

# The Winters Enterprise

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## NEWS at a glance

**Pearls of Wisdom—**  
Yesterday is history.  
Tomorrow is a mystery.  
But today is a gift.  
That's why we call it  
the Present.  
Author Unknown



**WELCOME 2003**

### Letter to the Editor

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### Blizzards on All-State Teams

Three varsity football players were named to Class 2A Texas All-State Teams. **page 4**

### Football T-Shirts on Sale

The Winters Athletic Booster Club is taking orders for State Semifinalists football t-shirts. Costs are \$12-\$14, depending on the size ordered. Sizes are youth through 4XL. **page 5**

### Basketball teams to play Dec. 31

The varsity boys and girls will play basketball in an originally unscheduled game on Dec. 31 at the Blizzard gym. The Blizzards compete against San Angelo Lakeview. **page 5**

### Blessed Daze

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### Miss Sno Queen and her Court



JESSICA PRITCHARD (center) was crowned 2003 Miss Sno-Queen following the annual Christmas parade Saturday. First runner-up is Raysha Garcia (left) and second runner-up is Lydia Rocha.

### Parade winners announced

Winters' Red, White, and Blue Christmas Parade on Saturday was just a little shy of past years' entries; however, the spirit of the season was still evident in the eyes and delight of the children as they watched the floats and vehicles and gathered candies thrown by entrants. The Winters Blizzards and their coaching staff served as Grand Marshals and brought with them the northern winds and a slight chill as they lead the parade down Main Street.

Named Miss Sno-Queen 2003 was Jessica Pritchard. She is a 16-year-old junior at Winters High School and is the daughter of Steve and Penny Pritchard. Jessica is currently involved in Student Council and the National Honor Society. She is a delegate of the 4-H Runnels County Council and the reporter for the WHS chapter of Future Farmers of America. She is a cheerleader

for the Blizzards and plans to attend Baylor University where she will pursue a medical degree in the field of general surgery. Jessica was sponsored by Alderman-Cave Feeds.

The first and second runners-up were Raysha Garcia and Lydia Rocha, respectively. Raysha is a 15-year-old freshman at Winters High School and is the daughter of Brian and Sharan Tolley. She is a member of the Hatchel Church of Christ and volunteers in Vacation Bible School. She plans to attend Angelo State University and pursue a career as a school teacher or child therapist. Raysha was sponsored by Winters Funeral Home.

Lydia is an 18-year-old senior at Winters High School and is the daughter of Pantaleon and Mary Rocha, Jr. Lydia is the mascot for the See PARADE WINNERS, pg. 7

### Grohman files suit against Collom in Commissioner election

The race for County Commissioner Precinct 2 between incumbent Keith Collom and challenger Freddie Grohman may not be over.

Unofficial results the night of the election on November 5 had Collom with a five-vote win over Grohman. At that time, County Clerk Elesha Ocker said she would be sharpening up her "recount" knowledge, in case a recount was called.

During their regular meeting on November 12, Runnels County Commissioners compared totals on voting box tally sheets to Ocker's total figures in the previous week's General Election. Following the canvass of votes, which gave Collom the win by 336-333, Commissioners certified the total as correct.

Voting officials in Voting Precinct 3 contacted County Tax Assessor-Collector Robin Burgess the morning of November 12, indicating a voter claimed to live in Commissioner Precinct 2, but was not listed as voting in Voting Precinct 3.

A redistricting change in the precinct line between Commissioner Precincts 2 and 3 had caused some problems in the election.

Going back to the map provided by the Secretary of State's office, Burgess discovered the voter was correct and that a total of 23 voters were shown in the wrong precinct.

"No one in the county, even the Commissioners, realized the redistricting affected that area of Winters, along Frisco Street," Burgess said. "We immediately corrected the error and sent new lists to the voting boxes, instructing voting officials to let those people vote in the Commissioner Precinct 2 race."

Ocker and Burgess both said they wanted the public to know "that no one was turned away and not allowed to vote — they were just sent to the correct polling place. The error was corrected as soon as we found out about it."

Of the 23 voters, the County Clerk's office determined 13 voted in the wrong precinct. Of See LAWSUIT, page 3

### Miss Sno-Flake and her Alternate



ALANNA COOPER (left) was named 2003 Miss Sno-Flake during ceremonies at the Rock Hotel following Saturday's Christmas parade. Brittany Gray was named Alternate.

### Police investigate stolen pickup, blood stains

Winters police officers continue to investigate a crime which occurred Sunday afternoon, December 22.

At approximately 6:00 p.m. Vera Kraatz, lakekeeper at Elm Creek Reservoir, called 911 to report a stolen vehicle.

According to Winters police reports, a 1994 Chevrolet pickup belonging to the City of Winters for use at the lake, was taken from the lake

property, driven down Rogers Hornsby road to Hwy. 153. Apparently the driver failed to negotiate the turn onto 153 and drove the vehicle into the fence on the south side of the highway.

The pickup received only minor damage but the driver was apparently injured, as indicated by large amounts of blood found in and around the pickup. A trail of blood was found and posted.

See POLICE, page 8

### Winters Holiday Ball, Friday night—

### Jody Nix & the West Texas Cowboys to perform in Winters

Jody Nix and the West Texas Cowboys will perform at the Winters Holiday Ball tomorrow night. The dance will be held at the Winters Community Center, off the Novice Highway near the City Park, from 8:30 p.m. to midnight.

The popular West Texas entertainer will perform favorite country, and western swing tunes to scoot a boot, bringing a close to the year 2002.

Admission is \$8/person. Refreshments are BYOB. No glass containers allowed. Concessions will be available including setups, ice, popcorn, and snacks.

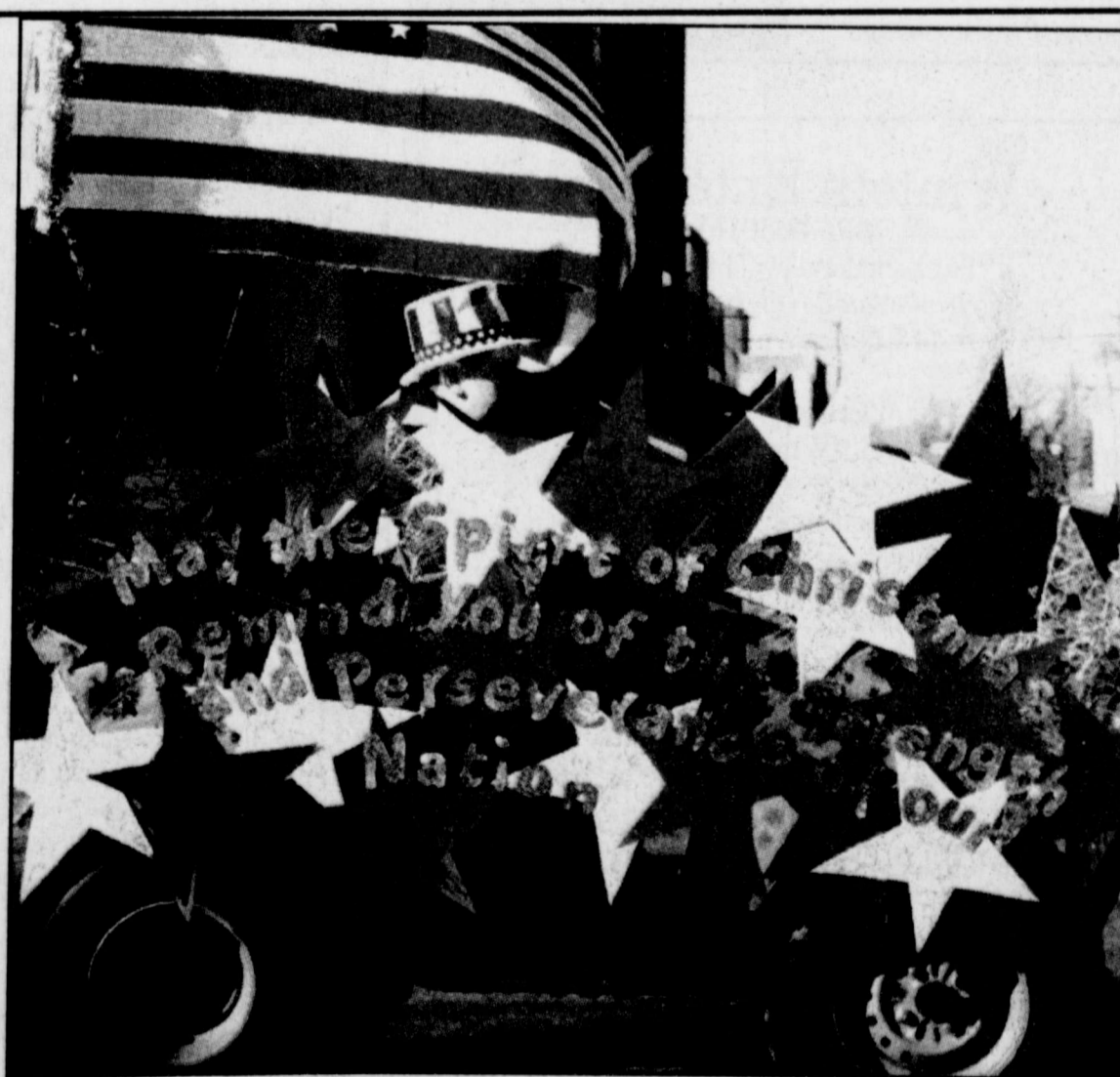
### Early deadline set for New Year's paper

