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Pearls of Wisdom-Children are natural mimics-they act like their parents in spite of every attempt to teach them good manners.

## World Day of **Prayer 2002**

World Day of Prayer 2002 will be observed on Friday, March 1 in Jones Fellowship Hall at First Baptist Church. A meal will be served at noon with a program set for 12:30 p.m. page 3

#### **Runnels Co. 4-H Meat** Judging

The Runnels County 4-H Meat Judging Team competed at the San Antonio Livestock Exposition two weeks ago.

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#### WHS grad volunteers for Pre-K



crowned Glacier Queen and King during ceremonies at the WHS auditorium on February 14. Candidates from each class were presented during a morning assembly then the coronation was held that evening. The King and Queen were determined by popular vote from WHS students. Other candidates were Chris Hoppe and Tracey Burns, seniors; Benjie Valles and Kari Walker, sophomores; and Angel Espino and Kendra Esquivel, freshmen.

# **Commissioners continue study** on courthouse security

Tuesday, February 12, the Runnels County Commissioners approved all action items. The two-hour meeting was filled with information for the Commissioners.

Steve Kirby with Secure-Tech Systems of Dallas gave a presentation on a wireless emergency call system. This presentation was similar to the one given by Guardian Security Systems at the January 15 meeting.

County Judge Marilyn Egan explained that the money to buy a security system for the courthouse has been put aside from fees collected in court. Egan also stated that this money could not be used for any other purpose.

No decision was made at the meeting.

Joe Stephenson, representing the Ballinger Masonic Lodge, requested the Court exempt the Lodge from prop-

After a lengthy meeting erty taxes. After explanation that House Bill 1689 passed by the 2001 State Legislature exempted all qualified organizations in the county, the court approved the exemption for all organizations meeting the criteria set by the Legislature.

> Allen Belk presented a report on the trapper program in Runnels County. Belk was substituting for Marty Gibbs, Runnels County Extension Agent, who was at the San Antonio Stock Show. The County pays for half the program costs and ranchers pay the other half.

> Volunteer payments from county ranchers have slowed down and Belk indicated that the Predator Program might ask the County for more money. Commissioners asked Belk to meet with his committee and present the Commissioners a list of needs. No action was taken.

> The Court approved an easement requested by St. Joseph

Catholic Church to lay a water line in the north ditch of Nichols Street and in the east ditch of Bennie Street in Rowena.

Used county equipment was approved to be placed in the Wingate Lions Farm Auction on April 6, 2002.

A rental agreement was entered into with the Second Baptist Church of Winters for the lease of a vacant lot to be used to park equipment for Precinct

A new copier lease with Xerox was approved for the sheriff's department, replacing an old copier.

The next regular meeting was changed from Tuesday, March 12, to Monday, March 11, because of elections being held at the courthouse. A called meeting will be held Tuesday, February 19.

All commissioners were present for the February 12 meeting.



Winters High School graduate Tamra Grohman enjoys volunteering daily in a Winters Elementary Pre-kindergarten classroom.

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## **Food Check-Out Day**

Food Check-Out Day was February 8. This was the day when Americans had raised enough money to pay for their food for the year 2002.

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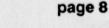
## Lutherans raise over \$4000

St. John's Lutheran Church with matching funds from the Lutheran Brotherhood and Lutheran Aid Association raised over \$4000 for Christmas In April.

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## Handbell **Choir here** on March 1

The Dallas Baptist University Handbell Choir will perform at First Baptist Church on Friday, March 1.



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# Early voting conducted February 25-March 8

through March 8 at the Runnels County Clerk's Office from 8:30 a.m.-noon and 1:00-5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Democratic or Republican.

be conducted Sunday, March 3, 365-2720. between the hours of noon-

Early voting for the March 5:00 p.m. at the County Clerk's 12th Primary Election will be Office in Ballinger and also at conducted February 25 the County Tax Branch Office in Winters.

Applications for ballot by mail will be accepted through March 5.

Sample ballots are available Any qualified voter is eli- at the County Clerk's Office. gible to vote early. The voter For further information or to will be able to vote either request an application for early voting by mail, please contact Weekend early voting will the County Clerk's Office at

## **Applications for city council,** school board positions available

tion for a place on the city council's and/or school board's ballots. The last day for filing application on ballots for either the city and/or school board will be March 20, 2002. Deadelection is 5 p.m.

Anyone interested in filing for election as Alderman can pick up an application at the City of Winters City Hall, located at 310 S. Main, Winters, Texas, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Applications for ballots by mail should be addressed to Aref Hassan, City Secretary, 310 S. Main, Winters, TX, 79567, and be received no later than April 26, to have their names placed upon the school board ballot shall be in writing to 603 N. seek.

cumbent for District 2 is Alder- Clack. and Jimmy Butler.

February 18, 2002, was the man Mike Meyer; District 4 is first day for filing an applica- Alderman Steve Esquivel; and District 5 is Alderman Jimmy Butler.

School board positions open for election are Places 2, 5, and 6 At Large. Incumbents are Jack Davis, Jr. - Place 2; Gary line for filing for the school Moore - Place 5; and Jerry election is 4 p.m. and the city Sims - Place 6 At Large. Sims and Davis have filed for reelection. In addition, Manuel Vera has filed for Place 2 and Rodrick Bredemeyer has filed for Place 6 At Large.

> To cast votes in both the city and school elections, the poll will be open Saturday, May 4, 2002, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the elementary school building. Marlene Smith will serve as election judge for WISD.

Early voting will be con-2002. Requests by candidates ducted each weekday at Winters City Hall between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. and at the WISD Business Office Heights, Winters, TX, 79567, between the hours of 8 a.m. indicating the district they and 4 p.m., beginning April 17, through April 30, 2002. WISD Aldermen' in Districts 2, 4, early voting clerks are Rhonda and 5 are up for election. In- Goetz, Cindy Brown, Danny

WINTERS HOUSING AUTHORITY MEMBERS appointed to serve 2-year terms to expire December 31, 2003, are (I-r) Geraldine Broyles, Renee Woffenden, and Bettye Pinkerton. They were sworn in during ceremonies held Friday, February 8, 2002, at Winters City Hall. Continuing directors are Melinda Tucker and Lisa Nitsch whose terms expire December 31, 2002.

# Lipsey, Guy selected to coach in FCA All-Star football game

Winters head football coach Chuck Lipsey we've added more schools so the FCA can be a is among an elite group of men selected to

coach in the third annual high school allstar football game sponsored by the Fellowship of Christian Athletes in June.

Formerly known as the Big Country All-Star Classic, the event will include players from five counties in the San Angelo area in

addition to the Big Country for the first time. Rosters for the North and South teams will

be announced February 24. Game site for the is undetermined at this time.

"It gives us a great opportunity because ters High School.

#### bigger influence," said FCA Area Director Steve Tatum. "It's an

opportunity to expand our talent and bring in schools from different areas."

Lipsey will be one of five coaches for the South team. Houston Guy, also from Winters, will serve as a. assistant coach on the South team which will

Coach Guy

be led by Mickey Owens, head coach at Ballinger High School.

Included in the coaching staff for the North Fellowship of Christian Athletes All-Star Class team will be Sam Scott, head coach at Hamlin High School. Scott is a 1969 graduate of Win-

**Computer users group to meet Feb. 26** 'Give and receive help' policy free to public

meeting on Tuesday, February 26, at 6:30 p.m. in the Winters Junior High school computer lab.

Organizer for the group, WISD Technology Coordinator Mike Neal, reports this will be for anyone interested in technology including computers. computer software. com-

Individuals in the commu- puter hardware, the Internet, of people of varying technical nity who have an interest in local area networks, wireless knowledge, from much expecomputer technology are in- networks, wireless Internet rience to no experience, within vited to an organizational connectivity, digital cameras, these and other types of techor any other technoelectro- nical areas." gadgets.

> start a group that will be a fo- maintained and supported by rum in which to ask questions its members. and to help others who might have questions about technology with which you might be at 754-5574 during regular familiar. This will be a group business hours.

According to Neal, once the Neal says, "We are trying to group is organized it will be

Anyone needing further information may call Mike Neal



**Coach Lipsey** 



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# Opinion

## **Oil Bidness**

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## **Obituaries**

Well, not to worry, they've develop and produce. fixed it.

Fixed what, you say?

They have fixed the problem with drilling offshore California. What problem, you say?

THE problem. The sad fact that many Californians would like to consume oil (lots of it) produced anywhere but California. From which, they have the idea that any drilling offshore California's "pristine" (more on that another day) beaches is bad-even if it is 200 miles offshore in federal waters.

