

# The Winters Enterprise

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## NEWS

### Pearls of Wisdom

It is not who is right, but what is right, that is of importance.

— Thomas Huxley

**Third Grade Musical TONIGHT**  
7pm • WHS Auditorium

**Relay for Life, June 20-21**

Winters and Runnels County will host their fourth annual Relay for Life on June 20-21. Organizers are seeking cancer survivors, teams for the event, and those who wish to purchase luminaries.

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**Journalists win contest**

Several WHS journalism students received top honors in an *Abilene Reporter News* high school newspaper contest.

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**End of year schedule**

WISD schools announce secondary testing dates, senior meetings, and awards day times. The elementary also announces their awards day schedule.

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**Dinell Jacob, outstanding conservation teacher**

Ballinger Elementary fifth grade teacher and Winters resident Dinell Jacob has been named outstanding conservation teacher by the Soil and Water Conservation District.

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## Chuck Lipsey accepts AD/head coaching position at Whitewright High School

by Jean Boles, editor



(photo by Jean Boles)

After advancing to the football playoffs in twelve of the last thirteen years, Athletic Director and Head Football Coach Chuck Lipsey is leaving Winters.

"This has been absolutely the toughest decision I've had to make in my coaching career," said Lipsey. "But any time you're in a profession and want to advance, this is just part of it. I just feel that it's a good career move for myself and my family."

Lipsey, whose resignation was accepted by the Winters ISD Board of Trustees Monday, May 12, has accepted the position of Head Football Coach and Athletic Director of Whitewright, a 2A school about 15 miles southeast of

Sherman, Texas.

"My dad will be only about 30 miles away and that's a big factor in my decision," added Lipsey.

Lipsey said the farming community of about 1,700 residents has a new high school building and has been rated "Exemplary" on all three campuses.

Whitewright coaches and other school personnel had watched a couple of Winters' playoff games, Lipsey said, and "were interested."

"Of course, the way the kids played and the skills of our assistant coaches made a big difference in our playoffs — it sure wasn't just me," said Lipsey.

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## Winters residents arrested in drug bust

by Jean Boles, editor

Four persons from Winters were arrested Friday, May 9, during a drug bust in the 800 block of east Truett Street.

Taken to Runnels County Jail were Kayla Hubach, 21; Teresa Diane Potts Chavez, 30; Austin Hord, 22; and Jimmy Nesbit, 42. According to Runnels County Sheriff Bill Baird, all four adults were charged with "possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver."

Officers received a tip that the controlled substance was being delivered through the U.S. Postal Service. Officers from the Abilene Task Force, Runnels County Sheriff's Office, Winters Police Department — See ARREST, page 5

## WISD Trustees accept resignations, sell buildings

by Jean Boles, editor

During the regular meeting of the Winters ISD Board of Trustees Monday evening, the oath of office was administered to newly elected Place 3 and 4 Trustees Cheryl Bryan and Bob Prewit. Allen Andrae was elected to President, Bob Prewit was elected to Vice-President, and Jerry Sims was elected to Secretary of the Board.

The resignation of Head Football Coach and Athletic Director Chuck Lipsey was accepted with regret. Lipsey, who has been at WISD for the past 13 years, has taken a new position at Whitewright ISD.

Superintendent Danny Clack said he has received 28 applications in two days for the position of Head Football Coach and Athletic Director. Clack said applications will be accepted until May 29, and he hopes that the position will be

filled in early June. Board members Bob Prewit, Manuel Vera and Jerry Sims will meet with Clack and campus directors to review the applications and select prospects for interview.

In other matters of personnel, Trustees

- accepted the resignation of Jillian Koslan, speech and language pathology teacher,

- hired Jeff Mills as math/science teacher on a one-year contract,

- restructured the contract of Nancy Evans to 10 & 1/2 months,

- restructured the contract of David Evans to eleven months.

Representing the Community Baseball League, Louis Bergman addressed the Board, requesting permission to extend the building located at the

See SCHOOL BOARD, page 8



(photo by Mike Neal)

BEAUTIFUL BLOOMING BASKETS were offered by Ronnie Reel (right) of Reel Greenhouses in Haskell. Reel, a 1968 graduate of Winters High School, was one of several vendors at the annual Winters Mayfest on May 7. More photos next week.

## No emergency right now Winters still plans to use Ivie water pipeline

by Jean Boles, editor

Winters may be one step closer to connecting to Abilene's water pipeline to Ivie Reservoir.

During their regular meeting on April 28, members of the Winters City Council approved the Emergency Raw Water Agreement with the City

of Abilene.

According to Dr. Aref Hassan, local City Manager, the City of Winters is now waiting for the Abilene City Manager to sign the agreement and send Hassan a signed copy.

Hassan said this agreement

is different from the original one drafted back in 2000, which stipulated that Winters would pay, regardless of whether or not Winters actually used water from Ivie Reservoir.

The new agreement, according to Hassan, has the following — See PIPELINE, pg. 5

## Commissioners review bank depository bids

by Roeneal Boles, editor of The Ballinger Ledger

Runnels County Commissioners opened four bids for bank depositories at their regular meeting on Tuesday morning.

County Judge Marilyn Egan read each of the bids detailing interest paid on deposits, charges for banking services and loan availability for the county. Bids from Ballinger National Bank and The First National Bank of Ballinger were for the County Depository. Citizens State Bank of Miles and Security State Bank of Wingate-Winters bid as subdepositories for county offices in their respective towns.

No action was taken on the bids to allow Commissioners to study the bids more fully before making a decision. County Judge Marilyn Egan said the bid would probably be awarded at next week's court

meeting. Judge Egan presented a plaque to Bill Bredemeyer in appreciation for his service to Runnels County as Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2. Bredemeyer was appointed to serve out the term of Joyce Weems following her resignation. Bredemeyer was defeated in a bid for election by Richard Hamilton who now serves in that office.

