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Pearls of Wisdom-Remember-when your child has a tantrum, don't

have one of your own.

Chris Ozbirn recognized

Chris Ozbirn has been recognized by the City of Winters as Employee of the Quarter. Chris works in the City Waterworks Department. page 2

Easter Fun

Easter festivities were enjoyed by the young and old alike. Stories and pictures from the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce and Senior Citizens Nursing Home are featured.

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Pre-K and Kindergarten Roundup set

Pre-kindergarten and kin dergarten roundup is scheduled for Tueday, April 23, from 6-7 p.m. in the elementary library.

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Country **Club News**

The Winters Country Club course manager has moved to Oklahoma, but the club is still in "full swing" with a variety of opportunities for the community.

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Local youth earn state honors

Six local stock show exhibitos have earned state honors and recognition by the Texas Club Calf and Pig Associations. page 7

Runnels Co. sets voting locations

Voting locations for the April 9 runoff election are listed for Runnels County. page 8

Need a laugh?

If lawyers are disbarred and clergymen defrocked, doesn't it follow that electricians can be delighted, musicians denoted, cowboys deranged, models deposed, tree surgeons debarked, and dry cleaners depressed?

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Runoff election April 9 for Justice of the Peace

The Democratic and Repubwill be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

decide between incumbent Bill mary. If a person did not vote Bredemeyer and challenger in the March 12 Primary, he or Richard Hamilton for Justice she is still eligible to vote in of the Peace Precinct 2.

In the primary election on Runoff. March 12, Bredemeyer garnered 175 votes (34%) to found on page 8. Hamilton's 217 votes (42%).

According to Runnels lican Runoff Election will be County Clerk Elesa Ocker, any held Tuesday, April 9. Polls eligible voter must vote in the same Runoff Primary, either Democratic or Republican, as At the local level, voters will they voted in the March 12 Prithis Democratic or Republican

Voting locations may be

Please vote!

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME 2:00 AM, SUNDAY, APRIL 7



Turn clocks forward one hour.

Burn ban is lifted

In a very brief meeting on March 28, Runnels County Commissioners voted to lift the burn ban which had been in effect due to drought conditions.

Winters and the surrounding area received almost four inches of rain on March 26

Finger lickin' good -



JACE YOUNG, at 22 months, couldn't wait to sample his Easter eggs during the first city-wide hunt last Saturday at the City Park, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and Lawrence Brothers IGA. Jace is the son of Jason and Tammy Young. See page 3 for story.

Reception Friday for doctor candidate

The Winters community is invited to a reception honoring North Runnels Hospital Medical Doctor candidate, Joe Garcia, M.D. Dr. Garcia has been in practice in Elgin, Texas, for the past 24 years.

The reception, hosted by the Physician Recruitment Committee, will be Friday, April 5, 2002, from 2-4 p.m. at the Rock Hotel.



"Have a seat, Opal"

by Jean Boles, editor

years, Opal Hunt might be hard over a hundred years old. to surprise.

gasped and giggled as Bob Phillips of Texas Country Reporter television program presented Miss Opal with a surprise visit and a very special

When Opal's family store, Audra Mercantile, closed last year after 96 years of business, Phillips was the lucky buyer of a very unique item — the old oak chair where Opal sat many hours talking with friends and visitors to the eclectic store in Bradshaw.

Not only had the chair belonged to Opal, it had first belonged to her father, Meno

After living more than 100 Hunt, making the chair well

Phillips knew the chair had But last week, the centurion distinct meaning to Opal (and anyone else who shared a conversation with her), so he had the very worn item renovated by a craftsman in Uvalde. According to Phillips, the chair was disassembled, cleaned and reconditioned before being put back together. Even the three multicolored cushions Opal used in the chair were cleaned and placed back in their respective places.

To make the presentation more special, Phillips asked Roy and Noleta Rice, owners of Our House retirement center where Opal lives, to keep

See OPAL, page 6



MISS OPAL HUNT visits with Bob Phillips of Texas Country Reporter television program who recently surprised her with a special gift - the 100+ year-old chair (in background) from Audra Mercantile, the store her family owned at Bradshaw. Phillips had bought the chair, had it refurbished, and returned it to the centurion who now resides at Our House in Winters. The segment will air May 4, on KTXS at 6:30 p.m.

FINDING A NEEDLE in a haystack might compare with City employees looking for the discharge line between the Old Lake and Elm Creek Reservoir. The line was installed about 50 years ago but its location was not recorded. Workers dug for two days in an effort to find the line so it could be cleaned and used to pump water to the Reservoir via gravity flow. In background is the Reservoir which is critically low.

City workers busy at lake and reservoir

On Wednesday, March 27 and Thursday, March 28, 2002, employees of the City of Winters Water and Street Department were very busy with their heavy equipment in an effort to find the discharge line from the Old Lake to Elm Creek Reservoir.

The purpose was to open and clean the discharge line to allow water to come from the Old Lake to the Reservoir by gravity flow.

After two days of effort, however, the line was not lo-

City Manager Aref Hassan says, "The City will not give up on this effort, but we make no promises. After all, the Old Lake is approximately 50 years old, and it is not easy to locate anything without a map and locating a 50-yearold map is not easy either."

Hassan says the reason for the new effort is to save electrical costs and hopefully keep the pump from getting too

hot and burning out. He further says, "Hopefully, we will get enough rain to fill both lakes. If this doesn't happen by the last part of April or the first part of May, water will be pumped from the Old Lake to the Reservoir."

According to Hassan, the water will be pumped from the Old Lake before the weather gets too hot and too much water evaporates. If the City workers find the natural discharge line, the water will be allowed to flow from the Old Lake to the Reservoir by gravity flow.

"This way," Hassan says, "we will save electricity costs. Otherwise, the pump will be turned on like last year."

Opinion

Oil Bidness

by Reg Boles ©2002



A few items in the news, recently, deserve our attention. Each one might be considered a "newsflash"--if you can get past the irony.

Newsflash #1: "Gasoline prices rise as oil prices rise. No one can figure out why--government committee to investigate possible conspiracy."

Newsflash #2: "If Arctic National Wildlife Refuge opened for drilling, it will only produce a few billion barrels of oil--not enough to impact our future needs. In a related story, government grants \$200 million for biomass energy re- economic recovery continues search that could replace up to 1 million barrels of oil some- He laments, 'if only prices day. Environmentalists hail this huge impact on our future energy needs."

Newsflash #3: "Public outcry greets gasoline price increase that could costs the average motorist up to \$250 per year. Meanwhile, gasoline taxes alone cost the same motorist \$350 per year already."

Newsflash #4: "Environmental leader shocked to learn that ink on their newsletter contains petroleum. Shock turns to outrage when he learns the computer his staff works on is made of petroleum compounds. The group immediately issues a press release denouncing the circumstance as a conspiracy of big business to infiltrate all parts of life for profit." (That one is not made up!)

Newsflash #5: "Despite caution urged by industry leaders, financial consultants begin to espouse investment in the oil and gas exploration and production business. One adviser sees no way but up from here--it is different this time--it isn't the 80's again."

Newsflash #6: "Senate spokesman says that 'Building an energy poticy by listening to the energy producers is like asking a fox to guard the henhouse. The preference would have been to totally ex-

clude the producers in favor of environmentalists, conservationists, and consumers,' he said. Now, all we will get is more production of oil, gas,

and electricity." Newsflash #7: "World oil production is past its peak, according to a recently released book by a former Shell geologist. The upshot from the book is that appears the age of profitable big oil is over." (Contrast this with the financial view of investing more now.)

Newsflash #8: "Energy demand is likely to increase as the says local economics expert. would stay low instead of going up in response to increasing demand,' he told a recent conference of world economists." (He must have majored in a different economic theory than I did.)

There you have it--all the news I can think of. I leave it to you to interpret. See you next time.

