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Pearls of Wisdom—
The quickest way for a parent to get a child's attention is to sit down and look comfortable.

Diploma applications available

Winters ISD now has applications for World War II veterans who left Winters before graduation and did not receive their high school diplomas.

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Secondary "Meet The Teachers"

Winters Junior and Senior High Schools will host the first semester "Meet The Teachers" on Monday at 7 p.m.

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4-H Back-to-School Bash Saturday

Runnels County 4-H will host their annual Back-to-School Bash on Saturday at Ballinger High School Cafeteria.

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Fall cricket control

Crickets are abundant in homes and businesses after a lengthy dry spell followed by last week's rains and cooler temperatures.

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Editor's Note—

Because of "technological" (computer) problems in *The Ballinger Ledger* office, the Football Preview to be included in this week's paper, will be published in the August 30 issue instead.

We apologize for the delay, but the preview could not be completed by press time this week as had been planned.

The Rain Gauge

North/Bradshaw	2"
West Winters	2.5"
NW Winters	2.5"
Crews	2.7"
East Winters	2.5"
NE Winters	2.5"
SE Winters	2"
Country Club	3"
SW Wingate	2.7"
Wingate Gin	1.8"



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School tax rate increases

With five trustees voting "for" and one abstaining, members of the WISD Board of Trustees voted Monday night to raise the 2001 ad valorem tax rate to \$1.43 per \$100 valuation.

Trustees Larry Walker, Jerry Sims, Allen Andrae, Bob Prewit and Cheryl Bryan voted in favor of the increase. Gary Moore was present but not voting. Jack Davis, Jr., was absent from the August 20 meeting.

This rate, which is an increase from \$1.39 per \$100 valuation in 2000, is divided at \$1.36 for maintenance and operations and \$0.07 for debt service.

Facing rising costs such as a 30 percent increase in utilities alone, the school district has been forced to look for income as well as making budget cuts wherever possible.

Although the tax rate will increase, this year's budget is approximately \$170,000 less than the \$6.2 million budgeted for 2000-2001.

According to WISD Business Manager, the district received approximately \$45,000 less in state funding for 2000-2001 due to decreased enrollment at Winters.

"This year, we budgeted for a two percent drop in enrollment, but right now, we're at a four percent drop, and that costs the district money," said WISD Superintendent Danny Clack.

Over the past 4-5 years, WISD has lost almost a quarter million dollars in state funds due to decreasing average daily attendance.

In other action, trustees approved an employee benefits package for the 2001-2001 school year. In this package, the school district will contribute \$220 per month per employee toward a group health insurance program approved by the District Education Im-

provement Committee staff members, plus a \$600 per year above base compensation in lieu of the previously approved attendance bonus.

"We need to be able to offer a good package to be able to attract and hire quality teachers and coaches," Clack added.

A question was presented on if a teacher could choose not to participate in the school's insurance program, especially if that teacher's spouse had sufficient insurance.

Jimmy Butler, WISD Business Manager, reminded board members that in order for the school to provide any insurance benefits, at least 75 percent of all school employees must participate in the package.

The \$220 insurance figure is the same as was contributed last year; however, the \$600 figure is different in that it will not be based on teacher attendance.

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Rain, glorious rain!



KACELYN FOLLIS, age 2, tries her best to catch some raindrops as she and her mom Kaci (Cook) Follis of Wall, celebrate the recent rainfall while visiting Kaci's grandparents, K. W. and Geneva Cook of Winters.



RANDALL SNEED, right, president of the Board of Directors of North Runnels Hospital, listens to local citizens Brett Mikeska, center, and Kevin Busher during the town hall meeting Monday evening.

Overflow crowd attends hospital town meeting

Former patients owe \$405,000

Approximately 115 people attended an open meeting of North Runnels Hospital District Monday evening, August 20, at the Rock Hotel.

A portion of the crowd had to stand because all seating was taken, but all those attending seemed eager to know what is happening with the local hospital.

Board President Randall Sneed expressed his thanks to those in attendance, and also his regret that the meeting had to be under such trying circumstances.

He stated, "The hospital is in need of financial assistance, and it looks like the only way that can happen is with an increase in taxes."

At this point, Sneed turned the program over to Hospital Administrator Dick Stout, who gave a short history of how the hospital got to this point of financial need. He related Medicare cuts as a major problem but also insurance companies and "just our neighbors not paying."

Stout further stated that not only were there large Medicare cuts because of the 1997 Medicare bill, but that the hospital also had to pay back portions of past years' Medicare payments.

He said there are 250 promissory notes totalling \$405,000 that are owed by former patients.

Sneed then said that a substantial tax increase will be needed to cover the debt and keep the hospital running. To do this, Sneed said, a tax increase over the rollback amount will have to be passed.

The rollback amount is a tax rate which the voters can overturn.

Several audience members had questions about the number of employees, filing insurance claims and government aid. All questions were answered and Sneed reiterated that only a substantial tax increase will provide a possible solution for the hospital.

Hospital board members
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Blizzards shaky at scrimmage

New head coach Chuck Lipsey's first scrimmage of 2001 was a revealing experience last Saturday at Stamford's Bulldog Stadium.

The Blizzards took awhile to get their act together. In the first set of offensive downs for Winters, two passes were intercepted, blocking assignments were missed, and receivers ran

incorrect routes.

Most of these difficulties seemed to be caused from a big case of "nerves."

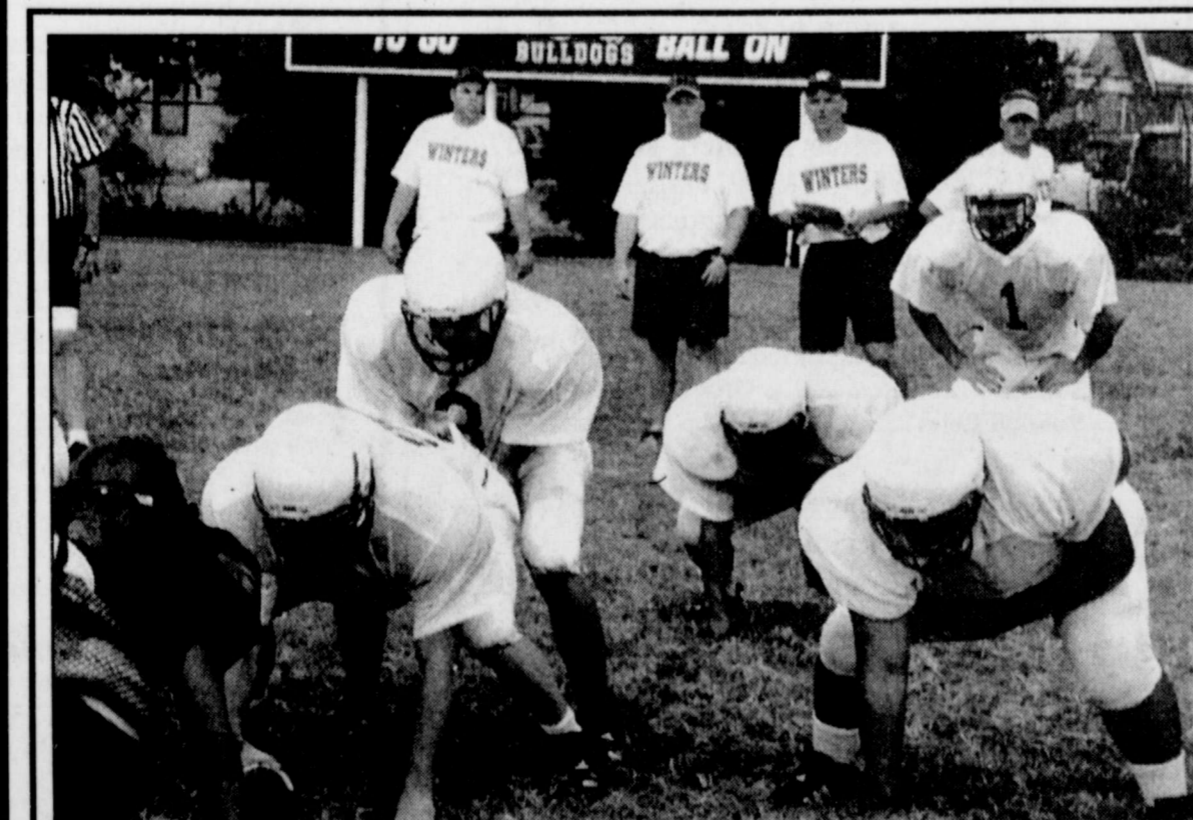
In the first offensive series for Winters, the Blizzards had difficulty sustaining a drive. With fumbles, interceptions and missed blocks, the setbacks seemed to add up.

Of course, this can all be

expected with new people in skill positions, and younger players in other positions.

Shane Colburn is the Blizzards quarterback but this will be his first varsity experience at this position. Last year Colburn, who played varsity linebacker and back up quarterback, was injured and sat out

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BLIZZARD COACHES, (l-r) Zach Boxell, Bryan Green, Chuck Lipsey and Jamie Seago, keep a close eye on the play as Winters quarterback Shane Colburn takes the ball from Will Blaine during the scrimmage against Stamford. Other players include Mark Moreno at fullback, Steven Cuevas as offensive guard and Eric Lopez at tailback. The Blizzards scrimmage at Merkel on August 30, beginning with the JV at 5 p.m.

Winters High School receives exemplary rating by TEA

"Good morning, you are talking to the only EXEMPLARLY rated high school in Runnels County...this is Winters High School Principal Bill Cathey speaking."

(Such was the greeting callers received last Thursday, August 16, 2001, following the announcement of the 2001 Accountability Ratings by the Texas Education Agency.)

The school district grade cards are out from the Texas Education Agency and Winters ISD received one exemplary and two academically acceptable ratings for their three campuses. As a district, Winters rated academically acceptable.

The TEA 2001 Accountability Data Tables are based on the district's dropout rate and results of the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) scores from tests taken last spring.

Results are evaluated in

three subjects—reading, math, and writing. Not only are the assessments of the school's performance based on the scores of all students, but on the subgroups as well. The subgroups are divided by race and the economically disadvantaged.

To receive an exemplary rating the school must not only score a 90% or above in the All Students group within the three subject areas, but in the subgroups as well and have a dropout rate of 1% or less for all students and each subgroup.

Winters High School's rating of the percent of students passing the reading portion of the test was 96.3%, a slight increase from last year's 95.1%. WHS made a significant improvement in math with a rating of 96.2% in 2001 compared to 88.1% a year ago. Scores dropped only slightly in the writing assessment with a rat-

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Oil Bidness

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Well, we have an energy policy debate, and we have several proposals on the table. But, are any of the proposed policies anything that would really qualify as policy if you were running the country?

Probably not, since no national policy can satisfy every individual. But, I question whether the policy debate really ever approaches something that would resemble a sound business plan for the future.

I use the term "business" because that is the only way to approach something that impacts the economy to the extent that energy does. The plan must consider benefits, costs, consequences, and choices — just as in a business plan.

Sure, the leading proposal has a lot of elements advantageous to the petroleum business. But, a true energy policy should be balanced and well considered.

