

# The Winters Enterprise

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## NEWS at a glance

**Pearls of Wisdom**—Age doesn't always bring wisdom. Sometimes it just comes alone.  
—Anonymous



**Winters 4th Grade Patriotic Musical TONIGHT**  
6:30 pm ★ Auditorium plus  
**Family Reading Night**  
6:30-8 pm  
Elementary Library

### Chamber seeks Queen contestants

The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce is seeking 2001 Miss Sno-Queen and Little Miss Sno-flake contestants for the annual Christmas parade scheduled for December 8.

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### One Nation Under God

A photo tribute to area veterans and emergency personnel taken during Veteran's Day ceremonies honoring "Heroes—Past & Present" at Winters High School last Monday.

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### Blessed Daze

Editor Jean Boles shares some of her humor about a serious matter as she reminds women to schedule their annual mammogram.

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### Tobacco Use, Quit Nov. 13

Second of a four part series by assistant editor Deb Pritchard on tobacco use in observance of the Great American Smoke-out.

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### Local artist wins contest

First grader Hannah Wade wins "Best of Show" in the Kibbles and Kids Kontest held at the Taylor County Coliseum on November 3. The contest was part of the 2001 Dog Bone Festival.

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## Veterans honored with public ceremony

Almost two months to the day of the September 11 disasters, local students, school personnel and citizens gathered in front of Winters High School to honor members of the armed forces.

During the Veteran's Day ceremony on November 12, tributes were given to heroes of the past and present.

Receiving special recognition were veterans of the Korean Conflict, on this 50th anniversary of that battle. Local residents named were R. C. Kurtz, Bob Pruser, George Pruser, Herman Baker, Jr., Felton Jackson, Delbert Kruse, Jack Pritchard, Suvern O'Dell, D. J. Goetz, Jr., Tommy Russell, Lester Geistmann, J. P. Montgomery, Edward Brede-meyer, Tip McCuiston, Keith Thomason, John Grohman, Charlie Grohman, Roy Rice, Paul Stoecker, Melvin Williams, and Robert Afflebach MIA.

Mandy Pritchard, President of the WHS Student Council, welcomed the large crowd, followed by a short speech by Dale Montgomery, WISD Maintenance Supervisor and son of James P. Montgomery who served in World War II and the Korean Conflict.

The ceremony opened with the flag presentation by two members of the U. S. Marine Corp. Marsha Fowler, WHS teacher and mother of a current serviceman, sang "The Star Spangled Banner," and later, "God Bless the USA."

Isha Lara, Vice-President of the WHS Student Council, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Grandchildren and special



**SPECIAL VETERANS** honored during ceremonies at Winters High School on Monday, Nov. 12, included front row (l-r): Jack Pierce, James E. Able, Roy Rice, Charlie Grohman, John Grohman, James P. Montgomery, R. C. Kurtz, and Jack Davis, Sr. Second row (l-r): Calvin Hoppe, Jerry Sims, Laverta Hubbard, Floyd Huckaby, Billy Ray, Jerry Awalt, Pete Gray and Keith Thomason. Third row (l-r): Raymond Lindsey, Suvern O'Dell, Randall Conner, and Samuel Hubbard. Back row (l-r): Dawson McGuffin, Danny Martinez, Sr., Buddy Miller, Robert Parramore, Louis Delacruz, Joe Delacruz, Ray Guevara, Cecil Sudduth, Wayne Drummond, George Beard, and John McGee.

family friends then presented each veteran of the Korean Conflict with a national commemorative patriotic pin, handshakes and hugs. This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Korean War.

Approximately fifty fourth grade students, under the direction of Elementary Music Teacher Fran Kidwell, sang "Proud to be American," from the patriotic program they will perform November 15, at 6:30 p.m.

Haleigh Edge and Julie Eng-land sang "The Voice of Free-

dom," as members of the Winters Volunteer Fire Department and North Runnels Emergency Medical Service were presented.

David Evans, WHS teacher, read names of locally known persons presently serving in the military. These included the following:

- Gunnersmate Paula Salas Navy 2000, Hawaii
- LCLP Abraham Vasquez Marines 97
- Pvt. FC Joe Ortiz Army, Fort Hood, Texas
- Spec. E-4 Robert Bedford Army 96, Ft. Leonardwood, Mo.

- Lance Cpl. Eric Reeves Marine, Camp LaJone, N.C.
- E1 Juan Santos Army, Ft. Carson, Co.
- Spec. Felix Portillo Army, Germany
- Lt. Lance Brown Marines, 93, Ft. Sill, Okla.
- E5 Cory Spill Army, Ft. Carson, Co.
- E5 Kelly Spill Army, Ft. Hood, Texas
- Pfc. Michael Luna Army, 96, Ft. Hood, Texas
- Sgt. Clint Ottinger Air Force, Aviano, Italy
- Sgt. Brad Ledbetter Air Force, Malstrom AFB, Mt.
- E4 Esmeralda Sanchez Hoyle Navy, San Diego, Ca.

- E4 Larry Hoyle Navy, USS Princeton
- Sgt. Gene Faubian Marines, Hawaii
- Spec. Brian Faubian Army, Hawaii
- Corp. Kirk Conner Marines, Camp LaJone, N.C.
- Pvt. Michael Pritchard Army Reserve
- Shawn Castillo Navy, California
- Ricky Luz Marines, N.C.
- Oscar Luz Marines, Okla.
- Capt. Rebecca Brown Naulty 65 Navy, Port Huene-me, Ca.

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### Blizzard Royalty —



**JENA BAHLMAN**, WHS junior, was crowned Blizzard Football Sweetheart Friday night, Nov. 9, prior to the Winters vs. Cisco game. Jena is a varsity cheerleader and involved in numerous WHS activities. She is escorted by her parents, Lanny and Brenda Bahlman.

## School board approves electrical contract

In the regular meeting of the WISD Board of Trustees Monday evening, approval was given to negotiate a contract to buy electricity from the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB).

Trustees discussed at length with whom to contract and for what length of time.

Superintendent Danny Clack had received three proposals to provide electricity under the new deregulation which begins January 1, 2002.

Proposals had been submitted by The General Land Office of Texas, the TASB, and an independent aggregator.

Clack stated, "All three entities had signed up other school districts in Texas. The General Land Office contract was for two years and the TASB had options for one, two or three years."

Board members voted to go with a one-year contract with TASB, following much discussion and speculation of

whether electrical rates will go up or down after deregulation.

The board also approved campus plans for both elementary and secondary schools. These plans are comprehensive, overall goals for each campus.

Superintendent Clack also reported that the administrators are investigating "school within a school." This is a new program to offset sending students to CAPS, which is an al-

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## BLIZZARD

### Bi-District Action

**Friday, November 16**  
Send-Off 3:45PM • Downtown  
Playoff Game 7:30PM  
**Winters vs. Hamilton**  
Gordon Wood Stadium, Brownwood

Winters will be the home team, seated on the west side

## Blood drive Monday in WHS auditorium

A blood drive has been scheduled by the WHS Student Council for Monday, November 19, from 1-6 p.m. in the Winters High School Auditorium.

Every day, people just like you need blood — students, teachers, parents, brothers, sisters, and friends. And when blood is needed, blood must be there.

"The blood collected at this time will prepare us for the Thanksgiving holiday," said Sherry Morton, Community Relations Representative. "Holidays with more travel have the potential to be very

high need times. Please help us supply our area hospitals at this time."

Blood products have a shelf life of 5 to 42 days. In order to supply the 12 area hospitals, United Blood Services must collect more than 300 units each week.

Before donating, you will be asked some questions about your current health and medical history—for your safety as well as the safety of the patient(s) who will receive your blood. You also must show ID. If you do not have ID, an official school roster can

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## Christmas In April applications now available for 2002 home repair

The North Runnels Christmas In April Board of Directors is now accepting applications for repair work in April, 2002. Applications are available at City Hall, Winters Area Chamber of Commerce, and *The Winters Enterprise*.

Applications must be returned no later than Wednesday, December 19, 2001. Applicants will be notified in late January whether they have been accepted or rejected for the project.

CIA is a national nonprofit organization of volunteers which repairs homes for the elderly, handicapped, and low income families.



