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GOODNESS—Christian character is not an inheritance; each individual must build it for himself.

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Miss 2001 Sno-Queen and her court



MANDY PRITCHARD (center) was crowned Miss 2001 Sno-Queen in ceremonies at the Rock Hotel following the annual Christmas parade Saturday. Also honored are Tracie Morrison (left), second runner-up, and Lori Bredemeyer, first runner-up. Fourteen young ladies competed for the Sno-Queen title.

Mandy Pritchard crowned Miss 2001 Sno-Queen

Spectacular weather combined with more than 50 entries to make last Saturday's annual Christmas parade one of the best.

Highlighting the parade was the crowning of Miss 2001 Sno-Queen, Mandy Pritchard, the 16-year-old daughter of Johnny Bob and Deb Pritchard, was named winner over 13 other lovely contestants. Mandy is a junior at Win-

ters High School where she is a varsity cheerleader, class treasurer, a member of the National Honor Society, the varsity basketball and track teams, and student council. She also serves as president of the Winters 4-H Club and is a member of the First Baptist Church.

Mandy is the third sister in her family to be honored as Sno-

Queen. Marie Pritchard Payne received the honor in 1988, and Misty Pritchard was crowned in 1997.

First runner-up this year was Lori Bredemeyer. Second runner-up was Tracie Morrison.

Crowning the queen and her court was 2000 Sno-Queen, Miss Kayla Colburn.

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WISD Superintendent resigns

Mike Harris going to Slaton ISD

During their regular meeting on Monday, December 11, trustees of the Winters Independent School District accepted the resignation of Mike Harris, Superintendent, effective December 20, 2000.

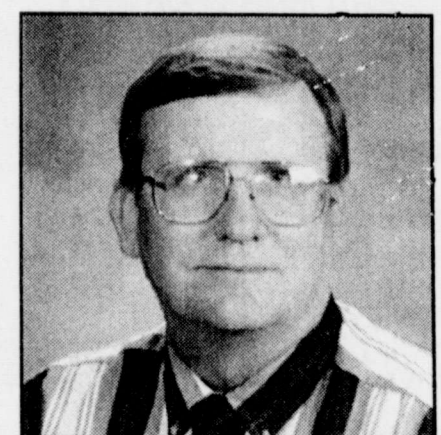
Voting for the motion were Cheryl Bryan, Jerry Sims, Bob Prewit and Allen Andrae. Voting against were Gary Moore, Jack Davis, Jr., and Larry Walker.

Harris, who has served WISD since June, 1996, has accepted the superintendent's position with the Slaton Independent School District.

"My family and I have really loved Winters, and we hate to leave but we feel that this is an opportunity we can't dismiss," said Harris.

Harris said his mother and step-father live at O'Donnell, which is located only 29 miles from the Slaton school. "My folks have been having some health problems and I've been going to O'Donnell for several

weekends. This will help me be able to take care of them," he added. "And, my family still has



farming and ranching concerns at O'Donnell, so this will be like going home for me."

Slaton, a 3-A school, is located approximately 15 miles southeast of Lubbock, and has "a very progressive school board," said Harris.

Harris's salary will jump from \$62,000 in Winters to \$80,000 at

Slaton which also offers approximately \$5,000 in additional benefits such as life and health insurance, and travel allowance with a car provided.

Harris said he will begin his duties at Slaton on January 2, 2001; however, his wife Carla and their daughter, Jami, will remain in Winters until sometime in the spring. Carla is the office nurse for Dr. Keith Boles. Jami is a 4th grader at Winters Elementary.

WISD Board of Trustees president Allen Andrae said, "I'll really miss him (Harris)."

According to Andrae, the board plans to hire an interim superintendent and will conduct the search themselves rather than hire a consulting firm for Harris' replacement.

Andrae said, "We're a month ahead of everybody else (looking for a superintendent), and we hope to find a replacement by March. We'll get the best we can for the money."

Post office extends Sat. hours

Lewis Alambar, Officer in Charge at the Winters post office, has announced extended holiday hours for Saturdays, December 16 and 23, from 9:30 a.m. until noon.

Regular hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Alambar encourages everyone to mail their letters and packages as soon as possible.

Slaughter coaching duo resign at Ballinger

Father and son leave under duress

Dan Slaughter, former Winters coach and most recently head football coach who led the Ballinger Bearcats to the playoffs each of the last three seasons, has resigned under pressure.

Slaughter, a native of Ballinger, was forced out by the school board who accepted his resignation in a special five-hour closed meeting on December 7. His contract was not renewed at the end of last year, so he is in the final year of that contract.

Although Ballinger missed the playoffs in Slaughter's first year, the team advanced to postseason playoffs each of the last three years. This year, the Bearcats finished third in District 5-3A with an 8-4 record. Of the four losses, two teams (Wylie and Class 2A Sonora) are playing for state

championships this weekend and the other two (Sweetwater and Ferris) made it to the quarterfinals in the playoffs.

He had replaced Glen Jones at Ballinger, who, amidst much controversy, also resigned during the middle of the school year in December, 1997. Slaughter had been head coach at Eastland for the 1996 football season, following three years as Ballinger's defensive coordinator under Jones.

Slaughter, age 54, has coached for 32 years, the last four being at Ballinger where he compiled a 26-20 record. He also served as athletic director and head football coach at Winters from 1981 to 1992, where he gained a 12-year record of 60-64. His overall career mark is 168-120-3.

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County discusses Weather Program

Opening bids for the purchase of a new or used wheel loader and discussion of a non-agenda item took most of Runnels County Commissioners Court meeting time on Tuesday.

No action was taken on the four bids opened on the bids for the wheel loader when Commissioner Thurman Self moved to table action on the item. Thurman said, "We need to take the time to study these bids to see the best use of the taxpayers' money."

The other lengthy discussion concerned the Runnels Weather Modification program. Randall Conner presented commissioners with a list of contributors to the program, with total pledges of \$8,125 for four years of the program.

Discussion centered on the amount the county should contribute to the program. County Judge Marilyn Egan told the group it looked as if the weather modification program area would be limited to seven or eight counties. Runnels, Coleman and Brown counties have not made formal commitments to the program, but must do so by Monday, December 18. Egan also said the cost estimate for Runnels County had dropped to \$18,467.

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MEMBERS OF THE HERBERT JACOB FAMILY are presented a framed "Light Up A Life" dove in honor of Jacob who lost the battle to cancer earlier this year. Dove donations of \$10 may be made in honor or memory of any loved one or friend with all proceeds benefiting the area hospice program. This year's campaign will run through December 22, with the doves available at Main Drug in Winters. Family members shown above are (l-r) Janet Cason, Wacey Cason, Tad Cason, Evelyn Jacob, Craig Jacob, Dinell Jacob, Gary Jacob, and Cookie VanZandt. This year's Hendrick Hospice Care campaign was dedicated in Jacob's memory.

From the Editor —

I want to extend a personal invitation to everyone to attend the Christmas program to be presented Tuesday, Dec. 19, at 7 p.m. by the Elementary Select Choir at the school auditorium.

These children are always extremely delightful to watch and

I've already been privileged to get a sneak preview of this year's Christmas program. I promise you'll be entertained and uplifted.

And as a special note, why not bring someone with you to this program. Call an elderly person or a shut-in or anyone else who

could benefit from a high-energy, colorful and fun program featuring the shining, smiling faces of some terrific kids. Some of these talented singers will surprise you with their solos, and I'm amazed at their courage to stand alone and

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WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- Dec. 14-10 a.m., Triple L Club, First Baptist Church
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 5:30 p.m., Financial Aid Session, High School Library
- 7 p.m., Band Concert, WHS Auditorium
- Dec. 15-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco
- Dec. 16-9:30 a.m.-Noon, Extended Post Office Hours
- 10 a.m.-Noon, Showmanship Clinic, Ballinger Ag Barn
- 7 p.m., 4-H Holiday Hop, SPJST Hall, Rowena
- Dec. 17-6-7:30 p.m., Christmas Celebration, First Baptist Church
- Dec. 18-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 9:30-10:30 a.m., Social Security Rep Winters Housing Authority
- 6:30 p.m., 4-H Record Book Training, San Angelo
- 7 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center
- Dec. 19-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Winters Secondary School Final Exams, 2nd & 4th period classes
- 10 a.m., Down Home Cooking Workshop, Winters Housing Authority
- Noon, Lions Club
- 5 p.m., Student Council Canned Food Drive, WHS Gym
- 6:30 p.m., Ministerial Alliance Potluck Meal, FBC Jones Hall
- 7 p.m., Winters Elementary Choir Christmas Concert, WHS Auditorium
- 7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station
- 7:30 p.m., Eastern Star
- Dec. 20-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Chamber Office
- 8:30 a.m., Christmas Assembly, Elementary Activity Bldg.
- Winters Secondary School Final Exams, 1st, 3rd & 5th period classes
- 9 a.m.-4 p.m., WIC, Winters Housing Authority
- 10 a.m., FREE Blood Pressure Check, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 1:30 p.m., Elementary Christmas Parties
- 2:30 p.m., Early School Dismissal for Christmas Holidays - NO TIPS
- 5 p.m., 4-H Scholarship Information Night, Extension Office, Ballinger
- 6 p.m., Christmas Celebration, North Main Church of Christ
- Dec. 21-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- NO SCHOOL, CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Oil Bidness

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As the cold air moves south for the official start of winter, we continue to hear the cries of anguish from the northeast.

Heating oil is going to be expensive and hard to get. And, it doesn't appear, at least to them, as if anybody is going to do something to save them. Why, oil companies keep saying they are ramping up refinery runs for heating oil, but where is it?

Stocks of heating oil are at all-time lows in the northeast and don't seem to be improving. The time is becoming dangerously short to bring additional heating oil to the last part of the world that sticks to the outdated idea of heating with liquid petroleum.

But, to hear the oil companies tell it, you would think they were working 24/7 trying to produce all the refined product they can. What gives?

There are two problems, it turns out: lack of refining capacity and a serious infrastructure problem.

The capacity problem is one that I have spoken of before. The combination of volatility, razor-thin margins, and mandated regional fuel differences has put us in this situation. New refineries don't look good as investments, and government regulations limit the output of active refineries to small burps by imposing byzantine and variable requirements for their products before they can be sold.

The infrastructure problem has been less obvious—until now.

It turns out that both viewpoints in the heating oil mess reflect the facts of the situation. There is insufficient refined product reaching the northeast, but the refineries on the Gulf Coast are working at full capacity.

As a matter of fact, the Gulf Coast is awash in heating oil and gasoline, but the northeast faces a continual shrinkage in stocks.

The methods by which the products made on the Gulf Coast reach the northeast are: pipeline or ship. The main pipeline to the northeast is the Colonial Pipeline, which is full, even backed up. Shipping is limited by an arcane law that requires that only U.S.-built and U.S.-owned ships may transport oil between U.S. ports.

Both of these problems are combining to prevent the product from moving to the northeast in sufficient volume to relieve the anticipated impending shortage.

The reason for these types of infrastructure problems is not in the business entities along the supply chain. People in business try to make money by filling a need. Where there is a vacuum, a successful business fills it.

Attempts to build new refineries and new pipelines in the U.S. have been met with resistance every step of the way. Regulations in place, proposed regulations, bureaucrats with and without agendas, and general regulatory resistance to anything related to petroleum put up roadblock after roadblock.

Anytime you see a need that inexplicably goes unfilled, you can bet that it is artificial intervention in the marketplace that is at the root. In this case, it is the behemoth that is eating 40% of your income every year.

Guess who...

