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Locals gather for "See You at the Pole"

Approximately fifty Winters students and adults met in the early morning light shortly after 7 a.m. on Sept. 15 to take part in a nation-wide gathering of See You at the Pole.

The special student-initiated and student-led prayer service has become a springboard to student-initiated Bible clubs and prayer groups or Fellowship of Christian Athletes that meet regularly.

On April 6, 1990, a group of teenagers in Burleson, Texas, came together for a discipleship retreat. Their youth leaders gathered the group around a single candle. Each participant was given a marble and was asked, "What is hindering your relationship with God?" Then, one by one, each placed his or her marble at the base of a full-size wooden cross in a gesture of repentance. The event touched everyone.

The students not only experienced their own brokenness, but they felt compelled to pray for their friends. The group drove to three schools to pray around the flagpole.

God used these students to birth an idea. When several youth leaders across Texas met to brainstorm how to challenge Christian students to pray, the example of the Burleson teens came to mind.

At a teen rally at Reunion Arena in Dallas in June, 1990, See POLE, page 3

Terry Wyatt to be honored at reception

A reception will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 28, from 3:30-4:30 in the Winters Elementary Library to honor Terry Wyatt.

Wyatt will be leaving the Winters school system to assume duties as new superintendent of Leuders-Avoca Independent School District, effective Oct. 1.

He began his tenure with WISD in July, 1992, as Principal of the elementary school. He served in that capacity until he was named Curriculum Director in July, 1998.

In addition to his school service, Wyatt has served in numerous capacities in local civic organizations including Lions Club, Chamber of Commerce, Christmas in April, Winters Little League Association and the Winters Soccer Association.

On a professional level, he is president of TEPSA, an organization for principals and supervisors, and was named TEPSAN of the Year for Region 15. He is also a member of the Compensatory Educators of Texas.

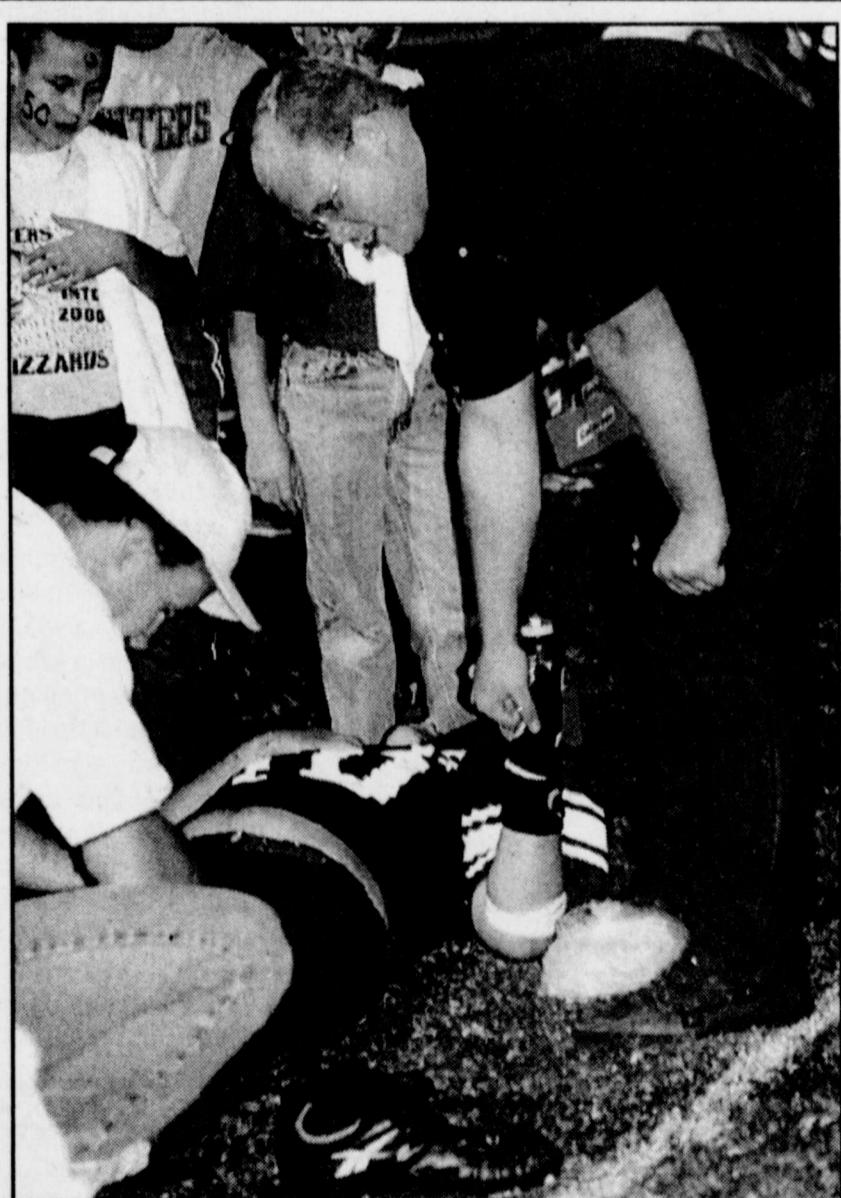
Wyatt and his wife Alicia will be moving to Leuders-Avoca with their children, Eric, 11, and Wesley, 8. Dr. Alicia Wyatt will continue as professor of computer science at McMurry University in Abilene where she also serves as director of the Multi-Media Program and director of Distance Learning.

The Wyatts are members of the North Main Church of Christ where Terry serves as a deacon.

"Where two or more are gathered in My name . . ."



"SEE YOU AT THE POLE" gathering brought almost fifty students and adults to the early morning prayer service on the front lawn of Winters High School on September 15. Local worshippers were among an estimated 3 million students in 50 states and more than 20 countries participating in the annual world-wide celebration.



AARON TAYLOR, varsity Blizzard linebacker, gets a helping hand and word of encouragement from longtime friend, Jason "Hoop" Hooper as Corey Turner, licensed athletic trainer with West Texas Sports Medicine, tends to Taylor's injury. Taylor broke the small bone in his lower leg during Friday night's showdown with Ozona, and will probably be out for the remainder of the season.

Commissioners look at Master Preservation Plan for courthouse

In order for Runnels County to take advantage of the state's historic courthouse restoration program, Commissioners voted at their special meeting on Tuesday to begin seeking a planner to develop a Master Preservation Plan for the courthouse.

Commissioner Ricky Strube, who attended a conference in Grapevine on the program recently, said, "I've been told we really

need to take advantage of this money and try to get our share. The planner will look at the history of the courthouse, look at what needs to be done, and write up a master plan for preservation and restoration."

County Judge Marilyn Egan said she had visited with some other county judges about the program and from what she could see COMMISSIONERS, pg. 3

WISD Superintendent Mike Harris receives prestigious scholarship

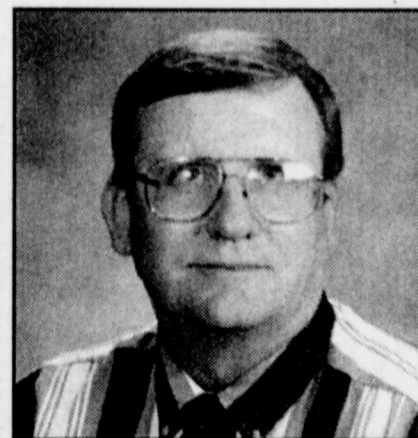
Mike Harris, Superintendent of Winters Independent Schools, has been selected to receive a scholarship to the Lamar University Superintendent Academy.

Approximately 125 superintendents are nominated for twenty academy scholarships valued in excess of \$10,000 each.

Lamar University and the Texas Education Agency, with training support from IBM, sponsor the Academy.

The advanced leadership development program is designed to give exemplary superintendents an opportunity for self-renewal and skill enhancement. The curriculum includes advanced leadership and visioning techniques provided by trainers from the business world, technology and

futures training at IBM's Palisades, New York training facility, and the application of technology



to administrative decision-making.

Participants will also have an opportunity to work with other exemplary superintendents and to

bring issues to the table for discussion.

Scholarships cover books, fees, training and all other education costs including travel and training in New York.

To be eligible for consideration by the Admissions Committee, a nominee must:

- 1) be employed and currently serving as a superintendent of schools,
- 2) have at least two years experience as a school superintendent,
- 3) be seen as a leader by his/her colleagues,
- 4) have demonstrated that he/she is a student of his/her profession, continuing to learn.

Harris has been Superintendent at Winters since June, 1996.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- Sept. 23-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- Book Fair at Winters Elementary
- Sept. 24-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 2:00 p.m., Free Blood Pressure, Blood Sugar, and Cholesterol Check, CCS Medical Equipment
- 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco
- Metroplex Cattleman's Conference, Dallas
- Fall Fest, Eden
- Sept. 25-10:30 a.m., Karate Bash, Abilene
- 7 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center
- 7:30 p.m., Kickboxing Championship, Abilene
- UIL Academic Super Conference, Lubbock
- Depot Daze, Ballinger
- Bluegrass-Gospel Show, Anson
- Fall Fest, Eden
- Sept. 26-Bluegrass-Gospel Show, Anson
- Fall Fest, Eden
- Sept. 27-9 a.m.-4 p.m., SS Rep, Winters Housing Authority
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 5:15 p.m., 4-H, Catholic Church
- 6 p.m., Weight Watcher, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 6 p.m., City Council
- 7:30 p.m., School Board
- 8 p.m., Wingate Masonic Lodge
- Sept. 28-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- Noon, Lions Club
- 7 p.m., Athletic Boosters, Blizzard Stadium
- 7 p.m., WVFD
- WVFD Auxiliary
- Sept. 29-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- Sept. 30-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal

District 25-2A opener
 Blizzards vs. Eagles
 Friday, Sept. 24
 7:30 Blizzard Stadium

Oil Bidness

By Reg Bolea ©1999



During our last meeting, there was a glitch in the transmission of the last few paragraphs. Here is a repeat, hopefully without the missing lines:

Recent studies of the natural gas wells completed since 1990 show that initial productivity per well, average producing rates of developed wells, and the amount of drilling needed to supply a certain volume indicate everyone is getting less bang for the buck.