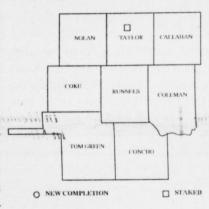
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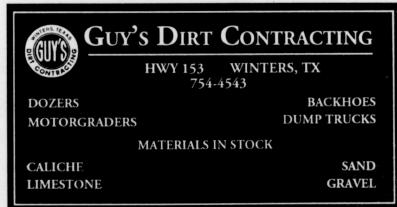
Sojourner Drilling Corp. has completed the Kings 'X' #1 in the Weaver Springs Field (5 miles S of Trent) at an initial rate of 39 BOPD in the Palo Pinto (perfs 4582-86). Loc. is 2226 FSEL & 2628 FNEL of Sec. 71, Blk. 19, T&PRR Sur., A-1427.

STAKINGS None This Week



EMERGENCY HELP FROM THE FOOD PANTRY AND CLOTHES CLOSET

For help with food and clothes, the Winters Outreach Center is open from 9 a.m. to noon Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. There are no evening openings at this time.





Employee of the Quarter-



CHRIS OZBIRN (right) was recognized as the City of Winters Employee of the First Quarter of 2002 on Wednesday, March 27, 2002. Mayor Dawson McGuffin presents Chris with a proclamation. Chris has been an employee of the City's Waterworks Department since September 1999. Congratulations Chris on a job well

Runnels Baptist

Association to

The Runnels Baptist Asso-

ciation will meet on Monday,

April 15, at First Baptist

Church in Paint Rock for a

W.M.U. will meet at 5:30 p.m.

The meal will be served at 6:30

The praise and worship ser-

The public is invited to at-

Museum to host

Rock Hotel on Thursday, April

18, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00

serts and drinks will be served.

Cost of the meal will be \$5 per

Sandwiches, salads, des-

indoor picnic

vice will begin at 7:15 p.m.

tend.

The Executive Board and

praise and worship service.

meet April 15

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gravy, mashed potatoes. corn, hot rolls, Jello cake. Wednesday, April 10: Meatballs w/mushroom gravy egg noodles, peas & carrots, bread, cherry cobbler. Thursday, April 11: Ham. green beans, squash, cornbread, cookies.

Friday, April 12: Bar-B-Que on a Bun, chips, cole slaw, pickles & onions, des-

Solution

Everyone is invited to attend. PLEASE... Conserve water & pray for rain.

person.



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Obituaries

Kathleen (Mrs. Warren) Shedd

WINGATE-Kathleen (Mrs. Warren) Shedd, 85, died Monday, March 25, 2002, at Windcrest Nursing Home.

She was born October 8, 1916, in Gilmer, Texas. She graduated from Hardin-Simmons University and began teaching school in 1935. She married Warren Shedd on December 25. 1939, in Blackwell.

Mrs. Shedd taught at Valley Creek, Shep, and Wingate for 44 years, retiring in 1979. She was a member of Wingate Bap-

She was preceded in death by her parents, George and Fannie Jackson Beavers, and her husband.

Survivors include several cousins.

Services were at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, March 28, at the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Kenneth Jones officiating. Burial was in Shep Cemetery, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to Wingate Baptist Church.

Julia Martinez Cortez



WINTERS-Julia Martinez Cortez, 75, died Friday, March 29, 2002, in an Abilene hospital.

She was born December 20, 1926 in Ballinger and lived in Runnels County all of her life. She married Frank Cortez in September of 1943 in Corpus Christi.

Mrs. Cortez was a homemaker and a member of the Catholic Church.

Survivors include her hus-

band, Frank Cortez of Winters; eight sons, Frank, Jr., Raymond, Rudoph, Fred and Manuel Cortez all of Abilene, George and Jerry Cortez of Mansfield, and Ruben Cortez of Midland; eight daughters, Tina Cortez of Vista, California, Hope Durst of Ft. Worth, Molly Moreno of Abilene, Patricia Cruz and Frances Lopez, both of Irving, Linda Barrera of Mansfield, Elma Flores of Merkel and Louisa Sanchez of Arlington; her mother, Concepcion Martinez of Plainview; two sisters, Delphina Martinez of Plainview and Oralia Martinez of Sweetwater; six brothers, Juan Martinez of San Antonio, Alfonso, Calixtro, Alfredo, Jr. and Carlos Martinez all of Plainview, and Cruz Martinez of Ft. Worth; and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great, great-grandchildren.

Rosary was held at 7:00 p.m. Sunday, March 31, 2002, in the Winters Funeral Home Chapel. Wake services were held at 1:00 p.m. Monday, April 1, 2002, in the Winters Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed in the Lakeview Cemetery in Winters The Z. I. Hale Museum will with Father Obioma D. Obi officiating, directed by Winters Fuhave an indoor picnic at The neral Home. how to be of one aw tent and of an

Ladies only fellowship every Thursday afternoon in Wingate

A Women's Bible Fellowship will be held weekly on Thursday afternoons beginning at 1:00 p.m. featuring Lola Scott as the teacher.

The fellowship will be located at 109 CR 395 in Wingate. For more information please call 743-8311; 743-2470; or 450-2250.

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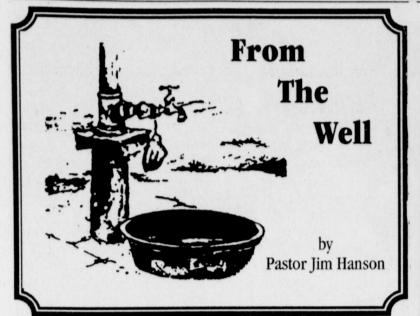


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One of my favorite quotes is: "In Spite of all its accomplishments, humanity exists because of six inches of topsoil and the fact that it rains." It was in a Lion's magazine. Anonymous. And, I like to use it in context of another quote: "Yet, for us there is one God,

the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist." It is found in the Bible, I Corinthians 8:6-7. The apostle Paul wrote it.

I am glad for these quotes. They put my mind and my heart where they ought to be. To be sure humanity has accomplished a lot of things. But I haven't seen or heard of any human that has created earth. Or rain. Our son John tells this story, and I

An atheist challenged God. He said, "We don't need you any more. We have created space ships and landed them on the moon. We have created machines that can transport information all over the world in a fraction of a second. We have successfully created clones of animals. And now, I challenge you to beat me in making a human."

God replied, "All right, I accept the challenge."

The atheist reached down to pick up a handful of earth. At that moment God interrupted the contest and simply said, "Oh no, you don't. You bring your own earth!"

This last weekend many of us in the Big Country had an opportunity to celebrate and give thanks to God for the fact that it rains. Significant amounts of rain fell. Someone said that in the Stamford area they received six inches. Reports of three inches in some places around Tuscola. Aref said that the "old lake is now almost completely full and significant rain would put water into the new one." Praise the Lord!

But, let's not fool ourselves. The drought is not over. There are areas that are truly bone dry. I know for a fact that one man in the Panhandle was digging a basement and went down 12 feet under ground level...and the earth was still like powder. There are serious shortages all over our nation. What are we to

It seems to me that we are to do what God has asked us toon Take with be available. cious meal and to support the do. Jesus said, "Seek first the Kingdom of God." Before we analyze ourselves to death, let's consult the One in charge, the One who created the earth and makes the rain. And it is very apparent that we are to "Ask, and it shall be given." We are not to stand by and watch the lakes grow dry, and watch the trees and crops shrivel up. We are not to wring our hands. We are to fold them and pray.

We are to exercise our stewardship of creation, God told our first parents to "have dominion over all living things." That did not mean to plunder the earth and wreck the earth and the water resources. Not to plunder and pollute. The apostle Paul tells us in Romans 8, "the creation waits eagerly for the revealing of the sons of God." To me that means that Christians are to get with it and practice their priesthood by interceding for the land. For the earth. The earth has no voice with which to speak. It simply has to take whatever comes. But the sons and daughters of God have the voices and the responsibility to pray for the earth and for the rain to water it.

