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North Runnels Hospital receives \$25,000 grant to establish Dr. Keith Boles' practice

North Runnels Hospital recently received a \$25,000 grant to establish Dr. Keith Boles' practice in Winters. The award comes from the Medically Underserved Community-State Matching Incentive Program (MUC-SMIP) administered by the Center for Rural Health Initiatives, the Texas State Office of Rural Health.

The Medically Underserved Community Program is a statewide program designed to assist rural communities in improving the health care needs of rural Texans living in medically underserved areas. The program accomplishes this goal by financially partnering with rural communities to establish physician practices. The funds must be used

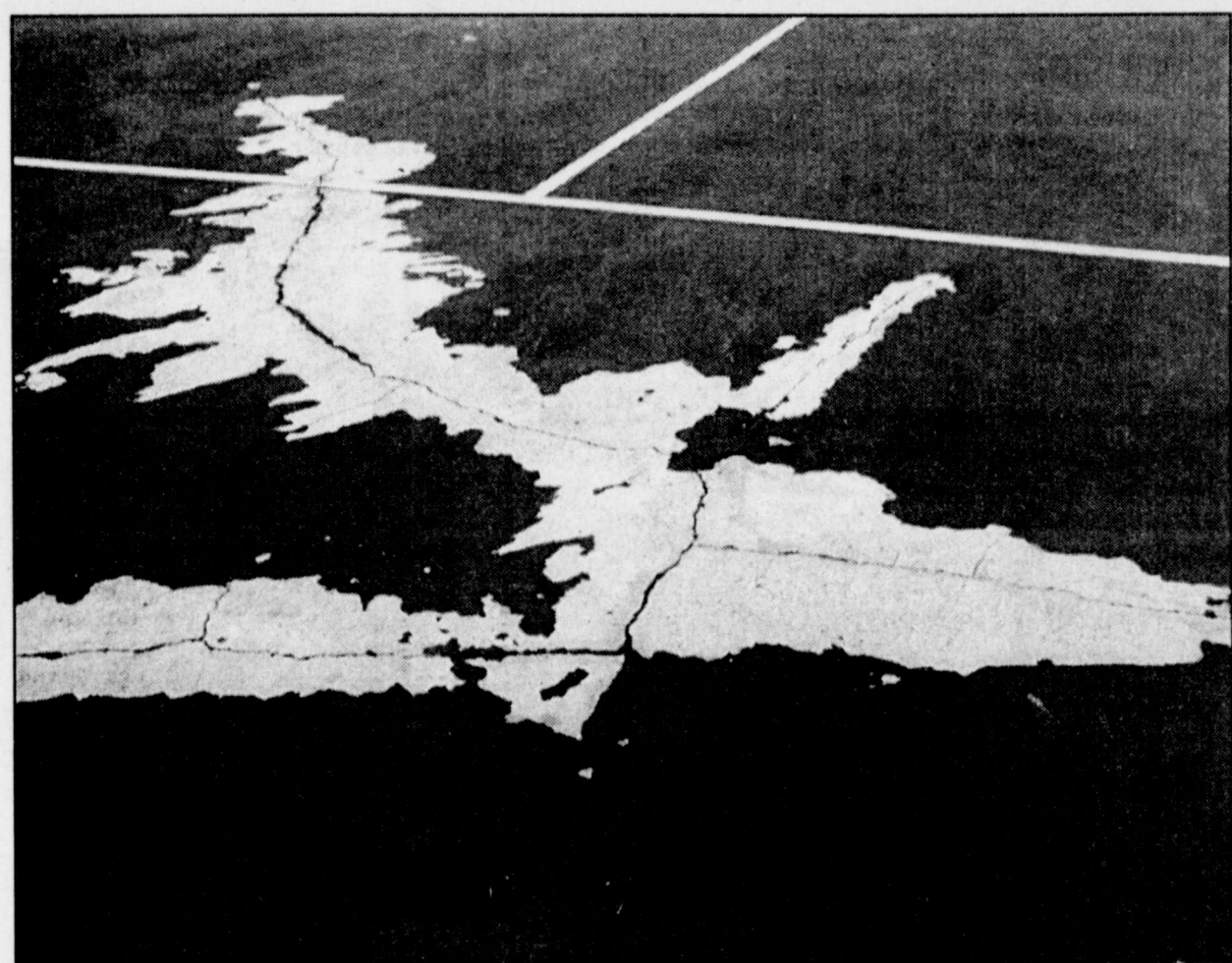
to establish a medical office and ancillary facilities for diagnosing and treating patients. Allowable costs include, but are not limited to:

- Land acquisition and facility construction and/or renovation
 - Computer hardware and software, lab equipment required to provide basic primary health care services, an exam table, routine medical equipment, a refrigerator required for drug/vaccine storage
 - Supplies required in a primary care physician's office
 - Staff salaries and fringe benefits for six months (excluding compensation for the physician), and staff and job-related training.
- "This is an important grant for the citizens of Winters," said Rob-

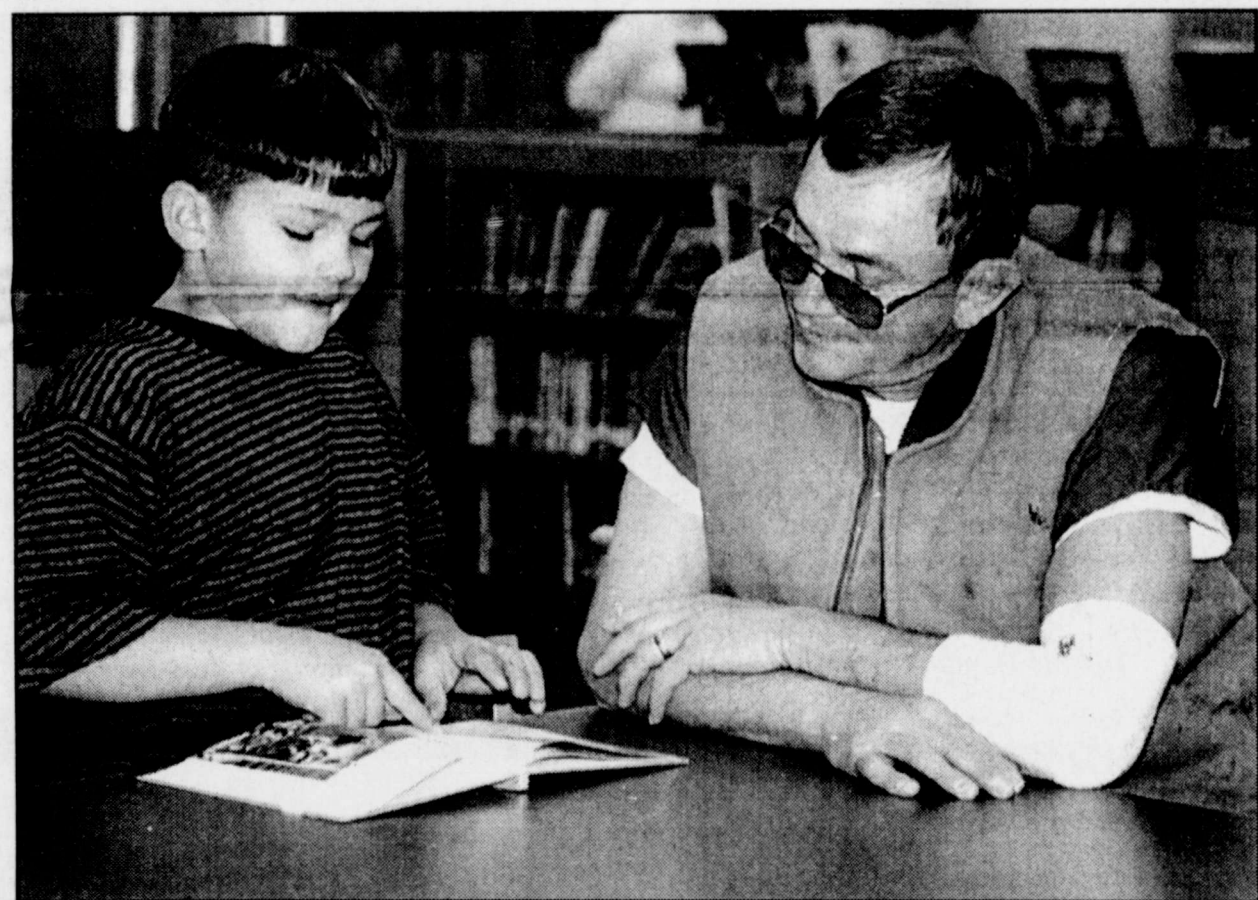
ert J. "Sam" Tessen, MS, executive director of the Center, "your community leaders have worked hard to get this grant to secure your health care future. We're proud to be a part of this valuable effort."

The Center, located in Austin, provided leadership in encouraging innovative responses to rural health care needs. The Center advocates and administers a number of programs and services designed to help rural health providers and communities proactively address the health care needs of rural Texans.

Contact the Center toll free at 877-TEX-CRHI (839-2744), or e-mail: crhi@crhi.state.tx.us.



AWAITING A MUCH NEEDED FACE LIFT are the cracked and peeling city tennis courts at Ted Meyer Park. The City of Winters has received a \$3,000 grant from the Strake Foundation of Houston to help refurbish the courts which are used year 'round. Approximately 150 games per week are played on two courts with more activity during spring and summer when the WISD tennis teams also use the courts. Resurfacing and lining the courts will be done as soon as consistently warmer weather allows.



SHARING SPECIAL TIME TOGETHER are third grader Corey Caldwell and local veterinarian Dr. Jimmy Smith, who meet each week to read, study or just hang out as part of the Winters Elementary Mentoring Program. Tammy Bright, Elementary Principal, says that twenty more adults are needed to spend time with students in grades kindergarten through six. The school will plan the mentoring time around the adult's schedule and as little as 30 minutes a week is asked. For more information, please call the elementary office at 754-5577. *Editor's note: this is a fantastic program which will benefit any of you adults as much or more than the children you spend time with. No special skills are needed; just a willingness to give of yourself. With the start of the new year, why not carve out just a little chunk of your week and share it with a youngster. I promise, you'll be so glad you did.*

WHS senior nominated to Naval, Merchant Marine Academies

Arthur Martinez, a senior at Winters High School, has received notification that he is among 22 young men and women from the 17th District of Texas who have been selected as nominees to the United States Service Academies.

Martinez has been nominated for the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland, and the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, New York.

The nominees will now be contacted by the academies with additional information and instructions, and will be scheduled for medical and physical examinations. The academies will make appointment announcements by late spring.

"I am always so impressed by the high caliber of candidates that apply to my office each year," said Congressman Charles W. Stenholm. "But it certainly makes a selection decision all the more difficult."

City council hears request during annexation hearing

During the regular meeting of the Winters City Council on December 27, council members listened to a presentation by Mr. K. W. Cook during the public hearing on proposed annexation of properties as published in the December 16 issue of *The Winters Enterprise*.

Mr. Cook requested that the easement through his property that was previously given for the Parklane subdivision, be excluded from annexation. He told council members that since his house, which is not in the city limits, is for sale, excluding the easement property would save him money.

Council members were unsure of the validity of this request and took no action during the December 27 meeting.

Mayor Pro-Tem Dr. Tommy Russell announced that the next called council meeting regarding annexation is scheduled for January 17, 2000.

City Manager Dr. Aref Hassan shared copies of letters from the Texas Department of Transportation regarding the approval of the downtown sidewalks grant, and a grant from the Strake Foundation to resurface and re-stripe the city's tennis courts.

Secondary school to host "Meet the Teacher" Night Monday, Jan. 10

The spring semester "Meet the Teachers" night for Winters secondary schools has been scheduled for Monday, January 10, 2000, at 7 p.m. Secondary students began a new class schedule and teacher assignment on Monday, January 3.

Parents will meet with Principal Charles Kidwell in the high school auditorium prior to visiting the student's classrooms. They are encouraged to bring their children's class schedules to follow.

Races develop in county elections

Sheriff, Constable, Attorney positions being contested

When the filing deadline passed on Monday, races developed in one county-wide Democratic race and one precinct race.