Other agenda items and action taken included:

- Approved the bond continuation of Gwen Ocker, Assistant County Auditor;

- Approved two communication line installations, one in Precinct 1 and the other in Precinct 4;

- Ratified an amendment to the Contract for Community Care Programs between the Texas Department of Human Services and Runnels County;

- Approval was given for an agreement between Texas Communications and Runnels County for wireless internet service for the Runnels County Extension Office to be paid from the Extension budget;

- The request by County Treasurer Margarette Smith to increase the amount of bond

See COMMISSIONERS, page 2

## All-District softball honorees



LADY BLIZZARDS receiving All-District softball honors are (l-r) Jacki Ledbetter, Second Team; Amber Green, First Team; Kinsey Airhart, Honorable Mention; Jessica Barron, First Team; Kelly Bearden, First Team; Rachel Davis, Honorable Mention; and Gessica Bear, First Team. Individual stats may be found on page 4. The 2003 Lady Blizzards were coached by Ed Poehls and Becky Airhart.

(photo by Deb Pritchard)

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# Editorial

## Oil Bidness

by Reg Boles © 2003



Let's spend a bit of time discussing a very hot topic these days: coal bed methane.

A significant amount of drilling and exploration activity is directed toward this source of hydrocarbons in the oil patch, and it's time we understood it a little better. We will discuss the basics of coal bed methane (CBM), including where it is and isn't, touch on how it usually is assessed and produced, and discuss its importance in the marketplace.

Just what is CBM? Methane is the dominant portion of what we call 'natural gas'. There are number of other hydrocarbon compounds in natural gas, but methane is typically 90% or more of the volume. As such, methane is a marketable fuel that can be easily mixed with natural gas as an on-demand energy source.

CBM is just methane trapped in coal (another carbon-based fuel) seams. It is there as a product of some process, including biological reactions and/or heat-induced reactions, that creates methane. Coal seams usually are saturated with water, and the water effectively traps the methane in the seam of coal.

Because of the unique way in which CBM is formed and trapped, it is not produced by those natural gas production techniques of which you might be more familiar. For typical natural gas wells, the gas flows to the surface in most cases, and in other cases, rod pumps lift oil, water, and natural gas to the surface. For CBM, special pumps move water only, allowing gas to follow. The gas stays separate from the water and is actually piped from the wellhead in a gas-only line, while the water is carried away in a water line.

While production methods for CBM are specifically for saturated coal seams, these methods do share some of the

same concepts. Reducing bottom-hole pressure so that the methane can escape the coal seam is the key, which is similar to the goal (reduction of bottom-hole pressure) for typical natural gas production.

When producers speak of producing CBM, they talk in terms of reducing the level of water in the coal seam. They attempt to lower the pressure a few hundred pounds by removing just enough water to keep the coal seam wet but lower the top of the water to the bottom half of the seam. It is tricky, as removing too much water can cause downhole problems.

There isn't much CBM production in Texas. There are potential occurrences of it in coal seams from Coleman to Nacogdoches and through Texarkana. However, it may be a while before it is ever explored. And, don't confuse gas production from the very hot Barnett Shale west of Fort Worth. That isn't CBM. The Barnett Shale is just a tight rock with natural gas in the pores.

CBM occurs mainly up through the Rocky Mountain states, including Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, and, to a lesser extent, New Mexico. As a matter of fact, almost a third of the natural gas production from these states is from CBM.

In these states, there is a significant infrastructure for exploration and production of CBM, with many mid-size independents leading the field. There are also a number of state government incentives to produce CBM.

Next time, we will consider how to assess the size of CBM reserves, how significant they are, and what CBM will mean to the future of natural gas production in the lower 48 states.

See you then.  
**HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY**  
(Not Available This Week - Returning in June)

## Doyle Condra

**BALLINGER**—Doyle Condra, 83, passed away peacefully in his home on Sunday, May 11, 2003.

He was born November 7, 1919, in Winters, Texas, to Jim and Mary Clayton Condra. He was raised in the Benoit and Talpa area. He graduated from Ballinger High School in 1937 and married Ella Witter on June 15, 1941.

Mr. Condra served in the U.S. Army during World War II, returning home to run his ranch near Benoit. He was a member and an Elder of the First Presbyterian Church in Ballinger. He was a member of the Sheep and Goat Raisers Association and was a past director of District 4. He served with the Ballinger Rotary Club for over fifty years and was proud of the fact that he had the only classification in the world, as far as he knew, as a Shepherder instead of Shepherd. He served many years with the Boy Scout Council in San Angelo and was able to watch many a young man receive their Eagle Scout status. He was very active with the Runnels County Farm Bureau and Texas Farm Bureau, serving as a former State Director and currently serving as a past president and director of Runnels County. He received the Texas Farm Bureau Pioneer Award in 2001. He was also active with the Ballinger VFW and served as a reserve deputy for the Runnels County Sheriff's Department.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, one brother, and two half-brothers.

Survivors include his wife, Ella Condra of Ballinger; a daughter, Barbara Condra Johnson of Ballinger; a son, Gary Condra of Lubbock; four grandchildren, Ginger, Clay, Valerie and Merinda; and five great grandchildren, Tasha, Tracey, Kaitlyn, Marley and Tanner.

Family visitation was Tuesday, May 13, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Rains-Seale Funeral Home in Ballinger. Funeral services were at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 14, at the First Presbyterian Church in Ballinger. Burial followed in the Norwood Cemetery near Benoit, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home of Ballinger.

Memorials may be made to the Boy Scouts of America or a favorite charity.



## Margarito P. (Mage) Saucedo

**BALLINGER**—Margarito P. (Mage) Saucedo, 62, died Monday, April 28, 2003, surrounded by his loving family at his residence.

He was born June 10, 1940, to Prisciliano G. and Rita (Perales) Saucedo in Ballinger. He married Connie Garza on December 28, 1958, in Rowena.

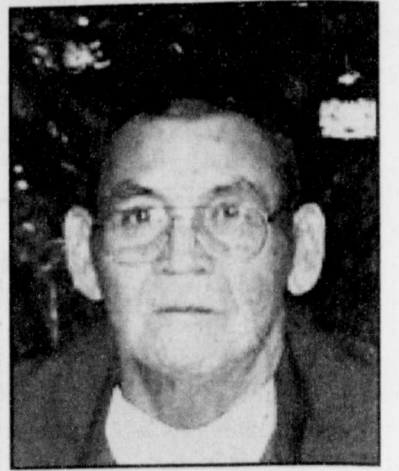
Mr. Saucedo was a self-employed laborer.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Catherine Pena; a daughter-in-law, Amy Saucedo; and a grandson, Margarito Lynn Saucedo.

