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**Pearls of Wisdom—**  
Friends are lights in winter; the older the friend, the brighter the light.  
*Roger Rosenblatt*

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## Hospital Auxiliary provides equipment

Thanks to fund-raisers and donations, the North Runnels Hospital Auxiliary has purchased several new pieces of equipment to be used by the doctors and staff at the hospital.  
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## Six grader wins second Geography Bee

Julie England wins the Winters Elementary School Geography Bee for the second consecutive year. She now has the opportunity to compete at the state level April 4.  
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## 2002...The Year of the Blizzards

Randall Conner recaps the township's year and credits the youth of Winters as one of its greatest assets.  
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## Livestock show results

See more photos and results of the livestock show held Jan. 4 in Winters. *The Runnels County Livestock Show supplement will be published Jan. 23.*  
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## Ag Talk

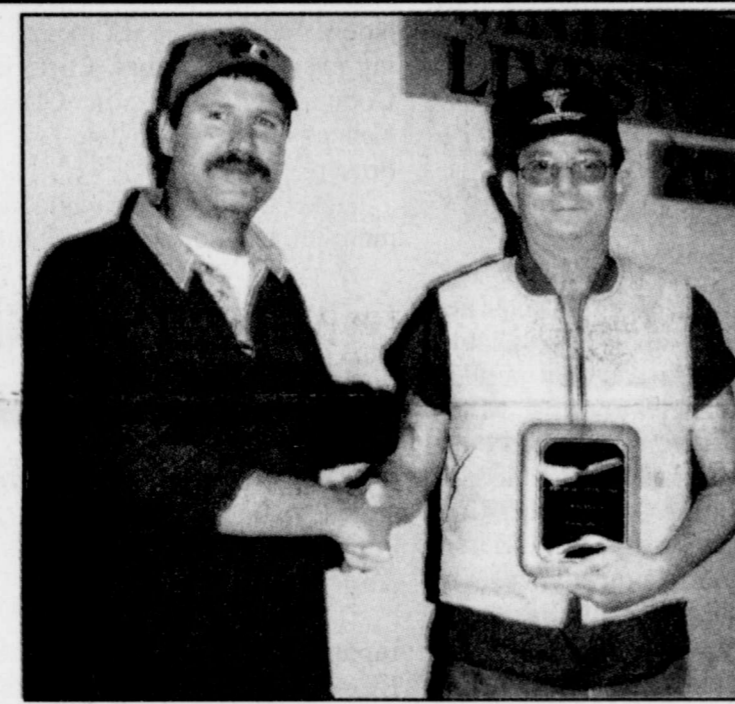
Congressman Charles Stenholm updates farmers and ranchers on Legislature changes and the general agricultural economy.  
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**ENJOYING THE LAST ROUNDUP** is Caitlin Kurtz who gets a boost from older brother Keegan as she encourages buyers at the Runnels County Junior Livestock Show at the Ballinger Community Center. Caitlin was the last Winters exhibitor to sell Saturday night, following the 2-day show.



**DR. JIMMY SMITH** (right) accepts his award from Barron Guy, President of the Winters Junior Livestock Association, after learning this year's show on January 4 was dedicated to the veterinarian. Dr. Smith has been instrumental in the annual event since the 1960's when he taught Ag Science at Winters High School before completing vet school and returning to Winters. He is owner of Pioneer Vet Clinic.

## City Council appoints members to join downtown improvement project

"With the water and hospital crises somewhat behind us, now is a good time to renew our efforts on the downtown revitalization project," said Randall Conner, Director of Economic Development of the Winters Area Business and Industrial Corporation, as he addressed members of the Winters City Council Monday evening.

John Shinn and Gary Enos with the Texas Department of Transportation presented a plan to Council members, giving a "starting place" for the project.

"This is the first time we've had a basic plan with costs tied to it so now we have some direction," said Conner.

The revitalization project was first introduced in the spring of 1999, when Winters was approved for funds from the Federal Enhancement Project but ran into several roadblocks and was "put on the back burner," according to Conner.

Monday night, Council members voted to appoint two members to work with a committee from the Industrial Board to explore all options to finance the project, the scope of the project, and how problems will be handled. Councilmen Hank Bourdo and Mike Meyer

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## Commissioners hear proposal on high speed internet service

Runnels County Commissioners heard a proposal from Lewis Bergman, representing Texas Communications, at their regular meeting on Tuesday morning at the Courthouse.

Bergman proposed using the County's radio tower in Ballinger for a high speed internet connection. Bergman's proposal was to furnish the County with high speed internet connections in return for Texas Communications' use of the tower.

Ed Studer was present at the meeting and told Commissioners, "This service would have an advantage over the service of Verizon and their partner-

ship with West Central Net." Commissioners took no action on the proposal and tabled the matter.

In other business, County Judge Marilyn Egan said there were no bids received on the steel reinforced pit around the main sewage outlet at the Runnels County Jail. Commissioner Skipper Wheelless said he had contacted several people, but no one seemed interested in the job. He said between himself and local plumber Bobby Moore, "We'll get the job done."

Commissioners also approved the annual audit report for the County's fiscal year

ending September 30, 2002. The auditing firm of Eckert, Ingram, Tinkler, Oliphant, Featherston and Barr, LLP gave the County a "clean report." The report stated that the firm saw no problems with the County's recordkeeping and reporting system.

In other business: •Contracts were approved with the Wingate and Rowena Volunteer Fire Departments for fighting fires in the county, with the county contributing \$2,700 for the calendar year to each of the departments.

•Commissioners also approved providing \$1,625 for

of School Board Recognition Month.

"The average John Q. Public doesn't know what's involved in serving on a school board," said Clack. "I certainly appreciate a really good board to work with... that we see eye to eye for the good of our school."

Clack also reported that the football stadium seats will be painted this summer and that all the school buildings have new roofs except two portable buildings on the south side of the campus. Roofs were replaced due to damage from a severe hail storm last May. Clack said the new roofs have a 20-year guarantee, and "WISD got a real good deal on the new roofing."

With reference to the diminishing student enrollment, Clack said that Winters does not exceed the 22:1 student/teacher ratio as established by the Texas Education Agency.

Elementary Principal Brilla Magee reported an enrollment of 382 on January 13. This time last year, there were more than 400 students in the elementary grades, according to Clack.

