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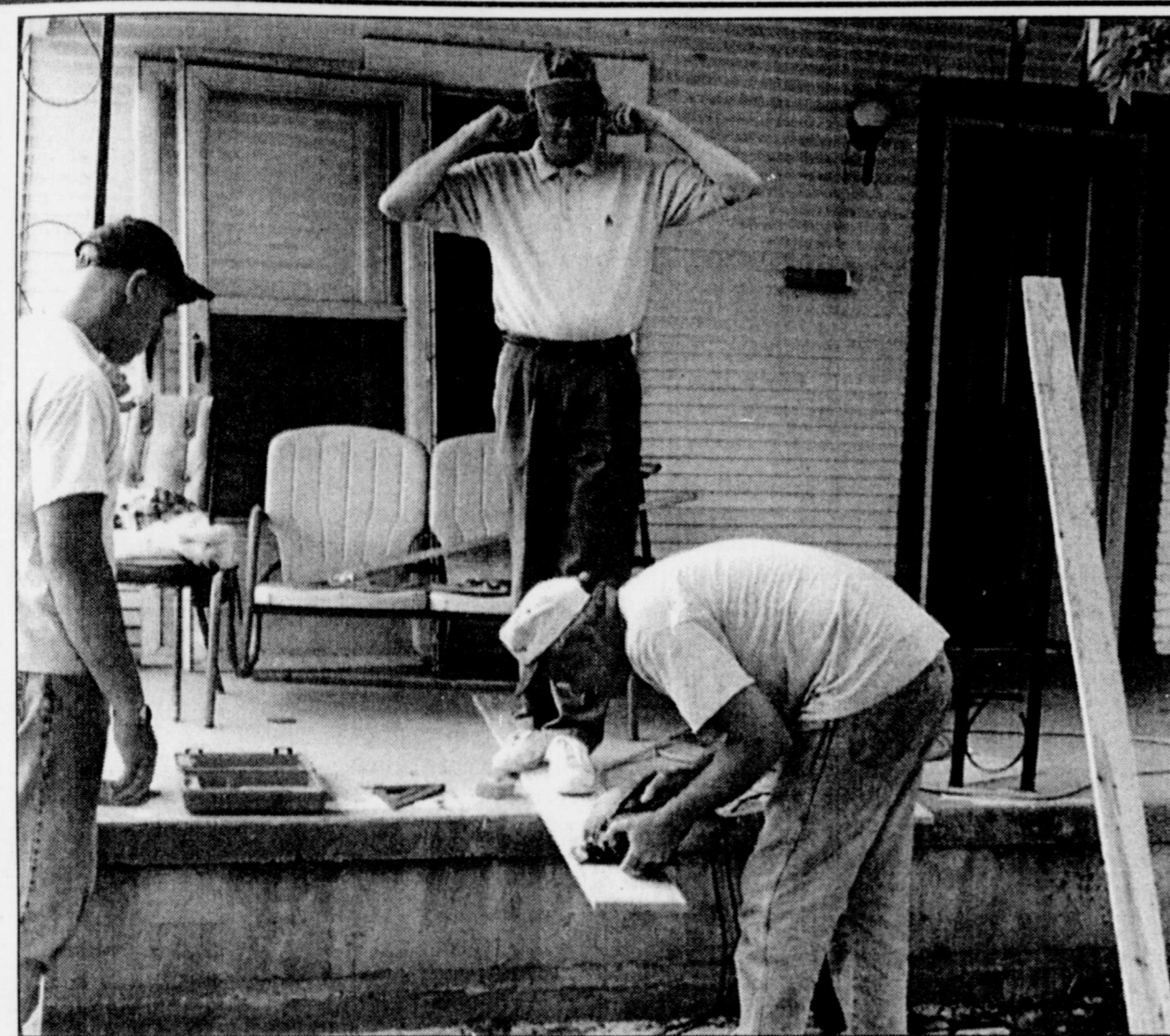
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HOLDING THE BOARD AND HIS EARS, Mark Edge, pastor of Main Street Church of Christ, plugs his ears to lessen the noise of Bryan Webb cutting lumber as John Bahlman waits for the board. The trio was part of more than 100 volunteers who worked Saturday to improve six homes during the annual Christmas in April project. More pictures available in next week's edition of *The Winters Enterprise*.

Winters woman scammed in telemarketing scheme

A 73-year old Winters woman was recently duped in a telephone scam when she received a call on April 11.

According to the victim who wishes to remain unnamed, the female caller said, "We understand you're a Visa credit card holder." When the Winters woman said "yes" the caller asked for the victim's mother's maiden name for identification purposes. She then said she needed to verify the victim's card number and expiration date.

The victim verified the information after which time a male's voice came on the phone, telling the victim about credit card fraud and how his company could insure her Visa card for only "two ninety-five per month."

The victim said she told the man that she was not agreeing to the insurance but that he could send the proper paperwork for her to look over, and he agreed.

Suspicious of the call and not wanting to spend even \$2.95 per month, she called the Visa company the next morning only to

find that \$295.00 had already been deducted from her card.

The Winters woman then contacted the Better Business Bureau in Abilene.

Steve Abel, BBB president, issued the following news release:

"The Abilene Better Business Bureau is warning consumers not to be tricked into giving out credit card numbers to companies who are unfamiliar to you. The Bureau has been receiving calls from consumers who were contacted by companies selling credit card insurance or protection. The unscrupulous telemarketers lead the consumers to believe the call was from their credit card company, either Visa or MasterCard. The unethical sales practice included various attempts at tricking the consumer into unwittingly giving out their credit card number."

"Complaints received at the Bureau allege that once the credit card number is given to the telemarketer the card is charged between \$200 to \$400 for a credit card protection plan."

"While a credit card protection plan or credit card insurance may be beneficial for some, the Bureau suggests consumers should fully check out any plan. Federal law protects most credit card users from theft or fraudulent use of their card."

"If consumers make timely notification to their credit card of any theft, unauthorized charges or fraudulent use they are only liable for the first \$50.00."

"Do NOT give any personal information over the phone to an unfamiliar company. This includes your credit card numbers but also the credit card expiration date, your social security number, driver's license number, and bank account numbers. Even if you're told it's only for "identification or verification," this information can be used for unauthorized credit card charges or bank account debits."

"If you need more help, contact your Better Business Bureau at 915-691-1533, or visit our web site at www.abilene.bbb.org."

Pre-K and Kindergarten Round-Up on April 21

Pre-registration for 1998-1999 pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students has been scheduled for Tuesday, April 21, 1998, at 6:30 p.m. in the Elementary Library.

Parents of children who will be four (4) years old for pre-k, or five (5) years old for kindergarten, on or before September 1, 1998, should bring **birth certificates (hospital and church records), immunization records, and Social Security cards.**

Those students not enrolled in kindergarten and who will be six on or before September 1, 1998, should also register for the first grade.

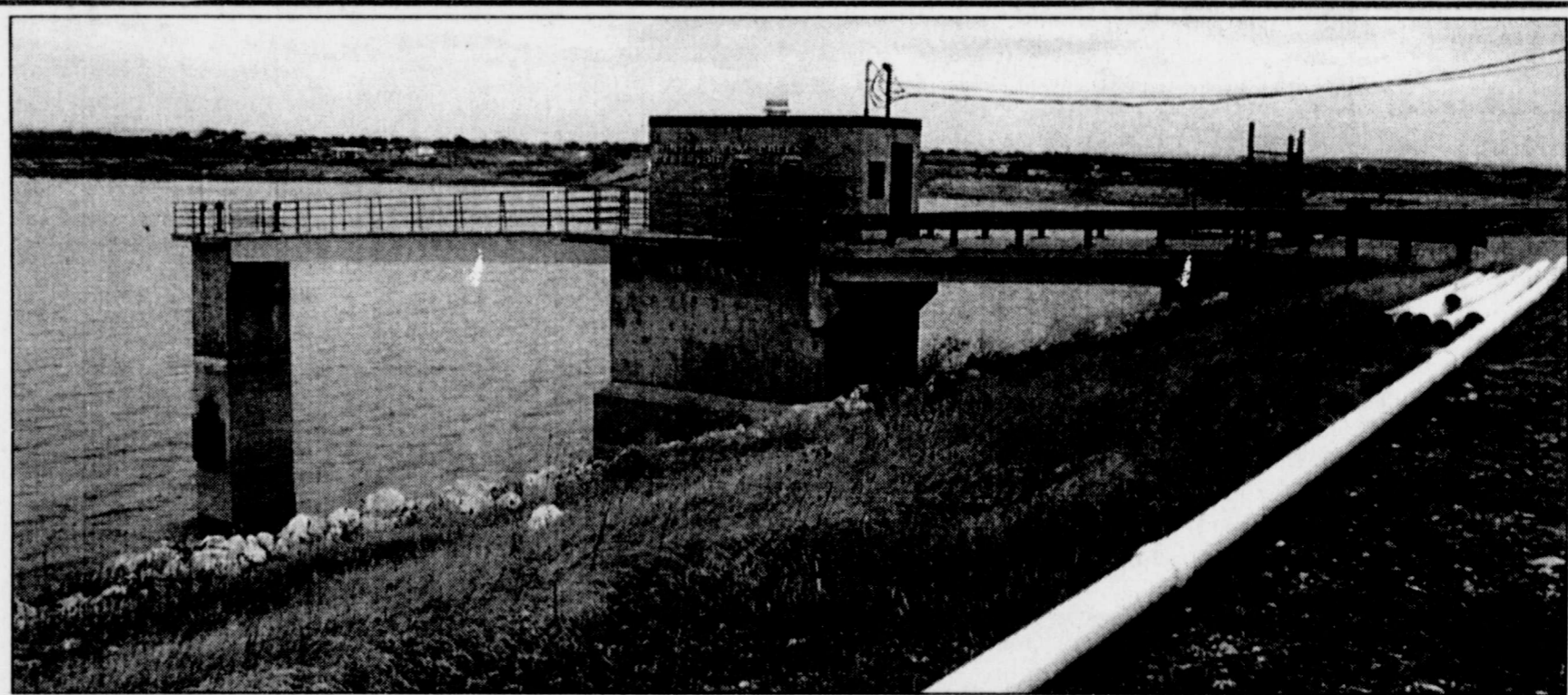
A four year old child shall be

eligible for pre-kindergarten if he/she is unable to comprehend the English language or is from a family whose income is at or below subsistence level. Pre-kindergarten classes shall be offered for one-half day.