Survivors include his wife, Connie Saucedo of Ballinger; four sons, Margarito Saucedo and wife Michelle of Grand Prairie, Ruben Saucedo and wife Irene of Ballinger, Tommy Saucedo and wife Yolanda of Abilene, and Peter Saucedo of Abilene; one daughter, Terry Valles and husband Randy of Ballinger; grandchildren, Rita and Andrew Valles, Devin, Austin, and Lance Saucedo, Philip and Martin Saucedo and Alex, Alexis and Amber Saucedo; and five sisters, Reyes Rodriguez of Bakersfield, California, and Julia Rodriguez, Marcela Rodriguez, Modesta Escobar, and Tonia Montalvo, all of Ballinger.

Rosary service was at 7 p.m., Thursday, May 1, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Ballinger. Funeral service was at 10 a.m., Friday, May 2, at St. Mary's Catholic Church. Burial followed at Garden of Memories in Ballinger.

The family would like to give a special thanks to Vista Care, especially Oleen Priem, Lee Francis, and Ninfa Aguerro; Dr. Flynn and Dr. Ayass of Shannon Clinic; Dr. Moreno and Dr. Pollan of Ballinger Clinic.



## Lanita Louise Brookshier Williams

**BALLINGER**—Lanita Louise Brookshier Williams passed away Tuesday, April 29, 2003.

She received her education as she was growing up in Talpa and Ballinger. She attended Sul Ross in Alpine and finished her education at Texas Tech in Lubbock.

Ms. Williams had 36 years of teaching, which included Balmorhea, Lawn, and 30 years with the Ector School District. She loved to read, travel, and shop.

She was preceded in death by her only child, Juanita Stokes; one brother, Grafton Brookshier; one sister, Margaret Bragg; and her parents, Claud and Maggie Brookshier.

Survivors include her granddaughter, Maggie Stokes of Odessa; her nephew and caretaker, Mark Bragg and his wife Arlene of Pecos; Betsy Bragg of Pecos; Rex Bragg of Carlisle, Pennsylvania; Richard Bragg of Ozona; Claudia Conn of Sulphur, Louisiana; Pat Morrison of Fort Worth; and several cousins.

Services were held Friday, May 2, at First United Methodist Church of Ballinger. Burial followed in the Norwood Cemetery under the direction of Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

## COMMISSIONERS, continued

for the Assistant Treasurer from \$2,000 to \$10,000 was approved.

Commissioners met in a special meeting on Thursday, May 8, to approve one agenda item.

The Court approved a resolution urging the Texas Legislature to seek a statewide solution to the budget crisis instead of passing the burden to counties and their ad valorem taxpayers and to consider passage of state revenue increases that would spread the burden of costs more evenly across the state and better protect local ad valorem taxpayers.

## Worth thinking about

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## Sr. Citizens Nursing Home News

by Billie Ruth Bishop

## Bake sale to benefit nursing home residents

Families of residents of the Senior Citizens Nursing Home will be hosting a bake sale at IGA Supermarket on Saturday, May 17, beginning at 8:30 a.m. Proceeds from the sale will be used to purchase items needed for the nursing home residents.

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# Community

## Pastor's Points

**Editor's Note:** This column features a different Winters minister each week in no particular order. Comments may or may not reflect the opinions or views of *The Winters Enterprise*.

### The Price of Freedom

by Ferris Akins, Pastor  
Hopewell Baptist Church

In my last column, I shared some thoughts about the basis of freedom. In today's column, I wish to share a few thoughts with you about the price of freedom.

Please read from the Bible Hebrews 11:36-12:2. The writer records that many paid the ultimate sacrifice — their life — for freedom. The world's history records the death of millions. They died to preserve religious, political, and personal freedom.

Let me share with you the accounts of a few who paid that ultimate sacrifice.

On the 30th of March, 1531, a faithful believer with the surname of Snyder was condemned, as the court record reads, "to be executed by the sword; his body shall be laid on the wheel, and his head set on a stake, because he has been rebaptized and perseveres in that baptism;" all of which was duly done at Leewarden. The blood of that poor tailor produced a host of followers to the Lord; for who he joyfully gave all that he had, even his life; for it led Menno Simons, after a long and hard struggle, to decisive action. Simons renounced all his worldly honor and reputation, separated himself from the church and its error, and willingly submitted to distress and poverty. This was about the year 1536.

The governor of Friesland issued a proclamation, under date of December 7, 1542, in which it was declared that any one who gave food or lodging, or any assistance to Menno Simons, or should have any of his books, should be liable to the penalties of heresy.

In 1539 Reynderson was arraigned for the offense of lodging Menno in his house and was stretched on the wheel and finally beheaded.

Buckle, in his "History of Civilization," estimated that by 1546, thirty thousand persons had been put to death by Anabaptism in Holland and Friesland alone.

In 1536, it is a matter of record that nineteen Dutch Anabaptists were arrested, and fourteen were burned. Ten are said to have likewise perished in the preceding year. Four Dutch Anabaptists were burned in consequence at St. Paul's Cross and two at Smithfield.

Joan Boucher of Kent was burned for heresy. Her error was that she held a doctrine common among the German Anabaptists.

Balthasar Hubmaier concluded a tract with his life's motto: "Truth is immortal." Menno Simons concluded his book on Christian baptism with words reminiscent of Hubmaier's motto: "Truth will remain forever unconquered, no matter how violently many fight against her." Freedom depends on the truth for survival.

**The only commodity on earth that does not deteriorate with use is knowledge.**

—Anonymous



**VOLUNTEERS FOR THE Winters Outreach Center** were honored last week with a luncheon. Those attending included (clockwise) Nancy Thompson, Patricia Hambright, Margaret Anderson, Estella Bredemeyer, Ruby Nell Rougas, Louise Good, and Lois Jones.

(photo by Deb Pritchard)

### Luminaries available—

### Relay for Life looking for teams and cancer survivors for fourth annual event, June 20-21

Cancer Survivors are living proof that we are winning the fight against cancer. For anyone battling cancer, there is no greater encouragement or symbol of hope than the Cancer Survivor's Lap which kicks off the Relay for Life. These are people who never quit, never lost hope, and won.

