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New jail's first electricity bill almost five times previous cost

Runnels County Commissioners missed a chance to set a record for the shortest meeting on record by discussing bulldozers, grass seed, and the electric bill at the new jail at their special meeting on Tuesday.

Agenda items were completed in a record 15 minutes, but the other discussions extended the meeting to 40 minutes.

County Judge Marilyn Egan told commissioners the county had received the first electric bill for the new jail and it was approximately \$2,900, compared to about \$600 per month for the old jail. After a few deep breaths, Commissioner Ricky Strube asked the question on all the commissioners' minds — Why?

It was pointed out that the new jail is a controlled climate (air conditioned) and there are more inmates than were held at the old jail. It was suggested by Commissioner Strube that someone check to see at what temperature the thermostats are set.

Agenda items at the meeting included the approval of contracts between the county and Miles Independent School District and Olfen Independent School District for tax assessment and collection services. The contract with Miles calls for the county to be paid \$.55 per parcel and with Olfen \$.50 per parcel. Both contracts are for the period August 1, 1999, to July 31, 2000.

No action was taken by the court on a request from the Sterling County Underground Water Conservation District for Runnels County Commissioners Court to pass a resolution asking the Texas Railroad Commission to release to the public the report of Jeff Paine of the Bureau of Economic Geology relating to an aerial electromagnetic survey performed in the Hatchel area. Judge Egan quoted from a letter received from Bob Jennings of the Water District, saying he fears "the report will never be 'completed' because

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Menu changes—

Luau is today at Rock Hotel

The Rock Hotel will take on a tropical look today, June 17, as it will be the setting for a fund-raising Hawaiian luncheon. The Luau will be available from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Takeouts will be available.

Originally slated as a hamburger meal, the menu now includes Hawaiian Pineapple

Chicken, Shiitake Rice, Maui Maui Green Salad, Oahu Rolls, Waikiki Upside Down Cake, and your choice of tea or coffee.

Directors and friends are sponsoring the meal at a cost of \$5 per plate. All proceeds will benefit the restoration of the Rock Hotel.

Appraisal notices mailed to select property owners

Winters shows only slight increase in growth activity

The Runnels County Appraisal District mailed out Notices of Appraised Values to taxpayers June 4. According to Chief Appraiser Tylene Gamble, not every property received a notice. Property which has transferred ownership, had an exemption change or a value change which exceeds \$1,000, was mailed a notice.

The primary areas of re-appraisal for the 1999 tax year were Ballinger residential, Miles residential, and Ballinger commercial (Hutchings Avenue). Some other areas were also reviewed for uniformity.

Gamble says that in reading the appraisal notice, the 1998 value and the 1999 proposed value are given for comparison. Also

shown is the 1998 tax rate and an estimate of taxes based on that rate. Gamble stressed the appraisal district does not set tax rates nor levy a tax. "Our responsibility is very clear—property will be valued at market value based on current, actual sales prices in the area," she said.

The rate which generates revenue from that appraised value is set by each taxing unit based on their revenue needs.

Gamble said, "In evaluating current market conditions, we gather as much information on sale transactions as possible. Then we determine if sales are consistently higher, the same, or lower, than our appraised values. This tells us the typical, or general per-

A really sticky situation



JACK PRITCHARD seems to have his hands full as he wrestles with melted strands of chewing gum during a T-ball game of 5 & 6-year olds.

State finance bill gives higher pay for teachers and others

Winters ISD to get estimated \$300,000

According to Winters ISD Business Manager Jimmy Butler, Winters hopes to receive an estimated \$300,000 of the \$4 billion school finance bill recently signed into law by Gov. George W. Bush.

The bill increases spending on the state's 1,036 districts by 13 percent and earmarks money for property tax cuts, \$3,000 across-the-board teacher pay raises and debt retirement assistance for the next two years.

Butler said, however, that the \$300,000 figure is not definite at this time. "There are still some factors that must be determined," he said, citing property values which won't be set until the end of July and average daily attendance for the '98-'99 school year.

And when asked where the money will come from after the two-year state funding, Butler said, "I guess we'll all just have to wait and see."

But, thanks to the new bill one thing is clear: Winters teachers are in line to receive their biggest pay raise in years.

The WISD already has in place a salary schedule that increases teacher pay for each year of experience. The funding bill requires the district add \$3,000 to each step on that schedule.

Beginning salary for a first-year teacher at WISD will increase from \$21,240 to \$24,240.

Winters ISD presently employs 74 teachers, one librarian, two counselors, and one nurse, all of whom will receive at least the minimum \$3,000 raise. According to local school board policy, aides and school secretaries are paid a percentage of the district's teachers' salaries. Aides receive 40% while secretaries get 45%.

The school superintendent, principals, business manager, dean of students and diagnostician are not included in the state finance bill.

WISD board issues raises; hires coach

Reconvening after a lengthy executive session Monday evening, members of the Winters school board voted to give a raise of \$3,600 to each of the following school personnel: Superintendent Mike Harris, Secondary School Principal Charles Kidwell, Business Manager Jimmy Butler, Dean of Students Bill Cathey, and Diagnostician Brenda Bahlman.

Trustees voted to give Elementary Principal Tammy Bright a raise of \$1,800. Mrs. Bright has just completed her first year with WISD.

In other action, Ed Poehls was hired as a teacher/coach, subject to assignment. Poehls joins WISD from Robert Lee where he has taught school and coached for about twenty years.

A resignation was accepted from Sherry Pollan, special education teacher.

Superintendent Harris told trustees that work was being done on removing the damaged gymnasium floor with plans to install parquet flooring.

Trustees also voted to let bids for the school depository contract. Presently, First American Bank holds the contract.

Present for the June 14 meeting were board members Allen Andrae, Jack Davis, Jr., Gary Moore, Jerry Sims, Ronald Presley, and Bob Prewit; Superintendent Harris, Business Manager Butler, Principals Kidwell and Bright, and Athletic Director Robin Byrd. Absent was board member Larry Walker.

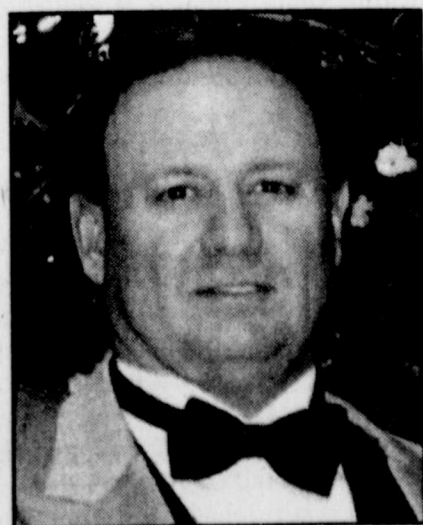
Winters Ex named first male, first coach "Teacher of the Year" at S'water ISD

Arlon Barnes has been selected by his peers as "Teacher of the Year" for Sweetwater Independent School District. He is the first male and first coach to receive the award in the six-year history of selection at SISD.

Barnes teaches honors and regular history and coaches football and powerlifting.

Coach Barnes will now be in the running for the title at the Region 14 level, to be determined at Abilene. If selected for Region 14, he will advance to the State level at Austin.

His philosophy for teaching includes cultivating social interaction, world awareness, and responsibility for one's actions. "I



Arlon Barnes

personally believe a responsible student will become a responsible adult," stated Barnes in a biogra-

phy he submitted for the competition.

Teaching for 24 years, 21 of those years at Sweetwater, he abandoned a legacy of illiteracy and shaped his own destination, with support from his mother and teachers. Barnes would like to thank all his former teachers, especially those at Winters for their early influence.

Barnes is a 1970 graduate of Winters High School and a 1975 graduate of Angelo State University. He earned a bachelor of science degree with a major in health and physical education and a minor in history.

Barnes is the brother of local resident Christeen Collins.

Sheriff seeking reserve jailers

Runnels County Sheriff Bill Baird has announced his desire to start a reserve jailer program for the county. Sheriff Baird said reserve jailers would be certified jailers and work on a volunteer basis at the Runnels County Jail. "They could become certified by a correspondence course," he said.

Members of the volunteer program would need to be at least 21 years of age. "The volunteers could certainly help save the county some money by serving a few hours a week," Sheriff Baird said.

For more information about the reserve jailer program and/or an application, interested persons should contact the Runnels County Sheriff's Department on Strong Avenue in Ballinger or call 365-2121.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- June 17-9 a.m.-Noon, VBS, First Baptist Church
- 10 a.m., 39+, First United Methodist Church
- 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Hawaiian Luau & Luncheon, Rock Hotel
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- Jim Bowie Days, Menard
- June 18-7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., TWC Business Conference, Abilene
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- Jim Bowie Days, Menard
- Cowboy Camp Begins, Santa Anna
- June 19-8 a.m.-3 p.m., YEC Youth Garage Sale, Methodist Church
- 9 a.m.-Noon, VBS, First Baptist Church
- Jim Bowie Days, Menard
- June 20-Boy Scouts Depart For Camp
- June 21-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 6 p.m., Weight Watchers, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- June 22-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- Noon, Lions Club
- 7 p.m., WVFD
- WVFD Auxiliary
- June 23-8 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Farm Safety Day Camp, San Angelo
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- June 24-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 2-3 p.m., Reading Club, Winters Public Library
- 8 p.m., Rodeo & Dance, Coleman

Oil Bidness

By Reg Boles ©1999



There are lots of mundane tasks completed each day in the oil patch. Many are things we take for granted, and some are thought of as so routine that they are forgotten until something goes wrong.

As I have been reminded from time to time, buried inside the most common and ordinary task can be a nugget of opportunity.

Take pulling a rod-pumped well, for instance. The process of pulling wells and replacing pumps is accomplished hundreds, maybe even thousands, of times each day. It is a relatively straightforward process that all but the most inept workover crew can accomplish in a day's time or less.

Yet, despite the routine nature of the process, there have been a multitude of profit-enhancing opportunities arise from those that cared enough to try. Different pump configurations have developed from someone's wish to make it easier to pull pumps without damaging them. Another idea for centralizers came from someone who got tired of rods sticking on tool joints, and so on.

Another example might be acidizing. I was fortunate enough to hear an experienced hand at well stimulation from a major oil company share a few thoughts on acidizing and the lack of attention paid thereon, recently.

In the world of well stimulation, fracture treatments get all the glory. They cost the most, they are the most complicated, and they get all the press. "Huge frac job opens new pay," and "One million pound frac job brings big rates" scream the oil patch news magazines.

Acidizing is considered so common and so simple that very few people give it much forethought or concern. Everyone just uses a local rule of thumb for the amount of acid per foot, and the pumping sequence is usually copied from a form built 20 years ago by a field foreman with time on his hands.

But, the monetary value of acid jobs is almost twice what it is for frac jobs. Sure, frac jobs cost loads more per job, but less of them are done than the lowly acid job. Hundreds of acid jobs are done for every frac job. And, with that much money in the balance, a way to make a better application of a tool such as acidizing is right there for the taking.

Operators should try to analyze what they are going to accomplish by acidizing. Is it formation damage or is it scale? Is

15% HCl effective on these problems? Maybe acidizing staged with something other than ball sealers would be a better diversion. The questions to ask are great in number, but, most of the time, we prefer to just use the same methods because "that's the way it's always been done."

This is only the tip of the iceberg. We must all remember that what we do should have a purpose and any operator needs to understand that purpose. Otherwise, we are just throwing money at problems that we can't even identify, let alone solve.

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY

COMPLETIONS

Concho County

The Pickens Company has completed the Daniel #1 as a Wildcat, 6 miles N of Eden at an initial rate of 14 BOPD & 49 BWPD in the Lower Cook (perms 1848-52). Loc. is 600 FSL & 2313 FWL of Sec. 146, Blk. 72, T&NO Sur., A-1145.

Nolan County

Chisholm Exploration has completed the Adkins Unit #1 as a Wildcat, 13 miles SE of Sweetwater at an initial rate of 120 BOPD & 15 BWPD in the Canyon Reef (perms 5327-39). Loc. is 713 FNL & 330 FEL of Sec. 60, Blk. 20, T&PRR Sur., A-1654.

STAKINGS

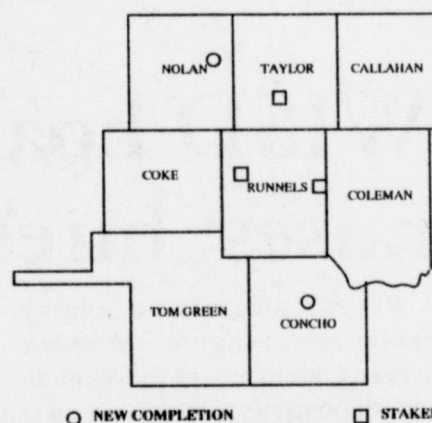
Runnels County

EDCO Petroleum has staked the Brown #5 in the Southeast Wilmeth Field, 2 miles SE of Wilmeth (Depth 3800). Loc. is 467 FEL & 600 FNL of R.A. Maulsby Sur., A-663 (RULE 36).

