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## Why natural gas bills are higher this winter

by Commissioner Charles Matthews, Railroad Commission of Texas

During the last year, I have been traveling throughout the state discussing the challenges facing the Texas natural gas industry. As the demand for natural gas is increasing, we are seeing the tightening of supply.

Experts in the energy field expect the U.S. demand to be more than 30% over the 1998 level. In addition to the national demand picture, Texas natural gas consumption has been increasing steadily over the last six years. The biggest driver for that growth is gas-fired electric generation.

On most residential and commercial gas bills, gas is a "pass-through" cost. Utilities make no profit on the cost of gas; they simply pass through to the consumer what it costs the utility to purchase the gas in the marketplace. When natural gas costs increase, consumers face higher bills. When natural gas costs decrease, consumers pay less.

Utilities make their profit from distributing the natural gas to consumers. In most cases, the rate that a utility charges for distributing natural gas is approved by the city in which it serves, but in some cases the rate is approved by the Railroad Commission of Texas.

The cost of natural gas is market-based, subject to the forces of supply and demand, and changes frequently. The major cause of recent high natural gas prices has been uneasiness in the marketplace over natural gas supply. Simply put, the injection rate of gas into storage was too slow to comfort the market for this winter's heating season. Consumption of natural gas in the summer is usually relatively low, which allows excess gas to be injected into storage. However, gas that would otherwise have been injected into storage was being used to generate electricity to run air conditioners.

While natural gas imports have been rising significantly in recent

years, the United States may be running into some short-term supply constraints. Several years of relatively low prices have slowed down exploration and drilling for new sources of supply.

During the first downturn in 1986, the oil and gas industry lost over 500,000 jobs nationwide. In addition to that number, another 500,000 jobs were lost during the most recent downturn of 1998-1999, which lasted over 18 months.

The recent higher prices should be causing an increase in drilling opportunities, and in fact, rig counts have increased significantly from a year ago. However, at the Commission, we are seeing a decline in drilling permits and completion permits for natural gas wells. This should not be happening.

This shows that we have lost talented, qualified people in the industry who have the ability to identify and explore new fields, drill new wells, and increase production.

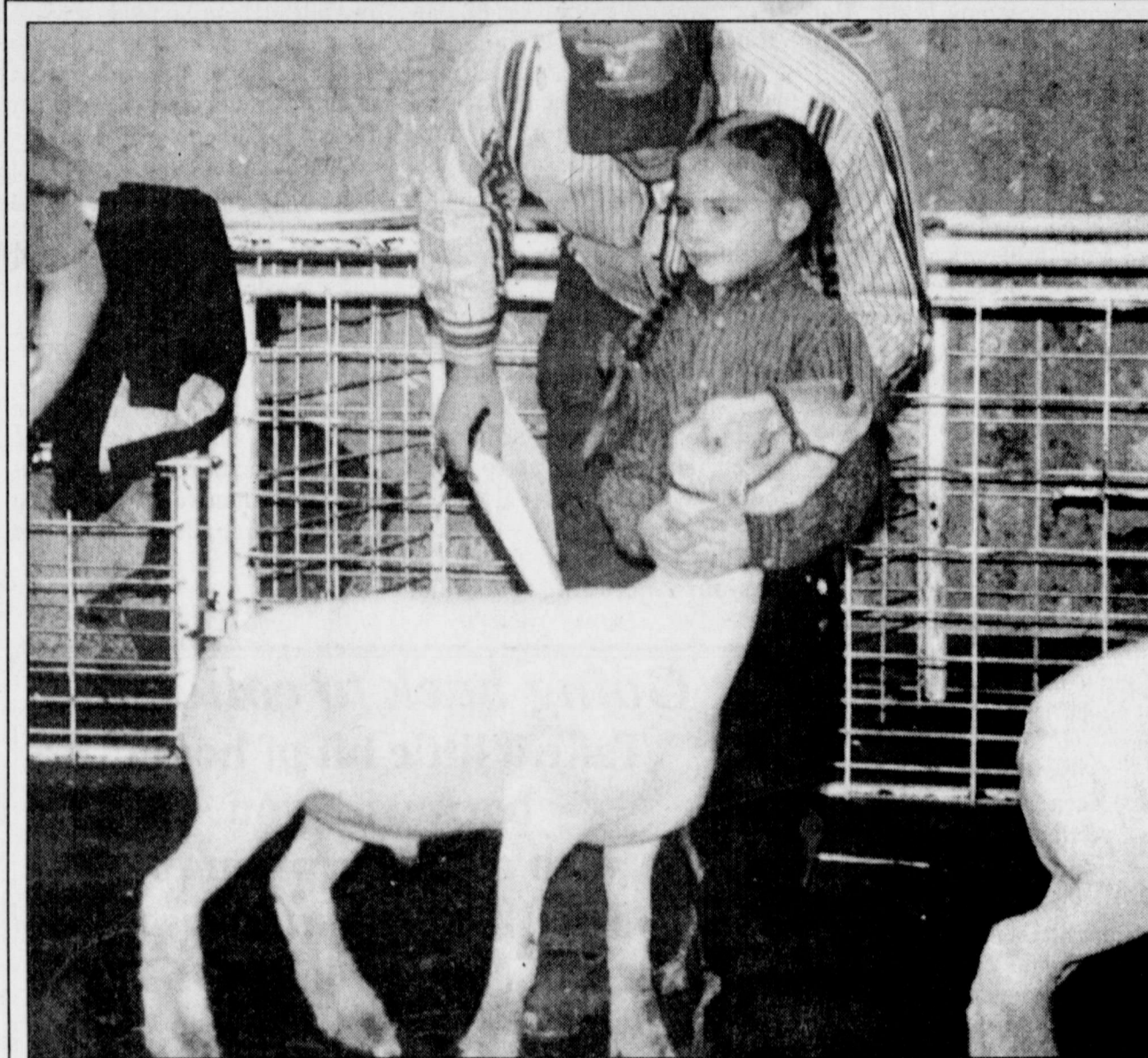
The new wells that will be coming on line may not begin to yield significant increases in actual production until later in the year.

See NATURAL GAS, page 8

## Winters school board re-districting gets delay

Interim WISD Superintendent Wes Hays, Jr., after consulting with the offices of the Texas Secretary of State and the district attorney, says, "We will have more time to address the re-districting issue than we had earlier been led to believe."

Trustees had previously been concerned about trying to determine possible re-districting bor-



FROM TEARS TO CHEERS...as lamb superintendent Billy Frank Belew whispers words of encouragement to Devon Shackelford, 8, during the Winters Stock Show last weekend. Devon's market lamb had "acted up" all through the show, but was eventually named Champion Southdown which brought a huge smile to the young exhibitor's face and a round of applause from the crowd. Complete show results and photos will be featured in next week's edition.

ders early enough for potential candidates to file by the March 21 deadline for the May 5, 2001 election.

According to the Secretary of State's office, the 2000 census information will not be released until sometime around April 2, 2001. This release date will prohibit any school district to act on the re-districting issue in accor-

dance with the Education Code.

This Code states, "Not later than the 90th day before the date of the first regular school board election at which trustees may officially recognize and act on the last preceding federal census, the board shall redivide the district into the appropriate number of trustee districts if the census data

See SCHOOL BOARD, page 3

## City Council unable to settle A-C water dispute

Despite a fifty minute executive session Monday evening, City Council members made a decision to take no action regarding the disputed Alderman-Cave water bill.

In the Council meeting on January 2, Council members had asked Water Superintendent Jack Davis, Jr., to get a report of the

Alderman-Cave water meter that had been sent for testing.

After receiving billing for water usage in June, 2000, Alderman-Cave believed that this meter was malfunctioning, showing more water used than was actually used.

In a fax report received by See COUNCIL, pg. 6

See COUNTY, page 6

## Flu immunizations now available at Texas Department of Health

The Runnels County Field Office of the Texas Department of Health announces that Influenza/Pneumococcal Immunizations are now available at their office.

Location is at the Texas Department of Health field office in the See IMMUNIZATIONS, page 2

## Potato soup & sandwich luncheon on Jan. 25 at Rock Hotel

Friends of the Museum will host a potato soup and sandwich luncheon on Thursday, January 25, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Rock Hotel.

The menu will be potato soup and the trimmings, sandwiches, homemade cookies, and your choice of tea or coffee.

Tickets may be purchased at the door for \$5 per person.

An art exhibit is also planned in conjunction with the meal. The West Texas Artists Guild will display works from local and area artists.

Anyone who wishes to help may do so by contacting Kay Colburn, Marlene Smith, or Jane Bourdo.

Proceeds benefit restoration of the Rock Hotel.

Please mark your calendars. Plan to come eat and enjoy seeing the beauty of artwork!

