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NEWS at a glance

Pearls of Wisdom—
You make a living by what you get, but you make a life by what you give.
—Winston Churchill

Letters to the Editor

A variety of letters to the editor are featured concerning American patriotism, thoughts about Winters, and the need for a new congressman.

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New books at the library

Librarian Judi Rusk has published a list of new books now available at the Winters Public Library.

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Scrimmage brings good & bad news

From a coach's point of view Chuck Lipsey saw some good work from his Blizzards last Saturday night as well as some areas that needed improvement.

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Hunters Ed. course set this weekend

A Hunter's Education course will be offered in Ballinger on Saturday and Sunday.

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Winters VFW Auxiliary wins awards

The Winters VFW Post 9193 Ladies Auxiliary received several awards at the District 8 convention.

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Worth thinking about
Fact: 25 billion styrofoam cups are thrown away each year in America.
Tip: Buy products in reusable containers. Buy products for which refills may be purchased.

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GRANDPA'S TRIPLE TREAT



LOGAN FLOYD, age 19 months, is the center of his "Granddaddy England's" attention as brothers Robert (left), age 5, and Garrett, age 4, share the fun and ice cream during "Meet the Blizzards" Friday evening. The boys were visiting their grandparents, Lanny and Mandie England of Winters, and are the sons of Kevin and Landa Floyd of Roswell, New Mexico. Cousin Luke England is a member of the 8th grade Breezes but is sidelined with a broken leg.

NR Hospital fund-raiser meal Sunday

Volunteers are still needed for the fund-raiser meal scheduled for Sunday, August 25, from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Proceeds from the meal and activities will benefit North Runnels Hospital.

The meal will consist of chicken fried chicken breast, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, rolls, dessert, and tea. Cost will be \$6.00 per plate. Takeout and delivery are available.

Also, the Hospital Auxiliary will be selling chances for a quilt and an afghan which will be given away August 25. Chances are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00, and can be purchased from any Auxiliary member or

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CONGRESSMAN CHARLES STENHOLM speaks before a group of concerned citizens including (l-r) Jean Gibbs, Dollie Airhart, and Juanita Bredemeyer, during a reception at the Rock Hotel on August 16.

Second year in a row — Winters High School receives exemplary rating by TEA

For the second time in as many years, Winters High School received an Exemplary rating in the 2002 District Accountability Summary, the highest grade given by the Texas Education Agency (TEA).

Winters Junior High and Winters Elementary each received academically acceptable ratings for their campuses. As a district, Winters rated academically acceptable.

The TEA 2002 Accountability Data Tables are based on the district's dropout rate and results of the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) tests taken last spring.

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

To receive an exemplary rating the school must not only score a 90% or above in the All

Students group with the three subject areas, but in the subgroups as well, and have a dropout rate of 1% or less for all students and each subgroup.

Winters High School's rating of the percent of students passing the reading portion of the test was 97.2%, an increase from last year's 96.3%. WHS made another improvement in math with a rating of 97.1% in 2002, compared to 96.2% last year and 88.1% two years ago. Writing scores increased from 96.3% in 2001 to 97.1% in 2002.

WISD Superintendent Danny Clack commented, "We are very proud of the high school for their exemplary rating, and we promise to improve at the elementary and junior high levels."

Winters Junior High students rated 88.7% in reading, compared to 90.3% last year. They also scored 90.8% in math, compared to 90.5% last year. Writing continues to be the nemesis of the group which scored 72.1%. This was a drop

See TESTS, pg. 4

Commissioners increase budget but not taxes

Runnels County Commissioners approved a budget of \$4,966,597 following a public hearing on Tuesday morning. The budget, approximately \$515,000 above the 2001-2002 fiscal year budget of \$4,451,425, will not require an increase in taxes for the county.

Bill Hall of Winters was the only citizen present for the public hearing on the budget. Hall questioned some items in the budget and how commissioners arrived at the figures.

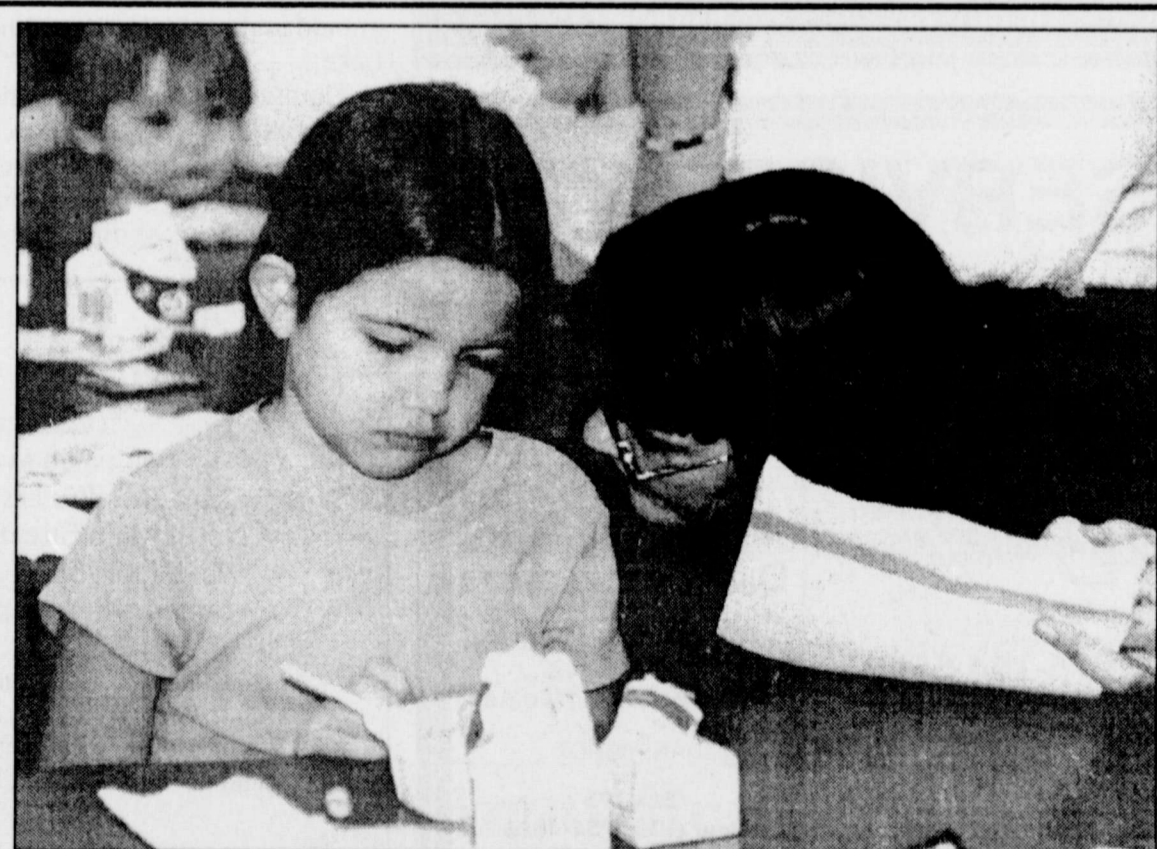
At the special meeting, prior to the budget hearing and approval, commissioners approved the county health insurance plan, staying with the same coverage and plan as the present. The plan, effective November 1, 2002, will have an increased cost, both to the county and employees because of rate increases by Blue Cross Blue Shield.

Commissioners also approved the appraisal roll for 2002 submitted by Chief Tax Appraiser Tylene Gamble.

Other business and action taken at the meeting included:

- A resolution was adopted authorizing the submission of a 2003-2004 Texas Community Development Program application for the benefit of Rowena Water Supply Corporation. If received, grant money will be used for water supply improvements in the Rowena Water Supply Corporation and extending service to a small number of families in the area. The grant application will be for \$250,000 with Rowena Water Supply Corporation supplying the 5% match needed for the grant. Grantworks was approved for administration of the grant and Hibbs & Todd Engineers of Abilene approved as the project engineer.

- Approval was given to retain the firm of Eckert, Ingram, Tinkler, Oliphant & Featherston, L.L.P. to perform the audit for the year ending September 30, 2002.



SIERRA ALEMEN doesn't seem very convinced that the first day of kindergarten is going to be a lot of fun, in spite of consoling efforts by her mom, Janet. Classes began at WISD on Monday, August 19.

Special Sept. 11 service to be held at Reservoir

A community-wide service for praise and remembrance will be held Wednesday, September 11, at Elm Creek Reservoir Pavilion (the city lake).

Activities will begin about 6:30 p.m. with music provided by One Chord Short, the Sons of Thunder, the Winters High School Band, and elementary music students.

Ken Williams, Music and Education Minister at First Baptist Church, says, "This will be a special time for thanking God for reviving

our land with the good rains and sustaining our country through a great tragedy. Bring your families and join us for this special event."

A special devotion will be given by Pastor Glenn Dittmer of St. John's Lutheran Church. Pastor Dittmer was present at Ground Zero the week following the terrorist strikes.

Everyone attending should bring lawn chairs, water and insect repellent.

More details will be published as they are made available to *The Winters Enterprise*.

Opinion

Oil Bidness

by Reg Boles ©2002



Do you remember how this mess started?

All of those companies that wanted to trade things (including electricity, natural gas, and other tradable commodities) started inflating their worth. It eventually came back to bite them right in the hindquarters. Some of them even went the route of bankruptcy.

We've all heard everything there is to hear about this at least twice. Trouble is...we have collectively reached the conclusion that the actual business of trading is a dead-end. In fact, it has lots of potential. Guess who already knows that?

Somebody who knows the value of being a middle man and how to make a profit on simply moving money from one account to another. Bankers!

Citigroup, J.P. Morgan, Bank of America, and Chase are just some of the bankers who are ready to re-boot the energy trading business. Bankers (and some insurance companies) have purchased many of the trading assets of Enron and other trading arms of utility and energy companies.

They are busy setting up the logistics necessary to open trading rooms to do just what those now-bankrupt companies were doing before the accounting hit the fan. They are hiring the professional traders, doing the math on how to make a profit on trading, and clearing the regulatory hurdles to get it all going.

Why are they taking the financial risks to do all of this?

Because they know that trading essentials, like electricity, natural gas, electronic bandwidth, even water, will be profitable. Trading things that

people "must have" has always been a place to make big bucks.

