

Apples of Gold
TEMPERANCE—Too many people quit looking for work when they find a job.

Happy St. Patrick's Day

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Table Top Mountain Ranch honored by Texas Family Land Heritage Program

The Billups Table Top Mountain Ranch seven miles northeast of Winters, family owned and operated for over a century, was honored recently at ceremonies in Austin by the Texas Department of Agriculture's Family Land Heritage Program.

Lynn and Diana Billups, accompanied by Dr. J.T. Billups, Michael Lynn Wagner, Lynda Billups Kizer, Tom Billups, Val Billups, and Kentt Billups, attended the 25th Annual Family

Land Heritage ceremony in late January, where approximately 200 other Texas families who have been in the farm and ranch business for 100 years or more were recognized.

Lynn and Diana and their four children are the third generation to live on the farm and ranch. They have lived on the homestead since 1961.

Lynn's grandfather James Thomas Billups was born in Alabama in 1860. He moved to

Waxahachie in Ellis County, Texas in 1868 and came to Runnels County in 1885. He resided in Ballinger until 1898.

Soon after the city of Ballinger was founded, James established and operated *The Ballinger Banner-Leader* newspaper. The paper was published until 1913 when it was consolidated with *The Ledger*. Billups sold the paper in 1898 to H.F. Mayes.

James married Lillie Belle Maddox on May 30, 1890, in Hayrick in Coke County. They had four children while living in Ballinger including Ford (1891), Rena Bell (1892), Val (1894), and Ray (1896).

In 1898 they moved to a community just off of Highway 1770 about 10 miles east of Winters, where James opened and operated a mercantile store, Billups General Store.

The store had a sugar barrel, a cracker barrel, cured meat hanging from the rafters, bolts of cloth and a good sized sack of candy for a nickel. The store burned in 1908.

James purchased the farm and ranch land, known as the Table Top Ranch, about one mile north of the community they lived in, from the Warton County School in November of 1899. Two more sons were born at this new homestead, William Truett born in 1902 and J.T. born in 1904.

In 1902, the community where the family opened the general store acquired a post office and the town council decided to name the township after their six month old baby son Truett.

The Truett community had great dreams for a promising future when a railroad was planned nearby. However, plans were altered and Truett was doomed. See HERITAGE, pg. 7



LYNN AND DIANA BILLUPS of Table Top Mountain Ranch are honored by Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs as the ranch was inducted into the Texas Department of Agriculture's Family Land Heritage Program at a recent ceremony in Austin.

Two cars wreck after hitting horse

Three people escaped serious injury Sunday night when their cars struck a horse in the middle of Highway 153 less than a mile east of Winters. The accident occurred a little after 8 p.m., according to police records.

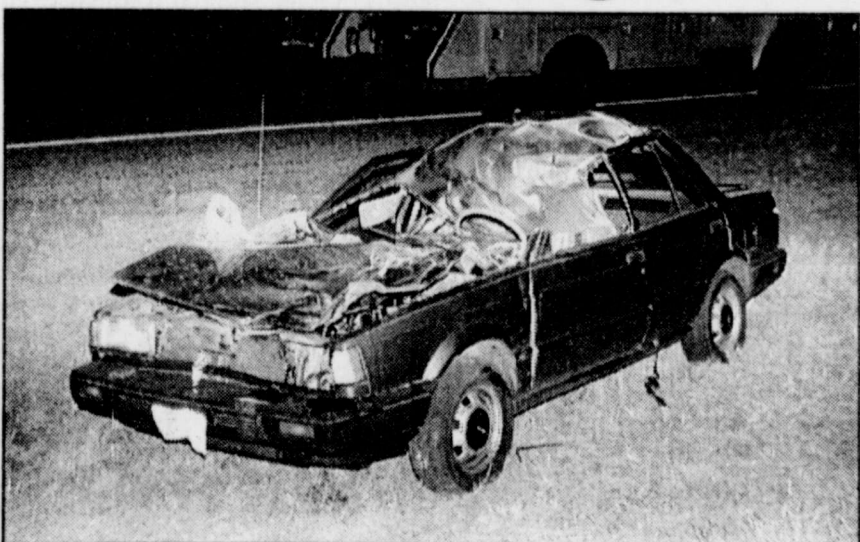
Patricia Hunt, 23, of Austin, was driving a 1987 Nissan Sentra westbound on Hwy. 153 when she hit a large horse standing in the middle of the road. The impact crushed the hood and top of the car, and the driver veered left into a ditch. Hunt, who was wearing a seatbelt, told police she didn't know what she had hit.

Minutes later, the animal was hit again by Victor Bernal, 23, of Lubbock, who was also westbound in his 1999 Toyota.

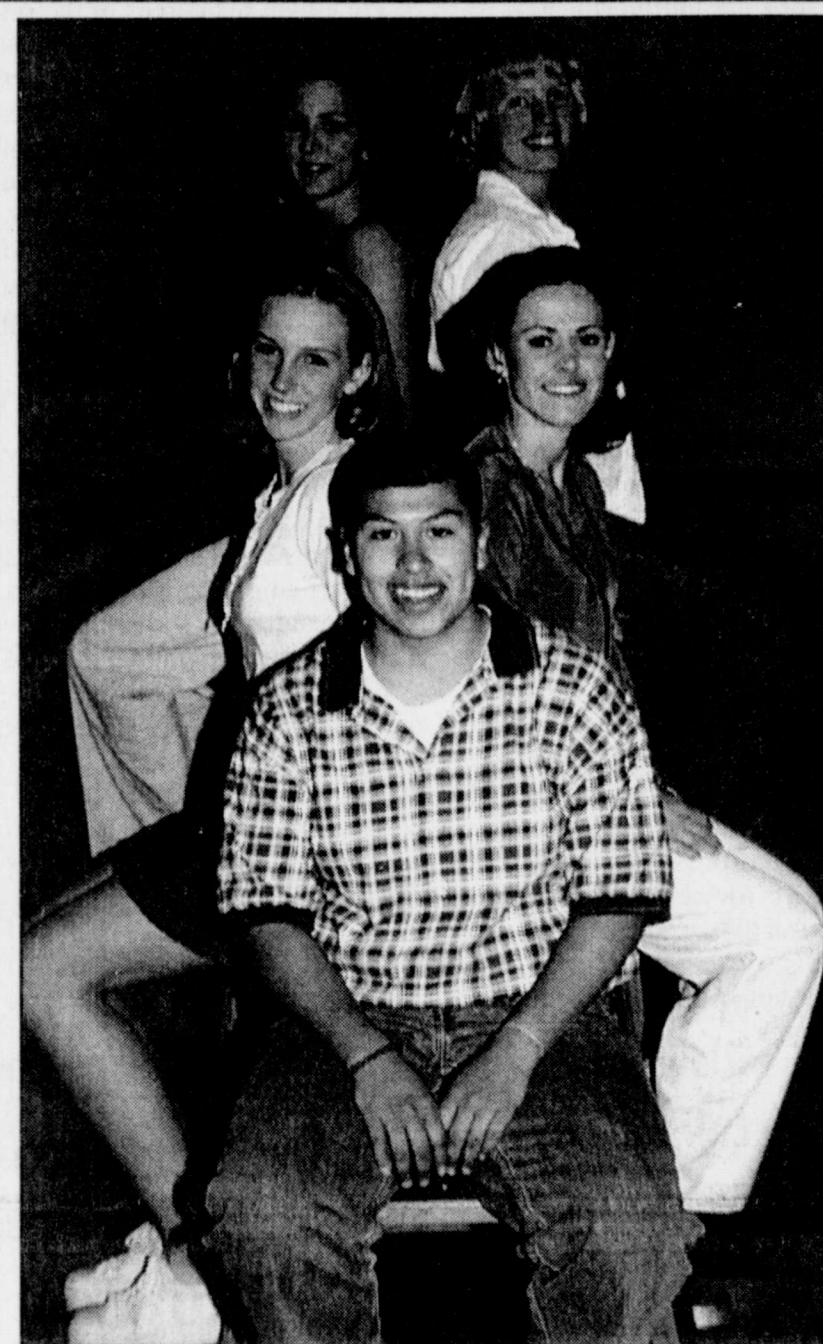
According to officer Michelle Denton of the Winters Police Department, the impact of the Toyota sent the car airborne before landing in the ditch to the right. Bernal and his passenger, Crystal Carlton, 19, also of Lubbock, were uninjured in the mishap. Both occupants were wearing seatbelts, according to police reports, and airbags deployed on both the driver's side and passenger side of the Toyota.

Hunt was taken by ambulance to North Runnels Hospital where she was held over night and treated for cuts and bruises.

Assisting officer Denton at the accident scene were DPS Trooper See WRECK, page 2



THESE TWO VEHICLES were involved in a freak accident Sunday evening about 8 p.m. The 1987 Nissan Sentra (above), driven by Patricia Hunt, 23, of Austin, struck a large horse standing in the middle of Hwy. 153, approximately a half mile east of Winters. Moments later, the animal was hit by a 1999 Toyota driven by Victor Bernal, 23, of Lubbock. See related story.



LADY BLIZZARDS HONORED with 25-AA All-District selections are (back, l-r) Jana Presley, senior, and Michelle Paschal, junior, First Team; (middle, left) Kelli Slimp, senior, Second Team, and Kendra Hope, junior, Offensive Player of the Year; (front) Jessica DeLaRosa, junior, Honorable Mention.

Baird defeats Virden in sheriff's race

Unofficial returns in the Runnels County Democratic Primary indicate incumbent Bill Baird may serve another term as Runnels County Sheriff. He still must defeat Republican challenger Tino Salinaz in the November general election. Salinaz received 130 votes in the Republican Primary.

Baird received 1064 votes to Democratic opponent Toby Virden's 465, according to results released by the County Clerk's office on Tuesday night.

In the only other contested race in Runnels County, incumbent See ELECTION, pg. 6

Lady Blizzards place five on All-District teams

Five members of the bi-district champion Lady Blizzard basketball team have received District 25-AA All-District honors.

Named Offensive Player of the Year is WHS junior Kendra Hope. Jana Presley and Michelle Paschal were named to First Team, Kelli Slimp received Second Team honors, and Honorable Mention went to Jessica DeLaRosa.

At 5'4" and the leading scorer for the Lady Blizzards with 422 points, Hope made 246 points on field goals, 110 points on free See ALL-DISTRICT, pg. 4

Speciality services need room at NRH North Runnels Home Health moves back downtown

The Home Health agency owned by North Runnels County residents and operated through their Hospital District Board of Directors has moved back downtown to 106 N. Main.

District Administrator Dick Stout stated the move has a dual purpose. "Number one is to provide accessibility to all Runnels County residents and number two, to provide more room for expanding services at the local hospital, as space has become a problem due to the number of specialities now coming to Winters and providing care at the hospital in addition to our excellent active medical staff which consists of Jerry Biddix, M.D., Y. K. Lee, See HOME HEALTH, page 3

Fire destroys home in Wingate

A late night fire Friday has left a Wingate family homeless.

Janet McMorris, who was visiting her mother at Two Brothers Ranch, said no one was at home when she received a phone call about 9:30 telling her that her house was on fire.

Members of the Wingate and Winters Volunteer Fire Departments responded quickly but were unable to save anything before the house burned to the ground.

See FIRE, page 10

County accepts bid on asphalt; tables bid on topping rock

Runnels County Commissioners accepted the only bid submitted for asphalt at their regular meeting on Monday. Coke Materials Company submitted a bid of \$6349 per gallon for CRS-2 asphalt f.o.b. Brownwood. Delivered price of the asphalt will be \$6849 per gallon. CRS-2H asphalt was bid at the same prices.

