

NEWS at a glance

Pearls of Wisdom— God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea.

Psalm 46:1-2

Letters to the Editor

One Runnels County Commissioner responds to last week's story concerning the commissioners' decision on the budget.

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Mazeland reunion planned

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Celebrating the Red, White & Blue

Winters Elementary students affirm that God has blessed America despite recent terroristic attacks on the U.S.A.

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Blizzard mascot recognized

Ben E. Keith Foods names the Blizzard mascot as one of their Top Ten favorite mascots in the state.

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WHS teams struggle against Wall

All Winters secondary football teams recorded losses in last week's action against the Wall Hawks.

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Did cloud seeding brings rains?

The RSWCD will hold a Zone 5 director election on Wednesday, followed by a program about cloud seeding in Runnels County.

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Interim doctors available October 1

Dick Stout, Administrator of North Runnels Hospital, reports that physicians have been contracted through Southwest Medical Associates of Rockport, Texas, to provide coverage for the hospital's emergency room and to provide services in Dr. Lee's clinic building.

The clinic coverage will be provided in the office formerly utilized by Keith Boles, M.D. Both Dr. Lee and Dr. Boles are in the process of closing their practices. Dr. Lee is retiring after 27 years of practice in Winters. Dr. Boles has taken a position with Scott & White Clinic in McGregor, Texas.

According to Stout, starting Monday, October 1, 2001, appointments can be made to see the physician in Dr. Lee's clinic building by calling the hospital at 754-4553, or in person after Monday, October 1. Stout said these contracted physicians will give the community more time to recruit

new doctors. A delegation from Winters attended Health-Find in Austin September 15 and 16, to meet with and attempt to locate new physicians for Winters. "We came away with some very good possibilities," Stout said. "Two different physicians interested in establishing prac-

tics in Winters have toured the practice site within the past two weeks. In the meantime, the search will continue to find doctors interested in practicing medicine full time." The office of Jerry Biddix, M.D. is open from 9 a.m. to noon during the week at 206 E. Dale.

Lt. Russell Parramore awarded wings



LT. RUSSELL PARRAMORE is shown with his father Robert following his Winging Ceremony on Friday, September 7, 2001, at the Corpus Christi Naval Air Station. Robert also served in the Air Force as a Staff Sgt. and is a Vietnam Veteran.

Lt. Russell Parramore received his pilot's slot on Thanksgiving Day 1999 while stationed with the United States Air Force at Prince Sultan Air Base in Saudi Arabia. He was awarded his wings on September 7, 2001, at the Corpus Christi Na-

vel Air Station in Texas. Lt. Parramore was one of only two pilots recognized on the Commodore's List for Academic Achievement. Nineteen pilots received their wings. Following his tour of duty in Saudi Arabia, he was stationed at the Pensacola Naval

Air Station in Florida for Aviation Preflight Indoctrination. While there, he was awarded the Captain's List for Academic Performance as well as the Navy's Pistol and Rifle Expert Medals.

He was then transferred to Whiting Field Naval Air Station, also located in Florida, where he trained in T-34 C Turbos.

Next he trained in T-44 A at the Corpus Christi Naval Station in Texas. He has received his orders to attend survival training in Washington. He will report to C130 training in Little Rock, Arkansas, November 28, 2001.

Though commissioned in the Air Force, Lt. Parramore received all of his pilot training in the Navy pilot program. He will be promoted to the rank of Captain in October.

Lt. Parramore is the son of Robert and Rhea Parramore of Winters. He is a 1993 graduate of Winters High School and 1997 graduate of Angelo State University.

He and his wife Pam have a son, Samuel, age 10 months.

Council denies request by Housing Authority

During the regular meeting of the Winters City Council on September 24, Debra Lindsey, manager of the Winters Housing Authority, requested a water rate exemption and variance.

Lindsey presented the Council with two months' water bills and showed that they averaged \$319 higher due to increased water rates. She continued to explain that in sixty-eight housing units 158,000 gallons of water were used in one month. According to Lindsey, this averages 3,200 gallons per family unit.

The normal limit is 8,000 gallons per residential unit before the increased rate is applied. Lindsey used this argument to request that the Housing Authority rates be considered for an exemption.

The City's argument was that the Housing Authority is a commercial entity and the 40,000 gallon limit per commercial unit is applicable.

Lindsey also argued that the Housing Authority is a part of the City of Winters since board members are appointed by the City Council and it was origi-

nally chartered by the City of Winters.

The Council, however, denied Lindsey's request and promised to "revisit" the situation in two months.

Brian McGonagill, Winters Police Chief, requested two computers be purchased for the police department. He informed the Council that the present computers in the department are unable to run current housing units 158,000 gallons of water were used in one month. According to Lindsey, this averages 3,200 gallons per family unit.

The Council asked McGonagill if this is in the current budget for the police department and he confirmed that it is. The Council, upon advice by City Attorney Ken Slimp, saw no reason to have to approve this purchase; therefore, no action was taken.

In other action, the Council approved the demolition of a house at 412 East Pierce after it had been determined that all proper notices had been published and mailed.

City employees began this See CITY, page 3

Special plans in motion at WHS for Patriotic Day

Searching for enlistees with local ties

Winters High School Student Council is making plans for a large Patriotic Celebration on Monday, November 12, in conjunction with Veterans Day and the recent U.S. terroristic attacks. All WISD schools will assemble at the WHS flag pole at 8 a.m.

A group of Jerry Awalt's World Geography students have made a huge globe of the world as a class project. The Student Council would like to hear from WHS graduates and others affiliated with the Winters area who are currently enlisted in the military. Pins with the enlistee's name, year of See PATRIOTIC, page 8



"DESPERATE FOR GOD" was the theme of this year's See You At The Pole worship celebration at 7:00 a.m. on September 19. Students, faculty and local citizens circled the flag poles in front of Winters High School, facing outward to signify "reaching others." Flags were flown at half-mast in honor of those who perished in the terrorist attacks of September 11. The special student-initiated and student-led prayer service was part of a nation-wide gathering that began in 1990, and also includes twenty countries around the world.

After 30 years "Jack Rabbit" gets diploma Ceremonies at WHS Oct. 12

The WHS Class of 1970 and Winters community friends and family are invited to attend graduation ceremonies for James "Jack Rabbit" Greer on Friday, October 12.

The ceremony will be held in the WHS Auditorium at 10:25 a.m. on Homecoming morning. A reception will follow the ceremony at the high school.

Greer was a member of the Class of '70 and 1969 state champion in the broad jump while at WHS. At last year's 30th class reunion Greer told former classmates that just days before graduation in 1970

he was told he did not have enough credits to graduate. He shared his disappointment in not getting to graduate with his class.

After the reunion, some members of his class began working to determine what it would take for Jack Rabbit to earn a diploma. A request was submitted to the Texas Education Agency in Austin for a review of his transcript to determine what he lacked.

Officials notified the classmates that Jack Rabbit actually had sufficient credits to warrant a diploma. Bill Cathey, Winters High School principal,

then ordered a diploma for Greer.

If you are members of the Class of 1970, please contact Thomas Chapmond at (512)327-1430, 1706 Mistywood Dr., Austin, 78746-7802 or <Tchapmond@austin.r.com> or Donny Killough at (915)767-3676, P.O. Box 735, Winters, 79567-0735 or <killough@taylorlortel.com>, if you will be able to attend so a section of the auditorium can be reserved for the class.

If you are unable to attend and would like to send a card or letter to Jack Rabbit, they will see he receives them.



WINTERS PHYSICIANS, Dr. Y. K. Lee (left) and Dr. Keith Boles, were honored with a reception Friday, September 21, at North Runnels Home Health Agency. Dr. Boles, who has practiced in Winters for the past two years, has taken a position with Scott & White Clinic in McGregor, Texas. Dr. Lee is retiring after practicing in Winters for the past 27 years.

Opinion

Oil Bidness

by Reg Boles ©2001



We don't usually consider the future of oil prices this time of year, but these are truly special circumstances. Just what might happen in the next several months? Future trends may be anything but obvious.

To an outside observer, any trouble in the Middle East might be viewed as bullish for oil prices. And, in fact, oil prices have experienced some short-lived spikes, especially early in this new world. The first impression is that supplies could be disrupted and demand would be shortchanged, resulting in much higher prices. But, it is more complicated than that, I'm afraid.

What if an economic downturn dampens supply? Prices might go down instead of up! How likely is that and when might that happen? Or, is that just wishful thinking for those that would benefit from lower prices?

Here are some views that are in the industry press that will give you an overview of the possibilities:

Idea One: Prices spike then collapse. Actual damage to oil fields or disruption in supply lines cause prices to skyrocket. But, prices rise so much, that fuel switching and a world recession, aided by higher energy prices, cause supply to slacken and prices collapse.

Idea Two: Price strength followed by slower decline. Uncertainty pushes prices up a few dollars per barrel and they stay a while. Buyers build stocks of crude in fear of supply losses, but, when those stocks reach certain levels, the market sees that large stockpile as a negative for prices. Some of those stocks are released into the market or displace new oil sales and prices start to weaken to low twenties at a gradual pace over the next twelve months.

Idea Three: Price weakness followed by recovery. Worries about the world economy depress prices, and, as demand slackens due to a real recession, prices fall faster. As prices threaten to go below

\$20, OPEC steps in and reduces supply pushing prices back up to current levels.

Idea Four: Prices collapse to less than \$20 and stay there. While not many expect this, there is a possibility that a quick resolution to the current situation would cause the market to panic that oil is overpriced. This would push prices down before OPEC could affect a change in market psychology. And, a return to good times could open Iraq and Iran to sales on the open world market that would push supply well above current demand.

As I mentioned, it is anything but straightforward. But, now you are armed with several views about what might happen.

One warning: it wouldn't be the first time everybody was wrong.

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY

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Card of Thanks

We would like to thank our children and grandchildren: Archie and Doylene Jobe, Lori and Davy Winkler and Amber and Austin Jobe; Byron Douglas and Jeri Jobe and Allyson, Donnie, and Stacy Jobe; and Carey and Becky Jobe and Cade and Kearci Jobe for the wonderful 50th wedding anniversary reception.

We would also like to thank all the others for attending our reception and for the gifts, cards and phone calls.

Sincerely,
Byron and Ruth Jobe

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Obituaries

Neva Joyce Hamilton Stevens



SAN ANGELO—Neva Joyce Hamilton Stevens, 69, died Tuesday, September 18, 2001, at her son's residence in San Angelo.

She was born October 1, 1931, in Winters to Raymond and Elois Hickson Hamilton and graduated from Winters High School in 1949.

Ms. Stevens is descended from two Rannels County pioneer families, the Claytons and the Wilkersons. She was a homemaker and a bookkeeper for several businesses in Winters. Ms. Stevens was a lifelong Methodist, a Democrat, and a devoted mother and grandmother.

Survivors include three sons, Randy Stevens of Midland, Ronnie Stevens and wife Carole of San Angelo, and Roger Stevens and wife Pamela of San Angelo; one brother, Durward Hamilton of Winters; one sister, Ferrell Dean Hamner of Winters; six grandsons, Matthew and Skylar Stevens of Lubbock, Rex and Ryan Stevens of San Angelo, and Cody and Tanner Stevens of Wimberley; one granddaughter, Taylor Stevens of San Angelo; one niece; and three nephews.

