

Apples of Gold
MONEY—The rich and poor meet together:
the Lord is the maker of them all.
Proverbs 22:2

Happy St. Patrick's Day

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WISD to implement use of drug dogs to curb problems

Due to the increasing drug problems at the Winters secondary school, trained dogs will soon be used to sniff out drugs, alcohol and prohibited items.

During the regular meeting of the WISD Board of Trustees on March 12, secondary school principal Bill Cathey reported to the

board that such visits will be unannounced to the student body. The dogs will be taken to vacant classrooms, common areas, student lockers and vehicles parked on school property. The dogs will not be used with students.

Detailed guidelines and policies concerning the drug dog

searches are found on page 2 of this issue.

In other action, trustees of the Winters ISD extended contracts to the professional staff and accepted resignations.

Submitting resignations to be effective at the end of this school semester (May, 2001) are Vanessa

Richards, Reesa Wilkins, Brad Roberts, Betty Raymond and Wade "Biff" White.

All other professionals were offered a one-year contract, subject to assignment.

The board adopted district-wide goals and priorities for WISD. These goals were formal-

ized at a January 19 meeting at the school cafeteria when board members met with concerned parents, citizens, teachers and administrators.

Goals and priorities adopted at Monday night's meeting are as follows:

#1 To provide a drug free, safe,

and clean operating environment on each campus in the Winters ISD.

#2 To better prepare students who graduate from WISD by offering a wider variety of classes to include: additional technology courses, dual credit courses at the

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— keep cars locked and valuables out of sight

Chief warns of car burglaries

Winters Police Chief Carey Balentine would like to issue a word of caution to area residents about a recent rash of automobile burglaries.

Balentine says that drivers should use extreme care and not leave cars and pickups unlocked, or even leave valuables such as cell phones, CD's, or purses in plain sight. Burglars are breaking car windows to take things from cars, Balentine reports.

Between March 4 and March 10, officers of the Winters Police Department investigated eight reports of vandalism and burglaries of vehicles.

Irish Baked Potato Luncheon on March 22 at The Rock Hotel

Friends of the Museum will host an Irish Baked Potato Luncheon on Thursday, March 22, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at The Rock Hotel.

The menu will include a potato with "Top-o-the-Morning" trimmings, "Tossing of the Greens" salad, chocolate cake with "Leprechaun Topping", and "Pot-o-Gold" iced tea or coffee.

Tickets may be purchased at the door for \$5 per person.

Proceeds from this luncheon, just as in the past, help complete the restoration of The Rock Hotel, so everyone is encouraged to attend.

Anyone wishing to help may contact Kay Colburn, Marlene Smith, or Nina Hale.



MAKING WAY FOR PROGRESS is the plan for Higginbotham's at 205 N. Main as workers demolish the old building on the south side of the property. Although the exact age of the building is unknown, some local citizens "guess-timate" that it was constructed in the late 1920's or early '30's. Local manager Dawn Green said the company is "very excited" about the new look which will be landscaped and utilized for increased parking and easier access for customers. Higginbotham's offers a wide variety of merchandise and services including lawn and garden supplies, a full lumber yard, hardware including Dewalt tools, Best paint, and unique gift items.

WHS cast to present "The Summons of Sariel" Monday

The Winters High School One Act Play cast and crew will perform for the community on Monday, March 19, in the WHS Auditorium. The performance will begin at 7 p.m. Admission is free, however donations will be accepted and presented to the Monica Parramore Memorial Scholarship.

WHS will perform the play in UIL district competition on Thursday, March 22, in the Brownwood High School Auditorium. Competition begins at 1 p.m. and Winters will be the third play presented. Parents and supporters are encouraged to be at BHS by 2 p.m.

This year's play takes place just outside Eternity. The soul of a girl meets the Clay and the Spirit. The Clay reminds her of the joys of earth. The Spirit bids her to accept God's will as announced by Sariel, God's Angel of Death. In the end, the girl finds the courage to obey the bidding

See PLAY, page 7

Commissioners approve payment of expenses for L-K Water annexation

Runnels County Commissioners approved payment of election expenses in Runnels County relating to annexation of the rural areas of the county into the Lipan-Kickapoo Water Conservation District. Approval was given at the regular commissioners court meeting on Tuesday morning.

Allen Lange, manager of the Lipan-Kickapoo Water District, estimated the cost of the election, to be held in conjunction with school board elections in the county, at approximately \$455.00. Members of the Runnels County Steering Committee, Randall Conner, Billy Joe Colburn and Leroy Pelzel, were also present at Tuesday's meeting to answer question concerning the proposed annexation.

Lange explained that all registered voters residing outside the municipalities of Winters, Ballinger, Rowena and Miles would be eligible to vote in the election to decide whether to be annexed into the underground water district. Portions of Concho, Coke and Tom Green Counties are included in the proposed annexation.

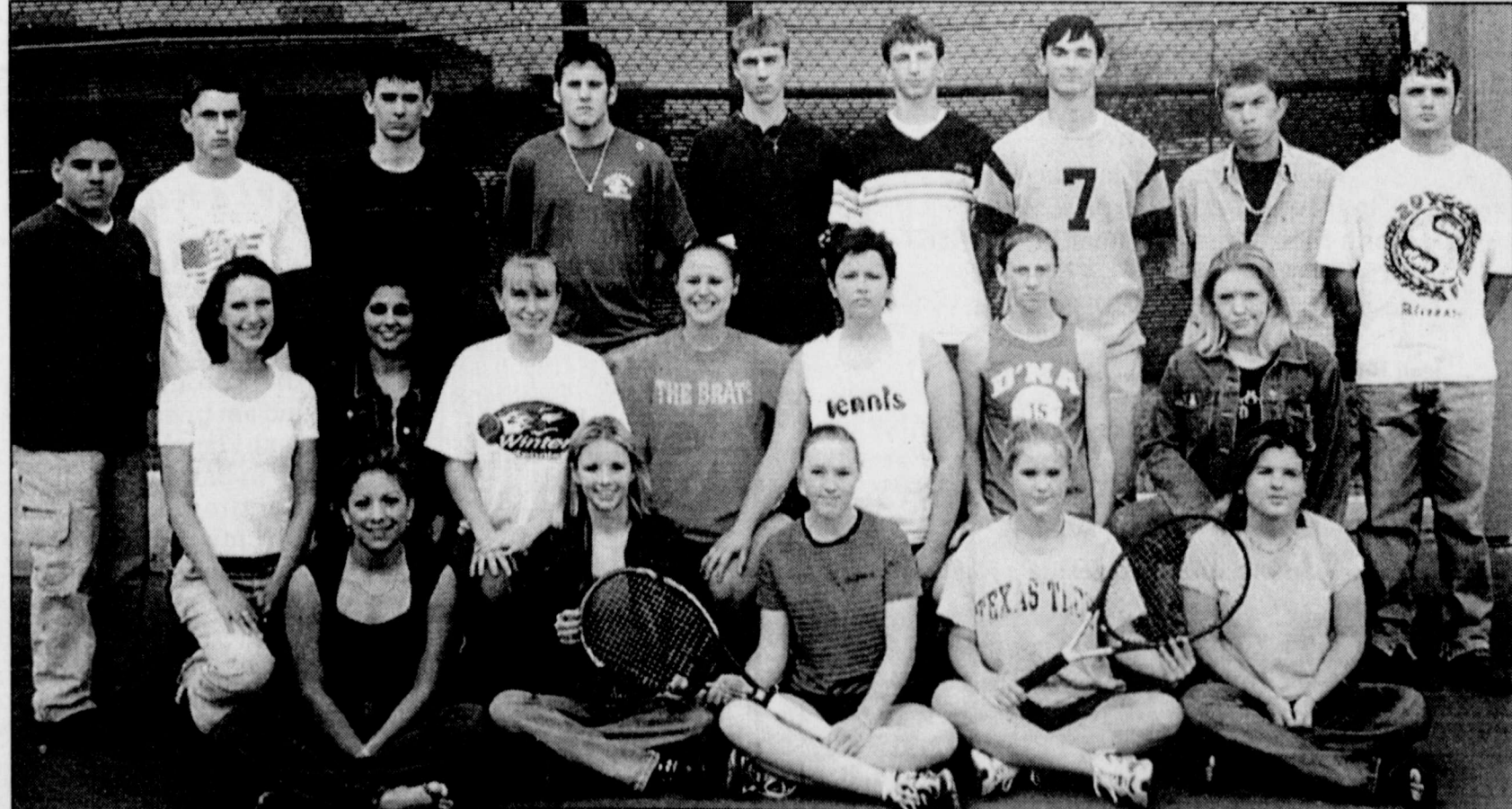
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Winters coach arrested on felony charges

Felony charges have been filed against a 49-year-old Winters teacher and coach.

Wade W. "Biff" White, Jr., was arrested March 6, at his residence at 300 S. Parklane and taken to Runnels County Jail where he was booked on a warrant issued by the office of the District Attorney. White was charged with aggravated sexual assault of a child, a first degree felony. Bail was set at \$25,000, and White was released after posting bond.

White has been employed by the Winters ISD since August, 1992, and was placed on "Administrative Leave" on March 7. He submitted his resignation to be effective at the end of this school term and this was accepted by the Board of Trustees during their regular board meeting March 12.



WHS TEAM TENNIS MEMBERS who made an impression at their first State tournament last week include (front row, l-r) Monica Hicks, Cassandra Johnson, Scarlett McMinn, Samantha Montgomery, and Kalene Lincycumb. Middle row: Tracy Burns, Meagan Galvan-Nitsch, Stacey Walden, Kelley Walker, Fallen Perrie, Laci Walker, and Allison Calcote. Back row: G.G. Hernandez, Jeffrey Jordan, Brian Pritchard, Jeremy Hope, Kacey Murphy, Colby Walker, Aaron Pritchard, Jason Esquivel, and Taylor Brown. The team finished 7th in a field of 16 teams, winning 51 of 76 matches.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- March 15-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- March 16-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 12:25 p.m., Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Winters ISD Science Lab
- 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco
- March 17-HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY
- March 18-Attend the church of your choice!
- March 19-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 7 p.m., One Act Play, WHS Auditorium
- 7 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center
- 6 p.m., Project Graduation 2001, Winters Public Library
- March 20-SPRING BEGINS
- 9 a.m., Winters Ministerial Alliance, First Baptist Church
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Noon Lions Club, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station
- 7:30 p.m., Eastern Star
- March 21-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Chamber Office
- 9 a.m.-4 p.m., WIC, Winters Housing Authority
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 7 p.m., Runnels Baptist Association Evangelism Rally, First Baptist Church, Winters
- March 22-11 a.m.-1 p.m., Irish Baked Potato Lunch, The Rock Hotel
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center

Oil Bidness

By Reg Boles ©2001



Oil Bidness was not available for this week's issue.

Students and Parents Winters ISD Winters ISD Drug Dog Policies and Guidelines

Winters ISD and The Board of Trustees, in order to promote a safe and drug free atmosphere at school, will initiate the use of Drug Dogs in our school district. On Monday, March 19, each student will receive a form from the school explaining the policies and guidelines of the program. The parent or guardian, along with the student needs to sign and return the form to school on the following day. The policies and guidelines are as follows:

Drug Dog Policies /Guidelines & Student Searches Effective March 26,2001

Use of Trained Dogs. The District shall use specially trained nonaggressive dogs to sniff out and alert officials to the current presence of concealed prohibited items, illicit substances and alcohol. This program is implemented in response to drug and alcohol related problems in the District schools, with the objective of maintaining a safe school environment conducive to education.

Such visits to school shall be unannounced. The dogs shall be used to sniff vacant classrooms, vacant common areas, the areas around student lockers, and the areas around vehicles parked on school property. The dogs shall not be used with students. If a dog alerts to a locker, a vehicle, or an item in a classroom, school officials may search it. Searches of vehicles shall be conducted as described above.

Lockers and Vehicles

Students have full responsibility for the security of their lockers, and for vehicles parked on school property. It is the student's responsibility to ensure that lockers and vehicles are locked and that the keys and combinations are not given to others. Students shall not place, keep, or maintain any articles or materials that is forbidden by District policy in lockers or in vehicles parked on school property.

School officials may search lockers, or vehicles parked on school property, if there is reasonable cause to believe that they contain articles or materials prohibited by District policy. Students shall be responsible for any prohibited items found in their lockers or in vehicles parked on school property.