# Community



## From The Well

by Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

Our son-in-law Dan has a dog. Has been his for years. Many years. Old Captain moves slow and would rather sleep in the garage than the house because there are no steps into the garage. He has knees like many of us who are in our senior years. He doesn't

see too well, and he is hard of hearing. This last summer, when Dan and our daughter Katie and their kids were moving up the road a mile or so, they left Captain at the old place until they were moved. But, you know what? Old Captain started to deteriorate. Stay in the house. Sleep all day. Hard to get up, even to eat. But, when Dan moved him up the road to the new place, it wasn't long before Captain was up and around, walking, doing his rounds...and alive again.

What made the difference? Family. When he could be around where his master was, and his mistress, and the kids...he was reborn. There is a lesson here. We are born into a family, and into a community. And when we are left out, or pull out...it is bad for our soul.

Our son Nathan also has a dog. A young one by the name of Patches. Now Patches is sleek and slim, and ready to go. When I take a walk with him, it's more like a drag. I mean, he is pulling me...dragging me...nose sniffing everything and every time a bird of any size takes off...so do we!!!

The other day Nathan wrote a piece about Captain. Based on a scripture passage. Hebrews 10:36: "For you have need of endurance so that you may do the will of God and receive what is promised." Here is what he wrote:

A good old boy is Captain. He moves pretty slow, but he is stout and hardy in stature. Captain looks like a captain and lives like a captain. If ever a dog met with a name, Captain is it.

Captain is not my own dog. My dog salutes Captain every time we pull into my brother-in-law's yard. Though my dog is more spry and more prone to flat-out go, Captain is his superior. Captain knows his place and tolerates no insurrections, and my dog recognizes it. There is one whose voice Captain reveres more than any other. Captain accepts no substitute for that voice; the voice of any other than his master is just noise. Captain's recognition is computer-like; if the voice doesn't match exactly, he can choose to disobey.

Captain's relationship with my brother-in-law is lengthy. They have been together for a long time now, and there's soon an end for this big friend.

"That's the guy!" is what Captain thinks. "He's THE man." There's room in most any home for an old dog that is faithful and obedient. An old dog who knows the place and those that people it...is treasured...and knows it. His barks are not false alarms. Nor are his "attentions" questioned. He knows whereof he "speaks."

Would that I would know my Savior as Captain does his Master! Would that I would recognize Him in His saunter, in His movements. Would that I would recognize Him in His speech to my soul, thrilling my heart at the sound. His glance could then rebuke me, as was Peter by Jesus at the high priest's house. How could I better know Him, and follow Him, and trust Him? The painstaking, time-consuming practice of life together with Jesus is the only way.

Just a few weeks ago, innocents have been slain in our own nation's capitol, in our own Big Apple. It aches. Like a pulled tooth, with a void that will be quickly healed, and never filled. I feel humiliated and helpless, making me unstable in my responses to my life and my loves. How to get a grip, when the thread of life is so slender, so slippery?

These days I think of Captain, and his faithfulness, his trust in his master. He can't know the half of our sorrows, as Captain is real short on reasoning skills. He does know devotion, though, and we can all learn that. He doesn't begin to question the "why" and the "how" of life. Captain takes life as the gift it is. Lumps and all. He savors the sweet things that fall his way, limping through another day.

Like Captain, the time to live devotion to our Master is Now. So like him, we can have loads of experiences together with Him.



DR. JIMMY SMITH, local veterinarian, spearheads a discussion with various concerned citizens, elected officials, business leaders and emergency personnel during a recent meeting regarding possible local actions against terrorist attacks. Among those attending were Scott Boulter and Jennifer Riffe of the North Runnels Emergency Medical Service; Mark Edge, pastor of Main Street Church of Christ; Runnels County Commissioners Ricky Strube and Thurman Self; René Woffenden and Raymond Lindsey of the Winters Volunteer Fire Department; Lea Angel of the Texas Department of Public Health, and Susan Jacob, Runnels County Emergency Management Coordinator.

## In Appreciation

### Card of Thanks

We would like to express our appreciation to all of the volunteers who helped make the Winters Elementary—National Children's Book Week Celebration such a success. We appreciate everyone who assisted in some way with the various theme days.

We also thank those individuals who took the time to come to school and read for pleasure so our children could see for themselves that "Reading is Fun."

Winters Elementary School

### Card of Thanks

Words cannot express the appreciation that we have for so many people at the loss of our mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, Edna Mae Sudduth.

To Senior Citizens Nursing Home staff and residents, thank you so much for the love and care you gave over the years. To everyone who called, visited, brought food and flowers, thank you.

To Mike, Linda, and the staff at the funeral home and to Brother Taylor for the beautiful service, we so much appreciate all you did and for the many words of comfort.

God bless each of you.  
The family of Edna Mae Sudduth

### Card of Thanks

Ethel Wheeler and family would like to thank the Senior Citizens Nursing Home employees for their care the past year. It is sincerely appreciated.

### Card of Thanks

Thanks to all of the nice people of the community, to all my friends and relatives for all the nice cards, food, phone calls and flowers.

Everyone has been so nice and thoughtful while I was ill. May God bless each and everyone one of you with a special blessing.  
Maxine Pritchard

### BLOOD, continued

to be used in conjunction with faculty identification.

Most healthy persons age 17 and older may donate. The entire process takes less than an hour; and the actual blood donation usually takes about 10 minutes.

Donations will be taken at Winters High School during their blood drive. Sign up now

## FUMC Fall Festival this Saturday

The First United Methodist Church will hold its annual Fall Festival, Saturday, November 17, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Activities include a collectibles sale, bake sale, crafts sale, silent auction, and children's fun and games.

A ham supper will be served from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Cost of the tickets are \$6 for adults, \$4 for children. Tickets are available from any church member. Take-outs will be available.

A live auction also begins at 6:00 p.m. All monies raised will be used for church activities.

For more information, call the church at 754-5213.

**Senior Citizens Activity Center Menu**

Nov. 19 thru Nov. 23  
Subject to change

Monday, Nov. 19: Beef pocket, baked beans, tomatoes & lettuce, fruit salad, and cereal bar.

Tuesday, Nov. 20: Chicken & gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, hot roll, and chocolate cake.

Wednesday, Nov. 21: Swiss steak, cornbread salad, peas, hot roll, and cobbler.

Thursday, Nov. 22: Closed for Thanksgiving holiday.

Friday, Nov. 23: Closed for Thanksgiving holiday.

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Nov. 15-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Center  
6:30 p.m., 4th Grade Musical, WHS Auditorium  
Nov. 16-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Center  
7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco  
Nov. 17-7:30 a.m. PIPS Camp, Winters Gym  
10 a.m., FUMC Fall Festival  
Nov. 19-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Center  
1-6 p.m., Blood Drive, WHS Auditorium  
Nov. 20-9 a.m., Ministerial Alliance, First Baptist Church  
11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Center  
Noon, Lions Club, Sr. Citizens Center  
7 p.m., Athletic Boosters, Blizzard Field  
7 p.m., AA, FUMC  
7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station  
7:30 p.m., Eastern Star  
Nov. 21-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Windmill Enterprises Office  
9 a.m.-4 p.m., WIC, Winters Housing Authority  
11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Center  
Nov. 22-"Happy Thanksgiving"

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Nov. 19-23  
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Monday-Nov. 19  
Cinnamon Toast  
Cereal  
Juice  
Tuesday-Nov. 20  
Muffins  
Cereal  
Juice  
Wednesday-Nov. 21  
School Holiday  
Thursday-Nov. 22  
Happy Thanksgiving  
School Holiday  
Friday-Nov. 23  
School Holiday

**Lunch**  
Monday-Nov. 19  
Chicken Spaghetti  
Peas & Carrots  
Tossed Salad  
Garlic Toast  
Chocolate Chip Cookies  
Tuesday-Nov. 20  
Corndogs  
French Fries  
Pork & Beans  
Fruit  
Ice Cream  
Wednesday-Nov. 21  
School Holiday  
Thursday-Nov. 22  
Happy Thanksgiving  
School Holiday  
Friday-Nov. 23  
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**Seeking 2001 Miss Sno-Queen & Little Miss Sno-flake contestants**  
The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce is seeking contestants for the Miss Sno-Queen 2001 & Little Miss Sno-flake Contests. Miss Sno-Queen contestants must be enrolled in Winters High School (freshman thru senior). Little Miss Sno-flake contestants should be ages 6 thru 10. Entry forms and rules may be picked up at the Chamber of Commerce office, 118 W. Dale, between 8 a.m. and noon daily. Deadline for turning in applications is noon, Monday, December 3. All contestants will ride in the Christmas Parade scheduled for Saturday, December 8, at 2 p.m. (Parade line-up is slated for 1 p.m.)