## Winters Area Chamber of Commerce Business of the Quarter



WINTERS FLOWER SHOP & MORE has been named Business of the Quarter by the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce. Janice Pruser (right), store owner and director of the Chamber, was surprised by fellow Chamber directors Dale Montgomery, Jane Bourdo and Gail Williams when they kept the winner's name a secret from her, then walked back to her business and made the presentation. Please see related story on page 2.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- Jan. 18-11:30 a.m. Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Mohair Council Membership Meeting, San Angelo
- Jan. 19-11:30 a.m. Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 12:25 p.m., Fellowship of Christian Athletes, WISD Science Lab
- 4 p.m., Ballinger Livestock Show, Community Center
- 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco
- UIL Academic Meet, Bangs High School
- Jan. 20-8 a.m., Ballinger Livestock Show, Community Center
- 8:30-Noon, Computer Class, Junior High Computer Lab
- 1:30 p.m., BJLSA Auction, Community Center
- Jan. 21-Attend the church of your choice
- Jan. 22-8 a.m.-4 p.m., Book Fair, Elementary Library
- 9:30-10:30 a.m., Social Security Rep., Winters Housing Authority
- 11:30 a.m. Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 5:15 p.m., Winters 4-H Club, Catholic Church Fellowship Hall
- 7 p.m., Wingate Masonic Lodge
- 7 p.m., InFO, San Angelo
- WHS seniors, Memorable Moments & casual pictures due to Glacier
- Jan. 23-8 a.m.-4 p.m., Book Fair, Elementary Library
- 9 a.m., Ministerial Alliance, First Baptist Church
- 11:30 a.m. Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Noon, Lions Club, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station
- 7 p.m., WVFD Auxillary
- Jan. 24-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Chamber Office
- 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Book Fair, Elementary Library
- 9-11 a.m., AYUDAR, Drug Awareness program for freshmen, WHS
- 9 a.m., Gus Pruser Ag. Exhibit Workday
- 11:30 a.m. Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Jan. 25-8 a.m.-4 p.m., Book Fair, Elementary Library
- 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Potato Soup & Sandwich Luncheon, The Rock Hotel
- 11:30 a.m. Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 5 p.m., Hale Museum Board
- 7 p.m., MADD Meeting, WHS Media Center

Coming Next Week: Special Stock Show Section



## Oil Bidness

By Reg Boles ©2001



The time has arrived for all those projects kept in the closet, because they were considered long shots, to come into the bright sunshine. These projects suddenly look viable at \$30 per barrel and \$10 per thousand cubic feet, and somebody is just waiting to tell you about it.

Take for instance the idea of developing deep gas in far west Texas at 25,000 feet. It sounds good at today's prices, but we would be wise not to forget the problems last time it was tried. Like, carbon dioxide and nitrogen impurities that lowered the price by half or more and made producing it dangerous. Workovers were nightmares that cost millions, and well failures were so common, they had to be factored into the economic evaluations before drilling.

And, how about those single-well millionaire-makers? You've heard of them, if not in person, then by phone or mail when a promoter has called you with dreams of striking it rich, one well at a time.

Now, additional ammo in the gun pointed at your head is that higher prices are going to make you a millionaire even faster. Beware, though, because any old wildcatter will tell you that you have to drill some dry holes to make a few wells.

There are also those guys trying to convince you to buy some new kind of pumping unit that will eke out some mighty portion of one barrel that will pay out in no-time. With \$30 oil, he can show you the math of how it could happen, assuming the incremental barrel a day lasts long enough,

that is.

How about the black box that tells you where to drill? You might be ready to believe if making just one good well could set you for life—maybe one that will accumulate 250,000 barrels of black crude in 5 years or less—do the math and start planning your early retirement. Only problem is you have to spend about a million to get it drilled, of which the guy who sells you the black box takes a healthy chunk.

Yes, there are many lures in the oil patch made all the more attractive by higher prices that promise riches beyond compare. By appealing to the greed in all of us, these pitches usually endanger our current economic health. But, hey, that is what risk and reward is all about—isn't it?

Only if done intelligently and with full consideration of risks, rewards, consequences, costs, and probability. The idea of deep gas wells is one that can be considered from a technical and economic point-of-view where there might be a viable path to a successful result. Some of the other ideas mentioned here have less chance of surviving a careful consideration process.

But, whose got time to do that when someone else might get in on that million-dollar deal before you have a chance to?

We would all be better off taking the time to risk missing out, I think. It's gotta be better than risking losing it all on something that never had a chance.

No Highlights of Area Drilling or Map available this week.

## IMMUNIZATIONS, continued

Professional Building, Suite 108, on Grant Street entry.

Anyone wishing to receive the shot should call 754-4945 to schedule an appointment and/or to verify that the office is open for walk-ins.

The influenza or "flu" shot is recommended for:

- people who are 65 years of age or older
- people under 65 with medical problems such as heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, renal dysfunction, hemoglobinopathies, immunosuppression, and/or those living in chronic care facilities. People (greater than or equal to 6 months of age) working or living with these people should be vaccinated as well.

- all health care workers
- healthy pregnant women who will be in their second or third trimesters during the influenza season. Pregnant women who have underlying medical conditions should be vaccinated before the flu season, regardless of the stage of pregnancy.

• anyone who wishes to reduce the likelihood of becoming ill with influenza.

The pneumococcal shot (for pneumonia) is recommended for:

- people who are 65 years of age or older
- people under 65 who have chronic illness or other risk factors including chronic cardiac and pulmonary diseases, anatomic or functional asplenia (including sickle cell disease), chronic liver disease, alcoholism, diabetes mellitus, CSF leaks, as well as persons living in special environments or social settings (including Alaska natives and certain American Indian populations). Others at high risk include immunocompromised persons including those with HIV infection, leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease, multiple myeloma, generalized malignancy, chronic renal failure, or nephrotic syndrome, those receiving immunosuppressive chemotherapy (including corticosteroids), and those who received an organ or bone marrow transplant.

Cost of the flu shot is \$5; pneumococcal, \$10. Medicare and Medicaid will be accepted.

For more information, call 754-4945 Monday-Friday.

## Winters Flower Shop & More honored as Business of the Quarter

by Jean Boles, editor

Janice Pruser and the Winters Flower Shop & More have recently been selected as Business of the Quarter by the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce.

Janice, who has owned the store since April 28, 1988, is only the fourth owner of the business that originally began where the old Banner Ice House was located at the corner of Melwood and Parsonage. That business was started by a Mrs. Moore who later sold the business to Mrs. A. D. Lee in 1942. Lee moved the flower shop to its present location at 119 S. Main to the back of the building where Mr. Lee had a saddle and harness business.

After Mr. Lee retired, Mrs. Lee expanded her business to include the front portion of the building. Her longtime employee, Mayme Little, inherited the shop after Mrs. Lee's death. Janice Pruser worked part-time and full-time for about ten years for Mrs. Little until she bought the store in 1988.

Since taking ownership, Janice has expanded and upgraded the building and services of Winters Flower Shop & More. She incorporated the area just north of her shop where a ceramics and Sears catalog business was located.

Janice has also kept a detailed record of all funerals she has serviced, including date and place of burial, as well as some floral details.

She offers flowers for all occasions including funerals,

Valentine's Day, Mother's Day, weddings, proms and other special days.

"I've tried to keep my prices low and affordable," she says, and "as one fellow said, 'Anything that can be said or done with flowers, we can do it,'" she adds.

In addition to the floral business, Janice carries an assortment of unusual, hand-crafted gift items, and offers delivery of many of her flowers and gifts.

When asked about any unusual flower orders, she giggles and says that a local customer once placed an order for a large bouquet to be delivered to country and western singing star Tanya Tucker while Ms. Tucker was appearing at the West Texas Rehabilitation Center's annual telethon in Abilene. Janice politely told the customer that she was unable to personally deliver the flowers out of professional courtesy to other florists in Abilene.

Janice said she and her staff are regularly visited by folks asking directions since "we know where just about everybody lives because we deliver flowers all over the place."

Helping make Janice's business a success are Betty L. Grenwelge, who has worked at the flower shop for more than eleven years; Marie Kruse, working more than four years; and Chris O'Dell, adding about one year.

## Going back to college?

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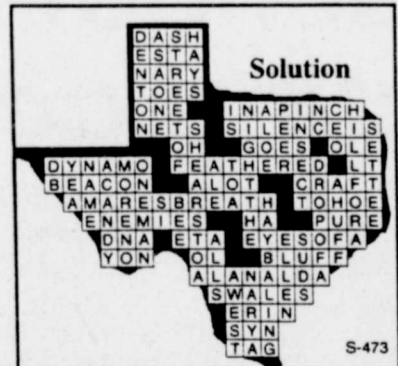
**Tuesday, Jan. 23:** Chicken spaghetti, peas & carrots, tossed salad, garlic bread, chocolate cake.

**Wednesday, Jan. 24:** Liver & onions, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, cake.

**Thursday, Jan. 25:** Stew, vegetable sticks, Jello salad, cornbread, Dump cake.

**Friday, Jan. 26:** Salmon croquettes, pork & beans, beets, cornbread, cobbler.

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## Obituaries

### Barron Davis Cave

SAN ANGELO—Barron Davis Cave, 76, died Thursday, January 11, 2001, at his residence.