Incumbent Sheriff Bill Baird filed for re-election to that office in the Democratic Primary. Opposing Baird in the primary will be Toby Virden of Ballinger.

Mark Sklenarik of Miles filed for the position of Constable, Precinct 1, opposing incumbent Charles Moeller, who also filed for re-election.

Others filing in the Democratic Primary included Stuart Dean Holden for County Attorney, Jerry B. (Skipper) Wheelless for re-election to the position of Commissioner - Precinct #1, James Thurman Self, re-election to Commissioner - Precinct #3, Robin Burgess for County Tax Assessor-Collector, Archie Jobe, Constable Precinct #2.

In the Republican Primary, Tino Salinas filed for the position of County Sheriff and John

McGregor filed for re-election to the office of County Attorney.

In the Democratic Party, Lonnie Rankin has filed for County Chairman, with C. J. Robinson of Norton filing for precinct chairman of that area, LaVoy McNeill for the Wingate area, Lisa Nitsch in Winters and Donna Glass in Miles.

Democratic and Republican primary elections will be Tuesday, March 14.

This Saturday call 754-4820 or go by Lutheran Church to pledge donation for Rehab 2000

Reverend Jim Hanson and members of St. John's Lutheran Church will conduct a phone bank this Saturday, January 8, for local residents during Rehab 2000, West Texas Rehabilitation Center's fund-raising telethon.

Residents are urged to call 754-4820 between 7 and 10 p.m., or go by St. John's Lutheran Church, visit with volunteers, and leave a donation in person. Letters about the phone bank and the telethon have been sent to over 525 residents with return envelopes for contributions.

Area community phone banks brought in over \$76,000 during Rehab '99.

The Rehab 2000 telethon production will include guest star Ricky Skaggs. Regulars returning for this year's show include Peter Marshall, Anacani, Arthur Duncan, Brad Maule, Bill and Susan Hayes, and others.

Another popular feature of the telethon is the auction, which features retail merchandise and handcrafted items donated by businesses and individuals, ranging from boats to bathtubs and trips to telephones. Major auction items and a toll-free bidding number will be publicized prior to show time.

For the first time, the auction items can be previewed and bids

can be placed via the Internet at www.wtrc.com.

Twelve television stations, including KRBC in Abilene and KLST in San Angelo, will televise this 30th annual show originating live from the Abilene

Civic Center beginning at 7 p.m. The telecast can also be viewed nationwide via satellite, galaxy 7, transponder 8.

West Texas Rehabilitation Center serves more than 18,000 West Texans annually.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- Jan. 6-10 a.m.-Noon & 1:30-3 p.m., Immunization Clinic, TDH
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 6:30 p.m., Runnels County Emmaus, First Baptist Church
- 7 p.m., Winters Squares
- Jan. 7-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco
- Jan. 8-8 a.m., Stock Show Association Workday, Showbarn
- 6 p.m., Crews Supper, Crews Gym
- 7 to 10 p.m., Lutheran Phone Bank for Rehab, 754-4820
- Jan. 10-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 5:30 p.m., Runnels Baptist Association, First Baptist Church, Ballinger
- 6 p.m., Weight Watchers, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 7 p.m., VFW & Auxiliary, Post Home
- 7 p.m., Secondary School "Meet The Teacher" Night, Auditorium
- Jan. 11-10 a.m., Commissioners Court, Courthouse, Ballinger
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Noon, Lions Club, Community Center
- 5-6:30 p.m., Pioneer Club, First United Methodist Church
- 7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station
- 7:30 p.m., Elm Creek Water Control Board, Sr. Citizens Center
- Literary & Service Club
- Woman's Club
- Jan. 12-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Chamber Office
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Jan. 13-10 a.m., Triple L Club, First Baptist Church
- 10 a.m., 39+, First United Methodist Church
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 7 p.m., Project Graduation, School Cafeteria

Oil Bidness

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Now that we have all made it past the dreaded "Y2K Melt-down," let's examine just where we think we should go from here. While we can never know exactly where the future will take us, we can hypothesize by making an educated guess. In order to make the guess at least appear intelligent, we should consider: (1) what the current situation is, (2) what others are saying about trends in the business, and (3) what the most important drivers (for the business) will be in the coming years.

We are in a time of post-mega-merger mania. The largest of the large seem to have finished with forming ever-larger companies, although a few may still be stalking vulnerable "semi-majors." While BPAmoco may still merge with Arco, there are some real regulatory roadblocks to overcome before that becomes reality. ExxonMobil is a done deal, and Royal Dutch Shell appears to be satisfied with their current position as something less than number one in size.

Oil prices are at highs that may not be sustainable, but only time will tell. Demand for petroleum in the U.S., Europe, and now Asia continues to grow. But, there are voices being raised at the "unfairness" of higher product prices, and this will dampen any enthusiasm for higher revenue. No matter what happens to demand, the U.S. share of world production continues to shrink, with current production at about 5.9 million barrels per day, compared to 8 million per day a few years ago. Technology continues to add value to currently producing properties, exploration success ratios continue to improve, and governments around the world, with the notable exception of the U.S., are continuing to open more venues for potential development and exploration. All of these trends may see a flattening as the recent gains may be near their peak, but there continues to be unprecedented opportunity to reduce the capital hurdle that often is a barrier to small players in the oil business.

The experts and pundits are predicting a continuation of the merger game, only on a smaller scale. They say the smaller companies that have international holdings will become the most appealing targets of mega-majors and semi-majors. Following this will come a paring of assets that don't fit the model of the acquirer. Add to this the large divestments expected in the aftermath of the mega-major mergers, and most are predicting a lot of properties on the market in 2000.

While there are a few who expect prices to stay where they are or even go higher, most believe a more realistic 3-year scenario would include prices in the \$18-22 range. Gas prices are predicted to be very stable and strong, provid-

ing some relief from the undulating oil prices of late.

Overall oil field employment is expected to continue to decrease, as the largest companies expect to do so much more while letting most of the acquired company's employees go. However, most are predicting that there will be a growing need for experts in certain areas of the business (deep offshore, remote areas, etc.). This may in fact, according to some prognosticators, merely shift more personnel to consultancies from oil and gas companies, as opposed to taking them out of the business altogether.

That is all the space we have for now, and we have only covered two of the three points. So, bear with me. Next time, we will discuss what trends may develop in the next century, and we will consider some of the things that can happen that will impact companies and workers in our business. See you then.

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY

COMPLETIONS

None This Week

STAKINGS

Callahan County

R.B. & B.K. Eubank has staked three wells in the County Regular Field, 6 miles SW of Cross Plains (Depth 500). The R.O. Eubank #22 is loc. 728 FSL & 1660 FEL of Lbr. 48, Lge. 181, Comal CSL Sur. The R.O. Eubank #23 is loc. 323 FSL & 1463 FEL of same Lbr. The R.O. Eubank #24 is loc. 734 FSL & 1913 FEL of same Lbr.

Coleman County

Aurora Gas, Inc. has staked the Majestic #1 in the County Regular Field, 2 miles NE of Silver Valley (Depth 3600). Loc. is 1125 FSL & 2050 FSL of Sec. 36, Blk. 2, GH&H Sur. Caddo Operating has applied to re-enter the Coates-Wright #8A in the Whitley Field, 2 miles SW of Novice (Depth 4500). Loc. is 467 FNL & 1500 FEL of Sec. 27, Blk. 2, T&NO Sur., A-651.

Concho County

Hobbs Energy Corp. has staked the Bunker #1B in the Arena Field, 9 miles SW of Eden (Depth 2250). Loc. is 1980 FSL & 2390 FEL of Sec. 72, Blk. 8, H&TC Sur., A-1685.

The Pickens Company has applied to deepen the Fritz #2125 in the West Millersview Field, 4 miles N of Millersview (Depth 3500). Loc. is 1700 FEL & 2280 FNL of Sec. 125, Blk. 72, T&NO Sur., A-890.

Nolan County

Enrich Oil has applied to re-enter the Petty #1 in Hodnett's Hill Field, 17 miles SE of Sweetwater (Depth 5700). Loc. is 2455 FSL & 1750 FEL of Sec. 40, Blk. 5, T&PRR Sur.

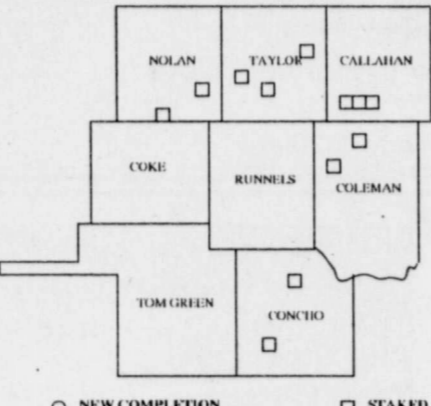
Great Texas Crude, Inc. has amended the loc. of Lloyd #1 (formerly Alexander #1) in the Group West Field, 5 miles S of Maryneal (Depth 6900). The bottom-hole location (BHL) is 2173 FNL & 467 FEL of Sec. 62, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur., A-1522. HORIZONTAL WELL.

Taylor County

Kern Co. has applied to plug back the Sowell #3 in the Black Field, 10 miles SW of View (Depth 3600). Loc. is 533 FNL & 330 FNL of Sec. 268, Blk. 64, H&TC Sur., A-1710.

L.C.S. Production Company has staked the Stockton #13 in the County Regular Field, 4 miles W of Tuscola (Depth 4999). Loc. is 2564 FNL & 2579 FNL of Sec. 36, Blk. 1, SPRR Sur.

Jack Neal Engineering has staked the Crane -G #1 in the South Potosi Field, 3 miles SE of Potosi (Depth 2500). Loc. is 2370 FEL & 480 FSL of Sec. 9, Blk. 7, SPRR Sur.



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Jan. 10 thru Jan. 14
Subject to change

Monday, Jan. 10: Bar-B-Q on bun, potato salad, pinto beans, pickles & onions, and apple crisp.

Tuesday, Jan. 11: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, tossed salad, green beans, garlic bread, and fruit.

Wednesday, Jan. 12: Chicken & gravy, mashed potatoes, pea salad, cornbread, and chocolate cake.

Thursday, Jan. 13: Stew, vegetable sticks, Jello salad, cornbread, and cobbler.

Friday, Jan. 14: Ham & gravy, lima beans, mixed greens, cornbread, and dump cake.

Obituaries

Lorene Frazier

WINTERS—Lorene Frazier, 89, died Sunday, January 2, 2000, in the Senior Citizens Nursing Home in Winters.

She was born March 21, 1910, in Magnum, Texas, and attended school in Blackwell. She married John Frazier in March 1930 in Lovington, New Mexico. She attended McMurry and later received a bachelor degree in business administration in Kentucky. She moved to Winters in 1966.

Mrs. Frazier owned and operated the Rock Hotel. She was a Methodist.

She was preceded in death by her husband.

Survivors include two nieces, six nephews, and a special friend, Steve Whittaker.

Graveside services were at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 4, in the Blackwell Cemetery with Reverend Don Roath officiating. Burial was directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Nancy Louise Murphy

GREAT BEND—Nancy Louise Murphy, 60, died Tuesday, December 21, 1999, at Great Bend.

She was born September 6, 1939, to Columbus Clanton and Annie Kemp in Winters and married John David Murphy on March 11, 1989, in Great Bend. She graduated from Winters High School in 1957 and moved to Great Bend in 1959. She attended Barton County Community College.

Mrs. Murphy was a housekeeper at CKMC for 15 years and Larned State Hospital for eight years. She was a member of the First Assembly of God Church and a fifth generation descendant of Clanton Gang.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Kenneth Clanton; and four sisters, Billie Middleton, Geraldine Traylor, Helen Mayfield, and Chesta Adams.

Survivors include her husband, John Murphy; three sons, Phillip Gerstenkorn of Wayne, Arkansas, Bruce Gerstenkorn of Vernon, and Jeff Gerstenkorn of Fort Knox, Kentucky; one daughter, Pam Sloan of Great Bend; two sisters, Sue Stevens of Levelland and Freda Kruse of Big Lake; one brother, Donald Clanton of Dallas; and nine grandchildren.