All of these trends will have important implications for the natural gas supply market in the future.

Come back next time to find out why.

Now, I don't even have to re-cap last week. As you can read, we continue this time with our discussion of the natural gas market and what the current trends tell us about the future.

The trends we uncovered included: (1) greater acceptance and availability of natural gas for end-users; (2) more capital and effort is being directed at exploration and development of natural gas supply; and, (3) there is a decrease in the productivity of the wells being added to the natural gas supply chain.

There is undoubtedly some conflicting information here. More people want gas as a fuel and the industry is trying to sell it to them. However, new supply is not as easy to find as it used to be. What does it all mean?

This adds up to a potential supply problem, many believe.

The natural gas producers have done a pretty good job of promoting their product for all of its positives and have made it easier for consumers to choose their fuel. Following through, however, requires new supply. And, that supply goes beyond just reserves, it requires delivery at elevated rates.

After all, the U.S. and the world have huge reserves. But, delivery requires strong wells, big pipelines, and large processing capability. We have found already that strong wells are getting harder to find.

According to some experts, twice the yearly capital being spent

in 1999 may be needed in a few years in order to add sufficient production volumes to meet the equivalent of this year's demand. If demand increases as it has been, even more capital and manpower will be needed.

Is the industry up to it? It can probably rise to meet the need at some level, but the upward price pressure created by this squeeze is likely to benefit producers and cost consumers. Prices have held firm for some time now and have been affected less by the calendar than by the worldwide supply situation. This may be evidence of an upward trend in gas prices.

As oil prices teach us, there is a fine line between what consumers will pay and what price dampens demand. But, there may just be better times ahead for gas producers as gas strives to finally fulfill its promised destiny.

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY

COMPLETIONS

None This Week

STAKINGS

Coke County

L.C.S. Production has staked the Boecking #4A in the Fort Chadbourne Field, 7 miles NE of Bronte (Depth 5800). Loc. is 2173 FEL & 2615 FNL of Sec. 347, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur., A-316.

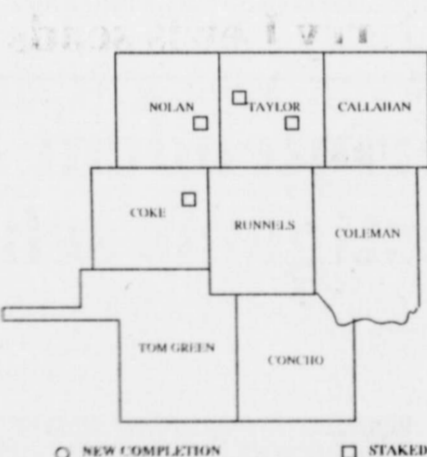
Nolan County

Transwestern Energy Corp. has applied to re-enter the R. Petty #1 as a Wildcat, 20 miles SE of Sweetwater (Depth 6300). Loc. is 1071 FSL & 975 FWL of Sec. 12, Blk. Z, T&PRR Sur., A-1583.

Taylor County

Kern Co. Has applied to deepen the Tice Minors -A- #2 in the County Regular Field, 7 miles SW of View (Depth 3010). Loc. is 1980 FWL & 660 FSL of Sec. 264, Blk. 64, H&TC Sur.

Star Production, Inc. has staked the F. Shelton #11 in the County Regular Field, 7 miles NE of Shep (Depth 3500). Loc. is 2040 FNL & 2136 FWL of Sec. 228, Blk. 64, H&TC Sur., A-1771.



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Obituaries

T. J. "Tom" Shields

LEVELLAND—T. J. "Tom" Shields, 33, died Monday, September 20, 1999, in a Lubbock Hospital resulting from complications of an oil field accident.

He was born in Ft. Worth, and moved to Bronte in 1970 where he attended school before moving to Rankin where he graduated high school. He then attended and graduated from Western Texas College in Snyder with a degree in Golf Course Administration and Landscaping.

Mr. Shields was employed in the oil field as a derrick hand while in school. He was also a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Karla Shields of Levelland; parents, Bob and Jo Beth Shields of Winters; one step-son, Brett Deans of Levelland; one step-daughter, Tiffany Deans of Levelland; parents-in-law, Merrell and June Waddell of San Angelo; one brother, Rob Shields of Austin; one sister, Marla Rich and husband Mark of Christoval; grandmother, Jessie Hall of Bronte; two nieces, Christy Shields of Smyer and Marlandy Rich of Christoval; one nephew, Mason Rich of Christoval; and a number of aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

Services will be held Thursday, September 23, 1999, at 2:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Winters. Burial will follow in the Fairview Cemetery in Bronte under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home of Bronte.

The family requests memorials be made to a senior citizen organization of your choice.

Mike Luna

BALLINGER—Mike Luna, 43, died Sunday, September 19, 1999, in San Angelo.

He was born December 27, 1955, in Florence, Arizona. Mr. Luna worked at Dankworths Packing in Ballinger and was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Ballinger.

Survivors include his wife Lydia Escobar of Ballinger; three sons, Michael Luna and Scott Rodriguez of Ballinger and Mark Gonzales and his wife Laura of Rowena; four daughters, Lucy Luna, Jessica Escobar, and Dana Escobar of Ballinger and Vanessa Gonzales of Rowena; five sisters, Becky Garza and Aloria Meja of Pleasanton, Chris Martinez of Coolidge, Arizona, Minnie Lamiro of Mesa, Arizona and Lupy Smith of Ballinger; five brothers, Johnny Luna of Cambelton, Gustavo Luna of Coolidge, Arizona, Conrad Luna of Florence, Arizona, Adolph Herrera of San Angelo, and Jesse Deanda of California; four grandchildren, Beau and Lexus Gonzales, Airyka Gonzales, and Ray Luna, all of Ballinger; and several nieces and nephews.

Burial was held Tuesday, September 21, at Rains-Seale Funeral Home. Services were held Wednesday, September 22, at 10 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church with Father Louis Moeller officiating. Burial followed in Eola Mereta Cemetery directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

W.P. (Dub) Cooke

PLAINVIEW—W.P. (Dub) Cooke, 84, died Saturday, September 18, 1999, in Big Spring.

He was born July 13, 1915, in Gatesville and moved to Drasco as a child with his family. He married Violet Badgett on August 1, 1934, in Drasco and later moved to Bradshaw where he farmed. He moved to Lovington, New Mexico in 1953, where he farmed until his retirement in 1980, when he moved to Plainview.

Mr. Cooke was a retired farmer and a Baptist.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Violet Cooke; one son, Lanny Cooke; one daughter, June Clements; and one grandson, Bobby Lynn Cooke, Jr.

Survivors include one son, Bob Cooke and wife Patsy of Sherman; one daughter, Patricia and husband Dean Thomas of Big Spring; two brothers, Leslie Cooke of Fort Worth and Martin Cooke of Abilene; one sister, Katherine Officer of Edmond, Oklahoma; 12 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 21, at the First Baptist Church in Winters with Reverends Dean Thomas and Don Robertson officiating. Burial followed in the Northview Cemetery in Winters directed by the Winters Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Jeff Cooke, Greg Cooke, Quay Cooke, Chad Cooke, Stephen Thomas, Tim Breeding, Sam Lathen, Katie Breeding, Tara Lathen, and Amy Thomas.

Sidney Morris (Jack) Crayton

WATAUGA—Sidney Morris (Jack) Crayton, 83, died Tuesday, September 14, 1999, at the home of his daughter.

He was born April 24, 1916, in Shep and lived there until his early 20's moving to New Mexico then west Texas.

Mr. Crayton served in the U.S. Army during World War II and was a heavy equipment operator and worked in construction maintenance. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include one son, Jearld M. Crayton of Weatherford; one daughter, Janet Cullar of Watauga; one brother, A.H. Crayton of Weatherford; one sister, Alice Hopkins of Oceanside, California; seven grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and five great, great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, September 17, at the Shep Cemetery with E.B. "Tott" McCown officiating. Burial was directed by the Winters Funeral Home.

Mary Frances McShan Cummins

THE WOODLANDS—Mary Frances McShan Cummins, 78, died Monday September 13, 1999, in The Woodlands near Conroe.

She was born October 21, 1912, in Winters where she attended school. She also attended school in Abilene, class of 1940. She moved to Colorado City in 1943, then to Odessa, and finally, moved to Conroe and The Woodlands in 1985, where she lived until her death.

Mrs. Cummins was a life long member of the Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her mother and father, M.E. Miller and Little Miller and a brother, Robert C. Miller.