Several months ago, when a new energy crisis seemed ready to grip this country, the federal government ordered that leases already held by oil companies offshore California (and in other less interesting venues) should be allowed to move forward. The idea was to support domestic U.S. energy production by expanding the universe of undeveloped acreage for operating companies.

Some of these leases were shackled by more than two decades of bureaucratic runarounds, local planning commission outright heavy-handedness, and state government confiscation (successful but illegal) of the rights of the federal government to lease its property.

But, as might be expected, howls of protest arose from Sacramento and environs about unfairly forcing California to carry the burden of the new energy crisis. After all, why should the largest consumer of energy be concerned with producing its fair share when they have an image to protect?

So, some California senators have come up with a solutionat least for California. It actually makes some business sense, but, as you will see, it does nothing to add domestic production or enlarge the universe of potential development for the United States.

There are two key problems.

It takes some prime development area off the table for the future (California), thus not adding to our potential future energy supply. And, secondly, it precludes other companies from bidding on the leases in the Gulf of Mexico that will be swapped, thus potentially suppressing competition in a very competitive area.

This deal looks good at first glance, but it really serves to bypass the best interests of the country as far as I can see.

#### HIGHLIGHTS **OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY**

#### COMPLETIONS

#### Nolan County

Westwin Energy has completed the Double -M12- #1 in the Northwest Yellow Wolf Field (10 miles NE of Maryneal) at an initial rate of 38 BOPD & 4 BWPD in the Cook (perfs 5588-5640). Loc. is 467 FEL & 587 FSL of Sec. 12, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur., A-1535.

#### STAKINGS

#### Callahan County

Miles Moore has staked the Texaco #1 as a Wildcat, 2 miles S of Putnam (Depth 4500). Loc. is 714 FNL & 2778 FWL of Sec. 314, SPRR Sur., A-1255.

#### **Concho County**

Bowerman Energy has staked the Burns #1 as a Wildcat, 3 miles SE of Eden (Depth 3000). Loc. is 990 FEL & 1090 FSL of Sec. 2026, J. Diemitz Sur., A-118.

#### Nolan County

Pioneer Exploration has staked the M. Roanc #1 in the Northwest Hylton Field, 6 miles SW of Nolan (Depth 6200). Loc. is 2350 FEL & 334 FSL of Sec. 27, Blk. Z, T&PRR Sur., A-447.

#### **Runnels** County

Imperial Gas Resources, LLC has applied to plug back the G.L. Paxton #12 in the North Hull Dobbs Field, 4

## La Vell Smith

WINTERS-La Vell Smith, 83, died Monday, February 11, 2002, in Coleman County Medical Center.

He was born July 2; 1918 in Lampasas County and married Jewell Bailey on September 15, 1952 in Burnett. They moved to Runnels County in 1964.

Mr. Smith was a short order cook and a Baptist.

He was preceded in death by his wife in 1999, and one daughter, Delores Smith.

Survivors include one son, Andy Smith and wife Jill of Winters; four daughters, Joy Curry and husband Ronnie of Winters; Angeline Bradshaw and husband John of Mineral Wells; Barbara Plumley and husband Johnny of Winters; and Betty Ross and husband Buddy of Kempner; one brother, Cleo Smith of Lampasas; one sister, L.A. Lunsford of Gatesville; 13 grandchildren; and 9 great-grandchildren.

Family visitation will be held at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 13, 2002 at Winters Funeral Home. Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, February 14, 2002 at the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. J.O. Mitchell and Rev. Randy Rawls officiating. Burial will be in Lakeview Cemetery under the direction of Winters Funeral Home.

#### Lavonda W. Herrington

WINTERS-Lavonda W. Herrington, 77, died Wednesday, February 13, 2002, in Abilene Regional Medical Center.

She was born September 28, 1924 in Ballinger and lived in Taylor County until she married L.D. Herrington on September 28, 1940 in Haskell. They lived in Arizona and West Texas until 1976 when they moved to Winters.

She worked at Winn's Variety Store in Winters for several years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Winters.

She was preceded in death by her husband.

Survivors include two sons, Wayne Herrington of Copperas Cove, and Randy Herrington of Winters; one sister, Ozane Aldridge of Lawn; one grandson, Stephen Herrington of Abilene; 6 step grandchildren; and 7 step great grandchildren. Graveside services were held at 4:00 p.m. Thursday, February 14, 2002 at Dewey Cemetary near Lawn with Rev. Barry Taylor officiating, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

#### Marvin Kenneth Drummond

WINTERS-Marvin Kenneth Drummond, 50, died Friday, February 15, 2002, at Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo.

He was born October 31, 1951, in El Paso and came to Winters in 1970. He married Lola Dunn on October 12, 1991, in Ballinger.

Mr. Drummond worked for Pool Well Service. Survivors include his wife, Lola Drummond of Winters; one

## **Gladys** Fay Pinegar

WINGATE-Gladys Fay Pinegar, 90, died Thursday, February 14, 2002, in Windcrest Retirement Center in Abilene.

She was born July 30, 1911, in Coryell County, Texas, and moved to Runnels County in 1916. She attended school in Puckett, Independence, and Winters, graduating in 1929. She married Dock Pinegar on November 24, 1934, in Winters.

Mrs. Pinegar attended Simmons University from the fall of 1929 to 1931, receiving her teacher's certificate and then teaching at Independence from 1931 to 1937. In 1956, she received her teaching degree from Hardin-Simmons University and taught at Wingate until her retirement in 1964. She was a member of the Wingate Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1998.

Survivors include one sister, Hollis Workman of Hatchel: and several nieces and nephews.

Services were at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, February 17, in the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Kenneth Jones and Reverend Charles Myers officiating. Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery in Winters, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to the Wingate Baptist Church, P.O. Box 135, Wingate, Texas, 79566.

#### Geraldine "Jerry" P. Mask

ABILENE-Geraldine "Jerry" P. Mask, 73, died Tuesday, February 12, 2002, at a nursing home in Abilene.

She was born December 6, 1928, in Wingate to Elmer Madison and Willie Bell Holly Pritchard. She moved to Abilene in 1946 and married Vernon Mask on November 24, 1948.

She was a secretary with Hooker Oil Company and was a member of Southern Hills Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

She is survived by her husband, Vernon Mask of Abilene; two sons, Keith Mask of Jonesboro, Arkansas, and Gary Mask of Fort Worth; three grandchildren; and two brothers and sisters-in-law, Pat Pritchard and wife Maxine of Winters and Jack Pritchard and wife Lucille of Wingate.

Services were held on Friday, February 15, at 11 a.m. at the Elliot-Hamil Chapel of Memories in Abilene with Jimmy Jividen officiating. Burial followed in the Wingate Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association of West Central Texas, Inc., P.O. Box 3344, Abilene, TX, 79604.

#### Elmer L. Tomlinson

LLANO-Elmer L. Tomlinson, 68, died Tuesday, February 5, 2002, at Llano.

He was born September 10, 1933, in Runnels County, Texas, and married Adaline Tischler on September 13, 1958, in Mexico.

Mr. Tomlinson was a retired bootmaker. He had lived in Llano for the past 30 years, coming from Coleman. He owned and operated Tomlinson Boot Shop for 29 years in Llano. He

The idea is to swap leases in California long held by operators for leases offshore Texas and Louisiana not currently held by any oil and gas companies. The leases in the Gulf of Mexico actually are quite attractive from an exploration and development perspective and would likely be put up for bid in the near future.

miles W of Goldsboro (Depth 4065). Loc. is 1256 FEL & 2450 FSL of W.A. Tremper Sur. No. 439, A-458.

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0 brother, Wayne Drummond of Winters; and five sisters, Florine Tinney of Brownwood, Lena May Ragsdale of Kerrville, Ruth Carter of El Paso, Bertha Cravens of Winters, and Sammie Mills of Elk City, Oklahoma.

Services were at 10:30 a.m. Monday, February 18, in the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Bob Jones officiating. Burial was in Old Runnels Cemetery near Ballinger, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

was a Baptist.

He was preceded in death by his parents, J.B. and RosaLee (Felty) Tomlinson; five brothers; and one sister.

Survivors include his wife; three sisters, Nellie Simon of Mount Pleasant, and Wanda Flanagan and Pauline Templin, both of Brownwood; two special friends, Opal Beyer and Kathleen Shoemake, both of Llano; numerous nieces and nephews; great -nieces and great-nephews; and cousins.

Services were at 2 p.m. Thursday, February 7, at Waldrope-Hatfield-Hawthorne Funeral Chapel in Llano with Reverend Richard Vandeventer officiating. Burial was in Llano City Cemetery, directed by Waldrope-Hatfield-Hawthorne Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Tommie Tomlinson, Mike McDonald, R.L. Holtz, J.W. Holtz, Olen Holtz, and Bill Turner. Honorary pallbearers were his many friends.