It is **VERY IMPORTANT** that all students should be pre-registered. The school needs to determine the number of pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, and first grade teachers that will be needed for the 1998-1999 school year.

The Winters I.S.D. is required to provide a summer school program for limited English proficient students who will be eligible for admission to kindergarten and

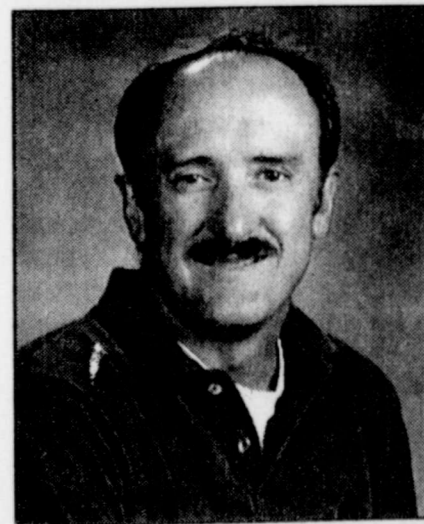
See **ROUND-UP**, page 4



MORE THAN 6,000 FEET OF PIPELINE are being prepared at Elm Creek Reservoir to bring water from new wells to the pump station. City employees of the Water Department have been busy the past three weeks laying the pipeline and casing ten wells which are hoped to offer some relief to the dwindling water supply. Recent light showers have done little to alleviate the drought which continues to threaten the city and much of this area of the state.

David Hale new WISD Dean of Students

During the regular meeting of the WISD Board of Trustees on Monday, April 10, David Hale was named as new Dean of Stu-



dents. Hale, a native and resident of Glen Cove, is a graduate of Angelo State University with a bachelor of science degree after majoring in physics with a minor in art and math. He received his Master of Education with a Midmanagement Certification and has taught in the WISD sys-

tem since 1984, presently as a high school math and art teacher.

In 1994, the *Glacier* staff honored him by dedicating the yearbook to Mr. Hale.

An avid runner, Hale completed his first marathon in 1996 and completed his first Iron Man competition in 1999. He has also worked many years in the oilfield industry and is currently a contract pumper.

He says he also enjoys spending time with his children, Jarad, age 17, Kemari, age 15, and Luke, age 12. They are members of the Glen Cove Baptist Church.

Regarding his new position with the school system, Hale says, "I'm excited about being chosen as the new Dean of Students. I'm looking forward to the new challenges awaiting. My family and I will be moving to Winters this summer, and I will begin my new job."

"I know I have some big shoes to fill, but I will strive to continue the high quality of leadership here at Winters High School."

"Moonlight & Magnolias"—

Woman's Club plans sixth annual "Ladies Night Out" for April 27

The Winters Woman's Club will sponsor their sixth annual Ladies Night Out at 7 p.m. in the Jones Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church on Thursday, April 27.

Theme for the evening will be "Moonlight and Magnolias." Entertainment will be provided at 7:45 p.m. by Beruns, a barbershop quartet from Abilene.

The menu for the evening will include Garden Delight (tossed green salad), Puffs of Moonlight

(mini muffins), French Quarter Quiche, Fruit D'Jour, Southern Breeze Pie (creamy pineapple), Mint Julep Tea, Coffee.

Tickets must be purchased in advance and are available at \$10 per person. Only 150 tickets will be sold, and they will not be available at the door. Door prizes will be given away at 7:30 p.m.

For ticket information, contact Gail Williams at 754-4242, Marlene Smith at 754-4961, or Cheryl Bryan at 754-4057.

Mayfest plans underway

by Carolyn Scarborough,
Chamber Secretary

The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce is having their annual Mayfest celebration Saturday, May 6, 2000, at the Winters Ted Meyer City Park and Community Center. A big day of fun, food, entertainment, shopping, and fellowship is planned.

There are many different kinds

of crafts and merchandise scheduled for display and sale. Booth space is still available for \$20 (8'x10' space) both inside and outside.

The Volunteer Fire Department will have their famous hamburgers again. There will also be brisケット plates, hot dogs & chili, sno cones, nachos, and much more to eat. See **MAYFEST**, page 3

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

April 20-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
Noon, Holy Week Lunch & Service, Community Center
4:30 p.m., J.V. Baseball at Mason; 7 p.m., Varsity at Mason
7 p.m., Junior Class Parents Meeting, School Cafeteria
Women's Service League

April 21-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
2 p.m., Easter Egg Hunt, Sr. Citizens Nursing Home
7 p.m., Aggie Muster, Rock Hotel
7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco

GOOD FRIDAY—School Holiday

April 22-9 a.m., Wee Care Preschool Bake Sale, Lawrence Bros. IGA
7 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center
April 23-7 a.m., Easter Sunrise Services, Country Club
9:30 a.m., Marriage Enrichment, Church of Christ
7 p.m., Revival Begins, First United Methodist Church

April 24-9:30-10:30 a.m., SS Rep, Winters Housing Authority
11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
6 p.m., City Council, City Hall
7 p.m., Wingate Masonic Lodge

7 p.m., VFW & Auxiliary, Post Home
7:30 p.m., School Board, WISD Administration Building
County 4-H Method Demonstration Contest
School Holiday

April 25-9 a.m., NHS Slave Sale, Winters High School
11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
Noon, Lions Club, Community Center
4:30 p.m., Varsity Baseball vs. Coleman, Winters

5 p.m., Softball Playoff vs. Anson, ACU in Abilene
5-6:30 p.m., Pioneer Club, First United Methodist Church
7 p.m., WVFD & Auxiliary, Fire Station
7 p.m., Project Graduation, School Cafeteria

April 26-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Chamber Office
11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
Regional Tennis, San Marcos
April 27-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
2 & 6 p.m., Census Testing, Winters Housing Authority
5 p.m., Hale Museum Board
5:30 p.m., Pre-K & Kindergarten Roundup, Elementary Library
Regional Tennis, San Marcos

Oil Bidness

By Reg Boles ©2000



As we discussed last time, there are those far removed from the local oil patch that are on the prowl to attack the industry as selfish and, perish the thought, seeking profit. However, there are those much closer to home who are taking a shot or two, also.

The Texas Railroad Commission (RRC) has a new member recently asking for a rule change that would have a great impact on the ongoing business of the oil and gas business.

Tony Garza, well-meaning I'm sure (I really mean that), proposed to the full RRC that the rules for plugging wells be changed. His proposal was made with very little advance notice, and it centered on reducing the amount of time an operator could file for an extension or delay before an inactive well had to be plugged.

Currently, an operator can file for an extension to plug a well. If the extension is approved, a fee of \$100 per year is required to delay the well plugging. There is really no barrier to extending several years from the initial shut-in of a well.

This is where Mr. Garza has a problem with the current rule. He feels many operators are abusing this rule to escape plugging wells altogether. He points out that a large percentage of the wells that are plugged by the RRC (because the operator can't or won't do it) have been under just such a delay in plugging liability.

I have to point out that this is a "no-brainer." If the wells had been plugged by the operators they would not be plugged by the RRC, so only those wells with delayed plugging ever qualify for RRC plugging. True, some wells never had an extension filed, but those situations are plugged right away by the RRC in light of the original operator being in immediate violation (and those flagrant violators are few and far between).

Anyway, back to the situation at hand...

Mr. Garza has proposed that the current effectively unlimited extension time be limited to one year after the first extension is applied for. It should be pointed

out that the original rule allowing extensions was adopted to allow operators to shut-in a well when prices went too low to be profitable but not have to plug it and lose it forever. This was intended to protect stripper production, the biggest producers in the Texas oil patch, from permanent loss during interim price swings.

The RRC voted down Mr. Garza's proposal—at least for now. The full commission asked for a 45-day review and a new pro-

posal and vote after the situation can be studied for a while.

I have to say that the idea of limiting plugging extensions to one year is too severe, in my opinion. The downturn in prices seen in 1998 and 1999 would have doomed thousands of wells now producing to being plugged if such a limit were in effect. I do, however, agree that the current unlimited use of extensions needs to be corrected. But, I would say that 2 or 3 years for a limit is more practical and would provide protection to stripper wells as intended, as well as protecting the environment (mainly really old wells leak into water zones).

The thing that surprises me about all of this is the zeal with which Mr. Garza attacked this problem without full disclosure and study of the situation. The ramifications of such a severe change in rules would be large in the oil and gas business. The Texas RRC has always been a prudent protector of the industry AND the environment with an even hand. There is no reason to change that approach now, is there?

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY COMPLETIONS

Concho County

Ultra Oil and Gas, Inc. has completed two wells in the Dare I Field (7 miles SW of Eden) in the Hope formation. The W. Pfluger #15 potentialized at 95 BOPD (perfs 1582-86) and is loc. 1166 FEL & 1347 FSL of Sec. 2049, Blk. 72, J.M. Young Sur., A-1003. The W. Pfluger #16 potentialized at 40 BOPD (perfs 1590-1606) and is loc. 1214 FSL & 1898 FEL of Sec. 2050, Blk. 72, J. Mahr Sur., A-633.

Nolan County

Irving W. Avery has completed the Texaco Fee #1A in the Mulberry Canyon Field (5 miles NE of Nolan) at an initial rate of 100 BOPD & 100 BWPD in the Cisco (perfs 3890-92). Loc. is 330 FSL & 330 FWL of Sec. 69, Blk. 5, T&PRR Sur., A-237.

Callahan County

Laneer Resources Company has staked the Gilbreth-Thomas #1 in the County Regular Field, 3 miles N of Clyde (Depth 1800). Loc. is 1800 FEL & 2500 FSL of Sec. 72, BBB&C Sur.

S.B. Street Operating, Inc. has applied to re-enter the Kniffen #1 in the County Regular Field, 8 miles SW of Baird (Depth 1600). Loc. is 2493 FSL & 192 FEL of BBB&C Sur. No. 6, A-919.

Coleman County

Delray Oil has amended the loc. of the Green #6 in the Ken Campbell Field, 4 miles SE of Talpa (Depth 3500). Loc. is 1080 FNL & 1550 FEL of GH&H Sur. No. 37, A-279.

Concho County

Ultra Oil & Gas has staked two wells in the Dare I Field, 7 miles SW of Eden

(Depth 2000). The W. Pfluger #18 is loc. 780 FSL & 1643 FEL of Sec. 2049, Blk. 72, J.M. Young Sur., A-1003. The W. Pfluger #20 is loc. 465 FSL & 646 FEL of Sec. 2050, Blk. 72, J. Mahr Sur., A-633.