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY COMPLETIONS

Concho County

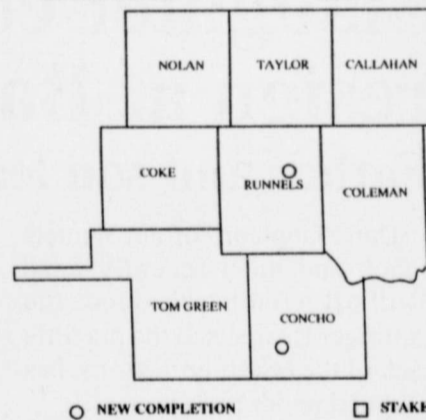
Ultra Oil & Gas has completed the R. Pfleger #C-3 in the Dare I Field (7 miles SW of Eden) at an initial rate of 85 BOPD & 8 BWPD in the Cook (perfs 1500-18). Loc. is 1397 FSL & 1690 FWL of Sec. 25, Blk. 72, G. Pace Sur., A-1112.

Runnels County

DBO Oil has completed a deepening of the C.C. Grey #1 in the Beddo Field (4 miles NE of Ballinger) at an initial rate of 16 BOPD & 2 BWPD in the Jennings Sand (perfs 3870-3925). Loc. is 2500 FNL & 2800 FEL of ETRR Sur. No. 147, A-159.

STAKINGS

None This Week



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- Monday, Dec. 18:** Swiss Steak, peas, corn salad, cornbread, fruit.
- Tuesday, Dec. 19:** Hamburger steak w/gravy, rice, green beans, bread, cake.
- Wednesday, Dec. 20:** Chicken spaghetti, tossed salad, peas & carrots, rolls, banana pudding.
- Thursday, Dec. 21:** Goulash, beans, mixed greens, cornbread, Jell-O.
- Friday, Dec. 22:** Mexican cornbread, pinto beans, cole slaw, chips, cobbler.

Pumphrey resigns office with Museum/Rock Hotel

Mike Pumphrey, president of the Z. I. Hale Museum/Rock Hotel has resigned his position effectively immediately.

Pumphrey is moving to Los Angeles, California, where he will work as a preservation architect for Earth Tech.

Regarding his move, Pumphrey said, "I was so glad to get back to Winters (a year ago) but I need to take advantage of this opportunity right now. I plan to work in LA for about five years, then return to Winters. Or, who knows, I may be back much sooner if I get really tired of the big city."

Pumphrey is a 1968 graduate of Winters High School.

Social Security Rep. in Winters on Dec. 18

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his December visit to Winters. He will be at the Winters Housing Project Office on Monday, Dec. 18, between 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact him at this time.

Your Social Security matters can be handled just as quickly by telephone. For help when you first want to sign up for Social Security or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits, call (915) 949-4608. The office is open every weekday (Monday through Friday) except holidays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you just need information or are already receiving benefits, call 1-800-772-1213 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. every weekday except holidays.

If desired, write to the office at P.O. Box 3808, San Angelo, Texas 76902.

Card of Thanks

I would like to thank Dr. Dan Killough, Killough Chiropractic, for sponsoring me in the 2001 Sno-Queen competition.

I would also like to thank Dawn Killough for providing me with jewelry and Charles Bahlman of Bahlman Chevrolet, for providing a vehicle for me to use for the parade.

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Obituaries

Maria Garza Salazar

WINTERS—Maria Garza Salazar, 91, died Wednesday, December 6, 2000, at her residence.

She was born March 25, 1909, in Old Mexico and came to the United States in 1920. She married Emeliano Salazar in San Benito, Texas.

Mrs. Salazar was a homemaker and a Catholic. She was preceded in death by her husband.

Survivors include five daughters, Estella Reyna, Olivia Lara, Oralia Aleman and Anita Sanchez, all of Winters, and Beatrice Villanueva of California; two sons, George Torres of Winters and Ramon Salazar of Dickinson; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren.

Rosary was at 8:00 p.m. Thursday, December 7, in Winters Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral mass was at 2:00 p.m. Friday, December 8, at Mount Carmel Catholic Church with Father B. Obi officiating. Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery in Winters, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Roland Sharp

BALLINGER—Roland Sharp, 78, died at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 5, 2000, at Ballinger Nursing Home.

He was born October 10, 1922, in Scurry County, Texas. He was a U.S. Navy Veteran of World War II. He married Nancy Adams Sharp September 9, 1971, at Paint Rock.

Mr. Sharp was a heavy equipment operator for the City of Ballinger. He was a member of the First Christian Church in Ballinger.

Survivors include his wife, Nancy Sharp of Ballinger; one daughter, Barbara Denis of Ballinger; four grandchildren including Samantha Highsmith of Ballinger; four great-grandchildren including Damian Len Stewart of Ballinger; two nephews; and one sister-in-law.

Graveside services were at 3:00 p.m. Thursday, December 7, at Evergreen Cemetery in Ballinger with Reverend Theodore Boone officiating. Burial was directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home of Ballinger.

Clide T. Sanders

ROBINSON—Clide T. Sanders, 82, passed away Sunday, December 3, 2000, at his residence.

He was born March 16, 1918, in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He married Agnes Lewis on December 24, 1941.

Mr. Sanders owned and operated Sanders Grocery in Stephenville and was an avid fisherman.

He was preceded in death by his wife in 1968.

Survivors include one son, Mike Sanders and wife Linda of Robinson; one daughter, Clidene Holder and husband Elbert of Cleburne; two brothers, Morris Sanders of Abilene and Wilford Sanders of Cameron; five sisters, Sissy Grissom of Plainview, Lucille Walker of Conroe, Mae and Elsalee Sanders of Cameron, and Becky Pierce of Tuscola; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Family visitation was at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 6, at Winters Funeral Home. Services were at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, December 7, at Winters Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery in Winters, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Juanita McIntyre

HOUSTON—Juanita McIntyre, 83, formerly of Shep died Saturday, December 9, 2000, in a Baytown hospital.

She was born July 14, 1917 in Happy Valley. She graduated from high school in Big Spring and married Lee Oliver McIntyre on June 26, 1946, in Shep. She lived in Wingate and moved to Houston in 1973.

Mrs. McIntyre owned and operated a hobby shop in Houston and was a published poet. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1966 and her twin sister, Oleta Vick in 1989.

Survivors include one daughter, Wanda Brenengen and husband Tim of Houston and two grandchildren, Julie Brenengen of Houston and Tina Smith of Baytown.

Graveside services were held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, December 11, 2000, in the Shep Cemetery directed by Winters Funeral Home.



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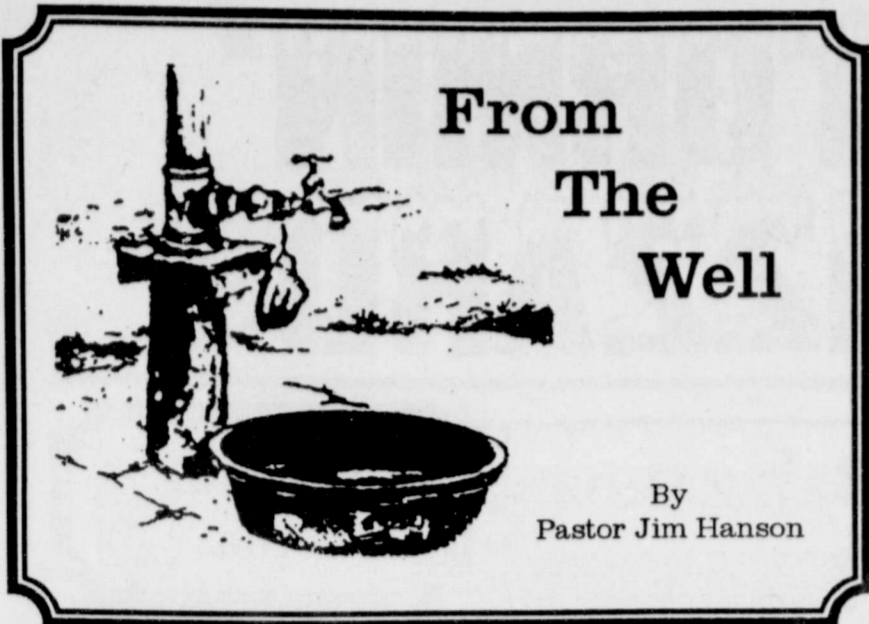
And yet, we like she Israel." "I so but a few of But Jesus John is full good shepher my voice, a life, and the hand." And Of course born. They sing. And to of David a But it too had a little So good I'r Black did Poetry." Th So, how

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Christmas Parade Fun



From The Well

By
Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

Sheep seldom get good press. In man's book, sheep are notoriously helpless. They can't defend themselves. They are always going after the green grass on the other side of the fence. They are easily spooked. And, often go astray. Stupid sheep.

And yet, the Bible often refers to us humans as being like sheep. "All we like sheep have gone astray." "The lost sheep of the house of Israel." "I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves." And these are but a few of the references. Not flattering at all.

But Jesus speaks of sheep in a positive way. The 10th chapter of John is full of good press for sheep. The Lord even calls himself "the good shepherd who lays down his life for the sheep." "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me; and I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand." And His final command to Peter was "Feed my sheep."

Of course, sheep really came into their own the night Jesus was born. They and the shepherds. They were the first to hear the Angels sing. And to hear their message, "To you is born this day, in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ, the Lord!"

But it took a cowboy poet to give sheep their due respect. No "Mary had a little lamb" kind of poem. Or even "little boy Blue." Much better. So good I'm putting it in this column for all of you to ponder. Baxter Black did it, and it's in a collection called "A Cowful of Cowboy Poetry." The title is "How Do You Know It's Christmas?" So, how do you know it's Christmas?...

"Cause the sheep can always tell. They follow a little tradition and have for quite a spell.

On Christmas Eve around midnight, the sheep, wherever they are all rise in quiet unison and fixate on a star.

And from their stirring comes a sound, a chuckling tra, la, la that weaves and builds itself into a soft melodious baa.

Which carries like a dove's lament when nights are very still as if they're calling for someone beyond a yonder hill.

The legend herders passed on down attributes this tradition to one late night in Bethlehem.

A heavenly petition wherein a host of angels came and lured them with a song.

The herders left in haste, they say, and stayed gone all night long. Well, sheep don't do to well alone. They've never comprehended that on that night they waited up, the world was upended.

So, now when daylight shortens up and nights get long and cold I make my check at midnight like we've done since days of old.

And if I find the flock intent and standing all around I listen for the heavenly host above their throaty sound.

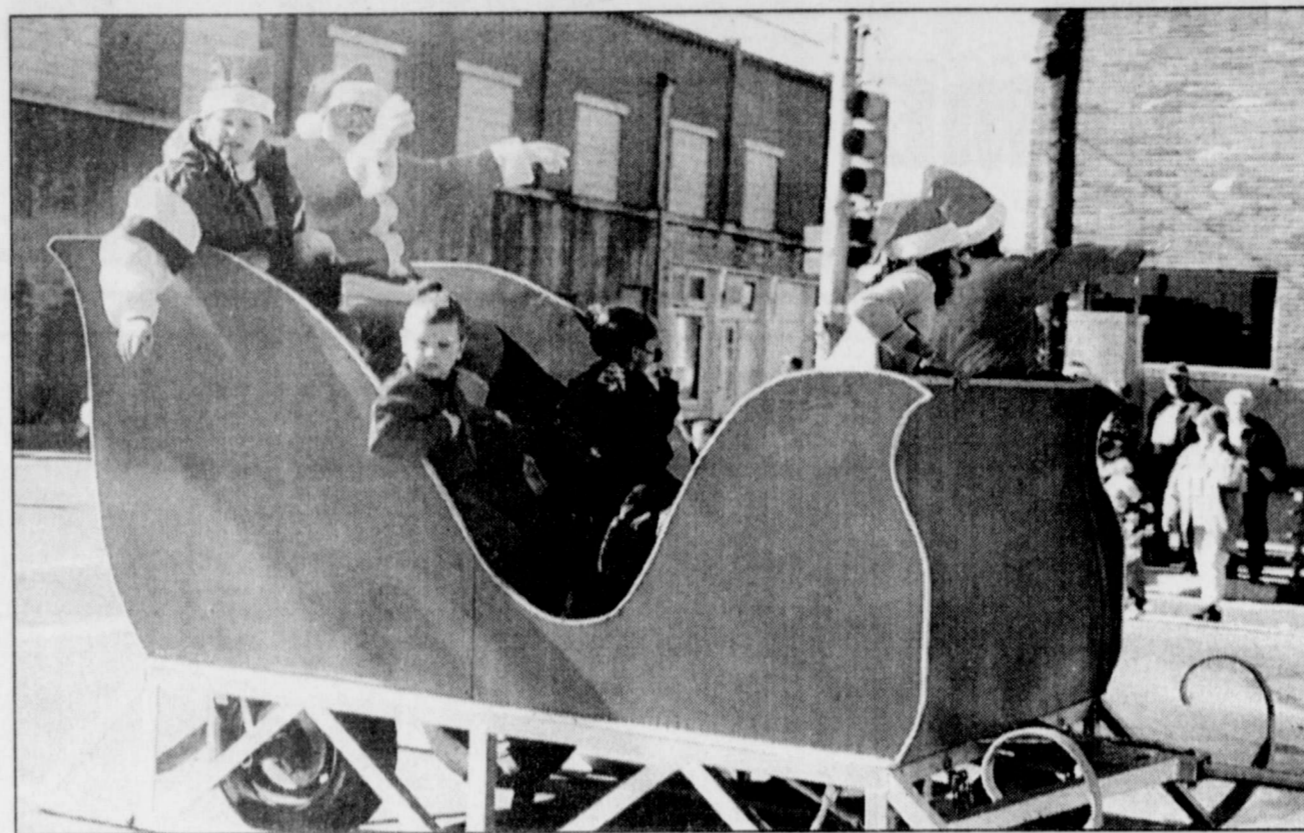
And scan the dim horizon in an effort to discern the sign the sheep are seeking, that their shepherds will return.

