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**TEMPERANCE**—The driver is safer when the roads are dry; the roads are safer when the driver is dry.

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# The Winters Enterprise

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**PLAYOFF BOUND BLIZZARDS** celebrate their exciting 30-27 victory over the Coleman Bluecats Friday night. Winters eliminated Coleman and placed third in district which earns them a bi-district playoff spot. The Blizzards will meet the Troy Trojans Friday at 8 p.m. in Gordon Wood Stadium in Brownwood.

## Blizzards in playoffs

**Exciting 30-27 win over Coleman sends Blizzards into bi-district against Troy**

Suspense, drama, intrigue, controversy. No, it's not a Steven Spielberg movie. It was the annual showdown between the Winters Blizzards and the Coleman Bluecats.

And Friday's game was not just another ball game between two rival teams. This was for some of the district playoff marbles.

A must-win game for Winters to get into the playoffs brought out one of the best efforts of the Blizzards and the Blizzard fans. Coleman was also playing for a playoff berth, and Winters ex and now head coach Bill Grissom had his Bluecats ready to play.

The Coleman newspaper reported that Coach Grissom said that to win the ball game, they

would have to keep the ball on offense and away from the Blizzard offense. The Blizzards decided that was a good plan but only in reverse.

Coleman showed off their speed on the third play from scrimmage, racing 57 yards for a touchdown before a capacity crowd.

Winters head coach Robin Byrd said, "We didn't want to get in a track meet with them, but they started off looking like they were going to."

The Winters offense sputtered at the start as Coleman intercepted the ball on the Blizzards' first play from scrimmage. At this point, the Blizzards looked a little sluggish but the defense perked up first.

See **BLIZZARDS**, pg. 6

**Winters Blizzards vs. Troy Trojans**  
 Bi-district competition  
 Friday, Nov. 12 at 8 p.m.  
 Gordon Wood Stadium, Brownwood  
 Broadcast live on KATX 96.1 FM

## "Taste of Texas Cook-Off" and Arts & Crafts Show this Saturday

*\$200 first place prize for brisket and wild game*

by Carolyn Scarborough, Winters Area Chamber of Commerce Secretary

Win \$200 for your brisket or wild game recipe!

The Arts & Crafts Show and "Taste of Texas Cook-Off" will be held this Saturday, November 13, at the Winters Community Center and City Park. Be sure to enter the cook-off with your special recipe for brisket, wild game, or beans.

The entry fee for brisket and wild game is \$20 with cash prizes of \$200, \$100, and \$50 for each category.

The entry fee for the beans contest is \$10 with prizes of \$40, \$30, and \$20. And who here in West Texas cannot make a pot of beans?

We want everyone to participate and make this a great annual event to look forward to each year. Call 754-5210 now to enter.

If you haven't turned in your

reservation for booth space, please do so now. There will be booths both inside and outside. We want everyone to have a space to display their wonderful crafts, Christmas decorations, and gifts for that special someone.

We will have entertainment scheduled throughout the day. Karen Heart, contemporary gospel recording star, will be featured at 11 a.m. and again at 2 p.m. Also providing entertainment are Jackie Isham, country music singer, and several surprise out-of-town guests. Games and a mini-train for the kids are scheduled for all day Saturday.

We are looking for a good crowd to cook, eat, and shop. There will be food available such as turkey legs, hamburgers, sau-

sage on a stick, fajitas, and funnel cakes. Bring the family and make a day of it.

The annual Christmas Parade will be held on Saturday, December 4, at 2 p.m. This year's theme is "Cowboy Country Christmas." Come by the Chamber office and pick up your entry form now. There is no charge to be in the parade and cash prizes will be awarded for the best floats. We encourage the community and surrounding areas to participate.

Sno-Queen contestant forms are also available at the Chamber office. Businesses who would like to sponsor a young lady, donate a prize, or donate to the scholarship fund can contact me at the Chamber office. Sponsorship is only \$10.



**Blizzards sixth at regional—**

## Rodriguez advances to state cross-country meet, Saturday

Blizzard harrier Jimmy Rodriguez will compete in the state cross-country meet on Saturday at the Old Settlers Park in Round Rock. This is his third consecutive year to qualify for the meet.

Rodriguez placed fourth in the regional cross-country meet last Saturday at UT San Antonio as the Blizzards finished sixth. He finished ahead of the number one runner from Hamilton who had beaten him at the district meet three weeks ago.

Nineteen teams competed with

a total of 141 runners. The top three teams advancing to state are Premont, Dilley, and District 25-2A champion, Hamilton.

Individual times and places from Saturday's regional meet are as follows:

**Blizzards—6th**  
 Jimmy Rodriguez, 4th, 17:00  
 Tony Aguero, 28th, 18:56  
 Juan Santos, 39th, 19:14  
 Brian Pritchard, 73rd, 20:03  
 Artemio Lopez, 88th, 20:29  
 Ezequiel Martinez, 93rd, 20:45  
 Kenny Green, 116th, 21:45

## Commissioners urge citizens to uphold new rubbish law

Runnels County Commissioners met on Monday this week for their regular meeting at the courthouse. Running through routine agenda items in less than thirty minutes, commissioners canvassed the light turnout of voters in the November 2 constitutional amendment election, approved current accounts for payment and accepted the auditor and treasurer reports for the month.

Commissioners also accepted an order of the District Judge setting the salary of the 119th Judge. See **COMMISSIONERS**, pg. 7

## Third grade will perform musical Tuesday, Nov. 16

The third grade classes of Winters Elementary will perform a musical entitled "Lovin' Kindness" on Tuesday, November 16 at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

The group will perform the musical for the school at 2 p.m. that afternoon.

This musical expresses how we should treat each other with love and kindness—an excellent lesson on life! Admission is free and everyone is welcomed to attend!



**STATE REPRESENTATIVE BOB TURNER, D-VOSS** (center) was special guest at a luncheon hosted at the Rock Hotel last Wednesday by the Winters Area Business and Industrial Corporation. Rep. Turner gave governmental updates concerning rural economic development. Other guests were representatives from the Ballinger and Coleman Industrial Boards. Shown with the congressman are (l-r) Jimmy Butler, Brenda Burton, Mike Harris, and Charles Bahlman.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- Nov. 11-VETERAN'S DAY  
 8 a.m., Veteran's Day Flag Raising Ceremony, WHS Flagpole  
 10 a.m., Triple L Club, First Baptist Church  
 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Activity Center  
 1 p.m., Mid-West Texas Artists Guild, Ballinger  
 6 p.m., Financial Aid Seminar for College Bound, WHS Auditorium
- Nov. 12-8:30 a.m.- 4 p.m., Dillard Seminar on Alzheimer's Disease, Abilene  
 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Activity Center  
 5 p.m., Blizzard Send-Off, Downtown  
 6:30 p.m., Limousin Forum, San Angelo  
 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco  
 8 p.m., Varsity Blizzards vs. Troy, Brownwood  
 Buddy Poppy Sale, Downtown
- Nov. 13-9 a.m.-5 p.m., 30th Annual Arts & Crafts Show and "Taste of West Texas Cook-off," Winters Community Center & City Park  
 2-5 p.m., Veterans Room Open House, Rock Hotel  
 6 p.m., Veterans Dinner, Winters VFW Post Home  
 6 p.m., 4-H Record Book Training, Citizens State Bank, Miles  
 State Cross-Country at Round Rock  
 Buddy Poppy Sale, Downtown
- Nov. 14-St. Joseph Fall Festival, Rowena
- Nov. 15-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Activity Center  
 Noon-3 p.m., College Days, Texas State Technical College, Sweetwater  
 4 p.m., FFA District Leadership, Cisco  
 6 p.m., Weight Watchers, Senior Citizens Activity Center  
 6:30-9 p.m., WISD Computer Training Course, WJHS Computer Lab  
 6:30 p.m., Runnels Baptist Association International Banquet, First Baptist Church of Bronte
- Nov. 16-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Activity Center  
 Noon, Lions Club, Community Center  
 5-6:30 p.m., Pioneer Club, First United Methodist Church  
 6 p.m., Order of Eastern Star, Wingate Masonic Lodge  
 7 p.m., Athletic Boosters, Blizzard Stadium  
 7 p.m., Third Grade Musical, WHS Auditorium  
 7 p.m., WFVD, Fire Station  
 7:30 p.m., Eastern Star  
 Women's Service League  
 Concho Valley College Night, Angelo State University
- Nov. 17-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Chamber Office  
 9 a.m.-4 p.m., WIC, Winters Housing Authority  
 10 a.m.-Noon, FREE Blood Pressure Check, Activity Center  
 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Activity Center  
 6:30-9 p.m., WISD Computer Training Course, WJHS Computer Lab
- Nov. 18-10 a.m., Down Home Cooking, Winters Housing Authority  
 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Activity Center  
 1 p.m., Mid-West Texas Artists Guild, Ballinger  
 6:30 p.m., Caregivers Support Group, First Presbyterian Church, Ballinger  
 San Angelo Calf Scramble Entries Due to Extension Office

**Oil Bidness**

By Reg Boles ©1999

Sometimes you take things for granted in this business. Like bar-becue after a big frac job and "West Texas" in front of "Intermediate," you just get to a point where you expect things to be a certain way.

The danger comes when you forget to ask why. Assuming something in the oil patch can be hazardous at times.

Recently, it was brought to my attention that something that I have always accepted without questioning should, in fact, be questioned, investigated, and resolved before being applied. Now, I may be the only guy that didn't know this, but hear me out.

If you work in the field, you probably have heard of "2% KCl" (potassium chloride). It is typically used as an "in between" in any stimulation job. It can be a pre-flush, a spacer between stages, or a flush. It has been sold by service companies as a relatively benign fluid that doesn't harm the formation and is a little "slicker" (lower viscosity) than plain water.

Several of my bosses over the years had their doubts about its usefulness, except as a profit-enhancer for service companies. In any case, its use is widespread in the business.

Well, it turns out that KCl is fine, but it just needs to be MORE KCl in some cases. But, knowing how much more depends on the mineralogy content of the rock being stimulated.

Through x-ray analysis of rock samples, one is able to discern the dominant minerals in the formation being treated. It turns out that, depending upon the amount of clay or certain other types of minerals, the formation can have adverse chemical reactions with water. If the water has higher potassium chloride concentration, then the adverse reactions are avoided.

These adverse reactions can cause something that is often used as an excuse for poor returns after a stimulation job: "water block." This is a catch-all term for any well that seems to dry up after acidizing for no apparent reason.

The well will mysteriously lose all fluid productivity—water and oil stop moving.

Now, potassium chloride is not the only solution to this problem, but the other answers can be a bit more exotic or have other negatives. For instance, highly-saturated salt water can prevent the bad reactions, but it may damage the pipe in the hole.

I am told that in some cases, 2% KCl is sufficient, but one had better be sure or risk ruining a well.

That can be bad medicine indeed when an operator is shelling out money to INCREASE production.

So, now you are warned...you almost know it all.

**HIGHLIGHTS  
OF AREA  
DRILLING ACTIVITY  
COMPLETIONS**

**Concho County**

The Pickens Co. has completed the R.L. Carter #2 in the West Millersview Field (2 miles SW of Millersview) at an initial rate of 884 MCFPD (AOF) in the Camar Sand (perfs 2942-56). Loc. is 2228 FWL & 467 FSL of Sec. 97, Blk. 72, T&NO Sur., A-874.

**Nolan County**

Patterson Petroleum has completed the "69" Ranch #1 in the South Lake Trammel Field (3 miles NE of Maryneal) at an initial rate of 30 BOPD in the Canyon (perfs 5205-35). Loc. is 330 FSL & 2444 FWL of Sec. 100, Blk. X, T&PRR Sur., A-1505.

**STAKINGS**

**Callahan County**

Sojourner Drilling has staked the Isenhower #1 in the County Regular Field, 3 miles E of Putnam (Depth 1000). Loc. is 1650 FSL & 600 FWL of G&SF Sur., A-823.

**Coke County**

L.C.S. Production has staked three wells in the Fort Chadbourne Field, 7 miles NE of Bronte (Depth 5999). The Glenn #3 is loc. 1220 FEL & 2540 FSL of Sec. 347, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur. The Morris #1 is loc. 100 FEL & 525 FNL of M.C. Allen Sur. No. 1, A-1154. The Stowe-Altura #1 is loc. 330 FNL of 450 J.N. Lindley Sur.

**Coleman County**

Bill Mathis has staked the R. Nell #1

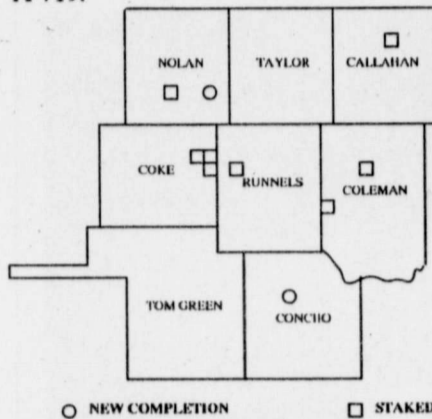
as a Wildcat, 3 miles N of Santa Anna (Depth 3200). Loc. is 660 FWL & 615 FSL of B. Fowler Sur. No. 492, A-204.  
Petro-Beth Oil & Gas, Inc. has staked the Evans #3 in the Snave Field, 3 miles SW of Valera (Depth 2250). Loc. is 330 FSL & 2548 FWL of Sec. 63, Blk. 1, GH&H Sur.