**BLIZZARD ACTIVITIES**  
Nov. 15-Nov. 22, 2001

**Thursday, Nov. 15**  
6:30PM, 4th Grade Patriotic Musical, WHS Auditorium  
6:30-8PM, AR Family Reading Night, Elementary Library  
**Friday, Nov. 16**  
3PM, Pep Rally, Gym  
3:45PM, Downtown Send-Off  
7:30PM, Bi-District Playoff, Blizzards vs. Hamilton, Gordon Wood Stadium, Brownwood  
**Saturday, Nov. 17**  
2PM, JVG, VG @ Hamlin  
Freshman Tourney @ Eula G/B  
**Monday, Nov. 19**  
1-6PM, WHS Student Council

**Blood Drive, Auditorium**  
5PM, 7, 8, 9G @ Bangs  
7, 8, 9B vs. Bangs, WHS Gym  
5PM, JVG/B, VG/B @ Eldorado  
**Tuesday, Nov. 20**  
2:30PM, EARLY DISMISSAL for Thanksgiving Holiday  
5PM, JVG/B, VG/B vs. Robert Lee, WHS Gyms  
**Wednesday, Nov. 21**  
NO SCHOOL, Thanksgiving  
**Thursday, Nov. 22**  
NO SCHOOL, Thanksgiving  
**Friday, Nov. 23**  
NO SCHOOL, Thanksgiving

**ON THE AIR**  
Bi-District Playoff Action

**Winters Blizzards vs. Hamilton Bulldogs**

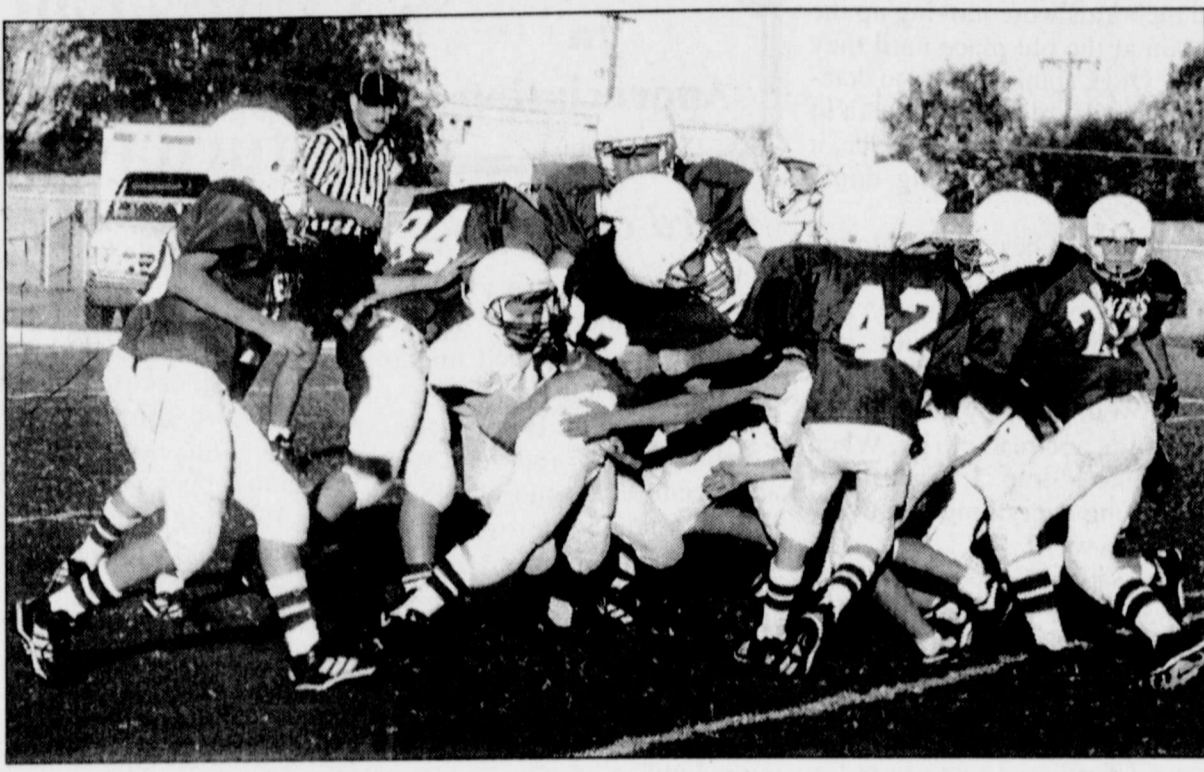
Live Broadcast this Friday from Gordon Wood Stadium

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CHRIS MEDINA #34 lands in the end zone for the score as James Vasquez #30 escorts his teammate during 8th grade action against Hawley.

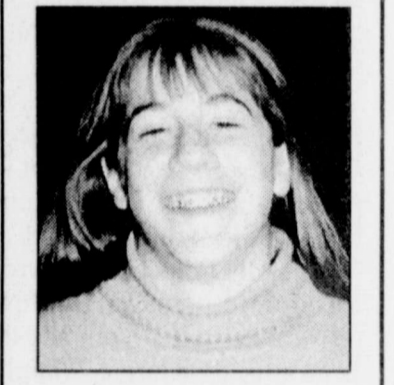


GROUP HUG TACKLE seemed to be the theme as almost every member of the 7th grade Breezes got in on the defensive play against Hawley.

**Directions to Gordon Wood Stadium at Brownwood**

Football fans traveling to Brownwood in support of the Winters Blizzards may find the following information useful. Entering Brownwood from U.S. 84, turn right at the traffic "T" at Burger King onto U.S. 377 South. Go approximately 4 miles thru downtown, over the overpass and turn left at the Section Hand Restaurant onto Morris-Sheppard Drive. Turn right at the next intersection onto Burnet Road. You should see a nursing home. The road will bend around in a 90 degree turn; continue to follow this road until you come to the stadium (approximately 1 mile). As a final reminder, of course, if all else fails: Look for the high stadium lights.

**Blizzard Band Member of the Week**



**Jessica Meyer**  
8th grade Clarinet player in Winters bands since 5th grade



**2ND SIX WEEKS ELEMENTARY HONOR ROLL & PRIMARY GRADE PARADE**  
Winters Independent School District 2001-2002

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## Blizzards sneak past Cisco for 23-20 win

Will meet Hamilton in playoff action Friday

by Charles Murphy, Sports Writer

The crowd was small and the weather was beautiful as the Blizzards and the Lobos from Cisco faced each other in the last district 9-2A game of the season Friday night.

Wade Parramore would have two touchdown receptions as the Blizzards pulled out the 23-20 victory at Blizzard Stadium.

The Blizzards received the opening kickoff. Lance Roberts returned the kick to the Blizzard 42 yard line. The Blizzard offense went three and out, and on fourth down Jeffery Oats set off a 52 yard punt that would roll dead at the Cisco three yard line. Cisco punted after one first down.

The Blizzards began at their own 46 yard line. The drive was a seven-play drive capped off by a 4th and 7 completion to Wade Parramore for the first score of the night.

The throw came from Brian Pritchard who faced hot pursuit and found Parramore on a screen set up on the west sideline. With 4:06 left in the first quarter, Jeffery Oats' extra point put the Blizzards up 7-0.

After the kickoff, Cisco set up their own 33 yard line. After one first down, the Lobos struck on the fourth play of the series with a 57 yard scamper by the Cisco quarterback. With 1:26 left in the first quarter, the score was knotted at 7-7 as the extra point kick was good.

The first period ended with no more fireworks. With 10:12 left in the half, the Blizzard drive stalled at the 19. Oats' 36 yard field goal attempt fell just short on 4th and 12. The Lobos moved the ball to their own 47 when Brian Pritchard pounced on a loose ball. With 6:10 left, the Blizzards took over.

On 4th and 4 Oats punted and Cisco took over at their own 40 yard line with 3:48 left.

With 52 seconds remaining in the quarter, a Cisco field goal attempt fell short and the Blizzards took over at their own 20 yard line.

