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## **WHS Student Council to sponsor** blood drive on Tuesday, March 30

Blood mobile at Dairy Queen-

Winters High School Student Council is sponsoring a Blood through 79 for whole blood do-Drive on Tuesday, March 30.

The United Blood Service at this time, particularly type 'O number, or a photo ID. negative.'

You must be from age 17 nation and weigh at least 110 lbs.

Donors must show identifica-Blood Mobile of San Angelo will tion containing legal name and be in the Dairy Queen parking lot one of the following: date of birth, from noon to 6 p.m. They note social security number, United that there is a shortage of blood Blood Services assigned donor

See BLOOD, pg. 5

## New spring look with Christmas in April and city-wide cleanup

Spring cleaning will be the or- through 19. der of the week beginning Saturday, April 10, with two major events.

Christmas in April workday begins at 7:00 a.m. with breakfast followed by repair and renovation of six local homes.

Volunteers are still needed to help with this worthwhile project. Anyone willing to help in any capacity for any or all of the day is asked to call Audine McBeth Lawrence Brothers supermarket. at 723-2536.

son will be the city-wide spring cleanup scheduled for April 10

Now is a great time to take a look at your personal and business properties for that much needed

City Manager Aref Hassan has made arrangements with Browning-Ferris Industries (BFI) in Abilene to provide dumpsters at all the Christmas in April locations in addition to large dumpsters in the parking lots of the Family Dollar store and at

A complete schedule of "The Also kicking off the new sea- Improvement Movement" will be published in next week's edition of The Winters Enterprise.



ARE THEY BIRDS OR ARE THEY WOMEN? Winters High School will perform "Cagebirds", a metaphoric twist on the lives of people and how they are locked into their own little worlds and society. Winters hosts UIL west zone competition today in the high school auditorium. Coleman will begin the event at 4 p.m. followed by Winters, Early, and Bangs. The public is invited to attend. Two plays will advance to the next level of competition to be held in Brownwood on Saturday. Cast members include (l-r) Tarra Burns, Cassondra Fields, Kelli Slimp, Kayla Colburn, Candi Lara, Misty Pritchard, Julie Paske, and Brooke Tounget. Not pictured are crew members Chip White, Joe Ortiz, Stefanie McGallion, Candace Johnson, and Norma Gonzales.

WISD SUPERINTENDENT MIKE HARRIS (center) accepts the Diamond Award from Barry Jones (left), president of Claims Administrative Services and Billy Hibbs Sr., CAS chief executive officer. Winters ISD was recognized for their efforts in preventing work related accidents and injuries in the 1997-'98 school year.

# WISD recognized for safety record

Mr. Mike Harris, superintendent of Winters ISD, accepted the Diamond Award from the Texas Educational Insurance Association for an outstanding safety record for the 1997-'98 school year. Winters ISD was recognized for their efforts in preventing work related accidents and inju-

Since becoming a member of the Association in September 1996, the district has saved \$98,488.

More than 330 Texas schools participate in this program, developed by Hibbs-Hallmark & Company in 1991 and administered by Claims Administrative Services, Inc. (CAS). Emphasis is placed on employee safety through prevention. Both companies, located in Tyler, with service offices throughout Texas, provide workers' compensation programs for over 30% of Texas school districts.

ings for the 1997-'98 school year cess," said Wesley Slade, senior were \$61,106.

Barry Jones, president of CAS, stated "Our insurance program was developed to create safer working conditions and better savings for school districts. Our safety professionals work with individual schools to implement strict safety policies and procedures."

"Member districts' commitment to safety is the primary rea-tion."

Winters ISD's individual sav- son for the Association's sucvice-president of CAS. "Our program has set the example for all other schools for reduction of job related injuries, and for saving tax

> Taxpayers can be confident knowing HHC/CAS, the Board of Trustees, and Winters ISD are working in tandem to provide the safest possible working environment for employees and to reduce the costs of workers' compensa-

# **Immunization Clinic set** for Friday, April 2

The Winters office of the Texas Department of Health has sched-

uled their April Immunization Clinic.

The clinic will be conducted Friday, April 2, 1999, from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon and 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m at 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.

# School board race set for May 1 No city election needed

ning unapposed for positions as mayor and city councilmen, City Administrator Aref Hassan announced that no city election will be needed on May 1.

No candidates filed to run against Mayor Dawson McGuffin and Councilmen Tommy Russell and Joe Gerhart, all of whom are presently completing their second terms. Gerhart also previously served one two-year term as

According to Hassan, cancellation of the election will save the city approximately \$3,000 in ex-

In the race for WISD trustees, Bob Prewit and Michael Davis have filed as candidates for place 4 which has one year left on an unexpired term. Davis currently serves in place 4 after being appointed to the board to replace Prewit, who resigned in June, 1998.

Vying for place 5 are Robert Garza and Gary Moore. Place 5 was vacated in December when

## Schools and administration office closed **April 2 & 5**

Long Easter holiday—

Winters schools and administration office will be closed on Friday, April 2, and Monday, April 5, during the Easter holiday.

Both of these dates had been designated as bad weather days. Barring a snow storm or flood in the next five school days these dates will convert to school holidays.

School will dismiss at the regular scheduled time on Thursday, April 1, and classes will resume at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, April 6. TIPS will operate as scheduled on April 1.

With all three incumbents run- board member Debbie Sudduth moved from Winters. The board voted in December not to fill the vacancy but rather wait until the May election.

> Jerry Sims will face incumbent Rodrick Bredemeyer in place 6,

> No candidates filed to run against incumbent Jack Davis in

Places 2, 5, and 6 are three-year Four positions will be open on

the board of directors for North Runnels Hospital. Directors presare Phil Colburn, Randall Boles, Randall Sneed and Archie Jobe.

Boles, who has served on the NRH board for 18 years, says he will not seek re-election. No other candidates have filed as of March 23; however, the filing deadline is April 1, 1999.

Hospital requirements and filing dates are different than for other entities because they were established by the state legislature when the hospital district was formed.

Information regarding the North Runnels Hospital election may be obtained by calling the hospital at 754-4553.

Persons planning to vote in the ently serving in those positions May 1 elections must register by April 1 at the tax office at 134 West Dale in Winters.

# City sales tax rebates **increase 10.42%**

As reported by the office of \$27,914.95 in payments. State Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander, March sales tax rebates for the city of Winters increased 10.42 percent as compared to the prior year's March payment.

Winters' rebates totaled \$11,280.70 this reporting period. For the prior year's reporting period, rebates totaled \$10,215.69.

Receipts in Miles increased 9.58 percent; Ballinger decreased 3.77 percent and reported Friday, April 9, 1999.

City sales tax rebates to date for Runnels County for the 1999 reporting period total \$173,794.28, a 12.89 percent decrease as compared to last year's period total of \$199,531.73

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

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING ' March 25-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal

March 26-9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Cotton Marketing Workshop, Abilene

11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal March 27-3-6 p.m., Open House, New Runnels County Jail,

Behind Wal-Mart, Ballinger

7 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center 7 p.m., 4-H Jail House Rock, Ballinger

March 29-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal 6 p.m., City Council, City Hall

7:30 p.m., School Board, WISD Administration Bldg. March 30-8 a.m.-5 p.m., Concho Valley Cotton Conference, San Angelo

11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal Noon, Lions Club, Community Center

Noon-6 p.m., Student Council Blood Drive, Dairy Queen 7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station

March 31-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal April 1-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal

7 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center

By Reg Boles ©1999



One of those new surveys of "The Most Desired Jobs" came out the other day, and roustabouts were ranked in the bottom five. I think this is unfortunate because there are many things about being a roustabout that were not considered in the survey. I am going to take this opportunity to convince you that it should be in the top five, not the bottom five.

First of all, I cast doubt upon any survey that lists "actuaries" as a top choice. The survey was taken from over 5,000 college students across the country, and I seriously doubt 200 of them know what an actuary is!

But, even if the survey was tabulated properly, many of the survey respondents probably assumed a roustabout was a circus worker or some sort of position in arena ball. I doubt if any really know what a roustabout does on a daily basis.

And, for sure, they don't have any idea of all the perks in the job.

For instance, there are all the bad jokes you can possibly remember to retell at parties freely offered on a daily basis on a gang truck. There is also the chance to share mystery food from lunch boxes, with and without the permission of the fellow gang mem-

One of the better advantages includes the use of all the tools on the gang truck. But, be aware of one minor technicality: the gang pusher will order every gang member to leave the tools alone! Most gang members learn to ignore anything the pusher says about the second week on the job, any-

There is also an endless supply of thrice-used Var Sol, nuts without bolts, and left-hand gloves. All of these items are neatly kept [ under the seat in the truck along with a couple of partly-eaten sandwiches and a baseball glove with

As any roustabout knows, you get your share of road time. There is no better way to see the world than between two sweaty guys that each had an egg sandwich for breakfast with buttermilk. And, you never get stuck in those tourist traps. You get to see Kountze, Texas; Snakehole, Louisiana; and Flat, Oklahoma. You certainly can't expect that from your local travel agent.

Sure, being a roustabout means working hard, answering to a lot of bosses, getting really dirty, and begging for extra hours to buy your kids Christmas presents, but

> Learn from the past. Focus on the future.

When Thomas Edison was asked how he could persist in his experiments when he had failed over 900 times, he said, "Don't be silly. I haven't failed. I now know 900 ways not to make electricity."

those negatives are quickly overshadowed by the glamour of the job, not to mention all of the extras listed above.

Check "Would Kill to be Roustabout" next time, kids, instead of "Not on Your Life." OK?

#### HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY

#### COMPLETIONS

Coleman County

Crimson Energy Company, Inc. has completed the Stuart #1 in the Santa Anna Field (5 miles SE of Santa Anna) at an initial rate of 173 MCFPD (AOF) in the Marble Falls formation (perfs 2112-2254). Loc. is 8246 FWL & 4868 FSL of M. Martinez Sur. No. 751, A-489.

**Runnels County** 

Tracer Operating has completed the O.L. Dean #5 in the West Field (2 miles NE of Wilmeth) at an initial rate of 544 MCFPD (AOF) in the Gray Sand (perfs 4962-70). Loc. is 683 FNEL & 1186 FNWL of Lot 3, H.L. Bays Sur. No. 444,

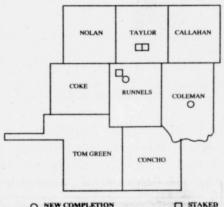
#### **STAKINGS**

Runnels County

Echo Production has staked the McNay #4 in the Half Century Field, 2 miles NW of Wingate (Depth 3100). Loc. is 1231 FEL & 2743 FSL of J. Jeffries Sur. No. 293.

**Taylor County** 

L.C.S. Production has staked two wells in the County Regular Field, 3 miles W of Tuscola (Depth 5100). The Graham -A-#2 is loc. 2562 FNL & 1932 FWL of Sec. 35, Blk. 1, SPRR Sur. The Graham -A-#17 is loc. 195 FNL & 111 FWL of same



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RELIEF FOR OIL AND GAS INDUSTRY

Texas oil and gas producers are experiencing devastating financial

legislation have been introduced addressing the growing problem.