Visitation was Wednesday, December 22, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Fryberger Mortuary in Great Bend, Kansas. Services were held Thursday, December 23, 1999, at 2:30 p.m. at First Assembly of God Church in Great Bend with Reverend David Hartsell officiating. Burial followed in the City of Larned Cemetery, directed by Fryberger Mortuary.

Memorials may be sent to the Nancy Murphy Memorial Fund, in care of Fryberger Mortuary, 2115 Washington, Great Bend, Kansas 67530.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our heartfelt gratitude to our friends who supported us through Ellis' illness and death. Your visits, cards, phone calls, and prayers meant so much to us and helped us get through each day. The food you brought during this time allowed us to focus on caring for each other, and we are most grateful for your assistance in that way.

We especially want to thank the staffs of North Runnels Home Health, North Runnels Hospital,

Hospice of the Big Country, Emergency Medical Services, Physical Therapist Fred Garcia, Dr. Y.K. Lee, Mike Meyer, and Linda Dry for the personal and professional care you gave to Ellis and the family during this time.

If we have failed to recognize your particular contribution in supporting our family, please forgive us and accept this statement of our sincere appreciation for all you have done to ease our pain.

The family of Ellis Zane Moore



SHELIA PASCHAL displays her certificate of appreciation after being named Employee of the Quarter by Dr. Aref Hassan, Winters City Manager. Mrs. Paschal has worked for the City of Winters for over 21 years, and is currently the Assistant City Secretary.

Runnels Baptist Association to meet January 17

The Runnels Baptist Association will have a Prayer and Praise Celebration on Monday, January 17, 2000 at First Baptist Church in Ballinger.

The Executive Board and W.M.U. will meet at 5:30 p.m. The evening meal will be served at 6 p.m.

The Prayer and Praise Celebration will begin at 7 p.m. Morris Johnson, Association Prayer Coordinator, is in charge of the program.

The public is invited to attend.

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Emmaus to meet

Runnels County Emmaus will meet Thursday, January 6, 2000, at 6:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Winters.

For more information, contact Nancy Thompson at 754-4016.

Happy 70th Birthday
Friday,
January 7
to Lee Colbath

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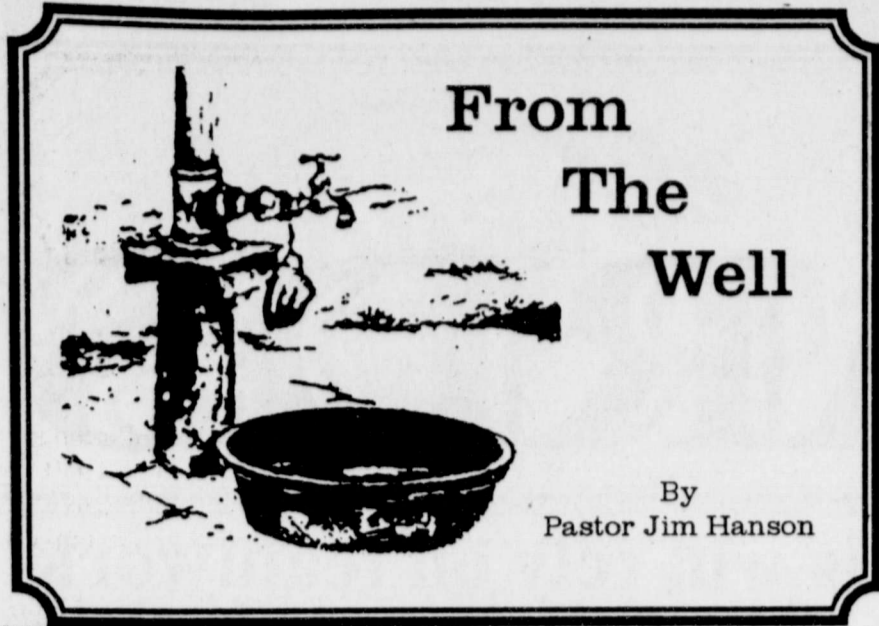
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From The Well

By Pastor Jim Hanson



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Her name? It doesn't make a lot of difference. I'm sure that are many young women who have been in the same place as she. We'll call her Bea. A made-up name. But the story is absolutely true.

I met her in another city — a big one. She was working in a Hospice there. A beautiful woman. Big — with a heart as big as she. With a sparkle in her eye. She just radiated hope. She was really committed to Hospice. She gave herself to her job. And, in addition, she volunteered.

One day she had a few moments — and we started to talk. She told me her story. It went something like this:

"When I was 19, I left home. I was a kind of rebel. I wanted to get away from my parents. And the town I was living in. So, I went to the city. Got into the fast lane. One day I found myself pregnant... of course it was an "accident." Didn't want the baby. So, I had an abortion.

"I didn't learn a lot from it, though. Because not much later, I was pregnant again. Same song. Second verse. Got worse. Did the abortion thing again. And, after a few months, went home. I'd had enough.

"My folks were good enough to take me in. Loved me. Received me. And, I started going to church again. I felt I really needed church. But when I started going, I got more than I planned on. I got God in me. Through Jesus. By the Holy Spirit. I was truly reborn. My sins were washed away.

"Strange as it may sound, I really didn't believe it could ever happen to me. It was much more than I asked for. The sins of fornication, and the killing of my babies, were taken out of my heart. And the love of Jesus came flooding in. It wasn't hard to confess my sins. I was more than ready. But I didn't expect the fullness of forgiveness.

"When I came home from the fast lane, I hated men. After my conversion and being with Hospice awhile, we started work with "Aids" infected people. Homosexuals. For some strange reason, I, who hated men, found myself volunteering to work with them. And, pastor, it wasn't long before I was loving them. Isn't God something else? As I listened to their stories, their lives, I could understand. I had been in a similar place. And I was able to share with them the story of my deliverance."

As I listened, my heart was truly warmed. This was some story. A real deliverance. A real conversion. We gave thanks together. And rejoiced together.

A few weeks later, Bea called me into her office. She said, "I have some more good news for you..." only this time, tears were in her eyes. She could hardly wait to tell.

"Pastor Jim, I've been volunteering to sit with Hospice patients in the hospital. One of my patients is a really neat guy. A rancher who lives about 70 miles out West. I'm sitting with him a couple hours every other day. We pray together. And — so also his wife. Wonderful people.

"Well, the other day Frank was sort of 'in' and 'out' of it. You know what I mean. Sometimes they seem to be in heaven. Sometimes on earth. Anyway, Frank was telling his wife and me... what he was seeing. He told us that he was in his bed. All around his bed were people. Who had died. His dad. His mother. An older brother. An aunt and uncle. A cousin. Some friends. We just listened. But then he said something that I'll never forget. What he said was, 'Bea... (pause) and Bea... (pause)... your two little girls are here too. And they are beautiful.'

"I could hardly believe my ears. My two little aborted babies... alive... and well... in heaven. They, ready to welcome Frank, gathered around his bed up there. And me, sitting at this bedside on earth. Oh, pastor, I just know it's true. God is so good."

We hugged. We praised God. We sang. It was like the carol "the hopes and fears of all the years are met in Thee... tonight."

Yes, Y2K is here. As one youngster put it, "Say Yes 2 the King. Bea did. After many "no's." But when she said "Yes," the heavens opened their doors to her. And two little souls she didn't want at the time are waiting for her when her time comes. "The hope laid up for you in heaven" is real. (Colossians 1:5).

Amen!
Hope—y New Year!



Holding hands all neat and sweet...
These twin redheads turn "40" next week!

Identity of birthday girls found elsewhere in this issue.

"Children will not remember you for the material things you provided but for the feeling that you cherished them."

—Richard L. Evans

Winters Highlights of the Century

People who helped shape our community

(continued from last week)

Mrs. C. S. (Pearl) Jackson (Feb. 1894-March, 1994) — extraordinary teacher who taught 38 years in the Winters schools, with all but two of them in the commercial department. Outstanding records were made by her students with 23 of them advancing to state competition in Austin with 5 first place wins and a number of second and fourth places in typing and shorthand. Most of her students would attest that she had a strong and very definite influence on their lives.

Ted Meyer (1922-1987) — came to Winters in 1956 as undertaker at Spill Funeral Home. In 1977, he became an owner and the name was changed to Winters Funeral Home. He was an active member of Winters Lions Club, the American Legion, and Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was active in raising money for the Salvation Army and North Runnels Hospital. Ted served as director of the West Texas and Texas Funeral Directors Association. He served on the Winters City Council and was always giving of his time to help his community. The City Park is named in his honor.

Buford "Skinny" Owens — came to Winters in 1909 and with his brother opened Owen Drug Store at the corner of Main and Dale Streets. They remained in business until 1936. Skinny was agent for the *Abilene Reporter-News* for 44 years. He was active in supporting high school athletics, Boy Scouts, Winters Lions Club, and made the first hole-in-one at the Country Club. He was an organizer of the Winters Volunteer Fire Department in 1911 and later served as Fire Chief. He was a deacon at First Baptist Church and served as head usher for 25 years.

Charlsie Poe (1909 to present) — Born Charlsie Mae Graham, she has lived in Winters all of her life. She graduated from Winters High School and attended Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. In 1927, she married George Poe. She spent 25 years teaching Sunday School at First Baptist Church and has been an active member, serving in many positions in her church. She has been a teacher and feature writer for the *Abilene Reporter-News* and *The Winters Enterprise*. She has published two books and several magazine articles. With her deep interest in history, she has collected a vast amount of information about the Winters area and much is included in her book, *Runnels Is My County*. She serves on the Runnels County Historical Committee and the Z. I. Hale Museum board and is recognized locally as "Winters' Historian."

W. H. Rodgers — helped establish the first Methodist Church in Winters, served on the school board, became vice president of the First National Bank and was active in real estate. When he would go out to collect rent due on his property he would instead often end up buying groceries for the families because they lacked money for food.

Dr. Fred Tinkle (1874-1951) — came to Winters in 1900 as a physician and by 1947, he had delivered over 4000 babies and was working toward 5000 when he died in 1951. He was a dedicated doctor who was known to have walked many miles through mud and ice to reach his patients. He was active in many civic organizations and donated land for the first golf course. In 1925, he established Tinkle Park and opened it to the public.

Ernest Thormeyer — born in 1907, he was involved in several businesses in Winters. In 1946, he opened a tractor and farm equipment business which eventually became one of the largest J. I. Case dealerships in Texas. He helped many farmers in many ways throughout the years. He was active in several local organizations and was an active member of St. John's Lutheran Church.



BROWNIES WHO SANG CHRISTMAS CAROLS at the Senior Citizens Nursing Home December 16, 1999, are (from left) Lisa Dees, Sarah Campos, Ursula Estrada, Regan Newsom, Abby Guy, Miranda Torres, Shelby Gehrels, Haley Kaczyk, and Hannah Lugo. Brownie Troop #338 leaders are Laura and Ral Dees.

Letter to the Editor

Reader sends appreciation and recollection of Winters contributors

Dear Jean:

Many thanks to you and the rest of the Boles for their enterprising (pardon the pun) spirit of picking up the ball and running with it when the *Enterprise* folded many years ago. People having grown up in Winters and the surrounding area owe you a debt of gratitude.

For me the *Enterprise* was a fixture. Winters was not Winters without the *Enterprise*. I read it from the very time I was first able to read at about age 6. Now, that was in 1932. One of the most graphic pictures in my mind is of my grandfather, Wash Nance, looking over his glasses and over the *Enterprise* when I was making so much noise that it interrupted his reading the paper.

The year that I was a senior in high school I was editor of *The Gale*, the paper put out by Winters High School. As best I remember it was printed on the presses of *The Enterprise*. But, Floy Hood (before she married Homer Hodge) was the sponsor of the paper. What a great time we had. I still have some copies of the last edition that we put out in May, 1943.

As to the people who have contributed to the growth of Winters, there are many. If you do not have the following, I suggest that they be added. Charlsie Poe can give you information on many of them.

