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Winters, Texas

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Ruben Cantu-Rodriguez Winters Enterprise

WINTERS, Texas.- It was a magical night, full of hope and great satisfaction for both, students and parents, last Friday the 2010 Class of Winters High School celebrated graduation night at the Blizzards Football Field.

Early in the afternoon people started to fill the tribune, and for the starting hour the east side of the field was full of family and friends there to witness the graduation.

The ceremony began with a walk, of the graduating students passing by those in attendance that generated a wave of applause and cheers.

Retired Principal Susan Sharp addressed the class and presented students with their diplomas.

"This is a wonderful moment, it is just another day of the amazing journey you have started, always be aware that success and happiness is not a matter of luck but of choice," said the former principal.

Brianna Mesey, Vice President of the Future Farmers of America lead the invocation, and top ranking girl Kathleen Mills sang the national anthem showcasing her singing skills as well as a sweet voice.

Jacinto Hernandez, who started his school history in Winters without even speaking English graduated as a third ranking boy in the Class of 2010. Jacinto introduced James Spivey, history teacher and coach, as the guest speaker.

Salutatorian AJ Tamez thanked all parents in his speech and said that "seeing your kids graduating here tonight is just as important for us as graduate.

Valedictorian Coltyn Pritchard addressed his class with a challenge to follow their dreams, never give up

and always be honest. "Enjoy life, be honest and don't let the opportunity

pass you by.' Special recognition was given for the students who finished all high school with a 90 or above grade point average.

The Jake Joyce Awards were presented to Sybil Bridgeman and Braden Mikeska for their dedication to school and community service.



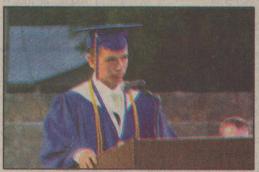
History teacher and coach James Spivey was the commencement



The Winters High School 2010 Class graduated.



Coltyn Pritchard receives his Valedictorian award from former Principal Susan Sharp.



Armando Tamez, salutatorian of the Winters High School 2010 Class.



Left: Brianna Mesey, Vice President of the FFA conducts the invocation.

Right: Kathleen Mills, top ranking girl of the 2010 Class leads the national anthem.



WINTERS HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2010

Nathanial Dwain Batla Hayden Bergman Elma Bernal Sybli Bridgeman Cindy Chaves Justin Childers Jacob Landon Coffman Tony Espino Zuleyma Garcia Tana Gibbs Stephen Aaron Grenwelge Jeffrey Henderson Jacinto Hernandez Marcus Herrera James Hoyle Kevin Wayne Jackson Haley Kaczyk Jason Laird Josh Lujano Marlandy Danay Luna Anthony Martinez Sarah Martinez Brianna Mesey Braden Mikeska Kathleen Mills Candance O'Dell Jonathan Patton E.J. Perez Danielle Pinkerton Coltyn Pritchard Jennifer Pritchard Julie Lynn Reyna Manual Roman **Armando Tamez**

Brandon Taylor

Bikers will be here for the Texas 4000

Amanda Collom For The Winters Enterprise

WINTERS, Texas.- Winters Area Chamber of Commerce and local citizens are hosting the Texas 4000 on June 7. WACC expects approximately 30 bicycle riders, coming from Austin, Texas raising money for cancer

WACC expects the riders to begin arrival in Winters, Texas at 3:30 p.m. on June 7. WACC will serve the riders a hamburger meal, open to the public at 5 p.m. and the riders will put on a program at 6 p.m.

Members of our community have stepped up and will host these students in their homes, giving them a place to do laundry, rest and get a warm breakfast before getting back out on the road.

The founder of Texas 4000 for cancer is Jonathan Christopher Condit and the executive director is Jamille Wilkes Ruebsahm.

Texas 4000 started seven years ago when Chris Condit sought a way to share a message of hope, knowledge and charity to those with cancer. Chris is a cancer survivor himself and he decided to take an epic 4,500 mile journey from Austin to Anchorage, Alaska on his bicycle.

The riders over the last seven years have risen over \$1.5 million dollars going to the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center. These riders are said to be young people who demonstrate strong character and they are truly excellent role models in their desire to do their part and make a difference. You may visit their website for more information at www.texas4000.org.