Commissioners also opened bids for topping rock, but took no

action on the two bids received. Vulcan Materials Company of Brownwood bid \$12.00 per cubic yard f.o.b. Brownwood or \$21.84 per cubic yard delivered to Runnels County. The only other bid received was from Smyth Mines, L.L.P. of Uvalde at a price of \$9.18 per cubic yard f.o.b. Uvalde or \$23.45 per cubic yard delivered. See COMMISSIONERS, pg. 10

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- March 16-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 2 & 6 p.m., Census Testing, Winters Housing Authority
- 6:30 p.m., Women's Service League, FUMC Fellowship Hall
- Winters Christian Fellowship Church Revival Begins
- March 17-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 4 p.m., Baseball, JV Blizzards vs. Hamilton, Here
- 4:30 p.m., Softball, Lady Blizzards vs. Coahoma, Here
- 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco
- Jr./Sr. Tech Day, TSTC, Sweetwater
- HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY**
- March 18-10 a.m., Track, Sweetwater
- 10:30 a.m., TSGRA, Ballinger Community Center
- First Baptist Church Revival Begins
- March 19-Pioneer Church of God Revival Begins
- March 20-8 a.m., WISD Classes Resume Following Spring Break
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 4 p.m., Baseball, Varsity Blizzards vs. Mason, Here
- 6 p.m., Weight Watchers, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 8 p.m., One Act Play for Public, WHS Auditorium
- Boys Golf, Hamilton
- March 21-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Noon, Lions Club, Community Center
- 4 p.m., Baseball, JV Blizzards vs. Mason, Here
- 4:30 p.m., Softball, Lady Blizzards vs. Jim Ned, Tuscola
- 5-6:30 p.m., Pioneer Club, First United Methodist Church
- 7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station
- 7:30 p.m., Eastern Star
- Girls Golf, Goldthwaite
- March 22-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Chamber Office
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 7 p.m., Runnels Baptist Association, Robert Lee Baptist Church
- Cheerleader Try-Outs
- March 23-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 6 p.m., 4-H Method Demonstration Training, Extension Office

Oil Bidness

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Acquisitions and divestitures of properties are always hot topics, and it's about time we get an update on the current trends in these areas of the business.

Generally, we are in the aftermath of some pretty lousy predictions as to the direction it would take for the year previous. Many believed that cash-strapped companies would be forced to sell properties early in 1999 due to extremely low oil prices. This never materialized in the way envisioned, although there might have been a few who were forced to sell during mid-1999 because of a particular situation. But, there was never a stampede to sell like many had predicted.

So, bearing the recent track record in mind, take what I am about to recount with a large grain of salt.

Let's start with the psychology of the marketplace...

New oil reserves keep getting harder to find. Exploration continues and there are successes. The industry doesn't have a bad record as a whole, but it becomes increasingly difficult for a single company, particularly a big one, to replace its reserves. (If production is big, then reserves found must be big.) If you don't replace your reserves, you are shrinking.

Giant companies have responded to this phenomenon by buying reserves through mergers. This will keep the shareholders and analysts at bay for a while. But, for smaller companies, acquisition of existing properties, prospects, etc. is the best way to find new reserves.

So, overall, the psychology is such that it can be a seller's market in many cases. Buyers are hungry for new acquisition opportunities. However, there is one catch. Product prices are high, so sellers tend to want a selling price reflective of the prevailing oil and gas prices. Buyers, on the other

hand, feel current prices are an aberration and hesitate to buy based on prevailing market conditions. This little hitch makes it harder to make a deal lately, but the overall sentiment leans to buying and selling.

Now to the current way of thinking on this subject...

Many industry pundits feel that 2000 will be a good year for property transactions. The basic reasoning says that many of the mega-mergers will result in asset rationalization which will release numerous properties onto the market. Independents will gobble these up seeing the missed opportunities of the majors, not to mention they are hurting for new reserves as well as the big guys.

Capital is becoming more readily available, although still restrained to some extent by conservative lenders, disinterested venture capitalists, and investors still spooked by recent price volatility. Despite these negatives, the cash flow generation potential at prevailing prices is beginning to attract a lot more attention.

There are also more facilitators in the marketplace to spur on property sales and purchases. We spoke recently about the internet activity in this business. Several sights will provide property marketplaces with links to all sorts of support mechanisms, including evaluation, financing, and due diligence. There are also more evaluators and marketers out there advertising their availability to facilitate making a sale, buy, or trade.

The figures being kicked around is for a billion or two dollars to hit the market in the next 12 months.

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Reg Boles receives Outstanding Engineer Award from SPE

Reggie Boles, a 1979 graduate of Winters High School and the son of Monroe and Arlene Boles of Winters, has been selected to receive the Outstanding Engineer Award from the Dallas Section of the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE). This award is in recognition of his contributions to the engineering profession, the petroleum industry, and SPE.

Reggie received his Bachelor of Science degree, Magna Cum Laude, in petroleum engineering from Texas A&M University in 1983. While attending Texas A&M, he was a President's Endowed Scholar, a member of the honor societies of Tau Beta Pi, Pi Epsilon Tau, and Phi Kappa Phi, and an officer in the student chapter of SPE at Texas A&M.

He began his career in the oil business roustabouting in Texas and Louisiana during summers while in high school and college.

His professional career began in Midland, Texas as a production engineer for Sun Oil Company, with responsibilities in Texas and New Mexico. He transferred to the reservoir engineering group and began work on horizontal drilling and development in west Texas.

Reggie left Oryx (formerly Sun) in 1991, and joined DeGolyer and MacNaughton in their international division as a reservoir engineer. He became a Vice-President in 1995, and now is responsible for management of projects in Europe, North Africa, the Middle East, and the former Soviet Union.

Active in numerous professional societies throughout his career, he recently completed his

tenure as Section Chairman of the Dallas Section of SPE after serv-



ing on the Board of Directors since 1994. He continues to serve SPE as past Chairman on the Board and as a member of the Hydrocarbon Economic and Evaluation Symposium steering committee.

Reggie has also been active in committees at the international level of SPE, acting as a member of the committee on executive involvement the last two years. He served on the TSPE Engineers' Week committee from 1995 through 1997.

Married to his high school sweetheart, the former Becky McKnight, Reggie has three children, Mitch, Margot and McGuire. They are active in their church and PTA while living in the Lake Highlands area of Dallas.

Reggie is the author of "Oil Bidness," an oil industry related column that appears weekly in *The Winters Enterprise* and *The Ballinger Ledger*.

"Keep your face to the sunshine and you cannot see the shadow."
— Helen Keller

Leslie Duggan relocating to The Hair Post

Leslie Pruser-Duggan, stylist for eleven years, is pleased to announce her relocation to The Hair Post at 406 N. Main, beginning Tuesday, March 21, 2000.

For the past nine years, Leslie has owned and operated Your Hair Place at 504 W. Dale. She is a 1987 graduate of Winters High School and a 1989 graduate of West Texas College of Cosmetology in Snyder.

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Tuesday, March 21: Goulash, beets, hominy, cornbread, and cookie.

Wednesday, March 22: Steak & gravy, scalloped potatoes, tomato salad, roll, and coconut pie.

Thursday, March 23: Beef casserole, pinto beans, coleslaw, cornbread, and chocolate cake.

Friday, March 24: Sloppy Joe, French fries, pea salad, and ice cream.

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Obituaries

Edith Howard

BALLINGER—Edith Howard, 75, died Monday, March 6, 2000, at a Ballinger nursing home.

She was born March 16, 1924, to Claude and Jessie Drake in Pumphrey. She married Odell Howard in July of 1946. He preceded her in death July 16, 1971.

Mrs. Howard was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church in Ballinger.

Survivors include one son, Gary Howard and wife Donna of Ballinger; two daughters, Donna Howell and Sonia Heidenheimer and husband Joe all of Ballinger; and four grandchildren.

Visitation was Tuesday, March 7, 2000, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Rains-Seale Funeral Home in Ballinger. Services were held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, March 8, 2000, at Rains-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed in the Evergreen Cemetery in Ballinger directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

Clarence George Hagle

WINTERS—Clarence George Hagle, 72 died Wednesday, March 8, 2000, at the V.A. Hospital in Big Spring.

He was born May 7, 1927, in Rochester. He served in the U.S. Army and the Army Air Corp during World War II.

Mr. Hagle married Hattie Imlene Watson on September 29, 1949 and they moved to Winters, following their marriage. She died on June 19, 1986. He then married Fannie Armendy Baily on January 1, 1987, in Winters.

Mr. Hagle was a farmer and a member of Second Baptist Church. Survivors include his wife, Fannie Armendy Hagle of Winters; two sons, Johnny Hagle of Winters and Jay Hagle of Winters; one step son, James Smith of Coleman; two daughters, Joann Sherman of Winters and Jan Lincoln of Winters; four brothers, Robert Thomas Hagle of Winters, J.B. Hagle of Ballinger, Charles Hagle of Winters, and Wayne Hagle of Mineral Wells; one sister, Peggy Barnes of Bradshaw; 14 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, March 11, 2000, at Lakeview Cemetery in Winters with Reverend Robert Sherman officiating. Burial was directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Danny Sherman, Kelly Sherman, Josh Hollis, Jay Smith, Andy Smith, Scott Simmons, Chester Plumley, and Bill Hollis.

Etheline King

BALLINGER—Etheline King, 99, died Wednesday, March 8, 2000, at 6:30 a.m. in a Ballinger Nursing Home.

She was born October 28, 1900, in Coleman to Isaac Anderson Click and Margaret Elizabeth Broyles. She married Jonah King. He preceded her in death in December of 1960.

Mrs. King was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church in Paint Rock.

Survivors include one son, James E. King and wife Winnie of Crockett; one sister, Etta Mime Spenser of Stamford; nine grandchildren; and numerous great and great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held Saturday, March 11, 2000, at 10:00 a.m. at Coleman City Cemetery with Reverend Tony Gruben of Paint Rock officiating.

Annie L. Owens

BALLINGER—Annie L. Owens, 62, died Wednesday, March 8, 2000.

She was born April 24, 1937, in Ballinger.

Survivors included three sons, Jimmy Jackson of Ballinger, Lloyd Lynn Jackson and Anthony Jackson both of Bronte; three daughters, Darlene Jackson and Crystal Jackson both of Bronte, and Belinda Jackson of Ballinger; one brother, Johnny Hardin of Ballinger; four sisters, Evelyn Hollis and Jolene Herridge both of Ballinger, Betty Keele of Bronte, and Louise Green of Austin; five grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation was from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Rains-Seale Funeral Home Friday, March 10, 2000. Services were held at Rains-Seale Funeral Home Chapel Saturday, March 11, 2000, at 10:00 a.m. with Brother Morris Johnson of Bronte officiating. Burial followed in Evergreen Cemetery in Ballinger under the direction of Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

Emil Recinsky

SAN ANGELO—Emil Recinsky, 69, died at 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 8, 2000, in San Angelo.

He was born July 18, 1930, in Rowena, Texas, to Vaclay Recinsky and Theresa Strakos Recinsky. He served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War.

Mr. Recinsky was a retired machine operator for Ethicon in San Angelo.

Survivors include four sisters, Julie Pospichal of Rowena, Chris Recinsky and Mary Mucha of San Angelo, and Blance Gesch of Lake Whitney; and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were at 10:30 a.m. Monday, March 13, at the Evergreen Cemetery in Rowena with Reverend Tony King officiating. Burial was directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home of Ballinger.

Winters First Baptist Church to host revival March 18-22

The First Baptist Church in Winters will host a revival beginning Saturday, March 18, through Wednesday, March 22, 2000. Evangelist Larry McFadden will be the guest speaker.

A Church-wide Banquet will be held on Saturday, March 18, at 6 p.m. A steak dinner will be provided by the church along with entertainment, music, and a brief gospel presented by McFadden. Any and everyone is welcome to attend.

Sunday morning will be "Friend Day" and church members are encouraged to bring a friend to church. Sunday school begins at 9:30 a.m. followed by the worship service at 10:45 a.m. Beginning at 7 p.m. that evening will be "Sunday School Night," with Sunday School classes seated together. There will be a children's emphasis as well.

The message by McFadden for

the evening will be "What To Do When The Bottom Falls Out." Once again, guests are welcomed.

Monday night has been designated as "Men's Night" as the men of the church will be assigned pews to fill. There will be an evangelistic message beginning at 7 p.m.

Tuesday night will see more of the same as the women will have their turn to fill the pews on "Ladies Night." The message will begin at 7 p.m.

The revival will close on Wednesday evening with "Youth Night" including a pizza blast. The evening will begin at 7 p.m.

The community is invited to join the First Baptist Church family in renewing and reviving their faith in God. Transportation will be provided and can be arranged by calling the church office at 754-5521 or Virginia Schwartz at 754-4407 prior to the revival.

