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# Winters Enterprise 

Head coach Robin Byrd going to Menard
-Man and Woman of the Year
to be honored at celebration
Chamber of Commerce banquet this Saturday
The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce annual banquet is
Saturday, February 3, at the Community Center, starting at 7:00 p.m.

This will be a night of good food, fun, and fellowship for the entire community.
Highlighting the
Highlighting the evening will be the naming of the Man and and Winters Enterprise editor Jean Boles, will be making the presentations.
A delicious meal of grilled chicken, wild rice, black-eyed peas,
salad, cobbler, tea and coffee will be served by J.C's Catering, salad, cobbler, tea and coffee will be served by J.C.'s Catering.
Entertainment will be provided by Classic Tradition, a barberEntertainment will be provi
shop quartet from Abilene. shop quartet from Abilene.
According to Carolyn Scarborough, Chamber Secretary, there are a few tickets still available which can be purchased at the Chamber office at 18 West Dale or by calling 754-5210, or from
any Chamber director including Dale Montgomery, Gail Williams, Saam Geistmann, Jane Bourdo, Ruth Cooper, Rhonda Black, John
O'Conor, Aref Hassan, or Janice Pruser.
Advanced tickets are only $\$ 10$ each. Tickets at the door will be
$\$ 12$. Support the Chamber and enjoy a wonderful evening.

After an eight-year record of smaller 1A school, Byrd said, "I
$69-24-1$ with the Blizzards, head don't coach 'A's, I coach kids."
football coach and athletic direcfootball coach and athletic director Robin Byrd is leaving Winters
to go to Menard. go to Menard.
"I felt like it was time to move on," said Byrd, who led Winters
to the playoffs six of his last seven years. Winters is coming off its first losing season since Byrd's
first year in 1993. The Blizzards first year in 1993. The Blizzards
finished 4-7 after a bi-district loss to Goldthwaite, but won three of five district games last season to
make the playoffs as a third-place make th
team.
Byrd sports a career record of 184-80-1 in 22 seasons as a head coach at Wink, Mabank and Pal-
estine Westwood, and was se lected from 89 applicants, according to Menard superintendent David Deaver.
When asked why When asked why he chose to
go from a class 2A school to a

tradition of being in the playoffs. It's been winning; it's a good program." Byrd, who didn't teach any Byrd, who didn't teach any
classes at Winters, believes he


## Council approves $\$ 100$ thousand for Community Center renovation

Also approves 180-ft. cell tower to be erected

Using a $\$ 20,000$ grant,
$\$ 60,000$ loan, and $\$ 20,000$ $\$ 60,000$ loan, and $\$ 20,000$ worth
of in-kind work, the Winters City of in-kind work, the Winters City Council approved a $\$ 100,000$
renovation for the Winters Community Center.
During their regular meeting Monday night, Jan. 29, the Council discussed the renovation project and how to pay for it. The $\$ 60,000$ loan is for 25 years at a
$5 \%$ interest rate from the U.S. $5 \%$ interest rate from the U.S
Department of Agriculture Department of Agriculture
Rural Development and either in Rural Development and either in-
creased fees or a $1 \varnothing$ tax increase will repay the loan.
Tommy Russell, Mike Meyer, and Steve Esquivel voted for the renovation. Councilman Jimmy Butler voted against the motion. Butler stated, "I don't think we knould bow we're going to pay it know how we're going to pay it
back."
Russell and Meyer advocated

## it

Included in the renovations are $\$ 7,000$ for bathroom and kitchen area, $\$ 31,500$ for heating and
cooling, $\$ 13,000$ for a vinyl curcooing, $\$ 13,000$ for a vinyl cur-
tain to divide the Center into two areas, $\$ 6,000$ for three refrigerators and three stoves, and $\$ 25,000$ for front and back arch canopies with brick columns. Mid-Tex Cellular requested a self-supporting digital cell site at the corner of Broadway and at the corner of Broadway and
Meeks. The 180 -foot tower will me located in the northeast corner of the present City Maintenance Yard.
Ray Hooker of Mid-Tex Cel
lular said that lular said that this should bring
better reception to Winters for cell better reception to Winters for cell
phone usage. The Councilmen ghone usage. The Councilmen gave City Manager Aref Hassan
permission to negotiate a ten-yea contract for a $\$ 500$ per year lease

Jimmy N. Butler asked to purJimmy N. Butler asked to pur-
chase the alley that runs east and chase the alley that runs east and
west, between Lamar and Albert Streets. City Attorney Ken Slimp said that records will have to be checked to see if the alley is closed, and if not closed, an ordinance would have to be approved before being able to sell the prop erty to any adjoining property pursue the request, with Councilman Butler, son of Jimmy N. Butler, abstaining.
Hassan presented copies of municipal code which showed bank depositories to be bid at leas every five years. The Council had requested that this be done every council approved to let bids for council approved to let bids fo bank depository.
In another not-much-discusse

## agenda item, the Council ap-

 ion. This revision added Martin Luther King Day as a holiday for city employees. The revision also allows for Mondays and Friday o become holidays when anyholiday falls on a Tuesday or a Thursday. For example: if the 4th of July is on Tuesday, city em ployees will also get Monday as
a holiday. holiday.
Councilman Butler also op posed this motion.
To put some final derman-Cave water bill discus sion, Water Superintendent Jack Davis, Jr. had the water meter in question tested in both Abilene and San Angelo facilities. San Angelo rated it $100 \%$ accurate, which was within the limits of the which was within the limits of the
American Waterworks Associa tion. The Council moved to ac tion. The Council moved to ac-
cept these test results as accurate


Menard. He says he's classes at teach social studies sertified to ." get back in the class- The Board of Trustees of and golf.
With a population of around 1,600 , Menard is located 75 miles 1,600, Menard is located 75 miles
south of Winters on Highway 83 . The Yellowjackets missed the playoffs last season for the first time in ten years, and Coach
Quinn Conley was reassigned afQuinn Conley was reassigned af-
ter eleven seasons as head coach. Some sources said the reason for Conley's reassignment was
"somewhat political," but Byrd somewhat political, but Byrd
said, "I don't worry about that.
I've been fortunate in the places I've been and that hasn't happened to me. I wasn't looking because I was worried about that. That's all just part of the busiByrd continues, "I'm sad to
excited to go to Menard."
has shown great support. But I'm The Board of Trustees of the Winters ISD is expected to accept Byrd's resignation during their
regular meeting on February when Byrd will officially begin his duties at Menard. His wife, Sherry, who works as a secretary at Winters Elementary, will remain in Winters and finish out the school year.
Byrd also adds, "I've enjoyed my association with the coaches here at Winters, and I wish them Lipsey move up to my roach Lipsey, move up to my replace-
ment." Lipsey, who has coached at
Winters since July, 1990, served as Byrd's offensive coordinator for the past eight years, and said he's "definitely interested" in the position.
-including Saturdays
Public Library extending hours library will now be open on Saturdays from $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. until 12 noon in addition to their regular hours of 1 p.m. -6 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Carolyn Scarborough, librarian, says the library will continue be open on Saturdays for the next few weeks to determine if there is a need in the community for these additional hours.
All facilities will be available on Saturdays. This includes access to all books, audios, videos and computers.
"Come on in and check out our new selections," said Mrs. Scarorough. "And remember, we still offer internet access to our patrons