"It's going to rain someday," is not a prayer. "Dear Jesus, please make it rain, right here, where we are. We need you to break the drought and to fill the tanks and the lakes and water the fields. Thank you for listening." That's a prayer.

My wife Ramona has the right idea. Whenever she sees some cloud cover hovering, she coaxes it along and prays, "In Jesus name, clouds release your moisture." Often, I do the same. It's the kind of thing a son or daughter of God would do to "exercise dominion." And then when it rains, we can say, "Thank you, God. And thank you, clouds." Which we did most of all Friday night and Saturday.

So, pray as individuals. As couples. In your prayer groups. And in your churches. Get churches together to pray. There is power in numbers. This drought has been with us for a long time, God is calling us to do something about it. That something is...pray...pray until it happens and then give thanks because it has!

Conserve water & Pray for rain!

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

April 4-10 a.m.-noon & 1:30-3 p.m. Immunization Clinic, TDH 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 6 p.m. Chamber of Commerce Directors meet

April 5-Last Day for early voting 7:30 a.m Cowboys for Christ, Drasco

11:30 a.m. Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 2-4 p.m. Reception for doctor candidate, Rock Hotel

April 7-Daylight Savings begins, turn clocks forward April 8-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center

2:30 p.m.Retired Teachers, FUMC, Winters

7 p.m. VFW & Auxiliary, Post Home

7:30 p.m. School Board meets, Administration Bldg.

6 p.m. GED class begins, WHS library April 9-7 a.m.-7 p.m., Election Runoff

10 a.m. Commissioners Court, Ballinger

11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center Noon, Lions Club, Sr. Citizens Activity Center

7 p.m., AA, FUMC 7 p.m., Literary & Service Club, Woman's Club

7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station

7 p.m. American Legion, Legion Home 7:30 p.m. WVFD, Fire Station

April 10-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Windmill Enterprise Office

11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Senior Citizens Activity Center April 11-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Senior Citizens Center

1 p.m. Women's Bible Fellowship, Wingate



CHRISTA BAHLMAN, age 4, seems a little hesitant to talk with the Easter bunny (Elaine Miller) prior to the Chamber of Commerce egg hunt last Saturday. Christa joined about 40 other children in looking for 4,000 eggs donated by Lawrence Bros. IGA. She is the daughter of Chris and Rhonda Bahlman.

Cheerleaders to serve Catfish Dinner on Sunday, April 14

Dinner on Sunday, April 14, in the school cafeteria. The meal will be served from 11 a.m. to

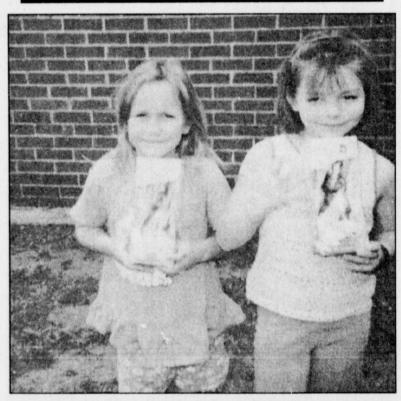
The dinner will include fried catfish, french fries, cole slaw, red beans, cobbler, & iced tea. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for children 12 & under and may be purchased from any and uniforms. They invite the cheerleader or at the door, entire community for a deli-

The 2002-03 WHS Cheer- are seniors Stacey Sneed leaders will sponsor a Catfish (head), Jena Bahlman, Kirby Hatler, and Heather Martin and juniors Macy Hopson, Briana Parramore, Jessica Pritchard, and Kari Walker. Lydia Rocha will serve as the Blizzard mas-

All proceeds from the meal will go towards the cheerleaders' expense of summer camp The 2002-03 cheerleaders 2002-03 WHS squad.

Senior Citizens Nursing Home News

by Billie Ruth Bishop, Activity Director



LUCKY WINNERS, Amanda Horton (left) and Britney Grey, found the prize chocolate bunnies at the Easter egg hunt at the Senior Citizens Nursing Home last Friday.

Residents enjoy special Easter egg hunt

The residents enjoyed a beautiful day and wonderful outing on Friday when the Nursing Home sponsored an Eater egg hunt for the children and grandchildren of employees. About 20 youngsters showed up and had a great time hunting.

Amanda Horton and Britney Grey were the prize winners for finding the chocolate Easter bunnies. Amanda is the daughter of Dean and Mary Cooley. Britney is the daughter of Kevin and Tina Grey.

Our thanks to Michael and Sue Deike for the donation of the beautiful flowers. We have arrangements on every table in the dining room. Thank you!

Thanks for your vote and support.

Loretta Michalewicz, District Clerk

Pol. ad paid by Loretta Michaewicz, 309 CR 402, Ballinger, Tx 76821

Easter Egg Hunt a success despite soggy conditions

Wide Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Winters Area sion were: Chamber of Commerce and Lawrence Bros. IGA was a success despite overnight rains causing soggy hunting conditions on Saturday morning.

Approximately 40 children ages toddler through the third grade participated in the event

The first ever Community at the City Park in Winters. Winners in each age divi-

> **Toddlers**: Emily Chambers 3 & 4-year-olds: Marcus

> Kindergarten: Jacob Shaffer First Grade: Daryl Hagle and Jake Prado

Second Grade: Joe Gallegos Third Grade: Wesley Hagle.

Christmas in April seeking donations for 2002 workday

homes.

coming in and the St. Johns Lutheran Church Super Bowl Sunday Barbecue Dinner with matching funds from the Lutheran Brotherhood were greatly appreciated and havesignificantly increased CIA funds.

However, monetary donations are still needed in order to buy supplies necessary to repair this year's homes. No gift

Christmas in April North is too large or too small and Runnels Inc. is asking for as- will go directly towards repairsistance in order to make the ing a home. Those businesses, 2002 CIA Workday on Satur- organizations, and individuals day, April 20, a success. Plans who faithfully donate to are underway to improve four Chrismas In April are reminded that now is the time to make Some donations have been those contributions. Donations may be sent to:

> Christmas In April PO Box 262

Winters, Texas 79567. Christmas in April is a national organization whose purpose is to provide free home improvement to ensure continued health and safety, to low income, elderly, or handicapped individuals.

North Runnels Hospital Auxiliary Donations for March

March donations for the North Runnels Hospital Auxiliary include:

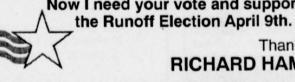
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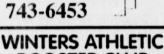




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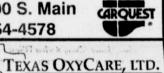


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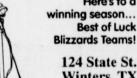
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BLIZZARD ACTIVITIES

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Tuesday, April 9 Thursday, April 4 JV/VG-B Eagle Relays, TBA, District Tennis Be-Goldthwaite 4pm, Field Events 5:15pm, 3200 meter run Cisco, There* 6:15PM, Running Finals 6:30_{PM}, GED Class, WHS Cisco, There*

Library Friday, April 5 4PM, Varsity Baseball vs. Eula, There* 5PM, Varsity Softball vs. Eula, There*

Saturday, April 6 Jr. High District Track by Running Prelims Meet, Coleman 9_{AM}, Field Events

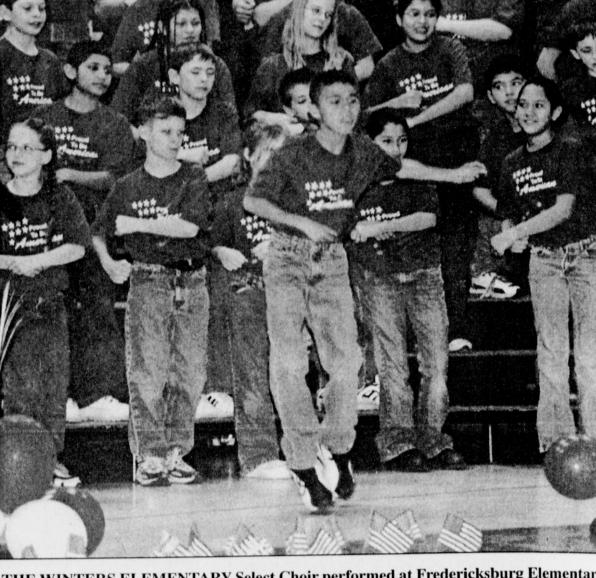
Noon, Running Finals Monday, April 8 4:30pm, JV Baseball vs. Jim Ned, There* 6:30pm, GED Class, WHS Library

gins, Rose Park, Abilene 4PM, Varsity Baseball vs 5PM, Varsity Softball vs

Wednesday, April 10 TBA, District Tennis Cont. Rose Park, Abilene Thursday, April 11 District 9-2A Track Meet.