They are: Ramon and Ralph Lloyd who owned the Main Drug; Harry London, Manager of Heidenheimer's from the early 1940s; Wash Nance who was the

prime contractor for the homes of John Q. McAdams and J. W. Tanner (they were the most advanced homes of their time). He also built the home now occupied by Charlsie Poe. At one time it was owned by my great-aunt, Josephine Pumphrey Stokes.

C. F. Pumphrey owned the shoe repair business east of Main Drug. At one time he was in the grocery business with Charlsie's father, Charlie Graham. Never forget the Davis brothers — Grover, Manchie, and Pete. Three peas from the pod. Characters in their own right. Maurine Davis can give you info on them.

Never, never, never leave Mrs. Pearl Jackson out of the list of those shaping the character of those graduating from Winters High School. She had a strong and very definite influence on my life. Most students who fell under her spell will agree.

Autry Smith who owned Smith Drug; J. Frank Paxton who owned City Drug. Never forget the doctors of the early years: J. W. Dixon; C. T. Rives, Sr.; C. T. Rives, Jr.; Dr. Pentecost; Dr. Barron; Dr. Tinkle; there are one or two others who Charlsie can recall.

Remember the dentists: Dr. Maddox and Dr. Dry. The attorneys: Judge A. O. Strother, W. G. (Gladden) Bedford and John Norman.

Jean, you likely already have all those names. I am sure that Charlsie can name many, many more if you want them. Winters

has been fortunate to have many like those named. Oh, I should not forget Mr. Abe Krause who was always in the forefront of supporting the Winters Blizzards. Nor Homer Hodge's family which brought so much entertainment to Winters at the State, Majestic and Queen Theaters. How much popcorn have I eaten there? Nobody knows.

I'll never forget the American Cafe owned by the Wilson family. The after-movie mecca of Winters.

How can we leave out Buford Owens who delivered the *Abilene Reporter-News* for all those years, and his brother who ran Owen's Drug. Certainly the Spill, Afflabach and Adami families made strong contributions.

The list is endless. There is no way that we can recall all of those who have made a contribution in the century just ended. I have just mentioned those who made a contribution to my life and remain in the far reaches of my mind. Fugitive information, for sure.

Well, I have rambled enough. This started out just being a thank you note to you and your family for continuing that institution, *The Winters Enterprise*. But, especially to you, Jean, as you have the day to day struggle of putting the pieces together which on Thursday become the next edition of the paper to which I most look forward — The One, The Only WINTERS ENTERPRISE!

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MICHELLE PASCHAL brings down the rebound during recent action between the varsity Lady Blizzards and the Lady Pirates of Eula. At press time Tuesday, the Lady Blizzards were leading the district standings with a 3-0 record.

Lady Blizzards will rely on teamwork and confidence during district season

by Kayla Colburn, WHS journalism student/correspondent

Coach Ken Fowler sighs with relief. Things are clicking and confidence is high for the Lady Blizzards.

The girls' record going into district is one that encourages Fowler. In his second year as head basketball coach for the Lady Blizzards, Fowler attributes the team's improvement over last year to "a few things."

"Experience is something we have this year that we were lacking last year," Fowler said. "Also, I had to get used to the girls, and they had to get used to me."

The Ladies are 10-6 overall, and 3-0 in district. Senior Kelli Slimp is one of the starting five, and leads the team in steals. She believes the team is encouraged by their record.

"Last year going into district we were 4-8. This year we were 7-4. I think that our record is totally reversed because we are actually playing as a team now. We are playing five girls as one, and we aren't selfish on the court," she said.

Fowler said some of the losses this season were because the "girls just got outplayed and probably weren't mentally prepared." Three of the upsets however, were lost by narrow margins.

"We played an undefeated Wall

team and lost by two points in overtime. In that same Ballinger tournament we lost to an undefeated Menard team by one," Fowler said.

"We played Eula the morning after getting in so late from the playoff football game. The girls lost by 28 points. We played them again last week in their tournament and only lost by 11."

Fortunately the Ladies have no district defeats and Fowler says he is striving to keep the team's confidence level up.

"Our two weaknesses are probably lack of height and maintaining our confidence," said Fowler. "Our strengths are quickness, attitude, work habits, teamwork, and depth from our bench," he added.

The Lady Blizzards' attitude is reflected in their work habits. Junior Kendra Hope leads the team in scoring. Hope says that it is her love of the game and her role on the team that drives her to work harder.

"I don't mind staying extra to work on something specific because it is just going to make our team better," said Hope. "It's not an inconvenience to practice harder when I'm tired. It helps keep everyone motivated when each of us is giving our all."

Fowler emphasizes, "It's important that each person on our team fulfill her role. That's what will lead us to our number one spot in district. Jana (Presley, senior guard) leads us in assists, Michelle (Paschal, junior post) leads us in rebounds, and Jessica (DeLaRosa, aka 'Squat', junior guard) well, she leads us in 'squat shots'."

The Ladies rely greatly on each other's performance on the court. "We're just trying to continue to encourage each other," said Paschal. "We believe we can be the District Champs and are ready to prove it." Presley adds, "The key to our success is going to be staying focused and keeping a positive outlook."

Fowler says the district is going to be very competitive because "all the teams are pretty even." Staying undefeated is going to take a team effort. "It's going to take all ten of us to make it work," DeLaRosa said. "We've all gotta play with everything we've got, all four quarters of every game."

The Lady Blizzards will take it one game at a time until they reach their goal. They face the San Saba Lady Dillos Friday in Winters.

Deadline for ASU's Carr Academic Scholarship applications is Feb. 1

Applications from high school seniors are being accepted by Angelo State University for Carr Academic Scholarships for 2000-2001.

Over 300 Carr Academic Scholarships for 2000-2001, ranging in value from \$1,500 to \$6,000, are available to qualified high school seniors. During the current year nearly 1,000 students from throughout Texas and the nation, as well as numerous foreign countries, are attending Angelo State University on Carr Academic Scholarships.

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Supporting by a growing \$45 million trust established by the late Robert G. and Nona K. Carr of San Angelo, the undergraduate

scholarships may be renewed annually by the university for students who maintain the required academic record and personal standards. During a four-year course of undergraduate study at ASU, Carr Academic Scholarships can be worth up to \$24,000.

The priority deadline for submitting applications and all supporting materials is February 1, 2000, although completed applications from outstanding students may be considered up until June 1, 2000, to the extent that funds are still available.

Application materials and information regarding the Carr Academic Scholarships can be obtained by contacting or writing to: Financial Aid Office, Angelo State University, Box 11015, ASU Station, San Angelo, Texas 76909 (915/942-2246 or toll free 800/933-6299). Additional information is available through the Angelo State University web site on the Internet at <http://www.angelo.edu>.

Varsity Blizzards struggle at Eula tourney

Whether it was too much Christmas turkey or a temporary letdown from the exciting win over Goldthwaite before the holidays, the varsity Blizzards struggled in both games at the Eula tournament December 27 and 28.

The Blizzards faced the Eula Pirates in first round action last week. With no school football program, the Pirates play basketball year 'round, and their re-

less full court press and ball handling skills proved too much for the somewhat sluggish Blizzards who lost 43-77.

High point for Winters was Josh Minzenmayer with 13, followed by Aaron Pritchard with 7. Game two wasn't much kinder to the Blizzards who were outplayed 54-25 by the Breckenridge Buckaroos.

Aaron Pritchard was high scorer for the Blizzards with 6,

with contributions by Josh Minzenmayer, Shane Colburn and Jeremy Hope with 4 points each.

A frustrated Coach Robert White said, "We are not going to beat anyone when we shoot 23% from the field and commit 25 turnovers."

The Blizzards will hopefully be back on track when they meet the Bangs Dragons and the Armadillos of San Saba in district action this week.

Project Graduation—Senior parents to meet January 13

Project Graduation will hold a meeting on Thursday, January 13, at 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Plans for upcoming fundraisers will be discussed. Parents of all seniors are encouraged to attend.

Basketball Hoopla

Team: Varsity Boys	Coach: Robert White
Opponent: Eula	Date: Dec. 27, 1999
Place: Eula Tournament, Game 1	
POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER	
WINTERS	1 2 3 4 OT FIN
OPPONENT	1 2 3 4 OT FIN
Free throws made: 11 of 15 for 73%	
Players Name	Points Rebounds Steals Assists
Colby Walker	13 6 1 0 0
Josh Minzenmayer	13 6 1 1 0
Shane Colburn	4 4 1 1 1
Wade Parramore	4 3 1 1 1
Arthur Martinez	5 2 2 2 2
Oscar Laz	3 2 1 0 0
Aaron Pritchard	7 2 1 1 0
Jeremy Hope	2 2 0 0 1
Chris Santoya	2 0 0 2 1
Ben Blaine	0 1 1 0 0

Team: Varsity Boys	Coach: Robert White
Opponent: Breckenridge	Date: December 28, 1999
Place: Eula Tournament, Game 2	
POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER	
WINTERS	1 2 3 4 OT FIN
OPPONENT	1 2 3 4 OT FIN
Free throws made: 11 of 24 for 46%	
Players Name	Points Rebounds Steals Assists
Colby Walker	0 0 0 0 0
Josh Minzenmayer	4 0 0 0 0
Shane Colburn	4 0 0 1 0
Wade Parramore	3 4 0 0 1
Arthur Martinez	0 0 0 0 0
Oscar Laz	2 1 0 0 0
Aaron Pritchard	6 2 0 4 0
Jeremy Hope	4 5 1 0 0
Chris Santoya	2 1 0 0 0

Basketball '00

Catch the Action

- Jan. 6—San Saba, 5:30 p.m., There, 7G, 8G, 9G
- Jan. 6—San Saba, 5:30 p.m., Here, 7B, 8B, 9B
- Jan. 7-8—Jim Ned Tourney, There, TBA, 7G, 7B
- Jan. 7—San Saba*, 5 p.m., Here, JVG, JVB, VG, VB
- Jan. 10—Mason, 5:30 p.m., There, 7G, 8G, 9G
- Jan. 10—Mason, 5:30 p.m., Here, 7B, 8B, 9B
- Jan. 11—Early*, 5:00 p.m., There, JVG, JVB, VG, VB
- Jan. 13-15—Roscoe Tourney, TBA, There, 8G, 8B
- Jan. 14—Hamilton*, 5:00 p.m., Here, JVG, JVB, VG, VB