Pioneer Energy Corporation has staked the Snelson #5 in the Nordic Field, 5 miles NW of Talpa (Depth 4200). Loc. is 1787 FSL & 1531 FEL of Sec. 120, ETRR Sur., A-864.

Taylor County

Tom Graham Drilling has staked the Graham #1 in the County Regular Field, 3 miles N of Tuscola (Depth 2200). Loc. is 990 FNL & 20 FEL of Sec. 43, Blk. 1, SPRR Sur.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES for the Winters Independent School District include (standing left to right) Allen Andrae, Gary Moore, Jerry Sims, and Larry Walker. Seated, same order, Bob Prewit, Ronald Presley and Jack Davis, Jr.

Sr. Citizens Nursing Home News

By Billie Ruth Bishop

Recognizing volunteers

Last week I mentioned some of our volunteers and today I would like to recognize others. Thanks to Ramona Hanson and Rev. Joe Trevino who come on Mondays; Loritha Knight, Janette Bradshaw, Bonnie Lee, Freddie Bredemeyer, Dortha Lawrence, and Ollie Webb who come on Tuesdays; the churches and Margaret Anderson who come on Wednesdays; and Dortha and Ollie on Thursdays. And for all the visitors every day, we thank you and appreciate all you do.

This Thursday is birthday party time. Although there are no birthdays in June, we will still have a party. The First Methodist Church will host the party.

Mrs. Mary Dunivan has returned home. We wish the best for her.

We thank the family of Pete Higgins for the beautiful floral arrangements in the lobby and Pastor Jim and Ramona for the arrangement on the nurses' desk.

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the results may conflict with RRC priorities." The RRC does not have to release reports to the public until they are "completed."

Commissioners discussed the reasoning behind the Sterling Water District needing the information and decided to take no action on the request.

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- Monday, June 21:** Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, fruit salad, cornbread, and cherry crisp.
- Tuesday, June 22:** Beef casserole, Spanish rice, coleslaw, chips, and chocolate cake.
- Wednesday, June 23:** Liver & onions, baked potatoes, tomato salad, roll, and apple cake.
- Thursday, June 24:** Chicken & dressing, green beans, broccoli & rice, roll, and pecan pie.
- Friday, June 25:** Stew, vegetable sticks, Jello salad, cornbread, and peach cobbler.

Obituaries

Jack Curtis Morgan Jr.

WINTERS—Jack Curtis Morgan Jr., 54, died Thursday, June 10, 1999, in a San Angelo hospital.

He was born on August 22, 1944, in Seattle, Washington. He moved to Odessa, Texas, with his family as a child and graduated from Odessa Permian. Following his graduation, he entered the United States Marine Corps and served in Vietnam. He retired from the Marines in the mid-1960s and lived in El Paso. He moved to Winters in the early 1990s.

Mr. Morgan was an active member of the Winters American Legion and was a Baptist.

Survivors include his parents, Jack and Trudy Morgan Sr. of Ballinger; one brother, Larry Morgan of Allen; two sisters, Sharon Wiley of Gainsville, Georgia, and Karen Thorpe of Winters; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Services were held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, June 13, in the First Baptist Church in Winters with Reverend Barry Taylor officiating. Burial was in the Mesa T Ranch Cemetery, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

William Howard "Pete" Higgins Sr.

BRADSHAW—William Howard "Pete" Higgins Sr., 75, a lifetime resident of Bradshaw, died Wednesday morning, June 9, 1999, at North Runnels Hospital in Winters.

He was born on November 29, 1923, near Bradshaw in Taylor County. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II in the 112th Cavalry Division. He married Lenora Fowler on November 1, 1947, in Norton.

Mr. Higgins was a stockfarmer and served on the Elm Creek Water Control Board. He had worked for the Soil Conservation Service for several years.

Survivors include his wife, Lenora Higgins of Bradshaw; one son, William Howard Higgins Jr. of Dublin; three daughters, Nancy Ward of Longview, Barbara Vaughan of Hampton, Virginia, and Susan Shepard of Tuscola; one brother, Ben Higgins of Anson; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, June 12, in the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with Paige Baize officiating. Burial was in Bradshaw Cemetery, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Tutor Baynes, Bob Webb, Rich Petrie, William Higgins III, Kevin Higgins, and Zachary Vaughan.

Fritz Walter Spieker

BALLINGER—Fritz Walter Spieker, 78, died Thursday, June 10, 1999.

He was born February 13, 1921, in Hamilton County to Fred C. and Alma W. Marwitz Spieker. He served in the Air Corps during World War II. He married Frances A. Manske on July 22, 1942, in Texas. They resided in the Ballinger area for several years.

Mr. Spieker was a farmer and a former member of the Rowena Woodsman of the World, the Rowena Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the American Legion.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a son, Gary Lynn Spieker.

Survivors include his wife, Frances Spieker of Ballinger; one son, Donald Spieker and his wife Betsie of Weatherford; two sisters, Dora Galloway of Bronte and Elma Wanoreck of San Angelo; one grandson, Jason Spieker of Weatherford; one granddaughter, Jennifer Hill and her husband Marty of Cedar Hills; and one great-grandson, Zachary Hill.

Visitation was from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Friday, June 11, at Rains-Seale Funeral Home in Ballinger. Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, June 12, at the First United Methodist Church in Ballinger with Reverend Thomas Baden officiating. Burial was directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home at Garden of Memories Cemetery in Ballinger.

Nephews served as pallbearers.

Clarence "Vic" Knemeyer

BALLINGER—Clarence "Vic" Knemeyer, 81, died Saturday, June 12, 1999, at 9:30 a.m. in Ballinger Memorial Hospital.

He was born March 4, 1918, in Los Angeles, California, to Clarence Victor Knemeyer Sr. and Florence Bankson Knemeyer. He married Sandra Nuttall in Ballinger.

Mr. Knemeyer owned and operated an ambulance service in California before retiring and moving to Ballinger. He was a member of Kingdom Hall of Jehovah Witness in Ballinger.

He is survived by his wife, Sandra Nuttall Knemeyer of Ballinger; one daughter, Heather LaFollette and her husband Bobby of Ballinger; one sister, Janet Balian of Ballinger; two nieces; and two nephews.

A memorial service was held on Monday, June 14, at 2:00 p.m. in Rains-Seale Funeral Chapel in Ballinger. Arrangements were directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

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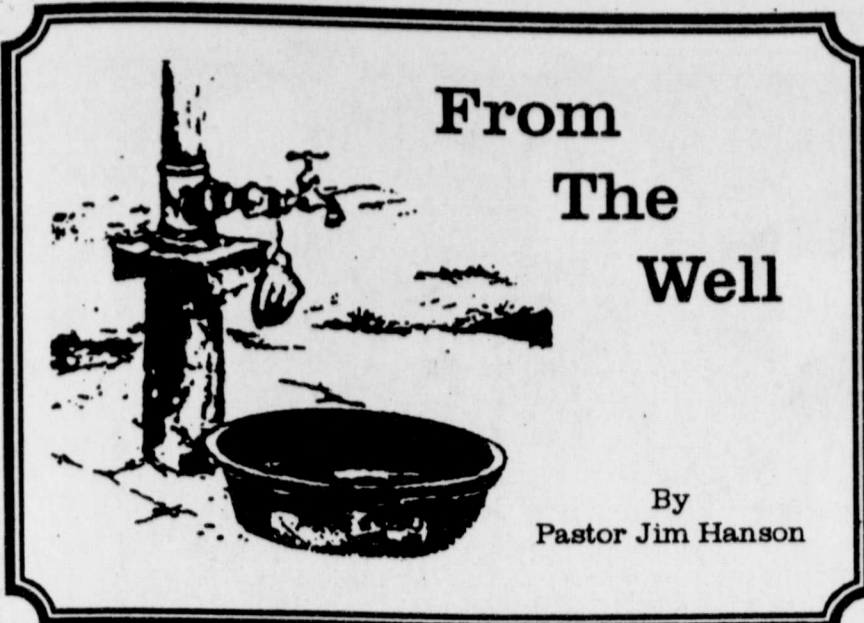
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From The Well

By
Pastor Jim Hanson



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Tom Brokaw calls them "The Greatest Generation." And he wrote a book by that title. Who is this generation? Members of the World War II generation. When Brokaw went to Normandy in northwest France in the spring of 1984 to prepare an NBC documentary on the 40th anniversary of D-Day, he had what he calls "a life-changing experience."

He writes, "As I walked the beaches with the American veterans who had landed there and now returned for the anniversary, men in the 60s and 70s, and listened to their stories, I was deeply moved and profoundly grateful for all they had done... These men and women came of age in the Great Depression, when economic despair hovered over the land like a plague. They had watched their parents lose their businesses, their farms, their jobs, their hopes. They had learned to accept a future that played out one day at a time. Then, just as there was a glimmer of economic recovery, war exploded across Europe and Asia."

I can remember, as a boy of 10, living in St. Paul, Minnesota, in August of 1939, being awakened by a newspaper boy hawking his papers, crying into the streets of the city. "Hear ye, hear ye, read all about it — 'Hitler declares war.'" And then, hearing my daddy go down the steps in his night robe with slippers on, to but that early edition. And... I hid my head under the pillow and cried and prayed. "O, no, God, no. Not a war."

It wasn't much later in September, that Hitler did begin it. And Japan took on China. "The two most powerful and ruthless military machines ever assembled, instruments of conquest in the hands of fascist maniacs." And then, that Sunday afternoon, December 7, 1941, as Paul Stumley, Roger Pickett, Curtis Sween, and myself were playing Monopoly in our living room, listening to the radio, the music stopped playing. And the announcement came. "Today, December 7, 1941, the Japanese Air Force attacked Pearl Harbor..."

We were stunned. And, then, in typical teenage wisdom, we all decided that this war "might last three weeks." Only to be interrupted by my big brother Rolf who said, prophetically to be sure, "Don't kid yourself. Everybody in this room will be fighting in this war before it is over." And all did, except for me. I was too young. Rolf went into the Navy two years later and served the South Pacific for three years. FDR called it, "a date which will live in world history... a day which will live in infamy." And it was. And it is.

"The Greatest Generation" answered the call to save the world. They faced great odds and late start, but they did not protest. "At a time in their lives when their days and their nights should have been filled with innocent adventure, love, and the lessons of the workday world, they were fighting, often hand to hand, in the most primitive conditions possible, across the bloodied landscape of France, Belgium, Italy, Austria. They fought their way up a necklace of South Pacific islands few had ever heard of before... Iwo Jima, Guadalcanal, Okinawa. They were in the air every day, in skies filled with terror, and they went to sea on hostile waters far removed from the shores of their homeland."

"After the war, they immediately began the task of rebuilding their lives and the world they wanted. They were mature beyond their years, tempered by what they had been through, disciplined by their military training and sacrifices. They married in record numbers and gave birth to another distinctive generation, the Baby Boomers. They stayed true to their values of personal responsibility, duty, honor, and faith."

"They became part of the greatest investment in higher education that any society had ever made, a generous tribute from a grateful nation... the G.I. Bill. Those who used it became 'a new kind of army,' moving onto the landscapes of industry, science, art, public policy, all the fields of American life... helped convert a wartime economy to the most powerful peacetime economy in history. And... they won the Cold War."

Brokaw writes, "I stand in awe of them... this is the greatest generation any society has produced."

I am inclined to agree with him. But, only after reading his book. You can buy it at Sam's for \$15. It's worth every penny. Full of true stories that real men and women of this generation told him. Reading it will rekindle in you those same values... personal responsibility, duty, honor, faith. Thank you, who are members of that **Greatest Generation**. And thank God for giving you the strength and faith you needed to become so.

Letter to the Editor

Writer blames parents for spoiled, troubled kids

Dear Editor:

I am one of five children my mother and daddy raised. It seems like every time I turn on the TV I hear about kids killing other kids or their parents. If parents would stop giving their kids everything they want, they will find that it would be different.

Parents buy new cars or anything a kid wants now days.

When I was growing up my parents made me work for what I wanted. I was taught that if I wanted something I had to work for it. I did not steal to get it and I did not throw fits because I did not get it.