Due to the upcoming New Year holiday, *The Winters Enterprise* requests that newsprint for the Jan. 2 edition be turned in to our office no later than the following date and time:

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|--|----------------------|
| NEW YEAR EDITION, 01-02-03<br>(WILL BE MAILED DEC. 31) |                      |
| General news/retail advertising                        | Fri., Dec. 27 Noon   |
| Classified advertising                                 | Fri., Dec. 27 5 p.m. |

*The Winters Enterprise* office will be closed Wednesday, Jan. 1, so that employees may enjoy the holiday with their families.

Happy New Year!



TY BLACK, decked out in our nation's colors, won first place in the off-road category of the annual Christmas parade Saturday. This year's theme was a "Red, White and Blue Christmas." Ty's message to parade fans was, "May the Spirit of Christmas remind you of the strength and perseverance of our nation."

# Opinion

## Oil Bidness

by Reg Boles ©2002



It is traditional to be reflective and contemplative at this time of year, and I thought it would be of some benefit to consider the major events of 2002 in the oil patch.

This has been a year of incremental change rather than a year of spectacular advance. Prices have moved continuously upward over the last twelve months (daily bounces excepted). Technology continues to move forward but in an understated way. And, the politics of the oil patch continue to confound and confuse while being completely predictable.

I won't spend any time on product prices, as I have already covered that in previous columns.

Technology continues to impact development decisions around the world, as the slow movement of progress in one area of the world "leaks" into other parts of the oil patch. Pin-point directional drilling, subsea completions, and well-completion technology are the major points of improvement.

Operators are able to develop larger areas with fewer stand-alone wellbores due to continued improvement in steerable drilling. Technology improvements in this field mirror the high-tech sector in their speed of improvement.

Subsea completions are now considered so ordinary that they are the preferred development method in every offshore location around the world. The savings of avoiding the building of an offshore platform are tremendous, and many developments are only attractive with subsea completions.

The completion of wells, always critical to the success of fields developments, has received a lot of R&D funding, lately. From this effort has come special techniques for tight formations, unconsolidated formations, and for other troublesome reservoirs. This technology is helping turn around many fields near an economic limit and made suc-

cesses out of early failures.

One area of technology that has reached a stone wall in the Gulf of Mexico are Floating Production, Storage, and Off-loading (FPSO) vessels. While they are used in fields around the world, operators in the Gulf have not yet adopted the technology, despite federal and state governmental authority to use FPSOs in offshore waters. Maybe next year.

From Texas to the U.S. government and to worldwide exporters, there is a lot of turnover and turmoil from a political standpoint.

The Texas Railroad Commission (RRC) has been through an election, losing a member to an ambassadorship, and an uprising from smaller producers over bonding requirements. This story is still being written but watch for developments in the first quarter of the new year.

The new federal energy policy is a grand effort that disappeared into the ether. It never became what it was supposed to be (a roadmap for the future of energy), and it got lost in a do-nothing congress mired in a deadlock between two parties. There is much talk about reviving it now that the Executive and Legislative branches are controlled by the same part, but don't expect anything significant to happen very soon.

Finally, the world stage has oil front and center in the Middle East. Despite its role being overblown in the conflicts there, whatever happens next will surely impact the politics of the oil markets.

All-in-all, this has been a good year in the oil and gas business. I think most people have set the goal to make the coming year a continuation of good things.

Happy New Year.

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## Letter to the Editor

### City Manager's New Year's Resolution

Dear Editor:

Too bad that we can't stop or at least slow down time. Even in the big horizon of the West Texas Plains, the pretty sunset changes to darkness. After enjoying the beautiful sunrise, we have to get ready for another day of our life of which goes by like a caravan in front of our very own eyes. Days come and go. So do weeks, months, and years.

Our best and most wise choice is to enjoy and admire them, and to praise the Almighty God for the opportunity. Every day, week, month, and year that comes and goes and we live it requires a celebration. We should think about our good and bad thoughts, words, and deeds in time that is past. We should plan good thoughts, words, and deeds for the future. We should make resolutions to accomplish good deeds. We should be big enough and have the guts and courage to apologize for our bad thoughts, words, and deeds that have hurt others.

With this letter I apologize to those who have been hurt by my words or deeds as a person or a public servant in the year 2002. I make my resolution to be a better man and a better public servant in the year 2003. Human beings were created in the image of God. Hurting their feelings makes God unhappy. With my impairment in West Texas English, I might say something unintentionally that hurt someone. Sometimes I may comprehend different and my reaction or response might hurt someone. Sometimes I become impatient. Sometimes I become emotional. When I get excited over a subject I sound loud. I hope you all accept that as part of my unique status among you.

I have been a resident of this

area for almost 11 years. You all know now that I am a unique citizen and a unique public manager with a unique background. There are many natives of Afghanistan in this great land. I have not found one yet who has managed city government for 22 years. I have not found a native of Afghanistan living in West Texas. That is what makes me unique. Having such a unique status makes my actions and reactions unique. In my unique way for my unique status, I try my very best to be a better citizen and do more good in 2003.

As a citizen, I will try to be kinder and gentler to everyone. As I was raised in a different culture, every time I see one of you I shake your hands with a genuine smile and love. As a public manager, I will be kinder and gentler to elected officials, city employees, and citizens. My last year's resolution of which is written on the white erasable board outside my office reads:

**"Communicate professionally, coordinate professionally, dress to impress professionally, and make character your first priority. Be kinder and gentler. Have a positive attitude and love every one. Try to be better than last year. Do better than last year. Be happier, have fun."**

If I can accomplish all of the above next year, I will be happy. I leave my board as is and change it from year 2002 to 2003. I will read it every day and am hoping whoever wants to see me reads it before ingress to my office. I wish you all a very Happy New Year.

*Aref Hassan,*

Ph.D., RMC, LPI, City Manager/Secretary/Fire Marshal

## Obituaries

### Lillian McCartney Eubanks

WINTERS—Lillian McCartney Eubanks, 92, died Friday, December 20, 2002, at a local hospital.

She was born November 28, 1910, in Melvin, Texas, and moved to Runnels County as a young girl. She graduated from Mud Creek School in 1926 and married Don Eubanks on December 15, 1927, in Ballinger. They lived and worked in Runnels County until 1952, moving to Pasadena.

While living there, Mrs. Eubanks was affiliated with the food service at San Jacinto College for ten years. She was a member of the Thomas Avenue Baptist Church and taught the Ruth Sunday School Class. She was an active member of the Channel Chapter of American Business Woman's Association. She held several offices in that Chapter and was elected "Woman of the Year" in 1975-1976. After her husband's death in 1986, she moved to Winters where she was active in the First Baptist Church and taught the Dorcas Sunday School Class. She was a member of the Triple L Club and the Z.I. Hale Museum.

She was preceded in death by her husband and two children, Netha Rae Wetsel and Roy D. Eubanks.

Survivors include four sons, M. Dale Eubanks of Winters, Lloyd B. Eubanks of Winters, Richard L. Eubanks of Oak Park, Michigan, and Rex A. Eubanks of Las Vegas, Nevada; three brothers, Curtis E. McCartney of Abilene, Vernon C. McCartney of Odessa, and Jim D. McCartney of Melvin; three sisters, Vivian Foster of Winters, Lois Brooker of Odessa, and Martha Blackerby of Mesquite; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Services were at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, December 22, at the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Barry Taylor officiating. Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery in Winters, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

### Katie Frerich

ROWENA—Katie Frerich, 99, died Friday morning, December 20, 2002, in Ballinger.