And I am but a watchman in this drama that replays around the earth this time of year, and so I stand and gaze.

And though I see no special star or hear no sweet noel, I know it must be Christmas,

'Cause the sheep can always tell."

My dad told me that his father always fed the livestock a double portion of feed on Christmas Eve. Grandpa believed, as does Baxter, that every Christmas the sheep and the cattle know that something is UP...UPENDED as Baxter put it. Would that we could be as smart as the stupid sheep. And celebrate Christmas in such a simple way. Maybe, just maybe, we'd hear the angels sing. And, hopefully, like the sheep, know it's CHRISTmas. And, be fed...a double portion of the very Presence of God!



SANTA CLAUS took time from his busy schedule to make a popular appearance at the parade.



CHRISTOPHER FRANCO, 3-year-old son of Elizabeth and Billy Franco, enjoys his part as a waving reindeer on the Headstart float.

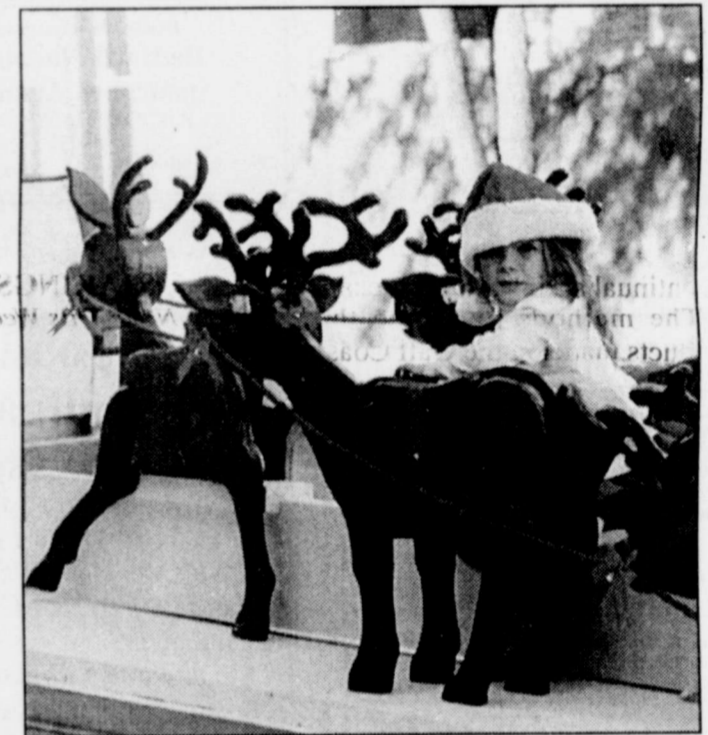


FISHIN' FOR A CHRISTMAS WISH for full lakes are (l-r) avid fishermen Jonathan Meyer with Bryce Wilkerson and Dillon Perrie on their decorated 4-wheelers.

Congratulations to all the parade entrants and winners!



BROWNIE TROUP 338 is having a sweet time with their gingerbread house.



CHRISTINE FOX, age 4, of San Angelo is ready for the parade to end in spite of her fun time riding in a handmade wooden reindeer and sleigh brought by Harold Shelburne.

PARADE, continued

Mike Harris, President of the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce, presented trophies to the following parade winners:

Division I (School Organizations) - National Honor Society and PIPS

Division II (Churches) - no entries.

Division III (Business and Civic Organizations) - 1st place, Headstart; 2nd, Brownie Troup 338; 3rd, Family Dollar Store.

Division IV (Individuals) - 1st place, Harold Shelburne family & friends; 2nd Dillon Perrie & Bryce Wilkerson; 3rd, Lee Colbath.

Division V (Riding Clubs) - 1st place, Abilene Saddle Club; 2nd, Nolan County Riding Club; 3rd, Lone Star Miniature Horses.

Division VI (Classic Cars) - 1st place, Loren Hensen; 2nd, Jerry Sims; and 3rd David Randall.

The Mayor's travelling trophy for overall parade winner was awarded to the Winters High School NHS and PIPS float.

Mandy Pritchard won the Sno-Queen float division.

Downtown visitors also enjoyed shopping, food, and touring the Rock Hotel and Gus Pruser Agricultural Exhibit.

MORE PARADE PICTURES will be published in next week's edition of The Winters Enterprise

Winters Community Outreach Center Hours of Operation

Monday 4:30-7:30 PM
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CHOIR, continued

sing in front of a large audience. Elementary Music Teacher Fran Kidwell does an excellent job (no, she didn't ask me to say this), and I know beyond a doubt that her influence in both music and discipline will touch the lives of all the young students she's

taught over the years.

And remember, these kiddos practice, practice, practice. So let's give them our support and attend their program. As a bonus, there's no admission charge.

Great, free, fun entertainment. What a blessing we have!

A good conscience is a continual Christmas. — Benjamin Franklin

Church of Christ plans Christmas celebration for Wednesday, Dec. 20

The North Main Church of Christ will host a Christmas celebration on Wednesday evening, December 20. "This is an important time of year for hundreds of millions of people throughout the world and particularly here in Winters," says Mark Edge, preaching minister for the church. "Although we are not sure about the date of Christ's birth, many focus on Jesus around Christmastime. That's a good thing."

It is because of the church's commitment to children that they seek to host the service on Wednesday evening. "It may seem odd hosting this event on Wednesday night, but we want to

do something our kids and their parents can share in," stated Edge. "However, we want to emphasize that everyone from our community is welcome."

There will be a meal served at 6 p.m. followed by fun and activities for the kids. The evening will end with the singing of Christmas hymns in the church's auditorium. "This is not going to be a major production. But it will be an enjoyable evening and it will culminate with the correct focus, Jesus our Lord," declares Edge.

Those having further questions may call the North Main Church of Christ at 754-4183. The cost is free and no free will offering will be taken during the evening.

FBC invites children to attend Christmas Celebration Dec. 17

The First Baptist Church of Winters would like to invite ALL children in the community to a Christmas Celebration on Sunday, December 17, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. The event will take place at the church located on the corners of Truitt and Main streets.

Children will enjoy a musical

presentation performed by the FBC Children's Choir followed by fun, games and refreshments in the fellowship hall. A gift will be given to each and every child attending.

Any child in the community is encouraged to attend this blessed Christmas gathering.



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Friday-Dec. 22
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Monday-Dec. 18
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WHS Student Council to collect canned goods at Bangs ballgame

The Winters High School Student Council has planned a Canned Food Drive in conjunction with the Bangs vs. Winters basketball game on Tuesday, December 19.

Student council members will collect at least one canned good item per person as admission to the ballgame. All donations will benefit the Winters Food Pantry in this timely holiday community service.

The community is encouraged to support this project sponsored by the WHS student governing body. Monetary admission will be charged to those who do not wish to participate in the project.

Financial aid session today at WHS

Seniors and their parents are encouraged to attend a financial aid session today, December 14, at 5:30 p.m. in the high school library.

The session is expected to last for approximately one hour.

Corky Swanson of McMurry University in Abilene will be the special guest and will offer information relating to scholarships, grants, and loans.

Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Zach Boxell
Opponent: Wall Date: Dec. 5, 2000
Place: Winters

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	11	12	8	14		52
OPPONENT	16	15	6	20		57

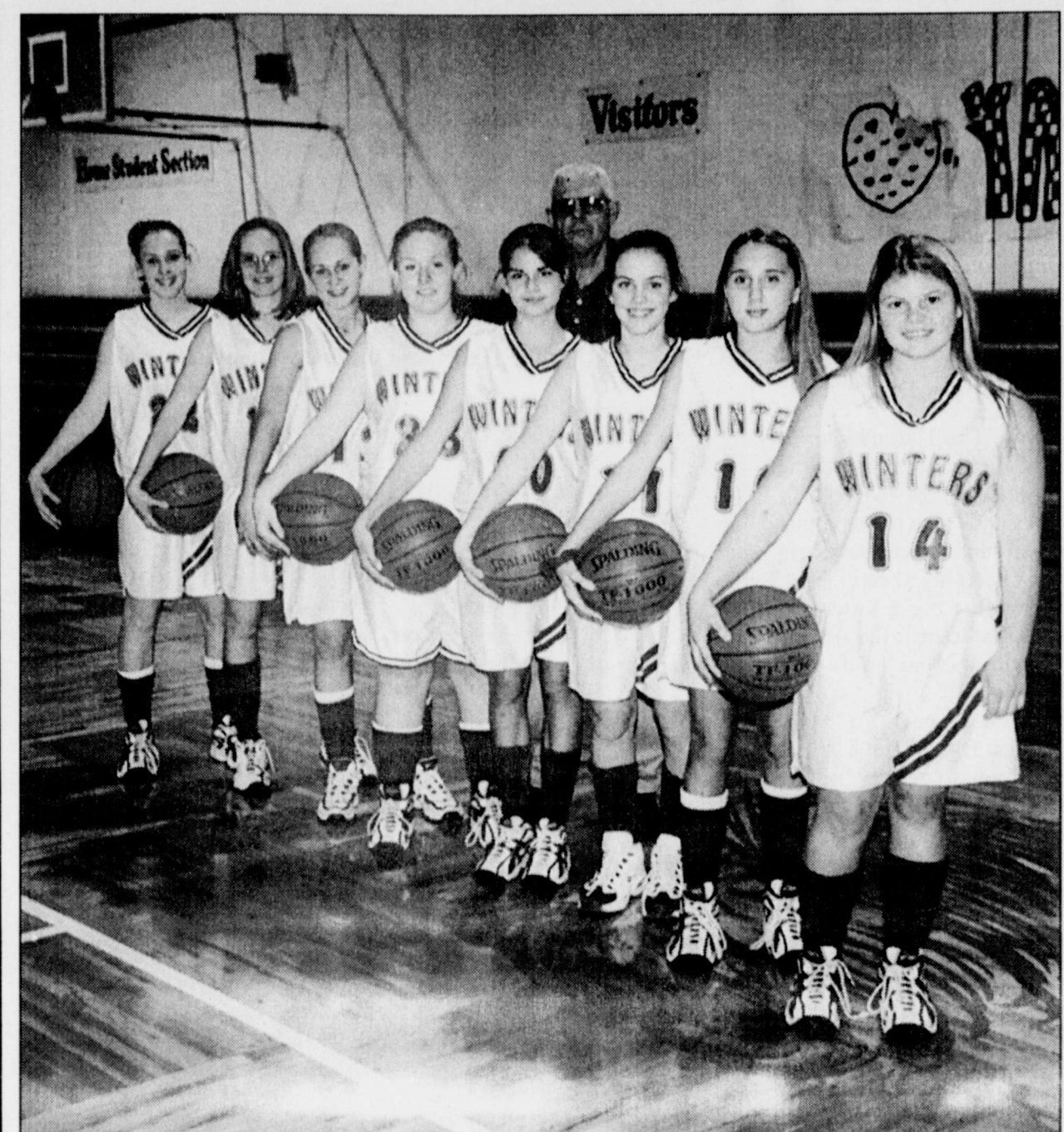
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Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Rusty Jackson	2	0	0	0
Colby Walker	12	0	0	0
Ben Blaine	7	0	0	0
Aaron Pritchard	6	0	0	0
Artemus Lopez	3	0	0	0
Josh Minzenmayer	0	0	0	0
Tommy Agnew	0	0	0	0
Wade Parramore	2	0	0	0
Samson Jackson	2	0	0	0
Shane Colburn	1	0	0	0
Jeremy Hale	0	0	0	0