Survivors include two sons, Pat A McShan and wife, Nan, and Howard Marcus McShan and wife, Angela, all of Montgomery; a twin brother, William Floyd Miller of Odessa; four grandchildren, Kari Masters of Austin, Scott McShan of The Woodlands, Matthew McShan of Conroe, and Jessica McShan of Conroe; and three great-grandchildren, Kyle Masters, Dylan McShan, and Jacob McShan.

Graveside services were held Wednesday, September 15, in The Evergreen Cemetery in Ballinger, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home of Ballinger.

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Monday, Sept. 27: Ham & gravy, pasta salad, mixed greens, cornbread, and bread pudding.

Tuesday, Sept. 28: Mexican cornbread, coleslaw, pinto beans, crackers, and cookies.

Wednesday, Sept. 29: Chicken & gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, and carrot cake.

Thursday, Sept. 30: Hamburger steak w/gravy, rice, mixed vegetables, bread, and Rice Krispie bars.

Friday, Oct. 1: Cheeseburger, chips, pea salad, lettuce/tomatoes/onions, and cobbler.

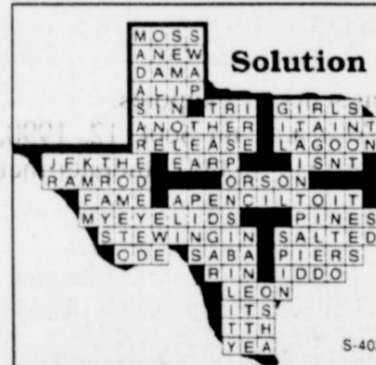
Card of Thanks

Windell and I, Wanda King and families—Jessica, Lori, and Stacey; Kris, Chris, and Kasey rives; Joe Sims; Melinda, Scott, Autumn, and Brandon Amidon—would like to say thank you to the Winters and Wingate Fire Departments for their response in saving what they could of our home and belongings from a tragic fire on Friday night, September 10, 1999. Also, to all the people's help, donations, and prayers from our loss.

We've come to realize, even more so, how important friend's and families' love and prayers that we need in our daily lives

God Bless each and every one of y'all! Thanks again!

Windell and Wanda King



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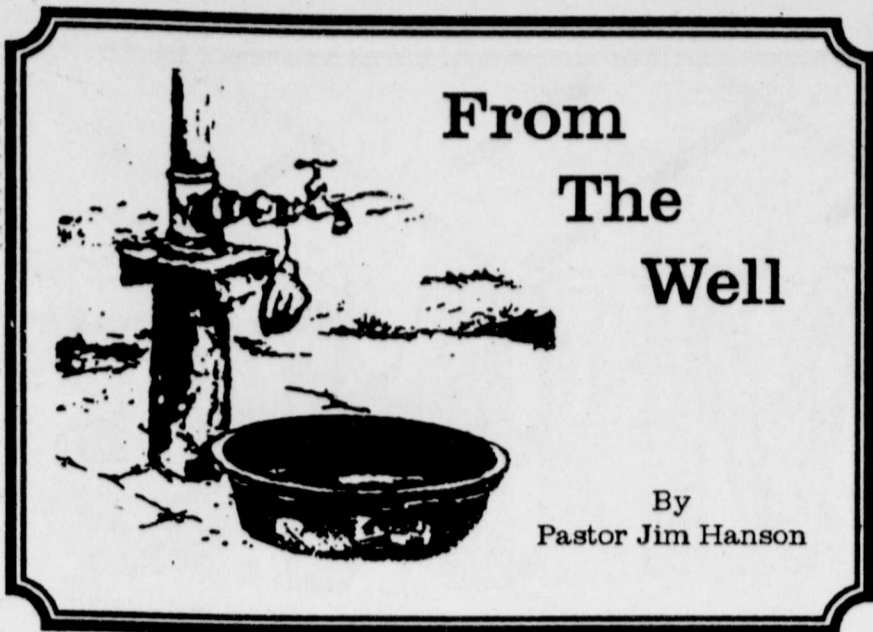
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From The Well

By Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

On Tuesday morning, the day after Labor Day, I woke up early and wandered into the bathroom. And, there, on the bottom of the bath tub, were little plastic figures, red, yellow, green, blue, and black. As I looked closer—they were animals—a cow, a pig, a goose, a goat, a horse, and a sheep. "Sign." Wild game leave "sign." So do grandchildren! Signs that "we have been here." Signs that say "This is our turf." All the day long—all through the house—I found "sign." In the living room—a little pile that included a painted ash tray (a relic from the distant past). In my office, in my chair, a toy combine, hay bailer, and a truck. In our recreation room—a stuffed blue ox, on the floor, near the futon. "Sign."

Little Timothy and Lyndi were here with their parents, Paul and Mary. They came in on Saturday, early in the evening. Their suburban was loaded. Filled with over-stuffed toys and games—for the "kiddos."

But—what is so amazing—the grandkids did not play with their toys. They found stuff, up in the attic, in the closet, and on the shelves. Discovery time, "What have we here?" The very best of times—exploration of a new continent.

After all, that's what grandpas and grandmas are for. To supply the treasures, the toys that their children played with, the games, the things that have a meaning—and some that don't. One of Tim's favorite things is a steam valve that sits one of Ramona's pressure-cookers. I don't know when he first found it, but almost every time he's here, he locates it, puts it in his pocket, carries it with him, looks at it, squeezes it, and sniffs it. Don't know what there is about it, but he is pulled to it...like a magnet. He really doesn't have to have a reason. It's just a thing that is "his thing." And it feels good to have it "on" him.

Sunday was big day for him and Lyndi. When it was time to pass the offering plates at Sunday School, and I asked for volunteers, he immediately raised his hand. What's a grandfather to do? Fortunately, two wonderful high school girls came to the rescue and did a super job of directing this new volunteer in the fine art of passing the plate. He was so proud, walking to the front with a plate full.

Of course, it was not all perfect for him that day. Apparently he had done something bad in church. His father was disciplining him outside on the steps. Timothy was crying...almost howling. One of the choir members, seeing the anguish in his eyes said to him, "Oh, Timothy, that's alright." To which his father replied, seeing beneath the anguish in Tim's eyes to a deeper pool of deception, "It is not all right!" And kept on with application. When those moments come, it is good to be grandpa, and let your child discipline his, appropriately.

Whatever did we do before we had children? And, now, whatever did we do before we had grandchildren. We are so blessed. Timothy and Lyndi are two of 13, but they are only three hours away. We get to see them often. And when we see the "sign" after they have been here, we smile.

But for sure, every older person should have grandkids—to remind you what is really important in life, what life is all about, why the Old Testament is so full of "begets," and to remind us that this is the story of humans on earth—generation of people, not clones.

And—for all of us—grandparents or not, what Ramona has on the front of the refrigerator: "One hundred years from now it will not matter what my bank account was, the kind of house I lived in, or the kind of car I drove, but the world may be different because I made a difference in the life of a child." After all, Jesus told us "Of such is the Kingdom of God." And, can you think of a better thing to do?

Citizens urged to remember veterans

by Mary Kurtz, VFW Ladies Auxiliary

Once more we have observed National POW/MIA Day and we still have thousands unaccounted for from all our Nation's wars and conflicts. Think of all those still hoping for word of their loved ones. Until they know what has happened, they can never really say goodbye, if that is what they need to do.

They can never forget that their loved one is out there somewhere and the possibility they are waiting for help to get home makes it hard to go on with their lives in peace.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars and Ladies Auxiliary ask that every citizen continue to encourage our government to be committed to the fullest possible accounting of these service men and women

and show concern for their families. Each citizen of our nation owes a lasting debt of gratitude to all these selfless and heroic members of our armed forces who have risked their own freedom and safety to defend the lives and liberty of others.

The Winters Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9193 and Ladies Auxiliary pledge that we will always remember our missing men and women and will continue to remind others not to forget.

At this time, the only missing serviceman we know of from Winters is Robert Afflebach. If anyone knows of others in Runnels County, please notify Mary Kurtz, 150 CR 106, Winters, Texas 79567.

WTU seeks approval from PUCT for fuel surcharge & fuel factor change

West Texas Utilities Company (WTU) has filed a request with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) to recover approximately \$6.4 million in under-collected fuel costs and interest from retail customers. WTU has also requested approval to increase the fuel factors used to recover the fuel costs that the company incurs to provide electric service in the future by approximately \$15.9 million a year. Under PUCT rules, utility companies do not make a profit or incur a loss on the fuel portion of the bill.

WTU proposes to recover the \$6.4 million in under-collections through a surcharge over the six-month period from January through June 2000. WTU also proposes to increase the factors used to calculate the fuel charge portion of the bill beginning with December 1999 bills.

The PUCT requires investor-owned utilities in Texas, like WTU, to forecast the annual cost of fuel to generate electricity at their power plants. Based on these forecasts, a fuel factor charge is developed to recover the cost from customers. When actual costs for fuel are significantly more than what customers are paying through their monthly bills, the PUCT allows the utility to request permission to recover the additional amount through what is called a "surcharge." When the fuel costs are anticipated to change from their current levels for an extended period of time, the electric utility may request permission to adjust the monthly fuel factor used to calculate the fuel charge portion of customers' bill.

Approximately 68% of the electricity sold by WTU is produced using natural gas as the boiler fuel or comes from power purchases that are affected by prevailing natural gas market costs. Gas costs are expected to be ap-

proximately 21.2% higher during the period from December 1999 through November 2000 than the levels upon which WTU's current fuel factors are based. To keep the increase in the overall cost of its fuel and purchased power costs below the expected 21.2 percent increase in natural gas costs, WTU continues to take steps to reduce fuel costs including:

- Using coal generation to the fullest extent reasonably possible.
- Using purchased power when available at prices below the variable generation costs at WTU's gas-fired plants.