She was born June 15, 1903, in Valley Creek, Runnels County, Texas, to William and Lucy Hoelscher Glass. She attended Rowena Public School and St. Joseph School. She married Ben J. Frerich in Rowena on November 18, 1924.

Mrs. Frerich was a homemaker and assisted Ben in farming until their retirement. They enjoyed traveling and, on their trips, collected many rocks and gems from all over the world including the Holy Land, which enabled them to pursue a hobby of gem jewelry and crafts. As a result of this hobby, the Grotto outside of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rowena was built with these rocks and in their memory.

She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rowena, a longtime member of St. Ann's Altar Society, Christian Mothers, and the Catholic Daughters of America. She was also a member of Runnels County Home Demonstration Club, Catholic State League, the Gem and Minerals Society, and assisted in many Farm Bureau endeavors and helped organize the Runnels County Youth Science Fair.

She was preceded in death by her husband on July 10, 1989, and two grandchildren.

Survivors include one daughter, Lorraine Piwonka and husband Milton Slaton; five sons, Floyd Frerich and wife Dorothy of San Angelo, Leon Frerich and wife Mildred of Norton, Arnold Frerich and wife Alice of Rowena, Hubert Frerich and wife Annette of Garden City, and Monroe Frerich and wife Pauline of Spring Branch; thirty-nine grandchildren; ninety-one great-grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Rosary was at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, December 22, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rowena. Funeral mass was at 10:00 a.m. Monday, December 23, with Father Prasad Gallela and Monsignor Larry Droll concelebrating. Burial followed in the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Rowena.

Grandsons served as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers were the remaining grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of the Big Country in Abilene or a favorite charity.

### Kermit Parish

SAN ANGELO—Kermit Parish, 83, died Saturday December 21, 2002, at his residence.

He was born on May 24, 1919, in Bridgeport, West Virginia, to Grover Cleveland Parish and Lillian Horner Parish. He married Virginia Slaton on May 10, 1946, in San Angelo.

Mr. Parish was a heavy equipment operator and employee of the City of Ballinger for 14 years. He was a longtime resident of Ballinger prior to returning to San Angelo.

He was preceded in death by parents; his wife on January 10, 1981; and a daughter, Julie.

Survivors include a brother, Kenneth Parish of Artesia, New Mexico, and two sisters, Nadine O'Malley of Littleton, Colorado, and Nelda Haydon of San Angelo.

Graveside services were Monday, December 23, at 2:00 p.m. in the Garden of Memories Cemetery in Ballinger with Mike Burson officiating. Services were under the direction of Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

### Donald W. Clanton

DESOTO—Donald W. Clanton, 58, passed away Wednesday, December 18, 2002.

He was born and grew up in Winters, the youngest of nine children and a precious husband, father, and "Paw Paw."

Mr. Clanton was an accountant for Ward, Asel & Associates and was the chief financial officer from 1978-1985 for the Angelo Community Hospital in San Angelo.

Survivors include his wife, Pam Clanton of Desoto; two sons and daughters-in-law, David and Jennifer Clanton, and Devin and Tammy Clanton, all of Sachse; one daughter and son-in-law, Deidra and Scott Enck of McKinney; four grandchildren, Keegan Clanton, Jacob Clanton, Dylan Enck, and Peyton Enck; two sisters, Freda Kruse of Big Lake and Sue Stevens of Levelland; one sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Wanda and Bob Ward; and extended family, Mike, Sharon, and Tanner Albert.

Memorial services were at 1:00 p.m. Friday, December 20, at the Skillman Church of Christ in Dallas with Mr. Dwight Roberts officiating. Graveside services and interment were at 10:00 a.m. Monday, December 23, in the Dallas/Fort Worth National Cemetery, directed by West/Hurt Funeral Home.

Memorials may be sent to the American Heart Association.

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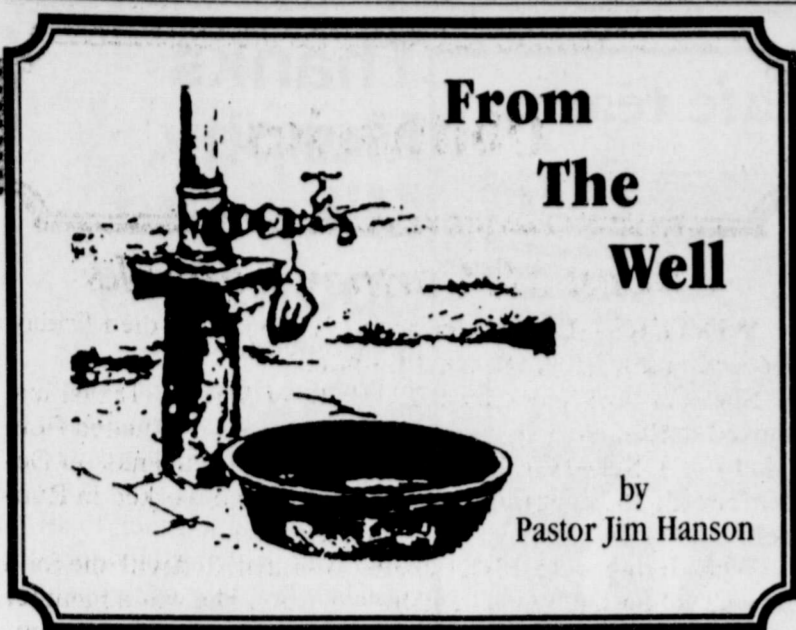
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# Community



## From The Well

by Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

The stable is the place. The barn. The shed...whatever you want to call it, it was no Holiday Inn. Where Christ was born. There was "no place for them in the Inn." But there was...in the stable.

Now this was no fancy stable. Like the ones where thoroughbreds dwell. Or even a milking parlor. It was more like a shed. Even a cave. Hardly a place for a King to make His entrance into His world. Surely there must be a mistake. Some kind of foul up. But the Scripture is plain. It was a stable.

Leslie Leyland Fields got the message. He wrote a poem: "Let the stable still astonish; straw-dirt floor, dull eyes, Dusty flanks of donkeys, oxen; crumbling crooked walls; No bed to carry that pain. And then, the child, rag-wrapped, Laid to cry...in a trough."

Who would have chosen this? Who would have said: "Yes! Let the God of all the heavens and earth be born here, in this place?"

Who but the same God who stands in the darker, fouler rooms of our hearts and says, "Yes! Let the God of Heaven and Earth be born here...in this place!"

I'm quite certain that we can get the connection. Even in those God-given moments of reflection when we have the courage to take a look inside the dark and fouler rooms of our hearts." If indeed the God of the Heavens and Earth was born in that stable, surely He can be born again in ours.

We sing it in an old German Carol written by Martin Luther.

O dearest Jesus, holy child,  
Prepare a bed, soft, undefiled,  
Within my heart that it may be  
A quiet chamber, kept for Thee."

Or, Phillips Brooks' O Little Town of Bethlehem, stanza 4,

"O holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us, we pray;  
Cast out our sin, and enter in, Be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels, The great glad tidings tell;  
Oh, come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Immanuel!"

And so the only real response to His coming, and the only real way to celebrate His coming is to steal away into come quiet and into all place and do it again. Sing. Or say. From the heart. "Come into my heart, Lord Jesus." And sense the Presence. And the Peace. The Gift. Jesus Christ, born in us, today.

Have a blessed Christmas! Christ Blessed! The best kind!



THE 2002 CHAMPIONSHIP BLIZZARDS were honored as grand marshal of the Christmas parade on Dec. 21. Team members and coaches rode atop two blaring firetrucks provided by the Winters Volunteer Fire Department. This year's football team is only the second in school history to reach the semi-final playoffs.



SIERRA WOFFENDEN, age 5, enjoys a basket of goodies and a visit from Santa at the Winters Volunteer Firemen's Christmas dinner.

## LAWSUIT, cont'd.

the other ten of the registered voters, they either didn't vote or voted in the correct precinct.

Grohan filed a request and paid a fee for a recount with Judge Marilyn Egan which took place on November 15.

The recount did not change the outcome of the election, although the vote count did change. The recount determined Collom received 341 votes to challenger Grohan's 337 votes. Each candidate and two representatives were present to observe the recount.

On December 18, 2002, Grohan filed a "contested election" suit against Collom, a civil case in District Court.

Collom has ten days to answer the lawsuit and says he is contacting his attorney to come up with a response to the lawsuit.

The District Court will then determine if a new election must be held or enter a decision declaring a winner in the election.