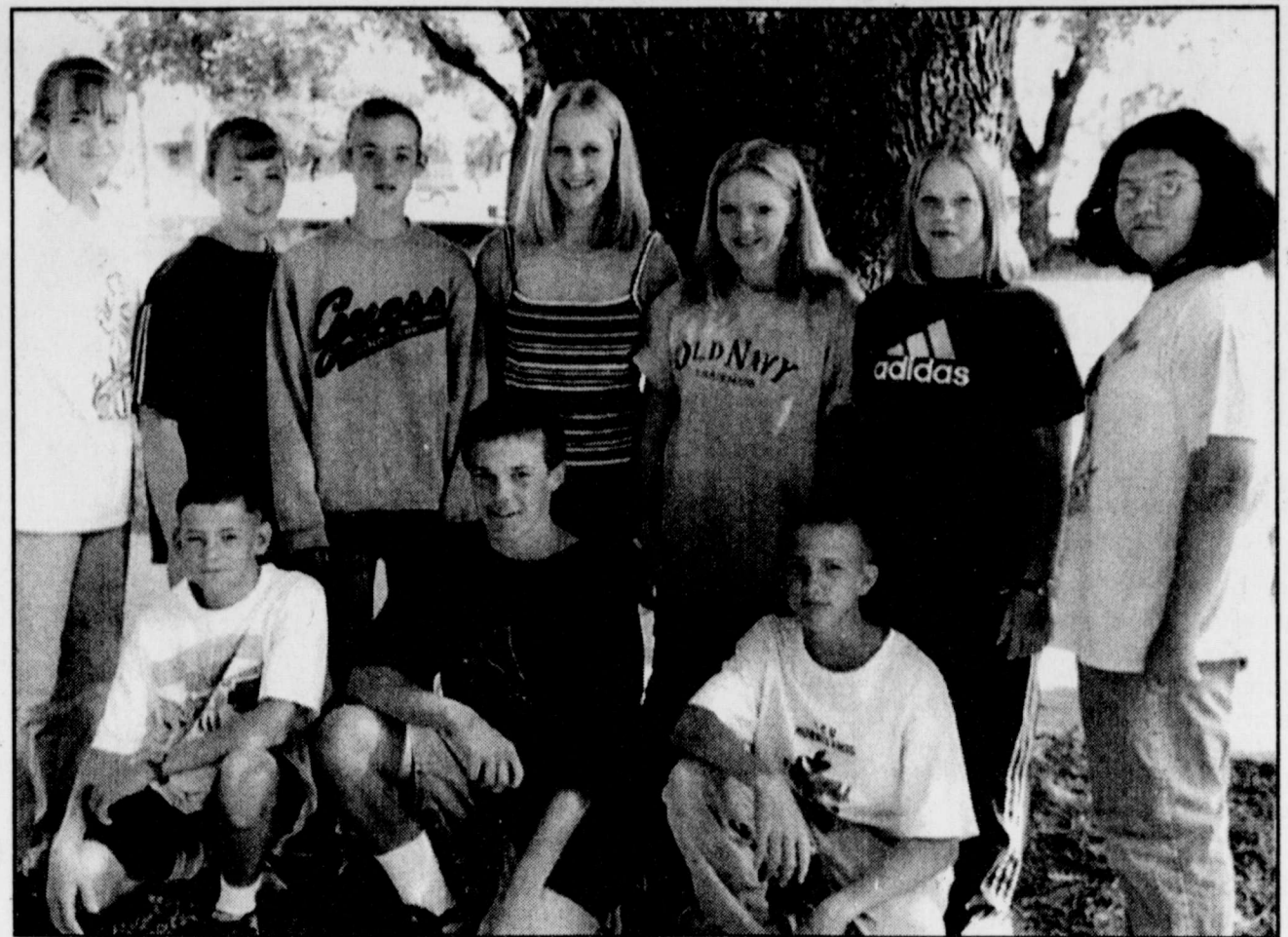
My dad and mom would take a belt and teach us right and wrong, and we needed right from wrong. I went to work to get what I wanted and so did the other kids.

(When) I wanted a pickup my dad told me to go to work and get it. I have a nephew whose daddy bought him a pickup. He worked one day, then drinks up his money. Then when he wants anything, his mom and dad buy it for him.

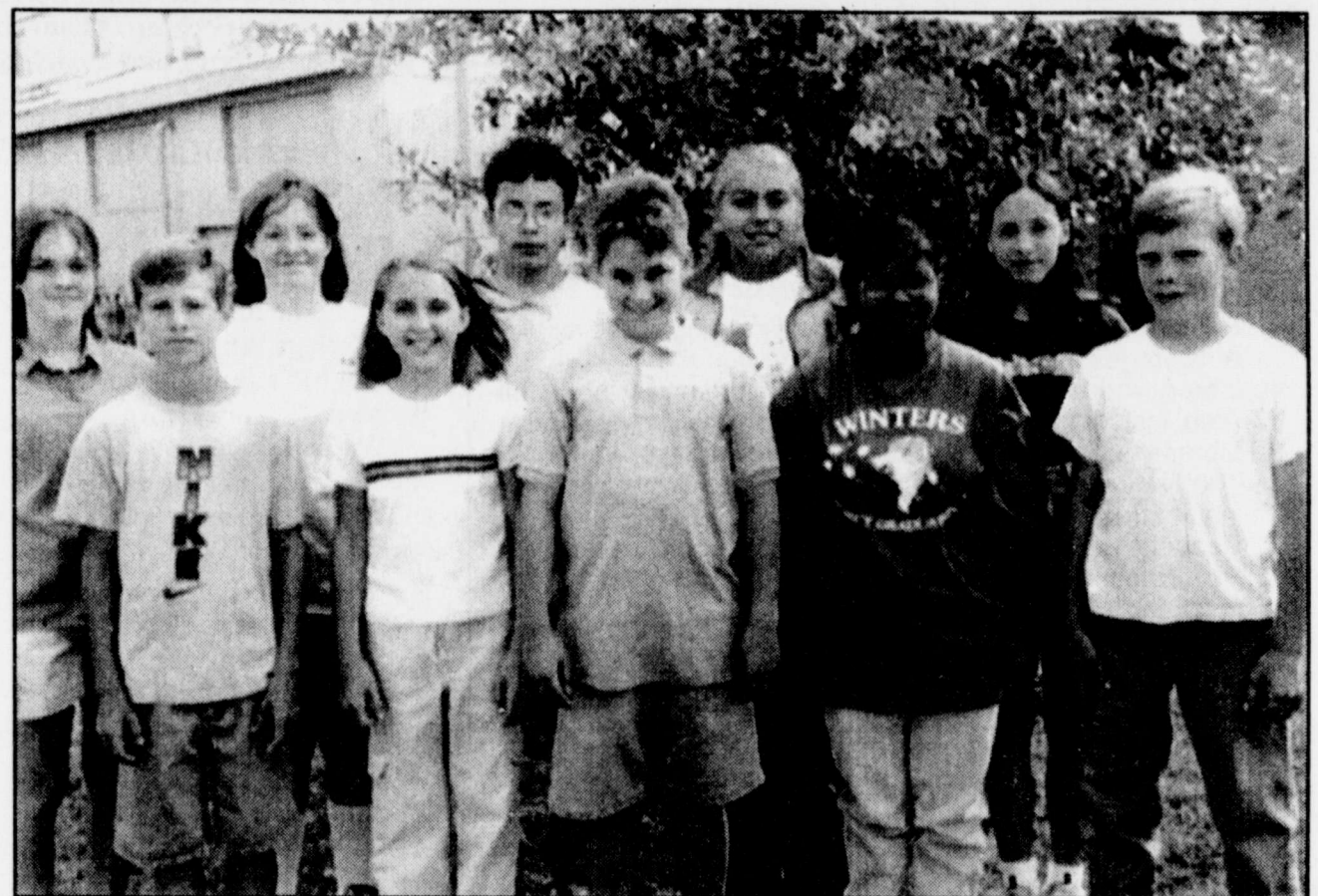
If parents would put their kids to work so they would not have so much free time on their hands, that would stop a bunch of killing. And if the parents would take a belt and spank a child like they should they would find things different.

And if they would quit showing so much killing on TV and radio it would stop the attention and the kids would have to get the attention at home. To me it seems like TV and radio make a hero out of the one that does the killing because they won't shut up about it. Channel 8 is the worst of all.

Thank you,
John Wright, Jr.



ACADEMIC TOP 10 STUDENTS in the eighth grade for the 1998-99 school year were (kneeling, l-r) Justin Lange, Shane Colburn, Guy Slimp, (standing) Stacey Walden, Leslye Geistmann, Stacey Sneed, Jena Bahlman, Allison Calcote, Lacey Meyer, and Kala Hagle.



ACADEMIC TOP 10 STUDENTS in the seventh grade for the 1998-99 school year were (l-r) Briana Parramore, Timothy Fenwick, Maegan Schwartz, Jessica Barron, Benjamin Valles, Chance Hogan, Raquel Rios, Cecilia Ovalles, Rebekah Sartor, and John Heathcott.

Texas Workforce Commission to host all-day business conference

Texas Workforce Commissioner Representing Employers Ron Lehman is inviting local area employers and managers to the Conference Center of the Abilene Civic Center at 1100 North 6th Street in Abilene on Friday, June 18, 1999, for a Texas Business Conference.

"All employers who can should take the opportunity to attend this conference. Our experts in employment law will discuss hiring, firing, the unemployment compensation appeals process, child labor laws, and other issues affecting employers on a regular basis," Lehman noted.

"This full-day seminar for business owners and managers is a great training bargain and has a

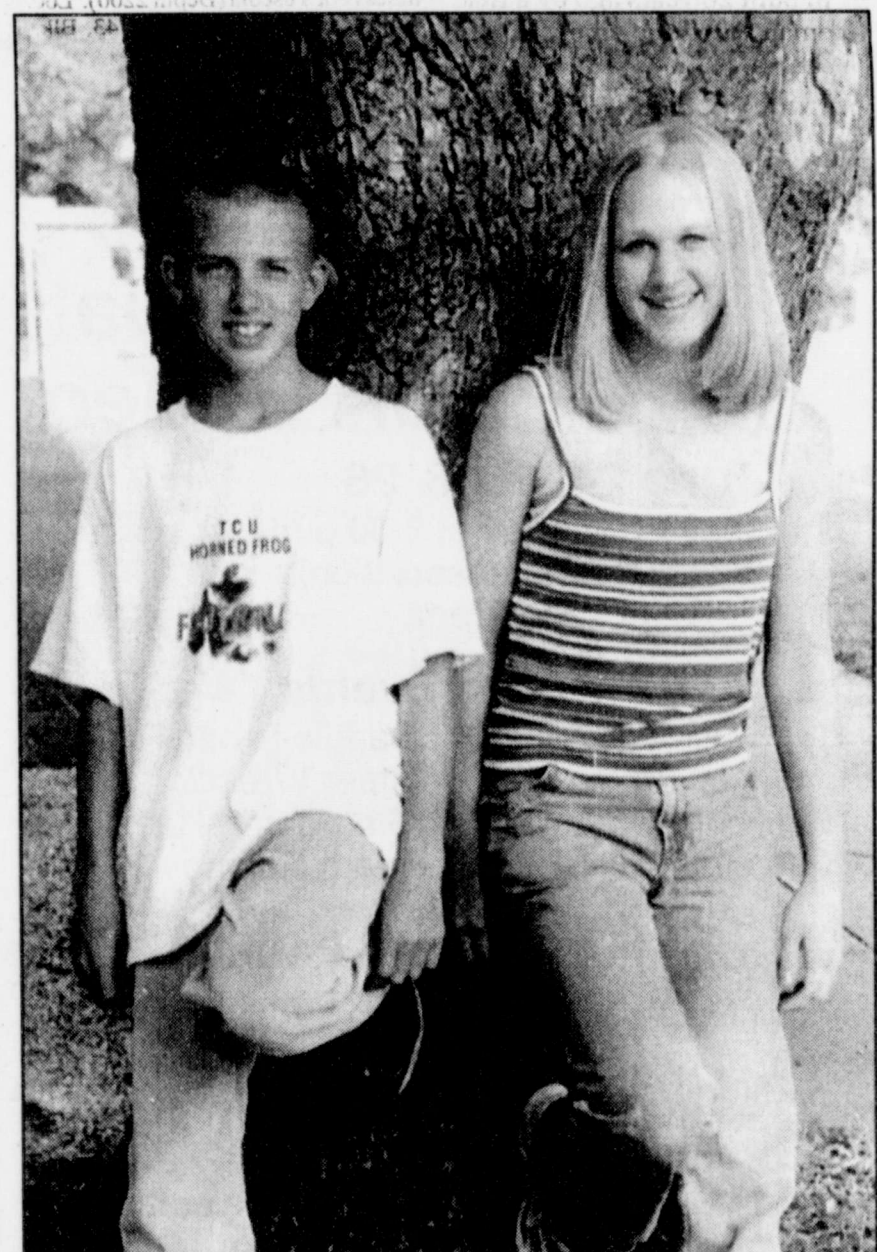
minimal registration fee," remarked Lehman.

"Issues such as the Fair Labor Standards Act, Texas Payday Law, and other subjects of particular interest to local area employers will be addressed by workshop facilitators," Lehman explained.

Conference participants can register from 7:30-8:45 a.m. on Friday, June 18, at the Abilene Civic Center. The conference will begin with a continental breakfast.