Nolan County

Clear Fork has applied to deepen the C.E. Boyd #1059 in the EVB Field, 4 miles NW of Nolan (Depth 6574). Loc. is 2200 FNL & 2275 FEL of Sec. 59, Blk. X, T&PRR Sur.

Patterson Petroleum LP has staked the Wilks #1 in the South Lake Trammel Field, 2 miles NE of Maryneal (Depth 5400). Loc. is 330 FNL & 330 FEL of Sec. 191, Blk. 1-A, H&TC Sur.

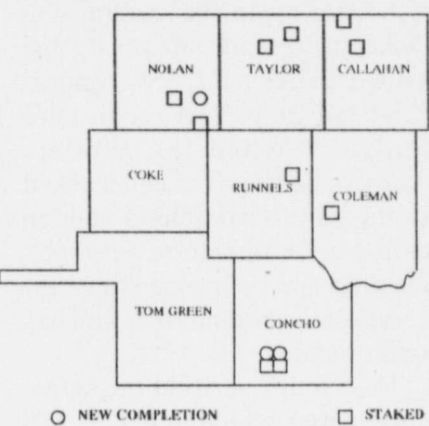
Runnels County

TDC Engineering, Inc. has staked the L. Gressett #3 in the Wico Field, 4 miles S of Crews (Depth 4000). Loc. is 1630 FWL & 2575 FSL of Sec. 129, ETRR Sur., A-149.

Taylor County

L.C.S. Production has staked the King #3 in the North Dora Field, 5 miles S of Trent (Depth 5999). Loc. is 163 FWL & 1851 FNL of Sec. 71, Blk. 19, T&PRR Sur., A-1427.

Schlake Brothers Operating has applied to re-enter the Hughes #2 in the Carl Worsham Catclaw Field, inside the Abilene city limits (Depth 3500). The loc. is 546 FEL & 1260 FSL of Lot 5, J.R. Shipman Sur. No. 85, A-231.



Card of Thanks

We would like to thank each and everyone who volunteered on Christmas in April, Saturday. The crew who worked on our house did a marvelous job and Bill and I can never repay them.

May God Bless each and everyone.

Bill and Dottie Butler

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April 24 thru April 28

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Monday, April 24: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, tossed salad, green beans, garlic bread, and fruit.

Tuesday, April 25: Chicken & gravy, mashed potatoes, pea salad, cornbread, and rice pudding.

Wednesday, April 26: Liver & onions, scalloped potatoes, beets, roll, and chocolate cake.

Thursday, April 27: Beef & bean burrito, cole slaw, Spanish rice, chips and kolaches.

Friday, April 28: Stew, vegetable sticks, jello salad, cornbread, and cobbler.

Sr. Citizens Nursing Home News

By Billie Ruth Bishop

The birthday party will be this Thursday, April 20, at 3:00 p.m. with Southside Baptist Church as host. The honorees are Billie Whitlow, Pauline Melot, and Effie Pumphrey.

Don't forget the Easter Egg Hunt will be Friday, April 21, at 2:00 p.m. All kids are invited. Be sure to bring a basket.

Thank you to the Honey Bees Family Community Education Club of South Taylor County and Margie Wheeler for the collection of magazines and delivery of them to the nursing home. We appreciate your time and efforts.

Thanks also to Mrs. Hogan's 5th grade class for the adorable Easter bunnies. They are hanging on the walls for the residents to enjoy.

Our sympathy is extended to the families of Ruth Johnson who passed away at the nursing home last week.

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Obituaries

Frances Horn

LUBBOCK—Frances Horn, 93, died Monday, April 10, 2000, in the Carillon Medical Center in Lubbock.

She was born July 2, 1906, in Searcy, Arkansas, and moved to Lubbock in 1976 from Plainview. She married Jesse Alfred Horn on December 24, 1925, in Winters. She moved from Bradshaw to Plainview in 1948.

Mrs. Horn was a homemaker and a member of First Baptist Church in Plainview.

She was preceded in death by her husband on April 12, 1972, and two grandchildren.

Survivors include three daughters, Virginia Norwood of Lubbock and Joyce Patton and Ruth Kleiber, both of San Antonio; two brothers, Jerrel Baxter of Fort Worth and Hershel Baxter of West Monroe, Louisiana; two sisters, Louise Seals and Juanita Bullard, both of Winters; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Services were at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, April 13, in Carillon Neil Chapel in Lubbock with Roy McClung officiating. Burial was in Parklawn Memorial Gardens in Plainview, directed by Sanders Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or to the Carillon Foundation, 1717 Norfolk Avenue, Lubbock, Texas 79416.

Angela "Gale" Creswell

BALLINGER—Angela "Gale" Creswell, 93, formerly of Waco, died Monday, April 10, 2000, in the Runnels County Rehab Nursing Facility.

She was born on January 8, 1907, in Olfen to Henry B. and Louise Niehues Halfmann. She was a homemaker and a member of St. Louis Catholic Church in Waco.

Mrs. Creswell was preceded in death by her parents; six brothers, Joe, Willie, Albert, Charles, Benny and Henry E.; and one sister, Bernadine Gully.

Survivors include two sisters-in-law, Elvira Halfmann of San Angelo and Sarah Halfmann of Olfen, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Rosary was held at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 12, 2000, at Rains-Seale Funeral Chapel, with Deacon Leroy Beach officiating.

Funeral mass was at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, April 13, at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Olfen with Msgr. Benedict Zientek and Father Louis Moeller Co-celebrating. Burial followed in the St. Boniface Catholic Cemetery under the direction of Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were her nephews.

The family requests that memorials be made to the Hospice of San Angelo or to a favorite charity.

Ralph V. Watson

BALLINGER—Ralph V. Watson, 72, died April 11, 2000 at 5:15 p.m. at his residence.

He was born on January 4, 1928, in Upton, Arkansas. He was an oilfield roustabout and served with the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Frank Watson and Susie Price.

Survivors included two sons, Randy Watson of Winters and Milton Watson of San Angelo; two daughters, Susan Hurt and Vicky Batts both of Ballinger; nine grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held Thursday, April 13, at 2:00 p.m. in Old Runnels Cemetery in Ballinger with Reverend Lee Beavers officiating. Burial was directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home in Ballinger.

Mack Dalton Young

ANSON—Mack Dalton Young, 59, died Monday, April 17, 2000, at an Abilene hospital.

He was born in Winters and graduated from Winters High School in 1958. He attended Abilene Christian University and the University of Texas in Austin. He married Paula White Cole on August 3, 1968, in Abilene.

Mr. Young moved to Austin in 1970 where he worked for Impressions Printing and Graphics as a printer. He moved to Anson in 1999.

He was preceded in death by his father, Roy E. Young. Survivors include his wife, Paula Young of Anson; his mother, Kathaleene Young of Winters; three sons, Philip Cole of Georgetown, Jayson Cole of Round Rock, and Matthew Young of Abilene; one daughter, Monna Lou Cross of Normal, Illinois; two brothers, Tommy Young of Plano and Gary Young of Richardson; three sisters, Kay Colburn of Winters, Sylvia Sumner of Carrollton, and Mary Aldridge of Decatur; and nine grandchildren.

Services were at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 19, at the Christian Life Church with Reverend Rick Hargrave, Dudley White, and Ron Winn officiating. Burial was in Mount Hope Cemetery, directed by Lawrence-Adams Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Bill Colburn, Max Sumner, Denny Aldridge, Gary Young, Tommy Young, and Gerald White.

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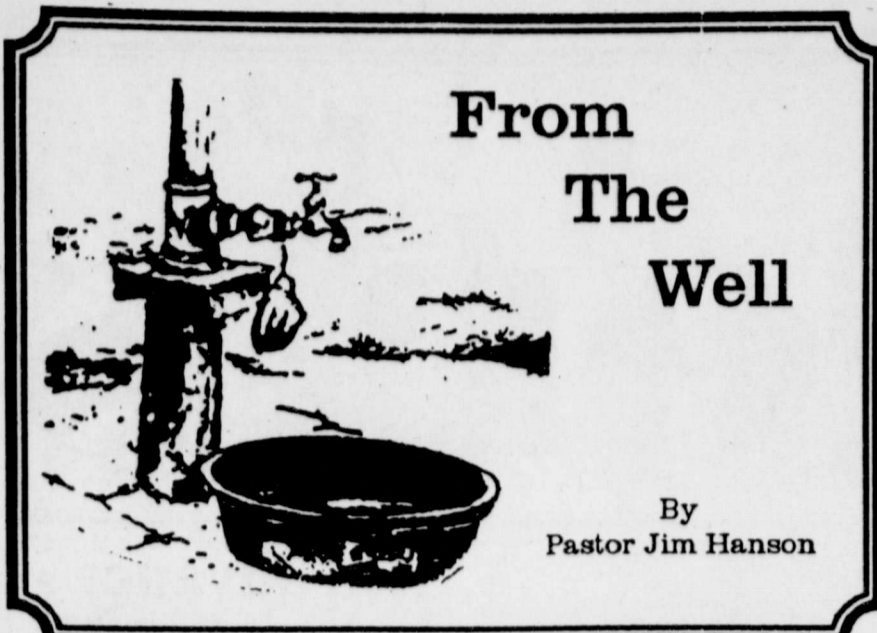
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From The Well

By
Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

A man by the name of Rabbi Joseph Telushkin gave a speech at a small liberal arts college in Michigan. The title was "Ethics, One Day at a Time." Rather than list a bunch of "do-nots," he strongly recommended that we develop a "moral imagination —

a weeklong curriculum of good deeds that can transform and elevate your life and the lives of all those around you, one day at a time."

I was impressed. It's no secret that our culture is on a slippery slope going downhill. We seem to have forgotten how to do-good for ourselves and others. How long has it been since you recalled the Golden Rule — "Do unto others as you would have them do to you." And practiced it! One wag, years ago redefined the Golden Rule in this way, "He who has the gold...rules." It seems as if most of our population is greedy for gold.

The Rabbi doesn't attack us for doing evil. What he does is make seven actions that he believes will make us to be good, decent people. They won't save your soul, but they will surely make your life a better one. And could possibly save your marriage, or your relationships to your family and your friends and neighbors.