If a vehicle subject to search is locked, the student shall be asked to unlock the vehicle. If the student refuses, the District shall contact the student's parents. If the parents refuse to permit a search of the vehicle, the District may turn the matter over to the local law enforcement officials.

ISS (In School Suspension)

We will begin to use an ISS at the secondary level beginning March 19. We will continue to have detention and AEP, but we will start using an ISS. For further information on ISS, please refer to the Student Handbook and Discipline Management Plan.

Parent Signature _____

Student Signature _____

Students Grade _____

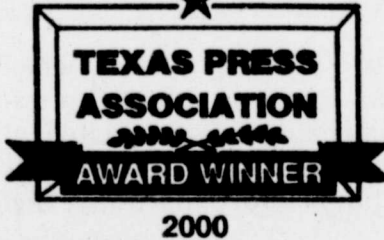
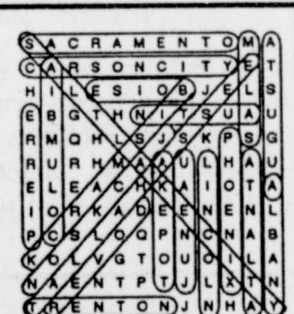
Your signature verifies that you have received and understand the above statements.

Please return by March 20, 2001.

Winters ISD along with law enforcement agencies will strive to provide a safe and drug free atmosphere for all students in Winters ISD. Winters and the surrounding communities that make up our district, seek your support and efforts to make this the best possible place to educate your children.

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FBC to host Runnels Baptist Association evangelism rally

The Runnels Baptist Association will meet on Wednesday, March 21, at the First Baptist Church in Winters for an evangelism rally.

The rally begins at 7 p.m. with Tony King, association evangelism director, in charge of the program. Richard Jackson will be the featured speaker. He has developed a marked Bible for use in personal evangelism and will be teaching how to use it.

The executive board and W.M.U. will not meet and no meal will be served. The public is invited to attend.

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March 19 thru March 23
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- Monday, March 19:** Meatloaf, macaroni & cheese, green beans, cornbread, and bread pudding.
- Tuesday, March 20:** Chicken & gravy, mashed potatoes, tossed salad, rolls, and Mexican wedding cake.
- Wednesday, March 21:** Swiss steak, blackeyed peas, corn salad, rolls, and cake.
- Thursday, March 22:** Beef casserole, pinto beans, coleslaw, cornbread, and brownies.
- Friday, March 23:** Stew, vegetable sticks, fruit salad, cornbread, and cobbler.

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Obituary

Connie H. Gibbs

CREWS—Connie H. Gibbs, 78, died Thursday, March 8, 2001, in North Runnels Hospital.

He was born January 20, 1923, in Crews and was a lifetime resident. He married Georgia McCutchen on August 16, 1941, in Ballinger. He worked at Dry Manufacturing in the Paint Department for 26 years. He was an avid calf roper in the State of Texas. He was a member of Hopewell Baptist Church in Crews.

He was preceded in death by one granddaughter, Sherri Ford. Survivors include his wife, Georgia Gibbs of Crews; two sons and one daughter, Connie Mac Gibbs and wife Jean of Winters, Donnie Gibbs and wife Nancy of Menard, and Linda Ford and husband Travis of Rising Star; a brother, Horace Gibbs of Rising Star; two sisters, Anna Lee Smith of Odessa and Leona Morton of Cisco; eight grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

Family visitation was held at 6 p.m. on Friday, March 9, 2001, at the Winters Funeral Home. Services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 10, at Hopewell Baptist Church in Crews with Reverends Ferris Akins and Don Roath officiating. Burial followed in Crews Cemetery under the direction of Winters Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Kenny Gibbs, Mark Kaczyk, Justin Kaczyk, Leon Gibbs, Wayne Gibbs, Shane Ford, Kyle Hernandez, Joey Hernandez, Scotty Ford, and Jason Gibbs.

Memorials may be made to West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

"Heeling for Jesus"

by Ace R. Polk

This is the story of Connie Gibbs, who loved to rope and ride
And the job he had waiting when he crossed to the other side.

It was a rainy Thursday morning when the Lord called him home
St. Peter met him at the gate and took him before the Throne.

They talked awhile, then Jesus said, "I've got a job for you.
I know you love to rope and ride, so that's what you're gonna do."

Then Jesus spoke! "Take you a pick," and a thousand horses came
Connie chose a chestnut mare with wings and fiery mane.

As Jesus told Connie about his plan, the story began to unfold
Then Jesus reached into His robe and pulled out a lariat of gold.

"People are like a herd," Jesus said, "wandering with their heads down."
"And hell is like a flooded stream, and in sin they all could drown."

"So, your job is to keep them movin', makin' sure they're headed my way.
And every now and then you'll have to go look for a stray.

This rope is the Rope of Salvation, catch their heels, it'll bring them to their knees.
Then I'll send down forgiveness, grace, and mercy then you can cut them free."

Now day and night Connie rides upon his fiery steed
Watching over those wandering souls—roping those in need.

So when you see golden flashes, and the roll of thunder from clouds
mounting Heaven high
It might be golden lariets and fiery steed hoofs from the "Rider in the sky."

And I know when we see and ask Connie, "In heaven, what's your favorite thing?"
He'll say, ropin' and ridin' and heeling for my King!"

NOTICE TO MEMBERS OF NORTH RUNNELS WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION

The 24th Annual Membership Meeting for North Runnels Water Supply Corporation will be Monday, March 26, 2001, at 7:30 p.m. in the Winters Community Center.

Included on the agenda is the 2000 Financial Statement Audit to be presented by Harold Shelburne, CPA. Also, the ballots for the three directors will be counted and revealed.

The director's terms for Billy Joe Colburn, Rick Minzenmayer, and Ed Bredemeyer will expire at this meeting.

Seeking re-election is incumbent Ed Bredemeyer. The other candidates for election are Ted Ahrens, Rick Ikeler, Lynn Billups, and Alan Cooper.

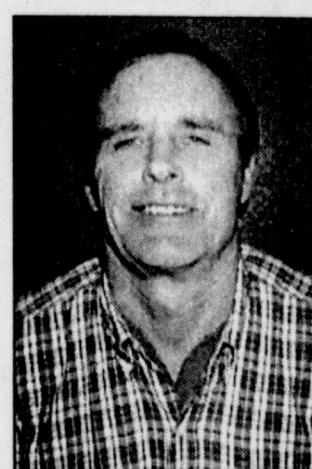
Billy Joe Colburn and Rick Minzenmayer will not seek re-election. Billy Joe has served on NRWSC Board since 1995 and Rick Minzenmayer has served since 1996.

The board of directors, employees, and members of the corporation would like to express their appreciation to Billy Joe and Rick for their outstanding contribution to the water system.

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

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

ALL MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE URGED TO ATTEND THIS ANNUAL MEETING.



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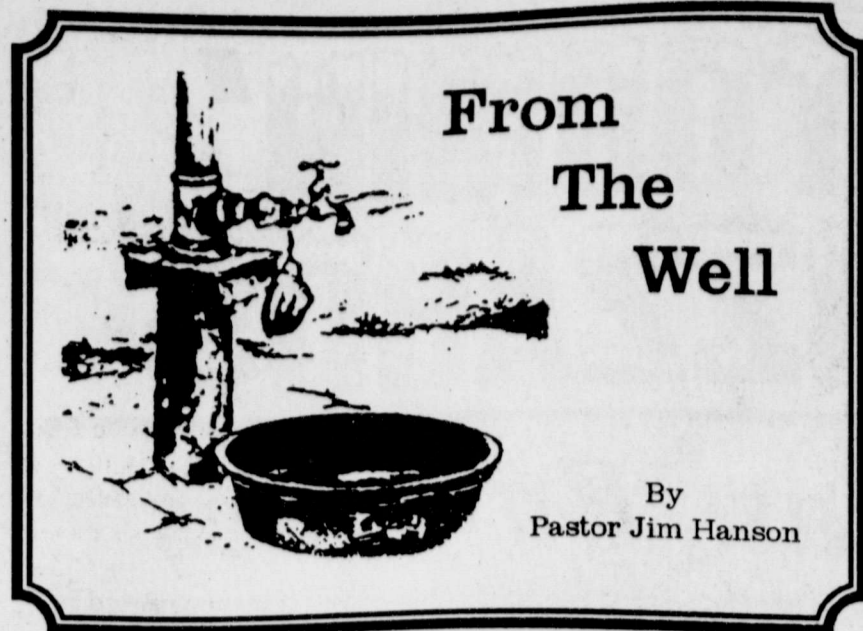
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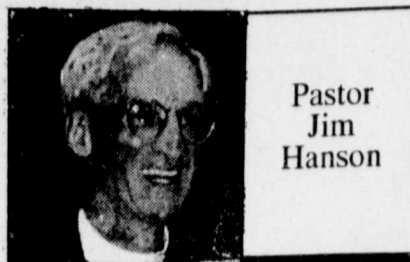
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From The Well

By Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

The other day I was reading a piece written by a woman who serves as a campus pastor here in Texas. She writes, "As a campus minister, I am aware that a new generation has begun their young adult journey. What I have witnessed is a group considered the "most undermentored" generation in history. They have had fewer adults in their lives on a regular basis. They are less equipped with time-management and decision-making skills. Though they are aware of their limitations, they are more awkward in knowing when and how to ask for help."

As I reflected on her observation, I couldn't help but agree. And, there are others who have been making the same observation. Just a few days ago I read another piece encouraging adults to become mentors; to volunteer their services at schools or at churches. To share with the younger ones the "how to's" that will help make maturity possible.

And then I started to reflect on who were my mentors. Who were the ones who taught me the basics of life...how to behave, how to decide what to do, what's really important, and how to schedule your life? It didn't take me a long time to come up with a long list.

First of all, my parents. My mom and dad. They really cared about me and my three brothers. They showed the way. Often by example. And, to this day, at age 71, I often find myself asking myself, "Now, what would dad do in this situation?" I can still remember the "Big Four Questions," the ones he would ask me when I asked permission to "go out" for the evening. They were:

1. "Where are you going?"
2. "What are you going to do?"
3. "Who will be going with you?"
4. "When will you be back?"

Until I answered those "Big Four," I was not allowed to "go out."

At the time I often felt that these were totally unnecessary. And, as I grew older, I would challenge him by saying, "You really don't trust me, do you? To make my own decisions?" To which he would reply, "I pretty much trust you, but it's your other advisors I'm not sure of."

He was wise. And to this day I use those questions for my own life. And before I leave the house, Ramona knows where I am going, what I will be doing, who I'll be with, and when I'll be back. They are a "time tested way" to make responsible decisions.

They were also a way of teaching me to be accountable. For, when I didn't get back on time, he would meet me at the door. And before I had a chance to sit down with him, up came the first question, "Where on earth have you been?" And, more often than not, I had some serious explaining to do.

It hurt then. But now, I'm grateful. And even if they are all grown up, and married, and with children of their own, I ask our kids the same questions. Especially if we are going to "grandchildren sit," and we are responsible to care for them any period of time.

And there were others...uncles and aunts, bigger and older cousins, coaches, teachers, and Sunday school teachers. Friends of my parents. And our built-in "sitter," our grandma who lived with us from before the time I was born and until she "went home" to heaven when I was 16.

I was really mentored. And so was Ramona. And almost every day we give thanks to God for the "up bringing" we had. And that we had the privilege to "pass it on" to our kids, and now, their kids.

Every day we read in the papers or see on TV or hear on the radio countless examples of what is happening in our country to kids. "Unwed mothers, drug abuse, violence, crime, violence on the streets, and violence in the schools." Things I never dreamed would be so commonplace. And over which our culture only seems to add to the problems.

But, it isn't hopeless. There are still voices that believe in mentoring and speak up. One such man is one I read about in the Abilene paper just last Saturday. His name is Charle Ballard. He was a "no good" until he met Jesus in prison. After he got out he went to the mother of his then 5-year-old son and apologized. She had kept his picture on the wall, and when he walked in the room the boy recognized him, raced to his arms crying "Daddy! Daddy!"