If approved, the proposed surcharge will increase the average monthly bill for a basic residential customer who uses 1,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity by approximately \$1.84 or 2.5% during the six-month period from January through June 2000. The effect of the surcharge will vary depending on the rate schedule under which the customer takes service.

The proposed fuel factor will increase the average monthly bill by approximately \$3.25 or 4.3% for residential customers who use 1,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity per month, beginning in December 1999.

A monthly electric bill is made up of two components that include the base rate plus a fuel charge. Senate Bill 7, the electric utility restructuring legislation that was recently passed by the Texas Legislature, required utilities to freeze their base rates, beginning Sept. 1, 1999. WTU's request for the fuel recovery surcharge and fuel factor increase are not a part of the base rates. Utilities cannot raise base rates, however, the PUCT allows recovery of under-collected fuel costs and adjustments to the fuel factor to more closely mirror estimated future costs.

POLE, continued

more than 20,000 students were challenged to meet for prayer at their schools' flagpoles.

At 7 a.m. on Sept. 12, 1990, more than 45,000 students met around flagpoles on 1,200 campuses in four states.

Since then, See You at the Pole, which became a national move-

ment in 1991, has students praying around the world.

In 1998 more than 3 million students in 50 states and more than 20 countries participated.

This year's theme was "We Bow Down" and was hoped to reach every school campus in the nation.

COMMISSIONERS, continued

determine the Master Preservation Plan would probably cost in the area of \$30,000.

Other items on the agenda of the abbreviated meeting were mostly routine.

•Commissioners approved two water line crossings of county roads, in Precinct 1 and Precinct 2.

•A resolution authorizing resale of property in Miles which is held in trust for non-payment of

taxes was okayed by commissioners.

•A change order reducing the contract price with Gate Concrete Products on the new jail was approved. The contract was reduced from \$88,751.00 to \$86,375.90.

Commissioners will meet again on Tuesday, September 28 in order to make budget amendments to end the fiscal year with a balanced budget as required by law.

Letters to the Editor

Longtime reader expresses appreciation

Dear Editor:

I have been taking your paper, *The Winters Enterprise*, for 53 years. My parents took the paper when it was first printed.

I always enjoy reading the news you print. Just keep it up!
Mary (Hudson) Ceder Kent, Washington

Writer encourages Christians to unite and write

Dear Editor:

Madaline Murray O'Hare, an atheist, successfully eliminated the use of Bible reading and prayer from schools fifteen (15) years ago. Her organization has now been granted a Federal hearing in Washington, D.C., on the same subject by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

The petition, No. 2493, would ultimately pave the way to stop the reading of the Gospel of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on the airways of America.

They took this petition with 287,000 signatures to back their stand.

If this attempt is successful, all Sunday worship services being broadcast either by radio or television will stop. This group is also campaigning to remove all Christmas programs, Christmas songs, and Christmas carols from public schools.

You can help! We need one million signed letters. This would defeat this effort and show that there are many Christians alive, well, and concerned in our country. Their petition is No. 2493.

Cut off and sign the form below. Please do not sign jointly as "Mr. and Mrs.," Each person should sign one letter separately and mail in separate envelopes. Be sure to put "PETITION 2493" on the envelope when you mail the letter.

This has to go out regular mail, folks. It's important to do it right away! Please have this letter pho-

topied and send it to all your friends and relatives. Also e-mail it to people.

Christians must unite on this! Please do not take this lightly. We did once and lost prayer in schools and in offices across the nation. We cannot let this attempt succeed!

Here's the letter you need to copy, sign and mail:

Sincerely,
Henry D. Bean Wingate, Texas

Date: _____
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20054
Re: Petition 2493
Gentlemen:

I am an American and am very thankful for my American heritage. I am also much aware of the role that our Christian faith played in the freedom that we Americans now enjoy.

Therefore, I protest any human effort to remove, from the radio or television, programs designed to nurture faith in God or to remove Christmas programs, Christmas songs, and Christmas carols from public airways, school, office buildings, etc.

Sincerely,
name _____
address _____
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Jerry Lewis sends appreciation for Winters' contributions to MDA

Dear Editor:

The people of Winters have done it again! They really pulled for us this year and helped make the 1999 Jerry Lewis MDA Telethon a winner with \$53.1 million in pledges and contributions!

By taking part in local MDA events, by calling in pledges to the Telethon broadcast on KRBC-TV, Channel 9, by helping "my kids" in other ways, *The Winters Enterprise* readers have made a huge difference for families throughout Texas and across the nation.

They've helped speed MDA-funded research around the globe.

Moreover, they've helped maintain the national network of clinics that resulted in MDA becoming the first organization honored by the American Medical Association with a Lifetime Achievement Award "for significant and lasting contributions to the health and welfare of humanity." In Texas, MDA has 18 clinics offering the best in patient care.

For making the 1999 MDA Telethon a bell-ringer, thanks, Winters!

Sincerely,
Jerry Lewis
Jerry Lewis
MDA National Chairman

Unclaimed Property Auction scheduled for October 2

Get catalogs or view items online

About 90,000 unclaimed items ranging from the beautiful to the bizarre will be sold to the highest bidder at the State Comptroller's Unclaimed Property Auction on October 2 in Austin. A catalog listing all of the items for sale is now available from Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander.

The Unclaimed Property Auction Catalog is also available on Comptroller Rylander's "Window on State Government" Internet site at <http://www.window.state.tx.us>.

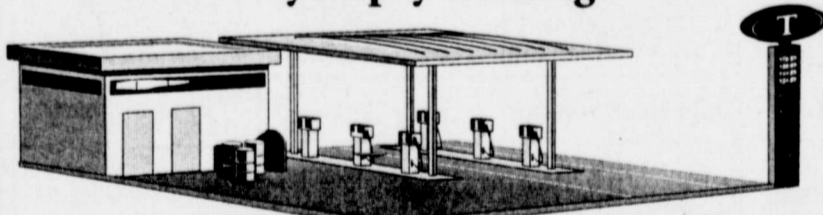
The web site allows potential auction bidders to quickly search for items of particular interest to them. Due to printing costs, more photos of auction items are avail-

able online than in the printed version of the auction catalog. More than 1,000 photos are electronically displayed.

"Most of the items to be auctioned come from abandoned safe deposit boxes that have been turned over to the state by banks and financial institutions that have been unable to locate the box renters for at least five years," Comptroller Rylander said.

The Unclaimed Property Auction begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday, October 2, at the Travis County Exposition Center, 7311 Decker Lane, in Austin. Interested bidders may preview items at the auction site from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. September 30 and October 1.

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Tuesday-Sept. 28
Blueberry Muffins
Cereal
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Wednesday-Sept. 29
Biscuits
Sausage
Juice
Thursday-Sept. 30
Breakfast Burrito
Cereal
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Friday-Oct. 1
Toast
Scrambled Eggs
Juice

Lunch
Monday-August 23
Fish Scrodles
Macaroni/Cheese
Green Beans
Salad
Hot Roll
Tuesday-August 24
Hot Dog/Chili/Cheese
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Wednesday-August 25
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June Peas
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7th grade whallops Merkel 46-0

by Coach Biff White

The Winters 7th grade Breezes roared to a 46-0 thrashing of the Merkel Badgers last Thursday afternoon.

This was a little better than last week and I know it was Merkel's second squad, but I was still pleased with our overall effort. It is amazing what one game can do for players' confidence.

Offensively, Adrian Hernandez scored on our second play from scrimmage with Michael Roman kicking the extra point. Two minutes later, Max Harrison scored on a sweep left from 32 yards out. It was set up by an interception by Hollis Gibbs, who returned it for a touchdown but a clipping penalty nullified the score.

Roman kicked the extra point and, boom!—14-0!

The defense was ready again. This time, Michael Medina intercepted a Merkel pass, and four plays later Harrison scored again. The PAT was missed.