**Nolan County**

R.L. Adkins Corp. has staked the Dickson #1-81 in the Joan Field, 6 miles NW of Maryneal (Depth 7500). Loc. is 1000 FNL & 600 FWL of Sec. 81, Blk. X, T&PRR Sur.

**Runnels County**

H&S Production, Inc. has amended the location of the J. Bryan #1 in the North Norton Field, 12 miles SW of Winters (Depth 4800). Loc. is 990 FEL & 2950 FNL of W.H. Smith Sur. No. 599, A-719.



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Nov. 15 thru Nov. 19  
Subject to change

**Monday, Nov. 15:** Chicken & noodles, English peas, tossed salad, garlic bread, and dump cake.

**Tuesday, Nov. 16:** Bar-B-Q on bun, chips, baked beans, pickles & onions, and fruit.

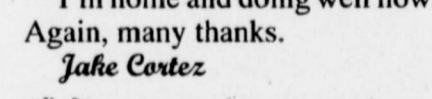
**Wednesday, Nov. 17:** Chicken & gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot roll, and banana nut cake.

**Thursday, Nov. 18:** Stew, vegetable sticks, fruit salad, cornbread, and pudding.

**Friday, Nov. 19:** Pork roast & gravy, scalloped potatoes, corn, cornbread, and cake.

**Card of Thanks**

I would like to thank everyone for all the cards, visits, phone calls, and all the support I received while I was in the hospital. I appreciate everything everyone did for me.  
I'm home and doing well now. Again, many thanks.  
*Jake Cortez*



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**Sr. Citizens  
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Home News**

By Billie Ruth Bishop

**Ghosts & goblins  
bring joy**

Thanks to all of you little ghosts and goblins for bringing joy and gladness to the hearts of the residents at Senior Citizens Nursing Home last Friday and Saturday evenings.

There are some big changes being made with the grounds around the nursing home. We are looking forward to the renovation both inside and out.

I failed to mention in last week's newsletter a big "thank you" to the ladies of the Literary and Service Club for the program you brought on "Make A Difference" Day. Thanks so much.

**Dillard Seminar  
on Alzheimer's  
Disease scheduled  
November 12  
in Abilene**

The Alzheimer's Association of West Central Texas will conduct its annual "Dillard Seminar on Alzheimer's Disease" on Friday, November 12, at St. Paul United Methodist Church Activity Building, 525 Beech in Abilene.

The seminar is conducted each year in November, Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month, to honor the memory of Richard Dillard, a founder of the local chapter of the Alzheimer's Association. The program is designed to increase public awareness and to assist caregivers, both family members and healthcare professionals, with practical advice and information.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., with the first speaker scheduled at 9:15 a.m. The program concludes at 4:00 p.m.

There is no registration fee, and all interested persons are welcome to attend. Continuing education units of credit will be available for a fee for administrators, social workers, activity directors, and nurses (type two).

To receive a brochure or additional information, call (915) 672-2907 or (888) 511-4132.

**Card of Thanks**

We would like to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, visits, food, and every act of kindness shown to our family during my surgery and since I have returned home.  
*The Clyde Reid family*

**Card of Thanks**

We would like to extend a great big thank you to Cheryl Kruse, the 1999-2000 WJH cheerleader sponsor. Because of her great leadership qualities, Amanda had the best year possible.  
We as parents are so blessed to have such a wonderful example for our children to follow.  
Thank you again for all your time and hard work.  
*Perry & Malinda Poe*

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**Obituaries**

**Jessie Marie Hall**

**DALHART**—Jessie Marie Hall, 89, died Monday, November 1, 1999, at Bronte Nursing Home.

She was born Jessie Marie Stayton in Dalhart on August 12, 1910, the daughter of Dennis Thomas Stayton and Mary Alpharetta Harris Stayton. She moved with her family to Sedan, New Mexico, in 1916. She returned to Dalhart to complete her high school education, living with the Bearden family. In 1931, Jessie married Judge Lawrence C. Ashby who predeceased her in 1964. She was married to Frank S. Hall Jr. from 1978 until his death in 1994.

Mrs. Hall worked with Judge Ashby in the Federal Land Bank Association and in an insurance and real estate business. Later she worked in secretarial positions for the Central United Methodist Church, where she received the Distinguished Service Award, and for Bishop Office Supply. She was a volunteer as a "Pink Lady" at Coon Memorial Nursing Home in Dalhart.

She was also preceded in death by one grandson, T.J. Shields; and five sisters, Lola Sphone, Opal Hall, Ruth Stayton, Hazel Thomas, and Daisy Hanna.

Survivors include three children, Dr. Neil Ashby of Boulder, Colorado, Jo Beth Shields of Winters, and Dr. Janita Kay Byars of Pittsford, New York; one brother, Reverend D.T. Stayton of Lenexa, Kansas; one sister, Mary Nichols of Comanche; six grandchildren, Dr. Matthew Ashby of Arlington, Massachusetts, Jennifer Ashby of Atlantic Mine, Mississippi, Michael and Christopher Byars of New York City, New York, Robert Shields of Austin, and Marla Rich of Christoval; three great-grandchildren, Christi Shields, Marlandy Luna, and Mason Rich. Also surviving are four stepchildren, Albert Hall of Amarillo, Julia Stewart of Dalhart, Meredith Ashby of Anaheim, California, and Louise Stevens of Memphis, Tennessee; fourteen stepgrandchildren, Larry and Don Stensaas, Lionel and Sterling Ashby, Richard Stevens, Cathy Morrell, Judy Wooten, Susan Robertson, Allen Stewart, Kay Beth Schneider, Gary Hall, Beckie McGuire, Lisa Helton, and Beverly Cruse; and twenty-four stepgreat-grandchildren.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, November 6, at Central United Methodist Church in Dalhart with Reverend Everett Statler and Reverend Jimmie Cole officiating.

Memorials may be made to Vista Care Family Hospice, 1121 S. Bryant Blvd., San Angelo, Texas 76903.

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Dr. Carter is a native of Ft. Worth and graduated from Texas Tech University. He received his medical degree from the University of Texas Health Science Center-San Antonio and completed his residency at Scott and White Memorial Hospital and Clinic. He also served on five medical trips to Mexico and speaks fluent Spanish.

He specializes in surgical and medical diseases of the eye including cataract and glaucoma surgery as well as laser eye surgeries.

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## From The Well

By  
Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

This morning I found myself washing the bathroom floor. Like the other floors in the parsonage, it needs to be cleaned. Because you see, Ramona is "up north" in South Dakota. With our daughter Katie, who is now in her sixth month of pregnancy. Number three is on the way. And, like its two predecessors, Hans and Siri, is eager to enter this world outside the womb. Too eager! So Katie has to stay in bed. And Ramona has to be with her.

So, now I'm doing the household chores. And ever so often I feel a little sorry for myself. Like this morning.

And then, I remembered. It was an article about a preacher in Cincinnati. He is pastor of Vineyard Community Church there. And, together with his congregation, is into "servant evangelism." His name is Steve Sjogren.

What is "servant evangelism?" According to a discussion he had with Pastor's Toolkit, a magazine published by Mainstay Church Resources in Carol Stream, Illinois, it looks like this:

**P.T.:** Steve, what's a pastor of a very large church doing going out cleaning toilets and washing windows and such?

**Steve:** Well, it's a great credibility builder. I'm known as the pastor in Cincinnati who cleans toilets!

**P.T.:** But why else do you do it?

**Steve:** I've really found out that if I serve my way into people's hearts by doing menial tasks that nobody else wants to do, then they are intrigued and respond by asking questions. They want to know more.

**P.T.:** So you and teams of people from your church go out to a business like a restaurant or a beauty salon and ask if you can clean their toilets for free. How do the people respond?

**Steve:** Well, at first they might say something like, "Did you just get out of jail and are on probation?" Others ask, "Okay, is this 'Candid Camera?'" Or, "What's the catch?"

**P.T.:** So, what's the catch?

**Steve:** There isn't one. We're just trying to demonstrate the love of Christ in a practical way with no strings attached. What we've seen is that when we serve—clean toilets, wash windows, pass out cold sodas on hot days, whatever—peoples' hearts become incredibly open. That's the great thing about servant evangelism—conversations open up naturally. Typically, before we leave someone will ask, "What kind of Christians are you? What do you believe?"

**P.T.:** Are you just hoping the people you are serving will ask you the right questions?

**Steve:** Well, I'm looking for an open door. You see, what we're doing is pretty radical. At a time like ours, the watching world believes they understand who Christians are or what we're about. They come up with definitions for how they think we're going to behave, labeling us parental, angry, militant, or political. But what I teach in "Conspiracy of Kindness" (a book by Sjogren) is that with servant evangelism you bypass peoples' heads and invade their hearts with simple acts of kindness. It's a proven method that I've seen work time and time again. Peoples' lives are changed. In fact, nearly every week I get letters from people who say, "I'm attending your church because I knew that if you were out in the community serving that I had to come and see what you were all about."

Strange what can and does sometimes happen. When you are down on your knees. Washing the bathroom floor. You start feeling sorry for yourself and, whoa, here comes the Spirit of God. Not gentle this time. More like a kick in the pants. But, for sure, a call. To be like Jesus. And do like Jesus did. "For, the Son of Man came, not to be served, but to serve and to give His life as a ransom for many." (Mark 10:45)

I really should know about being a servant. Not because I'm so good at it. But... I married one. She's doing her thing right now. It's His thing. Service. Selfless. Of the Kingdom. Forever. For heaven is full of servants. And, who... in hell... wants to be a servant? Think about it.

## Veteran's Day celebrations

by Mary Kurtz, Winters VFW Auxiliary President

Don't forget that today is Veteran's Day. Every Veteran's Day, we remember our "Dough-boys" from World War I who died on the battleground in Europe.

Originally called "Armistice Day," this day was conceived as a tribute to the Americans who sacrificed their lives in that war. Yet today, we honor all American veterans who have served in every other war, before and after World War I to defend democracy.

We also honor our veterans from every period of peace as well, for they protect what our war veterans fought and died to defend.

This year the Winters Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9193 and Ladies Auxiliary will not only be observing Veteran's Day but also the 100th Anniversary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of America.

They invite everyone to join them at the following Veteran's Day observances:

**Thursday, November 11**  
8 AM—Flag Raising Ceremony, Winters High School, sponsored by WHS Student Council

10 AM—Visitation/program, Senior Citizens Nursing Home followed by Our House

**Friday, November 12**  
PM—Buddy Poppy Street Blockade, corner of Main and Dale

**Saturday, November 13**  
AM—Buddy Poppy Street Blockade, corner of Main and Dale

Arts & Crafts Show, Community Center

3-5 PM—"Open House of the Veterans Room," Rock Hotel

6 PM—Dinner, Winters VFW Post Home

VFW Commander Robert Holder, Auxiliary President Mary Kurtz, and all members of the Post/Auxiliary invite every veteran, every veteran's family, and all of the friends of the VFW to attend any or all of the activities.

The VFW is more than just a veterans organization, it is a rallying force for all Americans. Through our programs and projects we serve veterans, their families, our communities, and our nation.

## An evening of praise and worship— Winters Community Choir to perform "God For Us" on Sunday, November 21

The Winters Community Choir will present an evening of praise and worship when they perform "God For Us" on Sunday, November 21 at 7 p.m. in the WHS Auditorium.

From quiet moments of reflection to high moments of praise, "God For Us" centers on the great love the Father has bestowed upon us through a narrative script enriched by vocal and instrumental selections throughout. "God For Us" was conceived and created to be a complete worship experience involving a worship leader, narrator, praise team, choir, congregation, and band.

Directed by Don Roath, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Winters, the musical will feature over forty members from the community.

Admission is free and everyone is invited to attend to this worship experience for all seasons!

## FUMC initiates "Pioneer Clubs" — weekly youth program and meal

The First United Methodist Church of Winters has initiated a program entitled "Pioneer Clubs" for children in the community. This new program is open to children ages 3 through the sixth grade.

"Pioneer Clubs" is a weekly club program that helps children put Christ in every phase of life, form healthy relationships, and develop positive feelings about themselves. It allows youth to develop a lifestyle based on biblical values.

Children will participate in Bible exploration, Bible story, learning Bible verses, craft activities, life activities, a songfest and meal time before being dismissed.

Club names include 'Scooters,' 'Voyagers,' and 'Trailblazers.'