If you are interested in volunteering to host a student or help serve the meal please call Amanda at 325-754-5210. WACC is also asking the community to donate desserts for the meal and hopes that you come hear their program at the City Park at 6 p.m.

Spanning three centuries of catholic presence

Winters Enterprise Staff Report

BALLINGER, Texas.- St. Mary, Star of the Sea Catholic church located in Ballinger, Texas celebrates its 125th anniversary.

Catholic Missionaries, who traveled by horseback from Brownwood after a long train ride from Dallas/Ft. Worth, began celebrating masses in catholic homes in 1885 and called the community St. Mary.

Ten years later, in 1895 the first wooden structure called St. Mary Church was constructed across from Brunson's feed store on the Paint Rock highway.

A short time later, land was purchased at 6th and Crosson and a new Church was constructed of locally quarried sandstone. In June of 1910, the new Saint Mary, Star of the Sea Catholic Church was dedicated. Now

100 years later the parish will host a special celebration to mark the pioneer spirit of the early catholic missionaries and parishioners to mark 125 years of Catholic presence in Runnels County.

A special mass will be celebrated at 10 am on Sunday, June 6th by Bishop Michael Pfeifer, OMI, to mark the 125th and 100th anniversary of the parish and the Church. All are cordially invited to attend this special outdoor

Perfect attendance is worth a bike

Winters Enterprise Staff Report

WINTERS, Texas.-Brooklyn Anderson and Anthony Llanas became the owners of two new bikes at Winters Elementary School, after having perfect attendance during the 2009-2010 school year.

The names of the lucky winners were drawn in a hopper as each year among the students who had perfect attendance.

Winters Elementary school thanks Winters Citibank and Winters Feed and Seed Company for providing the bicycles for this year's drawing.

Congratulations to the winners, and a special thank you to Citibank and Winters Feed and Seed for their kind donations.



Top: Anthony Llanas

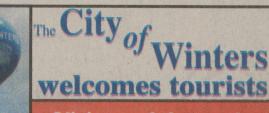
Right: Brooklyn Anderson



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WINTERS, Texas.- Judge Richard Hamilton was certified at the recent 20-hour Justice of the Peace Seminar held May 4-7, 2010, in Lubbock, Texas. The Seminar was sponsored by the Texas State University-San Marcos, with offices in Austin, Texas.

The seminar is one of six held for elected Justice of the Peace so they can fulfill their Continuing Judicial Education Requirements as set forth in Article 27.005 of Texas Government Code.

The seminar addressed topics such as Family

Violence Pre and Post Judgment issues, Rules of Evidence, Residential Eviction, Commercial Manufactured Eviction, Housing, Tenants Rights, Elderly Drivers, Dissmals, Enforcement of Judgments, Failure to Attend School Procedure and Sentencing, Contempt, Juvenile Detention, Online Death Reporting, Judicial Liability, Judicial Ethics, Rights of the Accused, Court Security, Evidentiary Search Warrants, Animal Seizures, Round Civil Table Discussions, Credit Card Round Table Discussions, Inquest Round Table Discussions, and Criminal Round Table Discussions.

USDA Rural Development Office Day held in Winters

Winters Enterprise Staff Report

BROWNWOOD, Texas.-USDA Rural Development representatives will be holding a Rural Development Office Day for the City of Winters June 22, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. to present program information and applications to the public. The office day will be held at the City Hall Council Chambers, 310 South Street. Main Information will be provided USDA Rural about Housing, Development Community and Business and Cooperative loan and grant programs.

USDA Rural Development works to ensure rural citizens can participate fully in the global economy through technical assistance and programs that help rural Americans build strong economies to improve their quality of life. Rural Development loans and grants assist rural communities meet their basic needs by building water and wastewater systems, financing decent, affordable housing, supporting electric power and rural businesses, includ- equipment and other required ing cooperatives and supporting community development with information and technical assistance includ- about these or any of our pro-

ing broadband initiatives. USDA Rural Development Housing Programs offer loans and grants to families with very low to moderate income levels in towns and cities meeting certain population requirements. Loans are primarily

used to help income eligible individuals or households purchase homes in rural areas. Funds can be used to build, repair and renovate a home, or to purchase and prepare sites with water and sewage facilities. For very low income families who own homes in need of repair, the Home Repair Loan and Grant Program offers funding for renovations.