The Fourth Annual Winters/Runnels County Relay for Life will take place June 20-21 at the Winters Track Complex. If you are a cancer survivor and would like to be a part of the 2003 relay's survivor's lap, contact Belinda Schwartz at 754-5606, to reserve your spot on the track.

Last year's first event attracted some 400 participants

and raised over \$12,000 for the American Cancer Society. The goal of this year's organizers is to increase participation and the amount of money raised.

At 10 p.m. on Friday evening, all walking will cease for a candlelight ceremony which will feature a darkened track lit solely by luminaries purchased in honor of cancer survivors and in memory of those who have lost the battle.

Help support the goals of the American Cancer Society and remember or honor a loved one by purchasing a luminary candle. Over 650 luminaries lined both sides of the track during last year's ceremony.

A \$5 donation will purchase

a luminary candle. For more information on luminaries contact Amy Wheat at 754-4882. (A luminary coupon may be found on page 6.) All sales directly benefit the ACS.

For information on the ACS Relay for Life or a team packet, contact Kelly Lipsey at 754-4388, Sherry Kurtz at 754-5626, or see Shanna Bear at Security State Bank in Winters.

## In Appreciation

### Card of Thanks

Our sincere thanks to everyone who sent the beautiful cards, the food, condolences, and prayers at the time of the loss of Floyd's brother, Red Huckaby.

Thank you again,  
Floyd & Pauline Huckaby

### Card of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone who helped out during my recent "double" surgeries.

We thank everyone who brought food, sent cards and gifts, and called or visited!

We appreciate you all!  
Love,  
Larry & Bobbie Calcote

### Card of Thanks

Dear Friends,  
I want to express my heartfelt thanks to everyone for all the cards, phone calls, flowers and especially your prayers.

I hope to be home and see you soon.

With deepest gratitude,  
Lura Lee Garrett

### Card of Thanks

To Sherri Mikeska and members of the Blizzard Kid Backers:

The faculty and staff of Winters Secondary School would like to say thank you for the generous and delicious lunch you provided on Monday. It was a special treat to have the great quiche and salads prepared for us.

Thank you to all of the parents who were involved. We appreciate the time and consideration you took to remember us. It is a pleasure to teach your children.

The Faculty and Staff of  
Winters Secondary Schools

### Social Security Rep. here May 19

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his May visit to Winters. He will be at the Winters Housing Project Office on Monday, May 19, 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.

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

## WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- May 15-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 9 a.m.-noon, Pond Management Seminar, Ballinger Community Center
- 5th Grade Career Day
- 7 p.m., Third grade choir program
- May 16-8 a.m.-4 p.m., Ft. Chadbourne Days for schools
- 9 a.m., Secondary School Awards Day
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 1 p.m., Junior High Awards Day
- FFA banquet
- 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco
- May 17-8 a.m.-5 p.m., Ft. Chadbourne Days for public
- 8:30 a.m., Bake sale at IGA Supermarket to benefit Senior Citizens Nursing Home
- 2 p.m., Fun Day, Winters Country Club
- May 18-2 p.m., Cooder Graw signs autographs, Wal-Mart, Ballinger
- 2 p.m., National Honor Society Trash pick up
- May 19-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 12:30 p.m., AR Carnival, Winters Elementary
- 9:30-10:30 a.m., Social Security Rep. at Housing Authority
- 6 p.m., Winters City Council, City Hall
- May 20-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Noon, Winters Lions Club, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 3:30-4:30 p.m., Retirement Reception for Charlotte Lancaster and Ed Poehls, WHS library
- 4:30 p.m., Library Board, Winters Public Library
- 7 p.m., WVFD, Fire station
- 7 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, First Methodist Church
- 7:30 p.m., Elm Creek Water Control District, SCAC
- May 21-7:00 a.m., Winters Industrial Board, Windmill Enterprises
- 8:30 a.m., Elementary Awards Day begins
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- May 22-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Last Day of School!



## MIDWEST PHYSICAL THERAPY

Fred Garcia, PT

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## Fritz-Bredemeyer Family Reunion

Sunday, June 8, 2003  
Winters Community Center

Something new!!!  
Silent Auction  
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Tuesday-May 20  
Cinnamon Roll  
Cereal  
Juice  
Wednesday-May 21  
Biscuits & Sausage  
Juice  
Thursday-May 22  
Pop Tart  
Cereal  
Juice  
Friday-May 23  
No School  
**Lunch**  
Monday-May 19  
Frito Pie  
Corn  
Mixed Fruit  
Ice Cream  
Tuesday-May 20  
Goulash  
Tossed Salad  
Green Beans  
Grilled Cheese Sandwich  
Peach Crisp  
Wednesday-May 21  
Chalupas w/  
Lettuce & Tomatoes  
Coleslaw  
Spanish Rice  
Blonde Brownie  
Thursday-May 22  
Chicken Strips & Gravy  
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Green Beans  
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## Secondary finals testing dates set, elementary dates-to-remember

The testing schedule for the Winters Secondary Schools is as follows:

- Seniors test on Monday and Tuesday, May 19-20
- Senior Meeting at 10:20 a.m. Wednesday, May 21
- Senior Graduation Practice, 10 a.m., Friday, May 23, Blizzard Field
- 7th thru 11th grade testing, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, May 20-22

Secondary Awards Day, Friday, May 16, 9 a.m. High School; 1 p.m. Junior High.

Other dates for parents include:

- Elementary AR Carnival, 12:30 p.m., Monday, May 19
- Elementary Awards Day, Wednesday, May 21, Auditorium 1st/2nd Grades-8:30 a.m. PK/K-9:45 a.m. 3rd/4th Grades-Noon 5th/6th Grades-1:30 p.m.
- NOTIPS the last day of school.

## LIPSEY, continued

The coach began his career at Winters in August, 1990, as a seventh grade science teacher and coach of seventh grade football, basketball and track. He recalls some of his first students and athletes such as John Paul Belew, Jerry Esquivel, Jason Carrillo, and Mark Deike.