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**Tuesday, Dec. 31:** Hamburger steak, rice, green beans & tomatoes, hot roll, and cherry cobbler.

**Wednesday, Jan. 1:** Holiday. *Happy New Year!*

**Thursday, Jan. 2:** Swiss steak, parsnip potatoes, greens, cornbread, and lemon bars.

**Friday, Jan. 3:** Chicken & biscuit, California blend, tossed salad, and dessert.

Meals are served at 11:30 a.m. daily. Anyone who does not take the meals regularly are asked to reserve a lunch by contacting the Activity Center at 754-4205 by 10 a.m.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

- Dec. 26- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Activity Center  
5 p.m., Hale Museum Board, The Rock Hotel
- Dec. 27- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Activity Center  
7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco  
8:30-Midnight, Jody Nix & West Texas, WCC
- Dec. 28- 8 p.m., Winters Squares, WCC
- Dec. 29- Attend the church of your choice
- Dec. 30- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Activity Center  
6 p.m., City Council Meeting, City Hall
- Dec. 31- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Activity Center  
1 p.m., Varsity Girls Basketball vs. SA Lakeview, WHS Gym  
2:30 p.m., Varsity Boys Basketball vs. SA Lakeview, WHS Gym  
2 p.m., The Winters Enterprise Closes  
7 p.m., AA, FUMC  
7 p.m., Athletic Boosters, Blizzard Field  
8 p.m., New Year's Eve Dance with D.J., WCC
- NEW YEAR'S EVE**
- Jan. 1- No Senior Citizens Meal  
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**ACROSS**

1 TX Trini's "If \_ A Hammer"

5 Oldham Co. seat

6 TX Percy Foreman defended James \_ Ray

7 western writer Zane

8 TXism: "fits like scales \_ \_ fish"

9 struts

16 this Harper was in "Crimes of the Heart" with TX Sissy

18 San Antonio Zoo has biggest collection of these animals

21 Taylor of TX-based "Giant" (init.)

22 \_ Sandberg said "Texas is valor and swagger"

23 Van Alstyne h.s. class

24 prophylactic

30 TXism: "as hollering 'snake' at a quilting bee"

34 this Sally was in "Back Roads" with TX Tommy Lee (init.)

35 TX rancher Norris " \_ of One"

36 Don \_ Aury was 1st to claim Galveston

37 this Michael was in TX Audie film "Arizona Raiders"

39 mammals under Austin's Congress Ave. Bridge (3 wds.)

43 \_ Gay bomber

**DOWN**

1 TX Buck Owens tune: " \_ a Tiger by the Tail"

2 in Robertson Co. on hwy. 79

3 TXism: "slippery pig"

4 this Timothy starred with TX Crystal Bernard on "Wings"

9 "Father of TX" (init.)

10 Houston's Indian wife was \_ of Will Rogers

44 no longer gettin' milk from mama

55 ocean pictures

58 Philippine island

59 amateur sports org. (abbr.)

60 Capone & Johnson

61 TX "Steak and \_"

**The Original**

11 Lone \_ State

12 TX Audie Murphy refer to indirectly

14 TX creek: \_ Lo Digo Creek

15 whirlpool tub

17 Aggie coach Gene from '65-'71

19 home of "Old Rip" the horned frog

20 TXism: " \_ a squirrel up a tree"

24 Gov. \_ Culbertson (1894-98)

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38 " \_ gone and done it" (uh oh)

40 Gov Richards

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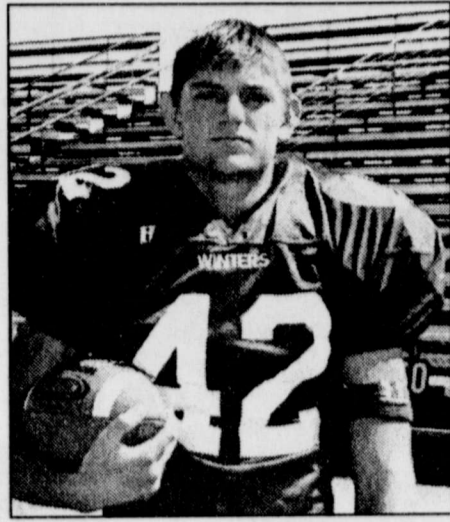
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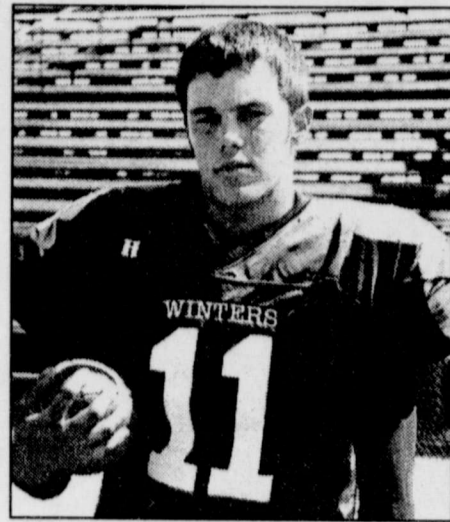
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## Blizzards named to Class 2A Texas All-State teams



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**Shane Colburn #11**  
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**Steven Cuevas #60**  
5'8", 230 lb. senior  
**Second Team Offense**  
Lineman

## Thanks Murphy, Mike and sponsors

by Jean Boles, editor

With the close of the fantastic 2002 football season, I want to take this opportunity to thank some folks.

First, thanks so much to all you business owners and individuals who have generously sponsored our school pages and the special sections we've published. Without your help, we certainly wouldn't have been able to do what we've done. Because you gave us the means to help publish keepsake photos and stories, you played a part in the lives of so many young people. Thank you.

I also want to tell Charles Murphy, WHS counselor, former Blizzard coach, and my sportswriter for the Blizzard football games, how grateful I am for his willingness to cover 15 games, regardless of the weather or other circumstances, and then have his story ready Sunday afternoon. As a person who lives with constant deadlines, I so much appreciate his promptness. Charles, you certainly made my life a little easier.

A special thanks also goes to my photography buddy, Mike Neal. He's the one on the field with the giant lens that can see up the nose of any player out there. Mike was very kind to take photos, get them developed and then share them with me. You did a great job, Mike, and don't feel bad about that "Heisman" photo of our opponent. It was still a good shot.

Thanks again, everybody. As with the Blizzards of 2002, we worked well together as a team. Let's do it again next year, O.K.!

## McMurry ODK inducts new members

McMurry University Omicron Delta Kappa Circle has inducted 22 new members into its ranks. ODK is a national leadership honor society founded in 1914 at Washington and Lee University.

The Society recognizes achievement in scholarship; athletics; campus or community service, social and religious activities, and campus government; journalism, speech and the mass media; and the creative and performing arts. Emphasis is placed on the development of the whole person, both as a member of the college community and as a contributor to a better society.

This year's inductees include Anthony D. Joeris of Buffalo Gap. He is the nephew of John and Rhonda Joeris of Winters.



BRUCE and FRANCINE CAMPBELL of Campbell Sports Productions in Abilene deliver a \$500 donation to Phil Colburn (right), president of the Winters Athletic Booster Club. Campbell Sports Productions handled the Winters High School football broadcasts after 96.1 FM radio stopped carrying the games back in September.

## News for college-bound students and their parents

**'Tis the season for college financial aid**

The start of a new year is quickly approaching and that means one thing. Students who plan to start college next fall should begin working on financial aid. Experts at ACT offer the following information to help families find the resources they need to complete their financial aid paperwork.

The most important form is the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Beginning Jan. 1, students will be able to submit the form that determines eligibility for student financial aid from federal programs. Students will need family income statements from their 2002 earnings to complete the form. Colleges and universities use the FAFSA, but may also require students to fill out additional forms. The FAFSA is available from high school counselors or at <www.fafsa.ed.gov>.

- Financial aid tips from ACT:
- Check with your college to determine if other financial aid forms are required.
  - Apply for scholarships and grants.
  - Look into Work Study programs.
  - Surf the web for financial aid information.
- Try these websites:
- Financial Aid Need Estimator and financial aid information <www.act.org/fane>
  - Free college scholarship search <www.finaid.org>
  - The Financial Aid Information Page <www.ed.gov/finaid.html>
  - Free Application for Federal Student Aid <www.fafsa.ed.gov>
  - Scholarship scams

<www.ftc.gov/bcp/conline/edcams/scholarship>

For more financial aid specifics, please visit with your guidance counselor or visit <www.act.org>.