## Egan, Conner named to

 Weather Modification groupers, in a special meeting on Tues- sociation.
day morning, tabled action on two During the January 30 meetthenda items having to do with ing, Commissionersalso approved $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Modification Association. } & \text { Shelter Grants Program applica- }\end{array}$ The items were tabled because tion by Central Texas Opportuniof changes being made in the in- ties, Inc. The grant application terlocal agreement and the by- will be submitted to the Texas aws of the association The Commissioners appointed County Judge M munity Affairs. If approved, the Randall Conner of Winters as rep- grant would assist homeless peoresentatives of Runnels County $\begin{aligned} & \text { ple in Texas Opportunities } \\ & \text { tres }\end{aligned}$ on the board of the West Central See COMMISSIONERS,

## WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

Feb. 1-10 a.m.-Noon \& $1: 30-3$ p.m., Immunization Clinic, TDH
$11: 30$ a.m, Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 2-11:30 a.m, Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
12:25 p.m., Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Science Lab 6:30 p.m., Basketball Seniors/Parents recognized, WHS gym 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco
6. 3-10 a.m.-Noon, Winters Public Library Open

Feb. $4-1$ p.m.,., Chamber of Commerce Banquet, Community Center 2-5 p.m., Adventure into Depression Seminar, FUMC 2-3:30 p.m., Farewell Reception for Mike \& Carla Harris, FBC 3-4 p.m., Birthday Celebration for Opal Hunt, Our House
4 p.m., Winters Area Baseball organizational mur Sout 4 p.m., Winters Area Baseball organizational mtg., Scout H
5-8:30 a.m. 2 p.m., Last Chance CEU Roundup, Ballinger 9 a.m.-4 p.m., WIC, Winters Housing Authority 11:30 a.m. Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 7 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center 7.m., Ballinger Masonic Lodge

FSA applications begin for Crop Disaster Program, Ballinger 11:30 a.m. Sr Cib Noon, Lions. Clut Ss Citize, Sr. Citizens Activity Center Noon, Lions Club, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station
7 p.m., American Legion, Legion Hall
$7-7$ a.m., Industrial Board, Chamber Office
7-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Chamber Office
11:30 a m, Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 11:30 a.m, Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Act
6 p. m., Chamber Directors, Chamber Office 6 p.m., Chamber Directors, Chamber OHee
8 p.m., Athletic Booster Club, Field House
8-10 a.m., Triple L Club, First Batist Church $8-10$ a.m., Triple Lo Club, First Baptist Church
$11: 30$ a.m, Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
Windbreak Trees Arrive at RSWCD

You may have heard by now that a super-sized oil company has attempted to swindle the State of Texas out of a lot of royalty money! Why, even the Attorney Gendire enough that filing suit is in order.
But, wait a minute, have we heard the whole story?
Probably not.
Turns out the w
over a dirt road.
It seems that in a large oil field here in Texas straddles a state road and then a paved one. The tate claims that royalties are wed for the lenght (and width) of the road through the oil field. The oil company claims that he right-of-way existed when the lease was signed and that no royalty was payable on the mineral ights under the road by contract.
The state has summed up the The state has summed up the
otal production from the field and total production from the field and
allocated it to the mineral acreage under the road. The total royalty that would be payable unde such an arrangement would be lens of millions of dollars. The suit filed by the Secretary of State is to recover that amount plus in-
terest.
It is helpful to consider how these situations are typically ory is in order, first.
The United States is the only country in the world where mineral rights can be privately owned. But, there are certain properties where the mineral rights are held by public agencies, organizations, A right-of-way is an example A right-of-way is an example
where a government may own the mineral rights. Sometimes, those rights-of-way become roads. But, the minerals owned under the roads are not always paid a royalty. In fact, they can be waived by the government in question, or cations that preclude payment. who does not claim their rights to something that is publically be ing possessed by another may los their rights to that something.) The oil company claims that several of the above apply. They say the state waived their rights and, even if they didn't, non-pay ment of royalty has been going o
too long in broad daylight (com mon law application) to only now claim damages. ute that will be settled in court.

As you can also probably see, it Nolan County
is not a simple case of a big bad Pioneer Exploration has staked oil company trying to get away the B. Hanks -A- \#37 in the with something. There are in fact Northwest Hylton Field, 8 miles (wo sides to this story, both hav- S of Nolan (Depth 6500). Loc. is
ing some merit.
955 FSL \& 838 FWL of Sec. 88 ing some merit. developments surrounding this case. We haven't even touched case. We haven't even touched
on why these types of suits are just now being brought, but suffice it to say that, given a little time, an idle attorney can create some feepaying work for themselves if they put their mind to it.

## HIGHLIGHTS

 DRILLING ACTIVITY
## COMPLETIONS

Nolan County
Pioneer Exploration has com pleted the R.H. Jordan -A- \#9 in the Northwest Hylton Field (5
miles SW of Nolan) at an initial rate of 25 BOPD \& 275 BWPD in the Cambrian (perfs 58785907). Loc. is 330 FNL \& 530 FEL of Sec. 20, Blk. Z, T\&PRR
Sur., A-1584.

Runnels County
Thomas Oil \& Gas has co pleted the McNeil \#2 in the West Norton Field ( 2 miles N of
Norton) at an initial rate of 580 MCFPD (AOF) in the Fry (perfs 3382-86). Loc. is 847 FEL \& 1920 FNL of H\&GN Sur. No. 5 A-272.
Taylor County Tristar Exploration, Inc. has completed two wells in the
Reddin Field ( 5 miles NE of Reddin Field ( 5 miles NE of
Merkel). The W.H. Frazier \#1 Merkel). The W.H. Frazier \#1 potentialed at 46 BOPD \& 140
FWPD and is loc. 225 FWL \& 1463 FSL of Sec. 26, Blk. 17, T\&PRR Sur., A-824. The R.E. Harris \#1A potentialed at 55 BOPD and is loc. 706 FWL \&
1010 FNL of Le. 124, 1010 FNL of Lge. 124,
Grimes CSLSur., A-71

STAKINGS
Callahan County
Aries Hydro, Inc. has applie Nore-enter the P. Moore \#1 in the N of Cross Plains Field, 4 miles Loc. is 492 FNL \& 3777 FWL J. Dyson Sur. No. 751, A-126.

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955 FSL \& 838 FWL of Sec. 28 , Blk. Z, T\&PRR Sur., A-1460. the Brooks Ranch \#3 in the Multhe Brooks Ranch \#3 in the Mul-
berry Canyon Field, 6 miles NE berry Canyon Field, 6 miles NE
of Nolan (Depth 5200). Loc. is 330 FEL \& 2367 FSL of Sec. 76, Blk. 5, T\&PRR Sur., A-1703. Taylor County
LeClair Operating has staked
the Bettes\#1 in the County Regular Field, 3 miles S of Shep (Depth 4500). Loc. is 330 FNL \& 1094 FEL of Sec. 135, Blk. 64, H\&TC Sur.
Tom Green County
E. Mayo has staked one well
and applied to re-enter another 5
miles SE of San Angelo. The
miles SE of San Angelo. The
Pecan Station \#2 re-entry in the Pecan Station \#2 re-entry in the
San Angelo Field (Depth 4900) is San Angelo Field (Depth 4900) is
loc. 771 FNL \& 10868 FEL of Washington CSLSur. No. 103, A3940. RULE 36. The Pecan Station \#3 is staked in the Smith \& Carraway Field (Depth 5300) and is loc. 467 FNL \& 8175 FEL of Washington CSL
3940. RULE 36 .
Remuda Operating Co. has
staked the Augustine \#1 in the
West Kennemer Field, 3 miles
NW of Carlsbad (Depth 6500). Loc. is 700 FNWL \& 700 FSWL of H. Fey Sur. No. 277, A-187
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Garter snakes, though rep live young.

