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## January 14 and 15— Winters Junior Livestock Show to be held Friday and Saturday

The 2000 Winters Junior Livestock Show will be held this Friday and Saturday, January 14 and 15. The show will take place at the Showbarn Complex off the Novice Highway, across from the football stadium.

All animals must be in the barn by 9 a.m., Friday. Weigh-in for market animals and registration paper check for breeding stock will begin at 9:30 a.m.

The show will start at 2 p.m. on Friday, beginning with the

Rabbit Show, followed by the Market Lamb Show, Breeding Sheep Show, and Market Goat Show.

Saturday's show will start with Market Swine at 9:30 a.m., followed by Breeding Swine and the Little Britches Pig Show. Following a lunch break, the Market Steer Show will begin at 1 p.m. The Heifer Show will conclude the event.

Junior and senior showmanship competitions will be held at

the end of the sheep, goat, swine, and cattle shows. Junior showmanship will consist of exhibitors in grades kindergarten through sixth. Senior showmanship is for 7th through 12th graders. **All animals will be released at the end of the cattle show.**

Jim West is general superintendent of the 2000 show. He will be assisted by Bill Mesey. Gary Schwartz is the rabbit superintendent, assisted by Johnny Pritchard.

Dennis McBeth is the sheep/goat superintendent, assisted by Barron Guy. Cattle superintendent is Steve Pritchard with Virgil Horton as assistant. Swine superintendent is Roger Kruse, assisted by Terry Kruse. Penny Pritchard is in charge of the Little Britches Show.

The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce will be in charge of the concession stand at the show this year. They will serve beans & cornbread, and a chopped brisket

plate complete with sandwich, chips, and pickle. **There will not be a barbecue brisket dinner at noon on Saturday.**

In addition, they will offer frito pies, nachos, hot dogs, chips, drinks, candy, and baked goods. Homemade cinnamon rolls will be available on Friday morning. Saturday morning they will serve breakfast burritos.

A total of 46 exhibitors will show 125 head of livestock at the annual event, hosted by the Win-

ters Junior Livestock Show Association.

Share donations are still being accepted by the association. In lieu of an auction, all donations are distributed directly to the exhibitors in the form of prize money.

Donations may be made by contacting Winters FFA Advisor Roy Shackelford at 754-5517 or Jim West at 754-4988. Donations will also be accepted at the show.

## Dr. Killough is glad to be home

*Brings chiropractic practice to Winters*

by Susan Ripple

Now open for business, the Chiropractic and Rehabilitation Clinic, located at 217 West Dale in Winters, is owned and operated by Dr. Dan Killough and wife Dawn. Dr. Killough has returned to Winters after a ten-year absence and says that he is most glad to be home.

The son of Danny Killough Sr. of Abilene and David and Brenda Grohman of Winters is a 1990 graduate of Winters High School and 1995 graduate of Angelo State University with a bachelor of science degree in biology. He received his specialized education from Parker College of Chiropractic in Dallas in 1998 and has been practicing in the Dallas area for the past fifteen months.

In October of 1998, he opened Allen Chiropractic Center in Allen and recently turned the business over to a fellow chiropractor upon deciding to return to Winters.

Killough married Dawn Waldrop of Carthage in November 1996. She plans to work with her husband as needed when time allows.

Dawn is a 1989 graduate of Carthage High School and 1993 graduate of Texas Women's University in Denton with a bachelor of science degree in psychology.

She previously taught psychology and biology two years at Grand Prairie High School. Currently, she is employed as a "nanny" for the Hoffman family of Dallas. She attends three children ranging in age from 4 to 14. She looks forward to relocating to Winters and starting her own family some day.

In fact that is one of many reasons for returning to Winters. "We wanted to raise a family in a small town atmosphere," the Killoughs say almost simultaneously.

Also he says they had previously picked the Dallas area as a midpoint between families. Dawn's family lived several hours east of Dallas and his was several hours west. "We never saw each other," he said, referring to his wife. "She went one way and I went the other. We decided to move to one area or the other." Being with family is important they replied. And that includes each other.

The decision must have been difficult for Dan and Dawn, but Winters was chosen. "I have noticed the improvements being made to the town and was most impressed with this aspect," says Dr. Killough. "I know all the street names, and I'm glad to be home." Perhaps not thought of directly by Dr. Killough, the Chi-

ropractic and Rehabilitation Clinic will add yet another improvement to Winters.

Dr. Killough specializes in myofascial therapy. In layman's terms that means massaging the muscles in a specific area to make the muscles function properly with movement of the bones. "Many back problems are due to muscle problems; therefore, one must work on both the muscles and bones to attain relief," Dr. Killough eagerly emphasizes.

His hopes are to establish a rehab center for work-related and sports-related injuries for those needing extended care.

Well-maintenance care is also offered. "Many people think that one little thing sets off their pain. For example, bending over to pick up a piece of paper. But it is an accumulation of minor problems that causes the major problem."

Dr. Killough's care varies from treating the many different forms of accidental physical trauma to the ordinary "pain in the back" problems. Dr. Killough continues in saying that many people come to him to treat headaches, low back pain, or neck pain. Should x-rays be needed to make a proper diagnosis, the patient will be sent to North Runnels Hospital, according to Killough.



**DR. DAN KILLOUGH AND WIFE DAWN** have opened the Chiropractic and Rehabilitation Clinic at 217 West Dale, offering services including myofascial therapy, well-maintenance care, and rehabilitation for work-related and sports-related injuries.

The charge for his office visit, or adjustment as he calls his treatment, begins at \$25. If physical therapy is needed in addition, these prices range from \$10 to \$50 per visit depending on the type of treatment.

Business hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to noon and 2:00-5:00 p.m. Appointments can be made by calling 754-5555. Dr. Killough will be

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## Stenholm at Rock Hotel on Jan. 13

Congressman Charlie W. Stenholm will host a townhall meeting in Winters Thursday, January 13, from 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m.

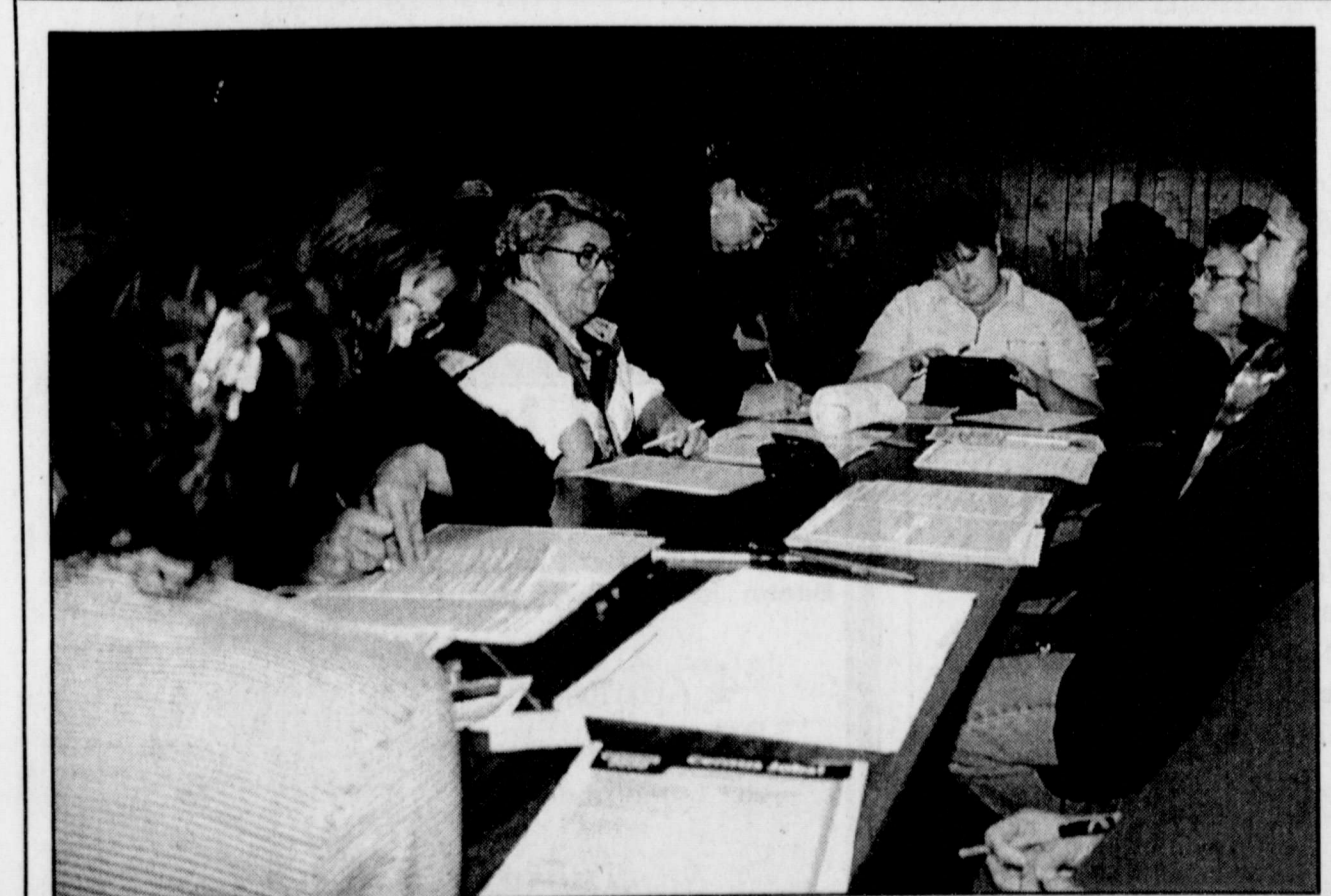
Stenholm will meet with constituents to respond to questions, discuss issues of concern, and provide an update on legislative activities at the Rock Hotel Heritage Center, 300 West Dale.

"I am looking forward to visiting with everyone who can come by to share their concerns with me on January 13th," Stenholm noted. "Staying in touch with my constituents helps me to represent their interests in Washington."

## School holiday this Friday

Winters Independent School District will not conduct classes Friday, January 14, so that students may prepare and participate in the Winters Stock Show. The stock show begins Friday afternoon and continues Saturday.

Classes resume Monday, January 17, at the regularly scheduled time.



**LOCAL CENSUS WORKER CANDIDATES** await instructions from Sandra Burroughs (center), recruiting assistant for Census 2000, Abilene Region. One news report claims that Census 2000, billed as "the largest peacetime mobilization in the nation's history," will cost \$6.8 billion and will try to reach 275 million people in the United States. Anyone interested in working for the Census Bureau may be tested at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. at the Runnels County Courthouse in Ballinger each Wednesday through May, 2000.

## None sold at door— Chamber banquet tickets now on sale

The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce will host their annual banquet on Saturday, Jan. 29 at 7:00 p.m. at the Winters Community Center.

Highlighting the evening will be the naming of the Man and Woman of the Year. Nominations are currently being taken for these prestigious awards. Anyone wishing to nominate a special man or woman should send their nominations to the Chamber office at 118 West Dale by Friday, Jan. 21.

Entertainment for the banquet will be provided by Heaven's Jubilee, a local singing group. The meal will be catered by JC's Catering (Janet Cason) and will consist of roast beef with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, cobbler, and tea.

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- Jan. 13-9-10 a.m., Congressman Charles Stenholm at Rock Hotel
- 10 a.m., Triple L Club, First Baptist Church
- 10 a.m., 39+, First United Methodist Church
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 7 p.m., Project Graduation, School Cafeteria
- Jan. 14-9 a.m.-5 p.m., National Weather Service Ag Open House, San Angelo
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 2 p.m., Winters Stock Show Begins
- 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco
- SCHOOL HOLIDAY**
- Jan. 15-9 a.m.-5 p.m., National Weather Service Ag Open House, San Angelo
- 9:30 a.m., Winters Stock Show Continues
- 10:30 a.m., Czech Educational Foundation, A&M, College Station
- Jan. 16-8 a.m., Community-Wide Men's Breakfast, Lutheran Church
- Jan. 17-5:30 p.m., Runnels Baptist Association, First Baptist Church, Ballinger
- 6 p.m., Weight Watchers, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Last Day to Order Girl Scout Cookies
- Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday
- Jan. 18-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Noon, Lions Club, Community Center
- 5-6:30 p.m., Pioneer Club, First United Methodist Church
- 7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station
- 7:30 p.m., Eastern Star
- Jan. 19-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Chamber Office
- 9 a.m.-4 p.m., WIC, Winters Housing Authority
- 10 a.m., FREE Blood Pressure Check, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 10 a.m. & 2 p.m., Census Testing, Courthouse, Ballinger
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Jan. 20-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Women's Service League

## Oil Bidness

By Reg Boles ©2000



We spend our time together this time completing our discussion of the times ahead. As you may recall, there were three points to cover, and we only got the first two out of the way.

The third point involved talking about what the most important forces in our industry will be in this century and how they may impact you and I.