Family visitation was at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 19, at Winters Funeral Home. Services were at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, September 20, at the First United Methodist Church in Winters with the Reverends Georgia Orr and Ron Sutto officiating. Burial followed in the Northview Cemetery in Winters, directed by the Winters Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Matthew Stevens, Skylar Stevens, Rex Stevens, Ryan Stevens, Jim Hamilton, and Dennis Hamilton.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of San Angelo, 36 E. Twohigh Avenue, San Angelo, Texas 76904.

Lola A. James



WINTERS—Lola A. James, 87, died Thursday, September 20, 2001 at Our House Retirement Center in Winters.

She was born April 13, 1914 in Moro, where she started school and graduated from Bradshaw High School in 1934. She married Virgil W. James March 8, 1937 in Abilene. They lived in the Moro community until 1943, moving to Plainview, Abilene, Wilmeth and Big Springs before moving to Winters in 1953.

Mrs. James was a homemaker and a member of Southside Baptist Church in Winters.

Survivors include two daughters, Noleta Rice and husband Roy of Winters and Virgie Wade and husband Elwood of Winters; two sisters-in-law, Eloise Shaffer of Alameda, California and Lou Shaffer of San Angelo; three grandchildren, Dana Wade, Charles Rice, and Lana Martin; and four great-grandchildren, Christopher and Caylene Rice and Madison and Mason Martin.

Family visitation was at 7:30 p.m. Friday, September 21, at the Winters Funeral Home. Services were held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, September 22, 2001 at Southside Baptist Church with Reverends Ferris Akins and Dwayne Andrus officiating. Burial followed in Lakeview Cemetery in Winters directed by the Winters Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Verlon Reid, Clyde Reid, Cal Walters, J.W. Almond, Russell Green, Bud Hicks, Sam Nix, Calvin Helm, and Mike Duke.

Memorials can be made to the Southside Baptist Church in Winters.

L.G. Richard Sherman

JUNCTION—L.G. Richard Sherman, 68, formerly of Winters, died Thursday, September 20, 2001 in a San Antonio hospital.

He was born August 9, 1933 in Wilmeth and was raised in Wilmeth and Winters. He married Joyce Townsend February 27, 1959 in Mexico. They moved to Junction in 1987.

Mr. Sherman worked in the oil fields and was a member of the Junction Truth Tabernacle.

Survivors include two sons, Joe Sherman and Jerry Sherman, both of Ft. Collins, Colorado; three daughters, Sherry Tinney of Junction, Donna Sherman of San Antonio, and Sabrina Manchaca of Del Rio; one brother, Milton Sherman of Winters; one sister, Shirley Massingale of Midland; seven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, September 23, 2001 in Lakeview Cemetery in Winters with Mike Henderson officiating directed by the Winters Funeral Home.

Letters to the Editor

Resident asks about prayers in schools

Dear Editor:

Would it be okay . . .
NOW that our president has called on us to PRAY . . .
NOW that Congress has called on us to PRAY . . .
NOW that our government has called us to PRAY . . .
NOW that the mayors have called us to PRAY . . .
NOW that the "liberal" media and most other branches of our American Society have called us to PRAY . . .
NOW that our churches are assembling to PRAY . . .

So, NOW, honorable justices of the Supreme Court, I have only one question —

Would it be okay to PRAY in our schools NOW???

"PRAY" is a four-letter word you can say anywhere except in our public schools.

An American citizen and Christian,

J. P. Drake

Winters, Texas

Commissioner provides details of County's decisions

A proposed health care insurance increase, estimated to be 20% higher than last year's premium, made the preparation of the annual budget more difficult this year. The Commissioners Court did not want to raise the County's tax rate. Through long meetings and intense debates, the Commissioners Court developed a budget and an insurance plan that enabled the County to slightly lower the tax rate. To do this, and to benefit the taxpayers in the future, the Court made some tough decisions regarding employee health care insurance.

The Commissioners Court chose a health care insurance plan that has slightly lower benefits than the previous year. The plan selected had a 14.9% increase over last year's policy, rather than the predicted 20% increase.

The Commissioners Court decided to provide health care insurance only to full time employees and no longer provide coverage for employees' dependents. Rannels County has furnished health care insurance to full time employees and their dependents since November 1, 1962. The dependent's insurance was provided at no cost to the employees, as part of their benefits. On many occasions, the County paid increased health care premiums rather than giving pay raises to employees.

The Commissioners Court decided to adjust full time employees' salaries so they could buy dependent health care insurance from a provider that they chose, with one option being to buy coverage from the County's provider, through a payroll deduction. We reached what we felt was a fair dollar amount for this adjustment. However, our insurance provider warned that under our plan, too many dependents would purchase cheaper health care insurance elsewhere, or not purchase health care insurance at all, which would cause our rates to go up as much as \$150,000 by this December.

Through a compromise within the Commissioners Court and with the health care See COMMISSIONER, pg.5

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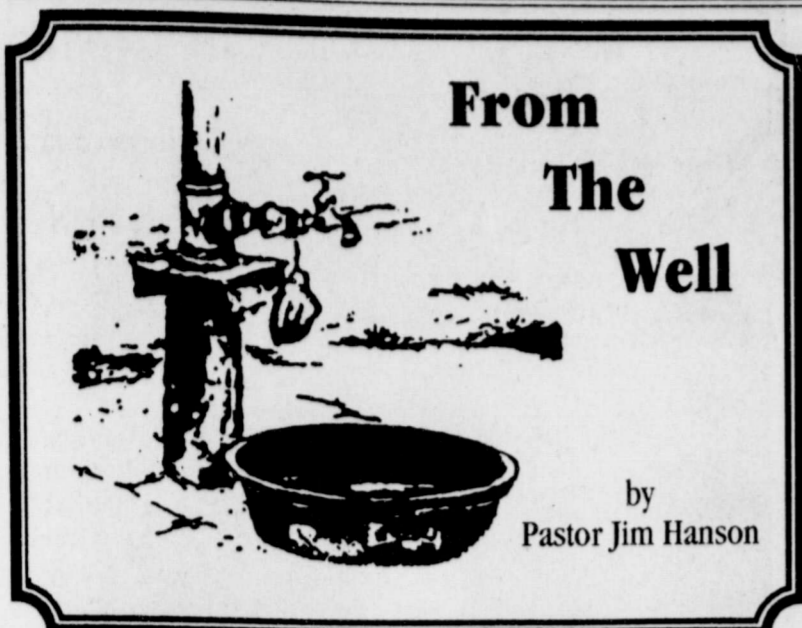
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Community



From The Well

by Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

Well, we are in another war. The first of this century. In my lifetime, in the century just past, there were four: WWII, the Korean War, Vietnam, the Gulf War. Prior to them, WWI. And now "The War Against Terrorists." This one is different. We are still not absolutely

sure who is the chief perpetrator. We don't know how many accomplices he has, or where they are. We do know that a number have been here in the U.S., and that there are probably some still here.

Whereas, before, the terrorists often held some folks as hostages, it seems to me, at the present time, we are the hostages. At any moment, any place, and by anyone, we could be killed.

And, they are not stupid. Think of it. They destroyed two buildings, the Twin Towers, and part of the Pentagon. By ingenious methods. They used our commercial airplanes—that cost them nothing. They held the passengers and flight crew hostage with the most primitive weapons—plastic handheld box knives. They coordinated the attack. And they failed in only one part of the mission—the plane that went down in Pennsylvania.

And, they were not in a hurry. They spent years in preparation, training their pilots in our schools. They had some trained in engineering. The way they brought down the "towers" in New York was a lesson in implosion. They took their time.

And, because they were so focused and so intelligent they not only killed 5,000 or more innocent people—men, women, and children—they struck a real blow at our economy. The airlines—which have become our fastest and best form of transportation—are scrambling to survive. Imagine—no—no imagine, think of it. They shut the airlines down. Like paralyzing the arms and legs of a person. Billions of dollars will have to go into the recovery program.

By comparison, they needed little money. They just took their time, sneaked into our systems, and were willing to die in order to destroy their enemies. And it seems to be quite certain that they aren't through with us.

Don't get me wrong! I am not congratulating our enemy. I am devastated. My future on this planet is as uncertain as yours. My heart goes out to those fathers and mothers, brothers and sisters, husbands and wives, children—who were in a matter of minutes crushed and flattened into the powder of this rubble. And my prayers go up for them.

What are we to make of this? Where was God in all of this? What are we to do?

For sure—pray. And pray without ceasing. Pray for our leaders, that they will be led by the Spirit of God. Support them in their decisions. Pray for our fellow citizens that we will not become paralyzed with fear. Pray for ourselves. That we will not "give in or give up." Even—pray for our enemies, that God "would deliver them from the power of the evil one."

For, for certain, this devilish action was conceived in the mind of Satan—the great deceiver, the murderer, the father of lies—who is very much alive and well on planet earth. So, for those of us who bear the name of Jesus Christ, "we are not contending against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world, rulers of this present darkness, against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places." (Ephesians 6:12). And in the verses that follow, "take the whole armor of God."

And, in the words of the hymn, "How firm a foundation," stanza 2. "Fear not, I am with you, oh be not dismayed, for I am your God and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand."

And, remember, "the most violent act" in human history took place on a tall cross, between two thieves, when the Son of God was killed by religious, political, and national leaders—and a mob. But He rose again, on the third day. And by His power and in His name, we too, can rise again. As the people of God. And as a nation "under God."



AUSTIN JOBE (left) and GARY MOORE unwrap delicious brisket cooked in one of the large smokers belonging to the West Texas Rehab Chuck Wagon team. Local chairmen, B. J. Colburn, Dennis McBeth and Archie Jobe, said approximately 200 people were served at the Sept. 16 lunch which netted the Rehab \$3,300. The project was underwritten by Valley Creek Construction, Wingate Gin, Security State Bank, State National Bank, Guy's Dirt, Dry Manufacturing, PPS, Bluff Creek Simmentals, Scotty Belew and B. J. Colburn. Businesses that donated to the auction were Bob Loyd L.P. Gas, Bahlman Chevrolet, Bahlman Jewelers, Carl's Texaco, Contico, Raymond's Clip Joing, Higginbotham's, and Hank and Jane Bourdo. Winters FFA members served during the meal.

WSL plans football meal

The Winters Women's Service League met on Tuesday, September 18, at the Winters Public Library.

Topics of discussion were upcoming fund-raising events including a football meal. The meal will consist of hand-breaded chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, homemade rolls, homemade desserts, and tea. In addition, the club will sponsor booths at the Booster Club Halloween Carnival on Saturday, October 27.

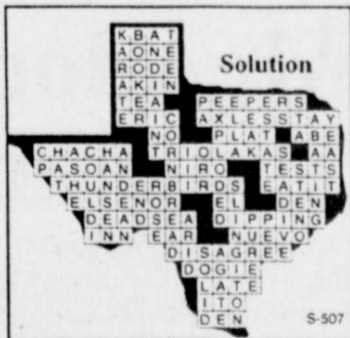
Hostesses Tammy Kaczyk and Shanna Bear provided a

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demolition Tuesday morning, September 25.