## Correction

A generous contributor's name was inadvertently left off of last
week's thank-you from Coach week's thank-you from Coach
Fowler and the Lady Blizzards and Coach Boxell and the Blizand Coach Boxell and the Bliz-
zards regarding the new nameboards.
Credit is given to Wayne's Paint \& Body for donating labor to paint the name boards. Dry Manufacturing donated metal for
the signs. the signs.
We apologize for the oversight.


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## Obituaries

## Richard P. Menninger

BALLINGER-Richard P. Menninger, 89, died Tuesday, January 23, 2001, at Heritage Oaks Estate in Ballinger. He was born July 27, 1911, in Cincinnati, Ohio. He married Mary Louise Hern in Newport, Kentucky, on October 6, 1940. Ohio. He was a member of the Methodist Church, Marion Elks Club, and Lions Club.
He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Louise Menninger, on November 4, 1997.
Survivors include two daughters, Bonnie J. Steele and husband James of Ballinger and Carole H. Menninger of Katy; a son, Richard S. Menninger and wife Sandra of McKinney; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.
A memorial service was held Friday, January 26, at 3:00 p.m. in
he Rains-Seale Chapel in Ballinger officiated by Reverend Tony the Rains-Seale Chapel in Ballinger, officiated by Reverend Tony
King. Arrangements were directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home Memorials may be made to the Ballinger Humane Society or Ballinger Carnegie Library.

## Zanna Mae Watkins

BALLINGER-Zanna Mae Watkins, 100, died Monday, January 22, 2001, at the Runnels County Rehabilitation Center. William Watkins August 11 1919, in San Saba married John William Watkins on August 11, 1919
Mrs. Watkins was a homemaker.
She was preceded in de Survivors include a daughter, Willie Mae Cole of Ballinger; one son, John Wayne Watkins and wife Elois of Carlsbad; seven grandchildren; thirteen great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchil dren.
Visitation was held Wednesday, January 24, at 6:00 p.m. at RainsSeale Funeral Home in Ballinger. Graveside services were held Thursday, January 25 , at $10: 00$ a.m. at Old Runnels Cemetery near Ballinger,
officiated by Reverend Tony King. Arrangements were directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

## Gloria Pallanez Zertuche

 BALLINGER-Gloria Pallanez Zertuche, 63, died January 17 2001, at Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo.She was born May 15, 1937, to Juan Pallanez and Cruz Guevara She was born May Pallanez in Ballinger.
Mrs. Zertuche was a longtime resident of Ballinger and was employed as a Building Maintenance Aide with the Ballinger ISD for in Ballinger and the Guadalupanas in Ballinger
She was preceded in death by a grandson, Ryan Nagel. Survivors include two sons, John Zertuche and Ricky Zertuche, both of Ballinger; four daughters, Rosemary Charlton of Big Spring, Lydia Chavez and husband Jessie of Wichita Falls, Brenda Zertuche and husband Thomas of Llano, and Monique Nagel and husband Shawn of Victoria; a brother, Mike Pallanez of Stephenville; two sis
ters, Faye Medrano of Ballinger and Josie Cortez of Hobbs New ters, Faye Medrano of Ballinger and Josie Cortez of Hobbs
Mexico, eleven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.
Rosary was held Friday, January 19, at 7:00 p.m. at Rains-Seal Funeral Home in Ballinger. Services were held Sallay, January 20 ,
at $10: 00 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Ballinger with Fathe Louis Moeller officiating. Burial followed in Evergreen Cemetery in Ballinger under the direction of Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

COMMISSIONERS, continued
Judge Egan read a thank you There are also no fines levied. note from Jane Jeschke of the Jeschke invited the Judge and Miles Library for the funds proCommissioners to a ceremony on $\begin{array}{lll}\text { vided by the county. Jeschke's } & \text { Friday where Verizon representa- } \\ \text { note also pointed out the notoriety } & \text { tives will present a number of }\end{array}$ note also pointed out the notoriety tives will present
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I'm thinking of you. I do, of ten. Every week. Before I write the column. And during it. I try to picture you in my mind...those of you whom I know, and, those whom I don't. I try to think of things that might start a conversation with me. Even if we don't ever talk about it. You might think about it. And that's enough thanks for me.
But, the reason I am writing this column is because of a book I bought not too long ago. It's written by a friend of mine, who is now pushing 80 years old. But his spirit is ever young. He has pastored thousands of people on tours to Germany, the Holy Land, the Orient.. you name it. The title of the book, however, has nothing to do with any of the above. Rather it is a series of letters. And the title is "I'm Thinking of You."
The book was conceived long before Herb wrote it. In 1983, while returning from a trip to Japan and China traveling on a 13 -hour flight
and very much concerned abut a heart problem, he found in the group and very much by the name of Barbara...a guardian angel. As she ministered to him, he wondered, "Who gave this woman such a compassionate spirit? Who are this woman's parents?" Twelve years later, he wrote the letters to Barbara's mother, Bonnie.
In that period of time, Herb had heart surgery and an operation for prostate cancer. More than that he experienced the life-giving support of family and friends, a doctor who told him of the healing power of enzymes, joy, and laughter...and drew pictures of healing, calling
attention to each step in his recovery. His well became filled with healing images the healing power of touch and prayer, and above all else, the abiding presence of a loving God. kind of surgery as he, and that she was not healing quickly...he remembered. The flight. The person who had stayed with him every second of the way. And, "Who are her parents? Who gave her such a spirit? And, in a moment of deep Holy Spirit power, force, and love, he made a commitment to write Bonnie 12 letters, one a day. To pass
on to Bonnie what her daughter had done for him. Each letter was a on to Bonnie what her daughter had done for him. Eac
healing for her. And each letter was a healing for him.
healing for her. And each letter was a healing for him.
I'd love to include several of them in this column. But, there isn' room. So I'll just include most of one. This time. And its title is "Prescription for Laughter
"Thank you for reminding me of our last time together. I forgot how much we taughed until you mentioned the fun. And fun is medicine. "Today I had a checkup. My doctor and I talk when I have my checkups. Today he told me about a natural medicine deep inside the
brain. Before I was born, while I was growing inside my mother, the brain. Before I was born, while I was growing inside my mother, the
medicine formed as enzymes in my brain. Enzymes can flood the bloodstream, flow to nerve endings, heal body cells. The key is the thoughts and words we choose
"The medicine is always present. We can release it with a heart laugh, a song, a smile, a glad thought, by whistling or humming a favorite tune. Joy sets the medicine flowing. Within seconds, healing pours through the body. Everyone has access to this personal medicine.
"Do you watch the news with amazement, as I do, seeing poor and starving children smile when given the smallest portion of food? their joy. They giggle to get well. their joy. They giggle to get well.
"So it is with you and me today. opens inside. Today I prescribe for yough, and the medicine cabind opens inside. Today I prescribe for you and me: have a good laugh, do
something joyful. Have fun. Hear a joke. Listen to a song. Hum Smit somelievg Im released in me.
"When I was five, I the ripest berries. I discovered I couldn't get down on my own thee to get department came to my rescue. The whole town came out to cheer me down. That was my first time out on a limb.