This is the area of the discussion where we leave facts behind and enter the world of opinion. Predicting the future is one sure way to be proven wrong, as they say, and there is certainly no crystal ball in my office.

Despite the risk, let's look at some issues that will likely be drivers of the oil and gas business in the new century.

There is no escaping the fact that our business will continue to be at the mercy of product prices. That means all of us that continue to work in the business will be subject to the cost cutting that will inevitably occur when prices nose-dive. But, it is only fair to remind you all that we will share in the bounty of higher prices while they are on the scene, as well.

In any event, it will likely be prudent to structure operations to be profitable in the \$18/bbl range. Prices may be lower or higher, but operating at this level should allow living with short and survivable periods when prices are lower and some extra cash during short-lived higher price intervals.

With the many properties coming on the market from the big mergers and operators looking to sell during a price upswing, there will be many opportunities for growth. But, beware of the doggie properties that will be in the mix as they will provide opportunity for heartache.

The opportunities in those available properties will lie in hidden zones, undrilled acreage, lower operating costs, and innovation by companies that are, for lack of a better term, "less-than-major." The American independent stands to gain from the recent mergers and divestments as onshore (and even shallow offshore) U.S. properties fall out of favor with the big guys. They all have their sights set on deep water and foreign lands.

The environment will continue to be a point of concern for the public and for politicians. Despite the sterling record of producers, most environmentally-impactive incidents occur in shipping, they will continue to feel pressure to do things considered environmentally-friendly. Governments will layer on more and more regulations, and we all will have to yield or get out of the business.

In sum, the future holds promise for those willing to work, take risks, and surmount challenges. There will be the usual pressures of price and government regulation, but property market activity will draw capital to the business

providing all new opportunities for those willing to step up. Best wishes.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY COMPLETIONS

**Concho County**  
The Pickens Company has completed the Stansberry Heirs #3 as a Wildcat, 5 miles N of Eden at an initial rate of 63 BOPD in the Lower Canyon (perfs 3151-57). Loc. is 1700 FEL & 700 FNL of Sec. 11, Blk. 72, IRR Sur., A-504.

**Taylor County**  
Kern Co. has completed a plug back of the Sowell #3 in the Black Field (10 miles SW of View) at an initial rate of 33 BOPD & 6 BWPD in the Flippen (perfs 2694-2703). Loc. is 330 FWL & 533 FNL of Sec. 268, Blk. 64, H&TC Sur., A-1710.

### STAKINGS

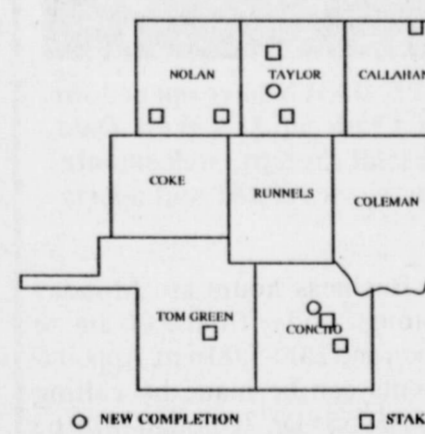
**Callahan County**  
Spence Energy Company has staked the George #6901 in the North Putnam Field, 5 miles NE of Baird (Depth 4300). Loc. is 4000 FWL & 500 FSL of Sec. 69, BOA Sur., A-984.

**Concho County**  
The Pickens Company has staked two wells. The L. Stephens Heirs -A- #1 is a Wildcat, 2 miles NE of Eden (Depth 2300), and is loc. 467 FWL & 2000 FSL of Seale & Morris Sur. No. 79, A-1060. The Dierschke #1 is in the West Millersview Field, 4 miles SW of Millersview (Depth 3600), and is loc. 467 FEL & 1000 FNL of P. McGregor Sur. No. 124, A-1188.

**Nolan County**  
Chisholm Exploration has staked the Texaco Fee #3 in the Mulberry Canyon Field, 6 miles NE of Nolan (Depth 4200). Loc. is 330 FSL & 1024 FWL of Sec. 69, Blk. 5, T&PRR Sur., A-237.  
Kerr McGee Oil & Gas Onshore LLC has applied to re-enter the North Nena Lucia Unit #207 in the Nena Lucia Field, 6 miles SW of Maryneal (Depth 7500). Loc. is 1874 FNL & 1517 FWL of Sec. 133, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur., A-78.

**Taylor County**  
L.C.S. Production has applied to plug back the J.T. Windham #6-A in the County Regular Field, 4 miles SW of Oplin (Depth 4000). Loc. is 1378 FWL & 896 FNL of G.W. Denton Sur. No. 390, A-1391.  
Spence Energy has staked the Sayles #1 in the County Regular Field, 10 miles SW of Abilene (Depth 4000). Loc. is 2200 FWL & 500 FSL of Sec. 299, Blk. 64, H&TC Sur.

**Tom Green County**  
E. Mayo has applied to re-enter the Ashland #1 in the Christoval Field, 4 miles NE of Christoval (Depth 5100). Loc. is 669 FSL & 752 FEL of Sec. 1, Blk. 23, H&TC Sur.



## Obituaries

### Annie Jean Jones

**BALLINGER**—Annie Jean Jones, 72, died at 8:10 a.m. Thursday, December 30, 1999, at her residence.

She was born April 13, 1927, in Ballinger, Texas. Ms. Jones was a homemaker and a member of St. Mary Catholic Church in Ballinger.

Survivors include two sons, Barry Randall Jones of Winters and Jerry W. Jones of Bossier City, Louisiana; one brother, Bobby Farmer of Ballinger; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were at 2:00 p.m. Friday, December 31, at Evergreen Cemetery in Ballinger with Father Hubert Wade officiating. Burial was directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home of Ballinger.

### Herbert H. (Boonie) Dean

**BALLINGER**—Herbert H. (Boonie) Dean, 75, passed away at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, January 8, 2000, in the Ballinger Memorial Hospital.

He was born October 14, 1924, in Ballinger to Ernest Herbert and Ida Jewell Gardner Dean. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps in World War II with the 15th Bomb Wing in European Theater as a gunner on a B24. He married Judy Criswell in Wichita Falls on June 24, 1995.

Mr. Dean retired from Santa Fe Drilling in 1985, having spent 20 years in the Middle East. He was a superintendent during the drilling of several wells in Kuwait. He was called out of retirement in 1991, while fires were being extinguished after the Gulf War, to write up plans to get the wells back on line. He also supervised the setting of well heads in Kuwait until fields were all back in production. He was an avid animal lover and enjoyed gardening.

Survivors include his wife, Judy Dean of Ballinger; one son, Danny Dean and wife Sandee of Austin; one daughter, Becky Holtman and husband Derek of Highlands Ranch, Colorado; one stepdaughter, Jera Smith and husband Rick of Verden, Oklahoma; one stepson, John Cable of Duncan, Oklahoma; one brother, Bill Dean and wife Lola of Ballinger; one sister, Martha Palmer and husband James of Ballinger; and six grandchildren, Kara and Nathan Holtman, Caitlin and Cameron Dean, Blake Grissam and Zachary Cable.

Family visitation was from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Monday, January 10, at Rains-Seale Funeral Home in Ballinger. Services were at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 11, at the First Christian Church with Lynn Smith officiating. Military graveside burial followed in Old Runnels Cemetery in Ballinger, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to West Texas Rehab Center.

### James Edward McDaniel

**BALLINGER**—James Edward McDaniel, 47, died Saturday morning, January 8, 2000, near Tuscola as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

He was born September 14, 1952, in San Angelo, Texas. He married Elaine Haliburton at Ballinger on February 14, 1992.

Mr. McDaniel was an electronics technician and a Baptist. Survivors include his wife, Elaine McDaniel of Ballinger; three sons, Jerry, Terry, and J.J. Flores, all of Ballinger; one grandson, Shane Flores of Ballinger; and one niece, Brandi Mitchum.

Visitation was at 7:00 p.m. Monday, January 10, at Rains-Seale Funeral Home in Ballinger. Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 11, at Rains-Seale Chapel with Reverend Tony King officiating. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

### David Lloyd Nault

**SHEP**—David Lloyd Nault, 52, died Sunday, January 2, 2000, at his residence.

He was born August 6, 1947, in Tacoma, Washington. He graduated from high school in Ketchikan, Alaska, and attended both Northern Michigan University and Alaska Methodist University. He married Sharon Schneider in Roscoe on October 3, 1970. He moved to Shep from Spring, Texas, in 1993.

Mr. Nault held managerial positions in banks in Alaska, Arizona, and Texas. He attended Shep Church of Christ, and had been an active member of Lions Club in various cities in which he resided. He was a veteran of both the U.S. Army Reserve and the Alaska National Guard.

Survivors include his wife, Sharon Nault of Shep; two sons, Scott David Nault of Abilene and Jonathan Lee Nault of Shep; his parents, Lloyd and Shirley Nault of Marquette, Michigan; two brothers, Peter A. Nault of Redman, Washington, and Andrew Nault of Kodiak, Alaska; one sister, Mary Bunch of Fairbanks, Alaska; six nieces; and three nephews.

Family visitation was from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 4, at Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home in Abilene. Services were at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 5, at Shep Church of Christ with Lauren Garduno officiating. Burial was in Shep Cemetery, directed by Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home.

### Maria del Rosario Ruiz

**PAINT ROCK**—Maria del Rosario Ruiz, 60, died at 12:05 a.m. Thursday, December 30, 1999, in M.D. Anderson Hospital in Houston.

She was born October 6, 1939, to Manuel and Paula Saucedo Martinez in Zaragoza, Coahuila, Mexico.

Survivors include her husband, Nicolas Ruiz of Paint Rock; two daughters, Rosa Sota and husband Filiberto, and Maricela Ruiz; two sons, Jose Luis Ruiz and wife Pauline, and Jorge Ruiz and wife Doris; two brothers; four sisters; and eleven grandchildren.

Rosary was at 7:00 p.m. Friday, December 31, at Rains-Seale Funeral Chapel, officiated by Deacon Leroy Beach. Funeral mass was at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, January 1, 2000, at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Olfen with Father Michael Rodriguez officiating. Burial was in Paint Rock Cemetery, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home of Ballinger.

Pallbearers were Tito Soto, Jose Luis Ruiz Jr., Daniel Ruiz, Oscar Ruiz Jr., Juan Ruiz, and Danilo Zuniga Madrid.

### Clara Cheesman

**BRADY**—Clara Cheesman, 67, died at 2:52 p.m. Thursday, December 30, 1999, in a San Angelo hospital.

She was born October 21, 1932, in Menard, Texas, to John Edward Cheesman and Lilly Hunicutt Cheesman.

Ms. Cheesman was a homemaker. She was preceded in death by her father, John Cheesman; one son, Joe Lancaster; and two sisters, Ruby Martin and Katy Turk.

Survivors include her mother, Lillie Cheesman of San Angelo; two sons, Robert Lancaster of Mineral Wells and Donald Lancaster of Luling; four daughters, Pam Ripple of San Angelo, Freda Mauldin of Brady, Paula Lancaster of Coleman, and Gail Blake of San Antonio; twenty-four grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren; three brothers, Joe Cheesman of San Angelo, Jimmy Cheesman of Paint Rock, and Larry Cheesman of Sweetwater; five sisters, Jean Williams of Bangs, Johnnie Hoisington of Bangs, Mary Kolb of San Angelo, Martha Coleman of Coleman, and Irene Cheesman of Paint Rock; and several local nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were at 3:00 p.m. Saturday, January 1, 2000, at Old Runnels Cemetery in Ballinger with Reverend L.C. Messer officiating. Burial was directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home of Ballinger.

## Sr. Citizens Nursing Home News

By Billie Ruth Bishop

### Reception for Mrs. Emmert

The Senior Citizens Nursing Home would like to invite the community to a reception honoring Geneva Emmert on the occasion of her 100th birthday.

The celebration will be from 10 to 11 a.m. on Tuesday, January 18, at the nursing home. Everyone is invited to come by and wish Mrs. Emmert a happy 100th birthday.

### Runnels Baptist Association to meet January 17

The Runnels Baptist Association will have a Prayer and Praise Celebration on Monday, January 17, 2000 at First Baptist Church in Ballinger.

The Executive Board and W.M.U. will meet at 5:30 p.m. The evening meal will be served at 6 p.m.

The Prayer and Praise Celebration will begin at 7 p.m. Morris Johnson, Association Prayer Coordinator, is in charge of the program.

The public is invited to attend.