Rural USDA Development Community Programs enhance the quality of life for rural Texans by providing funds to governmental entities, nonprofit organizations and Indian Tribes for essential community facilities and services. Funds may be used for a variety of community projects. Previous funds have been used to enlarge, improve or construct schools, libraries, farmers markets, medical clinics, assisted living centers, public buildings, community centers or fund new and improved water and wastewater facilities. Funds are also available to purchase public safety equipment such as ambulances, firefighting emergency service gear.

We invite anyone who is interested in learning more grams to come by and visit with us. For more information regarding USDA Rural Development programs, please contact Brownwood Office at (325) 643-1585, ext. 4 or by visiting our website at www.rur-

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Local judge attends seminar Rodeo Association annual banquet

Melissa Gerhart For The Winters Enterprise

WINTERS, Texas.- The Winters Rodeo Association held their annual banquet on Saturday, May 22 at the Winters Rodeo Arena. Members of the group enjoyed a brisket dinner with all the trimmings.

Following the President Steve Pritchard and wife Penny Pritchard presented the end of year awards for the 2009 - 2010 Playday Season.

Winters Rodeo The Association would like to thank the sponsors who contributed to the awards and prizes: Red River Portable Arenas of Coleman, Wal-Mart Ballinger, Tractor Supply Co. Ballinger and Abilene, Jackson Brothers Feed Abilene, Winters Feed and Seed, The Stitchin Post, Bit and Spur Saddle Shop in Waco, Utpmor Saddlery in Waco, Rodeo Drive Conchos of Stephenville, Steve and Penny Pritchard, A1 Professional Farrier Services, Bobby and Kristi Guerin. Dr. Larry Pritchard and Family of Waco donated the All Around Champion Cowboy saddle. The All Around Champion Cowgirl Saddle was donated by an anonymous donor.

Winters Rodeo Association hold playdays on the third Saturday of each month at the Winters Rodeo Arena.

Receiving awards Bryssah Frye, Dottie Drake, Reba Frye, Marcus Mostad, Eliza Frye, Lasha Frye, LaTessah Frye, Morgan Mostad, Logan Guerin, Steve Pritchard, Mara Mostad, Macey Gerhart, Seth Gerhart, Christy Kruse, Jaymee Pritchard, Eli Drake, Kalyn Drake, Kristi Guerin, Porter Guerin, Micah Drake, Bob Guerin (not pictured) Baily Kimmel, Tricia Kimmel, Sally Arnold, Ginny Arnold, Tessa Arnold, Alexa Graham, Baily Knight and Brenna Knight.



All Around Champion Cowboy Logan Guerin with president of WRA, Steve Pritchard and Kristi Guerin, Secretary/Treasurer.



All Around Champion Cowgirl, Jaymee Pritchard.

News Notes

Writing contest

First Annual Douglas Meador Writing Contest, \$300 First Place, \$150 Second Place.

Writing West, Stories and Personal Narratives from 1850 -1935. Deadline July 5, 2010 email mctribune@gmail.com for submission guidelines

Tax offices closing dates

The Winters Tax Office will be closed June 7 and 8 and both the Ballinger and Winters Tax Offices will be closed June 9 for employees to attend workshops in Abilene.

Wingate School Homecoming

Sunday June 6, 2010 at the Wingate Lions Club on Hwy 153 in Wingate.

Registration and visitation at 10:30 a.m., welcome at 12 Noon, Business Meeting at 12:30, meal at 1 p.m. Cost is \$12 per person, paid for when you register, furnished by THE SHEDD, BBQ with all the fixings. Please RSVP by June 1, 2010, so will have plenty of food, by calling Jan Henson at 325 673-7708 or Sandy Dean at 325-691-1961.

Immunization clinics

Texas Department of State Health Services will be having immunization clinics.

Winters clinic will be on Thursday June 3, from 1:30-5:30 at the Professional Building, 110 South Main. Suite 108. Ballinger's will be on Thursday June 10, from 10 a.m.-12 noon and 1:30-3 p.m. at 608 Strong (behind the court house).