After that, it was a new life for Ballard. He went on in his life, determined to devote his life to being a good father, and also helping others to be and do the same. He has started what he calls The Institute for Responsible Fatherhood and Family Revitalization. He spoke in Abilene last week, and steps are being taken to create a Greater Abilene Fatherhood Initiative.

There is hope. Returning to the basics. I know Our Father in heaven is pleased. And I know my father on earth who is now in heaven is rejoicing. Ballard says, "Whether you like it or not, everything in the world is driven by how men act toward children." Amen. What is more basic than that? Like Scripture says, "Fathers, bring them up in the discipline and instruction of The Lord." Anybody got a better plan?



BISHOP BEN CHAMNESS and his wife, along with Drs. Georgia and Doyle Allen (seated l-r) were among special visitors to the First United Methodist Church of Winters on March 7. Pastor Chamness is the new Bishop of the Central Texas United Methodist Conference, and Dr. Allen is the District Superintendent for the Brownwood District. Welcoming the dignitaries are (standing, l-r) M. L. Dobbins, Bonnie Lee, Horte Joyce, Nina Hale, Maurine Davis, Alyse Middleton, Joyce Carbury, Pastor Don Roath, Maudella Reeves, Betty Thomason, Lavera Tharp, Pat Hambright, Keith Thomason, Anna Faye and Jim King of Wingate, and John Johnson.

Chamber Memo

Annual Mayfest and softball tournament set for May 5

by Carolyn Scarborough, Chamber secretary

Mayfest is just around the corner and the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce wants you to start planning now to be a part of it.

Mayfest is a good event to bring outside visitors into Winters as well as bring the locals together for a day full of fun and fellowship.

Among the many things Mayfest has to offer are arts and crafts, live entertainment, and lots of food and games.

A big draw to the annual event is the coed softball tournament. Teams from many other towns as well as Winters will participate. Play is scheduled to begin on Friday, May 4, and end sometime Saturday evening. The cost is \$10 per person. Umpires will be used from the Abilene Slow Pitch Association.

COMMISSIONERS, continued

ties will also be involved in the election.

In other agenda action, Commissioners voted to move \$17,000 from the General County Contingency Fund to a Runnels County Weather Modification Fund for payment of invoices related to the weather modification program.

Other agenda items and action taken included:

- Authorization was given for any Commissioner, in the absence of the County Judge, to approve for immediate payment such incidental expenses as may appear to such Commissioner to be necessary.

- Two names were drawn for possible appointment to the County Salary Grievance Committee.

- A subdivision plat for the Doris Turner Subdivision located at Farm to Market Road 2111 and County Road 289 was approved.
- A resolution was adopted by the Court requesting members of the 77th Texas Legislature to fund the Brush Control Projects of the Upper Colorado River Authority and other similar projects.

Commissioner Skipper Wheelless was in Austin on county business and unable to attend Tuesday's 45-minute meeting.

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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Wednesday-March 21
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Thursday-March 22
Waffle/Syrup
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Juice
Friday-March 23
Staff Development Day/
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Lunch
Monday-March 19
Bar-B-Q Rib Pattie
Red Beans
Potatoes/Cheese Sauce
Hot Roll
Pineapple Chunks
Tuesday-March 20
Chicken Fillet/Gravy
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**Softball
Scoreboard**

Team: Varsity Softball
Coach: Ed Poehls
Date & place of game:
March 6, 2001 - Winters
Opponent: Bangs (District Game)
Losing pitcher: Eileen Alvarado
Losing catcher: Tracie Morrison
Key plays: The outfielders played the entire game without an error. Jamie Reeves, Kendra Hope, & Carmen Martinez made some real good plays.

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	7	8	10
OPPONENT	19	11	2

Coach's comments: There is no way to win when we make 7 errors in one inning. We are much better than that. We have a very good infield. It just wasn't their day. Sooner or later, we will all relax and play up to our potential.

Team: Varsity Softball
Coach: Ed Poehls
Date & place of game:
March 9, 2001 - Winters
Opponent: Hawley (District Game)
Losing pitcher: Eileen Alvarado
Losing catcher: Tracie Morrison
Key plays: An inning ending double play in the 4th inning from Eileen Alvarado to Jessica DeLaRosa to Kayla Colburn.

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	3	9	6
OPPONENT	11	8	2

Coach's comments: For the most part, the Lady Blizzards played real well against a very good Hawley team. It was 3 to 4 starting the 5th inning, but Hawley kept on scoring a couple of runs an inning and our hitting stopped. We still had errors that we are not used to making, but our hustle was top notch.

Team: Varsity Softball
Coach: Ed Poehls
Date & place of game:
March 12, 2001 - Winters
Opponent: Roscoe (District Game)
Losing pitcher: Eileen Alvarado
Losing catcher: Tracie Morrison
Key plays: An inning ending double play in the 4th inning from Eileen Alvarado to Jessica DeLaRosa to Kayla Colburn.

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	3	9	6
OPPONENT	11	8	2

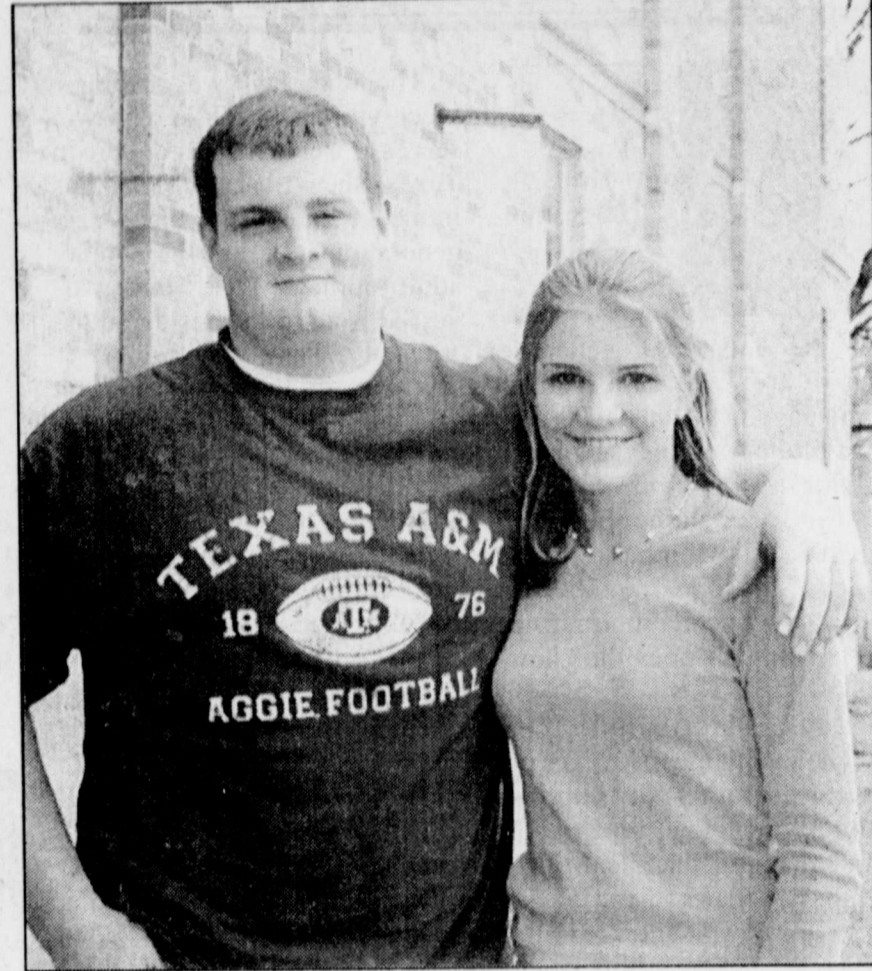
Coach's comments: For the most part, the Lady Blizzards played real well against a very good Roscoe team. It was 3 to 4 starting the 5th inning, but Roscoe kept on scoring a couple of runs an inning and our hitting stopped. We still had errors that we are not used to making, but our hustle was top notch.

**WINTERS
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...results from the
Roscoe Meet will
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next week's paper.

2000-01 WHS Class Favorites



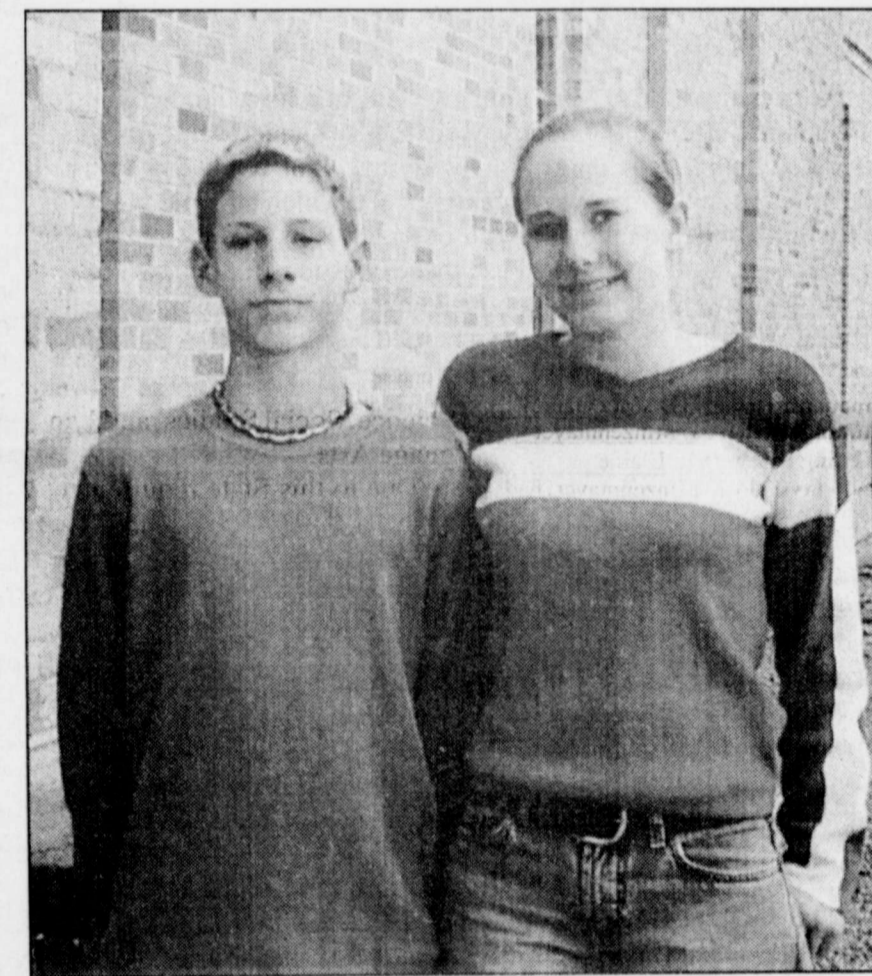
Colby Walker & Carmen Martinez
Seniors



Chris Hoppe & Mandy Pritchard
Juniors



Mark Moreno & Grace Martinez
Sophomores



Tim Fenwick & Kari Walker
Freshmen

**Samson Jackson sets new meet record in shot put—
Lady & JV Blizzards win team championships at Blizzard Relays**

Once again the Lady Blizzard and JV Blizzard track teams brought home team championships—this time they didn't have far to travel with the trophies as Winters hosted the Blizzard Relays last Saturday.

The Blizzards had another strong finish in the field events. Senior Samson Jackson set a new meet record in the shot put with a toss of 55' 8".

The Lady Blizzards tallied 150 team points followed by district rivals Jim Ned with 122 1/3 and Coleman 117. Early tallied 79 points followed by Ballinger 73, Roscoe 29 1/3, and Coleman JV with 18 1/3. "The girls did a good job," said Coach Deb Whittenburg, "as it took everyone contributing to win the championship."

As for the Blizzard varsity, Coach Chuck Lipsy said, "We had good field event performances and just have to keep getting better. The JV guys had a good team effort and that's what wins championships. We are proud of these guys. They work hard and have doing it!"

Winters JV won the team championship with 142 points followed by Coleman 133, Early 83, Ballinger 79, Jim Ned 67, and Roscoe 35.

Winters will travel to Menard on Saturday for the Silver Mine Relays. The 3200 M Run will begin at 9 a.m. Running prelims are

set for 9:30 a.m. with field events scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Running finals will begin at 2 p.m.

