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Wakeboarding accident claims life of young man

A former Wingate resident, Jode Duane Walker, 25, died early Monday morning as a result of a freak skiing accident at Lake Nasworthy near San Angelo.

Walker was wakeboarding about 6:30 Sunday afternoon with his wife Michele and some friends when he landed face first, according to his wife who was driving the boat. Walker was wearing a U.S. Coast Guard approved life

jacket but was floating face down when the boat quickly circled back to him. Friends from the boat and a second boat nearby jumped into the water to retrieve him.

Walker was semiconscious when pulled from the water and spoke briefly but quickly went into shock and began having seizures, his wife said.

With the aid of a cellular phone in the boat, she was able to alert

emergency personnel and was met by an ambulance waiting on the shore.

He was quickly taken to Angelo Community Hospital where he underwent a two-hour-long surgery to relieve the swelling of his brain. He survived the operation but ultimately the swelling could not be controlled. He was pronounced dead at 6:45 a.m. Monday, July 12.

No alcohol or excess speed was involved, according to Roy Owens, chief of the San Angelo Lake Patrol.

Walker grew up in Wingate and was a 1992 graduate of Winters High School. He married Michele Lee York on June 5, 1998, in San Angelo. He was a branch sales manager for Case, Inc. in San Angelo and attended Glen Meadows Baptist Church of San

Angelo.

He is survived by his wife and two stepchildren, Lindsey and Dalton York of San Angelo; his father and stepmother, Jerrell and Shirley Walker of Wingate; his mother, Jane Bryan of Bronte; two grandmothers, Nan Bryan of Athens and Bernice Ferguson of Burleson; one brother, Bill Walker of Winters; three sisters, Jill McMurray of DeSoto, and

Rita Lowry and Sandy King, both of Ballinger; and numerous other relatives.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, July 14, at the First Baptist Church in Winters with Rev. Scooter McCurdy, minister of Glen Meadows Baptist Church, officiating.

Memorials can be made to the American Lung Association.

Pump and pressure tank added to jail's newly drilled water well

Following a lengthy discussion concerning the new water well which has been drilled at the Runnels County Jail, commissioners voted to finish out the well with a pump and pressure tank. Commissioners met for their regular meeting Tuesday morning and decided the estimated 12 gallon per minute output of the newly drilled well would be sufficient to do what was needed at the new jail. Total cost of the well, with pump and equipment, is \$2,091.

Following that discussion, commissioners debated the best route for finishing the grounds at the new jail. Commissioners Keith Collom, Ricky Strube, and Thurman Self all expressed their support of finishing the yard portion of the jail (next to the building in front) with rock. Commissioner Skipper Wheelless said he had some misgivings concerning the rock, asking, "Do we know how much it's going to cost? As far as I know we have not checked into the cost of the rock, etc. It could cost more than grass."

Commissioner Keith Collom said he was thinking more of using the rock like the county uses on roads and not putting down plastic under it. "We can keep the weeds under control using Round-up® and the rock would be much cheaper than decorative rock."

Commissioners then voted unanimously to finish the yard with rock and the other areas around the jail with a drought-resistant grass.

Two bids were received for a used dozer to be purchased by the county. John Parramore submitted a 1981 D-5B Caterpillar for \$33,000. AirMaster Equipment Corp. submitted a 1994 John

Deere 750BLT at a cost of \$60,000. Action on the bids was tabled to allow commissioners to inspect the dozers.

Other business on Tuesday's agenda and action:

- Commissioners approved the request of Coleman County Water Supply Corp. for an easement to cross CR 175 in Precinct 2 with a water line.

- A two-year agreement between Shannon AirMed 1 and Runnels County relating to emergency medical services provided in the county was approved.

- Approval was given to execute a lease-purchase agreement between Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation and the county for the new dozer leased by Precinct 2.

- Extension of the lease agreement between the county and the Texas Department of Human Services was okayed for a one-year term.

- Election judges and alternates were approved.

- Commissioners voted to increase insurance coverage on the Precinct 2 barn and add to jail contents and electronic equipment at a total cost of \$412 for a year.

- The okay was given to accept a letter from Gideon Sheet Metal relating to a lavatory in the new jail not meeting ADA standards. Gideon will replace the lavatory or make it ADA acceptable at no cost to the county should it become necessary.

- Approved the Official Bond of Assistant District Attorney Ken Slimp.

- Accepted an order appointing the official court reporter and setting the salary of the reporter for the 119th District Court.



WHS JOURNALISM STUDENTS recently attended workshops to learn the art of newspaper and yearbook publication. Sitting, left to right, are Kayla Colburn, Shelley Meyer, and Kelli Slimp. Standing are Cari Trojcek, Manual DelReal, and Misty Melton. Receiving recognition at the Interscholastic League Press Conference in Austin were Kayla for an Outstanding Page One, Cari for Outstanding Achievement in News & Feature Writing, and Kelli as Outstanding Interviewer. Not pictured are Aaron Pritchard and Jana Presley.

WHS students awarded for performance at newspaper and yearbook workshops

Eight Winters High School students were among approximately 720 to attend workshops receiving instruction for creating school newspapers and yearbooks. Competing with a majority of 4A and 5A schools in one of the workshops, three WHS students were awarded for excellence and outstanding achievement.

Shelley Meyer, Misty Melton, Kayla Colburn, Cari Trojcek, and Kelli Slimp were participants in

the Interscholastic League Press Conference (ILPC), June 18-21, at the University of Texas in Austin.

Headed by many of the nation's finest journalism instructors, this workshop offered courses in basic reporting, writing, editing, design, production, staff management, policy development, legal issues, ethics, and editorial page leadership.

Kayla's course sequence con-

centrated on newspaper design strategies and techniques, including page one, centerspread, photopage, and feature page designs. Recognized by ILPC instructor Bobby Hawthorne, Kayla was awarded for an Outstanding Page One. She will be in charge of layout and sports editing for the upcoming Blizzard papers.

Cari received a quick overview for staff reporters encompassing basic reporting, writing, editing, and design. She was awarded for Outstanding Achievement in News and Feature Writing by instructor Mary Pulliam. As the

See WHS STUDENTS, pg. 7

Board hires four new teachers

During the regular meeting Monday evening of the Trustees of Winters Independent School District, four new teachers were hired. Kayleen Bergman, Tecka Mobley, Audine McBeth and Leanne Harrison (Halford) were hired for the upcoming school year, subject to assignment at state base plus local increments.

In other action, the Board voted unanimously to approve the depository bid submitted by Security State Bank of Winters for the period of September 1, 1999, through August 21, 2001. First State Bank, Winters branch, was the only other financial institution submitting a bid.

Trustees also approved the following:

- the bid submitted by GM Southwest for student and UIL insurance,

See SCHOOL BOARD, pg. 10

Burglars strike downtown

Investigation continues on three burglaries and one case of vandalism which occurred the night of July 6 in the downtown Winters area.

According to the Winters police, entry to the Beauty Center at 137 N. Main was gained through the alley where a back door was destroyed. Mary Lynn Presley, owner, said cosmetics, equipment and currency were taken. Estimated loss is around \$3,000.

Windmill Enterprises at 221 West Dale was also burglarized. A small amount of money was taken and a gumball machine was broken.

Joe's Rent-All, located next door to Windmill Enterprises, had a lock broken on an alley door. A go-cart which was rolled out the back door was found in the alley.

The back door of Bedford-Norman Insurance at 111 West Dale was also vandalized but no theft was reported.

The Farmers Seed & Supply building also fell victim. However, no damage report was available at press time.

Sergeant Alfredo Sanchez said the Winters Police Department is asking anyone with information about these burglaries to please come forward. Sanchez said, "You may be able to collect a reward from Crimestoppers if your tip leads to the arrest and conviction of the suspect(s)."

In an unrelated incident, during the Monday night meeting of the Winters Independent School District Board of Trustees, Superintendent Mike Harris reported that several windows on the school campus had been broken sometime Sunday night with damage estimated at around \$400.



THESE YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS passing the hot summer days with a good old-fashioned lemonade stand on Main Street are Cody Kendrick (handling the money), age 7, and brother Roy (with cap), age 9. The two were able to make a sale to (l-r) Rachel Davis and Amber Green who were soliciting donations to finance a trip to play in a state softball tournament. The boys, who sold out of lemonade by days end, are the sons of Butch and Tancy Kendrick.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- July 15-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 2-3 p.m., Summer Reading Club, Winters Public Library
- Last Day to Return Overdue Library Books With No Fee
- Birthday Party, Senior Citizens Nursing Home
- July 16-9 a.m., TSGRA Annual Convention, San Angelo
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- CCEC Annual Meeting, Coleman
- July 17-9 a.m., TSGRA Annual Convention, San Angelo
- July 18-2-4:30 p.m., Gospel Singing, West Texas Ranch For Christ, Blackwell
- July 19-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 6 p.m., Weight Watchers, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- July 20-9 a.m.-4 p.m., Public Forum on Health/Human Services, Abilene
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- Noon, Lions Club
- 7 p.m., WVFD
- 7:30 p.m., Eastern Star
- Women's Service League
- July 21-9 a.m.-4 p.m., WIC, Winters Housing Authority
- 10 a.m.-Noon, Free Blood Pressure Check, Sr. Citizens Center
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- July 22-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal

Oil Bidness

By Reg Boles ©1999



Life can be tough for investors in the oil patch.

Now, when I say "investor," I mean someone who has invested in a well or a project, not a stock investor. Good old fashioned direct investors are a special breed. They have to have the 'oomph' to put money into a poor-boy outfit on the one hand and hope that they hit it big on the other. Plus, they have to have the money in the first place.

But, back to my original thought.

As a project moves ahead, most likely a drilling well, there are certain signs that an investor has a lot at stake.

An investor lives and breathes with what anybody on location might be saying. As the investor is not always a technically trained individual, he or she has to rely on those that know, or seem to know, what they are doing. That might mean that a roughneck's comment on a "tough hole" would be taken as the worst possible news, when all he meant was that pulling a string takes longer than usual.

As the hole nears its target, the tension can mount, depending upon the amount of money one has riding on the outcome. Any little glitch or delay only heightens the stress, and the investor can become a little testy if someone tells a less than intelligent joke or something.

The investor is looking for any sign. "Is that good? Should we be drilling faster or slower? What's that person doing? When do we log the well?"

Whoever happens to be nearby is forced to give some sort of recognition to the question, even if the listener thinks responding wastes oxygen.

And, as is usually the case, the well does not blow out with thou-

sands of barrels of oil covering everything around insuring that the well is a strike. Instead, the operator and the investor must rely on more subtle information to determine if the well is a success.

There is the rub. The investor is not high on subtlety. The investor prefers immediate gratification or rejection. Most likely, it won't come.

Usually, the well must be logged if there is some evidence of hydrocarbon and if the zone came in at about the depth expected. Then, the investor is provided with an even less direct method for determining whether the well is a success.

"What does that line mean? How come there are so many lines? Why doesn't it just say 'OIL?'" Well logging can be a mystery to just about anybody, let alone investors.

Finally, the well is logged, the geologist or engineer on site confer, and the operator heads over to the investor for the word.

"Looks like..." the investor takes a deep breath as the operator pauses to spit. Finally the investor will know.

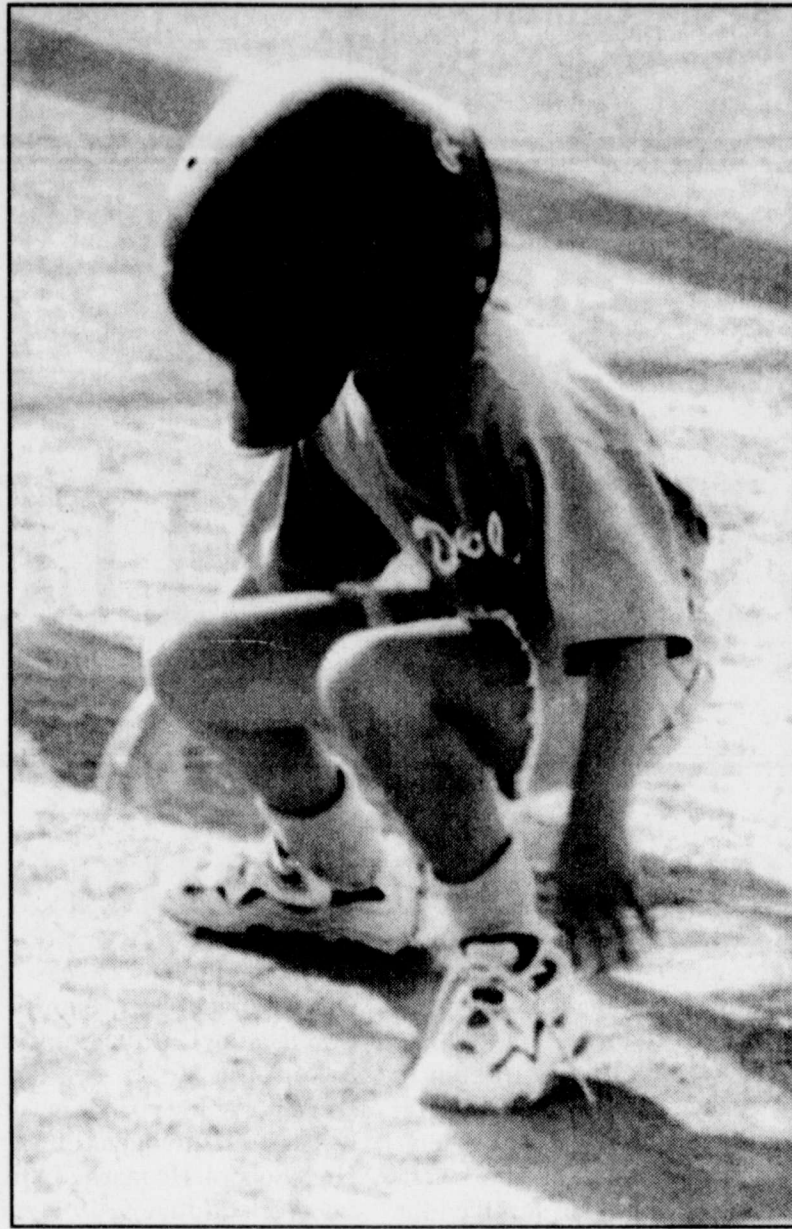
"Looks like we'll have to put it on pump a few days to know for sure, but we are sure we need \$50,000 more to set pipe," the operator states matter-of-factly.