Scholarship awarded to student in Winters Taylor

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Telephone Cooperative, Inc. recently awarded 20 \$1,500.00 scholarships to area students whose parents are members and reside in Taylor Telephone Cooperative's service area

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tion records, if child has

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Braden Mikeska from Winters was one of the recipients.

Historical book to reprint

Runnels Historical Commission will be taking orders for their recent

release "Runnels County, A Look Back", until June 10. The publication has created a lot of interest, with the first printing being sold and has now gone to

The price will be \$ 17.50, plus postage if mailed, until May 31,

Beginning June 1, 2010, the price will be \$20.00 plus postage if mailed.

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Chatting with Paw Paw By John DeMoss Jr.

Way back in 1976, President Gerald Ford authorized free shots for all Americans for the swine flu. My dad and I were going dove hunting that afternoon, but I got in line and received my free shot.

It was cold that Saturday afternoon, but there were plenty of dove to shoot. I had/ still have a .20 guage that I was using. Until that afternoon, I thought that I was a pretty good shot but those dove were wearing "bullet-proof" vests!

I knew how bad it was when I shot three times at a bird on the ground - missed him! He looked up at me, blew me a kiss,, waved, and flew away. Total birds for the afternoon: Bob = 0 and Dad = 21! That evening, after consuming more than I should have, I went to a friend's house.

Walking through his front door was like walking into an oven set at 450'. I didn't stay long: I was getting sick. When I got back to my parents' house my illness progressed to chills, fever and vomiting. Turns out, my FREE flu shot had given me a case of the flu.

All through our lives satan will offer us many "free" things: "love", money, prestige. Yet, there is always a hook at the end of each offer. Jesus said that satan is a liar and that he is the father of all lies. Bottom line is, neither he nor his "free" offers can be trusted.

The Lord Jesus is" not a man that He should lie." He offers us Himself for our sins, His peace, His unconditional love and His life. What our God offers us is the real thing, not a "free" swine flu shot. Rev. Bob DeMoss

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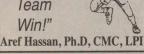


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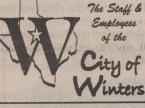
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Young poets, showcasing

Winters Enterprise Staff Report

WINTERS, Texas.- The students in Mrs. Lincycomb's third thru sixth grades were part of a poetry contest. After a unit study of different poets the students published their own poetry. They also did a watercolor illustration of their work.

The poems were judged and students were given a place from first to fifth.

All students' poems are being sent to various educational sites to see if they might be published.

CONTEST WINNERS

Name	Grade	Place
Kelsey Riddle	4th	1st
Bailee Busher	6th	2nd
Sean Mooney	5th 6th	3rd 4th
Daniel Gerhart		
Mason Donica	4th	5th

Third through sixth graders participated in a poetry contest with Gifted and Talented teacher Troylene Lincycomb.

Field of Clovers By Kelsey Riddle

There is a place over a hill far, far away, Where all my troubles go to stay, As I smell the sweet fra-

grance around me, As I dance in the field that surrounds me.

Where worries and troubles vanish,

As if they never happened. There is a peace inside of me as I sit and look, At the vast yards of Clover tap-in.

Never ending as it seems, Oh sweet field, How I love how you comfort

When I am sad or mad you are the shining star, Leading my way through the night shield.

> Oh sweet, sweet field of clover.

> > Our hats are off to all the

2010 GRADUATES!!

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Shoes By Bailee Busher

I really like my shoes They make all kinds of news No one can hold a candle To my Egyptian sandals.

You're in for a shock When you see my funky mocks And you'll go a flippin' When you see my flops.

When I ride my horse Rock I wear my boots and socks And I can't understand Why I can't wear my shox's.

> Sunshine By Sean Mooney

Every morning in the sky, There is beautiful sunshine, It just makes me want to sigh, But right now this moment

is mine. I'm sittin' on the porch,

In my dads favorite chair, Wachin' the sun shine like a torch, Feeling the warmth and air.

I went back inside Oh it just wasn't fair. I didn't want the sun to hide. I just wanted to be there.

> Poem (Who I Am) By Daniel Gerhart

I talked and meddled But never think about it. I eat and play As the waves crash on the bay But I don't know how I'm going to turn out. But when I get old I will still remember That confused little boy That talk and meddle All those kids that influence me. I know it's settled, That caused me, to be,

Who I am.