Karen Mills is children's coordinator. Other adults helping with the clubs are Christi Bernal, Tammy Young, Maudella Reeves, Margaret Anderson, Nancy Thompson, Reverend Don Roath, plus numerous others helping in the classrooms and with the meal.

The club is a nondenominational program and meets every Tuesday from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in the Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. Children of the community are invited to attend.

Come join the "Pioneer Clubs"—it's something super happening at First United Methodist Church!

*"Light Up A Life"*—

## Hospice Holiday Tree will begin Monday, November 29

Winters will once again sponsor "Light Up A Life" with a Hospice Holiday Tree located at Main Drug in Winters. The tree will be in place beginning Monday, November 29.

Each donation of \$10 or more will place a dove on the tree. The names of those honored will be displayed on doves adorning the tree.

Donations may be made in memory of a loved one; in honor of the birth of a child; or in honor

of someone special.

The holiday season is a special time of caring, sharing, and celebrating life. Hospice Care celebrates life every day by working to make each day of life the best possible for our patients and their families.

Honor someone or the memory of someone special and help Hospice help others. Hospice's work with the terminally-ill in our community is dependent on your generosity.

## Runnels Baptist Association to host international banquet, Nov. 15

The Runnels Baptist Association will host an International Banquet, Monday, November 15, 1999, at First Baptist Church, Bronte.

The banquet will begin at 6:30 p.m. The executive board and WMU will not meet.

Jessie Kidd, foreign missionary, will be the guest speaker. Margaret Epperson, Association WMU director, is in charge of the program.

Everyone is encouraged to attend.

## Letters to the Editor

### Booster Club thanks fans for awesome support at Coleman

—Encourages a repeat performance this Friday—

Dear Blizzard Fans,

The Winters Booster Club would like to say a **BIG THANK YOU** to the fans of Winters for their support of the Blizzard football team last Friday night in Coleman.

Your spirit and enthusiasm never wavered throughout the game, giving our guys the confidence and desire they needed to win. Knowing they had an ENTIRE stand of tried and "TRUE BLUE" fans behind them was just the boost they needed to succeed!

Let's keep up the good work this Friday as the Blizzards travel to Gordon Wood Stadium in Brownwood to take on the Troy Trojans of District 26-2A.

Decorate your cars, dress in blue, and bring your blue "rally rags" to wave in the air—your flags, shakers, cowbells, airhorns, and more to encourage OUR BOYS to be VICTORIOUS over Troy on Friday night for the BI-DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP.

**TOGETHER** we can make it happen!

**Thanks again!**

*The Winters Athletic Booster Club*

### Thanks for helping establish Coke County Veterans Memorial

Dear Friends,

It is time for us to thank the many people who have been so very helpful in getting out the word about the Coke County Area Veterans Memorial being built in Bronte. There are no comprehensive lists of persons who have served their country. We have used records from federal, state, and county agencies. Schools have provided us registers. Many names were added by old-timers, from family, genealogies, and by word-of-mouth. Our thanks to all who told a friend or relative. The area-wide interest has sparked memories that have lain dormant for years. Our thanks to the newspapers who have published letters and articles. Responses have been — pardon the pun — monumental.

The dedication will be held on December 4 at 11:00 a.m. Registration will begin at 10:15. The Big Country squadron of the Confederate Air Force has agreed to begin the ceremony with a fly-

over (weather permitting). A band under the direction of George Tomes will play patriotic music. A Goodfellow AFB color guard will be on hand to present the colors. Many other people are cooperating to make this important endeavor a success. Our thanks to all of you.

Please mark this date, December 4, on your calendar. Bring your lawn chairs and come to Bronte and help us celebrate this red, white, and blue occasion. If you have pictures or memorabilia you want to share, there will be a place for this to be displayed in the old depot. You may see someone you have not seen in a long time and have an opportunity to reminisce.

Veterans Memorial Committee

*Dorothy Pruitt, Ettie Hubbard, Dorothy Collins, Gary Shaffer, Royce Lee, Pat Lee, and Martin Lee - Ex Officio*

### Citizen wants to stop Halloween

Dear Editor:

I recently watched a program that was so impactful, I can't stop thinking about it! I know it's mostly because God is laying on my heart to step out boldly and spread the words of truth of this program.

I was born and grew up in this community, although this information is for all who are willing to accept it as the truth! But please, after all is said and done, as with everything else, research this for yourselves—I pray it gets your attention enough to do so.

And then do the ultimate — ask God to tell you what He thinks. I did and was so shocked at His answer. He informed me that as a child, I was involved innocently, by the mere fun of it. As my parents had passed down to me, I in turn, involved my children. Even as an adult, just watching all the fun the children were having was more than enough to stay involved. Then it happened!

I stopped the hustle-bustle day long enough to hear God say, I know that you know this in your heart, I know that you know the truth! But be of good cheer. As my words of truth tell you, the truth will set you free!

And free I am from another devil's deception. Free from what seemed all these years a fun day of silly pranks and scary costumes, to this truth laid gently on my heart as only God can, to take part in this day is dangerous to your good spirit, as my children!

This day began as a celebration of the spirits of the dead! In direct conflict with my living Holy Spirit! Which in itself is a testimony of an attack from Satan.

This day (Halloween) is celebrated all over the world, and do I think in this one article I can stop anything? No, but I have done what was laid on my heart, by the One that can and will, with all willing to be used to help spread these words of truth.

I don't expect overnight results. It has taken me two years to really get this straight in my heart. I was trying to convince myself, what harm can come from wearing costumes, going to school carnivals, treating or tricking children? What harm indeed!

A lot, if you stop and really take a good look at headlines of the past years. There is an increase of violence on this day. Missing animals, especially black cats. Vandalism, even missing children and adults.

But lastly and most importantly, add up all the loss of life. I know one should have been enough, but how many more will it take? None, I pray!

Stop and listen! Do you hear God's call to end this day of celebration? Only you can answer that question. Only you can ask. So please ask and then speak out your answers of truth!

I asked what to do. He said, "Do nothing." What, I said? And then I understood.

To ever end this celebration, we must all stop participation in any way. I was deceived for over 40 years. God forgive me! I will celebrate no more. But what celebration am I talking about? The one that just passed.

So please don't hesitate as I did. Hurry, hurry, ask.

From my heart,

*Noelisa Loehman*

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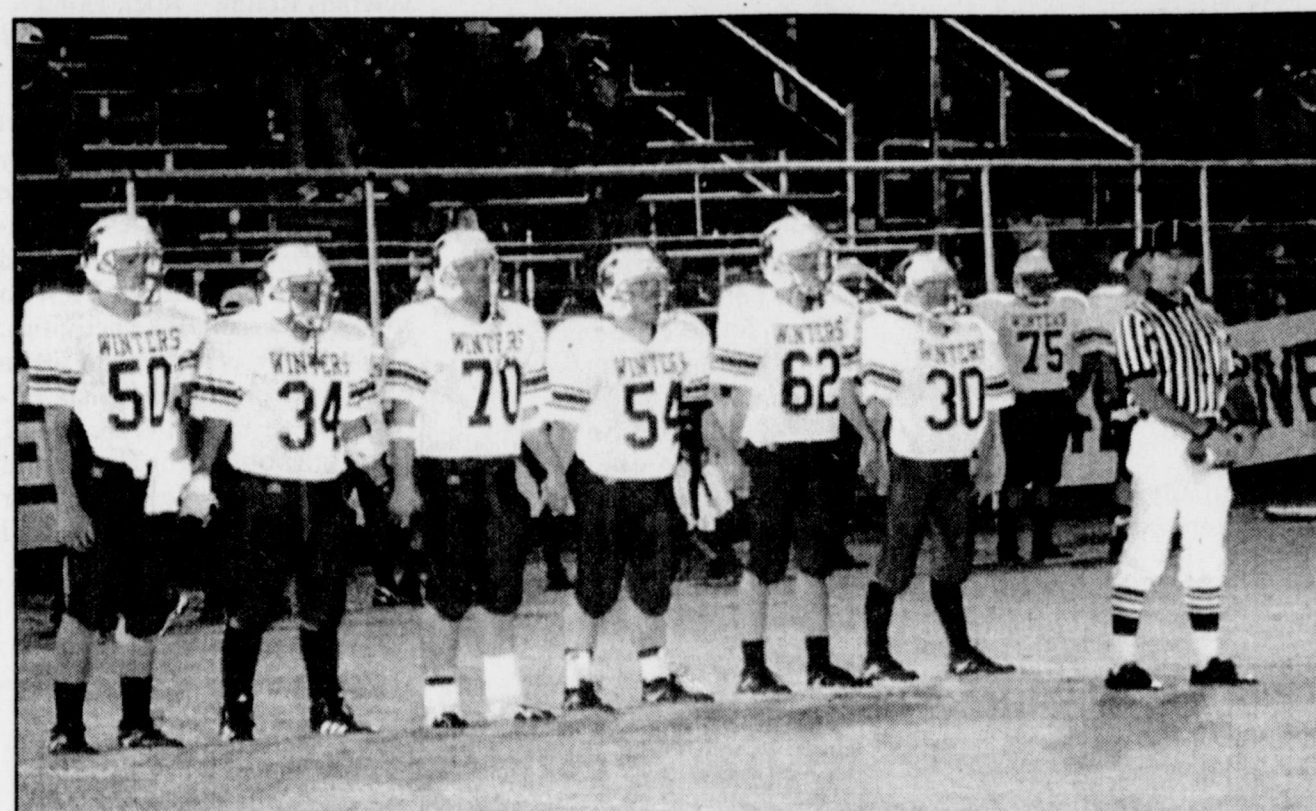
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**Breakfast**  
Monday-Nov. 15  
Biscuits  
Sausage  
Juice  
Tuesday-Nov. 16  
Cinnamon Roll  
Cereal  
Juice  
Wednesday-Nov. 17  
Toast  
Sliced Cheese  
Juice  
Thursday-Nov. 18  
Waffle/Syrup  
Oatmeal  
Juice  
Friday-Nov. 19  
Banana Nut Muffins  
Cereal  
Juice

**Lunch**  
Monday-Nov. 15  
Burrito/Chili/Cheese  
Tossed Salad  
Corn  
Coconut Cookie  
Tuesday-Nov. 16  
Chicken Fillet/Gravy  
Mashed Potatoes  
Green Beans  
Vanilla Pudding  
Hot Roll  
Wednesday-Nov. 17  
Nachos/Meat/Cheese  
Red Beans  
Salad  
Peach Cobbler  
Thursday-Nov. 18  
Turkey/Gravy  
Dressing  
Green Beans  
Fruit Salad  
Hot Roll  
Friday-Nov. 19  
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Sliced Pears  
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SENIOR BLIZZARDS, HONORARY CAPTAINS for last Friday's showdown with the Coleman Bluecats include (l-r) John Bahlman, Chris Lujano, Aaron Taylor, Craig Conner, Matt Angel, and Justin Davis. Not shown are seniors Wes Calcote, Kirk Byrd, and Oscar Luz who were tending to the coin flip duties at centerfield.



JEREMY HOPE #35 goes up for the pass for a 40-yard gain to set up the Blizzards' second score against Coleman.

**STATISTICAL SUMMARY**

	Winters	Coleman
First downs	21	13
Rushing yards	48-181	35-184
Passing yards	183	129
Total yards	385	326
Comp-Att-Int	8-14-1	5-9-0
Punts-Ave.	2-40	2-27
Fumbles-lost	2-1	0-0
Penalties-yards	5-30	5-50

**SCORING SUMMARY**

**By Quarters**  
Winters 6, 8, 0, 16 — 30  
Coleman 7, 7, 0, 13 — 27

**FIRST QUARTER**  
Coleman  
Clinton Curtis, 57-yard run (Wes Jones kick)

**Winters**  
Wes Calcote 6-yard run (kick failed)

**SECOND QUARTER**  
Winters  
Aaron Pritchard 27-yard pass from Josh Minzenmayer (Minzenmayer run)

**Coleman**  
Brian Thompson 9-pass from Dustin Todd (Jones kick)

**FOURTH QUARTER**  
Winters  
Minzenmayer 1-yard run (Minzenmayer kick)

**Coleman**  
Curtis 1-yard run (Jones kick)

**Winters**  
Safety, ball snapped out of endzone

**Winters**  
Calcote 3-yard run (Minzenmayer kick)

**Coleman**  
Rusty Croft 57-yard pass from Todd (run failed)

**DISTRICT 25-2A OVERALL**

Team	W	L	T
Goldthwaite	9	1	0
Mason	9	1	0
Winters	8	2	0
Coleman	7	3	0
Bangs	5	5	0
Hamilton	5	5	0
Early	5	5	0
San Saba	2	8	0

**DISTRICT**

Team	W	L	T
Goldthwaite	6	1	0
Mason	6	1	0
Winters	5	2	0
Coleman	5	2	0
Bangs	2	5	0
Early	2	5	0
Hamilton	2	5	0
San Saba	0	7	0

**Last Week's Scores:**  
Winters 30, Coleman 27  
Early 14, Bangs 7  
Goldthwaite 55, Hamilton 7  
Mason 43, San Saba 8

**1999 Fearless Football Forecasters**

Forecaster	Last Week	Overall
Dale Montgomery	8-2	70-30
Larry Walker	7-3	68-32
Kevin Floyd	8-2	64-36
Rhonda Goetz	6-4	63-37
Monte Angel	9-1	77-23

**Monte Angel takes "King Forecaster" title in surprising run of correct guesses**  
by Jean Boles, editor

Well, do wonders never cease! In spite of himself, Monte Angel was King Guesser for the past football season with a final tally of 77 miracle guesses and 23 misses.