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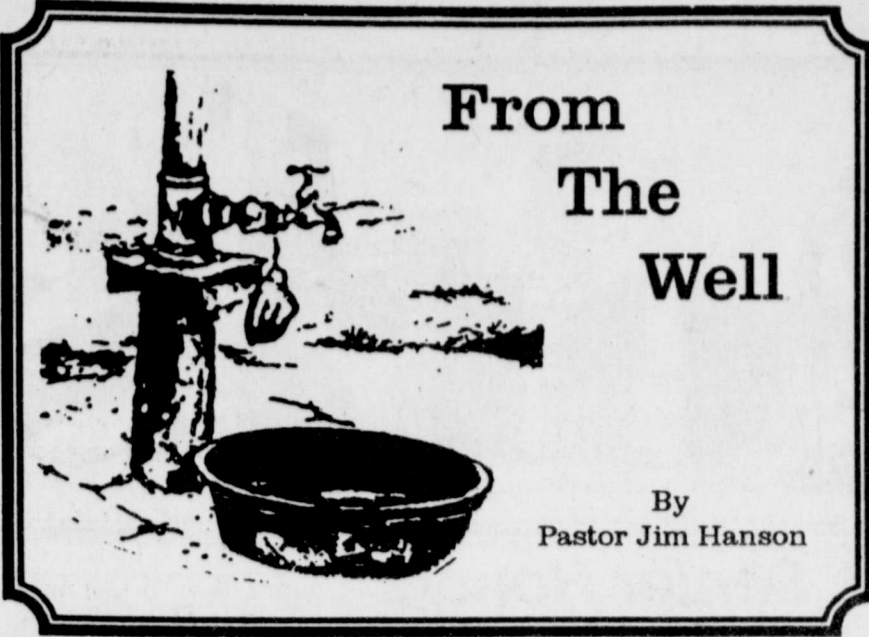
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From The Well

By
Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

We just got back from Florida. Ramona and I had a wonder-filled time with her bachelor brother Bob at his "condo" in Del Ray, Florida. Twelve stories up. Looking out at the ocean, and beneath us a channel. Every day we'd see the pleasure boats come and go, and the drawbridges open up to let them through. The view was just like a picture. Our perspective was from above. Some would call it heavenly.

Bob is an excellent host...as well as a dear brother. I met Bob in college, and we were roommates for two years. And then classmates at Seminary. I was ordained on June 13, 1954. Ramona and I were married on June 16 at her home church...St. Lucas, an "out in the country church." And Bob was ordained there on June 20. So scheduled so we could celebrate these big events together. Our trip to Florida was the first one to see him there.

Bob is a "people person." He has served congregations all over the United States and for four years in Greece. I think he keeps contact with all of them. And they—him.

We had some wonderful experiences there. The Atlantic Ocean—to immerse yourself in waters was like immersing yourself in the waters of history. Our ancestors came to this country over those waters. My dad made six round trips to Europe in the Navy in World War I. Ramona and I swam in it. So big. So blue. So clean where we were. We walked the beach, saw the gulls as they flew right in front of my face, and found ourselves becoming one with it all. Someone has said that large bodies of water symbolize eternity. We had a taste of that, too.

We went to "Butterfly World." Not at all like Disney's places. Thousands of butterflies from all over the world. 3,000 in this aviary. 50 different species. As we walked through, one landed on Ramona's head. We have a picture. It was like a blessing. Because being there immersed in butterflies, was, as Bob said, "a worship experience." Butterflies are truly the "symbol of the soul." Their delicate beauty and dancing flight from flower to flower help us to create a love for creation itself.

One author puts it this way. A butterfly is "a caterpillar in a wedding gown." Its life cycle includes four stages; egg, caterpillar, chrysalis, and adult. First the butterfly lays one or more tiny eggs on a leaf. Soon a small, hungry caterpillar crawls out of the eggshell and starts to eat the leaf. After the caterpillar has spent a few weeks eating and is fully grown, it settles down to spin a chrysalis, or cocoon, around itself. Inside the chrysalis, the caterpillar, which ate but did not drink, transforms itself—metamorphoses in a miraculous way into a butterfly, which will drink but not eat.

Eventually, on a warm summer day, the chrysalis bursts open and out comes a beautiful butterfly—the caterpillar in its wedding gown. No wonder the church often uses the butterfly as the symbol of the Resurrection.

We worshipped in several churches and heard a marvelous concert by one of our Lutheran Church's College Choir. We went to museums and fancy restaurants. And—hooked up with some friends from Minnesota, a cousin, and a nephew of Ramona's. We didn't hurry. But the days were full. It was such a good time.

While I read a piece from "When I Am An Old Woman I Shall Wear Purple." An older woman and her young friend were talking:

"What makes a chocolate chip cookie good?" Asked the older. The younger one replied, "I don't know. I can tell you what I like." The senior smiled, saying, "I ask that question of all of my pupils. Usually it's the chips...or the nuts...sometimes the chewiness. But...Elliot's answer was 'the baker'."

As I reflected on these past 7 days on the East Coast of Florida—"what made the week so good?" Elliot's answer gave me the clue. It was Bob. Ramona's brother. Who put the ingredients together in a loving and caring way and made for Ramona and me a feast of people, places, and things.

Like God. The One he serves...even in retirement. And created for us "7 days...of good times." It, indeed, was very good. Thank you, Bob. Thank you, God.

Birthday girl is Rosalie Simpson.

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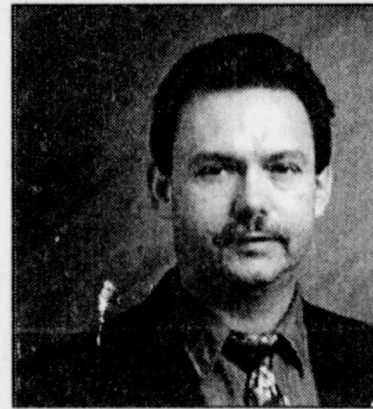
MOVING BACK HOME to 106 N. Main are employees of North Runnels Home Health Agency (l-r) Angela Minjarez, R.N., Director of Home Health, Dayna Wade, R.N., Case Manager, and Carmela Polston, Office Manager. Not pictured are Cathy Dean, L.V.N. and Tayna New, Home Health Aide. The Home Health Agency had recently been located within North Runnels Hospital but due to the hospital's need for additional space for increasing specialties being offered, the Home Health Agency has returned to its original location downtown. For more information call 754-4141 or North Runnels Hospital at 754-4553.

Pioneer Church of God to hold Revival, March 19-24

The Pioneer Church of God in Winters will host a revival Sunday, March 19 through Friday, March 24. Sunday evening services are scheduled for 6 p.m. Weekly evening services will begin at 7 p.m.

Evangelist Ed Grogan of Jenks, Oklahoma will be the guest speaker. Through singing, worship and praise, the revival promises to be refreshing, convicting, and encouraging.

The church is located at the corner of CR 225 and Tinkle Street. For more information call



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HOME HEALTH, continued

M.D., and Keith Boles, and chiropractic staff of Bill Tatum, D.C., Steven Arnold, D.C., and Dan Killough, D.C.

Seven specialty fields now available at North Runnels Hospital for the community are ophthalmology by Troy Carter, M.D., optometry by Mike Bacigalupi, O.D., gastroenterology by Sandip Mathur, M.D., internal medicine by Nadeem Patel, M.D., otolaryngology by Gary Goodnight, M.D., cardiology by Udaya Swarna, M.D., and dentistry by Tommy Russell, D.D.S.

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"These services are saving residents trips to other areas by providing needed medical care right here at home," said Stout.

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"Home town health care is the major goal of the hospital district and home town support is appreciated," Stout added.

For further information, call North Runnels Home Health Agency at 754-4141 or 1-800-687-3305, or North Runnels Hospital at 754-4553.

Sr. Citizens Nursing Home News

By Billie Ruth Bishop

New residents welcomed

Two new residents have come to live here since my last newsletter. They are Ethel Hantsche and Nora Wuistingner. We welcome them.

The monthly birthday party will be on Thursday, March 16, at 3:00 p.m. The Literary & Service Club will host the party. Those having birthdays in March are Ethel Hantsche, March 8; Ruth Johnson, March 27.

Our sympathy is extended to the families of Maggie Simpson and Lucille Hill.

Thanks to Neva Herring for the donation of three walkers to the nursing home.

Due to work on the dining room floor, we enjoyed a picnic lunch on Thursday. Plans were to eat outside, but we decided it might be a bit windy, so we ate in the lobby. It was fun.

Fran Kidwell came with fourth graders on Thursday and let the kids do some square dancing for the residents. We always enjoy them!

Ruth Johnson is a patient in North Runnels Hospital at this time. We hope she has a good day.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to the many friends and family for their sympathy, flowers, food and support during the loss of our loved one.

Thank you to Dr. Y.K. Lee and staff at North Runnels Hospital.

Thank you to Mike Meyer and Linda Dry for your comfort and compassion.

A special thanks to Bro. Ferris Akins, Bro. Oscar Fanning, Ramona Akins, and Randall Boles for providing the beautiful service.

The family of Wilmer Gerhart

Runnels Baptist Association to meet March 22

The Runnels Baptist Association will meet Wednesday, March 22, at Robert Lee Baptist Church for an evangelism rally.

The executive board and WMU will not meet. No meal will be served.

The evangelism rally will begin at 7:00 p.m. Dr. Larry McGraw, professor of Bible at Logsdon School of Theology, with Hardin-Simmons University, will be the speaker. Tony King, association evangelism director, is in charge of the program.

Churches and members are encouraged to attend. The public is invited to attend.

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SABADO en la TARDE
Banquete de Iglesia
(Todos Invitados!)
6PM

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(bring a friend to church)
DOMINGO en la MAÑANA
Dia de Amigo
Evangelistic Message by Larry McFadden
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:45 AM Worship Service
9:30 AM Domingo de Escuela
10:45 AM Servicio de Mesa

SUNDAY NIGHT

Sunday School Night
(classes seated together—children's emphasis—guests are welcomed!)
DOMINGO en la TARDE
Noche de Domingo Escuela
(Todos invitados)
Message: "What To Do When The Bottom Falls Out."
7 PM

TUESDAY NIGHT

MONDAY NIGHT

Men's Night
(Men assigned pews to fill)
LUNES en la TARDE
Noche de Hombres
Evangelistic Message
7 PM

Ladies' Night

(Ladies assigned pews to fill)
MARTES en la TARDE
Noche de Mujeres
7 PM

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Youth Night
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Noche de Jovenes
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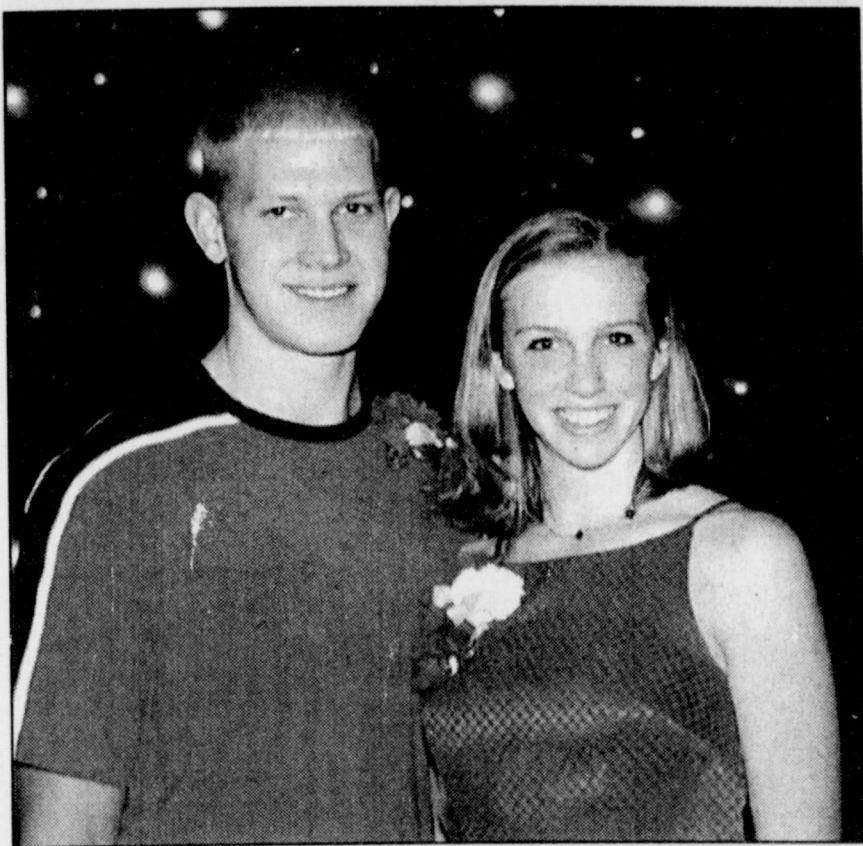
March 20-24
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Breakfast
Monday-March 20
Breakfast Pizza
Cereal
Juice
Tuesday-March 21
Pancakes
Oatmeal
Juice
Wednesday-March 22
Biscuits
Sausage
Juice
Thursday-March 23
Cinnamon Toast
Cereal
Juice
Friday-March 24
Toast
Cereal
Juice