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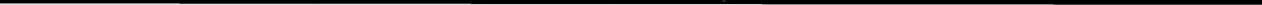
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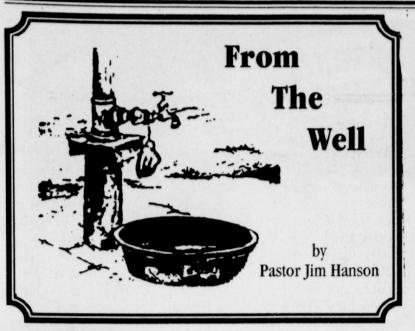
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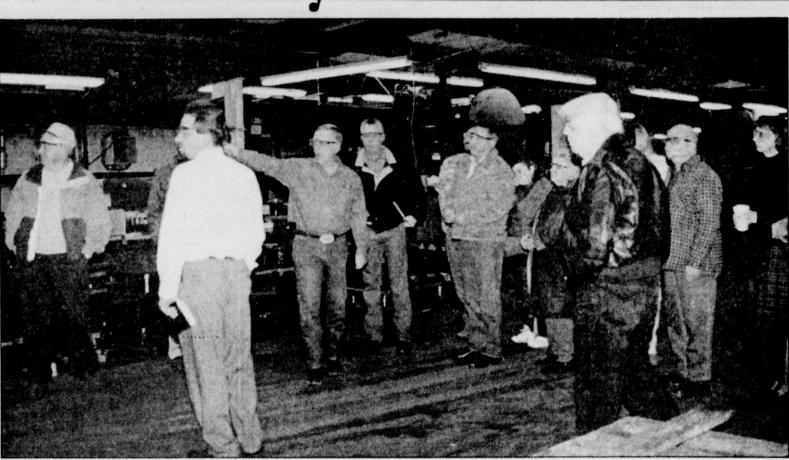
Last Friday we buried Ramona's big brother, Sidney. He was the oldest of nine. Ramona was the youngest. It was a good funeral. Funerals can be good, you know. And for folks who believe in Jesus and the promise of the resur-

rection from the dead... it was more of a "send-off" than an "ending." And that's the way this one was. A celebration. A family affair. It was good to be able to fly up and be reunited with Ramona's folks... and ours. Four of our five children could make it, and four of our grandchildren. Four of Ramona's siblings, and many nephews and nieces and cousins. Three of our boys, a son-in-law, and me made up a men's quintet, and we sang "Just a Closer Walk" and "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling." Tim, our oldest, sang a solo. Bob, Ramona's brother and a retired Lutheran pastor, spoke on behalf of the family. After the service, we filled the church basement with ourselves and filled ourselves with food. And fellowship. Hugs and kisses, tears and laughter, babies and old grandpas, and every other kind and age of relative and friend. Gathered to remember Sid and commend him to Jesus for eternal life. Upbeat, it was. "Until we meet again... at Jesus's feet." We left with hope in our hearts.

And, we left with a message in our heads and in our hearts. For the theme of the service was "Our Big Brother." That's what Bob talked about, and that's what the preacher talked about. Sidney was that to many of the folks there... by blood for the few, and by choice for many. His greatest work on this earth, and the one he enjoyed the most was being a school bus driver. And, storyteller. He loved to take the kids on the bus, he loved to tell stories, of earlier times. Like when highway 50 was a gravel road, and county road 10 was wagon wheel tracks and then car wheel tracks on the prairie. Like the time his sister, on her first outing as driver of the family car, leveled the mailbox as she took the corner too fast. Those kind of stories.

But these last 8 years were tough. His wife got Lou Gerhig's disease, and, now it was his turn to care for her. His prayer was that he would live longer than she, so she wouldn't be left without him to be there for her everyday. And the last three years, "day and night." His prayers were answered, and after his mission was accomplished, he pretty much just waited for his time to come. And go. Home. But, that which remains in my head and heart since the funeral... is the whole matter of brothers. And big brothers. I had two. The oldest died last fall. My earliest memories of him are mixed. Since he was seven years older, he was kind of bossy. And when the folks were around, he liked to tell me what I could and couldn't do. I do remember one day when I was eleven, down on the farm ... that I got even. My uncle and aunt had a collie dog by the name of Bobbie. We became good friends. One of our jobs was to get the cows. Up from the grove down in the pasture and into the barn. Whenever I would say "Sic em," Bobbie would take off for the cow that was lagging behind, and nipping at her heels, got her moving in the right direction. So, when my big brother was telling me off that day, I just pointed at him and said to Bobbie "sic him," and he did. Such a commotion. My brother ended up standing on top of the tractor and yelling at me, "Call off the dog!"

# **Community**



ROBIN LOWE, GENERAL MANAGER of Contico International, (third from left) explains the process of manufacturing tool boxes to approximately twenty interested individuals during a tour on February 5. The event was sponsored by the Winters Area Business and Industrial Corporation. With 130 employees, the business is one of the top five employers in Runnels County, producing approximately 200,000 units annually. Contico supplies toolboxes for Home Depot, Wal-Mart, Lowe's Home Improvement, and Gebo's.

#### **Senior Citizens Activity Center** Menu

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#### Feb. 25 thru Mar. 1 Subject to change

Monday, Feb. 25: Ham, lima beans, mixed greens, cornbread, rice pudding. Tuesday, Feb. 26: Spa ghetti w/meat sauce, green beans, tossed salad, garlic bread, chocolate cake. Wednesday, Feb. 27: Ham-

burger steak w/mushroom gravy, egg noodles, peas & carrots, hot rolls, cobbler. Thursday, Feb. 28: Chicken & rice soup, ham &

# World Day of Prayer 2002: "Challenged to Reconcile"

March 1 service begins at noon and concludes by 12:50 p.m.

will be observed by Christians women. in over 170 countries around the world on Friday, March 1. was chosen by the women of families, and communities of In Winters, the service will be Romania as the theme of this faith to come and support sponsored by First Baptist year's celebration. Enabling Church at noon in Jones Fel- participants to become inlowship Hall. The meal will be formed about the realities in served at noon; the program today's Romania - the politi- on World Day of Prayer en-

clude at 12:50.

World Day of Prayer 2002 thodox, and other Christian

"Challenged to Reconcile" starts at 12:30 and will con- cal, economic, social, and ables the ongoing work of moral struggles as three major Church Women United (the Since 1887, World Day of ethnic groups work together — Prayer has brought together, in helps to understand the over- United States for World Day of informed and prayerful action, lapping religious worlds there, Prayer). Portions of the offerinternational men and women too. Women with all these dif- ing are designated towards from many backgrounds, cul- ferences have come together to women's projects both internatures, and Christian traditions. look at the ministry of recon- tionally and in the U.S. as well

Please join in the World Day of Prayer 2002 celebration and worship. Invite your friends, women's ministries toward peace and justice.

The love offering received national committee of the Since 1941, World Day of ciliation which is yours as to support the ongoing work

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But, I must go on to say, that as time went on, we became the best of friends. In fact, we used to talk about it. And would sometimes say, "We're not only brothers, we are best of friends."

We don't get a lot of help from the Old Testament on how we are to act as brothers. Cain, Adam's oldest, killed his brother Abel. And Jacob tricked his brother, Esau, into getting his father's blessing. And Joseph was sold into slavery by his big brothers. So I suppose that there is precedent for bad feelings between brothers and family members.

But in the New Testament there is no excuse for bad relations between brothers. In the family. And in the family of God. The Apostle John puts it so well. In I John. "This is the message you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another and not be like Cain who was of the evil one and murdered his brothers." (3:11, 12) And, "If anyone says 'I love God' and hates his brothers, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from him, that he who loves God should love his brothers also." (4:20, 21)

Jesus said it. And He should know. For in the very deepest sense of the word. He is, as the carol says, "Jesus our brother. Kind and good."

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- Feb. 21-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center TAAS Exit Reading, Sophomores; TAAS Practice Reading, Freshmen
- Feb. 22-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco
- Feb. 23-8 p.m., Winters Squares, Winters Community Center
- Feb. 24-7:30 p.m., Soccer Meeting, Ballinger Fire Station Feb. 25-9:30-10:30 a.m., Social Security Rep., Housing Authority
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 6 p.m., City Council, City Hall Chambers
  - 7 p.m., Wingate Masonic Lodge
  - 7 p.m., InFO, San Angelo
  - 7 p.m., Winters Community Baseball Meeting, Cafeteria
- EARLY VOTING begins for March 12 Primary Feb. 26-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Noon, Lions Club, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 6:30 p.m., Parenting Class, Ballinger JHS Library 7 p.m., AA, First United Methodist Church 7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station
- Feb. 27-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Windmill Enterprise Office 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 6 p.m., Athletic Booster Club, WHS Field House
- Feb. 28-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citzens Activity Center 5 p.m., Hale Museum Board, The Rock Hotel
- 6:30 p.m., Parenting Class, Baltinger JHS Library Mar. 1-Noon, World Day of Prayer 2002, First Baptist Church 7 p.m., Handbell Choir, First Baptist Church in Winters

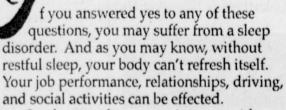
cheese sandwich, chips, fruit salad, cookie.