Secondary Principal David Hale gave the following dates for upcoming school events:

• Jan. 25 UIL academics

practice at Brownwood

• Feb. 6 girls' softball scrimmage at Sweetwater

• Feb. 8 UIL practice at Wylie

• Feb. 13 Glacier elections, 7 p.m., WHS auditorium

• Feb. 15 UIL practice at Bangs

• Feb. 17 JV baseball at Winters

• Feb. 18 Varsity baseball at Hamlin

• March 1 UIL practice at Cooper

• March 4 Spring Band Concert, 7 p.m., WHS auditorium

• March 20 One Act Play contest, Brownwood

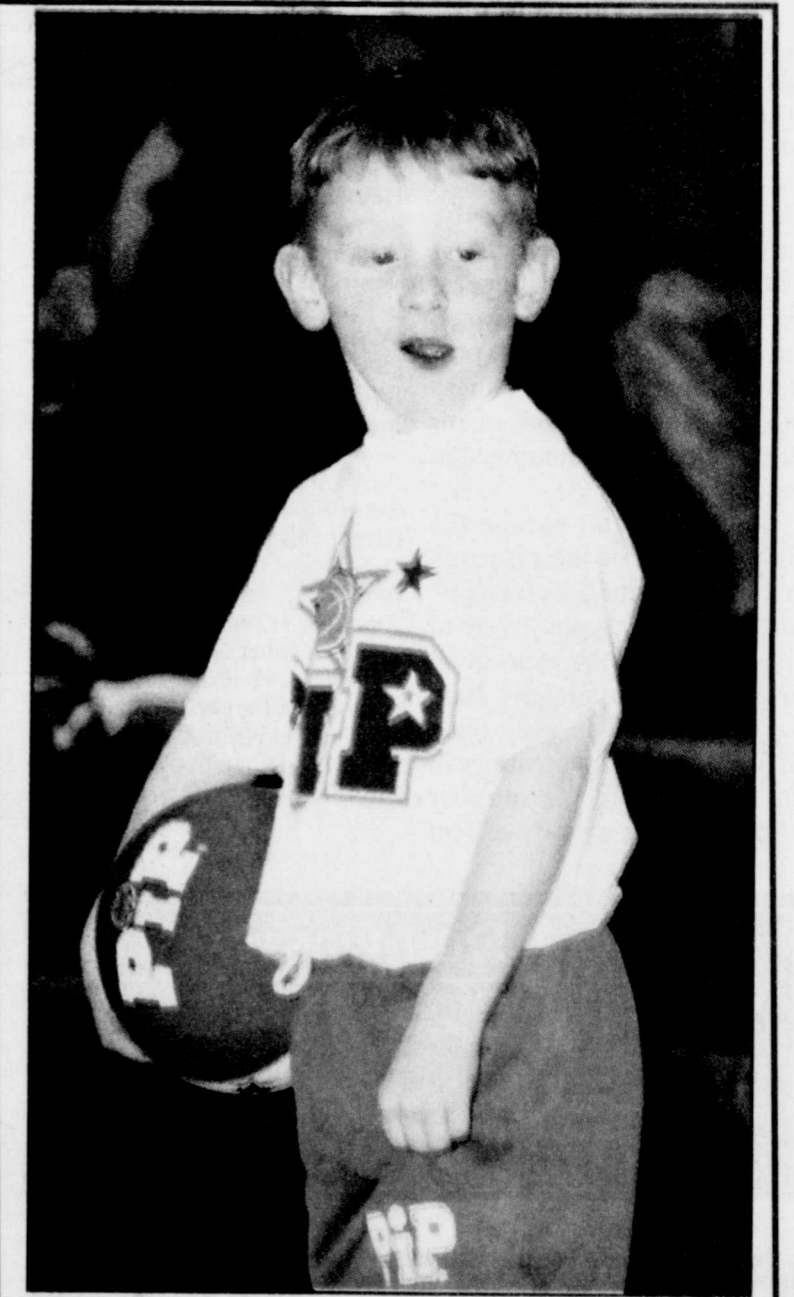
• March 24 & 27 District UIL competitions, Coleman

Following executive session, the board voted unanimously to extend an additional year, to carry through June, 2006, Superintendent Clack's current Employment Agreement.

Trustees also voted to employ Sondra Petty for the remainder of the 2002-03 school year subject to assignment at state base plus local increments. Ms. Petty replaced Sue Reed as Special Education teacher earlier this school year.

Present for the January 13 meeting were Trustees Bob

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**AUSTEN GREEN**, Winters first grader, eyes an opportunity to try some tricky ball handling maneuvers during a Players In Progress (PIPS) performance at half-time of a WHS basketball game. The PIPS program teaches youngsters basic basketball skills as well as teamwork and confidence.

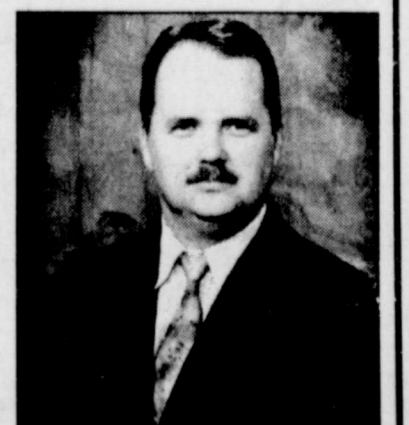
## Interim pastor serving at Southside Baptist Church

Brother Paul Davis has been called to serve as interim pastor at Southside Baptist Church, 617 Crews Road, Winters.

He and his wife, Vicki, have five children and reside in Clyde.

Brother Paul will be in Winters on weekends for church services and other church related duties.

For more information, call 754-4286.



**Paul Davis**

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# Opinion

## Oil Bidness

by Reg Boles ©2002



The looming budget deficit in the state of Texas is causing many to contemplate where to cut costs, and those of us in the oil and gas business may be impacted in a very unique way.

Some are proposing that the Railroad Commission (RRC) be merged with other oversight boards in state government, including the Public Utility Commission.

While this is not a new idea, it is one that is likely to be taken more seriously than it ever has been before. Combine a worrisome budget shortfall with the decreasing influence of the oil and gas business in the state's economy, and the stars may be aligned for a big change.

Then again, maybe not. Make no mistake, there will be pressure to consolidate state agencies to save money. And, for sure, the oil business doesn't carry as big a stick as it once did.

Half a century ago, oil and gas paid for most of the bills for everything from education to building roads. But, now, high tech and sales taxes carry more of the load. As a result, state legislators are much less likely to genuflect when a petroleum lobbyist enters the room.

And, it may be prudent to combine some of the duties of the RRC into what other agencies are already doing. After all, the three commissioners have such a narrow range of duties that they sometimes pick miniscule areas of the industry to adopt for their pet project (does promoting natural gas-powered scooters ring a bell?).

So, why won't it get done? It will likely not get through the legislature because of inertia, pride, and turf issues.

The inertia to which I refer is the sheer weight of an agency that is weaved so deeply into the culture of state government, it fills several office buildings. Can you imagine the hoops that must be jumped to change something with hundreds of employees, thousands of state-sanctioned forms, and so many arcane procedures that several business exist just to keep track of internal rules of the commission for outsiders?

And, you can't escape the hit to the ego of the oil patch that would occur if its own private regulatory agency were to disappear into the morass of forgettable agencies of state government. The very term "RRC" signals certain things in the brain of an oil man or woman. How would we feel

if it didn't even exist any more?

Of course, it wouldn't be government if there weren't turf issues to consider. The three commissioners are going to be very protective of their positions. Many have used the RRC to springboard into other areas of state or even federal government. Getting elected to the RRC is kinda like sneaking in under the radar. Once you're elected, you're a bonafide "government official" despite many who voted for you don't even know what the RRC does.