Lunch
Monday-March 20
Spaghetti/Meat Sauce
Green Beans
Peach Half
Hot Roll
Tuesday-March 21
Chicken Fried Steak/Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Corn
Mixed Fruit
Hot Roll
Wednesday-March 22
Chicken Fajita/Cheese
Flour Tortillas
Salad
Red Beans
Apple Crisp
Thursday-March 23
Baked Ham/Pineapple Slice
Mashed Potatoes
Broccoli/Cheese
Jello/Fruit
Hot Roll
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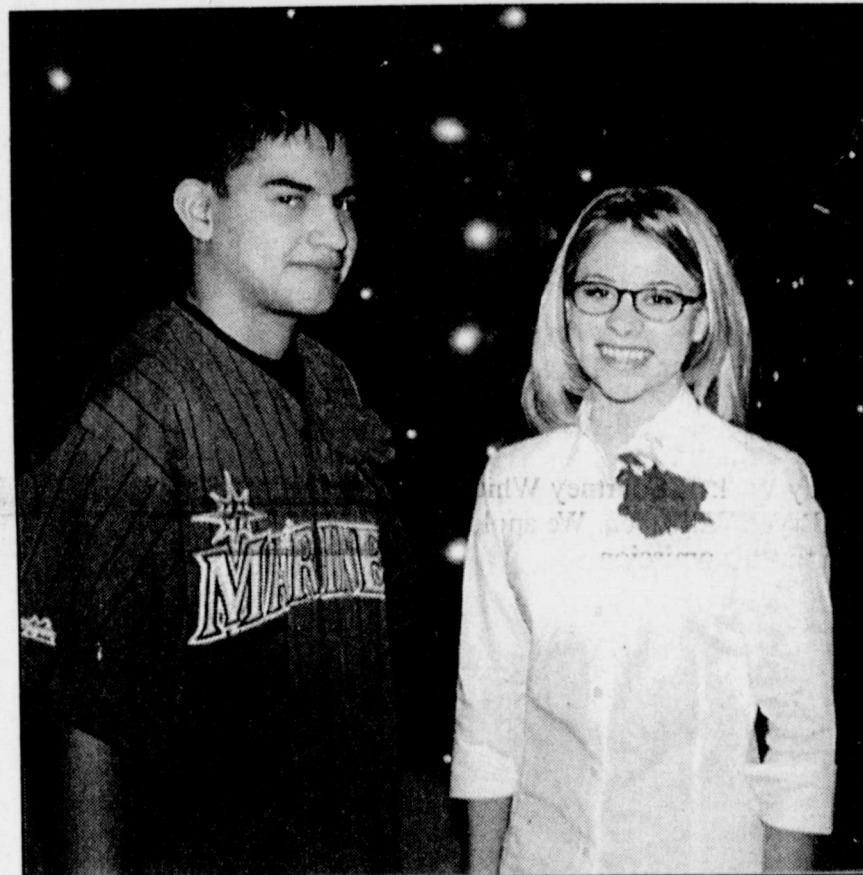
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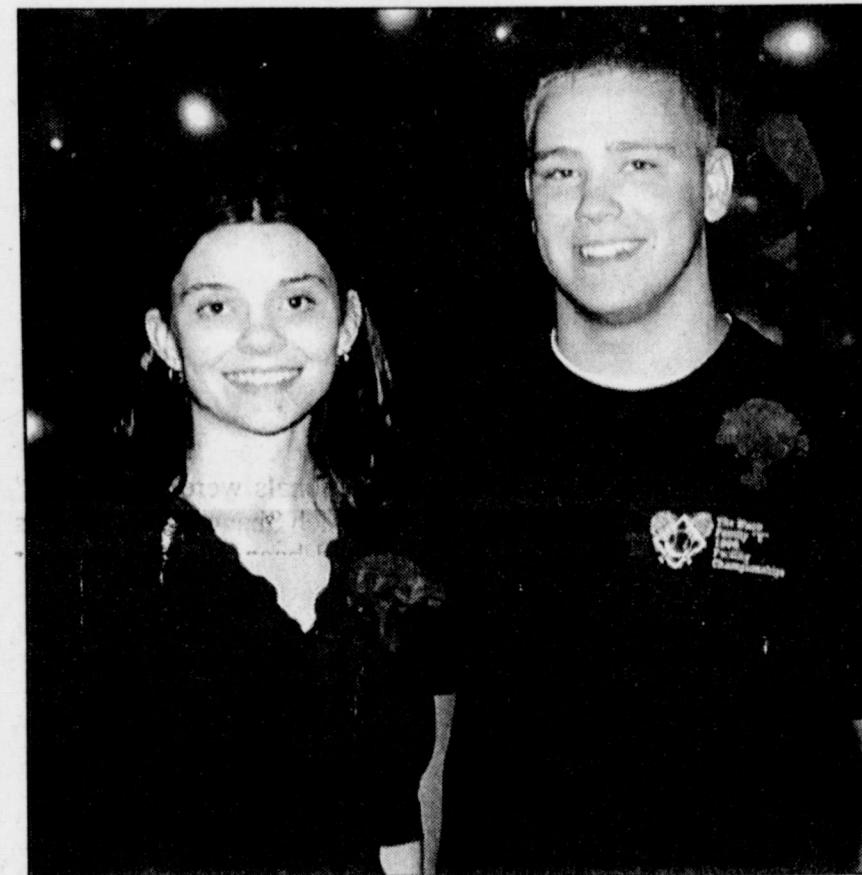
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WHS One Act Play to perform for public on Monday, March 20

Winters High School will be presenting scenes from "Teach Me How To Cry" during a One Act Play performance for the general public on Monday, March 20, at 8 p.m. in the WHS auditorium. Admission is free.

Winters will perform in zone competition at Coleman on Thursday, March 23. WHS will perform at approximately 6 p.m. at the Coleman High School Auditorium.

This year's cast includes Kelli Slimp as *Melinda Grant*, Wes Calcote as *Will Henderson*, Meagan Nitsch as *Mrs. Robson*, Candess Johnson as *Mrs. Grant*, Julie Paske as *Mrs. Henderson*, John Bahlman as *Mr. Henderson*, Kayla Colburn as *Polly Fisher*, Mandy Pritchard as *Anne*, and Oscar Luz as *Bruce Mitchell*.

The crew includes Guy Slimp, Shane Colburn, Jared Airhart, Darci Lindsey, Cassandra Johnson, and Rebecca Scates.

The students are under the direction of David Evans who is assisted by Kayleen Bergman and Nancy Evans.

"Teach Me How To Cry" is the story of Melinda Grant, the illegitimate daughter of a gentle, mildly demented seamstress, living in a small town under the shadow of scandal.

She yearns for a mother's love and guidance, for young companionship, and for personal identity. This identity she seeks in the role of Juliet in a school production of "Romeo and Juliet," and thereby meets William Henderson.

William also lacks roots, for

his father is a traveling salesman; and the constant moving combined with family discord has made the boy insecure and sensitive to rejection.

Though the boy and girl are separated by their parents who refuse to acknowledge one another's worth, the vital step to maturity have been taken and through their love for each other they emerge as important people.

ALL-DISTRICT, continued

throws, and 66 points from the 3-point mark. Defensively, she had 110 rebounds and 55 steals.

Senior Jana Presley, 5'8", scored 268 points, hitting 30 of her 3-point shots and 52 field goals. She garnered 74 free throws, brought down 176 rebounds, and blocked 42 shots.

Also at 5'8", Michelle Paschal, a WHS junior, was the leading rebounder for the Lady Blizzards with 292 for the season. She hit 50 free throws and 118 2-point shots for a total of 286 points.

Senior Kelli Slimp, 5'7", made 41 free throws and contributed 56 field goals for a season total of 153 points. She snagged 112 rebounds and had 35 steals.

Playmaker Jessica DelaRosa, a 5'4" junior, had 69 points for the season coming from 12 free throws, 15 2-point shots, and 9 3-point shots.

Under the leadership of head coach Ken Fowler and assistant coach Deb Whittenburg, the Lady Blizzards finished the season with 20 wins and 10 losses.

WHS tracksters to compete in Sweetwater on Saturday

The Blizzard varsity and junior varsity and Lady Blizzard track teams will compete in the Sweetwater Relays at Sweetwater on Saturday, March 18.

Field events begin at 9 a.m. Running pre-lims will begin at 10 a.m. with finals slated to start at 1:30 p.m.

Baseball Scoreboard

Team: Junior Varsity Boys
Coach: Bearden
Date & place of game:
March 6, 2000—Winters
Opponent: Wall JV
Winning pitcher:
Losing pitcher:
Losing catcher:
Key plays: Guy Slimp hits 2B

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	10	7	2
OPPONENT	10	8	1

Coach's Comments: Even though wall scored ten runs, the JV played very good defense. Tim Medina made 4 plays at 2nd, Guy Slimp made 3 plays at short, Mark Moreno and Dusty Palmertree both made great catches in the outfield. Yul Gibbs pitched a great game and Jose Santos caught a great game. Fabian Ortiz, playing first dug a ball from the dirt to finish the fourth inning. Down 9-10 with Mark Moreno on 1st base and 2 outs in the last inning Guy Slimp hits a double to score Mark and tie it up at 10-10 which was a final. The Blizzards did a very good job on defense. All in all it was a great effort and these guys came to play.

Go Big Blue!!

Team: Varsity Boys
Coach: Murphy
Date & place of game:
March 7, 2000—Bangs
Opponent: Bangs
Winning pitcher: Wood
Losing pitcher: Ben Blaine
Losing catcher: Chris Lujano
Key plays: two run home run-Louis Esquivel

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	3	5	4
OPPONENT	9	14	2

Coach's Comments: We did not play well. Too many errors at critical times. We did not hit the ball very well as a team. We will get better.

Team: Varsity Boys
Coach: Charles Murphy
Date & place of game:
3-10-00 at Winters
Opponent: San Saba
Winning pitcher: Josh Minzenmayer
Losing pitcher: J. Brown
Losing catcher: E. Miller
Key plays: Oscar Luz, Chris Yanez, Chris Lujano, Louis Esquivel, Andrew Medina, and Ben Blaine

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	20	13	3
OPPONENT	9	9	7

Coach's Comments: We held our defensive mistakes to a minimum while struggling for two innings at the plate. We emerged in the third, fourth, and fifth. We scored 12 runs in the fifth inning. Oscar Luz hit a grand slam. Chris Yanez and Chris Lujano were 3 for 4 with Lujano hitting two homers. Louis Esquivel was 3 for 5 with two homers. Andrew Medina was 3 for 4 with 1 homerun. Ben Blaine was 2 for 3. Believe it or not, the wind was not blowing.

Blizzards



ANDREW MEDINA #18 is congratulated by teammates after hitting his first home run of the new season. With the addition of two home runs by Chris Lujano, two by Oscar Luz (one grand slam), and one by Louie Esquivel, the varsity Blizzards blasted past San Saba 20-9 Friday evening.

Blizzards second, Ladies fourth at Plateau Relays

The Winters Blizzards varsity track team finished second, while the Lady Blizzards placed fourth at a "very competitive" Plateau Relays in Eldorado last Saturday. Winters JV boys finished third.

The Blizzards earned gold medals in the 400 meter relay with the team of Arthur Martinez, Gary Woodbury, Tony Agüero, and Wes Calcote, along with Calcote in the 100 meter dash, and a pair by Jimmy Rodriguez in the mile and two mile runs.

Agüero was second in the 400 meter dash and Woodbury finished second in the 200 meter

- 100 M Dash**
1st, Calcote, 11.2
5th, A. Martinez, 11.6
- 400 M Dash**
2nd, Agüero, 51.8
- 200 M Dash**
2nd, Gary Woodbury, 23.2
- 1600 M Run**
1st, Rodriguez, 4:44
- 1600 M Relay**
4th, Winters (Santoya, Martinez, Woodbury, Agüero) 3:35
- Girls Varsity Results**
Shot Put
2nd, Paschal, 33'4.5"
- Long Jump**
3rd, Kelli Slimp, 15'11.5"



DEFENDING STATE 2A CHAMPION in the 300 Hurdles, Kelli Slimp (right) edges out Ballinger's Jenny Edington to set a meet record in Eldorado. Slimp ran 46.89; Edington recorded a 46.90.

Craig Conner advances to state powerlifting meet

WHS powerlifter Craig Conner finished first in the 220 lbs. division at the Regional Powerlifting Meet in Sundown last Saturday. Conner will compete in the state meet at Ft. Hood in Killeen on Saturday, March 25.

Conner lifted a total of 1,370 lbs. with 545 in squat, 325 in bench, and 500 in dead lift.