Take, for example, the United Kingdom's recent move towards augmenting their official energy policy.

They already have an extensive energy policy because their country has much less to fall back upon in times of trial. The U.S. has a large land mass, a wealth of natural resources, and an unending number of producing countries eager to provide fuel for our expanding economy. The U.K. is more susceptible to fuel shortages and the limitations that future

restrictions on fuel choices can bring.

They have approached the problem this way: they are doing a rigorous estimate of future needs, current supply, and the alternatives for managing any future gap in supply and demand. Their idea, as crazy as it may sound to your local congressman, is to study the situation, identify areas of concern, prioritize those, and develop possible solutions. By illuminating the needs, the solutions, and the accompanying consequences, the general population can more clearly understand its options and their implications.

The typical U.K. citizen can then say, "we understand that petrol (gasoline) is going to cost \$4 per gallon, but we choose that path to decrease imports and reduce auto usage." Some may support the opposite approach, but everyone knows the consequences of the choice.

In the U.S., we tend to politicize the issue so much that we don't ever get a clear picture of the choices and the implications. And, I am not sure we gave the issue of future energy needs the type of rigorous study that is needed. We seemed to have just said, "we need to increase supply as much as we can."

While increasing supply is certainly going to be necessary, I am not sure we have a handle on the magnitude of the prob-

lem. Thus, those that suspect this path is chosen only to make big companies rich don't really understand how increasing hydrocarbon production fits into a plan for the future that might include other sources of energy down the road.

It's not too late to approach this problem of energy in a more systematic, scientific, and businesslike manner. Only those interested in political gain would suggest otherwise.

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY COMPLETIONS

Nolan County

Clear Fork, Inc. has completed the C.E. Boyd #5057 as a Wildcat, 3 miles NW of Nolan at an initial rate of 529 MCFPD in the Caddo (perms 6434-42). Loc. is 644 FEL & 53 FNL of Sec. 57, Blk. X, T&PRR Sur., A-429.

Taylor County

Ventex Operating has completed the Clark #4 in the Lana Field (3 miles NW of Merkel) at an initial rate of 27 BOPD in the Canyon formation (perms 4112-18). Loc. is 1761 FNL & 1578 FSL of DeWitt CSL Sur. No. 149, A-1254.

STAKINGS

Callahan County

S.B. Street Operating, Inc. has staked the Cochran #8 in the Ciego Marrano Field, 8 miles SW of Baird (Depth 1600). Loc. is 2689 FNL & 1081 FWL of Sec. 2, Blk. 2, SPRR Sur., A-693.

Coke County

Perkins-Prothro Co. has staked three wells in the Jameson Field, 7 miles SW of Silver (Depth 7000). The W.C. Blanks #C-95 is loc. 1342 FWL & 1229 FSL of M.A. Green Sur., A-872. The W.C. Blanks #E-3 is loc. 540 FEL & 2144 FSL of Sec. 69, Blk. 2, H&TC Sur., A-223. The W.C. Blanks #F-14 is loc. 540 FWL & 1912 FNL of Sec. 70, same Sur.

Coleman County

Novo Exploration has applied to re-enter the Pittard #1 in the Southwest Novice Field, 4 miles SW of Novice (Depth 4000). Loc. is 1350 FNL & 3012 FEL of Sec. 32, Blk. 2, T&NO Sur.

Concho County

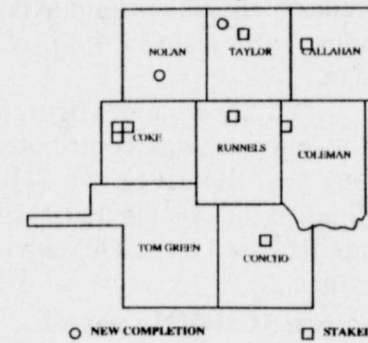
LeClair Operating has staked the Stansberry Heirs #7 in the East Brady Mountain Field, 5 miles N of Eden (Depth 3900). Loc. is 2580 FSL & 2100 FEL of Sec. 11, Blk. 72, IRR Sur., A-504.

Runnels County

S.B. Street Operating has staked the Aldridge Brothers #1 in the Waldrip-Novo Field, 1 mile N of Convent (Depth 4000). Loc. is 956 FNL & 1234 FEL of GWT&P Sur. No. 25, A-586.

Taylor County

Erson Royalties Company, Inc. has amended the loc. of the Tye Southwest Unit #5C in the Southwest Tye Field, 3 miles SW of Tye (Depth 2100). Loc. is 3240 FNL & 1900 FEL of W.R. Willis Sur. No. 122, A-421.



Reader disturbed by articles in last week's Enterprise

Comments in reference to city conditions

Editor,
As a longtime reader, I want to congratulate you on your constant efforts to bring all the news to readers of the Enterprise. And the recent changes in format have certainly improved your fine newspaper.

I would like to make a few comments on items in the August 16 issue of the Enterprise.

It was distressing to see that the North Runnels Hospital is in financial difficulties. This hospital is an indispensable part of the community and should be protected and given the financial aid necessary to maintain it. Surely, the community can find a way to keep this institution healthy.

I see that local school enrollment has fallen. Our children are the heart of the community, and declining schools are a sign of declining community. As a graduate of the Winters school system, I am saddened to see this setback.

Probably the most disturbing article was the one dealing with so-called downtown revitalization. I could not believe that in a time of financial difficulty the City Manager and City Council would be considering an expenditure of almost a million dollars on downtown sidewalk repair, etc. Spending a million dollars on sidewalks is not going to revitalize down-

town Winters. Winters is suffering from the same malaise that affects all small farm communities: loss of population from the changes in agricultural practices. For every farm family still on the land, four families have moved away. This population loss, along with the general decline in agriculture, has led to similar declines in other economic areas. Overall, these losses have further diminished job opportunities and social prospects in small rural areas.

One would think that the City Manager and other concerned officials would be concentrating on improving the Hospital, seeking financial aid for it, instead of asking for grants from the USDA. USDA grants should help farmers; these grants were never intended to patch sidewalks where people no longer walk.

It is disturbing to see that we are losing our way—have lost our sense of direction. As a property owner and taxpayer, I believe it is time for new leadership. We need people who care about the community, care about schools and hospitals. People who would waste a million dollars on a political boondoggle, do not fit that category.

Regards,
Robert Gerstenberg
Austin, Texas

Obit reminds reader of legendary football game

Dear Jean,

I was very surprised to read the recent obituary of William Thomas (W.T.) Coley in the July 26 issue and the fact that he had lived to be 88 years of age.

Although my lifelong friend, Ellis Zane Moore, and I were only in the third grade at the time, I very much remember that W. T. Coley field goal that won the Winters/Ballinger game for Winters in 1931.

I don't know if this is true or not about W. T.'s game-winning field goal but I seem to vaguely recall that it was a drop-kick field goal.

I do remember this about the legendary W. T. Coley field goal in 1931, and that was for years after there was a sign painted in white letters about 4 feet high on the side of the old Winters High red brick gym that read "Winters 3 — Ballinger 0." And that sign was plainly visible from Highway 83!

I am so pleased that Coley's 1931 field goal to beat the Bearcats 3 to 0 was mentioned in his obituary. That field goal is part of the history of Winters of the 1930's, and also a legend of Winters Blizzard football history.

I remember that W. T.'s father, Mr. William E. Coley, had a produce business on West Dale Street. When Ellis Zane Moore and I were in our last two years of high school, we worked at Coley's Produce Company on Saturdays. We would candle the eggs and test cream for butterfat content that area farmers would bring into town for sale at Corley's.

I hadn't thought about W. T. Coley or his father for years, but when I read the obituary it brought back a lot of memories of Winters in the 1930's.

John B. Oliver
Midvale, Utah

BLIZZARDS, continued

most of the season.

Tailback duties are split between junior Jose Vega and sophomore Eric Lopez. Vega played only a few varsity games last year before suffering a severe ankle injury which ended his season. Lopez is a first-year varsity player.

Mark and Matt Moreno traded out the fullback position, and both show promise as tough, low-to-the-ground ball carriers.

The defense for the Blizzards also took time to gel. On their first time at offense, the Stamford Bulldogs drove down the field for a touchdown. But the Blizzard defense held in the next series.

The Blizzards' second team offense moved the ball well against Stamford's second team. The Winters second team defense also did well against the second team offense.

The second half of the scrimmage was set up as a fifteen-minute quarter with punting added.

Stamford was on offense first. The Blizzard defense held and forced the punt.

The Blizzard offense could not make any head way and Chris Hoppe punted for the Big Blue.

After one more punting exchange, the Blizzard offense began to move. Quarterback Shane Colburn scrambled on a

pass play and found Wade Parramore for a 40-yard completion.

The offense again stalled and the scrimmage ended.

Coach Lipsey said, "We've got a lot to work on. We're a little rusty and our intensity level was low, so these are some things we'll need to improve."

Coach Jamie Seago's junior varsity showed good promise by scoring one time in the scrimmage and holding the JV Bulldogs scoreless.

The varsity and junior varsity scrimmage tonight (Thursday) at Merkel, beginning at 5 p.m.

SCHOOL, continued

Trustees also discussed the teacher attendance bonus policy which was paid to 90 percent of WISD employees last year. Current policy at WISD allows five days (for illness of employee or immediate family only) from the local district plus five mandatory "discretionary" days from the state. Board members discussed changing the local district days from five to three, but took no action.

Letter to the Editor

Enterprise commended

Thank you Enterprise for the many write-ups and announcements you did for us in July. You did a great job and helped make our most special month in our lives even more special!

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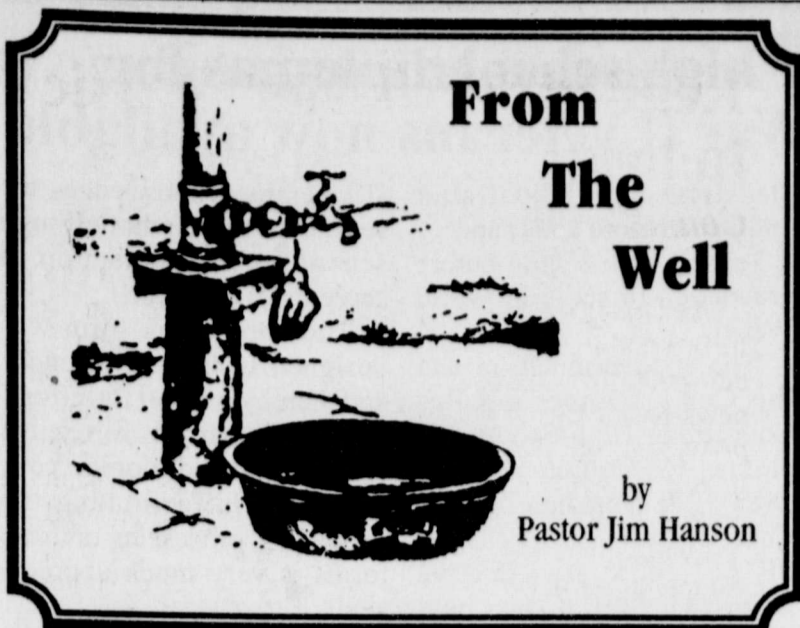
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What ever happened to "modesty?" As we've travelled about this summer, I have noticed that there is very little modesty anymore. In fact, I'm not certain that most people even know that modesty is. Except for the fact that many

people in our culture are against it. "It is Victorian." "It is prudish." "It isn't natural."

