enjoyed the supper with the Wesley McGallian family on Sunday night. Sue Campbell and Louise Osborne did the same.

Margie Jacob's daughter, Sharon and Jerry Engler, returned Wednesday from a week in Nebraska visiting Jerry's mother and relatives.

Bryce Busenlehner spent a few days with Margie. They went shopping in Abilene one day. Bryce also visited cousins Corey and Brad.

Margie Jacob attended the benefit dinner at the Brownwood St. Mary's Church. Sharon and Jerry Engler treated Margie to the dinner. Margie and Edith Everett spent Friday night playing cards.

Visiting Georgia and Connie Gibbs during the week were Troy and Estelle Smith of Mesquite, and Mildred and Eldela Eldred and McGuire of Bronte. Georgia and Connie Gibbs attended the third birthday party of their great-grandson Lane in the home of his parents, Kenny and Saffron Gibbs.

Ruth Pape spent Monday morning with me and had breakfast. Afterwards, we had business to do in Winters.

Jack and Frances Gerhart came by and visited with Josie and Bill Hoppe Saturday awhile. They were on their way to a family

reunion Friday and Saturday. Marqué, Will, and Desireé Mathis were in Bryan, Texas, on Friday and Saturday to visit in the George Bush Presidential Museum.

Leona Matthes, Pat and Abe Giles spent the weekend in Dallas visiting with Marcene Hall and the Mike Stevens family.

Coleman Foreman saw his doctor in San Angelo during the week. On Sunday, he ate out and then visited with Lawan in the Senior Citizens Nursing Home.

Doddie and Kalyn Drake of Winters enjoyed dinner Sunday with Pat and Earl Cooper.

Wanda and Wendell killed another rattlesnake on their place.

Linda and Dale Duggan hosted a hamburger supper with all the trimmings on Tuesday night for their son Will in celebration of his 23rd birthday. Present were Bob and Janice Pruser, Leslie Pruser, Katy Duggan and Amy Mansell of Abilene, Susan Mansell, Elwood and Becky Brown, and Theodora Frick. Happy birthday Will and many more!

Linda's nephew, Andrew Brown of New Mexico, is spending the week.

Sunday dinner guests with Linda and Dale Duggan were Andrew Brown, Katy and Amy; Harm Ray, Cynthia, and John Glass; Susan, Chauncey, and Brandon Mansell; Bill Pollan, Gary Harris and son Bradley of Haskell; and Elwood and Becky Brown.

I'd like to find someone that has some dill. I will trade cucumbers for their dill. Please call 723-2707.

Bill and Josie sure did enjoy Leroy Kettler of Thailand who came by to say hello Monday afternoon.

During the week with Wendell and Wanda King were Lorene, Lori, Staci, and Jessica King. All were swimming, barbecuing, and cleaning the yard. Wanda ran over on Sunday morning to get some eggs from me to bake a cake.

Katherine and Luke Thomas brought me a bucket of ripe prunes on Saturday.

On Tuesday, Ruth Pape had a nice, long phone visit with her daughter Elaine Kennedy of Tampa, Florida. On Wednesday, Marvin and Melvena and their two grandsons came by to visit. On Friday, Ruth heard from her grandson Randy of Houston.

Grandsons Bryant, Braden, and Bryce Mikeska spent several days with Melvena and Marvin Gerhart. Melvena and Marvin spent Sunday in Menard with her mother, Myrtle Wright.

Visitors in the Doris Wood home on Sunday were Bro. Ferris and Ramona Akins, and Selma and Viron Wilkerson. Frances Mincey returned home from her trip to Branson, Missouri.

Brian Fabuon is stationed in the Army in South Carolina. He would like to hear from you. His address is:

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1998 Baseball All-District Teams

The selections for the 1998 All-District baseball teams have been made. All-District First Team from Winters are Jeremy Alvarado, Jr.-pitcher; Bear Nitsch, Sr.-infield; Justin Minzenmayer, Sr.-infield; Ronald Rodriguez, Jr.-outfielder; and Dennis Conner Sr.-outfield.

All-District Second Team from Winters includes: Chris Lujano, Soph.-Catcher; Michael Pritchard, Sr.-infielder; and Oscar Luz, Soph.-infielder. An Honorable Mention went to Eddie Rodriguez.

Eastern Star to meet Thursday

Winters Chapter #80, O.E.S. will have an open installation of officers June 18, 1998, at 7 p.m. All members are encouraged to attend!

Come to Bronte!