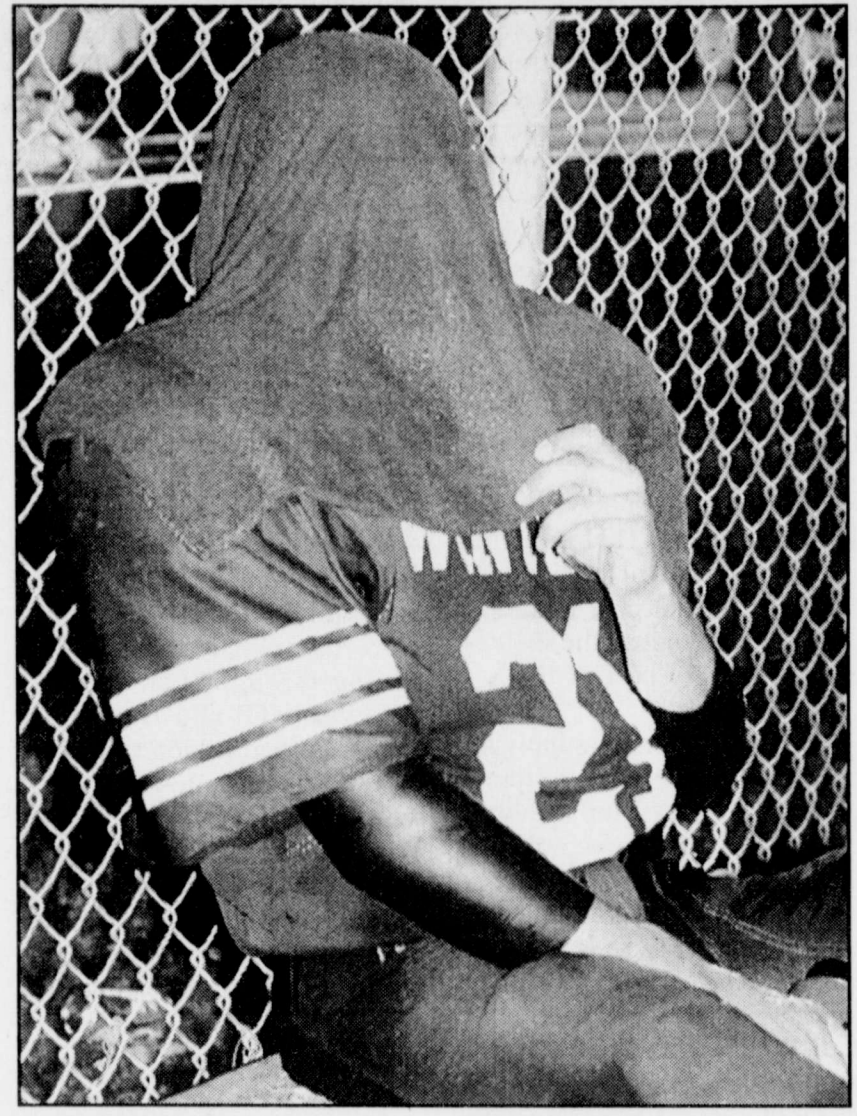
The second half started out good with Roman running off-tackle for a 28-yard touchdown. And with another Michael Medina pass interception, the Breezes were ready to score again. This time, Jorge Garcia had the honor of scoring, making the tally 32 to zip.

Merkel had some success moving the ball but a fumble recovery by Scott Bryan ended that threat. The next two touchdowns made by Harrison and Adrian Hernandez were the icing on the cake.

Enough for now, because now we must get ready to play Goldthwaite here at home on Thursday, at 5:00.

Thanks to all the parents and fans. We appreciate your great support!

All The Way, Blizzards!



NOT CAMERA SHY, JUST COOLING OFF is varsity Blizzards runningback Wes Calcote after he zipped 64 yards to score his second touchdown of the night. Calcote rushed for 274 yards in the 34-31 win over Ozona, and received Honorable Mention Player of the Week in the *Abilene Reporter-News* and *San Angelo Standard-Times*.

Goldthwaite pregame tickets on sale at administration & school offices

Pregame tickets are on sale at the WISD Business Office for the Goldthwaite vs. Winters game until 3 p.m. on Friday. They may be purchased at the elementary and high school offices until noon on Friday.

For your convenience to avoid waiting in line, adult tickets are \$4 in advance and student tickets are \$2. Prices will remain the same at the gate on Friday evening.



JEREMY HOPE gets a congratulatory "high-five" from offensive coordinator Coach Chuck Lipsey after Hope's key interception during varsity action against Ozona.

1999 Fearless Football Forecasters

LAST WEEK
OVERALL

Dale Montgomery	Larry Walker	Kevin Floyd	Rhonda Goetz	Monte Angel	
7-3	6-4	6-4	7-3	9-1	
19-11	17-13	14-16	18-12	22-8	
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JV loses to Ozona 20-0

by Coach Shane Mobley

The Blizzard junior varsity fell to the Ozona Lions 20-0 last Thursday.

The defense didn't play a bad game. Ozona maintained excellent field position and our offense didn't move the ball well. When we did move the ball it was a combination of Shane Colburn passing to Robert Gibbs and Mark Moreno.

The guys played hard the whole game. We had a few bad breaks but we also had some big chances that we didn't take advantage of.

The guys are focused and they know what we must do going into district. Now it's just a matter of getting it done.

I want to thank all the fans and parents for their support on a long-away game.

The JV squad will play the Eagles on Sept. 23 in Goldthwaite at 6:00 p.m.

District 25-2A opener Blizzards vs. Eagles
Friday, Sept. 24
7:30 Blizzards Stadium

Directions to Goldthwaite Field

Football fans traveling to Goldthwaite in support of the Winters teams may find the following information useful.

After exiting off Highway 84, as you are entering Goldthwaite, you will come to a first (and new) traffic light. At this light, turn right onto Hannah Valley Road.

Go about 5 blocks. You should see the school on the left (still on Hannah Valley Road).

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STATISTICAL SUMMARY

	Winters	Ozona
First downs	10	13
Rushing yards	46-306	30-74
Passing yards	38	230
Total yards	348	304
Comp-Att-Int	4-13-0	15-27-3
Punts	7-39	5-26
Fumbles-lost	3-2	3-1
Penalties-yards	3-40	5-45

SCORING SUMMARY
By Quarters
 Winters 7, 6, 15, 0, 6—34
 Ozona 0, 14, 7, 7, 3—31

FIRST QUARTER
 Winters
 Wes Calcote, 4 yd. run, (Josh Minzenmayer kick)

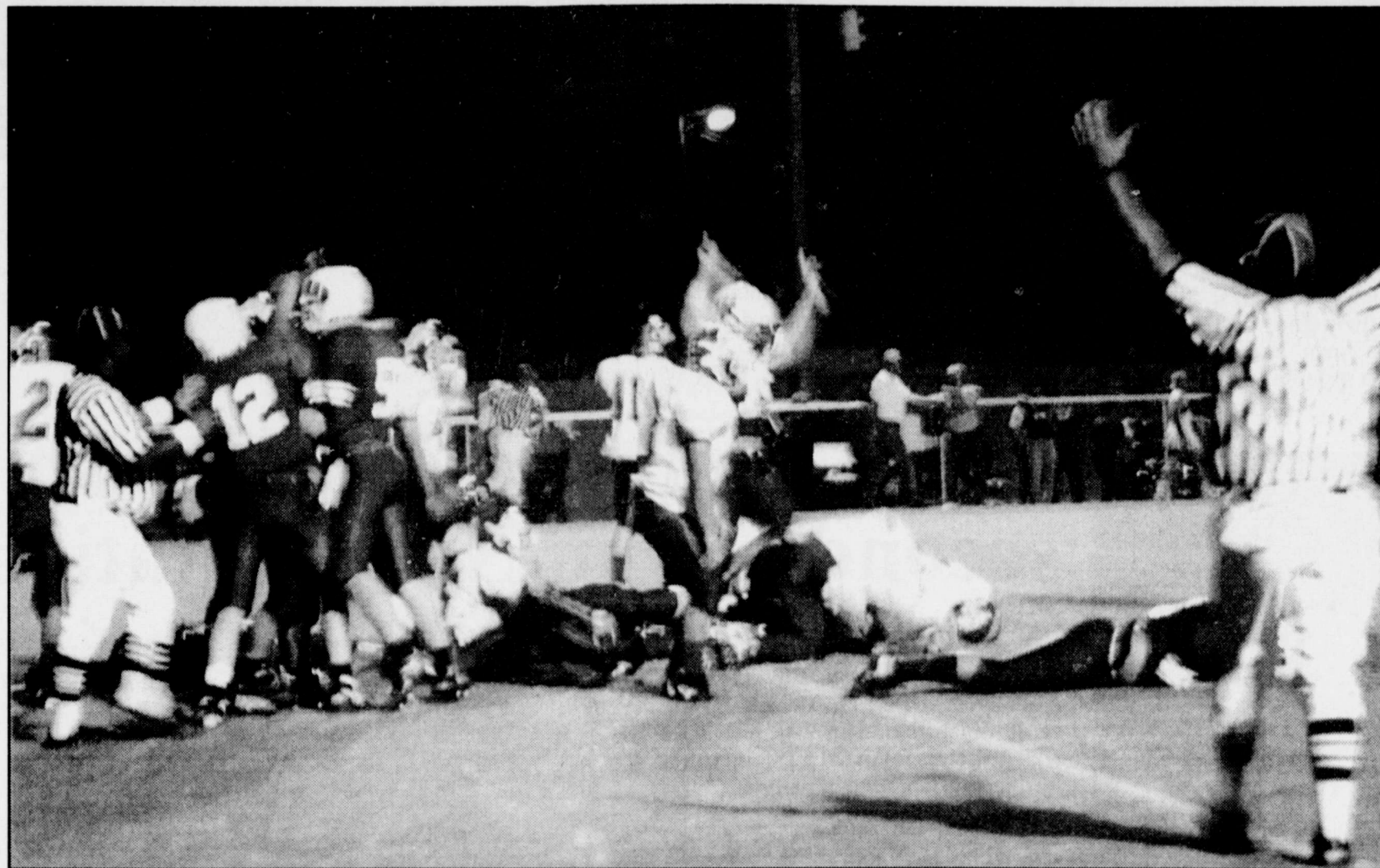
SECOND QUARTER
 Ozona
 Tim Maldonado, 10 yd. fumble recovery (Miguel Rios kick)

THIRD QUARTER
 Ozona
 Maldonado, 3 yd. run (Rios kick)

FOURTH QUARTER
 Ozona
 Dustin Faught, 14 yd. pass from Ross Crawford (Rios kick)

OVERTIME
 Ozona
 Rios, 13 yd. field goal

Winters
 Chris Lujano, 1 yd. run



CELEBRATION TIME as the Blizzards score the winning touchdown in the exciting 34-31 overtime win against Ozona Friday night.