You were born with the gift of laughter.
Thank you, Herb. For thinking of Bonnie. And thinking of us. And ausing us to think of the gift of laughter. And the God who gives us tidings of great joy which shall be to all the people.



BISHOP MICHAEL PFEIFER, O.MI. (center right), of the Catholic Diocese of San Angelo, and REVEREND DR. OBIOMA DESMOND OBI (center left), of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church in Winters, met with the church's congregation to discuss the develpment of a parish mission statement and the development of goals and activities to carry out the parish mission

Bishop Michael Pfeifer visits Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church

Bishop Michae Pfeifer, O.M.1. more vocations to religious life. ne Catholic Diocese of San He discussed the long standing Angelo, visited Our Lady of shortage of priests and other reliWinters on Sunday, Church in inters on Sunday, January 14, the arrival of the church's new pastor, the Reverend Dr Obioma Desmond Obi. Bishop Pfeifer and Father Obi concelebrated the 9:00 .m. mass.
During his homily, the Bishop congratulated the parish on its the parish to pray and work for

## Chamber Memo

Classic Tradition, a ba quartet from Abilene, will be the Chamber of Commerce banquet his Saturday, February 3, at the Winters Community Center The banquet will start at 7:00 p.m. and will be a night of good
food, fun and fellowship for our food, fun and fellowship for our
community. The meal will be grilled chicken, wild rice, blackeye peas, salad, cobbler, tea and coffee.
Advanced tickets are only $\$ 10$ each and can be purchased from the Chamber or any director, or at the door for $\$ 12$. Congratulations goes to Winters Flower Shop and More for the Quarter.
We also welcome a new cham ber member, Flutter Farm Butterflies, owned by Doddie Drake She has butterflies for release a weddings and special events. You can visit her web site
www.butterflyoccasioncom

Circus is coming to Winters
Yes, it's circus time! The appearing in Winters on Sunday munity Center at $1: 30$ and $4: 00$ p.m. Doors open one hour befor showtime.
This show features spectacula acts from around the globe Italy, England, Spain, and, of course, the great USA.
Children 12 and under are always free, with tickets available at local merchants. Adults are $\$ 7$
at the door.
There will be something for
There will be something for
everyone - a show for children everyone
of all ages.


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34 inches tall.

Following mass, the congregaion gathered for a group picture church Befres the lawn of the served in the parish hall fon were berved a meeting wath the Bishop and the Pastoral and Finance Counthe Pastoral and Finance C
cils, and the Youth Group cils, and the Youth Group.
The main message of this meeting was the development of a parish mission statement and the development of goals and activities to carry out the parish mis-
sion. The Bishop encouraged the
establishment of an "Agenda for
Jesus" in Mount Carmel Parish and asked that each person present answer the question, What does Jesus ask you to do?" The Catholic community of Our Lady of Mount Carmel of Winters, and Father Obi wish to Bishop Pfeifer whose pastoral visit was an inspiration. He is wished well in his pastoral and administrative duties in the diocese.

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Baseball back in swing-
Organizational meeting Sunday afternoon
Winters Area Community
Baseball will hold its organiza Baseball will hold its organiza-
tional meeting on Sunday, Febru tional meeing on Sunday, rebru-
ary 4,2001 , at $4: 00$ p.m. in the
Scout Hut Officers Scout Hut. Officers for 2001 will
be elected for Little League and girls softball.
Committees will also be established at this time for these areas concession stand, umpires, registration, coaches, team parents, etc.
If you have an interest in the youth of Winters and would like to see this organization succeed,
please attend this important
ing. Bob Lindley at 754-4959 after 5 p.m. or Dawn Green a
between 5-9:30 p.m.

Booster Club to make athletic banquet plans
—Meeting set Feb. 7
The Winters Athletic Booster
Club will conduct a meeting Wednesday, February 7, at 8 p.m at the field house. Plans will b made for the athletic banquet. Parents of all ath
couraged to attend.

UTPB counselor to visit local high schools
counselor at The University of Texas of the Permian Basin, will be visiting with Winters, Ballin ger, and Miles area high schools visit is to offer general informa ion on attending U.T. Permian Basin.

She will be in this area the with visits also scheduled a Forsan, Water Valley, Grape


## 2001 BLIZZARD

## HIGH SCHOOL TRACK SCHEDULE

Creek, Veribest, Paint Rock Eden, Wall, Bronte, Robert Lee, and Sterling City
Students ranking in the top ten Sercent of their class are eligible Presidential PLUS and $\$ 7,200$ Presidential Scholarships. Students graduating in the top 11-25 percent of their class may qualify for either the UT Merit Scholarship which is worth from $\$ 1,500-$ $\$ 6,000$ or the two-year Freshma Merit Scholarship of $\$ 2,000$ To set up an appointment with Ms. Hernandez, please call (915)
552-2605

## Sat., February 24 Sat., March 3

Sat., March 10
Sat., March 17
Fri./Sat., March 23-24 San Angelo Relays - Boys Sat., March 24 A.C.U. Relays - Girls Sat., March 31 Coleman Relays Mon./Tues, April 9-10 DISTRICT - Bangs Fri./Sat., April 20-21 Regional Qualifiers (TBA) Fri./Sat., April 27-28 REGIONAL-Stephenville Fri./Sat., May 4-5
Fri./Sat., May 11-12
Jim Ned Relays Roscoe Relays Blizzard Relays


Happy Valley millionaires still the same people


go to (San) Angelo every day."
"And working 12 hours And working 12 hours every ay," adds Ginny.
Ginny has learned to enjoy
ong bubble baths in addition to watching "Days of our Lives" and going to hockey games. However she admits she hasn't gotten used to Cheesy not workingbeing home all day long. "He's on the phone all the time. He's not settled down into retirement life He hasn't learned how to relax She does point out though that She does point out though that as much."
They both agree that the first wo months of their new-found wealth was a constant request for
money. "Some real wackos came money. "Some real wackos came Ginny. "They were weird in their expressions-and I was called ew names I wouldn't repeat! ceived sent in care of the Wingate Baptist Church. "These two sis ters were in bad shape (health wise) and wanted us to send them $\$ 50,000$ for one and $\$ 20,000$ for the other. Then they'd take out problem was, we got the The onl

## Depression seminar Sunday at First Methodist Church

Depression," will be held at the First United Methodist Church on Sunday, February 4, from 2:00 p.m. to $5: 00$ p.m. in the fellow-
ship hall. Tony Campbell and the Depression Challenge Team of Fort Worth will be leading the seminar.
According to Don Roath,
FUMC pastor FUMC pastor, through the outreach of educational seminars in
churches of all denominations, the Depression Challenge Team: - helps people develop an u derstanding of depression and related conditions,