Now, my understanding of modesty is that it is "covering." Like protection. Like clothing that does not expose too much of the body. Like being decent in dress. Modesty is an attitude towards one's self and one's body... that parts of my body are not for public view. And to uncover them can be (a) "seductive or (b) "disgusting," and can lead to... "Lust... unlimited!"

I am grandfather to 16 grandchildren — 10 girls, 6 boys. And I am neither blind or prudish. But, when I saw my lovely 7-year-old granddaughter fighting with her mom about a "tank top"... the girl insisted that it not cover her navel... I intervened. I asked her "Why do you want to expose your belly button?" Her reply, "Grandpa! You know! That's what all the bigger girls are wearing!" And, as I have moved around the territory up north, she is right! Most of them are.

Now, what is so beautiful about a navel? What makes a belly button beautiful? When I was a kid, belly buttons were to be covered, not flaunted. And, above all to be clean. Ever so often my mother would ask me, "Have you cleaned out your you-know-what?" I knew what she was talking about. Lint and other stuff would collect in that piece of the anatomy, and, rumor had it that if you didn't keep it clean, it could become infected.

Nowadays, all over the place, these beautiful women in their tight-fitting jeans with their tank tops cut high... so that all the world can see their belly buttons? What for? My conclusion: Easy access. Yes. To make it easier to clean them out and free them from that awful stuff — "belly button lint."

Of course you and I both know that is not the case. Our culture is out to destroy modesty. Mini skirts are shorter. Tank tops are cut higher? Levis have come out with jeans so tight that there is little left for the imagination, and cut so low that the navel has lots of breathing space. (That last line comes to mind when I recall an act, a comical type thing that men with big bellies would perform on some occasions. Usually in a chorus line. Four or five would be up front with their mid-sections exposed. And around their navels would be a large painted-on pair of lips. The music that accompanied their act was someone whistling a tune. The men would then breath in and out, and navel sync the tune. The first time I saw it, I nearly passed out laughing.)

Anyway. But the biggest attack on modesty that I have come across this summer was in Sturgis, South Dakota. The place where every year in August, there is the biggest motorcycle riders reunion in the world. All kinds of bikes, all kinds of riders. Well, this year, in order to stir up some excitement, or, maybe it was because of the heat, there were a number of women walking the street clad only in "heavy latex body paint." I'm serious. No clothing. Just body paint. So revealing that the city had to take steps and make "a change." From now on, women must be clothed from the "top of the nipples down," or be arrested for "Indecent exposure."

Well, enough of this. You get the message. And it is time for return to modesty. It used to be that clothes were designed in such a way as to not only make you look good, but to help you to become and remain good. Chaste. Pure. Clean. Decent. The way one dressed on the outside was to help dress up the inside. To encourage what the Apostle Paul wrote in Colossians 3, "clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience." Become well-dressed on the inside, and dress accordingly on the outside.

This column was inspired by the good news that I read in this newspaper "WISD trustees adopt a new dress code." I was so proud of the Board, and proud to have lived in a community where the leadership care enough about their young people to encourage them to express in their dress the very best that they can be. POWER, GOD'S POWER, TO YOU ALL!

Good News Class installs officers

The Good News Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church met in Jones Hall Monday, August 6, 2001, for a salad supper. Randall Boles asked the blessing.

Following the meal, Mary Beth Drake installed the class officers. The theme of the installation was "Magic Dial" to God. She showed pictures of many different telephones — from very old to modern, showing the improvements since the first phone was made by Alexander Graham Bell.

As each officer was installed, Mary Beth Drake read a scripture pertaining to their duty in the class and stressed using the "Magic Dial" often — where the line was always available, you were never put

on hold, and God was always ready to talk to you.

Installed as teacher was Randall Boles; Vera Lee Sneed, class president; Joe Meares, vice-president; Jerry Hood, treasurer & benevolence; Arlene Boles, reporter; LaVonda Herrington and Loretta Pierce, group leaders; Louise Seals, secretary; and LaVonda Herrington, assistant secretary.

Mary Beth Drake dismissed the meeting with prayer.

Attending the social were Jerry Loyd, Thelma Sneed, Jo Meares, Loretta Pierce, Vera Lee Sneed, Louise Seals, LaVonda Herrington, Randall Boles, Mary Beth Drake, and visitors Kevin and Kelsey Minzenmayer.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- Aug. 23-8 a.m., Senior Portraits by Hennington, WHS Auditorium
- 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Sheep & Goat Reproduction Workshop, ASU, San Angelo
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 5 p.m., JV/V Scrimmage, Merkel
- Aug. 24-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco
- Aug. 25-7:30-10:30 p.m., Runnels County 4-H Back-to-School Bash, Ballinger High School Cafeteria
- Aug. 26-Worship in the church of your choice!
- Aug. 27-9:30-10:30 a.m., Social Security Representative, Winters Housing Authority
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 6 p.m., Winters City Council, City Hall
- 7 p.m., NRH Board of Directors, North Runnels Hospital
- 7-8 p.m., Secondary "Meet The Teachers", WHS Auditorium
- 7:30 p.m., WISD School Board, Administration Building
- 8 p.m., Wingate Masonic Lodge
- Aug. 28-9 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., Alcoholics Anonymous, First United Methodist Church
- 7 p.m. WVFD Auxiliary
- 7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station
- 7 p.m., InFO, San Angelo
- Aug. 29-7 a.m., Winters Industrial Board, Chamber Office
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Aug. 30-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr.
- 5 p.m., Z.I. Hale Museum Board

In Appreciation

Card of Thanks

Thank you family and friends for making our 30th Wedding Anniversary and our Family and Friends Reunion so very special! We are so thankful to have you in our lives.

For all the awesome memories etched in our hearts, and for all those to come, we thank God. By His mighty hand alone, we will take our next breath, see our next day and all of His created beauty (including each of you!). We will hear our next song, walk to the next page of our lives, and forever have and hold in our hearts the greatest blessing of all — LOVE!

You will always have ours!
Noelisa and Terry Loehman

Card of Thanks

The family of Katherine Minzenmayer, a lovely lady, mother, and grandmother, would like to extend our thanks, love, and appreciation to all our friends, family, and neighbors for all their acts of kindness during the time of our loss. The prayers, calls, visits, food, memorials, and cards touched us deeply.

A special thanks to Pastor Goetz for the service and visits, to the Lutheran ladies for a wonderful meal, to the staffs of Heritage Oaks and Vista Care Hospice, and to our friend Jan Rine for taking such good care of our mom.

May God bless each of you,
Serena Miller
Barbara Frierson
William & Charlene Minzenmayer
The grandchildren

Homecoming at Drasco on September 3

The Drasco Homecoming will be Labor Day, September 3, 2001, at the former Drasco Baptist Church.

Visiting will begin at 10 a.m. so come and visit old friends again.

Bring a covered dish to share at the noon meal, as well as memories of time spent in Drasco.

For more information, contact M.L. and Odessa Dobbins or Betty Gray.

Card of Thanks

The teachers and faculty of Winters ISD would like to thank the Winters Area Business and Industrial Corporation, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Z.I. Hale Museum for the delicious luncheon they prepared to welcome everyone back for the 2001-02 school year.

The entire staff appreciates your kindness and we are looking forward to a productive new school year.

Teachers and Faculty of Winters ISD



A CITY EMPLOYEE with the Waterworks Department is privileged to drive through water at the corner of Main and Dale as Winters and some of the surrounding were blessed with four consecutive days of shattered showers last week. Totals varied from a half inch to almost three inches, and every drop is appreciated.

Senior Citizens Activity Center Menu

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Monday, Aug. 27: Beef casserole, pinto beans, cole-slaw, crackers, and apple crisp.

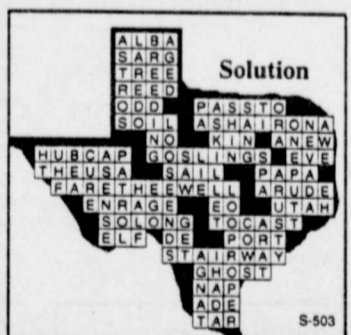
Tuesday, Aug. 28: Roast & gravy, potatoes & carrots, peas, hot roll, and cobbler.

Wednesday, Aug. 29: Ham, macaroni & cheese, okra gumbo, bread, and pie.

Thursday, Aug. 30: Chicken pot pie, hominy, pears & cottage cheese, crackers, and cookies.

Friday, Aug. 31: Hamburger, French fries, pea salad, pickles & onions, and dessert.

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Crews News

by Hilda Kurtz

If you see someone without a smile today—give him one of yours.

Sunday morning visitors at Hopewell Baptist Church was Joe Webb of Coleman.

Nila and Therin Osborne and Bro. Ferris and Ramona Akins attended the Runnels County Baptist Association meeting at Wingate Baptist on Monday night. While there, the Osbornes visited their kiddos, the McGallians in Wingate.

Visiting over the weekend with Doris Wood were Mr. and Mrs. Larry Calcote, Mr. and Mrs. Maloey Bryant and boys of Abilene, and Margaret Bryant of Ballinger.

Mrs. Addie Hardaway is spending a few days with her daughter Sue Rosa. Her son also spent several days and did some more chores.

Hildegard and Calvin



Hilda Kurtz

Also visiting on Sunday was Blue Alexander of Lubbock and the Lawan Foreman family.

Helen Alexander spent several days with her sister of Kerrville and also visited Margie Fisher of San Antonio.

Tiffany Prather and Eileen Cartwright were in Ft. Worth on Friday and started Tiffany in college in Dallas. While there they visited a while with Lynn and Carol Faubion.

Cousin Lavonne Thomas of Levelland attended the Crews reunion on Sunday. They later spent the night with Pat and Earl Cooper.

Friday visitors with the Duggans were Therin and Nila Osborne. Dale and Linda Duggan, Scotty Pugh, and Katy Grigsby had supper in Buffalo Gap on Saturday. While eating they visited with Manse and Cheryl Clayton and Larry and Micki Bubenik.

Chauncey Mansell and Linda worked with the horses on Sunday.

Schvaja of San Angelo spent several days with me and did some much needed chores.

The Kenny Cartwright family found a black doe goat and buck on the highway near their farm. If it is yours call 723-2085 right away please.

Mark, Tammy, and Haley Kaczyk and Kenny, Saffron, Tana, and Lane Gibbs of Winters visited Georgia Gibbs on Sunday. "Happy Birthday Mark!"

Jerry and Casey Alexander and a friend Anna of Tuscon visited with Helen Alexander.