VG Varsity Girls VB Varsity Boys
JVG Junior Varsity Girls
JVB Junior Varsity Boys
9B Freshman Boys
9G Freshman Girls
8B 8th Boys 8G 8th Girls
7B 7th Boys 7G 7th Girls
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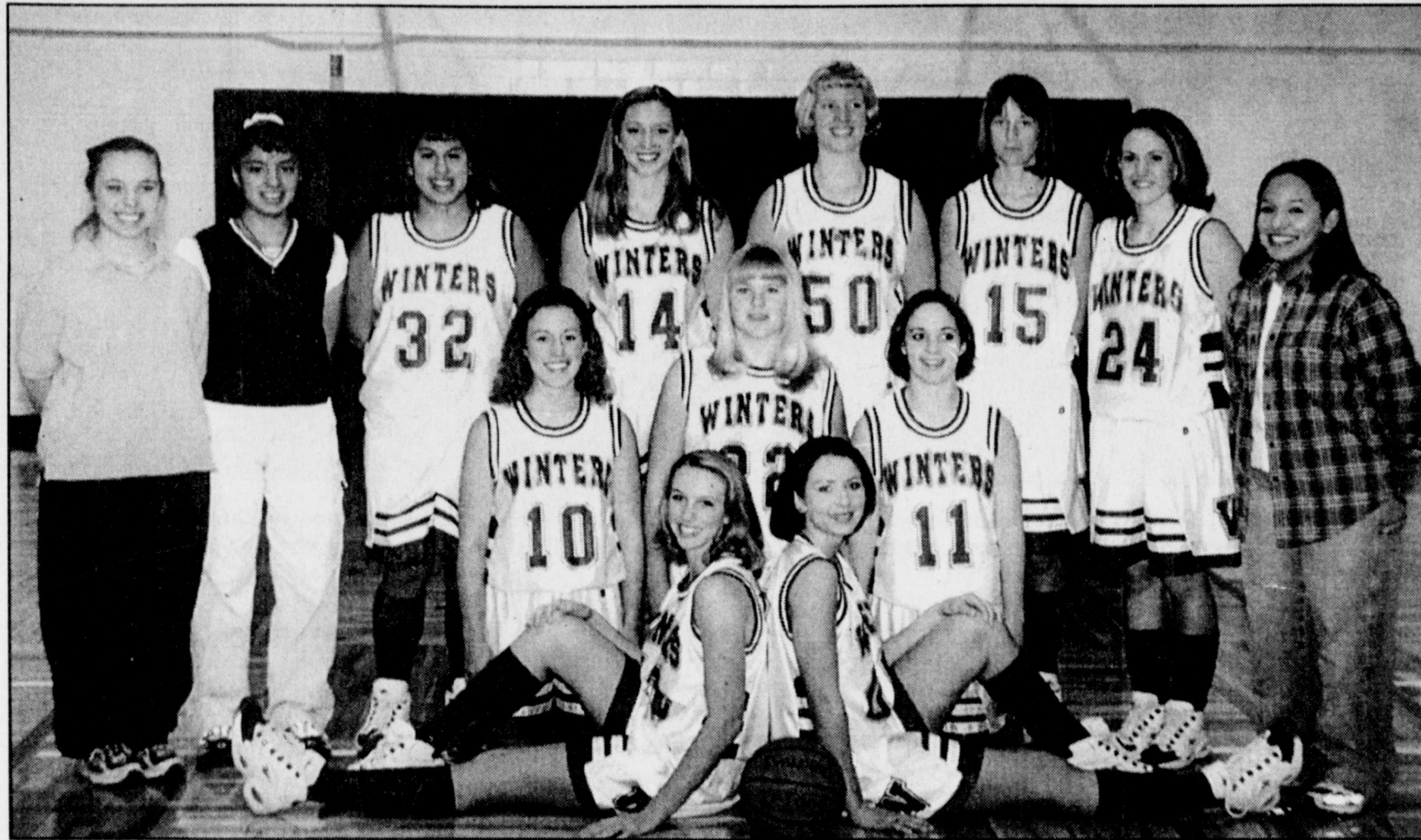
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Maximus wins \$7.6 million contract to administer Texas children's preventive health care program

The Texas Department of Health awarded a \$7.6 million contract to Maximus to administer outreach and informing activities for the Texas Health Steps Program (THSteps) in seven of the state's eleven public health regions. The term of the contract is for one year with options for an additional three years.

Established in 1975 and based in McLean, Virginia, Maximus is the largest health and human services management firm in the United States.

THSteps, formerly known as the Texas Medicaid Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment program (EPSDT), is a federally mandated preventive health care program that ensures Medicaid enrolled children have the opportunity to stay healthy through receipt of periodic medical and dental checkups and necessary treatment. The award represents the largest contract for EPSDT outreach services in the United States.

A major THSteps program

function is to provide outreach to the eligible population of approximately 1.6 million in order to influence behavior to seek a medical or dental checkup. Maximus has a goal of reaching over 1 million Medicaid eligible children in Texas and is "in the business of helping the government serve the people," according to Joanne McCraw, THSteps outreach counselor of Brownwood.

Maximus will be responsible for all outreach efforts which includes informational mailings to the target population, operation of a call center for information about the program, face to face contacts by home visits, and group outreach presentations at community sites. Maximus will also be utilizing community-based organizations throughout the state for outreach efforts as part of this contract.

Ms. McCraw serves Runnels, Brown, Coleman, Comanche,

Eastland, Callahan, Shackelford, Stephens, and Taylor counties.

Ms. McCraw is seeking to get information about the Texas Health Steps program to teens, teen parents, migrant workers, and all parents with children eligible for Medicaid. She may be contacted for presentations to groups of Medicaid clients, agency staffings, or other associations at 877-904-5596.

Also the Call Center for THSteps is open 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday, for calls from clients needing provider information, transportation, or assistance in scheduling appointments. Please call 877-847-8377.

"This is a great day for the children of Texas. Maximus will be working with the state to ensure children receive the medical care they deserve. We are very excited to be part of this program and use our expertise in human services outreach to make the lives of these children better," commented David Mastran, chief executive officer.



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Geneva Emmert to celebrate 100th birthday with "come & go" reception in her honor



Geneva Emmert will be celebrating her 100th birthday this month. She was born January 18, 1900, in Bruceville, Texas to William and Blanche Rucker.

The eldest daughter of nine children in a family that valued education and character, she graduated as valedictorian at the age of fifteen. After attending Mary Hardin Baylor College, she soon became principal of Dott School, then of Bruceville High. On one occasion, she had to paddle students, including her own brothers, for hopping the train at recess.

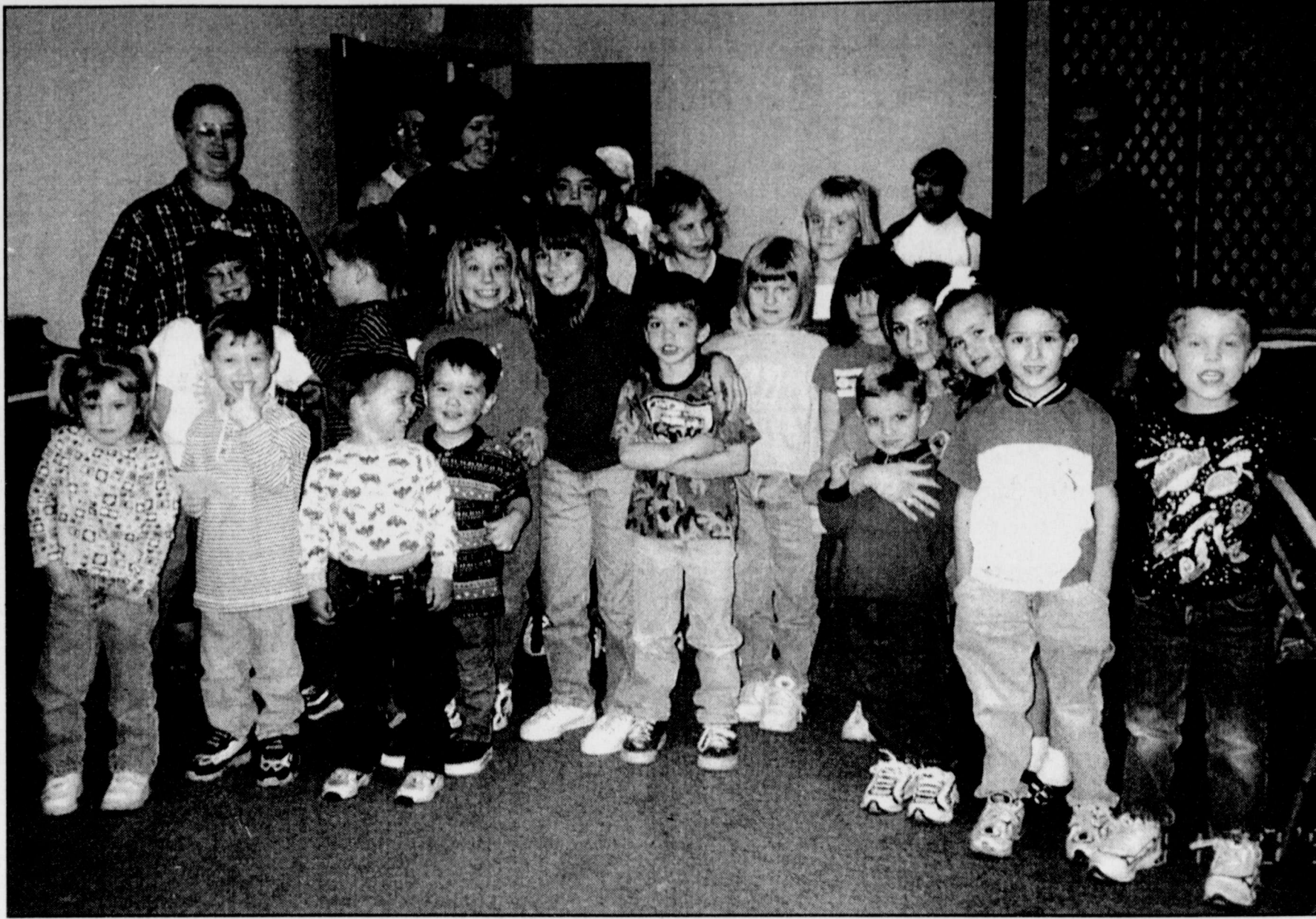
Geneva married Jacob Glenn Emmert and moved to Winters in July, 1921. Together they had six children including Joe (who married Melba Gerlach), J.G. (who married Elsie Sweeny), Don, now deceased, (who married Melba Jo Lollar Hoppe), Earl (who married Shirley Boren, now deceased), John (who married Linda Ross), and Patricia (who married and divorced Charles Williams).

She has nine grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, and has been babysitter, tutor, and friend to several generations of Winters children.

Geneva now resides at the Senior Citizens Nursing Home in Winters. She still plays the piano, recites stories and poems, and enjoys people.

She remembers voting with her mother the first year women won that right. In addition, she was active for many years with the American Legion Auxiliary, supporting her brothers, husband, and sons in military service during wartimes, and her daughter in the Peace Corps.

Her memories range from riding in a horse and buggy, to being the first woman in her hometown to drive a crank-start auto, to flying in jet planes. She says that curiosity keeps her going. "I always want to know what's around the next corner." Her lifelong goal has been to see the year 2000.



PIONEER CLUB CHILDREN meet each Tuesday from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Winters. The nondenominational program of Bible study, crafts, singing, and a light meal is offered for children ages three through sixth grade. Children of the community are invited.

What would you do in the event of an emergency when babysitting a younger sibling or someone else's child?

Editor's Note: During the last semester, the 7th grade first period Life Management Skills class of Ken Fowler composed the following article on childcare with many hours of research and editing. This information serves as a guideline only and is not a substitute for the advice and care of trained physicians or medical care personnel.

You hear a "thud." You get up from watching television only to find the toddler you are babysitting at the bottom of the stairs, unconscious. What do you do? Here are the steps for this situation:

- FALLS:**
1. Don't panic, stay calm.
 2. Call EMS.
 3. Check for pulse and breathing.
 4. If child is lying on stomach, use something stiff like a board

or book to turn him/her over.

5. If the child has no pulse or is not breathing, start CPR.

TO BEGIN CPR:

1. To open mouth, gently push back the child's lower forehead instead of the chin in case of a spinal injury.

2. If the child is a young toddler or a baby, cover his/her mouth and nose with your mouth. If the child is an older toddler and up, cover his/her mouth with your mouth and pinch their nose shut.

3. Give one small puff (a breath like blowing out a candle) so as not to blow up their lungs. If you blow too hard, you could cause them a more serious injury or death.

4. Look for a rising chest; if the stomach is rising, you are not doing it correct. Reposition the head to open the airway.

CHEST COMPRESSIONS:

1. Measure one finger width below the nipple line.

2. With your index finger and your middle finger, give five (5) hard chest compressions.

3. Repeat these two (2) steps until help arrives or until the child is breathing on its own.

FIRES:

1. If you smell smoke, check all of the doors to see which one is warm.

2. Get a wet blanket for you and the child(ren).

3. Get out of the house with the child(ren).

4. If the child(ren) have inhaled the smoke and are not breathing or do not have a pulse, start CPR.

5. Call for somebody to help and get someone else to call EMS, if possible.

6. Continue CPR until EMS arrives or the child is breathing on its own.

ELECTRICITY:

1. Get a non-conductor such as a broomstick and get the source off of the child.

2. Call EMS.

3. Look to see if the electrocution left any "in" and "out" burns on the body.

4. Begin CPR, do not quit until EMS arrives or the child is breathing on its own.

BURNS:

1st degree burns: burns first layer of skin, skin is pinkish brown, warm to the touch.