The investor sighs really big. With one more "Why can't this be more like the movies where you jump for joy or cry your hands full?" the investor heads back to get his checkbook.

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY

Not Available This Week

KIDZ KORNER...



KELSEA GARCIA, 6, managed to find home plate in spite of her limited visibility when her helmet fell forward, completely covering her face during T-ball action.

Sr. Citizens Nursing Home News

By Billie Ruth Bishop

It's birthday party time

This Thursday, July 15, will be time for the birthday party. The Lutheran Church will host the party honoring four residents who have birthdays in July. They are Doc Smith (July 2), Mary Bishop (July 4), Maydell Box (July 17), and Nada McMillon (July 20). Happy birthday to all of you!

On Friday, July 2, we enjoyed a barbecue cookout at lunch time. We cooked hamburgers and hot dogs and ate a picnic lunch in the yard. It was a good 4th of July celebration.

Mrs. Maggie Simpson, Elva Mae Jackson, and Louise Cecil are now residents in the nursing home. They would appreciate and enjoy your visits and cards.

Our sympathy goes out to Edna Sudduth at the passing of her husband, Pete Sudduth. Edna is a resident here, and Pete was here a short time before he passed away.

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Tuesday, July 20: Chicken spaghetti, tossed salad, corn salad, garlic bread, and cherry crisp.

Wednesday, July 21: Beef tips & rice, green beans, fruit salad, roll, and chocolate cake.

Thursday, July 22: Liver & onions, mashed potatoes, tossed salad, bread, and cake.

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Obituaries

Jode Duane Walker

SAN ANGELO—Jode Duane Walker, 25, formerly of Wingate, died Monday, July 12, 1999, in San Angelo Community Hospital from injuries received in a wake boarding accident on Sunday, July 11.

He was born on December 5, 1973, in Abilene and lived in Wingate most of his life. He graduated from Winters High School in 1992. He married Michele Lee York on June 5, 1998, in San Angelo.

Mr. Walker was a branch manager for Case Inc. in San Angelo and attended Glen Meadows Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Michele Walker of San Angelo; two children, Lindsey and Dalton York of San Angelo; his father, Jerrell Walker and wife Shirley of Wingate; his mother, Jane Bryan of Bronte; grandmothers, Nan Bryan of Athens and Bernice Ferguson of Burleson; one brother, Bill Wayne Walker and wife Lue of Winters; three sisters, Jill McMurray and husband Mark of De Soto; Rita Lowry and husband Rex of Ballinger, and Sandy King and husband Phil of Ballinger; nieces and nephews, Kelly, Kari, and Kindy Walker of Winters, Zack and Jennifer McMurray of De Soto, Sheree Faircloth of Ballinger, Jami and Kalee Owen of Ballinger; and extended family and friends.

Visitation was at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 13, in the Winters Funeral Home. Services were held at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, July 14, at the First Baptist Church in Winters with Reverend Scooter McCurdy, minister of Glen Meadows Baptist Church in San Angelo, officiating. Burial was in Shep Cemetery, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Shane Rice, Billy Frank Belew, Cody Hartman, Kirby Hartman, Jimmy Patton, and Brandon Killough.

Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association.



Melvin Patterson

BALLINGER—Melvin Patterson, 95, died at 5:10 a.m., Thursday, July 8, 1999, in Ballinger Memorial Hospital.

He was born November 11, 1903, in Wingate to J.A. and Ada Macy Patterson. He married Lovie Armstrong in Ballinger in June, 1926, who passed away in 1963. He married Cordelia Johnson in Ballinger in 1965, a life long friend of the family. She passed away in 1992.

Mr. Patterson served as the Postmaster for the Ballinger Post Office for many years. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Ballinger, Ballinger Rotary Club, and the Ballinger Masonic Lodge #643.

Survivors include two daughters, Barbara Watkins of Parker, Colorado, and Sandra Winberg of Austin; one brother, Marvin Patterson of Ballinger; one sister, Clara Patton of Ballinger; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Visitation was from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 10, at Rains-Seale Funeral Home in Ballinger. Services were held at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, July 11, at First Baptist Church in Ballinger with Reverend Ferris Akins officiating. Burial was in the Evergreen Cemetery in Ballinger, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

Bill J. Bryant

MIDLAND—Bill J. Bryant, 74, passed away Thursday, July 8, 1999, at his home.

He was born on June 28, 1925, in Winters, Texas, the only son of Barney and Sally Bryant. After graduating from Winters High School, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1943, serving as a pharmacist's mate on board a supply ship on Guam and Yangtze River until 1946. He married Mary Dalton in Abilene on August 3, 1957. They then moved to Midland.

Mr. Bryant was employed by the U.S. Postal Service, for 30 years, retiring in 1985. He was a fisherman and avid golfer. He played Hogan Park for forty years. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

He was preceded in death by one son, Don Bryant, in 1994. Survivors include his wife, Mary Bryant of Midland; one daughter, Jan Gilbow of Bowie; one granddaughter, Tracey Gomez of Birmingham, Alabama; and two grandsons, Bradley Bryant and Dalton Bryant, both of Odessa.

Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. Monday, July 12, at Elmwood Memorial Park in Abilene with Reverend Sue Rowlett of Sears Methodist Center officiating. Burial was directed by Pipkin Funeral Home of Midland.

Florence Jane Ladner

TUSCOLA—Florence Jane Ladner, 92, died at 12:40 a.m., Saturday, July 10, 1999, at her son's residence in Tuscola.

She was born April 8, 1907, in Clinton, Louisiana and moved to Gulfport, Mississippi as a child.

She married Horace C. Ladner, Sr., on December 22, 1929, in Gulfport. She was a partner in the family business, Ladner Refrigeration. She was a member of the PTA and Grace Memorial Baptist Church in Gulfport.

She was preceded in death by her husband on September 14, 1998. Survivors include two sons, Don Ladner of Tuscola and H.C. Ladner, Jr. of Gulfport; one daughter, Barbara Jane Lee of Zachary, Louisiana; two brothers, Arvah McClendon of Gulfport and J.C. McClendon, Jr. of Biloxi, Mississippi; 15 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

Services were held Tuesday, July 13, 1999, at 11 a.m. at Reiman North Funeral Home Chapel in Gulfport, Mississippi with the Reverend Dale Funderburk officiating. Burial followed in Evergreen Gardens Cemetery in Gulfport. Arrangements were directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Clarence David Richards Jr.

AUSTIN—Clarence David Richards Jr., 76, passed away Saturday, July 10, 1999.

He was born on November 8, 1922, in Ballinger to Clarence D. Sr. and Helen Alklay Richards. He married Callie Mae Beard of Ballinger on December 7, 1948.

Mr. Richards served in World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. He traveled the world serving in the U.S. Navy for 21 years. He enjoyed fishing and gardening.

He was preceded in death by his wife on August 17, 1994; his parents; two brothers, Harold and Robert Richards; one sister, Patricia Richards; and his father-in-law, Joe and Ellen Beard.

Survivors include one son, David Richards of Austin; one daughter, Marcia Hill and husband Johnny L. of New Braunfels; four grandchildren, Caitlin and Rebekah Richards of San Antonio, Jennifer Hill of San Antonio, and Grant Hill of College Station; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were held at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 14, in the Old Rannels Cemetery in Ballinger with Reverend Ferris Akins officiating. Burial was directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home of Ballinger.

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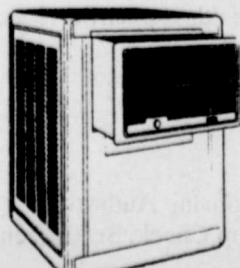


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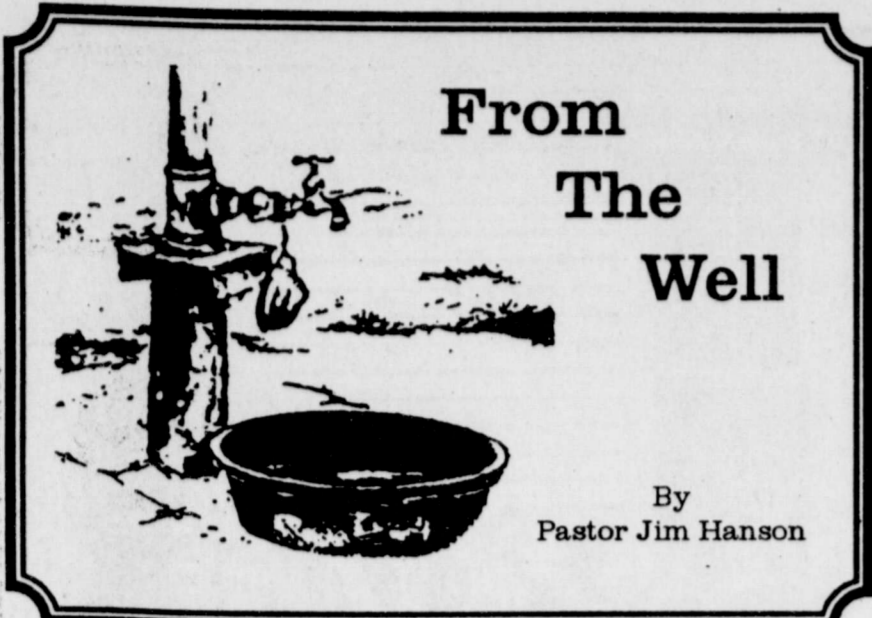
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From The Well

By Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

While on vacation up north, I saw this "catch word" quote: "Seven days without praying makes one weak." You almost have to say it out loud to "get it." But, it's true.

Another "wall-saying," a saying that was framed and on a bathroom wall, made a deep impression on me. It said, "Your most precious antiques are old friends."

Both of these truths came together as Ramona and I, Paul and Mary, and little ones Timothy and Lyndi spent three days with one of our old friends. His name is Hersch Lysaker, and he is almost a legend up in Northwestern Minnesota.

For years, he coached and taught at the Northwest School of agriculture at Crookston, Minnesota. (A six-month board and room high school for farm kids who were needed on the farm for six months, spring and summer.) When the "farm school" became a two-year college, Hersch stayed on. During that time, they built a wonderful athletic complex of buildings on the campus — and named it after him. He knew and still knows many of the farm folks in that part of Minnesota.

But that's not all! At 89, he still sings in the choir — six months of the year in Crookston, Minnesota, at Trinity Lutheran Church, and six months at a Baptist Church in California — summers in Minnesota, winters in California.

But that's not all. He is the chief organizer of the American Legion Marching Band which represents the Minnesota American Legion at their National Convention. He plays a "mean clarinet," and still marches — pacemaker and all. This year, they'll strut themselves and play tremendous music at Anaheim, California. (His band is composed of first class musicians — band directors from all over northwestern Minnesota.)

But that's not all. And, most important to me, Herschal is an "old friend." Not just old...but "long-time friend." I first was introduced to him by my dad on the football field of Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota.

A few years later, when the Trinity Lutheran in Crookston was seeking a senior pastor for their 2000+ members, Herschal put my name in for the job — unbeknownst to me. And, after a few months of interviews and the things churches do when they need a pastor, I received the "call." I didn't really want to go. But God said otherwise. And in February of 1968 we took off for Crookston. It was the best move I could have made...and I give God the credit and Herschal some for his "assist."