## Senior Citizens Activity Center Menu

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Jan. 17 thru Jan. 21

Subject to change

**Monday, Jan. 17:** Closed for Martin Luther King's birthday.

**Tuesday, Jan. 18:** Chicken & noodles, tossed salad, peas & carrots, garlic bread, and cake.

**Wednesday, Jan. 19:** Liver & onions, mashed potatoes, corn salad, roll, and cake.

**Thursday, Jan. 20:** Salmon croquette, macaroni & cheese, beets, cornbread, and fruit.

**Friday, Jan. 21:** Hamburger, chips, pea salad, cookies, and ice cream.

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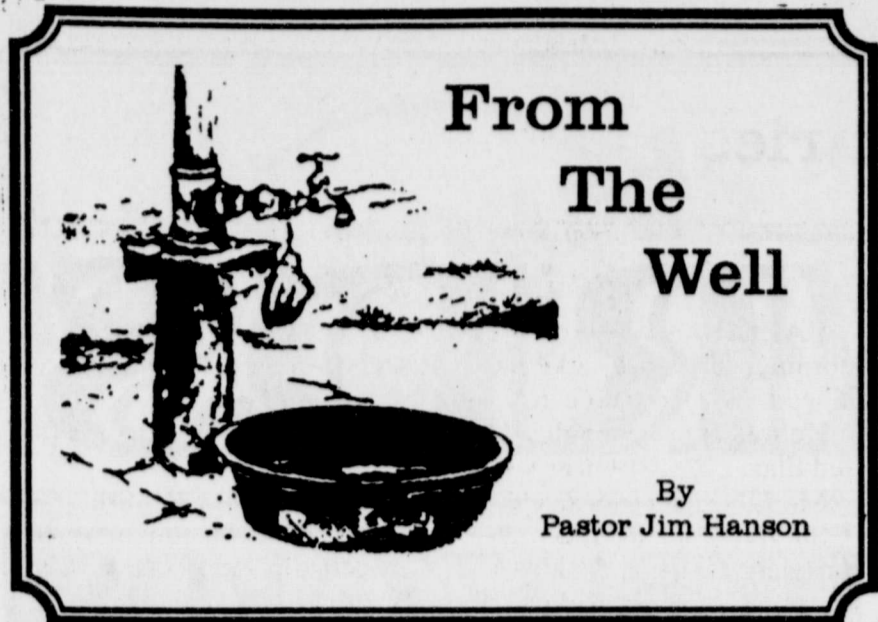
## Lions Club Pancake Supper

All-You-Can-Eat Pancakes, Bacon, Milk, & Orange Juice  
\$4 Adults  
\$3 Children  
Age 5 and under



Tuesday, Jan. 18  
6-8 p.m.  
(During Mason Basketball Games)  
**WHS Cafeteria**

Proceeds benefit various Lions Club projects including Eyeglasses for the Needy, Summer Camp for the Handicapped, and the American Legion Boys and Girls State, Rock Hotel, City Library, Boy Scouts



## From The Well

By  
Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

I sat looking out over the Wisconsin landscape. Snow-covered hills. Some lightly falling snow. Green pine trees. The hardwoods have all shed their leaves—leaving their bare branches reaching up to the heavens. Upstairs two of our granddaughters, Mara and Abigail, are making childhood sounds—squalls, laughter, some tears. Son John is talking to Ramona and his wife Julie. Earlier this morning, Julie and I took Peter and Rachel to different schools. Rural Wisconsin consolidated school districts, elementary and high school in Baldwin, middle school at Woodville. Changes in the rural scene in Wisconsin, too.

When we drove into Woodville, we saw the sign: VELKOM TO WOODVILLE. This sign—reminding us that this was a Norwegian-type town. The sign on the wall of the school where Peter attends read VIKING MIDDLE SCHOOL. Some things don't change...we really can't change our roots...where we came from. Every year on the 17th of May, they have a big celebration, parade and all. They celebrate Norwegian Independence Day. Like our 4th of July—in which we celebrate our independence from England. Only, the 17th of May celebrates the Norse's independence from Sweden. A small town but with big memories.

It's good to be here. In this warm cozy house. With the patter of little feet and the heavier sounds of bigger feet. And, on this eleventh day of Christmas (Christmas has 12 days on the church calendar), it is a time of reflection for me. And I ask myself, what is that makes Christmas so great for me? Why do I look forward to it, starting about July 4, and look back on it until Easter.

For sure, it has to do with the birth of Jesus. God's Son. Our Savior. The Angels. Mary and Joseph. The babe lying in a manger. The Shepherds. The Wise Men. The sheep. The miracle of all time, and the fact that it is so big that we measure the years we live in by adding A.D. 2000 A.D. The 2000th year since the birth of the child. And, even more, each day is A.D. Anno Domine. Latin for "the year of Our Lord." There are folks who don't like the A.D., and there are forces at work to change all that. Which simply says to me that Jesus is a fearful threat to them and their purposes. Because if He is right (and He is), then they are wrong.

But—whatever date one wants to hang on to the event, Christmas is special, especially for families. Because Christmas, from the beginning, has been a "family time." An angel comes to Mary and tells her that she will indeed become pregnant...by the Holy Spirit. And that the child to be born shall be holy. Theologians call this the Immaculate Conception. A few months later Mary goes to see her cuz Elizabeth, who is much older, but also pregnant. And they talk to each other about the ones in their wombs. Joseph, who has "been in the dark" is enlightened by an angel who comes to him in a dream and says, "It's O.K. Joseph. God did it. Mary has not been unfaithful to you...just faithful to God."

The Holy Family. Sets the tone of the celebration. Joseph, Mary, and Jesus. Dostoevsky, a Russian novelist, sees this family on earth as a representation of the "family in heaven" that we call the triune God. "Father, Son, and Holy Spirit." I like that.

I'm not sure if it's "theologically correct." But there is something "devine" about husband, wife, and child that speaks to me. It is possible that this is included in the phrase "image of God...created He them." (Genesis 1:27)?

Our experience of Christmas this year was indeed something like that. In Winters, we were immersed in the spirit of family when Paul and Mary, and their two—Timothy and Lyndi—came along with Timothy and Stephanie and their two—Joseph and Maria. Later Nate and Ruth, and their three—Ezekiel, Samuel, and Anna. And, on the 11th day of Christmas, Ramona and I are with John and Julie and their four—Peter, Rachael, Mara, and Abigail. The only reason Katie and Dan aren't with us, along with Hans and Siri, is that Katie is "great with child," "waiting for the time to be delivered" in early February...or maybe late January. It's all family.

Proverbs 17:6 says "Grandchildren are the crown of the aged, and the glory of children is their parents." Our Christmas tree was and is loaded with presence—the presence of our family in the presence of Jesus. All "presents." Gifts. Here on earth and in heaven forever.

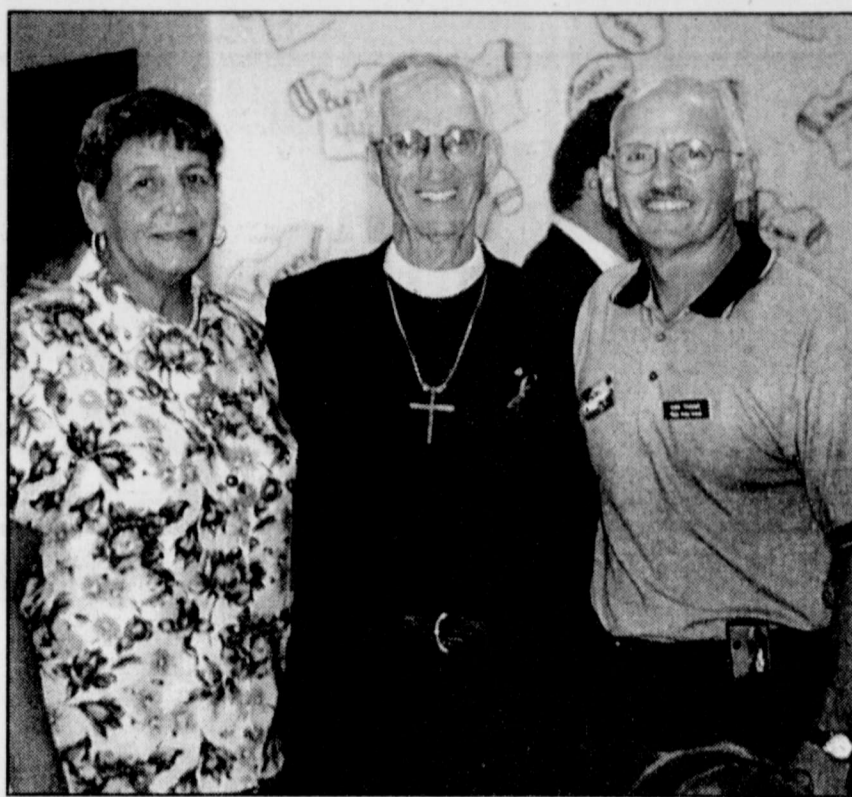
As I reflect on this past Christmas, there is one moment that sort of says it all. Young Timothy, who loves to wear capes—Batman, Spider Man...you name it, was given a special one this year. Bible Man. He wanted to wear it to Sunday School. His mom said he could wear it to church. So he did. With special eye mask and cape—he was so proud. "I am Bible Man." I'll never forget the picture he presented—from dawn 'til bedtime, all the time he was with us. A moving picture—real life! As he moved about, these words came too, from the Bible, about the Bible. "These things are written that you might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God, and that believing you might have life in His name." (John 20:31). As Timothy got into his "Bible man toys," we got into the spirit of Christmas. Why not, "A little child shall lead the future...without fear. Just some reflections. From the well. Christmas can last, you know. And when it does, we get "life in His name."

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**LAST SATURDAY THE WINTERS AREA TELETHON phone bank, stationed at St. John's Lutheran Church, received \$625 in pledges to benefit the West Texas Rehabilitation Centers in Abilene and San Angelo. Abilene WTR Public Relation Representative, John Thomas (right) is shown with Pastor Jim and Ramona Hanson who spearheaded the local phone bank at St. John's. Rev. Hanson said this year's pledges are about average compared to past years, but notes that many local contributors were reached by mail prior to the telethon.**

### CHIROPRACTIC, continued

more than happy to make arrangements for early or late appointments, and even appointments during the lunch hour if necessary. No other medical doctor's referral is needed.

Not only are the Killoughs looking forward to being a great asset to the business community, but so too they are looking forward to becoming involved socially. They plan on attending the First Baptist Church of Winters. He was a Lion in Allen and will consider his membership in the organization here. In conjunction with his business interests, Dr. Killough enjoys public speaking and will accommodate various organizations in speaking on natural health care at no cost to the group. Dawn was the vice-president of the Allen Sports Association and served on the cheerlead-

ing board for Little League.

His other interests include sports and hunting. Before transferring to Angelo State University, Dan played basketball at Western Texas College, and he is a big, big fan of the Dallas Cowboys football team. She enjoys shopping and traveling with family. On New Year's, Dawn went to Bora Bora, Tahiti, and is looking forward to going to Italy this summer.

On a final note closer to home, Dan and Dawn say that "everybody in Winters has been great...very welcoming." I believe I can speak for the community in saying that not only is he happy to be home, but many townspeople too are glad to have him home.

Dr. Killough is the grandson of Faye Killough and Elouise Prine, both of Winters.

### Card of Thanks

I would like to thank everyone who made my "70th" birthday so special. I really like my shiny, new, red Schwinn bicycle complete with fenders and all the "extras."

I want to thank the following people who helped buy my bike:  
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Milton's Auto Parts  
Grif Brown  
Winters Funeral Home  
Debra Dickinson  
Again, thanks a whole bunch.  
I really appreciate you thinking of me.

"Bicycle Lee" Colbath

### Card of Thanks

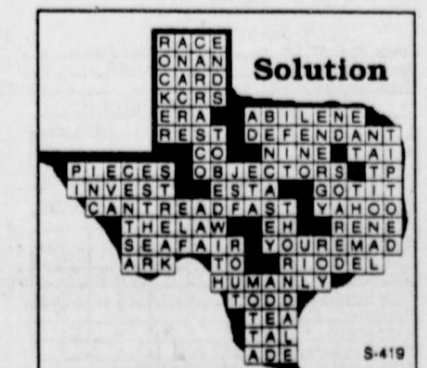
The family of Mildred Kaczyk and Merry Ogletree wishes to express appreciation to all of our friends, neighbors, church family and pastor, for the prayers, calls, cards, flowers and plants, food, memorials and friendship that has been shown to us during the loss of our loved ones. We greatly appreciate everything.

God bless you!  
Mark, Tammy, Justin, Brooke, and Haley Kaczyk

### Community-wide church men's breakfast, Jan. 16

This coming Sunday, January 16, the men of St. John's Lutheran Church invite the men of the other churches to breakfast.

Serving will start at 8:00. There will be a time of fellowship, prayer, and Bible study following the meal.



## Winters Municipal Judge Virginia Parr certified

Winters Municipal Court Judge Virginia Parr has completed all of the requirements for Level I of the Court Clerks Certification Program and was awarded the certification on January 4, 2000, from the Texas Court Clerks Association (TCCA) in conjunction with the Texas Municipal Courts Education Center (TMCEC) and the Texas Municipal Courts Association (TMCA). Parr has served in the Winters Municipal Court since 1997.