Everyone is invited to "Fort Chadbourne Days," June 27, in downtown Bronte. Activities include a trail ride, parade, food and craft booths, entertainment, auction, and ranch rodeo. Bring your lawn chairs! For more information, call 915/473-4821.

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1 TXism: "poured out of the same"

5 TXism: "long way piece" (long way)

6 Dallas eatery: Hard Rock

7 this Ames was TV's Daniel Boone (init.)

8 TXism: "he'd wrestle King Kong"

9 bad Corpus Christi hurricane in '70

14 TX NFL Hall-of-Famers hang in Canton, _____

15 long time Dallas girl's prep school: The _____ Academy

18 TXism: "suits me _____-thee-well"

20 TXism: "couldn't beat it with a stick"

22 TXism: "_____ boys" (police)

27 screen debut for TX Debbie Reynolds: "Bride"

28 Fort Worth Zoo has half-acre _____ for birds of prey

29 San Augustine: "The _____ of Texas"

30 Dodger pitcher Carl who was signee of TX Nokona gloves

32 Cowboy Nate (init.)

33 Cotton Bowl date: new _____

36 TXism: "would have to prime my mouth to _____ (thirsty)"

37 TX became a state in this month (abbr.)

DOWN

1 Shirley _____ Laine of TX-filmed "Terms of Endearment"

2 TXism: "at the drop _____ hat"

3 in Cameron Co. _____ off Hwy. 83

4 TX Larry Hagman's TV fantasy (3 wds.)

8 TXism: "agile as a snake on _____ road"

9 Purts _____ Lake _____

10 Cowboy Smith (init.)

11 TXism: "a real lu _____ (extraordinary)"

12 TX Pride's "Wonder _____ Anymore"

13 TX Willie held Farm _____ in Illinois

14 an early TX sign: "This is King Fisher's Road- Take the _____"

15 cremation containers nat. organ. for some TX teachers (abbr.)

17 quite serious

19 TX coast pirate _____ Louis-Michel _____

21 to have a "necktie party" in early TX

22 TX Gramm works in Washington, _____

23 TXism: "come hell _____ high water"

24 Lake _____ Hubbard

25 thoughts

26 alluring quality

28 rare birds at Bentsen State Park: _____ groove-billed _____

31 TX Pride's "Where Do _____ Her Memory?"

34 Ross Perot, _____

35 Mason Co. feud: Hoo _____ War

37 TXism: "cut the _____ (drink)"

40 TXism: "amigos" _____ lip"

44 TXism: "_____ fiddle" (healthy)

50 extend subscription to "Texas Highways"

51 TXism: "turn about _____ fair play"

Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

Poe's Corner

By Charlsie Poe

Airplanes can't fly without mechanics

After reading the "Wild Goose" by Alex Orr and with Memorial Day coming up, Joe Emmert was inspired to write his own story as an airplane mechanic during World War II. A story which he had long desired to write for his own daughters and grandchildren.

His brother G. W. was already in the army-air corps and wrote Joe to meet him at Keesler Field in Biloxi, Mississippi, and he would go to airplane mechanics school together.

That was in October, 1941. The draft age then was 21 and I was 19, so I volunteered at Abilene and was sent to Dallas to be sworn in. I never saw my brother again until the war was over. There were about a dozen of us. On the 11th day of October we were sworn in and shipped to Fort Sill, Oklahoma. When we arrived on base, we were put in a barber's chair and asked how we would like our hair cut. The barber then cut it to the skin and said, "It's on the floor, fix it anyway you want it."

The entire time I was at Ft. Sill I was not issued clothes or shoes. I wore a pair of size 7 cowboy boots and washed my clothes at night. We marched or did KP (kitchen patrol) for three weeks before I shipped out to Keesler Field. By that time, I had blisters on feet and worn the soles and heels off my boots. Even though I put cardboard in the bottom of my boots, the grassburrs and goatheads penetrated the cardboard. But we just kept on "hut, two, three, four" with a straight face. That was about the extent of my basic training.

When I got to Keesler, I was issued clothing and size 10 shoes that I could almost do an about face in and not untrack. The base was still under construction so some of us slept in unheated barracks with cold water showers and the rest slept in tents. We ate out of mess kits and had outside latrines.

Due to the conditions at the base, there was lots of diarrhea and other illnesses. The construction cause fine black dust to cover everything. I had boils all over my body and sties. All of my eyelashes came out. There was only first-aid stations on base. Those who got really sick had to go to Camp Shelby, Mississippi Army Base.

