

Apples of Gold
 HELP IN TROUBLES—Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the Lord delivereth him out of them all.
Psalm 34:19

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No pain, no gain...



... & SOPHOMORE STACEY SNEED'S PAIN was worth enough gain as she leaned into a close finish for second place in the 800 M Relay of the Blizzard Relays. The momentum from Stacey's efforts sent her sprawling to the pavement after the finish. Sneed and her relay teammates, Staci Bishop, Jena Bahlman, and Mandy Pritchard added valuable points to the team's final total. The Lady Blizzards have won the girls division team championships at the Blackland-Divide Relays in Roscoe, Blizzard Relays in Winters, and most recently Silver Mine Relays in Menard.

Randy Stevens to present recital at FUMC organ rededication Sunday

The First United Methodist Church of Winters will present organist, B. Randall (Randy) Stevens in a recital Sunday, March 25, at 3:00 p.m. in the church sanctuary.

The recital celebrates the rededication of the 21-stop Chapman-Donham Memorial Organ. The recital also celebrates Mr. Stevens's 35th anniversary as a professional church organist and musician.

Mr. Stevens is a Winters native and is descended from a Runnels County pioneer family. After his graduation from Winters High School, Stevens attended McMurry University where he studied organ with Francis Hinkel, and obtained a Bachelor of Church Music degree. His Master of Music In Performance is from Indiana University, Bloomington.

After a teaching stint at a junior college in Houston, Stevens began his doctoral work with Judson Maynard at Texas Tech

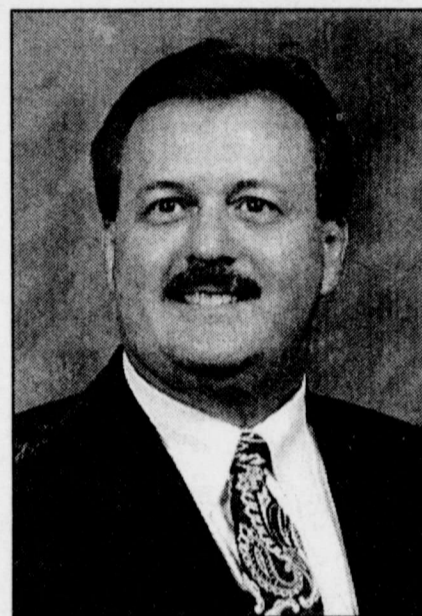
University. Mr. Stevens has served as organist or choirmaster at a number of churches in Texas over the past 35 years, including a 10-year

tenure at his home church in Winters. He began his career as organist when he was 12 years old.

He is currently organist-choirmaster at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Midland. He is also keyboard specialist at The Academy of Fine Arts at Ector Junior High School in Odessa where he oversees the training of 93 piano students.

Stevens is the father of two

sons: Matthew, a freshman at Texas Tech University, and Skylar, a student at O.L. Slaton Magnet Junior High School in Lubbock.



The Chapman-Donham Memorial Organ was built by the Casavant Brothers Organ Co. of St. Hyacinthe, Quebec. It was installed in the First United Methodist sanctuary in January of 1971. The organ was dedicated by Wilburn C. Held, organ professor of Ohio State University. The organ was given by Donald

and Gloria Chapman in memory of Mr. Chapman's family, a pioneer Winters family.

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Finalists named in search for Superintendent

Trustees of the Winters Independent School District have narrowed their search for a new superintendent.

During their regular meeting on March 12, Trustees named the following candidates, in alphabetical order, as finalists for the position of Superintendent of Schools:

Danny Clack of Electra ISD
 John Wilson of Groom ISD
 Herb Youngblood of New Home ISD

According to regulations of state law, Trustees must wait 21 days from March 12, before hiring one of these finalists as Superintendent.

Annexation resolution approved by directors

The Lipan-Kickapoo Water Conservation District board of directors met in regular session on March 7. One of the items on the agenda was to review and possibly act on a Resolution of Territorial Annexation. A petition for annexation had been presented to the board and accepted on May 16, 2000.

Information meetings and public hearings were held since that time to inform the public about water districts.

After discussion with some of the petitioners attending the meeting, the board modified the boundaries described in the original petition and then adopted the annexation resolution.

Generally, the territory included in the annexation resolu-

tion is all of Runnels county and the portions of Tom Green and Concho counties not currently in a groundwater conservation district.

In Tom Green county, the resolution specifically excludes the city of San Angelo and the township of Christoval to the Concho River west of US 277.

In Concho county the area specifically excluded is that part of the county already in either the Hickory Underground Water Conservation District or the Lipan-Kickapoo WCD and the city of Paint Rock.

In Runnels county the cities of Winters, Ballinger, Miles and the township of Rowena are excluded.

The final act that must now

take place before the annexation is complete is to hold a special election in the territory specified in the annexation resolution. All registered voters in the territory to be annexed will be able to cast their vote for or against the ratification of the annexation of the territory to the Lipan-Kickapoo WCD and approval of a 4.2¢ maintenance tax for the operation and maintenance of the District. This election will be held Saturday, May 5, at the elementary school library in Winters.

If the election passes, the annexation will be effective July 1, 2001. If the election fails, no further action will be taken and the boundaries of the Lipan-Kickapoo WCD will remain the same.

During this period of time before the election, information meetings will be held in the territory proposed for annexation to answer questions and explain more about the District.

For more information, contact the Lipan-Kickapoo water district office at 469-3988, Ernest Michalewicz at 653-8645, Charles Hoelscher at 465-4667, Leroy Pelzel at 468-7411, Bob Fuchs at 442-3194, or Randall Conner at 754-4542.

Race developing in school trustee election

Three candidates file for Place 7—

As of press time on Tuesday evening, only one day remained for candidates to file for positions on the Winters City Council and the WISD Board of Trustees.

As of March 20, three candidates had signed up for Place 7 (an at-large position) in the school election.

Rodrick Bredemeyer and Steve Esquivel will face incumbent Larry Walker in the May 5, 2001 election.

Allen Andrae, current board president, serves in Place 1, and will be running unopposed for re-election.

Early voting for school Trustees will be conducted at the WISD Business Office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning April 18, 2001.

In the city election, Mayor Dawson McGuffin and Councilman Tommy Russell (District 3) have filed for re-election. Both are

unopposed. Lisa Nitsch and Hank Bourdo have filed for District 1, which will be vacated by Councilman Joe Gerhart who says he will not seek another term.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the City of Winters City Hall located at 310 S. Main, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning April 18, 2001, and ending on May 1, 2001.

Anyone wishing to file candidacy as a Trustee of North Runnels Hospital has until March 30 to file at the hospital.

As of March 20, Randall Sneed and Doug Wheat have filed for re-election. Incumbent Gary Pinkerton has expressed a verbal commitment to run again but has not officially filed. Phil Colburn, current president of the board, says he will not seek another term. All four positions are for two-year terms.



WHS FRESHMAN JOHN HEATHCOTT had a successful stock show season in 2001, as he exhibited the Champion Poland China Gilt in the San Antonio Livestock Exposition Junior Breeding Swine Show last month. John was awarded a \$6,000 scholarship for his efforts while exhibiting under Runnels County 4-H. In January, he traveled to El Reno, Oklahoma to show in the National Poland China Jackpot for registered barrows and gilts. Competing against exhibitors from 13 other states, his gilt was named champion gilt in the show before going on to place ahead of the champion barrow to earn Grand Champion honors. John bred and raised the gilt which earned him both honors. During the Texas Club Pig Association annual banquet held late last month in Brenham, John received a belt buckle for his first place finish in Region 10 for Black OPBs. He also received a Top 10 TCPA jacket for Black OPBs with a tenth place finish in the state point total. John is the son of Denny (shown above) and Barbara Heathcott.

Catholic youth to serve Pancake Meal on Sunday

The Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church invites the community to a pancake luncheon on Sunday, March 25, from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the church parish hall.

The meal will include pancakes & syrup, sausage, scrambled eggs, milk and juice. Cost of the meal is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children ages 12 and under. Carryout will be available.

Proceeds will benefit the revitalization efforts and CYO projects. Following the meal, the youth of the community are invited to stay for fellowship and games of ping-pong, basketball, badminton, and volleyball.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- March 22-11 a.m.-1 p.m., Irish Baked Potato Luncheon, Rock Hotel
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- One Act Play, Brownwood
- March 23-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 12:25 p.m., FCA, WISD Science Lab
- 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco
- March 24-5-7:30 p.m., Norton Lions Club Pancake & Sausage Supper, Norton Community Center
- 7 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center
- March 25-11:30 a.m.-2 p.m., CYO Pancake Luncheon, Catholic Fellowship Hall
- March 26-9:30-10:30 a.m., SS Rep, Winters Housing Authority
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 5:45 p.m., 4-H, Catholic Hall
- 6 p.m., City Council, City Hall
- 7 p.m., Wingate Masonic Lodge
- 7 p.m., InFO, San Angelo
- 7:30 p.m., School Board, Administration Bldg.
- SPRING PICTURES, WINTERS ELEMENTARY STUDENTS
- District UIL, Hawley
- March 27-7:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Concho Valley Cotton Conference, San Angelo
- 9 a.m., 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 p.m., WVFD Auxiliary
- March 28-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Chamber Office
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- March 29-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 5 p.m., Hale Museum Board, Rock Hotel
- 7-9 p.m., School Board Candidate Workshops, Abilene & San Angelo
- District UIL, Hawley

Oil Bidness

By Reg Boles ©2001



Last time we were together, we began a discussion regarding an energy policy for the U.S. We talked about some of the difficulties of proceeding, and, this week, we will turn to more constructive matters, such as what the energy policy should contain to be effective.

If one were trying to forge a policy for a private organization, such as a business, one would make decisions based on what would work for the ultimate end of what is best for the business. Let's approach the idea of proposing a national energy policy in just such a way--making decisions without regard for politics, appearance, or other false influence. In that vein, we continue...

To be effective, an energy policy must have the goal of being an efficient source of strength for the economy. With that goal accomplished, all other concerns will be met: power to heat and cool homes, lights for schools and homes, energy for businesses, and even charity for those that need it. The invisible hand of a free economy always meets the needs of the society it serves.

With that in mind, there must be balance in the policy between supply and demand. Energy supply must be maximized by removing obstacles to entrepreneurial development of all sources. Demand growth should be moderated by increasing efficiency. The overriding idea is to provide inexpensive energy sources that are used efficiently by consumers, because efficiency on both sides of the equation yield stronger economies.

In an ideal world, that would be sufficient to build a viable and effective policy. But, this world is anything but ideal, so more specific measures must be considered.

On the supply side, there are two sources for energy: domestic and foreign. There are many advantages to domestic sources (stability, control, quality, etc.), so, all other things being equal, a domestic source is preferred over a foreign source. That said, there is no reason to reject foreign sources if domestic sources are insufficient.