Jim Ned 4PM, Field Events followed 6:30рм, GED Class, WHS Library

* Applications are now being accepted for the Winters Elementary Gifted/Talented program for grades 1 thru 5 until April 26.



THE WINTERS ELEMENTARY Select Choir performed at Fredericksburg Elementary last month to the delight of their third, fourth, and fifth grade students. "Bustin' a move" is Jesse Tamez (above photo) with background choreography from his fellow choir members. "Singin' a good old country song" were (left photo) Julie England, Susan Sneed, and Cassie Mendoza. After their performance, the choir enjoyed lunch and playland at Mr. Gatti's and a tour of the LBJ Ranch in Stonewall. They concluded with a picnic of McDonald's meals in Lady Bird Johnson State Park before returning to Winters. The choir is under the direction of Fran Kidwell and Sherry Kurtz.

Pre-K & Kindergarten Round-Up scheduled for Tuesday, April 23

Pre-registration for 2002-03 for the first grade. pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students has been scheduled for Tuesday, April 23, ten if he/she is unable to com- quired to provide a summer 2002, from 6-7 p.m. in the El- prehend the English language school program for limited ementary Library.

be four (4) years old for pre-k, tence level. **Proof of income is** to kindergarten and first grade or five (5) years old for kinder- also necessary for pre-k stu- at the beginning of the school garten, on or before September dents if they are registering year. 1, 2002, should bring birth based on income. Pre-kinder- Students may be signed up certificates (hospital and garten classes shall be offered for this class at the Round-Up. church records), immuniza- for a whole day. tion records, and Social Security cards.

1, 2002, should also register

be eligible for pre-kindergar-

that all students should be pre- ister. Those students not enrolled registered. The school needs to in kindergarten and who will determine the number of pre- eligible children to offer this be six on or before September kindergarten, kindergarten, and summer program.

first grade teachers needed for A four-year-old child shall the 2002-03 school year.

The Winters I.S.D. is reor is from a family whose in- English proficient students who Parents of children who will come is at or below subsis- will be eligible for admission

If you believe your child is It is VERY IMPORTANT eligible, please come and reg-

This district must have 10

CAFETERIA MENU **April 8-12** Subject to change*

Breakfast Monday-April 8 Breakfast Bars Cereal

Juice Tuesday-April 9 Cinnamon Roll Cereal Juice

Wednesday-April 10 Blueberry Muffins Cereal

Juice Thursday-April 11 Pancake Puppies Cereal

Juice Friday-April 12 School Holiday

Lunch

Monday-April 8 Chili Dog French Fries Fruit Salad Peanut Butter Cookies Tuesday-April 9 Chicken Spaghetti **Tossed Salad** Green Beans Garlic Bread

Apple Cake Wednesday-April 10 Taco w/Lettuce & Cheese Corn

Spanish Rice

Cobbler Thursday-April 11 Roast & Gravy Mashed Potatoes Broccoli w/Cheese Hot Roll Jello Cake

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Friday-April 12

School Holiday

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Lady Blizzards second at Rattlesnake Relays while Blizzards earn medals in field events at Wall: all teams travel to Goldthwaite tonight



JUNIOR LACI WALKER takes first in the 100 and 300 M hurdles at the Rattlesnake Relays in Sweetwater last Friday. Walker and her fellow WHS trackmates will compete inGoldthwaite tonight. The District 9-2A Track Meet is scheduled for next Thursday and Friday at Jim Ned.

Gifted/Talented nominations due for Winters Elementary grades 1-5

Applications are being accepted for the Winters Elementary Gifted/Talented program, grades 1-5.

If you believe your child might benefit from a gifted/talented program, your nomination is welcome. Nomination and parent-permission-for-testing forms may be obtained at the Elementary Principal's office during normal working hours.

All forms must be completed and returned to your child's homeroom teacher by April 26, 2002.

The Lady Blizzards placed second behind Clyde at the Rattlesnake Relays in Sweetwater last Friday. Winters was the only 2A school among class 3A competitors.

The Blizzards collected medals in the field events at the Cotton Patch Relays in Wall on Thursday night.

All WHS squads will compete in Goldthwaite tonight with field events beginning at 4 p.m. The 3200 M Run is scheduled for 5:15 p.m. and running finals only are set for 6:15 p.m.

Last week's results are as follows:

LADY BLIZZARDS 3200 M Run 1st, Briana Parramore, 13:24.7 4th, Kari Walker, 14:46

6th, Lacey Meyer, 15:54 Sprint Relay (400 M) 4th, Winters (Stacey Sneed, Mandy Pritchard, Ashly Santoya, Jena Bahlman), 53.08

100 M Hurdles 1st, Laci Walker, 15.51 100 M Dash 4th, Ashly Santoya, 13.3

800 M Relay

2nd, Winters, (Stacey Sneed, Mandy Pritchard, Jena Bahlman, Laci Walker) 1:50.66

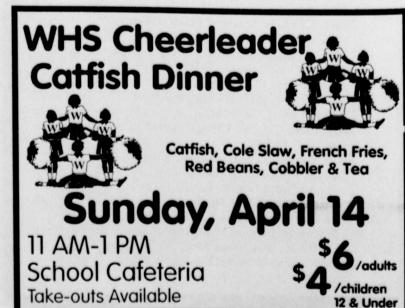
400 M Dash 6th, Katy Wilkerson, 70.0 300 M Hurdles 1st, Laci Walker, 50.48 1600 M Run 3rd, Briana Parramore, 6:14.71 1600 M Relay

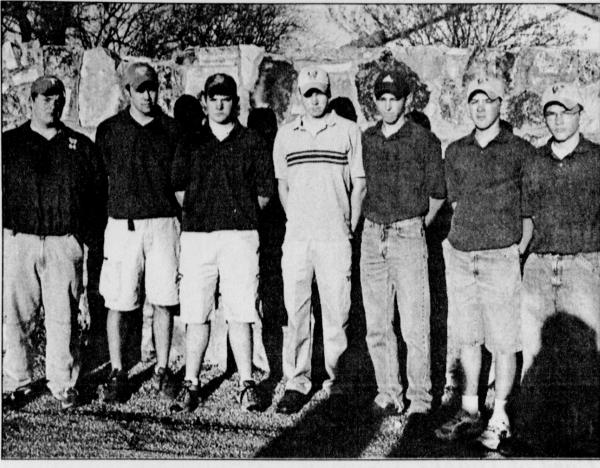
2nd, Winters (Stacey Sneed, Jena Bahlman, Ashly Santoya, Mandy Pritchard), 4:26.65 Long Jump

> 3rd, Stacey Sneed 6th, Jena Bahlman **High Jump** 5th, Laci Walker, 4' 10" 6th, Stacey Sneed, 4' 8" Triple Jump 5th, Mandy Pritchard, 31 10"

BLIZZARDS **Shot Put** 1st, Rusty Jackson, 50' 3 3/4" 3rd, Chris Hoppe, 48' 6" Discus 2nd, Chris Hoppe, 161' **Triple Jump** 3rd, Yul Gibbs, 40' 6 3/4" 200 M Dash 6th, Yul Gibbs, 23.9

JV BLIZZARDS Long Jump 4th, Jose Hernandez, 18' **Shot Put** 4th, Jerry Hord Discus 5th, Stephen Cuevas





MEMBERS OF THE WHS BLIZZARD GOLF team finished District 9-2A competition on Monday. Team members are (I-r) Travis Walker, Shane Colburn, Ryan Bland, Matthew Gray, Alex Blackerby, Shawn Kraatz, and Cody Pritchard. Not pictured is Adam Escalona.