With Shane Colburn at quarterback and pressured hard, the ball was stripped and Cisco recovered at the Winters 16 yard line with 38 seconds left in the half. The Lobos made short order of this opportunity as a quick out to the tight end turned into a 14-7 Cisco lead with 24 seconds left. The half ended with the Blizzards in shock and trailing by 7.

Apparently something was said at halftime and the Blizzard defense shut down Cisco's first down and forced a fumble on the first play from scrimmage. Jared Airhart recovered at the Cisco 32 yard line.

Lance Roberts capped off the short drive with a 2 yard plunge and Oats proved true, tying the score at 14 all with only two minutes gone in the third quarter.

The next Cisco possession would end with a Rusty Jackson and Lance Roberts sack forcing Cisco to punt facing 4th and 19.

Defense was the emphasis for the remainder of the quarter as neither team would score. On the first play of the 4th quarter, Lance Roberts found Wade Parramore for six points on the toss sweep pass. The Oats extra point gave the Blizzards a 21-14 lead with 11:52 left in the fourth period.

The next Cisco possession began at their own 44 yard line. Eleven plays later the ball went over on downs at the Blizzard 24 as the Big Blue defense rose to the occasion.

The Blizzards then put to-

gether a 10 play, 5 minute drive only to be forced to punt on 4th and 18. The Lobos took possession at their own 44 yard line with 2:24 left. Facing 4th and 6 with 1:21 left, the Cisco quarterback threaded the needle for 8 yards and a first down. Two plays later he found his receiver on the far sideline for a 33 yard pass and run touchdown with 58 seconds left.



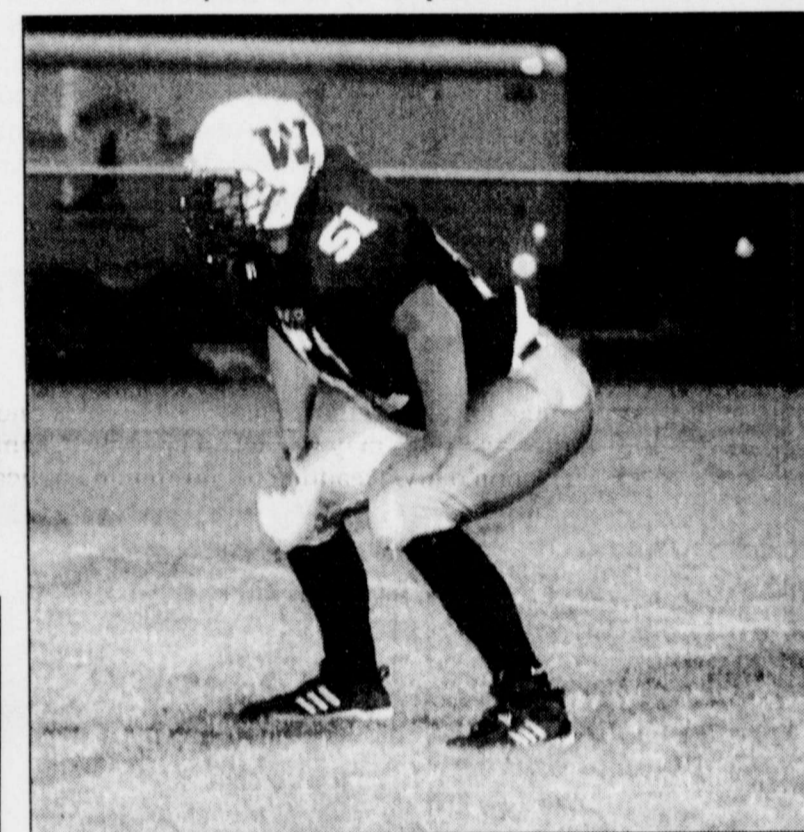
JARED AIRHART manages to hang on to the ball after blocking the Cisco punt which would have tied the game. Airhart then scooped up the ball, regained his balance, and with a key block from Rusty Jackson, rambled 87 yards to add two points to the 23-20 victory over the Lobos.

Electing to kick the extra point and go for the tie, Cisco lined up. The snap was good but Jared Airhart blocked the kick and picked up the ball and rumbled 87 yards for two points, escorted by a key block from Rusty Jackson. With 58 seconds left, the Blizzards hung onto a narrow 23-20 lead.

The inside kick by Cisco proved fruitless as Jackson pounced on the ball and the Blizzards ran out the clock to escape with a somewhat disturbing 3 point victory.

As the third place winner of

district 9-2A, Winters will now face Hamilton in playoff action. The showdown will be Friday, November 16, at Gordon Wood Stadium in Brownwood. Kickoff will be at 7:30 p.m.



JOEY JOERIS, a 6'3", 230 lb. linebacker stands ready for the play during varsity action against Cisco. The Blizzards closed out their regular season with a 23-20 win over the Lobos, and will face Hamilton in playoff action Friday.



SPIRITED CHEERLEADERS leading the Blizzards this year are (clockwise from left) Amy Patterson, Stacey Sneed, Jena Bahlman, Meagan Galvan-Nitsch, Head Cheerleader Mandy Pritchard, Isha Lara, KaLene Lincycomb, and Kirby Hatler.

**District 9-2A Season Standings**

Team	DISTRICT		SEASON	
	W	L	T	SEASON
Jim Ned	4	1	0	8 2 0
Bangs	5	0	0	9 2 0
Winters	3	2	0	6 4 0
Hawley	2	3	0	5 5 0
Coleman	1	4	0	3 8 0
Cisco	0	5	0	2 8 0

**Last Week's Scores**  
 Bangs 34, Jim Ned 0  
 Winters 23, Cisco 20  
 Hawley 36, Coleman 32

**STATISTICAL SUMMARY**

	Winters	Cisco
First downs	13	11
Rushing yards	116	127
Passing yards	109	116
Total yards	238	254
Comp-Att-Int	5-9-0	9-16-0
Punts-Ave.	4-30	3-33
Fumbles-lost	2-2	2-2
Penalties-yards	5-25	3-20

**SCORING SUMMARY**

**By Quarters**

Winters	7, 0, 7, 9—23
Cisco	7, 7, 0, 6—20

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**FIRST QUARTER**  
 Winters  
 Wade Parramore 30 yd. pass from Brian Pritchard (Jeffery Oats kick)  
 Cisco  
 Ryan Johnson 56 yd. run (Jake Morgan kick)

**SECOND QUARTER**  
 Cisco  
 Cole Henry 15 yd. pass from Johnson (Morgan kick)

**THIRD QUARTER**  
 Winters  
 Lance Roberts 2 yd. run (Oates kick)

**FOURTH QUARTER**  
 Cisco  
 David Schaffer 35 yd. pass from Johnson (conversion failed)

**Winters**  
 Jared Airhart returned fumble conversion for 2 points

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7-3	7-3	5-5	7-3	7-3
82-28	79-31	75-35	81-29	82-28

Wouldn't you know it? Once again we crown two winners in this season's Fearless Forecasters competition. Celebrating back-to-back victories are last year's top choosers, Kim Jackson and Doug Wheat. The race was very close, with Berto Reyes falling just one shy of a 3-way victory. Unfortunately, we never had that board meeting to discuss what would happen in the event of a tie, so we wish Kim & Doug our heartiest congratulations once again and promise to discuss the "tie factor" before next season.