Present for Monday night's meeting were Councilmen Tommy Russell, Mike Meyer, Steve Esquivel, Jimmy Butler, and Hank Bourdo, Mayor Dawson McGuffin, Attorney Ken Slimp, Water Superintendent Jack Davis, Jr.

City Manager Aref Hassan was absent due to illness.



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picnic theme and meal complete with red and white checkered tablecloths. They served Subway sandwiches, chips, dips, cream puffs, and lemonade.

Members present were the hostesses and Kayleen Bergman, Stephanie Collins, Carla Hooper, Christy Lindley, Mandy Mostad, Kyra Newberry, Rosie Patton, Tami Richards, and Tammy Young.

In June & July—Food Pantry served 216

The Winters Food Pantry served 30 families (113 people) in June and 32 families (103 people) in July.

The Relief Fund helped families with \$192.90 in expenses in June and \$134.90 in July.

Volunteers are needed to occasionally pick up food at the Abilene Food Bank for the Winters Food Pantry, as well as for services at the Outreach Center on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Maudella Reeves at 754-2036.

Reverend Bob Jones of the Winters Assembly of God Church is chairman of the Winters Ministerial Alliance that heads the Outreach Center and Food Pantry. He can be reached at 754-5400.

Classifieds Get Results

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- Sept. 27-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 5 p.m., Hale Museum Board
- Elementary Book Fair, WISD Elementary Library
- Sept. 28-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco
- Sept. 29-10:30 a.m., Big Country Youth Day, Hardin-Simmons University
- Sept. 30-6 p.m., "Focus on Family" Video Series, Church of Christ
- Oct. 1-9 a.m.-4 p.m., WIC, Winters Housing Authority
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 7:30 p.m., Ballinger Masonic Lodge
- Oct. 2-9 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
- 3 p.m., Friends of Hale Museum, Rock Hotel
- 5:30 p.m., Junior Parents Meeting, WISD Cafeteria
- 7 p.m., Athletic Boosters, Blizzard Field
- 7 p.m., American Legion, Legion Hall
- 7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station
- 7 p.m., AA, First United Methodist Church
- Oct. 3-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Windmill Enterprises
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Oct. 4-8 a.m., Zone 5 Runnels Soil & Water Conservation District Election, Winters Community Center
- 10 a.m.-Noon & 1:30-3 p.m., Immunization Clinic, Dept. of Health
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 6 p.m., Chamber Directors, Chamber Office

Mazeland homecoming set for Saturday, October 6

by Manning Fairbatter

Once upon a time, long, long ago, there was a place called Wilmeth. In this place was a school called Mazeland. It was a very small school, but it was a good school. This school had trustees and teachers who worked hard to educate children from first through eighth grade.

There was no air conditioning and the heat came from big, round, coal-fired stoves. Water fountains were outside by the water tanks, and restrooms were at the back two corners of the school ground.

The building had four large rooms and a hall down the middle. One room boasted grades one through four and one teacher and twenty-four to thirty students. Grades five and six occupied a room with one teacher, seven and eight had one teacher, who also served as principal. The fourth room was the cafeteria, where a good meal cost a dime.

This may sound dismal in the year 2001, but this school had some very important advantages: (1) Citizens and

trustees loved the school enough to keep it in repair, to search for teachers, to pay what they could, and to teach their children respect for the teachers. (2) Teachers who accepted the challenge of large classes with mixed grades, a drive of thirteen miles over somewhat graveled roads, low pay with no benefits, all the while expecting—no!—requiring students to learn.

Folks of Wilmeth did the best they could with what they had until 1944. The Great Depression and WWII took their toll and other factors were causing small schools to close.

The best part of this little story is, it hasn't ended. The efforts of those folks long ago produced many good, successful people who are carrying on traditions learned long, long ago at a little school called MAZELAND.

The Mazeland homecoming will be Saturday, October 6, 2001, at the Winters Community Center. Anyone wishing to come and celebrate with us will welcome.

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BLESSED WITH BEAUTIFUL VOICES this Winters Elementary duo of (l-r) Julie England and Haliagh Edge stirred the hearts of the gathered crowd as they pay tribute to America with their rendition of "Voice of Freedom."



AMIDST WARM HUGS AND CLASPED HANDS Winters Elementary students, faculty, staff, and parents sway to "Let There Be Peace On Earth" while closing their patriotic Red, White & Blue Day ceremony last Friday morning.

God has blessed America

by Deb Pritchard, assistant editor

When my 5-year-old son climbed into my lap just four short days after the terroristic attacks on America and sobbed, "Mommy, I don't want that to happen here...will it happen to us?"—I didn't know what to say. For once, I didn't have the answer.

The thought of losing the freedoms we take for granted each day shakes us to the very core. Virtually any and all acts of patriotism and kindness leaves me in tears.

Never more so than last Friday morning when Winters Elementary honored America with a Red, White & Blue Day. Students from pre-kindergarten through the sixth grade proudly sported the colors of our flag—many wearing the likeness to our symbol of freedom in some form or fashion.

As local Boy Scouts raised the American and Texas flags toward the sky only to lower them to half-mast, a lump formed in my throat.

When sixth graders took the microphone to recite original

thoughts about "America I know you..." my eyes grew moist.

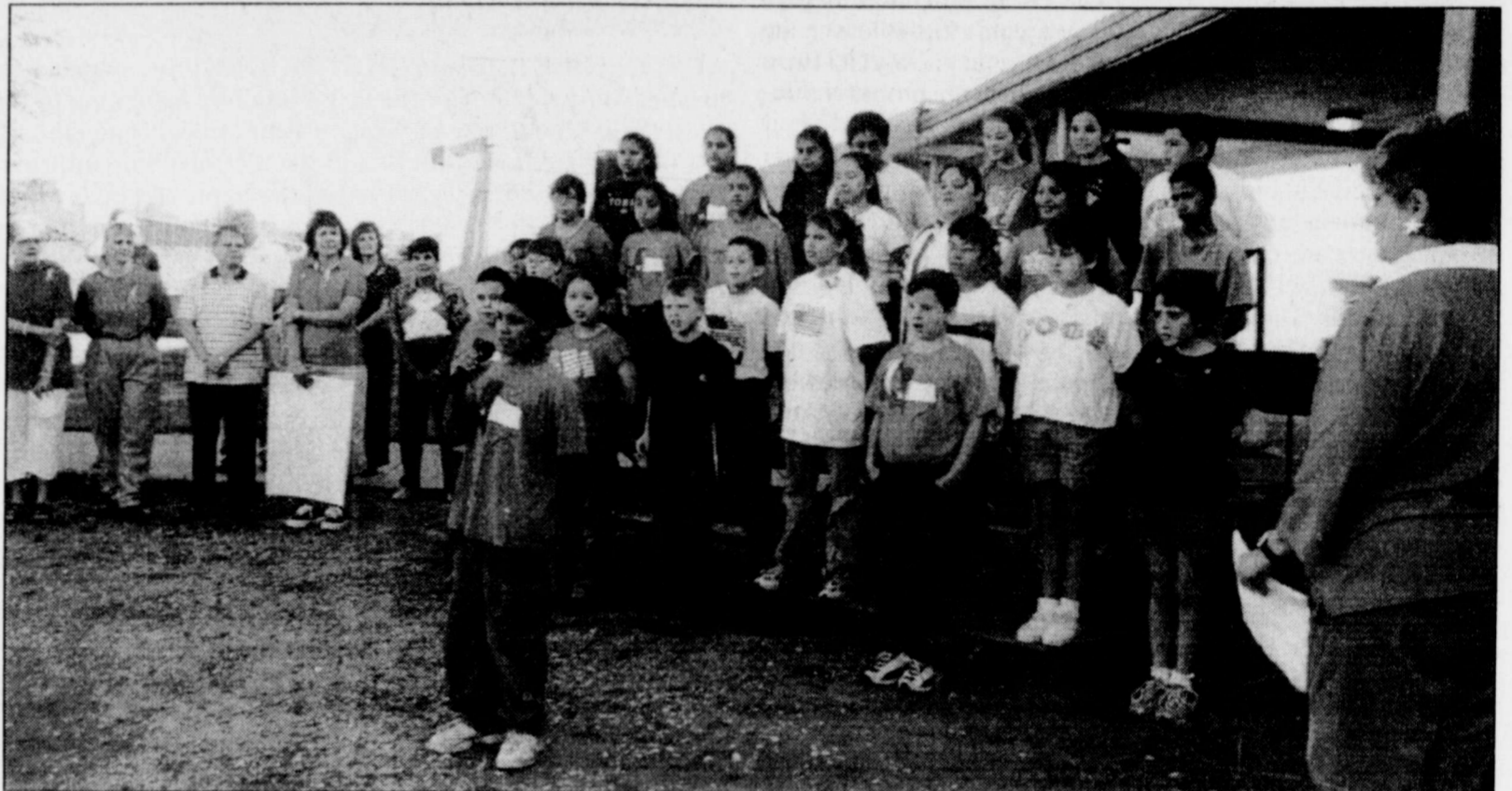
And when WHS trumpeter Veronica Flores flawlessly filled the air with her solo performance of "America the Beautiful," the tears slipped out.

When two little sprouts, no bigger than a minute, belted out "Voice of Freedom" in perfect harmony, I swallowed hard and tried to focus my camera.

When school counselor Mary Wilkerson told the crowd how many pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters these kids had collected in only four days for the American Red Cross, a total that would increase to nearly \$1,100, I cried.

And when faculty, staff, children and parents put their arms around each other and swayed to the words of "Let There Be Peace On Earth," I unashamedly wept...as did others.

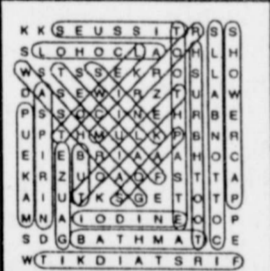
These young children affirmed my faith in God and I'm here to tell you, despite the tragedy we have endured here in the U.S.A., God has blessed America...and He always will.



SIX GRADE MUSIC STUDENTS AT WINTERS ELEMENTARY shared their original creations about "America I know you...you are a friend to me...you are" a variety of heartfelt thoughts and emotions.