- helps people who are experiencing depression and related conditions to understand them
selves, $\cdot$ equis,
equips family members and derstanding,
- identifies the
vailable to hel
in getting the help they need and
want,
- assists churches as they de-
elop ongoing programs regarding mental health issues. Tony Campbell, as an adult, was diagnosed with manic de pression and anxiety and panic disorders. Mr. Campbell's life has been an uphill struggle, but he says he wishes to ease the pain fo
those who suffer as he did, and give hope to all those involved family members, caretakers and sufferers. Mr. Campbell says that he is coming to the church in Winters because "we need to deal wit this instead of living in seclu-
sion."
The public is invited to attend this important seminar on Sunday, February 4, at $2: 00$ p.m. at the There is no charge for the sem nar; however, a love offering will be taken. For more information,

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 141 N. Church, Winters


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Ginny laughs and shakes her head when she recalls the woman who contacted them from Florida. "She said she knew she was supwas out of town on vacation during that (Super Bowl) week and they (the Prize Patrol) couldn't find her. So she said we should send her $1 / 2$ the money because
it should be hers!"" a should be hers.
A real estate broker wanted to
sell their land so they could move to a "more secluded place." Like a wooded homestead in Happy Valley-West Texas-USA isn't secluded! "We heard from every Edward D. Jones broker in Texas and one from Tennesse-wanting
Cheesy.
Ginny is quick to acknowledge Ginny is quick to acknowledge
that they have had some legit requests from churches, an orphan-
age in Abilene, even an animal shelter in El Paso. They have shared some of their windfall with
the church (Ginny is a member of Holy Family Catholic Church in Abilene), missions, and various charities.
As would be expected, they have enjoyed some luxuries of
heir own. Remodeling of their own. Remodeling of their
home, which was already planned home, which was already planned
before the multimillion dollar giveaway, "just grew and got biggiveaway, just grew and got big-
ger." It has been completed in-
cluding a basement, cluding a basement, great room,
multipurpose utility room, den multipurpose utility room, de
office, and a three car garage. office, and a three car garage.
Plans have been drawn up for house "on the coast" where Cheesy enjoys deep sea fishing nd walk neart the ocean. Cheesy recently returned from a fishing expedition in Venezuela. He has purchased a shallow water boat to enhance his fishing expeditions. Ginny also received a Lincoln

## Medicare

 information now more accessiblePeople over the age of 50
may be the fastest growing population on the Internet, and they are increasingly using
Internet resources to search for Internet resources to search for
information on such vital issues information on
as health care.
as health care.
A new survey shows that Internet access among people older, has skyrocketed from 6.8
ond percent in 1997 to 21.3 percent in 1999.
One website that averages seven million hits per month for
health care information is the health care information is the
new and expanded Medicare website at <www.medicare.gov> The award-winning website now includes more features and information tailored to meet the needs of the growing number of older online users, as well as family members and friends who help them mak
health care decisions

The new technologies being used at <www.medicare.gov> will load faster for people who
we use their telephone lines for ac-
cess, helping them move quickly through the site.
drove to Manitoba, Canada in Chuck Patterson) is a Nurse Prac August-their first trip together titioner in Boerne. The Jacksons since they've been married. Gone say neither of Sara's bosses even nearly three weeks, the trip there know her parents are millionaires. took about four days before reach- Jana received her degree from ing their destination-the home pro hockey player for the San Angelo Outlaws. "We went fishing" said Cheesy.
"He was a real gracious host. I figured he was just a jock that didn't know anything but sports-but he was a real nice
person." "With a beautiful little person." "With a beautiful little house on the Lake of the Prairies,"
added Ginny. added Ginny.
The couple then took abo
two weeks to return home, tra eling through the Dakotas, Wyo ming, Utah, and Colorado where they visited Ginny's sister in
Colorado Springs. "We went to Colorado Springs. "We went to
the Olympic training center which the Olympic training center which
was just fantastic," said Ginny. was just fantastic,", said Ginny.
Cheesy really enjoyed a visit to Cheesy really enjoyed a
the Air Force Academy.
Still wearing his trademark suspenders, Jackson is noticeably
without the gap in his front teeth without the gap in his front teeth,
but still sports the thick, black rimmed glasses he's had to wear since the third grade. But...he hopes that may not be the case in
a few weeks.
According to plans, he was scheduled to undergo Lasik ${ }^{\text {sum- }}$ sur-
gery, "a type of clear lens transplant" on his left eye yesterday. If all goes well, he will have the right eye done within a month.
"Then I hope I can throw these Then I hope I can throw these
$<\# @ \$ \%$ (glasses) away," he chuckles. Both of the Jacksons say they'd
like to pay for the eye surgery to be done on both of their daughters, Sara and Jana, who seem to ters, Sara and Jana, who seem to As for the girls, both are em-
ployed following college educa-

Thank you for reading The Winters Enterprise.

## Check it out at the

Winters Public Library 120 N. Main 754-4251 Open Mon.-Thurs. 1-6 p.m. Saturday 10-noon
Friendze Stores to help Abilene teacher's wife
tary teacher Darrell Martin confronted with a change in his present employment, but his wife is needing a stem cell transplant. Receiving the transplant is the only hope
live.
Martin has already experienced the loss of one wife to can-
cer. Besides helping his wife Maryanne face the surgery, they are confronted with the fact that the insurance he has with the Abilene school district will no Highland Church of Christ in Abilene has taken the lead to raise $\$ 115,000$ for her as the hospital requires the payment up-front.
Many of the members are planning suppers, garage sales and
numerous other benefits to help numerous other benefits to help secure the funds.
Friendze Stores, Inc. of
Abilene will also participate by donating a full $15 \%$ of all sales donating a full $15 \%$ of all sales
on Saturday, February 3, 2001, toward the Maryanne Martin Fund.
Friendze store owner Homer H. Hillis stated that even though he had contributed to the fund Church of Christ, he is "really excited about the Friendze store helping the Martin family and
knows the Abilene and surroundcommunities will want to par-

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## Poe's Corner

By Charlsie Poe
New home is highlight for the Masters family


Santa was late for a friend of mine, but who cares when he brings a new home. Longtime
friend and writer, Nancy Robin friend and writer, Nancy Robin-
son Masters, and her husband Bill sent this Christmar husband Bill sent this Chri
like to share.
like to shar
HO! HO! HOME! Santa brought Bill and Nancy
address for the new year.
Of course, Santa forgot the roof, but hey-not everyone gets room. Which means we'll be living in a motor home at the new address beginning January 20 while we wait for either Rudolph (Bill says to think of it as wintering over at Padre Island without the Island.) Please change your address records so we won't miss anything you send. (A load of sheetrock would be nice.) Our phone numbers are not supposed to change since the new location is less than a mile from the old. (If those num
BR-549.)
erie feel about moving? Check out their comments, along with a few "highlights" from our year just past:
Mr. Ms. Lampasas, Ms. Dublin, Mr. Oreo Bull, and the Bullbabies:
"Longhorns never say "Longhorns never say good-by We're just moooooooving on."