Senate Bill 290 and House Bill 989 were filed to provide \$44.5

million in emergency severance tax relief for Texas oil and gas

producers with marginal wells. I am proud to be one of several

sponsors of HB 989 filed by Rep. Tom Craddick and Rep. Rob

below \$15 a barrel, and suspend severance taxes on natural gas

Additional legislation is being drafted to extend the tax relief

when prices fall below \$1.80 per MMBtu through July 31, 1999.

during the next state budget cycle. This is a small step in the right

direction; however, I am aware that we need a long-term solution

losses as prices continue to fall. As a result, several pieces of

Ask the AG:

## **Resources for Elderly Citizens**

By John Cornyn, Attorney General of Texas

Q: My grandmother still lives at nome but has a personal assistant. I have access to my grandmother's bank account and recently I have noticed some unusual withdrawals from her account. Each time I ask her about them, she gets very nervous and tells me everything is fine. I suspect that her assistant is taking advantage of her. Who should I report this to?

A: Under Texas law, citizens who are 55 and older have special rights in addition to those that every Texas citizen has. These rights specifically state that elderly citizens shall not be abused or exploited. Exploitation includes a caretaker's use of an elderly person's resources for monetary or personal benefit, profit or gain.



Texas law also requires anyone who suspects the abuse, exploitation or neglect of an elderly person to report it to the proper authority. Failure to report is a Class A Misdemeanor.

While an elderly person may need assistance with handling finances, unless he or she specifically hands control over to another person, the citizen has the same right as anyone else to spend, save or give away his or her money. If a family member, "friend" or assistant takes control of an elderly person's money without that person's permission, this may be a violation of the person's rights.

The Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services investigates abuse, neglect or exploitation of elderly citizens who do not live in nursing homes. If you suspect that your grandmother's assistant is financially exploiting her you should immediately report it by calling 800-252-5400. You

may also wish to contact a private attorney who specializes in issues affecting the elderly.

Q: Can you please give me a list of resources, preferably 1-800 numbers, for facilities and organizations that offer services to elderly people.

A: There are many organizations throughout the state of Texas that offer services to our senior citizens. Several divisions of the Office of the Attorney General work directly with elderly.

For consumer concerns or complaints you can contact the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division at 800-337-3928. For general questions on elder issues you can contact the Elder Law and Public Health Division at 800-806-2092. To report abuse or neglect of a patient at a Medicaid funded facility, contact our Medicaid Fraud Control Unit at 800-252-8011.

The Texas Department of Human Services, Adult Protective Services operates a 24-hour hotline for reporting the abuse or neglect of an elderly person. The Hotline number is 800-252-5400. If a person is in immediate danger, call 911 or the local law enforcement agency. To obtain the compliance history of a particular nursing home, contact the Department of Human Services at 800-458-9858.

The Legal Hotline for Older Texans offers consultation over the telephone and referrals for private attorneys for citizens who are age 60 or older. The Hotline can be reached at 800-622-

For information on social services such as meals on wheels, home care, referrals to government programs or information on guardianship contact the nearest Area Agency on Aging. For the phone number and location of the one nearest you, call the Texas Department on Aging at 800-252-9240. Other useful numbers include:

> Texas Dept of Insurance 800-252-3439 Social Security Information 800-772-1213 **TDH Medicaid Hotline** 800-252-8263 Alzheimer's Association 800-272-3900

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#### March 29 thru April 2 Subject to change

Monday, March 29: Ham & gravy, lima beans, beets, cornbread, and chocolate pud-

Tuesday, March 30: Bar-B-Q on bun, French fries, coleslaw, cookies, and ice cream. Wednesday, March 31: Chicken & gravy, mashed poatoes, green beans, roll, and

Mexican wedding cake. Thursday, April 1: Taco soup, tossed salad, cheese sticks,

cornbread, and brownie. Friday, April 2: Swiss steak, hominy, mixed greens, cornbread, and cobbler.

#### Junell. This bill would suspend the Texas severance tax on oil for wells producing 15 barrels a day or less when the price of oil falls

Lutheran Church.

Y.K. Lee, his staff, and the North Runnels Hospital for their care.

# **Obituaries**

## Bertie Haines Anthony

BALLINGER—Bertie Haines Anthony, 97, died at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 16, 1999, at San Angelo Nursing Home.

She was born February 25, 1902, in Runnels County, Texas, to Julis M. Schneider and Bertha Minnie Reichardt. She married Chuck Anthony on September 8, 1968.

Mrs. Anthony was owner and operator of the Campus Inn in Ballinger for many years where she served hamburgers and lunches to the school kids. She later opened the Quick Service Shoe Shop in Ballinger. She was a member of the Temple Baptist Church in San Angelo and the Grace Baptist Church in Ballinger.

She was preceded in death by her husband in March 1982 and one son-in-law, Chris Hegefeld.

Survivors include two sons, Frank Haines and wife Ann of Christoval, and Ken Haines and wife Gerry of Portland, Oregon; one daughter, Lui Hegefeld of Christoval; nieces and nephews, Zelda

Hendricks, Fred and Wanda Spreen, and Jessie Ruth Beaver, all of Ballinger, Margarette Bonaskie of San Antonio, and Edwin and Ann Schneider of Georgetown; six grandchildren; twelve great-grandchildren; fifteen great-great-grandchildren; and three great-great-greatgrandchildren.

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Visitation was from 6:00-7:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 17, at Rains-Seale Funeral Home in Ballinger. Graveside services were held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, March 18, at Evergreen Cemetery in Ballinger with Reverend Young Houston of San Angelo officiating. Burial was directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

#### Gary Lewis Brown

BALLINGER-Gary Lewis Brown, 53, died Friday, March 19, 1999, at Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo, after a lengthy ill-

He was born October 27, 1945, in Ballinger, to Lewis and Ada

Mr. Brown graduated from Ballinger High School and attended San Angelo State University. He later graduated from the School of Pharmacy at the University of Houston in 1976. He was a member of the First Christian Church of Ballinger.

He was preceded in death by his father.

Survivors include one son, Matthew Brown of New Braunfels; his mother, Ada Thompson and her husband James Thompson, of Ballinger; one brother, Stephen Brown and his wife Ellen, of San Angelo; one sister, Beverly Brown, of Durham, North Carolina; a stepsister, Sherrie Love and her husband Clay, and their son Cole, of Talpa; a nephew, Chuck Brown and his wife Jenni, and their daughter, Megan, of San Angelo; a special cousin, Pat Bell Smith and her family of San Angelo.

Services were held at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, March 21, 1999, at the Rains-Seale Chapel in Ballinger, with Reverend Winford Gore officiating. Burial followed in the Evergreen Cemetery, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

## Leon "Cotten" Shackelford

PALUXY-Leon "Cotten" Shackelford, 70, died Friday, March 9. 1999 in Bluff Dale, Texas.

He was born March 13, 1929 in Hood County, Texas.

Mr. Shackelford retired from Bell Helicopter as a Metal Roll Operator after 40 years. He was a life long resident of Hood County. Survivors include his wife, Wanda Shackelford of Paluxy; one son,

Roy "Sonny" Shackelford and his wife Ann of Winters; three daughters, Sherry Lambert and her husband Terry, of Granbury; Donna Rogers and her husband David, of Ranger; and Angie Fry and her husband Kevin of Tolar; a brother, Harlan Shackelford of Orville, California; four sisters, Cora Harkins and Inez Parker of Paluxy; Vera Sanderson and Louise McCoy of Glen Rose; and six grandchildren.

Private graveside services were held at 10 a. m. Monday, March 22, 1999. Burial was directed by Wiley Funeral Home of Glen Rose,

## Card of Thanks

and God bless everyone who and treatment there. came by, called, or sent cards at the time of our loss. We would also like to thank the ones who brought food to the home, sent flowers and gifts, and those that prepared food for the family at the

Thank you also to the Senior Citi-

We would like to say thank you zens Nursing Home for the care

Thank you also to Linda Dry and Mike Meyer for the very special treatment we received.

We want to thank Pastor Jim for the very special service also. The family of

Albert Wuistinger A special thanks goes to Dr. Nora Wuistinger, Mary Coleman, Patsy Seigler, Shorty Wuistinger, and all the grandchildren and great-grandchildren

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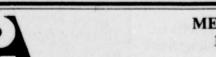
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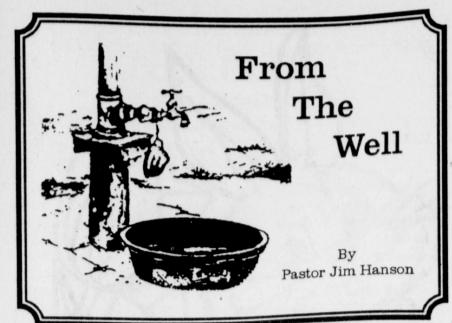


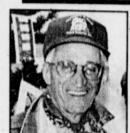
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Pastor Jim Hanson

It was at 45 years ago that I first heard it. I heard it from an older pastor at conference for Lutheran preachers in Great Falls, Montana. Once a year we'd gather for 2 or 3 days and bring in a speaker or two to wake us up or warm us up — because we were getting

sleepy — or cold — or both in our pastoral duties. Our speaker that year was not a great scholar, nor was he an eloquent speaker. But he had a heart for God, and because of that, he had a heart for people. And especially a heart for young preachers, still wet behind the ears, who were starting to wear out. Because ... in spite of all of their efforts, "The Kingdom had not come." Even after the second year of service.

He told us a story. Actually, it was about a book he had read. "A Death in the Family" was the title. Authored by James Agee. It was all about the death of a young man, a husband of a wife. He collided with a train. Friends and family all came pouring in. To share concern and love for the young widow. So far...so good. But, the young man was also a daddy. And, for all practical purposes, his six -year -old son was practically ignored.

That's what he talked about. And, how important it was...and is...to minister to the children when there is a death in the family. I never forgot the lesson. And, over the years, have tried to practice it.

They made a movie out of the book. Was called "All the Way Home." Black and white. Truly well done. But not a big hit. Like a lot of good movies...too real. Too touching. Too tough to handle. Should have won an Academy Award. But then, it's hard to market "a death in the family." I'm glad we saw it. A second reminder.

Yesterday I buried two old men. Both were fathers, grandfathers, and great-grandfathers. Also — were brothers-in-law to each other. So, there was a lot of family present. In the afternoon, just before I went into the chapel to lead the family service, I was handed a letter. Written by a great-granddaughter by the name of Kristie. A bright and pretty young lady, she had written this letter to "Papa" on March 14, two days after he had died, and the day of his birthday. The day before he was buried. Beautifully and carefully hand-written.

Happy birthday! I miss you so much. I hope you had fun at your party up in Heaven today. You finally got to go home. I bet it's great up there! I've been thinking about you alot lately, and I know you'll be watching over me for the rest of my life. Tell Uncle Jessie I said, "hi" and that I love him. I miss him too. I know it was your time to go on Friday, and I know you led a good life, and you were ready to go - but, it's just hard to imagine that you're gone now. I love you soooooo much, and I know you know that. Nannie is taking this kinda hard, especially since Uncle Ben is gone too, but I know you're her angel now, and you'll give her the strength she needs to live on. I know we're burying your body, but we're not burying your spirit. I'll see you when I get there!