WHS competes in District 9-2A Golf Tournament

ment the past three weeks with 1225 matches held at Maxwell Mu- BLIZZARDS II nicipal Golf Course in Abilene. Results from the district are: BLIZZARDS I

Shane Colburn: Alex Blackerby: 109-110-99 Team Totals:495-481-456-

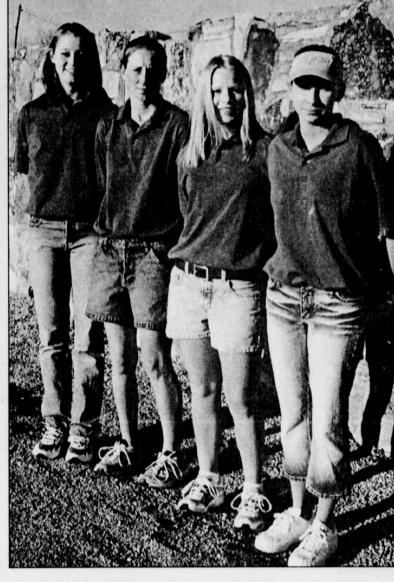
Winters High School girls Cody Pritchard: 110-106-107 LADY BLIZZARDS and boys teams competed in Adam Escalona: 120-125-111 Stacey Sneed: the District 9-2A Golf Tourna- Team Totals: 399-422-404- Laci Walker:

1432

Shawn Kraatz: 120-127-121 122-102-111 Matthew Gray: 126-127-110 Travis Walker: 127-121-114 87-81-85 Ryan Bland:

112-115-123 114-129-125 Lacey Meyer: 127-DNP-129 Dana Clough: 128-115-123 Jena Bahlman: 132-127-DNP Kirby Hatler 134-DNP-DNP Team Totals:481-486-500-1467

Lady Blizzards placed fifth in District 9-2A.



LADY BLIZZARD GOLF team members are (I-r) Stacey Sneed, Laci Walker, Lacey Meyer, and Dana Clough. Not pictured are Jena Bahlman and Kirby Hatler.

WHS YEARBOOKS—FOR SALE

High School annuals are on sale now through April 30. The Glacier sells for \$30 and may be purchased by contacting any annual staff member. Members are: Staci Bishop, Mandy Pritchard, Jena Bahlman, Kemari Hale, Laci Walker, Kala Hagle, Jessica Pritchard, and Guy Slimp.

MORE DATES

TO REMEMBER

April 22: 6PM Blizzard Kid Backers, Elementary Library April 23: 6-7PM

Pre-K & Kindergarten Roundup, Elem. Library May 17 High School Awards Day

(Morning)

Elementary Track Meet (Afternoon) May 21: Morning

AR Carnival, Elementary

May 22: TBA Elementary Awards Ceremony



Coach: Edward Poehls; Shanna Robe	TIS
Date & place of game:	
Mar. 29-Winters	_
Opponent: Bangs	
Winning pitcher:	
Losing pitcher: Amber Green	213
Winning catcher:	
Losing catcher: Rachel Davis	
Key plays: Real good defense with l	cy
outs at home plate and third base kept	us
in the game. A good job of pitching	by

Amber Green also kept us in the game.

Runs Hits Errors

Team: Lady Blizzards

Coach's comments: We are better hitters than we are showing. Hitting is mental and we must break the mental barrier if we intend to win



TEXAS YOUTH HOTLINE

Breezes win meet at Cross Plains; WJHS ready for District 9-2A Junior High Track Meet in Coleman

Winters Junior High School 5:55.40 track teams competed recently in meets at Cross Plains and Jim Ned. WJHS will compete on Saturday at the District 9-2A Junior High Track Meet in Coleman.

Previous results are as fol-

CROSS PLAINS TRACK MEET Lady Breezes results were not available from this meet. JIM NED TRACK MEET

LADY BREEZES (8TH) Sprint Relay (400 M) 4th, Winters, (Miranda Lara, Kindy Walker, Erica Lujano, Kali Roberts),

100 M Hurdles 3rd, Jessica Meyer, 20.49 100 M Dash

3rd, Miranda Lara, 15.26 (H1) 3rd, Krystal Gibbens, 16.69 (H1) 800 M Relay 4th, Winters, (Jessica Meyer, Kindy

Walker, Miranda Lara, Kali Roberts) 2:05.26 200 M Dash 3rd, Kali Roberts, 31.56 (H1)

3rd, Miranda Lara, 32.43 (H2) 4th, Amber Toten, 37.15 (H2) 400 M Dash 3rd, Kindy Walker, 74.07 **Shot Put** 4th, Kali Roberts, 22' 2"

Discus 5th, Krystal Gibbens, 61' 4 1/2" Long Jump 5th, Kali Roberts, 12' 11 3/4" Triple Jump 4th, Jessica Meyer, 21' 10"

Pole Vault 2nd, Jessica Meyer, 5' 6" (New School Record, The first ecord set at WJHS.) LADY BREEZES (7TH)

Sprint Relay (400 M) 3rd, Winters, (Kellyn Airhart, Patricia Carrillo, Ashley Laird, Savannah Sanchez)

100 M Hurdles 5th, Ashley Laird, 22.58

800 M Dash 6th, Francis Reyes 7th, Amy Kraatz 8th, Naomi Vasquez

100 M Dash

2nd, Savannah Sanchez, 13.74 6th, Ashley Gann, 16.10 800 M Relay 3rd, Winters, (Kellyn Airhart, Patricia Carrillo, Yesenia Flores, Savan-

nah Sanchez) 2:11.94 400 M Dash 1st, Patricia Carrillo, 77.56 (H1) 1st, Ashley Gann, 80.5 (H2) 300 M Hurdles 3rd, Ashley Laird, 66.58

200 M Dash 4th, Ashley Gann, 34.46 (H2) 4th, Yesenia Flores, 33.54 (H1) 1600 M Relay 3rd, Winters (Kellyn Airhart, Amy

Kraatz, Francis Reyes, Yesenia Flores), Come Join the Winning Team

Shot Put 4th, Kellyn Airhart, 20' 6" 6th, Kellyn Airhart, 53' 3 1/2"

Luke Hale, Chris Medina, David
Scates) Long Jump 4th, Ashley Laird, 11' 6"

Triple Jump 5th, Ashley Laird, 23' 1 3/4" 6th, Ashley Gann, 22' 5" High Jump 4th, Heather Waldrop, 4' 6"

CROSS PLAINS TRACK MEET **BREEZES (8TH)** Team-1st, Winters, 221 1/2 pts. **Pole Vault** 2nd, Aaron Colburn 3rd, Justin Fenwick **Shot Put**

2nd, Dylan Perric 4th, Matt Tekell Discus 4th, Randy Jackson 5th, Dylan Perrie Long Jump 2nd, David Scates 4th, Chris Medina 5th, Jordan Sanchez High Jump 1st, David Scates 5th, Michael Liggins **Triple Jump** 1st, Michael Liggins 2nd, Marcus Tubbs

3rd, Aaron Colburn Sprint Relay (400 M) 1st, Winters (Chris Medina, Francisco Perez, Luke Hale, Michael

Liggins) 800 M Run 2nd, Jonathan Meyer 5th, Bryce Wilkerson 110 M Hurdles 1st, Chris Medina 3rd, Marcus Tubbs 4th, Aaron Colburn 100 M Dash 1st, David Scates 4th, Randy Jackson 300 M Hurdles 1st, Marcus Tubbs 4th, Aaron Colburn 5th, Frank Perez