The first part of mechanic's school we were in huge tents for each subject, and ended up in



Charlsie Poe

were cow roping, wild horse riding, pistol shooting Texans. This led to a lot of bumps and bruises from wrestling overbunks and footlockers to prove it.

We were assembled in the barracks area in the heat of the day and given shots, including a yellow fever shot (horse serum), all day long. Many of the men passed out.

We arrived at our destination, Hendricks Field in Sebring, Florida, in the middle of the night and were assigned barracks and bunks. When I looked out the window at daybreak I was facing the flight line and saw a row of the largest airplanes I had ever seen.

I was assigned to the 44th School Squadron along with several of my classmates. Others from the class were assigned to the 450th, 451st, 452nd and the 453rd Squadrons.

Hendricks Field had only been in operation a short time before we arrived, and started out with several phases of combat, pilot, bomb and gunnery crew training, including radio operator, bombardiers, navigators, etc. But eventually pilot training became the main objective.

frame buildings with classrooms. Volunteers were paid \$21.00 dollars per month, less insurance premiums, and draftees were paid \$30.00 per month.

On December 7, 1941, we were in our bunks when the sirens started wailing. Jeeps with 30 caliber guns mounted in back came through the squadron area and we were informed through loudspeakers that the United States was at war. The Japanese had invaded Pearl Harbor.

We were ordered to send our civilian clothes home or get rid of them, and security got tight on post. We started going to school 6 days a week and the 6-month course was shortened. All leaves and passes were cancelled. Everyone realized the seriousness of the situation. My class graduated in the Spring of 1942.

My nickname was "Tex." According to the Yankees all of us

Official Records

County Court Criminal June 5

Lidia Garcia, Ballinger, filed for theft of merchandise by check
Christopher Shawn Harrison, San Angelo, filed for making alcohol available to a minor

June 8

Ramiro Castandea, San Angelo, filed for driving while intoxicated, unlawfully carrying a weapon

June 10

Orlando Larnell Colbert, San Angelo, filed for possession of marijuana

June 11

Ciro Nuves Martinez, filed for driving while intoxicated, subsequent offense
David Alan Bromley, Abilene, filed for possession of marijuana
David Lee Knight, Clyde, filed for possession of marijuana
William Dean Harris, Abilene, filed for possession of marijuana
Lonnie Jay Flatt, Abilene, filed for possession of marijuana

District Court Divorces Filed June 9

Wilson Martin Hoyle, Jr. and Patricia Darlene Hoyle

Justice of the Peace Court Precinct #1 June 1

Criminal

William D. Gressett, filed for operating a motorboat without required lights

June 4

Gloria Torres, filed for theft by check
Jason S. French, filed for theft by check
Juan A. Fuentes, filed for theft by check

June 6

Irma Garcia, filed for disorderly conduct

June 8

Rodrigo Mireles Gomez, filed for public intoxication

June 10

Allen James Norton, filed for felony driving while intoxicated
Small Claims June 10
E. B. Wheelless Welding vs. Ed Clay dba C & W Ventures, ABC Asset Management—account

COMMISSIONERS, continued

27, at 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., and again on July 8 at 3:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Consent agenda items included approval of the minutes of the June 9 regular meeting and the special meeting held June 11 for budget planning and approval of current accounts.

Coleman County Electric Cooperative observes 60th anniversary with open house

Coleman County Electric Cooperative will be observing 60 years of service to this area on Friday, June 19. An open house reception for the public is planned for Friday, June 19, at the Cooperative Office in Coleman from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come by for refreshments and visit with employees, directors, and friends.

Coleman County Electric Cooperative began bringing electric service to the rural areas of Coleman, Runnels, and surrounding counties in 1938. The Cooperative began serving rural consumers in central Coleman County and later expanded into Runnels County.

Today the Cooperative serves member consumers in Coleman, Runnels, Coke, Concho, Tom Green, Brown, Callahan, and Taylor counties. Currently, the Cooperative provides service to 8,000 meters through 3,700 miles of electric line in these eight counties.

Coleman County Electric Co-

operative is owned entirely by these members who receive the Cooperative services. They select their representatives to a nine-member Board of Directors from all across the service area. These nine directors are responsible for setting policy and direction for the Cooperative.

The Board employs a general manager, who in turn employs their employees to carry out all duties of operating the Cooperative.

The Cooperative way of doing business differs from other business, such as an investor owned utility, in many ways.