To qualify for Level I Certification, Parr completed a 40-hour course of study and passed a 4-hour examination. Areas covered by the examination included "An Overview of the Courts," "Ethics," "Authority & Duties," "Procedures Before Trial," "Trial Processes," "Post-Trial Procedures," "State & City Reports," "Traffic Law," "Juveniles," and "Communications and Stress Management."

The TCCA is a non-profit professional association of municipal

and justice court clerks and administrators. Its purpose is to increase the proficiency of judicial administrators and clerical personnel through education and the exchange of ideas.

Founded in 1972, TCCA is an affiliate of the Texas Municipal League and offers its members a variety of services and programs.

TMCEC is a project of the Texas Municipal Courts Association and is funded by a grant from the Court of Criminal Appeals.

TMCA is an association composed of municipal court judges, clerks, prosecutors, and court support personnel. It monitors legislation, attorney general opinions, and changes in case law to insure that the 843 municipal courts in Texas remain up-to-date on the law.

TMCEC provides judicial and legal education for municipal court judges, clerks, and prosecutors through its monthly regional seminars and its (800) telephone line.

## Lutherans to serve Super Bowl Sunday meal to benefit CIA

Get "warmed up" for your Super Bowl celebration Sunday, January 30, by coming to the school cafeteria in Winters.

You will be served a delicious meal of barbecued brisket, chicken, beans, potato salad, bread, dessert, and tea from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

All of the profit from your free-will donation will go to Christmas in April of Winters.

With matching funds from Lutheran Brotherhood Branch 8824 and Aid Association for Lutherans Branch 7878, over \$4,000 was raised in both 1998,

and 1999 for this worthy project.

If you cannot attend, takeouts are available. If you'd like to order whole briskets or chickens, call Nancy Spill at 754-4073 or Teresa Davis at 754-5422.

The folks of St. John's Lutheran Church will be lined up and ready to serve you a super dinner on Super Bowl Sunday for a super project.

The other Lutheran affiliations are on the sidelines ready to give their support. So come get in the game. Enjoy a great meal and do some real good for real people in Winters.

### Birthday boy is Raymond Ortiz.

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## CAFETERIA MENU Jan. 17-21 Subject to change

- Breakfast**  
**Monday-Jan. 17**  
Biscuits  
Sausage  
Juice  
**Tuesday-Jan. 18**  
Cinnamon Roll  
Cereal  
Juice  
**Wednesday-Jan. 19**  
Toast  
Sliced Cheese  
Juice  
**Thursday-Jan. 20**  
Waffle/Syrup  
Cereal  
Juice  
**Friday-Jan. 21**  
Banana Nut Muffin  
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  
Refried Beans  
Salad  
Peach Cobbler  
**Thursday-Nov. 18**  
Roast Beef/Gravy  
Mashed Potatoes  
Mixed Vegetables  
Chocolate Pudding  
Hot Roll  
**Friday-Nov. 19**  
Hamburger  
French Fries  
Lettuce/Pickles  
Sliced Pears  
Chocolate Pudding

Milk Served With All Meals  
\*Due to commodities conditions served with meals.

## 1999-2000 JV LADY BLIZZARDS



Left to right:  
#32 Tassi Hopson So. Guard/Post  
#11 Kelly Walker So. Guard  
#3 Brittney Tekell Jr. Post  
#14 Jackye Dexter Jr. Guard/Post  
#23 Kemari Hale Fr. Post  
#00 Mandy Pritchard So. Guard/Post  
#10 Samantha Montgomery So. Guard  
#24 Allison Calcote Fr. Guard/Post  
#22 Jena Bahlman Fr. Post  
#15 Michelle Dexter Fr. Guard  
#12 Stacey Sneed Fr. Guard  
Not pictured: Manager Leslye Geistmann  
Coach Deb Whittenburg

## Basketball Hoopla

Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Robert White  
Opponent: San Saba Date: Jan. 4, 2000  
Place: Winters

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
WINTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
OPPONENT	12	11	11	12	12	60
WINTERS	2	3	4	12	4	35

Free throws made: 5 of 11 for 38%  
Players Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
Colby Walker 2 5 1 1  
Josh Montgomery 12 11 1 3  
Shane Colburn 4 4 1 0  
Wade Parramore 5 4 0 0  
Aubrey Martinez 0 0 0 0  
Drew Lee 0 3 0 0  
Austin Pritchard 10 3 2 3  
Jeremy Hope 5 2 1 0  
Chris Santora 0 0 0 0  
\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Robert White  
Opponent: San Saba Date: Jan. 7, 2000  
Place: Winters

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
WINTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
OPPONENT	12	11	11	12	12	60
WINTERS	2	3	4	12	4	35

Free throws made: 8 of 15 for 53%  
Players Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
Colby Walker 14 4 1 0  
Josh Montgomery 11 5 3 2  
Shane Colburn 2 0 0 1  
Wade Parramore 7 8 2 1  
Aubrey Martinez 0 0 0 0  
Drew Lee 1 2 0 0  
Austin Pritchard 7 0 2 2  
Jeremy Hope 5 2 1 1  
T.J. Garcia 0 0 0 0  
\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: Varsity Girls Coach: Ken Fowler  
Opponent: San Saba Date: Jan. 4, 2000  
Place: Winters

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
WINTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
OPPONENT	10	23	10	12	0	55
WINTERS	6	6	6	11	0	31

Free throws made: 20 of 37 for 54%  
Players Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
Jana Presley 8 1 1 4  
Kacy McCord 3 3 0 1  
Kelli Slimp 0 1 1 1  
Michelle Paschal 0 2 0 2  
Kendra Hope 9 2 1 0  
Lori Bradley 5 2 0 0  
Jenna DelRosa 2 2 2 4  
Laci Walker 2 2 1 4  
Staci Bishop 4 3 0 2  
Michelle Walker 3 6 0 0  
\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: Varsity Girls Coach: Ken Fowler  
Opponent: San Saba Date: Jan. 7, 2000  
Place: Winters

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
WINTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
OPPONENT	17	6	6	16	0	45
WINTERS	10	12	13	12	0	55

Free throws made: 17 of 21 for 81%  
Players Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
Jana Presley 8 1 1 4  
Kacy McCord 3 3 0 1  
Kelli Slimp 0 1 1 1  
Michelle Paschal 15 9 0 3  
Kendra Hope 23 4 2 5  
Lori Bradley 0 0 0 0  
Jenna DelRosa 1 2 0 2  
Laci Walker 3 2 0 0  
Staci Bishop 0 0 0 1  
Michelle Walker 0 0 0 0  
\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: Junior Varsity Boys Coach: Chris Bearden  
Opponent: San Saba Date: Jan. 7, 2000  
Place: Winters

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
WINTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
OPPONENT	11	7	7	7	0	32
WINTERS	11	7	7	7	0	32

Free throws made: 6 of 11 for 55%  
Players Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
Artemio Lopez 0 0 2 1  
Drew Lee 2 1 0 0  
Will Blaine 2 2 0 0  
Travis Grohman 2 0 0 0  
Drew Lee 4 3 2 3  
Zack Martinez 1 2 2 0  
Tony Agerso 7 2 0 1  
T.J. Garcia 0 0 0 0  
Andrew Medina 4 4 2 0  
\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: Junior Varsity Boys Coach: Chris Bearden  
Opponent: San Saba Date: Jan. 7, 2000  
Place: Winters

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
WINTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
OPPONENT	11	7	7	7	0	32
WINTERS	11	7	7	7	0	32

Free throws made: 11 of 15 for 62%  
Players Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
Mandy Pritchard 9 15 8 2  
Brittney Tekell 0 3 1 0  
Kelli Walker 0 0 0 0  
Stacey Sneed 0 0 0 0  
Jackye Dexter 0 0 0 0  
Jena Bahlman 4 4 5 1  
Kemari Hale 12 6 2 2  
Alli Calcote 0 0 0 1  
Laci Walker 2 5 1 1  
Michelle Dexter 0 0 0 0  
\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: Junior Varsity Girls Coach: Deb Whittenburg  
Opponent: Coleman Date: Dec. 14, 1999  
Place: Winters

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
WINTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
OPPONENT	11	7	7	7	0	32
WINTERS	11	7	7	7	0	32

Free throws made: 10 of 16 for 62%  
Players Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
Mandy Pritchard 6 4 2 0  
Brittney Tekell 0 0 1 0  
Samantha Montgomery 0 0 1 0  
Stacey Sneed 4 2 2 2  
Jackye Dexter 0 0 0 0  
Jena Bahlman 4 4 5 1  
Kemari Hale 12 6 2 2  
Alli Calcote 0 0 0 1  
Laci Walker 2 5 1 1  
Michelle Dexter 0 0 0 0  
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Team: 9th Girls Coach: Ed Poehls  
Opponent: San Saba Date: Jan. 6, 2000  
Place: Winters

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
WINTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
OPPONENT	4	4	8	2	0	21
WINTERS	2	2	14	16	0	39

Free throws made: 5 of 10 for 50%  
Players Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
Tina Fenwick 10 10 3 2  
Becky Vailley 10 10 2 1  
Brenda Eche 2 2 1 1  
Jonathan Lujan 2 2 1 1  
Wesley Cason 0 0 0 0  
Leticia Lopez 2 2 1 1  
\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: 8th Girls Coach: Ed Poehls  
Opponent: San Saba Date: Jan. 6, 2000  
Place: San Saba

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
WINTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
OPPONENT	10	12	12	12	0	46
WINTERS	10	12	12	12	0	46

Free throws made: 10 of 10 for 100%  
Players Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
Brian Parramore 4 2 2 2  
Macy Hagan 2 5 1 3  
Megan Schwartz 0 0 0 0  
Suzanne Jones 0 0 0 0  
Jesse Pritchard 4 0 1 0  
Kevin Calton 0 0 0 0  
Amundia Pev 0 0 0 0  
Kari Walker 7 6 1 2  
\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: 8th Boys "B" Coach: Richard Buchanan  
Opponent: San Saba Date: Jan. 6, 2000  
Place: Winters

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
WINTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
OPPONENT	12	11	11	12	0	56
WINTERS	8	8	8	8	0	40

Free throws made: 2 of 2 for 100%  
Players Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
Justin Lopez 4 4 1 0  
Jesse Hagan 2 2 0 0  
Chance Hagan 2 2 0 0  
Will Oliver 2 2 0 0  
Francisco Santos 2 2 0 0  
\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: 8th Boys "A" Coach: Bill White  
Opponent: San Saba Date: Jan. 6, 2000  
Place: Winters

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
WINTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
OPPONENT	12	11	11	12	0	56
WINTERS	8	8	8	8	0	40

Free throws made: 2 of 2 for 100%  
Players Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
Angelia Moreno 0 0 0 0  
Kendia Escobar 0 0 0 0  
Christina Lujan 6 0 0 0  
Tina Harris 0 0 0 0  
Della Laballe 0 0 0 0  
Kari Walker 2 0 0 0  
Flor Conroya 2 0 0 0  
Drew Lee 2 0 0 0  
\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: 7th Girls "A" Coach: Shelly Hayes  
Opponent: San Saba Date: Jan. 10, 2000  
Place: Mesquite

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
WINTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
OPPONENT	12	11	11	12	0	56
WINTERS	12	11	11	12	0	56

Free throws made: 6 of 28 for 21%  
Players Name Points Rebounds Steals Assists  
Ashley Santora 21 0 0 0  
Ashley Santora 21 0 0 0  
Kelli Walker 0 0 0 0  
Kacy Albert 8 0 0 0  
Kacy Albert 8 0 0 0  
Kacy Albert 8 0 0 0  
Mansi Paschal 4 0 0 0  
Kelli Walker 0 0 0 0  
\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

## G/T nomination forms available for parents of kindergartners

Winters Elementary has announced that nomination forms are now available for parents of kindergarten students who are interested in the Gifted and Talented Program for their child. Any parent of a kindergarten student who would like to have their child evaluated for entrance into the G/T program is encouraged to fill out a form. Forms are available in the elementary school office and should be returned there by no later than Monday, January 31, 2000.

## Basketball '00

**Catch the Action**  
Jan. 13-15—Roscoe Tournay, 7:45 p.m., There, 8G, 8B  
Jan. 14—Hamilton\*, 5 p.m., Here, JVG, JVB, VG, VB  
Jan. 15—Jim Ned, 10 a.m., There, 9B  
Jan. 17—Hamilton, 5:30 p.m., Here, 7G, 8G, 9G  
Jan. 17—Hamilton, 5:30 p.m., There, 7B, 8B, 9B  
Jan. 18—Mason\*, 5 p.m., Here, JVG, JVB, VG, VB  
Jan. 20-22—Blackwell Tournay, There, TBA, 7G, 7B  
Jan. 21—Coleman\*, 5 p.m., There, JVG, VG, JVB, VB  
VG Varsity Girls VB Varsity Boys  
JVG Junior Varsity Girls  
JVB Junior Varsity Boys  
9B Freshman Boys 9G Freshman Girls  
8B 8th Boys 8G 8th Girls  
7B 7th Boys 7G 7th Girls  
\*Denotes District Games

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# Backboards Blackboards Billboards



TONY AGUERRO #3 makes an aggressive swipe to knock the ball away from the San Saba player as Will Blaine #14 takes the defensive stand during the junior varsity game Friday evening. At right is teammate Andrew Medina #25.