But, in the interest of maximizing domestic sources, any energy policy should be consistent in encouraging desirable behavior and discouraging undesirable behavior. (Sounds simple but not often observed in the U.S.) Desirable behavior is that which pro-

duces energy efficiently with minimal environmental impact. Undesirable behavior is inefficient energy production in any form.

Beyond maximizing domestic sources, stable foreign sources should be developed and cultivated for the benefit of the U.S. This should include U.S. energy companies as owners of these foreign sources where possible.

Next time, we continue with what we should do in regard to demand. Hope you can stick with me...you never know, there may be refreshments.

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLINGACTIVITY COMPLETIONS

Nolan County

LCS Production has completed the Morrow #1 in the Mulberry Canyon Field (6 miles NE of Nolan) at an initial rate of 106 BOPD & 75 BWPD in the Cisco (perms 3912-13). Loc. is 330 FNL & 330 FEL of Sec. 48, Blk. 5, T&PRR Sur., A-1599.

Pioneer Exploration has completed the B. Hanks -B- #6 in the Northwest Hylton Field (8 miles S of Nolan) at an initial rate of 283 BOPD in the Cambrian (perms 5916-63). Loc. is 100 FNL & 600 FSL of Sec. 21, Blk. Z, T&PRR Sur., A-444.

Runnels County

Cheetah Investments, Inc. has completed a plug back of the Elkins -A- #4 in the Beddo Field (5 miles E of Hatchell) at an initial rate of 17 BOPD & 2 BWPD in the Capps (perms 3532-42). Loc. is 325 FNL & 1500 FSL of Lot 13, N. Travis Sur. No. 533, A-449.

Taylor County

Tom Graham Drilling Co. has completed the Graham #3 in the County Regular Field (3 miles N of Tuscola) at an initial rate of 10 BOPD & 5 BWPD in the Flippen (perms 2154-59). Loc. is 1090 FNL & 350 FEL of Sec. 43, Blk. 1, SPRR Sur., A-310.

STAKINGS

Coleman County

American West has staked the Lawlis #3 in the Ballard Field, 6 miles N of Coleman (Depth 3000). Loc. is 1051 FEL & 49 FSL of GH&H Sur. No. 12.

Concho County

LeClair Operating has staked the Whitworth #2 in the Whitworth Ranch Field, 5 miles SE of Millersview (Depth 3100). Loc. is 600 FNL & 100 FSL of Sec. 1740, Blk. 70, G. Lopenstein Sur., A-602.

QuinTx Exploration has staked the Whitehead #117 in the South Branch Field, 9 miles SE of Eden (Depth 1600). Loc. is 830 FNL & 1250 FNL of Sec. 151, EL&RR Sur., A-851.

Nolan County

Cottonwood Petroleum Co. has ap-

plied to re-enter the Davis #1 in the County Regular Field, 6 miles E of Marylene (Depth 3999). Loc. is 2218 FSL & 467 FNL of Sec. 165, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur., A-153.

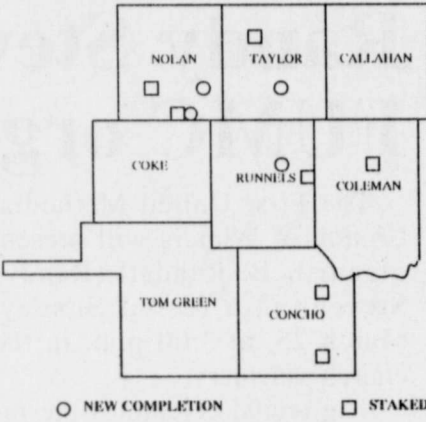
Pioneer Exploration has staked the B. Hanks -A- #38 in the Northwest Hylton Field, 8 miles S of Nolan (Depth 6400). Loc. is 2622 FNL & 100 FEL of Sec. 22, Blk. Z, T&PRR Sur., A-1460.

Runnels County

Pioneer Energy has applied to plug back the D. Gottschalk #1 in the Ashton Field, 11 miles SE of Winters (Depth 3915). Loc. is 3270 FNL & 100 FEL of Austin & Williams Sur. No. 262, A-Z.

Taylor County

Barbee has staked the Shaw-Texas Fee #1 in the Ledbetter Ranch Field, 6 miles SW of View (Depth 3200). Loc. is 467 FNL & 631 FNL of Sec. 15, Blk. 4, T&PRR Sur.



Sr. Citizens Nursing Home News
By Billie Ruth Bishop

March birthdays celebrated

We celebrated March birthdays last Friday with a party hosted by the Literary & Service Club. Those celebrating birthdays this month are Ethel Hantsche, Josephine Luna, and Oscar Ummelman. Congratulations to each of these residents.

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Connie Gibbs. We thank the family for the floral arrangements.

Hale Museum names Genevieve Spill as manager

Genevieve Spill has been selected to work as part-time Manager/Activity Coordinator for the Z.I. Hale Museum. She will work with the directors to improve the exhibits and to coordinate the many activities.

Workers are still needed however, to keep the museum open. The new hours of operation will be from 1-4 p.m., Thursday through Saturday. There is no admission charge to the museum.

Anyone wishing to volunteer to help at the museum is asked to contact Genevieve on Thursday through Saturday afternoons at 754-2036.

Hospice to begin spring volunteer training classes

Hospice of the Big Country will begin its spring volunteer training class on Saturday, April 7, from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Classes will continue for six evenings during the month from 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Volunteers are trained to provide family support, companionship, encouragement, and assistance with activities of daily living for terminally ill patients and their families.

Training consists of seven sessions for a total of 24 hours.

Topics covered include com-

munication skills, the disease process, dealing with death and dying, and stages of grief.

In addition to direct patient care, volunteers are needed to help in the office, with special events, and other related areas.

All sessions will be held at the new Hospice of the Big Country offices at the West Texas Rehabilitation Center, 4601 Hartford.

For more information, or to reserve a place, please call Jo Ann Wilson, Volunteer Coordinator, at (915) 793-5450 or (800) 588-0300. Pre-registration is required.

*Be you of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart,
all you that hope in the Lord.
Psalm 31:24*

In Appreciation

Card of Thanks

Thank you to all of the wonderful people who have given our baby girl so much. Special gifts were given to her such as money, toys, clothes, and especially all of your prayers.

Her name is Megan Renea Prather. She is 5 months old. Megan is doing better now but will have a very long and hard road ahead of her. She has been diagnosed with multiple birth defects.

An extra special "Thank You" goes to Ronnie and Joy Curry, Phil and Karen Colburn, Wingate Lions Club, Wingate Sew & Sew Club, the Wingate branch of Security State Bank, and all of our special Wingate friends.

Thank you all once again for your support and prayers.

Joe & Melissa Prather

Card of Thanks

I would like to thank all our friends from the Winters and Wingate area who helped and came to the benefit dance.

I would also like to thank all the local businesses from Winters and Ballinger for their donations.

God bless all of you.
Victoria Rodriguez & Family

Card of Thanks

Bert and I would like to thank everyone who sent cards and flowers, called, visited, and most of all, for your prayers while he was in the hospital in Winters and Abilene.

Thank you Dr. Lee, the employees of NRH and EMS, Brother Barry and our church family at First Baptist Church.

God answered our prayers.
Much love,
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Card of Thanks

Your expressions of sympathy are sincerely appreciated by the family of Connie H. Gibbs.

A special "thank you" to Dr. Lee and Dr. Boles, the nursing staff of North Runnels Hospital, North Runnels EMS, and Brenda Martinez from the Hospice staff.

Our deepest gratitude for a beautiful service goes to Reverend Ferris Akins, pastor of the Crews Hopewell Baptist Church; Reverend Don Roath of the First United Methodist Church, Winters; the Hopewell Baptist Church choir; Audine McBeth; and Ace Polk.

To the ladies of the Crews Hopewell Baptist Church and the First United Methodist Church, Winters, we appreciate the delicious meal you provided for our family.

To the staff and employees of the Winters Senior Citizens Nursing Home for taking loving care of Connie while he was a resident, we are grateful to you.

We are blessed and given strength each day by your prayers. For the numerous memorials, cards, beautiful flowers and plants, your visits and phone calls — each is appreciated.

Mike Meyer and Linda Dry, you two are very special people! We thank you for your loving care and help.

May God bless each of you.
Georgia Gibbs
Connie Mac & Jean Gibbs
Donnie & Nancy Gibbs
Lynda and Travis Ford
and their families

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone for the prayers, phone calls, letters, and visits during our grandson's hospitalization.

He sustained a head injury that required brain surgery. Trevor is the 14-year-old son of our daughter Leigh Ann and her husband Gene Webb of Trophy Club.

We would especially like to thank the people of First Baptist Church in Winters, Moro Baptist Church, the Catholic Church in Ballinger, and churches in Abilene for all of their prayers.

Trevor is recovering at home and continues to experience some problems.

Sincerely,
Bill & Shirley Hall

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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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March 26 thru March 30
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Monday, March 26: Bar-B-Q on bun, chips, macaroni salad, pickles & onions, and peaches.

Tuesday, March 27: Chicken spaghetti, tossed salad, English peas, garlic bread, and banana pudding.

Wednesday, March 28: Steak & gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot roll, and cake.

Thursday, March 29: Chicken pot pie, pear/cottage cheese, hominy, crackers, and Jello.

Friday, March 30: German sausage, pinto beans, potato salad, cornbread, and cobbler.

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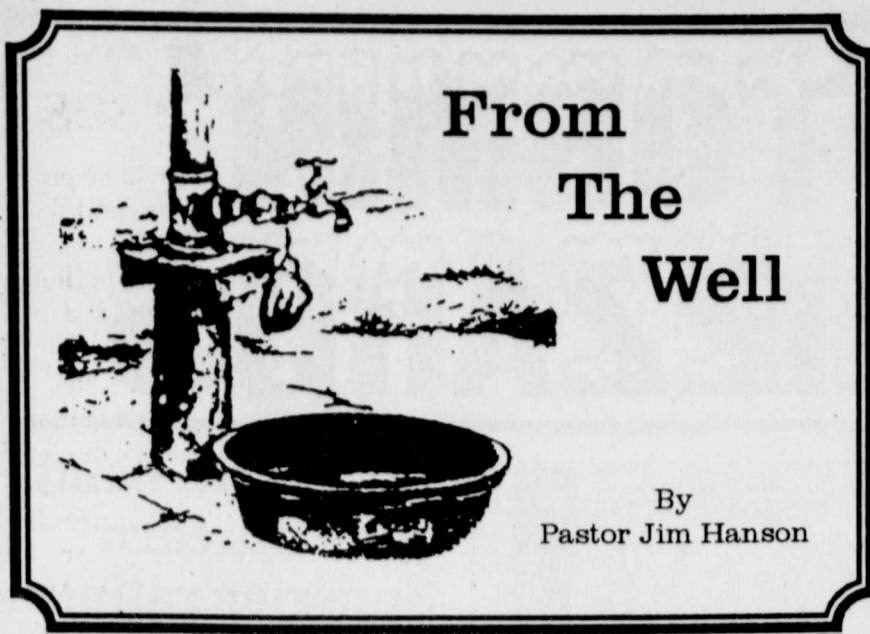
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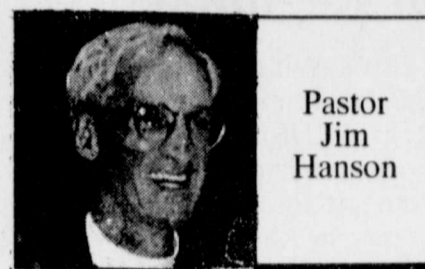
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From The Well

By Pastor Jim Hanson



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Last weekend Ramona and I went to Odessa. Our son Paul and his wife Mary live there along with Timothy and Lyndi. Timothy is 6. And Lyndi was 5 just last Friday. We had a great time celebrating her birthday.