First the entire business is owned by local consumers who use the service. It is directed by a group of directors, who also are local, and receive service from the Cooperative.

It is a non-profit organization where all margins at the end of the year are assigned back to each individual consumers account.

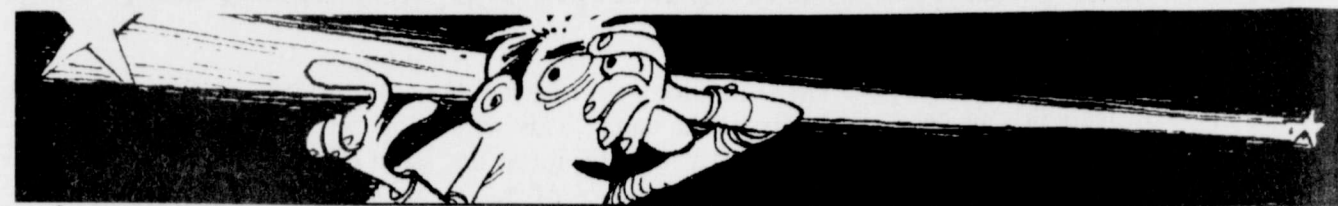
Out-of-state investors and out-of-state directors do not have any

part in the operation of Coleman County Electric Cooperative. The Cooperative is financed totally by the members' use of electricity and funds borrowed from a National Cooperatively owned bank called National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Cooperation.

Coleman County Electric Cooperative is no longer a part of the Department of Agriculture's Rural Utility Service and uses no government funds.

Coleman County Electric Cooperative is actively involved in each community in the service area in many ways. Directors and employees are also involved in many school and community activities.

Coleman County Electric Cooperative is proud to have been an active partner in the communities for the past six years, and cordially invites you to come by on June 19 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. and visit with them to reminisce about old times and discuss their future.



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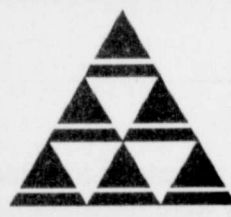
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Winters Police Department reports received and/or investigated from Sunday, June 7, 1998, through Saturday, June 13, 1998. Winters Police Officers:

- arrested Bobby Frank Thomasson, 60, of Winters, for driving while intoxicated and resisting arrest after a traffic stop in the 200 block of S. Main.
- arrested Belinda McAlister, 39, of Winters, for public intoxication.
- arrested Donald Denzil Chastain, 35, of Cross Plains, for driving while license suspended after a traffic stop on U.S. 83 and 153.
- arrested Nathan Lee Bentrup, 20, of Winters, for a warrant out of Runnels County for theft of services by check.
- arrested Bret Lee Guy, 38, of Winters, for driving while intoxicated after receiving a call on Mr. Guy for drag racing.
- received a report of criminal mischief in the 200 block of S. Main. This case is still under investigation.
- received a report of a theft in the 100 block of N. Melwood. This case is still under investigation.

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3 BR, 2-1/2 BATH, living room, dining room, den, and kitchen. Also guest house, storage bldg., water well, 2 carports. 411 S. Arlington, Paul Tharp, 754-4243. \$97,500. **9-21(6tp)**

Moving - Must Sell! 3BR, 2 BA, on 5 acres. 4-1/2 miles N of Winters on HWY 83. Horse barn w/ pip fences. 14x16 storage bldg. Privacy fence. Well or city water. \$40,000. 767-2146 **9-25(4tc)**

IN QUIET NEIGHBORHOOD. No houses next door. 2600 sq. ft. 3 BR, 2 BA with new CH/A, beautiful fireplace, large double garage, brick front drive, paved back drive, waterwell, sprinkler system, very large lot, fenced. Covered patio w/ adjoining open patio. Large basement. Within walking distance of school. Located at 101 Gateway. K.W. Cook, 915-754-4719. 915-743-2160. **Priced to sell. 9-23(tfc)**

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The City of Winters is accepting applications for a position in the Street Department. Applications will be accepted until 12:00 noon, Friday, June 26. The City of Winters is an equal opportunity employer. **9-25(2tc)**

ELEMENTARY SECRETARY POSITION now open. The Winters ISD will be accepting applications at the Administration office, 603 Heights St., through July 3. **9-24(4tc)**

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210 W. Roberts-2BR/1B, lg. kitchen, carport, fenced yard. \$20,000.

New Listing-108 Penny Lane-3 BR/3-1/2B brick, fireplace, formal living and dining room, many extras. \$120,000.