Backing the Blizzards — Beat Goldthwaite!

Blizzards take overtime to beat Ozona 34-31

In what looked like a marathon race as much as a football game, the Winters Blizzards outlasted the Ozona Lions in overtime 34-31 Friday night in Blizzard stadium. Winters gained 306 yards rushing while Ozona chalked up 230 yards passing.

With both teams coming into the contest undefeated (2-0), it looked like it might be a good ballgame. The main question about Ozona was how strong could they be after going 1-9 last season. With coaching changes from last year and a new, determined attitude, the Lions proved to be a very tough competitor.

The Lions matched score for score with the Blizzards throughout the contest.

The teams traded punts until 6:41 in the first quarter when Blizzard fans were treated to an exciting run of 67 yards by Wes Calcote. But just as Winters counted a sure touchdown, the Ozona defender made a last-ditch effort by lunging at Calcote, stripping him of the football and Ozona recovered the fumble.

The Lions were unable to advance, and punted. The Blizzards took over on Ozona's 46-yard line and drove the ball downfield. Winters scored first on Wes Calcote's 5-yard run with 2:21 to go in the first quarter. The kick by Josh Minzenmayer was good and the lead was 7-0.

The first quarter ended with an interception by Aaron Pritchard on his own 5-yard line just when the Lions were threatening to score.

Winters fumbled trying to get out of the shadow of their own goal post on a pass that was caught and advanced. The Lions picked up the loose ball and ran it in 20 yards for the touchdown. The extra point kick was good and the score was tied at 7.

On the first play from scrimmage Calcote scampered 64 yards for the touchdown, turning on the speed to make sure no one would catch him this time. The extra point snap was fumbled which would prove to be more costly later in the game. Winters led 13-7.

Senior Kirk Byrd made a key interception to stop the Ozona threat at the Winters 18-yard line.

With 7:43 left in the half, the Lions got the ball on the Winters 33-yard line and, six plays later, took it in for the score. The extra point was good and the earlier Blizzard miss was getting more costly as the half ended with Ozona leading 14-13.

The Lions wasted no time showing what kind of team they are, coming out in the second half and scoring on the second play from scrimmage. A 71-yard run with a good extra point put the Lions up 21-13.

The Blizzard offense went 3 and out and Ozona started another drive on the Winters 46-yard line.

On the first play, Jeremy Hope intercepted the ball and the Blizzards started on their own 21-yard line. Workhorse Calcote carried the ball five consecutive times for 48 yards. Byrd got the ball on a screen pass and carried for 14 yards to the 17 yard line.

While Calcote was getting a rest, Gary Woodbury carried it in for the score on the next play. The extra point kick by Minzenmayer was good and excitement mounted as Winters was back in the hunt, trailing by only one point 20-21.

But Blizzard players and fans were quickly silenced when senior linebacker and offensive guard Aaron Taylor failed to get up off the field after the extra point. Taylor had broken the small

bone in his leg near his ankle and will be out the rest of the season.

The Blizzards regained their focus, got fired up and stopped the Lions on their next possession. Winters started from the Ozona 30 and made short work of scoring another touchdown with the last six inches made on a quarterback sneak by Minzenmayer.

The extra point play was a surprise to everybody as the Blizzards lined up to kick the extra point but handed off to Aaron Pritchard. He scored on the two point play and put Winters up 28-21 with 1:10 left in the third quarter.

But Ozona came rumbling back to score on a 13-yard pass with 9:15 left in the fourth quarter. The Lions kicked the extra point to tie the game 28-28.

Regulation play ended with the score still tied. The Blizzards won the toss and took the defense to start overtime play. The Lions made it to the 6-yard line but the Big Blue Wrecking Crew stopped Ozona three times, including a pass in the end zone broken up by Pritchard, and the Lions were forced to kick the field goal giving them a 3-point lead.

Winters offense took possession on the 25-yard line. Calcote got the call again and ran five yards. A pass interference call then put the ball on the 10-yard line. Calcote carried twice more to get the ball to the 2-foot line. An incomplete pass made it 4th down with only 2 feet to go. Head coach Robin Byrd decided to go for it, and senior Chris Lujano took it over for the touchdown and the exciting 34-31 win.

Things don't get any easier as Goldthwaite comes to town this Friday with the same 3-0 record as the Blizzards. Friday night's game kicks off at 7:30 for the start of district competition in 25-2A.

1999-2000 Varsity Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME	SCORE
Aug. 20	Wall	H	7:30	
Aug. 26	Anson	T	7:30	
Sept. 3	Jim Ned	T	8:00	27-14
Sept. 10	Merkel	T	8:00	48-21
Sept. 17	Ozona	H	8:00	34-31
Sept. 24	Goldthwaite	H	7:30	
Oct. 1	Bangs	T	7:30	
Oct. 8	San Saba	H	7:30	
Oct. 15	Early	T	7:30	
Oct. 22	Hamilton	H	7:30	
Oct. 29	Mason	H	7:30	
Nov. 5	Coleman	T	7:30	

• Scrimmages ★ Homecoming ▲ District Games

1999-2000 Jr. Varsity Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME	SCORE
Aug. 20	Wall	H	6:00	
Aug. 26	Anson	T	6:00	
Sept. 2	Jim Ned	H	6:30	12-40
Sept. 9	Merkel	H	6:30	14-20
Sept. 16	Ozona	T	6:30	0-20
Sept. 23	Goldthwaite	H	6:00	
Sept. 30	Bangs	H	6:00	
Oct. 7	San Saba	T	6:00	
Oct. 14	Early	H	6:00	
Oct. 21	Hamilton	T	6:00	
Oct. 28	Mason	T	6:00	
Nov. 4	Coleman	H	6:00	

• Scrimmage Games ▲ District Games

1999-2000 Jr. High Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME	SCORE
Sept. 9	Merkel	T	5 & 6:30	0-6/0-36
Sept. 16	Merkel (7th)	H	5	46-0
Sept. 23	Goldthwaite	H	5 & 6:30	
Sept. 30	Bangs	T	5 & 6:30	
Oct. 7	San Saba	H	5 & 6:30	
Oct. 14	Early	T	5 & 6:30	
Oct. 21	Hamilton	H	5 & 6:30	
Oct. 28	Mason	H	5 & 6:30	
Nov. 4	Coleman	T	5 & 6:30	

▲ District Games

8th plays Goldthwaite this week

The Winters 8th grade football team had an open date last week but will face the Goldthwaite Eagles this Thursday, Sept. 23, in Blizzard stadium at 6:30 p.m.

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ENJOYING A FUN OUTING are members of Mrs. Laura Dees' second period Gifted and Talented English I-II class who shared some fun time in the city park during their study of small town life in the early 1900's. The group dressed in period clothing and read "Spoon River Anthology" and "Our Town" among their studies. Classmates are (left to right) Stefanie Davis, Brian Pritchard, Mandy Pritchard, Jared Airhart, Jana Bahlman, Shane Colburn, Stacey Sneed, Brandon Davis, Kelly Walker and Meagan Galvan-Nitsch.



School Days, School Days

Becky Reel Counselor



Becky Reel was employed by Winters Independent School District in August 1999 as Secondary School Counselor. She currently commutes from San Angelo to Winters.

Mrs. Reel is a 1975 graduate of Stephen F. Austin University where she received her master of science in education. She then returned to Angelo State University to work toward a second master's degree in counseling and mid-management.

She previously worked 12 years for Wall I.S.D. and 5 years for Angelo State University.

Becky and husband Harold have two adult children. They are members of the First United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Reel's hobbies include reading, exercising, and anything having to do with dogs.

"I am working toward getting children out of college and gainfully employed," says Mrs. Reel.



DENNIS CONNER does an impressive high kick to send the football straight through the uprights to win \$25 in the half-time field goal contest sponsored by the Blizzard Athletic Booster Club. Conner, a 1998 graduate of WHS, now plays for the McMurry University Indians in Abilene. Conner's competent holder is former teammate Justin Minzenmayer.

Winters 4-H Club to meet Monday evening

The Winters 4-H Club will meet on Monday, September 27, from 5:15 until 6:30 p.m. at the Catholic Church Fellowship Hall.

Refreshments will be served from 5:15-5:30 p.m. Those furnishing refreshments for the September meeting are Airhart, Bryan, R. Kruse, Mikeska, and Schwartz.

Wiley Guy will lead the Pledge of Allegiance, while Kellyn Airhart will lead the 4-H pledge and motto. Robby Heathcott will give the inspiration.

Sixth grade through senior

members will tour The Winters Enterprise, while third through fifth graders will enjoy a program by Shirley Jean Matejka, Meteorologist-in-Charge of the National Weather Service in San Angelo.

Community service for the month will be "Files of Life." Members will sell the files to family and friends.

All members are encouraged to attend. Any student who would like to join 4-H is invited to the meeting.

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Cross-Country teams finish first and second at Jim Ned Invitational Meet

It can be lonely at the top

Winters cross-country teams had super results on Saturday as they ran in the Jim Ned Invitational meet at Tuscola. The Blizzards finished first in the meet with 19 points followed by Stamford in a distant second with 42.

The Lady Blizzards were second with 44 points behind team champion Hamlin. Jim Ned finished third with 58. The JV Lady Blizzards also finished second placing behind Jim Ned and ahead of Hamlin.