He was born September 15, 1924, in Wingate and grew up in that area. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. Following his separation from the Navy, he lived in Lovington, New Mexico. He married Samie Lee Cunniff on October 20, 1946, in Big Spring. He moved to San Angelo in 1969.

Mr. Cave worked in real estate for a number of years. Survivors include his wife, Samie Cave of San Angelo; two sons, Gary Cave of Hill Top Lakes and Kelly Cave of San Angelo; one daughter, Karen Pilgrim of Clyde; one sister, Johnnie Faye Stokes of San Antonio; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, January 13, in the Hylton Cemetery with Chaplain Paul Terry officiating. Arrangements were directed by Winters Funeral Home.



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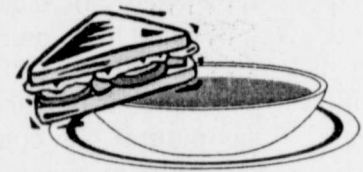
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F. M. Balfour

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## High Blood Pressure: What You and Your Family Should Know

### PILLS ARE JUST PART OF THE TREATMENT

If your doctor has prescribed medication, you must take it daily to lower your blood pressure. Your doctor may tell you to lose weight and cut down on salt. Or it may be necessary to stop smoking, reduce alcohol intake, or exercise more. For some people, these lifestyle changes help lower blood pressure. But don't try to choose your own treatment. Talk to your doctor about your plan. If you are on medicine, keep taking it while you follow the other recommendations. Don't let your prescription run out. Get it refilled.

### WHEN PRESCRIBED A NON-DRUG TREATMENT

Follow your doctor's advice. Make efforts to lose weight (those extra few pounds may raise your blood pressure). Cut back on salt, and your pressure may fall or help the medication work more effectively. Exercise in moderation may also help you control your blood pressure.

### GET YOUR FAMILY TO HELP OUT

Your family needs you. They want to keep you healthy and active. Be sure to tell them about your high blood pressure. Tell them what the doctor said to do. Your family can:

- remind you when to take your pills
- help you lose weight if you need to
- serve meals low in salt

Then you can help your family by having them get their blood pressure checked, the way you did.

### SOME THINGS TO REMEMBER

- One out of 4 adults has high blood pressure.
- A doctor, nurse, or an assistant at a health clinic can tell you if you have high blood pressure.
- Use less salt in the foods you eat, lose weight, stop smoking, and exercise more.
- If prescribed, take your high blood pressure pills every day.

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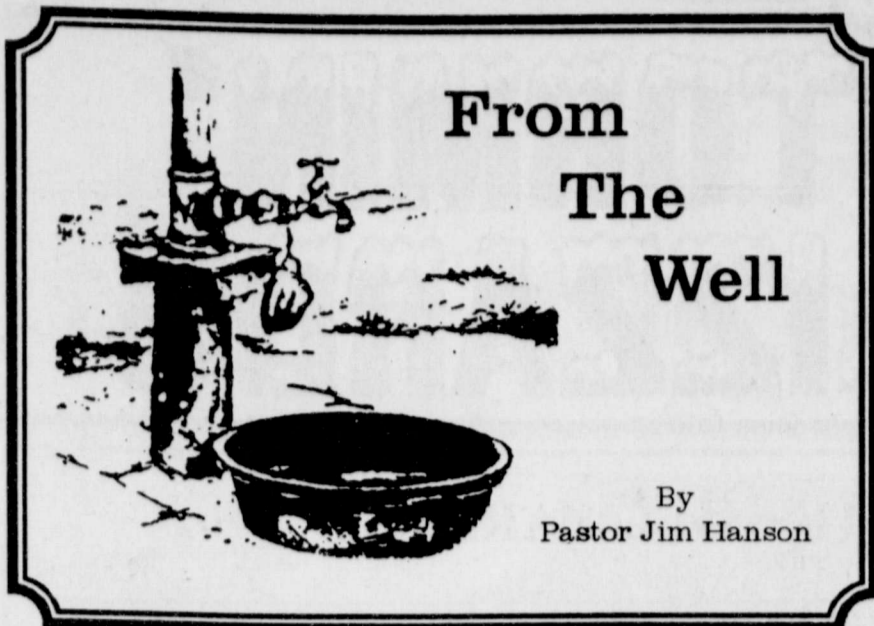
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## From The Well

By  
Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

Yesterday I attended a funeral. In a country church, 125 years old. Beautiful. Stained glass windows filtering in the sun from the clear crisp winter day in Northwestern Wisconsin. I was not the pastor. Nor a mourner. Just one who came to a funeral of a 97-year-old woman. Who was, indeed, a saint.

Her name was Josephine Hanson. A good friend as well as a sister-in-Christ to our son John. As her pastor, he had enjoyed the many visits he had had with her. Until just a few months ago, she had been a faithful and regular member of the church. But then her health took a turn for the worse, and she entered a nursing home and could not attend church any more. I thought it was a nice touch...even more than that, a kind of memorial to her...that on the day of her funeral there was one spot reserved...with these words "Reserved for Josephine, who sat here almost every Sunday in her adult life."

The front of the church had three banners. Each had its own message. "To God be the glory for 125 years." All but 28 of them, the first 28, had been her church home. "Glory to God in the highest" was the way she lived her life. And the one, in red with white letters, that simply said JOY! JOY! JOY! I couldn't help but think of Jesus, what He said about the Kingdom of Heaven, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little (referring to money...which was not a big thing for Jesus, rather a little), I will set you over much; enter into the JOY of your master." For, indeed, she was good. and faithful. Like all saints.

The songs and hymns were solid. "What a friend we have in Jesus," "How great Thou art," and "Blessed Assurance," all sung by the congregation...who, on this occasion, filled the church! The family took up about 1/4 of the seating. But the congregation took the rest. This saint was no stranger...servants seldom are.

When it came time for the eulogy, several members of the family spoke: two sons, one son-in-law, a grandson, a daughter, and a granddaughter. By the time they had finished, you knew she was a saint. Not a "holier than thou," but a real believer. One who knew that "nothing can separate us from the love of Christ."

When she had finished a two year course in a Teacher's College and had taught for a couple years, she became married. And after three months, her husband died. So, she went back to teaching, and after two years, her class was selected as "A Model." Then, after a few years, she married again. Together with her husband, they farmed. But she kept on teaching...at home and in the church and in the community.

She taught love, and faith in Jesus. "Nothing was more important for her than Sunday Worship and Sunday School," said one son. "She used to get ready for church at least 30 minutes before the rest of the family. When I asked her "How come?," she replied, "Just in case," said the son-in-law.

The grandson said, "Grandma held my hand, and as she lay there dying, I knew that on the day of her birth she had made a reservation with Jesus, and in the early hours of last Sunday morning, she kept it." And a granddaughter, dressed to the teeth, attractive, and obviously one who took care of her body, revealed to us that she also took good care of her soul, when she related "There was no time I learned more about life than when grandma was dying. I asked, "Are you afraid of death?," she replied, "No!" "Are you ready to go?" "Yes!"

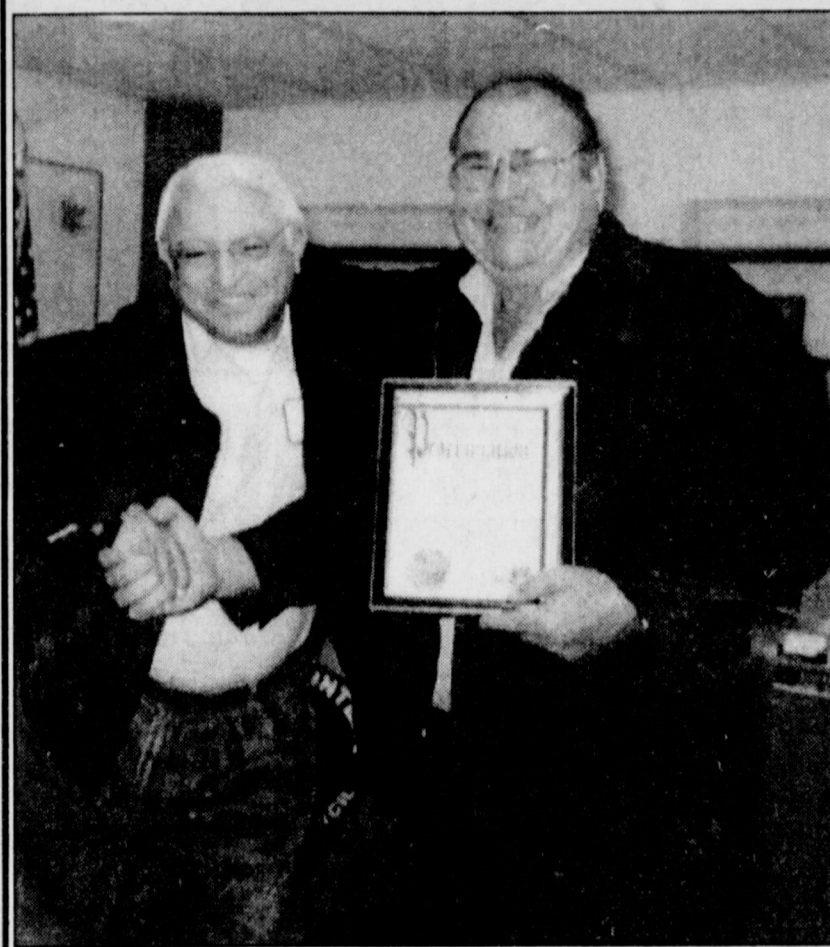
She was so cold. I climbed into bed with her, and warmed her body with mine, even as she had warmed me with hers when I was a child, and felt alone, and needed someone to warm me with their presence. Finally when she was too weak to do it, I asked her if she would like me to pray the Lord's Prayer out loud for her and with her. She nodded. We did the prayer. After we were finished, I asked her, "Is it time to go?" She nodded. Closed her eyes. And did...go...home."