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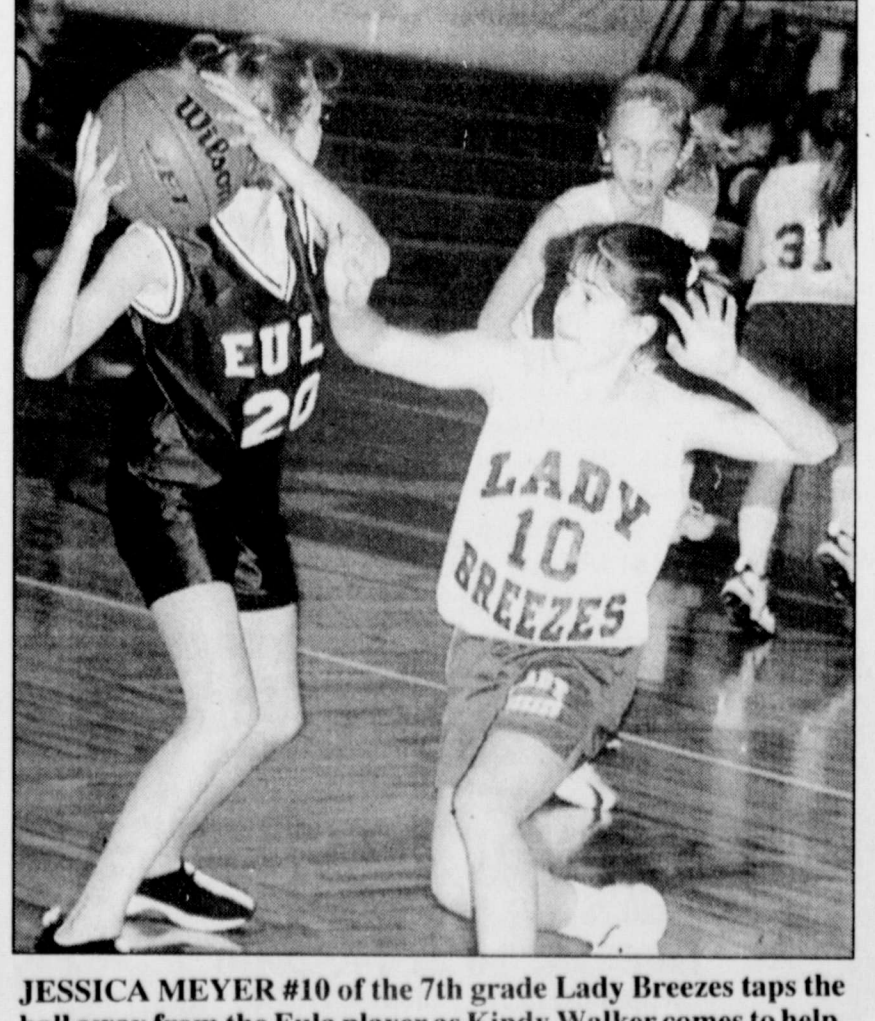
2000-2001 FRESHMEN LADY BLIZZARDS



(L-R) Suzanne Jones, Kari Walker, Kayla Calcote, Maegan Schwartz, Macy Hopson, Coach Ed Poehls, Briana Parramore, Jessica Barron, and Jessica Parramore.



LADY BLIZZARDS with their "Determination 'n Attitude" practice shirts took the Consolation Championship at the Albany tournament last week and third place at the Ballinger Varsity Tourney Nov. 30-Dec. 2. Laci Walker was named to the All-Tournament Team at both tournaments. Standing (l-r) are Mandy Pritchard, Kemari Hale, Stacey Sneed, Jena Bahlan, Kaye McQuiston, and Laci Walker. Kneeling (l-r) Lori Bredemeyer, Kendra Hope and Staci Bishop. Not pictured are Michelle Paschal, Jessica DeLaRosa, and Michelle Walden.



JESSICA MEYER #10 of the 7th grade Lady Breezes taps the ball away from the Eula player as Kindy Walker comes to help.

Team: 7th Boys White Coach: Bill White
Opponent: Hawley Date: Nov. 27, 2000
Place: Winters

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	8	11	4	4		27
OPPONENT	0	8	10	7		25

Free throws made: 2 of 11 for 18%

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Bryce Wilkerson	0	0	0	0
Aaron Colburn	4	0	0	0
Jordan Sanchez	0	0	0	0
David Scales*	14	0	0	0
Marqus Tabbs	2	0	0	0
Christopher Medina	4	0	0	0
Larry Nichols	3	0	0	0

*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: 7th Boys Blue Coach: Bill White
Opponent: Hawley Date: Nov. 27, 2000
Place: Winters

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	1	0	5	2		8
OPPONENT	2	8	2	0		12

Free throws made: 1 of 1 for 0%

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Manual Cordova	1	0	0	0
Jason Fawcett*	5	0	0	0
Frank Carter	2	0	0	0
Matt Tackell	0	0	0	0
Colton Powell	0	0	0	0
Jonathan Mays	0	0	0	0

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Team: 7th Boys White Coach: Bill White
Opponent: Eula Date: Dec. 4, 2000
Place: Eula

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	6	13	0	4		23
OPPONENT	6	9	4	3		21

Free throws made: 18 of 27 for 67%

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Bryce Wilkerson	0	0	0	0
Aaron Colburn	2	0	0	0
Jordan Sanchez	2	0	0	0
David Scales*	20	0	0	0
Marqus Tabbs	2	0	0	0
Christopher Medina	4	0	0	0
Jonathan Mays	0	0	0	0

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Team: 7th Boys Blue Coach: Bill White
Opponent: Eula Date: Dec. 4, 2000
Place: Eula

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	0	6	0	2		8
OPPONENT	17	9	8	8		52

Free throws made: 1 of 1 for 100%

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Manual Cordova	3	0	0	0
Jason Fawcett*	10	0	0	0
Frank Carter	2	0	0	0
Matt Tackell	0	0	0	0
Colton Powell	0	0	0	0
Jonathan Mays	0	0	0	0

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Team: Varsity Girls Coach: Ken Fowler
Opponent: Seymour Date: Dec. 7, 2000
Place: Leon's Day Invitational Tournament in Albany

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	1	2	1	13		17
OPPONENT	16	13	9	8		46

Free throws made: 24 of 41 for 59%

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Laci Walker	2	4	3	3
Michelle Paschal	4	4	1	0
Stacey Sneed	0	0	0	0
Staci Bishop	0	1	1	2
Kemari Hale	2	2	0	0
Jessica DeLaRosa	0	0	0	0
Jena Bahlan	1	5	5	1
Kendra Hope	16	5	2	0
Lori Bredemeyer	0	2	0	0
Mandy Pritchard	0	1	0	0
Michelle Walden	0	1	0	0
Kaye McQuiston	0	1	2	1

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Team: Varsity Girls Coach: Ken Fowler
Opponent: Monday Date: Dec. 7, 2000
Place: Leon's Day Invitational Tournament in Albany

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	11	2	4	4		21
OPPONENT	12	12	3	14		41

Free throws made: 14 of 21 for 67%

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Michelle Paschal	12	4	0	4
Stacey Sneed	4	1	0	0
Staci Bishop	0	0	0	0
Kemari Hale	0	2	0	1
Jessica DeLaRosa	0	0	0	0
Jena Bahlan	2	6	0	2
Kendra Hope	9	4	1	6
Lori Bredemeyer	0	1	0	1
Kaye McQuiston	0	1	0	1
Mandy Pritchard	3	4	1	0
Michelle Walden	0	0	0	0

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Team: Varsity Girls Coach: Ken Fowler
Opponent: Thursday Date: Dec. 7, 2000
Place: Leon's Day Invitational Tournament in Albany

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	11	11	11	17		50
OPPONENT	12	12	3	14		41

Coach's Comments: We won the Consolation Bracket. Laci Walker was named to the All-Tournament Team.

Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Zach Boxell
Opponent: Thursday Date: Dec. 7, 2000
Place: Leon's Day Invitational Tournament in Albany

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	12	3	10	17		42
OPPONENT	7	12	14	10		43

Free throws made: 1 of 1 for 100%

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Rusty Jackson	5	0	0	0
Colby Walker	4	0	0	0
Ben Blaine	4	0	0	0
Aaron Pritchard*	11	0	0	0
Artemus Lopez	0	0	0	0
Josh Minzenmayer	5	0	0	0
Tommy Agnew	0	0	0	0
Wade Parramore	6	0	0	0
Samson Jackson	2	0	0	0
Shane Colburn	0	0	0	0
Jeremy Hale	2	0	0	0

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Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Zach Boxell
Opponent: Monday Date: Dec. 7, 2000
Place: Leon's Day Invitational Tournament in Albany

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	12	3	10	17		42
OPPONENT	12	12	3	14		41

Free throws made: 1 of 1 for 100%

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Rusty Jackson	5	0	0	0
Colby Walker	4	0	0	0
Ben Blaine	4	0	0	0
Aaron Pritchard*	11	0	0	0
Artemus Lopez	0	0	0	0
Josh Minzenmayer	5	0	0	0
Tommy Agnew	0	0	0	0
Wade Parramore	6	0	0	0
Samson Jackson	2	0	0	0
Shane Colburn	0	0	0	0
Jeremy Hale	2	0	0	0

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Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Zach Boxell
Opponent: Monday Date: Dec. 9, 2000
Place: Leon's Day Invitational Tournament in Albany

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	6	11	11	21		49
OPPONENT	8	8	6	10		32

Free throws made: 0 of 1 for 0%

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Rusty Jackson	2	0	0	0
Colby Walker	2	0	0	0
Ben Blaine	0	0	0	0
Aaron Pritchard*	10	0	0	0
Artemus Lopez	3	0	0	0
Josh Minzenmayer	0	0	0	0
Tommy Agnew	2	0	0	0
Wade Parramore	0	0	0	0
Samson Jackson	9	0	0	0
Shane Colburn	0	0	0	0
Jeremy Hale	2	0	0	0

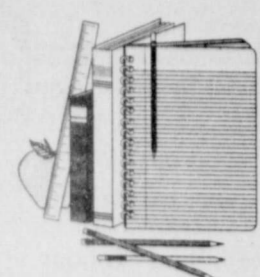
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Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Zach Boxell
Opponent: Monday Date: Dec. 9, 2000
Place: Leon's Day Invitational Tournament in Albany

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	6	11	11	21		49
OPPONENT	8	8	6	10		32

Free throws made: 1 of 1 for 100%

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Rusty Jackson	2	0	0	0
Colby Walker	2	0	0	0
Ben Blaine	0	0	0	0
Aaron Pritchard*	10	0	0	0
Artemus Lopez	3	0	0	0
Josh Minzenmayer	0	0		



ON THE FIELD AND IN THE CLASSROOM



SANTA AND HIS ELVES enjoy their chorus line kick during the third grade musical, "Christmas on Candy Cane Lane." Kicking up their heels are (l-r) Sybil Bridgeman, Tiffany Cravens, (Santa) Joseph Stoecker, Danielle Pinkerton, Candace O'Dell, and Josh Lujano. The program was directed by Fran Kidwell, assisted by teachers Bridget Goetz, Karen Mills, Linda Mitchell and Kathy Pringle. More pictures will be published in next week's edition of *The Winters Enterprise*.