Here they are — in Hanson's revised standard edition:

DAY 1 — SUNDAY. Raising your children to love both themselves and others.

Many of us reserve our praises for our children's intellectual and athletic accomplishments. "I'm so proud of your report card... you're on the Honor Roll!" Or, "You really played a good game last night. You made me feel so good!"

Now, there's nothing wrong with doing that. I hope you do. But he proposes "Reserve your highest praise to your children when they perform kind deeds. That way they will learn to identify having high self-regard with being a good person.

"Think about that for a moment — a generation of people who most like themselves when they are doing good. What a world they would create!"

DAY 2 — MONDAY. When you hear a siren.

How do you react when you hear the wail of an ambulance siren, or a police car, or a fire truck? Especially when it wakes you up at night! Impatience? Annoyance?

He suggests that whenever we hear a siren... pray. Pray for the ambulance people. Pray that they get there in time. So also the police... or the fire trucks. And pray for the persons in need. The very act of praying changes our minds from being annoyed to caring and compassion. How encouraging it would be for those being rushed to the hospital to know that hundreds of people, hearing the siren, are praying for them.

DAY 3 — TUESDAY. Act as cheerfully and happily as you can to others.

In down-to-earth language — "give them teeth." I remember all too well the time I was in a hotel lobby in San Antonio. One wall was all mirrors. I looked at myself and what did I see? A sour puss. Lips turned downward. No teeth showing. Ugly. Smiling is healthy for you — and for those around you.

DAY 4 — WEDNESDAY. "What good thing happened to me this week?"

What a way to begin a conversation with your wife, your family as they gather around the table, your friends at Wes-T-Go, or your Sunday School class. Even in the most difficult of weeks, there just has to be one good thing. To tell it energizes you and the ones you are with. And, gets them into the act also.

DAY 5 — THURSDAY. Tip the housekeeper.

Praise those whose faces you don't see. Send them a card... with your thanks for them.

Public servants, school board members, church council members, city council members, garbage collectors... you name it. Part of cultivating character is to express thanks to those whom we seldom see. And — it becomes a kind of prayer that encourages us to give thanks to the One whom we never see, "but who has given us life."

DAY 6 — FRIDAY. Overcome anger.

If you have difficulty controlling your anger, fine yourself a significant amount and give it to charity. And keep doing it until the anger habit is broken. "If this technique is too expensive, there is one that will cost you no dollars — but it might cost you your friends, your spouse, and your relationship with your children.

DAY 7 — SATURDAY. Telling your children "I'm sorry."

What is the message we send to our children, or our spouses, or our friends, if we never apologize? Is it one of real love? Or is it rather, "I'm above you, more powerful than you, and I don't need to ever say 'I'm sorry.'" Failure to ask forgiveness is as bad as failure to forgive. All it costs is your pride — and — it's God way — "Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us." And children who grow up in homes where their parents know how to say "I'm sorry," will feel much better about themselves — and you.

God bless you. I wish you a week. A month. A year of moral imagination — one day at a time. Nike says, "Just do it." And like Jesus who said "This do and you shall live."

Social Security Rep here April 24

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his April visit to Winters. He will be at the Winters Housing Project Office on Monday, April 24, between 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

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SONDRA ZIEGLER (left), regional director for U.S. Senator Phil Gramm, presents Winters Public Library Board member Jean Owen with a certificate of appreciation in recognition of National Library Week, April 9-15. The Senator was honoring the efforts of the library to promote literacy and offer expanded educational opportunities in the community.

Caregivers to discuss driving issues for the elderly, April 27

The ongoing Caregivers Support Group invites interested members of the general public to their spring information evening.

On Thursday, April 27, DPS Trooper Scott Warren and Lema Rose, DPS personnel, will present an informative program on "Helping the Elderly Surrender the Car Keys." The program begins at 6:30 p.m. in Ballinger's Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall.

The program will focus on perceptual changes that are natural occurrences of the aging and how these changes may constitute the need to re-evaluate driving abilities. Trooper Warren and Mrs. Rose will discuss legal issues, as well as helpful ways that families can deal with driving issues of their elderly.

Everyone is encouraged to not only bring their concerns, but also to bring possible solutions for dealing with this difficult subject. Because independence is linked to driving, it is most difficult for seniors to relinquish driving privileges.

MAYFEST, continued

There is entertainment scheduled throughout the day with appearances being made by Rika Lee, Jim Heidenheimer, Karen Hart, Lola Scott, and Jackie Ishom.

We will have games and entertainment for kids as well. There will be an egg toss, three-legged race, water balloon toss, cake walk, basketball shoot, bean bag toss, and balloon dart throw.

The annual softball tournament will begin on Friday and continue through Saturday. There will be a limit of 18 teams so be sure to sign up now. Trophies and t-shirts will be awarded to the top three teams. Be sure to join us for this big day of fun in Winters.

For more information, please contact the Chamber of Commerce at 754-5210 or e-mail: <wacc@wcc.net>.

Wee Care Preschool plans bake sale Saturday at Lawrence Bros. IGA

The Wee Care Preschool will hold a bake sale this Saturday, April 22, beginning at 9 a.m. at Lawrence Bros. IGA.

The preschoolers will be working the sale themselves with "a little bit of help" from their parents. All proceeds from the sale will go towards the purchase of tricycles for the school.

The group plans to sell brownies, cookies, assorted cakes and pies, cupcakes, rice krispy treats,

candies, and homemade breads.

Since the sale is planned for Easter weekend, the three and four year olds encourage moms, grandmas, and other family members to buy their Easter dinner desserts and goodies at the bake sale on Saturday.

The Wee Care Preschool is located at the First United Methodist Church under the direction of Gail Williams and Janie Bourdo.

First United Methodist Church to host revival, April 23-26

The First United Methodist Church of Winters will have a spring revival Sunday, April 23, through Wednesday, April 26. Services will begin each evening at 7:00 p.m.

The evangelist will be Reverend Gary Turner. Reverend Turner is currently pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Cisco. He has served numerous Methodist churches in the Central Texas Conference, including the Winters, Wingate, and Talpa churches in the mid-1980's. In 1992 and 1993, he was employed as Crusade Coordinator for the Greater Fort Worth Luis Palau Crusade. He also served as Con-

ference Director for Promise Keepers in 1994.

Sunday night will be youth night. All youth of the area are invited to participate.

Monday night will feature the "old-time religion, foot-stomping" songs.

Tuesday night will be children's night. During this service, the children from Pioneer Clubs will be recognized.

Wednesday night will be family fellowship night. A covered dish supper will be served at 6:00 p.m.

A love offering will be taken each evening.

The public is invited to attend.

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Junior class parents to meet for prom

Parents of the WHS junior class will hold a meeting at 7 p.m. tonight, April 20, in the school cafeteria.
 The meeting is scheduled to discuss prom details. All parents of junior class members are encouraged to attend.

SPRING 2000 Winters

CAFETERIA MENU

April 24-28
 Subject to change

Breakfast
 Monday-April 24
 No School-Easter Holiday
 Tuesday-April 25
 Blueberry Muffin
 Cereal
 Juice
 Wednesday-April 26
 Biscuits
 Sausage
 Juice
 Thursday-April 27
 Breakfast Burrito
 Cereal
 Juice
 Friday-April 28
 Toast
 Scrambled Eggs
 Juice

Lunch
 Monday-April 24
 No School-Easter Holiday
 Tuesday-April 25
 Hot Dog/Chili/Cheese
 Tator Tots
 Sliced Pickles
 Fruit
 Cookie
 Wednesday-April 26
 Chicken Nuggets
 Mashed Potatoes
 June Peas
 Pudding
 Hot Roll
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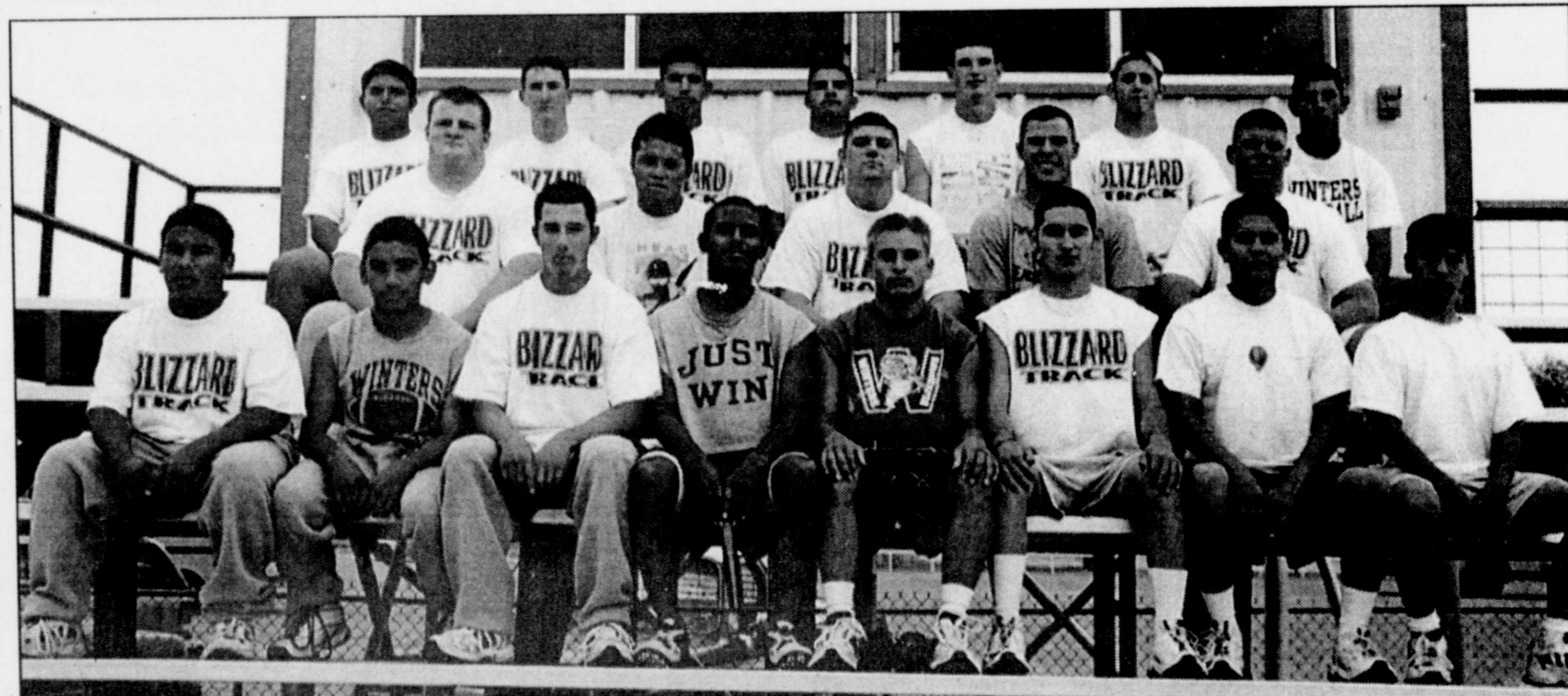
Team: Varsity Boys
 Coach: Murphy
 Date & place of game:
 April 11, 2000—San Saba
 Opponent: San Saba
 Winning pitcher: Ben Blaine
 Losing pitcher: Brown
 Losing catcher: Lackey
 Key plays: see coach's comments

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	7	9	3
OPPONENT	4	6	4

Coach's Comments: Ben Blaine threw very well in route to striking out 12 batters. Jason Esquivel was only an inch away from a homerun. His double with two outs in the fourth started a six run, four hit rally. At the time we were down 4-0. Josh Minzenmayer's double with the bases loaded was key. Chris Lujano was two for four. Louis Esquivel also two for four. Fabien Ortiz's base hit in the fifth drove in the seventh run.