Son John wrapped it up with the shortest and best sermon I have ever heard him give. He said, "Josephine was great. But she would want all of us to know that Jesus is the resurrection and the life. And that those who believe in Him, even if they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in Him will never die. She claimed that as her inheritance."

She believed it. She lived it. She died believing it. And I believe that if she could reply to all these wonderful things that were said of her, all of which are true, she would say to us, "Do you...believe...this?" Because that's what made it all happen. In her life. And the only way it will happen in yours."

In a country church. It happened. Again...that Jesus is truly risen from the dead. That Wednesday morning. There were so many witnesses...to His Presence. "Oh death? Where is your sting? Where is your victory? Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!" and, "blessed are the dead who die in the Lord," for even in their dying, they bless us with life, and hope...even if we didn't know them.

## A picture is surely worth a million words!



CHARLES GRENWELGE (right) was named Employee of the Quarter for the City of Winters for the fourth quarter of 2000 at the City's quarterly staff meeting held Wednesday, January 10, 2001. Mayor Dawson McGuffin and City Administrator Aref Hassan (left) presented Charles with a proclamation. Charles has been with the City almost 37 years and has served as the Street Superintendent for 15 of those years. City Manager Aref Hassan said, "Charlie's big smile in this picture speaks for itself! Looks like he is thrilled to be appreciated. Anyone would expect a formal appreciation when he devoted 37 years of his life in service to his community with low pay, high demand, and expectation for quality road service!"

## SCHOOL BOARD, continued

indicates that the population of the most populous district exceeds the population of the least populous district by more than ten percent.

With these two facts in hand, the Secretary of State determined that there is not enough time to do the re-districting before the May, 2001 school board election. If re-districting proves to be warranted, WISD will have until February 15, 2002, to implement a new plan.

Hays has authorized WISD attorneys to proceed with the examination of the census 2000 information to determine whether or not the population shift will require re-districting according to the Education Code. Once this determination has been made, the school district can decide which direction to proceed.

If re-districting is not required, no action is necessary and the district may continue with five single member districts and two at-large positions.

If re-districting is required, there are two choices. One is to redraw district lines and, Hays

says, a conservative cost estimate from the attorneys is from \$20,000 to \$25,000.

Another alternative would be to request a change to seven at-large positions and institute cumulative voting. The cost of this change would be approximately \$10,000, according to Hays.

Cumulative voting, as explained by Hays, means that each voter will have a vote for every place that is open for election. For example: if there are two places up for election in a particular year, the voter could vote two times for the place 1 candidate and no vote for the place 2 candidate, or, the voter could vote once for the place 1 candidate and once for the place 2 candidate. Hays says this cumulative voting plan is preferred by the Justice Department.

To check road conditions, call the Texas Department of Transportation at  
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## Local Lutherans provide facts about Christmas In April

•Did you know that the Christmas In April (CIA) committee has already been working on this year's projects? Barron Guy and his committee have been evaluating homes to work on. To qualify, the person applying must own the house and be current on all taxes.

•Did you know, that for a free-will donation which will go directly to CIA, you can have a delicious brisket dinner at the Winters school cafeteria on Super Bowl Sunday, January 28, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.?

•Did you know that your donation will be matched by the Lutheran Brotherhood #8824, and Aid Association for Lutherans #7878?

•Did you know that you can get "take-out" plates OR if you cannot get out and come to the cafeteria, Lutherans will deliver plates to your home by calling Teresa Davis at 754-4571 or Nancy Spill at 754-4073?

•Did you also know that whole, barbecued briskets are available for just \$20? (Call the above numbers to order your's today.)

•Did you know that St. John Lutheran Church would greatly appreciate your attendance and support of this worthwhile project?

## Rock Hotel available for bookings; help fund ongoing renovation project

Friends of the Museum discussed the lack of current rental of the Rock Hotel at their regular monthly meeting, Tuesday, January 9, 2001.

The meeting was called to order by President Kay Colburn. The financial report was given by Marlene Smith, treasurer.

Currently there are no bookings scheduled at the Rock Hotel until summer. If your group would like to book the Rock Hotel for your function, please contact Marlene Smith. The income from these bookings helps to pay the utility bills and furthers the renovation still in progress.

The Z.I. Hale Museum, which has been open on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday afternoons, has not been open recently because the heating system in the museum is not working. As soon as the heat is fixed, it will again be open on those days. At that time, volunteers will be needed to keep the doors open during those times.

Jane Bourdo will maintain a schedule of volunteers. Anyone interested in helping, please call Jane at 754-2048. It is hoped that this temporary closure has not inconvenienced anyone.

A luncheon will be held on Thursday, January 25, 2001, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Rock Hotel. The menu will be potato soup and all the trimmings, sandwiches, homemade cookies, and your choice of tea or coffee. Admittance is \$5 per person. Anyone wishing to help please contact Kay Colburn, Marlene Smith, or Jane Bourdo. An art exhibit is also planned. Be sure to mark your calendars for this luncheon.

Fund-raising for the completion of the Rock Hotel is an ongoing project for members. Anyone interested in helping or having ideas to raise funds is invited to attend the regular monthly meetings held at the Rock Hotel on the first Tuesday of each month. The next meeting will be February 6 at 3:00 p.m.

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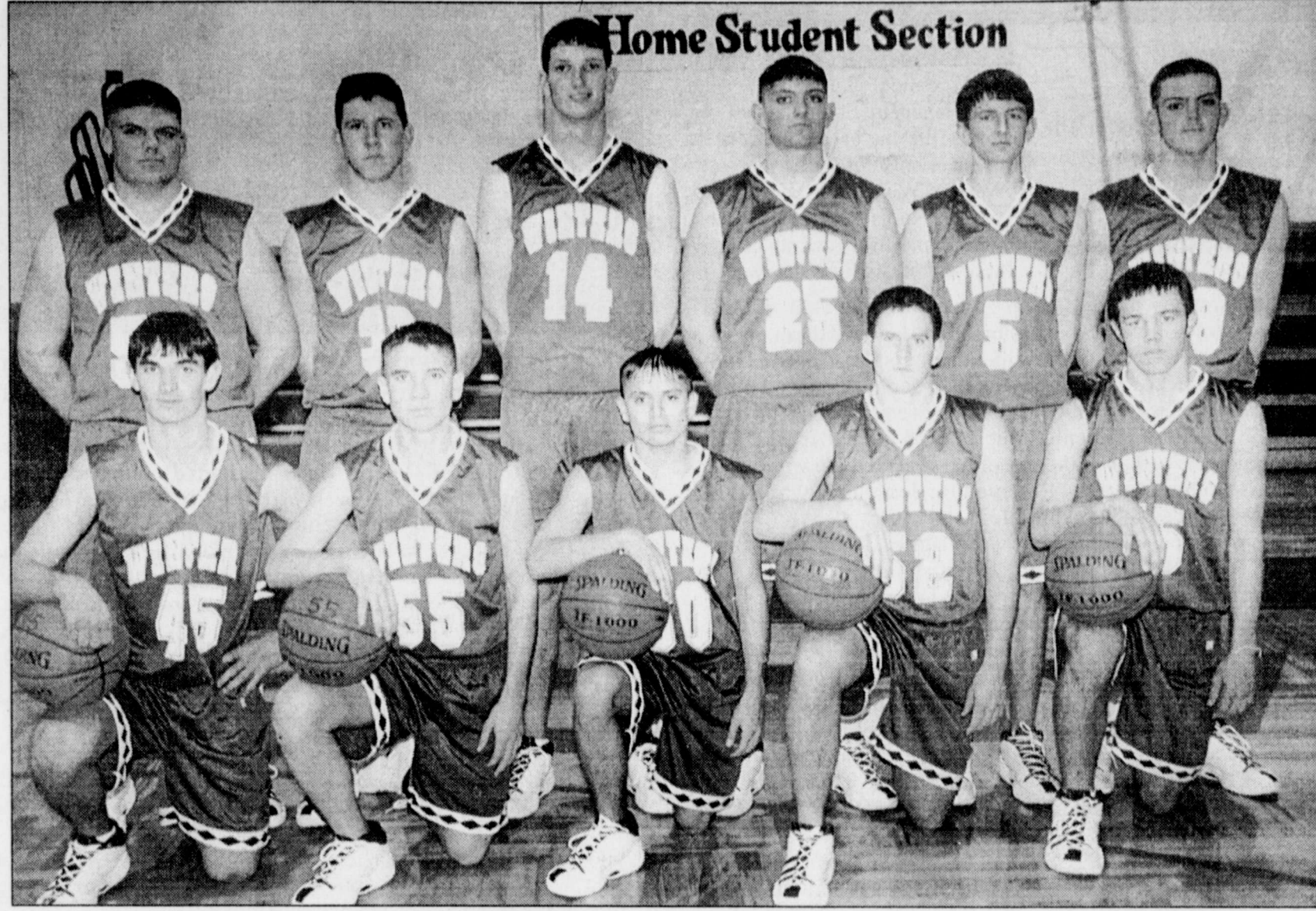
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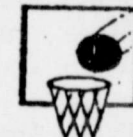
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LORI BREDEMEYER, WHS senior, keeps the dribble going as she looks for the play during varsity Lady Blizzard action.