200 M Dash 1st, David Scates 5th, James Vasquez 400 M Dash 1st, Michael Liggins 4th, Jose Cruz 5th, Luke Hale

3rd, Jonathan Meyer

4th, Justin Fenwick

1600 M Run

District 9-2A Junior **High Track Meet** Saturday, April 6 • Coleman

FIELD EVENTS (4 Attempts) 9 am-Long Jump-7G, 8G, 7B, 8B Triple Jump-7B, 8B, 7G, 8G High Jump-8G, 7B, 8B, 7G Pole Vault-7G, 8G, 7B, 8B Discus-7B, 8B, 7G, 8G Shot Put-7G, 8G, 7B, 8B

5th, Bryce Wilkerson 1600 M Relay 1st, Winters (Michael Liggins,

BREEZES (7TH) Team-1st, Winters, 198 pts

Shot Put 2nd, Marcus Rodriguez 3rd, Ty Cason Discus 2nd, Ty Cason 3rd, Marcus Rodriguez Long Jump 3rd, Jose Moreno High Jump 4th, Don Davis **Triple Jump**

2nd, Don Davis 5th, Allan Green 2400 M Run 1st, Javier Rodriguez 2nd, Juan Hernandez Sprint Relay (400 M) 2nd, Winters (Edgar Vega, Ismael

Aragon, Josh Acosta, Jose Moreno) 800 M Run 1st, Israel Aragon 2nd, Allan Green 5th, Chris Guerro 110 M Hurdles 2nd, Don Davis 3rd, Stephen Kruse 4th, Luke England 300 M Hurdles 2nd, Juan Hernandez 3rd, Luke England 5th, Hector Reyna 200 M Dash 4th, Israel Aragon

6th, Edgar Vega 400 M Dash 2nd, Jose Moreno 3rd, Ismael Aragon 5th, Edgar Vega 1600 M Run 1st, Javier Rodriguez 2nd, Allan Green

3rd, Chris Guerro 1600 M Relay 2nd, Winters (Jose Moreno, Juan Hernandez, Ismael Aragon, Javier

BREEZES (7TH & 8TH)

"The Junior High boys participated at the Jim Ned Track Meet on March 26. The meet was run with a little different format with each heat receiving ribbons. Both the 7th and 8th grade came home with numerous ribbons. This was a great meet to help prepare for

district this Saturday," said Coach Bryan Green.)

RUNNING FINALS

Noon-2400 M Run, 7G, 8G, 7B, 8B 1pm-400 M Relay, 7G, 8G, 7B, 8B 1:20pm-800 M Run, 7G, 8G, 7B, 8B 1:40/2pm-100/110 M Hurdles 2:15pm-800 M Relay, 7G, 8G 2:30pm-400 M Dash, 7B, 8B, 7G, 8G

2:50pm-300 M Hurdles, 7G, 8G, 7B, 8B 3:10pm-200 M Dash,7G,8G,7B,8B 3:30pm-1600 M Run, 7G, 8G, 7B, 8B 4pm-1600 M Relay, 7B, 8B, 7G, 8G

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ALTHOUGH CHRIS OZBIRN LOOKS HURT, he's actually just a convincing volunteer as fellow firefighters Mary Rocha and Raymond Lindsey practice their first aid skills under the watchful eye of trainer Bobbie Collom, licensed paramedic and EMS instructor. Members of the Winters Volunteer Fire Department undergo several hours of repeat training each year to update their skills.

Volunteers needed for 2002 Christmas in April workday on Saturday, April 20

The 2002 Christmas in April Gehrels, Gary Bear, and Lewis p.m. in the school cafeteria. workday has been set for Sat- Bergman. One more house urday, April 20. Volunteers are captain is needed if all four nity day of work, fun, and felneeded for painting, roofing, plumbing, general carpentry, and cleaning & cooking.

North Runnels Christmas In April (Winters) has experienced a decrease in volunteers over the past several years. Due to this decrease, CIA plans to work on only four homes this year.

House captains are Craig

WINTERS PUBLIC

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday thru Thursday

1-6 PM

Saturday 10 AM-Noon

Crews Cemetery

A Crews Cemetery workday

is scheduled for the second

elected and business matters

discussed. Cemetery cleanup

and maintenance is also sched-

workday set

Saturday in April.

uled.

homes are to be repaired.

The day will begin at 7 a.m. with breakfast at the Winters ISD Cafeteria and a meeting with house captains or volunteer coordinators to receive instructions for the day.

Lunch and snacks will be brought to the project sights. Barbecue will be served to volunteers and their families at 5

Ladies Night

for April 25

Out scheduled

The Winters Woman's Club

will host their 8th Annual Ladies Night Out on Thursday,

April 25. The event will begin at 7 p.m. in Jones Fellowship

Hall at First Baptist Church.

"Texas in Washington (D.C.)."

will be a salad supper.

A business meeting will be evening will be Cindy Sten-

held at 9 a.m. on Saturday, holm, wife of Congressman

April 13. Officers will be Charles Stenholm. The meal

44 TXism: 'duck weather

Featured speaker for the

Theme for the evening is

Tickets are available from

Come and join this commulowship! If you worked with Christmas In April in the past, but haven't participated the last few years, come back out and join in this day of service to those who can't help themselves.

For more information on volunteering or to sign-up to work please call Gary Bear at 754-4625.

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Card of Thanks

Once again we wish to thank all those involved in Holy Week. It was such an uplifting experience.

God Bless each one of you. Barbara & Pete Gray

Card of Thanks

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Card of Thanks

Special thanks to my family and friends for the many cards for my 70th birthday.

Thanks to Lea and Monte for their added touch.

Gloria Ruth Jobe

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his surprise a secret.

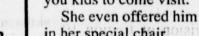
Sitting in the chair with her head leaned back and rubbing the smooth chair arms with her gnarled fingers, flashes of days gone by popped up in her conversation, revealing the spunk and determination she has exhibited for decades.

And although the diminutive lady struggles with her memory at times, she spouted story after story.

Then as quickly as her stories came and went, she playfully punched Phillips on the arm and thanked him over and over, saying, "I just love for you kids to come visit."

She even offered him a seat in her special chair.

Note: According to Phillips' office, the segment is scheduled to air May



4, 2002, on KTXS (ABC) at 6:30 p.m.

Country Club News

by Hank Bourdo, President

Manager moves—course remains open offering many opportunities

The Winters Country Club job in Oklahoma. has lost its course manager any club member or may be purchased at Bahlman Jewel-

The rain has filled the creek Terry Quisenberry and his wife and the course looks really Elizabeth. The couple has per- nice. Members will be keeping formed very well and they will the course open until a new be missed. Terry has taken a couple can be found to run the operation.

Normal operations will continue which includes Happy Hour on Tuesday through Friday from 4-9 p.m. We have four new rental carts, and the club is available to rent for private parties. Renting the clubhouse can include bar service.

New members are always welcomed and there is no initiation fee. Cart sheds are also available. Please contact any board member with any questions or for more information.

The board also voted to allow any freshman through senior student from Winters ISD to play without green fees. Carts cannot be rented by students unless 1) they possess a valid Texas driver's license or 2) are accompanied by an adult.

We also offer out-of-town (over 50 miles) memberships for \$128 per year and associated memberships for \$25 per

There will be an all-member meeting on Thursday, April 11, 2002, at 6:30 p.m. This meeting is open to all members and their spouses. Please make every effort to attend. Happy Hour will be extended until 9 p.m that evening

Winters Country Club board members include: Hank Bourdo, president, 754-2048; Herman Baker, 754-5363; Brenda Clough, 754-4640; Mel Kennedy, 754-5282; Beth Whitlow, 754-4469; Mondo Tamez; and Sharon Kennedy,



Ashley Bewallen & Amy Heathcott

Amy Heathcott and Ashley Lewallen plan June wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Denny Heathcott of Winters announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Amy Michelle to Ashley Dan Lewallen. Ashley is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carey Balentine of San Angelo and Lynn Lewallen of Wall.