We have all gotten so caught up in recent accounting scandals that we have the mistaken idea that everything these companies did was worthless. But, what was worthless was the desire to make the value of these new businesses immediate. The leaders of these companies wanted to force investors to pay for a perceived value that had yet to materialize.

In fact, the inflated values of these businesses may eventually be realized, but in the market's own good time. Not on the schedule of some ambitious Chief Financial Officer or manipulative inside stockholder.

The sad thing is that the creativity that built these ideas into operating businesses was wasted—at least at the failed companies. The market as a whole will take that creativity and eventually show true value to the business. So, when you look at it that way, the creations may not have been wasted after all.

Keep your eyes on these trading companies, they will do well under the tutelage of financial companies. After all, trading of any commodity is best done by those that know how markets work—and how to make a profit from that knowledge.

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY

Note: Due to a change in information supplier, stakings and completions will be unavailable until September.

Upon the Sept. 11 anniversary— "American Character Week" to celebrate patriotism and loyalty & focus children on Americanism

Dear Fellow Citizens,

We will soon be observing the anniversary of September 11, a day when we found that we were not untouchable. Those of us who were here for Pearl Harbor were not that surprised, but to those younger it took awhile to sink in that someone would dare do that to America.

Maybe for the first time they realized what we had been talking about through the years. Maybe they also realized why we had been pushing patriotism, loyalty, and Americanism. These things are what brought Americans to their feet, not their knees. Once again, we had the attitude of "One for All and All for One."

We have been asked to invite and assist you in joining thousands of school and other community organizations in observing "American Character Week" (September 6-14, 2002) in a manner that focuses children on character and service sponsored by the Leadership Council of the CHARACTER COUNTS Coalition (a nonprofit, nonpartisan partnership of some 500 organizations).

They are calling on all segments of the community to celebrate the week in the form of four activities: 1) discussion and study of the lives of Americans of extraordinary character, 2) honoring local individuals who have in the past year demonstrated the highest qualities of the American character, 3) teaching young people about and encouraging them to consider careers in public service, and 4) providing the service-learning opportunities to young people, including at least one hour of service during this week as a first step in a commitment to a life of regular community service. We would like to add that every adult should make a commitment of one hour of service during this week to the community to set an example for our young people.

To help schools and organizations carry out this mission, the Council has made available a vast array of free resources, including lists of appropriate school activities, community service projects, materials on service—learning, essay prompts, quotations, materials on various public service options, and much more. All this artwork for banners, posters, and buttons may be downloaded free at <www.charactercounts.org> or <www.charactercounts.org/acw.htm>.

The Winters Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9193 and Ladies Auxiliary urge everyone to take part in this remembrance in some way. "UNITED" we cannot be defeated.

Please fly the United States of America Flag on Sept. 11. If you have a flag that can be lowered it should be at least half-mast; if not, just fly your flag.

Loyally,

Mary Kurtz

President, Ladies Auxiliary VFW Post 9193

Obituary

Gertrude Loyd

ABILENE—Gertrude Loyd, 86, died Monday, August 19, 2002, in a Bronte Nursing Home.

She was born November 24, 1915 in Wingate and grew up there. She was married to Robert W. (Bob) Loyd from June 17, 1932 until 1982.

She was a homemaker, an avid bridge player, and a member of the Church of Christ.

She preceded in death by her husband Bob Loyd in April of 1999.

She is survived by a daughter, Sheri Miller and husband Dean of Abilene; three sisters, Wanda Dailey of Austin, Ruth Cone of Rockdale, and Tommie Sikora of Surprise, Arizona; and one granddaughter, Kristi Krumbholz and husband Roy of Canyon Lake.

Family visitation was Wednesday, August 21, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Winters Funeral Home.

Graveside services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, August 22 at Wingate Cemetery with Johnny Green officiating. Arrangements were directed by Winters Funeral Home.

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Hassan answers state questions about Winters

Dear Editor:

I received a letter from the State of Texas House Committee on Land and Resource Management, dated July 30, 2002, signed by Laurie McAnally, Committee Clerk.

Ms. McAnally was soliciting the input of communities under 10,000 population regarding their strengths and weaknesses.

In my letter of August 5, I answered her questions to the best of my knowledge. Please publish my letter for other community leaders and informed, concerned citizens. This way, if someone has different feelings about our community, they can share it with our state leaders.

Q: (McAnally): What is the best thing about living in a rural area? Why, specifically, would you choose your town above all others?

A: (Hassan): Peace of mind, friendship, clear weather, lack of crowds, lack of too much traffic, and lack of smoke.

Q: What is the worst thing about living in a rural area? What, specifically, would you change about your town if you could?

A: Everybody knows, or tries to know everybody's business. Gossip is normal, and exaggerating gossip is a talent.

Q: Name the three issues that seriously hamper your quality of life. If applicable, please also name three practical things that would help your community achieve a better quality of life.

A: Looking at abundant buildings on our Main street, sub-standard buildings in our residential area, and lack of attention from property owners to the appearance of their properties.

Q: What sort of computer access does your community have? Do you have problems getting connected? If you don't have access, would you find such connections valuable?

A: We have them all. We have no problems in this area at this time.

Q: Has your town ever applied for state services? What barriers and problems did you encounter when dealing with the state? What works and what doesn't?

A: The last ten years we upgraded our infrastructures with \$4.5 million state grants. The minor problem we have faced was paperwork. Grants with no matching funds or low matching funds work better. Some small cities do not apply for grants, because they cannot afford the matching part. The worst grants are from TxDOT, and the Parks and Wildlife Dept. which require 50% matching funds.

One of the biggest problems in rural America is that most of us are sandwiched between big cities. For instance, Winters is sandwiched between the City of Abilene and the City of San Angelo. Their Wal-Marts and Sam's Clubs are killing our economy.

Thank you for noticing and considering cities under the 10,000 population. They really need help, and you can help them.

With best regards,

Aref Hassan, Ph.D., CMC, E.P.I.

City Manager/City Secretary/Fire Marshal
City of Winters

Reader wants new Congressman in 17th District; says Charlie Stenholm in office too long

Editor:

In the upcoming congressional race for the 17th district, consider the difference. Rob Beckham is a conservative Republican who will support President Bush's priorities — Charlie Stenholm is a liberal Democrat who has consistently opposed President Bush's agenda.

Rob Beckham opposes increasing taxes and spending and as our congressman will support efforts to permanently end the death tax and make President Bush's income tax cuts permanent. Charlie Stenholm voted in 2001 and 2002 against making President Bush's income tax relief permanent and even opposed the elimination of the death tax — hurting the farmers, ranchers, and small businesses of the 17th district. Rob Beckham will fight for energy independence and the expansion of production here in Texas. Stenholm voted against President Bush's common sense energy plan, once again siding with the environmentalists over efforts to expand production here at home.

Rob supports ending the marriage penalty tax. He'll work with other conservatives and President Bush to put an end to the immoral tax, promoting strong families. Stenholm voted against President Bush's measure to end the marriage penalty tax which costs the average American family \$1,400 a year.

Charlie Stenholm is a Democrat who tries to pass himself off as a conservative who frequently supports President Bush, but his voting record tells the true story. Charlie has been in Washington too long and it is time for a change. We need a conservative voice to represent the conservative 17th district. The choice is clear — Rob Beckham.

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—Frank Tyger

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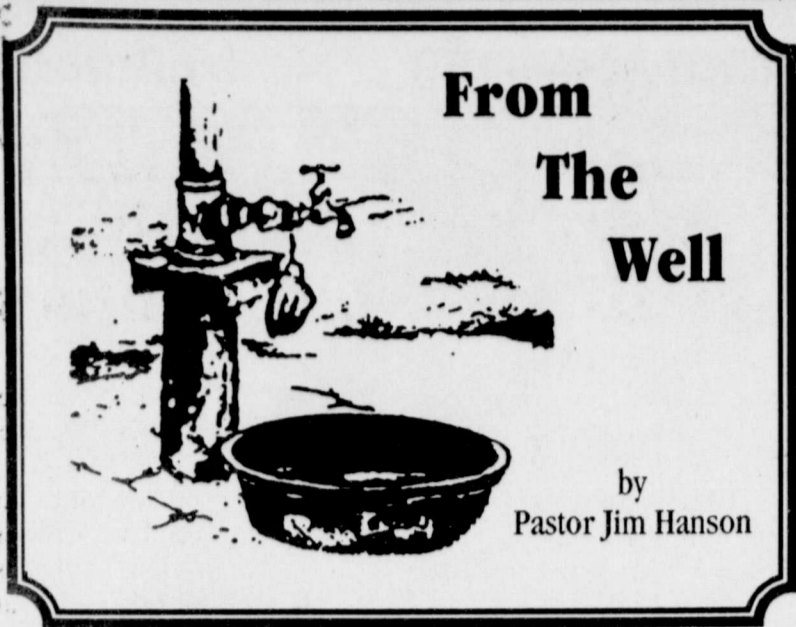
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From The Well

by Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

Last Sunday I preached in Sinai Lutheran Church. It's where we worship when visiting our daughter Kathryn. She and Dan and their three children are members there. It's where they were married. And where their children were baptized. A big beautiful brick church in a small town in eastern South Dakota.

On Sunday afternoon, two weeks previous, Sinai and the surrounding territory were hit by a really bad storm. Wind over 100 miles per hour made a path 20 miles wide and 60 miles long destroying farmsteads, crops, and blowing over thousands of trees. The town took a direct hit. Many homes, especially those of the elderly, were hit hard. Cars, trucks, and farm machinery were battered, and some left totally useless.

When I came to church that Sunday, early, to get the feel of the place, and to pray, I picked up a bulletin. An insert contained a "Thank You" to "Everyone who helped Sinai." (It was also published in area newspapers.) Sinai was among the hardest hit towns, and became headquarters for the clean-up. The community saw first hand the coordinated efforts of the Governor, State officials, Emergency Offices, the Red Cross, Department of Transportation, National Guard, and prison inmates.

Then is said about the inmates, "These guys worked up to 16 hours a day in 90-plus degree heat to help clean up the storm wreckage. Those that worked along side of them or fed them meals or coffee breaks did not hear complaining. They were hard workers. They were friendly and courteous. They had respect for those they helped. We all say a big "Thank You" for volunteering to help us out. Governor Janklow said in a Sinai meeting, "people think I'm joking when I say this, but I say that South Dakota has the best inmates in the country."