The very day of her birthday I went for a walk to a corner convenience store to buy a paper. When I got back, I opened it up and there it was in big bold letters, on the front page of the entertainment section, these words, BIBLEMAN THUNDERS INTO ODESSA. The opening lines were "Look. It's a bird. It's a plane. No it's Bibleman. The superhero, dressed in purple spandex, will invade the Ector County Coliseum at 7 p.m., March 24."

Now, I was not totally unfamiliar with Bibleman. Young Timothy had come with his folks to visit us one weekend about a year ago. He came wearing a mask, and a purple cape with the word "Bibleman" on the back, carrying a sword and a Bible. I was so impressed that I asked him to wear it to church, and come down the aisle up front and display this new outfit. And share a little with the folks in the congregation. Which he did. And did it well.

I had assumed, wrongly, that this was just a temporary thing. A kind of Christian commercial. Something to catch the imagination of the kids. And it would very soon be outdated. I couldn't have been more wrong. And what I discovered as I read the column was...Willie Aames, formerly of TV sitcoms "Eight Is Enough" and "Charles In Charge" plays the part of Bibleman in video films and in live shows. So popular that it's booked for all of 2001, and almost all of 2002.

Willie left his life of drug and alcohol abuse and dedicated his life to God. He left the secular entertainment industry and was approached by the creator of Bibleman.

His idea was to portray Bibleman as a Barney-esque character who was very benign and jovial...the kind that kids would invite to parties where they sang songs about God. Willie told him, "I think the kids will think it is lame." And so they did one. And Willie said, "It was lame." But, he stuck with Bibleman, hoping to change it. And he did.

By the time they had filmed "Defeating the Shadow of Doubt," Aames felt they had a good handle on what he wanted to do. His wants have translated to the stage show.

Nothing like Barney, Bibleman is a superhero, surrounded by lasers and pyrotechnics. "There are more effects, lighting shows and lighting cues and visual effects going on onstage than any other touring show out there." But, "I'm trying to teach lessons. We have a very strong message. Bibleman is just a man. The only thing supernatural about Bibleman is that when he is really in a jam, God makes a way for him to overcome the obstacle that he's in. The reality is that God intervenes in our lives. You don't see people floating down the street. You don't hear an audible voice of God. He just makes a way for things to work out."

The video series and stage shows teach lessons on gossip, lying, doubt, joy, rage, and pride. The current touring show is entitled "Breaking the Bonds of Disobedience." Aames said, "We've placed such a negative connotation on the word obey. Most people think of the word obey as something you don't want to do. We want people to understand that if we are obedient to God he will make us 10 times more blessed."

Playing the part of Bibleman has had a profound effect on Aames, his wife, his relationships, and those he works with. While on the road, he works from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. After the shows there is often a four hour line of kids that want to say "hi" to him. So, he stays. Along with the crew. "The only way to reach kids is to be amongst them. The only thing that is really lasting is contact with people. That's what Jesus did. He walked among us. Look at the impact He has made."

He practices what he preaches. Over 400,000 kids will be greeted by him, personally, coming through the line this year, after the shows. Bibleman is making a difference. When he spoke at a Billy Graham conference, one pastor spoke of how a little boy, with a terminal illness, took his Bibleman video, mask, and stuff with him to the hospital because he knew God would get him through it. His Bibleman stuff gave him strength.

And that's why Aames works so hard. And why I am so impressed, and why I am so glad Timothy is so excited about Bibleman. For, indeed it is true, "All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work," Paul wrote to Timothy. (2 Timothy, 3:16) I wonder, do they have Bibleman stuff for grown-ups?

Irish Baked Potato Luncheon on March 22 at The Rock Hotel

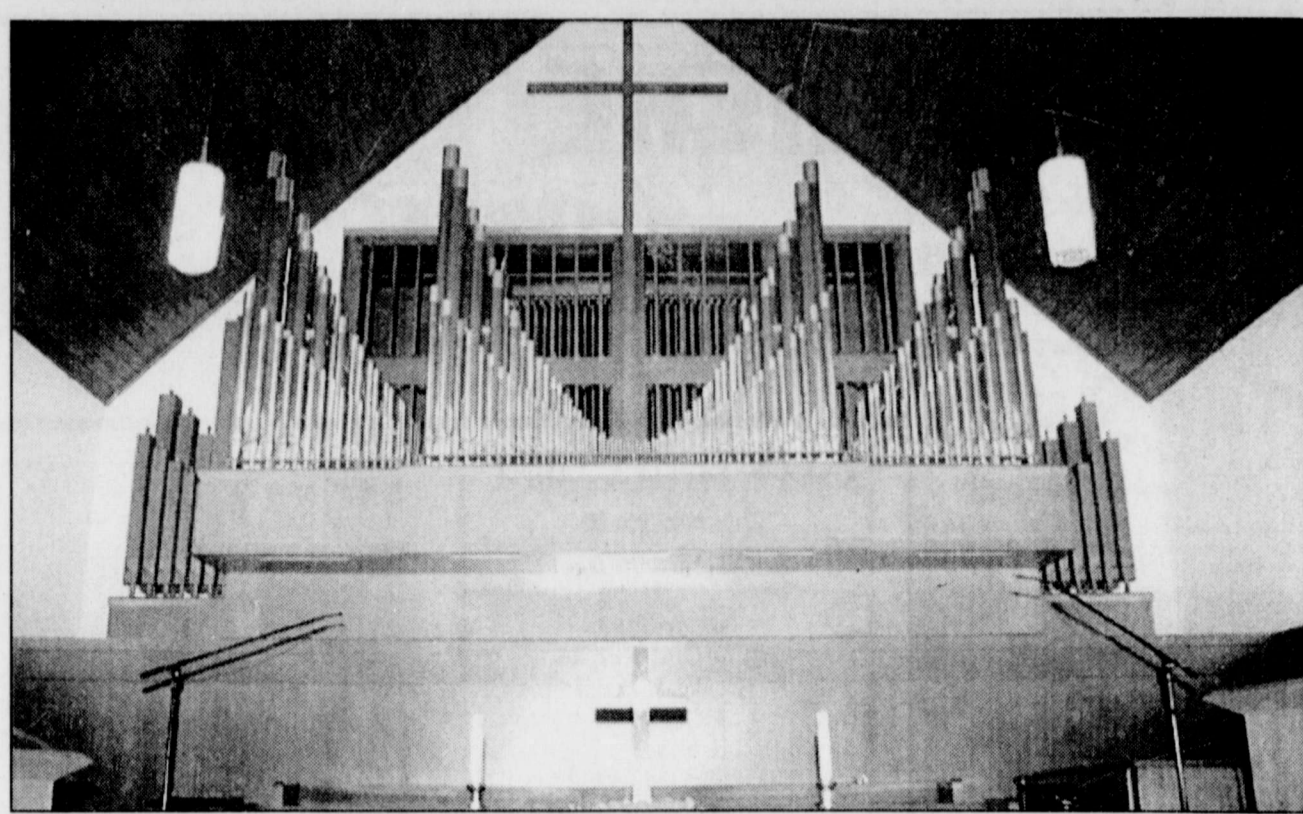
Friends of the Museum will host an Irish Baked Potato Luncheon on Thursday, March 22, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at The Rock Hotel.

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.

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THIS REFURBISHED ORGAN will be rededicated Sunday, March 25, at 3:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Winters, including a recital by Randy Stevens of Lubbock. Stevens began his music career 35 years ago, serving as organist at FUMC in Winters for ten years. The Casavant Pipe Organ, which has 21 stops, was given to the church in 1971 by Donald and Gloria Chapman. Recently, the pipes were completely dismantled, cleaned, repaired, replaced and tuned by Loper Pipe Organ Service of Duncanville, Texas.

Cousin Eddie and clan experience "cool runnings" on Christmas trek up north

by Deb Pritchard, assistant editor

Right off the bat, Clark (I mean Johnny) and I want to thank each and every one of the many friends in the area who so graciously inquired about our annual trip up north to Indiana at Christmas-time. Your concern overwhelmingly warmed our hearts.

Let's cut straight to the chase though...probably 3 out of a hundred of you were genuinely thinking only of our safe return. The rest of you were drooling to know how a pack of caged bears survived three loooooonnnnnnggg days trapped in the ole 'burban.

Well let me start by saying it wasn't a pretty sight...not a pretty sight at all. (It's taken me this long to recover!)

Our trip to the "I" state was fairly uneventful, though we saw an overturned semi or two. The kids sang carols...I slept...and Clark only asked twice which exit we were supposed to take...I think that may be some kind of a record or something.

Of course the heater didn't work in the suburban AGAIN! (You remember we had that same problem last year...hmmmm!) The farther north we drove, the colder it got...I mean bitter cold...I mean don't wet the windshield to clean it or it will freeze in a heartbeat kinda cold. (Yes he did, right after I told him it was too cold—it would freeze—and it did.)

I'll never understand that, you know. I lived in "Yankee Country" for over 25 years...one would think that I might know a little something about the climate. And it came as such a surprise to him—as if I wasn't seated next to him on the other side of the survival kit and stack of pillows. It's like laying a piece of candy on the table, telling a child not to touch it, and then leaving the room!

Mandy was rolled up in a blanket like a cocoon in the seat behind me. I put on my earband and gloves, I was already wrapped in a blanket. The boys yelled from the far back end of the vehicle, "Look dad—there's ice on our windows!" (The only thing wrong with that picture was...it was on the INSIDE!) Mandy popped up from her slumber and whined, "Yea, I can make a snow angel on mine!" I'd been using a *Harlequin Romance* to scrape the ice off of my door window so Clark could see out of the side mirrors when he changed lanes.

Of course there was plenty of snow when we got there. The kids were a little bummed though when they found out they couldn't play in it, because if any part of their body was left exposed to the

elements they'd have frostbite in a matter of seconds. I guess that kinda took the fun out of having a "White Christmas."

So with that, Clark and the "Sleeping Beauties" (yes, Mandy & Misty) resigned themselves to the life of what can only be described as a pen of hogs. They spent most of the day grazing, and if they weren't eating, they were sprawled out sleeping. They got to where they waddled when they walked—I mean they were everything but the "OINK."