From the moment we arrived and ever since, we have been friends. He and his wife, Esther, opened their hearts and their home to us. In the summertime, they "had us over" to their lake home, all seven of us. They fed us, took us on boat rides. They pulled our kids on water skis. Our kids caught their first fish off of their dock. It was "open house" for us all the time. Even after we moved to Texas.

This year was no different. Herschal and his wife Yvonne — he has outlived his first two wives — opened up their lake home to us...again. And little Timothy caught his first fish "off the dock" at Hersch's. It's like home.

Hersch is still going strong. He is a walking, talking encyclopedia of people, places, and events all over northwestern Minnesota. He has an "open heart" — has "taken in numbers of students when younger, gave them board and room and direction" so they could go on.

I knew there had to be a secret to his story. It came out one morning when we gathered for prayer. Herschal joined in...after some others of us had prayed. He prayed this prayer:

"Father we thank Thee for the night
And for the precious morning light
For rest and food and loving care
And all that makes the world so fair.
Help us to do the things we should,
And be to others kind and good.
In all we do at work or play
To be more like Thee in every "way." Amen.

And then he said, "My mother taught me this prayer when I was a child. And I've prayed it ever since." That's why he's not weak. His daily prayer is the secret. And the source of his strength. And...why he is so precious...our old friend. "Longtime." "Forever." "Love never ends."

Lauren Garduno named Odessa TxDOT district engineer

Lauren Garduno, Abilene district director of operations for Texas Department of Transportation, has been selected as the Odessa district engineer effective July 1, 1999. Wes Heald, Texas Department of Transportation executive director, recently made the announcement.

Upon hearing of his selection, Garduno said, "Like most people faced with change, I leave with mixed emotions. I have really enjoyed my experiences here in Abilene. The friendships and working relationships I've developed will be with me the rest of my career. However, I'm excited about the opportunity of becoming the district engineer in Odessa. Like Abilene, I hear there are good people in Odessa and I look forward to going out there and working with them."

Garduno began his TxDOT career in Borger, where he worked five summers in TxDOT's engineering office while he earned a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from Texas Tech University. He joined the department full-time in 1988 as an engineering assistant in the Abilene district design office. Garduno reviewed plans, specifications, and estimates (PS&E) for the 13-county district, as well as designed PS&E for farm-to-market roads in the Houston and Austin districts.

In 1990, he moved to the Abilene area office, where he gained additional experience in design and construction. During this time, he also earned a master's degree in management from Abilene Christian University.



Then, in 1992, he was accepted in the department's master's program and earned a master of science degree in civil engineering from Texas A&M University in 1994. Upon completion, he returned to Abilene as the district construction engineer. That same year, Garduno was promoted to district maintenance engineer and became the director of operations in 1997. He also served as the district's interim district engineer for approximately six months.

In his position of Odessa district engineer, Garduno will be responsible for management and engineering oversight of all district activities to include transportation planning, operations, right of way, design, construction, inspection, maintenance, safety and environmental functions, as well as administrative and support activities for the 12-county district.

Lauren is married to the former Ketta Walker of Wingate. They have one daughter, Amber.

Mary Kurtz named Veterans Auxiliary District 22 President

Attending the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Department of Texas 79th Annual State Convention and its Ladies Auxiliary 73rd Annual State Convention on July 2-4, 1999, were Winters Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9193 Quartermaster RC Kurtz and Ladies Auxiliary President Mary Kurtz.

On July 3, Mrs. Kurtz was installed as District 22 President. Betty Odom was installed as the Department of Texas State President.

The Department of Texas Ladies Auxiliary's first Council of Administration for the 1999-2000 year was held on July 4th, and the programs for the year were announced.

State President Odom's theme is "Out of the Mysteries of the Past, Come Hope and Vision." Without "hope," there could be no "vision;" without "vision," there could be no "hope" for the organization.

The State President's special project for the year is the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. A goal of \$100,000, to be given to the

Northeast Texas Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation during the Department of Texas Ladies Auxiliary Convention in July, was set. Cystic fibrosis is a disease that attacks children, but there is hope in research.

Mrs. Odom has chosen the pegasus (the flying horse) from the "Mysteries of the Past" for the cancer pin. Through the sale of these pins, donations, and fund-raisers, a goal of \$225,000 has been set for the Texas Department of Texas Cancer Aid and Research Project. The auxiliary is committed to do everything in their power to assist in the fight against this disease.

Also explained were programs on Americanism, Buddy Poppies, Community Service, Hospital, Legislative, Rehabilitation, Safety, VFW National Home, Voice of Democracy Youth Essay Contest, Youth Activities, Teacher Recognition, and State Nursing Scholarships.

President Kurtz will share this information with the Ladies Auxiliary members of District 22 on August 7 at a training seminar in San Angelo.

Chamber Memo

Chamber designing Winters website

by Carolyn Scarborough

The Winters website is coming together and is almost complete, but we need your help.

We are adding a community calendar and need dates of anything your group or organization is doing. This includes meals done by groups on football nights, special events at the churches, as well as regular meetings.

There is no fee of any kind involved. Just let us know what you are doing and when as soon as you know.

If your group has a regular meeting, please call and make sure that we have it on file. We do not want anyone to be left out.

The WACC is planning our annual golf tournament for July 24. The format is a 4-person scramble with an entry fee of \$120 per team.

We have a "Hole In One" prize for hole #3 of \$10,000 cash. A

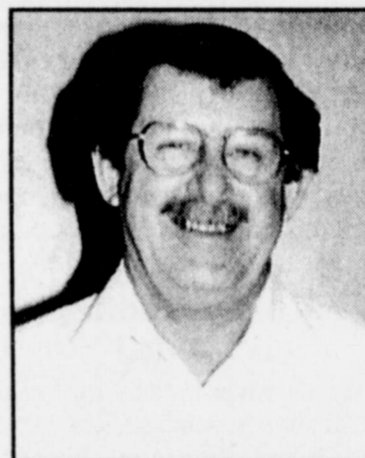
meal will be provided after the tournament along with door prizes of all kinds. There will be a cash prize for the 1st and 2nd place winners of two flights. Carts will be available for rent if needed. We will also have some extra contests going on for extra fun.

To sign up or for more information, call the Chamber office or the Winters Country Club.

We are also beginning plans for the Arts & Crafts Show in November. We are adding the "Taste of Texas Cook-Off" this year. At this time, there are three categories: Pot O'Beans, Brisket, and Wild Game. Be sure to call the Chamber for more information on this exciting upcoming event. We know some of you can cook up a storm. Rules and regulations are being drawn up and should be available the middle of July.

Eugene W. White joins staff at John's International

One of the new faces around Winters belongs to Eugene "Gene" White, Shift Supervisor for John's International.



White joined the local company on March 8, 1999, after finding the job opportunity on the Internet. He comes to Winters

from Caldwell, Texas, where he worked as a supervisor for the Nagel Manufacturing Company.

"I love being here," says White. "I have a great staff to work with. The people are really hard workers and we're trying to organize as a "team" with long range planning. I'm having a great time and excited about living in Winters."

Gene and his wife Gloria are parents of seven children, five of whom are grown. Six and eight-year old sons are still living at home.

Gene enjoys golf, hunting, reading and surfing the Internet. Gloria spends the majority of her time being a mother and grandmother, and also enjoys yardwork and gardening.

Letter to the Editor

We need 9-1-1

Dear Editor:

I remember we paid GTE Telephone 50¢ a month, 3 or 4 years for 9-1-1, before we even got it around here.

I had not given a thought to how it was paid for, but I agree with Janie — each town in Runnels County should contribute out of their city tax and then Runnels County should match it with some of the county taxes. We all pay.

We need 9-1-1. Let's keep it. Sincerely,
Shirley Crouch

Gospel singing planned July 18

A gospel singing of all denominations will be held at the West Texas Ranch for Christ on Sunday, July 18, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The ranch is located 22 miles south of Sweetwater on Highway 70 or 6 miles north of Blackwell. A sign will be on both sides of the highway, 3 miles east of the ranch.

You are asked to drive slowly going through the ranches for the roads are winding and there are many cattle.

If you have any questions, call J.D. Taylor of Blackwell at 282-2756.

Classifieds Get Results

Winters Elementary plans registration day, August 2

Winters Elementary School will hold a registration day for grades pre-K through sixth, on Monday, August 2, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. according to Principal Tammy Bright. Registration will be held in the elementary school office.

Anyone new to the district is

invited to register their children on this day. In addition, anyone who has not pre-registered their pre-kindergarten or kindergarten is encouraged to do so at this time.

For more information, contact the elementary school office at 754-5577.

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Drasco Baptist Church dedicated August, 1908

photo courtesy of Mrs. Edna England

The passing of Drasco Baptist Church

by Jean Boles, editor

This is the second in a series of articles covering the life of a beloved country church that closed its doors on May 2, 1999. Some information is taken from a summary written by Mrs. Edna England on the 75th anniversary of the Drasco Baptist Church on November 14, 1982.

Outdoor services

Dinner on the ground was just that — the church pews were moved outside and the bountiful food was set on the benches. After plates were filled, everyone sat on the ground.

Services would sometime be cancelled when it rained because nobody went anywhere in the black mud. In the summertime, the county tent was secured for the "protractive meeting" and the third Sunday in July was always set for that purpose.

England says, "It was so exciting to have services outside. The earth would almost quiver as we sang at the top of our voices, 'Love Lifted Me' and 'The Old Rugged Cross.'"

From the minutes of 1920 kept by Mr. E. W. Patterson, a committee was appointed to secure corbide lights so that night services would be more enjoyable, making possible to hold preaching and conference on Saturday nights.

The Ladies Aid was organized in 1913 and it was through their

insistence that the church voted to pay \$10 a month to the county missionary. Baptist Young People Union was organized for the junior-age children in 1923, and a while later a class for the young people under 25 years of age or single was organized with Bonnie Puckett as president.

A new building is needed

Worship was held in this building for sixteen years and the membership had out-grown this one-room building. After the protractive meeting in July, 1923, the congregation met to discuss the building of a new building and to exchange an acre of land south of the church to the school for an acre of land on the north side of the building.

Mr. Owen Ingrem was elected as contractor, with the building to be a two-story concrete structure with a basement. Bro. John Riddle was pastor and "dirt breaking" services began at 10 a.m. on Monday, March 17, 1924.

The Women's Missionary Society made a request to place a memorial to a former pastor, Bro. L. E. Hurt, in the new building, so the building committee decided to put in stained glass windows in memory of or to honor different individuals and families.

In June, 1924, the third Sunday in July, the protractive meeting was held in the new church basement and the old building was sold for \$300. The congregation now numbered more than 200 members.

Pallets, pump organs & pastors

About this time, the protractive meeting changed to two-week revivals with morning and night services. To keep the little kids quiet, every family brought quilts and pillows to make pallets under the seats as sometimes the services lasted until midnight or later. Along with the bedding was always the Mason fruit jar of water and a box of crackers.

Mrs. England recounts that one of the most "flustering" times of her life was when she got too big for the pallet and had to sit still and listen to the preacher.

She says that one of the most exciting times at Drasco was

when a sleeping child was put in the wrong wagon and carried home with the wrong family. The frantic father searched into the wee hours of the morning before he found his child.

With a grin, Mrs. England recalls the handrail that ran down the middle of the outside stairs. She said every kid that went to this church slid down that rail, except her. "About the time I would get enough courage up I would look around to see if my daddy was looking, and sure enough, those bright blue eyes would be right on me and my courage left immediately."

She tells of attending the Epworth League at the Methodist Church on Sunday afternoons, then about sundown, going across and down the road to the Baptist Church for Baptist Young People Union (BYPU). Miss Zora Mitchell played the old pump organ for the intermediate kids who met in the balcony for BYPU.

"How we did like to sing," says Mrs. England. "We would sing until she was all tuckered out and then some of the boys would pump the pedals so that Miss Zora could keep playing."

Pastors who served during those years were John Riddle, E. D. Dunlap, Willis J. Ray, Thomas

Young, W. I. Taylor, Harold Russ, Melvin Byrd, Ted Bryan, Emmitt Brooks, Bennie Hays, Orville Sanders, Earl McManus, Thurston Healer, and D. W. Ward.

"Big times" at Drasco Baptist were when representatives from Buckner Orphans Home or Simmons College (now Hardin Simmons University in Abilene) came to tell of their needs and ask for help.

"People at Drasco were always generous with their means," says England, "but it was again the Women's Missionary Society that came through with canned goods and clothing. We spent many days meeting together, making quilts and clothing for the Buckner children. We would have egg days when we would bring all the eggs we gathered on a certain Sunday."

In the early 1930s, the Great Depression was on and the pastor was paid in part with produce.

On February 7, 1932, Mr. J. R. Woodfin recorded in the church minutes, "Inasmuch as the Depression is still in our way and our income is still much below the normal contribution, therefore we suggest that the pastor's salary be lowered to \$25.00 a month." A committee was appointed to canvass the community to try to raise money to meet the budget.

In 1933 the school asked permission to light the basketball court from the "Delco Plant" that had been installed in the church. These games became big entertainment for the young people of Drasco.