I could be wrong. There will be consolidations during the current Texas budget crisis, but the RRC is very likely to escape unscathed.

However, it could be forewarning that the next crisis might not be so kind.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY

#### COMPLETIONS

##### Coke County

Lane Operating Co. has completed the W.C. Blanks #E-3 in the Jameson Field (7 miles SW of Silver) at an initial rate of 38 BOPD & 50 BWPD in the Strawn (perms 6412-24). The well is in Sec. 69, Blk. 2, H&TC Sur., A-223.

##### Runnels County

Bex, Inc. has completed the Ernst #1A in the North Winters Field (4 miles NW of Winters) at an initial rate of 56 BOPD in an unidentified zone (perms 2839-41). The well is in Sec. 79, Blk. 63, HT&B Sur.

#### STAKINGS

##### Coke County

Paragon Corp. has staked the Blair #1 as a Wildcat, 8 miles S of Bronte (Depth 6250). Loc. is 660 FWL & 1700 FSL of GC&SF Sur. No. 1, A-174.

##### Concho County

Bowman Energy has staked the Carter #4 in the Southwest Millersview Field, 3 miles W of Millersview (Depth 4000). Loc. is 2500 FWL & 467 FNL of Sec. 347, Blk. 71, E. Pappé Sur., A-676.

The Pickens Co. has staked the Vera #6 in the West Millersview Field, 4 miles W of Millersview (Depth 3200). Loc. is 1600 FSL & 1000 FWL of Sec. 126, Blk. 72, T&NO Sur., A-1760.

Whico Production Co., LLC has staked the Bridges #6 in the South Branch Field, 10 miles SE of Millersview (Depth 999). Loc. is 178 FSL & 1769 FEL of Sec. 71, Blk. 8, IRR Sur., A-1074.

##### Runnels County

Pioneer Exploration, Ltd. has staked the Sykes #30 in the Cree-Sykes Field, 5 miles NE of Crews (Depth 5600). Loc. is 1395 FSL & 247 FWL of CCSD RR Sur. No. 36, A-1309.

##### Tom Green County

Silver Oil & Gas, Inc. has staked the Mathis #1 in the Jack Field, 3 miles SE of Carlsbad (Depth 1500). Loc. is 1083 FSEL & 787 FNLW of Subdivision No. 1, Collyns Ranch Lot 216A, M&D Sur.

## Lions Club to purchase flags for Main Street

Residents may order flags for personal use

The Winters Lions Club is purchasing United States and Texas flags to fly on special holidays along Main Street. Since the Lions Club is ordering a large quantity of flags, they can obtain them at a considerable discount.

If anyone would like to order a flag for personal use from the Lions Club, please contact Randall Conner at 754-4542 or George Mostad at 754-4515 by Tuesday, January 21.

Following are prices:  
3'x5' Polyester U.S. or

Texas Flag (This is a light-weight flag suitable for holidays)

Flag Only \$ 7.50  
Flag with 8' Standard \$15.00

3'x 5' Nylon U.S. or Texas Flag (Suitable for all-weather, everyday use)

Flag Only \$20.00  
Flag with 8' Standard \$ 27.50

Donations to the flag project can be sent to George Mostad, Lions Club Treasurer, 111 West Dale, Winters, TX 79567.

## Winters to participate in Texas Midwest Day in Austin

The Texas Midwest Community Network is sponsoring "Texas Midwest Day in Austin" on Wednesday, February 19, 2003. This will be an opportunity for people in this part of Texas to meet with their legislators while the Texas Legislature is in session.

The Texas Midwest Community Network is a group of 40 communities in the Abilene area that come together to promote the area for economic development, tourism, and community development.

There will be opportunities for anyone from Winters to see the Legislature in session, visit with representatives and senators, and to tour the Capitol and the new Texas State Museum.

Tentative plans are to have a special Winters Night in Austin on Wednesday evening, spend the night, and attend other meetings or the museum on Thursday.

Anyone in this area is invited and encouraged to attend. If you have not been to the State Capitol since the renovation or if you have not been to the Bob Bullock Museum, this is an excellent opportunity that you will not want to miss, even if you can only go for the day.

If you are interested, please contact Randall Conner at 754-4542 or rconner@winters-texas.us and you will be provided a schedule and costs as they are available.

## Interested in selling on-line?

by Randall Conner, Director of Economic Development

Several people in the Winters area have shown an interest in selling products through on-line auctions. (Ebay etc.) The Winters Area Business and Industrial Corp. will sponsor a meeting of all interested individuals on Tuesday, January 21, 2003, at 5:00 p.m. at 221 West Dale (WABIC Office). There will be an opportunity to share ideas and talk about the potential for on-line sellers.

There are over 10 million items on internet auctions at any one time. A person can buy or sell from anywhere in the world to any other person any-

where in the world. Almost any item imaginable is available. Collectibles are very popular on internet auctions. Many people have established businesses utilizing the auctions— from home-based, part-time enterprises to major businesses with many employees. The economic opportunities are almost limitless.

Anyone is invited to attend the meeting. If you have an interest in Ebaying, please contact Randall Conner at rconner@winters-texas.us and we will keep you informed of future meetings.

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## Obituaries

### Joshua Isiah Hernandez Garcia

WINTERS—Joshua Isiah Hernandez Garcia, infant, died Tuesday, January 7, 2003 in an Abilene hospital.

He is survived by his parents Gabriella Hernandez and Roland Garcia of Winters; grandparents, Gabriel and Maria Hernandez of Winters, David and Mercy Garcia of Ballinger, and Ernesto and Anita Quirino of Ballinger.

Rosary was held at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, January 9, 2003 in the Winters Funeral Home Chapel. Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, January 9, 2003 at Lakeview Cemetery with Father Hubert Wade officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Winters Funeral Home.

### Mireya Isabel Rodriquez

WINTERS—Mireya Isabel Rodriquez, infant, died Tuesday January 7, 2003 in an Abilene hospital.

She is survived by her parents Ronald and Ida Rodriquez of Winters; two brothers Armando and Miguel Rodriquez of Winters; grandmother, Rosario Silva of Winters; step-grandfather, Jose Isavel Gallegos of Winters; grandparents, Eloy and Florida Rodriquez of Winters; great-grandfather, Jose Rodrigues, Sr. of Winters; great-grandmother; Guadalupe Silva of Abilene;

Burial was in the Babyland Section of Lakeview Cemetery in Winters under the direction of Winters Funeral Home.

## Chamber of Commerce to host annual banquet Feb. 1

The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce will host their annual banquet, in honor of the Man & Woman of the Year, on February 1, at the WHS Cafeteria, at 7 p.m.

The theme for this year's banquet is "Our Town". There will be door prizes given away and a meal consisting of sirloin steak, baked potato, green salad, cobbler, & tea will be served. The "Bluff Creek Ramblers" Band will provide the entertainment.