COLBY WALKER drives in for the lay up against a much taller defender from Wall. Walker was high point for the game with 17 points, 12 of which came from 3-point hits.

WHS students earn top awards in UIL Writers' Classic at Early

Winters High School newspaper staff members recently competed in the UIL Winners' Circle Writers' Classic sponsored by faculty and staff from the Early Independent School District.

WHS students placed in all four categories including two first place awards. Junior Juanita Armendariz placed first in Feature Writing while senior Kasey Murphy finished first in Headline Writing competition.

Sophomores Stacey Sneed and Lacey Meyer placed third and fourth in News Writing while senior Lori Bredemeyer finished third in Editorial Writing. Senior Clay Trojcek placed fifth in Headline Writing.

WHS students placed ahead of district competitors Bangs and Coleman in the 1A and 2A division. Cindy Davis is the UIL journalism advisor.

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Elementary school to enjoy holiday program and parties; secondary school announces final exam dates

The Winters Elementary and Secondary schools have announced some end of semester scheduling dates and times for parents to note.

First semester classes will end on Wednesday, December 20. An early dismissal time of 2:30 p.m. is scheduled and NO TIPS will be available for elementary students.

Elementary students will enjoy an all school Christmas assembly at 8:30 a.m. on December 21. Class parties are scheduled for

1:30 p.m. Juniors and seniors who are exempt from ALL exams are officially done with classes for the semester at the end of the school day on Friday, December 15. Freshmen and sophomore students are allowed three exemptions. They are required to attend only the classes from which they are not exempt.

Junior high students will hold regularly scheduled classes on Monday. All secondary school

classes grades 7 through 12 will take second and fourth period final exams on Tuesday, December 19. First, third, and fifth period finals are scheduled for Wednesday, December 20.

There will be no classes from December 20, 2000, through January 2, 2001, in observance of the Christmas/winter holiday. Teachers will hold a teacher workday on Tuesday, January 2 and all students will return to classes at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, January 3.

The Winters ISD Administration Office will also be closed from Thursday, December 21 through Monday, January 1. The office will resume regular hours on Tuesday, January 2, 2001.

A drop box is available for tax payments. All payments made through the drop box will be posted in December 2000.

Only a child could say this —

One summer evening during a violent thunderstorm a mother was tucking her small son into bed. She was about to turn off the light when he asked with a tremor in his voice, "Mommy, will you sleep with me tonight?"

The mother smiled and gave him a reassuring hug. "I can't, dear," she said. "I have to sleep in Daddy's room."

A long silence was broken at last by his shaky little voice: "The big sissy."

Bands & choir— Holiday concerts slated for tonight and Tuesday

The Winters ISD bands will host a Christmas Concert tonight at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium. All bands, including fifth and sixth grade, junior high, and high school will be featured.

The Winters Elementary Select Choir will perform their annual Christmas Concert on Tuesday, December 19, at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium. A variety of favorite holiday tunes will be performed.

Both programs are sure to warm hearts this Christmas and generate the spirit of the holiday season. Admission is free to the programs and the community is invited to attend.

Basketball '00



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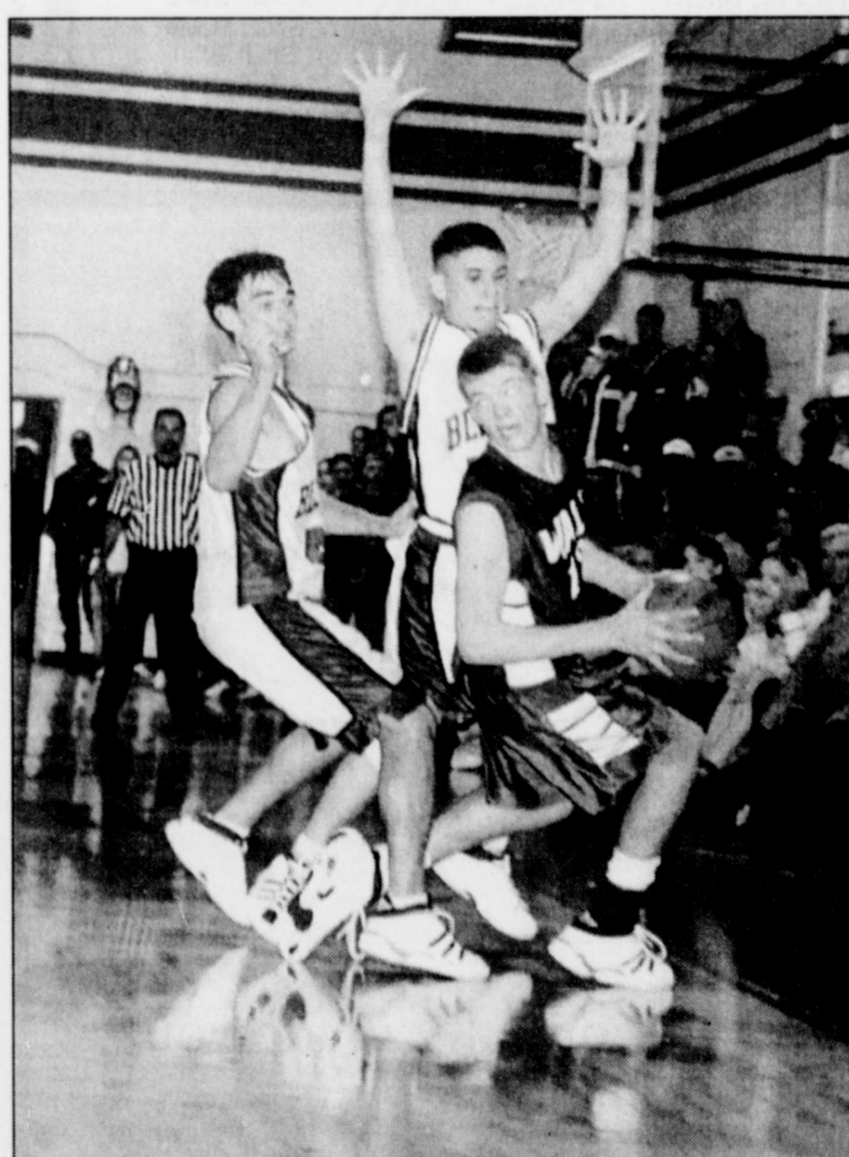
- Dec. 15—Anson, 4 p.m., There, JVG, VG, JVB, VB
- Dec. 18—Coleman, 5 p.m., Here, 7G, 8G, 9G
- Dec. 18—Coleman, 5 p.m., There, 7B, 8B, 9B
- Dec. 19—Bangs*, 5 p.m., Here, JVG, JVB, VG, VB
- Dec. 21—Cross Plains, TBA, Here, JVB, VB

VG Varsity Girls VB Varsity Boys
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AARON PRITCHARD (left) and ARTEMIO LOPEZ trap the Wall Hawk during varsity Blizzard action. The Blizzards lost 57-52 in an exciting and very physical non-district contest.

Congratulations to RANDY WATSON of Winters who won a Wal-Mart gift certificate 243 Savage Rifle w/scope.

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Comptroller Rylander announces new Texas Tomorrow Fund enrollment period

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander announced that parents and grandparents can enroll children in the Texas Tomorrow Fund, the state's prepaid college tuition program, from now until May 25, 2001.

"Believe it or not, something is growing faster than your kids: the cost of a college education," Comptroller Rylander said. "Since 1996, tuition and required fees at Texas public colleges and universities have increased 69 percent.

"For just a little bit of money each month, the Texas Tomorrow Fund locks your child's college tuition and required fees at today's prices, and the State of Texas guarantees they will be paid when your child is ready for college, no matter how much costs soar in the future," Comptroller Rylander said.

To encourage Texas families to begin planning early for their children's college education, the Texas Tomorrow Fund Board, chaired by Comptroller Rylander, has doubled the program's advertising budget to \$2.5 million per year and is resuming television advertising after a year's absence from the airwaves.

"Most families know about the Texas Tomorrow Fund, but we've found they need a reminder that enrollment is underway and now is the time to invest in their children's future," Comptroller Rylander said.

More than 12,000 Texas Tomorrow Fund contracts were sold

during the last enrollment period that ended June 5.

"It was the first year contract sales have trended upward since the program began. But we can and must do better," Comptroller

nual or monthly installments.

During the current enrollment period, it will cost \$14,759 to prepay tuition and required fees for four years at a Texas public university. Parents of a newborn can pay as little as \$129 per month until the child graduates from high school. Parents of a kindergarten will pay \$159 per month.

"Fourteen-thousand dollars is a lot of money, but it will be a real bargain 13 years from now, when the cost of college education for today's kindergarten is expected to reach \$39,338, or 19 years from now, when it will cost \$62,425 for today's newborn to earn a college degree at a Texas public university, if current cost trends continue," Comptroller Rylander said.

"The cost of a college education is rising at about 8% per year," Comptroller Rylander said. "With the Texas Tomorrow Fund, Main Street Texans don't have to worry about Wall Street volatility."

The Texas Tomorrow Fund pays for college tuition and the required fees that every student must pay when they enroll in a college or university. The Texas Tomorrow Fund does not cover other college expenses such as room and board, books and fees associated with particular courses, such as lab fees.

For more information, go to the Texas Tomorrow Fund website at www.texastomorrowfund.org or call 1-800-445-GRAD (4723).

TEXAS TOMORROW FUND INDEX	
Facts and trends on the state's prepaid college tuition program as of November 1, 1999, with 87,000 contracts sold worth approximately \$779 million	
Type of college plan purchased:	Education level of purchaser:
Senior college plan.....83%	High school graduate.....15%
Junior college plan.....9%	Junior college graduate.....27%
Private college plan.....4%	Bachelor's degree.....37%
Five-year plan.....less than 1%	Masters degree or Ph.D.....15%
	Other or not reported.....30%
Payment plan selected:	Child's relationship to purchaser:
Monthly until high school graduation.....36%	Child.....84%
Lump sum.....27%	Grandchild.....12%
Monthly for 10 years.....15%	Other or not reported.....2%
Monthly for 5 years.....15%	
Annual payments for 5 years.....2%	Top 5 public universities Texas Tomorrow Fund purchasers hope their child will attend:
Annual payments for 10 years.....less than 1%	1. University of Texas at Austin
	2. Texas A&M University
Age of child:	3. Texas Tech University
Newborn to 1 year.....20%	4. University of Texas at San Antonio
2 years to 4 years.....16%	5. University of Houston
Grades K-6.....46%	
Grades 7-8.....19%	Top 3 private universities Texas Tomorrow Fund purchasers hope their child will attend:
Grades 9-12.....6%	1. Rice University
	2. Baylor University
Race of child:	3. Southern Methodist University
Anglo.....58%	
Hispanic.....10%	About 3000 students are currently using their Texas Tomorrow Fund savings to attend college.
African-American.....2%	Top 5 colleges they are attending:
Asian-American.....1%	1. Texas A&M University
Other ethnicities or not reported.....29%	2. University of Texas at Austin
	3. Texas Tech University
Family income of purchaser:	4. Southwest Texas State University
Less than \$20,000 per year.....1%	5. Texas A&M University at Galveston
\$20,000 to \$29,999.....4%	
\$30,000 to \$39,999.....6%	
\$40,000 to \$49,999.....9%	
\$50,000 to \$74,999.....22%	
\$75,000 to \$100,000.....17%	
Over \$100,000.....9%	
Not reported.....31%	

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Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander, Chairman - Texas Prepaid Higher Education Tuition Program

Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz

Hilda Kurtz



I learned that nobody wants to know what you're doing until you're doing something that you don't want anyone to know.