Chris Hoppe placed seventh in the super heavyweight division with a total of 1,210 lbs. Kirk

Byrd qualified for the meet, but not compete due to back problems.

"Regionals were very strict," said Coach Shane Mobley. "Kids who had been winning all year bombed out. They were trying to get the boys ready for state—so that's why they didn't lift to their highest weight potential. I'm proud of all of them. They did a good job."

Correction

Three names were omitted from the PIPs roster *The Winters Enterprise* received and published in last week's edition. Also participating in the Players In Progress program this year were Shelby Walker, Courtney White, and Bryce Wilkerson. We apologize for this omission.

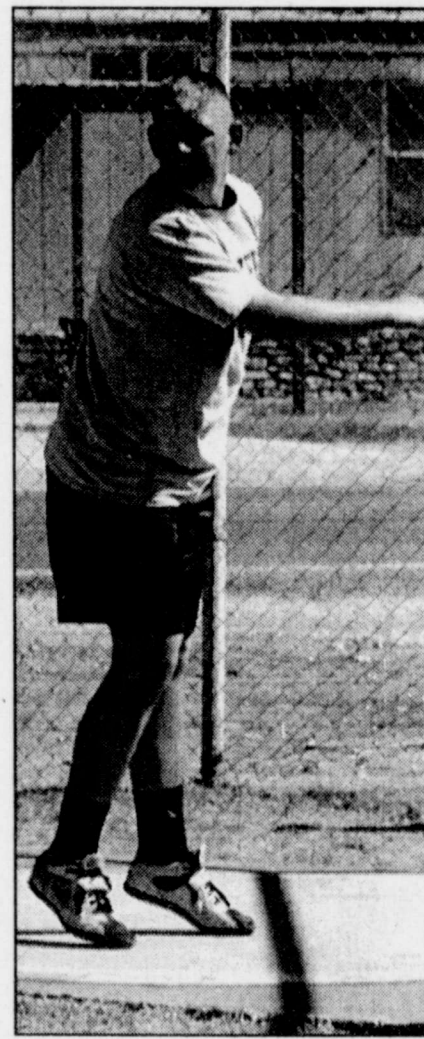
WHS golfers open season in Robert Lee tourney

The WHS Blizzard golf team competed in the Robert Lee Golf Tournament on March 7, finishing eighth with a score of 399. Forsan won the meet shooting 335.

Individual meet results were: John Bahlman, 103
Kirk Byrd, 95
Shane Colburn, 94
Justin Meyer, 107

"It was our first tournament and the conditions were bad with high winds and blowing sand," said Coach Robin Byrd. "With a little more practice, we should improve."

The boys' golf team will travel to Hamilton on Monday, March 20, while the girls will open their season in Goldthwaite on Tuesday, March 21.



RUSTY JACKSON set a meet record in the junior varsity discus at the Plateau Relays in Eldorado last Saturday. Jackson won both the discus and shot put events.

dash, both earning silver medals. Robert Gibbs took second in the long jump.

In varsity girls' action, Kelli Slimp was first in the 300 meter hurdles setting a new meet record time of 46.89. Michelle Paschal placed second in the shot put.

In JV action, Rusty Jackson picked up a pair of gold medals with first places throws in both the shot put and discus. Jackson set a new meet record in the JV discus with a throw of 135'9". Jeffrey Oats was first in the 400 meter dash, while Clint Marks earned gold in the 200 meter dash and long jump.

- Meet results are as follows.
- Boys Varsity Results**
Shot Put
3rd, Samson Jackson, 48'8.5"
- Long Jump**
2nd, Robert Gibbs, 20'1"
- 6th, Gary Woodbury, 19'1"**
- Discus**
4th, Jackson, 132'7"
- Triple Jump**
4th, Josh Minzenmayer, 38'
- 3200 M Run**
1st, Jimmy Rodriguez, 10:19
- 400 M Relay**
1st, Winters (A. Martinez, Woodbury, Agüero, Calcote) 44.0

- 400 M Relay**
5th, Winters (Mandy Pritchard, Tracey Burns, Stacey Sneed, Laci Walker) 54.65
- 800 M Relay**
4th, Winters, (Sлимп, Burns, Sneed, Jena Bahlman) 1:53.63
- 400 M Dash**
3rd, Pritchard, 64.67
- 300 M Hurdles**
1st, Slimp, 46.89 (new meet record)
- 4th, Walker, 50.35
6th, Kaci McCuiston, 53.19
- 200 M Dash**
4th, Bahlman, 28.93
- 1600 M Relay**
3rd, Winters (Pritchard, Bahlman, Sneed, Slimp) 4:24.99

- JV Boys Results**
Shot Put
1st, Rusty Jackson, 43'9.5"
- Long Jump**
1st, C. Marks, 18'4"
- 2nd, J. Oats, 17'8"
- Discus**
1st, Rusty Jackson, 135'9" (new meet record)
- 100 M Dash**
2nd, Marks, 11.5
- 800 M Run**
5th, Ivan Rodriguez, 2:25
- 400 M Dash**
1st, Jeffrey Oats, 55.5
- 200 M Dash**
1st, Clint Marks, 24.1

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BAD NEWS. THE PRINCIPAL HAS APPOINTED A SPECIAL PROSECUTOR FOR MY CASE.

Junior High track teams fair well at Merkel

The Winters Junior High School track teams competed in dual meet in Merkel last Friday.

The Breezes and Lady Breezes track teams will be idle until Friday, March 31, when they travel to Jim Ned.

Girls' results will be published in a future issue. Boys' results from the meet are as follows:

- 7th Grade Boys**
Shot Put
1st, Michael Roman
2nd, Skye Salinas
2nd, Jacob Bridgeman
- High Jump**
1st, Pete Griffin
2nd, Hallis Gibbs
2nd, Jacob Applegate
- Long Jump**
1st, Max Harrison
1st, Jose Hernandez
2nd, Jacob Applegate
- Triple Jump**
1st, Max Harrison

- 2nd, Jose Hernandez
- Discus**
2nd, Michael Roman
3rd, Max Harrison
3rd, Skye Salinas
- 2400 M Run**
1st, Andy Landeros
- 400M Relay**
2nd, Winters (Hernandez, Harrison, Roman, A. Lozano)
- 800 M Run**
1st, Thomas Doty
4th, Cody Pritchard
6th, Shawn Kraatz
- 110 M High Hurdles**
3rd, Jacob Applegate
- 100 M Dash**
2nd, Andrian Lozano
4th, Hallis Gibbs
6th, Michael Roman
- 400 M Dash**
2nd, Jose Hernandez
3rd, Thomas Rice
5th, Jeremy Mendoza
- 300 M Hurdles**
1st, Jacob Applegate
6th, Cody Pritchard

- 200 M Dash**
5th, Skye Salinas
6th, Jacob Hernandez
- 1600 M Run**
4th, Andy Landeros
5th, Matt Gray
- 1600 M Relay**
2nd, Winters (Hernandez, Harrison, Lozano, Roman)
- 8th Grade Boys**
Shot Put
1st, Jerry Hord
5th, Ray Torres
6th, Francisco Santo
- Triple Jump**
1st, Eric Lopez
3rd, Basilio Rocha
5th, Justin Laird
- High Jump**
1st, Jonathan Lujano
2nd, Benjie Valles
3rd, Will Ahrens
- Pole Vault**
4th, Tim Fenwick
- Long Jump**
2nd, Justin Wagley
3rd, Eric Lopez

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- 4th, Justin Laird
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2nd, Rey Torres
2nd, Benjie Valles
- 2400 M Run**
2nd, Tim Fenwick
1600 M Run
3rd, Tim Fenwick
6th, Vaughn Everett
- 400 M Relay**
1st, Winters (Lopez, Valles, Ahrens, Lujano)
- 800 M Run**
3rd, Vaughn Everett
- 110 M Hurdles**
2nd, Eric Lopez
5th, Justin Laird
- 200 M Dash**
3rd, Jonathan Lujano
6th, Jeremy Sherman
- 400 M Dash**
4th, Basilio Rocha
6th, Will Ahrens
- 300 Intermediate Hurdles**
2nd, Benjie Valles
4th, Justin Laird

Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz

You can rid yourself of a bad temper by losing it.

Hopewell Baptist Church has invited two former pastors to preach at its centennial celebration on April 9. The morning service will begin at 10:30 a.m. Dr. James McGlothlin, who was pastor from 1968-1970 and is presently pastor at Lakeside Baptist Church in Dallas, will preach. Lunch will follow at the church. The afternoon service will begin at 1:30 p.m. Oscar Fanning, retired in Abilene, will preach. He was Hopewell's pastor from 1985 and served 10 years, longer than any other pastor.

Sunday morning visitors at Hopewell Church were Joe Pierce, Joe's sister Pearlina Valenta of El Campo, and Pearlina's daughter Virginia Smith of Wharton. Also Dianna and Chandler Childs of Marlin.

Hopewell WMU ladies met Monday morning at the church to study home missions in America. They are having a week of prayer. Present were Juanita Shields, Melvena Gerhart, Fairy Alcorn, Selma Wilkerson, and Ramona Akins.

Linda Duggan spent Monday in Abilene with Katy and Kyle and grandson Kelton. On Tuesday, Linda visited with her aunt Frances Brown in San Angelo and took her to a doctor's appointment. The Duggans visited and enjoyed supper with Theodora Frick. Others also present were Will and Leslie Duggan, John and Melody Pruser and kids, Janice and Bob Pruser, and Thelma Hoppe.

Spending the weekend with Fairy and Wilbert Alcorn were Donald, Donna, Lisa, and Dennis Alcorn of Sterling City; Betty Jo Brown of Winters; Mac Dorman of Houston; Abe Giles of Lake Brownwood; and Fred Giles of Georgetown. Fairy visited with Bill and Juanita Hill in Winters during the week.

Lynda and Travis Ford of Ris-



Hilda Kurtz

ing Star and Doris Wood visited Georgia and Connie Gibbs during the week.

Visiting Doris Wood on Saturday and Sunday was friend Mrs. Matt Jung of Austin.

Nila and Therin Osborne visited the Wesley and Karen McGallian family on Saturday and enjoyed supper. Louise Osborne came out Sunday to see Nila and Therin.

We welcome our new neighbors, Tanya New and family, who are in Rodney Faubion's house. Tanya is helping to care for Harvey Mae Faubion.

Evelyn and Herbert Jacob visited Margie Jacob on Thursday night. They had a ball playing Skipbo.

On Monday, Nila and Therin Osborne were in Abilene to be with their granddaughter Stefanie McGallian who had tonsil surgery. She is doing okay.

Hildegard and Calvin Schovajsa of San Angelo spent Monday afternoon with me after they attended a friend's funeral in Rowena.

I have some news that is last week's news that I would like to include this week.

Visiting Joe and Betty Pierce during the week were Nila and Therin Osborne, Melvena Gerhart, Bernie McCoy of Abilene, and the Pierces' daughter and son-in-law, Debbie and John of Midland.

Selma Wilkerson spent Saturday with Lee and Judy Harrison. They also enjoyed supper and being with Jimmy, Frances, Garrett, and Katie Chapman of Ballinger.

Carolyn Webb took Brother Ferris Akins and Ramona and Joe Webb out to lunch at The Shed after church services on Sunday. All enjoyed the visit.

In honor of Girl Scout Week, March 11-17—

Dees family believes Girl Scouting promotes excellent values

by Susan Ripple, Girl Scout Public Relationist

Think about Girl Scouting. Do you picture daughters with mothers on an outdoor excursion? This is not all Girl Scouting is meant to be. It's a family affair and encompasses a much broader theme. Just ask the Dees family.

Ral and Laura Dees and 6-year-old daughter Lisa enthusiastically participate in the Winters unit of Heart of Texas Council of Girl Scouts.

When Lisa signed up last year and became a Daisy, Laura had no idea she soon would be leading a troop of first and second graders, mostly six-year-olds who have advanced to the Brownie level. When no one volunteered leadership for the girls this year, Laura asked herself "how hard can this be?" Knowing that her daughter wanted to continue membership, Laura's instincts told her what she had to do.

Naturally Laura's first choice in a co-leader was her husband Ral. I believe Ral is the first official male leader of any Winters Girl Scout troop. Don't get me wrong, I know for a fact that many fathers work behind the scenes supporting their daughters in various activities, not limited to Girl Scouts. But Ral is the first man in Winters to become a paid Girl Scout member and leader who actively participates with the girls in each and every endeavor.

Ral said that when his wife came to him the decision was easy. "We do most things as a family," he said with no hesitation in his answer. "Girl Scouting is fun and Laura really does most of the work," he continued. "I am the errand boy and money man." Laura is quick to respond by saying that she could not lead the girls without him.