The one thing Clark did accomplish each day was to surf the WeatherChannel with frequency. You know, football-weather-foot-

ball-weather-eat-weather-football-snack-weather-football-snore-weather...and so on. It became apparent (to some of us) quite early on in the visit, that we were going to have some difficulties getting home.

He swore, after the Blizzard (not the mascot—but the real thing) put a quietus to our departure two years ago, that he'd listen to my parents and me, and get the #S*!% out of there when we tell him next time. WRONG!

Personally I thought the little weather girl was quite specific. I mean, how would you interpret "Paralyzing ice storm • sleet & snow • dangerously low tempera-

tures • bitterly cold wind chill • extremely hazardous road conditions" What does all of that say to you? Do those adjectives leave any doubt in your mind as to the severity of this situation?

I kept telling him we could turn around and leave before Christmas day. (My family didn't care when we opened presents...just as long as everyone was together.) But nooooo... "It won't be that bad, we'll just take it slow and if it takes longer to get home—then so be it!" Okeedokee, captain—whatever you say...

As always, packed to the gills with all of the "Cousin Eddies" See COUSIN EDDIE, pg. 7



THE CATHOLIC YOUTH ORGANIZATION (CYO) CELEBRATES WITH A MONTHLY BIRTHDAY PARTY. This one's for Holly Woffenden, 18 (center). Also present are (from left) Veronica Flores, Crescencio Chavez, Kendra Esquivel (hidden), Monica Rodriguez, Amy Patterson, Artemio Lopez, Tony Aguiro, Zeke Martinez, G.G. Hernandez, Max Harrison, Jeremy Mendoza, sister Brittney Woffenden, and Chris Santoya.

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**Softball
Scoreboard**

Team: Varsity Softball
Coach: Ed Pochals
Date & place of game:
March 16, 2001 — Cisco
Opponent: Cisco
Winning pitcher: Raquel Retana
Winning catcher: Tracie Morrison
Key plays: Great defensive plays were made by the entire team. Clutch hitters were Jamie Reeves, Jessica DeLaRosa, Kayla Colburn, Carmen Martinez, Kristian Castillo, and Amy Patterson.
Coach's comments: The game was tied at the end of seven innings. Kayla Colburn and Carmen Martinez started the 8th inning with base hits, and they were brought home by Kristian Castillo and Amy Patterson for the winning runs. Raquel Retana pitched all 8 innings, allowing only 4 walks. This was a great team effort. Good job, Lady Blizzards.

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BLIZZARD ACTIVITIES
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EXTRA-CURRICULAR
—Mar. 22, One Act Play, Brownwood, 1 p.m. (3rd play)
—Mar. 23, FCA, Science Lab, 12:25 p.m.
—Mar. 26, Spring pictures, Winters Elementary
—Mar. 26, District UIL, Hawley
—Mar. 29, District UIL, Hawley
JUNIOR HIGH TENNIS
—Mar. 26, District Tourney, ACU, Abilene
JR. VARSITY BASEBALL
—Mar. 26, Loraine Varsity, T, 4:30 p.m.
SOFTBALL
—Mar. 23, Jim Ned*, H, 4:30 p.m.

VARSDITY & JV TENNIS
—Mar. 23-24, Big Lake
VARSDITY GOLF
—Mar. 28, 2nd Round, District Golf, Maxwell, Abilene
VARSDITY BASEBALL
—Mar. 23, Jim Ned*, H, 4 p.m.
—Mar. 27, Miles, T, 4 p.m.
JUNIOR HIGH TRACK
—Mar. 23, Cotton Patch Relays, Wall, 3:30 p.m. Field Events
—Mar. 29, Roscoe
VARSDITY /JV TRACK
—Mar. 23-24, San Angelo Relays, boys
—Mar. 24, ACU Relays, girls
*Denotes District Play



RECEIVING DIVISION I SUPERIOR RATINGS at the Region II Solo and Ensemble Contest on Saturday, February 17, 2001, at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene are (from left) Veronica Flores, Pearl Guerrero, Tayna Price, Brianna Parramore, and Lucero Vega.

Travel to Wall on Friday for Cotton Patch Relays—
Breezes compete in Blackland-Divide Relays at Roscoe

The Winters Junior High track teams competed in the Blackland-Divide Relays at Roscoe to start their season on March 2. Seventh and eighth grades were combined in one division.

The Breezes will travel to Wall to compete in the Junior High Cotton Patch Relays. Field events will begin at 3:30 p.m. with running finals set for 6 p.m.

Meet results are as follows:
LADY BREEZES (combined 7th & 8th)
400 Relay
Winters, (Rachel Davis, Tina Perrie, Kindy Walker, Ashley Santoya) 59.73
800 M Run
Vickie Santoya, 3:05
Kendra Esquivel, 3:21
Amber Tolen, 3:52
100 M Dash
2nd, Ashley Santoya, 14:23
Rachel Davis, 14:82
Tina Perrie, 14:94
800 M Relay
Winters, (Claudia Llanas, Kindy Walker, Miranda Walker, Tina Perrie) 2:09.98
100 M Hurdles
Jessica Meyer, 22.27
Kayla Horton, 22.40
Ashlee Sanders, 22.77
400 M Dash
Katy Wilkerson, 77.68
Krystal Gibbens, 87.9
Sonja Stout, 1:42.2

300 M Hurdles
Jessica Meyer, 72.11
Becca Morrison, 73.3
200 M Dash
Kindy Walker, 33.0
Marci Paschal, 33.07
Erica Lujano, 33.32
1600 M Run
Vickie Santoya, 7:12
Kendra Esquivel, 7:45
Angelica Campos, 8:18
1600 M Relay
Winters (Amber Green, Marci Paschal, Kayla Horton, Claudia Llanas), 5:28
Shot Put
Kim DelReal, 22' 6 1/2"
Flor Cordova, 22' 2 1/2"
Kinsey Airhart, 21' 1 3/4"
Discus
2nd, Marci Paschal, 65' 11"
Amber Green, 53' 3"
Kindy Walker, 43' 3"
Triple Jump
Tina Perrie, 21' 10"
Kat Hatler, 21' 8 3/4"
Katy Wilkerson, 20' 2"
Long Jump
Tina Perrie, 13' 2"
Ashley Santoya, 12' 9 3/4"

Jacob Hernandez, 15.09
Shawn Kraatz, 15.86
Aaron Colburn, 14.3
Tod Martin, 14.42
James Vasquez, 15.3
800 M Run
Cody Pritchard, 2:59
Matthew Gray, 3:03
Francisco Perez, 2:51
Manuel Cordova, 3:09
400 M Dash
Jeremy Mendoza, 67.0
Jacob Hernandez, 72.0
Shawn Kraatz, 77.0
Frank Perez, 77.0
James Vasquez, 72.0
Chris Medina, 78.0
200 M Dash
Pete Griffin, 27.0
Skye Salinas, 33.0
David Scates, 26.7
Tod Martin, 29.7
Luke Hale, 31.2
110 M High Hurdles
Jacob Applegate, 22.56
Jonathan Meyer, 22.39
Aaron Colburn, 27.3
Frank Perez, 27.7
300 M. Inter. Hurdles
6th, Jacob Applegate, 53.0
Jonathan Meyer, 57.3
Marcus Tubbs, 67.0
Manuel Cordova, 77.0
1600 M Run
Bryce Wilkerson, 6:12
Justin Fenwick, 6:12
2400 M Run
Bryce Wilkerson, 13:01
Justin Fenwick, 13:01

Five WHS band students earn Superior ratings at Regional

Five Winters High School Band students participated in the Region II Solo and Ensemble Contest on Saturday, February 17, 2001, at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. All earned a Division I Superior rating.

A flute quartet, consisting of Senior Lucero Vega, Freshman Pearl Guerrero, Freshman Brianna Parramore, and Freshman Tayna Price, received a Division I Superior rating. Trumpet soloist Veronica Flores, sophomore, also received a first division rating.

Darrington White is WHS band director, and he is assisted by Brad Roberts.

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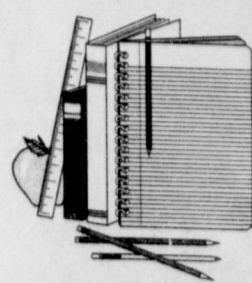
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ON THE FIELD AND IN THE CLASSROOM



WINTERS 7TH GRADE TENNIS TEAMS



Left to right: Lucia Chavez, Jennifer Esquivel, Ashley Sanders, Amber Toten, Paige Geistmann, Krystal Gibbens, Rebecca Morrison, Sonja Stout, Erica Lujano, Priscilla Vara, and Jessica Meyer.

WHS junior class parents to meet Monday, Mar. 26

Parents of the Class of 2002 (WHS junior class) will meet on Monday, March 26, at 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria. At that time, parents will organize by electing officers and selecting committees. Discussion and planning will be directed to the 2001 Junior/Senior Prom and 2002 Project Graduation fund-raising efforts. All parents of WHS juniors are encouraged to attend this important organizational meeting.

Searching for '91 WHS graduates

It's ten-year reunion time! The WHS Class of 1991 is searching for classmates. Please contact Bodie Collins at (915) 723-2108 or by mail at 217 CR 163, Winters, TX 79567.

Local students on ACU's Dean's Honor Roll

Kelli Slimp of Winters and Jonathan Nault of Wingate were named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the 2000 fall semester at Abilene Christian University. To make the honor roll, a student must complete at least 12 semester hours and earn a 3.45 or higher grade point average.

WJHS students to compete in TXU car race

Students from Winters Junior High School are putting their creativity to the test as they prepare to compete with other schools from across the state in the Sixth Annual TXU Electric & Gas Model Solar Car Races. They are among 34 schools who will meet for the regional qualifying races on Saturday, March 31, at Clack Middle School in Abilene. Students will register their cars at 10 a.m., followed by judging at 11 a.m. The actual races beginning at noon. The team built a model car from a kit, complete with solar collector, supplied by TXU Electric & Gas. Four area winners will advance to the championship race in Ft. Worth on April 21.



Front row, left to right: Jordan Sanchez, Jonathan Meyer, Frank Perez, Randy Jackson, Ben Hord and Manuel Cordova. Second row: Chris Medina, Armando Nava, Jose Cruz, James Vasquez, Bryce Wilkerson, Justin Fenwick, Marcus Tubbs, and Tod Martin. Back row: Aaron Colburn, Nephthali Estrada, Dylan Perrie, Davis Scates, Colton Powell, L. J. Nitsch, Robert Rocha, and Luke Hale.