In the late 1930s and early '40s, the membership of the church began to decline as the men were hearing the call of the West once again and families moved to the Plains of West Texas. Then World War II came along, taking with it many young men, while others went to the cities to look for war-time jobs.

In the meantime, the tractor was taking the place of the horses and mule to till the soil, allowing one man to farm the land that had earlier been farmed by several families.

In 1946, the Drasco School consolidated with the Winters School District, thus diverting more Drasco families. Membership in the church had dropped to about 50.

Continued next week

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- ◆ Tomato Juice 521 mg.
- ◆ Cantaloupe 494 mg.
- ◆ Boiled Spinach* 839 mg.
- ◆ Baked Beans 752 mg.
- ◆ Canned Tomatoes 530 mg.
- ◆ Orange Juice 496 mg.

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Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz



Hilda Kurtz

The best thing about telling the truth is that you don't have to remember what you said.

Hopewell Sunday morning visitors were Carolyn Webb's grandchildren, Amanda, Kendra, and Ashley. Joe Webb came for evening services.

Those ladies attending mission study Monday morning were Juanita Shields, Fairy Allcorn, Diane Talbott, Ramona Akins, and Nila Osborne.

Herbert and Evelyn Jacob visited Marige Jacob on Monday night. Margie went over Thursday to see Thelma Hoppe. Thelma is doing okay. On Saturday night, Margie attended the Quinceañera of Monica Rodriguez at Mt. Carmel Catholic Church in Winters.

The Kozelsky family returned home Saturday after spending the week in Atlanta, Georgia, where Mike attended a conference.

I had 1/2" of rain which soured the tank water, and we lost all our fish.

Fairy and Wilbert Allcorn of Winters, Johnny and Linda Denson of Weatherford, Bo and Sandra McMillion of Buchanan Dam spent the weekend in Amarillo. They also visited grandson

Aaron and Jerace Denson. Later all went to Palo Duro Canyon to see the production of the play "Texas."

Melvina and Marvin Gerhart enjoyed having grandson Brendon Mikeska on Tuesday and Wednesday. On Sunday after church services, dinner guests with the Gerharts were Brother Ferris and Ramona Akins, Nila and Therin Osborne. The Ferrises left after lunch to attend the funeral of Mr. Patterson in Ballinger.

During the week with Connie and Georgia Gibbs were Mark, Tammy, Haley Kazcyk of Winters; Lane and Tana Gibbs of Winters; Jaci Frierson of Winters; and Billy Richey of Content.

Betty and Joe Pierce's grandson, Pierce Doyle and his dad Sal of San Angelo came out during the week and did some fishing. Grandson caught some nice fish.

Eileen Cartwright and Tiffany Prater spent Friday in Abilene shopping then enjoyed eating out.

Harvey Mae Faubion was taken to the emergency room to see the doctor during the week. She is home and is doing okay.

Adeline Grissom, Katherine and Luke Grissom spent Friday in Abilene and helped daughter Phyllis Byrd celebrate her birthday. They also ate out.

Coleman Foreman ate out then went to spend Sunday with Lawan at the Winters nursing home. Afterwards, on his way home, he went by to see Keith Collom.

Leona and Roy Matthies spent the weekend in Brownwood with

Pat and Abe Giles. They also had a small family reunion. Fourteen were present.

After evening church services on Sunday, Josie Hoppe, Elaine Miller, and Dawn Bryan went to Ballinger and visited with Wilkins Hoppe in the nursing home. Emma Marks came Monday afternoon and had a wonderful visit.

The Crews community had 3/10" to 1-1/2" of rain during the week.

Those enjoying supper with Doris Wood on Saturday night were Mr. and Mrs. Maloey Bryant, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Calcote, John and Frances of Wingate, Doug Bryant and girls of Brownwood, Robert Douglas and daughter Autumn of Abilene.

Linda and Dale Duggan's weekend visitors were Katy Duggan of Abilene, LaNell Grigsby of Hawley, and Amy Mansell. Enjoying Sunday lunch were Will and Leslie Duggan, Katy Duggan, and nephew Benjamin Brown of Ruidoso, New Mexico. Benjamin is spending two weeks here.

Mrs. Edith Everett was admitted to Ballinger Hospital Sunday morning for observation. She returned home Monday afternoon.

Carolyn Webb's granddaughters, Amanda and Ashley of Austin, are visiting several weeks. Carolyn and Joe and friends of Austin toured the southern part of Tennessee and Kentucky State Parks. They also attended the play in Eureka Springs, Arkansas.

Library News



Library Club ends Thursday Schlitterbahn tickets to be awarded July 20

by Carolyn Scarborough, librarian

The Summer Reading Club is winding down with our last meeting on July 15. I am so pleased at the turnout we have had so far. We have had many participants and lots of books are being read. The last two weeks we have spent learning about pirates. Many came dressed as pirates and a good time was had by all.

Book lists are due this Thursday to be in the drawing for the Schlitterbahn tickets given to us by KTXS. The actual drawing will be next Tuesday at the library. We will contact the two winners to come and get their tickets. It's not too late to join in the fun. All you need is a library card (which costs absolutely nothing).

Keep kids engaged!

Call the U.S. Dept. of Education for "Museums and Learning: A Guide for Family Visits" for kids ages 4-12. Available free at 1-877-4ED-PUBS. For more on kids & reading, visit www.ed.gov/initi/americanreads.

Winters native honored as Texas Music Teacher of the Year

At a recent convention of Texas Music Teachers Association in San Antonio, Karen Smith Austin was selected as Teacher of the Year. Karen is the daughter of Buck and Verda Smith of Winters.



Karen Austin TMTA Teacher of the Year

Karen has been a private piano teacher in the Dallas area for 30 years. She is active in the Dallas Music Teachers Association and has served that organization as president, three terms as vice-president, and has held many chairmanships there.

Mrs. Austin has been a director on the executive board of the state organization and has served on many committees. She is a well-known adjudicator and has presented programs at state and national conventions. Karen serves Wilshire Baptist Church as an accompanist. She is a graduate of Winters High School and

Texas Christian University. She and her husband, Dr. Roy Austin, a Dallas psychologist, have two children Toni and Greg.

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, July 4, 1999, through Saturday, July 10, 1999. Winters Police Officers:
- arrested Luis G. Llanas, 17, of Winters, for possession of marijuana in the 700 block of Alexander.
 - arrested Oscar Humb Jimenez-Sanchez, 52, of Ballinger, for driving while intoxicated after a traffic stop in the 600 block of Floyd.
 - arrested Roberto Garcia Jr., 37, of Winters, on a parole warrant in the 500 block of South Rogers.
 - received a report of a disturbance in the 600 block of Tinkle. Charges are pending at this time against a suspect.
 - arrested Eugene Weldon Bentrup, 24, of Winters, on a warrant for giving a false report to a peace officer.
- 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:
- Winters Police Department—754-4121
Ballinger Police Department—365-3591
Sheriff's Department—365-2121

Veterans plaque needs names

The Veterans Memorial Committee will be accepting names for the plaque on the courthouse lawn in Ballinger until October 15.

Additional veteran's names can be engraved on the plaque at a charge of \$50 per name.

For more information, contact Billy Rollowitz at 442-3141 or Lee Roy Mullin at 365-2390.

Jewell Kraatz to be honored on 80th birthday

The children of Jewell Kraatz are hosting a birthday celebration for their mother on Sunday, July 18, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The celebration will be held in the fellowship hall of St. John's Lutheran Church at 1100 Parsonage in Winters.

All the family and friends of Jewell are asked to come and help celebrate her 80th birthday.

Attention: Class of 1949

Winters High School class members of 1949 are asked to reserve October 8 and 9 for some fun activities to celebrate the 50th class reunion.

Call Jo Poe at 754-5470 or Ed Bredemeyer at 754-4083 for details.

Booster Club meets tonight

The Blizzard Booster Club will meet tonight, July 15, at 8:00 p.m. in the Blizzard Fieldhouse.

The purpose of the meeting is to decide on items to be sold at "Meet the Blizzards" night. Plans will also be made for the upcoming ice cream supper scheduled for that same evening.

All members and Blizzard supporters are encouraged to attend.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
90th
to
Hilda Kurtz
on **July 20**

Happy 10th Birthday
Julian Perez
We love you,
Mommy, Daddy
& Alex

Official Records

County Court Criminal Cases Filed July 7

Eugene Bentrup, Winters, filed for giving false information to a peace officer

Dana Bentrup, Winters, filed for giving false information to a peace officer

Criminal Dispositions

Diane Luera Lopez, driving while license suspended, dismissed, defendant convicted in another case

Mary Reeves, theft of merchandise and/or cash by check, dismissed, improper venue, restitution paid

District Court Divorces Filed July 7

Jo Dee Meyer and Timothy Irwin Meyer

Divorces Granted July 8

Frank Antonio Montalvo and Delia Montalvo

Civil Cases filed July 7

Ex Parte: Betty Jean Pole, change of name

July 9

Lisa Ejem vs. American Home Products Corp., et al, suit for personal injury

Grand Jury Indictments

Joe Ramirez, theft under \$500 (three previous convictions)

Mary Frances Segura, forgery by passing

Eirma Linda Lopez, forgery by passing

Robert Nicholas Rullan, driving while intoxicated (two previous convictions)

Jerry Lee Alvarado, driving while intoxicated (two previous convictions)

Daniel Jeremiah Cortez, theft of firearm, two counts

Annual Meeting — Last-minute reminder

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Reunion Time

36th Heathcott Reunion has 125 in attendance

The 36th Annual Heathcott Family Reunion was held at the Mt. Carmel Catholic Hall in Winters on June 26 and 27, 1999. One hundred twenty-five family members and guests enjoyed good food, visiting, and swimming. The city pool was kept busy on Saturday and Sunday. An auction was held Saturday evening with lots of arts and crafts for sale. The reunion will be held at the same time and same place in the year 2000.

Those attending were Jim & Maxine Heathcott of Houma, Louisiana; Opal, Ashley & Erica Poland of Odessa; Margaret Heathcott of Killeen; Rick, B.J. & Scott Heathcott of Houston; Ron & Amanda Heathcott; Ronald, Meagan & Chandler Heathcott, and Jade Heathcott of Arlington.

Amanda Saunders of Dallas; Linda & Matt Day of Carrollton; Greg Behm of Irving; Doug, Jane, Amber & Brittney Taylor of Clyde; Arlene & Irving DeFoor of Albuquerque, New Mexico; Liano, Deborah, Emily & Amanda Jo Heathcott of Veribest; Joe, Donna, Michael, Aaron, Brian Pritchard, and Tarra Burns of Wingate; M.J., Randall, Whitney & Morgan Haire of Ponder.

Bobby, Nancy, Heath, Craig & Reese McDowell of Kempner; Sissy Heathcott, Heather

Matthews, Marcie Pritchard and Jacob Adams of Abilene; Denny, Barbara, Amy, John, Robby, and Kara Heathcott of Winters; Royce, Neita, Samantha, Justin, and Weston Heathcott of Waller.

Red, Michelle, and Michon Gerhart, Rosie and Brittany Goff, and Ashley Lewallen of San Angelo; Walter, Andi, Mandi, and Jarrett Gerhart, and Melissa Bolen of Ballinger; James Smith and Tamara Thompson of Halton City; Bill, Linda, Dana, and Chance Heathcott of Navasota; Rass and Novine Heathcott of Aspermont.

Jerre Heathcott of Winters; Johnny and Darla Jarwater, Cooper Siegel and Austin West of Ft. Worth; Rodney and Sandy Heathcott of Austin; Pat Jr. and Doris Pritchard, Reed, Kyra, and Ashlee Minter of Clyde; Toby Webster of Baird; Velma and Alex Sudduth, Mack, Juanita, and Foy Ballard, Michelle Burton, Mary Lynn, Ronald, and Jana Presley of Winters.

Pat and Maxine Pritchard of Wingate; Daryl and Jaylene, Stephanie, Misty, and Dylan Goff, Aaron Grantham of San Angelo; Rony and Wanda Burns of Abilene; Leeman Saunders of Blackwell; Joel, Evelyn, and Chris Heathcott of Wetumka, Oklahoma.

Pritchards host ninth annual family reunion

The Ninth Annual Pritchard Family Reunion was held Saturday, July 10, 1999, at the Winters Community Center.

Despite a rainy afternoon canceling swim plans, 45 family members and friends enjoyed a potluck Mexican food dinner complete with grilled fajitas. An auction was held after lunch, followed by a brief business meeting.

During the meeting it was reported that a brick has been placed at the Rock Hotel in honor of Elmer Madison and Willie Belle Pritchard. The group agreed to continue a \$25 donation this year to the West Texas Rehab in memory of the couple as well.

It was voted to hold the tenth reunion the same time next year at the Community Center featur-

ing a Mexican dinner.