Leaders Ral and Laura Dees have attended "Super Saturday," the annual basic training event hosted in October at Brownwood and designed to offer a broad base of knowledge for use in their Girl Scout capacity as well as in their personal life. And cookie training is a must for most leaders in Girl Scouting.

Their group of nine girls known affectionately as Brownie Troop #338 have already been very active in serving the community. One of their very first activities was to help the local Girl Scout unit in painting fire hydrants. They have also made Christmas cookies and ornaments, sang carols at the nursing home, prepared Christmas boxes for the needy around the world as part of Operation Christmas Child, and collected books to send

to the underprivileged in a California elementary school.

And of course there is the annual Girl Scout Cookie Sale in which these girls were very fortunate to participate. Fund-raising is something no one likes to do, but it is a necessity for us just as it is for so many other organizations.

Girl Scouting is not all work and no play. While earning "Try-It" badges, the girls thoroughly enjoy themselves as do the leaders. According to Laura, the following badges have been awarded to her girls: "Dancerize," "Good Food," and "My Body." And the girls are working on "Caring & Sharing" as well as "Outdoor Adventure."

After prying Lisa away from her reading (very important at this state in her life), she told me that her favorite activity thus far was making the Christmas ornaments. Laura recalled making a life-size poster of each of the girls and tracing their body. "The girls had such fun drawing their own faces on their posters!" she exclaimed.

The troop also loaded up and went to Abilene in November to see the theatrical presentation of The Nutcracker. "The girls had really good seats. They were sitting on the second row in the middle and were glued to what was going on," Laura said. Lisa also told me she enjoyed seeing this play.

Ral and Laura have made future plans to travel to Enchanted Rock, approximately 15 miles north of Fredericksburg, and the Nature Center in San Angelo. And they will host a sleepover sometime this summer.

Both Ral and Laura teach classes at Winters High School in addition to leading an active family life, so I asked how they could find time to manage such a busy schedule. Laura says that the troop meets twice a month on Thursdays, planned well in advance of course. Most of the parents are supportive and available to help with driving and providing refreshments at the meetings or whatever else is asked of them. However, after talking to the Dees for quite some time I found that Girl Scouting is one priority that is allotted into their schedule.

Ral and Laura believe that the program is worthwhile and look forward to serving as mentors. "Girl Scouting provides good values and a great opportunity for some who have never done anything like going to see The Nutcracker in Abilene," said Ral. "Some of these kids have never been out of Runnels County and now we are going to take them to Fredericksburg. We want them to know there are places and things

out there besides what is here in Winters."

Laura admitted that it is sometimes difficult to juggle so many hats but said she wants to keep leading Girl Scouts. She said that she enjoys it and sees herself doing it for a long time — for sure as long as Lisa wants to do it and perhaps even longer.

Ral stated, "We want to teach these children to play together, to break racial barriers, and to be exposed to a happy family setting." Laura added that they have the ability to point the children in the right direction. "We hope that they will come to us for advice as they get older. It is a worthwhile aspiration in knowing that we can make a difference in their lives."

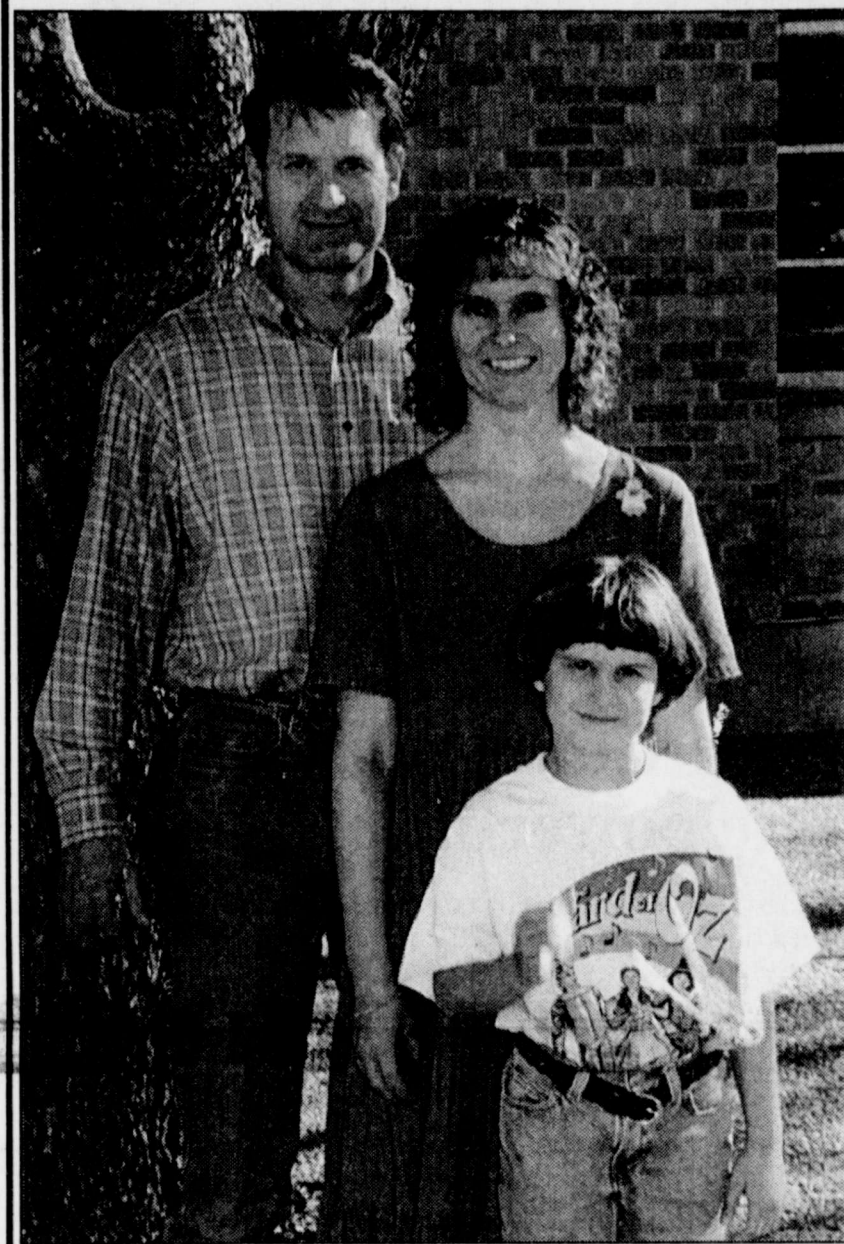
Both Ral and Laura said that they want to teach the girls that they can have fun doing constructive things by channeling their en-

ergy in the right places, and the Girl Scout program is one way of achieving this goal. Laura said that the girls have been very responsive. "They run and 'attack' us and give us a big hug every time they see us," Laura stated.

Lisa ends her conversation with me by stating that she likes to dress up in her Brownie suit. She talks about putting on her brown shorts, brown pantyhose, her T-shirt, and her Brownie sash complete with badges she has already earned. She did tell me that she thinks it is very special to have her mom and dad as her leaders. I agree with her and for just a moment, only one moment, wished I could go back in time to be lucky enough to have leaders and role models such as Ral and Laura Dees.

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- Activity intolerance
- Anxiety
- Knowledge deficit
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- Fatigue
- Ineffective breathing pattern
- Fear
- Impaired gas exchange

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ACROSS

- 1 TX Willie once was a _____ jockey
- 5 in '91, TX Skaggs Alpha Beta became Jewel
- 6 TXism: "plain as the _____ on a mule"
- 7 _____ Pickens is an honorary TX Ranger
- 8 novel by TX Judith McNaught (2 wds.)
- 17 Valley citrus seed
- 18 TXism for "tantrum"
- 21 TXism: "dab _____ on"
- 22 "buenas _____"
- 23 this Danny had the lead in "Ruby" ('92)
- 24 Dave "Tex" O'Brien film: "The Yanks Are _____"
- 29 TXism: "cut from the same _____"
- 30 TX VP Bush's boss Reagan, et al.
- 31 Lithium symbol manufactured in Wichita Falls (2 wds.)
- 34 Huntsville's Sam Houston statue weighs 25 _____
- 35 TXism: "dim _____"
- 36 Six Flags performer Jay Johnson played _____ of Bob _____ & Chuck on "Soap"
- 37 in 1939, TX Connally to LBJ
- 38 init. of 1-across
- 39 "made _____ of his time" (inefficient)
- 40 Aikman is spokes- man for _____ bricks

DOWN

- 1 TXism for "yes" (4 wds.)
- 2 TX Gary Morris' "One Fall _____"
- 3 "_____ and save"
- 4 Gov. Ann made a Soviet _____ naut an honorary Texan
- 9 sheets in the Gulf
- 10 TX Dixie Chicks' "Shouldn't a Told You _____"
- 11 TXism: "too big for _____ britches"
- 12 TXism: "me casa _____ su casa"
- 13 TXism: "busy _____ armed _____ paper hanger"
- 14 TXism: "got Romeo blood in his _____"
- 15 they're "upon you" in TX
- 16 Cowboy league
- 19 home state of TX Cynthia Parker
- 20 TXism: "don't cotton _____" (dislike)
- 22 TXism: "a _____ of his own medicine"
- 24 TX Pride (init.)
- 25 _____ Ocean, TX
- 26 TX Willie has a house in _____, HI
- 27 TX Hagman film: "Getting Away From _____" ('71)
- 28 TX Connally's wife
- 29 bundled the cotton
- 30 traveled by horse
- 33 TX Freddie Fender tune: "You'll _____ Good Thing"
- 34 TXism: "it's high _____ state seashell: lightning _____"
- 37 mishaps
- 38 TX Mandrell's "If Loving You is _____"
- 40 TXism: "up _____ 'em juice" (coffee)
- 41 this Tarkenton once scrambled against the Boys _____
- 42 ex-Cowboy lineman Nate (init.)
- 44 TX Mary Kay _____
- 45 TX Crossword co.: Orbison _____
- 48 Dallas program: _____ Tree _____
- 50 TXism: "dainty as _____ bride"

Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

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HERITAGE, continued

when the railroad was laid through Winters instead. All the buildings were moved away and all that remains is a lonely cemetery.

All five of the Billups boys were deeded equal portions of the original 2,400 acre ranch by their father James in 1917. Over time Ford and Ray sold their portions of the land and Val bought out J.T. J.T., at age 95, is the only child of James and Lillie Belle still surviving.



James Thomas & Lillie Bell Billups

In 1924, Truett married Leona Lewis. Together they had three children, Gene Billups (Nichols) who now resides in San Antonio, Jackie Billups (Wagner) who died in 1971, and Lynn Billups, who presently owns and operates the ranch.

Truett and Leona worked the ranch for a living. Since its origin, the farm has produced cattle, sheep, grain crops, cotton, and grasses.

They were both members of the First Baptist Church where they taught Sunday School and Truett was a deacon. Truett served on the county school board for a number of years. Leona was a longtime member of the Diversity Club and was instrumental in the organization of the Junior Culture Club. She served as club mother for many years.

In 1965, Lynn purchased his Uncle Val's portion of the land. He and wife Diana lived in one of two houses on the land since 1961, while his parents lived in the main house. His parents lived there until 1975 when they moved to Seguin. Lynn and Diana have lived in the main house since his parents moved. Lynn acquired his father Truett's section of land in 1982.

Lynn farmed with his father until '75 and has operated the ranch since then by himself. The homestead totals 1,840 acres today. Lynn's father died in 1987 and his mother passed away in 1996.

Lynn and Diana's family include oldest son Brett who is director of the Human Resources Department for Wire Tech, Inc. He and wife Krissi and their children Truett, Sean, and Brianna, live in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Scott is a supervisor at Bandag and lives in Dudley near Abilene. He and his wife Cindy have two children, Heath and Brigitte. Kent is a security guard for Pantex, a nuclear disarmament plant. He and his wife Nancy reside in Amarillo. Daughter Lynda Billups Kizer works in advertising

for The Owen Group. She lives in Lubbock with her husband Mark.

Lynn has served as president of Winters Little League and the Blizzard Athletic Booster Club. In addition, he served on the North Runnels Hospital Board for nine years, chairing the board for one term. He was a member of the Runnels County Appraisal Board



Truett & Leona Billups

for nine years and chaired it for two terms.

Diana has held all major offices for the Winters Little League Auxiliary, North Runnels Hospital Auxiliary, Ladies Golf Association,

PTO, and Junior Culture Club. She was the first vice-president of the Heart of Texas District from 1969-70. She served as Band Booster Club president for two years and was secretary-treasurer of the Winters Athletic Booster Club.