Once again, Jimmy Rodriguez placed first for the Blizzards, a good 500 meters ahead of the second place finisher. Tony Aguero finished fourth. In the girl's competition, Mandy Pritchard and Kelli Slimp finished second and third. Savanna Reyna was second in the JV competition.

Tim Fenwick placed fourth and Eric Lopez eighth in the junior high division.

The teams are slated to run Saturday at Seabee Park in Abilene in a meet hosted by McMurray.

Last week's results are:

Blizzards

Jimmy Rodriguez, 16:35, 1st
Tony Aguero, 18:37, 4th
Ezequiel Martinez, 19:10, 7th

Juan Santos, 19:30, 8th
Artemio Lopez, 20:04, 11th
Brian Pritchard, 20:12, 12th
Kenny Green, 20:54, 13th



JIMMY RODRIGUEZ seems to have the track to himself as he takes a commanding lead in finishing his cross country race at Jim Ned last Saturday. The final 400 meters of the 3-mile race were finished on the track. Jimmy crossed the finish line with a time of 16.35, and before the next competitor had even set foot on the track. He has won first place in every cross country meet so far this season.

Lady Blizzards

Mandy Pritchard, 11:35, 2nd
Kelli Slimp, 11:36, 3rd
Cassandra Johnson, 12:02, 11th

Marie Llanas, 12:05, 12th
Stacey Sneed, 12:43, 16th
Michelle Paschal, 12:43.5, 17th
Juanita Armendariz, 13:53, 19th

JV Blizzards (ran with varsity)

Ivan Montano, 21:15, 14th
Ruben Garcia, 22:04, 17th
Christian Rodriguez, 25:43, 21st

JV Lady Blizzards

Savanna Reyna, 12:40, 2nd

Kemari Hale, 13:20, 10th
Lacey Meyer, 13:29, 11th
Priscilla Ontiveros, 13:40, 13th
Kirby Hatler, 13:41, 14th
Michelle Dexter, 13:51, 17th
Connie Reyes, 14:09, 21st

Junior High (8th grade, 1mile)

Tim Fenwick, 6:37, 4th
Eric Lopez, 7:10, 8th

Connie Mac Gibbs shoots second "Hole In One"

Connie Mac Gibbs made his second "Hole In One" on Thursday, September 16, 1999 on hole #6 at the Winters Country Club.

Hole #6 is an 158 yard hole and Gibbs used a 7 iron. Witnesses were Dawson McGuffin, Morris Robinson, Bob Shields, Chad Briley, and Jerry B. Whitlow.

Gibbs' first "Hole In One" was made May 3, 1995 at the Winters Country Club on the same hole.

Office hours changed for City Judge

Municipal Court hours have changed effective immediately.

Hours are 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. If these hours are inconvenient for you, payments may be made at City Hall at any time.

The Judge's office will be closed September 27 through October 1 for court training purposes.

If you have any questions, you may call the City Judge's office at 754-4126.

Boys under 14 soccer tryouts, September 25

Tryouts for the under 14 boys recreational soccer team will be held on Saturday, September 25, at 6 p.m., behind the Yellow Activity Building at the Winters Elementary School.

If you would like to play under 14 recreational soccer, you must try out.

If you have any further questions, please contact Gordon Fenwick at 754-5644.

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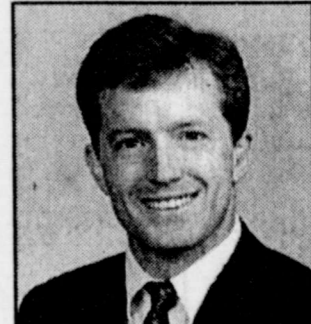
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Amy Leah Dunn and Justin Lonnie Lischka exchange vows in double ring ceremony



Mr. and Mrs. Justin Lonnie Lischka

Amy Leah Dunn of Ballinger and Justin Lonnie Lischka of Bellville were married in a double ring ceremony on August 21, 1999, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Winters. Officiant was Father Tim Bucek of Bellville, and lector was Reverend Mel Swoyer of Lubbock.

Parents of the bride are Alvin and Eddie Dunn of Ballinger. Grandparents are Ed and Dorothy Gottschalk of Ballinger and Evelyn Smith of Winters. Great-grandmothers are Eulala Lindemann and Juell Smith, both of Ballinger.

Parents of the groom are Lonnie and Jay Lischka of Bellville. Grandmother is Lenora Kubeska of Houston.

Music was performed by Carolyn Slaughter of Ballinger, organist. Terri Lord of San Angelo, sang "Because You Loved Me" immediately before the ceremony and "Standing Right Next To Me" during the lighting of the unity candle by the bride and groom.

Escorted by her father, the bride wore a chiffon and tulle ball gown with detachable cathedral train accented with Battenberg lace appliques, clear sequins, seed pearls, and pyramid hem lace designed by Mori Lee. The bodice featured a Contessa neckline and a fitted, dropped waist. Designed by Bel-Aire, the coronet was of pearl and sequin appliques with a small pouf and a two-tiered elbow length cut edge veil with scattered

pearls. The bride also wore white boots with maroon Texas A&M stamped into the leather. A six-pence belonging to Donna Martin of College Station and two pennies representing the birth years of the bride and groom were in a boot for good luck.

For something new, the bride wore pearl earrings given to her by the groom; for something old, a crochet handkerchief handmade by the bride's great-great-grandmother inserted in the bride's bouquet; for something blue, the garter; and for something borrowed, a pearl necklace and bracelet belonging to Dainty Jackson, the groom's late grandmother.

Maid of honor was Michelle Thornhill of Lubbock. Bridesmaids included Wendy Davenport, Tana Friedrich, Courtney Fuchs and Erin Metcalf, all of College Station; and Jody Lischka, sister of the groom, of Bellville.

Junior bridesmaid was Julie Lischka, sister of the groom, of Bellville, and flower girl was Katelyn Dunn, niece of the bride, of Ballinger.

The groom wore a black tuxedo jacket, white shirt with black crossover tie, white vest, black Wrangler Riata jeans, and black boots.

Best man was Jared Lischka, brother of the groom, of College Station. Groomsmen included Chris Kaase and Brian White, both of College Station; Kirk Hoppe, cousin of the groom, of Houston; Jason Lischka, cousin of the groom, and Brian Sodalak, both of Bellville.

Junior groomsman was Jacoby Lischka, brother of the groom, of Bellville, and ring bearer was Dylan Dombroski, cousin of the bride, of Eldorado.

Ushers were Kyle Eckermann, cousin of the groom, of Austin; Matt Jackson, cousin of the groom, of Bellville; Guy Grebe and Jerrod Poffenberger, both of College Station; and Cory Smith, cousin of the bride, of Winters.

Gifts were presented by the bride's godparents, Luther and Kathy Smith of Sterling City and by the groom's godparents, David and Kim Jackson of Bellville.

Audra Dunn, sister of the bride, of Ballinger, and Kyla Kinsey, cousin of the bride, of Sterling City, registered guests.

A reception, supper, and dance immediately followed the ceremony at St. Mary's Parish Center in Ballinger.

The bride's table included six individual round cakes of various sizes and heights, each with a different lace-designed icing. Bunches of bright multi-colored flowers were placed on and around the cakes.

The groom's table held a large two-tiered chocolate cake with white icing, and the Texas A&M symbol in maroon icing adorned the top.

The bride is a 1995 graduate of Ballinger High School and is a December candidate for graduation from Texas A&M University with a major in Agricultural Development and an emphasis in Human Resource Management.

The groom is a 1995 graduate of Bellville High School and is also a December candidate for graduation from Texas A&M University with a major in Construction Science.

After a wedding trip to Hawaii, the couple resides in College Station.

Chamber Memo

Chamber appoints four new directors

by Carolyn Scarborough, Sec.

The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce that Gary Bear, John O'Connor, Ruth Cooper, and Rhonda Black have been appointed to the board to replace other directors who have moved or left for other reasons. We welcome them aboard and know they will make a tremendous contribution.

If you have not taken the driving tour made up by the Winters Area Business and Industrial Corporation, be sure to check it out.

The brochures with instructions and information can be picked up at the Chamber office or the Public Library. Even though you might have been here a long time, you will probably pick up a tidbit of local knowledge that you did not know. Then be sure to turn in your entry form for the \$100 drawing to be held on September 30.

We are still looking for hunting leases around this area. Only one person as responded in the past two weeks. We will list any leases in Runnels County as well as southern Taylor, Coke, Coleman, and Nolan Counties. If you would like to be listed, please call in your information to the Chamber office at 915/754-5210. These leases will be available on our website and in paper form to be handed out and mailed.

The Chamber is preparing for its 30th Annual Arts and Crafts Show to be held on November 13. This year a cookoff has been added to the festivities, so be sure to enter your famous recipe. There are three categories: beans, brisket and wild game. The first three places in each category will be awarded a cash prize. Official rules may be picked up at the Chamber office.



Town Crier



K'Lee Nicole Lindley

Dillion, 6, and Kaitlyn, 4, are proud to announce the birth of their sister.

K'Lee Nicole Lindley was born Monday, August 30, 1999, at 1:50 p.m. at Abilene Regional Medical Center. She weighed 7 lbs., 4 oz. and was 20" long.

Parents are Bob and Christy Lindley of Winters. Maternal grandparents are Louie and Christeen Collins of Winters. Maternal great-grandmother is Lois Collins of Winters. Paternal grandparents are Wayne and Barbara Stephens of Abilene.