"The trouble with doing something right the first time is that nobody appreciates how difficult it was." — Walt West



JEREMY MENDOZA of the 8th grade Breezes gets ready to pass the ball around the Hawley defender to teammate Max Harrison #23.

Basketball '01



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# ON THE FIELD AND IN THE CLASSROOM



A CITATION OF SUPERIORITY was bestowed upon each of these young ladies by the ILPC Director for recent articles they had written in the WHS newspaper, *The Blitz*. Those students recognized were (l-r) Toni Retana, Brittney Tekell, Kayla Colburn, and Stacey Sneed.

## Four WHS students recognized for journalism efforts by Interscholastic League Press Conference Director

Four Winters High School students were recognized recently for their journalistic efforts in *The Blitz*, the WHS student newspaper.

Blitz faculty advisor Cindy Davis said the honors were "totally unexpected" as she had merely sent a recent publication of the school paper to Randy Vonderheid, Assistant Academic Director of the University Interscholastic League in Austin.

Vonderheid is the head of UIL journalism in the state of Texas, and sent the *Blitz* staff the following letter:

"Thank you for sending me a copy of the recent issue of your school newspaper. As a former teacher, I enjoy reading student

produced publications and am always impressed with the quality of Texas scholastic journalism.

"Your publication was so well done that I am presenting one or more 'Certificates of Superiority' to staff members for their fine work. Congratulations on a job well done.

"Continue your work to create publications both you and your school can be proud of. And keep me on your exchange list.

"Congratulations."

Receiving an Interscholastic League Press Conference "Citation of Superiority" were Kayla Colburn, Brittney Tekell, Toni Retana, and Stacey Sneed.

Colburn was recognized for her Issue 3, 2000/01, article "Har-

ris Turns In Resignation, Leaves To Slaton December 20". Colburn is a senior and journalism III student. She is editor of *The Blitz* for the school year.

Tekell was cited for her feature article entitled "Take My Breath Away" also in Issue 3. Also a senior and Journalism III student, she is news editor of the school paper.

Retana, a junior and reporter for the paper was honored for her article, "Referees, Few and Far Between" from Issue 3, 2000/01. She is a Journalism I student.

Sneed was recognized for her efforts with the article, "Unlucky Number Six" from issue 3. She is a sophomore, Journalism I student, and reporter for *The Blitz*.

## Elementary school to host Book Fair, January 22 through 26

by Louise Richey, elementary librarian

Reading for fun can transform a child's life!

Reading does much more than entertain — it engages the whole person. When children read books that truly interest them — books that nourish their minds — the quality of their lives is raised forever.

We are at the beginning of a new century. To fully participate in the future, children need to communicate. Reading can improve vocabulary, grammar, and punctuation skills.

To encourage reading, Winters Elementary School is hosting a Book Fair, January 22 through

January 26, in the elementary library from 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. daily with the exception of Friday when the Book Fair will close at 2:00 p.m.

Reading is both an individual and shared activity. Students, parents, and teachers are invited to find old favorites and the latest works by popular authors and illustrators, including Newbery and Caldecott award winners.

All Book Fair purchases will benefit our school. The fair is open to the community. Admission is free. Call the school at 754-5577 for more information.

## 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.

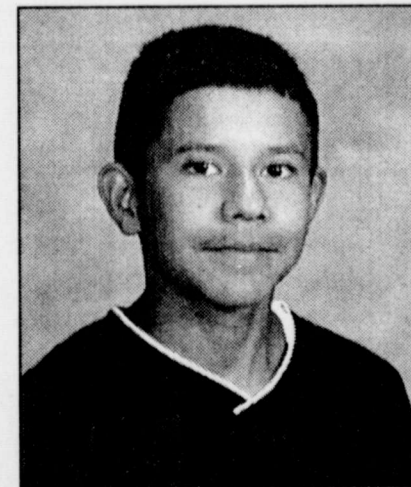


**Christina Perrie**  
January Girl of the Month

Christina Perrie has been selected as "Girl of the Month" for January 2001. She is the daughter of Allen and D'Ann Perrie. Christina, 14, is in the eighth grade and enjoys English literature and writing.

Her duties include keeping her room clean, helping around the house, feeding her kitties, and helping her mom cook. She plans to attend Hardin-Simmons University to become a youth minister.

Christina most admires her parents and Matt Poe. She admires her mom and dad because of all the love, support, and respect shown to her and also because they work so hard to provide for their siblings. She admires Matt for being such a strong Christian and for being here for the youth when he was.



**Jeremy Mendoza**  
January Boy of the Month

Jeremy Mendoza has been chosen as the "Boy of the Month" for January 2001. He is the son of George and Susy Mendoza.

Jeremy, 14, is in the eighth grade and enjoys algebra, athletics, and science. His hobbies include receiving the "A" honor roll and medaling in U.I.L. competition.

In his spare time, he enjoys listening to music, playing PlayStation, and hanging out with his friends.

His duties include feeding and taking care of the dogs, taking out the trash, and trying his hardest to clean his room.

He plans to attend Texas Tech University and become a doctor. Jeremy most admires his parents because every time he has a problem, they are there to help him solve it.

## Three earn degrees from Angelo State

Three Winters students at Angelo State University were among 321 students to receive degrees during the Fall commencement in San Angelo.

Kevin M. Conner received a bachelor of science, Cum Laude, with a major in computer science. Jana K. Jackson was awarded a bachelor of science, with a major in animal science. Michael Craig Jones received a bachelor of arts, with a major in history.

## Gifted/Talented nominations for kindergartners due January 31

Nominations are being accepted for the Winters ISD Gifted/Talented kindergarten program.

If you believe your child might benefit from a gifted/talented program and is currently enrolled in kindergarten, we welcome your nomination. Nomination and parent permission for testing forms may be obtained at the elementary principal's office.

All forms must be completed and returned by Wednesday, January 31, 2001.

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Spaces are available on a first come, first served basis. Information may be turned into the school office.

ALSO ATTENTION SENIORS—Memorable moment forms and casual pictures are due by Monday, January 22. These items may be turned into the WHS office or annual staff office.

If you have any questions contact an annual staff member at 754-5516 or e-mail the staff at <[w\\_h\\_g\\_l\\_a\\_c\\_i\\_e\\_r@yahoo.com](mailto:w_h_g_l_a_c_i_e_r@yahoo.com)>.

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## Only a child could say this —

(Science test answers)

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## Poe's Corner

By Charlsie Poe

# Write me a letter, send it by mail

Louette Glover lived in Winters with her family where her father served as mail carrier for the Winters Post Office. When Louette married Logan Templeton they went to Hong Kong where they served as missionaries and taught in a college.

After Logan became ill with Parkinson's disease, they returned to Texas and lived at the Baptist Memorials in San Angelo until his death. Louette continues to live in San Angelo and writes to me every year.

I share her letter with you.

Dear friends and family, Habits are hard to break. Christmas letters became a habit of mine when Logan and I lived in Hong Kong, back when it took six weeks for a letter to get to the states, and when to make a telephone call to the U.S., we had to go to the Cable and Wireless office, reserve a time, and pay in advance.

Getting ready for Christmas means speeches to promote missions, Christmas dinners (eating seems to have replaced partying), a symphony concert, a variety of church programs, and a trip to Sequim, Washington, to spend the holidays with Betsy and her family.

While in Washington, I will look at apartments and houses with a view of moving there sometime in 2001. I spent two weeks in Sequim this summer and fell in love with the Olympic peninsula. It exalts beauty. I came back to San Angelo where the



Charlsie Poe

temp was 108°, my yard was brown, and I had no grandchildren. I'll probably keep property in Texas in case I want to spend part of winter down here.

Betsy and Henry like Sequim. She says her job as an elementary school reading specialist is the best she's ever had. She, her husband Henry, and their girls, Heather and Hilliary, are "outdoors" people who like mountain climbing, hiking, and kayaking. They plan to stay.

Jim still lives in Taiwan, Jay and Ritsuko are in Hong Kong, and Sam is in Dallas. Sam received a promotion at Fidelity Investments so he has not changed careers again — yet.