Friday, Mar. 1: Stew, vegetable sticks, Jell-O salad, cornbread, dessert.

Prayer has been sponsored in through reconciliation to God of the World Day of Prayer Inthe United States by Church through Christ. The Romanian ternational Committee which Women United, a grassroots women ask everyone to pray works with women around the ecumenical movement of Prot- with them for understanding, world to prepare worship maestant, Roman Catholic, Or- peace, and love.

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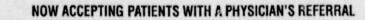
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So please make an appointment with your primary care physician. If your doctor also suspects that you have a sleep disorder, ask him or her to refer you for a sleep evaluation study at ARMC's new state-of-the-art Sleep

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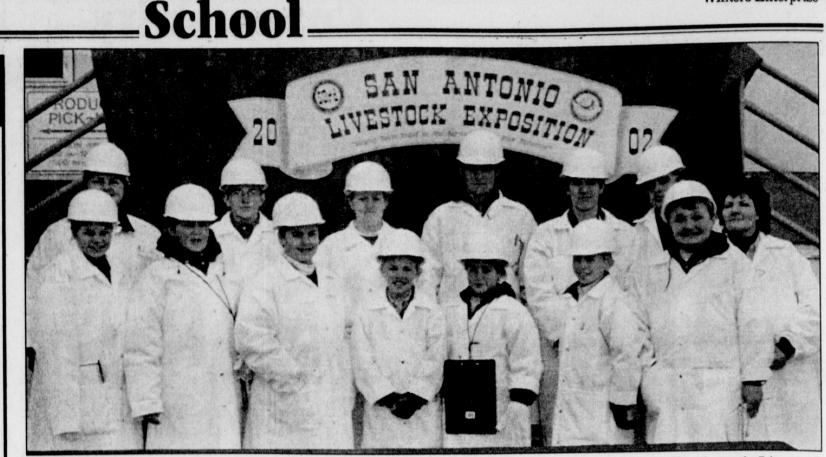
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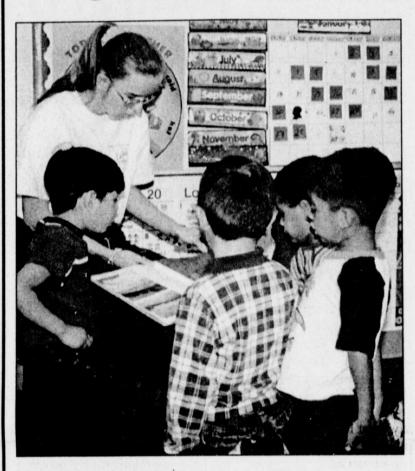
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#### CAFETERIA MENU Feb. 25-March 1 Subject to change **Breakfast** Monday-Feb. 25 Pancakes Cereal Juice Tuesday-Feb. 26 **French Toast Sticks** Cereal Juice Wednesday-Feb. 27 Waffles Cereal Juice Thursday-Feb. 28 Pigs in a Blanket Cereal Juice Friday-March 1 **Breakfast Bars** Cereal Juice Lunch Monday-Feb. 25 Corndog **French Fries** Pork & Beans Fruit **Banana** Pudding Tuesday-Feb. 26 Roast & Gravy Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Hot Roll Ice Cream Wednesday-Feb. 27 Taco w/Lettuce & Cheese Corn Spanish Rice Apple Cobbler Thursday-Feb. 28 Potluck Friday-March 1 Spaghetti w/meat sauce **Tossed Salad** Green Beans Garlic Bread **Chocolate Chip Cookies** Salad Bar Available Daily Milk Served With All Meals ities condiments served with mea Proudly brought to you by **Bedford-Norman Insurance Agency** P.O. Box 155 . Winters 754-4515



THE NEWLY FORMED RUNNELS COUNTY 4-H MEAT JUDGING TEAMS competed in the San Antonio Livestock Exposition two weeks ago at the Excel Meat Plant in their first ever competition. A junior age division team and a senior division team represented the county among the 72 teams consisting of 219 individuals. Chanda Hoppe from the 2002 National Championship Texas A&M Meat Judging Team has been coaching the group. Team members are (front, l-r) Jessica Pritchard, Corbin O'Dell, Wiley Guy, Coltyn Pritchard, Brianna Mesey, Colby Pritchard, and Clint Schwartz, all of Winters and (back) Coach Hoppe, Cody Pritchard, Maegan Schwartz, and Ryan Bland, all of Winters, Ryan McMahon of Ballinger, and Chad Landers and Coach Belinda Schwartz of Winters.

## WHS grad enjoys volunteering in pre-kindergarten classroom



Tamra Grohman enjoys spending time with young children. Fortunately for one Winters Elementary Pre-Kindergarten teacher, Tamra has blended her fondness for children with her desire to contribute something meaningful to the community.

Tamra volunteers daily in Audine McBeth's Pre-K classroom. She has committed to volunteer approximately 440 hours this school year.

Arriving by 8:15 a.m. daily, she assists with the breakfast program helping to serve 19 four and five-year-olds. Following breakfast she works at a small groups table with the youngsters until noon each day.

"The children love her, especially when she reads their library books a couple of days a week or sings the color songs or silly songs," said McBeth. "She has given a lot of extra attention to my students and to the classroom. She has good secretarial skills and doesn't mind looking through files or books for a subject matter. She helps cut out books or games for the classroom," added McBeth.

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"She does just about anything I ask of her. She adds so much to the classroom atmosphere." McBeth is also assisted by WISD classroom aide Diane McMinn. "We all love to be at school and love this age group," said McBeth. "I thank God every day I'm able to work with people who enjoy what they are doing!snoiteVient bas

"It seems like yesterday when Tamra was in Ms. Magee's

## **Booster Club** to meet Feb. 27 The Winters Athletic

Booster Club will meet Wednesday, February 27, at 6:00 p.m. at the field house. For more information call

Kim Jackson at 754-5032.

## Card of Thanks

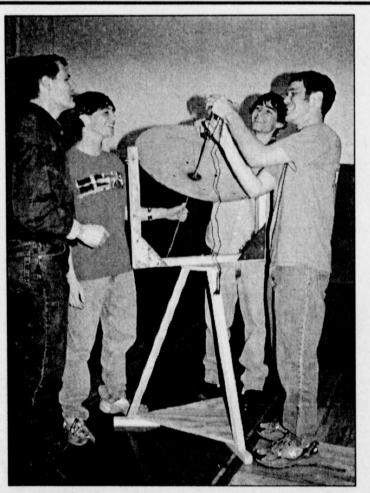
The Blizzard Kid Backers would like to thank the public and Winters Elementary staff for their support of the recent Book Fair. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

## Card of Thanks

The Winters PIPs Program would like to thank First American Bank for their donation to the organization to purchase uniforms. We would also like to thank the public for their participation at our recent Chili Supper. Your support has been very much appreciated.

> TEXAS YOUTH HOTLINE Available 24 Hours Toll free 1-800-210-2278

1999 WHS GRAD Tamra Grohman volunteers her time daily in a Winters Elementary Pre-K classroom. She enjoys reading a library book to these 4 & 5 year-olds, (I-r) Athena Mata, Kimble Bridgeman, Mando Arizmendi, and Stephon Cleghorn.



**THESE WHS STUDENTS have built a Sound Collecting** Dish which should be able to pick up a mere whisper from across the room. The project is part of the G/T Independent Study Program at WHS taught by Ral Dees (left). Students are (I-r) Jared Airhart, Brian Pritchard, and Shane Colburn. Not pictured is Brandon Davis.

kindergarten class. I was next door teaching kindergarten in 1986 and she would come in my room sometimes after school and bring her markers to draw."

After she finishes at the school, Tamra works afternoons in the office of North Main church of Christ from Tuesday through Friday. She is a member of the church and remains active in the youth group. She faithfully volunteers her time at the church's Wednesday night ministry for area youth and Vacation Bible School in the summer. She is a 1999 WHS graduate and the daughter of Freddie and Landa Grohman.