### College information hotline available in January 2003

The Texas Association for College Admission Counseling (TACAC) announces its 18th annual toll-free College Information Hotline (877-275-7007). Hotline 2003 will be available Jan. 18 and 19, 2003, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (CST). The College Information Hotline, which is the largest project of its type in the nation, provides information about post-secondary educational opportunities to students and families.

The College Information Hotline is available to anyone in the state who has questions about any aspect of college admission, financial aid, degree programs, housing, student life and activities, or special programs. Callers may also request information from specific colleges and universities or information about any college in the United States. Spanish-speaking counselors and admission representatives from more than 25 public and private colleges and universities in Texas will be on duty.

In previous years, callers have predominantly been high school students and their parents, but an increasing number of information requests are beginning to come from middle school students, current college students, adults who did not complete college or have never attended, and veterans with questions about their benefits.

### Pay for tomorrow's college at today's prices

Parents can take some of the uncertainty out of saving for college by enrolling their children in the Texas Guaranteed Tuition Plan from the Texas Tomorrow Funds, Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander said.

Rylander said a new enrollment period has begun, and will continue until May 23, 2003.

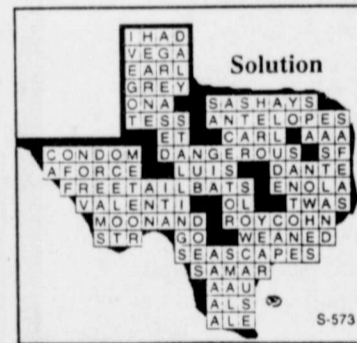
With the Texas Guaranteed Tuition Plan, families can lock down their children's college tuition and required fees at today's prices, and pay those expenses in affordable installments before the children are ready for college.

"No matter how much tuition and fees increase, the state guarantees to cover the cost," Rylander said.

The Texas Guaranteed Tuition Plan may be used at public or private colleges in Texas or out-of-state. For newborns, contract prices start as low as \$40 per month for one year of tuition and fees at a Texas public college or university. Four years of public university tuition and fees can be prepaid for as little as \$152 per month for a newborn.

"By the time today's newborn is ready for college, tuition and fees are expected to quadruple," Rylander said. "Families can avoid those cost increases by enrolling their children in the Texas Guaranteed Tuition Plan — and the younger the better."

For more information, visit the Texas Tomorrow Funds website at <www.texas-tomorrowfunds.org> or call 1-800-445-GRAD (4723). The Texas Guaranteed Tuition Plan offers quick, convenient online enrollment.



## Students of the Month

Each month the junior high teachers select students from the 7th and 8th grades to be Boy and Girl of the Month. These selections are made on the basis of academics, leadership, and citizenship.

Erica Roman has been chosen "Girl of the Month" for December 2002. She is the daughter of Lupe and Anita Roman.

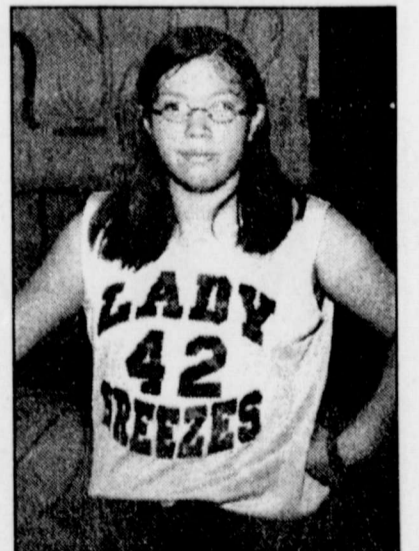
Erica, 12, is in the seventh grade and enjoys math and English.

She enjoys cleaning the house and shopping. In her spare time, she likes to read and play basketball and football.

Her duties include housework.

She plans to attend college following graduation.

Erica most admires her grandma because she is always "there for me when I need her."



**Erica Roman**  
December  
Girl of the Month



**Alex Harrison**  
December  
Boy of the Month

Alex Harrison has been chosen as the "Boy of the Month" for December 2002. He is the son of Linda Delacruz.

Alex, 13, is in the seventh grade and enjoys science and keyboarding.

He enjoys collecting anything, and, in his spare time, plays video games.

His duties include keeping his room clean, washing his laundry, and helping his sister and brother around the house.

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ERIC LOPEZ (on floor) and Yul Gibbs participate in some wrestle mania during the varsity Blizzards' contest with the Bronte Longhorns Friday in Blizzard gym in only their second game since finishing football season on Dec. 7. In background are Shane Colburn (left) and Rusty Jackson. The Blizzards will start district play on January 10, at San Saba. The Lady Blizzards face Bangs on January 3, to open district competition at Winters.

## Open date now a play date

### Varsity G/B to play basketball Dec. 31

The varsity girls and boys will play basketball Tuesday, Dec. 31, in Winters versus San Angelo Lakeview.

December 31 was originally listed as an open date, so please note changes accordingly.

The girls begin at 1:00 p.m. and the boys at 2:30 p.m.

## Blizzard football T-shirts for sale

The Winters Booster Club is taking orders for State Semifinalists football t-shirts. The shirts will be available in sizes youth small through 4XL. There is a choice of white or gray, with the exception of the size 4XL shirts only available in white. Cost will be \$12.00 for youth small through x-large, and \$14.00 for 2XL through 4XL. The last day to order is January 17, 2003.

To place an order or for more information please contact one of the following Booster Club members; Teresa Davis, 754-5422, Kim Jackson, 754-4339 or 754-5032, or Rhonda Cook, 754-4034 or 754-5000.

### Basketball Hoopla

Go, Blizzards!

Team: Varsity Girls Coach: Deb Winterburg  
Opponent: Bangs Date: Dec. 20, 2002  
Place: Winters

| POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER |    |   |    |    |    |      |
|----------------------------|----|---|----|----|----|------|
|                            | 1  | 2 | 3  | 4  | OT | FIN. |
| WINTERS                    | 11 | 7 | 13 | 12 |    | 43   |
| OPPONENT                   | 6  | 4 | 7  | 9  |    | 26   |

Free throws made: 9 of 12 for 75%

| Player's Name | Points | Rebounds | Steals | Assists |
|---------------|--------|----------|--------|---------|
| Macy Hanson   | 1      | 1        | 0      | 1       |
| Jena Bahman   | 2      | 4        | 1      | 1       |
| Ashly Sontoya | 0      | 6        | 6      | 2       |
| Stacey Sward  | 11     | 5        | 3      | 3       |
| Geessica Bear | 0      | 0        | 1      | 1       |
| Laci Walker*  | 19     | 3        | 6      | 0       |
| Kerian Hale   | 0      | 3        | 6      | 4       |
| Suzanne Jones | 2      | 1        | 0      | 0       |

\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: 7th Girls "B" Coach: Ed Pochs  
Opponent: Bangs Date: Dec. 16, 2002  
Place: Winters

| POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER |   |    |   |    |    |      |
|----------------------------|---|----|---|----|----|------|
|                            | 1 | 2  | 3 | 4  | OT | FIN. |
| WINTERS                    | 6 | 10 | 4 | 11 |    | 31   |
| OPPONENT                   | 0 | 4  | 0 | 0  |    | 4    |

Free throws made: 1 of 1 for 100%

| Player's Name    | Points | Rebounds | Steals | Assists |
|------------------|--------|----------|--------|---------|
| Sarah Rodriguez  | 3      | 1        | 0      | 0       |
| Janita Simpson   | 4      | 4        | 1      | 1       |
| Nissa Quiroz     | 2      | 1        | 1      | 1       |
| Cathy Kitchin    | 4      | 6        | 2      | 4       |
| Natalie Rangel   | 0      | 1        | 2      | 1       |
| Azencia Vasquez  | 4      | 2        | 3      | 2       |
| Janita Martinez* | 14     | 3        | 3      | 0       |

\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: 2nd Girls "A" Coach: Ed Pochs  
Opponent: Bangs Date: Dec. 16, 2002  
Place: Winters

| POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER |    |   |   |    |    |      |
|----------------------------|----|---|---|----|----|------|
|                            | 1  | 2 | 3 | 4  | OT | FIN. |
| WINTERS                    | 12 | 4 | 6 | 10 |    | 32   |
| OPPONENT                   | 3  | 8 | 6 | 1  |    | 18   |

Free throws made: 0 of 5 for 0%

| Player's Name      | Points | Rebounds | Steals | Assists |
|--------------------|--------|----------|--------|---------|
| Carrie Mendoza     | 10     | 1        | 2      | 3       |
| Kelli Knight*      | 10     | 7        | 4      | 3       |
| Susan Sward        | 2      | 3        | 3      | 3       |
| Adriana Bergman    | 0      | 2        | 2      | 1       |
| Shelby Walker      | 8      | 5        | 5      | 3       |
| Azencia Flores     | 2      | 3        | 2      | 4       |
| Lillian Garcia     | 6      | 3        | 1      | 0       |
| Christina Martinez | 4      | 4        | 3      | 0       |

\*Denotes high point individual for Winters



JULIE ENGLAND, (center of photo), makes sweet music as she sings with other members of the Classical Youth Chorus of Abilene during a recent performance at Winters High School. Julie, a sixth grader at Winters Elementary, is the daughter of Mandie and Lanny England of Winters. The Classical Youth Chorus is comprised of singers in grades 6-9 from seven different Big Country counties and nine independent school districts, home school, and private institutions. Auditions are held annually the second weekend in May.