Cost is \$12.00 per person and tickets are available from the chamber office at 118 W. Dale, Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. – Noon. Tickets may also be purchased from any of the following chamber directors: Chris Bahlman, Brenda Burton, Ruth Cooper, Barry Jackson, Clay Bush, Danny Clack, Sharon Kennedy, Sam Geistmann, Jane Bourdo, Donna Smith, or Janice Pruser.

Tickets will not be available for purchase at the door. For more information you may contact Julie Frierson at 754-5210.

## CITY, continued

were elected to serve in this capacity.

An audit report on fiscal year 2001-02 was given by a representative of the accounting firm of Davis/Kinard of Abilene.

"This was a little better year for tax collections," said Dodie Brown of Davis/Kinard. "The improvement in the way fines were processed has increased your funds."

James Brown, representing the Ballinger Masonic Lodge, presented Jack Davis, Sr., the prestigious Community Builder Award, the highest honor bestowed by the organization on a non-Mason. Davis serves as a crosswalk guard twice daily to ensure the safety of children going to and from school.

Upon recommendation of Mayor Dawson McGuffin, a motion was made and carried to approve the appointment of

Dan Killough and Dottie Loudermilk as new members of the Winters Housing Authority Board of Directors.

The Council set Monday, February 17, 2003, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall for the second annexation public hearing of properties of Jose G. and Julia Sanchez. There were no comments from the audience on the public hearing on this property during Monday night's meeting.

After a brief discussion, Aldermen approved the bid of \$500 per year from Rodrick Bredemeyer to lease the City's Sewer Farm property.

No bids were submitted on the Elm Creek Reservoir land.

Present for the January 13 meeting were Aldermen Dr. Tommy Russell, Mike Meyer, Hank Bourdo, and Steve Esquivel, Mayor McGuffin, City Manager Dr. Aref Hassan, and City Attorney Kenneth Slimp.



Some believe the cooking term baste comes from the Old French word *basser* which means to moisten.

Genius has its limits. Stupidity knows no bounds.  
—Texas Bix Bender

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# Community



**THE STEWART SISTERS** competed in the Miss San Angelo Pageant on Monday, January 6, 2003. Madison Paige (front) won the 2-3 year old division and received the title Little Miss San Angelo. Katlin J'Nay (left back) received Honorable Mention in Modeling in division ages 4-6. Haley BreAnn (right back) was second runner-up in the 7-8 year old division. Brittany Nicole (center) also received Honorable Mention in Modeling in the 9-12 year old division. The girls are the daughters of John and Kimberly Stewart of Winters and the granddaughters of Terry and Zelta Stewart, also of Winters. Miss San Angelo is a scholarship program which awards college funds. Winners may also compete at the Miss Texas Pageant.



**THE DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PROJECT** is getting back on track, thanks to (standing l-r) Randall Conner of the Winters Area Business and Industrial Corporation, John Shinn and Gary Enos of the Texas Department of Transportation, and (seated) Aref Hassan, Winters City Manager. The project was first introduced in spring of 1999, but was been placed on the "back burner" until now. These four individuals spoke at the City Council meeting Jan. 13.

Whether you think you can or think you can't, you're right.  
—Henry Ford

## WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- Jan. 16-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center Women's Service League
- Jan. 17-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco  
Last Day to Purchase State Semi-Finalists Football T-Shirts
- Jan. 18-7 p.m., West Texas Rehab Telethon, Abilene
- Jan. 19-Attend the Church of Your Choice!
- Jan. 20-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 5:30 p.m., Runnels Baptist Association, First Baptist Church, Paint Rock  
**MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY**
- Jan. 21-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center Noon, Lions Club, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 4:30 p.m., Winters Public Library Board, Winters Public Library 5 p.m., On-Line Selling Meeting, Windmill Enterprise Office 7 p.m., AA, First United Methodist Church 7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station 7 p.m., Band Boosters, Band Hall 7:30 p.m., Eastern Star  
Last Day to Order Flags from Lions Club
- Jan. 22-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Windmill Enterprise Office 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Jan. 23-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center

"Effective management always means asking the right question." — Robert Heller

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## Hospital Auxiliary to host Baked Potato and Fixin's Meal

North Runnels Hospital Auxiliary will host a Baked Potato and Fixin's Meal on Tuesday, January 28, 2003. The meal will be served from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Winters School Cafeteria during basketball games competing against San Saba.

The menu will consist of a large baked potato with a choice of the following toppings: butter, cheese, sour cream, chili, black olives, chopped barbecue, broccoli, chives, ham, bacon bits, green onions, jalapenos, and ranch dressing. Tea and dessert will accompany the meal.

Cost per person is \$5. Take-outs are available.

Funds will support North Runnels Hospital.

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**Monday, Jan. 20:** Holiday  
**Tuesday, Jan. 21:** Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot roll, cobbler.  
**Wednesday, Jan. 22:** Liver & Onions, parsleyed potatoes, greens, cornbread, cake.  
**Thursday, Jan. 23:** Potato soup, grilled cheese, pear & cottage cheese, crackers, cookies.  
**Friday, Jan. 24:** Hamburger, French fries, pea salad, pickles & onions, dessert.

Meals are served at 11:30 a.m. daily. Anyone who does not take the meals regularly are asked to reserve a lunch by contacting the Activity Center at 754-4205 by 10 a.m.

## Hospital Auxiliary provides new equipment to North Runnels Hospital

The North Runnels Hospital Auxiliary has purchased several new items of equipment for the hospital during the past few months. Funds from the special meals, donations, and other activities are used to buy equipment that the doctors need, but would otherwise not be available.

- Items which have been provided to NRH include:
- Automated Blood Pressure and Temperature Machine
  - Ophthalmoscope
  - 2 Otoscopes
  - Special Emergency Room Bed
  - Lighted Spectrum
  - 8 Mattresses for Hospital Beds
  - Blood Pressure Cuffs and

- Thermometers
- Computer for Continued Education
- Doctors' Chairs
- Sharpes Containers for Syringe Disposal
- 2 Stretchers for Ambulances
- Rechargeable Batteries for Ambulance Equipment
- C Collars for Ambulances
- 3 Fax Machines
- 2 Glucometers
- Windshield for an Ambulance

The North Runnels Hospital Auxiliary thanks everyone in the community who has supported their efforts to enhance the services provided by the hospital and to make this

equipment available. The Auxiliary is planning a Baked Potato Supper for Tuesday, January 28, at the Winters School Cafeteria from 5-7:00 p.m. (\$5.00). Other plans include a Chicken Fried Steak Lunch during the spring and a Salad Luncheon.

The next meeting of the North Runnels Hospital Auxiliary is Wednesday, February 12, 2003, at 5:30 p.m. at the hospital. Anyone who is interested in assisting the hospital is invited to attend.

Donations and memorials can be made to North Runnels Hospital Auxiliary at P.O. Box 211, Winters, TX 79567 or at Winters Funeral Home.

## Runnels Baptist Association to meet Jan. 20

The regular meeting of the Runnels Baptist Association will be Monday, January 20, at First Baptist Church in Paint Rock.