## Six Blizzards to compete in field events at Water Valley

#### Lady Blizzards won't participate

The Lady Blizzard Track Team will not compete in Wa- seasons at the Blackland Diter Valley on February 22 be- vide Relays in Roscoe on Satcause a scheduling conflict urday, March 2. with golf and softball. Due to a Friday night meet instead of compete at Roscoe on Friday, Saturday, the Ladies would March 1. have a reduced roster due to the other athletic events.

The meet is slated to be an all field event and relay meet. The Blizzards will take six athletes to Water Valley. All six Blizzards will compete in field events only, beginning at 3 p.m. Due to a baseball game scheduled for the same day, the Blizzards will not compete in running events because of a reduced roster as well.

**Classifieds** Get Results

Both squads will open their

The WJHS Breezes will

## Soccer meeting February 24 in Ballinger

There will be an important soccer meeting Sunday, February 24, at 7:30 p.m. at the Ballinger Fire Station.

Parents of children ages 4-11 and those interested in forming a Runnels County Soccer Association are encouraged to attend.

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Thursday, Feb. 21 TAAS testing-8th Grade Writing; 9th Grade Practice TAAS writing; Sophomore Exit Level Writing Friday, Feb.22 Зрм, Water Valley Track Meet—Field Events, **Boys Only** 4PM, Softball, Sonora 5PM, J.V. baseball, Sonora 7PM, Varsity baseball, Sonora **TBA**, Tennis, Forsan TBA, Girls Golf, Anson

Saturday, Feb. 23 11AM, J.V. baseball, Hamlin (DH) TBA, Boys Golf, Anson **TBA**, Tennis, Forsan Monday, Feb. 25 **7PM**, Winters Community **Baseball Organizational** Meeting, Cafeteria Wednesday, Feb. 27 6PM, Booster Club, Field House Thursday, Feb. 28 TBA, Varsity baseball

Sweetwater Tourn. TBA, Jr. High Track Meet, Roscoe



# School

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# 2001-02 7th grade Lady Breezes INTERS

Seated (I-r): Savanna Sanchez, Francis Reyes, Charlotte Horton, Naomi Vasquez, and Rebecca Reyna. Kneeling: Ashley Gann, Kellyn Airhart, Heather Waldrop and Advita Vasquez. Standing: Jaci Johnston, Ashley Laird, Coach Shanna Roberts, Amy Kraatz, and Yesenia Flores.

# Winters students plan May trip to Washington, D.C.

A group of students from ington. Winters Junior High School will be traveling to Washing- visit the Washington Monuton, D.C. for four days and three nights this May.

Bible is working with seum, Ford's Theatre, and the WorldStrides Student Travel of Peterson Home where Charlottesville, Virginia, to Abraham Lincoln died). coordinate this exciting, oncein-a-lifetime adventure.

WorldStrides is the nation's leading student travel company with over 34 years of experi- Row, the National Cathedral ence.

The group will fly from One of the most moving and

Students and sponsors will ment, the Lincoln and Jefferson Memorials, the Winters teacher Debbie United States Holocaust Mu-

Other interesting sights will include The White House, the United States Capitol, the Library of Congress, Embassy and the National Zoo.

shaped memorial bears the name of more than 58,000 Americans who gave their lives or are still unaccounted for in Vietnam.

Although the official deadline was February 15, packets Monday night are still available from Mrs. Bible who says a minimum of 15 students will be needed for the trip. Parents are also encouraged and invited to make the trip. Nine students have signed up thus far. Mrs. Bible Baseball Association, represays that fundraisers are being senting both Little League planned to help students with baseball and ASA softball, will morning of May 28, and will Veteran's Memorial, also re- tact Debbie Bible at 754-5528 begin their sightseeing imme- ferred to as The Wall. This V- between 1:25 p.m. and 2:25 at 7 p.m. in the school cafetep.m. each school day.

Flossie Kidd of Peacock.

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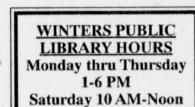
300 chapters in the United

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Islands, Australia, Canada,

Malaysia, South Africa, and

The Society has more than



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# Organizational meeting set for

Future of Winters **Community Baseball** at stake

The Winters Community hold an organizational meeting For more information con- on Monday, February 25, 2002. The meeting will begin ria.



tional Airport early on the will visit is the Vietnam diately upon arrival in Wash-

membership in Golden Key

International Honour Society

and was individually honored

"It is only fitting that a high

academic achiever like Joshua

said Kali Boatright, Golden

Key assistant executive direc-

tor. "Our members are inspired

and motivated by the challenge

not only to be recognized for

their outstanding accomplish-

ments but also to make a posi-

through the Society's commit-

ment to service."

tive impact on our world ner as well as several church

Joshua is a senior music edu- Abilene and the grandson of

be recognized by Golden Key,"

during a campus ceremony.

Dallas-Fort Worth Interna- memorable sights the group trip expenses.

Joshua Kidd has accepted Kappa Kappa Psi, the Texas Winters and the late John and

Tech band service fraternity.

His primary instrument is trum-

pet. He has previously been

inducted into Phi Eta Sigma

Delta, the National Academic

Honor Society for Freshmen.

Band from Raiderland" and

has also performed in small

ensembles for two seasons in

the Texas Tech Madrigal Din-

and civic events. He is the son

of Mitchell and Karen Kidd of

He is a member of the "Goin'

**Key International Honour Society** 

Board members will be selected and officers elected for Locals' grandson inducted into Golden lected and officers elected for the 2002 season. In addition, coaches are needed in all age divisions and are strongly encouraged to attend this important meeting.

> Adult support is essential in planning and implementing the summer baseball program for area youth. The future of Winters Community Baseball will depend on parent involvement and participation at this crucial organizational meeting.

All interested individuals are asked to attend.



#### New Zealand. Membership into Winters Independent School District the Society is by invitation only Resolution to the top 15 percent of juniors and seniors in all fields of study. February 11, 2002

Be it resolved, by the Board of Trustees of the Winters Independent School District of Winters, Texas, that an election is hereby ordered to be held at the Winters I.S.D. Elementary School Library in the City of Winters, Texas, on the first Saturday in May 2002.

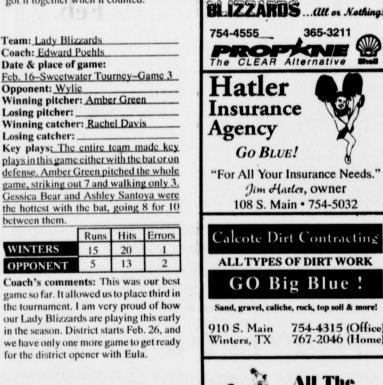
Be it further resolved, that request by candidates to have their names placed upon the ballot shall be in writing, indicating the district they seek and filing dates to be February 18, 2002, through March 20, 2002, and the following be appointed to hold said election between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

**Election Judge** Marlene Smith Early voting to be conducted at the Business Office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., beginning April 17, 2002, through April 30, 2002, with the election judges and clerks to serve on the canvassing board of early voting. Early voting clerks are appointed as follows:

Rhonda Goetz Cindy Brown Danny Clack **Jimmy Butler** 

Be it further resolved, to have election materials printed in English and Spanish in order to comply with all requirements of the Voting Rights Act Amendment of 1977, Public Law 84-73.

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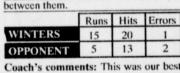
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game so far. It allowed us to place third in the tournament. I am very proud of how our Lady Blizzards are playing this early in the season. District starts Feb. 26, and we have only one more game to get ready for the district opener with Eula.

# **Registration deadline for** next ACT exam is March 1

students can take the ACTAs- Colleges use ACT scores, sessment on April 6, 2002, the along with a student's high next nationwide test date. The school GPA, the type of colregistration postmark deadline lege-prep courses taken and is March 1. Late registration other information to help depostmark deadline is March 15 termine admissions and the for late registration).