I Love You, "Little Me"

Kristie had planned to put it in his coat pocket. But her mother, seeing it, asked if she could read it. Having read it, she asked Kristie if the pastor could read it to the family. Kristie agreed. And — after an opening prayer — I read it.

It wasn't long before hearts of many were revealed. Kristie, in opening her heart to her papa, had been the one God had chosen to open our hearts. Soon the room was filled with sobs and sighs. Her letter of love to her "Papa" released the unexpressed love and grief and hope in each of us. The room was filled with God's Spirit of love, and the "spell of death" was broken.

Her letter ministered to all of us. I'd like to think it ministered to Albert, too. The Book of Proverbs says in chapter 17, verse six: "Grandchildren are the crown of the aged." For sure this letter was a "star" in his crown. Thank God for great-grandchildren. Thank God for His Spirit and inspiration. Thank you, Kristie, for showing us, that, when we pay attention to children when there is a death in the family, they sometimes become, as you, a minister to us.

## 'SINUS" is serious . . . SNORING isn't funny . . . SLEEP APNEA is deadly!

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# Connie Mac Gibbs retires after 36 years with Dry Manufacturing

by Jean Boles, editor

Change is good, especially when it comes gradually.

For Connie Mac Gibbs, just getting to sleep past 6 a.m. has taken some adjustment because for the past 36 years, he's been at work by about that time.

Gibbs was recently honored along with six other Dry Manufacturing employees on Jan. 29 with a retirement dinner at the Winters community center.

Gibbs actually began his career with Dry as far back as 1958, when he worked summers during high school.

Hired on December 12, 1962, by owner C. A. Dry, he began doing full-time general office work. After only a year and a half, he was promoted to Customer Service Manager and then combined jobs as Credit Manager, making an abundance of friends and business associates from all over the United States.

company go from 30 employees in the early '60s to 600 employees. In 1962, the company offered 300-400 products and sizes as shown in a 29-page catalogue. The current catalogue offers 14,000 different products and sizes displayed on 110 pages.

and grille products company in

Gibbs" are well known in the register and grille business from coast to coast.

As Customer Service Manager, Gibbs has provided valuable experience, knowledge, ability and stability as the anchor of the customer service department.

Mr. Randle Martin, vice-president in charge of manufacturing Gibbs says he has seen the and operations for Selkirk, Inc., says of Mr. Gibbs, "Your loyalty and dedication during your tenure is an example held in very high esteem throughout the corporation... Thank you for all your support, but mostly, thanks for just being Connie Gibbs!"

Under his leadership, the cus-"Airmate," a leading register tomer service department has seen second generations of fam-Winters, Texas, and "C. M. ily owned businesses continue in

register and grille sales.

"Most of it's been fun," says Gibbs. "I've worked with some really wonderful people."

His full-time retirement was short-lived as he is back working part-time as a consultant in the Dry office.

Gibbs and his wife, Jean, are members of the First United Methodist Church of Winters. He is a member of the Winters country club and the San Angelo Senior Golf Association. He is a former member of the Cowboys' Association, Old Timers' Rodeo Association, and the Winters Rodeo Association.

He served as a past director of the Winters Livestock Association from 1985-1990, and is an honorary Chapter Farmer of the Winters Future Farmers of America. He served as a trustee for the Winters Independent School board from 1980-1986, serving as vicepresident from 1984-85, and as president from 1985-86.

Connie says he will miss his co-workers and business associates but is looking forward to spending more quality time with his wife and their children, Tammy and Mark Kaczyk, and Kenny and Saffron Gibbs; and their grandchildren Justin, Brooke, Haley, Tana and Lane.

He also plans to play a lot more golf, fish and travel.

#### Softball tourney planned with Mayfest

The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce announces their annual Mayfest Celebration to be held Saturday, May 1, at the Ted Meyer Park and Community Cen-

A co-ed softball tournament will be held in conjunction with the festival. Double elimination play will begin Friday, April 30. Entry fee is \$10 per team member with an open roster. Men and women must play in alternating positions. Trophies will be given to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams along with t-shirts.

A home run derby will also be played again this year. Entry fee is \$10 per person. Each player will have two minutes to hit ten pitches. The player that hits the most home runs will win a trophy and 40% of the HRD fees.

Sign up your team now and join in a day of fun, food, and excitement. Contact the Chamber office at 915/754-5210.

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# WSL to sponsor car seat safety check and Kid **Print during Mayfest**

New merry-go-round coming—

met Thursday, March 18, at the package. Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

Items of business discussed and voted upon included plans for Mayfest, a fund-raiser, the Win-

The club will sponsor two events at Mayfest including a car seat safety check by Safety Education Officer Richard Treece, with the Department of Public Safety and trained club members.

In addition, they will also offer Kid Print in conjunction with the Winters Police Department. It was decided that both services would only be provided during set hours of the Mayfest.

The club will sell raffle chances during the month of April for three separate prizes. Items to be raffled include a Saber Wing Fireball Yo-yo, a Saber Wing Five-Star Black Mamba Yo-yo,

The Women's Service League and a fishing rod, reel, and tackle

It was reported that the women had recently purchased eight books for the Winters Public Library children's section.

Plans were finalized to purters Public Library, and a merry- chase a merry-go-round for the go-round for the Winters City city park. WSL along with the Winters 4-H Club will provide about \$1,000 for the cost of the playground equipment with the City of Winters paying the balance. The city will also install the equipment to meet safety specifi-

> Hostesses for the evening were Deb Pritchard, Tammy Young, and Malinda Poe. They served a light meal of salads, vegetables, fruits, and dips while presenting an Easter theme.

Those in attendance included Kris Rives, Tami Richards, Christy Lindley, Theresa Gerhart, Saffron Gibbs, Deb Pritchard, Tammy Young, Cheryl Kruse, and Sherri Mikeska.

LION CLUB MEMBER MIKE MEYER displays some of the more creative pancakes designed and served during the annual Winters Lions Club fundraising pancake supper. Local Lions will also be serving hamburgers at the farm equipment auction sponsored by the Wingate Lions Club on April 3. Funds raised are used for several local projects including providing eye examinations and eyeglasses for needy children.

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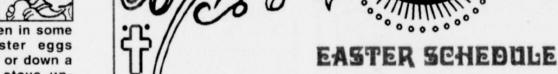
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March 29 - April 2 12:00 noon - 12:50 P.M. **Holy Week Community Lunch and Service** 

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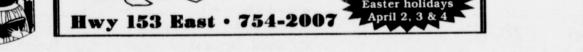


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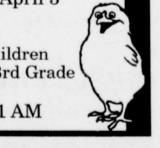
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March 31 - 6:00 P.M. Easter Prayer Service - Assembly of God

7:00 P.M. Spanish Service-Assembly of God

March 31 - 7:30 P.M. "The Way of the Cross" - Mt. Carmel Catholic Church

April 1 - 6:00 P.M.

Seder meal & Communion - St. John's Lutheran Church April 1 - 7:00 P.M.

Drama presentation -"Living Lord's Supper" First United Methodist Church

April 1 - 7:30 P.M. Lord's Supper with Adoration & Mass - Mt Carmel Catholic Church

April 2 - 7:00 P.M. Good Friday Service - St. John's Lutheran Church

April 2 - 7:30 P.M.

Blessing of Easter Water & Baptism - Mt. Carmel Catholic Church April 3 - 7:00 P.M.

Spanish Easter Worship Service - Assembly of God

## Easter Sunday

(Don't forget to change your clocks) Community Sunrise Service at Country Club Sponsored by First United Methodist Church

Easter Service - Wingate United Methodist Church

Easter Mass in English - Mt. Carmel Catholic Church 9:00 Sunday School: Assembly of God, Church of Christ, First Baptist, St. John's Lutheran, First United Methodist

10:30 Easter Worship - Church of Christ

10:45 Easter Worship Service:

First Baptist, St John's Lutheran(10:40), First Methodist

11:00 Easter Mass in Spanish - Mt. Carmel Catholic Church

11:00 Easter Worship - Assembly of God

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## Poe's Corner

By Charlsie Poe

# Yo-yos return

Some time ago, Halley Sims sat down to eat her breakfast and read the morning newspaper while she sipped her coffee. She was so startled that she almost dropped her toast in her cup when she saw these words, "yo-yos make a comeback."

Halley recalled it was the year 1929 and her mother worked in a variety store in Ballinger. She brought home a small wooden yoyo for her little daughter to play with.

To help things along, a contest was announced with prizes for the largest and the smallest yo-yos, operated by the maker.

Halley worked night and day making two yo-yos. Her large one was made of two pie tins and the small one of wood. They also had to be able to use these toys perfectly.

Halley recalled what brought it all on was the fact that she and her dear friend, a Baptist preacher's daughter, who lived next door, had a spat and threw rocks at each other. She hit her friend under the eye and it bled. She cried and cried when her friend had to have some stitches and they couldn't play together anymore. They tried to reach each other by spinning the yo-yos but were successful only once. She was carrying the scar the last time Halley saw her.

Halley consoled herself with the prizes she won — first in both a popular hobby. Some people categories, the shows, gifts, and publicity. She packed her keepsakes away in a trunk and has been looking for them, but as yet, she has not found her souvenirs—just the little yo-yo that her mother gave her.

Yo-yos were introduced as a toy in 1929 by American Donald Duncan, who acquired the rights

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from a Filipino immigrant, who in 1920, had been making and selling yo-yos out of wood. They had been originally used for hunting in the Philippines. The children later played with true toy "yo-yos" — meaning "to come back."

Duncan yo-yos became the most famous yo-yo in America. For years, the Duncan company had the only rights to use the name "yo-yo."

Donald Duncan sent teams of yo-yo men across the country to teach skills and hold contests. A kid could win a brand new bike if he or she yo-yoed well enough.

The Duncan business went bankrupt in the 1960s. For a long time the yo-yo was out of style.

Yo-yos have spun back into style in a big way. For 30 years before 1998, sales stayed about the same, with about 10 million yo-yos sold each year in the United States — but suddenly sales zoomed. In 1998 alone, sales more than doubled.

Yo-yo collecting is becoming collect by new model themes, such as sports, holidays, cartoon characters, and miniatures. Others try to collect old yo-yos that you might discover in an attic.

P.S. Halley — don't give up — go back and dig some more in that old black trunk.

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BLAKE GRISSAM, age 4, enjoys a beautiful spring day in downtown Winters on his way to the public library. Blake, from Chickasha, Oklahoma, was in town visiting his grandmother, Judy Dean.

# And the winner is

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O.K., so did you watch the Academy Awards show?

thinking about some awards I'd like to present to some folks.