Applications for high school diplomas for eligible World War II veterans now available

An application form to be used by an eligible World War II veteran (or a person acting on behalf of an eligible deceased World War II veteran) to apply for a high school diploma, as authorized under Texas Education code (TEC) §28.0251, is available at the Winters ISD Administration Office.

The completed application form, along with a copy of the veteran's discharge notification form, must be submitted to the school district where the veteran enrolled.

Under TEC §28.0251, an eligible veteran is one who:

- (a) is an honorably discharged member of the armed forces of the United States;
- (b) was scheduled to graduate from high school after 1940 and before 1951; and

(c) left high school before graduation to serve in World War II.

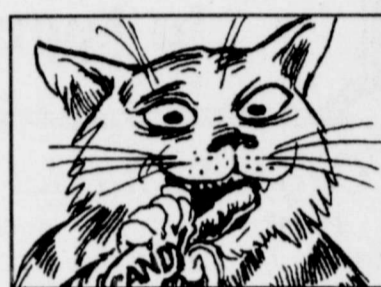
The application form and the Commissioner's Rules Concerning High School Diplomas for Certain Veterans (New 19 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 61, Subchapter FF, §61.1061) are effective August 12, 2001. If you would like a copy of the adopted rules, you may obtain one online at the following address: <<http://lamb.sos.state.tx.us/tac/index.html>>. The application form is also available online at <<http://www.tea.state.tx.us>>.

The implementation of this program to award high school diplomas to eligible World War

II veterans acknowledges the service of those who left high school before graduation to serve in World War II.

The application form was designed to be user-friendly and thereby support the efforts of eligible veterans to receive a high school diploma. Your assistance in facilitating the review and processing of these forms is very much appreciated.

If you have any questions about the application form or about this program, please contact the Office of Continuing Education and School Improvement at (512)463-8532 or you may contact your local school administration at 754-5574.



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4-H Happenings

4-H Back-To-School Bash at Ballinger this Saturday

The Runnels County 4-H Council will be sponsoring the Back-To-School Bash for all 4-H'ers, prospective 4-H'ers, and their families. This year's bash will be held on Saturday, August 25, from 7:30-10:30 p.m. at the Ballinger High School Cafeteria.

Four-H enrollment forms can be completed at the registration table that evening. The 4-H Council is providing pre-dance recreation followed by dancing music. There will be a \$1.00 gate admission charge for 4-H age youth.

The service project theme will be "Helpful Hygiene." Four-H'ers need to bring products such as hotel soap, hotel shampoo, hotel mouthwash,

toothpaste, toothbrushes, etc. to be distributed to disadvantaged students at Ballinger, Winters, and Miles ISD.

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

- Rowena - 3 ltr. soft drink (1 per family)
- Ballinger - sandwiches (club will provide)
- Miles (A-N last name) - large bag of chips
- Miles (O-Z last name) - homemade cookies
- Norton - paper goods/ice (club will provide)
- Winters - homemade cookies.

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- 1 In Rains Co. on hwy. 59
- 5 shortened form of TX police rank
- 6 TXism: "barking up the wrong ..."
- 7 TX film critic Rex
- 8 TXism: "as a three-dollar bill"
- 9 El Paso's 1st name meant "the river to the north"
- 15 TXism: "can't grow anything but broken dreams" (bad ...)
- 17 TXism: "thick ..."
- 21 TXism: "close but cigar"
- 22 TXism: "kissin' ..."
- 23 TX B.J. Thomas hit: "Eyes of ... York Woman"
- 24 wheel covering like a "baby moon"
- 30 young geese
- 34 Adam's "running mate"
- 35 Dallas' Steve Miller hit: "Living in ..."
- 36 sight on Grapevine lake: "boat ..."
- 37 mama's mate
- 39 TXism: "suits me to a ..."
- 43 "awakening"
- 45 to "rile up"
- 46 first state forest: "Slecke ..."
- 47 Morman state
- 48 a Texas "good-bye"

DOWN

- 1 Houston base-ball team
- 2 TX song: "Streets of ..."
- 3 King Ranch bought Cananero II for ... purposes
- 4 TXism: "she ain't a day" (looks young)
- 9 "Ma's" mate
- 10 TXism: "a frog in ... would have more fun"
- 11 TX Naylor was on TV's "dig"
- 12 what Lubbock's Buddy Holly did
- 13 TX electronics co.
- 14 TXism: "don't give a hoot ... holler"
- 16 TXism: "tie up the ..."

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Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

Bank Repossessed Cars to be Sold Directly to the Public

San Angelo Dealership Disposing of 90 Bank Repos and Other Used Vehicles for Only \$59 Then Start Making Payments*

SAN ANGELO, TX - Bank Repossessed cars and trucks are among the most hunted-for bargains in the automotive industry. Unfortunately for John Q. Public, they're also the hardest to come by.

Banks often unload repossessed vehicles to car dealers at rock-bottom prices - allowing dealers to re-sell them for retail value. But bargain-seekers can take heart: This week, Mitchell Toyota Kia is going to change that.

This Wednesday, August 22nd through Saturday, August 25th, Mitchell Toyota Kia will offer 90 bank repossessed, lease return and other used vehicles for thousands below normal values, and pass the savings on to their customers.

"These vehicles have been acquired at incredible savings from banks (repos), auctions, and other sources," Mike Griffin of Mitchell Toyota Kia said. "We have been asked to sacrifice this inventory immediately - regardless of loss of profit. And if that means selling these vehicles for up to thousands below normal val-

ues, then that's what we'll do." Every bank repossessed and other pre-owned vehicle will be available for just a \$59 possession fee* then start making payments. Payments start as low as \$79 per month.*

"This is the opportunity San Angelo area bargain hunters have been waiting for! Customers may never see savings like this again."
MIKE GRIFFIN, MITCHELL TOYOTA KIA

"It's that simple," said Mr. Griffin. "To make these bargains even easier, we'll mark the payments right on the windshield. Just pick your vehicle and pick your payment. You won't find a faster, easier way to get a great deal on a pre-owned vehicle."

Almost every type of vehicle and price range will be available, from luxury 4x4s to basic transportation. Many are still under warranty. "With our pre-owned inventory near an all-time high, chances are we have what you're looking for in stock and ready to drive home," Mr. Griffin added. Extra sales and finance staff will be on hand to assure customers prompt, quality service

and the best finance terms possible. Mr. Griffin said, "We'll have over \$4 million in financing available for this event, so chances are we can arrange financing for just about anyone who is employed, regardless of past credit history."

Trade-ins will be accepted, and customers should bring their title or payment book to expedite

delivery. "The opportunity San Angelo area bargain-hunters have been waiting for happens this Wednesday through Saturday at Mitchell Toyota Kia. Every bank repo and other used vehicle is just \$59 then start making payments.* Customers may never see savings like this again," said Mr. Griffin.

After the \$59 SuperSale ends at 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, August 25th, many of these vehicles will be sent to auction. Any questions can be directed to (915) 653-2302. Mitchell Toyota Kia is located at 1500 Knickerbocker Road in San Angelo.

*LIMIT 2 VEHICLES PER HOUSEHOLD, PLEASE. \$59 plus tax, title & fees, with approved credit. For example only: 1995 Kia Sephia, Sale Price \$3731.58. \$79/mo for 48 mos. @ 10.5% APR. \$59 possession fee, \$0 down payment for a total of \$59 down plus tax. Total amount financed \$3,371.58 plus tax. Subject to credit approval. Subject to lenders final approval. ©G&A Marketing, Inc. 2001.

Green competes at Nationals

Amber Green played this summer in the National West 2001 Softball Tournament in Spokane, Washington. The tournament began July 31 and continued through August 5, 2001.

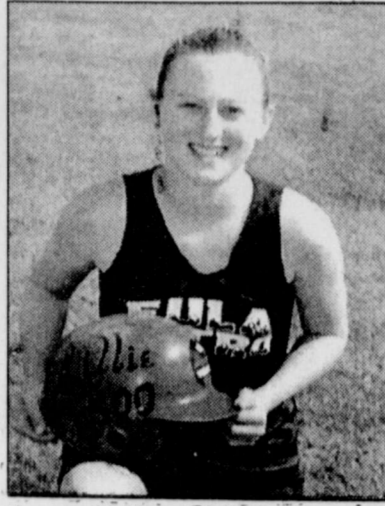
She is the daughter of Wayne and Dawn Green of Winters and the granddaughter of Ora Green of Winters, Marvin Traylor Jr. of Winters, and Elizabeth Ryan of Bogalusa, Louisiana.

Amber was invited by Eula to play in the national competition. Because she had played in Regionals earlier in the year, she qualified for Nationals and was selected by Eula to join their team.

In Washington, "Lillie Boo," a nickname given to Amber by her family and friends, played shortstop, third base, right field, and catcher positions. Lillie Boo and her teammates tied for 10th place among 50 teams.

Amber's team, coached by Audie Faircloth, recorded one loss and one win in pool division games. Eula Nitro was defeated 7-6 by the Idaho Clippers, but then won 9-2 against the Spokane Extremes.

In bracket play, Nitro's record was 2-2 — winning against the Nebraska Double 'S' 3-0 and the Nevada Timber Wolves 11-3, and losing to the Clovis California Bullets Blue 3-1 and the Bonita Cali-



fornia Valley Girls 7-3.

Nitro scored 33 runs and allowed 22 hits.

Amber would like to thank the following sponsors for helping to make her trip possible:

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- Marvin Traylor Jr.
- Ora Green
- Carolyn and Jerry Davis
- Kristi Stoecker
- Mr. and Mrs. John Magee.

Food Pantry serves 32 families in July

Due to the generosity and support of the Winters and surrounding communities, the Outreach Center was able to serve 32 families, 103 people, during July from the Food Pantry.

The Center was also able to assist four families with utilities and medication for \$134.90, during July.

The Winters Outreach Center, which includes the Food Pantry and the Clothes Closet, is open from 4:30-7:30 p.m. on Mondays and 9 a.m. to noon on Wednesdays and Fridays.

To apply for assistance, Maudella Reeves is in the Center from 9-11 a.m., Monday through Friday.

Reeves completes basic training; now a Marine Private First Class

Marine Corps Private First Class Eric B. Reeves, son of Carolyn A. Scarborough of Winters and Vernon A. Reeves of Flower Mound, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego.

Reeves successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

Reeves and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m., by running three miles and performing calisthenics. In addition to the physical conditioning program, Reeves spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat, and as-

sorted weapons training. They performed close order drill and operated as a small infantry unit during field training.

Reeves and other recruits also received instruction on the Marine Corps' core values — honor, courage, and commitment, and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct.

Reeves and fellow recruits ended the training phase with The Crucible, a 54-hour team effort, problem-solving evolution which culminated with an emotional ceremony in which the recruits were presented the Marine Corps emblem and were addressed as "Marines" for the first time since boot camp began.

Reeves is a 1999 graduate of Winters High School.



Mr. & Mrs. Randall Underwood and Jackson

Ann Fox, Randall Underwood married at Highland Park

Ann Fox and Randall Underwood, both of Dallas, were married Saturday, June 9, 2001, in Cox Chapel at Highland Park United Methodist Church. Reverend Bill Smith officiated the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe T. Fox of University Park. The groom is the son of Mrs. Marva Jean Underwood of Winters.