A nice good crowd of Hopewell Church folks met in the home of Bro. Ferris Akins and wife Ramona in Ballinger after Sunday services. There were two guests—Wilbert Allcorn and Joe Webb of Coleman. A delicious meal was enjoyed at noon and in the afternoon there were Christmas songs and carols.

Ramona Akins spent Tuesday in Brownwood to baby-sit for two grandchildren. Then she also went to Stanton to stay with three granddaughters on Thursday and Friday. Ferris also visited several people in the hospital.

Walter Pape of Santa Anna has daughter Mary Hiler and Sutherland of Denver, Colorado staying with him. He hasn't been feeling

well and is under a doctor's care. Lanny Lacy of Granbury called Pat and Earl Cooper. They had a nice phone visit.

Nila and Therin Osborne and Melvina and Marvin Gerhart went to hear the Christmas concert at the First Baptist Church in Winters on Sunday night. They enjoyed every minute of it.

Hildegard and Calvin of San Angelo spent Friday with me. While Calvin found outside jobs to do, Hildegard trimmed my Christmas tree with candy canes, silver chains, and lights. After lunch we cut down the pecan tree

in the yard—the first to die out of three. While he cut, we piled the logs for firewood next year.

I'm sorry to write that Juanita Shields was transferred to Hendricks Rehab on Monday after several days in the Winters hospital. Her room number is 2003.

Luke Grissom returned home after a week visit in Dallas with his sister Frances and family. Katherine Grissom spent one day in Hendrick Hospital to get the chemo treatment.

I'd like to say many thanks to the person who sent me the sayings I use on top of my Crews News. (Many thanks again.)

Margie Jacob and Jo Tucker spent the day with Evelyn Jacob and played SkipBo. Margie Jacob went in to see Dovie McKnight and Juanita Shields on Saturday evening at the Winters hospital.

Ministerial Alliance to host potluck meal

The Winters Ministerial Alliance will have a potluck meal and fellowship on Tuesday, December 19, 2000 at 6:30 p.m. in Jones Hall at the First Baptist Church. Ham will be provided. Please bring a dish—vegetable, salad, dessert, or any other goodie.

Ministers and lay persons (and spouses) who are involved in Ministerial Alliance activities, including Food Pantry, Clothes Closet, and Relief Fund are invited to attend. A special invitation goes out to those ministers and lay leaders who cannot participate with Winters Ministerial Alliance on a regular basis.

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Congratulations... Emily Pendegrass

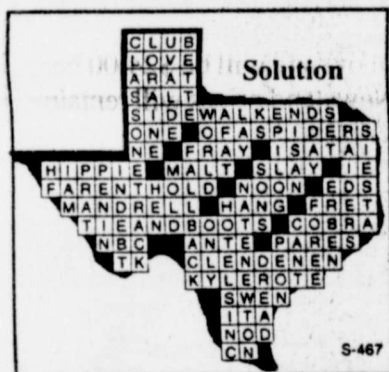
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METEOROLOGIST GEORGE FLICKINGER of KTXS television draws a simple explanation of the dangers of lightning for students at the Winters Headstart Program during his recent visit. Local weather has varied from a high around 80 degrees over past the weekend to the low 20s on Tuesday.

Extension News & Views

By Patricia Hohensee, Extension Agent-HE

Cooking Workshop series scheduled for Winters on Tuesday, Dec. 19

The monthly "Down Home Cooking" Workshop series is being held in Winters on Tuesday, December 19 at the Winters Housing Authority Meeting Room. The program will begin at 7:00 a.m. and will feature simple, inexpensive recipes and dietary information.

This free-of-charge nutrition education program is conducted by Patricia Hohensee, Runnels County Extension Agent-FCS, and is being offered as part of the Runnels County's Better Living for Texans project. The project focuses on providing basic nutrition education for limited resource families.

Participants will receive complimentary recipe handouts and samples of recipes prepared during the class.

All programs and information of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are available to everyone without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap, or national origin. Provisions will be made for this meeting to offer reasonable accommodations for all persons with disabilities.

Contact the Runnels County Extension Office at 365-5042 as soon as possible to request auxiliary aid or service you may require.

COMMISSIONERS, continued

The commissioners had set aside \$17,000 at a previous meeting for the modification program. At that time the total estimated cost was \$27,707 and included 23 counties.

The program now has only eight counties that had made verbal commitments. Those include Taylor, Coleman, Runnels, Callahan, Comanche, Nolan, Eastland, and Brown.

No action could be taken concerning the allocation of county funds to the program because the item was not on the agenda. A special meeting will be held on Friday, December 15 to finalize action on the program.

Other agenda items and action taken included:

- Approval of the purchase of a new computer for Department of Public Safety troopers stationed in Runnels County. Trooper Scott Warren told commissioners their computer was five years old and they were in need of a new one to help them on their paper work load. Cost of the new computer is \$600 and funds will come from the county's office furniture fund.

- A lease agreement between the county and Louise Miller for office space for West Texas Centers for MHMR was approved. The agreement is for one year at \$350 per month.

- Bonds were approved for those county officials reelected in the November General Election.

- Resolutions relating to the county's participation in the National Flood Insurance Program were approved.

Blessed Daze

by Jean Boles

1 - 2 - 3, Shop — 1 - 2 - 3, Shop

Have you started your Christmas shopping?

I know this can really be a stressful time — not only mentally but physically as well.

As I've fought my way through the barbarian crowds, I've had a few ideas that might make all this "fun" gift selecting a little easier.

How about a place in the mall where you could take off your shoes, sit back in a recliner, have somebody bring you a cup of coffee, and just watch TV for a short while?

Of course, my ideal rest haven would be sort of a mini-spa where you could get a quick massage, sit in a jacuzzi, then lie down for a 30-minute (or 3-day) nap before being thrust back into the throngs.

Since these things are not very likely to happen, I decided maybe we should fight the fatigue with a "Shopper's Holiday Outrageous Workout" video, or "SHOW."

We'd have to start with the proper attire. Loose-fitting clothes that you never care about wearing again. Something that looks good with chili spilled down the front from trying to eat a hotdog while balancing packages, overloaded purse, and rowdy kids.

Shoes need to be super-ortho-

pedic. The kind that you could walk a hundred miles in. Shoes that have some sort of bumper guard around them for all the times you get stepped on or run over with shopping carts. So the color would need to coordinate with tread marks.

Now that we have the right outfit, our workout training could begin.

First, the warmup. Inhale slowly as you try to maintain composure while watching someone else sneak into your parking space you've waited ten minutes to get.

Gradually unclench your fists and jaw muscles as you hear your car door being dented by the person getting out of his car next to yours.

Hold your head high and walk briskly through the parking lot, avoiding being run over by the poor, glassy-eyed lady driving the suburban with seven screaming kids in tow. No doubt her "considerate" husband stayed home to babysit the goldfish.

Next, squat down slowly as you try to realign the wheels of your "possessed" shopping cart. It will probably be necessary to repeat this exercise every ten feet,

so pace yourself.

Be sure to land on the heel of your foot each time you must jump over every 2-year-old who has strategically placed himself on the floor while having a flailing, temper tantrum because he can't have everything in sight.

Whittle away that waistline every time you reach over, not only your own cart, but the cart of the lady who's blocked the doll aisle for forty-five minutes.

Be sure to keep your back straight as you lift the bicycle/tricycle/stereo/drum set or any other "wonderful" gift weighing at least 86 pounds. (Amazing that all those helpful salespeople who hovered over you back in July are nowhere to be found.)

Now that you've made it back to the safety of your own vehicle, take a few deep breaths and exhale slowly. Count to 62, 'cause that's how many gifts you still need to buy.

Refreshing, isn't it? Makes you want to turn right around and do it all again, doesn't it?

Guess we should remember that if we're shopping that means we've got some money to spend on folks we care about.

Yup, we're blessed!

Letter to the Editor

Winters Mayor appreciates annual Christmas parade

Dear Editor:

What a great parade! Mike Harris and all the Chamber of Commerce folks did an outstanding job.

Thanks to all the participants, Sno Queen candidates, the band and everybody who played a part in this year's Christmas parade. You did a really great job!

A special thanks goes to Lawrence Bros. IGA for the candy. They come through each year.

Have a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year!

Thanks again,
Mayor Dawson McGuffin

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From the Editor —

No Enterprise on December 28

So that our employees may enjoy the holidays with their families and friends, there will be no issue published on Thursday, December 28.

The Winters Enterprise office will be closed on Monday, December 25, and will re-open on Tuesday, December 26.

We wish all of our readers a very blessed and safe holiday season.

Subscription rates will increase on January 1

Due to increased prices in newsprint, postage and general cost of operations, the management of *The Winters Enterprise* announces an upcoming increase in subscription prices.

Beginning January 1, 2001, subscriptions in Runnels County will be \$17.00 per year; out of county will be \$21.00 per year, and out of state will be \$24.00 per year. Newsstand prices will remain 50¢ per issue.

"We strongly dislike being forced to increase our rates," says Jean Boles, *Enterprise* editor. "We've held our prices down as long as possible, but, unfortunately, we cannot hold off any longer."

"While we know that consumers don't like to pay more, we feel that *The Winters Enterprise* is still an exceptional bargain, especially when you consider that one soft drink or cup of coffee costs more than a week's worth of community news."

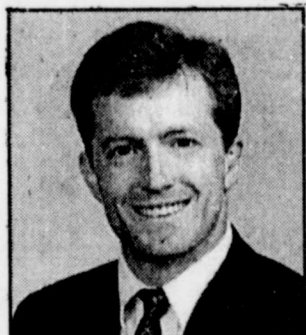
The last increase in *The Winters Enterprise* rates was in January, 1995.

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

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

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SLAUGHTER, cont'd.

As to his future, "I'm keeping my options open," Slaughter said.

Also resigning is Slaughter's son, Craig, who has coached alongside his father the past four years at Ballinger.

Craig Slaughter is a 1991 graduate of Winters High School.

Dan Slaughter's wife Carolyn and Craig's wife Kimberly are also teachers at Ballinger ISD.

The head coaching replacement process at BISD went in motion this week, although Dan Slaughter's resignation is not effective until the end of the school year as is Craig Slaughter's resignation.

Ballinger ISD Superintendent Rodney Flanagan said if and when a football coach/athletic director is hired, Dan Slaughter will relinquish his athletic duties and be assigned strictly to a teaching role.



Strawberries are the only fruit that have seeds on the outside.

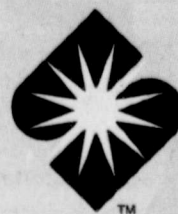
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As we celebrate this remarkable year, we share the spirit of the season with you, and look forward to a future bright with promise for all of us. Happy holidays.



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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, December 3, 2000, through Saturday, December 9, 2000. Winters Police Officers:

- officers working a security detail at the Winters Community Center were requested to escort a male subject from the premises who was intoxicated and disorderly. The male was given the opportunity to leave voluntarily, but instead became combative with the officers who had to forcibly remove him from the center. The male, Robert Medina, Jr. of Winters, was arrested for public intoxication. During transport to the Runnels County Jail, Mr. Medina repeatedly spat on a citizen observer and the transporting officer. Mr. Medina was charged with an additional count of assault by offensive contact.

- received report of a theft in the 200 block of South Main. A 52-year-old female reported a male subject had entered her business and had left through a rear entrance with an undetermined amount of merchandise. A description was given, but officers were unable to locate a suspect. This is under investigation as theft.

- located an abandoned and wrecked vehicle in a field north of Arlington Street. Investigation revealed an accident had occurred and the driver had fled the scene. The vehicle was impounded and held for evidentiary purposes. The driver was identified the following day and charges were pending for fail to stop and leave information.