Now before any of you readers take offense, please know that Monte is my brother-in-law and I even like the crazy guy. And, no, I definitely did not "help" him with his guesses. (But thanks so much for that wild vote of confidence on my athletic knowledge).

Monte, I hope you remember that I never doubted you for a second and that I really, really hoped you win and all that snickering I did at you each week was just allergy-related (remember this if you get my name for Christmas this year).

Thanks so much to all our Fearless Forecasters. It's hard to believe that I've been hounding you for only ten short weeks — and for two years in a row. What a great group of guessers!

Forecasters, I've taken your requests for the trip to Tahiti, the new BMW, and the cash bonuses to the board of directors and will get back with you the second Tuesday of next week.

Thanks again, Rhonda, Dale, Kevin, Larry and even Monte. Great job!

**Winters vs. Troy—Playoff pregame tickets on sale at administration & school offices**

Pregame tickets are on sale at the WISD Business Office for the Winters vs. Troy playoff game until 3 p.m. on Friday. They may be purchased at the elementary and high school offices until noon on Friday.

Adult tickets are \$5 in advance and student tickets are \$3. Prices will be \$5 at the gate for all tickets on Friday evening with no exceptions.

Kickoff is slated for 8 p.m. at Gordon Wood Stadium in Brownwood for the bi-district match-up.

**1999-2000 Varsity Football Schedule**

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME	NOTE
Aug. 20	Walt	H	7:30	
Aug. 29	Arson	T	7:30	
Sept. 3	Jim Ned	T	8:00	27-14
Sept. 10	Merbet	T	8:00	48-21
Sept. 17	Ozone	H	8:00	34-31
Sept. 24	Goldthwaite	H	7:30	28-35
Oct. 1	Bangs	T	7:30	22-20
Oct. 8	San Saba	H	7:30	36-16
Oct. 15	Early	T	7:30	21-12
Oct. 22	Hamilton	H	7:30	32-3
Oct. 29	Mason	H	7:30	7-40
Nov. 5	Coleman	T	7:30	30-27

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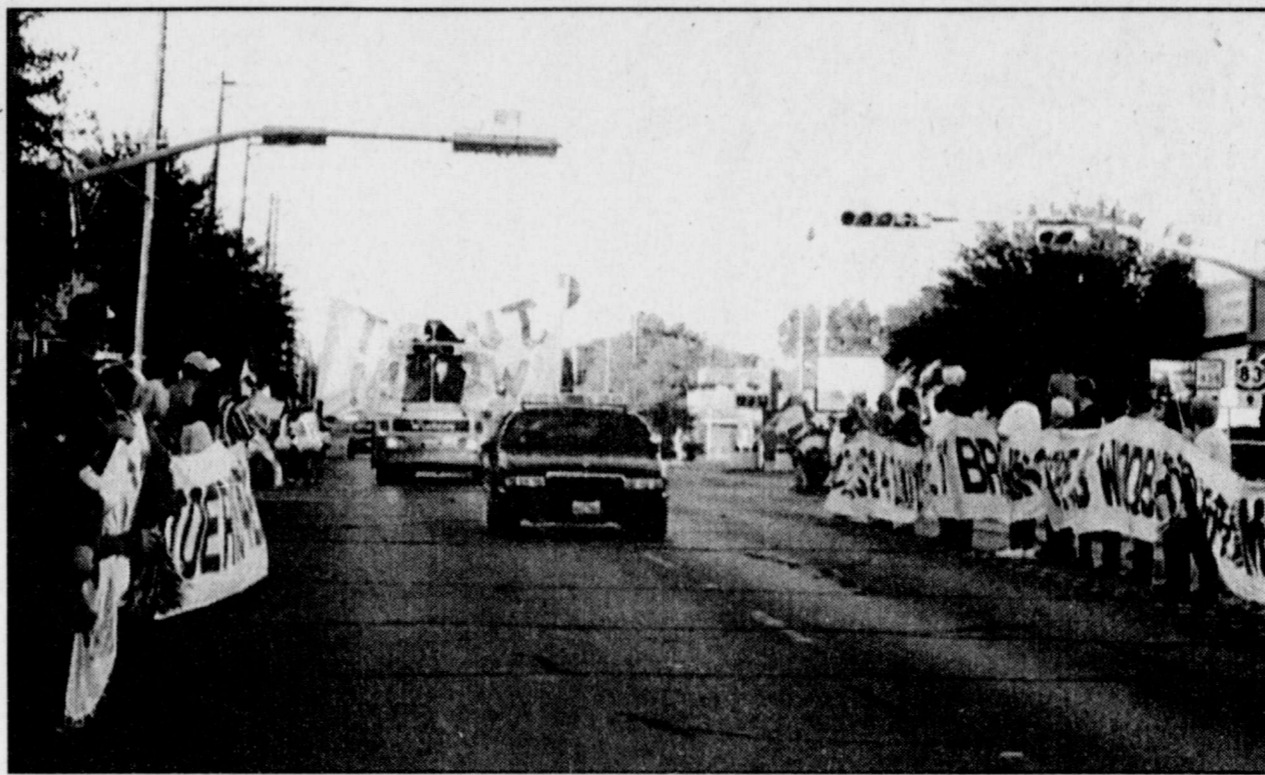
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# INTO 2000



COACH ROBIN BYRD talks with legendary sports writer Bill Hart of the *Abilene Reporter-News* (far left), Bret Bloomquist of the *San Angelo Standard-Times* and Randall Boles of *The Winters Enterprise* following the Blizzards' 30-27 victory over the Coleman Bluecats Friday night.



A ROYAL SEND OFF was provided by a large crowd of Blizzard fans who lined the downtown area on Main Street as the football team, with police escort, left for Coleman. The Blizzards earned a third place berth in district 25-2A and will advance to bi-district play against the Troy Trojans this Friday. All Blizzard fans are encouraged to participate in this week's send off at 5:00 p.m.

## JV comes up short in battle with Coleman

by Coach Shane Mobley

Although the junior varsity Blizzards fell 24-16 to Coleman last Thursday, this was an exciting game in which our guys never gave up but fought to the end.

Coleman came out with some big plays at the first of the game which made us have to play catch up. And that is exactly what we did.

Coleman racked up 12 points in the first quarter. Winters finally got on the scoreboard in the second quarter with a 32-yard pass from Shane Colburn to Mark

Moreno. Alvaro Rodriguez converted the two points.

Coleman answered with another six points and the score at halftime was Winters 8, Coleman 18.

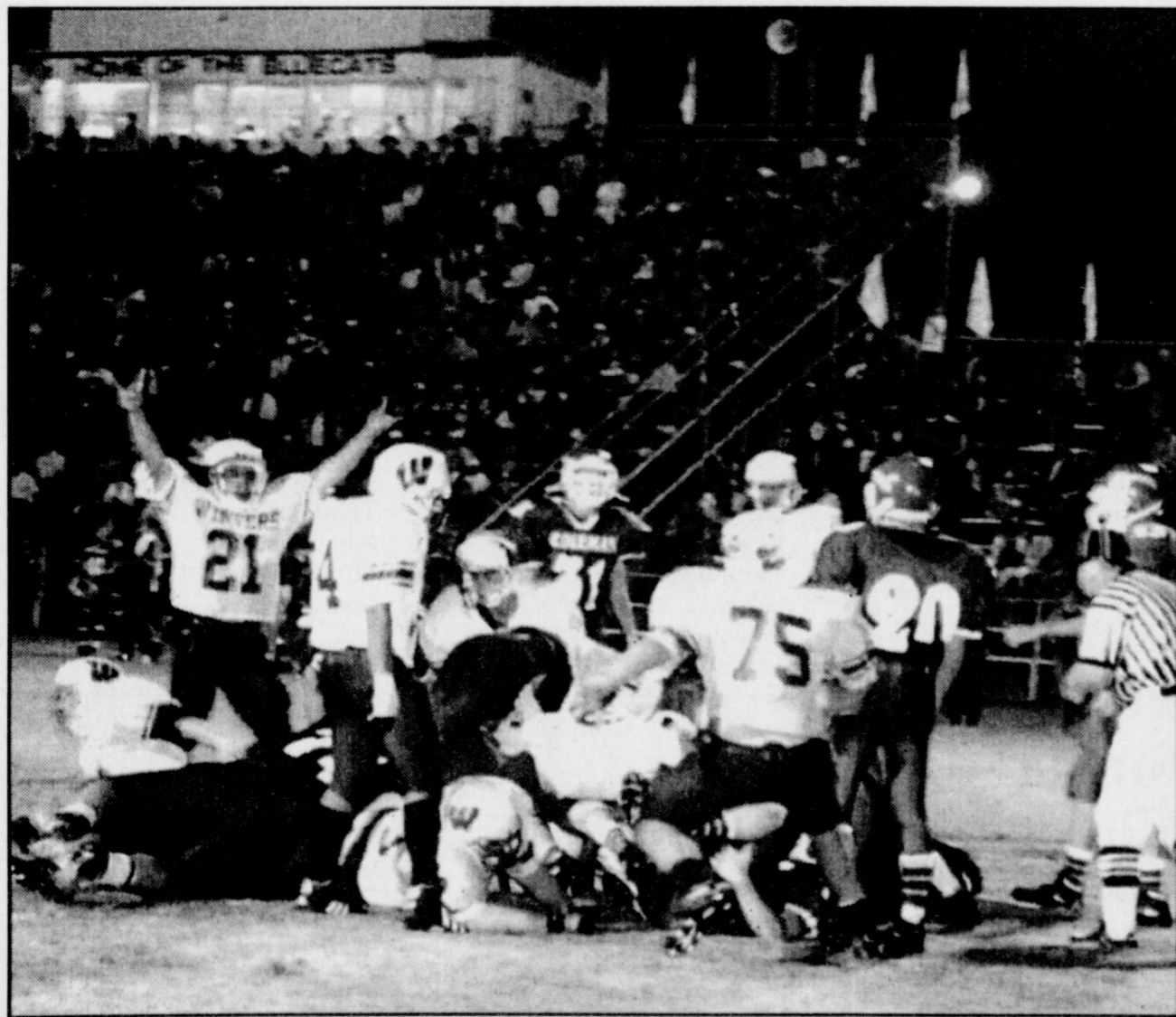
We narrowed their lead by two points in the third quarter on a 42-yard pass from Colburn to Brian Pritchard. Rodriguez was good for the two-point conversion and the score was narrowed with Winters 16, Coleman 18.

The Bluecats scored six more points in the fourth quarter and we had a great chance in the fourth

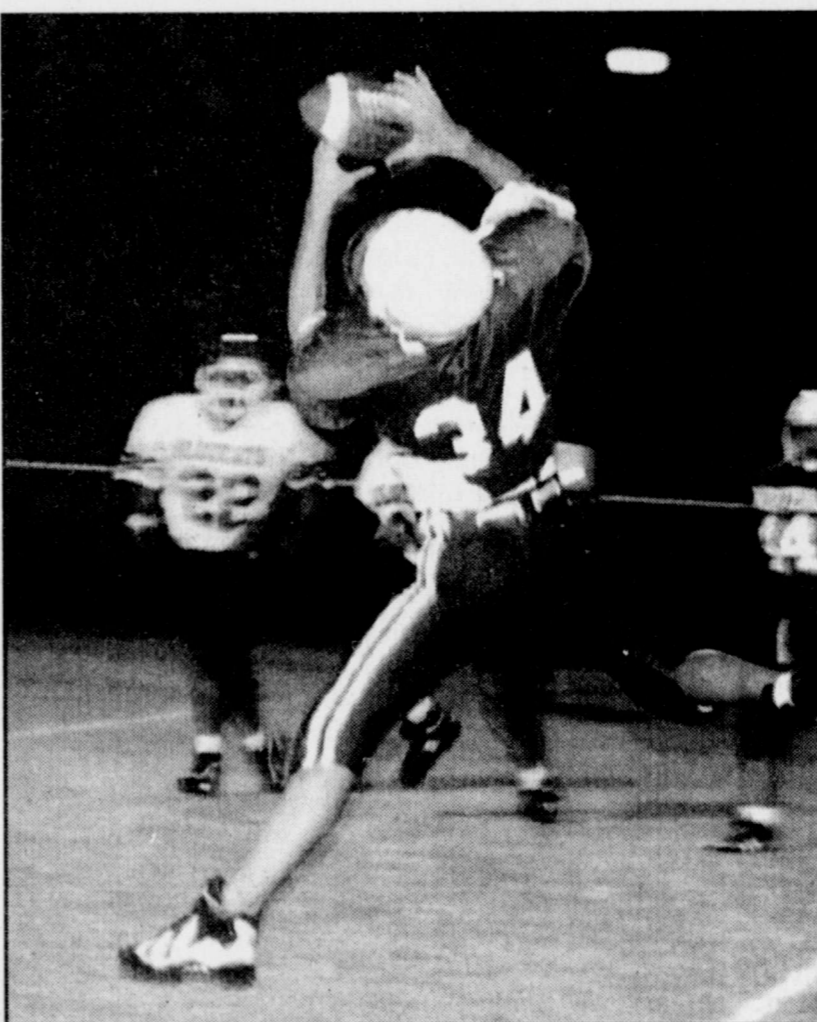
period to tie the game. All we needed was a touchdown. There were only two minutes left in the game and quarterback Shane Colburn had our offense rolling.