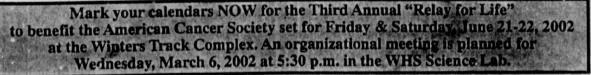
ACT scores are accepted by virtually all colleges and universities in the nation, including all Ivy League schools. The

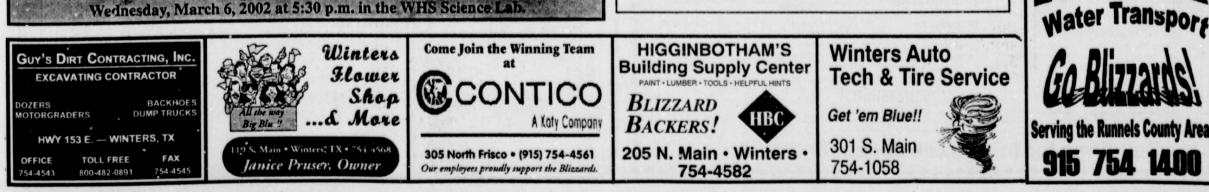
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College-bound high school test fee is \$24 (\$27 in Florida). Students who have already (an additional fee is required appropriate course placement exam as seniors. Students who for new students.

achievement test in English, reading, math, and science. colleges if they choose.

taken the ACT can take it again and try for a higher score. Juniors can use their scores to examine academic weaknesses, take courses to correct those weaknesses and retake the take the exam more than once The ACT Assessment is an can report only their highest composite score to prospective





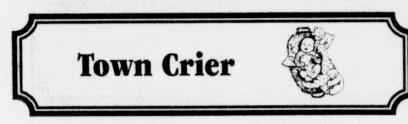
cation major and a member of Dale and Doris Eubanks of



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SPECIAL VALENTINES Louise Waggoner and Clarence Huckaby were crowned during the holiday party on Feb. 14 at the Senior Citizens Retirement Center. The King and Queen crowns were made ten years ago by fellow resident, Billie Whitlow, and have been used to crown the Valentine royalty each year.



## Caleb Reece Calcote

Sandy Calcote and Matthew Brown are proud to announce the birth of their son, Caleb Reece.

Caleb was born Tuesday, December 18, 2001, at 1:37 a.m. He weighed 8 lbs., 9-1/2 oz. and was 21 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Danny and Sherry Calcote, Jim Brown, and Lucy Kraatz.

Great-grandparents are Wesley and Carlene Vogler, Betty Moot, Kirby and Avis Brown, and Bernice Kraatz.

Great-great-grandmothers are Dixie Calcote and Faye Killough.



#### Alisa Joy Hass & Johnny William King, Jr. exchange wedding vows

Life

Alisa Joy Hass and Johnny William King, Jr. of Greensburg, Kansas were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony on Sunday, February 10, 2002, at the Faith Tabernacle Church in Greensburg, Kansas. Reverend Willard Olinger performed the ceremony.

Cheri Hass of Greensburg, Kansas was her mother's maid of honor. Best man was David Thornox of Greensburg, Kansas, nephew of the groom.

Parents of the bride are Bill and Jean Lafair of Winters and Tommy W. Hass of Abilene. Her grandparents are the late John and Beulah Schaffrina, and the late Gordon Hass and Nollie Hass of Abilene.

The groom's parents are Sandra Lou King of Greensburg, Kansas and Johnny William King, Sr. of Eros, Louisiana.

The bride is a nurse in Greensburg, working on her Kansas certification. The groom is involved in the farming industry in Greensburg. The Kings are making their home in Greensburg, Kansas.

## Woman's Club "goes to Italy"

#### Enjoys festivities; elects new officers

Jones Fellowship Hall in Win- room. ters was decorated in an Ital-Italy were displayed on one side of the room, and on the other were the serving tables that replicated an Italian market place. Italian foods were served.

meal, Jeff Mills strolled among lin.

Judy Biddix gave the pro-

#### Card of Thanks

Lavonda and us during this difficult time.

Thanks... to the ones who and compassion. came to the hospital and stayed

The Winters Woman's Club gram. She told of her trip to met February 12 for an Italy. Many of her mementos "Amore" Valentine party. The were displayed around the

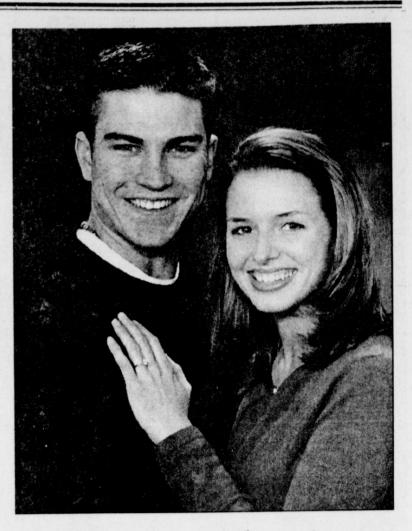
During the business meetian motif. Products made in ing, Susan Mostad was elected to membership. A new slate of officers was elected. They are Sandy Griffin, president; Jane Allcorn, vice-president; Sylvia Wilson, treasurer; Joyce Broadstreet, recording secre-Piano selections were pro- tary; Virginia Brown, correvided by Fran Kidwell as sponding secretary; Gail Willguests arrived. During the iams, historian; and Phyllis Boles, historian. Twenty-four the tables playing his mando- members and three guests were

present.

# We would like to take this who sent flowers, cards, and

opportunity to thank the many food; to Barry Taylor and his people who were there for wife for their time, prayers, and support; and to Mike Meyer and Linda Dry for their help

To everyone of you, your with us and were there even many acts of love were a great



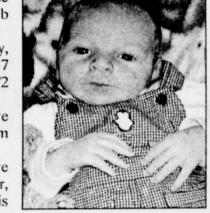
Robert Reed & Jaime Stone

## **Reed, Stone announce** upcoming marriage

Jimmy and Carla Stone of Fort Worth, formerly of Texarkana, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jaime Larissa Stone, to Robert Darth Reed. He is the son of Larry and Sue Reed of Wingate and Benita Robinson of Denton.

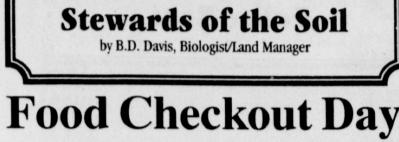
The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Orville Stone of Nashville, Arkansas; the late Mr. Carl Martin of Washington, Arkansas; and Grace Martin of Sweetwater, Texas. She is a 1997 graduate of Pleasant Grove High School and attended Cisco Junior College School of Nursing and Abilene Christian University. She is a nurse at John Peter Smith Hospital in Fort Worth.

The prospective bridegroom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Ozzie Reed of Wingate, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Tate of Lubbock, and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Welch of Whitesboro. He is a 1995 graduate of Winters High School and also attended Abilene Christian University. He owns and operates West Texas Golf Cars in Abilene and Midland and is a part-time youth minister for North Main Church of Christ in Winters.





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year. That Friday was the day Checkout Day." Farm Bureau we here in Runnels County information provides the folneeded to remind ourselves of lowing. Farmers and ranchers one of the main reasons why receive only 20 cents out of America is so great — and each dollar spent on food. The maybe to brag a little. We ag- additional 80 cents our food ricultural producers are the costs is "added on" beyond the most proficient in the world at farm gate. Farm and ranch producing food. We produce families operate almost 99 perall the food this country needs and have enough "burgers and fries," so to speak, left over to be almost 100 percent here in feed half the rest of the world. We do it with only about one person out of 100 working at vested in farm and ranch land it.

Our food is of the highest quality and yet the cheapest as far as time the average American spends working - only about 10 percent of our income goes to purchase food. February 8th was "Food Checkout as a whole, has more produc-Day." It is that day that each of tive land than any nation. It is us has already worked enough to purchase our food for the very backbone of the richest entire year. However, on the and most powerful country in downside, we all will have to the world. work an additional 123 days (or through June 11) to pay our Nature up to 1,000 years to taxes. Eating is a pleasurable build one inch of our topsoil experience — paying taxes is not.

Almost everything around times, in our haste, can easily us, all birds and all animals, waste that much soil in one or spend most of every day try- two rains - and it is gone foring to get enough to eat. Even ever. When our soil washes or our domestic livestock usually run short during the winter. We then have to run to town and get a sack of something to feed them — something somebody else has produced. Even our and food is power. Conservaancestors, not too far back, spent almost all their time trying to feed the family. But for ing stewardship we lose fellowus, now, it is a time of food ship; we become outcasts from abundance. the great neighborhood of cre-The Runnels County Farm ation." Wendell Berry Bureau along with the Texas

February 8 is that time of Farm Bureau sponsors "Food cent of the agriculture units in this country. That figure has to Runnels County.

> Texas has more value inthan any state. We have the most cattle and sheep. And we have more numbers of farms and ranches.

> The reason for food abundance ties back to the abundance of rich topsoil. America, our topsoil that provides the.

It takes God and Mother topsoil that we often take for granted. We producers someblows some of our ability to produce, food goes with it. Each of us needs to be reminded it is topsoil that produces our food and food is life tion is everyone's business.

Quote of the week: "In los-

Outdoors



MEMBERS OF ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH stay busy serving hungry contributors to the Superbowl Brisket Dinner on February 3. The event raised \$4,102.35 to benefit the Christmas in April project which will be held April 20.

## Superbowl dinner raises \$4,102.35 for **CIA** project

Christmas in April 2002 will be a little brighter this year thanks to the Superbowl brisket dinner on February 3.