The executive board and WMU will meet at 5:30 p.m. The evening meal will begin at 6:15 p.m.

The program will be at 7:15 p.m. Roy Epperson, director of missions, will present the program on "The Doctrine of Scripture."

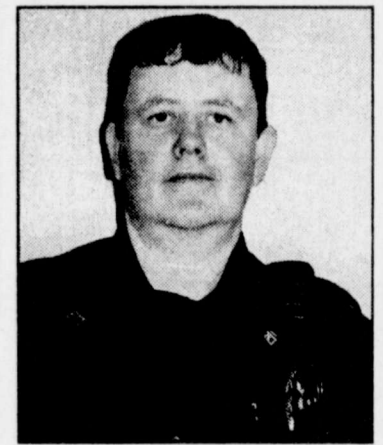
The public is invited to attend.

## Officer Dawn Sumrall joins Winters Police Department

Effective December 2, 2002, Officer Dawn Sumrall became a member of the Winters Police Department.

A native of San Angelo, Officer Sumrall is a graduate of the Concho Valley Regional Law Enforcement Academy in San Angelo and worked seven years at the Tom Green County Jail.

She is certified by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education.



Officer Sumrall

## Ruth Sunday School hosted "Ladies Night Out"

On January 13, the Ruth Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church had their "Ladies Night Out" social at the Casa Cabana Restaurant.

After enjoying a delicious meal, Mary Beth Drake served a sour cream pound cake. Following dessert, she gave the class a Christian trivia test. There were 20 questions, each with multiple choice answers

about the event before and after the birth of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. After discovering the class's intelligence about actual Bible scriptures, all had a good laugh and decided to pay closer attention to what the Bible tells them and not what is perceived in their minds as real.

Business discussed included the social for February 7 where

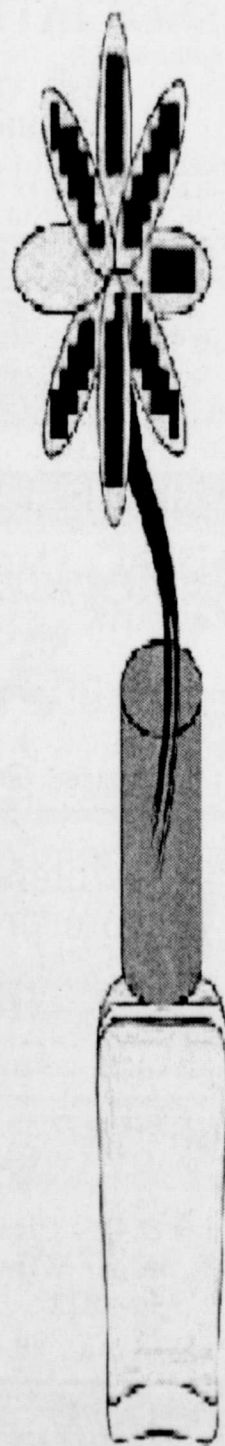
members will be traveling to Abilene for dinner and a play, "Joyful Noise," at the ACU theater.

Members present were Mary Jane Blackshear, Thelma Taylor, Mary Beth Drake, Marcie Webb, Sue Hukill, Nancy Williams, Ruth Cooper, Bobbie Sue Jackson, and Betty Gray.

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# School

## Sixth grader Julie England wins second consecutive Winters Elementary Geography Bee



SIXTH GRADERS JULIE ENGLAND (center) and Heather Pope are congratulated by Winters Elementary teacher and Geography Bee sponsor Ann Shackelford following last week's Geography Bee competition. England, the daughter of Lanny and Mandie England, won the school-level competition, while classmate Heather Pope, daughter of Kerrie and Bernie Pope, earned runner-up honors.

Winters Elementary sixth grader Julie England has won the school-level competition of the National Geographic Bee for a second consecutive year. Julie won the Winters Elementary Bee on Wednesday, January 8, 2003. Heather Pope, also a sixth grade student was named runner-up while Colby Pritchard, a sixth grader, and fifth grader Josh Lujano tied for third place.

Nine Winters students representing grades fourth through sixth answered oral questions on geography during the first round in the 15th annual National Geographic Bee. Other Winters Elementary contestants included: fourth graders Alex Sudduth, Dillon Lindley, and Bibiana Mendoza; and fifth graders Juan Ramirez and Kathleen Mills.

Julie will now take a written test, of which, up to 100 of the top scorers in each state will be eligible to compete in the state Bee scheduled for April 4.

The National Geographic Society will provide an all-ex-

penses-paid trip to Washington, D.C., for state champions and teacher-escorts to participate in the National Geographic Bee national championship on May 20 and 21. The first-place national winner will receive a \$25,000 college scholarship and a lifetime membership in the Society.

"Jeopardy!" host Alex Trebek will moderate the national finals on May 21. The program will air on the National Geographic Channel, and afterward on PBS stations, produced by Maryland Public Television. Check local listings for dates and times.

Anyone can brush up on geography with GeoBee Challenge, an online geography quiz at [www.nationalgeographic.com/geobee](http://www.nationalgeographic.com/geobee), which poses five new questions a day from previous National Geographic Bees. Questions range from the relatively simple to a stumper such as "Name the ocean current that makes it possible for coral to form as far north as the Bermuda Islands." [answer: Gulf Stream]



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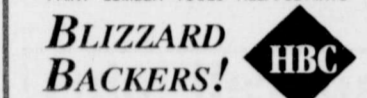
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Juice  
Tuesday-Jan. 21  
Donuts  
Cereal  
Juice  
Wednesday-Jan. 22  
Biscuits & Sausage  
Juice  
Thursday-Jan. 23  
Banana Nut Muffins  
Cereal  
Juice  
Friday-Jan. 24  
Breakfast Pockets  
Juice
- Lunch**  
Monday-Jan. 20  
Goulash  
Tossed Salad  
Fried Okra  
Grilled Cheese Sandwich  
Brownies  
Tuesday-Jan. 21  
Tacos w/Lettuce, Tomatoes & Cheese  
Spanish Rice  
Refried Beans  
Hot Sauce  
Apple Cake  
Wednesday-Jan. 22  
Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce  
Tossed Salad  
Green Beans  
Garlic Bread  
Chocolate Pudding  
Thursday-Jan. 23  
Fried Chicken  
Mashed Potatoes  
Broccoli w/cheese  
Hot Roll  
Peaches  
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### School board candidate workshop to offer information and insight

Area school board candidates and interested citizens can learn more about the demands and rewards of school board service at a candidate workshop, Tuesday, March 25, 7-9 p.m. at the Region 15 Education Service Center (612 S. Irene St., San Angelo).

The workshop will provide interested community members and individuals thinking about running for the board with a better understanding of what is involved in being elected and serving as a local trustee. Experienced school board members will explain board members' key responsibilities and outline the qualities necessary for effective service.

### Kindergarten Gifted/Talented nominations now accepted

Nominations are being accepted for the Winters Elementary Gifted/Talented program, kindergarten only.