- Streak (Flop) Dog: "Lo up in the truck, load up in the truck." Deaf (Guard) Dog: "ZZZZZZZ" (Guard) Dog: Dog: "Rooooooof! Roooooof!") - Old Ms. Madam (Sausage) Cat: "Shut up and feed me."
- Mr. Cleveland (Plays Wi - Mr. Cleveland (Plays With Socks) Cat: "You expect me to do
WHAT in a box till I adjust?" WHAT in a box till I adjust?" "Mouse! Mouse!"


## -Mr. (12) Pound Cat: "Don'

 bother me. I'm ignoring you."God was so God was so good to us this past sometimes to pinch ourselves lights for Bill included it! Highto Tucson wherecuded traveling to Tucson where he completed his
lighter-than-air ing, the dedication of the new pa-
vilion at Belle Plaine Cemetery as the Cemetery Association President, a successful year as Squadron Leader for the Big Country Squadron/CAF, and seeing the second story structure of the new
house fit perfectly when the crane souse fit perfectly when the cran couldn't be done!)
Highlights for Nancy included expanding her writing markets worldwide, continuing her travels and motivational speaking at schools and conferences, surviv ing the drought and packing to move. (Follow her on the path to the bath in the garage during "Th Great Motor Home Camping Ad http://NancyRobinsonMasters.com.) We also had grief, disappoint ments, and loss. We rejoice tha the peace, power, and presence of God filled our hearts even in difficult times. One of the most dif

per Hornet pilot to perform takes place one second before being carrier. The pileck of an aircraft hands up pilot has to lift both ttempt to tate tolly let go. Any trols during takeoff will result in immediate disaster. It requires an act of total trust in those in charge of the power to make a takeoff We re blasting off in 2001, letting go in total t.
in control.
"Give to him everlasting glory...the Lord, the All Powerful One who is, and was, and is
coming again! Revelation 1:6-8

## Letter to the Editor

City manager lauds Associated Beef feedlot

April 1, 2001, will be my ninth anniversary of calling Winters my

home, and the people of Winter home, and the people of Winter
my only family left for me. 1 am pretty sure most of you know now that this family member was born and raised in Af ghanistan. Yes, I was born an raised in Chardy (in English i means "four villages"), a fertil
valley along the bank of the Kabu River From the time I can remember we had all kinds of animals on ou farm. Seeing good animals, animal pictures and reading good stories about animals alway stories about animal
makes me feel good.

## Why stuff their face with chacolates?



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In the January 25, 2001, issue of the The Winters Enterprise noticed the pictures of many
happy kids with their well-fed and well-groomed animals. I enjoyed the pictures. Job well done, Enterprise! Looking at these pictures
brought back a lot of my child brought back a lot of my childthe paper I noticed a half-page ad the paper 1 noticed a haft-page ad
for Associated Beef City (ABC) feedlot in Winters. In the ad 1 read that ABC has a 25,000 head yard capacity, first class feeding operation, all new construction, and excellent facilities.
I have been there several times
and have visited with Bill Morand have visited with Bill Mor
gan, manager, and Teelee Vinson gan, manager, and Teelee Vinson,
office manager. I have invited them to come to the city hall and have a cup of coffee with me. I have also asked them to join us at the Industrial Corporation, Chamber of Commerce, and Lions Club. I am a professional of my field and know where our potentials
are. ABC has a great potential for are. ABC has a great potential for
our economy. I have preached this to our elected officials, Industrial Corporation, Chamber of Commerce and Lions Club. Being a former farmer, I consider our local businesses to be like our milk cow. There is not a single cow to milk in ABC feed lot, but surel hey drink a lot of wat Let rain to come in intervals fill our lakes but does not flood our town. Can you imagine how
much our economy will grow if ABC operates in its full capacity? I know one thing for sure - that the city will sell a lot of water to hem.
Therefore, anything my elected officials, the city employees, our
civic organizations, our busicivic organizations, our busi-
nesses, the community as a whole, The Winters Enterprise, and I can do to accommodate and promote ABC feedlot in Winters, they deserve it. I hope we do not hesitate doing so, as long as it is within our ability, legal jurisdiction, and for the best interest of our com munity.

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BETTER AND MORE EFFECTIVE PARENTS

The Winters Enterprise, Winters, Texas, Thursday, February 1, 20017


Richard Sealy Bryan \& Cassie Ann Huckaby
Huckaby and Bryan announce engagement, December wedding
Mr. and Mrs. Randy Huckaby of Beeville and Mr. and Mrs. Sealy children, Cassie Ann Huckaby and Richard Sealy Bryan. Cassie is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Walker of Wingate and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Huckaby of Winters.
Richard is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Bryan of Norton and Richard is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Brya
Re. he late Mr. and Mrs. Grady Kennedy of Ballinger.
The bride-elect is a 1999 graduate of A.C. Jones High School and is currently attending Angelo Registered Nursing.
The prospective bridegroom is a 1997 graduate of Texas Tech neer at CADCO Architects/Engineers, Inc. of Abilene. The couple will be married December 15, 2001, at the Church of Christ in Ballinger.


Billy Holland \& Kathy Jones
Kathy Jones, Billy Holland to marry
Reverend Robert and Barbara Jones of Winters are proud to an-
nounce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, nounce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kathy Jones, to Billy Holland. Billy is the son of Billie Louise Gerhar
of Winters. of Winter

Kathy is a 1994 graduate of Winters High School
Billie is a 1992 graduate of Winters High School and is employed by Muellers, Inc. in Ballinger.

Children are like wet cement. Whatever falls on them makes an impression. - Haim Ginott

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Edward Jones


## Former Winters resident now serving at earthquake site in India

earthquake in India is thousands of miles from Winters, Texas, one ormer resident is in the core of he disaster.
Aaron Foster, 28, son of Ear and Susie Foster of Winters, arrived in Ahmedabad, India, Sat-
urday, January 27 , as part of Rescue Net, a division of Youth With Mission, based out of Lancaster, Pennsylvania.
Rescue Net is a faith operated Christian-based, rapid-deploy
ment training organization which ment training organization which teaches workers how to rescue
victims of natural disasters. The group does assessment work and coordinates rescue efforts through
all available local agencies in the area needing help.
Via e-mail to
said that in many disaster situ tions, some casualties occur be cause of lack of training by
would-be rescuers who die from gas leaks, flooding or electrical hocks.
The younger Foster also said that his organization places great
emphasis on providing a safe and secure place for orphans in disas ter areas. Foster said that, particularly in Europe, the mafia will quickly gather young girls to sell into prostitution and slavery. Aaron is currently living on the
streets in India and told his father that financial assistance is desper ately needed, especially for medi
cal supplies. Anyone wishing to cal supples. their donations to Earl Foster

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Stella \& Aaron Foster
Elijah \& Ethan
Christ's Church of Abilene, has been a missionary for the pas where Earl and Susie are mem- ten years, including service in $\begin{array}{ll}\text { bers, helps sponsor their son in his } & \text { Rwanda, Belize, Mexico, Roma } \\ \text { missionary endeavors. } & \text { nia, Norway, Sweden, Keny }\end{array}$ Aaron, an Emergency Medical Haiti, Uganda and Singapore. Technician who plans to continue He and his wife, Stella, hav training to become a paramedic, two sons, Elijah and Ethan.