Such as

• The "Of Course I'm Listenby a husband pretending to pay attention to my story about the great deal I got on a pair of shoes that are too big but were such a bargain that I couldn't pass them by. Sorry, hon, but the glassy eyes and drooling are dead giveaways that I might possibly not have your undivided attention.

· The "Like, You Know, Whatever" Award for those sad teenagers who have been tortured into limiting their language to no more than twenty words, most of which have only four letters. Maybe it's because they've got earrings and metal sticks and things through so many body parts that some horrible magnetic field has drained out all their brain cells.

• The "Gosh, I'm So Bored to Be Here" Award to the cashier at the fast-food place. I was honestly afraid that poor girl was going to collapse on the spot from a terrible case of "bad attitude." Poor bit of our joy of the childbirth thing didn't realize that she was spending most of her energy making loud sighing noises. A good slap to the back of her head would have helped her along with her career, I think.

• The "I Can Drive Anywhere Because I'm Old or Stupid" I know there are about a mil- Award to all those drivers who lion categories for all sorts of enter an oblivious state of mind awards given which got me to when they get behind the steering wheel. You know who you are. You're the ones who drive about 30 miles an hour and stay in the left lane of the highway, and ing" Award for best performance keep your blinker on for 15 miles. You're the ones who think nothing of pulling out in front of me and my three-ton load of fertilizer, then proceed to creep and crawl at a snail's pace while I'm slinging stuff everywhere (inside the pickup and out).

> • The "No, You Can't Possibly Be Sicker Than I Am" Award to all those folks who thrive on "oneupping" any story about any illness, operation or disease. I know one man who called an employee meeting to whine about having his appendix removed and how terrible it was. "You just can't imagine the pain," he said. The only problem was that he was telling this to a bunch of women, three of whom had just given birth, some by cesearean section. Some of us girls were maybe a teeny weeny bit tempted to get his upper lip and drag it back over his head, just to allow him to share a experience.

• The "I' Can Hardly Wait for You to Finish Your Story" Award to all those folks who never took Listening 101. They're the ones who don't let anyone else finish a complete sentence before cutting them off with their own tales. I'm always tempted to try telling something like, "and then we all traded underwear with each other and flapped our arms until we started flying and then circled over the Dallas Cowsboys football game," just to see if Mr. or Miss Buttinski was even listening.

Well, before I get too whiney and everybody thinks I almost have a bad attitude, I'd also like to give out some other awards. So check back with me for my next list of prestigious accolades.

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## **Spring Trail Ride for Rehab** scheduled for the Nail Ranch

The Spring Trail Ride for Re-tiful ranch with an exciting varihab is scheduled for the Nail Ranch near Albany. Registration will begin April 16 after 3 p.m. and continues Saturday, April 17,

Volunteer Trail Ride Chairmen are Kelly Gill, Mac Sayles, and

The weekend will feature a day-long ride on Saturday and a shorter ride on Sunday morning. Three meals will be served.

Weekend activities will include an auction of numerous items, a raffle of custom-made chinks donated by Kenneth Kennedy, Saturday evening entertainment, and a Sunday morning worship ser-

The Nail Ranch, a working cattle ranch in the tradition of the old west, is located adjacent to the Clear Fork of the Brazos River. Its 56,000 acres are made up of rolling hills and rugged canyons with wooded hilltops, which provide excellent habitat for the abundant game that roam the Nail, including whitetail deer, wild boar, turkey, and quail.

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ety of wildlife. We are really looking forward to the ride."

Expenses for the event are underwritten by Lawrence Hall Chevrolet, which means that participants' fees will go directly to treatment services at West Texas Rehabilitation Center in Abilene, San Angelo, and Ozona. Allied Staffing Group, Abilene Peterbilt, Bandag, Inc., Tim & Joyce Piland Custom Saddles, Chalmers Exploration Company, Easley Trailer Manufacturing/Sammy Cockrell, The Tommy Morris Agency, Thomas Hicks Construction, Kelly Gill, and anonymous funding provide additional underwriting.

Cost for the trail ride is \$40.00 minimum per adult and \$15 minimum per child 12 and under. Preregistration and a \$25 deposit is required. A negative Coggins test

is also required. To sign up for the trail ride or for additional information, contact John Thomas-Abilene, (915) 793-3508; Eva Horton-San Angelo, (915) 223-6300; or after 7 p.m., Mac Sayles-Tuscola, (915) 554-7884.

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# Softball Scoreboard



Runs Hits Errors

Team: Girls Varsity Softball
Coach: Shelly Hayes/Robert White
Date & place of game:
March 12, 1999 — Snyder Tournamen
Opponent: Borger
Winning pitcher: Presley
Winning catcher: Hope
Losing pitcher: Bailey
Losing catcher: Johnson
Key plays: 2B Salas

Salas			
	Hits	Errors	
9			
4			
		Runs Hits 9 4	

### CAFETERIA MENU

March 29-April 2 Subject to change

**Breakfast** Monday-March 29

Cinnamon Roll Cereal Juice Tuesday-March 30 Blueberry Muffin Cereal Juice

Wednesday-March 31 **Biscuit** Sausage

Juice Thursday-April 1 Breakfast Burrito Cereal Juice Friday-April 2

School Holiday

Lunch Monday-March 29 Fish Krispies

Macaroni/Cheese Green Beans Fruit Salad Hot Roll **Tuesday-March 30** Hot Dog/Chili/Cheese **Tater Tots** 

Sliced Pickles Applesauce Chocolate Chip Cookie Wednesday-March 31 Oven Fried Chicken/Gravy

Mashed Potatoes June Peas Vanilla Pudding Hot Roll Thursday-April 1

Frito Pie/Chili/Cheese Red Beans **Tossed Salad** Applesauce Cake Friday-April 2 School Holiday

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Team: Girls Varsity Softball
Coach: Shelly Hayes/Robert White
Date & place of game:
March12, 1999 —Snyder Tournament
Opponent: Borger
Winning pitcher: Presley
Winning catcher: Hope

Losing catcher: Key plays: 2B S		1	
	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	9		
OPPONENT	4		

Losing pitcher: Bailey

Team: Girls Varsity Softball Coach: Shelly Hayes/Robert White Date & place of game: March 11, 1999 — Snyder Tournament Opponent: Hermleigh (Pool Game) Winning pitcher: Presley Winning catcher: Hope Losing pitcher: Dacls Losing catcher: Callaway

Key plays: 3B	Paschal			
	Runs	Hits	Errors	
WINTERS	9			
OPPONENT	2			

The varsity and junior varsity

men's track teams competed Sat-

urday at the Coleman Relays. The

Blizzards finished third with

strong performances in the field

The junior varsity took both

first and second in the shot put and

discus, first in the triple jump,

plus second in the high jump and

Angelo on Friday and Saturday.

Results of the Coleman meet are

1st, Michael Prewit, 49'6 1/4"

3rd, Kenny Whittenburg, 47'9"

2nd, Kenny Whittenburg,

6th, Marios Skibicki, 131'11"

1st, Jimmy Rodriguez, 10:31

2nd, Winters, (R. Rodriguez,

Hoyle, Aguero, Whittenburg)

6th, Ezekiel Martinez, 2:26

5th, Ronald Rodriguez, 11.8

5th, Wes Calcote, 18'3/4'

6th, V.J. Santoya, 11:48

2nd, Juan Santos, 2:11

5th, V.J. Santoya, 2:23

5th, Marios Skibicki, 45'7"

The Blizzards travel to San

long jump.

as follows:

Varsity

Discus

Long Jump

3200 M Run

400 M Relay

800 M Run

100 M Dash

400 M Dash

46.02

**Shot Put** 

events and long distance races.

Team: Girls Varsity Softball Coach: Shelly Hayes/Robert White Date & place of game: March 12, 1999 -Snyder Tournament Opponent: Snyder Winning pitcher: Martinez Winning catcher: Davis Losing pitcher: Presley Losing catcher: Hope

Key plays: 2B Paschal

Losing catcher: Hope

Blizzards get strong efforts in

field events and long distance

races at Coleman Relays

Key plays: 3B Paschal

200 M Dash

1600 M Run

**1600 M Relay** 

Santoya, Aguero) 3:43

**Junior Varsity** 

**Shot Put** 

Discus

**High Jump** 

Long Jump

**Triple Jump** 

3200 M Run

400 M Relay

Lopez, Oats) 50.1

800 M Run

100 M Dash

200 M Dash

1600 M Run

WINTERS **OPPONENT** Team: Girls Varsity Softball Coach: Shelly Hayes/Robert White Date & place of game: March 9, 1999 - Winters Opponent: Coahoma- 1st District Game Winning pitcher: Bingham Winning catcher: Kemper Losing pitcher: Presley

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	1	2	
OPPONENT	14	15	

6th, Jeremy Alvarado, 44.5

2nd, Jimmy Rodriguez, 4:51

3rd, Winters, (Angel, Santos,

1st, Samson Jackson, 41'10"

2nd, Chris Hoppe, 41'9 3/4"

2nd, Samson Jackson, 103'2"

1st, Chris Hoppe, 126'7"

2nd, Jeremy Hope, 5'

2nd, Jeffrey Oats, 16'9"

1st, Robert Gibbs, 39'6"

4th, Kenny Green, 12:42

2nd, Artemio Lopez, 2:47

4th, Jeremy Hope, 18.8

1st, Robert Gibbs, 12.1

2nd, Jeffrey Oats, 12.3

300 M Inter. Hurdles

4th, Jeremy Hope, 51.1

2nd, Jeffrey Oats, 25.9

5th, Robert Gibbs, 27.2

4th, Kenny Green, 6:02

110 High Hurdles

2nd, Winters, (Gibbs, Hope,

5th, Tony Aguero, 23.6

#### LOADED DOWN WITH MEDALS, THESE WINTERS YOUTH recently competed in the PIPS Festival at ACU. Those earning gold, silver, and bronze medals include (front row, l-r) Braden Mikeska, Julie England, Zanny Slimp, and Camille Kruse (back row). Jordan Sanchez, Bryant Mikeska, Kinsey Airhart, Luke England, and Kellyn Airhart.

Nine Winters youth medal

in PIPS Festival at ACU Nine Winters youth brought division, placed second in the ob- division, Jordan Sanchez earned home the medals recently from the PIPS State Festival held on the campus of Abilene Christian Uni-

versity. PIPS (Players in Progress) youth placed in basketball skills, drills, and tricks competitions according to age division. This year's festival had over 600 competitors from Oklahoma and Texas.

Zanny Slimp placed in three events, including between the leg pass in the 5-yr-old rookie divi-

Julie England, 7-yr-old rookie division, earned a third place bronze medal in the drop pass.

Braden Mikeska, 7-yr-old rookie division, placed first in the obstacle speed dribble, earning a gold medal. He also placed fourth in the drop pass.

Camille Kruse, 8-yr-old rookie stacle speed dribble. In the same each of these people.

stacle speed dribble, earning a silver medal. She was fifth in the spin and sixth in the drop pass.

Camille and Julie won gold medals, placing first in the 8-yrold rookie division duo competi-Kellyn Airhart, 9-yr-old rookie

division, earned two bronze medals with third place finishes in the spin and under the leg pass. She finished fourth in the figure 8 dribble.