## Mental toughness and control give Blizzards 45-44 win over San Saba

With three seconds to go and the Blizzards hanging on to a one point lead against San Saba, the roar was deafening in Blizzards gym Friday night.

The crisis came about when, with eight seconds to play and the score standing at 45-41, a San Saba player took the ball across mid-court and chucked it from way downtown, sinking the only 3-point shot San Saba made all night and narrowing Winters' lead to one point.

Freshman Shane Colburn in-bounded the ball for Winters with a long pass to Wade Parramore who sprinted down the court, caught the ball and was fouled on the Blizzards' end of the court to run out the clock.

The 45-44 victory over the Armadillos gave the Blizzards a 2-1 district record going in to some very tough matchups this week.

But all of the games in District 25-2A could be tough. "This district is a big dog fight," said Coach Robert White. "Hamilton is ranked 17th in the state and is probably the favorite to win (district) but with these teams, anybody could beat anybody."

In last Friday's contest, the Blizzards took San Saba by surprise from the get-go with a 8-0 run. At the end of the first quarter, Winters led 15-8, and held a 31-18 lead at the half.

But the momentum shifted somewhat in the third period when the Blizzards had a bit of a mental letdown.

"We had lots of turnovers," said White. "We tried to play at a faster pace than we needed to, and we let San Saba take us out of our plan."

But the Blizzards got back on track in the very physical battle, hitting some key free throws and holding San Saba's leading scorer to only 18 points which were put-backs and free throws.

"I'm very proud of the way we stayed mentally tough and didn't let the roughness get to us," said Coach White. "We started with some intensity and ran our man-to-man offense very well. We were better prepared mentally and we kept San Saba from getting the open looks at the basket."

Leading scorer for the Blizzards was Colby Walker who hit three 3-point shots, one field goal and 3 of 4 free throws for a total of 14 points. Leading rebounder was Wade Parramore who brought the ball down eight times.

The Blizzards dropped their

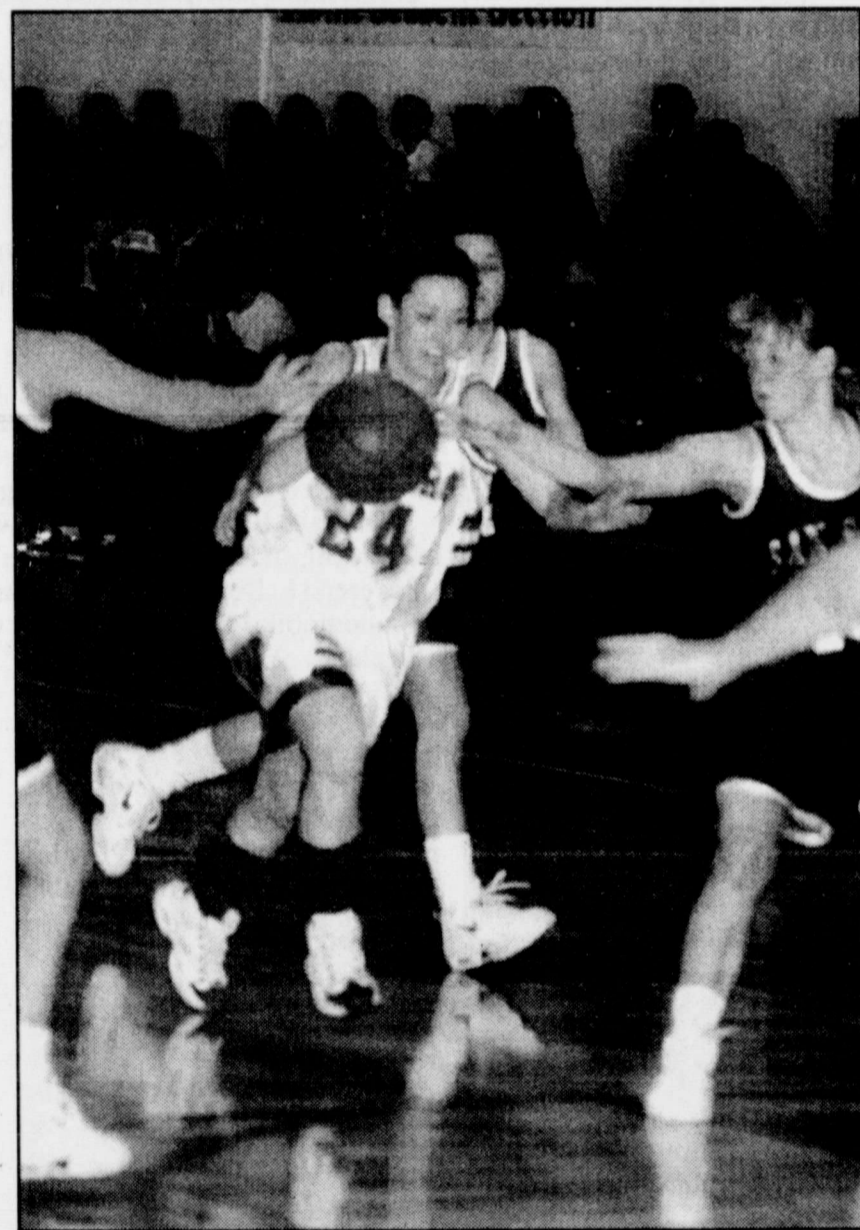
game to Bangs 38-60 on Jan. 4, in another very physical duel.

"Bangs was a very frustrating team to play because they seemed very undisciplined. I was proud of the way our boys played despite the way they (Bangs) acted," said Coach White.

We shot very poorly although we had a lot of good looks at the basket. We just couldn't convert, and when it doesn't go in the hole, you can't beat the other team. But the game was closer than the score indicates."

Top scorer for the Blizzards against Bangs was Josh Minzenmayer with 12, who also was leading rebounder with 11. Aaron Pritchard contributed 10 points for the Blizzards.

Winters played Early on Tuesday night, Jan. 11, but game details were not available at press time. The Blizzards meet powerhouse Hamilton Friday in Winters. Tipoff is around 8 p.m. following the Lady Blizzards' game.



KENDRA HOPE weaves through the maze of outstretched arms of San Saba players during varsity action. With their 55-45 win over San Saba Friday night, the Lady Blizzards hold a 5-0 record in district 25-2A.

## Lady Blizzards upset Bangs and San Saba in district play

by Kayla Colburn, WHS journalism student/correspondent

The Lady Blizzards added another two victories to their unblemished district record with wins over Bangs and San Saba last week.

Tuesday, January 4, the Lady Blizzards faced the Bangs Lady Dragons in Bangs. The Blizzards came out struggling in the first quarter. Moving farther into the second quarter, the play between the teams was fairly even.

The defense was not as strong as usual until the third quarter. At this point in the game, Fowler said, "The girls began playing more as a team." The defensive intensity level rose, forcing Bangs to turn the ball over repeatedly.

The Dragons were only able to bring the ball down the floor two times in a four minute span. The Blizzards gained a sizeable lead and quit pressing. Winters recorded the victory, 53-34.

On Friday, the Ladies hosted the San Saba Lady Dillos. According to Fowler, the Dillos "came out fired up in the first quarter." They gained an eight point advantage.

Winters lost their patience on offense and tried to score in a hurry. San Saba favored the score boards at the end of the first quarter, 17-8.

During the second and third quarters, the Blizzards held their opponents to a total of twelve points, as a result of intense defense and smarter team ball. Winters was up by seven in the fourth quarter, and went on to outscore the Lady Dillos by three. The Lady Blizzards won by ten, 55-45.

The Lady Blizzards traveled to Early on Tuesday evening and play host to Hamilton on Friday night.

## Brockington earns degree from ASU

A Winters student at Angelo State University in San Angelo was among 298 students to receive degrees during fall commencement at the university.

Tanya K. Brockington received a Bachelor of Science, with a major in Psychology.

## Project Graduation—Senior parents meet tonight

Project Graduation will hold a meeting tonight, January 13, at 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Plans for upcoming fundraisers will be discussed. Parents of all seniors are encouraged to attend.

Project Graduation is an alcohol-free celebration for seniors held on graduation night.

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T.J. Johnson  
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Tyler Lincoln  
Jose Llanas  
Alexis Rodriguez  
Miguel Rodriguez  
Devon Shackelford  
Cheyenne Smith  
Efrén Vizuet

##### COLBURN

Kelton Bredemeyer  
Nico Campos  
Bianca Carrillo  
Haliegh Edge  
Abby Guy  
Bibiana Mendoza  
Estevan Nava  
Zannie Slimp  
Derek Smith  
Joselyn Soto  
Justin Trevino

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Jarred Briley  
Jesse Butler  
Ashley Delacruz  
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##### LINCYCOMB

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Braden Mikeska  
Kathleen Mills  
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Nicky Sanders  
Brandon Taylor

#### THIRD GRADE

##### "A"

Sonia Armendariz  
Kevin Bredemeyer  
Julie England  
Sandy Esquivel  
Cory Fenwick  
Luis Flores  
Raphael Gallaway  
Jami Harris  
Juana Harrison  
Camille Kruse  
Ryan Meyers  
Colby Pritchard  
Norma Aragon

Samantha Arispe  
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Lacye Briley  
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Andrea Smith  
David Stout  
Destiny Torres  
Marty Torres  
Linda Trevino  
Vince Trevino  
Brittany Woffenden

#### FOURTH GRADE

##### "A"

Addison Bergman  
Kevin Cook  
Aracelia Flores  
Lillian Garcia  
Roy McBeth  
Cassi Mendoza  
Alex Newsom  
Adriana Rodriguez  
Juanita Simpson  
Susan Sneed  
Asenette Vasquez  
Shelby Walker

##### "A-B"

Laura Armendariz  
Hawke Blackshear  
Tory Burns  
Cameron Burson  
Wiley Guy  
Leann Lopez  
Tad Martin  
Rashae Martinez  
Nissa Ontiveras  
Julian Perez  
Sarah Rodriguez  
Erica Roman  
Samantha Sanchez  
Matthew Tucker

#### FIFTH GRADE

##### "A"

Kellyn Airhart  
Luke England  
Keegan Kurtz  
Bryant Mikeska  
Anthony Ramirez

Savannah Sanchez  
Ashley Wynn

##### "A-B"

Matt Awalt  
Ashley Belk  
Amanda Brewer  
Aaron Briley  
Patricia Carrillo  
Ty Cason  
Lela Christa  
Don Davis  
Marcie Espino  
Nicole Fields  
Ysenia Flores  
Ashley Gann  
Stephen Goetz  
Allan Green  
Trenton Grohman  
Chris Guerrero  
Chris Hildreth  
Michael Hubach  
Steven Kruse  
Ashley Laird  
Kody McCuiston  
Adrienne Montgomery  
Corbin O'Dell  
Cory Pringle  
Javier Rodriguez  
Marcus Rodriguez  
B.J. Trevino  
Advita Vasquez

#### SIXTH GRADE

##### "A"

Angelica Campos  
Aaron Colburn  
Paige Geistmann  
Krystal Gibbens  
Miranda Lara  
Erica Lujano  
Jessica Meyer  
Armando Nava  
Amanda Polk  
Marcus Tubbs  
Kindy Walker

##### "A-B"

Amanda Blackshear  
Lucia Chavez  
Raysha Garcia  
Luke Hale  
Latisha Hildreth  
Randy Jackson  
Tod Martin  
Rosendo Ovalles  
Angel Ramirez  
Ashlee Sanders  
Vickie Santoya  
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**Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis Sr. to be honored on 50th wedding anniversary**

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis Sr. will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday, January 16, 2000, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at 108 East Broadway. Jack and Frances Davis were married January 18, 1950, in Brady, Texas.

Jack was born January 10, 1930, in Brady, Texas, to Mr. and Mrs. Homer Davis. He attended school in Brady and was inducted into the Marine Corps in March 1952. After his discharge, he went to work for Pepsi Cola. Jack was also employed by Runnels County Ambulance Service and The City of Winters. Jack has been a member of the Winters Volunteer Fire Department for 26 years, holding various offices. He was elected Fireman of the Year in 1978.

Frances was born in Brady, Texas, on September 15, 1935, to Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Williams. She came to Winters in 1953 and worked for Rudder Drug and Dry Manufacturing for many years. Her most loved employment was caring for many children in the Winters area. Frances is a member of the Winters Firemen's Auxiliary.

In 1991, the Winters Chamber of Commerce honored Jack and Frances with the Unsung Hero Award. They have had an answering service in their home for over 20 years answering phones for the ambulance, police, and fire departments. They not only answer phone calls, but also keep track of the firemen while they are out fighting a fire.