Crews News
By Hilda Kurtz
hould be told a thing or two.
 Bro. Roy and Mrs. Epperson of Ballinger gave the Hopewell Bapwhile Bro. Ferris Akins and wife Ramona of Ballinger were on vacation.
Juanita Shields had her belated Christmas dinner in her home on Tuesday night with 18 present. Her brother-in-law, Jack Shield of Aztec, New Mexico, died and
was buried on the 29th in New Mexico.
Jyler duri Betty Pierce were in Tyler during last where they attended the funeral of brother-inlaw, Lavada Little. Joe's sister of Houston passed away on Mon day, and was buried
Brownwood during the week
We welcome Joe Riley Sims to our community as of this week. He lives in Mrs. Carolyn Webb's home across the highway from Margie Jacob. Abe and Pat Giles of
Brownwood spent Sunday with Leona and Roy Matthis. Melvina Gey Matthis. little visit on Monday Tiffany Prater and Eileen Cartwright carried Noble Faubion

Hilda Kurtz
rain are 6 tenths, 7 tenths, 8 tenths,
Adeline, Katherine, and Luke Grissom enjoyed eating out for
change on Friday evening Daughter Hildegarde Angelo was in Winters on Tues Angelo way care of some business
day to take
and do some shopping. We went ut to the cemetery and took up the Christmas flowers and placed new on four graves. After enjoying pizza it was time to head home. The Crews community pot luck dinner will be Saturday at 6:30 p.m. Come one...come all! nice visit with Jeff and Bernie nice visit with Jeff and Bernie
McCoy in Abilene this past week. On Monday, Linda Duggan and Becky Brown had supper with Becky Brown had supper with
Chauncey and Susan Mansell. Two weeks ago I failed to get a page of news in. I found it on my table and that was when Ruth Pape of Mexico was here visiting
friends and spent the day with me. I'm sorry Ruth...guess you missed seeing this in your Enterprise.


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First Ag Credit approves $\$ 14.7$ million cash distribution
The board of directors of First
Ag Credit, Farm Credit Services, Ag Credit, Farm Credit Services,
recently approved a $\$ 14.7$ million capital and cash patronage dividend to its members. Approximately 59.9 million was in the form of stock retiremententefective
Dec. 1,2000 and
the remaining Dec. 1, 2.200, and the remaining
$\$ 4.8$ million in cash patronage S4ill be paid in in early 2001. Stock
with weff be paid in early 2001 . Stock
refund will be applied dutomatically to outstanding loan balances or placed in funds held accounts. association built through the hard work and performance of ours
members and their members and their loans allows
for this reduction while still main for this reduction while still main-
taining the necessary capital to taining he necessary capital to
provide for the organization's provide for the organization',
continued growth and stability," said Terry Dane, the association's chief executive officers.
The agricultural lender provided the stock refund by lowering the amount of stock that borrowers purchase when they obtain
their loans. The directors voted to their loans. The directors voted to
lower the stock requirement to the lower the stock requirement to the
lesser of 2 percent or $\$ 1,000$ of the original loan balance. This stock rate is the lowest allowed
by law.
The refund is one benefit the stockholder-approved merger between First Ag Credit, FLCA; Ag Credit of Texas PCA; Wichita Falls PCA; and El Campo PCA/ January 1, 2001.
The lowered stock requirement will apply to members of First Ag Credit, FLCA; Wichita Falls PCA; and EI Campo PCA. Members of Ag Credit of Texas, PCA,
previously had their stock rate previously had their stock rate
lowered to the minimum amount.

- including Saturdays Public Library extending hours The Winters Public Library is
adding hours to their schedule. The library will now be open on Saturdays from 10 a.m. until 12 noon in addition to their regular hours of 1p.m. - 6 p.m. Monda through Thursday
Carolyn Scarborough, librarian, says the library will continue
to be open on Saturdays for the next few weeks to determine if there is a need in the community for these additional hours. All facilities will be available on Saturdays. This includes ac cess to all books, audios, video and computers


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Municipal judge accepts community
service in lieu of court fines

## Anyone wishing to perform

 community service in lieu of a fine in the Winters Municipal Court should contact JudgeVirgina Parr at City Hall. Virgina Parr at City Hall.
Permission must be o Promission must be obtained rom the judge before work is
done. Those who have already received permission, have three months from the assigned date to complete the community service. Community service may be
done at Elm Creek Reservoir (Winters Lake) any afternoon or on this project, call 723-2081. on this project, call 723-2081.
Community service for a non-profit organization which allows this type of work is also ac ceptable, with the judge's ap-


BID NOTICE The City of Winters is accepting
sealed bids for the performance of depository services for the City's
funds. Bids will be accepted at City Hall, 310 S . Main, Winters, Texas
79567, Monday through Friday $8: 00$ 7956. - $\mathrm{M}: 00$ p.m. Bid deadline is $2: 00$ p.m. Thursday, February 22, 2001.
Bid specifications are available at the Bid specifications are available at the
City Manager's Office. The City re$\begin{aligned} & \text { serves the right to accept and/or re- } \\ & \text { ject any or all bids. }\end{aligned} \mathbf{1 2 - 5 ( \text { (tec) }}$
ATTENTION COX COMMUNICATIONS SUBSCRIBERS IN WINTERS Due to increasing vendor and pro-
gramming costs, we will be making adjustments to the Limited Basic and
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be in effect. Limited Basic service be in effect: Limited Basic service
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made at the Cox Communications
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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 Department. Some of the information is provided to police by citizens, and in some
cases, poolice have not finished investigating the reports. These reports make up a
small percentageof the total calls the Department receives and respondstocach weck. mall percentageo ft the total calls sth Depararment receeives and responds to each week.
Winters Police Department reports received and/or investigated from Sunday, Winters Police Department reports received and/or investigated from Sundian
January 21,2001, through Saturday, January 27 , 2001. Winters Police Officers: -stoppeda 1995 Ford passengercar for several traffic violations on S. Main Street. beverages. The males ranged in ages from 14 to 18 years. The driver of the vehicle, 16 -year-old from San Angelo, was issued a citation for driving under the influence
of alcohol (a detectable amount). All juvenile passengers were issued citations for minor in possession of alcohol and released into an adult's custody. One 18 -year-old, Runnels County Jail.
received a report of a disturbance in the 500 block of W. Parsonage Street. A 19 year-old female of Winters and a 26 -year-old male of Winters alleged assaulting each against the male female. The female stated she did strike the male only after he attacked her againsthe female. The emale stace fint did malte who refuted the male's claim of self
Conflicting stories and a witness for the mate
defense led to the arrest of both parties. Martha Perkins and Richard Ochoa were taken defense led to the arrest of both parties. Martha Perkins and Richard Och - observed a 1978 Chevy pickup commit several traffic violataios. on N. Main
Street. The pickup was stopped in the 100 block of G . Nant Street. An odor of alcohol Sreet. The pick up was stopped in the 100 block of N. Grant Street. An odor of alcohol
was detected on the driver. The driver was offered and subsequently failed several
field sobriety tasks. Anthony Diaz of Winters was taken to Runnels CCunty field sobriety tasks. Anthony Diaz of Winters was taken To
booked for Class A driving while intoxicated. -received a report of an accident in the 600 block of E. Truett Street. A 1999 Dodge
passenger car driven by Dedrick Lockridge of Winters collided with a 1976 Chevy passenger car which was parked at the time of the accident. Both vehicles sustained
severe damage, and Mr. Lockridge received minor injuries to his face. A strong odor severe damage, and Mr. Lockridge received minor injuriesto his ace. Astrong godor
of alcohol was detected on Mr Lockidge who was offered and subsequenty failed
several field sobriety tasks. He was taken to Runnels County Jail and booked for several field sobriety tasks. He was taken to Runnels County Jail and booked for
driving while intoxicated Class B. Mr. Lockridge's blood alcohol content was nearly three times the legal limit. - received a report of burglary in the 300 block of S. Cryer Street. A female of
Winters reported that between the hours of $9: 00$ p.m. Monday and $5: 40$ a.m. Tuesday person(s) unknown had broken out her car window and taken an undetermined amount
of money from her purse. Evidence was found at the scene, and this case is unde of money from her purse.
investigation as burglary of a motor vehicle.