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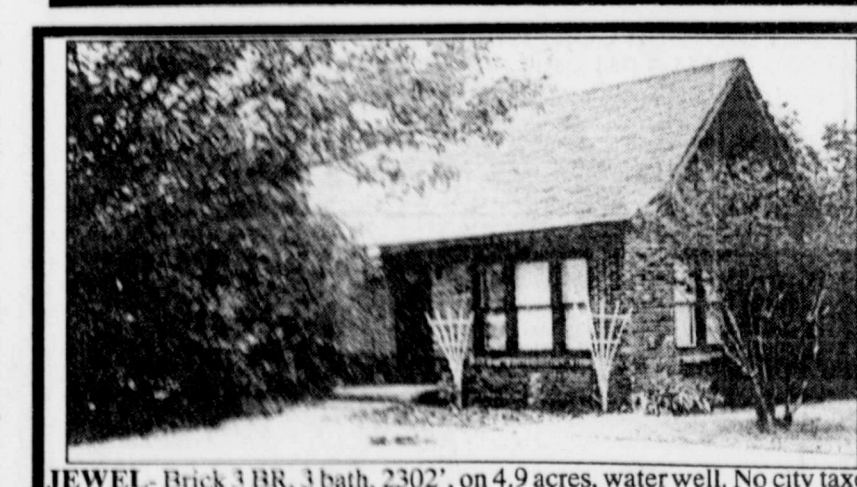
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Quarterly sales increase 13.8%

As reported May 20, 1998, by the office of State Comptroller John Sharp, gross sales for Runnels County increased 13.8 percent for the fourth quarter of 1997 as compared to the same reporting period in 1996.

Sales for the fourth quarter of 1997 totaled \$89,215,105 as compared to \$78,406,133 for the same period in 1996.

Use tax purchases include \$241,638 while \$12,925,264 is subject to state sales and use tax.

For the fourth quarter, there were 377 reporting outlets in Runnels County in 1997 and 431 in 1996.

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Pest Management News

By Richard Minzenmayer, Extension Agent-Entomology (PM)

Pruning basics help ensure healthy landscape

To keep your landscape at its healthy best, start a regular pruning program. The following guidelines from the American Nursery and Landscape Association (ANLA) explain the basics. Nursery professionals are an excellent source of additional information.

* Remove spent flowers to stimulate growth and additional bloom; otherwise, plant energy is used for seed production.

* Prune spring-flowering plants, such as lilacs, forsythias, or azaleas, after they bloom. Summer-flowering plants, like butterfly bush or crape myrtle, should be pruned just before spring growth. Consult your garden center if you are uncertain. Nonflow-

ering ornamentals can be pruned in late winter, spring, or summer. Pruning in fall or early winter may encourage tender new growth that cannot withstand cold.

* On bulbs, cut faded blooms to stop seed formation. Cut back foliage only after it has died naturally.

* Branches damaged by diseases, insects, winter weather, or storms, should be pruned back to the healthy green wood. Remove branches that grow inward, rub against other branches, are leggy, or interfere with walkways or mowing.

* Heading shortens plants and makes them more dense. Cut terminal portions of branch to a point directly above the bud.

* Thin to improve light penetration, shorten limbs, or direct growth. Cut back the entire limb or shoot to its origin at trunk or branch. Cut at branch collar, but leave collar intact.

* Tip-pinch to encourage thick foliage and new branching. Remove stem tip of new growth with thumb and forefinger.

* Renewal pruning brings abundant new growth. Plants such as forsythia and spiraea will benefit from a few of the oldest canes being cut back to 6 to 12 inches above ground.

* Shearing promotes such new growth. Use hand shears on stems to create a uniform surface.



WEST CENTRAL LEADERSHIP GRADUATES include (back row, l to r) Kevin McMahon, Linda Boone, Greg Taylor-TRLP board member, Steven Arnold, Mike Bacigalupi, Ernest Gerlach-TRP board president, Rhonda Goetz, Dan Kenny, and Jim Jordan. Front row, from left, Phillip Springer, Manuel Vera, Cindy Belden, Art Michon, Aref Hassan, Irene Simpson, and Glenn Altwein-TRLP board member.

Annual fireworks display at Ballinger June 27

Ballinger's 9th Annual Fireworks Display and free watermelon feed will be held at the City Lake Park on Saturday, June 27, 1998.

The event is sponsored by the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce. Chamber officials will be on hand to see barbecue burgers, chips, and soft drinks beginning at 5:30 p.m., followed by the serving of free watermelon slices at 8:00 p.m.