After two years, Head Coach Dan Slaughter moved Lipsy up to the varsity level to coach linebackers and receivers. In the fall of 1993, Robin Byrd became Head Coach and took Lipsy as Assistant Coach for the varsity Blizzards. He became Offensive Coordinator in 1996. When Byrd left in 2001, Lipsy moved effortlessly into the Head Coach position and advanced to the playoffs with a 6-5 record. His second year

was certainly a stellar one as he led the 2002 Blizzards to the state semifinals for the first time in 40 years.

"I want to thank the community for the tremendous support to me and my family for the past 13 years, and for backing Winters athletics," said Lipsy. "This school system has been great. I'd like to thank the school board, administration, faculty, coaches, and especially the kids for all their hard work. I'll sure miss the kids and this community. That's why I didn't leave earlier. People here just treat us right."

Lipsy began his duties at Whitewright on May 13, and will be joined by his wife, Kelly, and daughters Chelsy, age 11, and Charly, age 6, after this school semester ends.

## Children ages 1-18 eat free through Summer Food Service Program

The Winters Independent School District will again sponsor the Summer Food Service Program. This program is administered by the Texas Department of Human Services. Breakfast and lunch will be provided to ALL children FREE of charge. Children DONOT have to qualify for free/reduced lunch to take part in the program.

All meals will be served and eaten in the WISD cafeteria. Breakfast will be served from 7:30 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. The Summer

Food Service Program will operate each weekday from May 27 through July 8, 2003, except July 4.

The Winters Independent School District announces the sponsorship of the Summer Food Service Program. Meals will be provided at the WISD cafeteria. People who are eligible to participate (children ages 1-18) in the program must not be discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, religion, or political belief. Anyone who believes that they have been discriminated against should write immediately to: Director, Civil Rights Division, MC W-106, Texas Department of Human Services, P.O. Box 149030, Austin, Texas 78714-9030 or the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250. NOTE: Discrimination complaints based on religion or political beliefs must be referred only to the Director, Civil Rights Division, Texas Department of Human Services.

If any further assistance is needed, please contact Brilla Magee at Winters Elementary School, 754-5577.



## WHS journalists win Abilene Reporter News competition

Six Winters High School students received certificates for winning entries among Division 1A-3A schools competing in the Abilene Reporter-News' annual journalism competition. Competing against Winters were Haskell, Wylie, and Abilene Christian high schools.

The awards ceremony was held Tuesday, April 29, 2003, at the National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature in Abilene. AR-N editor Terri Burke and publisher George Cogswell presented the awards.

WHS results were:

**Headlines**  
Briana Parramore, 1st  
Lacey Meyer, 2nd  
Stephanie Parsons, 3rd

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7	Barthelme Griffi	Seagraves	15.77
8	Meagan Walker	Cooper	18.41

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LACI WALKER, left, is all smiles before her final performance for Winters High School at the UIL State Track Meet on May 10 in Austin. Laci, a WHS senior, finished in fifth place in the 100M hurdles with a time of 14.97. This was Laci's third trip to the State Meet competition during her high school career. She placed fourth in the 100M hurdles last year at state and sixth in the state high jump her sophomore year. She is the daughter of Fran and Larry Walker.

**News Writing**  
Lacey Meyer, 2nd  
"Programs Put in Place"  
Leah Bredemeyer, 3rd  
"TIF grant funds in jeopardy"

**Entertaining Writing**  
Briana Parramore, 1st  
"Eminem hits big..."  
Leah Bredemeyer, 2nd  
"See Ghost Ship..."

**Cartooning**  
Lacey Meyer, 1st  
"Bulimia"  
Lacey Meyer, 2nd  
"This is a blizzard"

**News Photography**  
Briana Parramore, 1st  
"A couple embraces"  
Briana Parramore, 3rd  
"Mach"

**Sports Photography**  
Marci Paschal, 2nd  
"No. 14"

**Page Design**  
Lacey Meyer & Briana Parramore, 2nd, "Heart of the Blizzards"

**Feature Writing**  
Ally Calcote, 3rd  
"Energy pills more common among teens"

**Commentary/Opinion/Review**  
Lacey Meyer, 2nd  
"Things I never thought I'd say"

**Sports Writing**  
Marci Paschal, 1st  
"Seventh grade says goodbye to Coach Poehls"

Lacey Meyer, 3rd  
"Never underestimate the impossible"

## Lady Blizzards earn All-District Softball honors

With a season of 18 wins and 11 losses, the 2003 Lady Blizzards placed seven players on All-District teams.

Receiving First Team honors were Kelly Bearden, Amber Green, and Jessica Barron.

A WHS senior who played shortstop, Bearden batted 500 in district play and had an 857 on-base percentage.

Green batted 434 in district play and had a 555 on-base percentage. was used as pitcher, catcher and first baseman. Amber is a sophomore.

Barron raised her batting average from 316 during non-district play to 385 in district competition and had an on-base percentage of 500. The third baseman is a junior at WHS.

Named to the Second Team All-District were Jacki Ledbetter and Gessica Bear. Ledbetter, a junior, batted 375 in district play and had a 500 on-base percentage. She pitched and played first base. Bear is a junior who batted 313 in district play and was an outstanding second baseman.

Receiving Honorable Mention were Rachel Davis and Kinsey Airhart. Of the sophomores, Coach Ed Poehls said, "Rachel played really good defense during district play and Poehls, who is retiring this year, said, "I sure enjoyed coaching the 2003 Lady Blizzard softball team. We had a great season and we beat some really good teams during the year. We had some bad luck during district play as we lost some starters due to sickness and grades but those things happen. I am very proud of this team and I will miss them next year. There are a number of good athletes coming back for next season. Good luck, Ladies."

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# Life

## Thirty-three mothers enjoy Sunday school banquet

Pat Simpson and Naida Barker hosted the Mother's Day banquet of the Ruth Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church on May 5. The Good News Class and the Bereans Class were the honored guests.

Thirty-three ladies enjoyed a delicious meal and comedy video classics of Ray Stevens. "The Mississippi Squirrel Revival" was the favorite song.

Members present were Beth Hamilton, Mary Jane Blackshear, Betty Gray, Bobbie Sue Jackson, Naida Barker, Mary Beth Drake, Pat Simpson, Marlene Wood, Sue Hukill, Linda Rozmen, Marcie Webb, Shirley Hall, Ruth Cooper, and Kay Busher.