MAX HARRISON puts in the layup after a fast break against the Bronte Longhorns during varsity action.

## New Year's Eve Dance

DJ Music

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## Runnels soccer photos are here

Player and team photos of the Runnels County Soccer Association have arrived. Winters team members may pick up their packets at *The Winters Enterprise* during regular office hours.

Call 754-4958 for more information.

## Winters Holiday Ball

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# Life

## Blessed Daze

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### The inspirational garbage disposal

We had a minor crisis at my house recently. Hubby's garbage disposal broke.

(Now I know some of you may be thinking, "her husband's disposal?"). Well, it can be just as much his as it is mine.

I once gave him a can opener for Christmas. You should have seen the look on his face. It wasn't a pretty sight. Thus, my reason. He was then able to understand that receiving an appliance as a gift is not a barrel of laughs, unless, of course, there's a big honking diamond attached somewhere.

Back to his disposal.

At the time of the disposal's demise, hubby and I agreed that it certainly had not been very long since we bought the contraption. That it shouldn't have broken so soon. That it hadn't even been five years and surely it was still under warranty.

We'd just see about that. Just about the time I got my

drawers all in a wad, we retrieved from the dungeon the warranty papers and receipt that came with the disposal.

What? How could this be? We couldn't believe it. We'd had that little grinding wizard for more than eleven years.

Where did the time go? Which brings me to my point.

Too often we let time zip by without making the most of each and every day. I'm so guilty of putting off things I really should do. Now I'm not talking about things like cleaning the green, fuzzy stuff out of the refrigerator or replacing hubby's paper-thin, holey, no-elastic-left-in-the-legs underwear.

I'm talking about important stuff. Like visiting my neighbor, writing an old friend, taking an elderly person to the grocery store. Laughing more and worrying less. Walking

closer to my Lord. Reading a book just for the fun of it. Getting my teeth cleaned and my car serviced on time.

As you can tell, the list can be an endless one of good ways to use our time. I don't intend to make anyone feel overwhelmed — maybe just whelmed. I just want to encourage you to maybe re-evaluate how you spend your time this new year.

I just read that good thoughts are no better than good dreams if you don't follow through.

After all, your disposal could break before you know it and then you'll be stuck with a bunch of muck that is useless. Just like some habits we have and good intentions we don't fulfill.

Go ahead; jump out there. Make every day of 2003 the best it can be.

Happy New Year!

## Airman Amanda M. New graduates Air Force basic training at Lackland



Air Force Airman Amanda M. New has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises,

and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Airman New is the daughter of Betty Ross of Meadow Lake Lane, Kempner and niece of Bonnie Walker of Wingate.

She is a 2002 graduate of Lampasas High School.

## Telemedicine exams benefit rural counties

By Patti J. Patterson, M.D.

On June 30, 1990, a little girl, barely an hour old, went into severe respiratory distress at Big Bend Regional Medical Center in Alpine. Her physician, James Lueke, M.D., immediately consulted with a neonatologist located 312 miles away at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Lubbock. Marian Myers, M.D., examined the infant, looked at her X-rays and recommended emergency treatment. Within two hours the girl was stable.

One Friday in late April, a little boy in Hart came to see school nurse Retta Knox because he had a sticker in his hand. The wound appeared to be seriously infected and there is no physician in Hart. The little boy needed immediate attention, so Knox called on pediatricians in Lubbock who examined the boy and prescribed appropriate antibiotics.

How were doctors able to see these children on such short notice? These patients were able to visit a doctor without leaving their home communities through a new tool in the medical community—tele-

medicine.

Pioneers in telemedicine, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center physicians have performed more than 9,000 telemedicine examinations using telemedicine since the program began in 1990. Telemedicine allows physicians to examine, diagnose and treat patients over long distances using video-conferencing equipment.

The newest telemedicine units consist of a computer, screen, camera, microphone and a variety of medical equipment needed to examine patients. This equipment and technology allows a specialist to look at the patient's ears and throat, listen to heart and lung sounds, look at X-rays and medical records and even check patients' electrocardiograms (EKGs).

There are currently 23 rural counties in Texas without a primary care physician and 63 counties without a hospital. With the use of telemedicine by Texas Tech and other health providers, people who live

care can receive quality primary and specialty medical care without leaving their communities.

The benefits of telemedicine are not limited to the patient, however. Without this service, parents with sick children have to take off from work and drive to a clinic, doctor's office or hospital. Today, parents are able to come to the clinic in their hometown, be part of the visit and then return to work more quickly while their children also miss less school.

Although telemedicine has been successful, it will never replace a doctor seeing a patient face to face or community hospitals. No machine can ever replace the comforting shoulder that physicians provide their patients. But, when no primary care physician or specialist is available, telemedicine may be the next best option to provide needed care.

Patti J. Patterson, M.D., is the vice president of rural and community health at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. She grew up in Hale Center.

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### Janabeth Cannon awarded \$1,000 scholarship at Texas Tech

Janabeth (Bryan) Cannon has been awarded the C.R. and Virginia Hutcheson Endowed Scholarship of \$1,000 by the College of Human Sciences at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

Mrs. Cannon is a junior at Texas Tech where she is majoring in Early Childhood Education. She is the daughter of Sealy and Nancy Bryan of Winters.

### Winters Area Chamber seeking nominations

The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce is seeking nominations for "Man & Woman of the Year," to be awarded at their annual banquet on Saturday, February 1, 2003. Nominations may be made by submitting a letter of recommendation of why you believe your candidate is worthy of the honor to the Chamber office at 118 West Dale Street in Winters.

The Chamber also needs to fill six director positions for the coming year. Nominations may be made by contacting the chamber office at the address listed above, or calling 754-5210 by Tuesday, December 31.

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## Financial Focus

by Jim Woodruff

### Know "gift tax" rules before handing out presents

If you plan on giving cash or financial assets to your family, you'll want to make sure you avoid a side effect of your generosity — gift taxes.

Gift tax laws are designed to discourage people from giving away all their assets to reduce the estate tax burden on their heirs. And yet, by being creative, you can still make sizable presents to your loved ones, without being hit by heavy gift taxes.

Before making any gifts, though, you'll want to familiarize yourself with gift tax regulations. To begin with, you can give away \$11,000 to any one person in any one year. Gifts above that amount may be subject to the gift tax, which, in 2002, can be as high as 50 percent, depending on the size of your taxable estate. The top gift tax rate is scheduled to gradually decline, until it reaches 35 percent in 2010.

Of course, \$11,000 is not an insignificant sum. But if you want to give your child or grandchild even more, your spouse can also contribute \$11,000, thereby doubling your gift. And the two of you can keep making the cumulative \$22,000 gift year after year.

Furthermore, there's no limit on the number of people to whom you can give the \$11,000 annual gifts. You can make gifts to your children, your children's spouses, your grandchildren, your nephews and nieces, your friends — anyone you choose.

In fact, by making multiple, repetitive gifts, you can greatly reduce the size of your taxable estate. Under current law, you can give away up to \$1 million in your lifetime, in addition to the \$11,000 annual gifts, with-

out being required to pay gift taxes. Consequently, gifting can be an important estate-planning tool. (Right now, estate taxes are slated for elimination in 2010, but there's no guarantee they won't be reinstated by a future Congress and administration.)

#### Gifts of financial assets

Thus far, we've only talked about cash gifts. But you may well decide to give your children or other family members gifts of other financial assets, such as stocks. If you do, you'll still face the same \$11,000 limit, but you'll also have some other issues to consider.