Ladies at ACU, Blizzards travel to San Angelo on Saturday— Lady Blizzards win at Silver Mine Relays

The Lady Blizzard track team once again took the team championship, their third consecutive win this year, as they defeated district rival Eula by four points at the Silver Mine Relays in Menard. The Blizzards placed all three competitors in both the shot put and running prelims are scheduled to begin at 2:30 p.m. Running finals and the remaining field events will start at 11 a.m. on Saturday. Last week's results are as follows:
LADY BLIZZARDS
3200 M Run
6th, Maria Llanas, 13:13
100 M Hurdles
1st, Laci Walker, 17.00
800 M Relay
1st, Winters, (Michelle Paschal, Mandy Pritchard, Jena Bahlman, Laci Walker) 1:51.56
400 M Dash
1st, Michelle Paschal, 63.45
300 M Hurdles
5th, Laci Walker, 52.80
200 M Dash
1st, Jena Bahlman, 27.49

events will be finals beginning at 3 p.m.
Both the varsity and junior varsity Blizzard teams will compete in the San Angelo Relays at Bobcat Stadium at Angelo State University. On Friday, field events and running prelims are scheduled to begin at 2:30 p.m. Running finals and the remaining field events will start at 11 a.m. on Saturday. Last week's results are as follows:
1600 M Run
5th, Maria Llanas, 6:01.48
7th, Briana Parramore, 6:07.91
1600 M Relay
3rd, Winters (Mandy Pritchard, Jena Bahlman, Maria Llanas, Michelle Paschal), 4:33.96
Shot Put
1st, Michelle Paschal, 32' 8"
High Jump
2nd, Laci Walker, 5'
Discus
5th, Michelle Paschal, 86'
6th, Kendra Hope, 84'
Long Jump
2nd, Jena Bahlman, 16' 1/2"
Triple Jump
4th, Mandy Pritchard, 31' 3 1/2"
BLIZZARDS
800 M Run
2nd, Tony Aguero, 2:04
6th, Juan Santos, 2:14
400 M Dash
1st, Tony Aguero, 53.1
Shot Put
2nd, Samson Jackson, 50' 8"
3rd, Chris Hoppe, 46' 10"
4th, Rusty Jackson, 46' 8"
Discus
2nd, Samson Jackson, 144' 1"
4th, Rusty Jackson, 133' 3"
6th, Chris Hoppe, 124' 7"

Coach's comments: We were winning by ten runs, and Eula was threatening to score. Eric made a terrific play to send us home after five innings. Everyone played a great game. It was definitely a team effort to get the victory. Everyone hit the ball well, and we played great defense. Record: Overall 1-2.

Baseball Scoreboard

Team: JV Baseball
Coach: Zach Boxell
Date & place of game: March 12, 2001—Eula
Opponent: Eula (District Game)
Winning pitcher: M. Moreno, B. Rocha, Y. Gibbs
Losing pitcher: T. Fenwick, M. Roman
Key plays: Eric Lopez, in the bottom 5th, made a diving catch to end the game.

	Runs	Hits	Errors
WINTERS	20	18	3
OPONENT	10	13	6

Coach's comments: We were winning by ten runs, and Eula was threatening to score. Eric made a terrific play to send us home after five innings. Everyone played a great game. It was definitely a team effort to get the victory. Everyone hit the ball well, and we played great defense. Record: Overall 1-2.

Team: Blizzards
Coach: Chris Bearden
Date & place of game: March 13, 2001—Eula
Opponent: Eula (District Game)
Losing pitcher: B. Blaine
Losing catcher: W. Blaine
Key Plays: Two times during the game, we threw runners out at the plate on hits. During the 1st inning, Andrew Medina caught a pop-up in left, threw to Josh Minzenmayer at 3rd, and Will Blaine tagged him at the plate. During the 6th inning, Eric Lopez, in right, also threw out a runner to Will.
Coach's Comments: Ben Blaine pitched an awesome game, allowing only 3 hits and 5 walks in six complete innings. The outfield played amazing, robbing several great hits, making huge plays. The infield played well also. We struggled at the plate in crucial times, and this proved to be the difference in the ball game. Record: Overall 2-3, District 1-2.

Plan to decorate Easter bonnets— Winters 4-H Club to host monthly meeting on Monday

The Winters 4-H Club will hold their monthly meeting on Monday, March 26. The meeting will be held at the Mt. Carmel Catholic Church Fellowship Hall from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. Following refreshments and a short business meeting the club will decorate Easter bonnets for the residents of Our House. Members are asked to bring a bonnet,

hat, or cap to decorate at the meeting. They are to bring a headpiece they do not wish to keep. Prizes will be awarded for the best decorated Easter bonnets. (Any parent with glue guns and/or excess Easter-type decorations for the bonnets are asked to bring them to the meeting.) Members are also encouraged to sell their ham raffle tickets for

the March community service. They should bring their ticket stubs and money to the meeting for the drawing on Monday night. John Heathcott will lead the inspiration while Bryant and Braden Mikeska lead the pledges. Refreshments will be provided by the Bryans, Schwartzs, and Airharts.

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Poe's Corner

By Charlise Poe

Alex Orr remembers his time in Winters

Editor's Note: Charlise's long-time friend Alex Orr resides in Tyler. The following begins a series of stories as recalled by Orr—best known as "Dude" back in those happy times in Winters.



Charlise Poe

I spent most every summer with my grandparents, Wash and Lela Nance, from the time I was about four years old. Also, my junior and senior years of high school I lived with them as my mother was in and out of hospitals.

My dad came out as often as he could. It was very reassuring to me to be with my grandparents. Of course, my great-grandmother, Mary Margaret Pumphrey, and my great uncle and great aunt, Frank and Myrtle Pumphrey were there, as was my great-grand aunt, Roxie Alexander.

This is not to mention my many, many cousins through my Nance and Pumphrey lines. I had a cousin behind every tree, so to

and investor. Forty or fifty years ago I remember seeing the blue prints of those two homes among Papa Nance's papers. I guess they went by the way after he passed away in 1958. For old time's sake I wish I still had them.

Papa Nance let me start "helping" him at about the time I was 10 or 11. I think my first duties included sawing off the split ends of boards back to 6, 8, and 10 foot lengths. Another job included straightening nails.

Now, why such odd duties? These were the years of the Great Depressions. Many times an old house or barn would be torn down and the boards and nails were salvaged as best they could and used in a new building. Thus my duties were a natural consequence.

In about 1938 my granddad built a barn for Pyburn Brown's dad. That was where I did some of my best board-sawing and nail-straightening. Pyburn and I got a

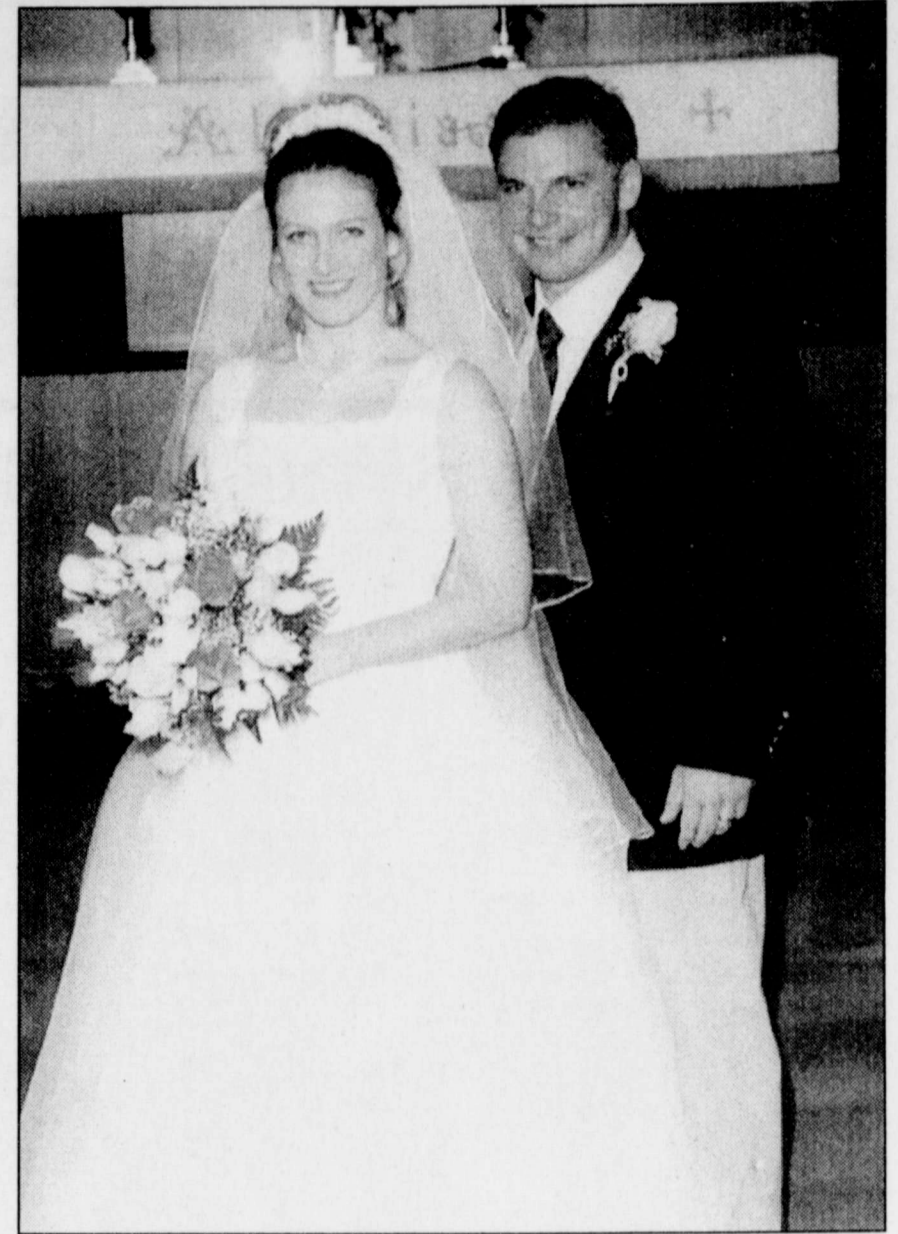
magnificent idea and created what was likely the first, and maybe only time capsule in Runnels County.

We took a pint jar and put in some written notes telling about us, maybe a coin or two, then sealed it and dropped it down between the studs in the double wall. Within the past couple of years I saw Pyburn while on a visit to Winters and reminded him of our time capsule.

He said they no longer had the farm. On a later visit to Winters I saw him again. He had checked with the people presently on the farm and found that the barn had been torn down with no sign of our time capsule.

Now, that is a tragedy of the first order because Pyburn and I had meant for it to last for at least 100 years and it only made it 62—but that is likely a record for "time capsules" in Runnels County.

Many might wonder how it To be continued.



Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Rowden

Karolen Fisher Biddix weds Christopher Sean Rowden

Karolen Fisher Biddix and Christopher Sean Rowden were married Saturday, December 9, 2000, at the First United Methodist Church in Winters.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Jerry Biddix of Winters. She is a 1996 graduate of Winters High School and a 2000 graduate of Texas Tech University with a degree in Family Financial Planning.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewayne Rowden of Wellman. He is a 1997 graduate of Wellman High School. He attended Texas A&M University and is presently attending South Plains College. He is employed by Rowden Harvesters, Inc.