Special guests were Edna England, Ellen Meyer, Louise Seals, Jimmie Davis, Omega Priddy, Nancy Foreman, Vera Lee Sneed, Dorothy Long, Charlsie Poe, Dortha Lawrence, Audelia Arispe, Bertha Beltran, Dora Martinez, Jo Mears, Loretta Pierce, Arlene Boles, Pat Russell, and Eva Gonzales.

## ARREST, continued

ment, and U. S. Postal Inspector's Office were on hand to make the arrest.

Sheriff Baird said because the package was sent through the mail, additional charges and arrests may be made. The investigation continues.



**DINELL JACOB (center)** was named **Outstanding Conservation Teacher at the Texas Soil & Water Conservation San Angelo Area Awards Banquet held in Wall on March 27.** **David Ocker (right),** **Runnels Soil and Water Conservation District Director,** presented an engraved plaque to the **Ballinger elementary fifth grade teacher.** Supporting his wife is **Winters area farmer Gary Jacob.** At the **Texas Soil and Water Conservation Board Area II banquet on May 8,** **Runnels SWCD #232** was named **Outstanding Conservation District.**

## PIPELINE, continued

ing conditions:

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In respect to the permanent source, Hassan said he is looking to the City of Coleman for water from Hord's Creek Lake. He also said the Coleman City Manager told Ballinger's Manager that his town can buy a

maximum of 800,000 gallons per day, and Hassan has asked Coleman for 500,000 gallons per day.

The City of Ballinger, which has a critical shortage of water, received approval from the City of Abilene on April 10 to tie into the Ivie pipeline, and will pay 74¢ per thousand gallons. Workers in that town immediately began laying a 14-mile pipeline from the Abilene-Ivie line to the Ballinger water plant. The City of Ballinger and Runnels County each received \$350,000 grants for emergency disaster relief to help fund the pipeline. The County was involved because Rowena (an unincorporated town) receives all their water from Ballinger.

With Elm Creek Reservoir almost full at the present time, Hassan said Winters has publicly offered water to Miles and Ballinger, but the North Runnels Water Supply pipelines are too small to handle the load to those towns.

Hassan said the Small Town Environmental Program (STEP) grant for which Winters applied, provides \$350,000 for pipeline materials only.

When Winters receives these funds, Hassan said he will put out for bids to purchase approximately five miles of 10-inch pipeline. He said a town hall meeting will be called to determine if the residents are still interested enough to volunteer their labor. City employees will also provide labor.

The next meeting of the Winters City Council will be Monday, May 19, at 6 p.m. This change is due to Memorial Day holiday on May 26.

## Dibble, Hays united in marriage

Miss Sara Rose Dibble and Mr. Michael Christian Hays exchanged marriage vows in a double ring ceremony at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 3, 2003, in a garden setting at Marygold Manor in Cheektowaga, New York.

The bride is the daughter of Edward and Kathy Dibble of Tonawanda, New York. The groom is the son of Wes and Becky Hays of Winters, Texas. The bride is the granddaughter of the late Ralph and Beverly Dibble and Mr. Harold Scofield and the late Ann Scofield of Tonawanda, New York. The groom is the grandson of Wes and June Hays of Novice, Texas, and Mary Robertson of Bryan, Texas, and the late Thomas B. Robertson.

The bride was presented in marriage by her father. The bride chose a strapless formal satin A-line gown with an asymmetrical drape skirt over two-toned beaded Schiffler lace. The bride carried a deep bouquet of white and mauve Calla Lillies over a small white Bible and handkerchief carried by the groom's mother, paternal grandmother, and great-grandmother at their weddings.

The maid of honor was Miss Beth Dibble, sister of the bride. Miss Dibble wore a celadon satin A-line gown with a beaded bodice.

Serving the groom as best man was Mr. Wesley M. Hays, Jr., father of the groom.

The groom was attired in a



Mr. & Mrs. Michael Christian Hays

formal tuxedo with a gray vest and tie. The best man and father of the bride wore a matching formal tuxedo with a black vest and tie. Their boutonnières were white roses.

Serving as ushers for the ceremony were the bride's brother, Mr. Matthew Dibble, from Charleston, South Carolina, and Mr. David Bates, brother-in-law of the groom.

Following the ceremony, a formal dinner was hosted by the bride's parents at the Marygold Manor in Cheektowaga, New York. The bride's table was covered with a floor length white cloth. The bride's cake was a two-tier white almond-raspberry swirl cake with raspberry filling decorated with fresh mauve roses and ribbon.

On Friday, May 2, the groom's parents hosted an informal rehearsal dinner at the Sleep Inn in Buffalo, New York.

The bride graduated from Kenmore West High School in

Kenmore, New York. She is a graduate of Ashland University in Ashland, Ohio, with a degree in business management and a minor in finance and accounting. Sara attended Ashland on a swimming scholarship and was a member of the Division II National Championship Swim Team. She is currently employed as a Senior Corporate Trust Administrator with JP Morgan Chase Bank in Houston.

The groom graduated from Graham High School in Graham, Texas. He received a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Tarleton State University in Stephenville, Texas, and an associate's degree from Texas State Technical College in Aircraft Pilot Training in Waco. He currently serves as captain on a regional jet with Continental Express Airlines in Houston, Texas.

Following a honeymoon to San Francisco and the Napa Valley, the couple will make their home in Humble, Texas.