Those present included Jack & Lucille Pritchard, Pat & Maxine Pritchard, Joe, Donna, Michael, Aaron & Brian Pritchard, of Wingate; Katherine, Brandon, Addison & Colin Pritchard of Waco; Walter & Jarrett Gerhart of Ballinger.

Also present were Johnny, Deb, Mandy, Cody, Colby, Collyn & Corey Pritchard, Steve, Penny, Jessica, Jack & Jaymee Pritchard, Ronald, Mary Lynn & Jana Presley, of Winters; Tyge & Marie Payne and Rex, Cheryl, Kayla & Kinley Pritchard of Lubbock.

In addition were Tracie Denton and Kim Martin of Rotan; Pat Jr. & Doris Pritchard and Reed, Kyra & Ashlee Minter of Clyde; and Toby Webster of Baird.

Gamble-Kinard descendants hold family reunion at Shep

The descendants of Hugh and Nora (Kinard) Gamble held a family reunion at the Shep Community Center on Saturday, June 26.

Seventy-four family members and guests enjoyed a pitch-in meal and "lots" of visiting. Games were played by the children.

Those attending included Marvalene Kauffman, Greg & Monica Franks, Royce & Allene Gamble, and Alana & Austin of Ft. Worth; Jim & Sissy Carpenter of Weatherford; Bennie & Marie Franks, Ben Alldredge, Ken, Lia, Ashley & Tasha Early, Raymond & Janet Burns, Maeveon Rich, Tobin, Keri Lynn, Tarra & Tory Burns and Michael Pritchard of Wingate.

In addition were, Bert & Mary Kinard and Marguerite & Lee Stith of Mesa, Arizona; Bill & LaNell Stone of Ardmore, Oklahoma; Dot Carpenter, Moseetta Mills, Nora & Van Spill, and

Ferrell Dean Brown of Winters; Paul, Sharon & Dustin Gamble and Staci McCallum of Haltom City; Jerry Mills, Virgil McDaniel, Clay & Chelsea Hejl, and Don & Brenda Hejl; Amy, Rob & Finn Cunningham and Tandy Reagan of Austin.

Also attending were Michael Kinard of Abilene; Joe Troy Gamble and Prentice Gamble; Chane Reagan and Becca Bridge of Lubbock; Lessy Byrd of Houston; H. Lester Byrd of College Station; Lane Marks, Travis Marks, John David Marks and Marylea Marks of Midland.

And Frances Gamble Walden of Lillian; Rebecca Treadwell of Granbury; Julie Jackson of Grapevine; Karen Cunningham of San Diego, California; Donna Carr of Dallas; Tommy & Ann Franks of Norcross, Georgia; and Joy Cook Baze of Phoenix, Arizona.

Schwartz Reunion draws largest turnout ever

by Gayle Walker

The family of the late W.H. and Sadie Moore Schwartz met for their annual family reunion at Kerrville, Texas, June 25-27, 1999. A total of 117 family and friends gathered for a time of fun and fellowship. The surviving twelve members of W.H. and Sadie's fifteen children were all in attendance. This year's reunion was a "first" for the largest turnout so far.

Kerrie and wife Marilyn, with their children, Reed and Fannie, came the furthest from Portland, Oregon. He is the son of Martha Lee Standlee. The youngest person there was Seth Gordon, son of Regina and Carl Gordon, and the great-grandson of Arlene and Monroe Boles. The Boles family had the most family and friends present with a total of 27.

Special Schwartz thank yous go out to several family members —

To Janice Lee Brown for bringing a window frame filled with pictures of the W.H. Schwartz family and pictures of the Charles William Schwartz family. The window came from the house that W.H. Schwartz, Sr. and his parents, Charles William Schwartz and Martha Caroline Bradley lived in. They were long-time Crews, Texas, residents.

To Alan Standlee for his never-ending work on updating the family history charts. Alan spends many hours at the computer logging in information for our fam-

ily. He is the son of Martha Standlee.

To Kristy Taylor, granddaughter of W.H. Schwartz, Jr., for bringing the great-grandchildren T-shirts and also for the activities for the kids.

To Rhonda and Donald Currie for the Sunday morning services focusing on Christian values passed down from one generation to the next. Rhonda is the daughter of Phyllis and Ellis Fulton.

To Kevin Boles for his message in song. He is the grandson of Arlene and Monroe Boles.

To the Boles family members who shared testimony of Christian values passed from one generation to the next and taught by example.

To Dorothy Mae Hamilton, cousin to the Schwartz children, for coming to be a part of our reunion. Her mother was Minnie Schwartz Rosford, sister to W.H. Schwartz, Sr.

To all those who helped with the different chores, bringing ice, ice cream, pictures to share, and lots of memories.

A very special SCHWARTZ thank you goes to the great-grandchildren who make an effort to come to the reunion and learn the Schwartz family history. Hopefully, by coming each year they will carry on the tradition of reunions in the years to come, a tradition that has lasted for 45 years, so far.

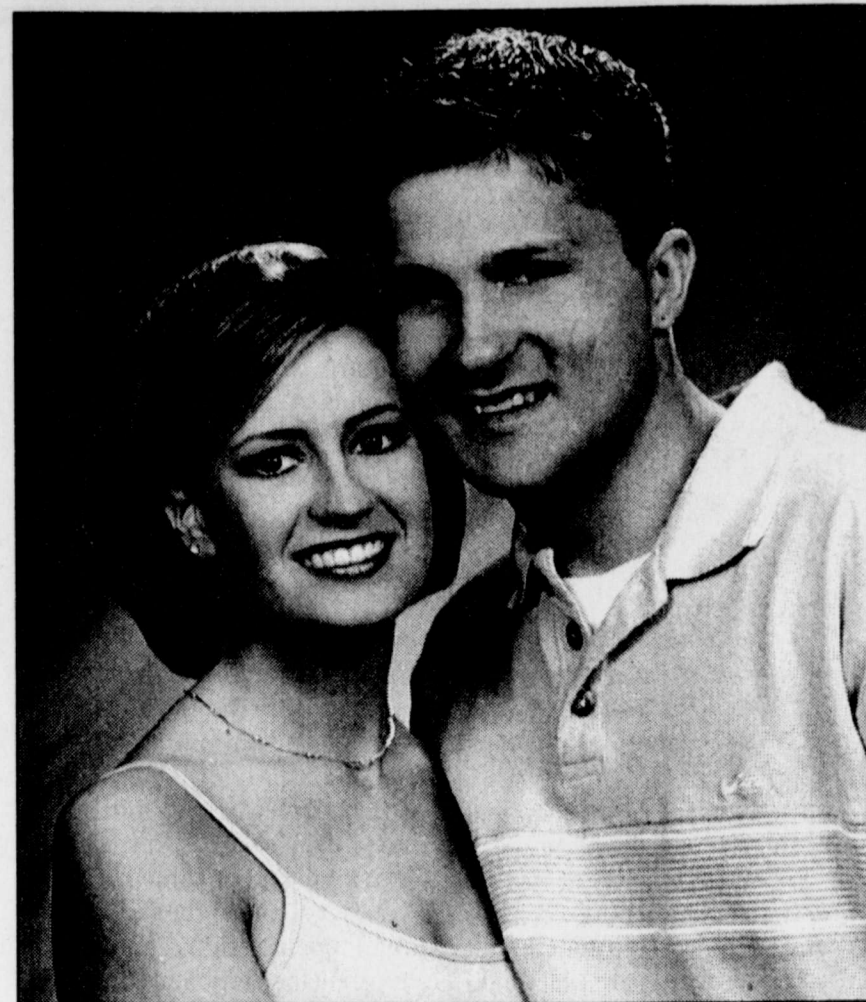
Presley on TAMU Dean's List

Alisa L. Presley was designated a Dean's Honor Roll Student for the spring semester 1999 at Texas A&M's College of Education.

She is currently a senior with a 3.8 GPA.

Alisa is the daughter of Mary Lynn and Ronald Presley of Winters. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Pat Pritchard of Wingate and the late Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Presley of Winters.

Engagements



Cheri Lee Dry and Jay Ryan Dirksen

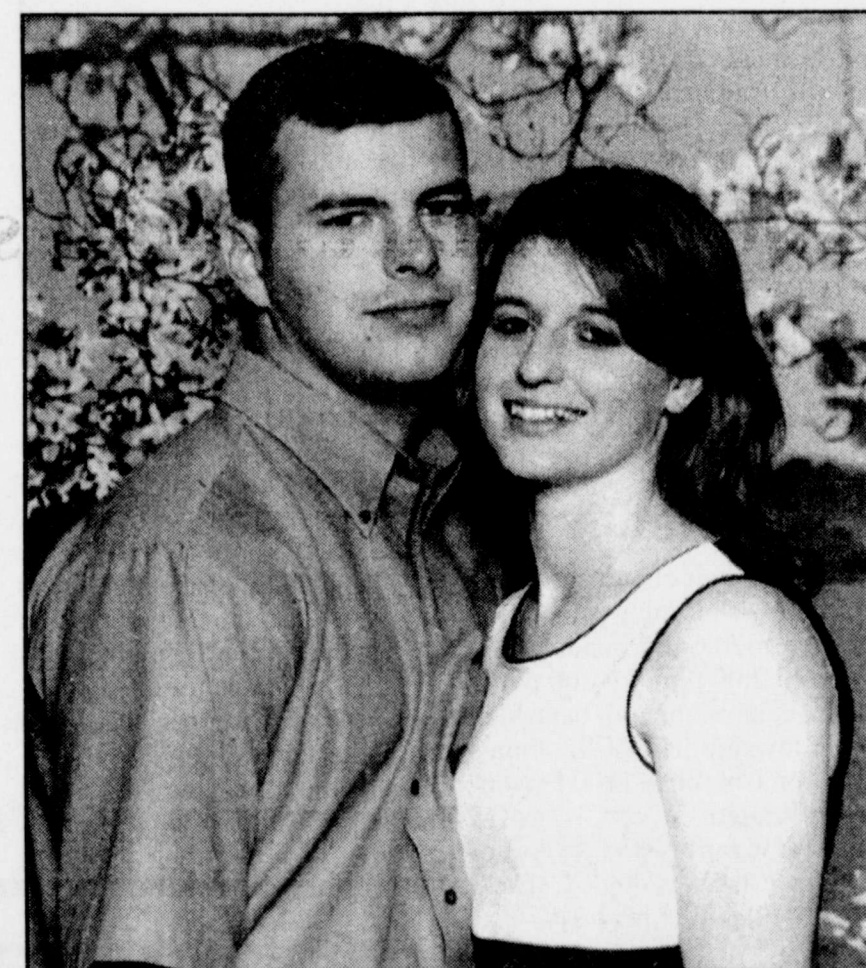
Cheri Lee Dry and Jay Ryan Dirksen to marry August 21

Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Dry of Winters announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Cheri Lee Dry of Winters and College Station, to Jay Ryan Dirksen of Corpus Christi. Mr. Dirksen is the son of Dr. and Mrs. William Dirksen of Corpus Christi.

The bride-elect graduated from Sulphur Springs High School in Sulphur Springs in 1996, and is a senior student, majoring in speech communications, at Texas A&M University in College Station.

The prospective groom graduated from Flour Bluff High School in Corpus Christi in 1993. He is a senior student, majoring in Graphic Arts and Design, at Texas A&M University, and manager of Journey in Corpus Christi.

The wedding ceremony will be August 21 in the First Baptist Church in Winters with the Reverend Barry Taylor officiating.



Eric Martin Joeris and Debbie Leigh Baize

Debbie Baize & Eric Joeris to wed Saturday, August 14

Paige and Sue Baize of Wingate announce the engagement of their daughter, Debbie Leigh Baize, to Eric Martin Joeris, son of John and Rhonda Joeris of Winters. The couple will wed at 6 p.m. on Saturday, August 14, in the San Angelo Christian Church.

The bride-to-be is a 1998 graduate of Winters High School and attends Angelo State University. She is a customer service specialist with Wal-Mart.

The prospective groom is also a 1998 graduate of WHS and attends ASU. He is a customer service manager for Wal-Mart.

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Family can't wait for the little "side trips" on annual vacation

by Deb Pritchard

Summertime is well underway, and with it comes—the family vacation. The Johnny Pritchards are planning their bi-annual pilgrimage to Hoosierland—one of those "I" states—Indiana.

I could bore you with our uncanny resemblance to Cousin Eddie's family in Chevy Chase's "Family Vacation" movies, not to mention the fact that I swear Jeff Foxworthy follows our suburban to gather new material for his act. But I won't—I'm saving it for when we return! I want to refresh my memory of our escapades.

What I do want to share with you though are the "side trips." You know—those little out of the way places you see on brochures or road signs.

We drive, usually taking one of two routes. (That doesn't include any of the getting lost re-routes.) We either travel north of Ft. Worth into Oklahoma to Springfield, Missouri (home of the BASS Pro Shop) or the seven hours east to Texarkana, and then through Arkansas. The last half of the trip goes through parts of Missouri, southern Illinois, and then Indiana, either way you go.