"We encourage all employers in the Abilene area to attend," Lehman concluded.

For more information, contact 1-800-832-9394.



NAMED MOST REPRESENTATIVE BOY AND GIRL at Winters Junior High School for the 1998-99 school year were Guy Slimp and Jena Bahlman. Guy is the son of Kenneth and Mary Slimp. Jena is the daughter of Lanny and Brenda Bahlman.

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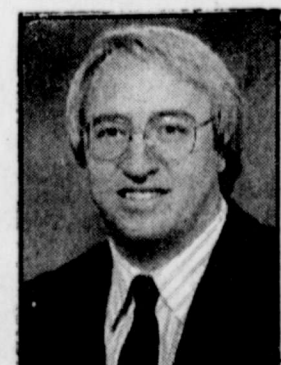
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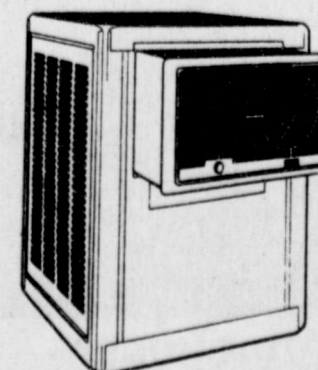
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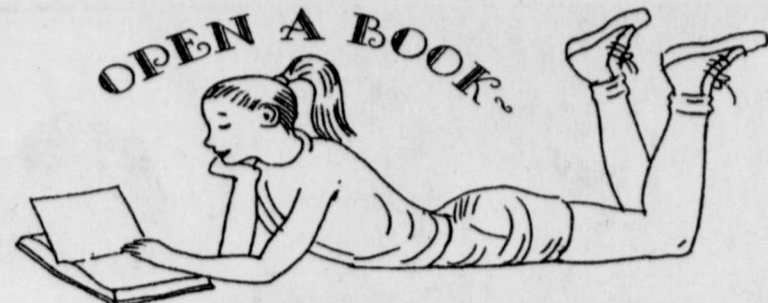
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The Winters Public Library is encouraging youth to read for pleasure. All kids are invited to join the summer reading club, co-sponsored by the Texas State Library and the local public library.

The statewide theme for 1999 is "Open A Book ~ On With The Show."

The first session was held June 16 with weekly sessions continuing on Thursdays, through July 15, from 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Prizes for reading a certain number of books, along with a drawing for 4 tickets to Schlitterbahn will be given com-

pliments of KTXS-Channel 12. A library card must be obtained before checking out books, and cards must be signed by a parent or guardian.

Also, if anyone would like to volunteer during these hours, please contact librarian Carolyn Scarborough, Monday-Thursday, 1:00-6:00 p.m.

July 5-July 15 will be Amnesty Days for overdue library books. Please check your book shelves at home. If you have an overdue book, you may return it with no fine. You may even put it in the outside drop box.

Top 10 reasons why summer reading programs are important

1. Studies have repeatedly demonstrated that summer reading helps children retain reading skills.
2. Reading is the single summer activity that is consistently related to summer learning.
3. Success in reading encourages more reading; more reading encourages more success.
4. Library reading programs provide opportunities to all children, including children with physical or learning disabilities.
5. Libraries provide a cool place to spend hot days.
6. The librarian can help children select books that are exciting, interesting, and fun to read.
7. Reading together is a great family activity, and it's free!
8. Programs and activities are available that encourage children to use their imagination.
9. Children can keep in touch with school friends, and make new ones at the library.
10. Children who can read can achieve their dreams.

APPRAISAL, cont'd.

are generally the same as any appraisal done by commercial appraisers.

"If you have an appraisal which is dated after January 1, 1998, we would be happy to review it," Gamble said.

For any questions regarding

property value or exemptions, please call the Runnels County Appraisal District at 915-365-3583, or visit the office at 406 Hutchings Avenue, Ballinger. Office hours are Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-12 noon and 1 p.m.-5 p.m.



PLAYERS IN PROGRESS BASKETBALL CAMP director Coach Robert White leads participants through basic drills during the annual summer camp. About sixty youths enjoyed the instructional camp which was led by Coach White, Coach Ken Fowler, Coach Deb Whittenburg and Coach Chris Bearden.

'99 Blizzard Basketball Camp recognizes champions

The 1999 Blizzard Basketball Camp was held June 1-4, 1999, with a total of 60 campers participating. Directors for the camp were Robert White, Ken Fowler, Deb Whittenburg, and Chris Bearden.

Winners of events for each session were named, as well as end of camp champions. Session one consisted of 6-, 7-, and 8-year-olds; session two was 9-, 10-, and 11-year-olds; and session three was 12- through 15-year-olds.

Results were as follows:

TUESDAY
 Session #1
Knock-out Champions
 Camille Kruse & David Stout
 Session #2
Three Line Knock-out Champs
 Addison Bergman & Bryce Wilkerson
 Session #3
Three Line Knock-out Champs
 Lauren Hogan & Shane Colburn
WEDNESDAY
 Session #1
Land, Air & Sea Champions
 Josh Lujano & Julie England
 Session #2

Three Line Knock-out Champs
 Erica Lujano & Aaron Colburn
Knock-out Champions
 Shelby Walker & Jayton Buxkemper
 Session #3
Three Line Knock-out Champs
 Tim Fenwick & Laci Walker/
 Stacey Sneed
Knock-out Champions
 Brian Pritchard & Laci Walker
THURSDAY
 Session #1
Knock-out Champions
 Braden Mikeska & Amber Garduno
 Session #2
Three Line Knock-out Champs
 Erica Lujano/ Jessica Meyer & Jayton Buxkemper
3-on-3 Cut Throat Champions
 "Stanford" — Aaron Colburn, Erica Lujano, Jessica Meyer & Luke Hale
 Session #3
Three Line Knock-out Champs
 Laci Walker & Chance Hogan/
 Shane Colburn
King/Queen of the Dribble
 Stacey Sneed & Guy Slimp
FRIDAY
 Session #1

Three Line Knock-out Champs
 Braden Mikeska & Amber Garduno
"Coach Says" Champion
 Julie England & Hayden Bergman
 Session #2
Three Line Knock-out Champs
 Addison Bergman, Jayton Buxkemper & Allan Green
Three Dribble One-on-One Champions
 Luke England & Susan Sneed
 Session #3
Three Line Knock-out Champs
 Stacey Sneed, Shane Colburn & Brian Pritchard
Three Dribble One-on-One Champions
 Maegan Schwartz & Brandon Davis
Land, Air & Sea Champions
 Lauren Hogan & Tim Fenwick
Knock-out Champion
 Chance Hogan
END OF CAMP CHAMPS
 Session #1
Lay-up
 Braden Mikeska & Amber Garduno
Hot Shot
 Braden Mikeska & Camille Kruse
Ball-Handling

Julie England & Braden Mikeska
 Session #2
Lay-up
 Jayton Buxkemper & Erica Lujano
Hot Shot
 Jayton Buxkemper & Erica Lujano
Ball-Handling
 Jayton Buxkemper & Erica Lujano
League Championship
 "Pacers" — Jayton Buxkemper, Trenton Grohman, Steven Kruse, Clinton Schwartz, Susan Sneed, Kody McCuiston & Hayden Wall
 Session #3
Lay-up
 Stacey Sneed & Shane Colburn
Hot Shot
 Kemari Hale & Brian Pritchard
Free Throw
 Kemari Hale & Shane Colburn
Ball-Handling
 Kemari Hale & Shane Colburn
3-on-3 Cut Throat
 "Kansas" — Tim Fenwick, Brian Pritchard & Guy Slimp
League Championship
 "Blazers" — Guy Slimp, Stacey Sneed, Maegan Schwartz, Marci Paschal & Tim Fenwick

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- Girls Barrel Racing
- Team Roping



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THESE EXCELLENT EXES aren't bragging that they're "number one" players; they're really saying they only know one play (and the referees) which was good enough to "beat" the WHS seniors 120 to 45 (or something) in a recent fundraiser basketball game to benefit the Players in Progress (PIPs) youth basketball program. Players included (barely still standing, left to right), Zane Guy, Phil Colburn, Randall Sneed, Charles Murphy, Doug Wheat, Barron Guy, Shane Mobley, Chad Russell, Dale Montgomery and Brandon Boles. Kneeling (because they couldn't get up) are Chris Bearden, Brett Mikeska, Chuck Lipsey, David Hale and Larry Walker. Game announcer was Bill "Harry Carrie" Cathey. Officials (??) were Randall "Snake-Eyes" Boles and Mike "What Foul?" Harris.

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Poe's Corner

By Charlsie Poe

The first meeting of John and Caroline Langham McNeill Part I of a series

Editor's note: A guest editorial follows, written by Dorothy West of Dallas, as requested by Charlsie.

This is a story about my maternal grandparents. They lived at an exciting time in our history. Their lives were an inspiration to all of us who follow.

John McNeill Jr. was born in Arkadelphia, Arkansas, in 1860 to John and Kate McNeill. He had a brother, Henry, and two sisters, Julia and Mary.

His family had a large plantation, lumber mill, cotton gin, flour mill, and syrup mill. John remembered abundances such as sweet potatoes roasted in the fireplace and roasted piglet with an apple in its mouth. But all was lost after the Civil War. John Sr. had all his money exchanged into Confederate money. John Jr. remembered seeing trunks full of it.

John Jr. had a scar all his life on his foot from a burn when the mill burned. He thought the ashes were cool, but hot ashes underneath burned him. He was 3 to 5 years old at the time.

John's mother, Kate, could not take the changes the war brought and soon died.

Mary, John's older sister, took charge of the household. After a few years she married, so John Sr.



Charlsie Poe

(penniless and heartbroken) decided to bring John Jr. to Texas. They went to Jacksboro, Jack County, Texas. They batched, farmed, raised horses, and John Jr. did odd labor jobs around town.

My grandmother, Caroline Lorena 'Carrie' Langham, was the daughter of Caroline Ellis and B.B. Langham. She was born in Midlothian, Ellis County, Texas, in 1867.

She was one of seven girls: Sally, Alice, Laura, Caroline 'Carrie,' Annie, Belle, and Cornelia 'Auntie.' There was one brother, Ben.

The girls were beauties. All of them had their own horses. Carrie went to boarding school in Nash, Texas. She boarded with the school superintendent, a Mr. Smith. They attended Mountain Peak Methodist Church.

Great Aunt Annie and Irene Merrick visited the old home place in 1964. It was still standing but was soon torn down. The

Langhams, as well as the Ellies, are buried in the Singleton Family Cemetery near Midlothian. It is now known as the Hoblitzelle Camp. It is located near the old Singleton homeplace and is by a beautiful spring.

Aunt Annie told of remembering trips to Dallas in wagons to sell cotton, then on to Sanger's Department Store to buy clothing and supplies. She especially remembered the many yards of material to be made into dresses, purchased at 5¢ a yard.

It is supposed that Carrie went to Jack County to visit her sister and brother-in-law, Laura and Harrison Martin, and while there she met John McNeill.

The story goes that Carrie was on her way (by horseback) from church and she met a man that she mistakenly took to be John McNeill. For some reason, the man thought this to be a big joke and started up a conversation with her. He later, laughing, told John about this. John wasted no time. He immediately saddled his horse and presented himself to Carrie. He said he would see to it that Carrie had the opportunity to meet the real John McNeill.

Soon afterwards, Carrie and John decided to marry.

John Sr. decided to take his part of the cattle and horses and return to Arkadelphia. John Jr. went with him to help with the moving. During the hard journey, John Sr. took pneumonia and became very ill. They made it back to Arkadelphia but his condition worsened and he died at age 60. John Jr. tried to get his father to travel by train or easier means but he insisted on helping with the cattle. John had to sell a treasured watch in order to care for his father.

Continued next week



PASSING THROUGH DOWNTOWN WINTERS were these participants in the annual March for Jesus celebration on May 22. The large group gathered at the city park for devotional and prayer services before marching down Main street. Coordinator Noelisa Loehman said, "God answered our prayers and the joy of the Lord was in our hearts as we stepped out to exalt our Savior Jesus Christ. We nearly doubled the march from last year."

Organizer says thanks for "March for Jesus" success

by Noelisa Loehman

God answered our prayers and the joy of the Lord was in our hearts as we stepped out to exalt our Savior Jesus Christ on May 22, with our "March for Jesus."

We asked for God's guidance and blessings for our communities and to show us how to love one another!

But before you take your last step in a "March for Jesus" you know in your heart and soul and you thank your Heavenly Father for His ultimate lesson already given to us about love — His Son Jesus Christ our Lord! Our perfect example to follow.

On June 10, 2000 we will have our next "March for Jesus" titled "Jesus Day"! But don't wait to exalt Him. Pick up your cross now and follow Him daily for He is the Way, the Truth and the Life!