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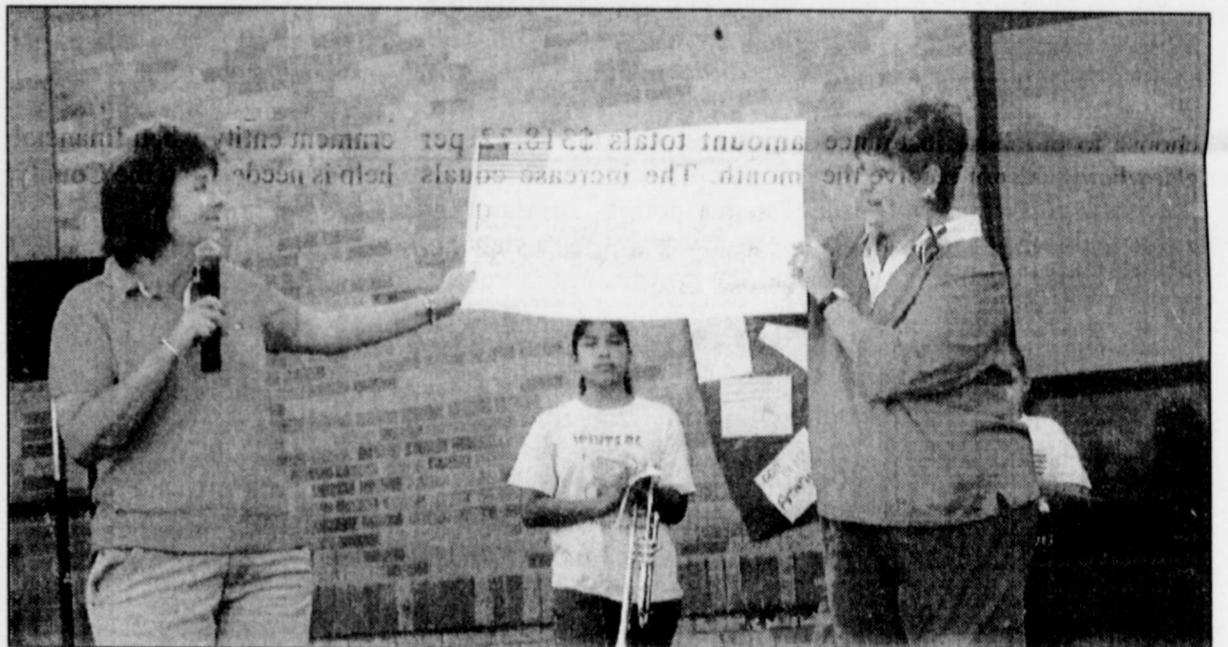
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A CHECK FROM WINTERS ELEMENTARY to the Red Cross would eventually total \$1,088.73 as a result of the youngsters donating change from their piggy banks and pockets last week. Mary Wilkerson and Fran Kidwell hold up a mock check for all students and staff to recognize the results of their efforts in contributing to the U.S. relief fund.

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Public Hearing on Redistricting Proposals

Five members of the seven Board of Trustees for Winters Independent School District are elected from individual single-member districts. According to the 2000 census data, the five trustee districts are not of sufficiently equal population and must be redrawn in order to comply with the "one-person, one-vote" principle established by the U.S. Constitution.

The Winters ISD Board of Trustees is considering new boundaries for its five trustee districts and wants to hear from you. Tell us what you think about preliminary trustee election district plans at the public hearing described below:

PUBLIC HEARING ON REDISTRICTING PROPOSALS
DATE: October 8, 2001
NAME OF LOCATION: Winters ISD Administration Building
ADDRESS: 603 North Heights
TIME: 7:00 p.m.

The preliminary plan will be available at the hearing and is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Administration Building.

You may also call (915)754-5574 if you have any questions.

Audiencia Publica Tocante Propuestas Para Reformular Distritos

Cinco de los siete miembros de la Mesa Directiva del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Winters son electos de cinco distritos de miembro individuos. Según datos del censo 2000, la población de cada uno de los cinco distritos escolares no es suficientemente igual, y tendrán que ser reformuladas para cumplir con el principio de "una persona, un voto" establecido por la Constitución de los Estados Unidos.

La Mesa Directiva del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Winters está por establecer los nuevos límites de sus cinco distritos representativos y desea saber su opinión. Queremos que nos dé su opinión de los planes preliminares para reformulación de los distritos electorales para miembros de la Mesa Directiva. Podrá hacerlo en la audiencia pública anunciada aquí:

AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA TOCANTE PROPUESTAS PARA REFORMULAR DISTRITOS
FECHA: 8 de Octubre, 2001
SITIO: Winters ISD Edificio De Administración
DIRECCIÓN: 603 North Heights
HORA: 7:00 p.m.

El plan preliminar estará disponible en la audiencia, y además el publico podrá repasarlo en horas habiles en el Edificio de Administración.

Tambien puede usted llamar al (915)754-5574 si tiene alguna pregunta.

COMMISSIONER, continued

insurance provider, a second plan was developed. In this plan, each full time employee and each elected official will receive a payroll adjustment of \$268.72 per month. Any full time employee who chooses to purchase dependent health care insurance through payroll deductions may do so, and the County will subsidize that purchase in the amount of \$250 per month. I feel that in future years, the subsidy should be lowered, but to treat the employees fairly, a payroll adjustment (increase) should match the subsidy's adjustment (decrease).

The County is continuing to pay for full time employee's health care insurance and there is no plan to alter that benefit. The changes in health care insurance paid by the County only affect full time employee's dependent health care insurance.

For example, an employee or elected official who has a spouse and eligible children and purchases dependent health care insurance through the County provider, will pay \$542.04 for that coverage. The County will subsidize the purchase in the amount of \$250, leaving a balance owed by the employee of \$292.04. The employee's payroll adjustment of \$268.72 is not going to be enough to make up the difference.

The Commissioners Court made the decision to give a \$50 per month pay raise to full time employees, as well as elected officials. Full time employees will be able to purchase health care insurance for their dependents through payroll deductions and will come close to breaking even (with their income and benefits from last year). Employees without eligible dependents or if they have eligible dependents and choose to purchase insurance elsewhere will not receive the

benefit of the \$250 insurance subsidy. The subsidy should help keep in balance the health care insurance costs to the County for next year.

Some employees, such as single employees, will benefit financially from these adjustments. Most employees will do well to break even. A few employees will lose money, but that should be very few. The County cannot discriminate between married employees, married employees with children, and single employees. That is illegal. It was a challenge for the Commissioners Court to develop a plan that treated the employees as fairly as possible while respecting the pocketbooks of the taxpayers. The plan we developed comes as close to that goal as was possible.

Some County employees and elected officials feel the Commissioners Court let them down. Some of these individuals were quite vocal with their feelings. Most employees and elected officials recognized that it was something that had to be done and were grateful for all the years they had dependent health care insurance provided at no cost.

Recently, in the local newspapers, there was a notice placed by the County, which described a pay increase for elected officials. The County is required by law to give that notice anytime the salary for an elected official is increased. The notice did not state that all full time employees would be receiving the same amount because that notice is not required. The amount shown included the \$268.72 per month payroll adjustment for the loss of paid dependent insurance for eleven months of the upcoming budget year, plus the \$50 per month pay increase for eleven months. That amount totals \$318.72 per month. The increase equals

\$3,505.92 per employee and elected official for the upcoming year. Once again, that increase is for each full time employee and each elected official, not only the elected officials.

Last week (September 20, 2001) an article appeared on the front page of *The Enterprise* that I would like to address. The article was accurate but the headline was misleading. All the members of the Commissioners Court care very strongly for the people of the County and for their future. In the meeting being reported on, there were representatives from three taxing entities present. The entities represented were North Runnels Hospital, Ballinger Memorial Hospital, and the City of Winters. There were three citizens present, not representing an entity. Two of these citizens did not make any comments and the third individual (who came in near the close of the meeting) encouraged the Commissioners Court to continue paying dependent health care coverage for all County employees. There was no act of indifference towards public outcry. There was no public outcry. The member of the Commissioners Court are elected by the public, to represent the public, we are not elected by other taxing entities.

Budgetary requests to the Commissioners Court are almost exclusively either for the County to pay a higher amount to a department, an agency, another government entity, or an organization, or else for an entity to pay a lower amount to the County for a service which the County provides. The County does not have the funds to provide all things to all groups. It would be great to be able to help any group, department, agency, or other government entity when financial help is needed, but the County

(County Taxpayers) cannot afford to do that.

On May 15, 2001, when it appeared to me that there would be financial discussions between the County and the two hospital districts, I filed an Affidavit with the County Clerk in which I stated that under Chapter 171 of the Local Government Code, I would abstain from any discussion, vote, or decision involving the two hospital districts. I am required by law to do this because my wife, Karen Collom (Dr. Rightmire) is affiliated with Ballinger Memorial Hospital, and my brother, Larry Collom (paramedic with the E.M.S.), is affiliated with the North Runnels Hospital.

While some County employees and some individuals affiliated with the hospitals or with city government have made negative statements regarding the Commissioners Court decision on County health care insurance, the response from the public has been very positive. The most common statement made to me has been that the County probably should have made this adjustment a long time ago. It is very easy to give a new benefit to an employee but very difficult to take one away. Especially since that benefit has been provided for 39 years.

This letter to the editor in-



SUSAN MANSELL'S watercolor entitled, "Texas Grill, Hwy 67 South," won a silver medal in the 16th Annual Bosque Conservatory of Art Competition in Clifton, Texas.

tended to clarify the actions and decisions of the Commissioners Court regarding County health care insurance, payroll adjustments, and pay raises, and to provide factual information to the citizens of Runnels County.

Sincerely,
Keith Collom
Runnels County
Commissioner, Pct. 2

Stitchin' Post selling t-shirts for relief effort

The Stitchin' Post in conjunction with the Winters Salvation Army is selling t-shirts to help benefit the relief efforts from the recent terrorist attacks on New York City and the United States.

The ash gray t-shirts feature an American flag along with the words "God Bless America." It also says "Operation Noble Eagle" and has pictures of the Pentagon and

World Trade Center followed by "United We Stand, 9-11-01."

The shirts will be sold at the Stitchin' Post, 123 S. Main, at \$10 for youth small through adult XL. Size 2X will be sold for \$12 and size 3X for \$13. After cost, \$5 from each shirt sale will go to the Winters Salvation Army. In turn they will turn the proceeds over to the New York City relief fund.

In addition, registers will be available at the store for community members to sign with messages in support of the efforts going on in all three cities devastated by the attacks including New York City, Washington, D.C., and Pittsburgh.

Kay Sharpes and her husband Richard own and operate The Stitchin' Post located in downtown Winters.

BOARD RESOLUTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
THE COUNTY OF RUNNELS §

GUIDELINES FOR PERSONS SUBMITTING SPECIFIC REDISTRICTING PROPOSALS

WHEREAS, the Winters Independent School District has certain responsibilities for redistricting under federal and state law including, but not limited to, Amendments 14 and 15 to the United States Constitution, U.S.C.A. (West 1987), and the Voting Rights Act, 42 U.S.C.A. § 1973 et seq. (West 1987 and Supp. 1999); and Tex. Educ. Code Ann. §11.052 (Vernon 1996); and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to provide for the orderly consideration and evaluation of redistricting plans which may come before the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, these guidelines relate to persons who have specific redistricting plans they wish the Board to consider; and

WHEREAS, the Board invites and welcomes any comments relevant to the redistricting process;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that in order to make sure that any plan that might be submitted is of maximum assistance to the Board of Trustees in its decision making process, the Board hereby sets the following guidelines:

- Plans should be submitted in writing. If a plan is submitted orally, there is significant opportunity for misunderstanding, and it is possible that errors may be made in analyzing it. The Board wants to be sure that all proposals be fully and accurately considered. Your cooperation in submitting any plan in writing will be of great assistance.
- Any plan should show the total population and voting age population for Blacks, Hispanics, Asians, and Anglo/other for each proposed trustee district. If a plan is submitted without a population breakdown, the Board may not have sufficient information to give full consideration.
- Plans should be submitted by October 1, 2001. In order to meet the deadlines imposed by state and federal law, the Board will need to adopt a plan no later than February 4, 2002, but the Board's target date for adoption is October 8, 2001.
- Plans should redistrict the entire school district. The Board, of course, will be considering the effect of any plan on the entire school district. Also, Winters Independent School District is subject to the Voting Rights Act, which protects various racial and language minorities. Thus, as a matter of federal law, the Board will be required to consider the effect of any proposal on multiple racial and ethnic groups. If a plan does not redistrict the entire school district, it may be impossible for the Board to assess its impact on one or more protected minority groups.
- Plans should conform to the criteria the Board will be using in drawing the trustee districts.