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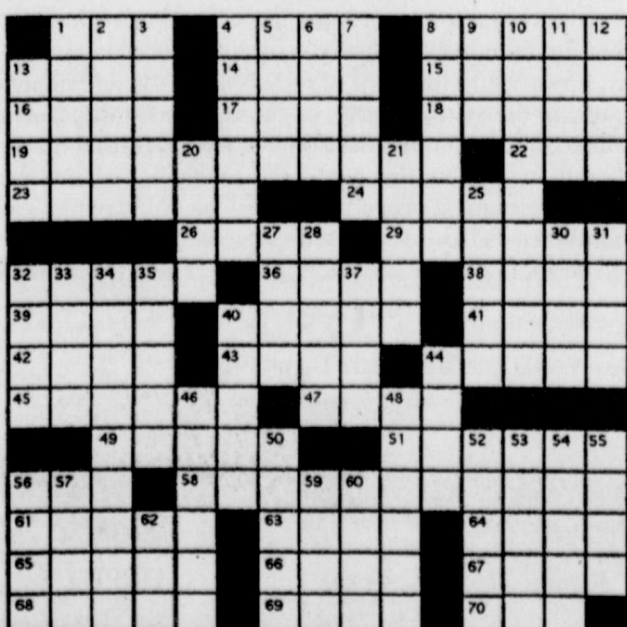
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4. Droops
8. Cook's concerns
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15. Famous orphan
16. Forsaken, to a poet
17. Pi times radius squared
18. Assessor
19. National Park
22. Suffix for computer or Japan
23. Electrical unit
24. Sharp implement
26. Sailing
29. Mariners' mistakes
32. Jack or his wife
36. Loud burst of laughter
38. Spirit
39. Ring
40. Waitress on Cheers
41. Prefix for science or potent
42. Seed coat
43. Thin Man's dog
44. Tiny diagram
45. Singers
47. Slangy word
49. Kills flies
51. Nests
56. Consonant trio
58. Housewares and Fine China
61. Ten thousand eleven
63. Lou's homonym
64. Bol's complement
65. Sign of summer
66. Jewish month
67. Cerise and cardinal
68. Saint fire
69. Prefix for vision or gram
70. Deposit

### DOWN

1. Actress Gale
2. In ; caught
3. English poet (1572-1631)
4. Gaps
5. Atmosphere
6. Secluded valley
7. Murders
8. Silas
9. Last queen of Spain
10. Waiting areas
11. Cock-and-bull stories
12. Bone-dry
13. Gymnast Korbut
20. Fudge!
21. Rigoletto or Falstaff
25. Felonious act
27. Periods
28. Main blood channel
30. Old Norse poem
31. Cut
32. Tiff
33. Louis XVI, to Louis XVII
34. Weather forecast
35. Let
37. Mountains
40. Societal division
44. News article
45. Dashboard features
48. Mother
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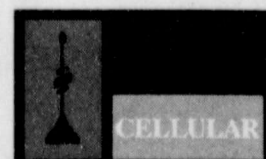
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## Official Records

**County Court Dispositions**  
 Noira Angelina Tiar, assault, case dismissed, insufficient evidence  
 Tammy Lohse, harrasment, case dismissed, insufficient evidence

**Criminal Cases Filed**  
**May 5**  
 Michael Charles Ashton, filed for making alcohol available to a minor  
 Herman Miguel Ramis, filed for possession of marijuana  
 Alberto Saucedo Rodriquez, filed for driving while intoxicated (subsequent offense)

**May 7**  
 Beverly Wheelhouse, filed for theft

**May 8**  
 Charles Cole Hurley, filed on two counts: for driving while intoxicated and for possession of marijuana

**Civil Cases Filed**  
**April 25**  
 Johnny Kosarek, appellant, vs. Richard Havlak, appellee, breach of contract

**District Court Divorce Cases Filed**  
**May 5**  
 Karol K. Spreen vs. Kevin W. Spreen

**Civil Cases Filed**  
**May 5**  
 Darryl Weishuhn and Asuncion Maqueda Gutierrez vs. John Triplett Foster, damages

**May 6**  
 Ken Granzin vs. Tony Lopez and Michael P. Gesch, damages

**Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Felony Cases Filed**  
**May 6**  
 Jessie Martinez Garcia, filed for burglary of a habitation

**Criminal Cases Filed**  
**May 7**  
 Brandon Smetana, filed for theft by check  
 Bobby S. Salinas, filed for theft by check



A TALL ORDER was recently filled by Jimmy Ripley and John Wilson of Straight Line Construction as they rose to the occasion to replace the roofing of St. John's Lutheran Church. (photo by Jean Boles)

## Police Beat

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

The following information has been obtained from reports and or incidents investigated by the Winters Police Department during the week of May 5 through May 12, 2003. These are just a few reports received each week by members of the Winters Police Department. Officers:

- stopped a vehicle for speeding in the Main Street school zone. When the officers checked the status of the driver's license, it returned suspended. Andrew Eskridge Ponce was arrested for driving on a suspended license. Another licensed driver in the vehicle was allowed to take possession of the vehicle per request of Mr. Ponce.
- were called to the 600 block of Wood Street in reference to an assault. Officers were told Alicia Palmertree, the victim's mother, had shoved her. The assault occurred because the victim had not called to let her mother know she was going to be late coming home. The victim did not wish to press charges. She did ask that an officer stand by so she could retrieve some clothes without further altercation.
- were called to the 300 block of Tinkle in reference to a theft of a bicycle. The bicycle is described as a silver with orange and grey decals Mongoose trick bike. Anyone having information please contact the Winters Police Department.
- served Janet Prescott, a Palo Pinto County warrant for Criminal Trespass.

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

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**NOTICE OF SALE**

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
 COUNTY OF RUNNELS

DATED May 5, 2003, and issued pursuant to judgment decrees of the District Court of **Runnels County, Texas**, by the Clerk of said Court on said date and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on May 5, 2003, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in June, 2003, the same being the 3rd day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Ballinger, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Runnels and the State of Texas, to-wit:

CAUSE NO. STYLING OF CASE AND PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

4068 Winters Independent School District, City of Winters, and The County of Runnels, Texas vs. Dee Dee Cadena, Individually and DBA Dee Dee's Hair & Nail Co. and Higginbotham's, Lienholder (In Rem Only)

Lot 5, Block A, Broad & Bomar Addition to the City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas (Volume 87, Page 545 of the Deed Records, Runnels County, Texas)

Business Personal Property consisting of Furniture, Fixtures, Inventory and Equipment used in the Operation of Kristian's Hair Gallery, City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas

4084 Winters Independent School District and the County of Runnels, Texas vs. Manuel Herrera AKA Manual Herrera and Maria Hernandez

Lot 3, Block 14, Southside Addition to the City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas (Volume 70, Page 211 of the Deed Records, Runnels County, Texas)

4088 Winters Independent School District and The County of Runnels, Texas vs. Charlie Grohman and The United States of America through its agency and instrumentality, the Internal Revenue Service, Lienholder (In Rem Only)

174.00 acres out of Abstract 269 of the HT&B RR Survey No. 177, Runnels County, Texas (Volume 518, Pages 671 and 674 of the Deed Records, Runnels County, Texas)

1.00 acres out of Abstract 269 of the HT&B RR Survey No. 177 Runnels County, Texas (Volume 518, Pages 671 and 674 of the Deed Records, Runnels County, Texas)

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED May 5, 2003, at Ballinger, Texas.