No one was hurt or killed by the storm, for which "everyone expressed thankfulness." However, one of the inmates was accidentally killed by a power high line and a volunteer firefighter lies in a hospital bed with broken bones after falling from a loader bucket.

There were others singled out, like Angie Nestad who owns the Sinai Cafe, and Sharon Richardson, the cook. The cafe was turned into a Red Cross Center for meals and coffee. From 700-1,000 meals were served each of the five days.

As I read the insert, my heart was moved. These folks had gone through a major disaster. But the part that moved me most was the inmates who volunteered. And then, at the beginning of the service, the president of the congregation read this letter, written by one of the inmates. "I was fortunate to be one of the inmates that participated in the clean-up that occurred in the northeastern part of the state. It was a tremendous pleasure helping someone in need, and at the same time, developing into a better person. The civilians were very appreciative, therefore the long and tiresome hours had no effect.

"It's sad that an inmate lost his life, and my sympathy goes out to his family. However if I was asked to volunteer in another urgent situation, I would go with no hesitation. I've made a lot of bad choices in life; my concept is that the only way I can make amends for wrong doing is by helping others. There are a lot of wonderful people in South Dakota, especially Sinai."

As I heard these words read in the Sinai church, I was reminded of a sermon I heard in that same church a few years ago. The Protestant chaplain for the State Penitentiary told us of his work, and how the inmates do appreciate it when Christian people come and visit them there. A few days later, Katie's father-in-law, Wallace, invited me to accompany him to do such a visit. I was glad to go, and was glad I went. Especially in light of our Lord's words in Matthew 25, "I was in prison and you visited me." But on this Sunday, I heard about how it works both ways. When inmates in prison volunteer to come and work for folk on the "outside" who are in need. And are glad to do it.

I'm sure the Lord was smiling that day. He who makes "all things work together for good" did just that. And gave me another glimpse of the wonder and glory of His love as he pulls people together in the community so that inmates and "outmates" can together experience His presence. Even if they didn't know it at the time. Just like the guys in Matthew 25:31-40. In Sinai, South Dakota.



GABRIELLA MADRID seems somewhat impatient during "Meet the Teacher" Friday evening as mom, Irene Simpson, completes the necessary forms to register for the school year. Gabriella is a first grader at Winters Elementary.

Social Security Rep. in Winters on August 26

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his April visit to Winters. He will be at the Winters Housing Project Office on Monday, August 26, 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. every weekday except holidays.

In Appreciation

Card of Thanks

A sincere thanks goes to everyone who helped make my 90th birthday celebration extra special. I appreciate all the kindness and extra attention.

Vivian Foster

Country Club Corner

by Sharon Kennedy, Ladies Golf Association President

The men's club championship was played the 10th and 11th of August. The first place winner was Connie Gibbs. Herman Baker was second and Rick Dry, third.

First flight winners were Bill Hall, 1st; Dawson McGuffin, 2nd; and Howard Reid and Jerry Whitlow, 3rd (tie). The tie was played off and Jerry Whitlow won on the second hole. The closest to the pin on Saturday were Connie Gibbs and Mel Kennedy. Sunday winners were Rick Dry and Dawson McGuffin. Congratulations to all these winners and a BIG THANKS to all who played.

The Tuesday evening ladies play was cancelled due to the lightning. The ladies will be starting at 5:45 next week.

The Wednesday mixed scramble was won by Fred Fortson, Armando Tamez, Dawson McGuffin, Aref Hassan, and Hank Bourdo. Closest to the pin was Fred Fortson.

Card of Thanks

We would like to say "Thank You" for the good food, phone calls, cards, memorials, flowers, and mainly your friendship, support, and kind words.

We are so blessed to have such wonderful friends and family. Special thanks to Rev. Dittmer, Mike Meyer and staff at the Winters Funeral Home, and the North Main Church of Christ for the meal.

Also, thanks to Dawn Killough and staff at the Senior Citizens Nursing Home, SCCI hospital, the Winters Housing Authority, and Meals on Wheels.

The family of Oscar "Butch" Ummelmann Brenda & Wendall Anderson & family Bonita & Hubert Robertson & family

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Aug. 26 thru Aug. 30 Subject to change

Monday, Aug. 26: Chicken pot pie, beets, fruit salad, crackers, and bread pudding.

Tuesday, Aug. 27: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, green beans, tossed salad, garlic bread, and chocolate cake.

Wednesday, Aug. 28: Liver & onions, parslid potatoes, greens, cornbread, and banana pudding.

Thursday, Aug. 29: Mexican cornbread, pinto beans, coleslaw, crackers, and apple crisp.

Friday, Aug. 30: Sausage, cheese noodles, okra gumbo, cornbread, and dessert.

Drasco plans Homecoming

The Drasco community will host their annual homecoming on Labor Day, September 2, 2002 at the former Drasco Baptist Church.

Visiting will begin at 10 a.m. followed by a noon meal and sharing of old memories.

Those attending are asked to bring a covered dish to share at the meal.

FUND-RAISER, cont'd.

Proceeds from the meal are used by the Auxiliary to purchase needed equipment for the hospital, ambulance, and North Runnels Home Health Agency.

Volunteers are needed, so please call Melanie Wade at 754-5025 or 754-4385.

Classifieds Get Results.

Winters Public Library lists new arrivals now available

Judi Rusk, Winters librarian has announced the following new arrivals at the Public Library:

- Accidental Woman, A Novel by Barbara Delinsky
A Child Called It, One Child's Courage by Dave Pelzer
Courting Trouble by Lis Scottoline
Death Du Jour by Kathy Reich
Empire Falls by Richard Russo
Grave Secrets by Kathy Reich
In This Mountain by Jan Karon
Line in the Sand, The Alamo by Randy Roberts
Little Altars Everywhere by Rebecca Wells
A Man Named Dave, Moment of Truth by Dave Pelzer
Moment of Truth by Lis Scottoline
Mortal Prey by John Sandford
Solace of Leaving Early by Haven Kimmel
Star Wars, A New Hope by George Lucas
Summer in Tuscany by Elizabeth Adler
Sunset in St. Tropez by Danielle Steel
Suzanne's Diary for Nicholas by James Patterson
Thousand Country Roads, An Epilogue by Robert Waller
Library hours are from 1-6 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 10 a.m. to noon on Saturdays. The library is closed on Fridays.

WHAT'S HAPPENING? Aug. 22- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 7:30 a.m., Big Country Wheat Conference, Abilene Civic Ctr. 9 a.m., FSA Farm Bill Interpretation, Wingate Lion's Club Bldg.; 1 p.m., SPJST Hall, Rowena; 6 p.m., Weathersby Hall, Miles Aug. 23- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 6 p.m., JV, 7:30 p.m., Varsity Scrimmage at Mertzon 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco Aug. 24- 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Hunters Education Course, Ballinger Fire Station 9 a.m.-Noon, North Texas Soccer Registration, Lawrence. Bros. Aug. 25- Worship at the church of your choice. 11 a.m.-1 p.m., NRH Auxiliary Chicken Fried Chicken Breast Meal, School Cafeteria 6 p.m., Wee Care Preschool "Meet the Teacher Night," First United Methodist Church Hunters Education Course, Ballinger Fire Station Aug. 26- 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 7 p.m., Winters 4-H Club Picnic/Meeting, City Park 7 p.m., InFO, San Angelo 8 p.m., Wingate Masonic Lodge Aug. 27- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center Noon, Lions Club, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 5:30 p.m., Ladies Golf, Winters Country Club 7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station WVFD Auxiliary 7 p.m., AA, First United Methodist Church Aug. 28- 7 a.m., Industrial Board, Windmill Enterprise Office 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 5:30 p.m., Mixed Scramble, Winters Country Club Aug. 29- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 5 p.m., Hale Museum Board, The Rock Hotel 6:30 p.m., JV vs. Menard, Menard Stadium

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Tuesday-August 27
Breakfast Pockets
Cereal
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Wednesday-August 28
Sausage & Biscuit
Juice
Thursday-August 29
Donuts
Cereal
Juice
Friday-August 30
Pop Tarts
Cereal
Juice

Lunch
Monday-August 26
Corn Dogs
Tater Tots
Corn
Pears
Monster Cookies
Tuesday-August 27
Ham
Macaroni & Cheese
Green Beans
Cornbread
Chocolate Pudding
Wednesday-August 28
Chicken Spaghetti
Peas
Tossed Salad
Garlic Bread
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Thursday-August 29
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As a reminder to parents, for safety purposes, Jones Street from Heights Street to the WHS Tennis Courts, will be closed to traffic from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. This is the secondary schools' lunch hours, and a time of increased student pedestrian traffic in this area.

Jamie Pharr earns master's from UTMB

Jamie Pharr of Winters was among 134 students who received degrees of completion August 9, 2002, from the School of Allied Health Sciences at the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston (UTMB). Pharr, who was awarded a Master of Science degree in Physical Therapy, is the daughter of Charles and Laura Brown of Winters. She is a 1995 graduate of Winters High School. Pharr plans to work at a pediatric outpatient facility in Fort Worth. UTMB was established in 1891 and is the oldest academic health sciences center in Texas. The university's School of Allied Health Sciences was the first such school in the state, founded in 1968.

Nancy Evans earns M.Ed. from ASU

Angelo State University conferred degrees upon 220 students during 2002 Summer commencement exercises on August 9, in San Angelo. Graduating from the Winters area was Nancy Lynn Evans, with a Master of Education degree.