BE IT SO ORDERED.

Adopted on this 6th day of September, 2001.

WINTERS ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Allen Andrae
ALLEN ANDRAE
President

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Board Secretary

RESOLUCION DE LA MESA DIRECTIVA

ESTADO DE TEJAS §
EL CONDADO DE RUNNELS §

GUIAS PARA PERSONAS QUE SOMETEN PROPUESTAS PARTICULARES DE REFORMACION DE DISTRITOS

CONSIDERANDO QUE, La Mesa Directiva de Winters ISD ("Winters ISD" o el "Distrito") tiene ciertas responsabilidades de reformular los distritos electorales bajo leyes federales y estatales, incluyendo pero no limitándose a las enmiendas 14 y 15 de la Constitución de los Estados Unidos, U.S.C.A. (West 1987), y la Ley del Derecho de Votar, 42 U.S.C.A. § 1973 et. seq. (West 1987 y el Supp. 199); y el Código de Educación en Texas Ann. § 11.052 (Vernon 1996); y

CONSIDERANDO QUE, es necesario proporcionar consideración y evaluación de planes de reformación de distritos que pudieran presentarse al Distrito; y

CONSIDERANDO QUE, estos guías son para personas que tienen planes particulares que desean presentar para consideración del Distrito; y

CONSIDERANDO QUE, el Distrito aprecia cualquier comentario sobre el proceso de reformación de distritos;

AHORA POR LO TANTO SE RESUELVE, que para asegurar que todo plan que se sometería sea de máxima eficacia para el Distrito en su proceso de decidir, el Distrito por lo tanto, establece los siguientes guías:

- Planes deben someterse por escrito. Si un plan se somete verbalmente, hay bastante oportunidad de mal entendimiento, y es posible que haya errores al analizarlo. El Distrito quiere asegurar que toda propuesta se considere plenamente y correctamente. Su cooperación en someter algún plan escrito, ayudaría bastante.
- Todo plan debe incluir la población total y la población de edades para votar de la comunidad Africana Americana, Hispana, Asiática, y Anglo/Otros para cada precinto de los miembros del Winters ISD propuesto. Si algún plan se somete sin detalles de población, pudiera ser que el distrito escolar no tenga suficiente información para considerarlo ampliamente.
- Planes deben someterse para October 1, 2001. Para cumplir con las fechas límite impuestas por leyes estatales y federales, el Distrito debería aprobar el plan a no mas tardar de: February 4, 2002. Pero, el objetivo es aprobarlo October 8, 2001.
- Los planes deben reformar los distritos en el distrito entero. Claro que el Distrito habrá de considerar el impacto de todo plan en el distrito entero. Además el Distrito es sujeta a La ley del Derecho de Votar, que proporciona protección a varios grupos minoritarios por su raza y su idioma. Por ley federal, debería el Distrito considerar el impacto de cualquier propuesta en múltiples grupos raciales y étnicos. Si algún plan no reforma los distritos en el Distrito entero, podría ser imposible que el Distrito asesore su impacto en uno a más de los grupos minoritarios protegidos.
- Los planes deberán ser en conformidad del criterio que el Distrito usará al diseñar los precintos de los miembros del Winters ISD.

QUE ASÍ SE ORDENE

Aprobado este 6th día de September, 2001.

MESA DIRECTIVA DE WINTERS ISD

Allen Andrae
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Presidente

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Secretario/a de la Mesa Directiva

School

Carnival plans underway for annual Booster Club fundraiser

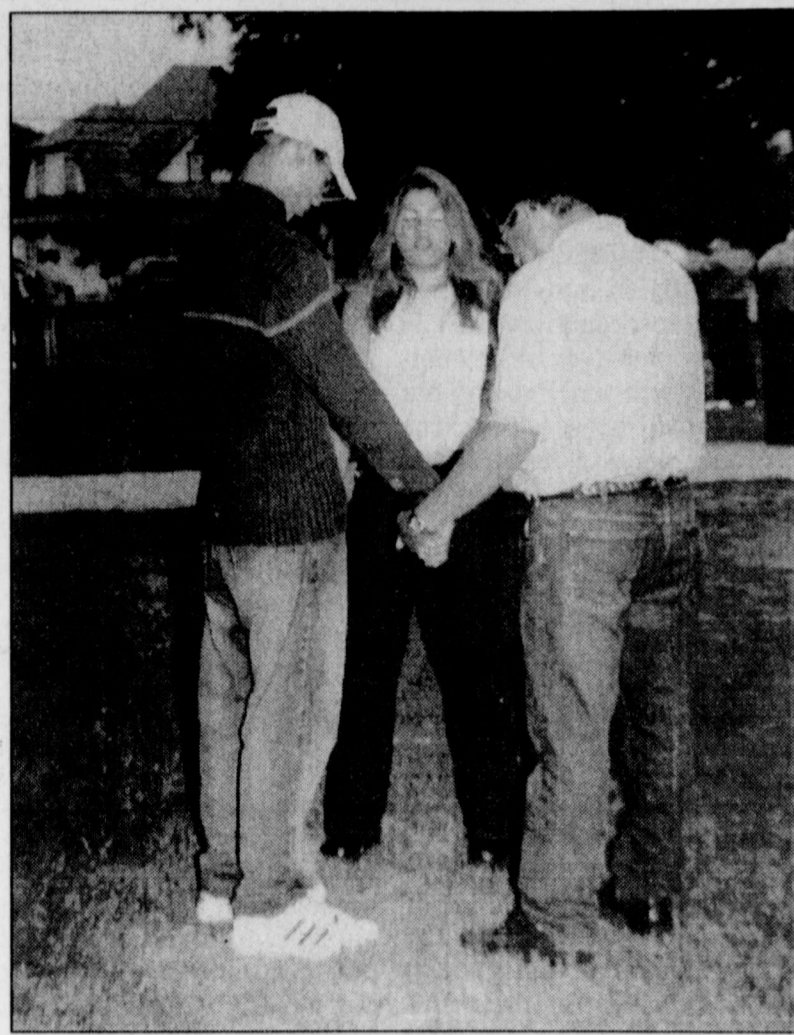
The Winters Athletic Booster Club is making plans for their biggest fund-raising event of the year—the annual Halloween Carnival.

The carnival is scheduled at the Yellow Activity Building for Saturday, October 27, from 6:30-11 p.m. Bingo will begin at 7 p.m.

Any group, organization, or individual who would like to claim the same booth as last year should contact Teresa Davis at 754-5422 by Friday, October 12. Others wishing to secure booth space should also contact Davis.

Always a big hit with the young and old alike, the Halloween Carnival raises needed funds to assist the Booster Club in supporting a variety of athletic and student related activities and projects.

Go Big Blue!



PRAYING PARTNERS, l-r, Max Harrison, Grace Martinez and her dad, Danny Martinez, spend special time during the annual "See You at the Pole" on September 26, on the front lawn of Winters High School.

Junior parents to meet Oct. 2

The Junior class will hold a parent's meeting at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 2, at the WISD cafeteria.

Discussion will be held on class fund-raisers. All parents are encouraged to attend.

For more information call Cheryl Sneed at 767-3988 or Teresa Davis at 754-5422.

Cross-Country teams rained out at Jim Ned

In preparation for the upcoming district meet, the Winters cross-country teams were scheduled to run in the Jim Ned Indian Run last weekend in Tuscola. However upon reading the Saturday morning *Abilene Reporter-News*, Coach Deb Whittenburg found the Indians had cancelled the meet due to recent rains and muddy conditions.

Despite the lack of competition last week, the Blizzards and Lady Blizzards are ready to compete in the Coleman Blue Cat Run at Hords Creek Lake on Saturday. The meet is scheduled to begin at 9:20 a.m.

I've never questioned the integrity of an umpire. Their eyesight, yes.

—Leo Durocher

ACT practice tests available

WHS counselor Charles Murphy wants parents and students to know that sample ACT tests for practice are available in his office. FMI call Murphy at 754-5517.

StuCo takes part in honoring Americans after tragedy

by Mandy Pritchard, student body president

To be unique and individual is to stand out from a crowd... thus, the purpose of student council. Not only do we enforce the qualities to build great character, we lead others in a new direction.

With the help of this year's J.A.I.L. theme, student council officers, representatives, and members have been planning for a successful year.

In respect for those involved in the recent terroristic attacks on America, the WHS Student Council distributed American flags and white ribbons to every fan who attended the Winters vs. Mason football game. While the band played "God Bless America" and the "Na-

tional Anthem," the crowd waved their flags in a show of unity and pride.

Members have also been busy promoting school spirit on Fridays by supporting the cheerleader's spirit themes of the week. Last week, the council passed out Hawaiian leis to every student before the pep rally and dressed for the theme, "Lei out the Hawks!"

The student council is also working on plans for a huge Patriotic Celebration scheduled for Monday, November 12.

The WHS Student Council meets every Tuesday night at 6 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Blizzard mascot makes top ten list in Ben E. Keith newsletter

Ben E. Keith Foods, a national distributor of food supplies, and local supplier to the Winters ISD, has named their Top Ten Favorite Texas High School Mascots.

According to the company, Texas high schools have numerous colorful mascots, and staff writer Roger Pinckney's has chosen the ten best in the state. The Winters Blizzards were ranked number ten on the list of favorites.

Others making the list were:
1. Port Lavaca-Calhoun Sandcrabs

2. Itasca Wampus Cats
3. South Hills Scorpions
4. Port Isabel Tarpons
5. Hutto Hippos
6. Progreso Red Ants
7. Mason Punchers
8. Munday Moguls
9. Robstown Cottonpickers
10. Winters Blizzards

Some of the other schools considered in the favorites list include: Roscoe Plowboys, Springtown Porcupines, Van Vandals, Fredricksburg Battlin' Billies, Frost Polar Bears, and the Hamlin Pied Pipers.