Serving as ushers were Jeff Grindstaff, Grant Swartzwelder, and Bruce Tidmore. The ring bearer was Jackson Foley, son of the bride.

A reception was held in the garden of Hotel Crescent Court, which was filled with all varieties of pink roses, as well as Shabby Chic upholstered furniture and vintage painted furniture. A Shabby Chic fabric tent surrounded a recreation of the proposal location at the groom's ranch.

The bride is a graduate of Highland Park High School. She attained her bachelor of business administration and bachelor of fine arts degrees at Southern Methodist University, where she was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. She is the owner of Room Service by Ann Fox, a retail interior design shop, and also is the regional editor of Country Home magazine.

The groom is a graduate of Winters High School and received his bachelor of architecture degree from Texas Tech University. He is the owner of The Underwood Company, which specializes in both residential and commercial building and renovating.

Following a wedding trip to Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, the newlyweds will live in University Park.

HOSPITAL, continued

urged attendees to contact them personally within the next two weeks to express their opinions about the tax rate and the hospital.

Within the next six weeks there will be more public meetings held to keep the taxpayers informed.

Board members are Randall Sneed, Charlie Brown, Jack

Davis, Jr., Doug Wheat, Tobin Burns and Roger Kruse who was appointed to fill the vacancy left when Gary Pinkerton resigned about three weeks ago. There is still one vacancy on the board.

For more information, contact North Runnels Hospital at 754-4553.

Reunion Time

Dean & Gibbs families host annual reunion

The families of the late Dave and Lillie Dean and L.B. and Jodie Gibbs held their annual family reunion on Saturday, August 18, 2001, at The Rock Hotel Heritage Center.

L.B. Gibbs and Jodie B. Dean were married February 20, 1920. The Dean and Gibbs families have held reunions together for several years.

Those attending were: Ralph T. and Leona Morton of Cisco; Anna Lee Smith of Odessa; Georgia Gibbs of Crews; Horace Gibbs of Rising Star; and Jim Conditt of

Odessa.

Also were: Norma Jo Sudduth of Winters; Wayne and Linda Gibbs of Sidney; Leon Gibbs of Blanket; and Connie Mac and Jean Gibbs, Kenny Saffron, Tana, and Lane Gibbs, and Mark, Tammy, and Haley Kaczyk, all of Winters.

In addition were: Vaden Dean of Tuscola; Bo and Lear Kay Randolph of Midland; Jerry and Pennie Dean, Royce and Betty Griffin, and Arthur and Juanita Dean of Big Spring.

Miles Cotton Festival planned for September 8

Fun, fun, fun is the word for the annual Miles Cotton Festival to be held on Saturday, September 8, in Miles.

The all-day activities include a cookoff with over \$1,000 given away in prize money; a parade; arts and crafts; children's games; washer pitching; entertainment; tug of war; queen's contest; and, to

round out the activities, a boot-scootin'-under-the-stars street dance with music by Nashville recording artist Waylon Pierce. Also available for purchase will be food items for breakfast, a noon meal in the historic Miles Opera House, and a barbecue supper.

For more information, call 914-486-3611 or 468-3001 or check <www.milestexas.com>.

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WHS Classes of 1955 & 1956 to host reunion in September

The Winters High School classes of 1955 and 1956 will host a joint reunion on Saturday, September 15, at The Rock Hotel.

Registration begins at 11 a.m. and class pictures will be taken at 11:30 a.m. A noon luncheon will be catered by Bo's Southwest Grill.

Contact for the Class of '55 is Jan Hurley Boggan in

Abilene at (915)673-7708. Marlene Smith, (915)754-4961, is the contact for the Class of '56.

Classmates from other WHS classes are welcome to drop by for a visit.

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Social Security Rep. in Winters on August 27

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his August visit to Winters. He will be at the Winters Housing Project Office on Monday, August 27, between 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

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

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

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August 27-31
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Breakfast

- Monday-Aug. 27**
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Cereal
Juice
- Tuesday-Aug. 28**
Blueberry Muffins
Cereal
Juice
- Wednesday-Aug. 29**
Pig-in-a-Blanket
Juice
- Thursday-Aug. 30**
Toaster Strudel
Cereal
Juice
- Friday-Aug. 31**
Cereal
Cinnamon Toast
Juice

Lunch

- Monday-Aug. 27**
Hamburger
Pickles & Onions
French Fries
Pears
- Tuesday-Aug. 28**
Peanut Butter Cookies
Chicken Spaghetti
Creamed Peas
Tossed Salad
Garlic Bread
Brownie
- Wednesday-Aug. 29**
Steak Fingers
Mashed Potatoes
Fried Okra
Hot Roll
Apple Crisp
- Thursday-Aug. 30**
Goulash
Sliced Potatoes
Carrots
Cornbread
Cinnamon Roll
- Friday-Aug. 31**
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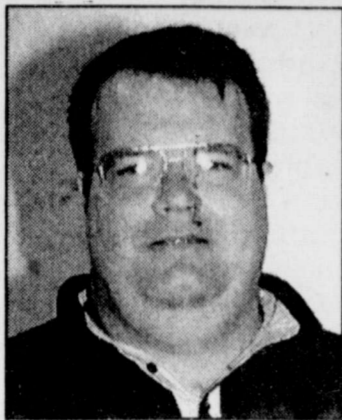
AUGUST 23-30, 2001

- Thursday, Aug. 23**
8AM, Senior Portraits by Hennington, Auditorium
- 5PM, Scrimmage, at Merkel
- Saturday, Aug. 25**
7:30-10:30PM, Back-to-School Bash, BHS Cafe
- Monday, Aug. 27**
6-8:30PM, Marching Band practice, Band Hall
- 7-8PM, Winters Secondary Meet-the-Teachers, WHS Auditorium
- Thursday, Aug. 30**
6:30PM, JV vs. Menard, Blizard Stadium



School Days, School Days

Phillip Mooney Band Director



Phillip Mooney was hired August 1, 2001, by Winters Independent School District to serve as band director for grades 5 through 12.

"I am proud to be the band director here in Winters," says Mooney.

Mr. Mooney is a graduate of McMurry University in Abilene, where he received a bachelor of business admin-

istration in music education. His post graduate study focused on trumpet performance. He held principle trumpet positions with Abilene, San Angelo, and Big Spring symphonies while attending college.

Mr. Mooney has previously taught for 8 years including five years at Rising Star and one year each at Dublin, DeLeon, and Clyde.

His hobbies include computers, old cars, and, of course, keeping up with his two kids.

He and wife Karen have one daughter and one son. Nina is four, and Sean is two. The family is Methodist.

"I want to thank everyone who has been so kind and helpful since my family has moved here," concludes Mr. Mooney.

Secondary "Meet the Teachers" scheduled for Monday night

Winters Secondary Schools invite all parents to attend the first "Meet the Teacher Night" of the year on Monday, August 27, 2001, at 7 p.m.

A brief meeting will be held in the auditorium before parents are dismissed to go to their children's classes. Each class will meet approximately 10 minutes with a five minute passing period. Parents are encouraged to bring their child's

daily class schedule for reference.

Teachers will discuss their classrooms and expectations.

Since time will be limited, parents are asked to speak individually, if needed, with the teacher during a scheduled conference time. Available times will be posted in the classrooms.

The meeting is for both the junior high and high schools.

Band Boosters first meeting is September 17

Band Boosters will meet at 7:00 p.m. at the band hall on the third Monday of every other month, beginning in September.

Meetings are set for:
September 17, 2001
November 19, 2001
January 21, 2002
March 18, 2002.

Directions to Merkel Field

Football fans traveling to Merkel in support of the Winters teams may find the following information useful.

From Abilene on Interstate 20 West as you approach Merkel, take the first exit. Turn left and go under the underpass. You will be on North First Street.

Pass a cemetery and then a blinking light. Turn left at the first intersection onto Ash Street.

Continue approximately 6 blocks to South 7th Street. Turn right on 7th. You should see a "Badger Stadium" sign pointing in the correct direction.

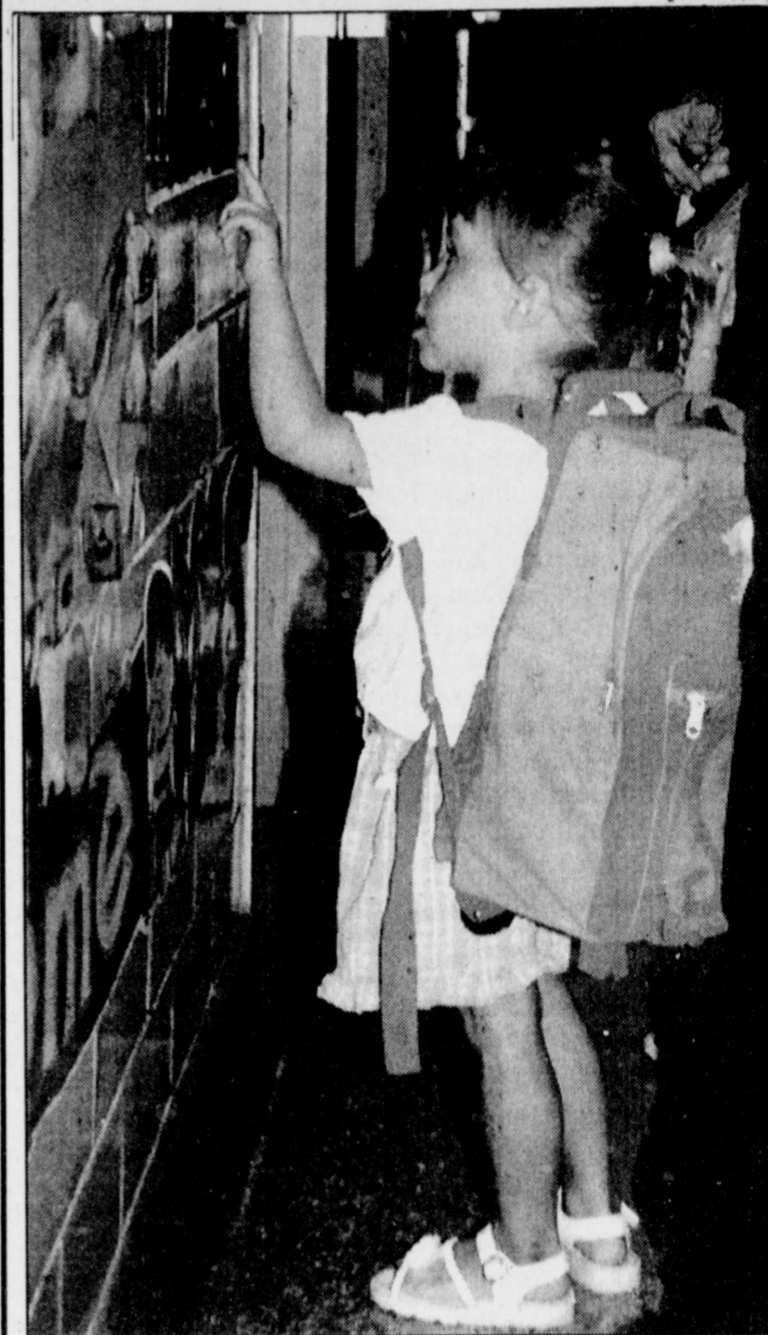
Continue to the intersection of South 7th and Haynes Street where you will enter the parking area.