As we see God's goodness surround our communities, let His will be done through each of us.

His mighty hand touched the hearts of His children and nearly doubled the march from last year. He blessed our finances and helped us feed the hungry in our area with almost 500 pounds of canned food which was donated to our area food pantries in Ballinger, Coleman and Winters.

Please continue to support these organizations with your volunteered help, donations and prayers.

It was an honor and privilege to be the organizer for this year's march. Thank you so much for your support and prayers. A special thank you to the Singing Summerlins; our musicians, Bobby Staggs, Bill Ivey and Billy Sherman; our city manager, Aref Hassan; and assistance at the part from Barbara Jones and Vera Kline and family.

Thanks to the Winters Police Department for the escort during our march. Thank you to area ministers and wives and all other volunteer help that provided vehicles, materials, and the giving of their time and efforts to make this event the awesome success it was.

And thank you to the area newspapers for the articles and to area businesses for helping get the word out.

Thank you Mitzi Butler for your excellent video tape and narration; to my husband Terry and my son, Adam, for their patience, help and support and to Terry for bearing the cross.

And to all God's children who came to exalt Jesus and for all of those in prayer who were unable to attend. May all of you be richly blessed!

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Classifieds Get Results

YEC Youth garage sale, Saturday

Winters youth planning to attend the Youth Evangelism Conference in San Antonio next weekend will hold a garage sale on Saturday, June 19.

The sale will be held at the First United Methodist Church Youth Activity Building beside the church. It is scheduled from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. A wide variety of clothing and miscellaneous items will be for sale.

All proceeds from the sale will benefit those youth attending the conference.

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, June 6, 1999, through Saturday, June 12, 1999. Winters Police Officers:

- arrested Chavion Marie Lawson, 19, of Winters, for an outstanding warrant out of Runnels County.
- received a report of a theft in the 200 block of E. Truett.
- received a report of a burglary of a habitation in the 500 block of N. Heights.
- received a report of a burglary of a habitation in the 400 block of State.
- arrested Johnny Joe Valles, 20, of Winters, for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon after a report of a disturbance in the 200 block of N. Church.
- received a report of a terroristic threat in the 700 block of W. Pierce. Charges are pending at this time.

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

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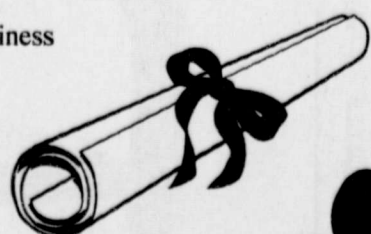


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- Gerber's
- First Baptist Church, Winters
- Milton's Hardware & Auto Supplies
- American Legion Post #261
- St. John's Lutheran Church
- Abilene Aviators
- Winters I.S.D.
- Girl Scout Troop #180 (1999 seniors troop existing K-8)
- The Winters Enterprise
- Ballinger Mercantile

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Class of '99



Esquivel on CJC President's List

PattiJo Esquivel, Cisco Junior College student from Winters, is on the recently released President's List for the spring semester of 1999.

Students making the President's List have made a straight "A" record on a 4.0 system.

Kozelsky named to Dean's List at Texas A&M, Corpus Christi

Jaenna Kozelsky was named to the Dean's List for the spring 1999 semester at Texas A&M University, Corpus Christi campus.

To qualify, undergraduates must be enrolled full time with a minimum of 12 semester hours and must earn a grade point average of 3.65 or better on a 4.0 scale.

Jaenna is the daughter of Mike and Carol Kozelsky of Winters.

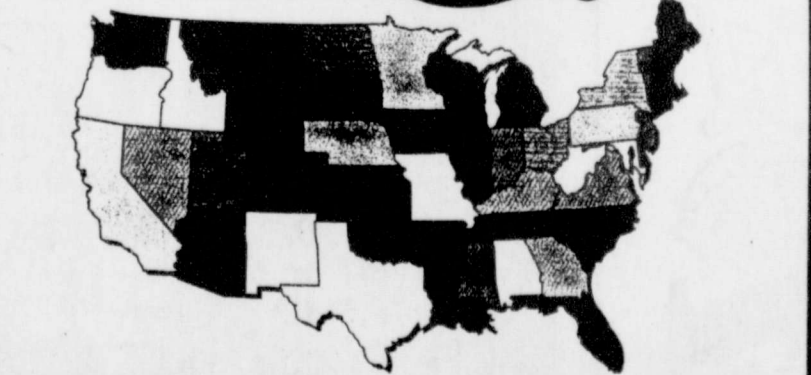
Linsey Brown on Baylor's Dean List

Linsey Nicole Brown of Winters was among 1,696 students named to the Dean's Academic Honor List for the 1999 spring semester at Baylor University.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student must be an undergraduate with a minimum grade-point average of 3.7 while enrolled in a minimum of 12 semester hours.



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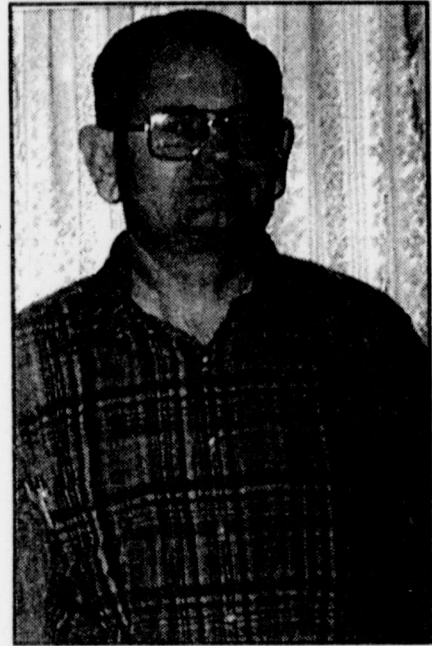
Everyday is Father's Day for two local dads who work in the family business with their children

by Deb Pritchard

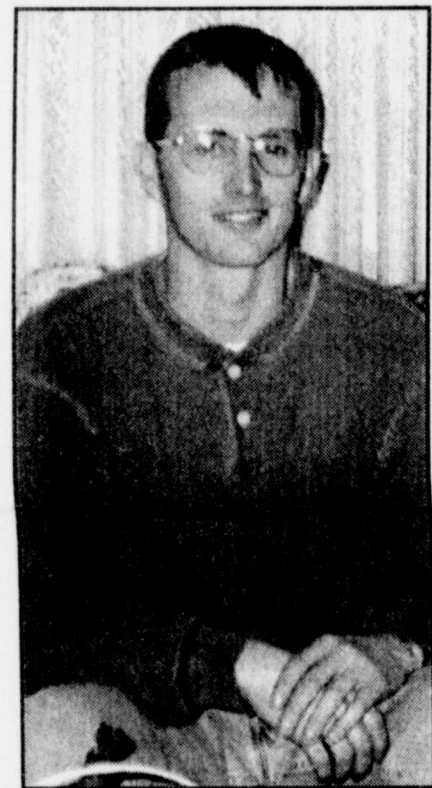
"The greatest gift I ever had, came from God . . . I call him Dad."
Anonymous

Some children visit their fathers on holidays, others have Sunday dinners every weekend. Then there are those who experience "Father's Day" five, six, even seven days a week. They work with their fathers in the family business.

Two such local families took time last week to share their thoughts about working side by side — father and child.



Gene Wheat



Doug Wheat

Gene and Doug Wheat (along with wife and mother, Jeanie) own and operate Bob Loyd L.P. Gas. Gene will have been in the business 48 years this December. Doug, age 30, has worked there through high school, summers, and college holidays. He has worked full-time for the past eight years.

"Dad exposed me to this business early on," said Doug. "I've always had a desire to keep this business going. It's not so much wanting to work with my dad as it is a desire to work in this type of business."

"Overall, it works out real well, said Doug. "Obviously, separating personal life from business isn't always easy—but we do a reasonably good job of it. Generally, the working environment is pleasant. It's pretty easy going most of the time—but when it's not," he smiles, "it's pretty tough."

"Dad's always focused on work. It's not only an occupation for him—it's his hobby too. He doesn't have a lot of other outside interests," he says as much from experience, as from a working relationship. "He expects it to be as important to me as it is to him. He expects a lot of hours of work. No nonsense—it's all work pretty much."

Generally, it's (their working relationship) gotten better each year as far as communication and understanding. He knows what I do well, and I know what he does well.

Doug claims there's been no "big blow ups"—but he's quick to add, "But we do have our differences of opinion on how to do things. Dad's been accepting of new technology real well for a man of his age. In general, he's becoming more flexible in our business and customer base."

"He's easier to talk to now than he's ever been. He realizes things are changing and (we) have to go in different directions." The changing times have included fewer farmers, an explosion in 1993, and a transport wreck in 1994. The most time consuming and emotionally, as well as financially, draining change though has been meeting underground tank

regulations since 1988. However, they met the 1998 deadline and are in full compliance.

As for the rest of the family, Doug's brother Bill and sister Julie spent their summers and vacations working in the business too, but didn't choose to pursue it full-time. Bill, 32, is an accounting manager in Arlington, and Julie, 27, is a computer information systems analyst near Brenham. Doug says, "They're very understanding. They didn't choose to come back and I did. They respect me for that—and I respect them for their decision."

"I do—I enjoy it (working with dad). He's such a fair and compassionate man as far as the customers," he states with pride and admiration. "He's taught me a lot in that way."

"I plan to be here—operating the business and keeping it solvent," he says with conviction. "I'd like to see dad take a little bit of time off," as he lets the family side of himself finish the conversation. "I'd like to see him take trips and golf more—he and mom do things together."

While Gene says "it's not possible for me to step down yet," he would like to cut back to three or four days a week, "when I feel we can manage that."

What he is sure of though, is what he thinks about working with his son. "It's quite a privilege that very few folks have. And it's so much greater with a son like Doug—who's very intelligent and has common sense to go with it. He's willing to do whatever there is to do; he's not afraid to get his hands dirty."

"It's good we have younger blood here," he says in all honesty. "He grasps things (newer business technology) much quicker than I could. He snaps things up. It's almost like I can see myself 25 or 30 years ago."

Doug started fully computerizing the business about seven years ago. "It'd been very hard for Jeanie and I both. We went to a little computer school—to learn how to turn 'em on," he laughs. "We waited as long as we could (to computerize). Doug sure filled the gap there."

Gene confirms that there haven't been any major arguments, because they don't let them get that far. But like Doug, he admits it's not all smooth sailing in a family business.

"At times it may take time away from the family. But I took time to do all the important things, like go to their (the kids) ballgames, take them to church, and encourage them. Mother

probably did some of that more than me, but I tried to take time for important things."

Come July, 1999, Gene and Dora Bernal will have been in business for thirteen years in Winters. They own and operate Casa Cabana Restaurant. Though all four of his children have worked by his side over those years, Gene now works alongside daughter Elma and youngest son Erik.

Elma, 30, postponed her first two years of college to help her parents open the restaurant when they moved to Winters from Ft. Worth. She now has a degree in computer information systems, but works with her family and is a project coordinator for a major construction company.

Erik began college this year at Baylor, but is unsure where he will continue his education this fall. Gene, 29, is a laser optics engineer in Waco, and Albert, 24, owns a Kirby factory distributorship, also in Waco.

Why do they remain with dad? "Because I worry about him, and his health," said Elma. "I've got school and computer systems, and I don't even work in my field. I came home. It's not for the money," she laughs, "it's a family thing."

Erik adds, "When all you do for the last thirteen years is watch your parents work day and night—I don't feel obligated . . . but (I feel) a need to come home holidays and summers."

Gene enjoys his children working with him. "I have a good time with them. They've learned the restaurant business. They know as much as Dora or me," he proudly adds. "I'm fortunate to have the family I have—to work together in good things and in bad, we're here depend on each other."

"A restaurant is a 24 hour a day job," said Elma. "My dad puts in 25 hours. Without him this place wouldn't run."

"Every cut of meat on someone's plate," said Elma, "is cut by my dad—cut and trimmed personally, not pre-cut. I remember sitting at the dining room table (in Ft. Worth) and watching my dad plan out the original menu. Right there—the whole thing! We stuck with it for a long time, until inflation hit."