Last week's results are as follows:

LADY BLIZZARDS
3200 M Run
1st, Maria Llanas, 13:21
2nd, Briana Parramore, 13:38
400 M Relay
2nd, Winters, (Staci Bishop, Michelle Paschal, Mandy Pritchard, Stacey Sneed, 53.38)

800 M Run
3rd, Mandy Pritchard, 2:37.40
800 M Relay
1st, Winters, (Staci Bishop, Mandy Pritchard, Jena Bahlman, Stacey Sneed) 1:51.42

100 M Dash
5th, Kendra Hope, 14.51
400 M Dash
2nd, Michelle Paschal, 64.71
200 M Dash
1st, Jena Bahlman, 26.92
1600 M Run
1st, Maria Llanas, 6:00.59
3rd, Briana Parramore, 6:12.88
1600 M Relay
1st, Winters (Staci Bishop, Jena Bahlman, Stacey Sneed, Michelle Paschal), 4:22

Shot Put
1st, Michelle Paschal, 33' 11"
Discus
2nd, Kendra Hope, 95' 5"
7th, Michelle Paschal, 90' 1"
Long Jump
2nd, Jena Bahlman, 15' 9"
3rd, Stacey Sneed, 14' 8 1/2"
High Jump
4th, Stacey Sneed, 4' 8"
BLIZZARDS
800 M Run
5th, Juan Santos, 2:14
Shot Put
1st, Samson Jackson, 55' 8 1/2" (New Meet Record)

3rd, Chris Hoppe, 48' 3"
4th, Rusty Jackson, 46' 9"
Discus
2nd, Samson Jackson, 145' 8"
3rd, Chris Hoppe, 142' 8"
4th, Rusty Jackson, 142' 6 1/2"
Long Jump
2nd, Tony Aguero, 20' 2 1/4"
JV BLIZZARDS
400 M Relay
3rd, Winters (Yul Gibbs, Joey Joeris, Matt Moreno, Jeffrey Oats) 48.6
100 M Dash
2nd, Joey Joeris, 12:25
5th, Benji Valles, 12.38
200 M Dash
3rd, Yul Gibbs, 25.4
6th, Clint Marentes, 26.2
800 M Run
6th, Adam Solarzano, 2:31
400 M Dash
1st, Jeffrey Oats, 56.2
110 High Hurdles
3rd, Eric Lopez, 17.38

3200 M Run
3rd, Tim Fenwick, 12:36
1600 M Run
3rd, Tim Fenwick, 5:42
1600 M Relay
2nd, Winters, (Eric Lopez, Benji Valles, Shane Colburn, Guy Slimp), 3:57
Shot Put
1st, Steven Cuevas, 41' 10"
4th, Jerry Hord, 40' 1/2"
Discus
1st, Shane Colburn, 107' 9"
6th, Steven Cuevas, 97' 11 1/2"
Long Jump
1st, Jeffrey Oats, 19' 2"
3rd, Benji Valles, 18' 1 1/2"
6th, Yul Gibbs, 16' 10"
Triple Jump
1st, Eric Lopez, 37' 11"
2nd, Jeffrey Oats, 37' 10 1/2"
3rd, Yul Gibbs, 37' 10"

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**BLIZZARD ACTIVITIES
MARCH 15-MARCH 22, 2001**

EXTRA-CURRICULAR
—Mar. 15-16, Spring Break
—Mar. 19, 4th 9 weeks grading period begins
—Mar. 19, One Act Play, WHS Auditorium
—Mar. 21, Cisco Band Festival
—Mar. 22, One Act Play, Brownwood

JUNIOR HIGH TENNIS
—Mar. 19, Abilene Christian Tourney, ACU, Abilene, 3:30 p.m.

JR. VARSITY BASEBALL
—Mar. 19, Cisco*, T, 4 p.m.

VARSITY GOLF
—Mar. 19, 1st Round, District Golf, Shady Oaks, Clyde

SOFTBALL
—Mar. 16, Cisco*, T, 4:30 p.m.
—Mar. 20, Coleman*, H, 4:30 p.m.

VARSITY BASEBALL
—Mar. 16, Cisco*, T, 4 p.m.
—Mar. 20, Coleman*, H, 4 p.m.

VARSITY /JV TRACK
—Mar. 17, Menard Silver Mine Relays, Menard (**note times)
9 a.m. Running Prelims
11:30 a.m. Field Events
2 p.m. Running Finals

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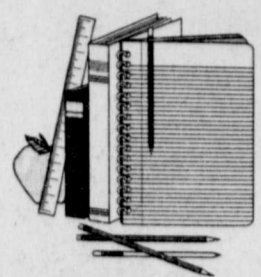
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ON THE FIELD AND IN THE CLASSROOM



WINTERS ELEMENTARY SELECT CHOIR is really rockin' and a rollin' during their energetic performance on Thursday, March 8, at the school auditorium. The talented group of about 100 students from the fifth and sixth grades also performed for schools in Abilene, Blackwell and Leuders-Avoca on Friday under the direction of Fran Kidwell and Joanie Prado.

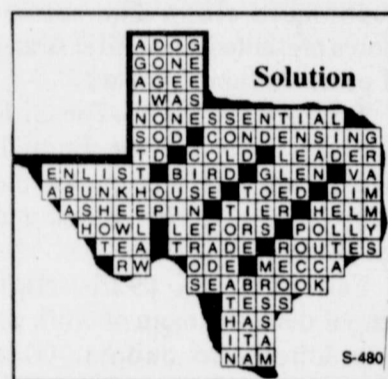
Coaches thank all who helped make Blizzard Relays a success

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to all of the parents, coaches, school personnel, and local supporters who worked to prepare the Winters Track Complex and facilitate the Blizzard Relays last Saturday.

We would also like to thank Project Graduation 2001 for working hard in providing the concession stand for the event.

Once again, we thank you for your continued support and participation in making the Blizzard Relays a success!

Coach Deb Whittenburg, Coach Chuck Lipsey & the WHS Track Coaching Staff



Baseball Scoreboard

Team: Blizzards
Coach: Chris Bearden
Date & place of game: March 9, 2001 — Winters
Opponent: Hawley (District Game)
Winning pitcher: J. Minzenmayer
Winning catcher: B. Blaine
Key Plays: Josh Minzenmayer had a triple and a homerun.

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	9	5	4
OPPONENT	7	9	7

Coach's Comments: Down 7-4, we scored 5 runs in the 6th inning to go ahead. We are 1-1 in district.

Winters Secondary School G/T nominations due by Friday, April 27

by Charles Murphy, Secondary School Counselor

The Texas State plan for the education of Gifted/Talented students requires that school districts provide services to students identified in one or more of the following academic areas: Math, Science, Social Studies, and Language Arts.

Due to this State requirement, Winters Junior High and High School will assess all nominated seventh through eleventh grade students. This assessment will occur in the spring of the school year.

If you believe your child might benefit from a Gifted/Talented program in one or more of these

academic areas, we welcome your nomination.

The identification process includes a parent nomination, a teacher nomination, a general intellectual abilities test, and an achievement test. Nomination does not necessarily mean acceptance into the program; however, it will initiate the identification process.

Nomination forms must be completed and returned to the counseling office by Friday, April 27. If you have any questions or concerns, please call Charles Murphy at 754-5516.

Students of the Month

Each month the junior high teachers select students from the 7th and 8th grades to be Boy and Girl of the Month. These selections are made on the basis of academics, leadership, and citizenship.



Adrienne Reyna
March
Girl of the Month

Her duties include cleaning her room and helping her mom cook supper.

Her future plans are to attend college and study medicine in order to help cure people.

Adrienne most admires her sister Paula because she graduated high school and is now in the Navy, and because she is a nice and caring person.

David Scates has been chosen as the "Boy of the Month" for March 2001. He is the son of Don and Maggie Patton and Tommy Scates.

David, 13, is in the seventh grade and enjoys math and Texas History.

His honors include winning the school level Geography Bee.

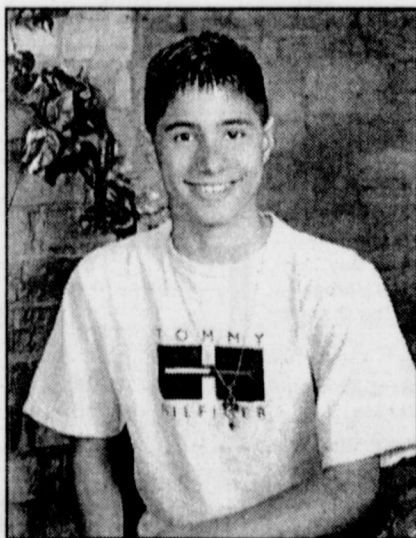
His hobbies include playing basketball and tennis and practicing with his band members.

In his spare time, he enjoys listening to music, playing Play-Station, and hanging out with friends.

His duties include taking out the trash, taking care of his dog and helping with his little brother.

He plans to attend Texas A&M where he would like to major in business and marketing.

David most admires his parents and Uncle Leo for working hard for him and supporting him in every way that they can.



David Scates
March
Boy of the Month



MINAMI TEACHING ORIGAMI to (l-r) Christina Guerrero, Toni Hagle, Jennifer Smith, Laura Armendariz, and Lillian Garcia proved to be a fun time for Winters fifth grade students. Terry Minami, third from left, is Administrative Assistant of the University Libraries of Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene and works with the Abilene Public Library and Region 14 Education Service Center. Minami said she learned the ancient art of paper folding from her mother.

WHS team tennis makes impressive showing at first state tournament

For their first-ever trip to the state team tennis competition, the Winters High School squad made quite a statement by winning 51 of 76 matches last Friday and Saturday in the Austin area.

"Our kids really played hard," said Dale Montgomery, who helped coach the Winters team. "They represented our school well and also represented the city of Winters well."

The Winters team swept their first round of playing, winning all 19 matches against Elkhart from the east Texas area.

"Our kids came out determined to play," said Montgomery. "Anytime you have all your kids in bed by 10 o'clock the night before (their matches), you know they're

serious. Our strong first round of play really propelled our team to play hard the rest of the tournament."

In the second round, Winters faced #2 seed San Saba, a team with most of the same players as last year, including an extremely strong boys' team. Winters won 5 of 9 boys doubles matches, and with singles wins by Samantha Montgomery and Laci Walker, won 7 of 12 overall matches.

The Blizzards played Knippa (from the Uvalde area) in the third round, losing 10-9 in a very tough series. Seven of the matches were determined by split sets.

Fourth round play in the two-day tournament pitted Winters

against Somerville (from the Dallas/Ft. Worth area). Winters dominated the series 15-4, giving the Blizzards their 7th place finish out of 16 teams.

Team members include Colby Walker, Jeffrey Jordan, Aaron Pritchard, Taylor Brown, Craig Jacob, G. G. Hernandez, Brian Pritchard, Kacey Murphy, Jeremy Hope, Jason Esquivel, Scarlett McMinn, Laci Walker, Monica Hicks, Samantha Montgomery, Stacey Walden, Allison Calcote, Cassandra Johnson, Tracy Burns, Kalene Lincycumb, Kelley Walker, Meagan Galvan-Nitsch, and Fallen Perrie. Coaching the Winters team were Brad Roberts, Dale Montgomery and Houston Guy.

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Poe's Corner

By Charlie Poe

A tribute to Myrtle Barber

When I wrote the story about all the smart kids who finished high school in 1925, I didn't mention Miss Myrtle Barber, the teacher who was responsible for it all.

Myrtle Barber came to Winters as a high school English teacher. She also moved her widowed mother and several young brothers still at home.

Their father had been a circuit-riding Baptist preacher in rugged New Mexico. After his death the family fell upon hard times.

The children often heard their mother praying outside by the mulberry bush in the early morning, "God, please let me get these kids grown and educated!"

Myrtle not only was helpful to her mother, but she established many good customs and traditions in the Winters High School.

Both the girls and boys Literary Clubs were organized by Miss Myrtle Barber and she served as director of both. She also organized the boys and girls debating teams and coached them to many victories. She wrote the school song, "Dear Old Winters High." *The Gale*, the high school newspaper, was published once a month with Miss Barber the faculty member director.

She moved on after two years, possibly to get married. She later married the Reverend Ware and had four sons: Browning, Weston, Broadman, and Connie. She wrote a book in 1950, "The Home in World Missions." She died September 27, 1948. Her youngest son, Connie, followed her in a musical career, spanning 26 years. He died September 15, 2000.