- stopped a 1982 Ford pickup on Roberts Street for several traffic violations. An
odor of alcohol was detected on the driver who was offered and passed the field odor of alcohol was detected on the driver who was offered and passed the field
sobriety tasks. The driver, a44-year-old male of Talpa, was released after a license
sheck
 are pending against the male for driving while license suspended.
-stopped a 1999 Pontiac passenger car after observing it $k$ did througha stop sign - stopped a 1999 Pontiac passenger car after observing it skia through a stop sign
nearly striking patrol tar An odor of alcohol was detected on the driver who
exhibited signs of intoxication through slurred incomprehensible speech and slow exlibied siberate movements. The driver was offered and subsequently faired severaral fiel
deld sobriety tasks. Fred Poe of Winters was arrested for driving while inoxicated and
taken to Runnels County Jail where he provided a blood alcohol specimen over the
 suspect was located on Farrar Street and taken into custody. No gun of any type was
located, but an odor of alconol was detected on the driver who was offered and
subecuently failed several field sobriety tasks. The driver. Howard Ronald Holt of subsequently failed several field sobriety tasks. The driver, Howard Ronald Holt of
Winters, was arrested for driving while intoxicated and taken to Runnels county Jail 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 not have to give his or her name. Togit
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JUAN ANTHONY OCHOA JR. 26-year-old Male Convicted of Aggravated Sexual Assault of a Child Victim: 14-year-old female
JUAN ANTHONY OCHOA JR. 716 East Truett, Winters, Tejas.
716 East Truett, Winters, Tejas.
Fue declarado culpable de la ofensa de asalto agravado sexual La victima fue una hembra a victima fue una hembs
de la edad de 14 años.

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## Stewards of the Soil By B.D. Davis Biologist/Land Manager <br> First line of defense

## by B.D. Davis, biologist

Terraces are the first line of well-designed terrace system built defense against soil erosion in to specifications does this job
Runnels County. Few producers

very well. Look around at the | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Runnels County. Few producers } \\ \text { are fortunate enough to farm }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { very well. Look around at the } \\ \text { various terrace systems. Notice }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | :--- | fields flat enough that terraces are that very few of the terraces are fields flat enough that terraces are

not required to stem the tide of top soil loss.
Make it a point to look at cropland fields the next time you are driving around. Chances are the fields you see without terraces need thern. Observe also how the after a good rain. Water from unterraced fields accumulates rapidly and rushes out of the fields unchecked - taking some of our natrients and rich topsoil with it. Two lakes near Winters and at least one near Ballinger are now rendered almost useless due to our topsoil washing downstream. Extinually being considered. Some folks think this process of filling up lakes with "silt" is unavoidable. Not so.
Good soil and water stewardship can avoid most of these soil losses and extend the life of lakes. Bare and unprotected soil washes while protected soil does not not the total answer, but they truly are our "first line of defense," Terraces either hold the wate where it falls or releases the

## Bobwhite quail notes.

by B.D. Davis, biologistland manage

The following includes notes
about bobwhite quail published about bobwhite quail published
by the Bollenbach Chair, Oklahoma State University, and from Brush The encroachment of cedar in
Oklahoma each year claims 284,000 acres of native plant communities favorable to bobwhites. Stretching an assumption indicates this brush area enlargement represents the loss of up to
5,680 coveys each year. While some types of brush and associations of brush are essential to maintaining quail life requirements, solid stands of cedar offer little. This is easily considered as much a problem in Texas as in Oklahoma.

Heat $\qquad$
grazing that scalps the soil of veg-
etation creates hell on earth. Ground temperatures on overgrazed range reach an average the mid-afternoon. Evidence is mounting that such heat loads are a key feature in quail reproduction.
The
The incubation temperature of bobwhite nests is 99 to 100 de-
grees F. Heat kills grees $F$. Heat kills embryos in eggs when egg temperature
reaches slightly higher levels. A reaches slightly higher levels. A
bobwhite has the ability to keep eggs warm. However, she (or he) does not have the ability to keep eggs cool enough when temperatures are much higher than 100 degrees F. Bobwhite hens quit laying when maximum temperatures hold steady in the high nine-
ties and low one hundreds during


TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE WET WEATHER, local farmers (1-r) Dale Duggan, Hank Bourdo and Brett Mikeska wrestle logether parts of some of the old equipment on display at the Gus are holding work days to help develop the unique displays show at 221 West Dale.

> | CHARACTER cannot be developed in ease and quiet. Only |
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| through experiences of trial and suffering can the soul be |
| strengthened, vision cleared, ambition inspired and success |
| achieved. |
| Helen Keller |

## Crop disaster financial assistance available at $\mathbf{6 0 \%}$ or $65 \%$ of county rate

The Farm Service Agency is accepting applications, beginning February 5, 2001, for the new Crop Disaster Program (CDP), Chairperson of the Runnels Coun ty Committee. The Crop Disaster Program provides financial assis tance to farmers who are eligible for compensation for crop losses weather and related conditions. "Natural disasters are a constant threat to our farmers," said
Lange. "This program will help those who suffered losses last year The sign-up period will begin February 5, and the end of the sign-up period will be announced at a later date, once the program regulations are published in the
Federal Register," he said. ProFederal Register," he said. Pro
ducers should be aware that issuance of program payments is pend ing Federal Register publication as well.
According to Lange, 2000 CDP payments will be calculated at 6 . percent of the county rate for in sured and non-insured crops. For crops that are insurable in the
county, but for which the producer did not purchase insurance, the payment will be calculated at 60 percent of the county rate.
"Funding is not limited for the Lange. "Because it was fully fund ed, farmers will receive 100 per cent of the final calculated pay ments as soon as program regula tions are published-providing heir County Office committee ha cation), and the producer has proided all the necessary progran vided all the ne
documentation."
FSA employees will participate in Disaster Assistance train ing prior to program implementa tion at the county level to better prepare County Offices to handle the large number of sign-ups ex pected.
The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to provide disaster as
sistance through the CDP by Ag riculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001, Pub. L. 106-387 for more information regard bility ment to file an application, contact the Runnels County office a 915-365-5757 or visit FSA on the World Wide Web at: <http:/ www.fsa.usda.gov>

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