Our vacation is a given—we go to visit my family. But we decided early on to add a new "discovery" each time we go.

Take for instance the "Cotton Museum" in Oklahoma. I was probably reading or taking a nap when the suburban veered sharply to the right and all of the contents of the car shifted—including the children. I thought "Oh my gosh, we've blown a tire. Thank God we're safe!" Wrong.

I look at Johnny and he doesn't seem to be ruffled or alarmed. So I inquired with one eyebrow cocked, "What are you doing?" He just smiled that stupid "husband" smile and gave an upward nod of the head (our little action of endearment toward each other that says so much without ever opening your mouth), so I observed the countryside.

Then I saw it—one of those brown signs that marks historical or state attractions. We were on our way to the "Cotton Museum." Well, needless to say, the kids couldn't contain themselves, especially the girls. After all, they had just spent the previous two weeks attached to a hoe handle in their father's cotton fields. They couldn't believe their luck!

Traveling several miles from our itinerary—there it was. Now to give credit where credit is due, it was very interesting. It wasn't large at all, but it included a lot of cotton history. From the slaves

picking in the fields (the girls felt a bond) to the most current advances in the industry, that little museum offered a wealth of history. We really enjoyed it. Johnny was proud of his find.

Not to be outdone, a couple of summers ago I picked up a brochure at one of those roadside visitor center/rest stops during a potty break. When we returned to the car and got back on the road, the more I read the little pamphlet, the more interested I became.

It was for the Ozark Ham Factory near Jefferson City, Missouri, the state capitol. As I read, I'd throw out bits of information to Johnny, and would comment how interesting it would be. He'd grunt. In my mind, I tried to calculate how far off the beaten path it would be for us to take this little "side trip"—1 1/2 hours!

Well, there's no way I could let him be privy to that dab of information and still be able to convince him to check it out. I was vague to say the least. I wasn't successful in my quest on the drive up to Indiana, but I hadn't given up.

On the return trip, I started browsing through the brochure again, about St. Louis. The home of the Arch (not McDonald's golden ones) tends to make

Johnny, how shall we say, a bit stressed. Graciously, I calmly talked him through the exits never once mentioning that we had only driven this same route probably a half dozen times by now and you'd think he'd catch on after a while. Nope, I never said that.

Knowing he'd be grateful to be out of St. Louis, I casually asked what he'd think about venturing off to find this ham factory. He grimaced, puckered his brow and grunted. Undaunted, I plunged on about what a wonderful experience it would be for the kids since we show hogs—you know great for the 4-H record books etc, etc.

This went on back and forth for every bit of 75-80 miles and I knew we were nearing the exit. Finally, I said "fine! We never get to do anything worthwhile—nothing interesting." (I took lessons from the kids.) For good measure I added, "If it was something that interested you . . ." I proceeded to pout.

By now, the sun has set and we needed to start considering lodging for the night. He makes small talk. I pout. Finally, I stomped and said "I want to do this." He took the exit. Not only do we get to see this ham factory, but we get to see the capitol of Missouri as well. We'll spend the night in Jefferson

City and buzz over to the factory first thing the next morning.

It's dark, I mean real, out in the boondocks dark; every one of the kids are conked out in the backseats and we're winding our way through the Ozark Mountains at a much slower rate of speed than we'd normally be driving. Johnny's getting car sick and cranky.

Finally around midnight, we come upon the city lights of the capitol and it's just beautiful. I woke the kids so they could enjoy the view and take in this bit of history. They moaned. Johnny grunted.

After a restful night, we made our way out into the winding countryside to find our ham factory. Just 45 minutes into the quest, we found it. It was fascinating. Did you know cured hams hang and age for several months to years? We were amazed (and grossed out) to find that mold grows quite thick on these delicious hams and just scraped off before packaging.

One section of the rustic plant had four stories of hanging, aging, hams. We even saw the smokehouse and bacon being sliced and packaged. There were two particular jobs that stuck out in our minds. One was the person

who decided if an aged ham was spoiled or not. The other was the knife sharpener.

The "spoil checker" did nothing more than sit by a crate of molded hams, sticking a knife in them, pulling it out and smelling it. If it smelled one way, it was good. If it smelled another, it was bad. (Wouldn't do for that person to come down with a head cold, would it?)

The other job, our son Cody found fascinating. In fact, he aspires to be one some day—the knife sharpener. All this guy does is sharpen butcher knives for an eight hour shift. Each department sends their knives to be sharpened several times a day. Can you imagine, sharpen, slash, (a piece of paper to test it), sharpen, slash, sharpen, slash . . . ?

Everyone found the adventure interesting—even Johnny, though he doesn't admit it to this day. A week or two after we returned home, we were shopping for groceries at the Wal-Mart Super Center in Abilene and Johnny sent one of the kids to find me.

Guess what they found hanging over one of the frozen food cases? An Ozark Country Ham. "Mommy we've been to the place that makes these!" I just looked at Johnny and grunted.

WHS STUDENTS, continued

Winters High School newspaper begins its second year, in August 1999, Cari also begins a second year as reporter.

Also serving another year as reporter, Kelli polished her reporting and writing skills during her course instruction. She received the award of Outstanding Interviewer, presented by instructor Peggy Morton.

Misty attended a course in section editing which covered in-depth, advanced feature, news-feature, and other sophisticated

writing/editing styles. Design, legal and ethical issues were also discussed. Misty will serve as copy editor for the 1999-2000 *Blitz* staff.

As next year's *Blizzard Blitz* Editor-in-Chief, Shelley Meyer participated in the course designed to offer leadership and editing skills. She received instruction in staff management, policy development, news coverage, editing, legal issues, ethics, and editorial page leadership.

Proud of the staff's accom-

plishments, Cindy Davis, WHS teacher, serves as *Blizzard Blitz* advisor.

Manuel DelReal, Aaron Pritchard, and Jana Presley were participants in the West Texas Summer Publications Workshop at Angelo State University in San Angelo, June 18-21. This workshop was sponsored by Taylor Publishing and Newsfoto Yearbooks, both of San Angelo. Cheryl Chrisman served as director of the workshop.

Manuel attended the newspaper session and received instruction by Susan Komandanski, yearbook advisor at Round Rock High School, Round Rock, Texas. Ms. Komandanski has been recognized as a Newspaper Journalism Teacher of the Year on a national level and her students have won many awards.

Manuel focused on writing editorials, features, and news stories. He also studied headlines and captions, sharpened his interviewing skills, and gained valuable knowledge in creative design and format, including layout.

Aaron attended a photography

class where he studied critical techniques for black and white pictures, composition, darkroom, film processing and printing. He was instructed by Mike Walla, journalism and photography teacher at Merkel High School.

Jana was privileged to be taught by Randy Anderson, yearbook advisor at Blackwell High School, who uses Ultravision® to design and create his high school yearbook. In 1998, Mr. Anderson used a unique flip-flop design, where one section is read top to bottom and the next section requires the book to be rotated 90 degrees in order to continue the

reading pattern.

According to Mrs. Chrisman, Ultravision® is a computer program developed specifically for yearbook publication and is the only desktop publishing software for yearbooks currently on the market. It will provide "The Glacier" staff the ability to enhance the yearbook's overall layout and design, in addition to providing proper cropping techniques for photos.

Sharon Rice is advisor of "The Glacier," the Winters High School yearbook. Mrs. Chrisman serves as a liaison between the WHS staff and the publisher.

American Cancer Society says—

Know the facts about skin cancer

Skin cancer is the most common of all cancers. One out of every five people in the U.S. will develop skin cancer during their lifetime.

In the southern states where the sun is stronger, the number of skin cancers diagnosed is higher than in most other states. This year an estimated 2,900 Texans will be diagnosed with the most deadly form of skin cancer — malignant melanoma.

Exposure to UV radiation through sunlight or tanning booths increases the risk of all skin cancers.

People with a lot of moles or who have moles that are large have an increased risk of malignant melanoma. Risk of malignant melanoma is greater if there is a family history (mother, father, brothers, sister, child) of the disease.

People that have been treated

with medicines that suppress the immune system may also have an increased risk of melanoma.

Exposure to certain chemicals, such as arsenic and coal tars, or to high dose x-ray treatments have been associated with skin cancers.

Although rare, the potentially deadly melanoma skin cancer can develop in the childhood or teenage years.

Sunscreen is necessary even on cloudy days when 70-80% of the harmful rays can go through cloud cover.

The sun's rays can burn in up to 3 feet of water and can reflect off sand, water, concrete, and similar surfaces.

Certain medications can make your skin more sensitive to sun damage.

Both basal and squamous cancer are typically found on exposed parts of the body such as the face, neck, forearms, and scalp. Malignant melanoma, the most deadly form of skin cancer, may be found on skin that is always covered.

Malignant melanoma, like basal cell and squamous cell cancers, is almost always curable in its early stages. Melanoma is much more likely than basal or squamous cell cancer to spread to other parts of the body.

African-Americans and other dark-skinned people usually get skin cancer on the lighter (less pigmented) areas of their body such as palms, soles of the feet, and fingernails.

Self-exams of the skin are recommended every one to three months. Any suspicious skin problems should be checked by a dermatologist.

For more facts on skin cancer and how to reduce your risk, call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit their website at www.cancer.org.

Happy 19th Birthday

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"GOOD THINGS COME IN SMALL PACKAGES."

The smallest bird of prey is the white-fronted falconet, which is the size of a sparrow.

When you say "according to Hoyle," you are really referring to Edmond Hoyle, an English teacher of whist, who died in 1769.

Identity of birthday boy is found elsewhere in this issue.

Develop A Sun-Smart Habit

The best way to avoid risks of sunburn and skin damage is to adopt a year-round safe-skin regimen. Sunburn can happen when you least expect it — early in spring, late in fall, in high altitudes, on cloudy days. But it's easy to enjoy the outdoors year-round worry-free by remembering the American Cancer Society's simple skin protection slogan... Slap! Slap! Slap!

SUN SMART

Wear Your Skin Well Year-Round

You work hard to keep yourself healthy, but do you think about your skin every time you step outside? Skin cancer, the most common of all cancers, is diagnosed in an estimated one million people each year. Building lifetime safe-sun habits is simple, and there's no better time to begin than today!

Slap! on a Shirt

To keep your skin looking and feeling its best, cover up with protective clothes whenever you're in the sun. Choose clothes made of tightly woven fabrics that you can't see through when held up to a light. Dark colors provide more protection that light because they prevent more ultraviolet rays from reaching the skin.

Slap! on Sunscreen

For all exposed skin, a broad-spectrum sunscreen with a skin protection factor (SPF) of 15 or higher provides good defense against the sun's ultraviolet rays. Many cosmetics today also offer an SPF — check the label! For best results, apply sunscreen about 20 minutes before going outside to allow it to bond with your skin. Reapply as necessary, especially after swimming, perspiring heavily, or drying skin with a towel.

Slap! on a Hat

Protect the sensitive skin on your head by choosing a hat that shades the face, neck, and ears. The wider the brim, the better. If you choose a baseball cap, remember to protect your face, ears, and neck with sunscreen. Wear UV-protected sunglasses to protect your eyes, too.

It's All About Timing

The sun's rays are the strongest between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. You can use the shadow test to determine the sun's intensity and plan your outdoor activities to avoid the most intense exposure. When your shadow is shorter than you, the sun's rays are the strongest. That's prime time to take cover.

Sun-Smart Kids

Parents play a special role in protecting the health of your children. Research has shown a link between sunburns in early childhood and an increased risk of skin cancers later in life. It is especially important for your kids to Slap! Slap! Slap! Sunscreen is not recommended for infants younger than 6 months old, so keep babies out of direct sunlight and protected with comfortable clothing.

For additional information on how to protect your skin from the sun, call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345, 24 hours a day, seven days a week or visit www.cancer.org.

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Changes to hunting, fishing rules

Striving for simplification of fishing regulations and increased hunting opportunity, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission adopted several changes as part of the 1999-2000 Statewide Hunting and Fishing Proclamation. The changes will take effect September 1.

Most of the alterations to this year's hunting regulations involved opening additional hunting seasons in certain counties, maintaining landowner management flexibility, and increasing hunting opportunity. In particular, the commission eliminated the doe tags in five north Texas counties, increased doe days in 36 others, rejected proposals to restrict deep harvest in nine counties, approved a bonus deer tag system, established a youth-only squirrel season, and created an archery-only deer season in another county.

The bonus tag option approved by the commission is designed to allow increased flexibility for landowners and land managers when hunting activities aren't enough to meet management goals. The tags can only be used in conjunction with Managed Lands Deer Permits, Landowner Assisted Management Permits, or during special drawn hunts on departmental lands. Under the regulation, individuals who meet the above criteria may purchase up to five either sex bonus tags for \$10 each wherever hunting and fishing licenses are sold.