The fundraiser meal raised \$4,102.35 for the CIA project which will take place April 20.

St. John's Lutheran Church extends special thanks to the following:

Wes-T-Go,

Ace Polk, Teresa Davis, Buddy Miller,

Lutheran Brotherhood,

Aid Association for Lutherans,

St. John's Ladies for desserts,

and everyone who made a contribution.

Ag Talk by Congressman Charles Stenholm

# Senate passes farm bill

Senate finally completed action on a farm bill the week ending Febru-

ary 15. By a vote of 58 to 40, the Senate passed the "Agricul-Enhancement Act."

The House version, known as the "Farm Security Act," was passed last October.

cess of completing action on this farm programs shortchanged in legislation will be a House and the long-term. The House bill, Senate conference, during which on the other hand, spends the time House members and Sena- funding more evenly over a tentors will work out the differences year period. between the two bills, along with input from the White House. I'm differences between the two bills looking forward to serving as a conferee. The House Agriculture Committee hopes to begin the conference as soon as possible in ence is a Senate provision that. order to have a final bill for the 2002 crop year. I am still hopeful to have a farm bill out of Congress and ready for a presidential signature by mid-March, but the Senate bill is considerably different from the House bill and it will

to say that the out the differences between the two bills.

Under a budget agreement last year, \$73.5 billon was set aside for agriculture over the next ten years. However, the Senate bill renews farm programs only through 2006, authoture, Conservation, and Rural rizing \$45 billion in new spending over the next five years.

> The Bush administration is particularly concerned that the Senate bill front-loads spending

One of the most significant is the Senate inclusion of a provision to limit payments to producers.

way, was strongly opposed by the National Cattlemen's Beef Association. The Senate farm bill also includes a less controversial provision that would add \$2.4 billion in disaster aid for farmers and ranchers hit by bad weather in 2001.

Of this amount, \$1.9 billion would be designated for crop producers and \$500 million for livestock producers.

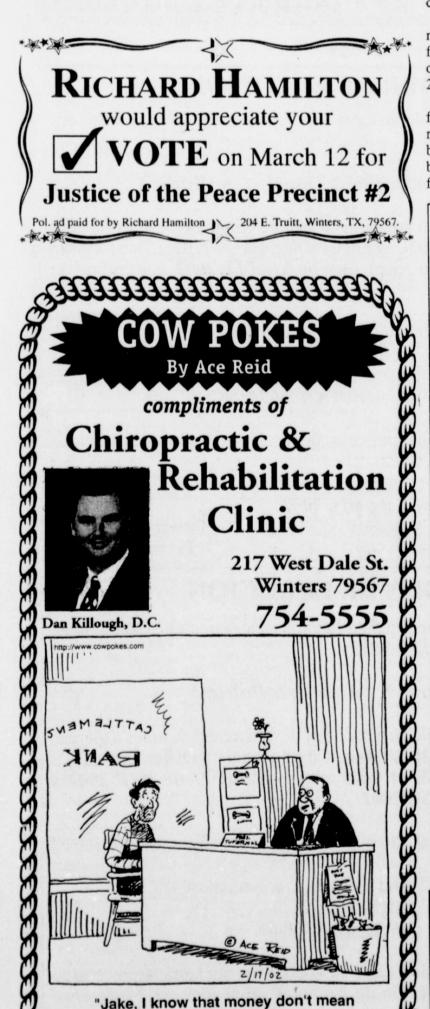
The Senate voted to designate The next step in the long pro- in the first five years, leaving this \$2.4 billion as emergency spending, and this money would be in addition to the spending that has already been earmarked for direct payments to farmers for this fiscal year.

I'm pleased probably take some time to work clude this provision that, by the increase in the amount of acreage that has been insured and an increase in the amount of insurance that is in force. There is also evidence suggesting that producers are choosing higher coverage levels.

USDA's Risk Management Agency (RMA) continues to be difficult to work with, and RMA and the Farm Service Agency (FSA) continue to have difficulty building the kind of cooperation needed to make improvements to the programs that they administer.

> **USDA** updating computer services

The USDA is rolling out a new Service Center Information



everything, but with you havin' 3 overdue notes and 14 overdrafts . . . it does."

Another significant differbans packer ownership of cattle, sheep, or hogs.

Specifically, the Senate bill would ban packers from owning, feeding, or controlling livestock for more than 14 days prior to slaughter.

The House bill does not in-

This is one of those areas that will raise budget concerns for the White House and for a number of folks in Congress.

#### **House Agriculture** Subcommittee reviews **Risk Protection Act**

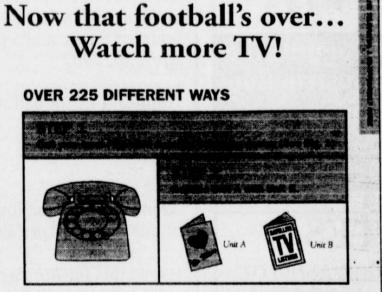
The House Agriculture Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management met to review the progress of the Agricultural Risk Protection Act (ARPA) of 2000, legislation to reform the nation's crop insurance program.

There have been some successes resulting from ARPA: an

Management System (SCIMS), a computer data base that officials say will help reduce paperwork requirements for USDA programs.

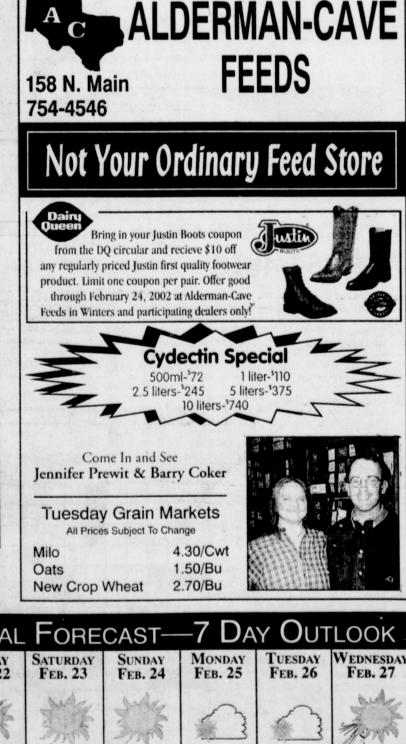
Under this new computer program, customers will be able to sign up for programs from their home computer equipment.

Using the new database, farmers and ranchers will be able to access their individual records, apply for loans, and sign up for USDA programs from their personal computers or other remote locations.



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## Social Security Rep. in Winters on February 25

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his February visit to Winters. He will be at the Winters Housing Project Office on Monday, Feb. 25, between 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

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

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

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

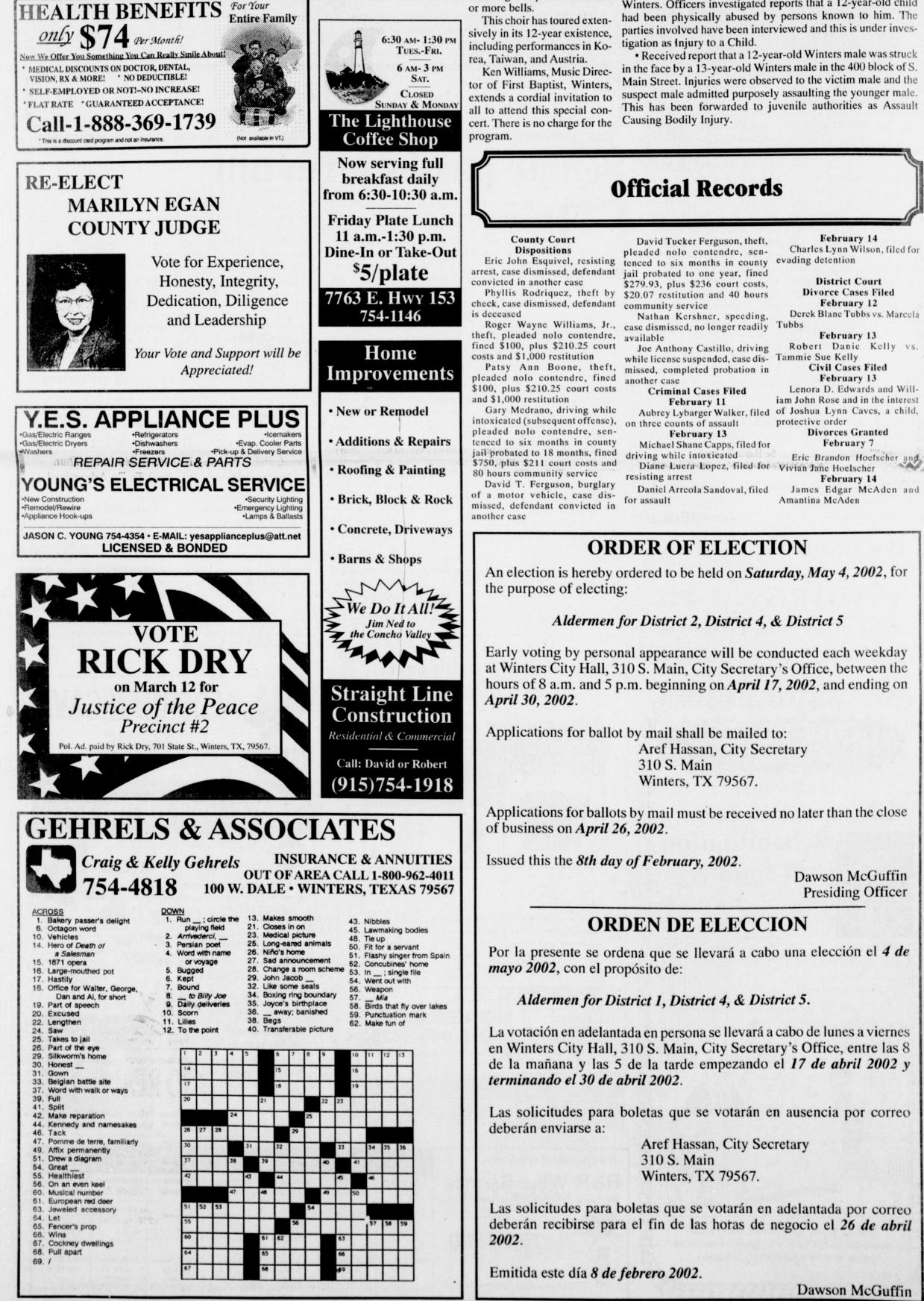
#### Law & Order Handbell **Did you know**