I hope you had a good year. The other day I was talking to my brother-in-law who suffers from a condition similar to leukemia. He dropped a gem into the conversation that I really like. He said what happens to you in life is not as important as how you react to it. Paul said it another way in Romans 8:28. Both are worth considering since life is happening to us constantly.

Have a blessed Christmas.  
Love,  
Louette

If a man is called to be a streetsweeper, he should sweep streets even as Michelangelo painted, or Beethoven composed music, or Shakespeare wrote poetry. He should sweep streets so well that all the hosts of heaven and earth will pause to say, here lived a great streetsweeper who did his job well. —Martin Luther King, Jr.



Jennifer Tischler & Courtney Ischar

## Jennifer Tischler and Courtney Ischar to wed in June ceremony

Edwin and Patricia Tischler of Winters are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Jennifer Renae to Courtney Wayne Ischar of Ballinger. He is the son of Melvin and Sharon Ischar of Ballinger.

The couple plans a June wedding at the Seventh Street Baptist Church in Ballinger.

The bride-elect is a 1997 graduate of Winters High School. She is currently employed with Wal-Mart in Ballinger. The groom-to-be is a 1999 graduate of Ballinger High School and is employed by Mueller's Inc. in Ballinger.

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## Winters Volunteer Fire Department elects new officers for 2001 year

The Winters Volunteer Fire Department elected their 2001 officers on Tuesday, January 9.

Jack Davis, Jr. will serve again as chief, while Mark Briley was elected 1st assistant chief, and John Joeris, 2nd assistant chief.

Chuck Cravens was elected president, while René Woffenden serves as vice-president. Other officers are Raymond Lindsey, secretary/treasurer; Chris Ozborn, recording secretary; and Billy Sherman, chaplain.

Captain of Company #1 will be Bob Blackwood, with John McGallian serving as assistant captain. Mike Meyer will be captain of Company #2 with Chuck

Cravens as assistant captain.

Pension Board members are 1 year-Clayton Woffenden, 2 years-John McGallian, 3 years-Michael Alatorre.

Senior sponsor will be Maribel Alatorre and junior sponsor is Sybil Bridgeman. Jessica Meyer is WVFD sweetheart, while Jeremy Sherman will serve as mascot.

Other department members include: Rodrick Bredemeyer, Jack Davis, Sr., Wayne Green, Jerry Mac Jackson, James Lange, Bob Lindley, Jeremy Shields, Robert Cook, Kenneth Doty, Steve Grenwelge, Curtis Jackson, Bobby Staggs, and John Kraatz.

## COUNTY, continued

presented a proposed plan of action for Runnels County to be a pilot program for an Extension character-building program being developed. Hohensee told the group, "We began looking for an adult based program and talked with our Extension Specialists and they have developed a draft plan for a program for workforce education in workplace ethics. You (commissioners) had expressed an interest in such a program back in October when Character First made a presentation on such a program. We are here to seek you guidance for proceeding with the development of such a program."

Commissioners unanimously passed a resolution asking the Extension Service to proceed with the development of such a program.

Other business and action taken included:

\*Approval of payment of the interest due on the new jail bonds in the amount of \$64,537.50.

\*A request by Walsh Resources, Inc. for an easement to lay a low pressure gas pipeline under County Road 205 in Precinct 2 was approved.

\*\$3,000 was approved to be

paid for the annual software support fee for the County Clerk's office.

\*Support service for the AS/400 computer system in the County Tax Assessor-Collectors office was approved at a cost of \$1,164 per year.

\*The purchase of a new electronic scale for the Tax Assessor-Collector's office at a cost of \$695 was approved.

\*Bids on two properties held in trust for failure to pay taxes was accepted by commissioners.

\*Accepted the appointment of Martin A. Johnson as the Official Court Reporter for the 119th Judicial District Court and approved the county's portion of the salary for the reporter at \$8,538.61.

\*Approved entering into a contract with Carnegie Library for support amounting to \$4,950, including elevator maintenance.

\*Termite extermination of the annex building housing the Extension Service, Department of Public Safety and Game Warden was approved at a cost of \$2,250.

\*Accepted the 2000 end of the year report from the Runnels County Historical Commission.

## COUNCIL, continued

Davis on January 15, the manufacturer of the meter said the meter could not be tested because it was "out of warranty." This report was confusing to both Davis and the Council as they still wanted the meter tested, whether or not in warranty.

After reconvening from executive session, Councilman Joe Gerhart moved to "settle with Alderman-Cave." The motion died for lack of a second. No other motion or action was taken by the Council on this matter.

The final public hearing on the proposed annexation of properties to the city limits was also held during the January 15 Council meeting. However, there was no one present to discuss the matter. The hearing was then closed and a meeting date of February 5 was set to annex the proposed properties.

Councilmen present were Tommy Russell, Steve Esquivel, Jimmy Butler, and Joe Gerhart; Mayor Dawson McGuffin; Administrator Aref Hassan; City Attorney Ken Slimp; and Water Superintendent Davis.

Some questions are difficult:  
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# Blessed Daze

by Jean Boles

## New Year's Resolutions — or Revolutions?

Did you make New Year's resolutions? You know — those mental, self-imposed expectations which usually only bring about new ways to feel guilty.

After talking with both of my friends, we decided to tackle the Resolutions of 2001 in a different fashion. Something like this.

**Get more rest.** This can be done by consistent naps during long-winded sermons, while riding in the car with hubby, and during boring conversations with telemarketers. With practice, you can even learn to catch a few winks while looking your boss straight in the eye while he tells you his latest hunting/fishing/old football injury stories. But beware if your eyes get too glassy-looking or you start to drool.

**Read more.** Heck, don't worry about real books unless they have lots of pictures and really big print. We're going to give ourselves credit for reading backs of cereal boxes, medicine labels, the Sunday funnies, letters from Ed McMahon, and headlines of tabloids while waiting in line at the supermarket.

**Eat a healthier diet with less time in the kitchen.** If this happens to involve the entire family, just

buy a timer, give each person a fork and allow them five minutes at the stove — one at a time, of course, so nobody gets a fork stab injury. I figure this helps in several ways and is really energy efficient because there's no water to waste on dishwashing and not even paper plates to biodegrade. And if you can get by with one of those terrific one-dish meals, you've got it made.

On a personal level concerning the diet area, my friends and I decided that drinking a diet cola definitely offsets any Snicker's bar or cheesecake. And if you don't have any diet drink handy, just eat that chocolate cake while taking a bath 'cause everybody knows you weigh less in water.

**Exercise more.** We're serious about this one. We're tired of folks being able to tell the wind direction by watching our upper arms flapping in the breeze. We made a firm commitment to work on this area by opening the refrigerator door twice as often as last year.

We're also tired of being able to see our backsides without turning around. Therefore, we pledge to take up speed walking by mov-

ing faster from store to store in the mall.

And there's no need for fancy, high-tech gizmos to measure body fat. Just wear corduroy pants. If, while speed walking with our 'royson, we think there's so much friction building up as to become a fire hazard in the thigh area, then we might consider an alternate weight loss plan.

And if things really get out of hand, we'll give each other Christmas gift certificates to the Tent and Awning Store next year for our new wardrobes. You know, girls just love new outfits, anyway.

**Worry less.** Our past year has taught us that our kids won't die from sleeping on dirty sheets or going three days without brushing their teeth, that hair does grow back after a really bad home permanent, that we still have two gallons left when the arrow goes to "E," and that really good friends still love you even when you put a dent in their new car.

So let's all relax and enjoy the coming year. It's going to be full of blessings if we'll just remember to look for them every single day.

Now that's a good resolution!

## Christmas In April prepares for workday

The Winters Christmas In April Board of Directors is in the final stages of the house selection process for the 2001 project. The group will meet on Thursday, February 8, at 6 p.m. in the elementary library to verify house selections.

CIA 2001 will be held on Saturday, April 21. Homes which meet the financial need criteria and are in need of repair will be refurbished by crews of volunteers from the Winters area.

House captains are being sought for this year's project. Anyone interested in being a house captain should contact Doug Wheat at 754-4882.

Anyone wishing to volunteer in any capacity, whether it be with food preparation, snacks, or as a house crew member, should contact Audine McBeth at 723-2536.

In addition, donations are still being accepted for Christmas In April. Those may be sent c/o Teresa Davis, CIA treasurer, 210 E. Pierce, Winters, TX, 79567.

The CIA board will also meet on Monday, February 19, at 7 p.m. at Bo's BBQ & Steakhouse. House captains will attend with the board during this meeting for house assignments. The board has also scheduled a March 8 meeting at 6 p.m. in the elementary library.

CIA board members are: Barron Guy, president; Robert Garza, vice-president; Mary Wilkerson, secretary; and Teresa Davis, treasurer.

Others include: Manie Esquivel, fundraising & house selection; Deb Pritchard, public relations; Doug Wheat, house captains; Buddy Miller, food; Phillip Esquivel, house selection; Audine McBeth, volunteers; Ronnie Gann, house selection; and Gordon Fenwick, maintenance & supplies.

## Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz

*There is no need to do any housework at all. After the first four years the dirt doesn't get any worse.*

Hopewell Baptist Church had no visitors this Sunday and the Ladies Mission Study had no Bible study on Monday morning.

Doris Wood spent Thursday in Abilene with Mr. and Mrs. Maloey Bryant. Maloey is doing about the same — some good days, some not so good.

Pat Giles of Brownwood spent Friday with Leona Mathis.

During the weekend Harvey Mae and Noble Faubion had visits from Rodney and his wife and son of Dallas, Melissa Harshman and son Eulass, and Claudette Carter and children of Irving.

Ruth Pape of Old Mexico spent part of Friday with Eileen Cartwright. They visited a while with Harvey Mae Faubion and later went to the cemetery. Ruth left Saturday morning for home after stopping by to see her son on the coast.

Therin and Nila Osborne enjoyed supper with Karen and Wesley McGallian on Thursday in Wingate. Bro. Ferris and Ramona Akins of Ballinger and Joe and Betty Pierce were Sunday lunch guests after church services with Nila and Therin.

Coleman Foreman went to see Lawan at the Senior Citizen's Retirement Center on Friday.

Neighbors dropping in for a while with Joe and Betty Pierce during the week were Odie Matthews, Doris Wood, and Gary and Marilyn Burlsmith.

Happy Birthday to Connie Gibbs from all of the Crewsbunch. Tammy and Mark Kaczyk of



Hilda Kurtz

Winters spent Sunday with Connie and Georgia Gibbs. Shane, Amy, and Holden Ford of Temple, Linda and Travis Ford of Rising Star, and Randall and Eva McCutcheon of Sherwood all visited during the week.

Dale and Linda Duggan and Katy and Kelton Grigsby of Abilene were in Waco to visit Dale's mom and dad, Mary and Jerry Duggan. All attended a birthday party for Dale's younger brother Tim Duggan. On Sunday Linda and Dale were in Temple to visit with Brandon Mansell. Sunday night visitors with the Duggans were Harm Ray, Cynthia and John Glass.

My sister Josephine in California called Sunday and said she had six inches of rain and some got in the house.

I'll add my rain—I got one tenth on Sunday morning.

Beverly VanZandt and Margie Jacob spent the weekend in Midland visiting with Brenda Jacob. They enjoyed shopping, eating out, and visiting with friends and relatives. They also visited with Blanche Boswell, an old friend they knew in Garden City. They hadn't seen each other in 34 years. What a nice visit. They also stopped and visited with Wilma and Cecil Halfmann in Garden City and returned home Sunday night.

*By perseverance the snail reached the ark.*  
C. H. Spurgeon

## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I watched a show the other night about cleaning up TV programming. It showed where they sued TV companies.

If you ask me, it's about time they did it again. TV is mostly for our children and the elderly who have nothing to do.

Our young children are not interested in seeing these women model bras and underwear, or men in their underwear.

Why does the government let them get away with so much? We try to teach our children not to lie and TV is telling them it's o.k. TV is also telling them it's o.k. to live together. You know as well as I do that's wrong and it should be took off. It's a shame and disgrace.

I think TV should be cleaned up for our children and yours. May God have mercy on anyone who thinks TV is right.

*A Concerned Citizen*

## Unemployment rate at 27-year low at 4.2%

Texas's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate continues to reflect the state's economic strength, with the rate dropping one-tenth of a percentage point to 4.2 percent in November.

"Sustained job growth, along with the lowest November unemployment rate in 27 years, represents continued health of the economy and abundant opportunities for Texas workers," TWC Chair Diane Rath said.

Seasonally adjusted nonagriculture jobs grew by an estimated 27,300 over the month, with annual job growth at 2.7 percent.

The Nondurable Goods Manufacturing industry added 1,900 jobs in November.

"This is the largest monthly gain of jobs in Nondurable Goods Manufacturing in over six years," said Commissioner Representing Labor T.P. O'Mahoney, "and the most jobs added since April of 1994."

The Retail Trade industry gained 6,700 jobs in November.

"This year's increase in Retail Trade employment was well above the 10-year average gain of 2,600 for November," said Commissioner Representing Employers Ron Lehman, "contributing to a solid 3.2 percent annual job growth rate in Retail Trade."

The lowest unemployment rate among the Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) was 1.4 percent in Bryan-College Station. Austin-San Marcos was next at 1.9 percent, followed by Lubbock at 2.2 percent. Dallas was next at 2.9 percent, followed by the Fort Worth-Arlington and San Angelo MSAs at 3.0 percent.

The highest unemployment rate was 14.0 percent in the McAllen-Edinburg-Mission MSA, followed by Brownsville-Harlingen at 8.3 percent and Beaumont-Port Arthur at 7.9 percent. El Paso was next at 7.5 percent, followed by Laredo at 6.4 percent.



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The one-day course will be offered Saturday, January 20, beginning at 8:30 a.m. and will continue until noon.

The class will be taught in the Jr. High School computer lab located at 705 Rogers Street.

Course materials will be furnished. Cost is \$25.

Class size is limited, so please register prior to class.

To enroll and/or inquire, contact Rhonda Goetz at 754-5574 ext. 100 or come by the school administration/tax office at 603 N. Heights Street.



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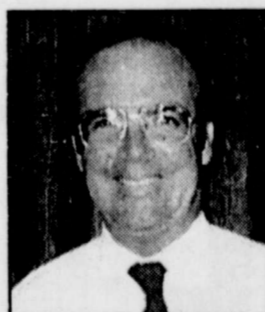
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**PUC Tips**

**Electric utilities provide payment assistance options**

If you're having trouble paying your electric bill, your utility offers payment assistance programs for which you may qualify.

Electric service is no longer a luxury and often the people who need the service most are those who can least afford to pay for it.

Many electric utilities offer deferred payment plans for those who cannot pay their entire bill and may delay disconnection for customers trying to pay their bill. Help is also available from many civic groups, charitable organizations and churches in your community. Contact your utility or the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) at 512-475-1099 for information. TDHCA also distributes funds to community organizations for weatherization projects to repair and make more energy efficient the homes of low-income customers.

If someone who resides in your home has a medical condition that would be jeopardized if your electric service were disconnected, contact your utility. Most will postpone disconnection of your service and try to arrange a payment plan.

A home energy audit is the first step in assessing energy usage and evaluating what measures should be taken to make a home more energy efficient. The audit's home inspection can pinpoint where a home is losing energy and determine the efficiency of its heating and cooling systems.

Currently, Texans can call their electric utility to get a free energy audit. The cost of the audit is paid for through the electric rates. But Senate Bill 7, the electric restructuring law approved last year by the Texas Legislature will change this. The law requires investor-owned electric utilities to separate units: a power generation company; a retail electric provider; and a regulated transmission and distribution company. Utilities must also separate business activities into competitive and regulated components.

Beginning September 1, 2000 energy audits will be considered a competitive service, and will no longer be provided by electric utilities.

Under new rules adopted by the Public Utility Commission (PUC), utilities must offer incentive programs to independent service providers who install energy efficiency measures and services for retail electric customers.

For more information on payment assistance programs or if you have other questions relating to your electric service, call the PUC toll free at 1-888-PUC-TIPS (1-888-782-8477).

You may also call the PUC Office of Customer Protection at P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3266, email at customer@puc.state.tx.us or visit our Web site at www.puc.state.tx.us.

Source: Public Utility Commission

**Ag Exhibit workday set January 24**

There will be a workday for the Gus Pruser Agricultural Exhibit of the Z. I. Hale Museum on Wednesday, January 24, 2001, beginning at 9 a.m.

Anyone willing to help move some equipment to the museum or who would like to help with some of the exhibits are invited to participate.

Any donation of items can be brought to the museum located on West Dale, at that time.

**NATURAL GAS, continued**

The demand for natural gas most certainly exists, and the resource is in the ground. The problem is how to stimulate production and ensure that the necessary infrastructure to move gas to consumers remains available.

In the long run, the market will answer most of these concerns. But regulatory and legislative policies will certainly influence how quickly the market responds. I believe that with the growing demand for gas by electric generation in Texas, the Railroad Commission and the Texas Legislature should be considering policies to increase the production of natural gas.

This legislative session, I will suggest we address this issue of high natural gas prices by looking long range. Political policy is sometimes looked at as a short-term fix when prices are either too high or too low. We should view energy issues from a long-term perspective and seek to help stabilize the industry, which should result in lower prices for consumers and businesses.

The legislature will need to look at what we can do to help revitalize the industry, encourage people to invest their money in Texas energy products and encourage the skilled labor to return.

I have testified to the legislature about policies and incentives for investing capital in the Texas oil and gas industry. This will ultimately lead to competitive electric rates for Texas consumers and businesses and the reassurance that enough supply of natural gas is available to meet electric and human needs.

I have confidence that the natural gas exploration and production companies will eventually increase production, however that will take time.

**Police Beat**

The information below is taken from reports on file with the Winters Police Department. Some of the information is provided to police by citizens, and in some cases, police have not finished investigating the reports. These reports make up a small percentage of the total calls the Department receives and responds to each week.