Winters will sit on the south or farthest side.

As a final reminder, of course, if all else fails: Look for the high stadium lights.

Train your child in the way in which you know you should have gone yourself.

"My name is here somewhere."



ZARA J'NAE HAGLE, age 4, with a backpack almost as big as she is, looks for her name on the list of pre-kindergarten students ready to start their first day of school.

TIPS still has openings in supervised after-school care & homework assistance program

—Seeking increased enrollment—

The Winters Elementary after-school student care program, Terrific Intermediate & Primary Students (TIPS), is underway for the 2001-02 school year with approximately 35 students enrolled.

According to TIPS coordinator Fran Kidwell, the program in past years has had as many as 160 students, and would be ideally suited for 75-90 students at this time.

Enrollment declined last year when the homework assistance portion of the program was eliminated due to the lack of funding. But Kidwell is pleased to announce that the homework assistance service has once again become a vital element of the TIPS program.

Students are provided a nutritional snack immediately following the close of school before being taken to grade appropriate classrooms for help with their homework.

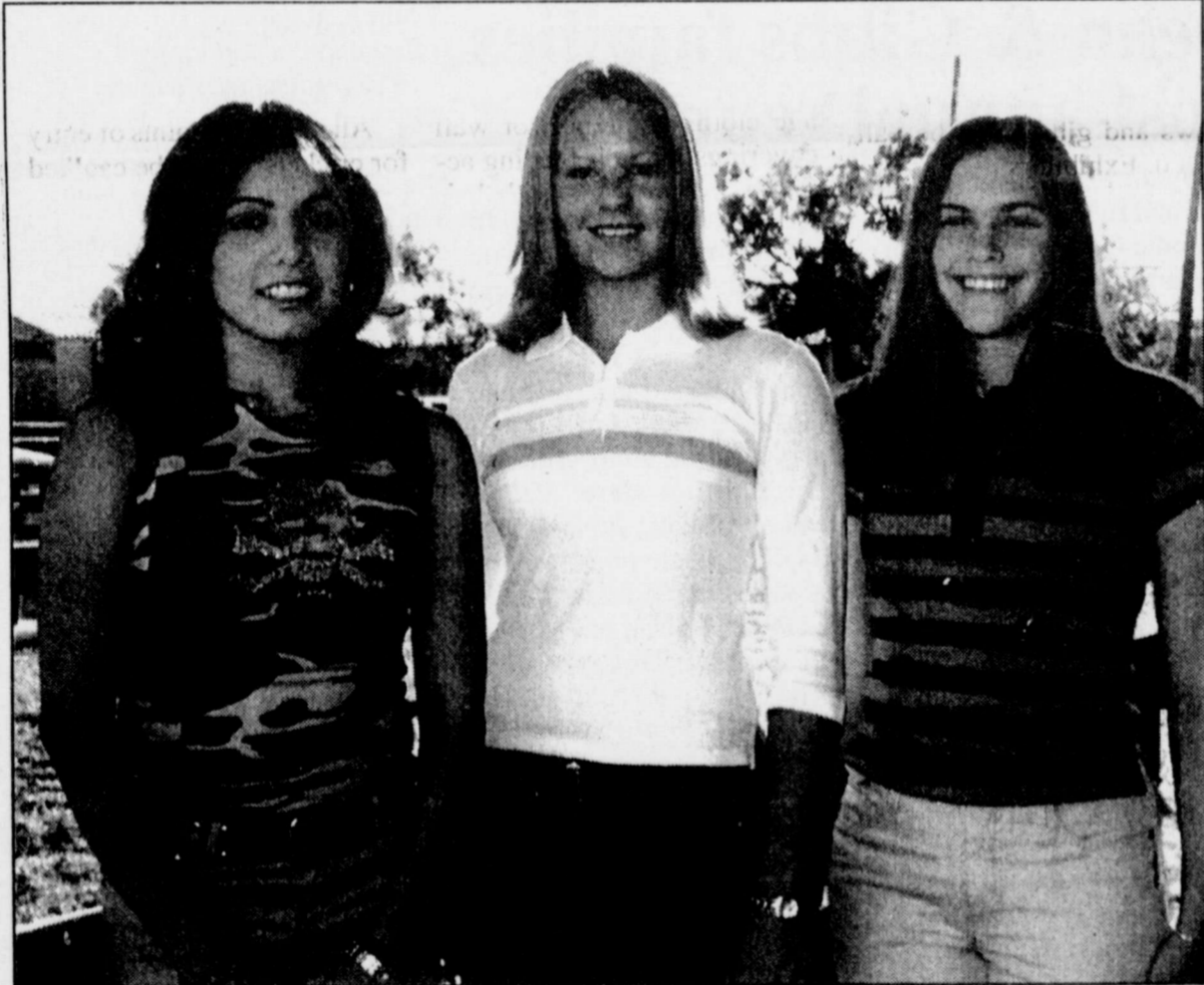
After completing their homework and having the assignments checked by staff for

errors and corrections, students have the opportunity for supervised outdoor recreation or play activities inside the building as well as videos. Parents are asked to pick their children up no later than 5:30 p.m.

Kidwell encourages any parent who has not already enrolled their children in the after-school TIPS program to do so, stressing the importance of structured supervision and staff initiated homework assistance.

"We would really like for the parents of these Winters Elementary students to utilize the TIPS program for the well being of their children," said Kidwell. "We can make sure the kiddos are receiving a nutritious snack as well as getting their homework finished and done right."

Cost of the program is based on whether the students are on the regular or free/reduced lunch program. For more information contact Winters Elementary at 754-5577.



THREE WHS BLITZ STAFF MEMBERS won Awards of Excellence at this summer's Interscholastic League Press Conference held at the University of Texas from June 15-18. Those receiving awards were (l-r) Juanita Armendariz for Excellence in Design, Lacey Meyer for Outstanding Eye for Design, and Briana Parramore for Feature Writing.

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Allergy and sinus are two of the most common health complaints in the U.S., affecting as many as 30-50 million people a year.

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EXEMPLARY continued

ing of 98.3% compared to 100% in 2000.

"This is all due to the great efforts by teachers and students at Winters High School," said Cathey. "I know some parents think we may be too tough on the kids and their grades, but this (exemplary rating) is what we're striving for."

Winters High School had received an academically recognized rating for the past three years.

Winters Junior High students rated 90.3% in reading—up significantly from 77.3% in 2000. Math scores rated 90.5% compared to 98.9% last year. Writing scores were at 73.3% in 2001, up from 61.9% a year ago.

WJHS has rated academically acceptable three of the past four years. They were academically recognized in 1999.

While Winters Elementary met the minimum standards for an academically recognized rating in the All Student group, some of the subgroups in the reading and writing categories

were unable to achieve the necessary 80% rating.

Elementary students rated 83.0% in reading compared to 83.2% last year. They scored significantly higher as an All Student group in math, scoring a 94.8% this year compared to 83.3% in 2000. In writing, the elementary students dropped somewhat in comparison to last year's rating of 89.1% with a 80.9% in 2001.

"Mr. Clack is going to take us through a vertical alignment...and through that process we'll go through a curriculum assessment to see what programs are working and which are not," said new elementary principal Todd Newberry. "Through that process we'll evaluate our programs at Winters Elementary."

"The purpose is to improve our test scores AND be sure we are teaching students what we need to be teaching them," he added. "We can score well (on the standardized tests), but are the students learning what they need to know?"

Elsewhere across Runnels County, Ballinger received an exemplary rating as a district with both the junior and elementary schools earning an exemplary rating while the high school was academically recognized.

Miles was academically acceptable as a district with an acceptable rating in the high school, and a recognized rating at Miles Elementary.

Olfen Elementary received and exemplary rating.

Of Texas' 7,400 campuses, 1,567 earned the highest rating of exemplary up from last year's 1,296. The exemplary rating was given to 178 school districts in 2001, compared to 168 this time last year. Acceptable ratings were issued to 2,476 schools and 398 school districts.

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For information call

Mary Wilkerson, elementary counselor, at 754-5577.

Outdoors

Extension News & Views

by Marty Gibbs, Extension Agent-AG

28th Annual Sheep & Goat Field Day set for Sept. 6

State Representative Rob Junell is the scheduled keynote speaker for this year's 28th annual Sheep and Goat Field Day on September 6 at the Texas A&M University Research and Extension Center in San Angelo.

The center is north of San Angelo on U.S. Highway 87. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. followed by field tours at 9:30 a.m.

Junell is to speak at 2 p.m. on Texas water issues and how actions taken by the 77th Legislature will affect the future of West Texas water.

The morning's five-stop tour includes the introduction of a new interactive compact disc sheep production series authored by Dr. Ed Huston, the center's range nutritionist. The

CD offers novice and veteran producers alike a quick reference covering a wide variety of sheep management topics. Dr. Andres de la Concha, another San Angelo researcher, will update producers on sore mouth cases in meat goats previously vaccinated against the disease.

Dr. Frank Craddock, Texas Cooperative Extension sheep and goat specialist, will man a stop dealing with the growing hair sheep industry. Other tour speakers and their topics include: "Desert Termite/Grass Die Off/Rangeland Monitoring," Dr. Darrell Ueckert, San Angelo range researcher and

Dr. Allan McGinty, San Angelo range specialist; "Sheep Production," Dr. Tom Spencer,

reproductive physiologist based at Texas A&M; and "Wildlife Food - Cottonseed and Spineless Pear," Dr. Charles "Butch" Taylor, Sonora Station superintendent.

A noon lunch catered by San Angeloan Kenny Blaneck will cost \$8 per person.

The afternoon program offers industry updates from the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, National Sheep Improvement Center, Mohair Council of America, Ranchers' Lamb, and the Sheep and Goat Predator Management Board.

Junell will conclude the day's activities with his scheduled 2 p.m. address.

For further information, call (915) 653-4576 or try the site <<http://sanangelo.tamu.edu/>>.

Commissioner Combs at Wall to discuss agricultural issues

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs has announced that the Texas Department of Agriculture will host a series of town hall meetings in September and October throughout the state. Commissioner Combs will meet with farmers, ranchers, rural economic development and community leaders, and local citizens to discuss issues that are affecting the agricultural industry and rural Texas.

The Tom Green County town hall meeting will be at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sep-

tember 12, at the Saint Ambrose Parish, 8602 Loop 570, Wall. The meeting is free and open to the public from Tom Green and the surrounding counties.

"I want to hear firsthand what's on the minds of the farmers, ranchers, citizens, and leaders of our communities," Combs said. "I want to know about issues affecting them, their families, and their community and to hear their ideas and solutions for the future."