The bride-elect is a 1998 graduate of Winters High School and will receive a bachelor of science degree in animal science from Angelo State University in May, 2002. She is currently employed with the American Boer Goat Association in San Angelo.

The prospective bridegroom graduated from Winters High School in 1994 and attended Angelo State University. He is currently employed at KatCo Construction in San Angelo.

Grandparents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Michaelwicz of Olfen, Rose Lorfing of Lowake, Maybelle Lewallen of San Angelo, and June Pierce-Fox of San Angelo. Amy and Ashley plan a June 22, 2002, wedding at St.

Boniface Catholic Church in Olfen.

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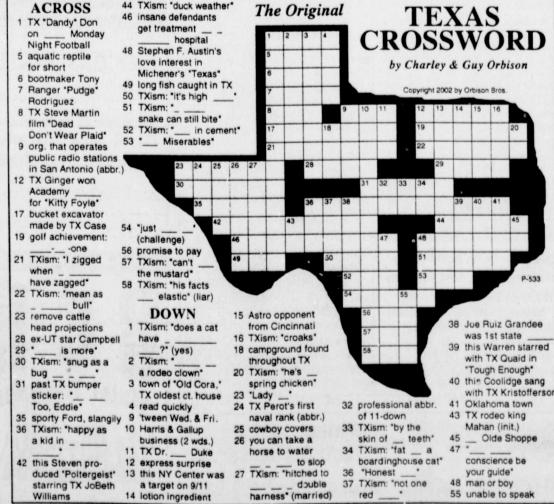
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Outdoors



THREE WINTERS FFA MEMBERS recently earned Top Ten state honors in showmanship as members of the Texas Club Calf Association. Earning points for twelve months while exhibiting steers and heifers throughout the state of Texas were (I-r) Devon Shackelford, Camille Kruse, and Dalton Shackelford.



WILEY GUY, a member of Winters FFA, earned a monogrammed tote bag for his 3rd place finish in Region 10 in the Texas Club Pig Association's intermediate division.



KARA AND JOHN HEATHCOTT, members of Runnels County 4-H, earned state awards at the Texas Club Pig Association's annual banquet in Brenham in late February. Kara was awarded a jacket and patches while John received a monogramed tote bag.

Six Winters exhibitors earn state showmanship honors from Texas Club Calf & Pig Associations

Three members of the Win-state of Texas. ters FFA chapter received with the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo in late February. In addition, another Winters FFA member and two Run- Texas. nels County 4-H members annual banquet.

Camille Kruse, Dalton Shaof their efforts after twelve Region 10. months of exhibiting steer and heifer projects throughout the pion in Polled Hereford steers,

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The trio earned points for awards at the 22nd Annual showmanship at stock shows in Texas Club Calf Association Waco, Navasota, Cuero, San Banquet held in conjunction Angelo, and Karnes City. They also participated in approxi-

from Winters received awards fifth in heifer showmanship the same weekend during the and fifth in steer showmanship. bag. Texas Club Pig Association's She is the daughter of Terry and Cheryl Kruse.

ckelford, and Devon Shack- with a second place finish in John placed third in the se-

Norton, Texas

fourth in steer showmanship, and champion in Region 10.

Devon and Dalton are the children of Roy and Ann Shackelford.

Each of these three exhibimately 15 shows with other 4- tors were awarded letter jack-H and FFA members from ets and patches. Dalton received buckles for his champi-Camille finished the year onship wins while Devon was awarded a monogrammed tote

Recognized by the TCPA were John Heathcott, Kara Devon concluded her year Heathcott, and Wiley Guy.

elford, received awards in the steer showmanship, third place nior division of Region 10. junior division in recognition in Hereford steers, and third in Kara placed seventh high individual in the state in the pee-Dalton was named cham- wee division for Black OPB hogs. She was eleventh in the state in PeeWee Showmanship. They are the children of Denny and Barbara Heathcott.

Wiley Guy finished third in Region 10 in the intermediate division of the TCPA. He is the son of Barron and Donna Guy.

Kara received a letter jacket and patches for her efforts while Wiley and John received monogrammed tote bags.

Extension News & Views

by Steve Byrns, Communications Specialist

Wildlife "Brigade" camps seeking recruits

The call is going out for enlistments into 2002's "Texas Brigades," a group of wildlifeoriented youth camps aimed at cadets 13-17 years old. The camps use bobwhite quail, white-tailed deer, and wild turkey as vehicles to equip young people with communications skills and teadership development in an outdoor setting. The skills cadets learn in the fastpaced summer camps are invaluable regardless of their future career goals.

"This year marks the 10th year of the Brigade concept," said Dr. Dale Rollins, Extension wildlife specialist and founder of the Brigades. "These camps continue to grow in popularity, not only in Texas, but in at least five other states. We've combined the Bobwhite, Buckskin, and Feather Force Brigades into the overarching 'Texas Brigades'

expand."

dates and locations are: South named Outstanding Youth Texas, 3rd Battalion, La Pryor, Conservationists by the Sports-June 2-6; and North Texas, 1st Battalion, Lueders, July 21-25. Dates and locations for the the be a 'hit high gear' year for the two Bobwhite Brigades are: Texas Brigades Wildlife Rolling Plains, 10th Battalion, Lueders, June 22,26; and South Texas, 5th Battalion, Campbellton, July 14-18. The East Texas "Feather Forces" Brigade, 6th Battalion, July 28-August 1 at Broadus, centers around quail and turkey.

"Often times after I've given a talk somewhere, kids and parents ask me about possible careers in wildlife management. While our primary objective is not to be training our Brigade cadets as future wildlife biologists, they do have a great opportunity to rub elbows with the 'who's who' of Texas wildlife professionals," said Rollins. "To that end, many have a chance to get a real taste of a wildlife-oriented career track."

Rollins said after graduating, each cadet is expected to present educational programs in his or her home county. "These programs make a positive, long-term impact on the youth who really get involved. I hear it from their college instructors, parents, and others who are introduced to the Brigades through the students' ef-

"The camps themselves have received several state and national awards, as have some of the cadets who've been trained," said Rollins. "For ex-

as the camps have continued to ample, two of our recent cadets, John and Drew McEach-The two Buckskin Brigades ern, twins from Paducah, were mens Conservationists of Texas.

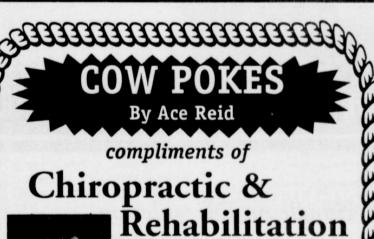
"I believe 2002 is going to

Camps. We've been successful in enlisting a number of corporate sponsors and the enthusiasm among the adults involved in putting on the camps continues to be one of 'gung

The camps' sponsors include Texas Cooperative Extension, Texas Wildlife Association, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, Quail Unlimited, National Wild Turkey Federation, local Soil and Water Conservation Districts, private businesses, and landowners.

Tuition for all camps is \$200 per cadet. Organizers are willing to help cadets find scholarships for at least half of the tuition. Applications are available in .pdf format at http:// texnat.tamu.edu> or <www. texasbrigades.org> . Applications are due by April 15. Send them to Helen Holdsworth, 3355 Cherry Ridge, Suite 212, San Antonio, TX 78230.

For further information contact Dr. Dale Rollins at (915) 653-4576 or e-mail him at drollins@tamu.edu or contact Helen Holdsworth, San Antonio-based Texas Brigades executive director, at (210) 467-6578 or e-mail her at hholdsworth@tamu.edu.