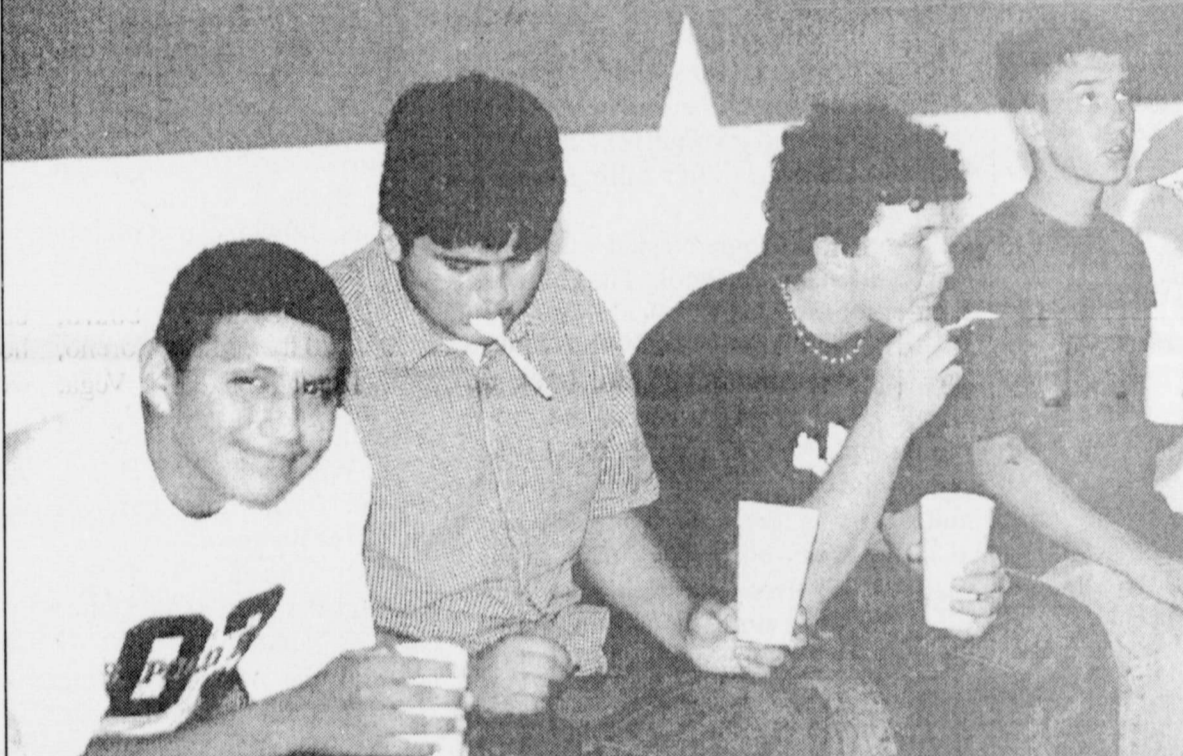
WHS VARSITY CHEERLEADERS



BACKING THE BLIZZARDS this year will be (front row, l-r) Heather Martin, Briana Parramore and Kari Walker. Second row (l-r): Jenna Bahlman, Jessica Pritchard, Kirby Hatler, and Macy Hopson. At back is head cheerleader, Stacey Sneed.

WHS cheerleaders plan Annual Hamburger Supper before Menard football game, August 30

The 2002-03 WHS Cheerleaders and Blizzard Mascot invite the community to their annual Hamburger Supper on Friday, August 30, from 5-7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. The menu will include fresh grilled hamburgers with all the fixins', French fries, dessert, and tea. Tickets are available in advance from the cheerleaders at \$4.50 per plate. Plates may also be purchased at the door. Takeouts will be available. All proceeds will go toward the cost of uniforms, equipment, and camp for the new squad. Cheerleaders for the 2002-2003 year include seniors Stacey Sneed, head cheerleader, Jena Bahlman, Kirby Hatler, Heather Martin, juniors Jessica Pritchard, Briana Parramore, Macy Hopson, and Kari Walker. Lydia Rocha will once again serve as Blizzard mascot. Everyone in the community is encouraged to support the cheerleaders by attending the hamburger supper before cheering the Blizzards to a victory over Menard.



THESE BLIZZARDS, (l-r) Robert Rocha, Francisco Santos, Will Ahrens, and Vaughn Gehrels, take advantage of delicious homemade ice cream during the annual "Meet the Blizzards" celebration last Friday night.

Winters 4-H Club to start year with meeting & picnic in the park

The Winters 4-H Club will start the 2002-03 year with a family picnic and meeting in the City Park on Monday, August 26, 2002. Members are asked to gather at 7 p.m. Alternate site in case of inclement weather will be the Church of Christ Fellowship Hall. A brief meeting will be held to install officers and introduce the activities for the year. Each 4-H family is asked to bring enough sandwiches, chips, and dessert to feed their family. All food will be shared picnic style with papergoods and drinks provided by the club. All current members and prospective members and their families are encouraged to attend. Any child in the third through twelfth grades is eligible to be a member. No membership fee is required and meetings are held one night a month during the school year. A variety of programs are scheduled for the year including a trip to Flutter Farm, celebration of Grandparents Day, presentation on the Buckskin Brigade, arts and crafts, holiday celebrations, and games with nursing home residents.

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Sign-up for soccer Aug. 24

North Texas Soccer registration for Winters youth has been scheduled Saturday, August 24, 2002. Registration will be held from 9:00 a.m. to noon at Lawrence Bros. IGA Grocery. For more information, call Melissa Rodriguez at 754-1814.

TESTS, cont'd.

These tests are mandated by the state and are administered annually to students in all grades; however, only the scores from students in grades 3, 8 and 10 are assessed by the TEA. This was the last year for the TAAS test which is being replaced by the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) test. WJHS has rated academically acceptable four of the past five years. Elementary students rated 84.2% in reading, compared to 83.0% last year. Math scores dropped slightly from 94.8% last year to 92.7% in 2002. Writing scores remained the same as last year at 80.9%.

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School

Stamford scrimmage brings goods news, bad news

"We saw good things and some things we need to work on. That's what scrimmages are for," said Winters head coach Chuck Lipsey following last Saturday's scrimmage against Stamford.

"I thought we threw and caught well but our running game and blocking need work," Lipsey said.

The Blizzard defensive line has some new faces and Lipsey said he was "pleasantly surprised."

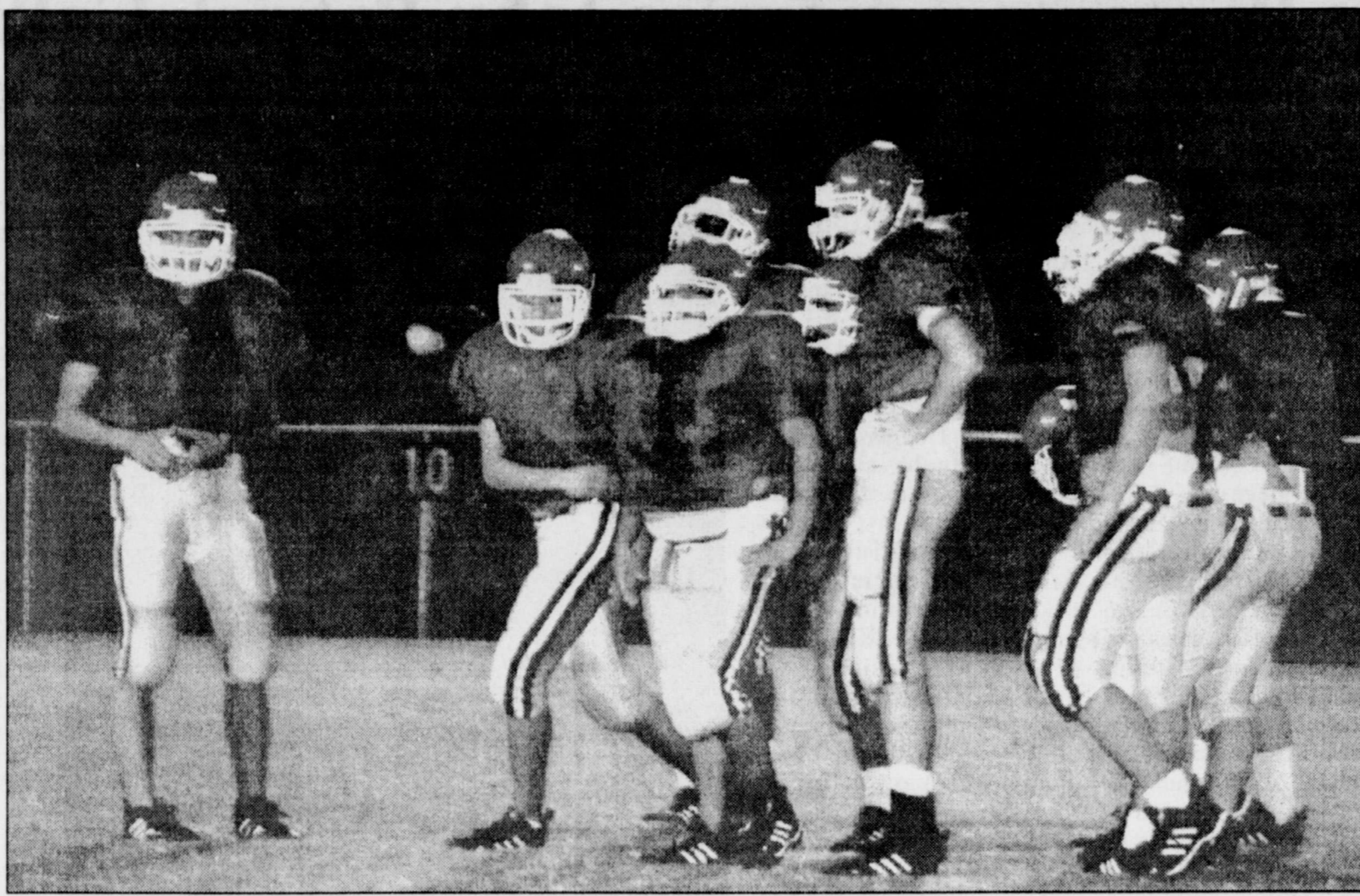
"Our defense finally settled down after about fifteen plays," said Lipsey. "We did some things well and found some other areas we need to work on, including our tackling."

The Blizzards will travel to Mertzon Friday night to scrimmage the Hornets. Junior varsity action begins at 6:00 p.m., followed by the varsity around 7:30.

Unfortunately, this football season will be cut very short for two varsity Blizzards.

For the second year in a row, junior John Heathcott has been injured and will miss the rest of this year. During Saturday night's scrimmage, John, who played offensive lineman and linebacker, broke his left leg which required surgery on Monday. Last year, while playing on junior varsity, John broke his arm during the second scrimmage. He was able to come back as a varsity player in the playoffs.

Tim Fenwick, who moved up from JV to play defensive back and receiver this year, broke his right arm during the Stamford scrimmage and will be in a cast for 6-8 weeks.



THE BLIZZARD OFFENSE looks for the play from the sideline during their first scrimmage of the season against Stamford. Winters will scrimmage the Hornets at Mertzon on Friday, August 23, beginning with the junior varsity at 6:00 p.m., followed by the varsity at 7:00 p.m.