If you believe your child might benefit from a gifted/talented program, WISD welcomes your nomination. Nomination and parent-permission-for-testing forms may be obtained at the Elementary Principal's office during normal working hours.

All forms must be completed and returned to your child's homeroom teacher by January 27, 2003.

### Three Winters students on Dean's List at Angelo State University

The Dean's List for the 2002 fall semester has been announced at Angelo State University in San Angelo.

The 100ees, along with their majors, include the following from the Winters area: Jeffrey Don Jordan, business; Scarlet Shea McMinn, psychology; and Perla Noemi Vega, Spanish.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must be enrolled full-time and maintain a 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Topics to be covered include: what it's like to be a trustee, key responsibilities of the board, division of authority with staff, how to campaign constructively, and where to find more information. Participants will also view "A Call to Service," a Texas Association of School Boards' video highlighting many aspects of board service and featuring several experienced school trustees.

The workshop is open to anyone. Admission is free.

For more information about the workshop, call Brenda Canul at TASB, 512-467-0222 or 800-580-8272, extension 6104, or check the TASB Web Site at [www.tasb.org](http://www.tasb.org) for other dates and locations.

### BLIZZARD STATE SEMI-FINAL COMMEMORATIVE WATCH

Anyone interested may purchase a special commemorative watch celebrating the Blizzard's 2002 season. SMI awards have designed a Seiko movement watch with a lifetime warranty. It is of a silver color with a blue and white face. The watch can be fitted with a black leather band or a silver metal expansion band. The cost per watch is \$40.00. If our final order is for more than 25 watches everyone will receive a five-dollar reimbursement. Orders will be taken from now until the January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2003. Please fill out and return the order form along with your money by January 20<sup>th</sup>. The company expects four weeks for delivery. For more information please call Coach Acevedo at 754-1121, or at 754-4653.

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## Blizzard football T-shirts for sale

The Winters Booster Club is taking orders for State Semifinalists football t-shirts. The shirts will be available in sizes youth small through 4XL. There is a choice of white or gray, with the exception of the size 4XL shirts only available in white. Cost will be \$12.00 for youth small through x-large, and \$14.00 for 2XL through 4XL. The last day to order is January 17, 2003.

To place an order or for more information please contact one of the following Booster Club members; Teresa Davis, 754-5422 or 754-4553, Kim Jackson, 754-4339 or 754-5032, or Rhonda Cook, 754-4034.

## Basketball Hoopla



2002-03 VARSITY BLIZZARDS are (l-r) Max Harrison, 6'2" post; Tim Fenwick, 5'9" guard; Shane Colburn, 6'2" forward; Benjie Valles, 5'11" guard, Rusty Jackson, 6'4" post; Eric Lopez, 5'10" guard; Yul Gibbs, 6'4" post; Guy Slimp, 6'1" post; Brian Pritchard, 5'11" guard. Not pictured are head coach Zach Boxell; assistant is Jamie Seago.

Team: Varsity Girls Coach: Deb Whitehouse  
Opponent: Goldswaiter Date: Jan. 7, 2003  
Place: Winters

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	11	9	13	9		42
OPPONENT	11	15	13	13		52

Free throws made: 8 of 13 for 61%

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Chloe Hagan	8	2	0	0
Jena Bahman	2	0	0	0
Ashly Santora	0	0	0	0
Sherry Savel	9	5	1	5
Genessa Bear	2	0	0	0
Laci Walker	13	4	8	1
Kerian Hale*	16	8	0	0
Suzanne Jones	0	0	0	0

\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Zach Boxell  
Opponent: Early Date: Dec. 27, 2002  
Place: Early Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	8	11	14	14		47
OPPONENT	10	12	14	16		52

Free throws made:

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Tim Fenwick	8	2	1	0
Yul Gibbs	8	4	0	1
Shane Colburn*	26	6	0	2
Rusty Jackson	6	0	0	1
Brian Pritchard	2	4	0	2
Eric Lopez	0	3	0	3

\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Zach Boxell  
Opponent: Del Lago Date: Dec. 26, 2002  
Place: Early Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	18	18	21	19		76
OPPONENT	8	15	7	24		54

Free throws made:

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Tim Fenwick	12	2	0	1
Yul Gibbs	8	4	0	1
Shane Colburn*	17	7	0	1
Rusty Jackson	16	6	0	1
Brian Pritchard	13	4	0	1
Eric Lopez	7	2	0	5
Max Harrison	2	2	0	1
Benjie Valles	2	2	0	1

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Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Zach Boxell  
Opponent: Wall Date: Dec. 28, 2002  
Place: Early Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	1	8	12	21		44
OPPONENT	12	13	15	17		57

Free throws made:

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Tim Fenwick	2	1	0	0
Guy Slimp	2	1	0	0
Yul Gibbs	5	0	0	0
Shane Colburn	4	9	0	0
Rusty Jackson	11	10	0	0
Brian Pritchard	8	4	0	0
Eric Lopez	2	2	0	1
Benjie Valles	2	2	0	1

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Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Zach Boxell  
Opponent: Ballinger Date: Jan. 7, 2003  
Place: Ballinger

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	16	15	8	13		52
OPPONENT	13	15	10	25		63

Free throws made:

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Yul Gibbs	15	3	0	0
Shane Colburn	3	0	0	0
Rusty Jackson*	19	0	0	0
Brian Pritchard	8	0	0	0
Eric Lopez	3	0	0	0
Benjie Valles	2	0	0	0

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Team: Junior Varsity Girls Coach: Becky Airthart  
Opponent: Panther Creek Date: Dec. 16, 2002  
Place: Panther Creek

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	4	10	10	7		31
OPPONENT	2	4	3	8		17

Free throws made: 6 of 12 for 50%

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Amber Green*	11	2	0	0
Kimly Walker	8	5	3	2
Rachel Davis	0	0	2	5
Erica Lajano	8	3	0	7
Mercy Fascial	5	3	0	1
Kristal Gibbons	0	3	0	2
Jessica Meyer	0	2	0	1
Jennifer Engquist	0	1	2	1

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Team: Junior Varsity Boys Coach: Jamie Seago  
Opponent: Early Date: Jan. 7, 2003  
Place: Winters

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	14	12	12	12		50
OPPONENT	14	12	12	12		50

Free throws made:

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Michael Liggins*	13	2	0	0
Adam Solazano	2	0	0	0
David Scates	2	0	0	0
L.J. Nitch	1	0	0	0
Jordan Sanchez	2	0	0	0
Wesley Cason	2	0	0	0

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Team: Varsity Girls Coach: Deb Whitehouse  
Opponent: San Saba Date: Jan. 10, 2003  
Place: San Saba

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	1	2	3	4		10
OPPONENT	4	14	5	12		35

Free throws made: 12 of 20 for 60%

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Max Harrison	2	6	0	0
Jena Bahman	2	6	0	0
Ashly Santora	3	2	0	1
Shane Colburn	16	3	1	4
Genessa Bear	2	3	0	0
Laci Walker*	26	8	8	2
Benjie Valles	2	2	0	0
Suzanne Jones	3	2	0	0