MEMBERS OF THE 2000 LADY BLIZZARD TRACK TEAM include (top to bottom, l-r) Kaci McCuistion, Lori Bredemeyer, Kendra Hope, Holly Woffenden, Cassandra Johnson, Tracey Burns, Leah Bredemeyer, Staci Bishop, Stacy Walden, Michelle Walden, Coach Deb Whittenburg, Kemari Hale, Mandy Pritchard, Kelli Slimp, Jessica DeLaRosa, Michelle Paschal, Dana Clough, Lacey Meyer, Laci Walker, Jena Bahlman, Stacey Sneed, Michelle Dexter, Kirby Hatler, Heather Martin, Maria Llanas, and Lucero Vega.



MEMBERS OF THE 2000 BLIZZARD TRACK TEAM include (back row, l-r) Stephen Cuevos, Jeffrey Oats, Zeke Martinez, Arthur Martinez, Josh Minzenmayer, Wes Calcote, and Oscar Luz; (middle) Chris Hoppe, Ivan Rodriguez, Rusty Jackson, Kirk Byrd, Samson Jackson; (front) Mark Moreno, Alvaro Rodriguez, Gary Woodbury, Tony Aguero, Jimmy Rodriguez, Jose Santos, and Chris Santoya. Not pictured are Matt Angel and Coach Chuck Lipsey.



FIFTH SIX WEEKS SELF-MANAGERS IN THE WINTERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL include (back row, l-r) Cesar Iracheta, Paige Geistmann, Erica Lujano, Priscilla Vara, Ana Diaz, Jason Rodriguez, Elizabeth Sartor, Ashlee Sanders, and Angel Ramirez; (middle row) Amanda Blackshear, Crystal Rodriguez, Bryce Wilkerson, Tod Martin, Armando Nava, Marcus Tubbs, Frank Perez, Jessica Meyer, Kindy Walker, Krystal Gibbens, and Andrea Garcia; (front row) Angelica Campos, Stephanie Perez, Aaron Colburn, Kayla Horton, Sonio Stout, Amanda Polk, and Miranda Lara.

Two advance to state in UIL academics

Two Winters High School seniors have qualified to advance to the state UIL academic meet in Austin on Friday, May 5.
 Kelli Slimp placed second in feature writing and sixth in news writing at the regional meet in San Marcos last weekend. Shelley Meyer placed fourth in feature writing.
 Kelli will advance in the feature writing category. Shelley will be an alternate in feature writing.

Spring pictures to be taken April 26

A representative of Henington Photography, Abilene, will be in Winters Wednesday, April 26, to take individual spring pictures, sports pictures, and the senior group picture.
 Sports pictures will be taken of both junior high and high school teams.
 Photo packages for the sports and senior poses must be paid for when the pictures are taken. Package prices range from \$12 to \$30 with available add-ons.
 Individual spring pictures will be returned to the student as a proof in 2-3 weeks. Orders may be made from the proofs. Sharon Rice, yearbook advisor, says that everyone should have an individual picture made because no money is required until after orders are made from proofs.

All The Way, Blizzards!

ROUNDUP, cont'd.

first grade at the beginning of the school year.
 Students may be signed up for this class at the Round-Up. If you believe your child is eligible, please come and register.
 This district must have 10 eligible children to offer this summer program.

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Blizzards

Lady Blizzards whip Jim Ned for 2nd place in district



SAAAFE! is the umpire's call as Lady Blizzard Paula Salas makes a great slide into home during action against the Jim Ned Lady Indians. The 9-3 win last Friday gave Winters second place in district 2AA standings and an area playoff berth tentatively scheduled for April 25 against Anson at 5:00 p.m. at Abilene Christian University.

The WHS Lady Blizzards defeated the Lady Indians of Jim Ned 9-3 last Friday in Winters. The win gives the Lady Blizzards second place in district 2AA and a spot in the playoffs.

Knowing the importance of last Friday's showdown and remembering their loss earlier in the season to Jim Ned, the Lady Blizzards played well as a team and were consistent throughout the game.

Coach Shelley Hayes said, "Our defense was really good and we came through with some good hitting."

The Lady Blizzards had eight hits for the afternoon, scoring in every inning except the third. Hitting for Winters were Jamie Reeves, Kayla Colburn and Jessica DelaRosa with doubles, and Michelle Paschal, Michelle Burton, Carmen Martinez and Jana Presley hitting singles.

"We played like we did against Coahoma and I am really proud of the girls," Hayes continued.

The Lady Blizzards fell to district champion Coahoma 6-5 earlier in the week, and seemed to maintain their momentum throughout Friday's ball game.

Senior pitcher Jana Presley was in fine form, throwing eleven strikeouts and allowing only one walk against Jim Ned.

Winters was supposed to play the third place winner of district 1, but there were not enough teams in that district to name a third

place winner. So Winters gets the bye in bi-district play and now moves into area playoffs.

Coach Hayes said the tentative schedule is to play Anson on Tuesday, April 25 at 5:00 p.m. at Abilene Christian University.

Softball Scoreboard

Team: Varsity Softball
 Coach: Shelley Hayes/Ed Poehls
 Date & place of game: April 11, 2000 — Coahoma
 Opponent: Coahoma
 Winning pitcher: Buchanan
 Losing pitcher: Presley
 Key plays: 2B/ARBI- Jana Presley; 2B- Jamie Reeves

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	5	7	2
OPONENT	6	10	2

Coach's comments: The girls played a great game even though we came up short. Jana had a great game offensively going 3 for 4 with 4 RBIs and stealing home for a run. Our defense was awesome! Coahoma didn't know what had hit them. The weather was pretty cool so I guess Coahoma was feeling a little of that Blizzard chill. Carmen came through also and played a good game. She stepped it up when I needed her. Paula also came through with a sacrifice bunt in the 7th to move the runner. Great team effort!

Several Winters ISD events scheduled for month of May

Parents may be interested to know several upcoming May events on the Winters school calendar.

The WHS Junior/Senior Prom will be held on Saturday, May 6, and Winters FFA will host their annual banquet on Monday, May 8. All state meets for UIL athletic and academic competitions will be held in Austin from May 4-13.

Both Winters Elementary and Secondary Schools will participate in the annual science fair on Wednesday, May 10. The first grade will present a spring musical at 6:15 p.m. on Tuesday, May 16. The All Sports Banquet will also be held on May 16, at 7 p.m.

On Wednesday, May 17, the fourth, fifth, and sixth grades will

participate in the annual Elementary Track Meet beginning at 11:30 a.m.

The secondary school Awards Day will be held on Friday, May 19. High school awards will begin at 9 a.m. and junior high awards are slated for 1 p.m.

The elementary school Awards Day is set for Monday, May 22. Grades Pre-K through three will be recognized beginning at 8:30 a.m. Grades four through six will be honored at 12:30 p.m.

The elementary will hold their AR (Accelerated Reader) Carnival on Wednesday, May 24 from 12:45-2:45 p.m.

Some times and locations have yet to be determined for some events.

Good Luck

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Elementary accepting nominations for G/T program

Nominations for the gifted/talented program are being taken for grades 1-5. Parents wishing to nominate a child may pick up a form in the Winters Elementary office. Forms must be returned by April 28, 2000.

Los nombramientos para el programa de gifted/talented se están tomando para los grados 1-5. Los padres que desean nominar a un niño pueden recoger una forma en Winters la oficina elemental. Las formas se deben volver antes del de abril 28, 2000.

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Robin Lowe named new Plant Manager at John's Int'l.

Robin Lowe has recently been promoted to Plant Manager at John's International of Winters, a division of Katy Industries in Englewood, Colorado.

A native of Houston, Lowe graduated from Texas A&M University in 1970 with a bachelor's degree in physical education. He spent 21 years in the oilfield equipment business in the Houston area and "got tired of the rat race," he says.

Robin and his wife Nikki decided to move to Ballinger, the home of her parents, Ruby Miller and the late Joe Miller. The Lowes owned and operated Big Country Realty for two years before Robin joined John's International in 1998 as Materials Manager. Nikki now owns and operates Ashwood Manor, an assisted living center in Ballinger.

They are the parents of two sons and a daughter, and have four grandchildren.

Lowe says he is very optimistic about the growth of the company which Katy Industries purchased from Contico about a year



ago. "We've spent the past year working on a major redesign of the aluminum truck boxes which will enhance our opportunities in the marketplace and make us much more competitive. We hope to produce the new products the last quarter of this year and get into other markets we're not currently in." Lowe expressed his excitement

and pleasure about the employees at John's International.

"We have a good core group of folks here with a positive environment," he says. "The demand for employees is very strong. We've been on an overtime plan since March with no let up in sight."

John's International was started in July, 1970, and now employs about 170 workers.

Cheerleaders to serve hamburger luncheon on Sunday, April 30

The 2000-01 WHS Cheerleaders and Blizzard Mascot invite the community to their annual Hamburger Lunch on Sunday, April 30.

Serving will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

The menu will include fresh grilled hamburgers with all the fixins', french fries, cherry cobbler, and tea. Tickets are available in advance from the cheerleaders at \$4 per plate. Plates may also be purchased at the door.