"Rural Texas and agriculture are vital to the entire state, and by working together we

can address issues such as water, marketing, federal initiatives, rural economic development, and drought," Combs said. "By letting us know what you need or want, we can tackle these issues and concerns together to ensure that rural Texas and agriculture thrive."

According to John McFerrin, TDA Producer Relations specialist, no town hall meetings are scheduled for Runnels County. For more information, contact McFerrin at (512) 463-4879.

Pest Management News

by Richard Minzenmayer, Extension Agent-Entomology

Cricket control in the fall

Late summer and fall are when crickets become especially abundant around homes and commercial buildings.

The largest cricket outbreaks seem to occur during years of dry springs and summers. The reason for cricket outbreaks under such conditions is not fully understood; however, less fungal disease among eggs and cricket nymphs may provide a partial explanation. Although crickets can be locally abundant in any year, numbers appear to be highest in August and September when a summer drought is broken by the rainfall and cooler weather.

Field crickets are primarily outdoor insects, and as such are only accidental indoor invaders. Indoors, crickets may damage clothing, drapes, or wall coverings by their feeding activities or by staining with their feces or regurgitations. During severe outbreaks, crickets can create an aesthetically unacceptable situation around places of business. Dead crickets quickly pile up, causing odors, and many people are repelled by the sight of a large number of crickets on walls and sidewalks around offices and stores.

Outdoor lighting is the most important single cause of se-

vere cricket infestations around homes and commercial buildings. Buildings that are brightly lit at night are most likely to attract the largest number of crickets during the fall mating season. Outdoor lights should be turned off as early in the evening as practical or should be replaced with lamps that are less attractive to insects. Low-pressure sodium vapor lamps and yellow incandescent "bug lights" are less attractive to crickets than standard incandescent, fluorescent, mercury vapor, or halogen lights. Floodlights that illuminate homes or buildings, and which are not necessary for security purposes, should be turned off, or the lighting schedule should be restricted to a few hours each night.

All potential points of entry for crickets should be caulked or sealed. Such sites include weep holes, soffits along the eaves of homes, windows, garage doors, etc. Crickets are especially likely to enter cracks and openings around outdoor lights, so check these areas carefully. Steel or brass wool may be stuffed in weep holes as temporary insect barriers, while allowing continued air circulation.

Crickets around building perimeters can be killed with

any of several insecticidal baits and sprays. Baits are granular products that include a food that is tasty for crickets. They should be applied to ground covers and other areas where crickets are congregating next to buildings. Baits for crickets include products containing hydramethylnon (Masforce® and Combat® granular ant and cricket baits), metaldehyde, carbaryl (Green Light Bug and Snail Bait), and trichlorfon (Larva-Lur™).

Liquid insecticide sprays may be applied to outdoor sites around weep holes, doorways, windows, and other cricket entryways. Indoor sprays are not very effective for field crickets and are not recommended.

Cricket control with insecticides should be considered as only a partial solution to cricket problems. Insecticides should be used in combination with reductions in outdoor lighting for best control. When crickets are drawn to lighted buildings at night, they will continue to cause problems, regardless of the amounts of insecticides used. The heaviest cricket mating flights usually last only 1-2 weeks, although crickets will continue to remain active for many weeks, until cold weather arrives.

Winters couple attends A&M Beef Conference

Don and Gene Davis attended the three-day Texas A&M Beef Cattle Short Course held August 6-8, 2001.

The theme of the conference was "It was the Best of Times, It was the Worst of Times." The conference covered different aspects of basic ranch management and production. The Davis's attended the workshop entitled "Grazing Management."

Two main concerns kept cropping up during the entire conference. One was the devastation that either "Mad Cow" or "Hoof and Mouth" disease would have on the beef indus-

try if either of these pathogens somehow entered the United States.

The other concern was the negative impact on the industry of the prolonged drought both financially and the detrimental effect the drought has on the vegetative base. One of the most informed persons was Dr. Jim McGrann who covered beef cattle performances and financial record management. This fellow has helped various cattle producers throughout Texas figure their cost and return from 300,000 to 400,000 cattle.

McGrann indicated it would

be hard for a person to believe the losses that have occurred. These losses have happened even though the demand for beef is up and beef prices for the producer are still good.

Tag orders for swine due September 6

State swine validation is planned agains this fall for the 2001-02 stock show season. However, validation tags must be ordered in early September.

All swine that will be shown at local, county, and major stock shows, including barrows and gilts, must be validated. Exhibitors need to designate how many gilt and barrow tags will be needed. Gilt tags will be \$2 and barrow tags are priced at \$7 each.

Anyone planning on exhibiting swine under Runnels County 4-H, must contact the Extension Office at 365-2219, before 5 p.m., Thursday, September 6, with the number of tags for their order.

Winters FFA exhibitors should contact Roy Shackelford, FFA advisor, at 754-5516.

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Today's Category: **SINGERS' LAST NAMES**

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Law & Order

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF RUNNELS BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE

DATED August 7, 2001, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree or Order for Issuance of Tax Warrant dated July 11, 2001 by the District Court of Runnels County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 3864, and styled County of Runnels vs. The Unknown Heirs to the Estate of E.S. Landers, deceased, Ralph Landers, Heir to the Estate of F.D. Landers, deceased, Ida Pearl Whited, Heir to the Estate of F.D. Landers, deceased, Belinda Willis McDonnell, Heir to the Estate of Ruth Landers Willis, deceased, Debbie Willis Bazzel, Heir to the Estate of Ruth Landers Willis, deceased, Glenda Folsom McNeill aka Glenda McNeill (In Rem Only), Heir to the Estate of Rubye Folsom, deceased, Sam Folsom (In Rem Only), Heir to the Estate of Rubye Folsom, deceased, Dolores Folsom Barnes aka Dody Barnes (In Rem Only), Heir to the estate of Rubye Folsom, deceased, The Unknown Heirs to the Estate of J.W. Taylor, deceased (In Rem Only), the Unknown Heirs to the Estate of Merl Taylor, deceased (In Rem Only), Marshall Rister aka Ricky Rister (In Rem Only), J.W. Taylor aka Trampus Taylor (In Rem Only), Wardell Long, Retha Long aka Retha Mozelle Long, The Unknown Heirs to the Estate of Woodrow W. Nichols, deceased, Charles Nichols, Heir to the Estate of Woodrow W. Nichols, deceased, Gregorio Tamez aka Greg Tamez, Lupita T. Martinez, Dixie Shivers, C.A. Smith and Naomi Smith, and in Cause No. 4103, and styled County of Runnels vs. The Unknown Heirs to the Estate of E.S. Landers, deceased, Ralph Landers, Heir to the Estate of F.D. Landers, deceased, Ida Pearl Whited, Heir to the Estate of F.D. Landers, deceased, Belinda Willis McDonnell, Heir to the Estate of Ruth Landers Willis, deceased,

Richard Willis, Heir to the Estate of Ruth Landers Willis, deceased, Rubye Folsom, Heir to the Estate of Mrs. Ella Landers Morrison, deceased, Glenda Folsom McNeill aka Glenda McNeill, Heir to the Estate of Rubye Folsom, deceased, Dolores Folsom Barnes aka Dody Barnes, Heir to the Estate of Rubye Folsom, deceased, The Unknown Heirs to the Estate of J.W. Taylor, deceased, The Unknown Heirs to the Estate of Merl Taylor, deceased, Julie Taylor Thompson aka Julie Thompson, Marshall Rister aka Ricky Rister, and J.W. Taylor aka Trampus Taylor, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on August 7, 2001, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in September 2001, the same being the 4th day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Ballinger, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Runnels and the State of Texas, to-wit: A 95'x208' tract of land out of Abstract 130, Section 449, J. Early Survey, Wingate, Runnels County, Texas, being that property more particularly described in Volume 127, Page 121 of the Deed Records, Runnels County, Texas; One acre of land out of Abstract 176, Section 450, L. Forsythe Survey, Town of Wingate, Runnels County, Texas, being that property more particularly described in Volume 11, Page 296 of the Deed Records, Runnels County, Texas; Lot 7, Block 7, Southside Addition to the City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas, being that property more particularly described in Volume 492, Page 619, of the Deed Records, Runnels County, Texas; Lot 8,

Block 7, Southside Addition to the City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas, being that property more particularly described in Volume 369, Page 15, of the Deed Records, Runnels County, Texas; An 82'x240', more or less, tract of land off of the north side of the south one-half of a tract of land described by metes and bounds in Volume 130, Page 62, of the Deed Records, Runnels County, Texas, being that property more particularly described and assessed on the tax rolls of this jurisdiction; A 50'x240', more or less, tract of land off of the south side of the south one-half of a tract of land described by metes and bounds in Volume 130, Page 62, of the Deed Records, Runnels County, Texas, being that property more particularly described and assessed on the tax rolls of this jurisdiction, or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs. DATED August 7, 2001, at Ballinger, Texas. By Bill Baird, SHERIFF Runnels County, Texas

12-32(3tc)

Official Records

**County Court
Marriage Licenses Issued
August 14**
Michael Don Pena and Stacey Lynn Belcher

**District Court
Divorce Cases Filed
Aug. 15**
Rachel Ornelaz vs. Richard Ornelaz, Jr.

Aug. 16
James Clayton Springer vs. Rachel Diane Springer

Aug. 17
Debra Lynn Smetana vs. Ralph John Smetana, Jr.

**Civil Cases Filed
Aug. 6**
In Re: Order for Foreclosure concerning: John M. Wells and Terri R. Wells and 301 Ave. B, Ballinger, Texas 76821, Home equity foreclosure suit

**Justice of the Peace
Precinct 1
Felony Cases Filed
Aug. 9**

Gregorio Cano Morales, burglary of a habitation with intent to commit felony

Aug. 18
John Thomas Cheesman, aggravated sexual assault to a child

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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.

The following information comes from Winters Police Department reports received and/or investigated from Sunday, August 12, 2001, through Saturday, August 18, 2001. Winters Police Officers:

* received report of a burglary in the 200 block of E. Broadway Street. A Winters female reported finding a window forced open and evidence that someone had been in her home while she was away. Witnesses identified several female suspects, and officers contacted the females. One female, a 16-year-old of Winters, admitted to entering the home to use the telephone. Investigation revealed no items were taken so the female suspect is being charged with criminal trespass. There was no burglary.

* received report of a forgery in the 300 block of Bluebonnet. A 20-year-old female of Winters alleged that another 20-year-old female of Winters had forged her signature on a cancelled checking account. Investigation revealed that no forgery occurred, but the females knowingly used the closed account to pay their bills. Charges for theft by check may be filed on both females.

* received report of vandalism in the 200 block of Roselane. A Winters female reported finding a tire on her vehicle had been cut, resulting in at least \$100 damage. This case is under investigation as criminal mischief.

* received a report of a male subject at North Runnels Hospital who was injured. Investigation revealed the male, a 19-year-old of Winters, was cut during a fight that occurred in the county. The male was also found to have been consuming alcoholic beverages and was issued a citation was minor in consumption of alcohol. The information was turned over to the Runnels County Sheriff's Office.