Suppose, for example, that, many years ago, you bought some stock worth \$7,000. Today, your shares are worth \$11,000. If you were to sell your shares, you'd have to pay capital gains taxes on your \$4,000 profit. If you decided to give these shares to your grandson, you could escape the capital gains tax — but your grandson couldn't. Even though he only acquired the stock when it was at the \$11,000 level, he will have to pay capital gains on the \$4,000 appreciation — plus any other price increase — when he sells the stock.

Does this mean you should never make a gift of appreciated stock? Not necessarily. But if you do, make sure you communicate all the tax ramifications to your intended recipient — before you make the gift.

In fact, it's a good idea to talk beforehand to everyone to whom you plan to give a gift. By providing them with some advance notice, you'll give them a chance to plan ahead — and to get the most out of your philanthropy.

## PARADE WINNERS, cont'd

Blizzards, serves as varsity basketball manager and Student Council Senior Representative, and is a member of the National Honor Society. She is involved in the National Honor Society's Adopt-a-Highway program, student mentoring program at school, and Christmas in April. She is a member of St. John's Lutheran Church. Lydia plans to attend Angelo State University and pursue a career in the medical field. Her sponsor was Video Hut.

The 2003 Miss Sno-Flake was Alanna Cooper. She is the 7-year-old daughter of Alan and J'Lynn Cooper and is a first grader at Winters Elementary School. Alanna plans to work hard in school and at playing the piano. Brittany Gray, a 7-year-old second grader, was named alternate.

She is the daughter of Kevin and Tina Gray. Brittany's future goal is to be a singer for God when she grows up.

There were three divisions awarded in the parade: floats, cars, and off-road vehicles. North Runnels Hospital won first place in the float division, while the Winters High School Band took second place and the Zelda Stewart family took third. In the cars division, Lydia Rocha won first, the Winters Volunteer Fire Department second, and Erica Buckelew third. The off-road category was won by Ty Black with Carrell McKnight taking second and Brianna Mesey taking third.

The annual parade is sponsored by the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce.

## CHIP available through TexCare

Affordable health insurance is now available through TEXCARE, a program created by the Texas Legislature to provide low-cost health insurance for uninsured children in Texas. Most families will not pay more than \$18.00 a month to insure their children.

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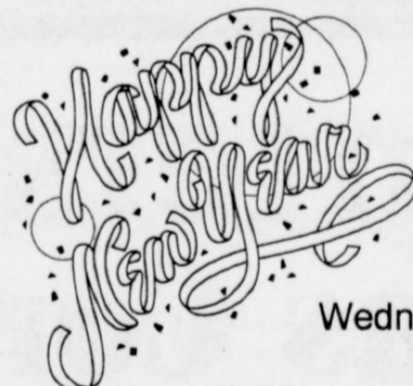
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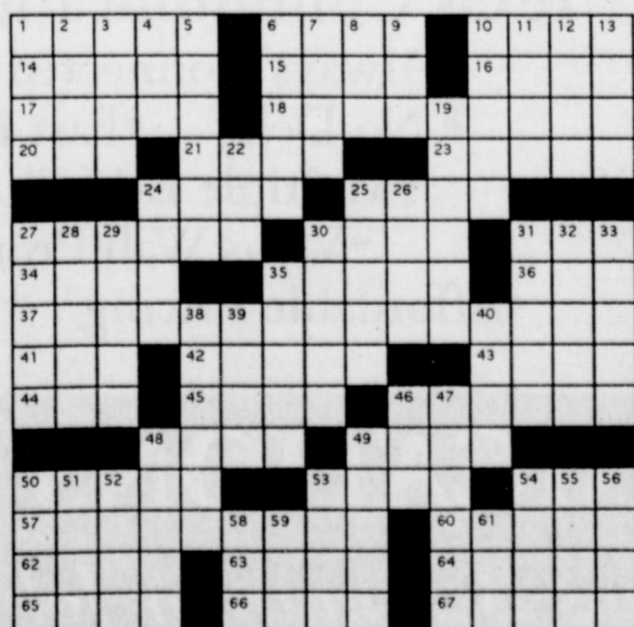


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Three out of four American families own a barbecue grill.

## Early deadline

Due to the upcoming New Year holiday, *The Winters Enterprise* requests that newsprint for the Jan. 2 edition be turned in to our office no later than the following date and time:

NEW YEAR EDITION, 01-02-03 (MAILED DEC. 31)  
News & retail advertising  
Fri., Dec. 27 Noon  
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## Official Records

**County Court Dispositions**  
 Mark Green, theft by check, pleaded nolo contendere, fined \$100, plus \$211 court costs, \$88.14 restitution, and \$50 hot check fees  
 Jackie Powell, theft by check, pleaded nolo contendere, fined \$28.25, plus \$211 court costs, \$549.02 restitution, and \$85 hot check fees  
**Criminal Cases Filed December 16**  
 William Marcus Trimmier, filed for possession of marijuana  
**December 18**  
 Darrell Lee Maas, filed for resisting arrest  
**December 19**  
 Christopher Chase Parsons, filed for possession of marijuana  
 Bobby Evans, filed for failure to appear  
 Patricio Luera, Jr., filed for failure to appear

Crystal McEntire, filed for failure to appear  
 Ramon Sandobal, Jr., filed for failure to appear  
**Marriage Licenses Filed December 18**  
 Santos V. Reyna and Hope Michelle Willborn  
**District Court Divorces Granted December 12**  
 Jace Tanner Wade and Melinda Cuellar  
**December 13**  
 Jimmy M. Rodriguez and Eloisa Rodriguez  
**Divorce Cases Filed December 16**  
 Joel Ray Pearson, Sr., vs. Cheryl Diane Pearson  
**Civil Cases Filed December 18**  
 Freddie Grohman vs. Keith

Collom, contested election  
**Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Criminal Cases Filed December 6**  
 Matthew Scott White, filed for improperly tagged buck deer  
**December 12**  
 Bryan Harrington, filed for theft by check  
 Jacquelyn Greenfield, filed for theft by check  
 Kristin Lee Martinez, filed for theft by check  
**December 17**  
 Hoyle Michael Rayfield, filed on two counts: for improperly tagged deer and for possession of a whitetail deer without proof of sex  
 Dale Troutman Watson, filed on two counts: for improperly tagged deer and for possession of a whitetail deer without proof of sex

## POLICE, continued

Police theorize the injured driver was trying to walk back into town when he or she was picked up by another vehicle. Anyone with information about this crime is asked to contact the Winters Police Department at 754-4121.

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## 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 Wednesday, December 16, 2002, through Monday, December 22, 2002. Winters Police Officers:

- officers were called to the 200 block of Wood Street to investigate some suspicious items found by the complainant. The complainant believed her juvenile grandson might be involved in drug activity. The officers were given permission by the complainant to search the grandson's room. The complainant first showed the officers the items that she had found. There was a usable amount of marijuana found in the juvenile's room. The case has been referred to Juvenile Probation.
- while on patrol, officers pulled over a Toyota Camery, driven by a 35-year-old female for speeding. Upon checking the validity of the driver's license they found Paula Sexton to be suspended. She was arrested and taken to Rannels County Jail.
- officers were called to a disturbance in the 1100 block of Parsonage. Upon arrival the victim stated she was moving some things out of her mother's house to move back in with a boyfriend. The mother asked the victim to leave her child in the mother's care because of the child's health problems. The victim and mother started arguing and the mother pulled the victim's hair. The officers spoke with both parties and the victim gathered a few more of her things and was taken to a friend's house. No charges have been filed at this time.
- officers were called to the 300 block of Tinkle for a disturbance. Officers arrived and were told by the victim that her boyfriend was being verbally and physically abusive to her and her mother. The victim stated that when she was trying to leave the residence to take her friend home the boyfriend jumped into the back of the truck and was refusing to get out. He became verbally abusive at that time. The victim state that she and her friend were offended by the words and she went to call the police. The boyfriend then got out of the truck and followed the victim in the house grabbing her by the neck. The boyfriend then got into his own truck and as he was leaving, tried to back over the victim. The boyfriend could not be located. Charges are pending at this time.

The Winters Police Department invites the public to view their website at [www.winterspd.com](http://www.winterspd.com).

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

### BID NOTICE

The City of Winters will be accepting sealed bids for the Sewer Farm Land Lease. Bid specifications may be obtained at City Hall, 310 S. Main, Winters, Texas 79567, between the hours of 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding City holidays. Bids must be submitted at City Hall no later than 4 p.m. on Thursday, January 9, 2003. Bids will be opened in the City Manager's office at City Hall at 10 a.m. on Friday, January 10, 2003. Bids will be discussed and/or awarded at the January 13, 2003 Council Meeting at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. The City of Winters reserves the right to accept and/or reject any or all bids.