By

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**ACROSS**

1 song: "... old cowhand ..."  
 5 Oldham Co. seat  
 6 TXism: "get your ducks in ..."  
 7 UT rose to Final Four in '03  
 8 TXism: "smart as a burkhouse"  
 9 TX Bruce McGill film "Shallow"  
 12 this Ralph is pres. of TX-based Luby's  
 17 in TX a pungent is added to natural gas  
 19 famous TX honky tonker Mickey  
 21 Andrew Carnegie funds for many TX libraries  
 22 Ector Co. seat  
 23 graduated marks on a scale  
 28 TXism: "he's bricks shy of a load"  
 29 sheep (females)  
 30 people of northeast Africa  
 31 "Diez de Septiembre" is celebrated in many TX towns  
 35 get rid of a computer virus?  
 36 french for TXism  
 37 "know how"  
 42 Johnson Space Ctr. has a space shuttle (trainer)  
 44 Alanreed, TX was once "Eye" for a saloon fight

**DOWN**

1 ex-Ranger "Pudge"  
 2 San Antonio's Mexican market  
 3 TXism: "hungry as concrete pasture"  
 4 USS Texas supported landing on Okl. in WWII  
 9 detest

46 what you might hear at the Ennis Polka Festival? (3 wds.)  
 48 popular New Braunfels park was once known as "Pasture"  
 49 actress Taylor of TX-based "Giant"  
 50 homecoming flowers  
 51 TXism: "keep your saddle"  
 52 some TX soldiers in Iraq (abbr.)

53 TX Toomay's "On Given Sunday"  
 54 TXism: "at the ... my rope"  
 56 fictitious sister of Ima Hogg  
 57 TX Martin sang about "King"  
 58 911 responders (abbr.)

10 TXism: "quick as ..."  
 11 Ford model  
 12 TX Janis Joplin tune: "... Blues"  
 13 40s film "Texas ..."  
 14 TXism: "... in with the tumbleweeds" (arrived)  
 15 "what ... is new?"  
 25 IA or TX town  
 26 uttered with lips  
 27 TX college grads  
 32 "yes" south of the border  
 33 TXism: "let ... rip"  
 34 TX Trini's "... Had A Hammer"

36 tree fluid  
 37 ... bomb  
 38 TV sound control  
 39 TX Kenny sang: "... Have Eyes For You"  
 40 TXism: "evil mannered"  
 41 mild oath  
 43 TX golfer Lanny (init.)  
 45 ex-Cowboy RB (init.)  
 47 TXism: "tight ..."  
 48 TX singer Meat ...  
 55 TXism: "he's feeling his ..." (frisky)

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Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.



# Outdoors

## Celebrating "A Day in the Country"...



(photos by Deb Pritchard)

...WERE THESE WINTERS ELEMENTARY FIRST GRADERS. The youngsters presented the delightful musical of favorite tunes last Thursday evening while taking a farm tour guided by Old MacDonald himself. Old MacDonald, aka Corey Pritchard gave Christopher Gerhart a ride in his wagon while (kneeling, L-r) Justin Ventress, Jonathan Lambert, (back) Alanna Cooper, Lauren Bredemeyer, and Kaylyn Drake want the crowd to take them "out to the ballgame." "Ta-daa" is Iesha Tamez's finale to everyone's bedtime favorite "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star." WISD third graders will present their annual program, entitled "Get Up And Grow," this evening at 7 p.m. in the WHS Auditorium.

### Runnels County Farm Bureau seeking contestants for Queen, Junior Queen, and Talent Find contests

Contest set for Sunday, June 8 • Entry deadline is Friday, May 30

The annual Runnels County Farm Bureau Queen, Junior Queen and Talent Find contests will be held at 2:00 P.M. Sunday, June 8, 2003, in the meeting room of the Farm Bureau office at 809 Hutchings Avenue in Ballinger. The winners of the local contests will be eligible to participate at District and State levels to compete for scholarships and prizes. In order to be eligible to

participate in the Runnels County Farm Bureau Queen contest, the contestants must be single, 16-19 years old as of September 1, 2003, and be a daughter or sister of a Texas Farm Bureau member. Junior Queen contestants must be 14-15 years old as of September 1, 2003, and must be a daughter or sister of a Texas Farm Bureau member. Talent Find contestants must be 16-19 years

old as of September 1, 2003, and must be a Texas Farm Bureau member or a member of a Texas Farm Bureau family. Applications are available at the Runnels County Farm Bureau office in Ballinger. The deadline for the applications is May 30, 2003, at 5:00 P.M. at the Runnels County Farm Bureau office. Please contact the office at 365-2562 for more information.

### SCHOOL BOARD, continued

baseball field. The 20-25 ft. extension would be on the south end of the building and would be used for a concession stand. He also requested use of the restrooms located within the current building. Bergman said there will be no cost to the school district — the labor and materials are being donated. According to Bergman, if the materials weren't donated, the cost would be approximately \$6,000.

Because this request was not an agenda item, no action was taken at the meeting May 12. However, Superintendent Clack said the board will explore this possibility, will meet with representatives of the Community Baseball League, and "see what we can do."

Trustees also voted to sell two portable buildings to Coleman ISD for \$35,000. Winters ISD purchased the buildings in 1992. These buildings were not re-roofed after last May's severe hail storm.

David Hale, Secondary School Principal, told board members the secondary campus currently has six vacant rooms so moving the two classes from the portable buildings will not be a problem.

In other business, Trustees approved Phillips & Co., L.L.P. for the Leaver Audit. This audit is an unfunded state mandate to test documentation of up to 29 students who have left WHS. This audit will cost the school district approximately \$5,000.

Board members voted, with

the abstention of President Allen Andrae, to approve Security State Bank as depository for 2003-2005. Trustees unanimously approved a resolution to enter into a leasing agreement with Wells Fargo Public Finance Corporation for the purchase of exercise equipment.

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