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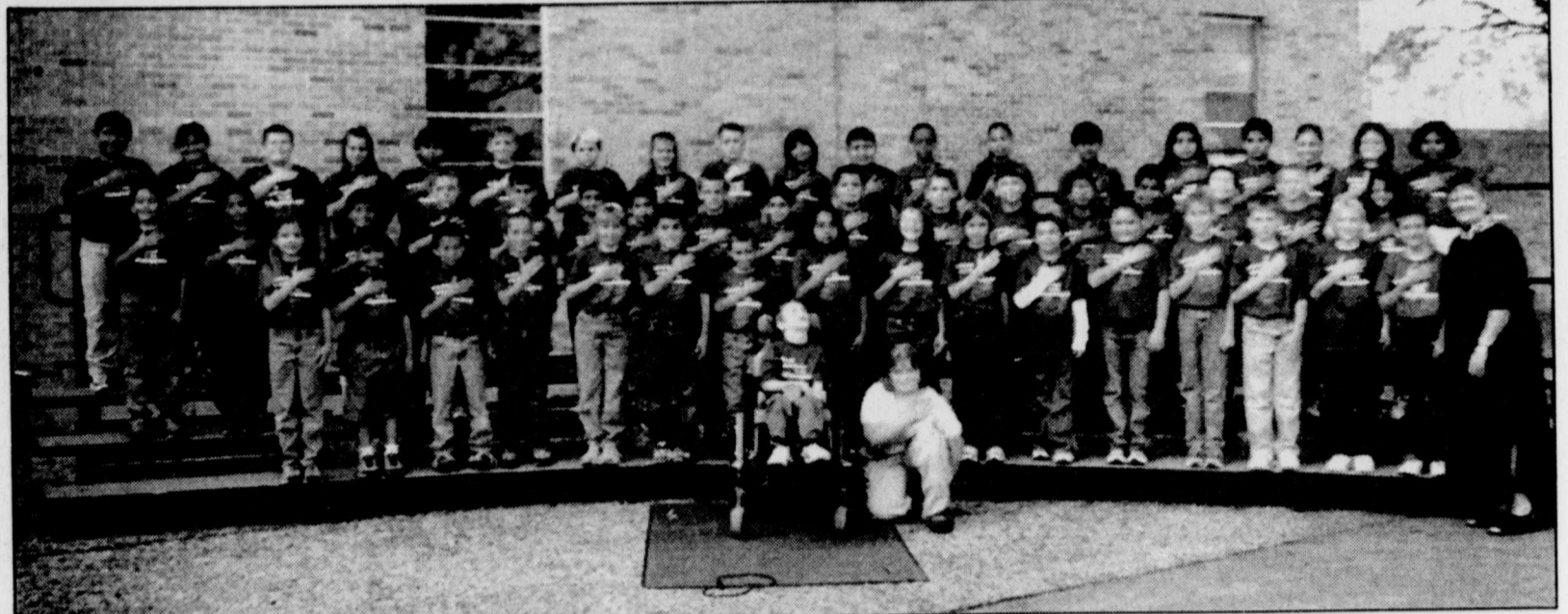
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PRESENTING THE COLORS to open the Veterans ceremony Monday morning are these members of the United States Marine Corp. Marsha Fowler, at podium, sings "The Star Spangled Banner."



FOURTH GRADE STUDENTS participated in the Veterans Day ceremonies with their singing of "Proud to be American," which is part of their patriotic program to be presented November 15, at 6:30 p.m. in the school auditorium. The students are under the direction of Elementary Music Teacher Fran Kidwell, at right.

## VETERANS, continued

- Seaman Josh Lincycomb  
99 Navy, Great Lakes, Ill.
- Seaman Danny Martinez, Jr.  
Navy, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii
- Sgt. J. W. Angel  
96 Army, Korea
- Airman Jonathan Gann  
USAF 97, Shepard AFB, Texas
- Bmz. J. F. Austin  
Navy 92, LaBoon, Norfolk, Va.
- E3 Chaney Reed  
USAF, New Mexico
- Robert Silva  
Marines
- Capt. Russell Parramore  
USAF, Little Rock, Arkansas

Closing remarks were given by Jena Bahlman, WHS Student Council Historian, followed by "Amazing Grace," sung by Becky Airhart, Fran Kidwell, Audine McBeth and Cheryl Sneed, WISD elementary teachers.



SPECIAL RECOGNITION was given to members of the North Runnels Emergency Medical Service staff (in dark uniforms, l-r) Jenn Riffe with daughter Haley, Zelda Stewart, Chuck Cravens, Marsha Smith, Bobbie Collom, Scott Boulter, Larry Collom, Jimmy Ripley and Mary Rocha. Also honored were members of the Winters Volunteer Fire Department. From left to right are Jason Young, Steve Grenwelge, Rene' Woffenden, Curtis Jackson, Jack Davis, Jr., Raymond Lindsey, Mike Meyer, Billy Sherman and Jack Davis, Sr.



REMEMBERING SOME TOUGH TIMES, K. W. Cook (left) of Winters visited with James E. Able of Canton, Texas, as they swapped stories of their landings in the Normandy Invasion during World War II.



R. C. KURTZ receives a hug from grandson Keegan Kurtz who presented his grandfather with a special national pin commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Korean War.

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- TXism: "catterwall"
- "African Queen" screenwriter James
- camping beds
- TX Boys Ranch founder Farley and baseballer Ripken
- TXism: "high as popcorn" picture show
- Yasir Arafat org.
- thick porterhouse in Hunt Co. on 69
- TXism: "no muss, no fuss"
- co. directly south of Gaines Co.
- this country singer Conway got last name from TX town
- TXism: "don't let 'em" (stay calm)
- TXism: "she has to stand in the place twice to cast a shadow" (thin)
- TX Tanya Tucker's "Cowboy-Lovin' Night"
- "enter" own risk
- Rockne, TX was named for Dame coach
- unable to speak
- they bring in illegal drugs across TX southern border
- TXism: "took" (like)
- '93 state rep. from Uvalde, Pate

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### TEXAS CROSSWORD

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**DOWN**

- undergraduate degree at TX univ.
- TXism: "hungry as a concrete pasture"
- TX Caddo Lake: "of International Importance"
- smaller amount
- Ima Hogg was named after heroine in a
- Miller beer with fewer calories
- USAF predecessor was TX First Squadron
- TXism: "the they are, the harder they fall"
- TX Freeman was Hall on "One Life to Live" this Nicole starred with TX JoBeth in "Teachers"
- TXism: "can't find hide nor hair"
- Gulf shrimp catcher
- Nocona Boot Co. slogan: "Rodeo!"
- brood or sulik
- TXism: "just call it black"
- this Robb was once a TX Ranger pitching prospect
- TXism: "your hand at it"
- Spanish meaning of TX river Nueces
- TXism: "como" (How are you?)
- stat. for Astro Shane Reynolds
- 49er QB Steve who didn't win much against Boys (init.)
- see 1-down (abbr.)
- Bevo's sch.
- h.s. sports bldg. northerners think TXns say this
- could refer to TX ranch or cowboy's garb
- TXism: "mighty fond"
- TX electronics co.
- Aggie coach Stocum
- best little puzzle in TX (abbr.)
- TX pitcher Nolan
- dined at home
- no. of sec. cowboys have to ride bull
- "Millionaire" Philbin
- TXism: "a winder" (exciting)
- Jim Creek
- TXism: "it's root hog die"
- Fredericksburg event: "fest"
- ex FW mayor Bob
- little horse

Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

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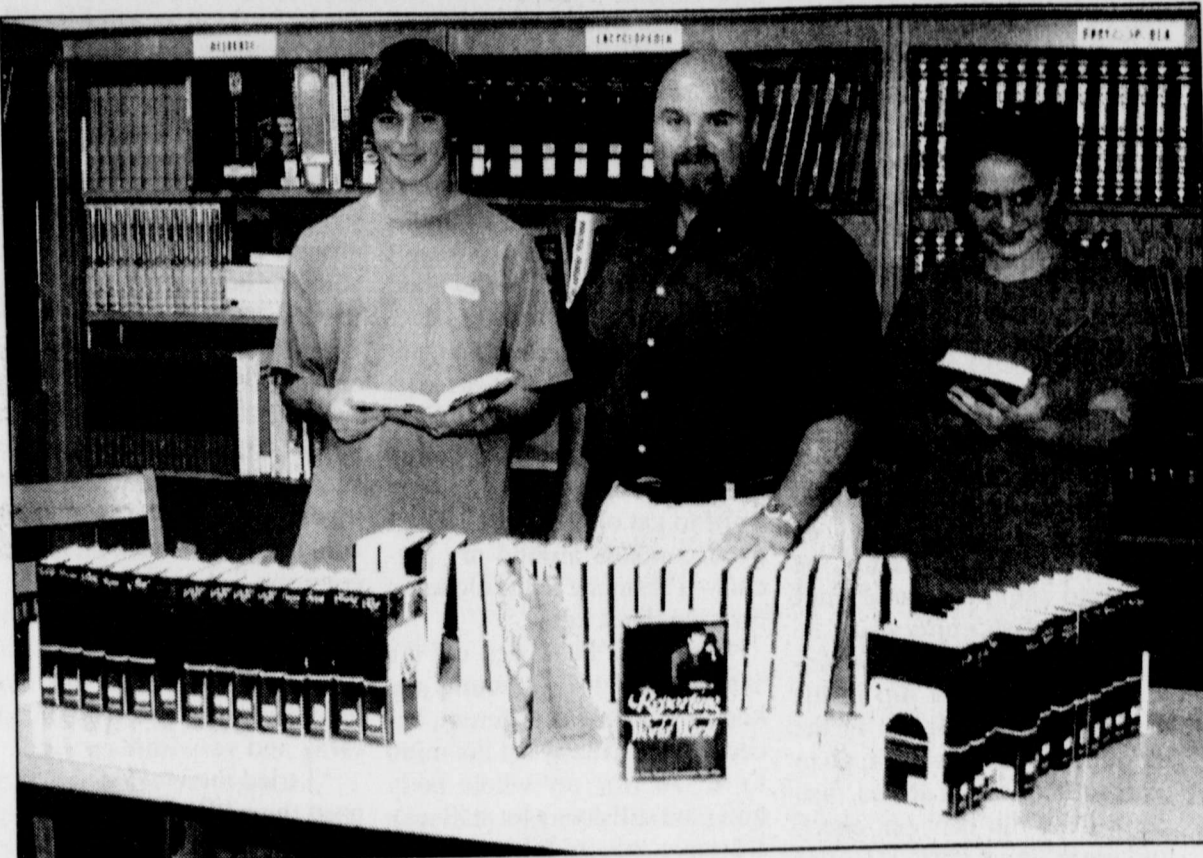
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## Winters Library hosts open house to introduce new 50 volume collection of American writers