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### NOTICE

The City of Winters will hold the second of two Public Hearings for annexation of the property described below on Monday, January 13, 2002, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 310 S. Main, Winters, Texas:

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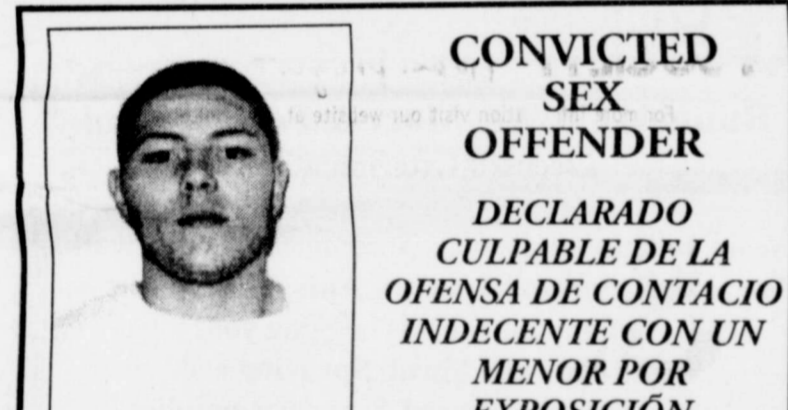
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**208 Roberts—**3B/1B, appliances included, lg. yard, big trees.  
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# Outdoors

## Pest Management News

by Richard Minzenmayer, Extension Agent-Entomology

**General Situation**  
Cotton harvest is finally winding down and cotton gins are quite busy right now trying to get caught up. Most of the wheat is in the ground and I think everyone had decided to plant wheat. Wheat acres are definitely up.

Temperatures have been very mild this past week for December and small grain fields have really responded to the warm temperatures. Many of the yellow spots (Nitrogen deficient acres) have cleared up and the plants are growing.

There have been some strange things happening in some of the early planted wheat fields though. Some of the problems were white grubs but not all of the problems could be contributed to grubs. The problems exist only in fields where wheat had been planted several years in a row.

Large yellow spots began to show up and plants actually died within a short time frame. Very few greenbugs are

present, no grubs can be found, moisture conditions are very good, fertility is good, the fields came up to a good stand to start with. I have not seen this before. We will continue to investigate the problem.

A questionnaire was sent out last week which evaluates the educational activities and provides us with some direction to go with future educational programs in the Southern Rolling Plains.

It is very important that you fill this out and return it to us in the postage paid envelope. The postage has already been paid, so please take a few minutes and give us your comments. Thanks.

### Small Grains

There is a lot of wheat planted this year and a lot is planted on cotton ground. Remember to top dress some nitrogen between now and the first of February. Moisture conditions are very good and wheat has really progressed the past ten days. With the good

moisture conditions, the weeds are coming on as well. Several producers have asked about what is labeled and what rates should be used. Farmers should refer to their Pest Management News from December 20, 2002 for commonly used herbicides in wheat.

### Greenbugs

Greenbug numbers have been very low but could increase with these mild temperatures we are currently experiencing. They reproduce best at temperatures between 55° and 95° F. The natural enemies reproduce slower especially when temperatures drop below 65° F. Therefore, in cool weather the greenbugs can increase quite rapidly. The need to treat greenbugs depends on 1) the number of greenbugs present; 2) the size and vigor of the plants; 3) the temperature; 4) moisture conditions; 5) stage of plant growth; and 6) the effectiveness of parasites for determining the need for treatment.

## Winters Livestock Show set for Saturday, January 4, 2003

The Winters Junior Livestock Show Association will host their annual Winters Junior Livestock Show on Saturday, January 4, 2003.

Local exhibitors will show breeding and market rabbits, market lambs, breeding sheep, market goats, market and breeding swine, heifers and market steers. Showmanship will be held in most of the divisions.

All animals must be in the barn by 6 p.m., Friday, January 3, 2003 for weigh-in and registration paper checks. The show will begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday.

A Little Britches Pig Show will be held before the lunch break at approximately 11:45 a.m. Youth ages toddler through the second grade who do not exhibit in the show are invited to participate. Parents

must register participants prior to the event.

Following a lunch break, the show will conclude with the heifer and market steer shows beginning at approximately 1 p.m. All animals will be released at the end of the show.

Buckles, banners and ribbons will be awarded to those who place. Winters exhibitors will show in the Runnels County Junior Livestock Show in Ballinger the next weekend, January 9, 10 & 11. An auction will be held at the conclusion of this show, and all exhibitors will receive money for one animal project.

A full concession stand will be available at the Winters Show and will offer a lunch deal on Saturday. Admission to the show is free and the public is invited to attend.

### Winters Stock Show Schedule of Events

**Friday, January 3, 2002**  
6 p.m.—All animals must be in the barn. Weigh market animals, check breeding animals registration papers.

### Saturday, January 4, 2003

9 a.m.—**Show Order**  
Breeding Rabbits  
Market Rabbits  
Market Lambs  
Breeding Sheep  
Sheep Showmanship  
Market Goats  
Goat Showmanship  
Market Swine  
Breeding Swine  
Swine Showmanship  
11:45 a.m.—Little Britches Pig Show  
**Lunch**  
1 p.m.—Heifer Show  
Market Steer Show  
Cattle Showmanship

Release all animals at end of the cattle show.

## Congressman Stenholm accepting intern applications

Congressman Charlie Stenholm is now accepting applications from college students and educators interested in participating in the 2003 Omar Burleson Intern Program in Washington, D.C. The internship commemorates the Honorable Omar Burleson, who represented the 17th Congressional District for 32 years.

In order to be considered, completed applications must be submitted in person or postmarked by January 6, 2003. The Selection Committee, consisting of eight judges chosen from across the 17th District, will review and score each applicant. The scores will be averaged and the top ten appli-

cants will be interviewed individually by the Selection Committee on March 22, 2003.

Interns are selected to work in the Congressman's office for one month in June or July. Interns are involved in the daily operations of the Congressman's office and assist the legislative staff in a variety of projects.

The internship program is open to college students from the 17th Congressional District or those residents attending college outside the District. Also eligible are local elementary and secondary school teachers and administrators. Interns are paid a \$1,000 stipend to apply toward basic living and travel expenses.

Intern applications and information can be obtained by contacting Annette Wilson in the Stamford district office at 915-773-3623, from Congressman Stenholm's web page ([www.house.gov/stenholm](http://www.house.gov/stenholm)) or by writing the Omar Burleson Intern Foundation, P.O. Box 1057, Stamford, TX 79553.

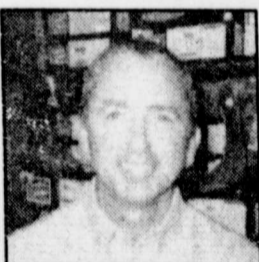
Applications must be postmarked by Jan. 6, 2003, and then will be forwarded to the Selection Committee, who will notify finalists by February 19, 2003. Interviews will be held in Abilene on March 22, 2003, and selections will be announced following a luncheon hosted by the Omar Burleson Foundation with Congressman Stenholm in attendance.

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by  
Kay Mansell,  
District Technician

**RSWCD sponsors windbreak tree program**

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The Runnels Soil and Water Conservation District is offering these trees for sale to area landowners, producers, and residents through the annual Windbreak Tree Program. These tree seedlings, which are raised in the Texas Forest Service nursery near Lubbock are healthy, viable seedlings that are well-adapted to the soil and weather conditions here in Runnels County.

If you have not purchased windbreak trees for your property or need additional or replacement trees, the Runnels SWCD will be offering evergreen conifers, hardwoods, and wildlife packets.


Consider ordering early so that your trees may be reserved for you before stocks are depleted.

The Windbreak Tree Program will conclude January 24, 2003, with the seedlings arriving at the Natural Resources Conservation Service office at 2000 Hutchins Avenue in Ballinger on February 6, 2003.

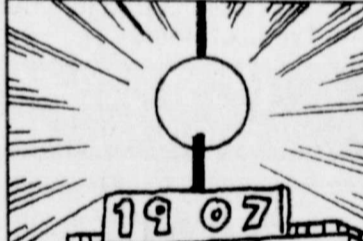
For more information on this year's Windbreak Tree Program, stop by the NRCS office or call 365-3415, extension 3. Get your trees ordered now for planting this spring. In the years ahead, you'll be glad you did.

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