In an effort to stay on the leading edge of fisheries management, Texas fisheries biologists have not hesitated to implement changes in regulations they hope will improve fishing. Some of these experiments have paid huge

dividends for the fisheries as well as the anglers. "But, if we do not see the results we're looking for, we don't have a problem changing our regulations back to simplify rules for anglers," explained Phil Durocher, director of inland fisheries with Texas Parks and Wildlife.

In addressing some of the regulation experiments that have not fulfilled the agency's expectations, the commission approved the following changes, for this area, designed to standardize fishing regulations for freshwater fishing:

- A change in harvest regulations for blue catfish at Fort Phantom Hill Reservoir and E.V. Spence Reservoir from the current 18-inch minimum length limit and 5 fish daily bag to a 12-inch minimum length limit and a 25 fish daily bag for blue catfish and channel catfish in any combination.

- A change in harvest regulations for largemouth bass at Lakes Brownwood, Champion Creek, and Coleman from the current 16-inch minimum length to the statewide 14-inch minimum length limit. Daily bag will remain at 5 fish/day.

Other fisheries regulation changes adopted include:

- A change in statewide harvest regulations for walleye to a 5 fish daily bag and no minimum length limit, however, only two of which can be under 16 inches in total length.

- Prohibition of the taking of fish underwater with a hand-held device other than a spear or spear gun.

For more information, contact Steve Lightfoot at 512-389-4701.

North Runnels Hospital EMS sponsors Basic EMT Course

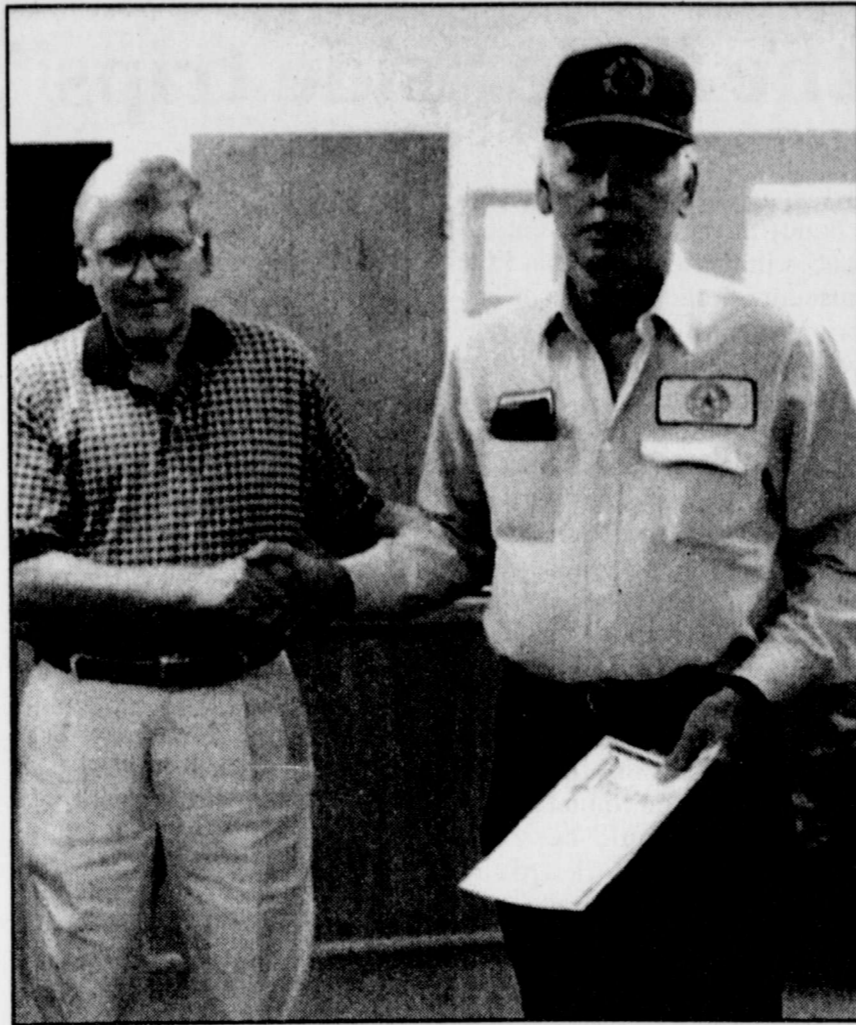
Cost of the course is \$325, which includes the textbook, workbook, name pin, and NRH EMS shirtsleeve patch. The State of Texas testing fee of \$50 is not included in the course fee.

If you are interested in taking this course or need more information, please contact Bobbie Collom at North Runnels Hospital at 754-4553 or 723-2110 as soon as possible. This class will be limited to no more than 12 students.

North Runnels Hospital EMS will sponsor a Basic-EMT Course beginning July 20 and continuing through October 7.

Classes will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6 to 10 p.m. at the City Council Chambers in City Hall at 310 S. Main.

There will also be three 8-hour Saturday classes and an 8-hour extrication day included in the course.



JACK BURNS (right) was designated Employee of the Quarter for the second quarter of 1999 at the City of Winters. Mr. Burns has been an employee of the city for 12 years, working in the Street Department. He was chosen for his level of performance and positive attitude, cooperation, coordination, and communication with City employees and customers. Alderman Tommy Russell presented Mr. Burns with a Proclamation and \$20 check on Monday, June 28.

Public forum on health/human services scheduled Tuesday, July 20

A public community forum to identify the most effective ways to deliver and coordinate health and human services funded by the state is set for Tuesday, July 20.

The forum is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Upstairs Conference Room at the Abilene Civic Center, 1100 North 6th.

Individuals from throughout the area are invited to attend and

offer input.

Please RSVP to the West Central Texas Council of Governments at 915-672-8544 or 800-928-2262 if you plan to attend.

If you require auxiliary aids, services such as sign language interpreters, or materials in alternate format, contact D'Anna Stewart at 512-424-6629, at least three working days prior to the meeting.

Good News Class installs officers

The Good News Class of First Baptist Church met in Jones Fellowship Hall on Thursday, July 8, at 7:00 p.m. to install new officers for the upcoming year.

Officers are Lavonda Herrington, president; Thelma Sneed, vice-president; Louise Seals, secretary; Loretta Pierce, assistant secretary; Jerry Lloyd, treasurer and benevolence; and Arlene Boles, reporter. The installation service was conducted by Mary

Beth Drake. Her theme was "Spiritual Jewels," taken from Malachi 3:17 and Proverbs 20:15.

Yearbooks were also distributed by Loretta Pierce.

Those in attendance were Lila Mitchell, Lavonda Herrington, Jo Mears, Donna Freeman, Thelma Sneed, Louise Seals, Loretta Pierce, Marie Allen, Vera Lee Sneed, Jerry Lloyd, and Arlene Boles.

Physicals needed before playing school sports

All 7th grade and freshman boys and girls who plan to participate in athletics must have a physical.

Physical forms can be picked up at the WISD Administration Office.

Completed forms should be turned in to Coach Byrd.

USDA seeks approval to shift loan funds

Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman announced June 30 that he was requesting approval from Congress to transfer farm loan funds to two accounts which were depleted due to extreme demand, according to Congressman Charlie Stenholm.

"The Secretary's decision is an effort to keep pace with the crisis facing U.S. agriculture," said Stenholm. "By shifting these resources, USDA projects that it will be able to meet the extraordinary demands on USDA's direct and guaranteed farm loan programs."

Under the Secretary's request, \$23 million would be shifted from the Direct Farm Ownership loan program to the Guaranteed Farm Operating — non-interest assistance — loan program. This would make \$300 million available in loan authority nationwide.

The transfer would also add \$32 million for emergency loans, and replace \$30 million to the Farm Service Agency (FSA) account to pay salaries and expenses. Earlier this year, the Secretary had used this money to address loan funding shortfalls.

"The Secretary's action is welcome news and this loan funding will help meet production costs, but producers are not out of the woods yet," said Stenholm. "The economic crisis facing our farmers is still very real and commodity prices must improve in order for farmers to stay in business."

In Texas there is currently an \$11 million backlog for the Guaranteed Farm Operating loan program. The funding announced by the Secretary will allow pending applications to be approved so farmers can finance their day-to-day operations.

Veterans Room progressing

Donations needed to finish work

by Mary Kurtz, Winters VFW Post 9193 Ladies Auxiliary President

Have you wondered what happened to the "Veterans Room" that the Winters Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9193 and its Ladies Auxiliary were sponsoring in the Rock Hotel in Winters?

Well, it has not been abandoned, forgotten, or given up on. In fact, it is really shaping up.

Due to a little trouble with delays to repair the hotel in general, we finally got the go ahead signal from the committee, and the men started what sometimes seemed a hopeless task.

First, the wall needed to be taken out so two small rooms could become a decent size one. Guess what? The floor in one room was about two inches higher than the other floor. After some thinking and discussing and lots of hard work, the men came up with a smooth, even floor ready for anything.

After measuring and planning, the veterans and ladies auxiliary drew up a blueprint as to where cabinets would be built, how the doors and windows would be finished, and what kind of lights would be needed. Then came sheetrocking the ceiling and walls, bedding and taping and smoothing out the walls, (you should have seen the white dust, when I visited them I thought I was in the desert in a sand storm — it was too hot to be a snow storm), and enclosing a space for uniforms to be displayed with glass doors and a good coat of paint on everything.

The men are now working on the glass cabinets to hold the exhibits. The cabinets will be 4 ft. by 8 ft. with glass doors and glass

shelves.

As in nearly all projects of this kind, everything has run over budget, and we are needing donations to help us finish the room. So that we may finish all seven of the cabinets with glass doors, it was decided that for a donation of \$500, a small marker with the contributor's name would be placed on the glass doors of one cabinet or two contributors may share a glass door for \$250 each. We also need a covering for our floor.

There will only be seven cabinets available for markers, and one of them has already been spoken for. If you are interested in making a donation toward the cabinets get in touch with Commander Robert Holder or myself. We need lots of donations to finish this room, so whatever you can do will be appreciated.

There is still lots of work to be done. If you would like to donate your time, call Robert Holder. We are still collecting histories on the soldiers in Runnels County. We need people to type these histories up. If you have not turned yours in, contact me or write 150 CR 206, Winters, Texas 79567.

The goal for open house for the Veterans Room is Veterans Day 1999.

I will publish the names of the men who are working so hard at a later date as I want to be sure and honor each of them. After watching them at this age, I now know they were young and fighting for our freedom.

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas
County of Runnels

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of a certain Writ of Execution issued out of the Honorable County Court at Law #1 of Taylor County on June 3, 1999, by the Clerk of said County Court at Law #1 of Taylor County for the sum of

THREE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED NINETY AND 12/100 DOLLARS (\$3,390.12) plus costs of suit, under a Judgment in favor of Rayco Operating, Inc., in a certain cause in said Court, No. 18,319, and styled Rayco Operating, Inc. v. Judy Kerr Slusher, placed in my hands for service, I, William A. Baird as Sheriff of Runnels County, Texas, did on the 7th day of June, 1999, levy on an undivided interest in one certain oil, gas, and mineral leasehold estate, as well as on the buildings, pipelines, fixtures, and other appurtenances situated in Runnels County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

An undivided 1/32nd working interest in the oil and gas lease dated February 19, 1980, by and between A.J. Bishop Jr. as Lessor, and Pyramid Production Company, as Lessee, covering the following tracts of land:
First Tract: 83 acres of land out of the Joseph Warner Survey No. 86, Abstract 929, in Block No. 64, C.T.R.R.Co. Surveys, in Runnels County, Texas.

Second Tract: 15.9 acres of land out of the Joseph Warner Survey No. 86, Abstract 929, in Block No. 64, C.T.R.R.Co. Surveys, in Runnels County, Texas, and levied upon as the property of Judy Kerr Slusher and that on the first Tuesday in August, 1999, the same being the 3rd day of said month, at the Courthouse door of Runnels County, in the City of Ballinger, Texas, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale, I will offer for sale and sell at public venue, for cash, to the highest bidder, all the right, title, and interest of the said Judy Kerr Slusher in and to the above described property.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in three public places, including the Courthouse door, as provided by Rule 647, Texas Rules of Civil Procedure. Witness my hand this 8th day of July, 1999.

WILLIAM BAIRD
Sheriff, Runnels County, Texas
by: Robert Garza, Deputy
10-28(3tc)

SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF SALE

The State of Texas
County of Runnels

WHEREAS by virtue of an Order of Sale and Judgment issued out of the 119th Judicial District Court of Runnels County, Texas, on the 24th day of May, 1999, in Cause No. 12,797 where Midland Pipe & Equipment Co. was Plaintiff and DBO Oil, Incorporated, was Defendant, on a Judgment rendered in said Court against Defendant and in favor of said Plaintiff for the sum of \$6,253.17 plus attorney's fees of \$1,500.00 with interest at the rate of 10% per annum, from date of Judgment, together with all costs of suit; I did on the 25th day of May, 1999, at 10:30 o'clock a.m., levy upon the following described oil, gas, and mineral lease and well situated in Runnels County, Texas, as the property of DBO Oil, Incorporated, to-wit:

RUFUS ALLEN #12 WELL - RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS; 467' FSL, 1917' BLOCK 63, HT&BBR CO. #45 SURVEY, RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS, and on the 3rd day of August, 1999, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock a.m. and 4:00 o'clock p.m. on said day at the Courthouse door of said county, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder, all the right, title, and interest of DBO Oil, Incorporated, in and to said above described property. Witness my hand this 8th day of July, 1999.