Following a honeymoon in Cloudfcroft, New Mexico, the couple resides in Brownfield.

Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz

My ears work better when my mouth is shut.

Scott Talbot of Lubbock was a visitor at Hopewell Baptist Church services on Sunday.

Visiting last week with Fairy and Wilbert Alcorn were Abe and Pat Giles of Brownwood Lake, Mae Groman of Houston, and Donald, Denise, and Donna Alcorn of Sterling City.

Doris Wood attended Cecil and Pat Hambricht's 50th anniversary on Sunday afternoon. Visiting with Doris on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Brantley of Ft. Worth and grandsons Houston Hamilton and Robert and Douglas Bryant of Abilene.

Wanda King and Kris Rives and children were in California to see Melinda and daughters and the Amidon family. They also visited Shirley Cummings and J. T. Cummings and their children. They spent a week.

I was told to be sure to put in here that Hildegard found my car keys last week. They were in some egg cartons.

Steve Grissom's daughter Mark and Stephanie Land of



Hilda Kurtz

Karen McGallian and Doris Wood. On Wednesday afternoon their grandson Zach Pierce Doyle and his father Sal Doyle came out for hamburgers.

I had another two-tenths of rain on Sunday night.

Adeline, Katherine and Luke Grissom went to see Alice Holt at the nursing home in Ballinger. Alice is a cousin.

Dale and Linda Duggan and grandson Kelton Grigsby of Abilene were in Waco over the

Houston will be expecting their first baby in October. She is the daughter of Steve and granddaughter of Adeline Grissom of Ballinger.

Visiting Georgia Gibbs during the week was Nila Osborne, Melvena Gerhart, Ferris and Ramona Akins of Ballinger, Kenny, Saffron, Tana, and Lane Gibbs of Winters, Lynda and Travis Ford of Rising Star, and Billy Ricker of Content.

Joe and Betty Pierce went to Beaumont for the funeral of Betty's nephew Bill Tatum. He died while on a stormy trip in Colorado. While there, they also went to see Joe's sister Virginia Smith of Wharton.

Visiting Joe and Betty during the week were Nila Osborne, Stephanie and Simon Camacho,

weekend to visit Mary and Jim Duggan. Linda spent Monday in San Angelo with her Aunt Frances Brown. Linda helps and does odd jobs for her aunt. Grandson Kelton is spending a few days with grandma and pa.

My daughter Hildegard of San Angelo spent Thursday and Friday with me. As usual she found something to do.

Marvin Gerhart came by say hello to Noble Faubion on Monday morning.

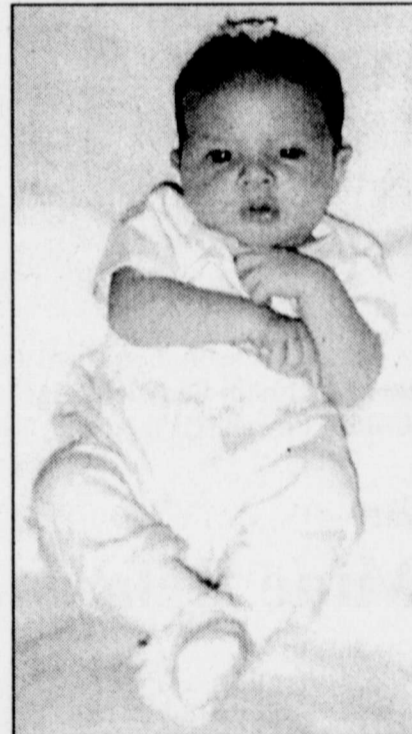
STEVENS, cont'd.

Mr. and Mrs. Chapman's patronage also provided for Mr. Stevens's study at McMurry University and Indiana University.

The sanctuary of First United Methodist Church, Winters, is located on the corner of Church and Parsonage streets, one block to the west of Main Street.

A reception will be held in Fellowship Hall following the recital.

Town Crier



Skye Lakenna Bishop

Paul and Sabrina Bishop of Roscoe are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Skye Lakenna.

She was born January 27, 2001, weighing 7 lbs. 15 ozs. and measured 20 1/2 inches long.

Skye is the first grandchild of paternal grandparents Allen and Pat Bishop of Winters. Maternal grandparents are Schylon Garrett of Roscoe and the late Kenneth Garrett. Maternal great-grandmother is Ruth Light of Roscoe.



DeDe Davis & Vance White

Davis, White to marry in April

Denise (DeDe) Marie Davis and Vance Andrew White, both of Dallas, announce their engagement and approaching marriage.

DeDe is the daughter of Jerry and Carolyn Davis of Abilene. Vance is the son of William White and Linda Hunt, both of Dallas.

The bride-elect is a 1989 graduate of Winters High School and received certification as a travel agent from Richland College in 1995. She is employed by Legend Airlines.

The prospective groom is a 1989 graduate of Skyline High School in Dallas and attended Eastfield College, also in Dallas. He is employed by I2 Technologies.

An April 7, 2001, wedding is planned in Dallas.

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- how a cowboy addresses a lady
- "Xism": "scared the daylight out of" ____
- "Xism": "steals blind"
- great TX center fielder Speaker
- mc. of UT-OK game
- TX Bill Boyd was the "Cowboy"
- George W.'s brother
- good works
- TX Joplin's "I Got Dem ___ Kozmic Blues Again, Mama"
- TX actor Jack
- TX Ann presided over this in '92 (abbr.)
- TX Jimmy Dean's "___ John"
- longing for the past
- TXism: "that'll ___ nicely"
- TX rancher Chuck Norris was ___ champ for 7 years
- TX Miller's "Dang Me" was Song of the ___ in '64
- abnormal growth
- this actor starred with TX Audie in "Arizona Raiders"
- Harriet Beecher
- TXism for "friend"
- TXism: "ikely ___ not" (probable)
- TXism: "just ___ yonder"
- TXism: "gat the ___" (hurry)
- runs lightly
- TX singer Morris was in Broadway's ___ "Miserables"
- TXism: "let bygones ___ bygones"
- accumulate
- TX def. back in pro football Hall of Fame
- large Italian city
- take home pay
- Boerne's Cibolo Wilderness Trail has 3 distinct ___ systems
- TXism: "couldn't find hide ___ hair of him"
- seat of Cochran Co. film of 35-across: ___ "Of One"
- TX Rip Torn played Nixon in TV film "Blind ___"
- "Don't ___ With Texas"
- Aggie coach -- Slocum
- TXism: "got ___ big as Texas" (kind)
- "shop 'til you drop" location
- what Texans do best
- TV music show: Austin City ___
- TX-based "Giant" actress (init.)
- TXism: "get shut of" ___
- TX auto racer from Wichita Falls
- one who provides a source of income
- Mav. Dirk Kowitzki & Spur Tim Duncan
- Gov. Ann named this Krueger to U.S. Senate (init.)
- TX Lovett tune: "Here ___"
- rodeo cowboys use rosin to get a better one
- Lauren of western "The Shootist"
- TXism: "___ loop roper" (bad)
- TXism: "___ a doornail"
- ___ brook, TX
- Padre Island acquisition
- cadaver exam
- Bob Seger's "Night ___"
- TXism: "I'm at the ___ of my rope"
- Texas born in Aug.
- Sanger Bros. had 1st one in TX
- eleven Cowboys or five Spurs
- Neil to Houston: "That's one small step for ___"
- Del ___ College
- 56 bed sheets
- TX Spanish paper: ___ Deportivo

Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.



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Chicken Fried Steak
(served w/gravy, fries, & grilled vegetables & Texas Toast)

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Choice Angus NY Strip Steak
(8 ozs. grilled to order, served w/salad, potato, & grilled vegetables & Texas Toast)

COUSIN EDDIE, continued

waving from the garage doorway, we slid from the drive with little problem. Driving in Indiana wasn't much of a hassle at all. Actually, the whole first day's drive was pretty uneventful since I slept for most of it. When I woke up Johnny's knuckles were an unusual shade of white though—I guess it might have been a bit stressful.

We slipped into our hotel (not literally) just after dark in Springfield, Missouri. Though the kids yammered (well the boys did anyway) to go to the BassPro® Shop, we were done for the night. You couldn't tell there was *black ice* on the road until you were looking head on at where you had just come from—without changing lanes!

We cross-country skied from the motel to the McDonald's next door for a hearty dinner. Actually I was considering our cash flow situation if we had to add "who knows how many unplanned days on the road" to our schedule. So I advised the kids to get the most for their money on \$2 each!

I made sure we left narry a

crumb at the end of the meal—if you hadn't finished your hamburger, I made sure someone else did! Misty asked (with tongue in cheek) if we should take the ketchup packets to make tomato soup for the next day. (She was beginning to wonder on day 2 if she should have grabbed a few!)

Upon returning to the hotel room we sprawled out on the beds (2) and settled in for a great bowl battle between Texas Tech and East Carolina University. After a severe whoopin' in the first half, we promptly scanned the channels for a more entertaining evening. As luck would have it, we watched four straight hours of Junkyard Wars!

We really did enjoy watching it! There we were—one big, happy family—all 8 of us packed into one small hotel room. Little "Hootie", our youngest, who was wedged between me and Johnny, looked up during a commercial and proudly began counting. "Look mommy, there's five of us on this bed." (One laying at every possible angle.) Oh really, I hadn't noticed (as I extracted his

foot from my armpit.) Finally, the patriarch shut the TV off for the night and announced it was time to get some rest for another big day on the road. Of course, it's like The Walton's when we go to sleep in a motel. Goodnight girls... goodnight men... goodnight dad...goodnight mom... goodnight Hootie...goodnight Specky...goodnight John Boy...GO TO SLEEP!

We didn't get in any rush to wake up the next morning...allowing time for the other traffic to turn the ice on the highways to a mud slush. Over our fill of complimentary doughnuts and cereal in the hotel lobby the next morning, we watched the weather on television and chatted with the desk clerk who had just spoken to a fellow hotel clerk and friend in Tulsa.

The TV said it was bad, the desk clerk said it was bad...we even called hotels in Tulsa and Oklahoma City. (I presume Johnny thought the guy in Springfield, Missouri was lying to us!) The desk clerks in those other cit-

ies would look out their windows and say..."there's no cars on the roads—there's no one anywhere—it's really bad here!" That made Johnny happy!

With each phone call he became more and more like a mother grizzly separated from her cubs. He was totally un'bear'able (pun intended)—snapping at everyone—all but biting our heads off. Like it's our fault this is the second or third coldest winter in the last 50 years or so.

I looked at the atlas to appease him and tried to work out some kind of alternative route (you know, like down to New Orleans, over to Houston and up to Winters.) So much for sitting tight and waiting it out. "I can't believe it's that bad—it CAN'T be that bad...they're just exaggerating," Johnny said.