Coleman's defense stepped up and held our drive on a fourth down play, where we came up an inch and a half short of the first down. Coleman took over and ran out the clock. The final score stood at Winters 16, Coleman 24.

I want to thank all the families and fans for their support this year. Congratulations, guys, on a great season.



WES CALCOTE #21 signals the touchdown by teammate Josh Minzenmayer who dived over the mountain of linemen for the Blizzard score. Other Blizzards shown are Chris Lujano #34 and Samson Jackson #75.



BRIAN PRITCHARD leaps for the pass during junior varsity against Thursday night against Coleman.



RACHEL DAVIS, 7th grade cheerleader for the Breezes, gets some impressive hang time during a recent pep rally.

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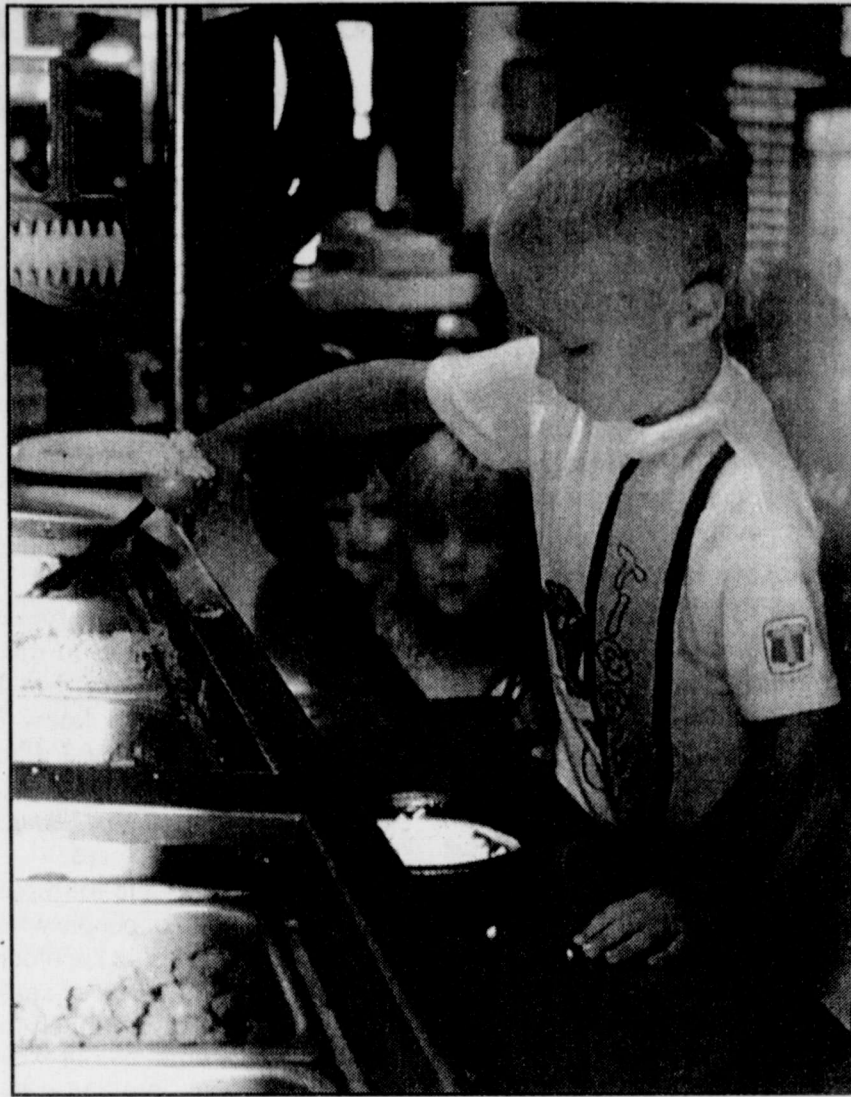
attorney's fee for moving traffic violations or charges of negligent homicide or manslaughter.

They offer a \$5,000 reward when your automobile is stolen and the thief is convicted. This reward will be paid to the law enforcement agency or any person other than you who is responsible for the conviction of the thief.

NMC provides map routings anywhere in the United States, Mexico, and Canada, along with travel and sight-seeing brochures and discounts for hotels and motels.

NMC will reimburse emergency expenses and/or pay a cash income to you when injured in a covered accident that requires emergency treatment or hospital admission within 72 hours of the accident. There is also a \$10,000 death benefit when you die as a result of injuries received in a covered accident.

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HAYDEN NITSCH uses his culinary skills to make his own pizza during a recent field trip to the local Pizza Hut where the Winters kindergarten students became "Junior Pizza Makers."

# Poe's Corner

By Charlise Poe

# Protecting Fort Chadbourne

In the early 1800s as the European settlers were pushing across the United States, Texas was a mix of colonies; Indians, Spanish settlers, and explorers.

The cattle industry was shaping up to need a great deal of land and farmers were starting to move west into the Southern Plains.

Private ownership of land was one of the most powerful forces the world had ever seen, and the concept was speeding fast to stay ahead of the clamor for land. Surveyors were among the first to venture into the Indians' territory.

They mapped the new county staking the boundaries for counties, roads, and properties and measuring the land at least a hundred miles ahead of the settlers as the nation pushed forward claiming more and more of the land. The Indians' life was shrinking.

In West Texas the Comanche was trapped between their on-rushing colonies from the east and the great Apache nation in West Texas. Descendants of the Apache and their harsh mountainous region, the Comanches lived here generations before the Spanish explorers visited this land.

They had learned to hunt and compete on the Plains where food was plentiful and the weather was less harsh than in the rugged mountain valley to the west and north.

They were one of the first Native Americans to learn to use the horse brought to his land by the Europeans. They learned well.

As the lands shrunk and the pressure increased on the Comanche society, the more impoverished and desperate they



Charlise Poe

became. The Indian had little of value to the oncoming society, but to the Indians, these new people were rich beyond belief. There was little meaningful trade between the new frontiersmen and the Indians.

The Comanche culture pushed back at the expanding nation from the east. The Comanches were Nomadic, superb horsemen, and fierce warriors, but little standing in the land they depended on east in the eyes of the new nation.

It is said the Comanche were the world's best light cavalry. However, they could not defend the vast plane against the rush of a new nation, and the Comanche's growing resistance was so answered.

Texas gained their independence from Mexico and eventually became a state. The Indians continued raids into Mexico, traveling along a north-south route through West Texas. The U.S. began to build a line of forts to protect the mail and try to stop the Indian raids in the area and into Mexico.

Those who would like to help the Fort Chadbourne Foundation may do so by writing or contacting the foundation at 651 N. U.S. Hwy. 277, Bronte, TX 76933 or phoning (915)743-2555.

### Commissioners, continued

cial District Court reporter at \$45,763.50, of which Runnels County pays \$8,330.30.

Precinct 3 Commissioner Thurman Self asked the media present to help publicize the fact that a new law passed in the last state legislature relating to county regulation of public nuisances. Self said, "My concern is in unincorporated towns like Wingate and Norton where some people let old vehicles, trash and other rubbish accumulate in yards and around abandoned houses."

The new law says that a person may not permit:

1) the keeping, storing, or accumulating refuse on premises in a neighborhood unless the refuse is entirely contained in a closed receptacle;

2) keeping, storing, or accumulating rubbish, including newspapers, abandoned vehicles, refrigerators, stoves, furniture, tires and cans, on premises in a neighborhood for 10 days or more, un-

less the rubbish or object is completely enclosed in a building or is not visible from the street;

3) maintaining premises in a manner that creates an unsanitary condition likely to attract or harbor mosquitoes, rodents, vermin, or disease-carrying pests;

4) allowing weeds to grow on premises in a neighborhood if the weeds are located within 300 feet of another residence or commercial establishment;

5) maintaining a building in a manner that is structurally unsafe or constitutes a hazard to safety, health, or public welfare because of inadequate maintenance, unsanitary conditions, dilapidation, obsolescence, disaster, damage, or abandonment or because it constitutes a fire hazard.

Penalties for violation of the law, which went into effect on September 1, 1999, on the first offense, a fine of \$10 to \$200. On conviction of a second offense or more, the fine is set at \$20 to

\$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for not more than 30 days.

Self said, "We're not going to go out hunting for these violations, but there are some residents who need to take notice of the new law."

Other items handled at the meeting included:

•Approval of the bond for Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1 Judge Lange and for part-time employees in his office.

•Commissioners cast votes for directors of Runnels County Appraisal District, giving 377 votes to Preston Barker, 376 votes to Bud Busher, 447 votes to Carolyn Little, 447 vote to Bill Schwertner, 70 to Danny Hamilton and 70 to Joyce Spreen.

•Approved GTE's installation of a communication line in Precinct 1.

•Approved a one year lease agreement between the county and Louise Miller for office space for Runnels County Mental Health Center at \$350 per month.

# Deputy Grand Matron Coulter to address Order of Eastern Star

Winters Chapter #80, Order of the Eastern Star, will have its regular meeting November 16, 1999, at 7:30 p.m. at the Wingate Masonic Lodge Hall in Wingate.

Dian Coulter, Deputy Grand Matron, District 5, Section 1, Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of Eastern Star, will make her official visit. Ms. Coulter will be bringing special instructions from the Worthy Grand Matron.

The annual stew and cornbread supper will be at 6:00 p.m., preceding the meeting, in the dining hall.

Worthy Matron Edna Ruth Self urges all members to attend.

# Olde Ballinger Christmas planned Nov. 27

Christmas comes to "Olde Ballinger" on Saturday, November 27, beginning at 9 a.m.

The Christmas lights will be on, downtown will be decorated, food and craft booths will be on the courthouse lawn.

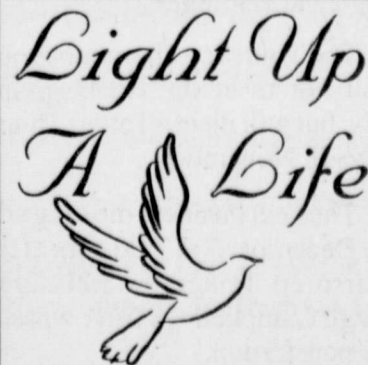
The Christmas Parade will begin at 2:30 p.m. Immediately following the parade will be the crowning of Miss Merry Christmas, at the stage, on the courthouse lawn.

# Help Wanted

The City of Winters is accepting applications for a clerical position in the Administration Department and Swimming Pool Manager.

Applications may be obtained at City Hall, 310 S. Main, Winters, Texas 79567, and will be accepted until 1:00 p.m., Monday, November 22, 1999.

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1 seat of Oldham Co.  
5 head of JFK commission, Warren  
6 TXism: "safe as a squirrel up a"  
7 wood chopper  
8 TX flag since 1865  
9 "Leap of Faith" was in TX  
15 TXism: "when you're up to your neck in manure, don't your mouth"  
16 description of TX Walter Prescott Webb  
19 TXism: "a frisky (enthusiastic)"  
21 dance bent backwards under a pole  
22 first black person to travel to TX  
27 TXism: "still wet behind the"  
28 early TX cattle drives went to this state  
29 San Antonio street: Lon \_\_\_\_\_  
30 those engaged in a wild disturbance  
32 Biblical division (abbr.)  
33 famous TX soccer player  
36 TXism: "from \_\_\_\_\_ to riches"  
37 "also known as" (abbr.)  
38 tiny TX village on Mexican border  
39 TXism: "no hill for \_\_\_\_\_"  
41 female doc. OB/\_\_\_\_\_  
42 give the blame  
45 flies high  
46 ex-newspaper editor & TX writer Gard (init.)  
47 Tyler is in TX  
48 TX B&Bs  
49 SMU alum TV producer Aaron  
52 how to pronounce but not spell Cowboy Sanders  
53 north Atlantic fish  
54 month of the Texas Folklife Festival (abbr.)  
55 fixed line of travel (abbr.)