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Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Zach Boxell  
Opponent: SA Lakeview Date: Dec. 31, 2002  
Place: Early Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	19	11	14	14		58
OPPONENT	17	21	28	7		73

Free throws made:

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Tim Fenwick	6	0	0	0
Yul Gibbs	13	5	0	0
Shane Colburn	6	0	0	0
Rusty Jackson*	27	0	0	0
Brian Pritchard	7	0	0	0
Eric Lopez	12	0	0	0

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Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Zach Boxell  
Opponent: Early Date: Jan. 7, 2003  
Place: Winters

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	9	9	5	2		25
OPPONENT	3	14	16	12		45

Free throws made:

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Tim Fenwick	15	0	0	0
Yul Gibbs	7	0	0	0
Shane Colburn	7	0	0	0
Rusty Jackson	12	0	0	0
Brian Pritchard	2	0	0	0
Eric Lopez	12	0	0	0

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Team: Junior Varsity Girls Coach: Becky Airthart  
Opponent: San Saba Date: Jan. 10, 2003  
Place: San Saba

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	7	16	15	8		46
OPPONENT	5	11	12	13		41

Free throws made: 5 of 12 for 41%

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Michael Liggins*	11	0	3	2
L.J. Nitch	9	8	1	0
Aaron Colburn	4	0	0	2
Wesley Cason	4	15	0	1
Jordan Sanchez	3	1	0	0
Adam Solazano	2	0	0	0

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Team: Junior Varsity Boys Coach: Zach Boxell  
Opponent: San Saba Date: Jan. 10, 2003  
Place: San Saba

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	10	10	6	4		30
OPPONENT	0	3	7	9		19

Free throws made: 2 of 6 for 33%

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Amber Green*	10	3	2	5
Michael Liggins	0	3	1	4
Rachel Davis	0	2	3	1
Erica Lajano	10	8	2	1
Scottie Hale	12	2	4	4
Kristal Gibbons	0	2	0	0
Jessica Meyer	2	2	0	0
Jennifer Engquist	0	0	1	2

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Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Zach Boxell  
Opponent: SA Lakeview Date: Dec. 31, 2002  
Place: Early Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	11	2	18	14		45
OPPONENT	16	8	5	16		45

Free throws made:

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Tim Fenwick	3	0	0	0
Yul Gibbs	13	5	0	0
Shane Colburn	13	0	0	0
Rusty Jackson*	21	0	0	0
Brian Pritchard	5	0	0	0
Eric Lopez	4	0	0	0

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Team: 8th Boys Coach: Zach Boxell  
Opponent: Goldswaiter Date: Jan. 13, 2003  
Place: Goldswaiter

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	9	9	5	2		25
OPPONENT	24	3	13	5		45

Free throws made:

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Luke England	9	0	0	0
Don Davis	6	0	0	0
Alan Green	3	0	0	0
Brian Mikaska	3	0	0	0
Keegan Kutz	1	0	0	0
Mark Scates	10	0	0	0

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MICHAEL LIGGINS brings the ball down the court to set up the play during Junior Varsity Blizzard action against Early.

Team: 8th Boys Coach: Zach Boxell  
Opponent: Roscoe Date: Jan. 9, 2003  
Place: Roscoe Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	4	4	3	6		17
OPPONENT	10	18	8	9		45

Free throws made:

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Luke England	6	0	0	0
Don Davis	3	0	0	0
Brian Mikaska	3	0	0	0
Mark Scates	6	4	0	1
Zach Heritage	2	0	0	0

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Team: 8th Boys Coach: Zach Boxell  
Opponent: Ira Date: Jan. 11, 2003  
Place: Roscoe Tournament

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	4	4	3	6		17
OPPONENT	5	9	2	3		19

Free throws made:

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Luke England	2	0	0	0
Don Davis*	5	0	0	0
Alan Green	4	0	0	0
Brian Mikaska	4	0	0	0
Mark Scates	3	0	0	0

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Team: 7th Boys Coach: Hampton Gray  
Opponent: Goldswaiter Date: Jan. 13, 2003  
Place: Goldswaiter

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER						
	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	4	4	3	6		17
OPPONENT	5	14	12	0		31

Free throws made:

Player Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
Laci Walker*	6	4	0	0
Andrew Blackerby	4	0	0	0
Alan Green	4	0	0	0
Max Harrison	4	0	0	0

\*Denotes high point individual for Winters

# Life

## 2002...The Year of the Blizzards

by Randall Conner, Director of Economic Development

The year 2002 was a good year for Winters, but it brought many difficulties and many challenges.

The hospital crisis carried over from 2001 with the promise of new doctors early in the year. Then, with delays that turned into weeks and then into months for the arrival of new doctors, the future of North Runnels Hospital seemed uncertain. Finally in September, Winters welcomed Dr. Endicott and Dr. Chhabra. The North Runnels Hospital Clinic has done quite well over the past four months and the hospital is on its way to recovery.

The other crisis from 2001—water—continued to tug on our community during the first six months of the year. Then in a matter of a few days in early July, Elm Creek Reservoir was full and running over. The busiest road in the area was that one going to the lake as almost everyone watched the lake level rise each day.

Winters gained some new businesses in 2002—Potbellies Restaurant and Bakery, Straight Line Construction, North Runnels Hospital Clinic, and Winters Print Shop. Following the hail storm in May, several roofing companies and contractors set up operations in Winters.

Texas Communications in Abilene built a new tower in Winters to provide high-speed, wireless internet service. We are one of the smallest rural communities in Texas to be "high-tech."

Runnels County completed the remodeling of the old post office building and the West Texas Centers for MHMR occupied the building mid-year. The City of Winters renovated the community center, adding new air conditioning and heating.

The manufacturing companies continue to expand their production in Winters. The agricultural community had a fairly good year, despite the

drought early in the year. The local oil industry continues to struggle, but higher prices have helped some.

Many local organizations have worked to make Winters a better place. The Hospital Auxiliary worked to raise money for equipment. Area churches, Christmas in April, and the Ministerial Alliance have done much to assist families in need within our area. The Z. I. Hale Museum has remodeled more rooms upstairs in The Rock Hotel for new exhibits. The library is improving services to the community. Meals-on-Wheels and senior citizens activities continue to meet the needs of our older citizens. Youth activities—both scouting and sports—are providing greater opportunities for area children.

We can all be proud of the Winters schools, as they continue to excel in academics, athletics, music, and extra-curricular areas. The administration, the faculty and staff, and

the student body have done much this past year to bring recognition to our community.

As we look around Rural America, we see so many small towns that are struggling in so many ways. We have found that we are not immune from the problems, but when compared to many of our neighbors, we have done fairly well in 2002.