2002 Blizzards look to seniors for leadership and winning season

New players and new hopes will combine for the new 2002 Blizzard football season.

"We lost some key players to graduation but we've got some smart kids who will step up to the plate and get the job done," said Chuck Lipsey in his second year as head coach of the Blizzards.

Winters has eleven lettermen returning, seven of whom were starters last year.

Shane Colburn, a 6'2", 185 lb. senior, is returning as quarterback but missed much of the season due to injuries. He started the 2001 season as safety and quarterback but was sidelined again for three district games with a shoulder injury. But Colburn is healthy

this year and ready to lead the Blizzards to a winning season.

Colburn will be looking to returning veteran receivers Yul Gibbs, a 6'3", 170 lb. senior and Rusty Jackson, a 6'3", 200 lb. senior. Benji Valles, a 5'10", 160 lb. junior, and Brandon Davis, a 6'2", 165 lb. senior, have moved to varsity and may also get the call to catch.

During the '01 season, Jackson had 26 receptions for 387 yards and six touchdowns, and was selected to the 2nd team all-district offense.

Seniors Brian Pritchard, 5'10", 170 lbs.; Mark Moreno, 5'7", 185 lbs.; and Jose Vega, 5'7", 150 lbs. will join junior Eric Lopez, 5'9", 165 lbs., in the ground game for the Blizzards.

Moreno, a first team all-district pick last year, rushed for 500 yards plus nine catches for

120 yards in the 2001 season. Pritchard, an all-around, all-district player, will also play quarterback if needed.

Returning linemen will be Jared Airhart, a 5'8", 165 lb. senior, and Steven Cuevas, a 5'8", 230 lb. senior. They will be joined by Guy Slimp, a 6'1", 175 lb. senior who played receiver last year; Jerry Hord, a 5'9", 210 junior; and Jacob Bridgeman, a 6'2", 225 lb. sophomore who comes up from junior varsity.

Cuevas and Airhart also received all-district defensive honors, last year and are also expected to step into leadership roles this year.

Also helping the varsity Blizzards this year will be Matt Moreno, Wacy Cason, Chad Landers, Jarrett Gerhart, Will Ahrens, Jacob Goetz, and Tim Medina.

Lady Luck has already given two players a black eye. Juniors John Heathcott and Tim Fenwick are out for the season following injuries sustained in Saturday night's scrimmage against Stamford.

Heathcott broke his left leg, requiring surgery Monday. Last season, he broke his arm and missed several games.

Fenwick, a first year varsity player, sustained a broken arm and will most likely miss the remainder of the season.

With the loss of these two players, Lipsey and his coaching staff will be making adjustments in playing positions, possibly moving players from the junior varsity squad.

Coaching alongside Lipsey will be Houston Guy, Brian Green, David Acevedo, Jamie Seago, Zach Boxell and newcomer Josh Damron.

Young JV squad has big desire to win

A young junior varsity team took the field Saturday night in a scrimmage against Stamford.

"For the first outing of the season, I think we did well overall," said Coach Jamie Seago. "The kids were a little disgusted with themselves and said they want to work harder because they really want to win."

A big highlight Saturday was a pass from quarterback Aaron Colburn to Max Harrison for a 70-yard touchdown.

The Blizzard junior varsity will face the Hornet JV on Friday, August 23, in Mertzon. Play begins at 6:00 p.m., followed by the varsity at 7:30.

Directions to Mertzon Field

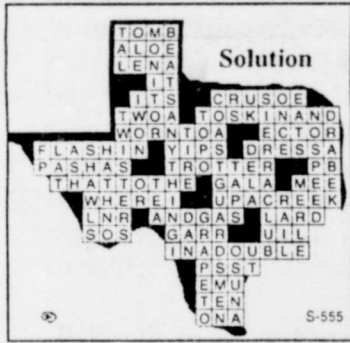
Football fans traveling to Mertzon in support of the Winters teams may find the following information useful.

From Miles on Highway 67 West as you approach San Angelo, continue as the highway becomes the Houston Harte Freeway.

Once you reach the west side of San Angelo stay right as you near the Wal-Mart Super Center. Highway 67 continues on to Mertzon.

As you approach Mertzon Coach Lipsey says the field is just off the highway directly to the right.

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



2002 Fearless Football Forecasts

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Watch every week for the most accurate winning predictions in area football. The 2002 Fearless Forecasters will begin their second season in our August 29 issue.

Introducing the Fabulous Football Forecasters

by Jean Boles, editor

Once again it's time for the debut of some new Fabulous Football Forecasters who promise to enlighten and entertain throughout the next two football seasons.

(I'm not real sure of the degree of entertainment, but they'll no doubt be the topic of discussion by the all-knowing, worldly armchair quarterbacks at the coffee shops).

This year's lineup includes Randall Conner, George Mostad, Brilla Magee, Mike Neal and René Woffenden. In case some of you readers aren't familiar with these folks, I'll try to shed a little light on these already bright, talented, good-looking, and generous sports fans. (I have to kiss up every chance I get, you know).

Randall Conner — or as one fellow recently called him, "Mr. Winters" — is Director of Economic Development for the Winters Area Business and Industrial Corporation. Try answering the phone with that title. Anyway, he's one busy,

busy guy who does tons of great things to promote our town. He knows people who know people and is always willing to help us find what we need to know at the newspaper. And he has a great gift of gab and lives much like the plate spinner in the circus.

Speaking of gab, George Mostad can give Conner a run for his money in the story-telling department. George is owner of Bedford-Norman Insurance, and a "Crocodile Hunter" wannabe. Not that he loves hunting and fishing but I hear tell that a couple of times during the drought he made his wife drive him around while he sat in his bass boat, practicing his casting skills. He didn't see anything unusual about this because it was at night, in the dark.

Now I know I'm not supposed to be partial, but if I were a betting man, I'd put my wooden nickel on Brilla Magee, the lone lady of the group. Brilla is the new prin-

icipal at the elementary school but has been teaching at WISD since 1973, and has attended no less than around a million athletic events. Some people may think she keeps that pencil stuck in her hairdo in case she needs to make some important teaching memo — I think it's so she can write down scores and stats and pursue her secret career as an ESPN correspondent during her spare time.

Mike Neal, aka "The Computer Guru" at WISD, may have a big advantage over the other forecasters in that he'll probably have some suped-up computer program and will only need to punch a key to get the exact scores. Either that or he'll close his eyes, throw a dart in the air and see what square it lands on. When Mike's not computerizing somewhere, he likes to do woodworking and bike riding, often at the same time which can be pretty tricky. But you know how talented those com-

puter people are what with all that hand-eye coordination.

Now just because René Woffenden has three daughters doesn't mean he's out of the loop in sport smarts. After all, he has three brothers and he works at Milton's Auto where he sees lots of folks who know stuff and probably won't hesitate to tell him what he needs to do. If he needs any more advice, his wife works at the local barber shop so I know she'll get plenty of advice to share.

So, dear readers, there you have a brief (and almost accurate) description of some good-natured sports fans. Feel free to send encouragement to these wonderful people any time you can. After all, that's pretty much all the reward they'll get. We wanted to offer a trip to Tahiti or Rowena but haven't been able to agree on exactly what to give. So for now, it looks like a big ol' bucket of prestige is all we offer. What a deal!

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Life

Robyn Renee Parramore marries John Patrick Callahan, Jr.

Robyn Renee Parramore and John Patrick Callahan, Jr. were united in marriage during a double-ring ceremony on Saturday, June 29, 2002. The ceremony was performed by Reverend Karen Schmeltkopf at the First Christian Church in San Angelo.

Robyn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Parramore of Winters. John is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Callahan of San Angelo.

The church altar was decorated with large pillar candles wrapped in white tulle. Two large arrangements, filled with multiple spring colors of Gerber daisies, were placed on each side of the altar. Alternating pews were adorned with tulle bows and cascading English ivy.

Fran Kidwell of Winters served as organist and pianist. Phil Mooney of Winters was trumpeter. Solos were performed by Marsha Fowler of Gatesville. Musical selections included "Canon in D," "Trumpet Voluntary," "Parent's Prayer," and "The Lord's Prayer." A selected portion of "Elizabeth Barrett Brownings' "Oh, How I Love Thee" was performed by Briana Parramore, cousin of the bride, of Winters.

The bride was presented in marriage by her parents. She wore a picturesque wedding gown featuring a bodice

beaded with tiny pearls and small patches of lace overlays. The dress had a scooped neckline with satin spaghetti straps. The dropped-waist skirt featured many layers of flowing white tulle. Several small lace overlays accented with pearls glistened on the full skirt which featured a semi-cathedral train of tulle. The bride carried a bouquet filled with several large pink Gerber daisies, light green hydrangeas, white freesia, and lime green pom-poms.

Serving as the bride's maid of honor was Kari Mercer of San Angelo. Bridesmaids included Joanna Harris of San Angelo; Robin Rae, cousin of the groom, of Austin; Katherine Holden, cousin of the bride, of Abilene; Carolyn Schuster of Muleshoe; and Kim Hunter of Midland. The bridesmaids wore two-piece gowns of sage green satin. The bodice of each dress featured a scoop neckline with satin spaghetti straps which fit over a long straight skirt. Each bridesmaid carried a single stem Gerber daisy of a different color, tied lightly with a glistening green bow.