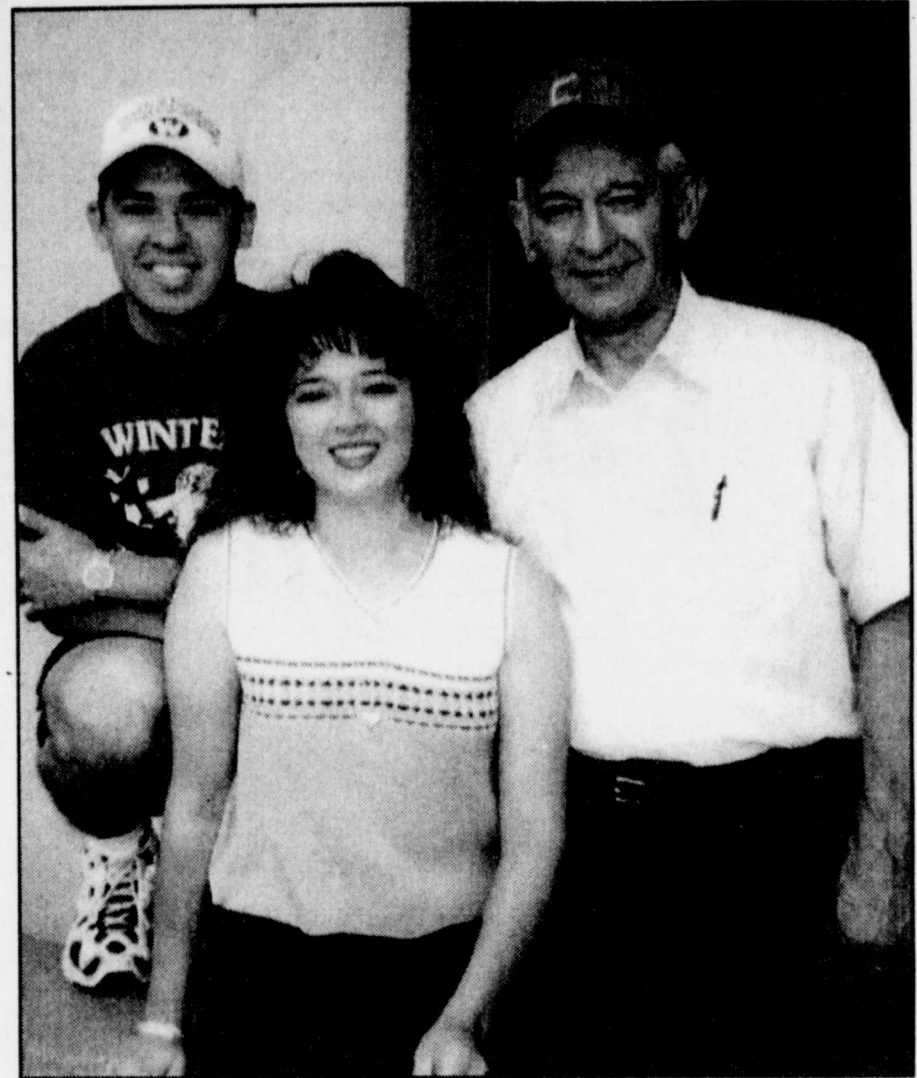
Elma readily admits there's frustration all the time, particularly on a busy Friday night or Sunday after church. Voices are raised and tempers sometime flair, "but we don't have to apologize; we just know. It happens all the time," said Elma.

Erik remembers one time in particular, when dad had to 'ref-

eree." "I was about 11-years-old and both of my brothers were working here with dad. The oldest, Gene, got mad at Albert—someone had messed up an order. They got to fighting, and dad had to break things up," he laughs.

Elma. "There's always 'one' more thing to do," she says. "You thought he was gone—home in the recliner and you look up and there he is," she laughs, but with exasperation.

Erik continues, "Yeah, one



Erik, Elma, and Gene Bernal

Erik also adds though, that "Little" Gene was home for Mother's Day and hadn't been here (at the restaurant) in five years. He fell in to help out and "cooked like when he was 19."

All four of the kids have been away from the restaurant at one time or another, but when they get back into the kitchen (at Casa), "it's like we never left," said Elma, "we just jump right in."

"They all know how to do everything," said Gene. "I don't have to worry about leaving because they keep everything the same. We all do the same thing—we're consistent."

"I bought them all a new car and provided them an education," said Gene. "They pay it back when they come in (and work)."

"Dad works from sunup to sundown," said Erik. "There's always something needing to be done. He won't leave it left undone," adds

night I came in (home) about 10 p.m. and there's dad at the kitchen table in a chair, half dead asleep." Gene just shrugs and laughs. "The kids are ready for me to quit—I've been here day and night." "We've positioned ourselves," said Elma, "to help them out so they can retire."

"We've got to get on mom and dad like little kids to quit working," said Elma. Dad's here at lunch, then he goes to cut meat, then comes back for dinner. He won't go home."

Erik says it's not hard to separate (family and business) though. "No," said Gene, "when we get out of here, we barbecue, we party, get out of town, go to Mexico together. I'm enjoying my grandkids."

"I'll work two more years maybe at the most," finishes Gene. "But I don't want to stay home . . . I want to work some." Only time will tell.

Health Notes

At North Runnels Home Health our focus is providing the best care possible for patients and helping them care for themselves. We believe the more our patients know, the better care they can receive.

LOWER BLOOD PRESSURE

Chances are, if you are not one of the 120 million or so Americans being treated for high blood pressure you know someone who is. Typically, high blood pressure affects men over the age of 35, particularly those with a family history of the disease. However, women can be at risk too.

What Causes High Blood Pressure?

High blood pressure, or hypertension, is a condition where pressure on arterial walls is elevated. For 90% of these primary hypertension sufferers, no cause can be identified. The remaining 10% are diagnosed with secondary hypertension, a form that develops as a result of another medical condition. High blood pressure can lead to strokes, heart attacks, and even aneurysms. Aneurysms are balloon-like bulges that form in the weakened sections of arteries.

Which Nutrients Combat High Blood Pressure?

A diet low in sodium is a good step in preventing high blood pressure. There are also some nutrients showing promise in reducing blood pressure, although some studies are inconclusive.

In Short...

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- ◆ Potassium is an element found in natural foods. It is water soluble, so the more a food comes in contact with water, the less potassium it will have. Potassium is abundant in baked potatoes, spinach, baked beans, bran, and fruit juices.
- ◆ Low-Sodium Foods include most fish, rice, meats, and fresh vegetables.
- ◆ Garlic is available fresh, powdered, as an extract, or in oil form.
- ◆ Magnesium is packed into a variety of walnuts, beans, brans, and lentils.

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Legal Notices

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

Pioneer Exploration Company, 15603 Kuykendahl, Suite 200, Houston, Texas 77090-3655, is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Gardner Sand formation, Albert Sykes "C" lease, Well Number 5. The proposed injection well is located 6 miles North of Crews in the Cree Sykes (Gardner, Upper), Cree Sykes (Gardner, Lower) field in Runnels County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 3,856 to 4,000 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (telephone 512/463-6792).

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

R&R Well Service, 1041 N. Main, Winters, Texas 79567, is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Capps formation, L.E. Jacob lease, Well Number 2. The proposed injection well is located 5 miles Northeast of Winters in the Winters (Capps) field in Runnels County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 3,945 to 3,955 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

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Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Boles

Monroe and Arlene Boles celebrate 60th anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe W. Boles were honored for their 60th wedding anniversary with a family meal at their campsite at Hords Creek Lake on May 30.

Arlene Schwartz was born April 24, 1922, in Crews. Monroe was born December 24, 1919, in Comanche. They met at Crews and were married June 3, 1939, in Winters.

They are the parents of four sons and daughters-in-law, Roeneal and Phyllis of Winters, Rickey and LaVerne of Mountain Home, Randall and Jean of Winters, and Reginald and Becky of Dallas. They also have ten grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Monroe is a stock farmer and a retired tool and die maker. Arlene is a retired nurse's aide. They are lifelong members of the First Baptist Church of Winters.

Men—have patience, will travel

Are you taking a vacation this summer? If so, you're probably already making some sort of game plan.

That is, unless you're a MAN! There seems to be a huge difference in how men and women prepare for trips. And if someone could explain this difference, or better yet, lessen it, the world would certainly be a better place to live.

Let's take a look at the typical man getting ready for a trip. He may make all sorts of organized plans at his office, but he's not about to give even the slightest hint of planning when it comes to traveling with the family.

Why should wife and children mind sitting in a hot car, sweating all over each other, ready to leave, while dad finally decides to check the oil in the car while it's still in the driveway at home.

Or why should anyone get out of sorts just because dad pulls into the first gas station only two blocks from home so he can check the tires and put air in that same front tire that's been going flat for a month.

But my very most favorite is when dad goes directly to the car and honks the horn for fifteen

minutes. Guess he thinks that's a magical way of getting all the luggage and other junk to the car. And then he really sets the mood when he turns to wife and says with great authority, "Now you did pack my favorite fishing hat, old sneakers, blue T-shirt, and that book I want to read, didn't you?"

Why can't men be more organized like women? Why can't they lie awake at night thinking of things they'll want to take along — things to prepare the entire family for hurricanes, snowstorms, sunburns, snakebites, camel rides or motion sickness.

Men never seem to understand that we girls simply must clean the oven racks before we can ride comfortably in the car. We like to have all the laundry done and the refrigerator cleaned out. Surely men would agree that coming home to shiny bathroom mirrors makes traveling more enjoyable.

I've heard a bit of grumbling in the past from some men about the size of the wardrobe their wives take along on vacation. Just because a man is willing to wear one pair of worn blue jeans and the same socks for four straight days does not mean that we girls are as "game" as the fellows.

We like to take enough clothes so that we're ready for any event, any temperature, any climate, any day or night, or anybody who might see us. We're not about to settle for a basic outfit that we can wear six ways with the same shoes, just to "get by."

I think this is because we secretly fear that this will be the one time in our lives when we meet Mel Gibson face to face and there we'd be in our 3-day-old, plain brown wrapper, all-purpose outfit. Horrors! Just what kind of impression would that possibly make on the heart throb of our lives?

Of course, that wonderful hunk might just look us over and say, "I can tell you're my kind of woman — ready at a moment's notice. Wanna run off together?"

Now girls, let's think this over. Maybe we should throw caution to the wind and leave with just our basic outfit. Maybe we could even manage to leave without first cleaning the grout in the bathroom. Sure. Why not?

But if he runs to the car and starts honking the horn, you might stick with the hunk you're already married to.

At least he'll understand when you've driven a hundred miles and then mention that you left the iron on at home.

Happy trails — or is it trials?
-- And Ne'er the Twain Shall Meet --

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Dr. and Mrs. Van Nguyen

Kimberly Craig marries Dr. Van Nguyen on May 1

Kimberly Craig and Dr. Van Nguyen were married May 1, 1999, at Mt. Charleston, Nevada. She is the daughter of Sarah J. Craig of Winters and the late Frederick H. Craig. He is the son of Dr. Bang Nguyen of Omaha, Nebraska, and Lon Nguyen of Dallas.

The bride is a 1984 graduate of Ballinger High School. She graduated from Angelo State University and University of Texas Southwestern Medical School Physician Assistant Program. She

is currently a physician assistant with The International Craniomaxillofacial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery Center in Dallas.

The groom is a graduate of Southern Methodist University, where he graduated magna cum laude, and a graduate of University of Texas Southwestern Medical School. He is currently a radiology resident at University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center.



NEW CAR WASH CONSTRUCTION is underway at the corner of Main street and the Novice road. Building contractor Mike McDonald (left), connects pipe as Becky Airhart and son Jared watch. Becky and her husband Paul are the owners of the four-bay facility.

Annual fireworks display is June 26 at Ballinger Lake

Ballinger's 10th Annual Fireworks Display and free Watermelon Feed will be held at the City Lake Park on Saturday, June 26.

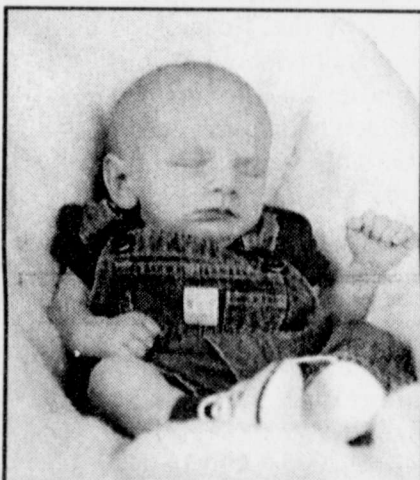
The event is sponsored by the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce. The chamber officials will be on hand to sell barbecue burgers, chips, and soft drinks beginning at 5:30 p.m., followed by the serving of free watermelon slices at 8 p.m.

The fireworks display will be one of the largest Ballinger has seen, with some of the largest shells available. The display is planned to begin promptly at 9:25 p.m. and last approximately 25 minutes. In the event of inclement weather, an alternate date of Sunday, June 27, at the same time and place, has been set.

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

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

Town Crier



Marcus Alan Mostad

Mandy and Michael Mostad of San Angelo are proud to announce the birth of their son, Marcus Alan, on Friday, April 16, 1999, at 6:38 a.m. at Community Hospital in San Angelo.

Marcus weighed 7 lbs. 6 oz. and was 19 & 3/4 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Patti and Dale Farmer of Elm Valley. Paternal grandparents are George and Susan Mostad of Winters.