Bryant Mikeska, 9-yr-old rookie division, carried home two silver medals and one bronze, placing second in both the between the leg pass and obstacle speed dribble. He was third in the (ankle, waist, ankle).

in the backward dribble and sixth rookie division, won a silver Cheryl Kruse, and Coach White. medal placing second in the ob- A big PIPs, PIPs, PIPs, Yeah! to

a bronze medal, with a third place finish in obstacle speed dribble. He was fifth in PIPS lay-ups.

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Kinsey Airhart finished fourth in the figure 8 dribble of the Ilyr-old rookie division.

Winters organized their PIPS program this year with sixty youth participating. Coordinator Becky Airhart would like to recognize Robert White, men's varsity basketball head coach, for encouraging Winters to form a group, opening the gym, and being available to help.

Parent and adult coaches who assisted with the weekly practices and performances were Phil Colburn, Brett and Sherri drop pass and fourth in AWA Mikeska, Belinda Schwartz, Mandie and Lanny England, Luke England, 10-year-old Larry Walker, Mary Slimp,



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Pritchard won the event with a time of 27.09. Freshman Tracey Burns (second from left) finished third in a time of 27.97 and sophomore Michelle Paschal (second from right) was fifth with a time of 28.30. All three ladies teamed with Junior Kelli Slimp to win the 800 meter relay as well. The Lady Blizzards will compete in the All-America City Track Classic at Abilene Christian University on Saturday.

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# Lady Blizzards capture second in Coleman Relays

track team placed a strong second at the Coleman Relays last Saturday with 90 points. Class 3A Breckenridge won the meet with 116 points.

The women will compete in the All-America City Track Classic at Abilene Christian University this Saturday, March 27. Field events will start at 9 a.m. Running prelims will start at 10 a.m. with finals beginning at 1

Coleman Relay results are as follows:

Long Jump 2nd, Kelli Slimp, 15'3 1/2" **Shot Put** 

6th, Michelle Paschal, 31'11" 3200 M Run

3rd, Cassondra Johnson, 13:24 6th, Juanita Armendariz, 14:35 7th, Kourtney Cathey, 14:40

400 M Relay 6th, Winters, (Amanda Cross,

The Lady Blizzard varsity Michelle Paschal, Mandy Pritchard, Stacey Bishop) 54:47

800 M Run 5th, Juanita Armendariz, 2:47 100 M Hurdles

2nd, Kelli Slimp, 15.75, (personal best) 6th, Kacy McCuistion, 18:46

800 M Relay 1st, Winters, (Kelli Slimp, Tracey Burns, Michelle Paschal,

Misty Pritchard) 1:51.9 300 M Hurdles

1st, Kelli Slimp, 47:20, (personal best)

200 M Dash 1st, Misty Pritchard, 27.09 3rd, Tracey Burns, 27.97 5th, Michelle Paschal, 28.30

1600 M Run 3rd, Cassondra Johnson, 6:12 1600 M Relay

(Lori Winters, 4th, Bredemeyer, Angela Jacob, Mandy Pritchard, Misty Pritchard) 4:36.09

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Saturday, April 3, 1999 Wingate, TX

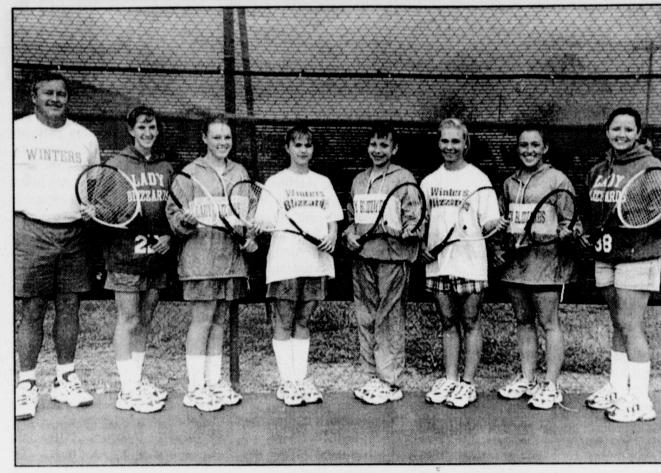
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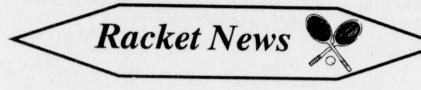
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BLIZZARD TENNIS TEAM members are (back row, I-r) Kasey Murphy, Chip White, Aaron Pritchard, Coach Biff White, Barrett Brown, Colby Walker, Justin Calcote (front row) Josh Lincycomb, Jeffrey Jordan, Taylor Brown, and Craig Jacob.



LADY BLIZZARD TENNIS TEAM members are (I-r) Coach Biff White, Tracey Burns, Scarlet McMinn, Samantha Montgomery, Monica Hicks, Angela Jacob, Lori Bredemeyer, and Fallen Perrie.



## Blizzards play well in competitive Big Lake tennis tournament

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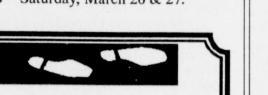
Well, as the ole saying goes, the good news was, the boys had a chance to win the championship playing in final rounds at Big doubles team. Lake.

played Reagan County #1 for third place while Colby Walker played Reagan County #1 for consolation championship. Winters Saturday, March 26 & 27. lost both matches.

Jeffrey Jordan and Josh "close - but no cigar." However, Lincycomb played singles division while Aaron Pritchard and Justin Calcote played as the #2

This was a strong tournament. The men's doubles team of This region had the state's top 4 Chip White and Barrett Brown team tennis schools, three of which were at this tournament.

Thanks for parent support. See you in Colorado City Friday and



# **Track Feats**

## Junior high girls place third and fifth in Breezes Relays

The Winters Jr. High girls com-Friday, March 5, at Winters. The 7th grade team finished in fifth place, competing mostly in field events, while the 8th graders placed a strong third overall.

In the 7th grade division, Coleman won the meet with 183 points. Consecutive places are include: Merkel, 146; Ballinger, 133, Miles, 63; and Winters, 54.

Individual events and results include:

400M Relay Winters, 3rd, 3:01.02.51 1600M Relay Winters, 5th, 5:46.68 100M Hurdles

Amanda Poe, 4th, 22.68 Jessica Barron, 5th, 24.09 Macy Hopson, 6th, 26.82 300M Hurdles Amanda Poe, 4th, 1:08.77

Minnie Jo Kraatz, 5th, 1:13.86 800M Relay Winters, 4th, 2:15.31

**Discus** Stacy DelaCruz, 5th, 49'6.5" Maegan Schwartz, 6th, 46'7.5" **Shot Put** 

Burleson, 4th, Brittany 21'8.75"

Triple Jump Macy Hopson, 6th, 20'7" Long Jump Jessica Rodriguez, 6th, 11'6"

In the 8th grade division, peted in the Breezes Relays on Coleman won the meet with 145.5 points. Ballinger took second with 112 points, and Winters followed with a total of 95. Fourth through seventh places were awarded to Jim Ned, Miles, Robert Lee, and Merkel, respectfully.

Individual events and results

400M Relay Winters, 6th, 6:01.07.30 800M Relay Winters, 3rd, 2:07.42 1600M Relay Winters, 3rd, 4:54.63 **800M Run** Grace Martinez, 6th, 3:07.41 **1600M Run** Amy Patterson, 3rd, 6:47.93 **2400M Run** Kemari Hale, 5th, 11:33.25

Laci Meyer, 6th, 12:07.52 100M Hurdles Laci Walker, 1st, 18.28 300M Hurdles Laci Walker, 1st, 54.05 800M Relay Winters, 3rd, 2:07.42

**Discus** Stacey Walden, 3rd, 66'11.5" Shot Put Kelly Bearden, 1st, 26.3' Long Jump

Jena Bahlman, 2nd, 14'3.75"

## Boys junior high track team has 'field' day at Roscoe meet

The seventh and eighth grade boy's track teams combined efforts last Friday at the Roscoe junior high track meet. Winters took top honors in the field events. The team will compete at Jim Ned next Thursday.

Results are as follows: **Shot Put** 

1st, Rusty Jackson, 44'1" 2nd, Alvaro Rodriguez, 41'5" Discus

1st, Rusty Jackson, 134'5" 2nd, Shane Colburn, 118'1" **Pole Vault** 3rd, Alex Blackerby High Jump 3rd, Alvaro Rodriguez 2400 M Run 6th, Timothy Fenwick 1200 M Run

5th, Timothy Fenwick 400 M Relay 6th, Winters (Jose Vega, Dustin Palmertree, Mark Moreno, Alvaro Rodriguez) 52:38

100 M Dash 5th, Alvaro Rodriguez

## **BLIZZARD** ACTIVITIES MARCH 25-APRIL 1, 1999

SOFTBALL -March 30 Coahoma (District) There,

—April 1 Miles (District), Here, 6:30 p.m., VG

7:30 p.m., VG

TRACK -March 26 & 27, San Angelo Relays, VB

-March 27, All-America City Track Classic, ACU, VG —April 1, Jim Ned, Jr. High BASEBALL

-March 26, Mason, There, 7 p.m., Varsity -March 30, Coleman, Here,

4 p.m., Varsity -March 26, Mason, There, 4:30 p.m., JV

**TENNIS** -March 26 & 27, Colorado City

UIL -March 25, UIL West Zone One Act Play, WHS Auditorium -March 26, District UIL Competition, Elementary and

Jr. High at Bangs —March 29, District UIL Literary Events, Coleman, High School

—April 1, District UIL Literary Events, Coleman, High School **ACADEMIC** -March 31, Freshman Class

Registration, 8:30 a.m. EXTRACURRICULAR

—March 25, Area FFA Judging, Contests, in Stephenville

-March 30, WHS Student Council Blood Drive, Dairy Queen Parking Lot, noon-6 p.m. -March 31, Junior High Band Solo & Ensemble Contest

#### Winters I.S.D. 1998-1999 9TH GRADE 11TH GRADE Staci Bishop Maria Chavez Travis Grohman Craig Conner Jeremy Hope Misty Melton

7TH GRADE Timothy Fenwick John Heathcott Chance Hogan Jessica Kay Briana Parramore Jessica Pritchard Rebekah Sartor

8TH GRADE Jena Bahlman Leah Bredemeyer Shane Colburn **Brandon Davis** Leslye Geistmann

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ters High School.

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class date.

# Baseball Scoreboard Team: Varsity Boys

Team: Varsity Baseball Coach: Charles Murphy Date & place of game: March 19, 1999 — Winters Opponent: Early Winning pitcher: Jeremy Alvarado Winning catcher: Chris Lujano Losing pitcher: Vernan Losing catcher: McCullough Key plays: 2B E. Rodriquez, Alvarado, R. Rodriquez Runs Hits Errors WINTERS

OPPONENT 5 10 Coach's comments: We had 14 hits. Everyone that had an at bat got at least one hit. We only made two errors.

Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Charles Murphy Date & place of game: Mar. 15, 1999 — Winters Opponent: Bangs Winning pitcher: Estes Winning catcher: Reigen Losing pitcher: Jeremy Alvarado Losing catcher: Chris Lujano Key plays: HR Lujano

All classes will be taught in the first floor computer lab of Win-Runs Hits Errors WINTERS 2 6 OPPONENT 5 3 ticipant must register prior to first

Coach's comments: Jeremy struck out 8 while pitching a seven inning 3 hitter. Ronald Rodriguez was 2 for 4. We left runners on third 4 of the 7 innings.

Coach: Charles Murphy Date & place of game: Mar. 16, 1999 - Lomet Opponent: San Saba Winning pitcher: Oscar Luz Winning catcher: Chris Luzano Losing pitcher: Ramirez Losing catcher: Marales Key plays: 2B Lujano, Medina 3B Lujano, Burleson Runs Hits Errors WINTERS 16 14 OPPONENT 5

Coach's comments: Oscar Luz struck out eleven batters, while throwing a 2 hitter. Eleven of the 15 outs they made were via the strikeout. Chris Lujano had 5 RBIs with a triple and double going 2 for 3. Ronald Rodriguez was 2 for 2. Louie Esquivel and Eddie Rodriguez were 2 for 3. Jason Esquivel went 2 for 4.

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# Seventh grade boys place fifth in Breezes Relays

Seventh grade boys competed Friday, March 5, in the Breezes Relays. Winters hosted the meet at their new track complex. The team placed fifth, with Merkel winning the meet. Coach for the team is Shane Mobley.

Individual results include: 110 M Hurdles Eric Lopez, 4th Justin Laird, 5th 300 M Hurdles Benji Valles, 3rd Eric Lopez, 6th 100 M Dash Jonathan Lujano, 5th

1600 M Run

Tim Fenwick, 2nd Basilio Rocha, 3rd

2400 M Run Tim Fenwick, 2nd Basilio Rocha, 4th Adam Solorzano, 6th 400 M Relay Jonathan Lujano, John Heathcott, Benji Valles, Josh Cavanaugh, 4th 1600 M Relay

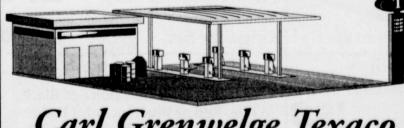
John Heathcott, Benji Valles,

Jonathan Lujano, Basilio Rocha,

5th **Discus** Jonathan Lujano, 3rd Triple Jump Basilio Rocha, 5th High Jump Will Ahrens, 6th.

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Amanda and Ashley Webb, granddaughters of Carolyn Webb, of Austin, were visitors in Hopewell Church on Sunday.

Selma Wilkerson, Carolyn Webb, Ramona Akins, Doris Wood, Melvena Gerhart, and Nila Osborne attended Bible study at 9 a.m. Monday.

Our sympathy goes out to the Edgar Porter families and friends due to the death of Mrs. Pennie Porter of Abilene. She was buried Monday evening at Lakeview Cemetery in Winters.

Jessie and Al Collom visited several times during the week with Gladys Cotton at the Heritage Oaks Estate in Ballinger. Walter Pape enjoyed dinner with Jessie and Alon Saturday. All the Collom families enjoyed Sunday lunch

Louise Walters attended the basketball game between TCU and the University of Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Maloey Bryant and Doris Wood were in Dallas at Baylor Hospital for Maloey's consultation. More on this later.

Most folks out these parts received a much needed one-inch

Margie Jacob visited her sister, Evelyn Jacob, Tuesday and Wednesday. Evelyn is doing well at home after heart surgery.

Jeanna Kozelsky spent Thursday with Margie and her spring break week with her folks. She returned to Corpus Christi to school. Margie had her family over Sunday and enjoyed dinner.

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Brownwood; Brenda Jacob of Midland; Beverly and Brad VanZandt; Carol and Mike Kozelsky; Dennis, Audine, and Roy McBeth attended the Winters High School one act play Sunday afternoon. They also en-

Junior Class at the cafeteria. Harvey Mae Faubion's sister, Mary Louise Dunivan of Winters, is making her home at Heritage Oaks Estate in Ballinger as of this past week.

Georgia and Connie Gibbs spent Sunday in Bronte with her sister, Tracie Butner.

Lelon and Doris Bryan had lunch Sunday at the Jr. Class sponsored catfish dinner. Visitors during the week were Bob Nelson of Cypress; Glen and Bennie Bryan; LaRue Bryan; Cheryl, Kayla, and Kinley Pritchard; Brent, Scott, and Clent Bryan; and Kelly, Vicki, Alex, and Andrew Blackerby. Kinley Pritchard spent spring break with the Bryans. Doris, Vicki, Andrew, Kinley, and Betty Blackerby went to the Breezes track meet in Roscoe where they met Cheryl and Kayla.

Richard and Brenda Chambliss of Blackwell spent Sunday with Pat and Earl Cooper.

Carolyn Webb picked up her two granddaughters, Amanda and Ashley, at Goldthwaite on Wednesday. On Sunday, they attended church with Carolyn at Hopewell Baptist. On Friday, they were in Abilene shopping and attended the movie "Baby Geniuses." All really enjoyed the show. On Sunday, she carried the girls home to Austin.

Carolyn Webb and her mother, Edith Everett, drove to Midland Monday morning to spend the day with Edith's sister, Myrtle Shepard, who is 101 years young. They came home on Tuesday.

Melvena and Marvin Gerhart of Ballinger.

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Sharon and Jerry Engler of attended grandson Bryce Mikeska's 4th birthday party on Saturday afternoon in Wingate.

Coleman Foreman spent Sunday afternoon with Lawan in the Senior Citizen Nursing Home in Winters. On Monday, he had a doctor's appointment in San Angelo.

joyed the fish dinner hosted by the Kenny and Eileen Cartwright and Jeremy Prater were at TSTC in Sweetwater on Friday. While there, they visited with friends, Al and Mary McKennon.

Eileen and Kenny prepared the Saturday and Sunday dinners for Noble and Harvey Mae Faubion. Walter Pape and Rodney Faubion spent the weekend also.

Brother Ferris and Ramona Akins, Lee and Judy Harrison of Winters were Sunday luncheon guests with Selma Wilkerson.

Hildegarde Schovajsa of San Angelo spent Wednesday with me. We spent the morning putting out onions and taters in my garden. Also on Thursday, I spent awhile with Alise and Ernest Holt at Canterbury Villa in Ballinger.

Enjoying lunch together on Sunday were J'Dan Miller, Vicki Orbin, and Elaine and Dan Miller. Later Josie and Elaine attended afternoon church services. They also celebrated Leona Voss' birth-

Rusty Tounget, son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Tounget of Lubbock, visited the Dennis McBeth family over the weekend.

Those enjoying supper with Karen, Wesley, and Stephanie McGallian on Wednesday night were Nila and Therin Osborne, Leroy McGallian of Houston, Sue Campbell, and John McGallian of Winters.

Around the Sunday dinner table at Adeline Grissom's were Ricky and Patsy Grissom of Winters, Bill and Sharon Grissom of Crews, and Katherine and Luke Grissom

## Better Business Bureau Bulletin

# Are those solicitors really handicapped?

For a number of years, consumers have been receiving telephone calls urging them to buy first-aid kits, multi-purpose cleaners, vitamins, trash bags, and light bulbs "to benefit the handicapped."

Your purchase of the light bulbs," callers say, "will provide jobs and wages for handicapped persons." These solicitors depend upon sympathy appeals for a sale and will not usually take no for

Such solicitors often charge many times the going rate for whatever product they are pitching, explaining that the products have extended guarantees.

In the case of light bulbs, such guarantees require the consumer to keep receipts, send in a copy of the written guarantee, and mail in the defective light bulb to get a

Many consumers do not realize that the callers pitching handicapped appeals may not represent a non-profit organization or charity. Some callers are employed by for-profit companies who are deceptively implying that handicapped individuals are being helped.

When confronted about these practices, such companies provide excuses, such as claiming that their employees are "geriatrically handicapped" because of their age or are "economically handicapped" because they work at low paying jobs.

If a consumer is contacted by persons claiming to represent the handicapped, the Better Business Bureau (BBB) recommends that he or she ask the caller if the group being represented is non-profit. The consumer should also get the name and address of the organi-

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search soliciting organizations by calling the BBB for a report on that organization.

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Consumers are advised to re- its are tax-deductible, in part or in whole.

Consumers may be better off ignoring such solicitation calls, purchasing the products from reputable stores, and sending their contributions directly to the charity or non-profit group of their

#### **Legal Notices**

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE Election Order and Notice** THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF RUNNELS

On this the 15th day of March, 999, the Board of Directors of North Runnels Hospital District convened in regular session, open to the public, with the following members present to wit: Phillip Colburn, chairman; Randall Sneed, secretary; Randall Boles, director; Arch Jobe, director; Carla Harris, director; and Dale Montgomery, director, constituting a quorum, and among other proceedings had by said Board of Di-

rectors was the following: WHEREAS, the term of office of directors will expire on the first Saturday in May, 1999, said Saturday, May 1, 1999, and on said date an election of directors will be held in said Hospital District.

WHEREAS, IT IS NECESSARY FOR THIS BOARD to pass an order establishing the procedure for filing for and conducting said director election: in accordance with Chapter 206, H.B. No. 145

THEREFORE, BE IT OR-DERED BY THE BOARD OF DI-RECTORS OF NORTH RUNNELS HOSPITAL DISTRICT:

1. That an election be held in said Hospital District on May 1, 1999, for the purpose of electing to the Board of Directors of said Hospital District (four) directors, who shall serve for two years and until their successors have been duly elected and have qualified.

2. That all requests by candidates to have their names placed upon the ballot for the above mentioned election shall file a petition signed by at least 10 qualified property taxpaying electors asking that such name be printed on the ballot with the secretary of the Board of Directors. Such petition shall be filed with the secretary at least 30 days prior to the date of the election. Said secretary shall otherwise comply with the terms and provisions of Art. 13.32 of the Elec-

tion Code. 3. That said election shall be at the following places and the following named persons are hereby appointed officers for said election: At the Winters Elementary School Library in Winters, Texas, with Mary Beth Drake presiding, J.P. Drake and Melvena Gerhart as clerks; At the Lions Club building in Wingate, Texas, with Lavoy McNeill presiding, Joyce Broadstreet as clerk.