The following are from a school calendar of events and involve Miss Barber:

1924-25

Myrtle Barber

Sophomore class sponsor

October 24, 1924—The "Winters Blizzards" is the name of our athletic men of Winters High, the name winning over a large number of others, suggested in the



Charlie Poe

naming contest. Truett Barber has the honor of naming them.

November 4, 1924—The Boys Literary Club was organized under the direction of Miss Barber.

November 12, 1924—The Girls Literary club was organized under the direction of Miss Barber.

December 11, 1924—"The Glacier" is the name chosen for the annual. This was decided by the naming committee. The name chosen being submitted by Glee Ingram.

December 12, 1924—Myrtle Barber and Mary Ella Brodley gave a Christmas party for the Sophomore class. The sophomores presented a beautiful strand of pearls to their sponsor.

January 30, 1925—The Girls Literary Club and the English Department gave a program to the study hall on Robert Burns and the Drama respectively.

February 20, 1925—High school debating team at work on interscholastic debate. Glee Ingram and Leona Campbell make up the girl's team and Auburn and Benton Neely the boy's. The coach is Myrtle Barber.

1925-1926

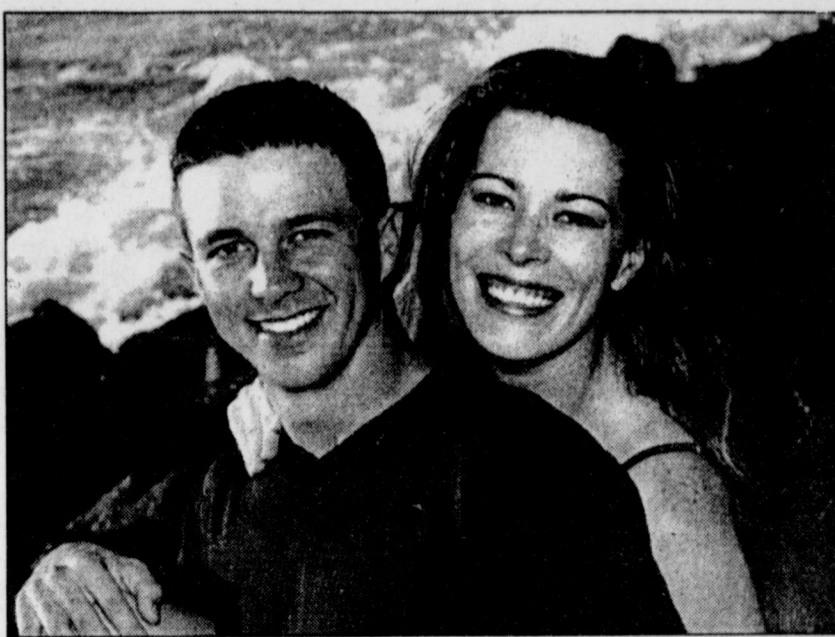
Myrtle Barber

Junior class sponsor

September 18, 1925—Glee Club organized with Mrs. Jackson sponsor.

October 2, 1925—"The White and Blue" is our high school song. It was composed by Miss Barber. It was sung with pep at Abilene.

October 14, 1925—The high school paper, *The Gale*, will be published once a month. Miss Barber, faculty leader.



Jason Derrick & Carmen McKee

Jason Derrick to wed Carmen McKee in March 24 ceremony in Honolulu

Captain and Mrs. Ted Rocha of Honolulu, Hawaii are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Carmen McKee to Jason Andrew Derrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Derrick of Cedar Park.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Rocha of Gloucester, Massachusetts and Mr. and Mrs. George Clark of Scotland Neck, North Carolina.

The prospective groom is the grandson of Mr. Charles B. Derrick of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Wesley M. Hays of Novice.

The bride-elect is a 1993 graduate of Beaufort Preparatory Academy in Beaufort, South Carolina and graduated in 1996 from Peace Women's College in Raleigh, North Carolina with an Associate Degree. She is now attending the University of Hawaii and is a candidate for December graduation.

The prospective groom is a 1994 graduate of Ballinger High School and attended Texas Tech University. He entered the U.S. Navy in 1996 and graduated Submarine and Sonar School in 1996. Petty officer Derrick graduated from Navy Dive School in 2000. He is stationed in Honolulu, Hawaii.

A March 24, 2001 wedding is planned at the Submarine Memorial Chapel at Pearl Harbor, Honolulu, Hawaii.



Todd Stevener & Katy Rives

Former Winters resident Katy Rives to wed Todd Stevener in May ceremony

Katy Rives and Todd Stevener, both of Kirkwood, Missouri, have announced their engagement and approaching marriage.

Katy is a former Winters resident and the daughter of Beth Rives and the late Terry Rives. She is the sister of Chris Rives of Ballinger and the granddaughter of Dr. C. T. Rives of Winters. Todd is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Stevener of Kirkwood, Missouri.

The bride-elect is a 2000 graduate of Maryville University in St. Louis, Missouri, with a degree in accounting. She is employed by Edward Jones. The prospective groom is a 2000 graduate of Blackburn College in Carlinville, Illinois, with a degree in political science. He is employed by the Kirkwood School District.

The couple plans a May 26, 2001, wedding in the First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood, Missouri.

WISD, continued

high school, additional math and sciences courses and expansion of vocational class offerings.

#3 To achieve the Texas Education Agency rating of Exemplary for all campuses in the district, and be satisfied with nothing less.

#4 To achieve a much higher level of parental involvement in their children's education by offering classes targeted at parent education, involve more parents and community resources in the district's SOS (mentoring) program, and establishment of a district-wide Parent-Teacher Organization.

#5 Establish a climate of firm, fair and consistent discipline for students with increased parental involvement.

In-school suspension (ISS) at the secondary level will begin March 19. Detention and Altern-

ative Education Program (AEP) will continue but ISS will be implemented again as a discipline measure.

Also during the meeting board policy relating to the use of school-owned vehicles was adopted.

Superintendent applicants were discussed during the closed session of Monday's meeting. Six applicants were interviewed in the past week, and the board was deciding on their next step in the hiring process.

Present for the March 12 meeting were Trustees Allen Andrae, Bob Prewit, Jack Davis, Jr., Cheryl Bryan, Larry Walker, Jerry Sims and Gary Moore, Business Manager Jimmy Butler, Principal Cathy, Elementary Principal Tammy Bright, Dean of Students David Hale, and interim Superintendent Wes Hays, Jr.

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 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. on Wednesdays and Fridays. To apply for assistance, Maudella Reeves is in the Center from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Monday through Friday.

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- TXism: "if he's - he'll bark"
- TX Keyes' -
- With the Wind
- former Cowboy FB Tommie
- TXism: "feel like - chewed up and spit out"
- not needed
- TXism: "buster" (farmer)
- TX Gail Borden invented process for - milk
- ex-Cowboy Tony (init.)
- TXism: "playing with a - deck" (unlucky)
- TXism: "chief cook and bottle washer"
- LSU) was 1st U.S. Rep. to after Pearl Harbor
- Lady - Johnson
- dinosaur tracks town: - Rose
- Stephen F. Austin's home state (abbr.)
- TXism: "smart as - rat"
- pigeon-
- TXism: "wit"
- TXism: "wolves clothes"
- wedding cake layer
- Gulf steering wheel
- coyote cry
- in Gray Co. on 273
- cracker craver
- "Texas" (oil)
- NAFTA is a free agreement

DOWN

- driving without a seat belt is
- in Texas
- in Palestine:
- Trails Festival flag pledge: ". TX, - indivisible"
- TX Gambill Goose Refuge guests
- in Super Bowl XXX it was 27-17
- TXism: "me a bill of goods"
- TXism: "blister" (handle)
- "Fighting Irish" school (abbr.)
- honor. TX Ranger: Dr. Edward
- TXism: "that like a duck needs an umbrella"
- many TX roads were early stagecoach
- ex-Cowboy White (init.)
- TX Robby Benson film: - to Billie Joe
- pilgrimage goal
- town on Trinity Bay
- Dallas actress Harper
- George H.: "The liberation of Kuwait" begun"
- TXism: "call - day"
- U.S. Rep. Sam Johnson was a POW here
- TXism: "mean old range cow"
- slang for a Stetson
- actor Brand who was TX Ranger Reese Bennett on "Laredo"
- TX Roger Miller awards
- TX Henry in the Clinton admin.
- this Ames was Daniel Boone (init.)
- Spurs, Mavericks & Rockets org.
- TXism: "quick to pull a cork"
- TXism: "water" (trouble)
- shish kebob prong
- between Lamar & Hopkins Counties
- TXism: "he'd walk himself - a revolving door"
- ex-Cowboy offensive coach Hudson
- TX Buddy Holly hit "Not - Away"
- "little" south of the border
- antique autos
- historic - Houston House
- TXism: "couldn't - drum" (loser)

Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

Jamie Helser wins JNHS 2001 Talent Show



Jamie Helser, a senior at Jim Ned High School, placed first in the JNHS Art Club 2001 Talent Show. She sang "Born to Fly" to earn top honors over seven other entries in the high school division.

Jamie is the daughter of Shelly Perry of Brownwood and granddaughter of Melba J. Hoppe of Winters. She is the great-granddaughter of Geneva Emmert of Winters.



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Living behind bars

Editor's note: The following story was researched and written by Kayla Colburn, a WHS senior and editor-in-chief of the school newspaper, *The Blitz*. Several requests were received by the office of *The Winters Enterprise* to publish this unique story. The following story, including the Letter to the Editor, are written as they appeared in the February 21, 2001, edition of the school paper with permission by Miss Colburn and Mrs. Cindy Davis, advisor for *The Blitz*.

by Kayla Colburn, Editor-in-Chief, WHS *Blizzard Blitz*

From 10:30 p.m. he is locked up. Trapped with no freedom. No freedom to wake up on a sleepless night and take a walk or get a midnight snack. No freedom to call a friend just to chat. No freedom to take a shower in his bathroom, by himself, under the comfort of his roof. No freedom at all. It is 3 a.m. He is awakened by the clanging of metal as the heavy iron doors down the hall are opened for an angry man who doesn't care about life on the other side of the door. Although there is violent racket and disharmony clanging all around, there is an unimaginable silence that is frightening. A cold silence that echos one word, "alone."

Lorenzo Castillo is 22 years old. He has a maximum prison term of 15 years in the Rosharon State Prison. He has been in prison since 1998 when he was charged with armed robbery.

Q: Take me through a day in prison.

A: A normal day for me starts at 3:00 a.m. We wake up at 3 a.m. to eat breakfast which is served from 3-5 a.m. I work in the fields, so we do pretty much everything to do with growing food and making our own clothes and shoes. Since I've been here I've picked cabbage, peppers, corn, beets, mustard greens, green beans, peas, potatoes, squash, radishes, onions, watermelons, cantaloupes, carrots, and cotton. We work from roughly 6:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Then we take showers and go eat dinner from 4-6 p.m. Then

they call recreation. After that we are locked in our cells with a sink and a toilet. One of the hardest things is having to live with someone that you don't get along with. Therefore I do a lot of praying for patience, understanding, and forgiveness. There are also gangs. That is probably the biggest problem in prison today. Whether you are involved or not, at any given moment you could find yourself in the middle of a gang war and your life could be in real danger. So one of the main things you have to learn is how to mind your own business. You can never forget that you are surrounded by the worst of the world has to offer.

Q: What is the worst thing about being in prison?

A: Everyone in here has a different story. The worst thing for me is being away from my family. Not being able to be there for my sister when she graduates. Not being able to give my mom a big hug on her birthday or Mother's Day, any day for that matter. I guess just not being able to be there for any big events going on with my loved ones.

Q: Did you ever, in a million years, expect to be where you are now?

A: Absolutely not! I don't think that anyone thinks that drinking or doing drugs will get you into trouble when you start. No, I never expected drugs and alcohol to land me in prison at the age of 22.

Q: If you could tell kids who are "just drinking" one thing,

what would it be?

A: To stop! But, I know what it's like to be drinking with your friends and having fun, and I know most people won't quit just because I wound up in prison because of it. Most people don't think that drinking will lead them to start using drugs, but they are just like peas and carrots. They just go together. And if you don't want to stop drinking that's your choice, but at least do it responsibly. Don't drink and drive no matter how good you think you can drive.

Q: What do you miss most?