CAFETERIA MENU

Oct. 1-5

Subject to change*

Breakfast

Monday-Oct. 1
Breakfast Bar
Cereal
Juice

Tuesday-Oct. 2
Cinnamon Toast
Cereal
Juice

Wednesday-Oct. 3
Pigs-n-Blanket
Cereal
Juice

Thursday-Oct. 4
French Toast Sticks
Cereal
Juice

Friday-Oct. 5
Cinnamon Roll
Cereal
Juice

Lunch

Monday-Oct. 1
Chicken Spaghetti
English Peas
Tossed Salad
Garlic Bread
Peach Cobbler

Tuesday-Oct. 2
Goulash
Fruit Salad
Fried Squash

Grilled Cheese Sandwich

Chocolate Pudding
Wednesday-Oct. 3
Fried Chicken w/gravy
Potatoes
Green Beans
Hot Rolls
Peaches

Thursday-Oct. 4
Ham
Macaroni & Cheese
Fried Okra
Cornbread

Applesauce Cake
Friday-Oct. 5
Burritos w/chili & cheese
French Fries
Corn
Brownies

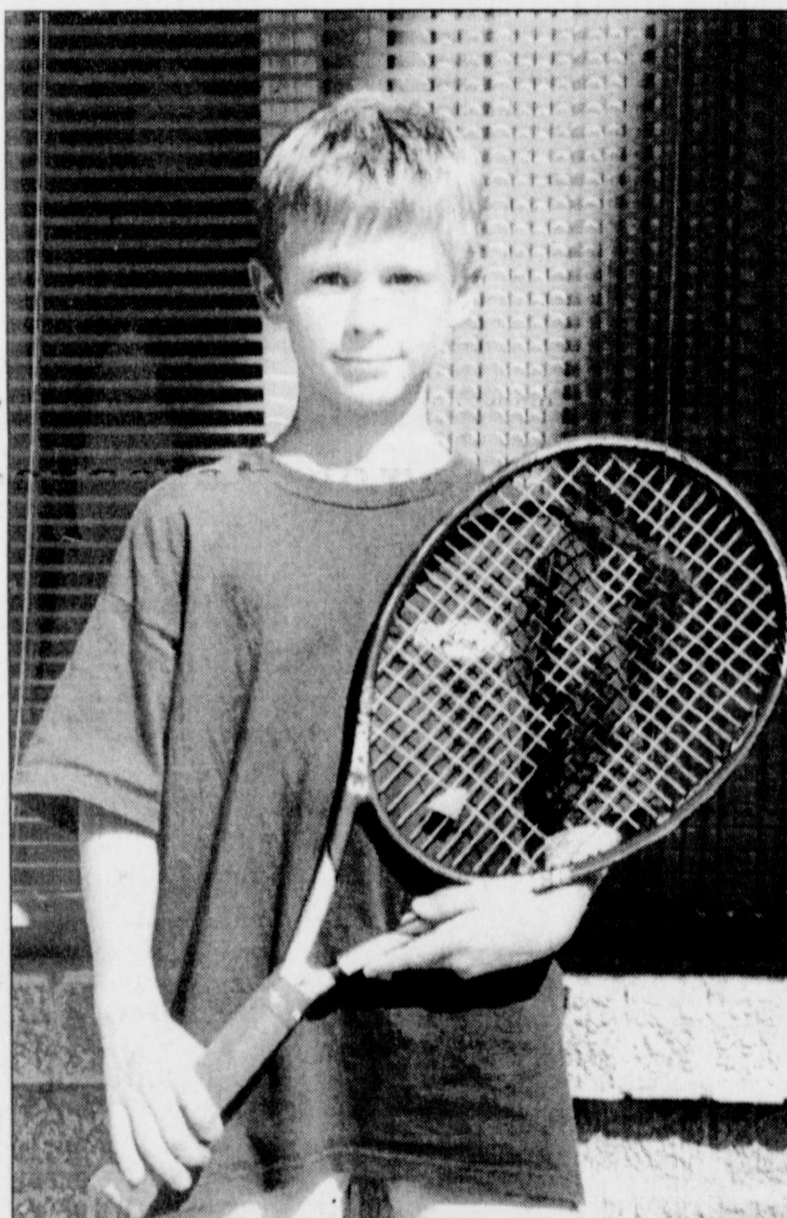
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Blizzard Band Member of the Week



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COREY FENWICK, age 10, will be going to New Braunfels to play in the Grand Masters tennis tournament September 29. He won second place in the Masters tourney in Abilene on August 11, which qualified him to advance to the next level. Corey is the son of Regina and Gordon Fenwick.

Winters Public Library
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Saturday 10 am-Noon

Directions to Sonora Field

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

As you enter Sonora from San Angelo on U.S. 277, you will cross under Interstate 10. Once you have crossed Interstate 10, U.S. 277 becomes Business 290. Stay on Business 290 (you will eventually make a left turn to stay on 290) until coming to East 3rd Street. At East 3rd Street, turn right. Go approximately two blocks, then turn left on Glasscock Avenue. Go seven to eight blocks, turn right onto Lorene Street. You should see the stadium directly to your left.

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

BLIZZARD ACTIVITIES

SEPT. 27-Oct. 5, 2001

Thursday, Sept. 27
1PM, WJH Pep Rally
5&6:30PM, WJH @ Sonora
6:30PM, JV vs. Sonora, Blizzard Stadium

Friday, Sept. 28
3PM, Pep Rally, Gym
7:45PM, Airtime Blizzard Football, KORQ 96.1 FM
8PM, Blizzards @ Sonora

Saturday, Sept. 29
9:20AM, Coleman CC Meet, Hords Creek Lake

Tuesday, Oct. 2
6:30PM, FCA meeting, Jones Fellowship Hall, FBC

Thursday, Oct. 4
No Football, Open week before district football.

Friday, Oct. 5
No Football, Open week before district football.

Mark your calendars now:
Saturday, Oct. 27
6:30-11PM, Halloween Carnival, Yellow Activity Bldg.

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7th grade thrills Breezes fans

The Breezes seventh grade fell to Wall last Thursday night, 28-8. However, the play of the game with only seconds left ticking off the clock in the fourth quarter left Breezes fans as thrilled as if they had won the game.

Quarterback Don Davis took the snap with 40 seconds remaining in the game. On the special, tricky planned play, Davis fumbled the ball backwards with a basketball type bounce to Allan Green. Green took to the air with a 30-yard pass to Luke England.

England caught the pass and managed to out-sprint two Hawk defenders for a 60-yard run and the touchdown. The kick on the PAT failed due to a bad snap, but Mark Scates picked the ball up and ran to the endzone for a two-point conversion...and the crowd went wild!

Coach Ed Poehls recognized Ty Cason at tackle and Juan Hernandez at linebacker as "looking better on defense."

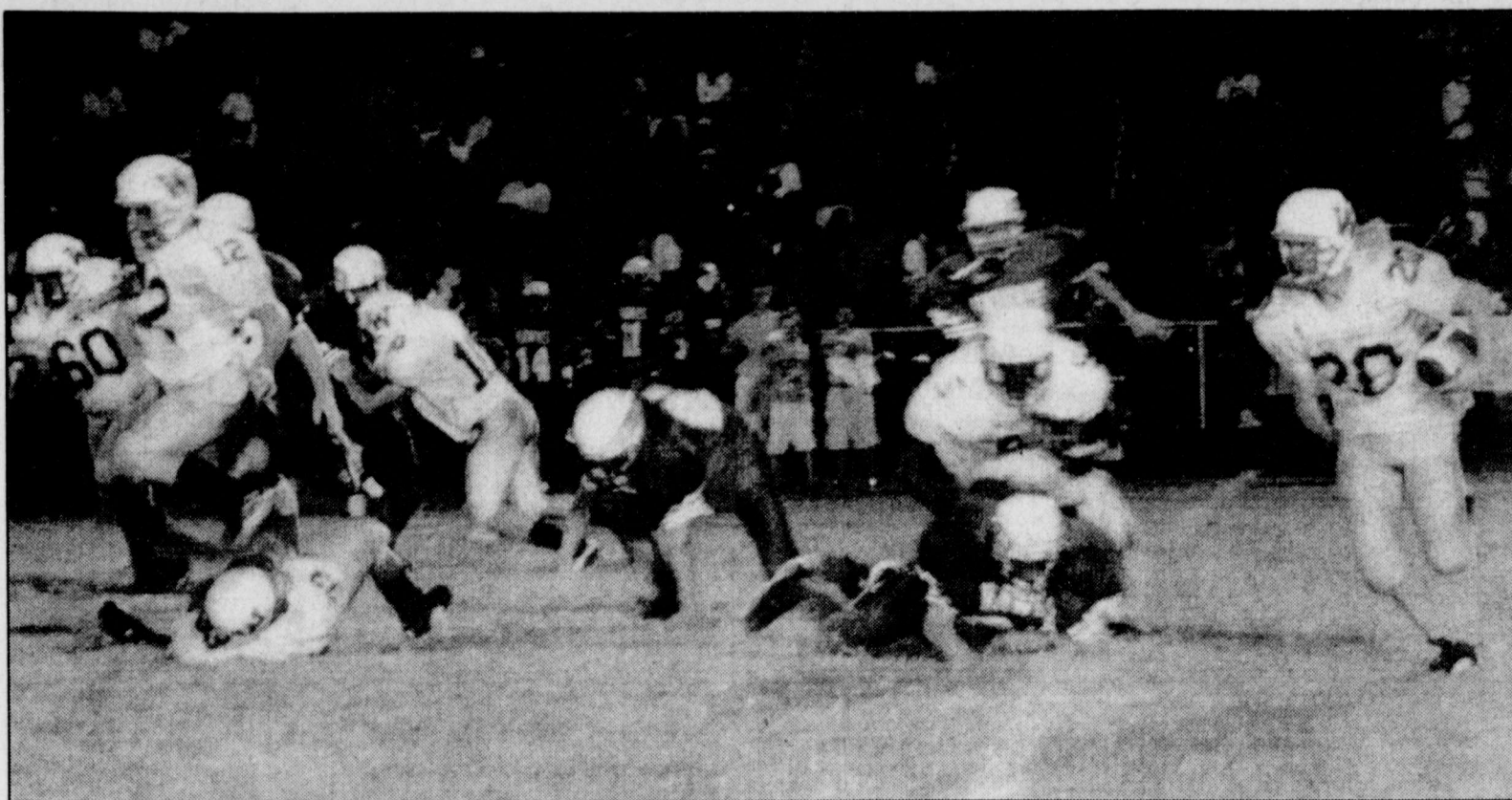
The Breezes travel to Sonora tonight for a 5 p.m. kickoff.

Wall shuts out Blizzard JV

The Winters JV Blizzards were shut out while hosting the Wall Hawks last Thursday night. They play Sonora tonight in Blizzard Stadium with a 6:30 p.m. kickoff.

The Broncos will be the Blizzards last opponent before district play begins in two weeks. The Blizzards are 0-3-1 on the season.

Rushing
Blizzards-28 for 89 yds.
Passing
Blizzards-Benjie Valles, 4/10 for 63 yds.



ERIC LOPEZ #20 heads up field behind blocking of teammates Steven Cuevas #60, Lance Roberts #12, Jose Vega #33, Guy Slimp #10, and Yul Gibbs #5.

Blizzards run into a brick Wall, 48-8

by Charles Murphy, Sports Writer

There are a lot of "clichés" that could describe the way things went for the Blizzards at Wall on Friday night. They all would describe the same thing — a 48-8 defeat — a bitter pill to swallow.

Wall won the coin flip and deferred to the second half. Winters took over on their own 30 yard line after Jeremy Hope returned the kickoff.

It appeared that the Blizzard offense would take up where it had left off the week before as a shuttle pass to Jose Vega from Shane Colburn netted 14 yards. On the next play from scrimmage, Colburn was sacked for a loss of 10. On 2nd and 20 Wall picked off the Colburn pass and set themselves up at the Winters 22 yard line.