By 10 a.m. he had paced a hole into the floor of our hotel room and the girls were acting as if they were stranded in the middle of Antarctica with no hope of being rescued or ever seeing their friends again. I finally said, "LET'S GO...LOAD UP—we'll drive until we can't. If we get stranded we have blankets, candles, and (my mom's) peanut brittle (she made for Johnny)." "No one's eating my peanut brittle," he roared. "Oh good, now let me see if I understand you correctly. If we get stranded on some highway between here and Tulsa, you're not going to let anyone have one piece out of a tin full of homemade peanut brittle?" "No," he pouted, "memaw made it for me."

Now that's a jim dandy start to our second day in arctic paradise... isn't it?
To be continued.

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 11, 2001, through Saturday, March 17, 2001. Winters Police Officers:

- received report of vandalism in the 200 block of E. Truett Street. A 24-year-old female of Winters reported finding her vehicle covered in cooking oil and flour, and cooking oil and hot dogs scattered across the female's walkway and porch. This occurred between the hours of midnight and 3 a.m. Sunday. A possible suspect has been named. This is under investigation as criminal mischief.

- received report of vandalism in the 400 block of S. Meeks. A 43-year-old female of Winters reported that between the hours of 6 p.m. Saturday and 6:55 a.m. Sunday, person(s) unknown had egged her car. The female further reported damage to her air conditioner that had occurred 3 to 4 days prior to this report. This is under investigation as criminal mischief.

- received report of a possible intoxicated driver coming into Winters on south U.S. Highway 83. The vehicle was located and stopped by Winters officers. An odor of alcohol was detected on the driver who was offered and subsequently passed the field sobriety task. The driver presented an out-of-state drivers license that was later determined to be under suspension for a D.U.I. charge from that state. Charges for driving while license suspended are pending on the driver.

- officers stopped a 1988 Chevy car on S. Main Street for a traffic violation. An odor of marijuana was detected within the vehicle and a search conducted of the vehicle and its occupants. Drug paraphernalia and under two ounces of marijuana were found on a male passenger. Jackie Carmack of Abilene was arrested for possession of marijuana and taken to Runnels County Jail.

- officers stopped a 1996 Ford car on S. Main Street for a traffic violation. A 17-year-old male of Winters was found to be driving without a drivers license. The male was issued a citation for driving without a license and no insurance and the vehicle was impounded.

- received report of loud music in the 300 block of E. Broadway Street. While checking the area several subjects were stopped and identified and found to be in possession of alcohol. A 20-year-old male and a 20-year-old female of Winters were issued citations for minor in possession of alcohol. No evidence was found indicating the subjects had been consuming alcohol and were released on their own.

- received report of a disturbance in progress in the 600 block of S. Main Street. A male subject reported a 33-year-old Winters male was intoxicated and threatening him. When officers arrived the subject became belligerent and combative and was arrested for public intoxication and disorderly conduct. Stephen O'Neil was taken to Runnels County Jail.

- observed a 1997 Chevy pickup driving erratically and committing numerous traffic violations on S. Cryer Street. The driver exhibited signs of possible intoxication and an odor of alcohol was detected on his person. The driver failed the tasks and was arrested for driving while intoxicated. Robert VanZandt of Talpa was taken to Runnels County Jail where he provided a blood alcohol specimen over the legal limit.

- officers of the Winters Police Department served a search warrant on a residence in the 500 block of E. Truett Street after receiving information of narcotics activity. The warrant was served just before midnight Saturday and officers were assisted by the Runnels County Sheriff's Office and the Texas Department of Public Safety. An undetermined amount of marijuana, drug paraphernalia and unknown powdered substances were located in the residence. The illicit drugs were seized and will be sent to the Texas DPS drug lab for positive identification. Tony Devan Chavis of Winters was charged with possession of marijuana and taken to Runnels County Jail.

Official Records

County Court Dispositions

- Justin Kyle Gamble, driving while intoxicated, case dismissed, defendant completed pretrial diversion
- Pete Farias, possession of marijuana, case dismissed, defendant sentenced to prison on another charge
- Paris Vonzell Berry, failure to appear, case dismissed, defendant sentenced in another case
- Steven Lee Owens, theft by check, case dismissed, restitution paid
- John Archie Kirkham, driving while license suspended, case dismissed, defendant sentenced in another case
- Janie Turner Anderson, reckless driving, case dismissed, defendant furnished appropriate medical documentation
- Mark Allen Mullis, resisting arrest, case dismissed, defendant sentenced in another case
- Price Rowe Moore, driving while intoxicated, pleaded nolo contendere, sentenced to 90 days in county jail, probated to one year, fined \$750 plus court costs of \$235.25
- Margarito G. Saucedo, driving while intoxicated, pleaded nolo contendere, sentenced to 120 days in county jail, probated to one year, fined \$1,000 plus \$235.25 court costs, 50 hours community service
- Gilbert Vasquez, theft, pleaded nolo contendere, sentenced to 90 days in county jail, probated to one year, fined \$750 plus \$235.25 court costs, restitution of \$92, 60 hours community service
- Riley Clint Marks, driving while intoxicated, pleaded nolo contendere, sentenced to 90 days in county jail, probated to one year, fined \$1,000 plus court costs of \$235.25, 24 hours community service
- Brian Joe Ashton, driving while intox-

- icated, pleaded nolo contendere, sentenced to 90 days in county jail, probated to one year, fined \$750 plus \$250.25 court costs, 40 hours community service
- Brian Hall, criminal mischief, case dismissed, restitution made
- Scotty Lavon Huffman, making alcohol available to minors, fined \$750 plus \$210.25 court costs
- Fernando Martinez Cabrera, assault, pleaded nolo contendere, sentenced to 120 days in county jail, probated to one year, fined \$1,000 plus \$235.25 court costs, 50 hours community service
- Riley Clint Marks, possession of marijuana, case dismissed, defendant sentenced in another case
- John Edward Moore, driving while intoxicated, pleaded nolo contendere, sentenced to six months in county jail, probated to 18 months, fined \$1,500 plus \$235.25 court costs, 50 hours community service
- Pamela Jones, driving while intoxicated, pleaded nolo contendere, sentenced to 120 days in county jail, probated to one year, fined \$500 plus \$210.25 court costs, 20 hours community service
- Dedric Eugene Lockridge, driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty, sentenced to 120 days in county jail, probated to one year, fined \$750 plus \$235.25 court costs, 40 hours community service
- Willie Collins, Jr., assault, case dismissed, defendant convicted in another case
- Robert Anthony Medina, possession of marijuana, pleaded nolo contendere, sentenced to 150 days in county jail, probated to one year, fined \$500 plus \$235.25 court costs
- Santos M. Pena, theft by check, pleaded nolo contendere, fined \$100 plus \$210.25

court costs, restitution of \$82.97, \$50 hot check fees

Luis Guillermo Delgado, possession of marijuana, pleaded nolo contendere, fined \$360 plus \$210.25 court costs, restitution of \$140

Criminal Cases Filed March 9

John McDonald, filed for theft by check

Marriage Licenses March 9

Quinton Christopher Collins and Tera Dawn Robinson

District Court Divorces Filed March 14

Jose P. Trevino vs. Esther V. Garcia

March 15

Eric Hoelscher vs. Vivian Hoelscher

Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Felony Cases Filed March 17

Eric Lane Tekell, filed for burglary of a habitation — with intent to commit a felony

Criminal Cases Filed March 10

Michael Rodriguez, filed for minor in possession of alcoholic beverage

Julie Ann Willborn, filed for minor in possession of alcoholic beverage

Brandy Nichole Hart, filed for minor in possession of alcoholic beverage

Gerald David Dillard, filed for minor in possession of alcoholic beverage

March 10

Christopher Elliott Fetzer, filed for disorderly conduct — abusive language

Clarification: The William J. Halfmann listed in the official records in the March 15 edition of *The Ballinger Ledger* is not William (Billy) J. Halfmann of Norton.

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF INTENT TO NOTIFY OWNER OF ADDRESS:
201 Rogers Street, Winters, TX, Runnels County
in town Abstract 232 T Green survey 490

Notice is hereby given that on March 30, 2001, the City of Winters will mow and clean the property at above named location. It has been identified as a violation of City Health and Sanitation Ordinance, dangerous premises in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 3 Article 3.400 Section 4.401 (a-d) (Substandard Building) of the City Code of Ordinances. If any interested parties have questions and/or comments, contact City Hall, 310 S. Main, Winters, Texas 79567, or call 915-754-4424, Monday through Friday, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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Runnels County Crimestoppers

Sometime during the evening hours of Thursday, March 15, 2001, unknown person(s) entered a residence in the 700 block of N. 10th Street in Ballinger.

Once inside, the actor(s) removed several firearms from a locked gun case. All of the guns were long guns, including rifles and shotguns.

If you have information that may assist local law enforcement in locating these stolen firearms and identifying the actor(s) in this crime, please call Runnels County Crimestoppers at 365-3591. You may remain anonymous.

If your information leads to a grand jury indictment and subsequent conviction of the perpetrator(s) in this crime, you will be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$1,000.

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Proceeds will be used for upkeep of the Norton Community Center.



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SAT. Mar. 24 10 AM PUBLIC Auction

Kem Miller and Associates Auctioneers Present:
The Estate of Johnny and Mickie Gann
Saturday, March 24, 2001 @ 10:00 AM
404 South Church Street Winters, Texas

Directions: From South Main in Winters, Texas, turn West on Hamilton Street (across from State National Bank). Go approx. 1 block to S. Church Street. Turn right on S. Church Street to Auction Site at 404 S. Church Street.

Auctioneers' Note: This is one of those great county auctions with a lot of variety and quality. Highlights of this sale include a large knife collection, sports cards and sports memorabilia, beautiful antique furniture, some wonderful art pottery and glass items and a 1965 Studebaker Wagonaire with 48 k actual miles. We haven't seen the quality and quantity like this auction contains in a long time.

Real Estate: Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with approx. 2,037 square feet and a carport with a detached workshop situated on a double lot. Property to be offered at 12:00 noon STOA. Buyer premium does not apply to real estate.

VEHICLES
1965 Studebaker Wagonaire w/ 48 k miles (must see)
1982 1 ton Flatbed Chevrolet Truck
1994 Chevrolet Caprice Classic

FIREARMS
Topper Model 159 30 30 Rifle
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22 cal. Rifle
22 cal. Pistol
Daisy Legacy 22 cal. Rifle
w/ Bolt Action
410 Bridge Company Shotgun
Daisy Legacy 22 cal. Rifle
w/ Bolt Action
Ithaca Model 37 16 ga. Pump Action
Shotgun
Misc. Ammunition

FURNITURE
Microwave Cart
Pair of Kitchen Counter Stools
Oak Dining Table
Antique Oak Ice Box (beautiful)
Ornate Carving beveled mirror
Swivel Rocker Upholstered
Pair of Matching Upholstered Chairs
Glass Top Side Table
(3) Cedar Chests
4 Drawer Vanity w/ Round Mirror
4 Drawer Chest
Pair of Oak Chairs
Queen Size Bed
Antique Oak Dresser w/ TR Mirror
Antique Spool Leg Table
Full Size Bed
(5) 5 Tier Bookshelf
Vintage Flot Top Desk
Oak Dining Table w/ 4 Chairs
Curved Glass China Cabinet
Antique Loveseat w/ Matching Chair
(2) Matching Upholstered Chairs
Sofa Table
Large Decorator Wall Mirror
Old Radio Cabinet
Mahogany Desk
Small Kitchen Appliances
20.6 cu. ft. Hot Point Refrigerator
Montgomery Ward Microwave
Roper Washer and Amara Dryer
Frigidaire Upright Freezer 16 cu. ft.