The polls at the above designated polling places shall on election day

be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. 4. Deedra Yates is hereby appointed clerk for early voting, and Shelly Sudduth and Carmela Polston as deputy clerks. The early voting of the above designated election shall be held at the North Runnels Hospital Business Office, Highway 153 East, Winters, Texas, 79567 and will commence on Wednesday, April 14, 1999, at 9:00 a.m. and ending on Tuesday, April 27, 1999, at 4:00 p.m. Regular early voting hours will be daily Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The above order being read, it was moved and seconded that the same do pass. Therefore, the question being called for, the following members of the board voted AYE: and the following voted NO:

Phillip Colburn, Chairman **Board of Directors** 

10-12(1tc)

#### **Legal Notice**

The Winters I.S.D. is accepting sealed bids until 2:00 p.m., April 9, 1999, for the sale of real property known as the Crews Gym. Bid specifications may be obtained from the Business Office, 603 N. Heights, Winters, Tx 79567 or by calling (915)754-5574. Bids will be opened and read publicly on April 9, 1999 at

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Winters I.S.D. reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to award bids in the best interest of the dis-10-11(2tc)

#### ABANDONED MOTOR VEHICLES NOTICE OF SALE

In compliance with Vernon Civil Statues Article 4477A Section 5.05, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at 10:00 a.m. on the 9th day of April, 1999, at W&R Wrecking, 601 N. Melwood, Winters, Texas, all of the following abandoned motor vehicles:

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1970 Chevy p/u, CE1495833071 1964 Chevy p/u,

OC154K110462 1965 Chevy Impala 2-dr, 168376S101567

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164690S178155 1984 Olds 4-dr,

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1C3BF66PSHX800055 1989 Olds Cutlass, 1G3AK471YD337020

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1GCE625G6B7104795 1988 Dodge, 1B3BG26S6JW168864

1990 Pontiac Grand Am, 1G2NE14U61C258797

1979 Ford T-Bird, 9G87F233914.

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# Christmas In April seeks volunteers for workday

for Saturday, April 10, 1999. This year eight Winters families will receive assistance from the pro-

CIA provides home improvement for low income and elderly families solely through organized volunteer work one Saturday each April. Materials and supplies are either donated or purchased with monies from donations and fundraising.

House captains for 1999 are Larry Walker, Scott Gerhart, Phillip Colburn, Bob Lindley, Blas Lugo, and Lanny Bahlman.

There are opportunities for vol-

Christmas in April has been set unteering in many areas including carpentry, plastering, plumbing, electrical, painting, roofing, baby-sitting, assisting with volunteer breakfast and evening meals and snacks.

If you do not specialize in any one area, house captains will be happy to find a job for you. Individuals interested in volunteering may pick up a form at The Winters Enterprise or contact Audine McBeth for more information.

Christmas In April is a fun way to spend a day with friends and fellow community members while helping those in need of

# Official Records -

**County Court** Criminal Dispositions

Martha Ray Carson, driving while intoxicated, dismissed, insufficient evi-

Sargent S. Hollis, making alcohol available to a minor, pleaded guilty, fined \$750 plus \$184.25 court costs Sargent S. Hollis, failure to appear,

pleaded guilty, fined \$200 plus \$184.25

Sargent S. Hollis, failure to appear, dismissed, defendant convicted in an-

Patrick Eugene Pruitt, driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty, sentenced one year in jail probated to two years, fined \$1,500 plus \$209.25 court costs, 80 hours community service

Raylene Duke Coulson, driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in jail probated to one year, fined \$750 plus \$225.25 court costs, \$123.85 restitution to DPS, 50 hours community service

**Criminal Cases filed** March 12

Jim Heidenheimer, Ballinger, filed for driving while intoxicated, subsequent

Jim Heidenheimer, Ballinger, filed for possession of marijuana James Floyd Lail, Ovalo, filed for

March 15 Jeremy Alan Shriver, Christoval, filed

for driving while intoxicated March 17

Steven Owens, Ballinger, filed for eft of merchandise by check Darlene Ortiz, Winters, filed for theft of merchandise by check

Benny Prendez, Ballinger, filed for

**Marriage Licenses** March 16

Orville Daniel Smith and Diana Rouse

March 17 Anthony Ray Hubbard and Amanda Cortez Nava

**District Court Divorces Filed** 

March 12 Luther Lee Smith Jr., and Dorothy

March 17 Leo Garcia III and Vikki L. Garcia **Divorces Granted** March 18

Domingo F. Rodriguez and Mary M Rodriguez

**Civil Filings** March 19

Brenner Car and Truck Rental, Inc., vs. Jim W. Jones, individually and doing business as Ambassador Limousines,

Clarification: The Elsa T. Alvarado and Jerry Lee Alvarado, divorce filing, of March 4, is not Elsa Galvan Albarado and Ben Albarado

> Justice of the Peace Court Precinct 1 **Criminal Filing** March 17

John Doyle Ward, filed for public intoxication

Felony Filings March 15

Armando Quinonez, filed for theft of

March 16 Robert Torres Niavez, filed for theft

firearms Willie J. Collins, Jr., filed for theft of

## **Wheat Board** to hold election

The Texas Wheat Producers Board, engaged in wheat research, market development, and services designed to add to the value of the crop, will hold its 14th biennial mail election between March 29 and April 12, 1999, according to Billy Vinson, farmer-elected chairman of the organization.

Six-year terms of five of the current fifteen board members expire at this time. Board members with expiring terms are eligible for re-election.

Any farmer producing wheat in Texas is eligible to vote for a board member for that district in which he resides.

Runnels County is included in District IV.

Vinson points out that any person qualifying to vote in the election may place his name in nomination for a six-year membership on the Texas Wheat Producers Board by application to the orga-

The application must be signed by himself and at least ten other persons eligible to vote in his district in the election, at least 30 days (February 11 - March 12) prior to the final election date (April 12), in order to have his name placed on the ballot.

The election will be held by mail ballot, which will be provided to all eligible voters 15 days prior to the election.

Vinson also indicated that any person qualified to vote who does not receive a ballot 15 days before the election date may obtain one at any Agricultural Extension Service office as provided by the Texas Commodity Referendum

Applications for names to be placed on the ballot should be sent to the organization's headquarters office, 2201 Civic Circle #803, Amarillo, Texas 79109.

Thank you for reading The Winters Enterprise

## **Financial Focus**

By Jimmy Newsom

# Welcome to the World of **Internet Investing**

Is cyber-investing in your future? Would you like to use your computer to locate the nearest financial-services office, calculate how much money you'll need for retirement or monitor the performance of the stocks in your port-

For an increasing number of investors, the answer is "yes." About 24 million people in the United States and Canada are already online, and that number is expected to grow to nearly 200 million by the year 2000. Many of these people want access to the latest financial information in a manner that is fast and efficient, and the Internet offers a way for investors to bring Wall Street right to their own homes and offices.

As the demand for online financial information grows, more and more financial-services firms are responding with Web sites on the Internet. During a visit to a firm's "home page" investors can select from a wide range of information and services. You'll find everything from current stock market quotes and commentary, to branch-office locators, schedules of local events, offers for free literature and research reports, and even career opportunities. Other features include e-mail capabilities that enable users to correspond directly with the firm's headquarters or local branch offices and interactive pages that enable users to calculate earnings potential, future income needs, future college costs and more.

An area of increasing interest among many online investors is the ability to review their account information and to buy or sell investments on the Internet. However, concerns about the security of confidential information, limi- which investment decisions and tations in gaining access to actransactions are made. Internet count information and trading sites are a valuable addition to the capabilities on high-volume trading days because of capacitystrained computer systems have dampened some investors' enthuasset to an investor's strategy. siasm for these features.

In addition, while being able to trade securities day or night at the touch of a button may sound tempting, a word of caution is necessary. History has shown that investments held for the long term provide the most attractive results. This means investors must be disciplined enough to avoid letting short-term market events affect their long-term investment strate-

Just as owning a medical dictionary doesn't enable laymen to diagnose their own illnesses, neither should online trading cause serious investors to refrain from consulting with financial professionals. Buying or selling a specific investment is usually the simplest dimension of the investment process. Far more important is the relationship between investors and their financial advisers, and the decisions that evolve from their consultations. Assessing an investor's risk tolerance, establishing objectives and weighing the strengths and weaknesses of myriad investment alternatives are critical roles played by professional financial advisers.

Wise investors use high-tech financial Web sites as a complement to the one-on-one relationship they have established with their personal investment representative. They use the sites as a source from which to gather information and research ideas, ultimately relying upon their investment professional to help them evaluate those ideas and determine the most appropriate strategies based on their own long-term financial goals and objectives.

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# **Scotopic Sensitivity Syndrome** frustrating for everyone involved

by Deb Pritchard Second of a series

tual problem with the way the brain receives the message from the eye about what you are seeing, caused by a sensitivity to light. It can affect reading and I think this is how I've learned to writing based activities as well as poor depth perception.

When Kourtney Cathey would play summer league softball when she was younger, her coach always found her a designated hitter. "The ball would whiz by my face and I would never know it had gone by until I heard it hit the catcher's mitt," Kourtney said.

In high school, Kourtney ran both cross country and track. She never wears her Irlen lenses or contacts. "In cross country I found the person I knew would be out front and focused on a portion of their back."

Her freshman year she was a member of the girl's varsity cross country team that finished ninth at state. "I run long distance in track. I find the inside white line on the track and follow it."

As for the computer, "I always had to make it a black and white screen. Then I'd have to turn it down so dark that no one else could read it, but I could."

With her glasses—she can use color on her screen now and spend a considerable time at the computer. However, the words will still move on her screen from time to time.

Homework was and is a struggle. Kourtney's mom Cindy said, "Homework was (before they knew about the scotopic sensitivity and dyslexia) a fight every night. She would always make be ADD (Attention Deficit Disexcuses to get out of it for a while. It was frustrating. Bill (Kourtney's dad) could work with her." Once she knew about Kourtney's problems she said "it made me feel awful."

"If it's a paragraph to read, I it shouldn't be happening." can get through it. If it's say a When they found out about the chapter in government, I have to have it read to me. Dad will read lief to think it might clear up her to me. I have to sit in the middle reading problems. She had done

Scotopic sensitivity is a percep- of the floor where there are no distractions and I have to keep myself sitting up so I won't go to sleep." said Kourtney.

"I'm more an auditory learner. compensate for my learning disabilities. I can remember everything I hear and repeat it back nearly word for word."

"I don't think I had ever made an 'A' in English until this year when I had Mrs. Davis for Senior English. I would go in every morning at 7:15 a.m. I wanted to prove them (anyone who had ever doubted her abilities) wrong," she

"Mrs. Davis would be amazed by some of the things I could remember and put into an essay question. I remembered stuff from the very beginning of the class. The others in the class would be 'what?'—They hadn't remembered her saying that."

Cindy agrees. "She's trained herself to listen very carefully. She's built on a skill she knows she can do better with. This is not unusual for a scotopic child," said Cindy. "Kourtney writes very well, if you overlook the spelling and grammar."

"Everything academic for them (scotopic children) is a constant struggle. Copying something from the board to their paper is nearly impossible. Testing is an absolute chore." she said.

When Cindy reflects back to Kourtney's elementary years she thought she was just messin' around and would tell her to get focused. She still thought it might

"I remember in the third grade she'd get sick to her stomach everyday. I guess it was from constantly chasing the words and turning the book to read. I knew

problems, Cindy said it was a "re-

well in kindergarten, but she also had a dyslexic teacher who could understand what she was doing."

"She did pretty good in the first grade-but she had a very strong phonics based teacher. That's what dyslexic kids really need. But by second grade when she had to use decoding skills and read sight words, her reading got worse.'