The Winters defensive unit held the Hawks and gave the offense the ball at the Winters

20 yard line. This possession ended in a 3 and out. The rest of the first quarter would be footage for a Wall highlight film as they put together an impressive 21-0 lead over the Blizzards.

The second quarter began with Winters at their own 40 yard line for a 1st and 10. But nothing was to come of this drive. On 4th and 20 Jeffery Oats set off a boomer of a punt — a sixty yarder that when coupled with a clipping penalty set the Hawks up at their own 7 yard line.

Nine plays and 93 yards later Wall padded their lead on a 43 yard pass play and two point conversion. (You could tell it was not the Blizzards' night as Joey Joeris blocked the extra point into the kicker's hands who ran untouched for the two point conversion). With 5:50 left in the first half,

Wall led 29-0.

The ensuing kickoff set up the Blizzards at their own 37 yard line. After a first down Winters faced 4th and 13. Oats would again pin the Hawks inside the 10 yard line with a 42 yard punt.

On second down the Blizzard defense caused a fumble which was recovered by Lance Roberts on the 1 yard line. Colburn scored on the quarterback sneak. The extra point was an adventure. What looked like a fake extra point option run to the left turned into a complete two point conversion pass from Jeffery Oats to Matt Moreno. With 1:15 left in the half, the score was Wall 29, Winters 8. The half ended with no more scoring.

Wall received the kickoff to start the second half, and nine plays later with a missed extra point try, led 35-8 with 7:46 left

in the third period.

The remaining 19:46 was pretty much the same as Blizzard highlights would be hard to find. The game ended after Wall had added another 13 points to their lead.

Sometimes in the course of a football season something goes wrong. We seem to be at that place now.

The measure of a man is how he handles adversity. It is easy to do the right thing when things are going well. The real test is when things go wrong.

The Blizzards will correct the problem and move on to next week. That is the beauty of the sport. There's always next week. The sleeping beast will awaken.

Winters will travel to Sonora this Friday to face the Broncos. Kickoff will be at 8:00 p.m.

Back the Blizzards!

8th Breezes defeated by Wall Hawks, 8-22

Try for comeback in 4th quarter

The Winters 8th grade Breezes were defeated by Wall, 8-22, in Hawk territory on Thursday, Sept. 20, but only after a valiant effort to come from behind.

In the first quarter, Wall's running back scored on a toss sweep and the 2-point pass conversion was good. The score was Wall 8, Winters 0.

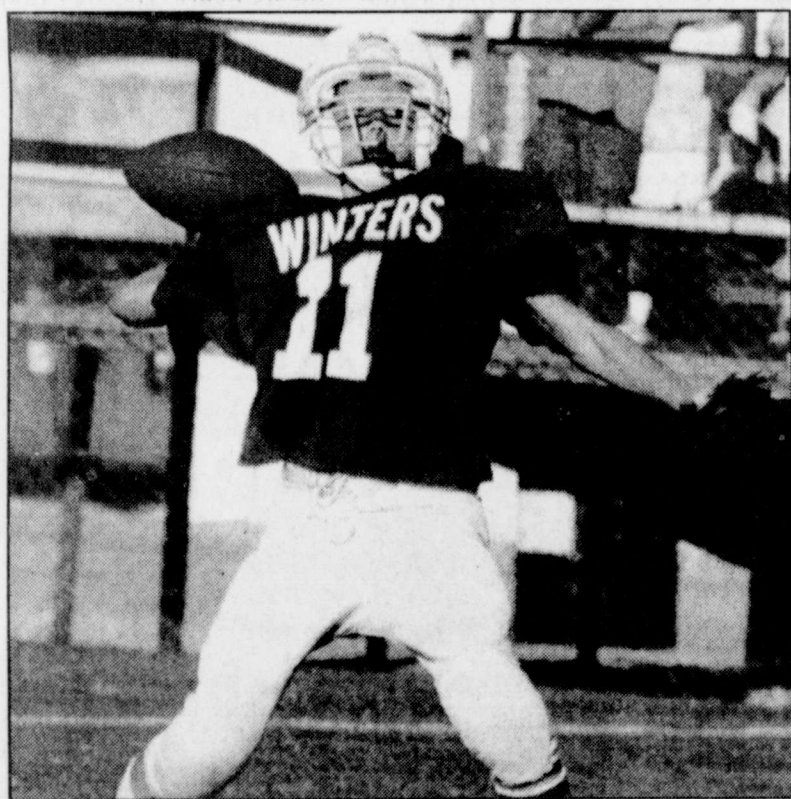
The Hawks completed another pass play in the second quarter to score, and the extra point kick was good.

The third quarter was a repeat of the second, ending with a score of 0-22 in the Hawks' favor.

The fourth quarter saw Breezes' action with David Scates completing a successful tailback toss sweep for Blue and White's only touchdown of the night. The 2-point conversion from Scates to Michael Liggins was good. The game ended 8-22.

Coach Zach Boxell says he was excited about the fourth quarter. "If we played the first, second, and third quarters like we did the fourth, the Breezes would have come home with a victory."

The 8th Breezes record is now 1-2.



AARON COLBURN, quarterback for the 8th grade Breezes, readies to launch the pass.

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District 9-2A Season Standings

Team	W	L	T	SEASON
Winters	0	0	0	3 1 0
Jim Ned	0	0	0	2 1 0
Hawley	0	0	0	2 1 0
Cisco	0	0	0	2 2 0
Bangs	0	0	0	2 2 0
Coleman	0	0	0	1 3 0

Last Week's Scores
Bangs 30, Clyde 12
DeLeon 31, Cisco 7
Early 13, Coleman 9
Hawley 6, Baird 0
Merkel 12, Jim Ned 9

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

	Winters	Wall
First downs	6	15
Rushing yards	20	244
Passing yards	13	111
Total yards	33	355
Comp-Att-Int	1-8-2	4-7-0
Punts-Ave.	3-37	3-38
Fumbles-lost	4-1	3-1
Penalties-yards	3-29	11-95

SCORING SUMMARY

By Quarters	Winters	Wall
1st	0	8, 0, 0—8
2nd	0	21, 8, 13, 6—48

FIRST QUARTER
Wall
Jason Holik 24 yd. run (Rusty Simmons kick)
Will Doyle 52 yd. punt return (kick failed)
Doyle 24 yd. pass from Trey Weishuhn (Holik run)

SECOND QUARTER
Wall
Scott Ledbetter 43 yd. pass from Weishuhn (Weishuhn run)
Winters
Shane Colburn 1 yd. run (Matt Moreno pass from Jeffery Oats)

THIRD QUARTER
Wall
Chris Lay 16 yd. run (kick failed)
Doyle 27 yd. interception return (Simmons kick)

FOURTH QUARTER
Wall
Jason Fuessell 25 yd. fumble return (kick failed)

2001 Fearless Football Forecasters

Last Week
Overall

Kim Jackson	Dan Killough	Brett Mikeska	Berto Reyes	Doug Wheat
5-5	8-2	5-5	5-5	7-3
28-12	25-15	25-15	28-12	30-10

Winters @ Sonora
Cisco @ Stamford
Coleman vs. Goldthwaite
Hawley vs. Munday
Jim Ned @ Albany
Haskell @ Roscoe
Ballinger vs. Brady
Anson @ Baird
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San Angelo @ Abilene High

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Life

Rosita Rocha and Mark Kuhar I united in marriage September 1



Mr. and Mrs. Mark Johnathan James Kuhar I

Rosita Tomasa Rocha and Mark Jonathan James Kuhar I were united in marriage during a military-with-honor-guards, double-ring ceremony on Saturday, September 1, 2001. The ceremony was performed by Mark Edge at Southern Hills Church of Christ in Abilene.

Given in marriage by her parents, Rosita is the daughter of Santos and Juana Maria Rocha of Winters. Mark is the son of Mark Kuhar and Judy Maynard, both of Ohio.

The altar was decorated with large, white Roman pillars wrapped in ivy and white lights. Flowers consisted of slate blue and white roses.

Monica Hicks of Winters

was soloist performing "How Beautiful." "Butterfly Kisses" was played until the entrance of the bride.

The bride wore a picturesque, sleeveless gown featuring a bodice heavily hand-beaded with tiny pearls and a scooped neckline. The slightly drop-waist skirt featured white satin with a long train designed with handmade roses down the back of the train, trimmed with lace and hand-beaded work. She carried a bouquet of slate blue and white roses.

Standing as the bride's matron of honor was Monica Hicks of Winters. Serving as bridesmaids were Alisha Smith, bride's sister of Win-

ters; Eileen Alvarado, bride's cousin of Winters; and Brittney Ledesma, bride's cousin of Freeport.

Also attending the bride were Kara Martin, niece of the bride of Winters; Angie Knick, niece of the groom of Loraine, Ohio, both serving as flower girls; Kori Galimore, niece of the bride of Winters; Jessie Knick, niece of the groom of Loraine, Ohio, both serving as train carriers; and Derek Smith, nephew of the bride of Winters serving as ring bearer.

Attending the groom as best man was Tommy Spuhler, friend of the groom of Ohio. Ushers were Basilio Rocha of Winters, bride's brother, and Cesar Iracheta, bride's friend.

A rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents at the fellowship hall of Southern Hills Church of Christ.

A dinner reception followed the wedding in the fellowship hall of Southern Hills Church of Christ. Serving a traditional wedding cake at the bride's table was Cindy Gann of Winters and serving the groom's cake at the groom's table was Hilda Ladesma of Freeport.

Mrs. Kuhar is a 1998 graduate of Winters High School and is currently a junior at Abilene Christian University.

Mr. Kuhar is a 1999 graduate of Southview High School in Lorain, Ohio, and is currently an Airman 1st Class at Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene.

The couple will reside in Abilene.

Town Criers



Luke Maximillon Drechsler



Jack Currie Drechsler of Coppell is proud to announce the birth of his brother, Luke Maximillon, born August 3, 2001 to Kimberly and Steve Drechsler. He weighed 8 lbs. 12 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Danny and Carolyn Slaughter of Ballinger and Gerhard and Inge Drechsler of Arlington. Great grandparents are Mary Jim Currie of Paint Rock and Ivan and Ann Slaughter of Ballinger.

Virginia "Ginny" Lou Arnold

Walt Arnold of Coleman is proud to announce the arrival of his new baby sister, Virginia "Ginny" Lou Arnold.

Ginny was born Friday, August 31, 2001, at 12:54 p.m. at Coleman County Medical Center. She weighed 6 lbs. and 11 ozs. Her parents are Brent and Sally Smith Arnold of Coleman.

Maternal grandparents are Jimmy and Donna Smith of Winters and the late Ginny Smith.

Paternal grandparents are Bill and Laura Smith of Grand Prairie.

Farm Bureau promoting membership drive

Membership in the state's largest general farm organization opens the door to an array of quality services that are designed to keep cash in the consumer's pocket, according to Bill Bredemeyer, president of the Runnels County Farm Bureau.