Horrible!! By Mason E. Donica

I fell on a nail, As it started to hail. People told me to run, But that was no fun. They went to the fair, So I pulled out my hair. Got hit by a log,

It was nearly dawn, But they told me to mow the lawn. Instead of having wishes,

I did the dishes. I wish I could, But had to chop wood. I went to lurk, To get away from work. As I wasted all my time. I was a little dazed, While I sat and gazed. I'm ready to leave, I do believe. I picked up my pack,

And a big dog.

I couldn't help flip a dime,

And never looked back.

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Stephen Aaron Grenwelge

is the son of Stephen and Tonya Grenwelge. Aaron has been in football, powerlifting, baseball, and band his High School Years.

You are growing up to be an incredible young man. You are very unique and special. We know that your talents will give you many paths to choose from in the future.

Love you always Dad, Mom, Crystal, and Alexus



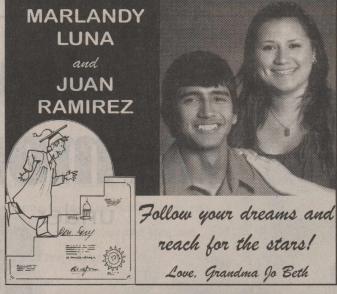




Doug, Mom, Erica, Zach & Avery

Love, Dad, Ann Heather, Tod and Christian

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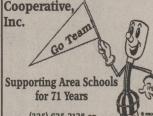


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RUNNELS COUNTY ROUND-UP

Fishin' with Dave

Fishing Report David Caudle

The waters at Ivie are beginning to heat up with some of these calm, 90degree days and warm nights. Water temperatures in the 80's signal that the bass spawn is about over with maybe a few late ones in the deeper parts of the main lake. I have actually caught spawning fish in June in water over 25 feet deep. But at the end of the bass thing the catfish take over for a few weeks and can be caught in shallow water.

Some good areas for cats can be located north of the North Island in the shallow coves, those with brush being a better choice. I've also seen Terry Winchester, the channel cat lake record holder, fishing in these areas, and he's better than sea gulls at finding fish, particularly catfish. In order to fish these areas, it's good to scatter some soured grain or wheat (good crop this year) around your location and give it about 30 minutes or so to

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draw in some cats. No fish, move to another location. Sometimes a short move is all it takes to find the mother

Speaking of mother loads, I'm not too sure the Queen Mother of Great Britain is real proud of some of the royal family about some recent unregal behavior. It seems the one called Fergie, who is divorced from one of the princes, has been caught trying sell audiences with her exhusband. Apparently, they all still live in a 33 bedroom and a bunch of bathrooms house as part of the divorce. I suppose in a house that size, he might put her so far back that they have to pump air to her and most likely never have to

Fergie tried to get about \$740,000 as payment for her arranging an audience with the divorced prince. It also appears that someone was willing to pay that amount for a short visit with Prince Andrew, and I think that Fergie had some knowledge

that her scheme might work. This idea could solve some of Britain's government money problems. They might consider auctioning off a visit each month with the prince and also run the ladder right up to the Queen. A visit with the Queen might go for few million and the royal family could be a contributor to the country rather than a drain. I mean who needs a 33 bedroom house and probably as many bathrooms, and what about the Pine-Sol bill?

It was reported on the news that Fergie didn't break any law; it was just a little underhanded and not real nice or royal to do it without the prince's blessings. He most likely wouldn't have agreed since he probably doesn't like her too much anyway. She might have to move to the way-back bedroom or maybe the little 20 bedroom house on the back forty.

However, this did give my wife some ideas because we get many calls each month about the fishing at Ivie from those who just want the most up-to-date information possible. A lot of these folks don't want to book a trip, they just want an audience with the guide to be pointed in the right direction. I always tell them what I know, except when I know without a doubt they're trying to steal the info by pretending they want to book a trip. Then I give them stuff I know won't work, and they call back and thank me for the great info and tell me about all the big fish they caught. The wife could have charged them a couple of

I learned a long time ago that if you want to know something, ask a straight forward question and try to figure out if folks are lying to you. Or better yet, put up a few mil and go ask the Queen. See you on the lake.