After Kourtney's diagnosis, Cindy became a 'concerned parent' as well as a teacher. She approached the administration about program to meet the needs of scotopic and dyslexic children, but got nowhere at the beginning.

Of course, with her child's academic future at stake, she was quite persistent. In the spring of Kourtney's sixth grade year she was given the opportunity to teach a dyslexic curriculum herself.

She spent one week of that summer in Dallas for dyslexia training. In addition she has had scotopic sensitivity screening training in Ardmore, Oklahoma. She has attended every possible continuing education training in

She teaches 42 dyslexic students daily for 45 to 60 minute periods. She is servicing over 50 scotopic sensitivity students with screening and overlays. Sixth grade teacher Landa Grohman is also trained to do scotopic screen-

Scotopic sensitivity screening costs between \$50 and \$100 per individual by a private screener. It is free to students in the WISD. The colored overlays the students are given are free as well. If they damage them however, they are charged for a second set.

"It's a pretty cheap way to help kids read. It's not going to help everyone or every learning disability. But if we can help one phase or layer of a child's inability to read-if we can fix that one, maybe other phases will improve," Cindy said.



MIRANDA TORRES GIVES LITTLE BROTHER MARCUS a tour of the 'cereal box house' in her kindergarten classroom during Open House activities earlier this month. Students in Cheryl Butler's class collected 100 cereal boxes to build the playhouse on the 100th day of classes. Miranda and Marcus are the children of Eve Torres.

#### **Winters Public** Library awarded \$2,500 grant

The Winters Public Library has been awarded another grant this time for \$2,500. The Texas Book Festival Award is sponsored by the Texas Book Festival and Texas Library Association.

Mrs. Laura Bush, First Lady of Texas, will recognize the award winners at the Second General Session of the Texas Library Association Annual Conference in April.

In other library news, the board wishes to thank those who supported the "42" Bridge tourna-

Trophies were awarded to Sue Prewit as the ladies "42" champion and Ed Bredemeyer as the mens "42" champion. Rita Stephenson was the ladies Bridge champion and Gene Clardy won the men's division.

The country/western dance slated for April has been canceled.

## **Police Beat**

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

March 14, 1999, through Saturday, March 20, 1999. Winters Police Officers: • received a report of a theft in the 200 block of E. Truett

 arrested Benjamin Diaz, 20, of Santa Anna, for public intoxication and resisting arrest after a report of a disturbance in the 300 block of Wood.

 received a report of criminal mischief in the 500 block of Lamar. received a report of a runaway juvenile in the 200 block of Willis.

•received a report of several forged checks, this case is still under investigation and charges will be filed on a suspect. •arrested Mark Garcia, 30, of Winters, for public intoxication after officers

received a report of a disturbance in the 300 block of Tinkle •received a report of a family disturbance in the 400 block of E. Pierce. Separation

was made and no charges were filed. •received a report of criminal mischief in the 200 block of W. Pierce. •Issued a citation to Christopher Lee Cutright, 19, of Lawn, for minor in consump-

tion of alcohol (DUI) and possession of drug paraphernalia after a traffic stop on North Runnels County Crimestoppers offers a cash reward for information which leads to the grand jury indictment or conviction of offenders and the caller does

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The City of Winters will be accepting applications for housing rehabilitation under the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs HOME Program, Wednesday, March 26, 1999, from 9:00 AM to 5 PM at the Winters City Hall, City Council Chambers. Applicants must sign the waiting list in the Council Chambers. If an applicant cannot attend, a relative or friend may begin the application process.

This program is limited to low-income applicants (as defined by HUD) who are elderly (62 years or older), disabled (as documented by a physician or governmental authority) or applicants with a family member diagnosed with HIV or AIDS. All applicants must own a home within the City of Winters.

The Housing Rehabilitation Program provides help to eligible homeowners. A program information sheet is available at the Winters City Hall. Applications will be accepted for 30 calendar days. However, the homeowner must provide all documentation during this period in order to determine eligibility. Applicants not providing documentation will not be considered for eligibility. Please bring the following for your application:

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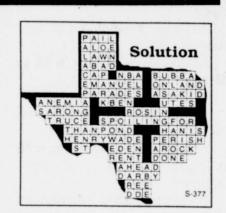


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## **Concho Valley Cotton Conference** slated for March 30 in San Angelo

Conference will be held on Tuesday, March 30 at the San Angelo Convention Center.

The program is co-sponsored by Texas Agricultural Extension Services and Southern Rolling Plains Cotton Growers Association. The event runs from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Topics of interest include "Insect Pest Outlook," "Perennial Weed Control," "Ultra Narrow Row Cotton," "Economics of Bt on Dryland," "Market Outlooks on Cotton & Grain Sorghum," "Plant Populations on Bt Cotton,""Twin Buttes Dam Project Status," "Herbicide is a \$10 registration fee.

The Concho Valley Cotton Carryover in Dry Years," "Band vs. Broadcast Fertilizer Applications," "Underground Water and Legislation-Update."

Six CEU's will be issued to private non-commercial and commercial applicators who attend the entire program. Mandatory attendance for CEU's does not include the Southern Rolling Plains Cotton Growers Association Annual Meeting

There will be a catered complimentary luncheon at noon. Registration is required through the Runnels County Extension Office at 365-5212. If you have not already pre-registered, there

## **Cotton Marketing Workshops** to be held in March

The Extension Service will be and Break Even Prices. holding a series of Cotton Mar-West Texas during the month of March.

Such a workshop will be held in Abilene on March 26. The location is the Taylor County Extension office, which is located on 6101. the grounds of the Taylor County Expo Center.

The session will run from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The speakers will include Dr. Carl Anderson, Professor and Extension Economist: Cotton Marketing Specialist and Dr. Jackie Smith, Professor and Extension Economist-

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The registration fee is \$30.00 and includes a meal plus an extensive set of materials.

Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid or accommodation are asked to contact the Taylor County Extension Service at 672-6048 one week in advance of the program.

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**RUNNELS COUNTY FARM BUREAU** 

#### Farm Bureau appeals to legislature for assistance to Texas farmers

The president of Texas' largest farm organization is appealing to the Texas Legislature for assistance as Texas farm families face the prospect of another bleak

Bob Stallman, president of the Texas Farm Bureau, wrote a letter to all Texas Senators the week of March 15, urging support for the Ogden Bill, a package of assistance for Texas agriculture, which is reeling from the affects of drought in two of the last three years, and continued low commodity prices.

The bill, introduced by Sen. Steve Ogden (R-College Station), provides for a rebate of up to 30% of feed, seed, and fertilizer crop inputs by individual agricultural producers. Assistance would be limited to the lesser of \$15,000 or twice the property taxes paid on agricultural valued land.

"The funding of this program could be particularly important to producers in 1999," Stallman

wrote, "Federal assistance, to this point, has been very short in dollars and slow to reach the producer."

In the letter, Stallman also expressed his appreciation to Governor George W. Bush, who designated 167 drought stricken Texas counties as eligible for federal disaster assistance.

"Many parts of Texas have not recovered from last year's drought," Stallman said, adding that, in many areas, planting a crop would be futile, with not enough moisture for the seeds to

Stallman said it is still to early to write off the 1999 crop, but lingering effects of the 1998 drought and low commodity prices have left agriculture in Texas "in a very desperate condition."

Stallman, a rice farmer from Columbus, asked the Senators to support S.B. 706, the bill introduced by Ogden.

The drawing for a Dankworth

ham was held at the end of the

meeting with R.C. Kurtz the lucky

winner. It was voted that all the

raffle money would be donated to

There were 26 members, two

Christmas In April.

#### not be playing team sports when they become teens. Between the ages of 8-13 years, about 72 percent of all children drop out of organized sports programs. Too

often, bad experiences outweigh good ones.

#### Reasons Children Quit:

 Not enough playing time · Criticism from parents and

Springtime brings baseball fe-

Three out of four children will

ver. Little League teams are form-

ing, practicing, playing, and hav-

ing a great time. Or are they?

- Playing sports was no longer
- · Too much emphasis of win-

#### Make Sure Your Child is Ready for Team Sports

Your child is probably ready if: · He is begging to join a team NOW

 She is always practicing with or organizing kids in the neigh-

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Your child may be ready later · She enjoys watching other

kids play He thinks playing pleases a

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News & Views

By Patricia Hohensee, Extension Agent-HE

Make sure organized

sports are a positive

some of the rules · He is unable to swing a bat at

#### Make Sports a Positive Experience

Parents should:

- Be supportive, courteous, and use positive language and actions before, during, and after a game
- Bring children to and from each game or practice in a timely manner
- · Compliment children on their efforts
- · Focus on the fun aspect of sports and comment on how much fun your child appears to be having in scoring the run or running up and down the field
- Practice sports and attend professional events together
- Read stories about famous sports heroes and share your own experiences
- ·Know about your child's coach including coach's philosophy, references and behavior
  - Parents should not:
- · Be intoxicated, verbally abusive, or critical of coach or ref-
- Drop off or pick up children consistently late to games and practice
- · Focus on winning or the final score
- Make your child's experience • She seems confused about with team sports a positive one.

Winters 4-H Club raffles ham; donates all proceeds to CIA

The Winters 4-H Club held its monthly meeting Monday night at the Catholic Church Fellowship

Cody Pritchard and Scott Bryan presented a program entitled "Daddy Will You Take Me Huntin", about bobwhite quail and quail hunting.

Mandy Pritchard presented a prose reading entitled "The Real Story of the Three Little Pigs."

Cody gave the Pledge of Allegiance. Luke England led the 4-H motto and Jared Airhart gave the inspiration. John Heathcott gave the treasurers report.

Patricia Hohensee and Brandon Morgan gave reports from the extension office including method demonstration dates and dead-

## Winters places tenth in livestock judging contest

Winters FFA finished tenth in the Sweetwater Livestock Judging Contest on Saturday, March 20. Jeffrey Jordan was named fifth high individual.

Team members included Jordan, Chanda Hoppe, Georgetta Horton, Robby Heathcott, Ben Blaine, and Stefanie McGallion. Winters will compete in area FFA judging competition on Thursday, March 25, at Tarleton State Uni-

leaders, and five adults present. Refreshments were provided by the Schwartz, Grohman, Green, and Geistmann families. 4-H dance—

# 'Jail House Rock' slated for Saturday

Runnels County 4-Hers will have a unique opportunity to experience the new jail in an educational and entertaining way on Saturday, March 27. The County 4-H Council is sponsoring a 'Jail House Rock' for 4-H families and their guests.

Beginning at 7 p.m., Sheriff Bill Baird will address the group with his message that staying on the right track is a smart alternative to having to spend time in jail. He will also be conducting group tours of the facility during the evening.

A 'Jail House Rock' dance and entertainment will be held in the interior recreation area until 10 p.m. Winters 4-Hers are to bring a large bag of chips.

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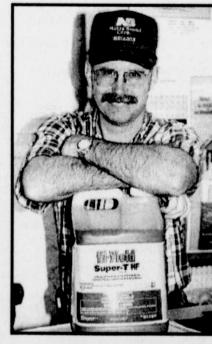
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