ENJOYING A LOOK at the new 50 volume hardcover collection of American writers with Winters Public Library Board of Directors President Mike Neal are WHS students Jared & Kinsey Airhart. The library recently acquired the collection through a partnership grant.

The Winters Public Library hosted an open house on Tuesday, October 30, from 5 to 7 p.m. to introduce their latest addition, a collection of American writing in a 50 volume hardcover set; and to introduce local author Elaine Coleman.

The library was decorated with a Halloween theme and board members served hot apple cider, coffee, punch, cookies and candy.

Thank you goes out to all the friends of the library and the students of Cindy Davis's senior English class for visiting the library during this open house and book signing.

The library received the new volumes by American authors after applying for a grant which was available through a partnership project of the National

Endowment for the Humanities, The Library of America, and the American Library Association. This partnership was funded by a \$1 million grant from the Carnegie Corporation of New York.

Libraries with annual book budgets under \$50,000 received primary consideration, but those with a book budget under \$5,000 were eligible for an additional \$150 stipend toward costs to promote use of the volumes. This stipend was used to host the Winters' open house and to advertise with window paintings on two of the library windows.

New books received in the library are: "Texas Haunted Forts" by Elaine Coleman; "Kentucky Rich" by Fern Michaels; "Bend in the Road"

by Nicholas Sparks; "Envy" by Sandra Brown; "Smoke Jumper" by Nicholas Evans; "Edge of Danger" by Jack Higgins; and "Forgotten" by Faye Kellerman.

New youth collection includes: 5 book series "Dark is Rising" by Susan Cooper and 6 book series "A Series of Unfortunate Events" by Lemony Snicket.

Watch for a book review on these new American authors volumes in later editions of *The Winters Enterprise*. The library is also expecting 50 of the 100 new children's book any day from the Brownstone Book Foundation.

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## Blessed Daze

by Jean Boles

## Mammography — an uplifting, twist and shout experience

by Jean Boles, editor  
Hey, ladies. Did you remember that October was Breast Cancer Awareness Month? Did you schedule a routine mammogram? Better yet, did you have one already?

Now I'll confess that I've never been a very punctual person, but having this regular checkup is something that I try really hard to accomplish and I hope you will also.

And while it is a serious test which can diagnose a serious problem, and all the personnel involved are highly professional, I still can't help but see things in a somewhat strange light.

The entire process strikes me as a little humorous. And if I can find something funny about having a body part (can I say breast or does that make your eye twitch?) compressed into something that resembles a frisbee, then maybe it's my head that should be examined. (Yes, I could have said cookie instead of frisbee, but com'on, give me the benefit of the doubt here).

As with a lot of medical procedures, I always wonder about the first patient to undergo certain procedures. Can you imagine —

Doctor: "O.K., now, ma'am.

I want you to position your breast on this frozen plate on the bottom of this gigantic vise and then I'm going to lower this top plate down and clamp it closed on your chest part until your eyebrows start to curl and you reveal government secrets. How about it? No, I've never done this before, but, what the heck, let's give it a whirl. After all, what do we have to lose?"

Seriously (almost), ladies, a mammogram isn't any big deal to have. I do, however, like to ask the technician if she's prone to blackouts and if there is an emergency generator available in case the electricity goes out. I mean, can you imagine having to be rescued by the fire department mid-mammo?

During my last exam, I even told the technician how grateful I was that she was able to drag enough body parts around from the back to the front. I'd been meaning to check that mole on my back, and now, lo and behold, there it was around to my front. But then I found myself wondering if, when I was released from the squeeze chute, my body part would go flying around to the back, making a sound like a shuttering old window shade. At least I

was hoping it would fly and not drag.

I've also considered taking a box of pecans to my next mammogram appointment, and asking if they could crack them with all the extra space left on the squeezing plates. But then there's the problem of sharp shells, etc.

Maybe we girls should just stick to the routine and not worry about multi-tasking during our mammograms. After all, it's one of the few times we don't have to answer the phone, cook a meal or cater to someone else.

But you know, in the long run, we are sorta multi-tasking because when we have this important exam, we do it for ourselves and the people we love and care about. And that's a pretty big deal because, if we don't take care of ourselves, then we all lose.

So I challenge you. If you are age 40 or over and haven't had a mammogram, call and schedule it today. And if you've had one in the past but are long overdue for another, pick up the phone and take care of business. You and your family are worth it!

Besides, you might just find a new mole on your back you never knew you had.

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"These vehicles have been acquired at incredible savings from banks (repos), auctions, and other sources," Dick Kibiloski of Mitchell Buick Pontiac GMC said. "We have been asked to sacrifice this inventory immediately - regardless of loss of profit. And if that means selling these ve-

hicles for up to thousands below normal values, then that's what we'll do."

Every bank repossessed and other pre-owned vehicle will be available for just a \$59 possession fee\* then start making pay-

**"The opportunity San Angelo area bargain hunters have been waiting for is back! Customers may never see savings like this again."**  
DICK KIBILOSKI, MITCHELL BUICK PONTIAC GMC

ments. Payments start as low as \$79 per month.\* "It's that simple," said Mr. Kibiloski. "To make these bargains even easier, we'll mark the payments right on the windshield. Just pick your vehicle and pick your payment. You won't find a faster, easier way to get a great deal on a pre-owned vehicle."

Almost every type of vehicle and price range will be available, from luxury 4x4s to basic transportation. Many are still under warranty. "With our pre-owned inventory near an all-time high, chances are we have what you're looking for in stock and ready to drive home," Mr. Kibiloski added. Extra sales and finance staff will be on hand to assure cus-

tomers prompt, quality service and the best finance terms possible. Mr. Kibiloski said, "We'll have over \$4 million in financing available for this event, so chances are we can arrange financing for just about anyone who is employed, regardless of past credit history."

Trade-ins will be accepted, and customers should bring their title or payment book to expedite delivery.

"The opportunity San Angelo area bargain-hunters have been waiting for returns this Wednesday through Saturday at Mitchell Buick Pontiac GMC. Every bank repo and other used vehicle is just \$59 then start making payments.\* Customers may never see savings like this again," said Mr. Kibiloski.

After the \$59 SuperSale ends at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 17th, many of these vehicles will be sent to auction. Any questions can be directed to (915) 949-1811. Mitchell Buick Pontiac GMC is located at 4105 Sherwood Way in San Angelo.