about Feb. 20? Time was in perfect symmetry at 8:02 p.m.: 20:02 (time), 20/02 (date), 2002 (year). Source: Abilene Reporter-News

#### **Puda graduates** at Texas A&M

Joshua Justin Puda of Winevery weekday except holi- ters was among 3,391 Texas A&M University graduates to receive diplomas during midyear commencement ceremonies.

> Puda received a bachelor of science degree in geophysics.



# choir to perform at **First Baptist Dallas Baptist University**

Handbell Ringers will be on tour in Winters on Friday, March 1, at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary of First Baptist Church.

The program will consist of a variety of familiar hymns as well as song arrangements and pieces written specifically for the handbell choir.

The group, under the direction of Dr. Ed Spann, is made up of thirteen ringers playing several octaves of bells, with each ringer responsible for four or more bells.

**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, February 10, 2002, through Saturday, February 16, 2002. Winters Police Officers:

· received report of a burglary in the 700 block Bowen Street. A 68-year-old Winters male reported that between February 1 and February 11 person(s) unknown removed several pieces of lawn equipment from a house he uses for storage. Evidence was collected at the scene and this is under investigation as Burglary of a Habitation.

· received report of an injury to a child on the east side of Winters. Officers investigated reports that a 12-year-old child had been physically abused by persons known to him. The parties involved have been interviewed and this is under inves-

in the face by a 13-year-old Winters male in the 400 block of S. Main Street. Injuries were observed to the victim male and the suspect male admitted purposely assaulting the younger male. This has been forwarded to juvenile authorities as Assault



# **Divorce** Cases Filed

Robert Danie Kelly vs.

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Winters Enterprise



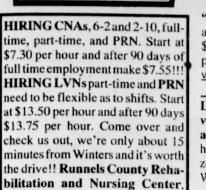
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# **Classified** Ads 915/754-4958 or FAX 915/754-4628

#### Employment



1800 N. Broadway, Ballinger. (915) 365-2538. 12-43(tfc) PRODUCTION: In Winters area.

Day & night shifts. Call 365-8880 for 13-7(2tc) more info.

Jackson Health Care Systems is seeking part-time attendents to assist tion. Small facility, great benefits, elderly and disabled clients with per- wonderful people! Inquire at Senior sonal care and light housekeeping in Citizens Nursing Home, 506 Van Winters area. Must have own trans- Ness, Winters, TX. 754-4566 portation. Contact Karolyn at 254-965-9666 or 877-885-7056. EOE. 13-8(2tc)





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**Help Wanted** 

13-7(8tp) LOCAL CERTIFIED Food Service Supervisor or Dietary Manager needed. M-F, paid vacation & holidays. Apply today! Senior Citizens Nursing Home, 506 Van Ness, Winters, TX. 754-4566

13-7(3tc) SUBSTITUTE CAFETERIA WORKERS needed. Please apply at Winters Independent School District Administration Office, 603 N. Heights. 13-7(2tc) LOCAL RN needed for DON posi-

13-7(3tc)



red, good shape, current tags & registration. Call 754-3327 before 3:30 p.m. or 754-1882 after 3:30 p.m.



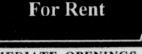
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NEELY APTS., 2 bedroom vacancies; apply at 300 N. Grant, Winters, TX 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Mon.-Fri. Available immediately to qualified applicants. Equal Housing Opportu-12-10(tfc) nity. SEPARATE LISTINGS: Bldg downtown; 1 BR apartment furnished; 3 BR house; 3 BR house in country; bldg. in country. Call 754-12-34(tfc) ACE MINI STORAGE UNITS, boat and travel trailer storage. Contact Windmill Enterprises, 221 West Dale, 754-4542. 11-38(tfc) YEAR-END SPECIAL - NO **DEPOSIT WITH APPROVED** CREDIT. Winters Apartments, 100 N. Grant. 2 BR apts. w/washer & dryer connections. Susie Leady, mgr. Office hours: M & F 1-3 PM, apt. 8. 365-9131, 365-4922, 365-6793 mobile. 13-1(tfc) Lone Star Estates located on Hwy. 83 north of downtown Winters. Beau-

tiful 2 BR with 2 bath duplexes at affordable rates. Call Joyce at 754-3331 today! Ask about our move-in specials... 13-6(4tc)



MARCH 1-2-3 BALLINGER. TEXAS-Elmcreek Flea Market, 401 Park Ave. 1st weekend Feb.-Dec. We have a variety of vendors each month. Great deals on concrete bird baths and yard decor. Don't miss it!! Spaces available, call for space information 365-2326 or 365-6382.

#### NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION **GENERAL**)

Legal Notice

To the Registered Voters of the City of Winters, Texas: (A los votantes registrados del

Ciudad de Winters, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 4, 2002, for voting in a general election to elect City Council Members for Districts 2, 4, and 5 of the City of Winters. (Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abaja se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 4th de mayo de 2002 para votar en la Elección General para elegir ciudad concejal para zona 2, 4, y

5.) LOCATION OF POLLING PLACES

(DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES) Winters Elementary School

Library 702 N. Heights Winters, Texas

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at (la votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en) Winters City Hall, 310 S. Main, City Secretary's Office (sitio) between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 17, 2002 (entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el 17 de abril, 2001) and ending on April 30, 2002 (y teminado el 30 de abril, 2002). Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: (las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:) Aref Hassan, 310 S. Main (dirección), Winters, Texas 79567 (ciudad, zona postal).

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**Classified Ads** 5 p.m. Monday

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610 W. FLOYD-Very nice home. Large corner lot. Beautiful neighborhood. 3 BD/2 BA. 1800 sq.ft. Single garage-double carport. Pool. Sprinkler system. New Berber carpet. Recently updated. \$85,000. Call 754-4889 or 254-840-0545.

**Real Estate** 

12-42(tfc)

NICE 3 BR/2BA BRICK HOME. Fireplace. C/HA. Lots of storage. Detached bldg. with office space. Bathroom & kitchenette. Sprinkler system. Reduced to \$50,000. Contact J.B. Guy, Jr. 754-4543 or 754-5248. 12-45(tfc)

1001 Novice Road: Nice brick home on a large corner lot with 2.25 additional acreage available. 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, 1544 square feet, freestanding fireplace, double carport, fenced backyard. Separate 24' x 32' shop/storage building and 18' x 29' travel trailer shed. Contact Jim Jordan, 754-5511 or 754-4305.

#### 13-7(4tp)

103 S. PENNY LANE-Brick, 3BR/ 2BA, A CH, basement, water well, storage shed, beautiful trees, fenced backyard. 754-4246 after 5:00 p.m. 13-8(5tc)

I'M MAD ... AT BANKS WHO DON'T GIVE HOUSE LOANS BECAUSE OF BAD CREDIT, PROBLEMS OR NEW EMPLOY-MENT. I DO, CALL L.D. KIRK, HOMELAND MORTGAGES, (254)947-4475.

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