**DOWN**  
1 horse doc  
2 TXism: "within \_\_\_\_\_ shot!"  
3 TXism: "fast as \_\_\_\_\_ lightning!"  
4 Dallas was named for this commodore  
8 TXism: "my stomach is balled \_\_\_\_\_"  
9 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ of the box"  
10 series for TX Betty Buckley: "Eight \_\_\_\_\_ Enough"  
11 Gov. Rick Perry  
12 TXism: "slow as January"  
13 pen name for TX romancer Sandra  
14 lowers the light  
15 Rembrandt work in Fort Worth's Kimball Art Museum: "Portrait \_\_\_\_\_"  
16 anyone who died at the Alamo  
17 TXism: "popular as \_\_\_\_\_"  
18 cloudy night (2 wds.)  
20 critter's den  
22 TX fiddler Robertson  
23 TXism: "a few bricks \_\_\_\_\_ of a load"  
24 ex-Astro GM Smith  
25 TXism: "sneaky as \_\_\_\_\_"  
28 Taylor FM radio  
31 reduce stress  
34 TX Trini (init.)  
35 TX actor Wallach  
37 TXism: "flat as \_\_\_\_\_ handle prairie"  
40 ping-\_\_\_\_\_  
43 baby food  
44 previously owned vehicle (2 wds.)  
50 house in a state park  
51 TXism: "as much chance as a steer \_\_\_\_\_ a packing plant"

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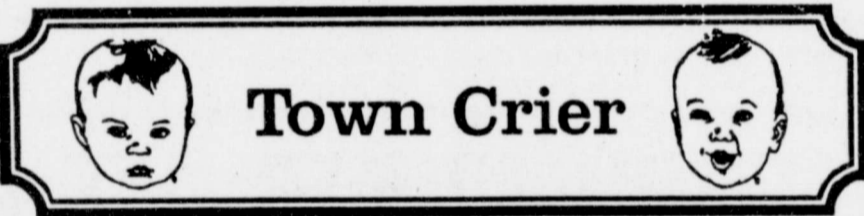
# Engagement



*Carrie Patzig and Clint Deike*

## Clint Deike to wed Carrie Patzig on Saturday, November 27, 1999

Richard and Bobbie Patzig of Ralls along with Edwin and Sharon Deike of Winters are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Carrie Patzig and Clint Deike. The couple will exchange vows on Saturday, November 27, 1999, at 2 p.m. in St. Mary's Catholic Church in Ballinger. Carrie is a 1992 graduate of Ralls High School and a graduate of Texas Tech University with a degree in finance. She is currently employed at Antone's in Houston. Clint is a 1989 graduate of Winters High School and 1994 graduate of Texas A&M University with a degree in marketing. He is employed with Baroid in Houston.



## Town Crier

### Reese Morgan Randolph

Ashley Allcorn of San Angelo is proud to announce the arrival of her new niece, Reese Morgan Randolph. Reese was born Friday, October 29, 1999, at 10:37 a.m. in Lubbock. She weighed 8 lbs., 3 oz. and was 20-1/2 inches long. Reese is delightfully welcomed by her two big sisters, Reagan and Rylee.

Reese is the daughter of Danny and Allison Randolph of Sundown. Maternal grandparents are Charles and Jane Allcorn of Winters. Paternal grandparents are Don and Sunnye Randolph of Earth.

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## Mandie England reflects on the impact of breast cancer

### —“Cancer brought a lot of good things into our lives”—

Mandie England was diagnosed with breast cancer over a year ago. In last week's article she shared with us her diagnosis and treatment. This week she reflects on the impact breast cancer had in her life as well as her family's. She had her one year check-up at M.D. Anderson last week and reports that her results were great—and all is well.

Second of a series by Deb Pritchard

Why be a part of the cancer test program? “For one it wasn't real experimental,” said Mandie. “And I've been involved in research for 30 years (referring to her love of the sciences and profession as an entomologist)—I know that's how you get answers. “I was 19 years younger than the average breast cancer patient. I thought maybe they can learn from me what they couldn't from older patients.

“They (doctors and researchers) believe that there may be some long term effects down the road, from the chemotherapy, to your heart, liver, and lungs. Since I'm younger—maybe they can check those things out on me that they couldn't get otherwise,” she said.

As for the kids, Mandie and Lanny were completely honest with both Luke and Julie from the very beginning. “We sat them down first, before anyone else, and explained that mama had cancer, about the treatments, and that I was probably going to be very sick. We assured them we'd do everything we could to get mama well.”

Mandie said all the ground rules of the household stayed the same except for one. “If they (the kids) got scared at night, they could sleep on the floor in our room. They spent a lot of time on our floor.

“We told the kids we'd tell them everything just as soon as we knew it—we'd keep them up to date. So I told them if they heard something at school (and it scared them) they'd know it wasn't true—because they would know more than anyone else. “They did real well—they chipped in to help. Julie would rub my head. And poor Luke—he'd walk me to the bathroom and back on the days I was really, really sick. I think they became more aware of helping others. They would notice what needed to be done.

“All in all, I think it was harder on Lanny than any of us—including me. It was a load on him. I couldn't do what I normally do—and the kids were worried that I wouldn't make it.” Mandie may have taken the

chemo treatments, but there was so much she doesn't remember about that time. “He (Lanny) was scared. He lived every minute of it. He knows every detail of all the things I don't remember.

“He didn't miss a lick—oh man, he took care of me. I couldn't keep track of my medicine (because of her memory loss). He'd work out a schedule, lay them (medicine) out, and make me check them off.”

Throughout the whole ordeal, Mandie never expected to die. “Maybe I was ignorant, but I didn't think I'd die. I knew I didn't want to die. I knew I'd be sick some—but I thought I was young and healthy and that I could stay in there and fight hard.

“I felt I had a whole lot more to live for than a lot of people who have cancer—those that are older and don't have any kids or anyone at home. I had too much to live for!

After telling the kids, Mandie and Lanny's next thoughts were to tell their friends and family so they could pray for them. “I felt so prayed for and cared for,” said Mandie.

“I have so much gratitude in my heart for my friends and family. You know being sick didn't make me cry—but this (talking about all that everyone did for her and her family) will make me cry. It's still incredible to me.

“So many friends and family helped us out in every way. They'd run my kids here and run them there. They'd do anything.”

“And the whole benefit.... I can think of that and it still brings tears to my eyes. I can't believe people would do all they did for us. It's like Lanny said, because of the benefit, we were able to continue our life as normal as possible from a financial standpoint. If it hadn't been for the benefit, not only would we've had the emotional and physical stress, but financial as well.”

Mandie said there was never a point she was so sick, that she just wanted to give up. “NO—I wanted to finish it and get it over with.”

Following the end of treatments in early fall of last year, she said everyday she would feel better. “You're sick for so long—that every day you can feel an improvement. By six months I was feeling pretty good and by this summer, I was back to checking cotton.”

At M.D. Anderson Cancer Hospital in Houston, there was this poster on the wall that said “Attitude is the paint brush that colors your world.” I told myself, I can keep a good attitude no matter what, and stay as upbeat as I



could.”

While many would focus on the low points of cancer, Mandie, as only she could, emphasizes the good things that come from the disease. “Cancer brought a lot of good things into our life. I love every day so much more—I'm grateful for every day.

“I developed a faith in God that just grew. It's a faith and confidence that let me feel very much that my life is in God's hands—that's what I want to carry forever.

“I realize now how wonderful doctors and nurses are. I found so many that are very professional, very knowledgeable and so compassionate.

“Houston (at M.D. Anderson) gave me a lot of confidence. It felt good to be there and in the thick of what was going on in cancer research. When you start you feel like Cancer is spelled with a big 'C' in flashing neon lights. When you go home, it just starts with a little 'c'.”

She has even made peace with her feelings toward the doctor who misdiagnosed her. “That doctor was the exception. For kinda got a real bad deal there. For a good while I was angry at him—

but not anymore. He makes mistakes—well I do too.”

As for advice, she offers three pieces. First is about mammograms and self-examination. “You need a mammogram every year beginning at 40. Do your self exams and have an annual checkup with your gynecologist. If you catch it (breast cancer) early, your odds (of survival) are very good.”

Second, get a copy of your test results. “Ask for them; see them for yourself,” said Mandie. And last but not least, get a second opinion.

“You know, we tend to only get a second opinion if the news is bad. Maybe we should be getting a second opinion even when the results are good. My results were good, and we didn't know any better. Follow your instincts, we just kinda had a feeling that something wasn't right—we should have gotten a second opinion from the start.”

“Cancer treatment is better than it used to be,” said Mandie. “A diagnosis of cancer is not a death sentence. Cancer is survivable—more than it has ever been.”

Winters Area Chamber of Commerce presents "Taste Of Texas" Cook-Off AND ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW This Saturday, November 13 Community Center Winters, TX \* Arts & Crafts Booths \* Entertainment \* Gospel by Karen Heart Country by Jackie Isham \* Out-of-Town Guests \* Cash Prizes \* Cook-Off Categories Brisket Beans Wild Game For more information & Official Rules contact 915-754-5210 or e-mail wacc@wcc.net

## Jackson demos portrait painting to Artists Guild

In their last meeting, members of the Mid-West Texas Artists Guild were given pointers on how to control water and color in a portrait painting demonstration by Ruth Jackson. Jackson's demo included everything from sketching the portrait on the watercolor paper to shading.

Several artists brought their favorite paintings to be viewed. These will become a part of the membership exhibit on November 27 at Ballinger.

The Thursday afternoon group will not meet on Thanksgiving day, but will meet all other Thursdays in November.

The next business meeting will be December 7 at 7:00 p.m. at the Mirrored Image in Ballinger. Hugh Campbell will give a pastel demonstration.

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## 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, October 31, 1999, through Saturday, November 6, 1999. Winters Police Officers:

- received a report of several persons shooting a paintball gun at the City Park. Three juvenile males stated they had been hit by a paintball gun. One of the victims was covered in paint splatters. The victims pointed to the house to which the suspects ran and officers later located and issued citations to a 16-year-old male and a 15-year-old male for discharging firearm inside city limits. All subjects are from Winters.

- received a report of an intoxicated driver in a red Chevy 4-door on N. Main Street. An officer located and observed a vehicle matching that description on N. Rogers Street driving on the wrong side of the road. The driver, Enrique Tamez of Winters, was found to not have a drivers license. He was issued a citation for driving without a license and his vehicle was impounded.

- received a report of dogs loose in the 1000 block of N. Concho. The dogs are alleged to have gotten into a backyard and killed approximately 7 roosters. The victims were advised on how to pursue charges against the dog's owner.

- received a report of a domestic disturbance in the 200 block of W. Broadway. A 23-year-old female reported having an argument with a 21-year-old male related to her. The female stated she was not assaulted and the officer observed no injuries to either party. A separation was made for the night. Both subjects are from Winters.

- responded again to a domestic disturbance in the 200 block of W. Broadway. A 23-year-old female reported being assaulted by a 21-year-old male related to her. The officer observed a possible injury to the female's arm. The female wanted charges filed and was advised on how to do so. The suspect had fled the scene before officers could arrive. Both subjects are from Winters.

- received notification of an outstanding capias from Ballinger Municipal Court on a Santiago Quiroga of Ballinger. The subject was located at his work place in the 300 block of N. Frisco Street and taken into custody without incident.

- received a report of a domestic disturbance in the 100 block of Belaire Street. Officers found both subjects to be the same from two previous incidents earlier in the week. A 23-year-old female reported being struck in the face by a 21-year-old male identified as Jason Ventress of Winters. The officer observed the female to be injured. The suspect was arrested for assault causing bodily injury and for public intoxication.

- observed a vehicle with a mechanical violation being driven on N. Main Street. The officer contacted the driver, Isai Villapondo of Wapato, Washington, and he was found to be driving with an expired license. The subject was issued a citation and released.

- conducted an investigative stop on the driver of a Toyota pickup in the 200 block of W. Dale as this vehicle was possibly involved in an assault occurring earlier. A license check of the driver revealed outstanding warrants from the Department of Public Safety totaling \$390. Robert Curtis Gehrels of Winters was arrested and transported to Rannels County Jail.

- received a report of an accident in the 900 block of W. Dale. A 1998 Toyota pickup had left the roadway, struck a culvert, then proceeded through a chainlink fence, then struck another pickup. The driver left the scene prior to officers arrival, but left his identification in the pickup. The driver, Jose Madrid of Winters, was located at his residence and subsequently arrested for felony driving while intoxicated.

- received a report of phone harassment in the 600 block of N. Rogers. While taking complaint information, the suspect called the victim. The officer listened to the suspect being profane then advised he would be filed on for phone harassment. To date the victim hasn't reported any further problems. The suspect was identified as a 31-year-old male of Winters.