Takeouts will be available. Any

shut-ins or senior citizens who wish to have their meals delivered can contact Deb or Mandy at 754-5243, during the evenings.

All proceeds will go towards the cost of uniforms, equipment, and camp for the new squad.

Cheerleaders for the 2000-2001 year include seniors Kendra Hope, head cheerleader, Jackye Dexter, Kaci McCuiston, Jamie Reeves, and juniors Isha Lara, Meagan Galvan-Nitsch, Tassi Hopson, Mandy Pritchard, and Kelly Walker, mascot.

Susan Ripple awarded for academic achievement

Susan Ripple of Winters has been recognized for academic achievement at Angelo State University in San Angelo.

She has recently been elected to Alpha Lambda Delta, a collegiate national honor society, and was also awarded a \$4,500 Carr Academic Scholarship at ASU for 2000-2001.

Carr Academic Scholarships are being awarded for 2000-2001, ranging in value from \$1,500 to \$6,000, to qualified undergraduates. During the current year over 1,000 students from throughout Texas and the nation, as well as numerous foreign countries are attending Angelo State University on Carr Academic Scholarships.

Supported by a growing multi-million dollar 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.

Susan will be classified as a junior in 2000-2001 and is majoring in accounting.

Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz

Sometimes a person has to put things off until tomorrow to get done today what was put off from yesterday.

Hopewell Church visitors on Sunday were Leona and Jayce Nance and daughter Sonnie of San Angelo.

There will be a belated memorial service at the Atoka Cemetery at 1:30 on Saturday, April 22, for Juanita Shields' sister-in-law, Mary Ellen Shields Regnier. Our sympathy to the Shields families and their relatives.

Juanita Shields was in Lewisville last week to attend her granddaughter's baby shower.

Weekend visitors with Doris Wood were Frances and John Hord of Wingate, and Larry, Bobbie, and Wes Calcote of Winters.

Walter Pape of Santa Anna spent Sunday with Harvey Mae and Noble Faubion.

I have to mention the rain Saturday night out our way. I got a minute's hard shower — that's it.

Visiting Audine, Dennis, and Roy McBeth during the week were Lenvil and Cathey Phipps, and James and Laura Phipps and their children, all of Dallas. On Saturday, the McBeths helped with Christmas in April and got quite a bit done in Winters.

Carolyn Webb helped Gene and Linda Webb in getting their store ready and open at Hord Creek Lake. Later they ate out at the White Buffalo Cafe in Coleman. On Sunday after church, Carolyn and Juanita Shields ate out at Casa Cabana in Winters.

Tanya New's grandkids spent a week with her. Son Shane Smith visited Saturday.

Nila and Therin Osborne helped Wesley McAden celebrate



Hilda Kurtz

On Tuesday, Linda Duggan was in Abilene and had supper with Kyle, Katy, and Kelton Grigsby and LaNell Grigsby of Hawley. On Saturday, Linda and Donna Smith had a good visit. Donna gave Linda some very handy tips on playing bridge.

On Sunday, Will and Leslie Duggan had Dale and Linda Duggan, Bob and Janice Pruser, Elwood and Becky Brown, Theodora Frick, Thelma Hoppe, and Tad and Janet Cason and sons over for a fish fry.

Nila and Therin Osborne were proud to get a beautiful Easter card from Bernie and Jeff McCoy. They said all it does in the Ozarks is rain.

Leroy and Lawanda Wells of Mustang, Oklahoma, spent four days with Selma Wilkerson.

Adeline Grissom came home after surgery and spending three days in Hendrick Hospital in Abilene. She thanks all that remembered her in sending flowers, cards, calls, and food. A special thanks to Bro. Akins and Ramona of Ballinger, her families especially daughter and son-in-law Katherine and Luke Grissom who are staying with her for awhile. Thanks to visitors Ricky and Patsy Grissom of Winters, Steve and Penny Pritchard of Ballinger, Nila and Therin Osborne, and Terrell Ransberger.

My daughter, Hildegarde, came and spent Friday with me. As always she finds something to do.

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ACROSS

- 1 in Grayson Co. on 5
- TXism: "late and a dollar short"
- TX astronaut Don Slayton
- 7 first Texan to walk in space: White
- 8 sixth sense
- TXism: "out (ate too much)"
- 15 TXism: "out from the bolt"
- 16 TX "Soap" actress Helmond
- 19 TXism: "with kid gloves"
- 21 once a Houston NFL player
- 22 TX Willie tune: "It You Wanted"
- 27 TX singer Vikki released
- 29 TX frontier scout James B. who got Medal of Honor
- 30 conservative Texans are
- 32 UT '66 sniper (init.)
- 34 TXism: "my hidel"
- 37 grant possession to a Cowboy, Rocket, Spur, Star or Astro
- 39 TX Jim Reeves hit 40 knees that stick out more
- 42 TX Dan Jenkins book
- 45 entreated
- 46 it can be classified in the Denton Record-Chronicle

DOWN

- 1 TXism: "my boots retraded"
- 2 TX Benson film: "to Billie Joe"
- 3 TX Nat Stuckey tune: "She Every Morning"
- 4 Athens is "Black- of the World"
- 8 TXism: "plain as the on a mule"
- 9 this Texan killed Billy the Kid
- 10 TXism: "run by a lawyer"
- 11 this Gene was in "Bonnie & Clyde" about TX duo (init.)
- 12 actor member of San Antonio's "George Club"
- 13 a Great Lake
- 14 east TX reptile croco
- 15 shirts worn at a honky tonk
- 16 Mission AM
- 17 Coleman Co. stream: Jim
- 18 TXism: "let 'rip!"
- 20 TXism: "his hide" (spans)
- 22 this Devane starred with TX Tommy Lee in "Rolling Thunder"
- 23 TXism: "sells like cakes"
- 33 TXism: "wangler" (writer)
- 35 TXism: "gonna slap a new hat size"
- 36 gratuity for a "menu mamma" (2 wds.)
- 38 TXism: "when fly!" (never)
- 41 naval prison
- 43 Vega h.s. class
- 44 TXism: "he'd be in a battle of wits"
- 50 TXism: "lick"
- 51 Harlingen has Jima statue

Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

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Poe's Corner

By Charlsie Poe

We move to Winters

Editor's Note: The following is a continuation from last week of Charlsie's story as a youth.

I was glad when cotton-picking time was over and we could stay in the house and follow Grandpa Graham around.

The first thing in the morning was to grind his coffee in a gadget on the wall, boil it piping hot, then sip it.

When it was pretty weather, Aunt Onia and her two boys came to visit. They had to cross a creek that had a base of red sand. Mother let me go home with Aunt Onia and because there was too much for the old horse to pull, we had to get out and push the buggy. We made it and reached her house before dark.

In a few weeks, Daddy came and told us he had a job in a grocery store at Winters. We would go on a train to Winters and stay with Grandpa and Grandma Cooke until he could find us a house to rent.

The first thing Daddy did was to call a barber friend (Charlie Smith) to come to the house and cut mine and Gladys' hair. They put a board across our chairs. They didn't want us to hear any bad words. (Smith was the father of Nadeen and Charlene Craven.)

Wouldn't you know it? There was a cotton patch east of town about a half mile and the Taylors needed cottonpickers.

Mama took me and Gladys, and we took our lunches in a tin bucket. We came home with the bucket filled with milk Mrs. Taylor had given us, so it wasn't so bad.

As a result of our labors, we were taken to town to buy some shoes. They showed us some pretty red ones. There was one



Charlsie Poe

pair large enough for Gladys, but I had to wear black and my heart was broken. Red was my favorite color. When anyone asked the color of my eyes, I very promptly said "red."

Free at last, all the work was finished and we could play in the sandy roads around us (no pavements).

But alas, when night caught us and it was time to go to bed, we had to wash our feet. Grandma would not have her sheets soiled. There is nothing so bad as having to wash your feet when you are dead tired—but Granny would not relent.

Grandma said it was time for me to learn something and Mama agreed. I was enrolled in kindergarten nearby. Mama cut out some quilt blocks and I sewed them together.

About this time, people brought their produce, fruit, and vegetables to sell or trade.

We had no ice or way to keep fruit until Sunday, so Mama and Grandma canned these items. They very soon gave me the job of washing jars. They quickly bragged on me, and Grandma put me in charge of the clean glass division. I rose to the occasion and had a business growing.

Soon afterward, Grandma called us in to see our new baby brother. His name was Charles Robert. We wanted to stay longer, but Grandma told us Mother and baby had to rest.

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Aggie Muster in Winters April 21

Former students of Texas A&M University will assemble in Winters on Friday, April 21, for the annual Texas Aggie Muster.

The muster activities will begin at 7:00 p.m. at the Rock Hotel in Winters, located on West Dale Street, according to Roeneal Boles, Muster chairman. A fish dinner will be served at a cost of \$10.00 per person. Muster is open to all former students and their families, parents of students and friends of Texas A&M. To make reservations, call Boles at (915) 754-4889 or (915) 365-3501.

Since 1876, Texas A&M has grown from a small Land Grant College to one of the leading research and educational institutions in the world, now holding the distinction of sea and space grants as well.

The Muster tradition is more than 100 years old. More than 400 Musters will be held around the world this year, wherever Texas A&M former students live or work.

During wars, Aggies mustered in foxholes, on the battlefield, aboard ships, in airplanes, and in medical hospitals. In World War II, a Muster was held on Corregidor Island shortly before the Japanese captured it in 1942.

Every Muster ceremony is the same. Texas Aggies pay their respects to all those who are absent because of death since the last Muster. When the names of the honored dead are called from the Muster Roll, a friend of the deceased answers, "Here."

WHS Class of 1950 plans reunion for May 19 & 20

The WHS Class of 1950 is planning their 50th reunion for Friday, May 19, and Saturday, May 20.

On Friday at 9 a.m., the class will present a 2000 graduate with a scholarship at the WHS Awards Day Assembly. A tour of the school has been scheduled for 6 p.m. that evening.

There will be a catered dinner at the school cafeteria at 7 p.m. Spouse and special friends are invited to attend with the class members.

Saturday's festivities will begin at 10:30 a.m. at the Rock Hotel. There will be a catered barbecue lunch at noon. Beginning at 2 p.m., a reception is planned for Winters friends to stop by and visit with the class.