Collectibles
Oil Lamps
Mik Glass Punch Set
Cookbooks
Complete Set of Amber Tiera Dishes
Misc. Pressed Glass
20 gal. Crock (Marshall Pottery Company)
10 gal. Crock w/ Lid (Love Field Pottery Company)
(2) Ice Tongs
Branding Irons
(9) Goebel Figurines
Large Ceramic Cowboy Figurine
Misc. Figurines and Dresser Jars
Misc. Brass Items
Misc. Western Memorabilia
Mahogany Pottery w/ Crock Bowl
Prestige Silver Plate in Wooden Box
Quilts and Alphas
Pipe Collection
8 x 11 Area Rug
Sewing Notions
Misc. Western Boots
Large Collection of Commemorative, Hunting and Pocket Knives
Misc. Toys and Games
Barbie Dolls
3 Drawer Knife Case
Large Collection of Sports Cards and Sports Memorabilia
Brass Quilt Rack
Roseville, McCoy, Hull Pottery
Collection of Calendar Plates
Vintage Wall Hangings
Occupied Japan Blue Willow Children's Dishes
Wooden Quilt Rack
Radio Flyer Wagon
Collection of Holly Hobbes Plates (35+)
Pink, Clear, and Green Depression Dishes
Grandmother Clock
Granddaughter Clock
(2) Mantle Clocks
(2) Kayward Wall Clocks
Set of Ironstone Dishes (48 pieces)
Collection of Musical Figurines
Milk Can

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Rockwell 14 Band Saw

MISC. ITEMS
Craftsman Scroll Saw, Rockwell Table Saw
Craftsman Table Saw 17"
Devilbiss 3 hp 12 gal. Compressor
Craftsman Router Table
Kenmore BBQ Grill
Electric Tree Trimmer
Propane Fish Cooker
(2) Craftsman Rolling Tool Boxes
Quattro 4 hp Lawn Mower
Misc. Horse Tack
Lane Star Saddle
Shirley Brown Saddle
Child's Saddle
Bridles and Bits
Kerosene Heater
Misc. Power Tools
Misc. Tool Boxes, Hand Tools
Misc. Chain Saws
Lawn and Garden Tools
Perkins Power Sprayer
(2) Shopvacs
Misc. Automotive Tools
Air Tools
Earl King Ager
Radial Arm Saw
Aluminum and Wood Stools
(2) Gasoline Weed Eaters
Sears 12 hp Air Compressor
MTD Garden Tiller/Pow
MTD QT 1846 Riding Lawn Mower
Misc. Air Tanks
Hydraulic Jacks and Jack Stands
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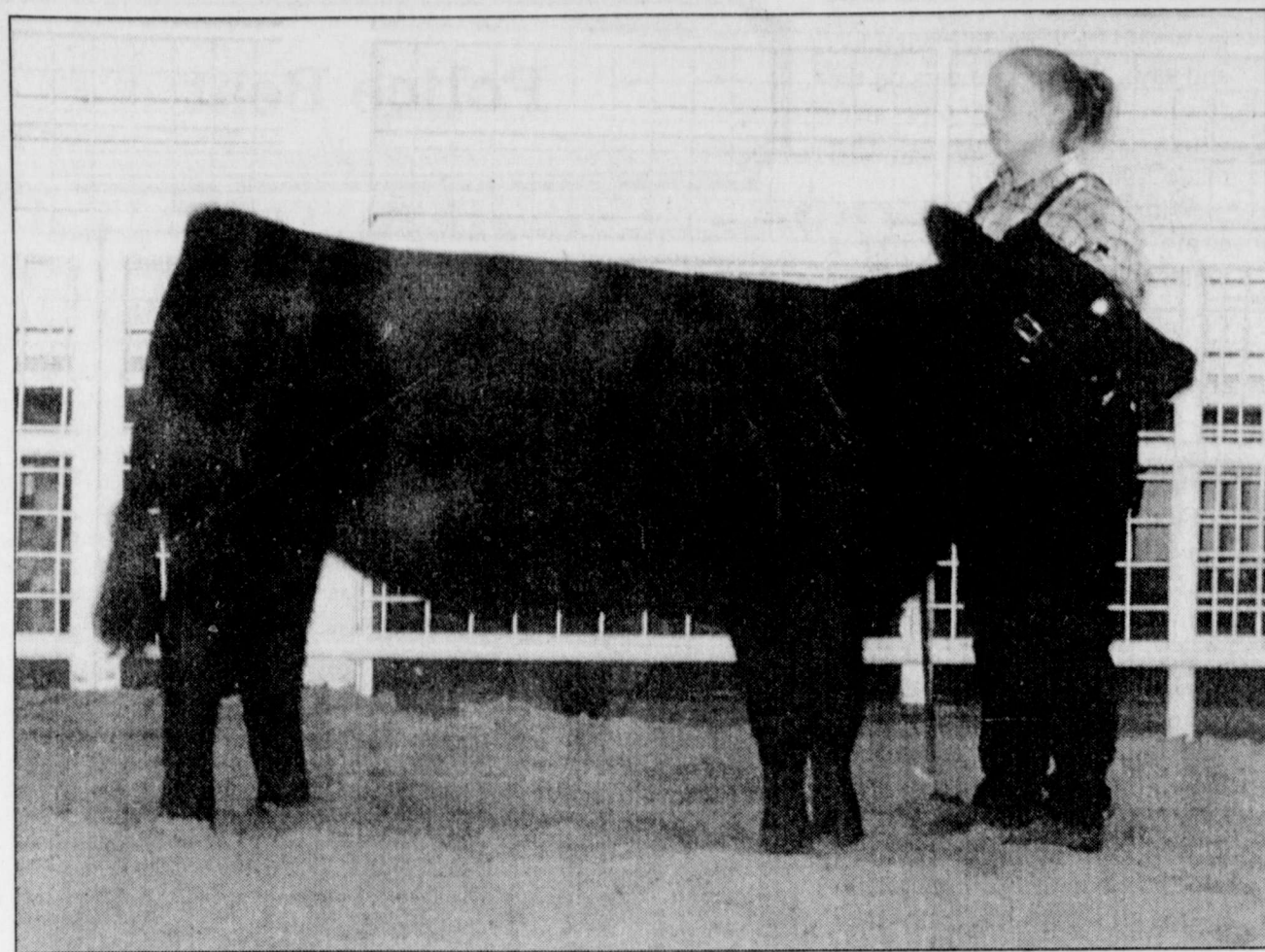
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WHS FRESHMAN MAEGAN SCHWARTZ earned champion showmanship honors in the Simmental/Simbrah Heifer Show at the San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo. Maegan was selected over 14 other exhibitors in the competition. She is the daughter of Gary & Belinda Schwartz.

Three Winters FFA exhibitors take championship honors in San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo

Winters FFA members completed the stock show season with some impressive results from the San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo.

Georgetta Horton exhibited a first place Suffolk buck, first place

Suffolk ewe, and first place Suffolk pair. Her first place buck went on to earn Champion Suffolk Buck honors.

In the Junior Heifer Show, Chris Hoppe exhibited two first place Simmental heifers, one of

which was named Champion Simmental Heifer of the show.

Maegan Schwartz showed a first place Simmental heifer and went on to earn champion showmanship honors in the Simmental/Simbrah Heifer Show.

Jeffrey Jordan exhibited a fourth place Angus heifer. Dalton Shackelford showed a second place Hereford heifer while Camille Kruse exhibited sixth and ninth place Hereford heifers.

Wiley Guy exhibited a Hampshire barrow in the Junior Market Swine Show.

Travis Grohman and Cody Pritchard earned scramble purchase certificates by catching calves in the San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo Calf Scramble.

Stewards of the Soil

By B.D. Davis, Biologist/Land Manager

Hope is not enough

Wind erosion in Runnels County — it does not have to happen. It is not something that is forced on us as producers. It can be planned for and it can be avoided — it must be avoided.

Last Wednesday was sadly another bad wind erosion day for us here in Runnels County — a day during which many fields lost topsoil. It was a day that cost us all a little. Lost was topsoil that cannot be picked up and returned. It was topsoil, which for all practical purposes is gone forever — moved from a place we wanted it to a place we don't. Or moved out of the county altogether on the wind.

Avoiding wind erosion is simple — just a matter of choices. It is a matter of management decisions made by us, the producers. These decisions are usually

made a long time before the erosion occurs. It is not a question of us producers wanting wind erosion taking our topsoil — none of us do.

What we do is plow under our protection. We plow it under and then "hope" the wind does not blow in March in West Texas. Sound a little foolish? The wind has been blowing in West Texas for at least the last 10,000 years. Chances are real good it will blow again next March.

God and Mother Nature do not lose soil to wind erosion — she builds soil. She has a plan that works — she leaves her protection on top. She, in all her history, has never plowed anything under.

However, we producers have a big green tractor and a big plow and some money to buy diesel.

And armed with the knowledge we know more about soil protection than Mother Nature, we proceed into the fields and plow everything under and smooth things out. Then we set back in admiration of our clean fields and "hope" the wind does not blow.

There is a better way — there has to be. "Hope" is just not enough for each of us to be good stewards of the soil — it takes an open mind and a willingness to change.

In the stewardship of the land against the time

When the environment could be doomed by humanity's crime Of neglect and profit at the expense of God's creation

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—Author unknown

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Concho Valley Cotton Conference set for March 27 at San Angelo

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March 27, 2001, is the date set for the 4th Concho Valley Cotton Conference.

Hosted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Southern Rolling Plains Cotton Growers Association, the conference is scheduled from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the San Angelo Convention Center.

Topics of interest relate to crop insurance policy changes, deficit irrigation, the cotton price forecast, and practicing con-till.

A catered complimentary lunch will be provided.

Rick Minzenmayer, Runnels County Extension Agent-IPM, says that the conference is an edu-

cational event for producers and provides an avenue to interact with agri-business professionals and learn about new products and technologies. The producers in turn can take these new products and technologies home and improve their bottom line.

CEUs will be issued for private, non-commercial, and commercial applicators who attend the entire program.

To pre-register, call the Runnels County Extension Office at 365-5212 or the Tom Green County Extension Office at 659-6523 by March 22. After this date, there will be a \$10 registration fee.

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