- assisted the Texas Department of Public Safety with a roadblock at the intersection of Highway 153 at CR 334 after being notified that the game warden was in pursuit of a pickup on CR 334. The pickup stopped for the roadblock and the driver was taken into custody at gunpoint. There were three children, age 1, 2, and 7, inside the pickup. The driver was identified as Charles Lynn Wilson of Winters. He was arrested for driving while intoxicated and three counts of felony endangering a child. He also faces additional charges for fleeing police or evading arrest.

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Winters Police Department—754-4121  
Ballinger Police Department—365-3591  
Sheriff's Department—365-2121

## Official Records

### County Court Dispositions

Bennie Bob Long, possession of drug paraphernalia (appeal from Municipal Court), pleaded guilty, fined \$100 plus \$210.25 court costs

David Molina Jr., evading detention, pleaded guilty, six months county jail sentence suspended, fined \$300, plus \$210.25 court costs

David Molina Jr., resisting arrest, dismissed, convicted in another case

Samuel Joe Lopez, possession of marijuana, pleaded guilty, six months county jail sentence suspended, fined \$689.75, plus \$210.25 court costs

Conrad L. Jaramillo, driving while intoxicated, dismissed, convicted in another case (a felony)

Diana Rodriguez Saldana, driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty, six months jail sentence suspended, fined \$50, plus \$250.25 and 30 hours community service

Daisy Graham, theft of merchandise and/or cash by check, dismissed, insufficient notice

Mitchell Lee Caffey, three counts of making alcohol available to a minor, dismissed, defendant pleaded guilty to a felony

Lorenzo Bermea, making alcohol available to a minor, sentenced to six months in county jail probated to 18 months, fined \$1,500, plus \$235.25 court costs and 50 hours community service

Robin Matthews, theft of merchandise by check, dismissed, restitution properly paid

Dolores Guebara, theft of merchandise by check, dismissed, notice not re-

### ceived, restitution paid in full Criminal Cases filed November 1

Juan Carlos Pena-Macias, Ballinger, filed for making alcohol available to a minor

Sergio Ricardo Marin, San Angelo, filed for driving while intoxicated

Pablo Soto Longoria, Ballinger, filed for making alcohol available to a minor

Ricky Lee Smith, Winters, filed for driving while intoxicated

### District Court Grand Jury Indictments

Scott Matthew Bradshaw, forgery by passing  
Jacinto E. Landeros, Winters, forgery by passing

Christopher Paul Harrison, Ackerly, Texas, theft (\$1,500-20,000)

James Alex Rabon, Coleman, possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver (4 grams to 200 grams) (five prior convictions including attempted murder)

Steven Salizar Ortiz, San Angelo, driving while intoxicated (four prior convictions including two for DWI)

Shirley Ashton, Ballinger, tampering with a governmental record

Charles Weldon Ashton, Ballinger, tampering with a governmental record

Mitch Gee, theft (\$1,500-20,000)

Rolando Gonzalez, Laredo, theft by check (\$1,500-20,000)

Charles Gordon Haines, Norton, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon (one prior conviction)

Laureano Ramirez Sanchez, Wall, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon

## Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz



Hilda Kurtz

Before you give someone a piece of your mind, consider carefully whether you can spare any.

Visitors at Hopewell Baptist Church Sunday morning were Bro. Farris and Ramona Akins' grandchildren of Stanton and Synder.

Sorry to hear that Coleman Foreman fell during last week. He is going to his regular doctor with a hurt shoulder. When I spoke to him Sunday, he was still in pain.

Lorine Berry of Levelland, but well known around here, spent a week with Pat and Earl Cooper.

Those attending Rodney Faubion's wedding in Irving on Saturday were Kenny and Elaine Cartwright, Tiffany Prater, Noble Faubion, and Carolyn Kraatz.

Noble Faubion and Carolyn Kraatz visited with Lynn and Carol Faubion while they were in Fort Worth. They also spent the night with Lavina and Jim Webb.

"Our congratulations to the young married couple."

Fairy Alcorn and Linda Denson spent last week in Springfield, Missouri with Johnny and Joanmarie Mathis. They enjoyed being with their grandchildren and with Laura and Mark Mathis also of Missouri.

Abe and Pat Giles of Brownwood and Donald and Donna Alcorn of Sterling City came by during the weekend.

Louise Walters and Ronnie of Fort Worth spent the weekend with Doris Wood.

Selma Wilkerson spent some time with Dorintha Wilkerson

during the week in Winters. Jimmy Chapman of Ballinger spent Saturday with Selma. Mildred Morrison of Sweetwater spent a few hours with Selma. Selma also visited Barbara Reynolds in Abilene recently and also attended the H-Camp in Brownwood.

Nilia and Therin Osborne attended the First Baptist Church in Winters on Sunday night.

I spent a little over a week in San Angelo with Hildegard and Calvin. On Saturday evening they carried me to the Wall Parish Hall SPJST Festival. There I met several who read the Crews News. I enjoyed watching the Bokie dance.

On Sunday we attended my grandson Jimmy's 40th birthday supper along with 26 others including my grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Shea and Shannon Vellar and Wendy and Nicholas Leibe ate at Henry's in San Angelo before coming home.

Sis and I toured Airmotor Windmill Factory were Calvin works. Sis came home with me staying several days.

Again, may I say many, many thanks for the cards, phone calls,

prayers, and visits. I missed you all and I am glad to be home and doing fine after the eye surgery.

Spending an early Thanksgiving and Scott's birthday with Melvena and Marvin Gerhart on Sunday were Brett, Sherri, Bryant, Braden, Bryce, and Brendan Mikeska, Scott and Melissa Gerhart, Wilmer and Sally Mae Gerhart of Winters, and Keith and Cathy Gerhart of Clyde.

Bernice McCoy of Abilene spent Friday night with the Gerharts.

Members of the Hopewell Baptist Church are placing candles in the windows of their homes to indicate that they are praying for our nation and surrounding communities.

Carolyn Webb is spending a few days with her sister-in-law, Linda Webb, at Hords Creek Lake. Carolyn will carry her to Abilene to her doctor on Wednesday.

Linda and Dale Duggan's daughter Katy Grigsby of Abilene, spent Friday night and on Saturday Katy and Linda attended the shower for Clint Deike and Carrie Patzig at the Catholic Hall in Winters. After the shower Linda and Katy went to Abilene and did some

shopping and later, Linda ate supper with Katy and Kyle.

Bernie McCoy of Abilene spent part of the weekend with Harvey Mae Faubion.

Carolyn Webb, Melvena Gerhart, Selma Wilkerson, and Nila Osborne baked cookies and then Nila carried them Tuesday to the Winters Fire Boys for their meeting that night.

Margie Jacob spent Thursday and Friday in Brownwood visiting with her daughter Sharon, Jerry, and Bryce. All enjoyed Christmas shopping and eating out.

On Saturday morning, Margie attended the bridal shower for Carrie Patzig and Clint Deike at the Mount Carmel Catholic Church Hall.

On Saturday afternoon, Margie Jacob went by the Mike Kozelsky's to visit with grandchildren Scott and Jenna who were home for the weekend from College Station. She enjoyed playing Skipbo.

On Sunday evening, Beverly VanZandt and Margie Jacob were shopping in Coleman and had supper.

## St. Joseph Parish of Rowena will celebrate its 77th Annual Fall Festival on Sunday

"Share The Harvest" is the theme for the 1999 festival hosted by St. Joseph Parish in Rowena on Sunday, November 14.

Parishioners will prepare approximately 123 turkeys, 1200 pounds of dressing, over two and one-half tons of German style sausage, 192 pies, 48 cakes, and all the trimmings.

The noon meal and meals-to-go will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Prices are \$6 for adults, \$3 for children, and \$6 for plates-to-go. Sausage sandwiches will be

available from 4:30 p.m. until 7 p.m. for \$2. Sausage will be sold by the pound, cooked or uncooked.

A country store will feature handmade items, plants, and baked goods.

Tickets are being sold for four handmade items — a prize winning baby quilt, two afghans, and a doily — to be given away at 4 p.m. Tickets are also being sold for five other items: a 25" Phillips Magnavox color television set,

Cannon Sure Shot zoom camera, mountain bike, KC for four at Lowake Steak House, and four barbecue plates from The Shed in Winters.

Children's games and Bingo begin at 11:30 a.m. and will continue until 3:30 p.m. An auction of cotton and merchandise starts at 2 p.m. in St. Joseph Church. Sunday Mass is scheduled for 9:30 a.m.

The people of St. Joseph Parish invite everyone to join them in this harvest Thanksgiving celebration.

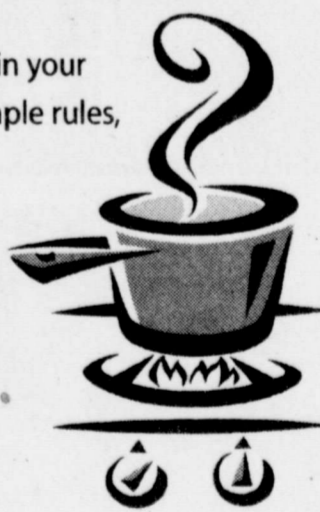
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**Dr. Keith's Health Tips**

by Keith Boles, M.D.

**Osteoporosis: Prevention and Treatment**

In my last series of articles, I spoke about the educational process of becoming a physician. Now that I'm "learned," I'll try and share some knowledge through these semi-regular(?) articles about current health topics.

Let's talk about osteoporosis. You've probably heard a lot about it from the media recently.

Osteoporosis, or weakening of the bones, most commonly comes from a lack of normal female hormone production. Not only does Estrogen, the female hormone, prevent hot flashes and mood swings, which may occur during "The Change," but it also helps the bones maintain their normal integrity.

Why worry about osteoporosis? When bones are brittle, they break easily. When young kids break bones, they usually recover relatively quickly and without much change in life-style. When an elderly patient breaks a hip or another bone, it can be a life-threatening experience. The patient becomes less mobile and at risk for pneumonia, urinary tract infections and other complications. The most common reason for admission to a nursing home is a hip fracture. Even if elderly patients are able to function at home independently after a hip fracture, their level of functioning is significantly decreased. It's important to fight osteoporosis because if we could prevent these types of fractures, we could significantly extend the quality of life in our elderly population.

How do you know for sure whether or not you have osteoporosis? One obvious sign of osteoporosis is the arching of the back caused by vertebral compression fractures. These compression fractures can also make a person "grow shorter" as they grow older. In addition to outward appearance, there's a new x-ray test called bone densitometry, which can help screen for and diagnose osteoporosis. Whether you need a bone density test depends on your risk factors for developing osteoporosis.

The risk factors are smoking, being Caucasian, female, low body weight (less than 127 pounds), estrogen deficiency which is defined as early menopause (less than 45 years of age) or not taking hormone pills after menopause (the "change of life") or after the ovaries were surgically removed. Other risk factors are alcoholism, low calcium intake, lack of exercise, and personal history of fracture without significant trauma or history of a similar fracture in your mother or sisters. Finally, if you take corticosteroids regularly for asthma, emphysema, or another disease, this can put you at risk for osteoporosis. Steroids make bones weaker although no one is sure how or why this occurs.

Another reason there's so much buzz about osteoporosis nowadays is because recent studies have shown we can do a lot to prevent it or treat it. The best medicine for preventing osteoporosis is good ole' Premarin or estrogen. Other brands of estrogen are Ogen, Estrace, and Estratab. Another preventive measure you can take is to increase your Calcium and Vitamin D intake to 1000 mg of Calcium and 400 IU's (International Units) of Vitamin D each day. You can also exercise to prevent osteoporosis. There is something about exposing your bones to weight-bearing exercise (such as walking) that makes them stronger. If it is too late for prevention and you already have osteoporosis. There's a lot that can be done to prevent problems!

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All that a husband or a wife really wants is to be pitied a little, praised a little, and appreciated a little.

—Oliver Goldsmith

**★ "What is a Veteran?" ★**

He's a man who looks the world in the eye. He's a man who feels an extra heart-tug when the flag goes by. He's a man who steps a little faster when he hears the beat of a military band.

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He is the "Doughboy" of World War I... the "G.I." of World War II... He's a man who's seen Korean skies, fought the cold and silent battle of uneasy Berlin... and braved the booby traps and ambushes in the Ia Drang Valley in Vietnam.

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He is a Sailor... Soldier... Marine.  
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He has the quiet dignity of a man who knows the pride of freedom... He has the clear eyes of a man who respects himself.

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He's a Veteran.  
He is Republican, Democrat, Independent... He is mechanic, farmer, banker... He is Catholic, Protestant, Jew... He is rich and poor and in-between.

He's a Veteran.  
He's a man who loves peace because he knows the price tag of war.

He's a member of history's most exclusive fraternity. He knows that war is ninety percent boredom and ten percent sheer terror.

He's been there.  
He's a Veteran.

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He has bivouacked at Valley Forge... charged the hill at Gettysburg... stormed the sands at Guadalcanal... swarmed ashore at Omaha Beach... advanced on Pork Chop Hill and fought in the bunker complex in War Zone "C" in Southeast Asia. He parachuted into Grenada. He stood watch in Beirut. He fought in the streets of Panama and served in the Middle East in support of "Operation Desert Shield."