The fireworks display will be the largest Ballinger has seen,

with some of the largest shells available, and is planned to begin promptly at 9:25 p.m. and last approximately 25 minutes. In the event of inclement weather, an alternate date of Sunday, June 28th, at the same time and place has been set.

Please bring lawn chairs or blankets and join your neighbors and friends in an evening of fun.

For more information, you may contact the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce at 915-365-2333 or 365-5611.

Shawn Castillo completes Navy's basic training

Navy Seaman Apprentice Shawn A. Castillo, son of Carey and DeeDee Castillo of Winters, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Illinois.

During the eight-week program, Castillo completed a vari-

ety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, fire fighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis is also placed on physical fitness.

Castillo is a 1996 graduate of Winters High School.

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West Central Leadership goes to Austin

Nineteen from Runnels and Coleman counties conclude training program

Community leaders enrolled in the West Central Leadership Program completed their training sessions with a one-day trip to Austin on May 5. Participants in the program were from Runnels and Coleman counties. The West Central Leadership group is co-sponsored by West Texas Utilities Company and Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

The leadership training program requires one day a month for nine months. Professional speakers covered a variety of topics during the program which included: team-building, communication, motivation, leadership styles, problem solving and conflict management, and strategic planning. Scheduled tours provided the group the opportunity to see businesses in each area.

The final session for the course was a bus trip to Austin to tour the Capitol, meet with state agency officials, and receive graduation certificates from the directors of the Texas Rural Leadership Board. Representative David Counts' office was the host for the day.

The West Central group was joined by members from Baylor County, Midwest Texas (Callahan and Eastland counties), Rolling Plains (Jones, Knox, and Haskell counties), and Partners in Leadership (Nolan and Mitchell counties) for the bus trip.

There were 19 participants who completed the 1997-1998 West Central Leadership Program and received a framed certificate. Graduates included Steven

Arnold, Mike Bacigalupi, Linda Boone, Steve Everett, Dan Kenney, Lori Lawson, Kevin McMahon, and Phillip Springer from Ballinger; Cindy Belden from Rowena; Mary Griffiths, Jo Ann Roberts, and Christy Simmons from Coleman; and Celeste Simmons of Santa Anna.

Winters graduates were Rhonda Goetz, Aref Hassan, Jim Jordan, Irene Simpson, and Manuel Vera. From Wingate was Julie Springer.

Coleman Rodeo is June 25-27

Coleman will host its 61st Annual PRCA Rodeo Thursday through Saturday, June 25-27, with night performances only at 8:00 p.m. in the Coleman Rodeo Association's dust-free arena.

The rodeo is approved by the Professional Cowboys Association and the Women's Professional Association to insure that some of the top cowboys and cowgirls in the nation will be competing for some \$7,000 added prize money.

The queen for the 1998 rodeo is Holly Stephenson, daughter of Lynn and Johnny Mike Stephenson.

Stock will be furnished by Terry Walls Company of Stephenville, owned by Terry Walls.

Charlie Throckmorton of Grandview, Texas, will serve as rodeo announcer. Music will be provided by Donnie Neff of Santa Anna.

Bullfighters for the 1998 rodeo are Chris Anstad and Barry Hankins. Gizmo McCracken will serve as barrelman, and he will also perform specialty acts.

Rodeo events include bareback riding, saddle bronc riding, calf roping, steer wrestling, girls' barrel racing, bull riding, and single steer roping.

This year, a Kids Muttin

Bustin' starts the rodeo at 7:30 p.m., and the goat scramble will follow.

Slack events have been set for Friday morning, June 26, at 8:00 a.m.

Rodeo ticket prices are \$4.00 for kids, \$6.00 for adults for any performance Thursday-Saturday.

The rodeo dance will be held at the Rodeo Dance Pavilion each night starting at 9:00 p.m. Kelly Spinks of Brownwood will provide the music along with the special appearance of Johnny Bush Saturday night for a one and one-half hour set.

Dance tickets are \$6.00 for Thursday and Friday night, \$8.00 for Saturday night.

Tuesday morning, June 23, members of the Rodeo Association and the Coleman County Cowgirls will be cooking a free breakfast downtown. Any donations will be accepted that morning.

Wednesday morning, June 24, the Coleman County Cowgirls along with Rodeo Association members will be planning a stick horse rodeo for about 30 children.

Saturday afternoon, June 27, will be the big parade. It will feature floats, out-of-town sheriff's posses and local riders.

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