Both have been active members of the Winters First Baptist Church, volunteering as Sunday School teachers. Diana taught in the nursery and preschool departments for 27 years.

In addition, they have been members of the Winters Squares, the Winters Country Club, and are volunteers for the Meals on Wheels program.

Lynn's fondest memories are growing up on the ranch and being able to raise his children there as well.

As for why he remains in agriculture during these bleak times, Lynn says, "You're independent. It's a good way of life." He adds, "We have a water well—it's kept us going. It was hand dug 14 feet over 95 years ago. There's a water line to a cement tank in the middle of the place and it gravitates to the pastures."

As for his children carrying on the tradition of the homestead—"All my kids want it kept in the family. I've been told not to ever sell it! I think one maybe two will retire out there."

"One (of the kids) has already expressed an interest in building a house and retiring there. We have a son-in-law who would live out there right now."

Lynn says of the Family Land Heritage award, "It's a nice honor for the place. We are lucky to be in the right place at the right time. It's not an honor for us—but for the place."

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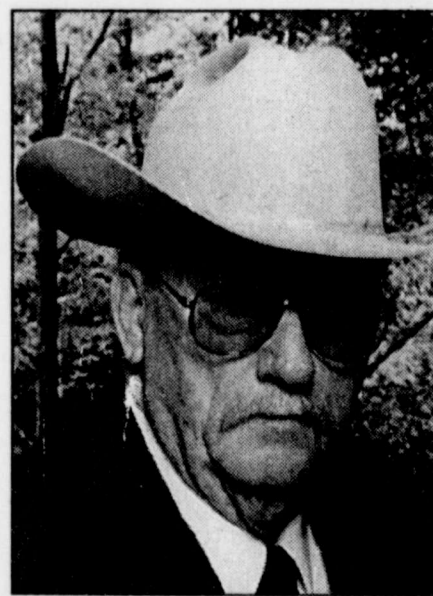
Thanks to the Winters Volunteer Fire Department and the Runnels County Sheriff's Department for their quick response to what we thought was going to be a major house fire.

Also thanks to the employers for allowing the firemen to respond, and to the friends and neighbors who raced over to be of assistance.

Most of all, our gratitude ultimately to God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ for keeping the damage to an extreme minimum, for alerting us to the potential danger, and pointing us to the location of the problem before any real damage occurred.

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Downtown Crews, TX*

Winters Christian Fellowship Church to host revival



Evangelist Sam Tomlinson

Winters Christian Fellowship Church, formerly the Guiding Light Spirit Filled Baptist Church located at the corner of the Novice Highway and N. Cryer Street, will host a revival March 15 through March 19, 2000.

Services begin at 6 p.m. each evening Wednesday through Sunday. Sunday morning services will be conducted at 11:00.

Nondenominational evangelists Sam and Barbara Tomlinson, pastors at the Worship Center in Brownwood and formerly of Louisiana, will be guest speakers. Mrs. Tomlinson will also lead special singing.

Pastor Robert G. Sherman invites everyone to join.

Poe's Corner

By Charlsie Poe

To be a good wife

Part 2 of a series

Continued from week of March 9, 2000.

We had little time to visit during harvest but managed to eat Sunday dinner with his parents or mine, as they both lived in town. One day at his mother's, I noticed he was eating light bread. From then on, he was served whatever kind of bread I wanted to prepare. He said he was afraid I wouldn't learn to cook.

After we went home in the evening, George always called for pork and beans with bacon. He said, "This is the best meal I've eaten today." We had this dish real often.

After the cotton was gathered, before the crisp, clear days of autumn turned into winter, there was preparation for the planting of a new crop in the spring. This was a more leisurely time.

If it rained, there was no work in the field. George was an expert driving through the ooze, sliding hither and yon. He always made it to town, but sometimes it was too bad to go home, so we stayed in town for the night.

I could handle my parents' Model T, but had to learn how to drive the roadster. My lord and master showed me how to shift gears and sent me to brother Fred's house on an errand.

"But I've never driven this car — what if I can't stop it?"

"You've got this whole farm to drive around on until you run out of gas," was his unconcerned reply.

However, one thing that did concern him was our grocery bill.

Daddy gave us until the end of the year to pay it. This was not unusual for wholesale companies collected from the retail grocer only twice a year at that time.

After the grocery bill was paid, George scanned each one of them word for word, asking questions, "Do you know how much these olives you bought cost?"

"No, I didn't look. Anything in the store that I want can be mine by telling the clerk to charge it."

"Well, Daddy's not paying the



Charlsie Poe

grocery bill now, I am! I want you to look at the cost of what you buy."

I didn't promise anything, but I began observing the cost of things.

Many of the farmers went to town when they couldn't work in the field. Business was taken care of in short order and the men headed for the Domino Hall. This was a special time for me to visit with friends or go shopping. The only requirement was that I be ready to go home by milking time.

Usually, I took my ironing along so I could use an electric iron at Mama's house. Laundry was no problem as the hired hand's wife was eager to wash for some extra money, but I hated those irons that had to be heated on the stove — "sad irons" they were called.

Once I was late reaching Mama's house, in fact, I had carried her to town. George was standing on the steps looking at his watch.

Mama said, with a laugh, "There stands your husband having a fit."

I was lectured all the way home about the importance of being on time to feed the livestock.

No answer, but I was thinking — one cow to milk and two fat pigs to feed — nobody else drinks the milk. Those pigs were pets. I chased them all over the farm before I knew they were pets and came home by themselves.

The next day the scene is the same, but guess who was late. We drove home in complete silence — not a word was said. When I stepped out of the car at home, I said, with ice dripping off my words, "It makes a difference who's late, doesn't it?"

To be continued

Conserve water and pray for rain

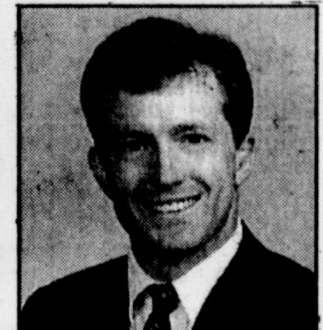
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Winters, Texas, shall conduct a public hearing to advise the public about the Texas Community Development Program and to obtain citizen views and comments regarding the city's proposed application for economic development assistance funding through the Texas Capital Fund. This program is administered by the Texas Department of Economic Development.

The public hearing shall include a discussion on the Texas Community Development Program/Texas Capital Fund, the development of housing and community development needs, the amount of funding available, all eligible activities, the use of past Texas Community Development Program contract funds, the estimated amount of funds proposed for activities that will meet the national objectives of benefit to low and moderate income persons, and the plans of the locality to minimize the displacement of persons and to assist persons actually displaced as a result of activities assisted with Texas Community Development Program funds. Citizens are encouraged to attend the hearing and offer their views and comments.

The public hearing shall be held as follows:

Date: March 22, 2000

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Place: Winters City Hall

If you are unable to attend, please submit your written comments to City Secretary, City of Winters, 310 S. Main Street, Winters, Texas 79567 on or before the scheduled hearing date.

Please call the City Secretary if interpreter assistance is needed. Accessibility to the handicapped will be provided, upon request. The application for Texas Capital Fund assistance will be made available for public review at City Hall during normal business hours.

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WPD organizing neighborhood crime watch

The Winters Police Department is seeking cooperation from residents and concerned citizens in the city limits of Winters, to organize a network of neighborhood crime watch groups.

All interested persons should contact Chief Carey Ballentine or Community Resource Officer James Kipness at the Winters Police Department, 754-4121, weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

According to Ballentine, "The department is looking forward to working with the citizens in our city to combat crime. Remember that with your help, the Winters Police Department can make Winters a safer place to live for all of us."

Effective Friday, March 17, 2000,
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Leslie Pruser-Duggan
will be re-locating to
The Hair Post at 406 North Main
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754-4385

Letters to the Editor

Citizen concerned with restoring prayer in public schools again

Dear Editor,
 Three Points to Consider.
 1. The Bible is the number one book in the whole world to teach right from wrong. We as good citizens, as a whole, admit that we have stood by while the Bible was taken from our classrooms, and have been negligent in not standing for Bible to be taught as a subject in our schools from kindergarten through the 12th grade.
 Recently, a school board member was asked if they thought that we would ever see the Bible taught again as part of the curriculum in our schools, to which the reply came that "they doubted it."
 We as responsible adults should influence and encourage our school board members to have courage and to fight to have the Bible taught in our public schools again.
 2. We admit that we have not really fought to keep Christian Prayer in our schools. We should work with all of our might until Satan, the devil, is defeated and Christian Prayer is again restored entirely for our children and grandchildren.
 3. We should not allow the Theory of Evolution to take the place of the Fact of Creation that we know to be true according to the Genesis account given in the Bible.
 We feel that these three points are the most important points that we as citizens need to make in order to help drive the influence of Satan, the devil, from our public schools.
 Sincerely,
 Jim Hicks

Choir directors offer thanks for coverage of recent activities

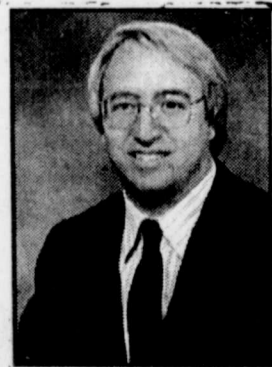
Dear Friends at *The Enterprise*,
 We want to thank you for the EXCELLENT coverage of our recent choir performances and trip.
 It's so wonderful to know that our work is supported and appreciated, and it's such a wonderful encouragement to the children in our choir. It helps to make being in choir the special experience we want it to be for each of them.
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 Sincerely,
 Fran Kidwell & Joanie Prado

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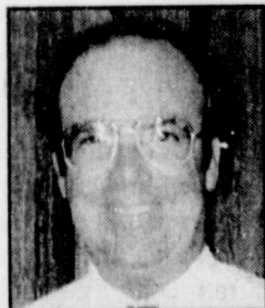


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GARLAND O'DELL (left) is presented a plaque upon his recent retirement from Runnels County Precinct 3. O'Dell served the county for approximately 12 years. Commissioner Thurman Self makes the presentation.



LAVELTA EUBANK retired Wednesday, March 1, 2000, after 22+ years from the Assembly 1 Department at Selkirk-Airmate (Dry Manufacturing) in Winters. Kelly Blackerby, supervisor, offers his gratitude for her services and presents her with a gift in appreciation.

More bricks laid at Rock Hotel

Thirty-six more bricks were recently laid in the Brick Walkway at The Rock Hotel Heritage Center. This brings the total number of monogrammed bricks to over 900.
 Orders for bricks to honor or remember any individual or family may still be placed by calling Marlene Smith at 754-4961 or Randall Conner at 754-4542. Cost of the bricks is \$50.00 and the next round will be laid late this year.

 "He has half the deed done who has made a beginning."
 —Horace

Still a Foxy Lady at 80!
 Happy Birthday Mom
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Identity of birthday girl is revealed elsewhere in this issue.

Sell those unwanted items in a garage sale. Advertise in *The Winters Enterprise*. 754-4958

Police Beat

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

- Winters Police Department reports received and/or investigated from Sunday, March 5, 2000, through Saturday, March 11, 2000. Winters Police Officers:
- received a report of an assault in the 1000 block of W. Dale Street. A 25-year-old female of Winters alleged being struck in the face by a 30-year-old male related to her after an argument at the male's place of employment. No arrest was made as the female reported the assault an hour later and the male was not located. The female was advised on how to file charges.
 - were notified of an assault victim at North Runnels Hospital. A 22-year-old female of Winters was observed to have bruising and cuts to her face, bruising to her chest and thigh area. The female alleged a 46-year-old male used his pants belt to hit her repeatedly. The female refused to file charges, and due to the severity of the injuries, charges are being filed on behalf of the victim as Class A assault.
 - received a report of vandalism in the 1100 block of W. Dale Street. A female from Miles alleged that a 29-year-old male of Ballinger had broken the windshield of her pickup approximately one month ago. The victim gave no indication of wanting to file charges. A report was taken.
 - received a report of vandalism in the 300 block of N. Rogers Street. Approximately four vehicles belonging to four different subjects were keyed, scratching the paint. A number of juvenile males were described in the area. This case is under investigation as Class B criminal mischief. The aggregate amount of damage is estimated at \$2,000.
 - received a report of threats in the 500 block of Bowen. A female of Winters alleged a 31-year-old male of Winters had threatened her and spit on her, then the female admitted slapping the male. The male admitted spitting on the female only after she slapped him. Under Texas law, both parties have committed assault and at this time the male has declined to pursue charges.
 - made an investigative stop on a subject on S. Main Street after officers had received earlier reports that he was causing problems at a local business. The driver, Rito Luna Ramon of Sweetwater, was found to be driving with a suspended license and had an odor of alcohol on his person. Mr. Ramon was offered, subsequently failed several field sobriety tasks, and was arrested for driving while license suspended and felony driving while intoxicated. Mr. Ramon showed to have a blood alcohol concentration of two and one half times the legal limit.
 - received a report of a male subject leaving a baggie of marijuana at a local business. The male allegedly left the illicit drug on the floor after attempting to pull money out of his pocket. The male was identified and contacted by officers. The male had an odor of marijuana on his person. A security camera video taped the male leaving the illicit drug and the 17-year-old male of Winters faces charges for Class B possession of marijuana.