He's a Veteran.  
In the very rear of his secret heart there is always a tinge of sorrow, a souvenir of sadness for lost and departed comrades.

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He's a Veteran.

**Higginbotham Bros. & Company announces changes**

Higginbotham Bros. & Company, a 118-year-old chain of north central Texas lumber yards and building material centers, has been purchased by the great-grandson of one of the company's founders.

Rufus Higginbotham Duncan, Jr., a Lufkin businessman and owner of three lumber yards in East Texas, will acquire the building material centers in Ballinger, Brownwood, Cleburne, Comanche, Copperas Cove, Cross Plains, DeLeon, Dublin, Gatesville, Glen Rose, Granbury, Gustine, Hamilton, Stephenville, Weatherford, and Winters.

The company will maintain its corporate headquarters in Comanche.

"We are pleased that we've been able to return as a family to a company that holds a special place in our family history," said Rufus H. Duncan, who will become chairman of the company. He was joined in the acquisition by several other family members.

Bill Robinson will remain as president of the firm and will maintain his offices in Comanche.

Duncan said the company will broaden its services to the Central Texas area, focusing on the communities where the company operates stores. "Higginbotham Bros. & Company has long enjoyed a special relationship with its customers, and we have strong plans for enhancing those relationships," he said.

Duncan owns three building material centers in Lufkin, Conroe, and Pineland, which operate under the name Big Tin

Barn. The operations department for these centers will be moved to Comanche.

The company's first store was opened at DeLeon in January of 1881 by brothers Boliver and Joseph Martin Higginbotham, the sons of Lucy Ann and John James Higginbotham.

A second store was established later in 1881, followed by a third store started as a partnership by brother Rufus Wilson Higginbotham, the new owner's great-grandfather, Joseph M. Higginbotham, and Benjamin Higginbotham.

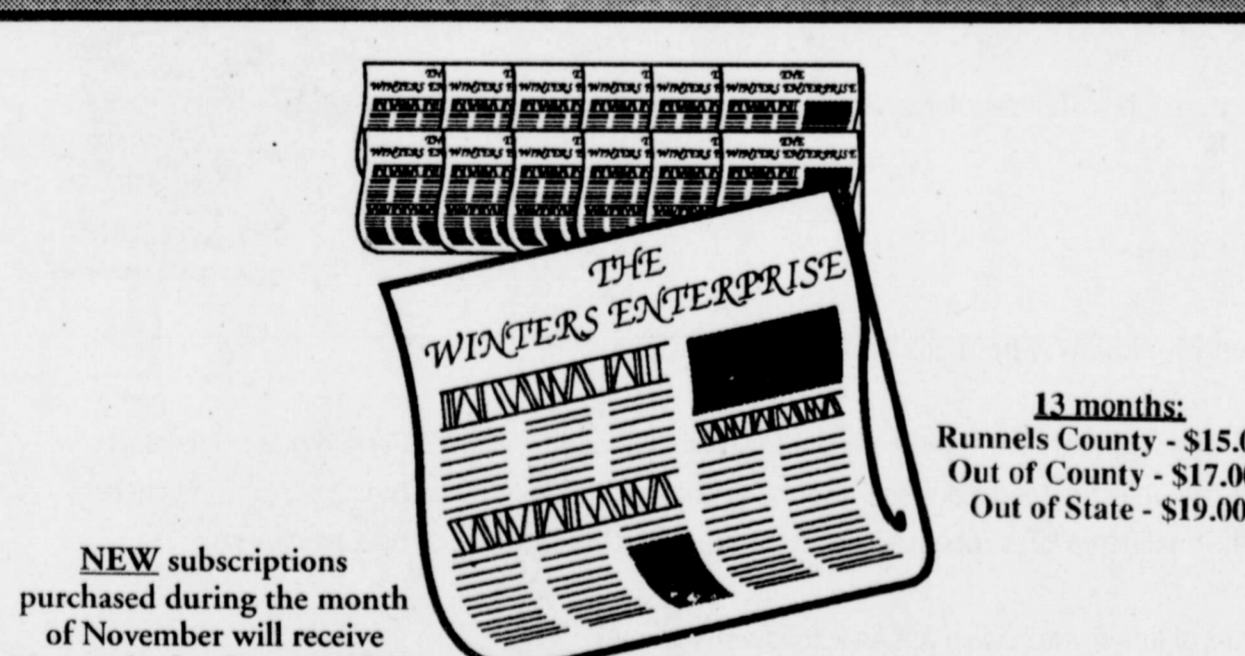
The Comanche store was opened in 1901 and additional stores were opened at Gustine and Cross Plains in 1911 and 1914, respectively, and Winters in 1942.

From 1881 to 1917, the stores operated independently. In 1917, the business was reorganized under its present name and the company's principal offices were established in Comanche with a lumberyard and warehouse. The corporation offices were relocated on the Comanche town square in 1958.

Duncan said Higginbotham's customers consist largely of single-family homebuilders, repair and remodeling firms, and a strong consumer base.

"We look forward to continuing the traditions and business practices which have made the company successful for the past 118 years, including a complete line of quality products and responsive customer service," Duncan said.

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**Winters sales tax rebates decrease 4.60 percent**

As reported by the office of State Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander, November sales tax rebates for the city of Winters decreased 4.60 percent as compared to the prior year's November payment.

This month's sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected by monthly filers on July, August, and September sales, and reported to the Comptroller in October.

Winters' rebates totaled \$16,068.12 this reporting period. For the prior year's reporting period, rebates totaled \$16,842.92.

Receipts in Miles decreased 26.54 percent; Ballinger decreased 9.14 percent and reported \$83,526.39 in payments.

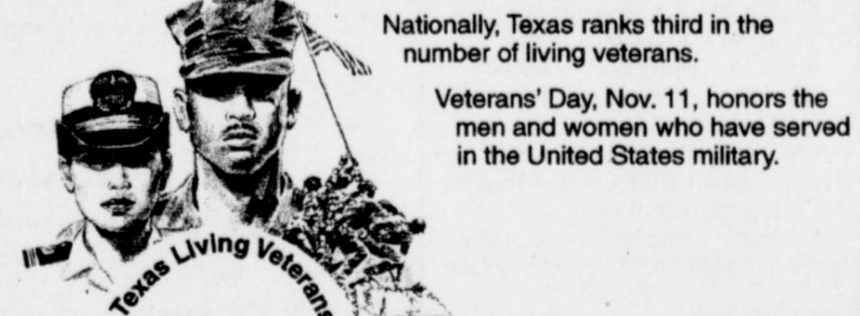
City sales tax rebates to date for Runnels County for the 1999 reporting period total \$677,914.62, a 11.26 percent decrease as compared to last year's period total of \$763,973.20.

The current city sales tax rate for Winters and Ballinger is 1.5 percent. Miles is 1.00 percent.

The Comptroller's next sales tax allocation is scheduled for Friday, December 10.

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SOURCES: Carole Keeton Rylander, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (www.window.state.tx.us), and Texas Veterans Commission.

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**RSWCD BOARD OF DIRECTORS** are (from left) Don Davis, David Ocker, Fred Wilde, and C.J. Robinson Jr. Not pictured is Ed Bredemeyer.

## Runnels Soil and Water Conservation District re-elects C.J. Robinson Jr.

C. J. Robinson Jr. of Norton was re-elected to the Runnels Soil and Water Conservation District board of directors on October 14. Robinson represents Zone Three of the district.

The purpose of the Runnels Soil and Water Conservation District, with headquarters in Ballinger is to promote sound soil and water conservation programs

on agricultural lands within the district. In addition, the district serves as a voice for farmers, ranchers, and local community entities on conservation matters.

The board of directors coordinate the conservation efforts of various local, state, and federal agencies and other organizations and has the authority to enter into working agreements with these

governmental agencies and private concerns to carry out its purposes.

The five members serving on the district board of directors are responsible for district policies and procedure for carrying out the district program within the framework of the Texas soil and conservation district law.

## Extension News & Views

By Rick Minzenmayer, Extension Agent-IPM

## Tree pruning: do's and don'ts

### DO NOT'S

**Do not top your tree.** Topping is unfortunately a common practice designed to encourage vigorous new growth. While that is achieved, the overall strength and structure of the tree are sacrificed. The limbs that are forced from latent buds are very often weakly attached, which makes them susceptible to wind damage.

Pollarding is often confused with topping, but this practice is following by thinning, and is more technically demanding. Many Europeans utilize this practice to dwarf their trees.

**Do not make stub cuts.** Do not leave a portion of the branch sticking out; this will allow rot to enter more easily.

**Do not remove all of the lower limbs on newly planted trees.** This is sometimes referred to as 'limbing up.' Some of the lower branches should be left intact for a period of time to encourage caliper growth. No more than one-third of the top growth on younger trees should be removed.

**Do not make cuts flush with the trunk or adjoining limb.** The proper cut is made flush with the collar at the base of the branch. The collar is the somewhat raised area surrounding the branch union with the parent branch or trunk.

This zone contains chemically-protective tissue; if it is cut off or severely cut into, proper natural

"healing" cannot occur. And, once this area is damaged, it is damaged for good. Trees have the unique ability to compartmentalize, or surround injured tissues with a protective barrier.

**Do not cut large limbs with a one-cut method.** This will surely result in bark peeling from the weight of the cut limb. Rather, use the three-cut method.

**Do not use pruning paints or wound dressings.** They do not encourage "healing," nor do they prevent pathogens from entering the tree. Although they will not damage the tree, they will certainly prove to be an unwarranted cost.

Painting could be justified where aesthetics are concerned. A dark paint can hide the glaring spot made from fresh wood being exposed from a recent cut.

### DO'S

**Do approach the tree, and look for any limbs that might be a hazard to someone underneath it or to a building or structure nearby.** Broken branches, weak branches, narrow crotch angles, and other obvious faults should be identified. First and foremost, these limbs should be taken care of.

**Do remove any dead or dying material on the tree.**

**Do remove limbs that are rubbing each other or cross over one**

**another.** Limbs that rub will develop wounds that attract insects and diseases.

**Do prune to encourage fruiting.** In the case of fruit trees, thinning out of limbs will allow allocation of nutrients, etc., for fruit production. In addition, practices such as open-center pruning allow sunlight penetration for fruit ripening.

**Do choose to keep branches with wide crotch angles.** Wide crotch angles are generally from 40 to 90 degrees, and are very strong as a result of being composed of solid wood.

Narrow crotch angles are less than 40 degrees, and contain a bark inclusion that causes them to be very weak. Narrow crotch angles should preferably be pruned out while the tree is still young. In older, established trees, bracing, and cabling may be the only resort.

**Do prune the tree to your liking.** There are many different ways that one particular tree may be pruned. Even experts will have differing opinions on which branches to remove. The bottom line is; whatever you like is what you should do, so long as you utilize proper cutting techniques and pruning methods.

**Do keep in mind that you should always have a reason for every cut that is made.**

## Extension News & Views

By Runnels County Extension Agents

• A monthly "Down Home Cooking" Workshop series has recently began in Winters. A second session will be held at the Winters Housing Authority Meeting Room on Thursday, November 18. The program will begin at 10 a.m. and feature simple, inexpensive recipes and dietary information.

This free of charge nutrition education program is conducted by Patricia Hohensee, County Extension Agent-FCS, and is being offered as part of Runnels County's Better Living for Texans project. The project focuses on providing basic nutrition education for limited resource families.

Participants will receive complimentary recipe handouts and samples of recipes prepared during the class.

All programs and information of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are available to everyone without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap, or national origin.

We will seek to provide reasonable accommodations for all persons with disabilities for this meeting. We request that you contact Patricia Hohensee at (915)365-5042 as soon as possible to advise us of your needs.

• A 4-H Record Book Training will be held Monday, November 15, at 6 p.m. in Citizens State Bank Meeting Room in Miles.

Conducted by Patricia Hohensee, CEA-FCS, the training is especially for 4-H families who are just beginning with 4-H record books. Come learn what all goes in record books, who all is involved in the record keeping process, why record books are beneficial, and what competitions exist for record books.

Training packets will be distributed to all attending. It is not necessary to bring your 4-H archives with you. Parents and 4-H'ers are invited to attend together.

• Any 4-H'er interested in participating in the Calf Scramble at the San Angelo Stock Show

and Rodeo in March, 2000, need to contact the Extension Office at 365-2219 prior to November 18 for an application.

Contestants must be between the ages of 13 and 18 and not be past their junior year of high school.

• The Caregivers Support Group invites interested others to join them for their monthly meeting on November 18. The group welcomes Ronda Pupella to address "Assertiveness for Women." The group meets at 6:30 p.m. in the First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall in Ballinger.

Monthly discussion topics relate to caring for the frail and/or elderly. Support group members benefit from knowing that others face similar daily challenges and that self care must be a priority to caregivers.

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