2nd degree burns: makes blisters on the skin.

3rd degree burns: skin is charred, burns down to the third layer of skin.

1. (1st & 2nd degree burns only) Run cold water over the area of the burn.

2. (1st & 2nd degree burns only) Ice it by putting the ice in a plastic bag and covering the bag with a towel.

3. Call EMS if the burn is serious.

DROWNING:

1. Get the child out of the source of the water.

2. Call EMS.

3. Check for pulse and breathing.

4. If not breathing, begin CPR.

5. Continue CPR until the child is breathing or help arrives.

The child might regurgitate, or have a lunch review, hail to the porcelain god, or call "Ralph" on the big white phone. Note: It only takes one tablespoon of water for a person to drown in.

CHOKING:

1. Call EMS.

2. Check the airway to see if the object is visible. If so do a mouth sweep.

3. If the child is an infant, turn child on stomach with your hand as the support.

4. Pound the child's back between its shoulder blades five (5) times.

5. For toddlers, do the same as above.

6. For preschoolers and up, do the Heimlich maneuver.

HEIMLICH MANEUVER:

1. Find the naval (belly button).

2. Make a fist with one hand.

3. Grab the fist with the other hand.

4. Thrust inwards and upwards until the object comes out or until help arrives.

Note: When you start choking, you only have four (4) minutes before brain damage will start occurring.

CUTS:

Major cuts:

1. Put direct pressure on the cut.

2. If it keeps bleeding through the bandages, do not take bottom ones off, just keep putting more bandages on it.

3. If the bleeding persists, call EMS.

Minor cuts:

1. Clean the cut and the area around the cut.

2. Put antibiotic ointment on the cut.

3. Apply a bandaid to the cut. Note: An entertaining bandaid such as a Mickey Mouse or a Barbie bandaid might help.

NOSEBLEEDS:

1. Tilt his/her head forward.

2. Pinch their nose gently.

3. DO NOT put a tissue directly into the nose.

4. You may put a cold compress/ice pack on the nose to slow

down the circulation.

CONTENTS OF A GOOD FIRST AID KIT:

bandages roll of gauze tape tweezers scissors suction bulb antibiotic ointment thermometer emergency phone numbers Poison Control Center numbers TOP ELEVEN (11) MOST IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT BABYSITTING:

11. Taking a first aid class might be a good idea before you start babysitting.

10. Remember to always have a first aid kit on hand and out of reach of the children.

9. Childproof the house by putting locks on the cabinets, doors, and windows.

8. Have baby gates for houses with stairs.

7. Put plastic inserts in electrical outlets.

6. Bring entertainment such as

crafts, books, healthy foods, etc.

5. Don't give out personal information on the phone and take down any messages.

4. Don't answer the door if company or packages aren't expected.

3. Always call EMS if you think the injury is serious.

2. Never take your attention off of the children.

1. You are totally responsible for the safety of the children.

Now you know what to do in case of emergencies. We hope you never have to use these steps, but it is better to be safe than sorry.

Go through the trouble of childproofing your house for about fifty dollars (\$50) instead of burying a child for ten thousand dollars (\$10,000). Always remember, do not panic!

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- 1 TXism: "will miss ___ you blink" (small town)
- 5 TXism: "two chances: slim and ___"
- 6 seat of Oldham Co.
- 7 TXism: "still wet behind the ___"
- 8 in 1881, this govt. bldg. was destroyed by fire (two wds.)
- 17 TX Brown who was Notre Dame football star
- 18 UT swimming coach who won gold medals in '88 and '92
- 21 TXism: "sober as a judge ___ court"
- 22 Fort Bliss site: Lanoria ___
- 23 lacking vitality
- 24 TXism: "let the cat out of ___"
- 29 TXism: "in this ___ of the woods"
- 30 boot aroma
- 31 Gov. ___ Culbertson (1894-98)
- 32 job of El Paso-born Sam Donaldson
- 34 TXism: "right ___ (specific location)"
- 35 Dallas Stars league
- 36 plowing machines
- 37 Japanese electronics co.
- 38 chicken casa
- 39 TXism: "stands ___ feet"
- 41 dark fur
- 42 TX McMurry's "Lonesome ___"

DOWN

- 1 probing type of journalism
- 2 TXism: "brave enough ___ a boomtown cafe"
- 3 in Kerr Co. on 27
- 4 TX bay sighted in 1519 on the ___ of Corpus Christi
- 9 get the tape out
- 10 barrel ___ CA
- 11 Santa ___ CA
- 12 in college it's kinesiology (abbr.)
- 13 TXism: "call ___ (quit)"
- 14 "... daddy sang ___ bass, momma sang ___"
- 15 TXism: "just ___ yonder"
- 16 "Gone to Texas" meant "on the ___ St."
- 19 December visitor: ___
- 20 lost 'em hair
- 22 "Don't ___ Texas!"
- 24 ___ Rusk took over TX Army after Houston
- 25 TXism: "sells like ___ cakes"
- 26 ___ Disneyland
- 27 TXism: "burn that ___ little ___ deeper" (explain)
- 28 TX Dan Rader's job at CBS
- 29 Robert De ___
- 30 words of dismay
- 33 TX Freddie Fender tune: "You'll ___ a Good Thing"
- 34 TXism: "fast as small ___ gossip"
- 35 TXism: "he's all foam and ___ (superficial)"
- 37 "Wait Garrison All- ___"
- 38 chili con ___
- 40 collegiate sports organization (abbr.)
- 41 TXism: "full of ___ and vinegar"
- 44 back talk
- 47 "Fresh Prince of ___"
- 49 stringed instrument

BABYSITTER'S CHECKLIST

PARENT'S NAME _____
ADDRESS OF HOME _____
PHONE # WHERE PARENTS CAN BE REACHED _____ OR _____

ALTERNATIVE CONTACT PERSON: NAME _____

POLICE/FIRE/AMBULANCE # 911 _____
POISON CONTROL CENTER # _____
CHILD'S DOCTORS NAME _____ # _____
NEAR-BY RELATIVE: NAME _____ RELATIONS _____ # _____
MEDICATION(S) _____

ALLERGIC TO: _____

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FROM PARENTS: _____

BEDTIME _____
MEALS _____

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Poe's Corner

By Charlsie Poe

Nancy Robinson calls on pets to write column

Editor's Note: Nancy Masters Robinson, acclaimed author and journalist from Abilene, was late with her Christmas greeting this year, so she let her pets tell her story—and in turn, Charlsie has chosen to share the letter in her column this week.

Happy New Year from Happy Old Us!

From takeoff to touchdown, our 1999 stocking has been stuffed. It would take too long to tell where we've been and what we've done in our annual New Year's letter (and no one wants to hear about us anyway), so we thought we'd give the animals a chance to tell you about their year:

Ms. Madam (aka Ms. Fat-tabbely): "The books "Georgia" and "Kansas" were released by

Grolier/Children's Press as part of their new "America, the Beautiful series."

Of course, my name does not appear as co-author along with Nancy's on those gorgeous book covers, but everyone knows she couldn't have done them or any of the other hundreds of writing projects without me on her lap. I'm exhausted. Feed me."

Mr. Pound (aka Dog): "Running with the big dogs, pouncing on Cleveland in the middle of the living room floor when there is company, and eating everything but tuna (I'm allergic) have made me 10 pounds of adorable this year.

I always come when Bill calls, and let him pull my tail. I put up with it because it keeps his blood pressure down—the old man



Charlsie Poe

passed his flight physical this year without so much as a hairball."

Mr. Cleveland (aka RatBoy): "Scratching the back door and whining to get in, dragging socks all over the house, and stalking the tank dam with Little Girl to bring in trophies from the pasture (dead or alive) has made me very happy this year.

I routinely jump Madam in sneak attacks, and am the first to climb into the lap of an unsuspecting guest, especially one wearing something I can get my claws into. Mmmmm, life is good."

Little Girl Cat (aka Bullet Cat): Munch, mouse, bird, slink, sleep. I do not do people laps, but I can blast through the Kitty door like a rocket when someone rattles the crunchies box. Nancy's books (she's got 12 out now and more being written) are selling all over the world.

Speaking engagements kept her on the go and Bill loves to go with her—even when she's got the flu and has to lay in the back of the station wagon moaning while he drives. They were gone for weeks fishing in Alaska and Montana. Ask me if I care."

Streak Dog, Deaf Dog, Spotted Dog, and Pup Dog spent the year all doing exactly the same things: gobbling, sleeping, guard-

ing, barking, greeting, and wallowing in stinky stuff.

They declined to be photographed this year in memory of Chow Dog, who, after nine years as boss dog of the Masters' pack, peacefully left us for that Great Front Porch in the Sky. Our heart goes out to all of you who have experienced sadness, sorrow, suffering, and grief this year.

We ask you to join us in praying for God to have mercy on His creation in the new year and send rain to West Texas. We're planning to take off in the 182 just before midnight, 1999, and fly into 2000 over the new garage/shop/hangar we're building a half-mile north of our present home.

The plans for the new house to attach to it are ready, and we are looking for just the right buyer for our current house and 14 acres. Hey! We'd love to have you for a neighbor.

According to the Jewish calendar, it's another 240 years until the New Millennium, Year Six Thousand. We've been "Y2K" prepared ever since we accepted God's offer to invest His Spirit in us if we would accept his Son Jesus as our Savior. At that moment we received a guarantee for eternity no computer chip blip can erase.

Regardless of what the new year holds, we belong to the One who holds the new year! Let's Celebrate!

Nancy & Bill
Ms. Madam, Little Girl Cat,
Mr. Pound, Mr. Cleveland



Mr. & Mrs. Rodney Gene Faubion Jr.

Reyla Rivere, Gene Faubion married in the Philippines

Reyla de la Cruz Rivere and Rodney Gene Faubion Jr. were united in marriage Sunday, November 28, 1999. The double ring ceremony was officiated by Father Leonardo Rivere at Saint Ferdinand Cathedral in Lucena City, Philippines.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reynaldo Rivere of Lucena City, Philippines. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney G. Faubion of Irving, Texas, and Mrs. Bernedette F. McCoy of Abilene, Texas.

Music was provided by Jojo Hermina of Lucena City. The bride was given in marriage by her parents.

Maid of honor was Odette Ramos of Lucena City, Philip-

pines. Best man was Jeffrey Rivere, the brother of the groom, of Manila, Philippines.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at Queen Margaret Reception Hall in King Fernando's Court.

The bride is a graduate of the University of Santo Tomas, Manila, Philippines, and is a lab technician with North Runnels Hospital.

The groom is a 1991 graduate of Winters High School and is a sergeant in the U.S. Marine Corps stationed in Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

After a wedding trip to Villa Escudero Resort in the Philippines, the couple will be at home at Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

Of great importance—

Census 2000 coming

Though Census 2000 does not begin until April, individuals should seriously be thinking now about completing and returning the form when the time draws near. Reminders will be mailed throughout the month of March with the actual census day being April 1. There are several important points to consider.

"Let us first say, census information is completely confidential and protected by law," says Sandra Burroughs, recruiting assistant for Census 2000, Abilene Region. "The Census Bureau has a long tradition of being professional and non-political."

All census employees take an oath to protect census information. Federal law prohibits the Census Bureau from sharing information with any other agency, and the Bureau has never betrayed the information it gathers about individuals.

All census questions have a basis in federal law; they're not chosen at random. Some people get angry about all the census questions and wonder if the government has the right to ask so many questions. Every question is required by law for the purpose of managing and evaluating government programs or distributing federal funds. Questions may seem annoying, but people need to understand that cities and states

need this information to make decisions about roads and schools and many other governmental services.

By filling out the census form, people help themselves and their community. Over \$180 billion in federal funds are distributed for community services, hospitals, schools, and roads every year based on census figures, according to Burroughs. **People MUST be counted to get their fair share.**

Also political representation is based on census figures, so if people don't respond to the census then they don't receive the political representation to which they are entitled.