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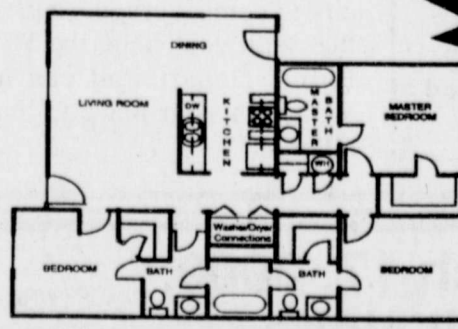
- County Court Criminal Cases Filed**
March 3
 Norma Campos Arispe, Abilene, filed for driving while intoxicated
 William Byerly Morgan, San Antonio, filed for driving while license suspended
 Johnny Sturgill, Leuders, filed for driving while license suspended
 Daniel Jeremiah Cortez, Winters, filed for possession of marijuana
 Dennis Wayne Havlak, Talpa, filed for driving while intoxicated
 Joe Aragon, filed for resisting arrest
 Jesse Daniel Torres, Lubbock, filed for evading arrest
 Donato Marquez Casteneda, Abilene, filed for driving while intoxicated
March 6
 Tina Marie Garcia, filed for failure to appear
March 7
 Frank Leady, Ballinger, filed for unlawfully carrying a prohibited weapon
 Charles Perry Blackshear, Abilene, filed on two counts: possession of marijuana and making alcohol available to a minor
 Scotty Lavon Huffman, Ballinger, filed on three counts: making alcohol available to a minor, driving while intoxicated, and driving while license suspended
March 8
 Cynthia Diane Stamps, Odessa, filed for driving while intoxicated
 Albert Wayne Hagle Jr., Winters, filed for driving while license suspended
 Justin Alan Leathers, Hawley, filed for possession of marijuana
 Rito Luna Ramon, Sweetwater, filed for driving while license suspended
 Natividad Lara Cruz, Winters, filed for driving while intoxicated (subsequent offense)
 Luther Lee Smith, Abilene, filed on two counts: driving while intoxicated and driving while license suspended
 Noe Sanchez, Winters, filed for driving while intoxicated
- March 9**
 Robert Lee Crawford, Round Rock, Texas, filed for possession of marijuana
 Jebydia Moryiea Morton, Round Rock, Texas, filed for possession of drug paraphernalia
 Price Rowe Moore, Miles, filed for driving while license suspended
 Ricardo Chapa Saldana, Miles, filed for possession of marijuana
 Diana R. Saldana, Miles, filed for possession of marijuana
 Martin Quilimaco, Miles, filed for possession of marijuana
 Trinidad Pena Velasquez, Miles, filed for possession of marijuana
 Alfie Renee Teague, Brady, filed for making alcohol available to a minor
CORRECTION: The Alan Matthew Fischer, Rowena, filed for assault on February 25 should have read Alan Matthew Fisher.
- Marriage Licenses**
March 8
 Ashley Paul Goetz and Dawn Sheree Faircloth
- District Court Divorce Cases Filed**
March 3
 Johnny D. Butler v. Mary K. Butler
March 9
 Henry Leon Prossie vs. Linda Sue Prossie
- Civil Cases Filed**
March 7
 Yolanda Rangel vs. John Walker Conway, individually and acting in his capacity as an employee of Mac Oil Field Co., Inc., and Mac Oil Field Co., Inc., suit for damages
- Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Criminal Cases Filed**
March 9
 Celestino Lozano Ledezma, filed for public intoxication
 David Molina Jr., filed for public intoxication

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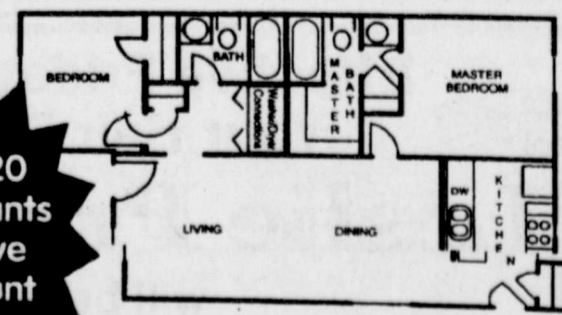
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NOTICE TO MEMBERS OF NORTH RUNNELS WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION

The 23rd Annual Membership Meeting for North Runnels Water Supply Corporation will be Monday, March 27, 2000, at 7:30 p.m. in the Winters Community Center.

Included on the agenda is the 1999 Financial Statement Audit to be presented by Harold Shelburne, CPA. Also, the ballots for the three directors will be counted and revealed.

The director's terms for Dennis McBeth, Gary Bryan, and Gary Jacob expire at this meeting. Seeking re-election are incumbents Dennis McBeth and Gary Bryan. Other candidates for election are Rick Ikeler, Jerry Holden, and Raymond Lindsey.

Gary Jacob, who has served on NRWSC Board since 1988, will not seek re-election. The board of di-

rectors, employees, and members of the corporation would like to express their appreciation to Gary for his outstanding contribution to the water system.

New officers for the year will be elected at the annual meeting. Presently serving as officers are Lanny England, president; Billy Joe Colburn, vice-president; and Dennis McBeth, secretary/treasurer. Present directors are Gary Bryan, Gary Jacob, Doug Bryan, Rick Minzenmayer, Ed Bredemeyer, Duane Geistmann, and Rodney Gordon.

There will be a drawing for door prizes, and refreshments will be served.

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Ricky Strube, Commissioner Precinct 4, expressed a desire to table the bids in hopes the area would get rain and two nearby materials suppliers could bid on the topping rock. Because of dry weather, AIM Materials of Bronte did not submit a bid. AIM gets their materials from the Colorado River area and because the river is so low AIM has no material at the present time.

Approval was given to the makeup of the County's salary grievance committee for 2000. Nine citizens agreed to serve on the committee. They are Effie Lee Andrews, Ballinger; Charles Book, Miles; Barbara Boone, Ballinger; Kendal Granzin, Miles; Robert G. Jalomo, Rowena; Gary Don Pinkerton, Winters; Bonita Shields, Ballinger; Deborah Stewart, Ballinger; and Dorothy Triggs, Ballinger.

In case a precinct or county elected official is in disagreement with the proposed budgeted salary and/or expenses for his/her office, that official can request a hearing before the county's salary grievance committee.

Other business at the meeting and action taken included:

- Approval of an easement to allow Byler Dozer, Inc. to cross County Road 287 at the Dudley Ranch (Precinct 4) with a low pressure gas line.

- An easement request from North Runnels Water Supply Corporation to cross County Road 284 in Precinct 3 with a water line was granted.

- An extension of the lease agreement between Joyce, Lanny, and Charles Bahlman for office space for West Texas Centers for MHRM in Winters was okayed by commissioners. The lease period will run from April 1, 2000, to March 31, 2001.

- Approval was given of a plat dividing a tract of land out of the Charles Osgood Survey into two parts (Country Club Estates Parts 1 and 2).

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TSGRA to host district membership meeting on March 18 in Ballinger

Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' Association members in District 4, which is made up of the counties of Coke, Coleman, Concho, Nolan, Runnels, and Tom Green, will meet at the Ballinger Community Center in Ballinger on Saturday, March 18. The meeting will get underway at 10:30 a.m.

The noon meal will be hosted by Ballinger National Bank and First National Bank of Ballinger.

Gordon Hays is District 4 chairman and is in charge of local arrangements.

Several presentations will be made including a report by Di-

rector Allen Belk of Winters on the activities of the Sheep & Goat Predator Management Board. Other topics to be discussed are managing sheep and goats in times of drought, update on wildlife services and predator control, and a report on the association's activities at the state and national levels.

Directors for the 2000-2001 term will be elected following the presentations.

Members are encouraged to bring prospective members and their wives. Drawings will be held for a variety of door prizes.

Stone to speak at 4-H method demonstration training

Four-H families interested in learning more about 4-H method demonstrations and illustrated talks are invited to participate in a special training on Thursday, March 23. The 6 p.m. training will be held in the County Extension Office on Strong Avenue in Ballinger.

Cody Stone, District 7 4-H & Youth Specialist, will be on hand to discuss how demonstrations and talks should be put together for the enjoyment of the audience. Subject matter areas of competitions will be explained and state 4-H guidelines will be reviewed.

Mr. Stone's training will not only be helpful to first time demonstration/talk families but also to veterans wanting to polish their skills. His fresh ideas will give individuals direction for involvement in this meaningful 4-H activity.

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FIRE, continued

Ms. McMorris said she was told the fire was caused by faulty electrical wiring in the old woodframe house which was located across the road from the Masonic Lodge in Wingate.

The family has no insurance, and funds have been set up at Security State Banks in Wingate and Winters.

Ms. McMorris, an employee at Heidenheimer's in Winters, said her main concern is for her daughter Marcy, age 10. She is a fourth grader at Blackwell school. Marcy wears size 10 "regular" clothing and size 2&1/2 shoes.

Anyone willing to donate clothing may bring items by *The Winters Enterprise* office at 104 N. Main in Winters.

**Based upon 15 years of experiences—
Ballinger native Dr. Virgil M. Fry writes book about serious illness, loss**

Twenty-first Century Christian of Nashville has released a new book entitled "Disrupted: Finding God in Illness and Loss" written by Dr. Virgil M. Fry, a chaplain at the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center. Fry is a native of Ballinger, and the son of Jack and Virginia Fry.

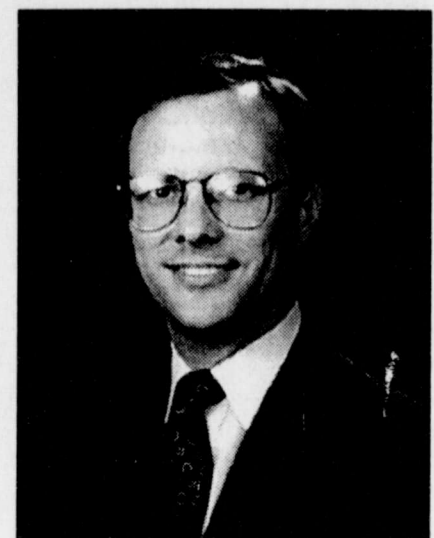
The hardback book is in a giftbook format, and it contains poems, prayers, articles, and quotes about dealing with serious illness or loss.

Dr. Fry has drawn on experiences over nearly 15 years at M.D. Anderson to write the book. It is presented in a journey motif, with each article purposely brief in order to be sensitive to those dealing with difficult times.

Glenn and Mary Stinchcomb of Oklahoma City said of the book, "We knew disruption firsthand — a strange city, an unfamiliar hospital, a son newly diagnosed with leukemia. It was in this nightmare that we came to know (Chaplain) Virgil Fry... and his insight, faith, and compassion."

Though their 23-year-old son lost his battle with leukemia, the Stinchcombs were grateful for the continuum of comfort provided by Dr. Fry, whom they asked to conduct the funeral service when Clay died. The book is also endorsed by Keith Miller, author of the best seller "The Taste of New Wine," and Houston writer Sue Baier ("Bed Number 10").

Dr. Fry earned bachelor and master degrees from Abilene Christian University, then re-



ceived his doctor of ministry degree from Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary in 1993. He also completed four units of Clinical Pastoral Education at Baylor University Medical Center in Dallas. Since 1985, he has been director of the Lifeline Chaplaincy, representing the Churches of Christ, at M.D. Anderson.

He also is an adjunct professor at Abilene Christian and Pepperdine Universities and a frequent lecturer at conferences and churches throughout the country. Dr. Fry has written brochures and magazine articles about dealing with serious illness and loss. He and his wife Cheryl, a teacher in the Fort Bend Independent School District, live in Missouri City. They have two children: Kyle, age 20 and a student at ACU, and Kacie, age 17 and a student at Westbury Christian School.

"Disrupted" is available at Keel Drug, or for more information call Virginia Fry at 365-2969.

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