Retired teachers learn of new "happenings" in the area

The Runnels County Retired Teachers Association met Monday, September 13, 1999, in the First United Methodist Church of Winters.

Marthiel Russell, Vice President, introduced the speakers of the program on "What's Happening in Runnels County."

Linda Boone of Ballinger Chamber of Commerce discussed the major events of the chamber for the remaining of 1999.

The Hunter's Appreciation Dinner and Christmas in Olde Ballinger will be in November.

Carolyn Scarborough of Winters Chamber of Commerce talked about the new things in Winters.

The new Junior High School is in use. Airhart Car Wash and

The Shed are new businesses in Winters. Construction on the duplex housing addition has begun, and the Post Office construction is to begin soon.

Events to come that are sponsored by the chamber are the Arts and Craft Show with the Taste of Texas Cook-Off and the Christmas parade.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses: Joyce Krause, Frances Bredemeyer, and Ouida Nichols.

Members present were: Lels Mae Shelbourne, Nina Hale, Mildred Bigby, Freddie Gardner, Patricia Hambright, Sarah Parker, Geraldine Lange, Marthiel Russell, Hortense Joyce, Francis Bredemeyer, Ouida Nichols, and Joyce Krause.

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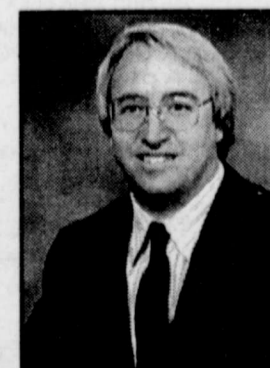
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603 N. Main 2B/2B, brick, fireplace, 2 living areas, newly remodeled.
511 S. Magnolia 3B/2B w/large living room & den, extra lg. corner lot, carport, lg. trees.
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Ag Talk

by Congressman Charles Stenholm

Supplemental Income Payment program introduced to protect farmers against market price volatility



This week the House Agriculture Committee held two days of hearings regarding the current farm financial crisis. A wide range of producer groups offered testimony about the steps they believe need to be taken to provide relief to America's farmers and ranchers.

In 1998, Congress provided almost \$6 billion in assistance to farmers. This year, Congress is considering a package of over \$7 billion. It is still not clear what the final figure will be. Whatever assistance is provided must be done in a cost-effective way and should go to those who are actually producing the crop and who truly need it.

The Committee also heard testimony from Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman, who outlined the steps he believes USDA should take to provide adequate relief to American agriculture. These include the following:

- Developing emergency farm income support;
- Continuing the single-year portion of last year's crop loss disaster assistance program;
- Funding additional farm loans, including emergency loans;
- Reforming the federal crop insurance program; and
- Increasing exports.

Secretary Glickman talked about the 1996 Freedom to Farm bill and expressed his belief that it should be revised because it fails to adequately protect farmer's income when commodity prices fall.

I agree with the Secretary, which is why I introduced the

Supplemental Income Payment (SIP) Program to protect the American farmer against price volatility in the markets.

My legislation would require the Secretary of Agriculture to make SIP payments to producers of certain crops for crop years in which the national gross revenue of the crop is below a certain percentage of the 5-year average of that crop's revenue. I am pleased to report that there is growing support for my proposal.

The economic farm crisis has reached emergency levels, and I believe my SIP proposal has the potential to put American agriculture back on its feet.

Agriculture needs a comprehensive risk management safety net and it is time for Congress to revisit US agriculture policy so that our producers won't have to wait on Congress to react each and every time problems arise as the result of weather and price.

Extension News & Views

By Rick Minzenmayer, Extension Agent-IPM

Take care of lawns now to enjoy benefits in spring

Now is the time to think spring in considering timely lawn care. Many homeowners are too involved in mowing grass to think about fertilizing turf in the fall and, if the truth be known, most are ready for the grass to go dormant. However, should the gardener have to choose one time to feed the lawn during the year, the fall application is the most important application.

Traditionally, fall application of nitrogen was avoided because it was thought to reduce cold hardiness. However, turf research has given us reason to consider some new findings in regard to fall fertilization.

Contrary to earlier beliefs, high nitrogen content in the foliage actually may increase the cold hardiness of turfgrass. Nitrogen levels show little effect on winterkill, but have a great influence on the uptake of phosphorus and potassium. Also, it is not so much the nitrogen content as the ratio between nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium that affect cold

hardness. Thus a fertilizer high in nitrogen and potassium and low in phosphorus should be used for the fall application. A 3-2-1 slow release formula such as 15-5-10 or 21-7-14 is recommended.

Fall applications of properly balanced fertilizer will prolong color retention and extend the usefulness of the turf. Throughout the south, athletic fields and golf courses are used year-round and a green foliage is more attractive and resilient than a semi-dormant turf. Likewise, in a landscape situation, green foliage is more attractive than as dormant turf and helps the turf respond more quickly come spring.

Research has shown that due to favorable environmental conditions in late fall, fertilization actually increases root growth and energy reserves. This allows grass to resume growth earlier in the spring than grass not receiving a late application of fertilizer. In addition, the timing of spring fertilization is not as critical when a late fall application of fertilizer

was made. Spring application may be delayed until late April more in keeping with warming temperatures and best grass growth response.

Nitrogen must be available to the grass in late fall and winter in order to obtain the benefits of fall fertilizer. Soluble sources such as ammonium sulfate that are not dependent on temperature should be used for late fall fertilization. The rate of application of nitrogen should not exceed two pounds per 1,000 square feet for the fall months.

Grasses are not the only plants that benefit from fall fertilization. Although trees and shrubs may appear dormant, their roots absorb nutrients very readily in fall and winter. Foliage retains color and remains on the plant longer when fall applications of fertilizer are made. Spring growth of trees that receive fall application of fertilizer is far superior to that of plant not fertilized in fall. Tree height and trunk diameter also respond to fall applications of fertilizer.

Local youth compete in WTF steer and breeding sheep shows

Local Winters youth closed out the West Texas Fair and Rodeo last weekend, competing in the Junior Progress and Prospect Steer and Breeding Sheep shows. In addition, five teens caught calves, earning purchase certificates at the calf scramble.

Results are as follows:

Calf Scramble

Wednesday Night

8th, Cody Pritchard, \$210

Thursday Night

3rd, Georgetta Horton, \$350

8th, Jessica Pritchard, \$210

Friday Night

1st, Travis Grohman, \$500

10th, J.T. Davis, \$180

Junior Progress Steers

4th, European, Shelley Meyer

Junior Prospect Steers

3rd, Lt. Wt. Angus, Jeffrey

Jordan

1st, Lt. Wt. Hereford, Dalton Shackelford

1st, Lt. Wt. Polled Hereford, Dalton Shackelford

11th, Med. Wt. Hereford, Aaron Colburn

9th, Hvy. Wt. ABC, Robby Heathcott

6th, Hvy. Wt. Chianina, Shane Colburn

7th, Lt. Wt. Maine Anjou, Colby Pritchard

8th, Lt. Wt. Limousin, Justin Davis

6th, Lt. Wt. Simmental, J.T. Davis

8th, Med. Wt. AOB, Cody Pritchard

5th, Lt. Wt. Maine Anjou, Lacey Meyer

Breeding Sheep

Jarrett Gerhart

1st, Suffolk Ram Lamb

Champion Suffolk Ram

3rd, Suffolk Ewe Lamb

1st, Suffolk Yearling Ram

Dalton Shackelford

1st, Southdown Ewe Lamb

10th, Southdown Ewe Lamb

6th, Southdown Futurity Ewe

Reserve Champion Southdown Ewe

Camille Kruse

2nd, Southdown Futurity Ewe

6th, Southdown Ewe Lamb

Jessica Pritchard

2nd, Southdown Ram

4th, Southdown Ewe Lamb

ASSAULT, continued

hospital on Friday. Haines was arrested and charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, and arraigned by Justice of the Peace Greg Lange with bond set at \$200,000.

Limousin feeder calf sale set at Producers Livestock Auction

The Texas Limousin Association of Crowley, Texas, in cooperation with Producers Livestock Auction, has designated a special showing and selling of Limousin influenced stocker-feeder cattle. The upcoming event will be held in conjunction with the regular weekly sale at the Producers Livestock Auction, San Angelo, Texas, scheduled for Monday, October 4.

"This special sale of Limousin influenced calves will be an excellent opportunity for producers to market Limousin sired calves, and also be able to capitalize on a great deal of buying power," states Lee Pritchard, executive secretary, Texas Limousin Association.

Previous Limousin stocker-feeder calf sales have been a huge

success due to the number of quality consignments and "top dollar" market demand shown for the cattle. The cattle will consist of both steer and heifer divisions, grouped in pens of various numbers.

All commercial producers of Limousin cross calves are encouraged to consign to this special

event.

For additional information regarding the sale, contact Charley Christensen, Producers Livestock Auction, at 653-3371 or the Texas Limousin Association, Lee Pritchard, P.O. Box 239, Crowley, Texas 76036, or call 817-297-2462, fax 817-297-3433, e-mail TXLIMO@AOL.com.

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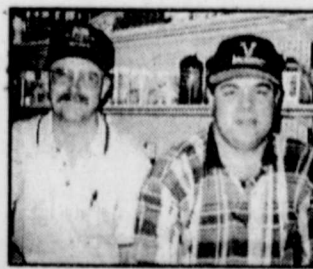
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