Hosting the celebration for the couple will be Jack Jr. and wife Teresa, and Ricky and wife Mary. Also helping with the festivities will be the couple's grandchildren Jennifer, Justin, J.T., Brandon, Kayla, and Tia.

All friends and relatives are invited to come by and share in this joyous time with Jack and Frances. No gifts please, just the honor of your presence.

**Engagement**

**Lisa Gautreaux and Ben Barker to marry in April**

Lisa Gautreaux and Ben Barker will be married April 15, 2000 at the Walden on Lake Houston Country Club.

The bride-elect, the daughter of Wayne and Diane Gautreaux of Porter, Texas, graduated from Cleveland High School in Cleveland, Texas, and received a bachelor of science in agronomy from Texas Tech University. She is employed as a conservation technician for Classcock County Soil & Water Conservation District in Sterling City.

The prospective bridegroom, son of Preston and Naida Barker of Winters, Texas, graduated from Winters High School, and attended Texas Tech University before receiving a degree in ranch management from Texas Christian University. He is employed as a sales representative for Alderman-Cave Milling and Grain Company of Winters.



Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lee

**Couple exchanges marriage vows in Waleska, Georgia**

Lore Ann Jackson and Jim Lloyd Lee were married at two o'clock in the afternoon on October 9, 1999. The celebration and blessing of a marriage ceremony was followed by the Holy Eucharist. The service was held at the Hagan Chapel of the Waleska United Methodist Church at Reinhardt College in Waleska, Georgia.

The bride is the daughter of the Venerable Dr. E. Jerome and Patricia B. Zeller of Jasper, Georgia. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. Geraldine McKinney Baker of Atlanta. The groom is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Y.K. Lee of Winters.

Dr. Zeller escorted the bride into the church and Dr. Warren T. Jackson III of Birmingham, Alabama, the brother of the bride, was the presenter. A brother of the groom, Dr. Michael Anthony Lee of Winters, was best man. Ms. Amy Huston McMillen of Atlanta was matron of honor. Master Caden Quinn Jackson, nephew of the bride, served as ring bearer.

Bridesmaids were Penny Margaret Batt and Angela Woodley Kronenberg. Groomsmen were John Yung Lee, the groom's brother; Nathan Patrick Jennings; Ronald Alexander Moreno; and Emmet Timothy Murphy. Readers were Amy Anderson Coates and Julie Ann Tisdale. Juan Jose Sabala, Jr. served as greeter.

Reverend Frank F. Wilson, Executive Associate priest at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Family, was the officiant. Dr. Zeller was the homilist and the celebrant of the Holy Eucharist. The Very Reverend Dr. John Via, Dean of the Northeast Convocation of the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta, Georgia, read the Gospel and assisted at the Eucharist. Dr. George Lucktenberg, Artist-in-Residence at Reinhardt College, was the organist and harpsichordist.

Following the wedding, a garden reception was held at the pavilion of Holy Family Episcopal Church in Jasper, Georgia. At the reception, Lore and Jim honored their families with a *p'ye-baek*, a traditional Korean bowing ceremony. The exquisite Korean clothing worn by the couple was provided by members of Jim's family.

After a honeymoon trip to Hawaii, the couple returned to their home in Washington, D.C. Lore is a policy analyst with the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health. Jim, most recently a Peace Corps volunteer in Ghana, Africa, is preparing for a teaching career.



Mr. and Mrs. Glen Bryan

**Mr. and Mrs. Glen Bryan honored on 69th wedding anniversary**

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Bryan of Norton celebrated their 69th wedding anniversary on Sunday, December 12, 1999, at the Norton Community Center.

Beautiful red poinsettias gave decor to the affair, hosted by children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. At noon approximately sixty guests, family, and friends enjoyed a potluck meal. At 2 p.m., the group shared anniversary cake and punch with the honored couple. A time of reminiscence and visiting highlighted the special occasion.

Glen and Bennie Curry Bryan were united in marriage on December 12, 1930, in Norton. They were pronounced man and wife by the Reverend L. Denton after school around 5 p.m. while sitting in a Model T automobile. Witnesses to their wedding were Harry and Anne Lou Steel.

**CHAMBER, continued**

Tickets are only \$10 per person and can be purchased at the Chamber office, 754-5210. All tickets will be advanced sales only. No tickets will be available at the door, and the deadline for ticket sales is Monday, Jan. 24.

**"Come & go" reception— Geneva Emmert to be honored on Saturday for 100th birthday**

Geneva Emmert will celebrate her 100th birthday with a "come and go" reception to be held Saturday, January 15, 2000.

The celebration will be in the St. John's Lutheran Education Building from 1 to 3 p.m.

**Artists Guild receives critique on works**

Seventeen members of the Mid-West Texas Artists Guild listened to critique from fellow artists on 13 of their paintings in the January 4th meeting held at the Mirrored Image in Ballinger.

Jan Hensley opened the meeting by passing out yearbooks that she and Shirley Minzenmayer had composed. Billie Dawn King gave the December newsletter. Dolly Airhart brought copies for members of "Be Your Own Best Critique."

Chairman Ota Bell Clifton and Janet Vaughn asked for a list of members who wanted to participate in an ongoing rotating exhibit. Following are names and locations of exhibits:

- Louise Brantley—First National Bank of Ballinger
- Edith Collins—Ballinger National Bank
- Susan Mansell—Ballinger City Hall
- Dolly Airhart—Security State Bank of Winters
- Sandee Kasper—West Texas State Bank of Rowena
- Kay Neethling—First State Bank of Paint Rock
- Elouise Chesnut—First American Bank of Ballinger.

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**ACROSS**

- 1 TX Motor Speedway event
- 5 TXism: "fits like ugly \_\_\_ ape"
- 6 TXism: "worthless as a four-\_\_\_ flush"
- 7 Midland AM radio stat for Ranger Rick Halling
- 9 home of Dyess Air Force Base
- 16 Boot Hill inscription: "\_\_\_ in Peace"
- 18 prosecuted one
- 21 Tarrant or Taylor (abbr.)
- 22 TX Dabney film: "\_\_\_ to Five"
- 23 TX "like" signed treaty with Chinese on \_\_\_ wan (55)
- 24 TX George Jones' "Things Have Gone to \_\_\_"
- 30 noncombatants: conscientious
- 34 Traveling Wilbury Petty (init.)
- 35 spend money to make money
- 36 TXism: "como (How are you?)"
- 37 TXism: "\_\_\_ from the horse's mouth"
- 39 TXism: "write slow 'cause he \_\_\_"
- 43 TXism for stupid person
- 44 TXism: "do-right boys" (2 wds.)

**DOWN**

- 1 moveable chair
- 2 4,840 sq. yards of TX land (2 wds.)
- 3 TX convict who led 74 Huntsville prison siege
- 4 TXism: "tie up the loose \_\_\_"
- 9 newspaper solicitation
- 10 San Antonio street named for TV doc
- 11 TXism: "\_\_\_ was any better, the sheriff wouldn't allow it"
- 12 NBC host Jay
- 13 pep
- 14 Bismarck's state (abbr.)
- 15 TXism: "could \_\_\_ through a crowbar" (hot chili)
- 17 TXism: "put \_\_\_ a shovel" (bury)
- 19 "N" of NRA
- 20 walked quietly
- 24 math pastry?
- 25 TX corp. abbr.
- 26 \_\_\_ Marie Saint
- 27 TX oil in 1902:
- 3 \_\_\_ barrel
- 28 "Texas Carnival" actress swimmer Williams
- 29 TXism: "talked a blue \_\_\_"
- 31 this "Rip" was mayor of Austin & Brownsville, & TX Ranger capt. (init.)
- 32 Love Field abbr.
- 33 flew high
- 38 Six Flags Over TX is a \_\_\_ park
- 40 Santa's helper
- 41 Commerce high school class
- 42 in Milam Co. on 79 night victory sports org.
- 50 TX high school
- 51 TX singer Orbison
- 56 former Dallas Mav coach Dick
- 57 TXism: "you're buying oats for \_\_\_ horse"

Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

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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.

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## County to disburse funds for 4-H trailer, well drilling, & copier lease

County commissioners agreed to disburse several chunks of money at their regular meeting on Tuesday.

Commissioners first agreed to purchase a 14 x 5 foot livestock trailer for use by Runnels County 4-H. Runnels County Extension Agent Mike Mauldin recommended the county purchase the S & H trailer at the low bid price of \$2,325 from Bradley Welding of San Angelo. Commissioners voted unanimously to purchase the trailer.

Runnels-Tom Green County entomologist Rick Minzenmayer requested the county drill a water well on the courthouse square in order to maintain the lawn and especially the trees and shrubs during this time of drought. Minzenmayer told commissioners through a letter and by way of Commissioner Skipper Wheelless, Lange Drilling of Rowena could drill an approximately 40 foot well for about \$745. Minzenmayer was unable to attend the meeting because of a prior commitment.

Commissioners agreed the county had a large investment in the trees, shrubs, and lawn and passed an order to begin the search for water on the square and drill where the well-drillers thought there might be water. Minzenmayer pointed out that if water is found, additional cost would be incurred to finish out the well for pumping.

County Treasurer Margarette Smith and Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace Greg Lange, who share a copier on the third floor of the courthouse, presented a request for the county to lease a new copier for their offices. Judge Lange

said the copier they are presently using is five years old and not reliable. Commissioners agreed to a lease of a Xerox 5818 copier at a cost the first year of \$79.96 per month.

Other business on the agenda and action taken included:

- Passing of a resolution in support of the Central Texas Opportunities' application for an Emergency Shelter Grant;

- Agreed to choose nine citizens to serve on the county's salary grievance committee. Names of nine persons were drawn from those who had served on the grand jury and they will be contacted and requested to serve on the committee;

- Commissioners adopted the county's investment policy for the year;

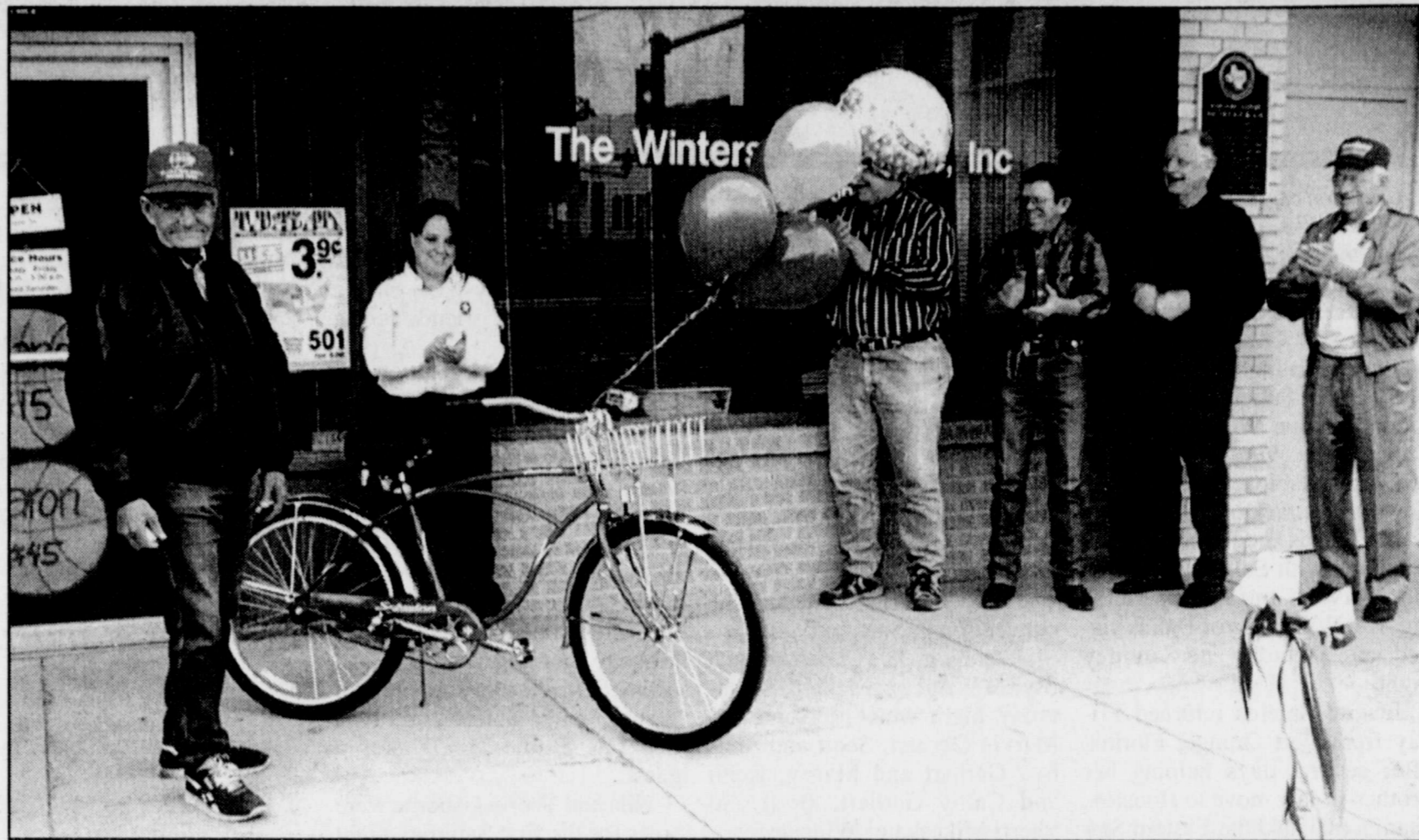
- Agreed to enter into firefighting agreements with the Wingate Volunteer Fire Department and Rowena Volunteer Fire Department and contribute \$2,700 to each of the departments;

- Entered into a library contract with the Miles Preservation Authority and paid \$1,125 to support the library;

- Okayed a communication line installation by GTE in Precinct 1;

- Adopted a plan for the selection of names of persons for jury service with the aid of electronic or mechanical equipment.