Winters Police Department reports received and/or investigated from Sunday, January 7, 2001, through Saturday, January 13, 2001. Winters Police Officers:

- checked a 1993 Ford pickup on radar at a speed of 70 mph. in a 40 mph. zone on West Dale Street. Officers attempted to stop the pickup which accelerated and attempted to evade officers. A pursuit then began and as the vehicle entered Highway 153 westbound, speeds of over 100 mph. were reached while the suspect vehicle continued westbound finally stopping at a residence on FM 384. A 29-year-old male exited his vehicle and became combative with officers. A chemical agent was used for compliance and the male was taken into custody. Stacy Lynn Jennings of Winters was arrested for driving while intoxicated, resisting arrest, and evading arrest. He was taken to the Runnels County Jail.
- received report of an accident on West Highway 153. On arrival, officers observed a female covered in blood and a male subject frantic and asking for help. Investigation determined that the male and female were arguing as the male drove towards Winters. The male subject was holding a knife against the female during the argument and the male lost control of the car. The knife struck the female in the face cutting her. The male, Mickey Shane Smith of Winters, was arrested for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and taken to Runnels County Jail. The female was treated by North Runnels E.M.S. and released.
- received a report of vandalism in the 400 block of South Rogers Street. A female of Winters reported finding the door locks to her vehicle damaged. Person(s) unknown had inserted an unknown item into the lock, disabling the locks. Damage is estimated at approximately \$100. The damage was incurred between the hours of 5:30 p.m. Monday to 7:15 a.m. Tuesday. No witnesses have been located.
- received report of a fight in progress in the 200 block of Redner Street. Investigation revealed that two females, both 24 years old and both of Winters, had gotten into an argument that escalated into a physical confrontation. After all information was obtained from witnesses, both females were issued citations for assault and separated for the night.
- received a report of a domestic dispute in the 400 block of South Melwood Street. The dispute involved a 52-year-old male and a 40-year-old female, both of Winters. Both parties alleged the other had abused a baby girl belonging to the female. No evidence of abuse or injuries were observed on the infant. The female was determined to be the aggressor and was requested to leave for a short while. No other action was taken.
- received a report of a warrant out of the Runnels County Juvenile Probation Office for a 15-year-old Winters male. The juvenile was located and taken into custody for a probation violation and transported to Tom Green Juvenile Detention Center.
- stopped a 1990 Dodge passenger car in the 200 block of East Pierce Street for a mechanical violation. A license check revealed the driver, a 28-year-old female of Baird, to not have a driver's license. No insurance could be located either. The female was issued a citation for driving without a driver's license and no insurance and the vehicle was impounded.
- received a report of a domestic dispute in the 100 block of North Grant Street. A 35-year-old female of Winters reported that a male subject had been at her apartment and as they began arguing, the male began breaking items in the apartment. The male left the scene before officers arrival, but was located by the Texas Highway Patrol and found to be driving while intoxicated and driving while license suspended. James Grant was arrested for both charges and additional charges for reckless damage or destruction are pending.
- received a report of an accident at Armbrecht and Roberts Streets. A 1979 Cadillac had collided with a 1990 Lincoln car. An odor of alcohol was detected on the driver of the Cadillac. Field sobriety tasks were requested of the driver who subsequently failed all tasks. Stevie Whittaker of Winters was arrested for driving while intoxicated and taken to Runnels County Jail where he provided a blood alcohol specimen over the legal limit.

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

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

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**County Court Dispositions**

Tony Cabrera Jr., assault, pleaded nolo contendere, fined \$2,000 plus \$210.25 court costs

Tony Cabrera Jr., two counts of assault, dismissed, defendant convicted in another case

Diana Cortez, giving false information to a peace officer, pleaded nolo contendere, sentence of 60 days in county jail suspended, fined \$125 plus \$235.25 court costs

**Marriage Licenses**

Jan. 8

Blake Edward O'Dell and Susian Teri Henson Parsons

**District Court January Grand Jury Indictments**

Jose Ponce Ponce, San Angelo, failure to appear

Santos Reyna, Winters, driving while intoxicated (two prior convictions)

Kenneth Wayne Patterson, Weatherford, driving while intoxicated (two prior convictions)

Nathan Wood, San Angelo, forgery by passing

Jimmy Paul Prendez, Ballinger, possession of a firearm by a felon

Jeremy Prater, Winters, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle

Jose Balderas-Galan, Paint Rock, sexual assault of a child

**Divorces Granted**

Dec. 14

Raymond Salazar Aleman and Janet Lea Aleman

**Civil Cases Filed**

Jan. 8

Charlie Grohman vs. Perry Poe, ex-employment damages

**Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Felony Cases Filed**

Jan. 8

Tristan Coy, filed for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon

**Criminal Cases Filed**

Dec. 31

John Travis Rector, filed for possession of drug paraphernalia

Lacy Brook Gibson, filed for public intoxication

Stefany Jo Hoelscher, filed for consumption of alcohol by a minor

Jan. 10

James A. Bilyeu, filed on two counts: failure to appear

**Small Claims Cases Filed**

Jan. 8

Alamo Title Insurance vs. Dan L. Kenney and Vicki L. Kenney, breach of warranty

Jan. 9

Bank of America N.A. vs. Daniel Mendez, promissory note

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THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF RUNNELS BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE

DATED January 8, 2001, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree 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 January 8, 2001, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in February, 2001, the same being the 6th 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. 3863** STYLING, DEFENDANTS AND PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

County of Runnels, City of Winters, and Winters Independent School District vs. The Unknown Heirs to the Estate of Jack Sidney Selden aka Jack Sidney Seldon, The Unknown Heirs to the Estate of Rachel Selden aka Rachel Seldon, Wilbur Phelps aka W.F. Phelps as an Heir to the Estate of Rachel Selden aka Rachel Seldon, deceased, Nell Click as an Heir to the Estate of Rachel Selden aka Rachel Seldon, deceased, Ouida Nichols as an Heir to the Estate of Rachel Selden aka Rachel Seldon, deceased, Jerry Rogers as an Heir to the Estate of Rachel Selden aka Rachel Seldon, deceased, Jimmy Whittenburg as an Heir to the Estate of Rachel Selden aka Rachel Seldon, deceased, Wayne Rogers as an Heir to the Estate of Rachel Selden aka Rachel Seldon, deceased, Mary Kathryn Raum as an Heir to the Estate of Rachel Selden aka Rachel Seldon, deceased, and Bobbie Elmo Rogers; all defendants being In Rem Only

All of Lot 1 and East 18 feet of Lot 2, Block 8, Dale West Addition to the City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas, being that property more particularly described in Volume 351, Page 504 of the Deed Records, Runnels County, Texas

**3872** Winters Independent School District and County of Runnels vs. Sam Wood aka S.B.R. Wood, State of Texas, through its agency the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (In Rem Only), and Alderman-Cave Milling & Grain Company, a Texas corporation (In Rem Only)

150 Acres out of Abstract 691, H.N. Baggs Survey #80, Runnels County, Texas, being that property more particularly described in Volume 155, Page 329 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.

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1 "Bullet" Bob Hayes won gold in '64 in 100m

5 TXism: "como (How are you?)"

6 TXism: "not any"

7 Presidio La Bahia has fresco of angel with six of these

8 Galveston-filmed "Capricorn"

9 TXism: "it'll do (adequate)"

17 Gulf shrimp catchers

19 TX Tanya tune

21 TX Roy Orbison's "Pretty Woman"

22 TXism: "what around comes around"

23 TX Hamblen's "This House"

24 energetic Margo Jones was the "Dallas"

30 TX Capitol statue "Freedom" has a Roman

34 Perry is TX Gov.

35 coastal guide

36 TXism for "many"

37 saddle making skill

39 TXism: "strong as (smelly)"

43 TXism: "tough row the day (difficult)"

44 foes

45 TX Wills: "Ah take it away Leon"

46 TXism: "as the driven snow"

**DOWN**

1 home of TWU and UNT

2 TXism: "busy (armed)"

3 Galveston's "Strand" was once known as "Wall"

4 San Marcos is seat of this county

9 TXism: "honest as the day (long)"

10 TX Quaid film: "The Lights Went Out in Georgia"

11 Valley healing plant

12 juror, e.g.

13 TX fire ant, e.g.

14 wife of TX John Connally (init.)

15 head of a TX corp. (abbr.)

16 TXism: "no (stepper) (easy)"

18 TXism: "could sell sheep"

20 small sofa

24 this TX Dan was TV's "Hoss" (init.)

25 affirmative vote in TX legislature

26 TXism: "your poison" (choose)

27 TXism: "happy as a kid in (store)"

28 actress Rita

29 TXism: "he's beer"

31 strong beer

32 TXism: "worn (frazzle)"

33 TXism: "at the (hat)"

38 "yes" south of the border

41 quilling or killer fodder lying bib over

49 "Dallas" character: Sue

51 TXism: "he can stay neck 'n neck with" TX jackrabbit"

58 TXism: " (no one)"

**Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.**



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