A: Aside from my family I'd have to say my freedom. I don't think I could ever make anyone understand just how precious that is. Try to imagine this, having to put up with constant harassment, cruelty, and racial favoritism from the guards. Having to eat when and what they give you or go without sometime. Having to work everyday for free. I understand that some of those things happen in everyday society, but the difference is that I can't just go somewhere else to avoid these things.

Q: Do you remember the saddest you've been while there?

A: The saddest I've been while in prison was last month. I got called to the chaplain's office for a phone call. Now that can only mean two things, bad news or a death in the family. So when I got there the chaplain told me that my mom had called about some bad

news having to do with my great-grandmother. As soon as he said that I knew what was coming next. He let me call my mom so she could tell me what had happened. I couldn't stop crying. I loved her so much. I really needed someone to hug. But nobody was there. That wasn't just the saddest day for me in prison, that was the saddest day of my life.

Q: Where do you expect to be in 20 years?

A: Well, by that time I will be out of here and hopefully living a normal life. God willing, I'll have a family of my own and a good job. One thing I plan on doing is to start a club or center to help kids there in Runnels County that are having trouble with drugs and alcohol.

Q: Explain how your previous choices have affected more than just you?

A: That's a good one. Well, I hurt a lot of people doing the things that I did. My family mostly. My mom is pretty well known in the community so I can't imagine how she must have felt the first time I was arrested. I'm sure she was pretty embarrassed. I guess I really affected the people I stole from also. The night I was arrested we had just robbed an Allsup's in Coleman. The lady that was working that night has to be the person I've affected the most. The drugs and alcohol affected me and then I affected her. I mean, I knew that I wasn't going to hurt her, but she didn't so I can't imagine how she must have felt.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

My name is Lorenzo Castillo, 22, and I am a former student at WISD. Unfortunately, now, I am a prisoner of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Every week I receive *The Winters Enterprise* and read about the young people in trouble with the law. The main reason I am writing to you students of Winters is with the hope of helping you understand the consequences of breaking the law. So please put some thought into what I have to say.

When I lived in Winters, besides school or church, there weren't many recreational activities. So we did a lot of partying. We would have our fun drinking and doing drugs. Don't get me wrong though, not everyone did this, but then again they were considered the outcasts by our social groups. I knew many of the people who didn't even like the taste of beer but chose to drink anyway so as to not look out of place or upset their friends.

You are at an age where peer pressure and fitting in are very important to you. I hope when you finish reading this letter you will realize it is not what people think of you or don't think of you that matters. It is what you think of yourself. So start by getting an education.

When I started drinking I said I would never do drugs. All that didn't last long after I saw how much fun my friends seemed to be having. After I started doing drugs, I spent every dollar I had getting high. Then one drug led to another drug. So when I couldn't earn enough money from working to buy the drugs I was using, I started to steal and eventually sell drugs to support my habit. Before I knew it drugs had led me to a life of crime which in turn landed me in prison. I never intended to break the law before I started taking drugs. But no matter what you make yourself believe, drugs and alcohol cloud your mind and make you do things you would never ordinarily do. I wish I would have listened to the people who were trying to tell me some of these same things I'm telling you right now. Instead I chose to disregard their advice and do drugs. Now, I sit in a prison cell for armed robbery.

I was so drunk and high I thought it would be fun. Now I'm sober and the reality of my actions has set in; not a day goes by I don't regret doing drugs. And, that's not even the hard part. The hard part is having to wake up every day in a prison cell surrounded by murderers, rapists, child molesters, and every other kind of twisted mind you can possibly think of.

My sister, Kristian, is a senior this year and I won't be able to see her graduate. My great-grandmother passed away and I was not allowed to attend her funeral. What I'm desperately trying to make you understand is that drugs and alcohol don't just affect you, but all of those who make up your daily lives. The price you end up paying isn't worth all the money or drugs in the world.

Now, I'm not saying drugs and alcohol will make you commit crimes. But even getting caught with something illegal or being under the influence is against the law and can get you arrested. My point being that drugs and alcohol have been proven time and time again to destroy lives. Yours and your families'.

Before I go I just want you to understand that by me writing you this letter I will not benefit. It is just my hope that it will help you change your minds about drugs and their consequences. I hope you will put some thought to what I've said and stay away from drugs and alcohol.

**Thank you,
Lorenzo Castillo #842408**

PLAY, continued

of Sariel...but, you must attend Monday evening's performance to find out if the girl goes back to earth or on to Eternity.

The cast includes: Brian Pritchard as Sariel God's Angel of Death; Brandi Baize as the

Clay; Carmen Martinez as the Spirit; Kayla Colburn as the Graduate; Mandy Pritchard as the Suicide; Candess Johnson as the Blind Child; Kari Walker as the Guardian Angel; Lori Bredemeyer as the Old, Old Woman;

and Kaci McCuiston as the Young Mother.

Crew members are Guy Slimp, Shane Colburn, and Cecilia Ovalles. Advisor is Kayleen Bergman. She is assisted by David Evans.

In Appreciation

Card of Thanks

Thank you for all the cards, phone calls, and prayers while our dad, Oscar "Butch" Ummelmann was in the hospital and since his move to the Senior Citizens Retirement Home.

Special thanks to Dr. Boles, the employees of North Runnels Hospital, and North Runnels EMS for all the things you did—especially for making the transfer to his "new" home so smooth.

We are lucky to live in a small town with such caring and qualified people.

**Brenda Anderson & Family
Bonita Roberson & Family**

Card of Thanks

Larry and I would like to express our deepest thanks to everyone who sent cards, letters, contributions, and most of all your prayers for us while we were in Houston.

With the help of God, a lot of great doctors, and all of your prayers, Larry is doing much better. We will still have to return to M.D. Anderson in Houston for checkups, but so far he is on the mend.

We have always known that we live in a very caring community, but you never realize just how much everyone cares until you are faced with something like this. We both know that if there is ever anything that we can do to repay your kindness, just ask and we will be there.

We would like to say a special thanks to our families for their love and support, Milton and Naomi Gerhart who called to check on us every single day, Freddie Grohman and Jerry McCabe who took care of our place, Eva Reyna who made sure we got our mail every week and to Pastor Goetz and his wife who came to visit us twice in Houston.

Thanks again to everyone who helped us get through the past few months.

Larry & Mary Meyers

It isn't the mountain that wears you out—it's the grain of sand in your shoe.


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Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz

If you think you have no faults, that makes one more.

Visitors at Hopewell Baptist Church on Sunday were Brenna Harp of Stanton, and Brian, Ferrissa, Chandler, and Brianna Childs of Brownwood.

Home Mission Study was held Monday morning at Hopewell Baptist. Those present were Jeane Talbott, Carolyn Webb, Nila Osborne, Melvena Gerhart, Juanita Shields, Selma Wilkerson, and Ramona Akins. Melvena was the program leader.

Visiting for spring break with Ferris and Ramona Akins were the grandchildren Brenna Harp and Chandler and Brianna Childs. Marvin and Melvena Gerhart enjoyed being with their grandsons in Wingate last week while their parents were in Austin.

Neomia Owens of Ballinger and Louise Osborne of Winters and Therin and Nila Osborne enjoyed visiting their sister Effie McNeely in Kerrville on the 5th and 6th.

Doris Wood spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Maloey Bryant in Abilene. On Sunday afternoon Doris and Wes Calcote stopped in to see Mr. and Mrs. Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Collom of Crews celebrated their 51st anniversary with friends and a supper last weekend.

Sister Lawanda Foreman and Ruth were in Seymour last week. Lawanda spent the night in Slaton

Hilda Kurtz



and they went on Sunday to attend the funeral of a cousin in Seymour.

Abe and Pate Giles of Brownwood Lake and a grandson, Hunter Stevens of Dallas spent time during the week with Roy and Leona Matthis. Also visiting was Billye Fenter of Coleman.

I received a phone call from my sister Jose in California that my Aunt Rosa Laux, also of California, was in the hospital seriously ill.

Mike Boatwright of Merkel visited Noble and Harvey Mae Faubion on Saturday.

Nila Osborne enjoyed getting to see her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Tippett of Odessa. The Tippets came out for Connie Gibb's funeral.

Our sympathy goes out to the Gibbs families. Connie Gibbs died March 8 in North Runnels Hospital. Funeral services were Saturday in Hopewell Baptist Church with Brothers Ferris Akins and Don Roath giving the service. He was buried in the Crews Cemetery. The Crews community and Methodist ladies of Winters helped with the dinner. Georgia and her families wish to thank all

who were so nice on Saturday. Many thanks again.

Linda and Dale Duggan and Katy and son Kelton Grigsby were at the Brownwood Lake over the weekend and visited with Dale's parents, Mary and Jerry of Waco. The enjoyed lunch together with Dale's brother Danny and his wife Janice Duggan and their children all of Cherokee. Also Ryan Duggan and his fiancée Lacy of San Angelo. Also visiting was PeeWee Hope and family of Norton. Everyone had a wonderful picnic.

Linda Duggan and Susan Mansell were in San Angelo shopping and visiting Aunt Frances Brown on Monday.

Eileen Cartwright called and said she didn't have any news for my column, unless you call news when your sheep are lambing and two ewes had triplets!

Margie Jacob visited with sister Evelyn Jacob on Wednesday night. They enjoyed playing cards. On Thursday night Selma Wilkerson, Margie, and Evelyn Jacob, Beverly VanZandt, and Carol Kozelsky attended the Select Choir's program at the Winters school.

On Sunday, Carol and Mike hosted dinner in their home for college kids who were home on spring break. Present were Joe and Dorine Kozelsky, Margie Jacob, Beverly VanZandt, Scott Kozelsky, Jeanna Kozelsky, and Mark Courmayeur.

Restoring drought stricken lawns poses several options

Severe drought four out of the past five years has taken its toll not only on Texas crops and rangeland, but also on urban lawns and landscapes. With the spring planting season right around the corner, many homeowners may be faced with the dilemma of replacing dead areas of grass in their lawns.

Gene Taylor, turf grass specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, said the homeowner must first evaluate the situation, keeping in mind water conservation plays a big role in determining plant selection.

"What we're stressing in Texas is water use and conservation in the landscape," Taylor said. "What we're recommending is the homeowner understand how much water they need to put out on the lawn and irrigate correctly, then they can work on selecting the right material."

A few practical steps makes restoring dead spots in lawns easy, according to Taylor.

"In many cases, lawns will have a small area, say 5 to 6 feet in nature diameter," Taylor said. "To repair those existing dead areas, homeowners can go in and replant, but first they must rake up all of the dead material. They should also rototill, rake or break up the soil with a spade and add some type of mulch or compost to the soil to increase its water holding capacity, thus reducing the need for irrigation."

Once the area has been prepped, the next step is to visit a local garden center where sod squares or plugs of grass can be purchased, Taylor said. Planting of either sod squares or plugs of grass depends on which part of Texas a homeowner lives in.

"Usually the best planting time for grass is in late March or early

April," Taylor said. "For those in Amarillo, it may be the first part of May, while homeowners in the McAllen area may plant in late February...there is no sense in putting out grass too early. Night-time temperatures should be at least 68° or higher before planting."

Taylor suggests taking a soil test after planting to determine what type of fertilizer would be best suited for the newly planted area.

"If a soil test cannot be performed, we recommend an application of 15-5-10 fertilizer at seven pounds per 1,000-square feet," he said. Homeowners can contact their local county Extension agent for information on soil testing or check out the Web at <http://soil-testing.tamu.edu>.

"Also, the newly planted area should be watered regularly," Taylor noted. "The homeowner will want to check the moisture level of the grass for about one to three weeks after planting to see if the area is dry. If they can lift up soil under the sod and it's moist, then it's fine."

The newly revitalized area must be watered, Taylor said, and the weather will determine how regularly one needs to irrigate. Taylor recommends planting several grass varieties, including such species as Bermuda and St. Augustine grass—one of the most shade tolerant grasses.

The most water efficient grasses are Bermuda, Zoysia, and Buffalo grasses. St. Augustine, Taylor said, grows well in shade, but is not as tolerant of extended dry conditions as Bermuda, Zoysia, and Buffalo grass.

"As far as mowing, there's a myth that you have to raise the mowing height to decrease water use of the lawn," he said. "That's incorrect. When you raise the mowing height, you're increasing the total transpiration area of the grass. Therefore, the plant requires more water."