Maternal great-grandparents are Ray and Patsy Martin of Abilene, and Charles and Norma Byers of Merkel. Paternal great-grandmother is Mrs. Launa Brand of Abilene.

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- 1 Mauriceville, TX's _____ fish Festival
- 5 former Fort Worth mayor William _____
- 6 TX Dan Jenkins novel: "_____ Tough"
- 7 JFK book: "_____ 109"
- 8 pecan dessert _____
- 9 TXism: "_____ in the pan" (one time)
- 15 women's chili cook-off in Luckenbach: "The Hell _____ Society"
- 16 improved _____
- 18 TXism: "want _____ I could spit" (desire)
- 20 Biblical weed _____
- 21 San Antonio Fiesta's "Queen _____"
- 26 early TX Cherokee chief: "Big _____"
- 27 TX tree _____
- 29 Padre Island is named for one _____
- 30 first black person to travel to TX _____
- 32 Marshall, TX store featured in 5 films: _____ Lindsey Store
- 33 TXism: "fish always are biting _____ & tomorrow"
- 36 TXism: "_____ mama" (waitress)
- 37 Bob Lilly: All-_____
- 38 angelic child _____
- 39 this TX Jemison was 1st black woman in space ('92)

- 41 LBJ sang a _____ with his dog, Yuki
- 42 TX Willie started by singing _____ music
- 45 former senator Bentsen _____
- 46 Houston AM radio _____
- 47 TXism: "put _____ shut up"
- 48 _____ de cologne
- 49 in 1890s, TX ranchers used the _____ of a fence as a telephone line
- 52 TXism: "we ironed _____ differences" (agreed)

DOWN

- 1 TX Rafter's network _____
- 2 Houston-born _____
- 3 TXism: "got misery up to my _____"
- 4 TXism: "nothing to _____ (insignificant)"
- 8 walkway _____
- 9 "State Fair" was a _____ Rodgers _____ musical
- 10 this Frank was 1st Texan to play major league ball (init.) _____
- 11 "hasta _____ vista"
- 12 "ban the bomb" _____ in Midland
- 13 Billie Sol Estes ran a grain _____
- 14 TX Audie Murphy was a WW II _____
- 15 TXism: "he's lying through _____"
- 16 home of "Old Rip" the horned frog: _____ land
- 17 to wreck or ruin _____
- 19 _____ as a bee
- 21 this Otto directed TX Tierney (init.) _____
- 22 Hayden _____ left TX to coach in Iowa _____
- 23 cowboys' bolo _____
- 24 the world watched "Baby Jessica's" _____ in Midland
- 25 TX tried to ban 2 Live Crew's "As Nasty _____ Wanna Be" ('90)
- 27 horse's neck hair _____
- 28 TXism: "following _____ trail" (hopeless)
- 31 calf cutlet _____
- 34 TX VP Bush's former boss (init.) _____
- 35 TXism: "he _____ his own grave"
- 37 TXism: "_____ as a peacock"
- 40 TX moonwalker Bean _____
- 41 this Korsh led the Waco cult (init.) _____
- 43 a skittish horse _____
- 44 TXism: "_____ as an oilman's daughter"
- 50 labors _____
- 51 TX Farrah film: "The Cannonball _____"

The Original

TEXAS CROSSWORD

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Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

Cowboy camp is June 18-27 in Santa Anna

Some one hundred years ago, the cowboys and the cattle drovers pushed their doggies up the Great Western Cattle Trail. On Highway 84, between Coleman and Santa Anna, another great round-up is about to push off.

The Little George Havens' Cowboy Camp Meeting will begin Friday, June 18 and runs through Sunday, June 27. The meeting will be held at Flying "H" Acres.

The event will include evangelistic preaching, gospel music, a chuck wagon barbecue on both Saturdays, daily activities for youth and children, daily rides, Bible study, cowboy poets, western entertainers, and camp fires.

For more information contact Mrs. Lucy Havens (915)348-3686 or Ken Holmes at (817)695-4115.

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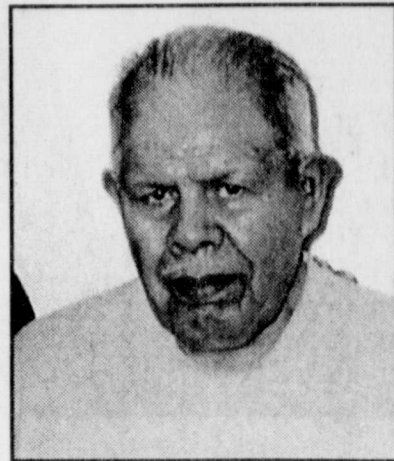
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Congratulations!

Kidd accepts scholarship to Texas Tech

Joshua Jackson Kidd, son of Mitchell and Karen Kidd of Abilene and grandson of Dale and Doris Eubanks of Winters, has accepted a merit scholarship offered by the Texas Tech University School of Music after auditioning for the faculty on trumpet and piano. Several original musical compositions for piano and band were also submitted for scholarship consideration. He will be majoring in music education and studying trumpet under Will Strieder at Texas Tech.

Joshua is a 1999 graduate of Abilene High School where he was an Honors Graduate in the Texas Scholars Program with an average of 93.86. He received the President's Award for Educational Excellence and was recognized by the United States Achievement Academy as an All-American Scholar. Joshua is a member of the National Honor Society and is listed in "Who's Who Among American High School Students."

He was a member of Abilene High School's Honor Band and a three-year veteran of the Jazz Band. As a jazz musician, he was

selected to the All-Region Jazz Band in keyboard. His musical



Joshua Kidd
Grandson of Dale and Doris Eubanks

accomplishments also include being a three-time State winner in the Texas Music Teachers Association Music Composition Contest. He performed May 31 at the State UIL Solo and Ensemble

Contest in Austin and has previously performed original piano compositions in Dallas.

Joshua will report to Texas Tech University on August 22 to become a member of the "Goin' Band from Raiderland." The "Goin' Band" is among the largest in the nation with over 400 members. A mixture of traditional, contemporary, and corps style techniques are used in the band's performances.

The band is the 1999 recipient of the John Phillip Sousa Foundation Sudler Trophy, the highest and most coveted award given to college and university marching bands. The "Goin' Band" was selected for the award by marching band directors in NCAA schools. Only schools that have demonstrated particular excellence over many years are considered. The "Goin' Band" is consistently considered to be in the top five university bands in the nation.

Texas Tech University is a major doctoral research institution, offering 150 undergraduate, 100 master's, and 50 doctoral degrees. Texas Tech annually enrolls approximately 25,000 students.

Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz



Hilda Kurtz

If Congress can pay us not to raise crops, why can't we pay them not to raise taxes?

Hopewell Church visitors on Sunday morning were Larry and Donna McClellan and their daughters, Sherry and Brandi, of Lubbock. The McClellans were the ones who helped to clean the church after the fire. Carolyn Webb's niece Marsha Miller and daughters, Kendra and Audra, were also visitors.

Six ladies attended mission study. They were Juanita Shields, Selma Wilkerson, Ramona Akins, Carolyn Webb, Melvena Gerhart, and Nila Osborne.

Nila and Therin Osborne were in Ballinger and went by to see Dee Faubion. On Sunday, the Osbornes were in Wingate visiting with Karen and Wesley McGallian. Stefanie recently gave Simon Camacho a birthday party. Present were Simon's grandfather and grandmother, Aunt Mary, Uncle Nick, and children Christina and David.

The McBeths helped with the First Baptist Church's Vacation Bible School. Around 100 attended "Passport to the Holy Land." The McBeths were in Lubbock with Sybil Tounget on Friday and Saturday. They also visited Joan and Larry Sears. Roy stayed with Jason Sears. The McBeths also had a nice visit with Jake Tounget and his girlfriend, Tracy.

Josie Hoppe enjoyed the company of Emma Marks and Albert and Alta Mae Spill on Tuesday. Elaine Miller and Josie attended church services on Sunday afternoon in Winters.

I had a couple of visitors during the week. Helen Alexander came and got tomato plants. Gena Davis got eggs. I was so glad to

see them come.

By dialing the wrong number, I found some new Crews folks — Maxey and Leslie Sheppard. I am proud to see them here.

Harvey Mae's sister, Mary Louise, has moved back to her old town in North Carolina after leaving here.

Spending the first of the week with Doris Wood were Bill and Brad Brantley and Louise Walters of Fort Worth.

Lillian Bryan enjoyed her family during the week. Present were Brent, Dawn, Scott, and Clent Bryan; and Kelly, Vicki, Alex, and Andrew Blackerby.

I enjoyed the phone visit this week with Aunt Rosa of California. She is still going strong.

Margie Jacob spent Tuesday and Wednesday night with daughter Sharon and Jerry Engler in Brownwood. On Sunday, the Jacobs enjoyed the Bredemeyer Reunion in Winters. Those attending were Margie Jacob, Sharon and Jerry Engler, Beverly and Brad VanZandt, and Carol and Mike Kozelsky with Jeanna and Kathryn. More families came in and out to see Margie, but I do not have all their names.

Bro. Ferris Akins and Ramona, Juanita Shields were guests with Betty and Joe Pierce after church services on Sunday. Later, all played SkipBo.

Edith Everett is recuperating at home and coming along just fine after her fall.

Carolyn Webb's niece, Marsha Miller of Grand Falls, is staying a while.

Joe and Betty Pierce took off Sunday and drove to Fredericksburg and did some shopping. Nila and Therin Osborne visited during the week.

I enjoyed seeing lots of old friends, new friends, and some kinfolks at the Bredemeyer Reunion on Sunday.

Brenda Chambliss of Hord's Creek spent Sunday with Pat and Earl Cooper. They did odd jobs.

Melvena and Marvin Gerhart spent Saturday with Melvena's mom in Menard. Grandsons

Bryant, Braden, and Bryce Mikeska of Wingate spent Monday with the Gerharts.

With Harvey Mae and Noble Faubion over the weekend were Eileen Cartwright, Carolyn Kraatz, and Walter Pape.

Coleman Foreman had two doctor's appointments — one in Abilene and one in San Angelo. One is a lung doctor, and Coleman is to report back in two days. Coleman's sister and brother-in-law, Imogene and Wayne Rutland of Stockdale, spent the night. They were on their way to Levelland to a reunion.

Selma Wilkerson spent Monday and Monday night with Mildred Morrison in Sweetwater. Mildred is doing about the same.

Georgia and Connie Gibbs helped grandson Lane Gibbs celebrate his 4th birthday with a party in the Ted Meyer Park in Winters on Sunday. Lane's parents are Kenny and Saffron Gibbs.

Helping Will Duggan celebrate his 24th birthday on Saturday evening were Leslie Duggan, Dale and Linda Duggan, Elwood and Becky Brown, Theodora Frick, and Bob and Janice Pruser. On Sunday, the Duggans had supper with Chauncey and Susan Mansell.

Visiting recently with Susan and Chauncey Mansell were Gary and Barbara Harris of Haskell. Brandon Mansell is in Colorado visiting friends for a few weeks. Susan won second place in the professional division at Kimbell Museum in San Angelo with her painting of her father Dale and his shop cats.

Eileen Cartwright reported a snake experience she had this week. She had gone out to gather eggs. A big bullsnake was in the hen house, and she killed it. She goes to gather eggs another day and there was another BIG bullsnake in the nest. Yes, she killed it too. It had swallowed all her eggs but three.

I killed a 12-inch rattlesnake. It was a baby; it had no rattlers yet, only a button.