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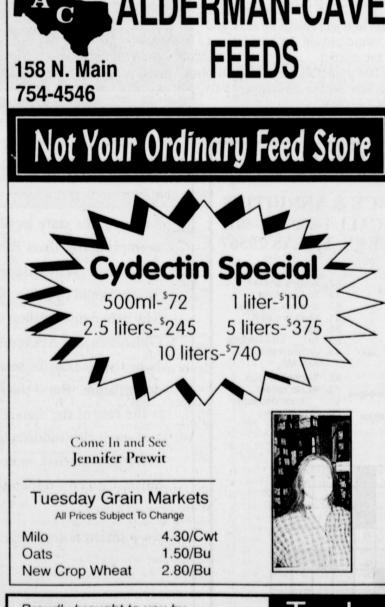
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Official Records

County Court Dispositions

Esperansa M. Balderas vs. Dave L. Balderas, temporary protective order granted

Zane Petty, theft by check, pleaded nolo contendre, fined \$100, plus \$211 court costs, \$22 restitution, and \$25 hot check fees

Daniel Bosquez, theft by check, pleaded nolo contendre, fined \$100, plus \$210.25 court costs, \$1,117.59 restitution, and \$145.16 hot check fees

Ruben Ray Valdez, making alcohol available to a minor, pleaded nolo contendre, sentenced to six months in county jail probated to one year, fined \$500, plus \$236 court costs

Michael Shane Capps, driving while intoxicated, pleaded nolo contendre, sentenced to six months in county jail probated to one year, fined \$1,000, plus \$235 court costs and 50 hours community service

Criminal Cases Filed March 25

Thomas Edward Jarvis, filed for driving while intoxicated (subsequent offense) Civil Cases Filed

March 25

Esperansa M. Balderas vs. Dave L. Balderas, application for protective order

Marriage Licenses Filed March 25 Eugene Aguirre, Jr., and Sa-

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District Court Divorce Cases Filed March 25

Albert Gonzales, Jr., vs. Maria Louise Gonzales March 26 Billic Reagna Wheeler vs. John Cecil Wheeler

> Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Felony Cases Filed

March 23 Jay Bradford Martin, filed for evading arrest

March 26 Juan A. Fuentes, filed for

felony theft March 27 Nathan Patrick Helser, filed for burglary of a habitation

Small Claims Cases Filed March 25 Earl D. Dunn vs. Linda Lozano, labor for construction Criminal Cases Filed

March 22 Michael Smith, filed for theft

March 25 Joe Reyna, Jr., filed for theft

by check Milton R. Davis, filed for

theft by check March 26

disorderly conduct District Court

Dispositions Wade "Biff" White Jr. pleaded guilty to indecency by contact and fondling. Sentenced to three years in state prison

RUNNELS COUNTY VOTING LOCATIONS April 9th Primary Run-off Election, 7 AM-7 PM DEMOCRATIC

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Runnels County Courthouse,

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Combined to be located at the Housing Authority Building, 300 North Grant, Winters

Lions Club Building, 108 Smithson Street, Wingate

Community Center,

215 Holloway Avenue, Norton City Hall, 110 Robinson Street,

Fire Station, 504 Mary Street,

Rowena

ALL precincts combined to be located at the Chamber of Commerce, 700 Railroad Avenue, Ballinger.

Kevin Todd Clary, filed for Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. offering utility assistance

Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. is offering financial aid for those in need of utility

The Runnels County centers at 601 W. Pierce in Winters and 702 S. 8th Street in Ballinger will operate with the following schedules:

WINTERS

Wednesday (alternate even dates) 9 a.m.-noon 1-4 p.m.

Public Notice

District will meet in regular session on Tuesday, April 9, are closed, call Central Texas

Elm Creek Water Control

2002, at 7:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Activity Center, 600 Wood, Winters, Texas.

Thursday (alternate even dates) 1-4 p.m.

BALLINGER Wednesday

(alternate even dates)

9 a.m.-noon 1-4 p.m. Thursday

(alternate even dates) 9 a.m.-noon.

If you are in need of utility assistance, please call the Winters center at 754-4443 or the Ballinger center at 365-2275 for an appointment. You must meet eligibility requirement.

On days when local centers Opportunities, Inc. at 1-800-

Police Beat

The following are cases from the Winters Police Department. Some cases may still be under investigation. Information, reported through Crime Stoppers, leading to the close of any case could result in up to a \$1,000 reward... The following information comes from Winters Police Department reports

received and/or investigated from Sunday, March 24, 2002, through Saturday,

March 30, 2002. Winters Police Officers: • received report of a domestic disturbance in the 600 block of E. Truett Street. A 45-year-old Winters female reported that female subject known to her had assaulted her after an argument over an alleged infidelity. A witness

observed the incident and possible charges for Assault could be filed against • received report of an alleged theft in the 500 block N. Rogers Street. A 32year-old Winters female reported that an ice chest containing alcoholic beverages was removed from her home without her consent by a 33-year-old Winters male. The property was located locked inside the suspect male's car.

The victim's property was returned to her the following day and she has declined to pursue charges. • an interview of a 21-year-old male, formerly of Winters, by the Winters Police Department and Runnels County Sheriff's Office resulted in the clearance of several thefts and burglaries occuring in and around the Winters

area. A number of the items were recovered by the Sheriff's Office. The suspect male is currently in the Taylor County Jail for a probation violation. • officers located a warrant subject in the 100 block of W. Pierce Street. The warrant was confirmed and Tammy McCoy of Winters was taken to Runnels

County Jail for Motion to Revoke Probation. • received report of a car fire in the 600 block of N. Magnolia. A 40-yearold Winters female reported observing a subject pouring gasoline on a vehicle and setting it on fire. The officer observed the trunk of the vehicle in flames and

was able to put the fire out with a fire extinguisher. A possible suspect has been named. This is under investigation as arson. • received report of a burglary at the Winters High School. Approximately

four vending machines were found to be severely damaged with the money missing from them. Investigation revealed two 15-year-old Winters males had cashed a large amount of coins at a local store. The two males later admitted to damaging the machines for the purpose of removing the money. Both males were charged with Burglary of a Coin Operated Machine and one male, who was currently on felony probation, was sent to the Tom Green County Juvenile Justice Center in San Angelo. Both males may face charges for Felony Criminal Mischief as the damage to the machines was in excess of \$3,400.

• received a 911 call of a male subject threatening another male with a knife in the 600 block of N. Trinity Street. A 25-year old Winters male reported that he was approached by a 16-year-old Winters male who was upset about someone flashing their "bright lights" at his mother. The victim male stated the suspect male put a knife to his throat and asked the victim if he wanted to die? The suspect male fled the area as officers approached, but was observed breaking into a nearby residence. A search of the home, occupied by a 75-yearold Winters male, revealed the suspect male hiding under a pile of clothing in the bathroom. The male was taken into custody and transported to the Taylor County Juvenile Justice Center in Abilene and charged with Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon and Burglary of a Habitation

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:

Winters Police Department—754-4121 Ballinger Police Department—365-3591 Sheriff's Department-365-2121

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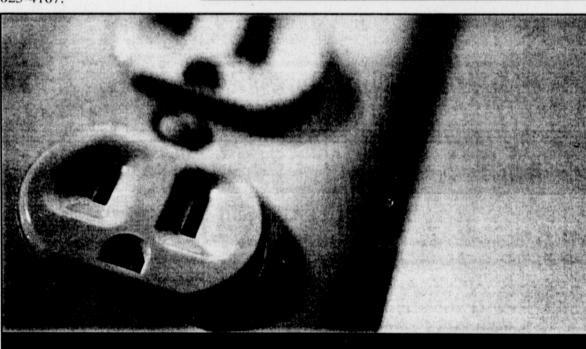
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The WINTERS I.S.D. is accepting sealed bids until 2:00 p.m., April 15, 2002, for the sale of a 1984 GMC pickup. The vehicle is sold "as is" and no warranties are expressed or implied. Bid may be mailed or delivered to the W.I.S.D. Business Office, 603 N. Heights, Winters, Texas 79567. Bids will be opened and read publicly on April 15, 2002, at 2:00 p.m.

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