Alanna Cooper, friend of the bride, of Winters, served as flower girl. She wore a satin dress, made by the bride's mother, which featured a full skirt embellished with sequins. Eric Holden, cousin of the bride, of Abilene, served as the

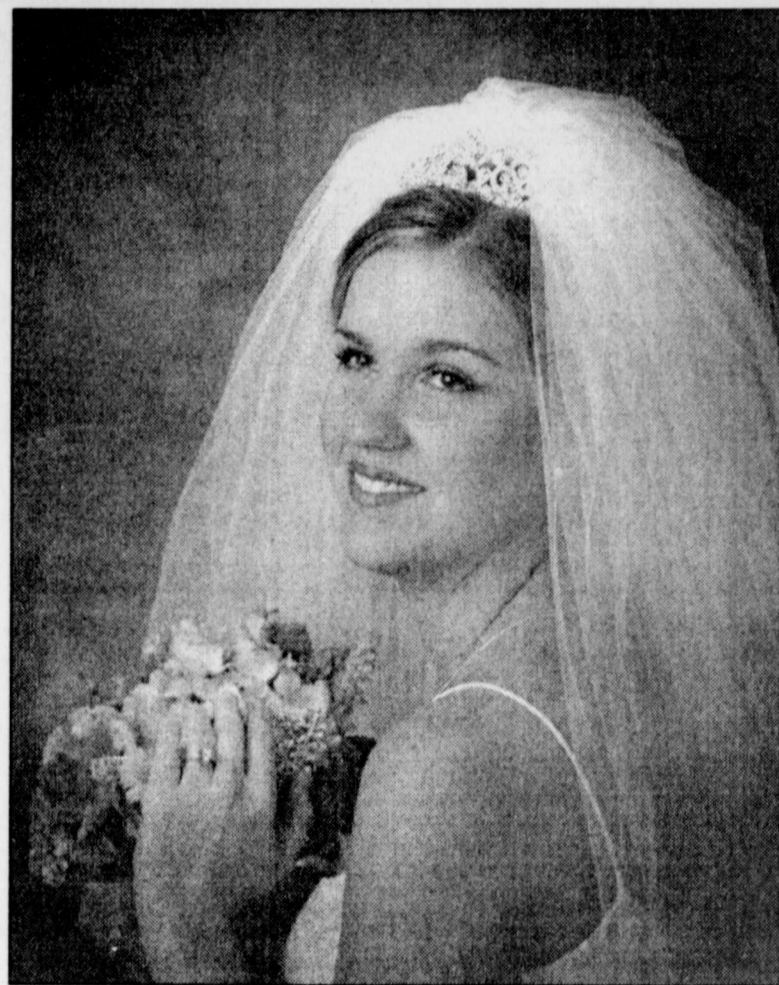
ring bearer for the groom.

Attending the groom as best man was John Faught of San Angelo. Serving as groomsmen were Jay Walling, Blake Edwards, and Benny Alizadeth, all of San Angelo; Captain Russell Parramore, brother of the bride, of Little Rock, Arkansas; and James Holland of Dallas. Ushers were Sean Rae, cousin of the groom, of Houston; Douglas LeGrand of San Angelo; and Wade Parramore, cousin of the bride, of Winters.

Serving as register attendants were former fellow teachers of the bride, Corrie Smith of Plano and Kelli Stone of Midland. Cousins of the bride, Jenafer Parramore of Abilene and Briana Parramore of Winters, distributed programs to the guests as they arrived.

A rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents at Zentner's Daughter in San Angelo. A dinner, reception, and dance hosted by the bride's parents were held at the San Angelo Convention Center immediately following the wedding ceremony. Texas-style barbecue was served by Ronald Presley, Calvin Jackson, Rodrick Bredemeyer, Charlie Kidwell, and Buddy and Jo Miller, friends of the bride's family.

The bride's cake was stacked upon a circular glass



Mrs. John Patrick Callahan, Jr.

cake stand made of large glass cubes lighted with tiny white lights. Cascading down the side of the cake were multiple

Gerber daisies, stargazer lilies, confetti roses, and baby's breath. The cake was decorated with satin ribbon and intricate

filigree icing.

The groom's cake was centered around the Anheuser-Busch logo. Chocolate lattice decorated the outer edge of the multiple-tier cake which was surrounded with chocolate-dipped strawberries.

Serving in the house party were Cheryl Bryan, Mary Lynn Presley, Cindy Cathey, Dottie Loudermilk, and Gloria Poehls, all of Winters, and Kay Arel and Karen Niehues of San Angelo.

Mrs. Callahan is a 1997 graduate of Winters High School. She graduated from Angelo State University in 2001 with a bachelor degree in multidisciplinary studies. She is currently employed as a third grade teacher at Carrollton-Farmers Branch.

Mr. Callahan is a 1997 graduate of San Angelo Central High School. He earned a bachelor of business administration degree in 2001 from Angelo State University. He is currently a salesman for Ben E. Keith Beers, Budweiser of Dallas.

The Callahans are now residing at The Colony.

Reunion Time

Descendants of Sam and Anna King gather for annual family reunion in Robert Lee

Descendants of the late Sam and Anna King gathered for their annual reunion on Saturday, August 10, 2002, at the Robert Lee Community Center. Sam and Anna (Benson) King were long time residents of Coke County. They were married on January 1, 1890 in the home of W.C. Benson in Edith.

Family and friends registered for the reunion totalled 137. The day was spent visiting, swimming, eating, playing games, and trying to stay cool.

Attending the event from the **Thomas (T.L.) King family**: Lorraine Brooks, and Angela and Mike Wade of Artesia, New Mexico; Anna Mae Hartsell, Kathy and Larry Hartsell, Betty Herman and Richard, and Jennifer and Jami Hartsell of Ardmore, Oklahoma; Kay and David Hall of Kennedall; Shannon and Josh King of Arlington; and Ronda, Curtis, Kimber, Kayla, and Krista Edwards of Sherman.

From the **Will (W.S.) King family** were: Don and Dorothy King, Jerry, Isaac, and Emily King of Stanley, New Mexico; and Curtis Beach of Albuquerque, New Mexico; and from the **Beulah King Gaines family**: Randy Gaines of Dallas; Jess and Dorothy Gaines of Rowlett; Alene and David Key, and DeeAnna and Joe Harmon of Robert Lee; Garland and Rena Dee Gaines, Clara Belle

Deese, Loucille Middleton, Katie and Waymond Dixon, and Kari and Kylan Wilson of San Angelo; Jimmie and Anna Faye King of Wingate; James, Rachel, Brittney, and Ryan Glaze of Abilene, and Lauri, Jim, Jessica, Robert, and Dusty Hall of Hawley.

From the **Vela King Davis Plumlee family** were: Eugenia Smith, and Stanley and Mary Smith of Carlsbad, New Mexico; Bessie and Brice, Adrienne Fortune, and Raymond Smith of Robert Lee; Trudi Green of Sunlakes, Arizona; Pam and Sarah Gandy, and Shirley Strakos Raymond Cole, Summer and Pam Smith, Frank, Robin, Lori, and Mikayla Smith of San Angelo; Darlene Gower of Ballinger; Judy Snowden, Justin Gunn, and Joshua Ellis of Odessa; Brent, Christa and Emily McClellan of Midland; and Melanie, David, and Sierra Neal of Joshua.

Attending from the **Ottis Frank King family** were: Jim and Olivia King of Robert Lee; and from the **George King family**: Alvin and Katherine King of Whitesboro; and Linda Scott and Beth Brice of Odessa; and from the **Lillie Belle King Gaines family**: Bertie and Forrest Wanker of Fairview, Oklahoma; Larry, Joyce, and Michele Allen, Shane, Stephanie, and Kailey Allen and Jaziah Vasquez of

Lubbock; Willie and Jesse Eads, Jr. of Robert Lee; Kayla and Jesse IV Eads of Midland; and Frank Wanker of Ft. Smith, Arkansas.

Those from the **Dave King family** were: Vivian King of Robert Lee; Bobby and Joyce Walker of Odessa; Gwen and Harry Anderson of Granite Shoals, and Dan and Helen Hall of Columbus; from the **Mae King Blair family**: Delle Thomas of Arlington; Sam, Judy, and Corbin Keel, and Vivian Keel of San Angelo; and Carl and Pauline Blair of Bronte.

Attending from the **R.B. King family** were: Burt and Lavelta McVicker of Buchanan Dam; Lester and Cheri King of Green Forest, Arkansas; Ralph Clayton and Eva King, Gary and Becky Vernor of Brazoria; Tim King of San Antonio; Edward, Jennifer, and Zackery Saucedo of Amarillo; and Eldon King of Marlaroff.

Friends joining them for the day were: Timothy Kelly of Dubuque, Iowa; Tim Mayhall of Lubbock; Jewel Puckett of Mission; Wanda Brothers of Gilbert, Arizona; Samantha and J.B. Robertson of Robert Lee; Jackie Dunn of Granbury; Leona Parker of Hawley; Angela Viss and Nathan Connor of San Angelo, and Mary Greenland and Kathy Pearson of Ardmore, Oklahoma.

Town Criers



Zachary Douglas & Avery Faith Wheat



Proud parents Doug and Amy Wheat, along with children Erica and Joshua, are excited to announce the arrival of their twin blessings.

Zachary Douglas and Avery Faith were born on Friday, July 26, 2002, at 12:38 & 12:40 a.m. at Abilene Regional Medical Center.

Zachary weighed 5 lbs. 5 1/2 ozs. and was 18 inches long. Avery weighed 6 lbs. 11 ozs. and was 19 inches long.

Their proud grandparents are Gene and Jeanie Wheat and Helen and Ronny Belcher, all of Winters, and Mike and Beverly Tuggle of Irving. Great-grandmothers are Louise Seals of Winters, Vernon Brannon of Bangs, and Bonnie Bertch of Lipan.

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ACROSS

- 1 TXism: "from womb to ..." (lifetime)
- 5 Valley medicinal plant
- 6 singer Horne
- 7 TXism: "keep ... under your hat"
- 8 TX Stephen Stills tune: "For What ... Worth"
- 9 Daniel Defoe novel "Robinson ..."
- 15 Ozona h.s. class
- 16 TXism: "down ... bones" (lost weight)
- 19 TXism: " ... frazzle" (tired)
- 21 Odessa is seat of this county
- 22 TXism: "a ... the pan"
- 27 high-pitched barks
- 28 TXism: "you can ... hog, but you can't take him anywhere"
- 29 Turkish officials
- 30 harness racer
- 32 Pat of TX-filmed "State Fair" (init.)
- 33 TXism: "you can take ... bank" (sure thing)
- 36 lavish TX party
- 37 how to pronounce Lamesa: "luh- ... suh"
- 38 TX B.J. Thomas gospel album "Home ... Belong"
- 39 TXism: " ... without a paddle"
- 41 init. of legendary TX pitcher Ryan
- 42 TX legal specialty "oil ..."
- 45 hog fat
- 46 intl. distress signal
- 47 this Teri starred with TX Dabney in "Tootsie"
- 48 TX h.s. sports rulemaker
- 49 TX Barbara Mandrell tune: "Sleeping Single ... Bed"
- 52 quiet attention getter
- 53 flightless bird
- 54 ...gallon hat
- 55 TXism: "jumped like a fish ... hook"

DOWN

- 1 this Smith was Astros GM in '80s
- 2 Grand ... Opry
- 3 computer screen
- 4 TXism: " ... ever saw" (unusual)
- 8 what George W. finally could say on 12/13/00?
- 9 guys in maritime law enforcement (3 wds.)
- 10 "Roger the Dodger" (init.)
- 11 Great Britain & No. Ireland (abbr.)
- 12 TX has chapter of this environmental protection org.
- 13 TXism: "want to the well ... too often"
- 14 TXism: " ... high on the hog" (rich)
- 15 tornados
- 16 Pampa's " ... Texas Junior Stock Show"
- 17 something never said about 41-across? (2 wds.)
- 18 ex-Astro hurler Doug
- 20 pickup rubber
- 22 TX actor Fess (init.)
- 23 old Roman language (abbr.)
- 24 TX cosmetics queen Mary Kay
- 25 shoulder wraps
- 26 "Hell ... vs. Kramer" fury like a woman scorned
- 28 Fr. explorer of TX
- 29 ... Salle
- 31 somber bugle call
- 34 TXism: "don't give a hoot ... a holler"
- 35 TXns like it iced
- 37 singer Haggard
- 40 TXism: "skinny as a ..."
- 43 this TX Blocker was Bonanza's "Boss"
- 44 TXism: "necessary as ... wine"
- 45 TX Banton directed this Jess in "Kramer vs. Kramer"
- 51 Austin univer.

Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

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Outdoors

Pest Management News

by Richard Minzenmayer, Extension Agent-Entomology

GENERAL SITUATION

Grain sorghum harvest has begun and yields are good as well as the price for the grain.

Cotton continues to progress rapidly and conditions vary greatly from Winters/Wingate to Miles/Mereta to Wall/Vancourt communities. Bollworm infestations are the major topic of concern right now.

Heaviest infestations are in Miles, Mereta, Veribest, and Wall communities. It is very important to monitor your cotton fields closely for bollworm infestations. I have been discussing IPM Basics this year, and I don't think everyone is reading it or is understanding it very well.

It is not time to treat just because you or your scout has found some worms feeding in white blooms or found a flared square here and there. IPM tolerates some damage, low levels of pests in the field, uses economics for basis, uses thresholds, etc.

Why scout and worry about what's out there if you can't tolerate some damage? (Sorry, it has been a long week.) Also keep in mind, many dryland cotton fields have way more fruit set than can be matured out.

There, a little worm damage can be tolerated especially when soil moisture is limiting and fertility is low.

COTTON

Much of the cotton in the Concho Valley is in physiological cutout (3-4 NAWF). The cotton crop in most areas, with the exceptions of Wall (South and West) and Wingate, have an above average crop set and looks great. The bollworm egg-lay continues and larval counts continue to increase across the area.

Bollworm infestations are heaviest in the Miles and

Mereta communities right now but everyone should be scouting closely for worm infestations.

Bollworm management requires **good scouting practices and common sense control decisions**. When I scout for bollworms, I check **whole** plants scattered throughout the whole field not just terminals or white blooms in one spot in a field.

In selecting plants for monitoring, it is important to recognize that the taller more dominant plants tend to have higher numbers. Sometimes this can be used to your benefit if you check only these plants but adjust your threshold to reflect the disproportionate number found on these tall plants.

By checking taller plants, one could possibly reduce sample size but there is an art to this method and it is possible to get "burned" using this method.

The minimum plant sample size should be 25 plants per field. Forty plants are ideal but time consuming. The scouting program uses the 40 whole plant counts and looks in 13 different areas of each field. Spend most of your time in marginal fields, those fields near threshold.

The least amount of scouting time should be spent in fields that are obviously overrun by worms or are virtually devoid of worms. Check plants by starting in the terminal and working your way down the plant. Dissect open the terminal whorl. Also open all blooms, square and boll bracts. By the time you're done, the plant should have sustained some physical damage.

When I check a plant, I am looking first for two things—eggs and damage. I usually find the evidence of caterpillar feeding long before I find

the actual worm.

If one looks very carefully, you probably will find a very small worm near the damage. Sometimes you won't find the worm. If so, hopefully it is because a beneficial insect nabbed it rather than it being the result of your poor eyesight. The key to good bollworm scouting and control decisions is finding the eggs and the very small caterpillars (1.4" or smaller.)

Eggs are found in many locations including but not restricted to the upper surfaces of the **newer leaves**, leaf petioles, **bracts**, and flowers.

Each hatch in about three days and are pearly white until before hatch, when they turn brown. Black eggs can mean that they have been parasitized by a wasp. Newly emerged caterpillars are about 1/16" long and almost colorless with the exception of their black head.

Once they feed, they will be colored in various shades of yellow, red, brown, or black. Over a period of about two weeks, these caterpillars will feed on increasingly larger fruit until about 1-1/2 to 1-5/8 inches long, at which time they drop to the ground and pupate. Once caterpillars reach 1/4" in size, most predators are unable to handle them.

While I previously mentioned that our cotton guide lists 5,000 worms per acre as our treatment threshold, I must emphasize that these are small worms, not the 1 inch "snakes" some folks find. I also must point out that this threshold is for individuals that have a hard time locating small caterpillars. If you have the experience or ability to easily find the 1/16" to 1/4" worms then you must adjust your threshold upwards.

If treatments are necessary, good coverage is very important. Plant canopies are very large and most larvae are down in the plant canopy. The use of hollow cone nozzles is recommended and gallon usage should be around 8-10 gallons per acre by ground or at least three gallons per acre by air. Good penetration into the canopy is very important. Use a mid to higher rate on insecticide to insure good control and provide an adequate residual.

I have been noticing a few beet armyworm and fall armyworm larvae feeding primarily in blooms for several weeks but no big numbers. Nothing to worry about right now. Pheromone trap catches remain very low.

WJLSA elects officers, sets BBQ meal date

The Winters Junior Livestock Show Association began their year by electing officers on Monday evening.

Barron Guy was elected president for the 2002-03 year while Terry Kruse will serve as vice-president. Ken Slimp was elected secretary-treasurer and Johnny Bob Pritchard will serve as reporter.

The association will hold their annual football meal during the last home game versus Jim Ned on November 1. The groups plans to change the menu just a bit from years past and will serve a homemade barbecued brisket sandwich with French fries, dessert, and tea.

The association will meet again on Monday, October 7 at 8 p.m. in the Ag. classroom at the high school.

Hunter Education Course offered this weekend in Ballinger

A Hunter's Education course will be offered in Ballinger this weekend, August 24-25. The class will be taught at the Ballinger Fire Department from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday. The conclusion of the course will be held Sunday at the discretion of the class.

Cost is \$10 per person. For more information, contact Jimmie Caughron at 365-2854.

Anyone born after September 2, 1971 is required by law to complete the course. Youth between the ages of 12-17 must be accompanied by an adult while hunting if they have not yet completed a Hunter's Education course. Any youth under the age of 12 MUST be accompanied by an adult.

St. Mary's Church to conduct Fall Festival & Fajita Dinner

St. Mary's Church in Ballinger is holding their Annual Fall Festival and Fajita Dinner on Sunday, September 8, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m., with the auction beginning at 1:00

p.m. Costs of plates are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children.

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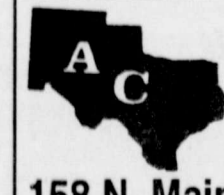
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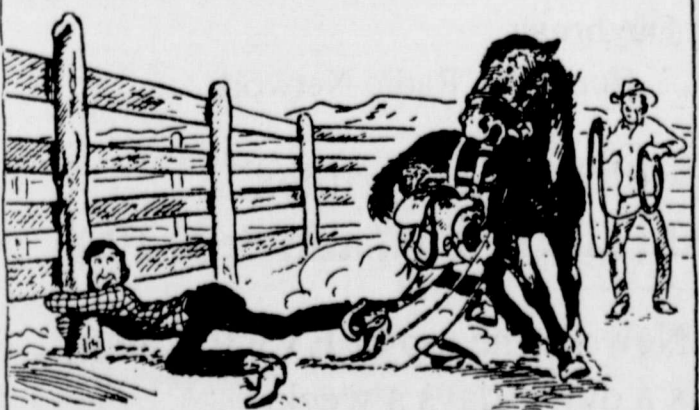
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Official Records

County Court Dispositions
Wesley Radcliff, theft by check, case dismissed, venue not proper in Runnels County

Marriage Licenses Filed August 12
Steven Cliff Perkins and Penny Evelyn Oxford

August 13
Michael Lynn Belcher and Laurie June Blaylock

August 15
Toby Emil Halfmann and Bonnie Faye Wilde

District Court Divorces Granted June 7
Gaylon Neal Schniers and Shelly Denise Schniers

Divorce Cases Filed August 13
Shirley Faye Essary Fuller vs. Melvin Ray Fuller

Civil Cases Filed August 15
JoAnn Groat, Shawn Groat and Matthew Groat vs. Samuel Jerrod Robertson, damages

Police Beat

The information below is taken from reports on file with the Winters Police Department. Some cases may still be under investigation. These reports make up a small percentage of the total calls the Department receives and responds to each week.

Winters Police Department reports received and/or investigated from Sunday, August 11, 2002, through August 17, 2002. Winters Police Officers:
*received report of a dog bite victim in the 100 block of Novice Road. A Winters female reported that while visiting a friend's home, she entered the back yard area and was confronted by a large dog that startled her. The female stated she screamed and it startled the dog who then attacked her. The female was treated and released by Ballinger Memorial Hospital.

*received report of a disturbance in the 300 block of Tinkle Street. A 49-year-old Winters male alleged that a 36-year-old Winters male came to his home and used abusive, profane language towards him with his children present. The older male stated it was in reference to alleged trespassing on the younger male's property. The matter was settled with Criminal Trespass Warnings being issued to both parties' respective properties.

*received report of dogs running wild in the 700 block of Alexander Street. A 73-year-old Winters male stated he was awakened by a loud noise behind his house and found two pit bulldogs killing his goats. The dogs fled from the male who observed one dog go into the yard of a neighboring house. One of the dogs was located and the owner was given a written warning for Animals at Large as he has agreed to restitution to the goat's owner.

*officers located a 17-year-old Winters male in the 600 block N. Main Street with outstanding warrants for Minor in Possession of Alcohol and Minor in Consumption of Alcohol. The male, Eric Lopez, was unable to pay the fines totaling \$712 and was taken to Runnels County Jail.