Taylor also notes when homeowners find themselves having to replant a large area of dead turf, they may consider replacing that turf with more efficient landscape plantings.

"There is nothing wrong with adding a well-placed and designed landscape bed that uses native plants and mulches to reduce the total irrigated area of the lawn," he said.

National Agriculture Week proclaimed

by Susan Combs, Texas Agriculture Commissioner

Many of us mark important dates such as birthdays and anniversaries. But here's one that's probably not on your calendar — and it should be. It's National Agriculture Week, when America's farmers and ranchers are recognized for their invaluable contribution to our daily lives. National Agriculture Day is March 20. This year National Agriculture Week is March 18-24.

National Agriculture Week honors the men and women involved in agriculture across the nation. It's an opportunity for us to show our appreciation for our farmers and ranchers and to acknowledge the increasingly important role agriculture plays in the lives of consumers.

Agriculture touches the lives of each and every one of us in ways no other industry can. But in today's urban society, many consumers are becoming so far removed from the agricultural process that they often take it for granted. Whether reaching into their closets for a fresh cotton shirt, or into the refrigerator for milk, juice or eggs — most consumers are confident the items they reach for will be there.

Most folks are not aware that

agriculture products are used to make crayons as well as cosmetics. And they may not know that just about everything else they use, from soap, mouthwash, and shaving cream, to the asphalt they drive on — all start on the farm. That's why it's crucial that we increase consumer awareness and teach consumers about agriculture and the impact it has on their lives.

One reason why agriculture is taken for granted is that the dependability of our food and fiber sources is rarely in question. At least 20 percent of the country's workforce is employed in the agricultural industry. That means more than 22 million people have one of the many thousands of jobs in agriculture, whether it involves the selling and trading of food and fiber, or marketing, producing, processing, or transporting it.

American farmers play a huge role in feeding the rest of the world as well. Last year, U.S. agricultural exports exceeded \$50 billion. As one of the nation's major exporters of agricultural products, Texas ranks 6th in the value of its agricultural exports with \$2.5 billion in 1999, creat-

ing 39,000 jobs in the state. And, the Texas grain industry figures prominently in those numbers. Texas exported almost \$500 million worth of grain products in 1999 and economic impact of the food and feed grain industry to the Texas economy is more than \$2.6 billion.

Through good times and bad, America's farmers and ranchers continue to provide consumers with an abundant supply of safe food at bargain prices and with a quality that is second-to-none.

Agriculture continues to reach out to consumers and to change with the times. New research is constantly producing better tasting and longer lasting fruits and vegetables, and foods like pork and beef have become leaner over the years to appeal to health conscious consumers. And many of the products we use are being made with convenience in mind as lifestyles move at a faster pace. We can be proud the agricultural community is doing a great job keeping up with the changing tastes and lifestyles of consumers.

Please join me in thanking our farmers and ranchers for their dedication to agriculture.

School Board candidate workshops to be offered in both Abilene and San Angelo

Area school board candidates and interested citizens have their choice of locations to learn more about the demands and rewards of school board service.

Candidate workshops will be offered in both Abilene and San Angelo on Thursday, March 29, from 7-9 p.m. Workshops will be offered at the Region Education Service Centers — in Abilene located at 1850 Highway 351 and in San Angelo at 612 S. Irene Street.

The workshops will provide interested community members and

individuals thinking about running for the board with a better understanding of what is involved in being elected and serving as a trustee. Experienced school board members will explain board members' key responsibilities and outline the qualities necessary for effective service.

Topics to be covered include the school board's duties and responsibilities, important ethical practices during board service, how board members are accountable for the education of students, and keys to responsible cam-

aigns. Participants will also view "A Call to Service," a Texas Association of School Boards' video highlighting many aspects of board service and featuring several experienced school trustees.

The workshops are open to everyone. Admission is free.

For more information about the workshop, call Brenda Canul at TASB, 512-467-0222 or 800-580-8272, extension 6104, or check the TASB Web site at www.tasb.org for other dates and locations.

No one can go back and make a brand new start, my friend, But anyone can start from here and make a brand new end.

ORDER OF ELECTION

An election is hereby ordered to be held on *Saturday, May 5, 2001*, for the purpose of:

Mayor, Alderman for District 1, and Alderman for District 3

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Winters City Hall, 310 S. Main, City Secretary's Office between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. beginning on *April 18, 2001*, and ending on *May 1, 2001*.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

Aref Hassan
310 S. Main
Winters, TX 79567.

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on *April 27, 2001*.

Issued this the *6th day of March, 2001*.

Dawson McGuffin
Presiding Officer

ORDEN DE ELECCION

Por la presente se ordena que se llevará a cabo una elección el *5 de mayo 2001*, con el propósito de:

Mayor, Alderman for District 1, and Alderman for District 3.

La votación en adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en Winters City Hall, 310 S. Main, City Secretary's Office entre las 8 de la mañana y las 5 de la tarde empezando el *18 de abril 2001* y terminando el *1 de mayo 2001*.

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:

Aref Hassan
310 S. Main
Winters, TX 79567.

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en adelantada por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el *27 de abril 2001*.

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Official Records

County Court Dispositions

Michael Don Ellis, failure to identify, dismissed (no reason listed)
Mack Otetha Daniels, driving while license suspended, pleaded nolo contendere, fined \$350 and \$210.25 court costs

Criminal Cases Filed

March 1
Julie Elayne Richardson, filed for theft

March 2
Kenneth Hubbard, filed for driving while intoxicated
Daniel Rodriguez Ortiz, filed on two counts: driving while intoxicated (subsequent offense), and driving while license suspended
Richard Lozano Arredondo, filed for driving while intoxicated
Robert Schulz, filed for theft

March 5
Frank Rangel Antu, filed for driving while license suspended
Shonda Harrell, filed for theft

March 6
Justino Dela Cerda, filed for assault
Anthony Moreno, filed for possession of marijuana

Armonde R. Woods, filed for driving while license suspended
Shelisha Sherile Helms, filed for theft
Michael Byrd, filed for theft

March 7
Ricardo Rodriguez Ortiz, filed for possession of marijuana
Doris May Miers, filed for possession of marijuana

March 8
Mack Otetha Daniels, filed for driving while license suspended
Lee Maas, filed for theft by check
John David Torres, filed for driving while intoxicated
Daniel Rodriguez Ortiz, filed for driving while license suspended
Jimmy M. Rodriguez, filed for driving while intoxicated

Anselmo Escamea Landeros, filed for evading detention

Marriage Licenses Filed
March 6
Juan Oscar Jimenez and Rhonda Ann Jacques

District Court Divorces Filed

March 2

Mary R. Zarate vs. Leonardo Zarate
March 8
Craig Slaughter vs. Kimberly Slaughter

Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Felony Cases Filed

March 6
Martin Gonzales, filed on three counts: indecency with a child by exposure and two counts of indecency with a child by contact
Wade Wilson "Biff" White, Jr., filed for aggravated sexual assault of a child

Criminal Cases Filed

March 8
Crystal McEntire, filed for theft by check

Small Claims Cases Filed
March 7
Ballinger National Bank vs. Linda Campbell, suit on promissory note
Ballinger National Bank vs. William J. Halfmann, suit on promissory note
Ballinger National Bank vs. Charles Chamberlain, suit on promissory note
Ballinger National Bank vs. Susan Lindemann, aka Susan Forse, suit on promissory note
Ballinger National Bank vs. John M. Flores, suit on promissory note

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the Registered Voters of the City of Winters, Texas:

(A los votantes registrados del Ciudad de Winters, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 5, 2001, for voting in a general election to elect City Council Members for Districts 1, 3, and Mayor. (Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 5th de mayo de 2001 para votar en la Elección General para elegir ciudad concejal para zona 1, 3, y Mayor.)

LOCATION OF POLLING PLACES

(DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)
Winters Elementary School Library
702 N. Heights
Winters, Texas

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each week-day at (la votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en) Winters City Hall, 310 S. Main, City Secretary's Office (sitio) between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 18, 2001 (entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el 18 de abril, 2001) and ending on May 1, 2001 (y terminado el 1 de mayo, 2001). Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: (las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:) Aref Hassan, 310 S. Main (dirección), Winters, Texas 79567 (ciudad, zona postal).

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el) April 27, 2001 (27 de abril de 2001).

Issued this the 6th day of March, 2001 (Emitida este día 6th de marzo, 2001).

Dawson McGuffin, Mayor (firma del Alcalde). 12-11(1tc)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF JOSE P. FLORES

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of JOSE P. FLORES were issued to the undersigned on the 26th day of February, 2001, in the proceeding indicated below, which is still pending, and that I now hold such letters. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present the same within the time prescribed by law. Please forward all claims to Jacinta F. Ovalles, C/O Kenneth H. Slimp, P.O. Box 157, Winters, TX 79567.
Jacinta F. Ovalles
Independent Executor of the Estate of Jose P. Flores, Deceased
Cause #6272, Court of Runnels County, Texas
12-11(1tc)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Winters elected officials are holding a public hearing for renovation of the Winters Community Center at their regular council meeting on Monday, March 26, 2001, at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 310 S. Main, Winters, Texas. The renovation of the Winters Community Center will take place with a USDA Grant, zero interest loan, and local effort. Input from the citizens in this public hearing is welcome.
12-11(1tc)

BID NOTICE FOR 2001 SILVERADO 1500 1/2 TON PICKUP

The CITY OF WINTERS is accepting sealed bids for a 2001 Silverado pickup for the Water 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., Friday, March 23, 2001, 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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Police Beat

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

Winters Police Department reports received and/or investigated from Sunday, March 4, 2001, through Saturday, March 10, 2001. Winters Police Officers:

- officers were working a security detail at the Winters Community Center when they observed a male subject drinking an alcoholic beverage. The male was contacted and determined to be under age. The male was cited for minor in possession of alcohol and released into a family member's custody.
- received report of vandalism in the 600 block of N. Cryer Street. A 53-year-old male reported the window of his pickup was broken out and a woman's purse removed. Evidence was collected at the scene and several subjects interviewed. This is under investigation as burglary of a motor vehicle.
- received report of a theft in the 600 block of Tinkle Street. A 71-year-old male reported that several items were removed from his garage. Because the garage is attached to the house this is under investigation as burglary of a habitation.
- received report of an assault in the 500 block of West Dale Street. A 23-year-old female of Winters alleged that a 42-year-old male had made unwanted advances and inappropriate touching against her. No injury was observed and this is under investigation as assault by offensive contact.
- received a report of vandalism in the 200 block of Popular Street. A 57-year-old male of Abilene reported that between the hours of 12 p.m. and 3 p.m., March 2, 2001, person(s) unknown cut out the bumper filler of his 1984 Oldsmobile. At this time no witnesses have come forward and there are no suspects. This is under investigation as criminal mischief.
- received report of a theft in the 300 block of Redtner Street. A 17-year-old female reported finding the contents of her vehicle had been ransacked and an undetermined amount of money taken. There was no forced entry as the female had left her vehicle unlocked. No witnesses have been located or come forward. This is under investigation as burglary of a motor vehicle.
- received report of a theft in the 800 block of N. Trinity Street. A 52-year-old female reported person(s) unknown had entered her unlocked vehicle and removed a woman's purse and several items. The female located some of the items a short distance away. This is under investigation as burglary of a motor vehicle.
- received report of a theft in the 800 block of N. Cryer Street. A 25-year-old female reported a woman's purse and several items were taken from her unlocked vehicle and some of the items were located a short distance away. This is under investigation as burglary of a motor vehicle.
- received report of a theft in the 200 block of Redtner Street. A 62-year-old female reported a woman's purse and several items were removed from her pickup by person(s) unknown. No witnesses have been located or come forward. This is under investigation as burglary of a motor vehicle.
- received notice from a District Attorney investigator of an arrest warrant for aggravated sexual assault of a child first degree felony. The warrant subject was located at his residence in the 300 block of Parklane and taken into custody without incident. Wade "Biff" White, Jr. was transported to Runnels County Jail and booked on the warrant.
- received report of a theft in the 100 block of N. Magnolia Street. A female subject reported that person(s) unknown had entered her unlocked vehicle and removed a woman's purse and several items. No witnesses have been located or come forward. This is under investigation as burglary of a motor vehicle.
- received report of two suspicious males at a convenience store in Ballinger. Before Ballinger officers could arrive to investigate, the males left the scene in a semi-truck. Winters officers located the truck and license check revealed the driver had a revoked license out of Georgia. Mack Otha Daniels of Warner Robins, Georgia, was arrested for driving while license revoked and taken to Runnels County Jail.
- received report of several subjects at the Winters Junior High School who were possibly intoxicated. The subjects, ages 15-16 years old, were determined to be under the influence of marijuana. Charges are pending against all three subjects for public intoxication on school grounds.
- received a notice to attempt to locate four escapees from custody from Concho County. The escapees were located in Winters and taken into custody. Tracy Davis of Canyon Lake was arrested for escape. Kim Dixon of Borger, Kim Lynch, and Clinton Lynch, both of Amarillo were all arrested for facilitating escape. All four subjects were taken to Runnels County Jail. A 20-month-old child was with the four escapees and showed possible signs of intoxication. The child was taken to North Runnels Hospital and treated. An odor of alcohol was found in the child's cup and will be sent to the DPS Drug Lab for verification. Charges may be filed on the parent's Clinton and Kim Lynch, for endangering a child or injury to a child.