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<p><b>Turkey Dinner</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1- 12 to 14 lb. Baked Turkey</li> <li>1- Qt. Giblet Gravy</li> <li>1- Pan Cornbread Dressing</li> <li>1- Qt Green Beans/New Potatoes</li> <li>1- Dozen Yeast Rolls</li> <li>1- 8 oz. Cranberry Sauce</li> <li>2- Pumpkin Pies</li> </ul>	<p><b>Ham Dinner</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1- Baked Ham (Serves 8)</li> <li>1- Qt. Sweet Potatoes</li> <li>1- Qt. Green Beans</li> <li>1- Qt. Corn</li> <li>1- Dozen Yeast Rolls</li> <li>2- Pumpkin Pies</li> </ul>
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A NEW BIKE, TROPHY, AND RIBBON were awarded to Winters first grader Hannah Wade for her dalmation and tree picture entered in the Kibbles and Kids Kontest of the 2001 Dog Bone Festival recently held in Abilene. Lewis and Dayna, Hannah's dad and mom, are also pictured.

## Hannah Wade wins "Best of Show" in Abilene art contest

Hannah Wade, 1st grader at Winters Elementary School and the daughter of Lewis and Dayna Wade, won "Best of Show" and second place in the "Most Creative" art division of the Kibbles and Kids Kontest of the 2001 Dog Bone Festival. The festival was held November 3 in the Taylor County Expo Center in Abilene.

Hannah received a new bike for the top award and a trophy and ribbon for her second place. The Kibbles and Kids Kontest drew 2,014 students

from 22 area schools. Hannah's "Best of Show" was from entries in grades Kindergarten through 5, and the "Most Creative" was among K-1. Her picture featured a dalmation with a personified tree.

Judges were KEAN's Rudy Fernandez, Taylor County Sheriff Jack Deikin, General Wendell Griffin of Dyess Air Force Base, Abilene Mayor Grady Barr, Abilene Fire Chief Melvin Martin, KTXS's Matt Waterwall, and Congressman Charles Stenholm.

## Tobacco Use—Quitting is something you have to do for yourself —Part II: Friends share how hard it is to overcome the addiction—

by Deb Pritchard, assistant editor

This is the second in a four-part series of articles concerning tobacco use and its effects on all those involved—whether directly or indirectly.

This series is being written in support of the "Great American Smoke-Out", which was held on Tuesday, November 13.

All statistics and facts found in this article come from literature provided by the American Cancer Society.

Want 3 good reasons to quit smoking? Take a minute to think about all the things you do for your family. Probably everything from earning money and making meals to making sure homework gets done. Big things and little things—you're always there for them.

1. But the truth is, if you keep smoking (or dipping), you may not be there when they need you the most. Every year about 400,000 people die from a smoking-related disease. More than 9,000 people die every year from oral cancers (attributed to smokeless tobacco).

2. Do you really want your kids to start smoking? They probably will, just because they've seen you smoking (or dipping) for so long. What do you think happens when your kids breathe in your smoke and chemicals all day?

Scientists have proven that secondhand smoke is just as bad for your kids as smoking is for you. Kids who live with parents who smoke get more colds than other kids. They also have more ear infections, allergies, and diseases like bronchitis and pneumonia.

3. Maybe you don't know all the great things that happen when you stop smoking. Some of them happen slowly, but some of them happen right away. Best of all, if you quit, your chances of getting diseases smoking (or dipping) can cause—like lung cancer or mouth cancer—become much, much lower.

So which is more important to you? Smoking? Dipping? OR your family, your kids, and your health? (American Cancer Society)

### Barron's Story

"I've tried to quit a thousand times for one reason or another," said Barron Guy of his dipping (snuff) habit. "Back then I didn't want to quit. I can't quit for anybody but myself. You can't force an addict to quit. And that's what I am—an addict. I'm addicted to nicotine. I will have to fight this for the rest of my life."

Barron is 36-years-old and began dipping snuff at 9 years-of age. At 14, he started the habit on a regular basis. He decided he wanted to really quit.

For 22 years of his life, he averaged dipping a can of snuff a day. The last 5 or 6 years, he dipped 24 hours a day—meaning he slept with a dip in his mouth. He'd spit it out in the mornings, brush his teeth, go to work, drink a cup of coffee, then put a fresh dip between cheek and gum" and start all over again.

Though the routine had been the same for years, Barron quit because he "got tired of listening to my wife gripe. That's one of the only things we ever fought about. She said I smelled like a "dip" all the time—my breath... and she didn't want to kiss me. She even said it was oozing from my pores. That my skin smelled like it.

"Plus, it was expensive. At \$2.50 a can I said I was going to quit, then at \$3, then \$3.50, and finally at \$4 I had to draw the line. Think about it—\$4 a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. I didn't have it, or should I say, I decided there were other things that I could spend that money on.

"I started because the older kids had it and I'd play with them and do what they did. At that time, it wasn't illegal for me to purchase snuff. I'd just buy it here in town. When I started it was 45¢ a can. We'd collect Coke bottles and redeem them for money to pay for our snuff.

"I kept it from my parents for a year or two, but I guess I was

a freshman when they found out. Mom tried to get me to stop—but I was a kid and I knew it all. I was gonna do it whether they cared or not. You've got to realize, that in those days, snuff wasn't deemed as bad as smoking, so to them, at least I wasn't smoking and I was a pretty good kid."

He did say though that he quit dipping shortly after he was married, and used cigarettes to fight the cravings for a dip. "I got up to a pack-a-day, so I got back on snuff to get off cigarettes. But I never smoked around my parents—I'd smoke in the closet so they wouldn't know."

This time, he's been off the snuff for about 2 1/2 months and knows this time is different, because he's actually set his mind to it. "At first my whole body hurt (and still does a lot at times). I'd have this awful pain right around my sternum. It's an anxiety feeling...and it hurts bad. It's dull and really powerful.

"I quit on a Thursday morning and Thursday night I came home, laid down on the couch and didn't move until Friday morning. Friday I went to work but there really wasn't anything to do, so I came home and was back on the couch by 9 a.m. and I didn't leave from there until Monday morning.

"I had the shakes...I hurt...I mean physically hurt, and my temper was about this long (as he gestures a quarter inch or less). I didn't have a fuse—I just bit your head off if you didn't agree. I covered up—I figured if I just slept I'd be out of everybody's way and leave them alone.

"Monday I got the gum (a low nicotine dose gum which is a stop smoking aid). I'd want a dip so badly I'd kill for one—I'd pop a piece of gum instead. I'd tried the patches before, but I ended up pulling them off and getting a dip of snuff—it wasn't the same kind of hit off the patch as snuff. But the gum works for me, it subsides the cravings.

"My family knew what I was going through, so (at first) they stayed away. My wife babied me and that was really nice.

"It's tough, and I'm not through yet. I'm gonna have to kick the nicotine habit ultimately, and get clean...but first thing, I'm gonna have to get snuff out of my head. I think I'm getting the "dip kicked, now I've got to get off the nicotine. I think I'm ready in my mind to start weaning off the gum."

His advice to kids who use tobacco or are thinking about it is simple "don't start...or stop now. We can preach it into the ground and they're (kids) not gonna listen to you. But they need to realize, there are severe consequences to our actions.

"It's a whole lot easier not to start, or quit right after you start than wait 22 years—it only gets worse the older you get.

As for adults... "DO IT NOW before it gets TOO late. The longer we go, the more likely we are to end up like that

(as he looks at a pamphlet filled with pictures of oral mouth cancers and rotted teeth of smokeless tobacco users.)"

### Belinda's Story

Belinda Schwartz started experimenting with cigarettes around the age of 12. She and some of her friends would take used cigarette butts from her friend's mother's beauty shop and sneak out and smoke what remained of them.

She started smoking when she was 18. "A bunch of us got together and did it. It was the cool thing to do back then—real common," she said.

At age 41, and a pack-a-day habit, she decided to quit the last week in May. "I had this nagging cough that just wouldn't go away and very little energy.

"I tried three years ago and I used the patch (a band-aid type transdermal system that released nicotine through the skin). That didn't work for me—rubbing didn't do anything for me except rub a hole in my shirt! So after a while I grabbed a cigarette and smoked it while I had the patch on...whew, I got dizzy (as she was getting a double shot of nicotine.)

Once she quit this time, "I had my mind made up—you know it is a mind game, and at first I had all this nervous energy, I had to do something. I mean I could have built a barn!

"Then I got what they call the nicotine sweats, like hot flashes. I mean sweat was pouring off of me. And temper...it would just come flowing out! I'd tell my daughter, baby, don't mess with me 'cause I can chew you up and spit you out and then do it all over again!