* stopped a 1988 Isuzu Trooper on State Highway 153 for a traffic violation. A license check of the driver revealed two outstanding warrants out of Travis County for a probation violation and theft by check. Jacob Atkinson of Austin was taken to Runnels County Jail for the warrants.

* received report of a suspicious vehicle parked at an anhydrous tank on West Highway 153. Officers located the vehicle on Highway 153 which had been stopped by two citizens. After interviewing the occupants, the W.P.D. Narcotics K-9 was called and a subsequent search by the K-9 revealed methamphetamines hidden inside the suspect vehicle. Numerous items were used in the manufacture of methamphetamines were found and confiscated inside the vehicle. All three occupants of the vehicle, identified as Laciasha Douglas of Coleman, Cindy Watts of Coleman, and Ricky Eldred of Santa Anna, were charged with transfer of precursor substance for unlawful manufacture and possession of a controlled substance. All three were taken to Runnels County Jail.

Legal Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Board of Directors of North Runnels Hospital will meet Monday, August 27, 2001, at 7 p.m. at North Runnels Hospital, to adopt the proposed budget for the fiscal year 6/30/02.

Public notice is hereby given as required by law, and any person desiring to discuss the proposed budget is invited to attend.

12-34(1tc)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

To the public and Albert Jonas & Brandy Sheppard, Pursuant to Section 59.044 of the Texas Property Code, notice is hereby given of public sale of the contents of Boxes 52, 54, & 57 of the storage facility located at the northeast corner of North Main and Novice Road in Winters, TX. The stor-

ages are held in the names of Albert Jonas (52 & 54) and Brandy Sheppard (57), and the contents will be sold to satisfy a contractual landlord's lien. The sale will be conducted at 10:00 a.m. at the above named location on August 31, 2001. All items will be sold for cash.

12-33(2tc)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Runnels County Appraisal District Budget

The Runnels County Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 2002 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on September 10, 2001, 12 noon, at the Appraisal District office, 406 Hutchings Avenue, Ballinger, Texas.

A summary of the Appraisal District budget follows:

Total of proposed budget	\$270,365
Amount of increase over current budget	\$ 3,390
Number of employees under proposed budget	5 full-time 1 part-time
Number of employees under current budget	5 full-time 1 part-time

The Appraisal District is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the Appraisal District.

If approved by the Appraisal District Board of Directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, and cities served by the Appraisal District.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the Appraisal District office.

**Runnels County Appraisal District
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NOTICE OF EFFECTIVE TAX RATE

2001 Property Tax Rates in Runnels County

This notice concerns 2001 property tax rates for RUNNELS COUNTY. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case, these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	General Fund	Special Road/Bridge Fund
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 2,153,171	\$ 187,232
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 211,042	\$ 0
Last year's total taxes	\$ 2,364,213	\$ 187,232
Last year's tax base	\$ 312,053,728	\$ 312,053,728
Last year's total tax rate	\$.75763/\$100	\$.06000/\$100
This year's effective tax rate:		
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 2,147,549	\$ 170,446
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 320,179,121	\$ 320,179,121
= This year's effective tax rate for each fund	\$.67073/\$100	\$.05323/\$100
Total effective tax rate	\$.72396/\$100	
x 1.03=maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	\$.74567/\$100	
This year's rollback tax rate:		
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$ 2,246,752	\$ 461,314
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 320,179,121	\$ 320,179,121
= This year's effective operating rate	\$.70172/\$100	\$.14408/\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$.75785/\$100	\$.15560/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$.06364/\$100	\$.06364/\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	\$.82149/\$100	\$.21924/\$100
This year's total rollback rate	\$1.04073/\$100	

A county that collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, including one that collects the tax for the first time this year, must insert the following lines:

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$.09329/\$100
= Rollback tax rate	\$.94744/\$100

For a county with additional rollback rate for enhanced indigent health care:

+ Additional rate for EIHC	\$.00150/\$100
= Rollback tax rate	\$.94894/\$100

STATEMENT OF INCREASE/DECREASE

If RUNNELS COUNTY adopts a 2001 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$.72396 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2000 taxes by \$20,995.

SCHEDULE A: General Fund - Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
General	\$386,687
R&B	\$248,751

SCHEDULE B: 2001 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amount for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
JAIL BOND	\$85,000	\$122,875	\$2,000	\$209,875
Total required for 2001 debt service				\$ 209,875
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				\$ 0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$ 0
- Excess collections last year				\$ 10,000
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2001				\$ 199,875
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 96% of its taxes in 2001				\$ 8,328
= Total debt levy				\$ 208,203

SCHEDULE C: Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax

In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive \$305,187 in additional sales and use tax revenues. The county has excluded any amount that is or will be distributed for economic development grants from this amount of expected sales tax revenue.

SCHEDULE F: Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures

Runnels County spent \$4,814 from Jan. 01 to Dec. 01 on enhanced indigent health care at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is \$4,814.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 201 S. BROADWAY, BALLINGER.

Name of person preparing this notice: **ROBIN BURGESS**
Title: **RUNNELS COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR**
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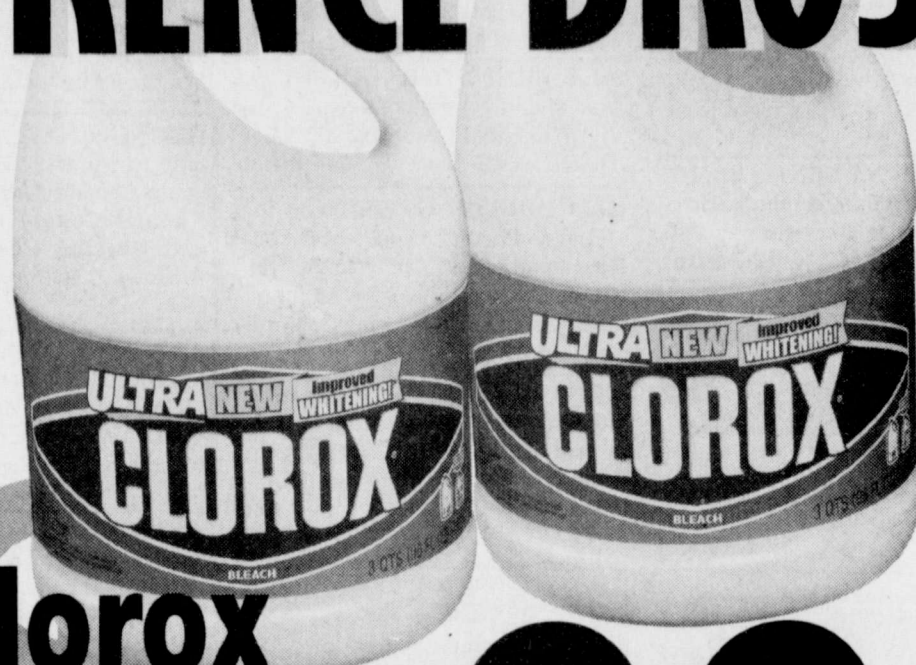
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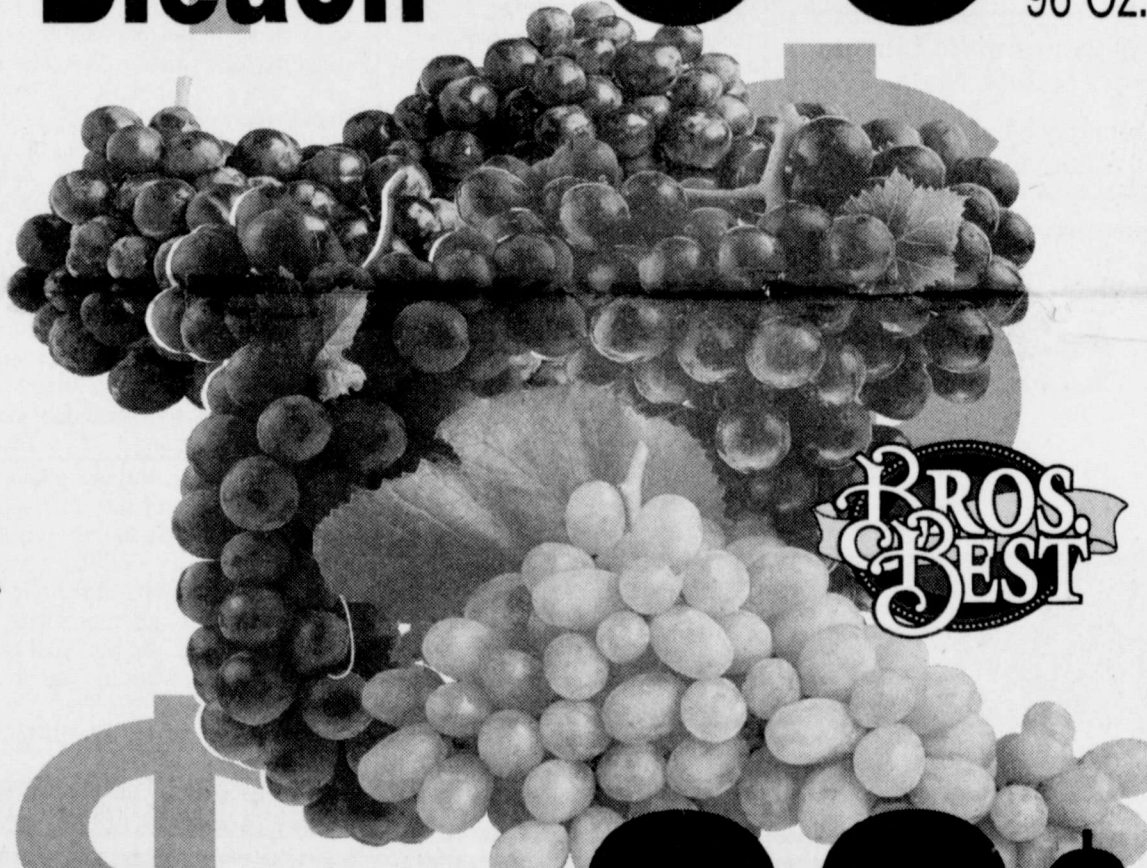
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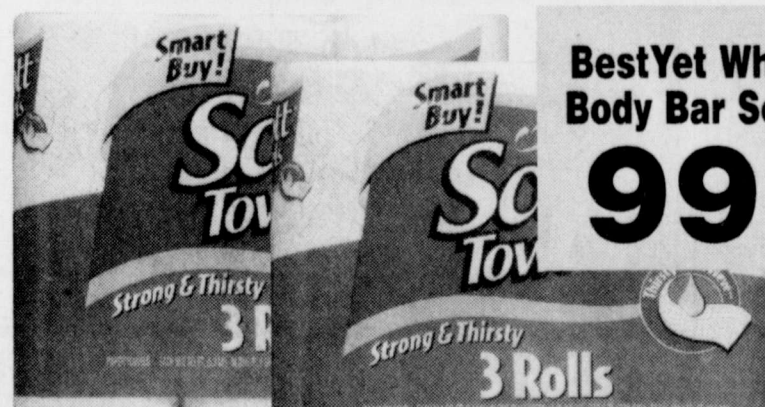


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