- stopped a 1996 Jeep for a traffic violation. An 18-year-old male of Winters was found to be driving without a drivers license. The vehicle was impounded and the male issued a citation for driving without a drivers license.

- received report of a missing person in the 600 block of West Dale Street. A 17-year-old female was last seen at her home at 5:00 p.m. Sunday. On Monday a missing person report was entered into TCIC. The female was located Tuesday by the Abilene Police Department and returned home.

- received report of a theft in the 200 block of Penny Lane. A female subject of Winters reported that a diamond wedding band was discovered missing from her home in September, but was believed lost. The ring is now believed stolen and this is under investigation as felony theft.

- received report of a burglary in the 100 block of McAdoo Street. A 20-year-old female of Abilene reported that a C.D. case along with \$50 cash were taken from her vehicle while it was parked at the residence on McAdoo Street between Monday night and Tuesday morning. A possible suspect has been named and this is under investigation as burglary of a motor vehicle.

- received report of a theft in the 200 block of East Broadway. A female subject of Winters reported that approximately \$100 cash was taken from her purse sometime between Sunday evening to Wednesday morning. A suspect has been named. This is under investigation as Class B Theft.

- located a male subject in the 400 block of East Pierce Street with Winters Municipal warrants. The warrants were issued after the male failed to appear for court. Anselmo Landeros, Jr. of Winters was arrested for no insurane and fail to appear and taken to Runnels County Jail.

- located a female subject in the 600 block of West Dale Street with Municipal warrant for contempt of court. Lindsey Bentrup of Winters was arrested for failure to attend school and taken to Runnels County Jail.

- received report of a forgery in the 900 block of North Main. A personal check from a male subject in Ballinger was allegedly forged and cashed at a business in Winters. A possible suspect has been named and this is under investigation as forgery by passing.

- stopped a 1977 Chevy pickup on South Rogers Street for a traffic violation. A 16-year-old male of Winters was issued a citation for driving without a license and the vehicle was impounded.

- received report of a burglary in the 300 block of Redtner Street. A 31-year-old female of Winters reported she had been away from her home for several days and returned to find an open window and numerous items missing. Witnesses described several juvenile males near the residence during the night. This is under investigation as burglary of a habitation.

- stopped a 1991 Nissan pickup near Frisco and West Dale Street for suspicious activity. A strong odor of alcohol was detected on the driver who was having difficulty keeping his balance. The driver was offered and subsequently failed several field sobriety tasks. Refugio Perez of Winters was arrested for driving while intoxicated and taken to Runnels County Jail. He refused to provide a blood alcohol specimen. A female passenger in the vehicle was being belligerent towards officers and appeared intoxicated. The female wouldn't stay in the vehicle as ordered and refused to identify herself. Elma Santoya of Winters was then arrested for public intoxication and fail to identify and taken to Runnels County Jail.

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

Winters Police Department—754-4121
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EMERGENCY HELP FROM THE FOOD PANTRY AND CLOTHES CLOSET

For help with food and clothes, the Winters Outreach Center is open from 4:30-7:30 p.m. on Mondays, and from 9:00 a.m. noon on Wednesdays and Fridays. To apply for assistance, Maudella Reeves is in the Center from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Monday through Friday.

Medicare deductible and premium rates slightly increase from last year

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) announced the 2001 rates for the Medicare Part A deductible and Part B monthly premium amounts paid by beneficiaries. These amounts are recalculated each year to reflect changes in health care costs and Medicare law.

The Part A deductible for inpatient hospital care will rise by \$16, to \$792. This increase is only about 2%, reflecting savings from reductions in Medicare hospital payments and other program changes signed into law in the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 to help protect and preserve the Medicare Hospital Insurance Trust Fund.

The Part A deductible is a beneficiary's only cost for up to 60 days of Medicare-covered inpatient hospital care. The daily cost to beneficiaries for hospital days 61 through 90 in a benefit period is rising by \$4, to \$198 per day, and by \$8, to \$396 per day, for hospital days beyond the 90th in a benefit period. The skilled nursing facility daily coinsurance amount, which must be paid after

the first twenty days of such care in a benefit period, is rising by \$2, to \$99 a day.

HHS also announced that the Medicare Part B monthly premium will be \$50 in 2001, an increase of \$4.50 from this year, but still significantly lower than earlier year projections. The Part B premium covers physician services, hospital outpatient care, durable medical equipment, and other services outside hospitals. Most of Medicare's 39 million beneficiaries opt for this voluntary coverage. In addition to health care costs, this year's increase reflects legislative changes that increase Part B spending.

"While the increase for 2001 is necessary to cover higher costs and legislative changes, HHS has still succeeded in significantly holding down Part B beneficiary premiums over recent years," said Fredi Franki, Social Security manager in San Angelo. "Total premium increases for beneficiaries have been less than half the amount originally projected when the Balanced Budget Act was passed."

Letters to the Editor Policy

Letters to the editor must include a name, address, and phone number for verification. Letters submitted without signatures will not be published. Names will be omitted at the request of the writer provided that a proper signature, phone number, and address are included. Anonymous letters will not be published. All letters remain on file. Letters to the editor do not necessarily reflect the opinion of *The Enterprise*.

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Official Records

- County Court Criminal Cases Filed**
- Dec. 4 Sergio Ricardo Marin, filed for leaving the scene of an accident
 - Dec. 5 William Edward Dulaney, filed on two counts: driving while license suspended and for assault
 - Dec. 6 Melissa Sue Lopez, filed for making alcohol available to a minor
 - Carlos Martinez, filed for driving while license suspended
 - Glenn Allen Tischler, filed for driving while license suspended
 - Julie Elayne Richardson, filed for possession of marijuana
 - Martin Rocha, filed for driving while intoxicated
 - Anthony Mark Rodriguez, filed for driving while intoxicated, subsequent offense
- District Court Civil Cases Filed**
- Dec. 4 The Money Group vs. Curtis Weant, suit on account
- Divorces Granted**
- Dec. 4 William Ward Thompson and Stephanie Dale Thompson
 - Dec. 7 Timothy Wayne Reeves and Mary Louise Reeves
- Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Criminal Cases Filed**
- Nov. 25 Guadalupe Saldana, filed on two counts: family violence and for public intoxication
 - Dec. 2 Lance C. Standley, filed for failure to have proof of sex with deer meat
 - Dec. 3 Wendy Kay Barrigan, filed for failure to report injury accident
 - Alicia Mae Daniels, filed for driving under the influence, a minor
 - Lacy Leigh Brown, filed for minor in possession of alcohol, detectable amount
 - Lee Michael Dickson, filed for minor in possession of alcohol
 - Dec. 5 Kerry B. Bruton, filed for using deer tag issued in name of another

Extension News & Views

By Marty Gibbs, Extension Agent-AG

4-H record book training planned

The new 4-H year is off and running, and it's never too early to start thinking about record books. A new record keeping system has been developed and will be implemented this 2000-2001 4-H year.

To help facilitate the transition into this new system, District 7 4-H Specialist Cody Stone has set up four regional training sessions throughout the district. These sessions are open to youth, parents, adult volunteer leaders, and agents.

The training closest to us is in San Angelo at the Tom Green

County Commissioners Court on the second floor of the Ed B. Keyes Bldg. at 113 W. Beauregard on Monday, December 18. The training begins at 6:30 p.m. and will conclude no later than 8:30 p.m.

If you have a conflict with this date, the other dates and locations are Dec. 7 in Brownwood, Dec. 12 in Llano, and Dec. 14 in Abilene. Call the Extension office for more details.

If you plan on going to any of these trainings, please let the Extension office know. They have asked us to give them a rough head count.

4-H Holiday Hop set for Dec. 16

Four-H's, families, and friends are invited to join in the holiday spirit at the annual Holiday Hop on Saturday, December 16, from 7:00-10:00 p.m. at Rowena's SPJST Hall. Plan on an active night of dancing, eating, and just having some "plain ole" fun!

For this year's service project, we are asking each family to bring a toy for the Toys for Tots drive that the Sheriff's office is sponsoring. There are many needy children in Runnels County to whom you will be bringing a touch of holiday cheer. The Sheriff's office will appreciate each and everything that you can bring.

Four-H families are asked to help by bringing refreshments according to the following list:

- ROWENA Sandwiches (club will provide)
 - BALLINGER Homemade cookies
 - NORTON Paper goods/ice (club will provide)
 - MILES (A-N last name) 3 liter soft drink
 - MILES (O-Z last name) Large bag of chips
 - WINTERS Large bag of chips.
- In case of bad weather, a cancellation notice will be announced on KRUN by 5:00 p.m.

Showmanship Clinic to be held December 16

There will be a Showmanship Clinic for goat and hog feeders on Saturday, December 16, at the Ballinger Ag Barn on Hwy. 158 in Ballinger. It will begin at 10:00 a.m. and conclude at noon.

This is an excellent time for 4-H's to pick up tips on showing, grooming, exercising, and feeding your swine and goat projects.

Marty Gibbs and Tom Guthrie will be teaching the clinic.

This clinic will be free of charge, and you are welcome to bring your goat or hog to practice showing, but there will be animals available there.

4-H scholarship training planned

All graduating seniors and their parents should plan to attend the 4-H Scholarship Information Night to be held Wednesday, December 20, at 5:00 p.m. at the Runnels County Extension Office.

Should weather be bad, a cancellation notice will be announced on KRUN by 4:00 p.m.

Since 4-H scholarships aren't something that families suddenly think about when their child is a graduating senior, we are also inviting parents of younger 4-H's who want to know how to prepare young 4-H's to be likely scholarship candidates.



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- TX Lisa Whelchel was on "The New Mickey Mouse"
- Dallas' Field
- TXism: "last as up a rafter"
- TXism: "some away" (save)
- TX George Strait tune: "Where the"
- TXism: "more than way to skin a cat"
- TXism: "couldn't beat his way out web"
- dir. to Dallas from San Antonio
- scuffle or brawl
- TX Quannah Parker's medicine man
- nude hangout on Lake Travis: "Hollow"
- beer grain
- TXism: "snuff out his candle"
- "that is" abbr.
- this "Sissy" ran a close race for governor in '72
- classic western: "High"
- TX Perot's old co.
- TX singer Barbara
- TXism: "got the of it"
- worry
- TX party during Clinton's inauguration: "Black Ball"

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DOWN

- Lone Star Park facility (3 wds.)
- in Mitchell Co. on 1-20
- home town of Dale Evans
- this TX Graham invented liquid paper
- Bandera, TX: "Cowboy Capitol of the"
- TXism: "light as a cinch on horse"
- TX-based co: Frito
- this Sweeney was a Cowboy QB (init.)
- concluding section of a novel
- this Jewish month is April in TX
- USS Texas fired its guns on Omaha Beach at this invasion
- TXism: "in cement"
- TX Tech "Red"
- nap so. of border
- TXism: "fire and (retreat)"
- this Ford starred with TX Jones in "The Fugitive" (init.)
- TX Lyle Lovett's "Here"
- theatrical fall
- former popular off. Cowboy lineman
- Luby's CEO at time of Killeen tragedy
- Caroline Hunt inn co: Rosewood
- Ken of "TX Chainsaw Massacre II"
- TX Roy Orbison's "the Lonely"
- TXism: "cut the mustard"
- Santa Anna disguise at San Jacinto
- Texas was "naught battleship"

Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

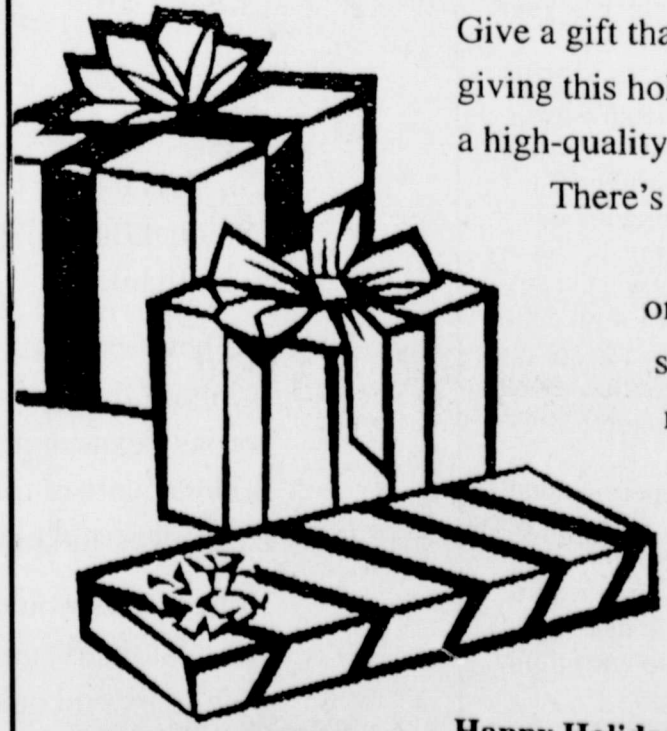
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The CITY OF WINTERS is accepting sealed bids for a 2001 Silverado pickup for the Street Department. Bid specifications may be obtained at City Hall, 310 S. Main, Winters, Texas 79567, Monday through Friday, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Deadline for submitting bids is 2 p.m., Wednesday, December 27, 2000, at which time bids will be opened and reviewed. The City of Winters reserves the right to accept and/or reject any or all bids.
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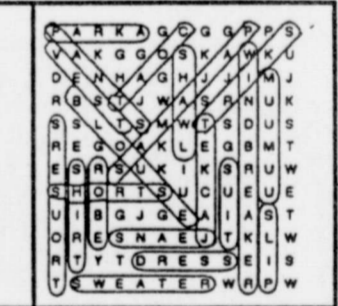


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COLTYN PRITCHARD, 8, is all smiles after earning 1st place and Champion Brangus Steer honors at the ACCO/Showmaster Jackpot Livestock Show held at the Taylor County Fairgrounds in Abilene. Collyn is the son of Johnny and Deb Pritchard.

Local livestock exhibitors earn top honors at Jackpot shows

Winters FFA and 4-H livestock exhibitors have enjoyed recent jackpot show successes as they prepare for the Winters Stock Show to be held January 12 and 13.

Eight exhibitors showed at the Belt Buckle Bonanza over the Thanksgiving holidays at the McLennan County Fairgrounds in Waco.

Fifteen youth exhibited steers, heifers, sheep, and swine at the ACCO/Showmaster Jackpot Show at the Taylor County Fairgrounds in Abilene last weekend. Several exhibitors earned champion and reserve champion honors.

John and Kara Heathcott also had successful weekends exhibiting swine at shows in Plains near Lubbock and Van Alstyne north of Dallas during the past month.

Results from the cattle and swine shows at Waco were as follows:

CATTLE

Camille Kruse

3rd, Ring A-Hereford Heifer
2nd, Ring A-Polled Hereford Heifer
4th, Ring B-Hereford Heifer
3rd, Ring B-Polled Hereford

Dalton Shackelford
3rd, Ring A-Hereford Steer
3rd, Ring A-Hereford Steer
4th, Ring A-Hereford Heifer
1st, Ring B-Hereford Heifer
2nd, Ring B-Hereford Steer
3rd, Ring B-Hereford Steer

Ryan Bland
2nd, Ring A-Red Angus Heifer
Maegan Schwartz
4th, Ring A-Simmental Heifer

Brianna Mesey
Exhibitor

SWINE
John Heathcott
1st, Spot
2nd, Spot
4th, Chester

Kara Heathcott
6th, Duroc

Results from the ACCO/Showmaster show in Abilene are:

SHEEP
Candace O'Dell
Exhibitor

Corbin O'Dell
Exhibitor

SWINE
Wiley Guy
Exhibitor

John Heathcott
4th, Spot

Kara Heathcott
2nd, Hampshire
4th, Duroc
6th, Yorkshire

CATTLE
Jeffrey Jordan
3rd, Angus Heifer

1st and Reserve Champion, Red Angus Heifer

Brianna Mesey
2nd, Red Angus Heifer

Camille Kruse
1st and Champion, Hereford Heifer

1st and Champion, Polled Hereford Heifer

Colby Pritchard
1st, Shorthorn Heifer (calf shown by Collyn Pritchard)

1st, Lt. Wt. Shorthorn Steer

Cody Pritchard
2nd and Reserve Champion, Short-horn Heifer

1st, Lt. Wt. Santa Gertrudis Steer

Trenton Grohman
1st and Champion, Charolais Heifer

Travis Grohman

1st and Reserve Champion, Charolais Heifer

Maegan Schwartz
2nd, Simmental Heifer

Dalton Shackelford
3rd, Med. Wt. Hereford Steer

1st and Champion, Polled Hereford Steer

2nd and Reserve Champion, Polled Hereford Steer (shown by Devon Shackelford)

Collyn Pritchard
1st and Champion, Lt. Wt. Brangus Steer

Swine results from Plains and Van Alstyne are:

Plains
John Heathcott
2nd, Spot

2nd, Chester
3rd, Crossbred

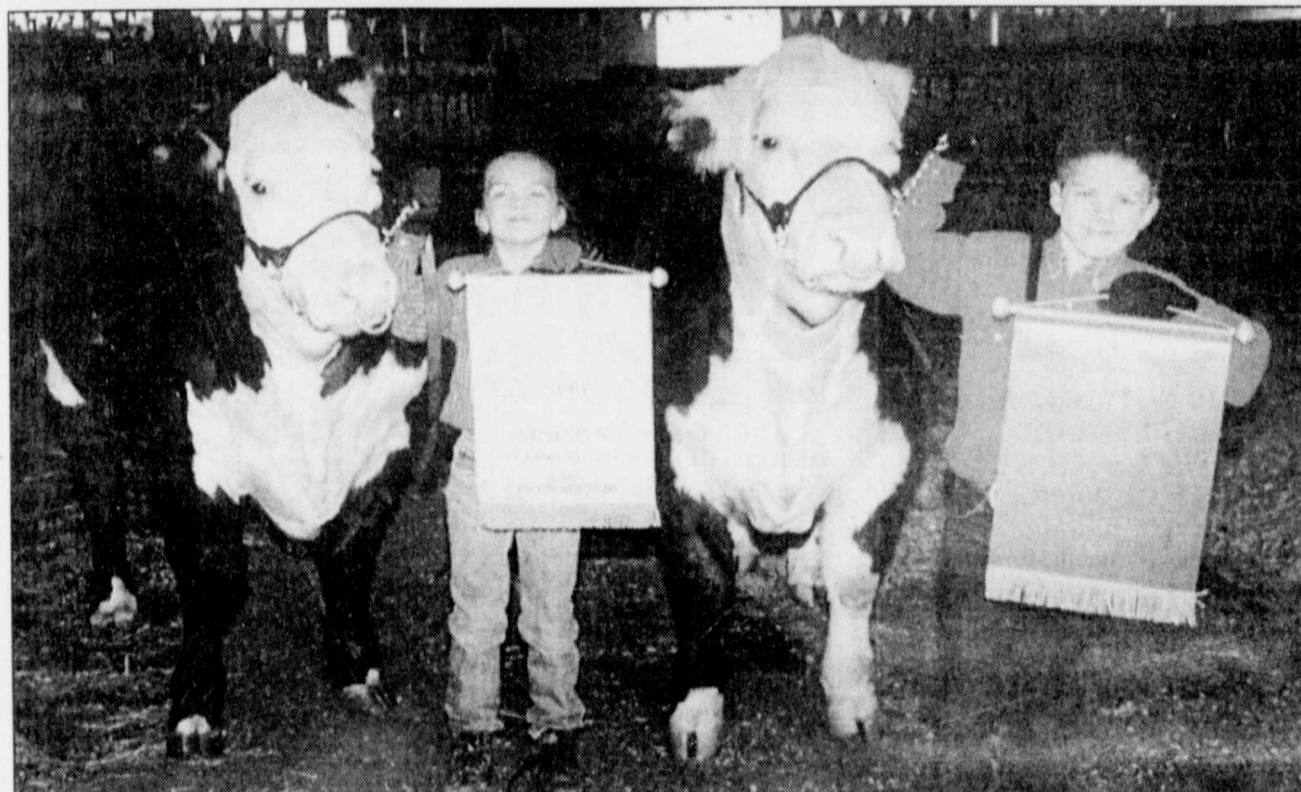
4th, Spot
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1st, Med. Wt. Spot
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Reserve Champion, Spot (belt buckle awarded)

3rd, Chester
3rd, Crossbred



DEVON & DALTON SHACKELFORD proudly exhibit Dalton's Reserve Champion and Champion Polled Hereford Steers at the ACCO/Showmaster Jackpot Livestock Show held in Abilene recently. Devon, 8, and her brother Dalton, 9, are the children of Roy and Ann Shackelford.

Emergency ag assistance available for farmers and ranchers

Local USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) offices will soon begin accepting applications for additional emergency assistance programs, according to Congressman Charlie Stenholm.

2000 Crop Disaster Program (CDP): Beginning January 18, 2001, funds will be made available to producers who have been affected by crop disaster.

2000 Livestock Assistance Program (LAP): Approximately \$438 million will be available to producers for grazing losses resulting from weather-related disaster. The signup period will begin January 18, 2001.

Dairy Market Loss Assistance (DMLA III): Payments to operations that received assistance

under DMLA II will be automatically issued to producers later this month.

Payments will also be available to new operations and to operations that did not have 12 months of marketing established under DMLA II. These payments will be based on October 1999-September 2000 marketings. The four-week signup period will begin in late January 2001.

Application deadlines for programs previously announced this year are:

2000 Crop Year Peanut Market Loss Assistance Program: Approximately \$61 million is available to partially compensate over 16,000 peanut producers for low commodity prices and in-

creasing production costs. The application deadline is February 1, 2001.

Wool and Mohair Market Loss Assistance Program: Approximately \$11 million in relief is available to producers whose lamb carcasses meet minimum grade specifications. Application deadline is August 15, 2001.

"These emergency assistance programs have been designed to help our farmers and ranchers through the difficult times they have experienced as a result of weather-related disasters and low prices," said Stenholm. "I urge all interested producers to contact their local USDA officer in order to determine if they are eligible for any assistance."

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January 12 & 13, 2001— WJLSA finalizes plans for Winters Stock Show

The Winters Junior Livestock Show Association has finalized plans for their 2001 show to be held January 12 and 13.

All exhibitors must have animals in the barns by 9 a.m. Friday, January 12. Rabbits, goats, and sheep will show on Friday beginning at 2 p.m. The swine show will start at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday followed by the cattle shows at 1 p.m. Concessions and a noon meal on Saturday will be provided

by Project Graduation 2001.

Local FFA and 4-H members will exhibit rabbits, goats, lambs, hogs, heifers, and steers at this year's show. Some 115 head of livestock shown by 35 exhibitors are entered in the 2001 Winters show. Superintendents are as follows:

Overall Show-Jim West
Assistant-Dennis McBeth
Rabbits-Johnny Bob Pritchard
Goat/Lamb-Billy Frank Belew

Swine-Johnny Bob Pritchard
Cattle-Bob Prewit

A Silent Auction will be held beginning on Friday afternoon. Bids will be accepted until 2 p.m. on Saturday. Anyone wishing to donate items for the auction are asked to contact Penny Pritchard at 743-2053, Deb Pritchard at 754-5243, or Roy Shackelford at 754-5517.

The final workday before the show is set for Saturday, January

6, at 8 a.m. at the Winters Show Barn. All members and anyone willing to help with maintenance and cleanup before the show is encouraged to attend.

Area businesses and individuals are reminded that share donations are being solicited at this time. Contributions may be sent to Jim West at Jimni Construction or Shackelford at Winters High School.

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