WILLIAM BAIRD
Sheriff, Runnels County, Texas
by: Robert Garza, Deputy
10-28(3tc)

BID NOTICE
The WINTERS I.S.D. is accepting sealed bids until 2:00 p.m., July 30, 1999, for the purchase of meat, canned food, frozen goods, vegetables, and condiments.

Bid specifications may be obtained from the Business Office, 603 N. Heights, Winters, TX 79567 or by calling (915) 754-5574.

Bids will be opened and read publicly on July 30, 1999, at 2:00 p.m.

WINTERS I.S.D. reserves the right to reject any or all bids or any portion thereof and to accept the bid most advantageous to the district. Any exceptions to the specifications should be clearly explained in writing. Failure to meet all specified conditions may invalidate a proposal.

Bid proposals must be clearly marked on the envelope "FOOD BID." 10-28(2tc)

BID NOTICE

The WINTERS I.S.D. is accepting sealed bids until 2:00 p.m., July 30, 1999, for the purchase of bulk transportation fuel.

Bid specifications may be obtained from the Business Office, 603 N. Heights, Winters, TX 79567 or by calling (915) 754-5574.

Bids will be opened and read publicly on July 30, 1999, at 2:00 p.m.

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WINTERS OILFIELD SUPPLY now accepting applications for employment. Contact Jack or Mike at 754-5545. We are an Equal Opportunity Employer. 10-28(10tc)

MAINTENANCE PERSON needed. Applications being taken at Senior Citizens Nursing Home, 506 Van Ness, Monday-Friday, 9 am-5 pm. Apply in person. 10-28(ttc)

Miscellaneous

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

Garage Sales

100 S. PENNY LANE. Lots of items. Saturday, July 17, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. 10-28(1tp)

212 ROBERTS ST. Friday & Saturday, 8 a.m. to ?? Boys clothing, miscellaneous, Women's clothing. 10-28(1tp)

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Ads for Garage Sales and Cards of Thanks must be PAID PRIOR to publication

OFFICE MANAGER NEEDED!
 New doctor in Winters is taking applications for an Office Manager.
 Office opening late July.
 Send resume to Keith A. Boles, M.D., P.O. Box 547, Winters, Texas 79567 or pick up an application at *The Winters Enterprise*, 104 N. Main.

PART-TIME LVN NEEDED!

Part-time LVN needed for Dr. Boles' office to open late July in Winters. Pediatric experience preferred. Send resume to Keith A. Boles, M.D., P.O. Box 547, Winters, Texas 79567 or pick up an application at *The Winters Enterprise*, 104 N. Main.

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Pest Management News

By Richard Minzenmayer, Extension Agent-Entomology (PM)

GENERAL SITUATION—Hot dry weather conditions have allowed for rapid plant growth, and grain sorghum is beginning to show some signs of heat stress.

Cotton fleahoppers continue to cause significant square loss in many fields, and cotton aphid numbers seem to be decreasing. Stink bugs and headworms can be found in many sorghum fields at varying infestation levels.

I have seen more herbicide damaged cotton this year than any previous years. Cotton damaged by 2, 4 D hormone herbicides, Roundup®, Peak®, Grazon® P+D, Caporol, as well as others.

Producers are experiencing a lot of problems with Roundup® drift. Folks, it is your responsibility to keep these products on target and not drifting over on your neighbor's grain sorghum, conventional cotton, coastal, haygrazer, etc. Your neighbors are trying to make a crop just like you are, and Roundup® greatly reduces their chances of making a profitable crop.

Please be careful and apply these herbicides in a manner that will reduce damage to non-target crops.

GRAIN SORGHUM—Stink bugs seem to be increasing in many sorghum fields, especially those adjacent to pastures or CRP fields. The conchuela stink bug is the predominant species present. Headworms can easily be found in most fields as well.

The major problem producers are having with grain sorghum right now is determining whether or not it is economically feasible to treat these pests or not.

With a 2000-2500 lb. yield potential and a price of \$3.00-\$3.25 per 100 lb. weight, there is not much profit potential. As the value of the crop decreases, the economic threshold has to be adjusted.

Also, keep in mind that economic thresholds are based on a break-even situation. Infestations that are borderline at best, usually show little to no return for money invested in application and chemical cost when prices are low.

It is those heavy infestations that show an economic return on money invested.

COTTON—Fleahoppers continue to cause problems in many fields across the Concho Valley. Many fields which were previously treated have relatively large numbers back in those fields.

When populations are high, it

is not uncommon to see this situation. Cotton fields adjacent to CRP, wheat stubble, pastures, weedy areas, etc. seem to have the worst problems. Some fields have required two applications for fleahoppers. These fields now have an excellent fruit set.

I think in a dryland situation producers should concentrate on trying to set five or six fruiting sites and holding that crop.

With the underground moisture situation marginal, low price of cotton, cost of control, potential for secondary pest outbreaks, producers should try to keep inputs as low as possible.

Trying to maximize yields and keeping fields sterilized is very risky business. Even irrigated cotton fields should be treated only as needed and when pest populations exceed established thresholds. Spraying at the first sign of a pest or its damage is not a good or profitable management strategy. This type of system will crash quite rapidly.

Managing pest populations below ET levels, conserving natural enemies, and managing your crop for earliness will be the most profitable in the end.

Beet armyworm damage can be found in many fields in the Runnels County area. Nothing to get alarmed about, but you need to be alerted to potential infestation later in the summer. Pigweed is a favored weed host for beet armyworms. Anything we can do to reduce weed hosts will help in reducing the next generations.

Cotton aphids seemed to be building up several weeks ago, but are on the decline right now. Hopefully, this trend will continue. With the extreme heat, low humidity, and natural enemy population increasing, aphid infestations should remain low at least for now.

Bollworm egg and larval counts remained low with averages ranging from 0-6% eggs, and larval survival is very low in pre-blooming cotton. Scouts can find a few damaged or flared squares in some fields, but larvae are difficult to find. Many larvae will feed for a short time and then die or succumb to a predator.

The next generation of bollworms will certainly need to be watched closely. The next significant egg-lay should be around the last week of July to first week of August.

COTTON COMMENTS BY DR. BILLY WARRICK—Even though 50% of the acreage in the district was planted a week

earlier than usual, it is just now reaching the 1/3 grown square stage.

Any side-dress application needs to be made before 1/3 grown square stage. If it isn't, then producers will need to foliar apply nutrients.

Most of the time, I would tell producers to wait until blooming begins to start making foliar applications, however, this crop concerns me. We had good moisture conditions when we started this crop, before the crop even stressed we had a wet cool June. The root system of these plants are very healthy and the upper foot of the soil contains a large percentage of the existing root system. If July and August is hot and dry, these plants will suffer.

It will be a combination of things that will contribute to this stress. Factors include: 1) these plants have a lot of leaf surface area and will transpire a lot of water through the natural openings in the leaves, 2) the root system has not explored and developed extensively to depths of 4-5 feet, 3) even though adequate soil moisture and nutrients exist, once

the plant begins blooming and setting fruit the root system's development is slowed greatly due to the plants normal processes of boll development.

So the best opportunity to develop a more extensive root system is before blooming begins. Producers can encourage root development by making sure that adequate nutrients are available.

If the window of opportunity was missed to make soil applied side-dress applications of nutrients, then foliar application is the alternative.

RUNNELS GRAIN SORGHUM PRODUCTION MEETING—The Runnels Grain Sorghum Production Meeting will be Thursday, July 29, at the Rock Hotel in Winters. The meeting will be a noon luncheon.

Dr. Billy Warrick will speak about harvesting considerations and suggestions. Mr. Travis Taylor from the Texas Grain Sorghum Board will have one hour of laws and regs training.

Please RSVP as soon as possible (before July 26) at 365-2219 or 365-5042.

TSGRA to hold 84th annual convention in San Angelo

The Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' Association will hold its 84th Annual Convention at the Holiday Inn in San Angelo on July 16-17.

The convention gets underway at 9:00 a.m. Friday, July 16. State Representative Bob Turner will discuss legislation pertaining to predators, and Dr. Dale Rollins will show his new video, "Coping With Coyotes."

Reports will be heard on Sheep and Goat Predator Management Board activities and current animal health issues. Carl Menzies, TSGRA president, will report on the proposed new sheep industry organization, and D.A. Herral of Fort Stockton will report on a possible national checkoff.

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs will be the keynote speaker for the noon luncheon at the Holiday Inn.

Friday evening's activities include a reception at 7:00 p.m. at

the Holiday Inn, followed by the Annual Membership Banquet and Awards Presentations at 8:00 p.m.

The convention reconvenes at 9:00 a.m. Saturday with sessions on natural resources/environmental rights, brush control, prescribed burning, and wool and mohair marketing.

Keynote speaker for the noon luncheon Saturday will be Jay Zane Walley of Lincoln, NM, public relations director for the Paragon Foundation. He will be speaking on the Clean Water Action Plan.

Also included on Saturday is a goat meat session and a report on the TSGRA's education and promotion project.

General business and election of officers for the 1999-2000 term will finish up the afternoon. The convention concludes with an attitude adjustment hour, barbecue, and dance.

BIG 'maters and beans—



CARREL and KATIE MCKNIGHT raised these Merced tomatoes in their garden on Circle Drive. One weighed in at 1 pound, 4.5 ounces; the other was just shy of one pound. The McKnights say the key to growing large tomatoes is in using hogwire wrapped in plastic as a side cover and Miracle Gro® as a fertilizer. The long Kentucky Climbers green beans measured at 21-2/3" and were given to the McKnights by gardener Marie Franks of Shep.

SCHOOL BOARD, continued

• the CAP School Extension Agreement,

• the proposal submitted by Phillips & Company, L.L.P. for the 1998-99 audit,

• the 1998-99 budget amendment.

Superintendent Mike Harris reported to the board that several windows on the school campus had been broken sometime Sunday night and the damage estimate was around \$400.

Present for the meeting of July 12 were trustees Allen Andrae, Jack Davis, Jr., Gary Moore, Jerry Sims, Bob Prewit, Ronald Presley, and Larry Walker. Also present were Superintendent Harris, Business Manager Jimmy Butler, Curriculum Director Terry Wyatt and Athletic Director Robin Byrd.

BASA offers 'F' soccer coach licensing class

Ballinger Area Soccer Association (BASA) will offer the 'F' soccer coach licensing class on Friday, July 23, from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday, July 24, from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m.

This two-day class must be taken to receive your 'F' license which is required for all soccer coaches in "Under 10" through "Under 12" age divisions.

This is required by North Texas State Soccer Association and BASA. You must receive this license to coach in the Fall of 1999 under BASA. The maximum limit is 30 coaches. For more information contact Cindy Boone at 365-2672.

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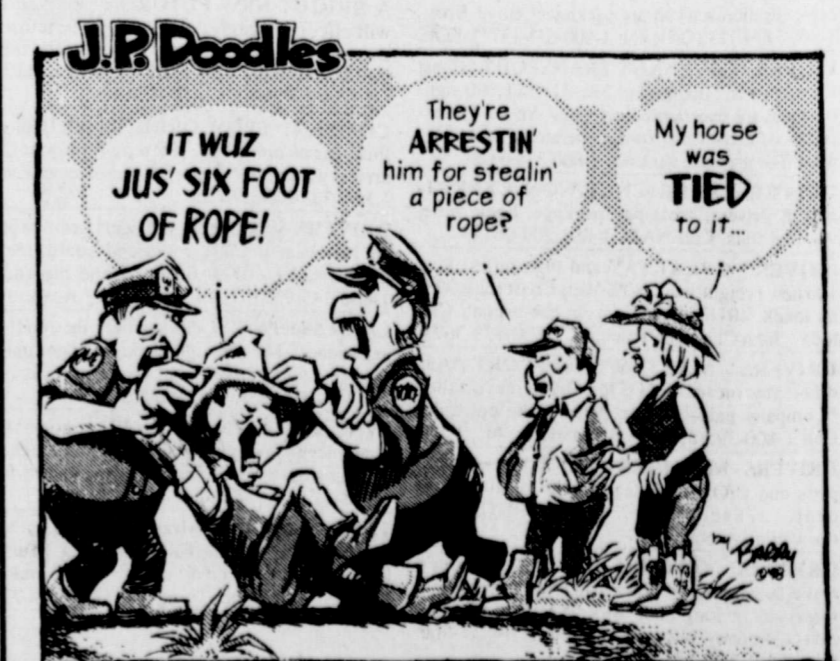
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