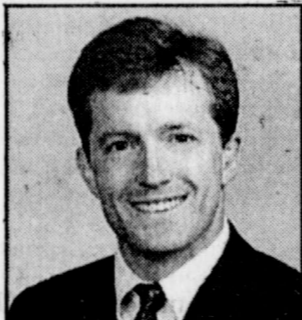
The class is still seeking information on two classmates, Dovie Bardin, and Ruth Baker. Anyone with information is asked to call Lounette at (915)486-0074 or Joanie at 754-5105.

MAYFEST is coming - May 6

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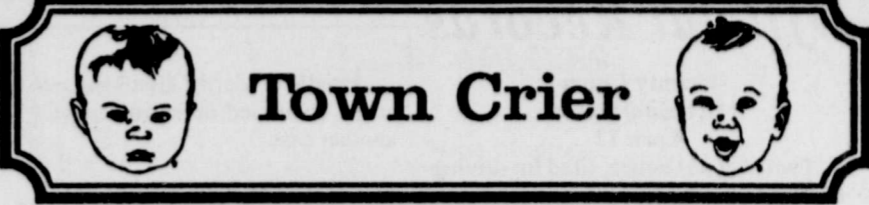
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Kasey Rives, 2-1/2 years of age, is proud to announce the birth of her baby brother.

Coal was born Monday, April 10, 2000, at 11:20 a.m. at Shannon Women's and Children's Hospital in San Angelo. He weighed 8 lbs., 4 oz. and was 20 inches long.

Proud parents are Chris and Kris Rives of Ballinger. Maternal grandparents are John and Caroline Sims of Abilene, and Wendell and Wanda King of Ballinger. Great maternal grandmothers are Adeline Grissom of Ballinger and Halley Sims of Winters.

Paternal grandparents are Beth Rives of St. Louis, Missouri, and the late Terry Rives. Great paternal grandparents are Dr. C.T. Rives of Winters and Mr. and Mrs. G.C. Berry of Sunrise Beach, Missouri.

Aunts and uncles are Doyle and Melinda Amidon, Joe Sims, and Katy Rives.

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April 20, Holy Thursday
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April 21, Good Friday
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7:30 p.m. Easter Fire & Water
April 23, Easter Sunday
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April 23, Easter Sunday
11:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt
Worship

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April 23, Easter Sunday
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
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BRO. BARRY TAYLOR
April 23, Easter Sunday
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Service
6:00 p.m. Evening Service

PIONEER CHURCH OF GOD
832 Tinkle • Winters
REV. VERNON GROCE
April 23, Easter Sunday
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship Hour
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SOUTHSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH
Old Crews Highway • Winters
REV. DWAYNE ANDEROS
April 23, Easter Sunday
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:50 a.m. Morning Service
6:00 p.m. Evening Service

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9:45 a.m. Sunday School
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April 21, Good Friday
7 p.m. Drama & Tenebrae Service
April 23, Easter Sunday
7:00 a.m. Sunrise Services at Country Club
Sunday School
9:30 a.m. Morning Service
10:45 a.m. Morning Service

SAINT JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
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April 20, Holy Thursday
6:00 p.m. Passover meal
7:00 p.m. First Lord's Supper
7:30 p.m. Lord's Supper
April 21, Good Friday
7:00 p.m. Last Words of Christ
April 23, Easter Sunday
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt
10:40 a.m. Celebration of The Resurrection

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10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship

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REV. E.B. McCOWN
April 23, Easter Sunday
10:30 a.m. Worship
4:00 p.m. Evening Service

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Official Records

County Court Criminal Cases April 12
 Paul Wayne Gomez, filed for driving while intoxicated (subsequent offense) Dispositions
 Ramiro Jesus Ramirez, driving while license suspended, dismissed, defendant convicted in another case
 Jeff Lynn Key, criminal mischief, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in county jail probated to one year, fined \$100, plus \$210.25 court costs, \$113.33 restitution, and 50 hours community service
 Pedro Juan Alfaro, driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in county jail probated to 18 months, fined \$750, plus \$250.25 court costs, \$118.60 restitution to DPS, plus 100 hours community service
 Mary Rose Dostie, sale of alcoholic beverage to an intoxicated person, dismissed, insufficient evidence
 Martin Quilimaco, possession of marijuana, pleaded guilty, fined \$1,000 plus \$210.25 court costs
 Trinidad Pena Velasquez, possession of marijuana, dismissed, insufficient evidence
 Peter Alfaro, assault, dismissed, defendant convicted in another case
 Jason Scott Terbrush, making alcohol available to a minor, dismissed, defendant convicted in another case
 Thomas S. Davis, reckless operation and excessive speed, dismissed, insufficient evidence

Jonathan Martin Escobar, resisting arrest, dismissed, defendant convicted in another case
District Court Civil Cases Filed April 10
 Tempest Recovery Services, Inc. vs. Mark Blackshear and Yvonne Blackshear, promissory note
Divorce Cases Filed April 11
 Connie Escobar vs. Auel Rodriguez
Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Felony Cases Filed April 6
 Charles Gordon Haines, filed for felon in possession of a firearm
 Jimmy Dion Towery, filed for hindering a secured creditor
April 11
 Michael Earnest, filed for theft by check
Criminal Cases Filed April 11
 Betty Y. Snider, filed for issuance of a bad check
Small Claims Cases Filed April 12
 Hugh Edmondson vs. Thomas K. Payne dba TKP Petroleum, nonpayment for saltwater disposal
 Jim Cook dba Cook Properties, Inc. vs. Joycelyn P. Vickery Hall, dba Chic Boutique, promissory note

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, April 9, 2000, through Saturday, April 15, 2000. Winters Police Officers:

- stopped a 1983 Chevy pickup for mechanical violation on Jones Street. A strong odor of alcohol was detected on the driver who was offered and subsequently failed several field sobriety tasks. Larry Herring of Winters was arrested for driving while intoxicated Class A and taken to Runnels County Jail. His blood alcohol content was one and half times the legal limit.
- received a report of a missing person in the 600 block of W. Dale Street. A 16-year-old female was reported as missing after being absent from her home for 24 hours. The juvenile was located by officers approximately 57 hours after being last seen by relatives and was deemed to have been a runaway. Charges are being withheld pending future actions of the juvenile. Officials have two years to file charges.
- received a report of an intoxicated male in the 100 block of McAdoo Street. Officers observed a 20-year-old female strike a 25-year-old male then both subjects exchanged mutual blows. Both were cited for disorderly conduct (fighting) and a separation was made. No further incidents were reported.
- received a report of phone harassment in the 300 block of N. Grant Street. A female subject alleged receiving numerous phone calls from a 40-year-old male who refused to stop calling her. The male was identified and contacted. No further incidents have been reported.
- received a report that a 52-year-old male was offended by profanity directed at him by a 66-year-old male. Both parties were advised to stay away from each other as this is an ongoing situation between the two males.
- received a report of vandalism in the 200 block of Jones Street. A female reported her vehicle had been keyed, causing an unknown amount of damage. No witnesses have been located and there are no suspects.
- received a report that approximately \$80 in iron dumbbells were taken from the front porch of a residence in the 300 block of N. Murray Street. This occurred between Sunday evening and 3:00 p.m. Wednesday. There are no witnesses and no suspects at this time.
- received a report of disorderly conduct (offensive language) in the 500 block of W. Dale Street. A 29-year-old female alleged that a 24-year-old male extended his middle finger in an offensive way towards her. This has been referred to the City Attorney for review.
- received a report of a burglary in the 500 block of Wood Street. A 66-year-old male alleged his travel trailer was broken into and several personal items of clothing and baseball cards were taken. The door to the trailer was found to have been pried open and a witness identified a possible subject. This case is under investigation as burglary of a habitation.
- received a report of an assault occurring in the 500 block of N. Main Street. A 25-year-old female of Winters alleged being repeatedly punched and kicked by a 20-year-old male known to her. Officers observed injuries to the head, neck, and legs of the female. The male, Joseph Sanchez of Winters, was located at a relative's house and arrested for assault causing bodily injury and taken to Runnels County Jail.
- received a radio distress call for help from the Animal Control Officer and a 911 call of a man with a gun in the 200 block of N. Sanders Street. A 48-year-old man was found to be in possession of a Colt .45 semiauto handgun and was threatening to kill a 33-year-old subject at that location. The perpetrator, James Marshall Bilyeu of Bronte, was arrested at gunpoint and later found to have forced entry into the residence. A number of weapons were confiscated including several knives and a .12 gauge shotgun. Mr. Bilyeu has been charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and burglary of a habitation with intent to commit assault, both second degree felonies. He was booked into Runnels County Jail.

"Jail and Bail" fund-raiser to benefit Soccer Association

Accepting volunteers and donations—

The Ballinger Area Soccer Association is sponsoring the first "Jail and Bail for B.A.S.A." The fund-raiser will be held during the Texas State Ethnic Festival of Ethnic Cultures and Arts and Crafts Show in Ballinger on Saturday, April 29, and during Mayfest in Winters, Saturday, May 6. The Ballinger Area Soccer Association serves youth ages 4-12 from across Runnels County. Volunteers are needed to serve as "inmates" for the jail and bail events. Corporate and individual donations are also being accepted. Proceeds from the "Jail and Bail" will be used for upgrades to soccer equipment and uniform replacements. For more information and/or to volunteer, please call Toby Virden at 365-2158 or 365-7337.



The practice of presenting Easter eggs probably derives from 19th century Germany. Eating eggs was prohibited during Lent but allowed again at Easter.

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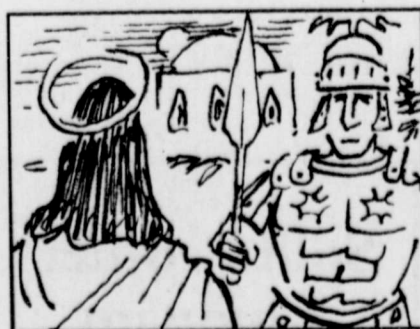


Must be preapproved— Municipal Judge agrees to service in community to pay court fines

Municipal Judge Virginia Parr has announced a plan to "work off municipal court fines," by performing community service. Two up coming community projects for this "work off" are the Elm Creek Reservoir Clean-up, April 29, and Mayfest, May 6. Manpower will be needed for both projects. Judge Parr will allow service to these projects in lieu of paying the court fines. An agreement must be preapproved 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.