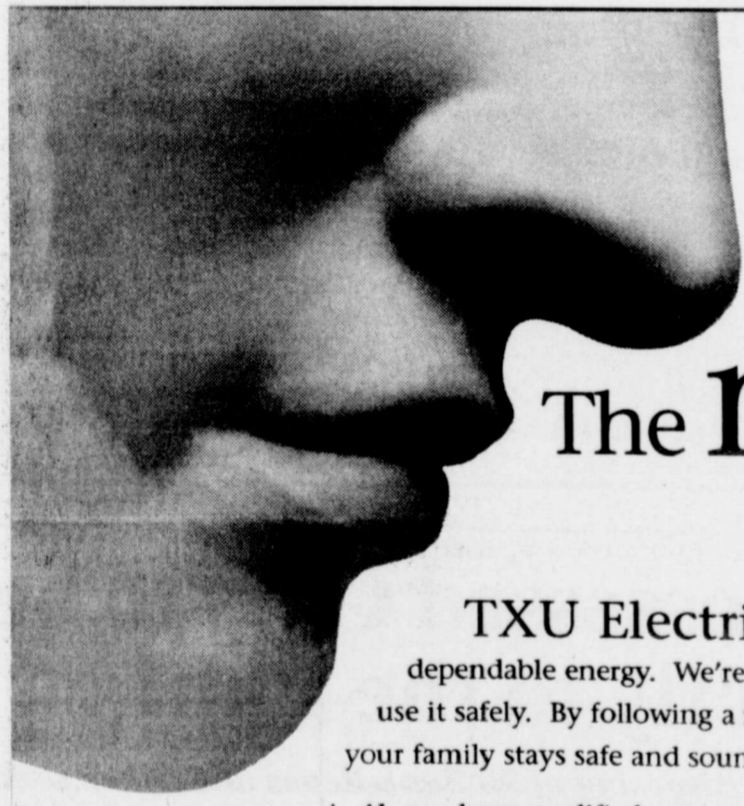
"And depression sets in. The ones who support you are your strength to fight it. There's all this inner turmoil—anxiety. I'd have to calm myself down and say okay, I can get control of this."

Like Barron, Belinda chose to kick the habit with the nicotine gum. She chews only once in a while now, compared to the 6 or more pieces-a-day when she started. "It tastes like you chewed one (a cigarette) up and swallowed it. It burns all the way down—but I still had to have the taste of nicotine.

"I've broken off so many of my teeth eating candy (trying to fight the urge to smoke) I have to chew the gum (to save my teeth.)

"Everybody's different. Everybody's going to do it (quit smoking) a different way. You can't do it because someone else could. Yes, I realized the affects of second hand smoke (on my family)—but I let it (nicotine habit) take control...so I'd do it anyway."

Her advice for kids, "Don't ever try it! It's an addiction, that "one" leads to more...Quit now, it's too hard to quit later on. After 22-23 years, I never imagined it would be this hard. I didn't start smoking a pack-a-day overnight—so it's going to take a while to "buck it."



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# Outdoors

## Stewards of the Soil

by B.D. Davis, Biologist/Land Manager

### Wonder Fat...helps reduce risk of cancer?

Fish do not have it. Pigs do not have it. Chickens and turkeys do not have it. However, cattle and other ruminant type animals do have it. The "it" is conjugated linoleic acid or CLA. What in the world, you might ask, could this mean for Runnels County? Well, it could mean a lot and here is how.

As far back as 1988 a researcher named Michael Pariza at the University of Wisconsin found that feeding rats hamburger meat reduced the incidence of cancer (BEEF/Nov. 2001).

Since that time many animal studies confirmed that CLA is a powerful anti-carcinogen. Mary Young, director for research at the National Cattleman's Beef Association stated, "CLA in milk fat may be a protective factor against breast cancer and coronary heart disease."

Pariza's later research extended the possible benefits of CLA to other areas. He purported benefits that included anti-atherogenic and anti-diabetic properties, enhanced immune response and positive effects on energy partitioning, fat deposition and muscle growth.

The USDA's Survey of Food Intake of Individuals suggested that 36% of total CLA intake comes from beef and 52% from dairy products. This

survey indicated that seafood, poultry products and vegetable oils were not notable sources of CLA.

A study published in the Dec. 2000 Journal of Nutrition indicated CLA reduced fat and preserved muscle tissue. An average reduction of 6 lbs. of body fat was found in the group of people that took CLA compared to a placebo group. Pariza reported in the Aug. 2000 American Chemical Society that, "CLA doesn't make a big fat cell get little. It keeps a little fat cell from getting big."

Cattle evolved by eating vegetation (mainly grass). It is not a natural thing for cattle to be fattened on grain and is a process that is done mostly in the United States. A lot of us producers graze stocker cattle here in the county either on wheat pasture or on summer type pasture. Research indicates that the amount of CLA is highest when cattle are pastured on grass.

Wisconsin research shows that dairy cows grazing grass, for example, had five times more CLA in their milk than those fed silage or hay. One local feedlot operator indicated it takes about 100 days in the feedlot to change high CLA "yellow grass fat" to reduce CLA "white fat."

However, other research in-

dicates that increasing the levels of vegetable oil in the ration can raise CLA levels in feedlot cattle.

Animal scientist Mark E. Cook (Science News, VOL 159) and his colleagues at the University of Wisconsin-Madison reported that CLA supplements might control allergies. In one experiment, when looking at the possible positive benefits on allergic asthma, Cook indicated dramatically less airway constriction occurred if the test subjects had been fed CLA.

Most of us enjoy a good steak—there is nothing that tastes any better. Our various Runnels County eating places can cook em' right! However, the jury is still out on the extent and on how much CLA it takes to obtain the above benefits. Kent Erickson, researcher at the University of California-Davis, indicates that as Americans, do we consume too much fat or are we consuming the right kind of fats?

In recent years, animal fats have been scorned as promoters of chronic disease. David Kritchevsky of the Wistar Institute in Philadelphia sees some irony here. He stated, "The possibility that CLA may offer health benefits and are naturally found only in animal fat is proof God has a sense of humor."



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If you have contracted to sell your cotton, please take a copy of your contract to the USDA office. This information is needed in order to determine eligibility for a POP payment or for the cotton to be placed

in the loan.

**Loan Deficiency Payments**  
Producers harvesting cotton are reminded that loan deficiency payments (POP) may be in effect.

If you intend to sell your cotton, please come by the USDA office prior to selling the crop to apply for the LDP payment. Once you have sold the crop and no longer have beneficial interest, you are not eligible for any payment.

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NAP changes require all producers who wish to purchase 2002 NAP benefits on native and improved grasses to do so 30 days prior to the onset of harvest, which will begin January 1, 2002. This is one of the most significant changes to the NAP program: If you fail to certify and/or pay the administrative fee by November 30, 2001, then you will be unable to purchase coverage at a later date.

The Runnels County USDA office may be contacted at 365-5757 to schedule appointments or for more information.

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Identity of birthday girl found elsewhere in this issue.

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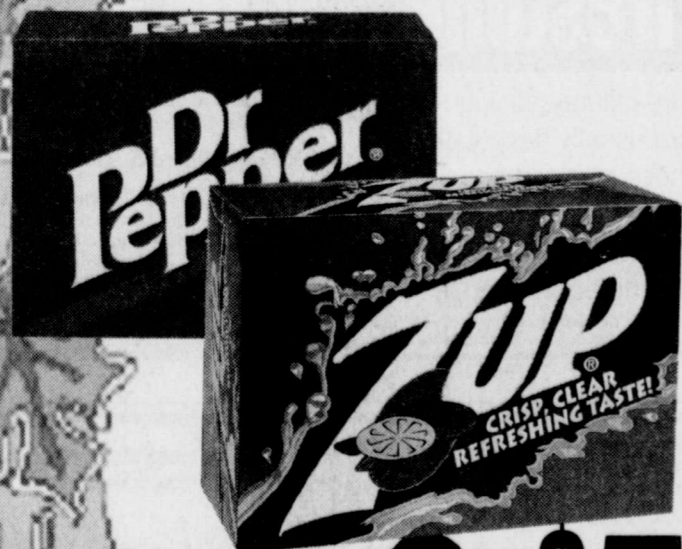


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