County Judge Marilyn Egan told Commissioners the state bridge inspector had commented to her on the relatively good condition of the county roads. He said he covers a lot of counties and with the amount of roads Runnels County has, they were "in remarkably good condition."



"BICYCLE LEE" (COLBATH) stands with his new Schwinn bicycle presented by Lesa Ingram (in white sweater) of Grenwelle Texaco in celebration of Lee's 70th birthday on Jan. 7. Also enjoying the celebration at right were Lanny Bahlman, Raymond Lindsey, Charles Ludwick and Spec Robinson, and a host of friends who donated money for the new wheels. The bike was customized by Lesa who added shiny chrome fenders, a large basket for Lee's errands, a rear view mirror, and lights so he won't have to carry a flashlight when he rides at night. It is estimated that Lee rides about 10-15 miles a day, going from business to business, offering to run errands and do small jobs around town.

## Poe's Corner

By Charlsie Poe

# A service of love...

I was shocked to read in the December 5 issue of the Abilene Reporter-News of Rex Allen's untimely death in an accident at his home in Tucson, Arizona.

He was not only the last of the singing cowboys, he was also the West Texas Rehabilitation Center's biggest supporter from the world of show business.

I was drawn into both worlds through the illness of my husband George, when he developed Parkinsons Disease and was entered for treatment in 1970.

George was so impressed with Shelley Smith, director and the services rendered at the center, that he tried to pay for each treatment. When told there was no charge, George asked Shelley, "Well you would accept donations wouldn't you?"

Of course George's offer was accepted, and out of gratitude, I was made a director of the Rehab Center in 1971, and continued for many years. (At that time, one remained a director until resignation.)

Three young nurses from Tur-



Charlsie Poe

progress of the Rehab Center had grown to such extent that it was difficult to understand it all.

Smith was the center's first physical therapist in those very early years, beginning the tradition of dedication and hard work that would color his life until his death in 1991.

Smith was aware of the new member's problem and scheduled two days for the board meeting for board indoctrination. I attended Wednesday morning as it was followed by a luncheon and regular board meeting.

Rex Allen's association with WTRC and later its main fundraising telethon—later traced back to a strong friendship the singer/actor developed with Shelley Smith, founder of the center more than 45 years ago.

Allen brought friends from the movies. Two of them were Pedro Gonzalez-Gonzalez and Slim Pickens.

Allen always sang during the telethon here—"This land is your land. This land is my land. It was made for you and me."

There were many of our friends who came back from year to year—and was glad to meet them at the Civic Center on Saturday.

Heading two of our old time favorites was Anacani, the little singer. Also Arthur Duncan, a long time favorite dancer was present as many newer and talented performers.

## Girl Scout cookies on sale through Monday, January 17

The Annual Girl Scout Cookie Sale began January 5 and will continue through January 17, 2000.

Eight varieties are available again this year.

Traditional Girl Scout cookies include the popular Thin Mints; original Samoas (caramel & toasted coconut); Tagalongs (layered peanut butter & chocolate); Do-si-dos (oatmeal peanut butter sandwich); and Striped Chocolate Chip (a real chocolate chip & pecan cookie with chocolate stripes and a bottom layer of chocolate).

Also the Lemon Drops and Trefoil shortbread cookies return to the popular selection. Introduced last year was the reduced fat Apple Cinnamon cookie.

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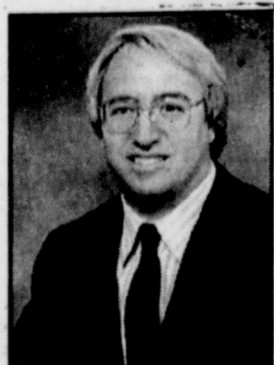
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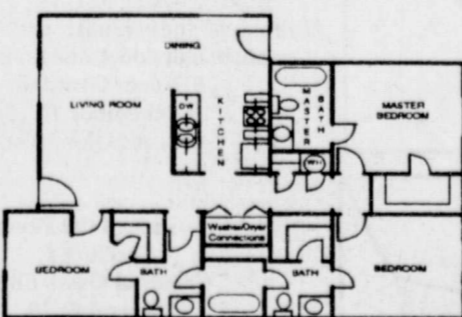
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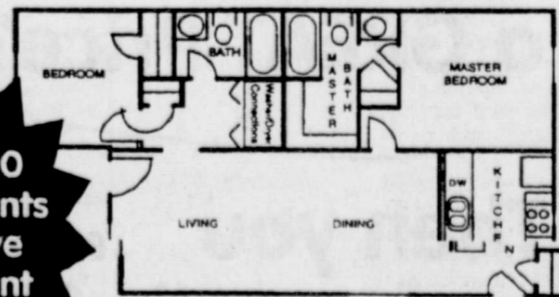
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# Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz

Children certainly brighten up a home. Whoever saw a child under the age of 12 turn off the electric light or TV.

**Hopewell Church** visitors on Sunday morning were Mr. and Mrs. Olred Fuller of Coleman, Linda and Joe Webb of Hord's Creek, Gene Webb, and Rodney and Alzi Faubion and son Mark Edwards Tetrack of Arlington.

Bro. Ferris and Ramona Akins ate lunch with Selma Wilkerson after services on Sunday morning. Kat Wilkerson of Dallas visited here Saturday and Saturday night.

Juanita Shields returned Friday from Port Orange, Florida, after several days helping her brother-in-law move to Houston. Juanita attended the Eastern Star meeting Monday night in Coleman.

Nila and Therin Osborne spent Thursday and Thursday night with her sister, Doris Tippett.

On Friday night, Odessia enjoyed fish supper with Wesley

Hilda Kurtz



and Karen McGallian in Wingate Nana and Papa Gerhart spent Tuesday through Thursday in Wingate with their grandsons, boys of Brett and Sherri Mikeska. The Marvin Gerharts attended the convention in San Antonio.

Attending a late Christmas with Myrtle Wright in Menard on Saturday night were Melvena and Marvin Gerhart, Scott and Melissa Gerhart and Macey, Keith and Cathy Gerhart, Brett and Sherri Mikeska of Wingate.

Carolyn and Joe Webb, Gene and Linda Webb spent Friday in Abilene shopping and later ate out at China Star. Then attended the movie "Snow Falling on Cedar."

Carolyn and Joe Webb met in

Coleman on Sunday and enjoyed dinner.

Luke Grissom enjoyed his outdoor 10th birthday party in the country with some friends during the week.

Pat Bishop spent Tuesday with Helen Alexander.

Ronnie and Brett Walters of Fort Worth, nephews of Doris Wood, spent Saturday and Saturday night.

After eating out Coleman Foreman spent Sunday afternoon with Lawan at the nursing home.

Ladies attending Bible study Monday morning were Ramona Akins, Selma Wilkerson, Carolyn Webb, Juanita Shields, and Nila Osborne. Bernie McCoy was a guest.

Nila and Therin Osborne were hosts for the first Saturday night get-together chili and stew supper. They were proud to have all in attendance.

Hildegard Schovajsa of San Angelo spent Thursday with me. As always, we did much needed jobs. One was cleaning my car.

Linda and Dale Duggan, Will and Leslie Duggan were in Abilene Saturday visiting with Katy and Kyle Grigsby and enjoyed supper.

Linda spent Monday with her Aunt Frances Brown in San Angelo. Linda plans on taking Auntie to the doctor on Tuesday.

Rodney and Alzi Faubion and son Mark spent two day with Noble and Harvey Mae Faubion.

## Official Records

### County Court Criminal Cases Filed January 3

Jacob Wayne Baker, Talpa, filed for possession of marijuana

Daniel Robledo, Brownwood, filed for driving while intoxicated

Bernardina Juarez Herrera, San Angelo, filed for driving while intoxicated, subsequent offense

**January 4**

Kim Rachel Walter, San Angelo, filed for failure to identify

George Lozano, Winters, filed for driving while license suspended

Pete A. Wade, Fort Worth, filed for possession of marijuana

**January 5**

Larry Bubenik, Ballinger, filed for theft of merchandise by check

Linda Reyes, Wingate, filed for theft of merchandise and/or cash by check

**January 6**

Mickie M. Bubenik, Ballinger, filed for theft of merchandise and/or cash by check

Sylvia Medina, Miles, filed for two counts of failure to have child attend school

Dwain Horton, Ballinger, filed for theft of merchandise by check

**January 13**

Michael Will Eldred, filed for driving while intoxicated

**Dispositions**

Jason Antonio McAfee, driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty, sentenced to six months in county jail, fined \$750 and \$235.25 court costs

Charles Hutchings, theft of merchandise by check, dismissed, restitution paid

Walter Von Clendenen vs. Burney Carnes, civil jury verdict: in favor of plaintiff, to recover judgment of \$90.00

Gabriel Ray Aguilera, unlawfully carrying a prohibited weapon, dismissed, defendant convicted in felony case

Joseph Joshua Covart, minor in possession of alcohol (appeal from Ballinger Municipal Court), pleaded no contest, placed on community supervision for six months, fined \$250, which was suspended, plus \$210.25 court costs

**Civil Cases Filed December 23**

Hugh Edmondson vs. Thomas K. Payne, claim for damages (appeal from Justice of the Peace No. 1)

**December 29**

Joe A. Martinez Plumbing vs. Harry Tinkler and Terry Winchester dba T&W Construction, two cases of suit on debt (appeal from Justice of the Peace No.1)

**District Court January Grand Jury Felony Indictments**

Jose Mercedes Chavez, Ballinger, driving while intoxicated (two prior offenses)

Steve Conley, Abilene, theft

Fernando Pena Martinez, driving while intoxicated (two prior convictions)

Fernando Pena Martinez, aggravated sexual assault of a child

Raul Tamez Ochoa, Abilene, three counts of endangering a child

Armando Quinonez, Ballinger, failure to appear

Eraclio Miranda Rogers, possession of a controlled substance

Jeremiah Jade Shockley, Miles, burglary of a building

Santiago Jose Soto, Bronte, forgery

Brandon Michael Titus, Winters, two counts: possession of a controlled substance and forgery

Javier Vasquez, Miles, driving while intoxicated (two prior offenses)

Charles Lynn Wilson, Winters, three counts of endangering a child

**Civil Cases filed January 7**

Strube Packing Co. vs. Raul DeHoyos, individual, Houston Packing Co., suit on account

Strube Packing Co. vs. Thomas E. Johnson, individual, and Thomas Lewallen, individual, suit on account

**Divorce Granted December 16**

Raul Torres and Gloria Cortez Torres

**Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Criminal Cases Filed December 20**

Brent A. Bates, filed for improperly tagged buck deer

**December 28**

Roy H. Berrera, filed for no turkey stamp

Gil S. Faz, filed for no turkey stamp

Julian B. Fernandez, filed for no hunter's safety certificate

**December 30**

Hollie Mae Howell, filed for following too closely—accident

**January 2**

Cody R. Hartman, filed for untagged doe deer

Donald Ray Kirby, filed for non-resident hunting under a resident license

# Police Beat

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

Winters Police Department reports received and/or investigated from Sunday, January 2, 2000, through Saturday, January 8, 2000. Winters Police Officers:

\* stopped a 1993 Chevy pickup for driving erratically and failing to maintain a single lane on N. Main Street. The driver was found to have an odor of alcohol on his person, had slurred speech, and bloodshot eyes. The driver was offered field sobriety tasks, which he failed. Donato Marquez Casteneda of Abilene was arrested for driving while intoxicated and taken to Runnels County Jail.

\* while booking Mr. Casteneda, received a report of a subject endangering lives by driving all over the roadway on Highway 83 approaching Winters. A 1996 Plymouth car was stopped after observing it driving from shoulder to shoulder into oncoming traffic. The driver, Paul Barrett Alsbury of Cisco, appeared to be disoriented with slurred speech, bloodshot eyes, and very poor balance. The driver was offered and subsequently failed several field sobriety tasks. He was arrested and taken to Runnels County Jail for driving while intoxicated.