Census 2000 will be faster, less costly, and more accurate than any other census. There is a tremendous cost savings when people complete and mail in their census form. Burroughs states that Census 2000 has been enhanced since the 1990 census, will take less time to complete, and will prove even more accurate.

If interested in working for the Census Bureau, testing continues at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. at the third floor conference room of the Runnels County Courthouse in Ballinger each Wednesday through May 2000. The process of completing the paperwork and testing will take approximately 1-1/2 hours.

Individuals with questions may call 888-325-7733 or 915-672-5108 in Abilene for more information.

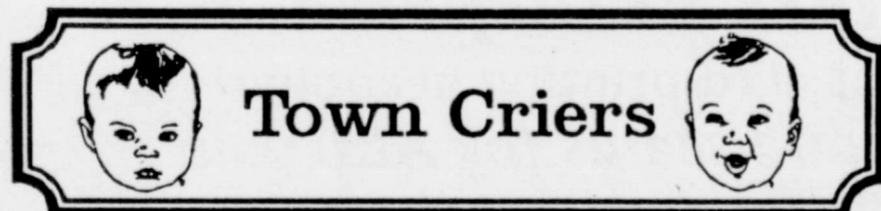
Hummingbirds rely on feeders during winter

The arrival of a cold front in the fall often triggers a number of phone calls to Texas Parks and Wildlife (TPW) asking when should hummingbird feeders be taken down. The simple answer is — don't.

Many Texans may be surprised to learn that hummingbirds will be found in Texas every month of the year. "Hummingbirds frequently overwinter in Texas," says Mark Klym, TPW's Texas Hummingbird Roundup coordinator. "Last year our observers recorded 90 individuals from seven species in 22 different counties in Texas."

According to Klym, wintering hummingbirds are found as far north as Dallas, as far west as El Paso, and throughout the central and coastal counties. "Wintering birds were reported by 17% of our observers representing 45% of those that left feeders up all winter last year," he noted. "Your odds of seeing a winter hummingbird are quite good if you keep your feeders up. This year we are already getting reports of birds we associate with the winter season from many parts of the state."

Proper care of feeders over the winter is not terribly demanding. "If we are expecting extremely cold weather, you should ensure the feeder remains unfrozen by bringing it in for the night or providing a source of heat for it," Klym explained. Feeders still need to be cleaned and changed regularly. Since the birds have less shelter at this time of the year, feeders should not be placed where predators can easily approach them, Klym said.



Town Criers

Greyson Neil Harshman

Melissa and Jason Harshman of Colleyville are proud to announce the birth of their son, Greyson Neil Harshman.

Greyson was born December 7, 1999 at 5:39 a.m. in North Richland Hills. He weighed 7 lbs. 11 ozs. and was 20 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Amantina and Jim McAden of Winters. Paternal grandparents are Cathy and Neil Harshman of North Richland Hills. Great-grandparents are Harvey Mae and Noble Faubion of Crews.

Matthew and Madison Jones

Bob and Barbara Jones of Winters are proud to announce the arrival of their twin grandbabies. Matthew and Madison Jones were born on Thursday, December 23, 1999.

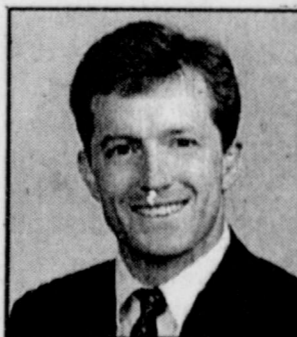
Grandson Matthew weighed 5 lbs. 11 oz. and granddaughter Madison weighed 4 lbs. 12 oz.

Proud parents are Michael and Wendy Jones of Abilene. Maternal grandmother is Ann Kay of Burnet and Aunt Kathy Jones of Winters.

Troy L. Carter, M.D. Surgical & Medical Diseases of the Eye

Dr. Troy Carter, a member of Texas Midwest Eye Center in Abilene, has joined with North Runnels Hospital and Dr. Mike Bacigalupi, to offer cataract surgery in Winters. Patients can now be evaluated, have surgery with complete post-op care and never leave Runnels County. Please call North Runnels Hospital today to schedule an eye exam and cataract screening with Dr. Bacigalupi.

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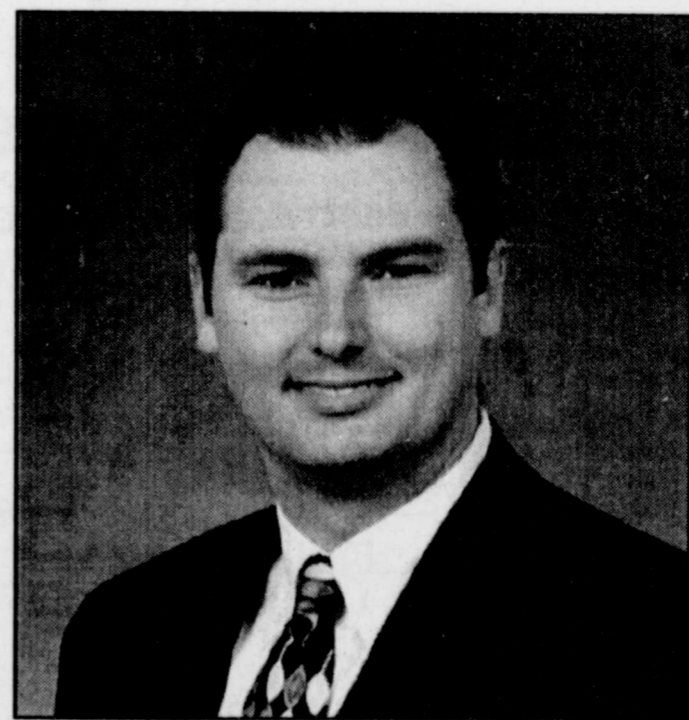


Troy L. Carter, MD
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Chiropractic & Rehabilitation Clinic

Dr. Dan Killough's chiropractic & rehab clinic in Winters is now open. Dr. Killough graduated from Winters High School in 1990 and Parker College of Chiropractic in Dallas in 1998. He has been practicing in Dallas for the last two years.

Office hours will be Monday thru Friday from 9 AM - Noon and 2 - 5 PM.



Dan Killough, D.C.

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for her
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Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz

People say money is not the key to happiness. But I have always figured if you have enough money, you can have a key made.

Brenda and Margie Jacob, Beverly VanZandt, and Carol and Mike Kozelsky spent New Year's Eve with Fred and Brenda Watkins. After a hamburger supper, they played dominoes. Later Brenda and Margie Jacob attended the New Year's mass and breakfast at St. Mary's in Ballinger.

On New Year's Day, Brenda and Margie Jacob and Beverly VanZandt and Corey and Brad went to see the movie "The Green Mile" and later enjoyed supper at China Cafe honoring Corey on his 21st birthday.

Brenda Jacob of Midland returned home Sunday after spending a few days with friends and relatives. Corey VanZandt returned to Lubbock after the holidays.

Sharon Engler of Brownwood and Margie Jacob were in Coleman shopping and had lunch together at Coldwater Cattle Company.

On Tuesday, Carol and Kathryn Kozelsky and Margie Jacob were in Abilene and enjoyed Mexican food at Abuelo's.

Marvin, Melvena, Keith, and Cathy Gerhart and Therin and Nila Osborne hosted a party for Gene and Reyla Faubion in the Gerhart home on December 29. Gene and Reyla were recently married in the Philippines. They left January 2 for Hawaii where Gene is stationed. Reyla will be working as lab technician in the hospital there. Thirty people came by and wished them well.

Crews community will start their monthly get-together at the gym Saturday evening at 6 o'clock. Bring your favorite chili or stew—a little something sweet sounds good also. Let's all come and get acquainted again.

There were no visitors at Hopewell Baptist Church morning services. Melissa and Scott Gerhart and daughter Macey were visitors at the Sunday evening service. Melvena Gerhart was



Hilda Kurtz

honored for her birthday with refreshments after services. Happy Birthday—may you have many more!

Our sympathy goes out to the Foreman family due to the death of Coleman Foreman's 89-year-old aunt, Emily Reese Foreman of Comanche. She died Friday afternoon. She was Coleman's first grade teacher in school.

There was no Bible study this week in the Crews community.

Doris Wood and Helen Alexander had a nice visit with Pat and Allen Bishop on Friday afternoon. They also stopped in to see Harvey Mae and Noble Faubion.

Selma Wilkerson, Bro. Ferris Akins and Ramona, and Carolyn Webb went home with Melvena and Marvin Gerhart after church services and enjoyed Sunday dinner.

Melvena and Marvin and their children's families celebrated Melvena's birthday at The Shed in Wingate on Thursday night. Many more of the happy occasions "kiddo."

Old friends Mildred McGuire of Bronte and Modine Yokum of Rankin visited Georgia and Connie Gibbs during the week.

Nila and Therin Osborne spent New Year's Eve with Karen, Wesley, John, and Stefanie McGallian of Wingate. On Saturday, Louis Osborne of Winters came out for a short visit. Saturday night they went out with the McGallian family and Simon Camacho to watch the beautiful fireworks.

I had a nice long New Year's phone visit with sister Josie Mittlestead of California. She had a nice rain and some snow.

Visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Lelan Bryan on Sunday night were Shirley and Ronnie Denton, Dewitt and Frances Bryan of Win-

ters, Gary and Cheryl Bryan of Winters and Angela of Irving, and Kendra and Aaron Nitsch of Sonora. Joe Bryan visited Sunday afternoon. Also visiting were Kayla, Kinley, Rex, and Cheryl Pritchard from Lubbock.

The Grissom families got together in the home of Adeline Grissom for their Christmas. Those attending were Ricky & Patsy Grissom and son Corey and his family; Bill & Sharon Grissom and their kiddos families of Wichita Falls; Wanda & Wendall King and their kiddos; Melinda & Scott of California; Chris & Kris Rives and their family; Katherine & Luke Grissom; Von, Dylan, and Jeff Byrd of Abilene; and Von & Phyllis Byrd and children of Abilene. Last count there were 31 present.

Linda Duggan and Becky Brown attended the wedding shower for Gene and Reyla Faubion in the home of Melvena Gerhart.

Please let me know if you see a "big" beautiful white tomcat—Hilda.

Roy and Dawn Brown and son Benjamin of Andrews and Duncan of Ruidosa, New Mexico, spent three days with Elwood and Becky Brown. All their families drove out to Lowake and enjoyed New Year's supper.

New Year's Day, Will and Leslie Duggan fixed lunch for Bob and Janice Pruser, Katy and Kyle Grigsby of Abilene, and Dale and Linda Duggan.

New Year's Day, Carolyn Webb spent time with Gene and Linda Webb at Hord's Creek. They watched the Cotton Bowl game. Sunday after Christmas, Joe and Carolyn Webb were in Austin with their son Gene and Michelle and granddaughters Amanda, Ashley, Jennifer, and Stephanie Webb.

Kenny and Eileen Cartwright and Jeremy Prater enjoyed New Year's Eve supper and a party at Mr. and Mrs. Aldrina Feniza's home in Winters.

Bernie McCoy of Abilene came down and spent the day with Nila and Therin Osborne. Melvena Gerhart also came by to say hello.

Must be preapproved—Municipal Judge reminds residents of plan to "work off" court fines

Municipal Judge Virginia Parr would like to remind residents of her plan to "work off municipal court fines," by performing community service.

Several community projects such as the Chamber of Commerce Banquet, Christmas In April, and Mayfest, to name a few, will need manpower in setting up, cleaning up, and general work.

Judge Parr will allow service to these projects in lieu of paying the court fines. An agreement must be pre-approved with the judge prior to the "work off."

If you are interested, contact one of the following people for details: Judge Parr at 754-4126 or Saffron Gibbs at 754-4424.

Quarterly sales decrease 10.2%

As reported November 23, 1999, by the office of State Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander, gross sales for Runnels County decreased 10.2 percent for the second quarter of 1999 as compared to the same reporting period in 1998.

Sales for the second quarter of 1999 totaled \$42,402,593 as compared to \$47,238,685 for the same period in 1998.