Rose retiring from **Drivers License office** Ruben Cantu-Rodriguez Office duties took her to Winters, Eden, Robert Lee, Winters Enterprise

BALLINGER, Texas.- Her first work day was April 1, 1973, and 37 years later Ollema Rose is retiring from the Drivers License office. Through the years she had to deal with a lot of different situations but at the end every moment was worth it.

Ollema worked Ballinger for the last 20 years and also spent some time in San Angelo, Concho, Coke, Runnels and Coleman where she moved around during days of the week.

San Angelo and occasionally to Brownwood, Del Rio, Abilene and Sweetwater where she had to fill in a couple of times.

James Rose, and has two sons, Kenneth and Kyle, as well as three granddaughters who live in Muscle Shoals, Alabama. She grew up in Sterling

Ollema is married to

City and moved to Abilene to work at the Borden Milk Company before coming to

After her retirement, hours to 4:15 p.m.



Ollema Rose leaves the **Drivers License office** after 37 years of service.

for the Drivers License office will be on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, from 8:45 a.m.

Area students awarded scholarships

Winters Enterprise Staff Report

WINTERS, Texas.- West Central Wireless, Five Star Wireless, Mid-Tex Cellular and Central Texas Telephone Cooperative proudly announce the awarding of 61 scholarships totaling more than \$37,000 to high school

According to Mike Higgins, Jr., Chief Executive Officer of Central Texas Telephone Co-op and General Manager of West Central Wireless, Five Star Wireless, and Mid-Tex Cellular, a graduating senior was chosen from each of the 61 public high schools within the boundary of the companies' 26 county home coverage area. Each student will receive a five hundred dollar scholarship that may be used for tuition, books, or other fees at a university, junior college, community college, or technical school.

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eave that wild animal alone, experts advise

Winters Enterprise Staff Report

AUSTIN, Texas - With spring come young, wild animals venturing from their nests and hiding places under the watchful eyes of their parents. Young animals often stray and appear to be abandoned; that's when humans need to resist the urge to help, wildlife experts say.

Some species, including birds, deer and snakes, are very active this time of year and are being seen more frequently.

This is the time of year that young birds are out of their nests but cannot fly. If the bird's eyes are open, it has a coat of feathers and is hop-

ping around, it is probably fine, according to staff at Texas Parks and Wildlife's wildlife information center. Grounded fledglings will usually be up and flying within a few days.

"Many people discover apparently lost or abandoned wildlife young and take them in, thinking they are doing the right thing, and this sometimes does more harm than Wildlife Diversity branch at TPWD. "People should leave young animals alone unless they are obviously injured or orphaned. It is best to observe a wild creature from a distance for a while in order to make that determination."

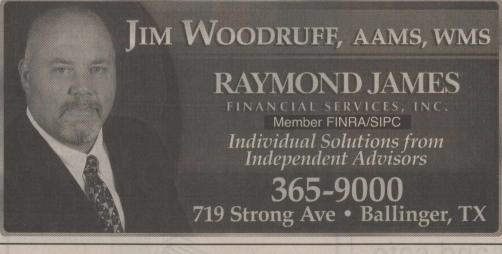
Staying too close to the

baby may keep mamma from returning, Klym said.

The fawning season begins in early to mid-May, although the newborns may not be visible to the casual observer for several weeks because of excellent camouflage of their mottled coats and their mother's care in hiding them from predators.

Deer will typically leave their fawn(s) for hours at a good," said Mark Klym of the time, returning only to nurse them Fawns are often discovered lying quietly in tall grass or brushy areas. Wellmeaning people sometimes pick up these fawns, thinking that they have been abandoned by their mothers and need help. This is rarely the