*received report of a burglary in the 200 block of Spill Street. A 36-year-old Winters male reported finding the door to a garage apartment open and the lights on inside. Officers found the lock had been broken off the door, but no one was found inside. Items were located indicating person(s) had been inside the apartment recently. This is under investigation as Burglary of a Habitation.

*received report of phone harassment in the 600 block of N. Fannin Street. A 24-year-old Winters female alleged that she is receiving hang up calls during all hours of the day. Verizon was contacted and a tap has been placed on the female's phone. This is under investigation as Harassment.

*received a 9-1-1 call of a disturbance in progress in the 100 block of N. Grant Street. A Winters male reported that he was being threatened by a 24-year-old and a 50-year-old Winters male and a "war" was about to begin. Officers arrived in force only to find the alleged parties at their respective apartments. The incident was deemed to be a dispute over a dog. A separation was done of the involved parties. A check of a vehicle reportedly involved in the dispute revealed an open container of an alcoholic beverage. A 50-year-old Winters male was cited for Open Container and released.

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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NOTICE OF MEETING

The Lipan-Kickapoo Water Conservation District Board of Directors will meet in the district office at 9538 York Road, Suite C, in the Vancourt, Texas Post Office Building on September 4, 2002, at 7:00 a.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to adopt a proposed budget for FY2002-03 and to consider adopting a tax rate of .0375 cents per \$100 property valuation to fund the budget.

This proposed tax rate is the same as last year. However, due to an increase in some property values, the proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in the Lipan-Kickapoo Water Conservation District by 1.5%.

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VFW Post 9193 Ladies Auxiliary receives awards

During the regular meeting August 12, 2002, of the Winters Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9193 Ladies Auxiliary, President Mary Kurtz presented to members the 2001-2002 Department of Texas and District 8 Convention awards.

Plaques received from Ladies Auxiliary VFW Dept. of Texas were: **Americanism Program Award** - Most Outstanding Programs, First Place in Division 1; and **Membership** - over 100% by Dec. 31, 2001. A plaque was received from Ladies Auxiliary VFW District 8 for **Best Youth Program**, Division 1.

Certificates were received from the Dept. of Texas for

Publicity Program Award

Most Outstanding Overall Publicity Promotion, Second Place in Division 1; **Rehabilitation Program** - Best Education Program, Division 1; and **Program Participation** - State Nursing Scholarship, Hospital Program, Buddy Poppy Program, Cancer Aid & Research Program, Legislative Program, Political Action Committee, National Volunteer Week, Make a Difference Day, Community Service Program, Americanism Program, Youth Activities Program, Ways & Means Program, VFW National Home for Children Program, Rehabilitation Program, State President's Special

Project.

Six certificates received from District 8 were also in recognition of the above programs. Also received were a **National Certificate for Attaining 100% 2002 Membership** and a certificate for the **National Home Program**.

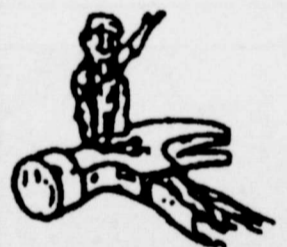
After presentation of awards, the group then discussed programs for the 2002-2003 year and volunteered chairmanships. Suggestions will be brought to the next meeting and the group will decide what they will do for each program. The District 8 Ladies Auxiliary VFW President will make her official visit at the October 2002 meeting.

Any woman - whose husband, father, grandfather, or brother is eligible to join the Veterans of Foreign Wars - is eligible to join the Ladies Auxiliary and is invited to join us in promoting Americanism and helping to care for the veterans and their families who need help. Those interested may call 754-5182 for further information.



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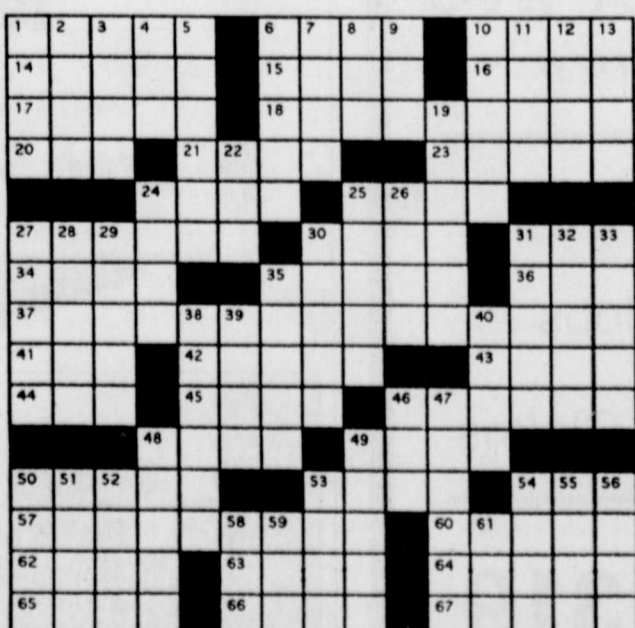
1. Van driver
6. Castle's defense
10. Hombre's home
14. Isolated
15. Assuage
16. Spanish passion
17. Hotel employees
18. Carry
20. In addition to
21. Juan's relatives
23. In a bad mood
24. Students' summons
25. TV's Jack
27. Place for coin-operated machines
30. Apparel
31. Weaken
34. Go skyward
35. Group of Soviet workers
36. Numerical prefix
37. Post-Thanksgiving fare
41. Bordeaux season
42. Like greasy meat
43. Unique individual
44. Buttons
45. Liberated
46. Part of a child's day at school
48. Fishing spot
49. Hazard
50. Priest's place
53. Completely absorbed
54. First playmate, often
57. Gorgeous
60. Get away from
62. Parts of a journey
63. Showdown for Hamilton and Burr
64. Crow
65. Celtic language
66. With 11 Down, tunny pair
67. Place

DOWN

1. Early word
2. Pearl Buck heroine
3. Vacuum
4. Termination
5. Took a break
6. Iron or gold
7. Boatman's items
8. Mad wet hen
9. IX-XI connector
10. Frolic
11. See 66 Across
12. Put in order
13. Pretentiously talented
19. Dobbin's home

22. de-France
24. Dog's greeting
25. Fall guy
26. Greek deity
27. Daisylike flower
28. Way to go
29. Gave a hoot
30. Frame of metal bars
31. Mick Jagger, for one
32. City on the Rhone
33. Bridge supports
35. like, appeared to be
38. Strain
39. Sweater material
40. Hudson

46. Fabled napper
47. Organic compounds
48. Short period of inaction
49. Pre-game festivity
50. Skilled
51. Reel upwards
52. Words with price and dog
53. Felt remorse
54. Put aside for later
55. Thought
56. Curve
58. Sweet as Apple Cider
59. Enjoyment
61. Liquid container



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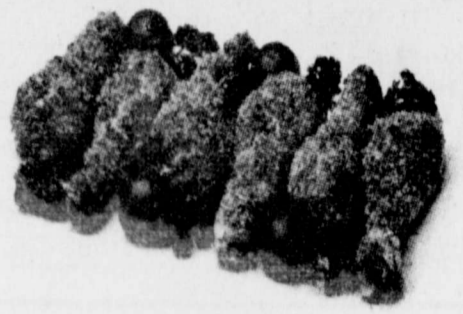
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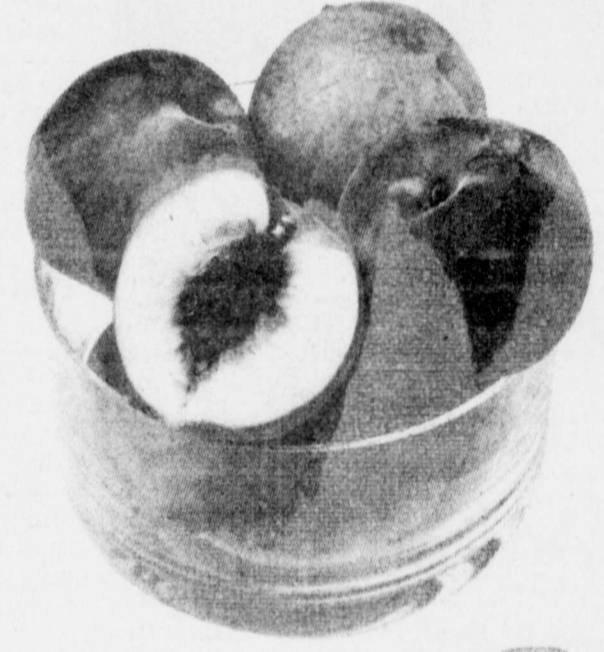
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Limit 2 With Coupon, Thereafter 2/\$4. Expires 8/27/02

BestYet Bathroom Tissue



75¢

4 Roll Pkg.

PLU 287

Limit 2 With Coupon, Thereafter \$1. Expires 8/27/02

BestYet Sodas

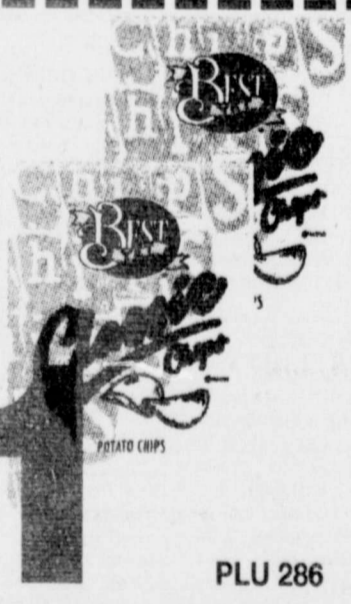


3 \$5
12 Pack 12 Oz. Cans

PLU 284

Limit 3 With Coupon, Thereafter 2/\$4. Expires 8/27/02

BestYet Potato Chips



2 \$1
5.5 oz. Pkgs for

PLU 286

Limit 2 With Coupon, Thereafter 79¢. Expires 8/27/02

Arm & Hammer Liquid Laundry Detergent

2.00
100 oz. Pkg.

Limit 1 With Coupon, Thereafter \$2.99 ea. Expires 8/27/02

Kellogg's Cereals

2 \$3
17.5-19.5 oz. Boxes for

Limit 2 With Coupon, Thereafter 2/\$5 ea. Expires 8/27/02

Imperial Sugar

1.00
4 Lb. Pkg.

Limit 1 With Coupon, Thereafter \$2/\$3 ea. Expires 8/27/02

We reserve the right to limit quantities.