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TFB's member services and discounts package includes agriculture commodity marketing information; amusement park and movie tickets; a Belton hearing aid program; eye glasses and contacts through

the Coast to Coast Discount Eye Wear Program; prescription drugs through Scott & White Discount Prescription Services and Farm Bureau Bank financial services.

"The Farm Bureau Bank offers members several financial services. Members can enjoy access to deposit accounts, certificates of deposit, credit cards, vehicle and mortgage loans," Mr. Bredemeyer said.

The organization's discount benefits continue with a gate sign program; industrial supplies offered by Grainger Industrial Supply; an infant car seat program; travel services and long distance phone service.

"The Farm Bureau Connection is a great program which

saves members money on their long distance phone calls. An economical flat rate and low monthly service fees are big factors why this program has been successful with our membership," Bredemeyer emphasized.

Other TFB member discount programs include paint and supplies at Texas Sherwin Williams stores; a property protection program; free on-line classified ads on the Texas Sale-barn; tire and battery specials through local Farm Bureau dealers and Am-Pac; Ranch Hand equipment purchases; vehicle discounts and a \$500 Dodge rebate program. "Saving \$500 on a Dodge vehicle is a tremendous reason to be a Farm Bureau member," Bredemeyer added.

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HSU Big Country Youth Day this Saturday

Hardin-Simmons University's annual Big Country Youth Day will be held this Saturday, Sept. 29.

Approximately 500 youth and leaders from the Big Country churches are expected, according to Leianne McMillan, coordinator of special events for Enrollment Services.

Guests will be treated to a pizza lunch, a short program, including performances by the HSU cheerleaders and Spurs as well as the HSU vs. Louisiana College football game in Shelton Stadium.

Registration begins at 10:30 a.m. in front of Moody Student Center on the HSU campus.

Youth, Royal Ambassadors, and Girls Auxiliary members in Baptist congregations in the Big Country are invited to attend.

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Law & Order

Official Records

County Court Dispositions

Randy Edward Harmon, criminal trespass, case dismissed, defendant has not been arrested

Randy Edward Harmon, criminal mischief, case dismissed, defendant has not been arrested

Johnny Edward Evans, Jr., driving while license suspended, case dismissed, witness unavailable

Shannon Leroy Spillman, assault, case dismissed, witness unavailable

Francisco Mendez, driving while license suspended, case dismissed, witness unavailable

Frank Anthony Garcia, driving while license suspended, case dismissed, witness unavailable

Justin Russell Garrett, driving while intoxicated, case dismissed, defendant completed community service restitution

Robert Vance Holland, Jr., driving while intoxicated, pleaded nolo contendere, sentenced to six months in county jail probated to one year, fined \$750, plus \$235.25 court costs and 50 hours community service

Johnny Glenn Willborn, assault (family violence), case dismissed, insufficient evidence

Quinton McCleery, assault on member of a household, case dismissed, defendant to enter pre-trial diversion

Quinton Dawson McCleery, assault on a family member, case dismissed, defendant to enter pre-trial diversion

Daniel Sandoval, driving while intoxicated (subsequent offense), pleaded nolo contendere, sentenced to one year in county jail probated to 18 months, fined \$1,500, plus \$235.35 court costs and 80 hours community service

Daniel Sandoval, driving while license suspended, case dismissed, defendant convicted in another case

Miguel Martinez, theft, case dismissed, defendant has not been arrested

David Dantler, hindering a secured creditor, case dismissed, defendant has not been arrested

Danny Earl Washington, possession of marijuana, pleaded nolo contendere, fined \$1,000, plus \$225.25 court costs

Christopher Paul Soto, hunting without landowner's consent, pleaded nolo contendere, sentenced to six months in county jail probated to one year, fined \$1,000 plus \$235.25 court costs and 50 hours community service

Jackie Dwayne Carmack, possession of marijuana, pleaded nolo contendere, sentenced to six months in county jail probated to one year, fined \$750, plus \$235.25 court costs and 50 hours community service

Tammy Heath, making alcohol available to a minor, pleaded nolo contendere, sentenced to six months in county jail probated to one year, fined \$750, plus \$235.25 court costs and 50 hours community service

Oscar Baeza, filed for driving while intoxicated

Heath Joseph Poitra, filed for driving while intoxicated

Tammy McCoy, filed for theft

Antony Lee Parks, filed for driver not secured by safety belt (appeal from Justice of the Peace Precinct 2)

Paul Lindsey, filed for theft by check

Oscar Baeza, filed for driving while intoxicated

Heath Joseph Poitra, filed for driving while intoxicated

Tammy McCoy, filed for theft

Antony Lee Parks, filed for driver not secured by safety belt (appeal from Justice of the Peace Precinct 2)

Rick Ray Hill and Erlinda Reyna

Lowell Ryan Freeman vs. Cathryn Leigh Freeman

Thomas Wayne Landers vs. Kelli Lynn Landers

Mary Cardenas Hernandez vs. Raul Hernandez, Jr.

North Runnels County Hospital District et al vs. Kenneth W. Bewley and Advantage Benefit Services, LLP, damages

In re: estate of Connie F. Key, deceased, transfer of contested probate

In re: estate of Dean Smith, deceased, declaratory judgment

Elizabeth Ann Barrow, filed for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle

First National Bank of Ballinger vs. Gary and Lois Horton, debt

First National Bank of Ballinger vs. John Rodriguez, debt

First National Bank of Ballinger vs. Lisa M. Ingram, debt

First National Bank of Ballinger vs. Filiberto Soto, Jr., debt

First National Bank of Ballinger vs. Brian A. Hough, debt

First National Bank of Ballinger vs. Vanessa L. Shannon, debt

First National Bank of Ballinger vs. John and Winnie Kraatz, debt

Juan Jose Martinez, Jr., filed for minor driving under the influence of alcohol, detectable amount

The Paula Rankin named in the official records in the September 13 issue of *The Winters Enterprise* is not the Paula Rankin of Miles.

The John Cuellar named in the official records in the September 20 issue of *The Winters Enterprise* is not the John H. Cuellar of Ballinger.

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PUBLIC NOTICE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF RUNNELS

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of Section 144.044, Agriculture Code, Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, all livestock brands registered in Runnels County have expired as of August 30, 2001.

Producers have from now through February 28, 2002, to re-register their brands at the County Clerk's Office at a fee of \$11.00 per brand. Office hours are 8:30 a.m.-12:00 Noon and 1:00 p.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Brands not reregistered on or before February 28, 2002, will become null and void, and can then be claimed and registered by anyone.

DATED this 31st day of August, 2001.

Elesa Ocker
Runnels County Clerk
12-36(4c)

Ex-twirlers & cheerleaders to perform at Homecoming

The Winters Exes Association is seeking all Winters High School ex-cheerleaders and ex-twirlers to perform their routines to the Blizzard Fight Song at halftime of the 2001 Homecoming. Homecoming is scheduled for Friday, October 12, when Winters will play host to Hawley.

The cheerleader exes are asked to wear Blizzard blue shirts and jeans (or their old uniform) and bring their pom-poms for the performance. Cheerleaders should contact Christy (Collins) Lindley at 754-4959 or <christycollins.lindley@hotmail.com> for more information.

Twirlers should plan to wear white shirts and jeans (or their old uniforms) and bring their batons for the halftime performance. Twirlers can contact Jean (Mostad) Boles at 754-4958 or <wintersenterpriz@aol.com> for more information.

Both the ex-cheerleaders and twirlers will meet under the home bleachers to practice the fight song routine with five minutes remaining in the first half of the game.

So start searching now for those "old" pom-poms, batons and uniforms. Begin brushing up on the routine you can never forget (though you may need your memory jogged). And stretch—stretch—stretch.

Financial Focus

by Jim Woodruff

Keep Long-Term Perspective in Times of Crisis

The tragic events at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and in Pennsylvania shocked the nation and the world. As an individual, you no doubt felt appalled and deeply saddened. But as an investor, you also have to deal with the "aftershock"—specifically, the impact such a horrific event has on the world's financial markets.

There's nothing you or anyone else can do to control world events, or how the markets respond to them. Consequently, it's important not to base your investment decisions on today's headlines, no matter how dramatic they may be.

Sadly, there have been other national tragedies in our past, although arguably none as horrific as the events on September 11. Thankfully, we live in a country that is resilient, and the financial markets have historically reflected that. And, over the past four decades, the rebounds have come fairly quickly after the onset of a major crisis. For instance, at the height of the Cuban Missile Crisis—a period of extraordinary fear for most Americans—the Dow Jones Industrial Average fell more than nine percent. Yet, just over two months later, the Dow had gone up

nearly 29 percent.

We can also go back to October 1987, when the stock market crashed. At its low point, the Dow was down 34 percent - and yet, two months later, the index had regained a full 15 percent. And in the years since then, the Dow soared from record high to record high.

The point is that the stock market is resilient. Throughout its history, it has trended upwards in the long-term, despite short-term blips, bumps and crises.

Nonetheless, it can still be difficult to maintain your focus in the face of calamity. That's why you should consider following these basic investment principles:

- Maintain a long-term perspective—Short-term setbacks can be discouraging, but keep in mind that you're not investing for next week or next month. You're investing to achieve long-term goals, such as college for your kids or a comfortable retirement. That's why it's best to look beyond today's events and stay focused on the future. It's easy to do this when times are good—but it takes real discipline to stay on your path when the road gets rough.
- Diversify your portfolio—

The best way to protect yourself against short-term market fluctuations is to diversify your holdings. Not all investments respond in the same way to the same circumstances. For example, when stocks are down, bonds may be up, or vice versa. By building a diversified portfolio containing stocks, bonds, government securities and money market instruments, you'll give yourself more opportunities for success.

It's natural to feel distraught in the wake of crises or tragedies. Yet, by following these simple guidelines, you'll be able to take the emotion out of your investment decisions.

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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, September 16, 2001, through Saturday, September 22, 2001. Winters Police Officers:

• received report that during school hours on Friday, September 14, an unknown person(s) entered his vehicle and stole a CD case and multiple CD's without his knowledge or consent.

• received report that a known person during a function at the Winters Community Center grabbed the victim by the arm in a manner that was offensive to the victim. Reports also stated that the suspect "hit" the victim during this altercation. Suspect was cited for Assault By Contact.

• received report to police that a female child was bitten by an unknown dog. The dog is described to be medium height, light brown, and loose in the area of the Catholic Church. The dog still has not been located at this time.

• received report that an unknown white female in her early twenties pumped \$7.00 worth of gas into a white car and left without paying for the fuel. Vehicle was last seen travelling southbound on Main Street.

• received report that her daughter, during a verbal argument, grabbed her and shoved her causing physical bruising. Daughter then left the residence without permission.

• received report that her sister, while visiting their mother's home, attempted to choke victim from behind. Victim stated to officer that she is currently pregnant and that her sister is aware of this. Suspect was arrested for Assault Causes Bodily Injury (Family Violence).

• received report that during a family disturbance, a known intoxicated male was found to be under the legal drinking age of 21. The subjects actions during the disturbance and demeanor with the police, combined with his level of intoxication led to his arrest for Minor in Consumption of Alcohol.

• received report of information on the whereabouts of a wanted person in the City of Winters. Officers used this information and located the suspect and promptly placed him under arrest for a Violation of Parole.

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

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