Use tax purchases include \$151,153 while \$11,965,602 is subject to state sales and use tax.

For the second quarter, there were 265 reporting outlets in Runnels County in 1999 and 269 in 1998.

Official Records

County Court Criminal Cases Filed December 22 Melissa Lesley Laabs, filed for driving while intoxicated (subsequent offense) Christopher Lee Wallace, filed for possession of marijuana Tameka Jackson Wall, filed for driving while intoxicated, also filed for resisting arrest	December 27 Marc J. Bailey and wife, Buffi A. Bailey, vs. Jeanette McGarvey, Tom Sykes, dba Tom Sykes Realty, Dot Schroeder, C.J. Robinson Jr., dba Robinson Ag Mart, and Dawse E. Switzer, suit for breach of contract and exemplary damages	December 27 slaughter Daniel Robledo, filed for endangering a child
December 28 Ricci Ogle, filed for theft of merchandise and/or cash by check	December 30 Ballinger National Bank vs. Lahoma Trammell and Robert Ogle, suit on promissory note	December 30 Walter Allen Six, filed for injury to a child
December 28 Jesus Salazar Sanchez and Sabrina Colleen Wright Martinez	Divorces Granted November 8 Ricky Eugene Williams and Karen Michelle Williams	Criminal Cases Filed November 8 Esmeralda Garcia, filed for minor in possession of alcohol and for disorderly conduct
December 30 Milton Bryan and Barbara Lee Turner	Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Felony Cases Filed December 21 Donna Sue Mayhugh, filed for man-	December 14 Hugo M. Jaekle III, filed for improperly tagged deer Hope W. Huffman, filed for improperly tagged deer
District Court Civil Cases Filed		December 20 Richard A. Fortner, filed for using another's deer tag

THC seeks preservation award nominations

The Texas Historical Commission (THC) is accepting award nominations for individuals, groups, or organizations who merit recognition for outstanding contributions to historic preservation.

Awards are divided into a number of program areas and will be presented at the annual statewide historic preservation conference in San Antonio, May 4-6, 2000.

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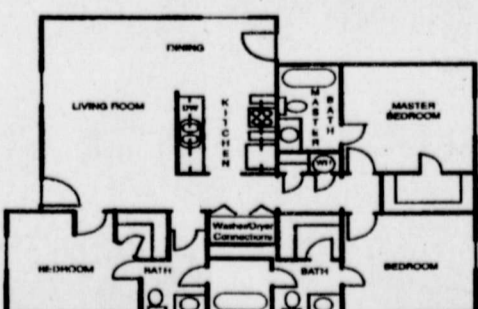
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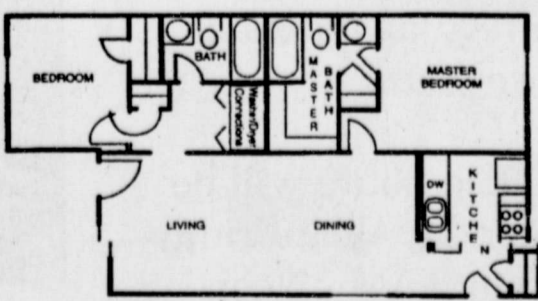
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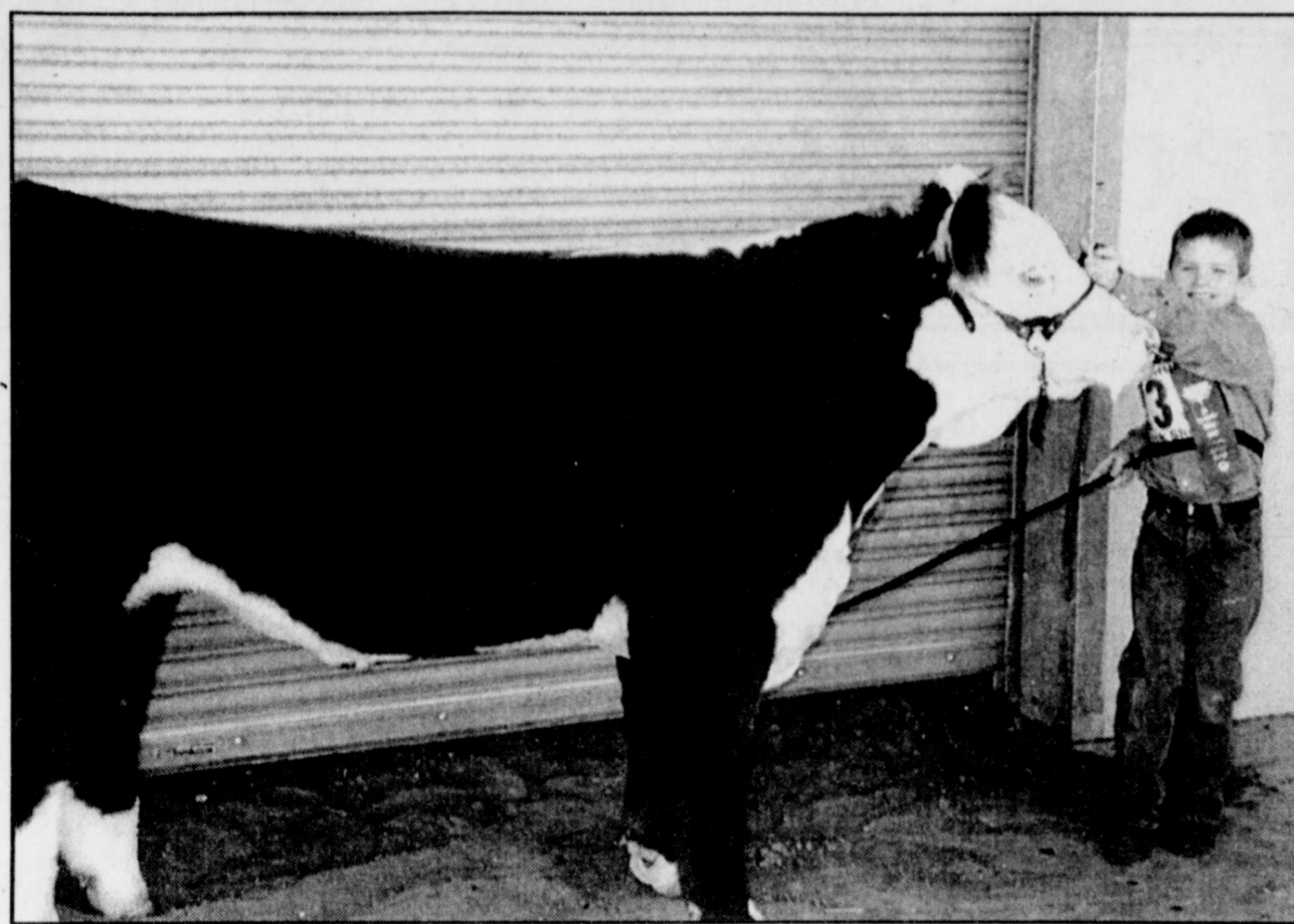


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DALTON SHACKELFORD, 8, is all smiles after placing second with his light weight Hereford steer at the Sandhills Stock Show and Rodeo in Odessa. Dalton went on to sell his steer in the auction on New Year's Day. A third grader at Winters Elementary, Dalton is the son of Roy and Ann Shackelford. The event in Odessa kicked off the stock show season which will continue through the end of March for several area youth.

Hunter's Camp

With Don Haley

City girl—

"You realize there ain't exactly no bathin' room down here," I explain to my wife.

"Closest thang is a chamber pot by the pot-bellied stove next to where you sleep on the army cots," I clarify as we drive up to the ranch.

"Why do they call the bathroom a chamber pot?" she asks innocently.

"Is that some kind of specialized wilderness commode?" she ponders.

"And you say the bathroom is close to the bedroom and has a heater! That will be nice..."

My wife is not exactly what you would call a "country girl."

Acceleratin' to red lights, squealin' brakes, shoppin' malls, fancy restaurants, spendin' money, curlin' irons, and talkin' on the telephone are more down her alley.

One clue was when she was drivin' so's I could open the gates.

Out in the middle of nowhere, we come upon a split in the ranch road, one goin' on south and the other headin' back northwest.

She stops and looks all around

like she's drivin' through downtown Ft. Worth or somethin'.

Then, I swear, she puts on the blinker!

"I'm scared," she says later that afternoon, peerin' at the ladder over the tops of her designer sunglasses.

"Huh...scared...it's just a deer blind!" I tell her.

"It's too high. I'll just wait for you down here. Besides, I'm still mad at you for the chamber pot thing."

"But the whole point of you comin' along was so's you could see some deer. You can't see no deer from down here."

"But I'm scared..."

So, we sit on a log like two rock squirrels all evenin' long, her readin' a paperback novel and me starin' into the back of an algerita bush.

"There's a deer comin' through the brush yonder," I whisper softly.

"And the cover of that book yore readin' is shinin' like a ten-dollar gold piece."

"What book...this book?" she says out loud to all the world.

All I hear now is a snort, rollin' rocks, a wavin' tail and a glimpse of the rack of the monster buck that had walked right in front of my empty deer stand.

"What wa that noise!" she squeals excitedly, layin' her book aside. "See anything!"

Back at the truck the next mornin', she announces she's lost her high-dollar sunglasses.

I trudge all the way back up the mountain, backtrailin', crawlin', rootin' around like a boar hog in a mud hole, siftin' dirt, leaves, grass burs, and trucky pear through my blooded fingers.

No sunglasses.

About that time, I look up and the monster buck is standin' across the draw, thrashin' the life out of a shinoak bush.

I get me a good rest, raise my rifle... and HONK...HONK...HONK...

"L...found...my...sunglasses..." she hollers from down below.

"They...were...in...my...pocket...all...the...time...come...back...I'm scared..."

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Stock show association— Workday set for Saturday, Jan. 8

The Winters Junior Livestock Show Association will hold a workday on Saturday, January 8. Work will begin at 8 a.m. at the showbarn.

Association members will clean-up and ready the barns for the Winters Stock Show to be held next weekend, January 14 and 15.

Ag Weather Open House, Jan. 14 & 15

The National Weather Service in San Angelo is hosting an "Agricultural Weather Open House" on Friday, January 14, and Saturday, January 15, at the National Weather Service office at Mathis Field in San Angelo.

Persons associated with any aspect of farming and ranching are especially invited to attend.

Hours of the open house will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

This is an opportunity for those in farming and ranching to see the latest in weather technology, ask questions about National Weather Service operations, talk to the staff of meteorologists, and make comments and suggestions on improving weather services.

From San Angelo, go south on Knickerbocker Road (Farm Road 584) about 4 miles. The National Weather Service office is on the left, just south of the large radar dome.

For more information, contact the National Weather Service at (915) 944-9445 or visit their website at www.srh.noaa.gov/sjt.

Stock show donations still being accepted

The Winters Junior Livestock Show Association would like to remind the community that share donations are still being accepted for the 2000 stock show to be held January 14 & 15.

Share donations are \$25 each, though any and all contributions are welcomed. In lieu of an auction, the Winters Stock Show distributes all share donations back to the exhibitors in the form of prize money. Every exhibitor receives a cash award.

Donations may be made by contacting Winters FFA Advisor Roy Shackelford at 754-5517 or Jim West at 754-4988.

First Buck—



STEVEN KRUSE, age 10, killed his first buck Sunday, November 14, 1999, in Runnels County. He made the kill with a .308 rifle in Runnels County. The deer field dressed at approximately 130 pounds. Steven is the son of Roger and Rhonda Kruse of Winters.

Stockshow set for January 14 & 15

The Winters Junior Livestock Show is slated for Friday, January 14 and Saturday, January 15, 2000 at the Showbarn Complex off the Novice Highway.

All livestock is to be in the barns by 9 a.m. Friday for weighing and classification.

Rabbits, sheep, and goats will

be shown starting at 2 p.m. on Friday. The swine show is at 9 a.m. on Saturday, followed by the Little Britches Pig Show.

The cattle show begins with heifers at 1 p.m., followed by the steer show.

*A total of 46 exhibitors will show 125 head of livestock.

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