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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Health Notes

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DEPRESSION

WHAT IS DEPRESSION?

Depression is an alteration in mood characterized by sadness, pessimism, despondence, and hopelessness. There are two types: *Endogenous depression* is genetic and not triggered by an event. *Exogenous depression* is caused by an event such as a loss of a loved one.

FACTORS THAT INCREASE THE RISK OF DEPRESSION

- Sex (Women express depression twice as often as men.)
- Age
 - Adolescents become depressed due to the maturation process.
 - Middle-age depression is common between ages 44-60.
 - The elderly become depressed due to isolation & decreased social roles.
- Family history
- Medical illness

SIGNS & SYMPTOMS OF DEPRESSION

- Depressed moods or affect
- Insomnia/excessive sleeping
- Excessive eating or loss of appetite
- Loss of interest in normal activities
- Decreased ability to concentrate
- Suicidal wishes or behavior
- Agitation or restlessness
- Tenseness and anxiousness
- Feelings of hopelessness
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- Self-neglect
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Call report of the Winters VFD

Members of the Winters Volunteer Fire Department responded to 7 emergency calls in February as reported by Chris Ozbirn, recording secretary for WVFD:

- February 1
 - Dispatched to CR 354, burning tree stumps with high wind.
- February 2
 - Dispatched to 1 1/2 mile north of Pumphrey, structure fire.
 - Dispatched to 600 block of E. Truitt, false alarm.
- February 3
 - Dispatched to 5 miles north on Hwy. 83, fire in bar ditch.
- February 6
 - Dispatched to south of West-Go, truck fire.
- February 18
 - Dispatched to 400 block of N. Main, missing child.
- February 26
 - 600 block of E. Truitt, problem with phone line setting off fire alarm.

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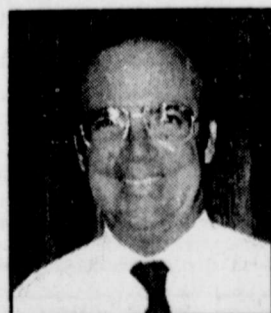
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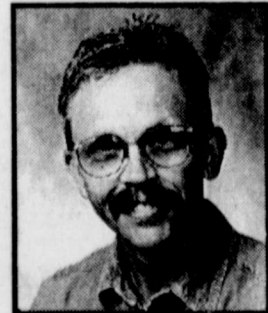
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CODY PRITCHARD, 13, recently earned several honors at the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo. He exhibited the Reserve Champion Shorthorn heifer in the Beef Scramble Heifer Show in Houston and is shown with brother Colby (above). In ceremonies at the Calf Scramble Banquet that same weekend, Cody received a trophy for the 1st place Herdsman Award, and a plaque and \$100 for 1st place Best Groomed Exhibitor and Heifer. His advisor is Roy Shackelford.

Wylie siblings exhibit three breed champions in HLSR Steer Show

A Wylie family with local ties made history two weeks ago in Houston, Texas. Justin, Jonathan, and Julie Holloway became the first three siblings on record to exhibit three breed champions in the same Market Steer Show at the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo. Justin, 17, exhibited the Champion Limousin. Jason, 16, showed the Champion Chianina, while sister Julie, 13, earned the Champion Simbrah honors. An accomplishment of a lifetime, the trio showed for the overall Grand Champion Market Steer honors on the Houston Astrodome floor

in front of a packed crowd on Friday, March 2. Their three steers earned a total of \$115,000 in the premium auction, however, \$70,000 of those earnings will be awarded to the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo Scholarship Fund. Each of the three siblings will receive a check for \$15,000. Justin, Jason, and Julie are the children of Paul and Carla (Walker) Holloway of Buffalo Gap. Carla is a 1980 graduate of Winters High School. They are the grandchildren of Wingate residents Carlos and Bennie Walker.

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Stewards of the Soil

By B.D. Davis, Biologist/Land Manager

Texas Legislature considers declining quail numbers in Texas Rolling Plains

Runnels County, along with the rest of the Rolling Plains of Texas, is now considered one of the last strongholds of the bobwhite quail. All of us around here take the springtime call "bobwhite" for granted—perhaps we shouldn't.

Even here in Runnels County and in the surrounding area quail numbers are dropping yearly at a rate approaching 5%—and has been doing so since 1981. Bobwhite quail are essentially gone in their once stronghold in the southeastern United States. The southeastern situation tells us that it can and is happening. It seems to be happening here also.

What are the reasons? How can we help? The Texas Legislature is considering the very same questions. The Texas Wildlife Association is taking the lead in what may be \$3.6 million dollar initial effort to reverse the decline.

Twelve counties are being considered, as a trial, to receive cost share funds to restore habitat for bobwhites. Funds for research to identify the reasons for the decline are also considered. A tax break for land managers willing to manage for quail is one of the most interesting aspects of the effort.

Initiative partners, along with the Texas Wildlife Association, include the following: Texas Tech University, Texas Parks and Wildlife, Texas A&M University, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Texas Department of Agriculture, Quail Unlimited, Sportsmen Conservationists of Texas, Texas Audubon Society, The Wildlife Society, Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, Texas Farm Bureau, and Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association.

The support to help bobwhite quail is broad. Perhaps each of us can lend our support. For more information call the Texas Wildlife Association at 800-839-9453.

"We are the only species able to change the natural world, so we must be the stewards of the world." Jane Goodall

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. Mark 12:30

Ag Talk

by Congressman Charles Stenholm

Crop disaster payments in final step of clearance process

The USDA has cleared the regulations for crop disaster payments and sent them to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

This is the final step in the clearance process before these regulations move forward. It is my understanding that OMB realizes the urgency of these payments and that they will finish their work as soon as possible.

In the meantime, I encourage everyone to be patient while final action is completed in Washington.

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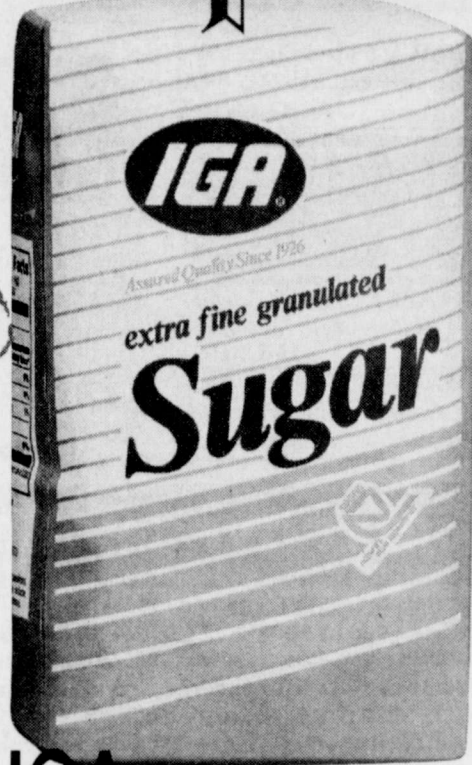


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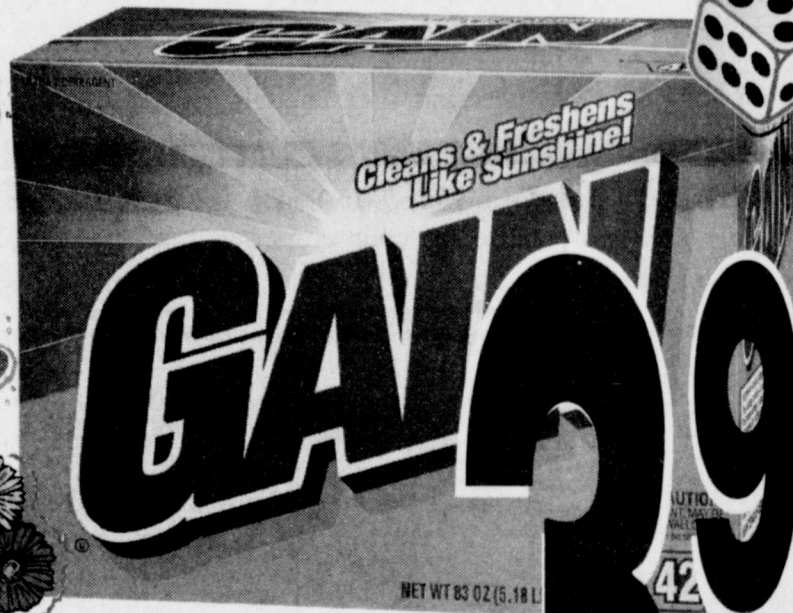
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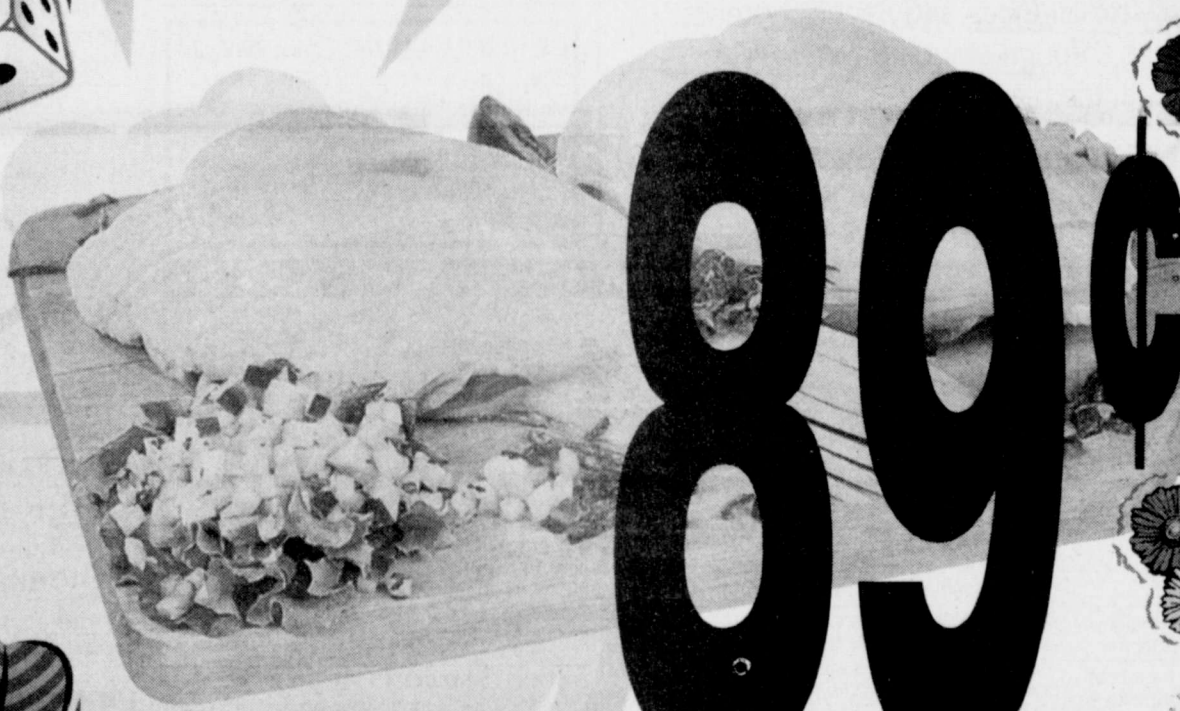
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