Report Child Abuse Call

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Christians in many European countries call Easter Pascha. This word comes from the Hebrew word Pesah, which means Passover. Jesus was celebrating Passover shortly before he was arrested and crucified.

Auxiliary to sponsor fund-raiser for Cystic Fibrosis Foundation

by Mary Kurtz, American Legion Auxiliary

Winters Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9193 Ladies Auxiliary are sponsoring a fund-raiser for Texas VFW State President Betty Odom's Special Project Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Northeast Texas Chapter. She has set a goal of \$1,000,000 to be presented during the 2000 Auxiliary Convention in June. The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation puts funds to work as efficiently as possible to support: a network of multidisciplinary research and gene therapy centers at major universities across the United States; research grants for top investigators; fellowships for basic and clinical research; and a nationwide network of more than 110 specialty care centers dedicated to treating CF. "65 Roses" is what many little children with cystic fibrosis call their disease. As the following true story illustrates, the words are much easier for children to pronounce: Mary C. Weiss became a volunteer for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation in 1965 after learning that her three little boys had cystic fibrosis. Her duty was to call every civic club, social and service organization seeking financial support for CF research. Mary's 4-year old son, Richard, listened closely to his mother as she made each call. After several calls, Richard came into the room and told his Mom, "I know what you are working for." Mary was dumb struck because Richard did not know what she was doing, nor did he know that he had cystic fibrosis. With some trepidation, Mary posed the question back to Richard, "What am I working for Richard?" "You are working for 65 Roses," he answered so sweetly. Mary was speechless. She went over to him and tenderly pressed his tiny body to hers. He could not see the tears running down Mary's cheeks as she stammered, "Yes, Richard, I'm working for 65 Roses." For 35 years, 65 Roses has been used by children of all ages to describe their diseases. But making it easier to say doesn't make cystic fibrosis any easier to live with. Today, approximately 30,000 children and adults in the United States are affected. When the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation was founded in 1955, few children with CF lived to attend elementary school. Today the median age of survival for an individual with CF is 31 years. Cystic Fibrosis is the number one genetic killer of children and young adults in America today. Anyone wishing to contribute may contact Mary Kurtz or any Auxiliary member. Those contributing will have their name entered in a drawing for prizes.

Support group formed for families of incarcerated

Do you have a loved one who is incarcerated? You are not alone. Texas Inmate Families Association (TIFA) is an educational, informational organization for families and friends of Texas prisoners. TIFA has chapters statewide with the home office being Austin. The newest chapter is opening in San Angelo. TIFA will meet the fourth Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 37 E. Beauregard, San Angelo. The next meeting is April 24. For more information, call (915) 942-8694.

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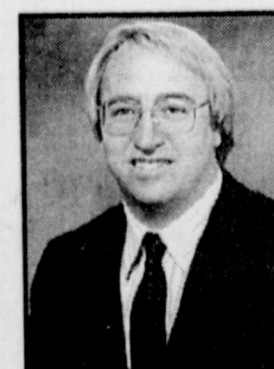
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 (Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 6 de mayo de 2000 para votar en la Elección para sindico distritos 3 y 4.)

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WILLIAM BAIRD
 Sheriff, Runnels County, Texas
 by: Robert Garza, Deputy
11-15(2tc)

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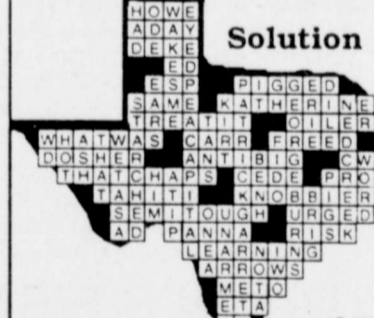
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Extension News & Views

By Rick Minzenmayer, Extension Agent-IPM

Trim time while cutting your grass Part 1 of 2

The amount of time and money you spend maintaining your lawn depends a lot on what your idea of a lawn should be — not necessarily what your lawn actually needs.

Early lawns of the Middle Ages did not require much maintenance. That's because they were inspired by glades or grassy openings in the forest (not pictures in magazines or golf courses). These lawns were meadow-like mixtures of grasses and flowers that were planted amongst fruit trees, vines, flowers, and herbs, and enclosed by fences or courtyards.

There was no mowing. Grass was kept from growing too tall by trampling it into a soft woven, mat-like surface.

If you too can adjust your expectations to taller grass, a mix of other plants in your turf, such as clover, and mid-summer periods when your grass temporarily turns brown, you can achieve a low-maintenance lawn — and one that's closer to the original spirit of the lawn.

The right height

There are several reasons not to cut your grass too short.

First, grass grows from the crown, not the blade tips. This trait makes grasses ideal for lawns because they keep on growing despite the regular mowing off of their upper stem, leaf sheath, and blades. This is also why it's important not to damage grass crowns by accidental scalping with the mower. No crown, no grass!

Second, keeping grass on the longer side also allows it greater surface area to carry out photosynthesis. This in turn results in healthier plants.

Third, taller grass grows slower than shorter grass. You can use this simple fact to eliminate up to 20 percent of the mowing you do annually. That's a savings of about 8 hours for the average lawn owner, not to mention a savings of gasoline and wear and tear on equipment.

Finally, by keeping your grass at the high end of its recommended mowing height you can prevent 90 percent of all weeds from germinating — and thereby, eliminate the need for herbicides.

To be continued...

Looking for applicants to attend Youth Range Workshop

Each June, the Runnels Soil and Water Conservation District is proud to sponsor a Runnels County 4-H and FFA student to the Range Workshop in Junction.

The workshop recognizes outstanding students interested in agriculture, develops leadership, and provides advanced training in practical range, ranch, and natural resources management.

During the busy week-long workshop, students are actively involved in the study of range plants, wildlife, and proper conservation and management of re-

sources. These studies include field trips to ranches, plant collecting, range judging, and leadership training.

The Youth Range Workshop is conducted at the Texas A&M Department of Ecology and Management under the direction of Dr. Barron Rector and sponsored by the Texas Section Society for Range Management.

Any Runnels County 4-H or FFA member interested in attending this range workshop should contact their 4-H or FFA leader for an application.

Soil and Water Conservation board member election scheduled May 2

The regular election of a member to the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board (TSSWCB) to represent State District Two is scheduled for May 2, 2000, in Wall. The election will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Saint Ambrose Catholic Church Parish Hall.

The TSSWCB, an agency of state government, was created in 1939. Unlike many state agencies and commissions whose policy making bodies are gubernatorial appointees, the TSSWCB consists of five elected members.

TSSWCB members are elected in a convention type election by delegates from soil and water conservation districts (SWCDs) within the state district the member is to represent. Qualified delegates voting in the election must be landowners, reside in the soil and water conservation district he or she represents at the convention, and be actively engaged in farming and ranching. Each

SWCD in State District Two selects one delegate to attend the convention.

Each TSSWCB member serves a two-year term and represents one of the five State Districts. Each member must own agricultural land and be actively engaged in farming or ranching.

State District Two, which consists of 51 counties in the Hill Country to the Western and Trans Pecos region of the state, has 44 soil and water conservation districts within its boundary. Collectively, Texas has 216 SWCDs within its statutory five state districts.

The TSSWCB's chief responsibility is to coordinate the programs of the Texas' soil and water conservation districts and assist them to develop and carry out local conservation programs.

In addition, the TSSWCB is the lead agency in Texas for programs relating to abating agricultural and silvicultural nonpoint source pollution.

Stenholm sponsors legislation to stop IRS action

Congressman Charles W. Stenholm has co-sponsored legislation that would prevent the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) from collecting additional taxes on the rental payments received by farmers who place land in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP).

Stenholm took this action after the Sixth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati ruled that self-employment taxes are owed on CRP acreage rental payments.

The IRS believes that farmers who have an active farming operation owe the self-employment tax on any income from CRP, and it is expected the IRS will try to collect these taxes on returns go-

ing back to 1996.

"Once again, the IRS has demonstrated their ability to make an arbitrary and heavy-handed decision that would create problems for working folks who are struggling from day to day just to hang on," said Stenholm. "This is a problem that needs to be fixed."

Two hundred and seventy thousand (270,000) farm families nationwide have land enrolled under CRP, which pays farmers to take environmentally sensitive land out of production. These families pay income taxes on the payments from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, but not self-employment Social Security taxes.



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Pest Management News

By Richard Minzenmayer, Extension Agent-Entomology (PM)

Scout school date set

The Tom Green/Runnels County Pest Management Committee is sponsoring a scout school June 5 and 6 at the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in San Angelo.

As the only scout school in the state that provides both an intensive classroom and real field experience in a 2-day session, the program will allow the experienced to become familiar again

with scouting cotton and associated pests and economic thresholds. For first timers, the school provides an opportunity to learn about cotton insects in the field before the season gets too busy.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. CEU credits will be given at that time. Pre-registration is encouraged.

For more information, call 365-5212.

New USDA program to help rural schools

On March 22, 2000, Deputy Agriculture Secretary Richard Rominger announced a new USDA partnership to help rural school districts finance education and facility improvements.

The Rural Community Schools Rebuilding Program will provide rural schools with access to as much as \$1.2 billion in financing to repair school buildings, acquire new equipment, develop course materials, and train teachers and other school personnel. Participating lenders can offer interest-free loans in return for federal tax credits. USDA will guarantee up to 90 percent of the amount a school borrows from a private lender.

"Many rural communities face steep challenges in keeping their school facilities and programs competitive," said Rominger. "The funding provided by this new partnership will help rural

schools improve educational opportunities for this new century."

The Schools Rebuilding Program will host workshops in rural communities to train community leaders in developing plans to obtain financing. In its first year, the program will be implemented on a pilot basis in Mississippi, North Carolina, North Dakota, and Texas.

The program is a joint effort between USDA's Rural Housing Service and Organizations concerned about Rural Education, a coalition of businesses and not-for-profit organizations. It includes the American Association of School Administrators, the American Association of State Colleges and Universities, Bell Atlantic, U.S. West Communications, the National Education Association, and the National Farmers Union.

Quarterly sales decrease 7.9%

As reported March 31, 2000, by the office of State Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander, gross sales for Runnels County decreased 7.9 percent for the third quarter of 1999 as compared to the same reporting period in 1998.

Sales for the third quarter of 1999 totaled \$43,340,006 as com-

pared to \$47,075,221 for the same period in 1998.

Use tax purchases include \$296,341 while \$11,788,510 is subject to state sales and use tax.

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