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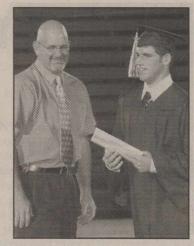
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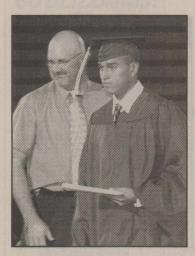
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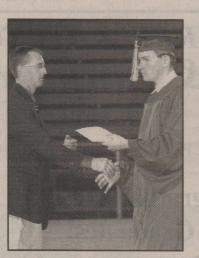
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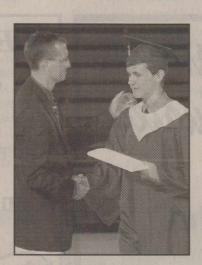
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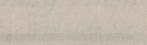
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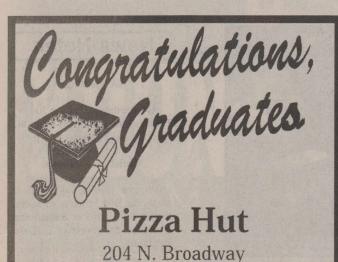
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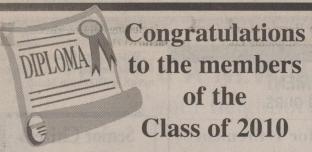
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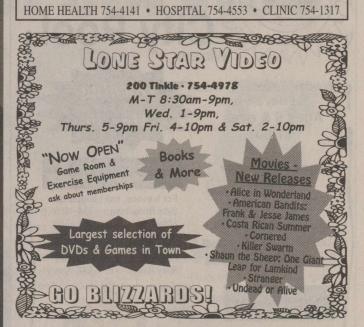


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AUSTIN, Texas - With spring come young, wild animals venturing from their nests and hiding places under

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the watchful eyes of their parents. Young animals often stray and appear to be abandoned; that's when humans need to resist the urge to help, wildlife experts say.

Some species, including

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birds, deer and snakes, are very active this time of year and are being seen more fre-

This is the time of year that young birds are out of their nests but cannot fly. If the bird's eyes are open, it has a coat of feathers and is hopping around, it is probably fine, according to staff at Texas Parks and Wildlife's wildlife information center. Grounded fledglings will

within a few days.

"Many people discover apparently lost or abandoned wildlife young and take them in, thinking they are doing the right thing, and this sometimes does more harm than good," said Mark Klym of the Wildlife Diversity branch at TPWD. "People should leave young animals alone unless they are obviously injured or orphaned. It

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usually be up and flying is best to observe a wild creature from a distance for a while in order to make that determination."

> Staying too close to the baby may keep mamma from returning, Klym said.

The fawning season begins in early to mid-May, although the newborns may not be visible to the casual observer for several weeks because of excellent camouflage of their mottled coats and their mother's care in hiding them from predators.

Deer will typically leave their fawn(s) for hours at a time, returning only to nurse them. Fawns are often discovered lying quietly in tall grass or brushy areas. Wellmeaning people sometimes pick up these fawns, thinking that they have been abandoned by their mothers and

A fawn should only be picked up if it is covered in fire ants or is otherwise seriously injured. These fawns need assistance and should be taken to a wildlife rehabilitator immediately.

If it is determined that a wild animal is sick or injured contact your local Game Warden or the TPWD wildlife information line, (512) 389-4505, during business hours for a referral to a licensed wildlife rehabilita-

After-hours callers can get the names of rehabilitators from TPWD's dispatch line at (512) 389-4848 or by accessing the department's web site:

During the spring, the department receives more than 100 calls a week about baby wildlife.



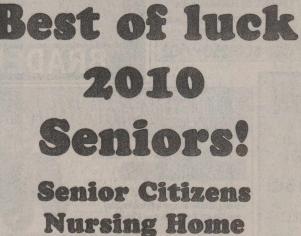
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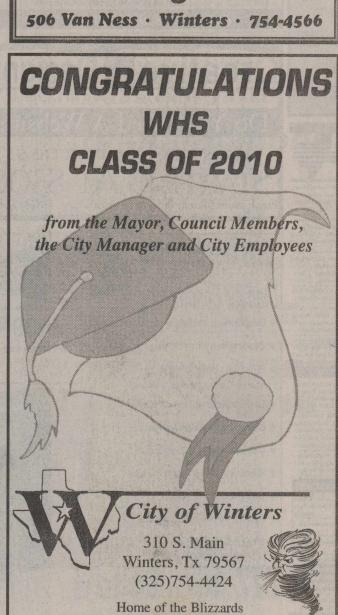
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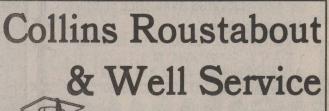






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