Official Records

County Court Criminal

June 4
Vikki Lopez Garcia, Winters, filed for unlawful carrying of a weapon
Daniel Jeremiah Cortez, Winters, filed for possession of marijuana

June 7
Jesse S. Rodriguez, Ballinger, filed for driving while intoxicated

June 8
Jeremy Burney, San Angelo, filed for theft of merchandise and/or cash by check

June 10
Brian Joe Ashton, Ballinger, filed for public lewdness
Sherry Cowan, Ballinger, filed for theft of merchandise and/or cash by check
Keith Fischer, Rowena, filed for theft of merchandise and/or cash by check
Lisa Jean Poindexter, Ballinger, filed for public lewdness
Carol E. Northington, San Angelo, filed for theft of merchandise and/or cash by check

Dispositions

Andres "Andy" Martinez, possession of marijuana, pleaded nolo contendere, fined \$500, plus \$184.25 court costs
Delton Ray Childers, filed for driving while license suspended, pleaded guilty, fined \$350, plus \$184.25 court costs
Clarence J. Manis, filed for theft of merchandise by check, pleaded guilty, fined \$100, plus \$184.25 court costs, \$30 hot check fee, \$68.32 restitution
Miguel Angel Perez, driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in jail, fined \$750, plus \$209.25 court costs
Beverly Pearson, theft of merchandise and/or cash by check, pleaded guilty, fined \$50, plus \$157 court costs, \$35 hot check fee, \$250 restitution
Robert W. Brown, theft of merchandise by check, pleaded guilty, fined \$100, plus \$184.25 court costs, \$15 hot check fee, \$30.11 restitution
Mike Boone, theft of merchandise by check, pleaded guilty, fined \$100, plus \$184.25 court costs, \$15 hot check fee, \$20 restitution
Shyla Gail Campbell, driving while intoxicated, dismissed, defendant convicted and probated 10 years in felony companion case
Shyla Gail Campbell, evading detention, dismissed, convicted in felony court
Shyla Gail Campbell, criminal mischief, dismissed, convicted in felony court
Willie Covington, theft of merchandise by check, pleaded guilty, fined \$100, plus \$184.25 court costs, \$15 hot check fee, \$88.25 restitution
Elias Lopez Alvarez, driving while intoxicated, dismissed, convicted in another case
Mario Duane Alvarez, driving while intoxicated, dismissed, convicted in another (felony) case

Chavion Lawson, telephone harassment, dismissed, insufficient evidence
Billy Paul Herron, possession of marijuana, dismissed, convicted in another case, placed on 5-year felony probation
Robert Alfaro, theft, dismissed, convicted in another case

District Court Grand Jury Felony Indictments

Trinidad Juarez, Ballinger, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon
Trinidad Juarez, Ballinger, driving while intoxicated (two prior convictions)
Jimmy Wayne Nesbit, assault on a public servant
Daniel G. Rodriguez, theft over \$1,500, less than \$20,000
Celestino Lozano Ledezma, driving while intoxicated (two prior convictions)
Alfonzo Campos, Bryan, aggravated assault/serious bodily injury
Pablo Quinto Ortiz, Winters, attempted sexual assault
Lyle Alan Lewis, possession of a firearm by a felon
Charles Ray Lewis Jr., Winters, possession of a firearm by a felon
Demetrio Martinez Jr., driving while intoxicated (two prior DWI convictions)
Herbert Hershel Love, Abilene, two counts of assault on a public servant
Monica Delaney, securing execution of a document by deception
Emmanuel Garcia, burglary of a building
Casey Miller, Abilene, three counts of forgery by passing
Shawn E. Nagel, Victoria, hindering secured creditors (more than \$1,500, less than \$20,000)
Jesse Avila, aggravated sexual assault on a child
Roberto Garcia Jr., driving while intoxicated (two prior convictions)
Ronald Michael Novack, criminal mischief (more than \$1,500, less than \$20,000)
Robert Henry VanZandt, Winters, driving while intoxicated (two prior convictions)
John Sanford Thralls, Winters, indecency with a child by contact
Michael K. Ledbetter, forgery by passing

Divorces filed June 9

Talma K. Bruton and Donald Wallace Bruton

Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Felony Cases June 10

Joe Martinez, filed for theft
Criminal cases
June 6
Simon Rivas Jr., filed for no fishing license

June 8

Tonya Scott, filed for issuance of a bad check
Jose Diaz, filed for no fishing license

June 9

Jimmy Perez, filed for issuance of a bad check
Charles B. Boyd, filed for issuance of a bad check

June 10

L. McPherson dba Wholesale Engine Distributors, filed for issuance of a bad check
Tracy L. Thurmond, filed for theft by check
Ronnie J. Luera, filed for issuance of a bad check
Daisy Graham, filed for issuance of a bad check
Leanne Barkemeyer, filed for theft by check
Lloyd Smith, filed for theft by check
Heather A. Foreman, filed for theft by check

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

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104 West St. Functional Flair. 3 bedroom, 1 bath, open living/kitchen area, newly remodeled. Approx. 1302 sq. ft.

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Coleman Rodeo is June 24-26

Coleman will host its 62nd Annual PRCA Rodeo Thursday through Saturday, June 24-26, with nightly performances only at 8:00 p.m. in the Coleman Rodeo Association's dust-free arena.

The rodeo is approved by the Professional Cowboys Association and the Women's Professional Association to insure that some of the top cowboys and cowgirls in the nation will be competing for some \$6,000 added prize money.

The queen for the 1999 rodeo is Melissa Rankin, daughter of Derry and Tracy Rankin.

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

Terry Starnes of Glen Rose, Texas, will serve as rodeo announcer. Music will be provided by Donnie Neff of Santa Anna.

Bullfighters for the 1999 rodeo are Jim Bob Fellar of Fort Worth and Chris Anstad.

Rodeo events include bareback riding, saddle bronc riding, calf roping, steer wrestling, girls barrel racing, and bull riding. The kids goat scramble will be held each night. A featured event will be team roping.

Thursday is Family Night with tickets costing \$2.00 for children 12 and under, \$3.00 for adults. Ticket prices for Friday and Saturday performances are \$3.00 for kids 12 and under, and \$5.00 for adults.

The rodeo dance will be held at the Rodeo Dance Pavilion each

night starting at 9:00 p.m. Coleman's own Southern Cross will provide the music.

Dance tickets for Thursday-Saturday are \$3.00 for children 12 and under and \$5.00 for adults.

Advance rodeo tickets may be purchased no later than Wednesday, June 23, at First Coleman National Bank, Coleman County State Bank, JM Western Wear, Davis Feed & Seed, or Johnson Feed Barn for a reduced fee of \$2.00 for children 12 and under, and \$4.00 for adults.

Tuesday morning, June 22, members of the Rodeo Association and the Coleman County Cowgirls will be cooking a free breakfast downtown. Any donations will be accepted that morning.

Wednesday morning, June 23, the Coleman County Cowgirls along with Rodeo Association members will be planning a stick horse rodeo for about 30 children.

Saturday afternoon, June 26, at 5:00 p.m. will be the big parade. It will feature floats, out-of-town sheriff's posses, and local riders.

New this year, the Rodeo Association will be having an official Chuck Wagon Cook-Off. Ted Troplett and Jack Horne are chairmen. Ten wagons will compete in a variety of events with competition on Saturday. Eating will begin at approximately 6:00 p.m. Sponsorship costs \$300. In return, the sponsor will receive 20 meal tickets and 20 rodeo tickets.

For more information, call (915) 625-4128.

Extension News & Views

By Rick Minzenmayer, Extension Agent-IPM

Horticultural hints—

Landscape maintenance chores can be a drudgery, a bore, and the last thing you care to do. When it comes to plants, these tasks can insure health and beauty and may prolong their usefulness in the landscape. Here are a few timely tips, suggestions, and information to inspire gardeners.

Chrysanthemums should be lightly fertilized every two weeks with a water soluble fertilizer. To help plants compact and full of blooms, pinch out new tip growth until eight weeks before they are to bloom, approximately mid-July. For large exhibition mums, allow only one or two shoots to develop. Stake these shoots, and

remove side buds as they start to develop.

If you have been pinching your mums this summer, mid-July is the time to stop so they will be able to develop flower buds for the fall.

Many plants are easily increased by layering. Verbenas, Euonymus, pachysandra, ivy, daphne, and climbing roses are some of the plants that will root if stems are fastened down on soft earth with a wire and covered with some soil.

The dwarf sunflower variety, "Sunspot," grows only to two feet, but flower heads are full-sized and have edible seeds. It is

unusual in ornamental plantings and space saving in the garden.

Control mosquitoes by eliminating all sources of stagnant water.

If you can't water during hot, dry spells, then "do nothing." Don't prune or apply fertilizer or pest controls. Plants compensate for stress by relative inactivity. Cultural practices that encourage growth, instead of being beneficial, can induce further stress.

Consider joining a garden club. Some of the best-informed people on horticultural subjects are those belonging to a garden club. There is a constant flow of ideas from fellow members and from "experts" who speak to members.

Michigan State University reports that over a 50 year lifetime, a healthy tree can generate \$31,250 worth of oxygen, and recycle \$37,500 worth of water. It also provides \$62,000 worth of air pollution control and 431,250 in soil erosion prevention.

Container-grown vegetables and flowers can dry out quickly, especially on a concrete patio in full sun. Daily watering may be necessary; however, the soil should not be soggy or have water standing on top of it. Apply water until it runs out the drainage holes.

Clay pots permit additional evaporation from the sides, and watering must be done more often than when plastic pots are used. Small pots dry out faster than large planters. Feel the soil in containers at least once a day and twice on hot, dry days to be certain that plants are getting enough water.

Trees may lose up to 10 percent of their leaves during very dry conditions. This helps reduce water lost from the tree by transpiration.

Some tree-trimming companies shred their trimmings on site and give them away free-for-the-asking to anyone in the neighborhood. Don't be shy! The cost of chipped wood mulch from the garden center adds up. Coarsely shredded material looks good on pathways and borders, while fine particles compost quickly. Also, your use of the chips may keep them out of landfills.

Tip dieback of redbud may be caused by saturated soil. Redbuds are very intolerant of "wet feet" caused by prolonged wet soil and high humidity.

When you read recommendations to water newly transplanted shrubs frequently, pay attention! University of California research showed that shrubs watered every few days outgrew shrubs watered every 10 to 12 days by almost five times.

Inner leaves and twigs of trees normally drop from lack of sunlight, but falling clusters of leaves attached to short twigs may result from insect or squirrel activity. Girdling insects make shallow, encircling depressions, while twigs broken by squirrels have diagonally severed ends.

Stenholm votes "no"— House approves flawed ag spending bill

On June 8, 1999, the House of Representatives approved an agriculture appropriations bill for fiscal year 2000 that fails to adequately address the problems facing agriculture and rural America, according to Congressman Charlie Stenholm. The agriculture appropriations bill is a product of the congressional budget to which all 13 of the appropriations bills must conform.

"This is the first time in my tenure as a House Member that I have been forced to oppose an agriculture appropriations bill," said Stenholm. "Not only was over \$100 million cut from the bill, but the amount that was cut by the House leadership in no real way gets us any closer to passing all 13 appropriations bills. More importantly, no game plan currently exists to fund programs that are urgently needed, such as the Cotton Step 2 Program."

"Agriculture is currently suffering from the lack of a safety net, much like the appropriations process is suffering from the lack of a comprehensive strategy to save Social Security while providing needed investments," said Stenholm.

Pest Management News

By Richard Minzenmayer, Extension Agent-Entomology (PM)

GENERAL SITUATION—Most of the Concho Valley recently received much needed rainfall. North eastern Runnels County and some areas in Concho County are still a little short on soil moisture.

Grain sorghum and corn have grown a foot this past week and are maturing rapidly with very little insect pressure.

Greenbugs are starting to increase in sorghum and producers are encouraged to monitor for greenbug infestations on a regular basis.

Much of the cotton is planted and up to a good start with growth stages ranging from still in the bag up to 6-7 true leaf stage.

With the rapid development of cotton, the application window for applying Roundup® to Roundup Ready® cotton will be short. Producers will need to make the applications prior to the development of the fifth true leaf. So cotton planted prior to May 12-14 in many instances is already past the fifth true stage or the application window.

THRIPS ON COTTON—Thrips have ragged up many cotton fields across the area with most damage occurring in cotton fields planted adjacent to small grain fields. The good weather conditions have allowed most cotton plants to outgrow any thrips damage that may have occurred.

Typically, there is no economic return on treating thrips in this area. The warm soil temperatures, good growing conditions, and rapid seedling growth allow the cotton plant to rapidly outgrow thrips damage.

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With the warm temperatures, and good moisture conditions, cotton is growing rapidly and therefore the application window is going to be short. Producers are encouraged to check their fields every 3-5 days to determine the growth stage of cotton if they are planning on making an application of Roundup® on Roundup Ready® cotton.

Roundup® applications applied after the fifth true leaf stage can result in plant injury and/or fruit loss and potential yield reduction.

COTTON FLEAHOPPERS—Cotton fleahopper adults are already moving into the seedling cotton, so be ready to begin monitoring fleahopper numbers and percent square sets once cotton begins to square. Most varieties planted in this area begin squaring around the 6-7 true stage.

Normally, fleahoppers are only a problem 1 out of every 5 or so years. This may be the one. But cotton varieties are susceptible to fleahopper damage and they do not control them. Transgenic cotton varieties control only Lepidopteran insects.

The cotton fleahoppers overwinter in the egg stage in wild hosts such as woolly croton, goatweed, horse-nettle, and silverleaf nightshade. Early in the spring, cotton fleahoppers feed on young succulent weed hosts. As weeds mature, adults migrate to cotton.

Cotton in the sixth true leaf stage or just starting to square is the most attractive. Females lay eggs in plant tissue and eggs hatch in 10-11 days and nymphs begin feeding and require approximately 15 days to mature into reproductive adults.

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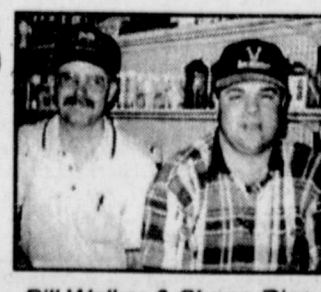
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