\* received a report of a burglary and vandalism in the 700 block of W. Dale Street. Unknown person(s) made entry into a residence through an unsecured window. Approximately five windows were damaged or shot out with B.B.s and pellets causing an undetermined amount of damage. Possible suspects have been identified. This case is under investigation as burglary of a habitation and criminal mischief.

\* received a report of a missing purse in the 700 block of N. Main Street. A 45-year-old female of Petersburg, Texas, alleged the purse as stolen. Over \$1,500 is alleged to have been in the purse. Numerous subjects were questioned. This case is currently under investigation as felony theft.

\* stopped a 1995 Ford car for speeding on S. Main Street. The driver was observed to have a strong odor of alcohol on his person and was offered several field sobriety tasks, but became uncooperative. The driver, Leonel Garcia of Winters, was arrested for driving while intoxicated and driving while license expired. The D.W.I. charge was dropped when the subject passed an intoxicolyzer test.

\* received a report of an assault in the 800 block of N. Rogers. A 13-year-old female alleged being assaulted and threatened by a 43-year-old female related to her. No charges have been filed. The minor injury appeared to be the result of discipline. A separation of the involved parties was made and a report of the incident filed.

\* responded to a structure fire in the 400 block of E. Pierce Street. Investigation revealed that a 12-year-old male of Winters had intentionally set the fire and admitted to his parents that he did so to scare family members. The juvenile male was arrested for arson and transported to San Angelo Detention Center.

\* received a report that a 15-year-old female of Winters was allegedly assaulted by a 15-year-old female of Tuscola. Possible injuries were observed. The suspect was identified, but not located. Charges are pending for assault Class A.

\* receive a report of a disturbance in the 100 block of N. Grant. A 29-year-old female alleges a 27-year-old male related to her was peering into her residence windows while shouting profanities at her. A separation was made and charges are pending for disorderly conduct (window peeping).

\* arrested three juvenile males of Winters after investigation of the vandalism occurring on the northwest side of town on December 26 resulted in their identification. Their ages range from 14-16. One 17-year-old male of Winters has also been identified and charges are pending on him at this time.

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

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

# WISD board hires assistant band director

—Extends superintendent's contract to June, 2003

During the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Winters Independent School District on Monday evening, by unanimous vote, the contract of Superintendent Mike Harris was extended one year to June 30, 2003.

Trustees also voted to employ Brad Roberts as assistant band director at state base plus \$1,000 per band local increment, with five years. Trustee Gary Moore opposed.

In other action, board members heard reports from Elementary Principal Tammy Bright, Secondary Counselor Becky Reel and Superintendent Harris.

Present for the Jan. 10 meeting were Trustees Allen Andrae, Gary Moore, Jerry Sims, Bob Prewit, Ronald Presley, and Larry Walker, Superintendent Harris, Business Manager Jimmy Butler, Principal Bright and Counselor Reel.

# Toby Virden announces candidacy for Runnels County Sheriff

Toby Virden has announced his intentions to seek the office of Sheriff of Runnels County for the term beginning January 1, 2001, through December 31, 2004.

He is the son of Wanda and Tony Virden of Ballinger and the grandson of Billie Weatherby and the late Jim Weatherby, formerly of Miles, and Beaunita and Herman Virden of Ballinger. Toby is the great-grandson of Naomi Virden and the late R.P. (Rube) Virden.

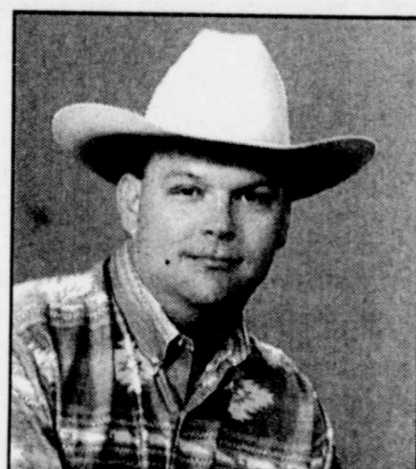
Married to the former Tammie Watkins, Toby and his wife have two sons, Caleb, age 6, and Corey, 2. They are expecting a third child in June 2000.

Toby graduated from Ballinger High School and received a bachelor of science degree in agricultural services and development with a teaching option from Tarleton State University in Stephenville.

He has been a commissioned peace officer since 1990, serving with the Runnels County Sheriff's Department as a reserve officer, and with the Winters Police Department and the Ballinger Police Department as a patrol officer for over six years.

Toby has accumulated over 1,300 hours of training approved by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education and holds an Advanced Peace Officer certification. He is currently commissioned as a reserve officer with the Ballinger Police Department.

Toby holds certifications as a Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) Instructor, Peace Officer Instructor, Telecommunications Operator, Standardized



Field Sobriety Test Administrator, Breath Testing Operator, and Concealed Handgun Licensing Instructor. He has also received specialized training in conducting criminal and narcotic investigations.

Toby has also done play-by-play radio broadcasts of Winters Blizzard Football since 1987.

In late 1998, Toby was diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma, a form of cancer affecting the lymph nodes. According to Toby, Hodgkin's Lymphoma is one of the most curable forms of cancer known to man.

Toby underwent chemotherapy treatment for six months, missing only five days of work in that time. Six weeks of daily radiation treatments followed, which ended in August 1999. Since that time, regular checkups have revealed no reformation of the cancer and his physicians, Dr. Anton Melnyk and Dr. Stephen Sorgen, have released Toby for any type of work he sees fit and support him in his election bid.

Toby states, "If elected, I will work hard to establish and cultivate positive working relations

with the local and state law enforcement agencies in Runnels County, as well as agencies in surrounding counties. We must work together to keep a hold on criminal activity, especially narcotic activity, as narcotic activity often leads to other forms of crime. There is strength in numbers.

"I will strive to instill good work ethics in all of my employees as well as a philosophy of equal treatment for all persons. I feel that laws are best enforced first with a good example set by peace officers and I will always strive to set that positive example.

"I will do my best to not only meet, but also exceed the minimum standards for training of peace officers and support personnel so they may receive regular, quality training. This aids them in professional growth and benefits Runnels County with reduced turnover and knowledgeable, productive employees.

"My diversity, education, and knowledge of business and the Runnels County economy will benefit me in wisely appropriating your tax dollars in the best interest of the safety of the citizens of Runnels County.

"Runnels County is a great place to raise and educate our children. I want to see to it that Runnels County remains a safe place for us to do such. The youth are our future. A small number of adults in our county provide narcotics to some of those youth, thereby damaging their chances of becoming healthy, productive, adults. I will place a high priority on investigations concerning the delivery or use of any narcotics."

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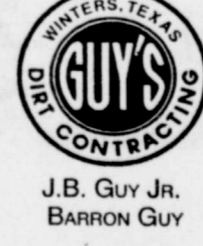
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## Extension News & Views

By Patricia Hohensee, Extension Agent-HF

### Don't wipe-out when surfing the "Net" for nutrition and health information

Move over physicians. The growing interest in nutrition and disease has led some consumers to venture into cyberspace for health-related information. In fact, a national survey of one thousand Americans found that nearly one-third of them had used the Internet to obtain health and nutrition information—a trend that is expected to grow.

The World Wide Web has enormous potential to give consumers the information they need to take charge of their health—thanks, in part, to government agencies, professional organizations, and credible experts committed to arming consumers with reliable information.

On the other hand, unrestricted publishing on the Web has led to the appearance of inaccurate information and undocumented nutrition and health claims. With a little bit of "surfing" consumers can read that fluorescent lights leach vitamins from your body and bee pollen corrects body chemistry.

Although such information is little more than entertainment, many consumers fail to recognize that such stories are without any scientific merit. In fact such information may be harmful—especially if it leads consumers to adopt harmful health practices.

Because there are no gatekeepers that govern what is launched in cyberspace, the appearance of false or deceptive information is likely to continue.

When searching for reliable

nutrition and health information on the Web, sorting the fact from the fiction can be a challenge to many consumers. Consumers should start their information searches by visiting sites which are backed by government or professional organizations such as the USDA, the American Dietetic Association, or the International Food Information Council.

These organizations have experts on their staff and promote reliable nutrition and health information based on science. Their web sites are kept current, provide information with references that can be checked for accuracy.

On the other hand, web sites that use personal stories to promote health and nutrition remedies, make unrealistic statements about nutrition, or use words like "conspiracy" or "poison" should be viewed with caution. Even if the information is valid, you may not be getting the complete picture.

What about personal web sites? Many experts have their own web sites and promote valuable information. Consumers who visit personal web sites should look for credentials as well as references that can be checked.

For example, if a person claims that he/she is a registered dietitian, consumers can verify that credential by contacting the Commission on Dietetic Registration by phone (312-899-0040 Ext. 5500), by FAX (312-899-4772), or by electronic mail ([cdr@eatright.org](mailto:cdr@eatright.org)).

Persons interested in learning more about a physician's credentials are encouraged to check *The Directory of Physicians in the United States* which is published by the American Medical Association. The directory includes information on individuals that hold a MD or DO degree, regardless of licensure status and can be found in most large libraries.

Remember, just because information is published on the Internet does not automatically mean it is true. If you or your family decide to use on-line information to make health decisions, learning how to sort the fact from fiction is important.

Don't be afraid to ask questions about the site and don't hesitate to check credentials or references. Finally, if there are any doubts about the accuracy of the information be sure to check with a registered dietitian, physician or health care provider for a second opinion.

Some other reliable nutrition web sites are:

The American Heart Association <http://www.americanheart.org/>  
National Institutes of Health <http://www.diabetes.org/>

### 2000 Winters Junior Livestock Show Schedule

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14

9 AM—All animals must be in the barn

9:30 AM—Weigh market animals, check registration papers on breeding livestock

2 PM—Show Begins

Rabbit Show

Market Lamb Show

Breeding Sheep Show

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 15

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Market Swine Show

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### Local rancher part of winning team penning trio at Sandhills

Local rancher Dennis McBeth along with Roy Graham and Joe Kunkel of Midland captured top honors in the Team Penning Competition at the Sandhills Stock Show and Rodeo in Odessa on Saturday.

Competing with over 60 teams, the trio recorded a winning time of 32.63 seconds.

Team penning is a competitive event involving three horses, three riders, and a herd of cattle. As the riders cross the start line a number is announced and there

are three cattle in the herd wearing that number.

The object is to find and to sort those three animals out of the herd, while holding the herd behind the foul line. The specified three calves are then driven to the other end of the arena and penned in a small pen.

Dennis describes it as "a little like a cutting horse contest and a little like working cattle at home—except everything is done in a fast forward mode, because it is a race against the clock."

### Regional agricultural leadership conference slated in early February

The alumni group of the Texas Agricultural Lifetime Leadership (TALL) program is hosting a regional leadership conference entitled "The Challenge of Change." The five-state conference is scheduled for Feb. 3-5 in Fort Worth.

TALL prepares young men and women, who are dedicated to agriculture, for leadership.

According to L.S. Pope, counselor to the TALL alumni program, "In an age of instantaneous information, global business and faceless commerce, it becomes increasingly difficult to build professional relationships."

"Additionally, those of us involved in the field of agriculture must also deal with a shrinking group of participants spread out over a greater geographic area."

The purpose of the conference is to help agricultural leaders build relationships by building discussion of key issues, Pope said.

Scheduled speakers will discuss natural resources, consolida-

tion of the food and agricultural system, the farm crisis, how agricultural education and research will serve 21st century agriculture, and the implications of new technology on agriculture.

The majority of the program will take place on the campus of Texas Christian University. Other activities include a tour and dinner at the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Museum and breakfast at the Fort Worth Petroleum Club.

Conference registration is \$90 and includes breakfast on Feb. 4-5 and lunch on Feb. 5. If an alumnus does not receive a registration form and would like to attend, please contact the TALL office at (409) 845-1554, or contact TALL alumni Paul Burrough at [paulburrough@prodigy.net](mailto:paulburrough@prodigy.net).

Accommodations for the conference are available at the historic Blackstone Hotel in downtown Fort Worth. Reservations can be made at (800) 321-2211, and mentioning Texas Ag. Leadership.

### Plant 10 free flowering trees from the National Arbor Day Foundation

Ten free flowering trees will be given to each person who joins the National Arbor Day Foundation during January 2000.

The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's efforts to support tree planting to commemorate the new millennium.

The trees will be shipped post-paid at the right time for planting February 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The six- to twelve-inch trees are guaranteed to grow, or they will be re-

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Members also receive a subscription to the Foundation's bi-monthly publication, *Arbor Day*, and *The Tree Book* with information about tree planting and care.

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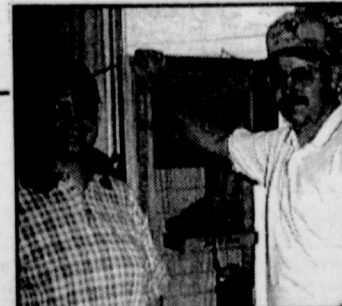
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