The year 2002 really ended on a very positive note in Winters, Texas. So many people have worked for years to promote Winters and to make this a better place to live. However, we found that a few 16-18 year old kids with some great coaching, an outstanding student body, and a supportive community can do more in a few weeks to put Winters on the map than many other efforts combined. Congratulations to the Winters Blizzards of 2002—State AA Football Semi-finalists. Our greatest asset in Winters truly is our youth.



Joshua Kidd & Sarah Glover

### Sarah Glover, Joshua Kidd to marry March 15

Gary and Carol Glover of Olney announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Sarah, to Joshua Jackson Kidd, son of Mitchell and Karen Kidd of Abilene.

The bride-elect is a 1999 graduate of Olney High School and attends Texas Tech University with plans to graduate in May 2003 with a degree in mathematics. She plans to be an actuary.

The future groom is a 1999 graduate of Abilene High School and attends Texas Tech University with plans to graduate in December 2003 with a degree in music education. He plans to be a band director.

The wedding is set for March 15, 2003, in Lubbock at the Baker Building.

The couple will live in Lubbock.

### John Wearden to wed Carol Hatfield in March 15 ceremony

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy D. Hatfield of High Rolls, New Mexico announce the engagement of their daughter, Carol Ann, to Mr. John Patrick Wearden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Wearden of Ballinger.

The bride-elect is a 1990 graduate of Alamogordo High School. She attended New Mexico State University where she obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering. She is employed as an engineer for the Texas Department of Transportation in San Angelo.

The prospective groom is a 1986 graduate of Ballinger High School. He attended Angelo State University where he obtained a Bachelor of Business Administration and a Master of Business Administration degree. He is employed as a sales representative for Porter Henderson Implement Company in San Angelo.

The couple will be married on March 15, 2003 at Immanuel Baptist Church in San Angelo.



John Wearden & Carol Hatfield



Mr. and Mrs. Dustin James Parr

### Dusty Parr and Jenny Richards exchange vows in California

Jack and Virginia Parr of Crews wish to announce the marriage of their son, Dustin James (Dusty or DJ) and Jennifer (Jenny) Marie Richards. Dustin and Jenny were married on June 27, 2002 in San Diego, California.

Jenny is the daughter of Diane Richards of Weston, Ohio. DJ is the son of Jack and Virginia Parr of Crews and Joni Parr of Sweetwater.

The bride is a graduate of Otsego High School in Weston, Ohio. She is a Marine stationed at Camp Pendleton, California. She also attends college at Mira Costa College in California. She will continue her education following her service in the Marines.

The groom is a graduate of Ballinger High School. He is a Marine stationed at Camp Pendleton, California. He also plans to continue his education when he leaves the Marines.

The couple will reside in California until they both complete duty with the Marines at which time they plan to return to and reside in Texas.

### Town Criers



#### Matt Herbert Jacob

Megan Danielle Jacob, 2, is proud to announce the birth of her little brother, Matt Herbert Jacob.

Matt was born on Friday, December 27, 2002, at 7:43 a.m. in Shannon Medical Center, of San Angelo. He weighed 8 lbs. and was 20 inches long.

Parents are Mark & Susan Jacob of Winters.

Maternal grandparents are Susie & the late James Leady of Winters.

Paternal grandparents are Evelyn & the late Herbert Jacob of Winters.

#### Santos Leo Uresti, Jr.

Mr. & Mrs. Santos Leo Uresti of Winters are proud to announce the birth of their son.

Santos Leo Uresti, Jr. was born on Tuesday, January 7, 2003, at San Angelo Community Medical Center. He weighed 8 lbs., 12.9 oz. and was 21.5 inches long.

Santos is welcomed home by his two sisters, Senquae and Angelle Uresti.

Maternal grandparents are Elisa & George Lopez of San Angelo.

Paternal grandparents are Santos & Dominga Uresti of Winters. Paternal great-grandmother is Julia Uresti of San Luis Portosio, Mexico.

### Soccer coming to Winters

The Winters Community Soccer sign-up will be Saturday, January 25 from 8 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. at Lawrence Bros. IGA.

Fees will be \$20 for the first child of each family and \$10 for each child thereafter. Payment is due at time of registration.

WCS is open to Winters children between the ages of 4 and 14. Children must be 4 years old before August 1, 2003 to be eligible to play this spring.

For more information please contact Melissa Rodriguez at 754-1814 or Manual Vera at 754-5456.

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**ACROSS**

- 1 UT football coach Brown
- 5 TXism: "bone \_\_\_" (study)
- 6 TX Phyllis George was in "Meet the Parents" with actor Robert De
- 7 pickup blemish
- 8 TXism: "\_\_\_ in the hole" (reserve)
- 9 TXism: "haste \_\_\_" (see ya)
- 16 Friday night cheer
- 18 TXism: "looking for a gas leak with \_\_\_" (tricky)
- 21 state of TX Buddy Holly crash (abbr.)
- 22 this Guerrero was Railroad Commissioner in 1991
- 23 TXism: "his facts \_\_\_ elastic" (liar)
- 24 tiny "wet" town just north of Abilene
- 30 19th century TXNs the city was named for this Dallas (init.)
- 35 1967 TX hurricane that spawned 115 tornadoes
- 36 winter garment
- 37 in Tiltus Co. on 271
- 39 TXism: "happy as \_\_\_" (tricky)
- 43 TXism: "\_\_\_ a hoof" (run, dance)
- 44 Redskins & Eagles to the Cowboys
- 45 TX electronics co. Mr. Lincoln, et al.

**DOWN**

- 1 in Knox Co. on 277
- 2 TXism: "just down the road \_\_\_"
- 3 this Bivins helps run famed ranch for oil checks
- 4 TXism: "don't get your shorts in a \_\_\_" (calm down)
- 9 \_\_\_ Porte, TX
- 10 h.s. honor for TX "Dandy Don"
- 11 many TXNs fought in \_\_\_
- 12 TXism: "pay \_\_\_ never mind"
- 13 TXism: "has book \_\_\_" (educated)
- 14 UT grad. student teacher (abbr.)
- 15 TXism: "high as popcorn \_\_\_" picture show
- 17 so. of Dallas on hwy. 342
- 19 TXism: "jaw \_\_\_" (dentist)
- 20 TXism: "changes his mind as often as \_\_\_" (fish)
- 24 this Irving wrote songs for TX Ginger (init.)
- 25 TXism: "gave \_\_\_ song and dance"
- 26 TXism: "upchuck \_\_\_" (fish)
- 28 some Aggies
- 29 TX singer B.J.
- 31 chili \_\_\_ carne
- 32 TXism: "chow down"
- 33 world's largest desert
- 38 pregnancy pains
- 40 West \_\_\_ Virus appeared in TX
- 41 dir. to Lufkin from Dallas
- 42 goofus
- 43 TXism: "just a \_\_\_ in the bucket"
- 49 TXism: "a watched \_\_\_ never boils"
- 51 TXism: "bring as a fishing trip with \_\_\_" warden
- 52 TX Tarzan Ron
- 57 pleasure cruiser
- 58 TXism: "bring as a fishing trip with \_\_\_" warden

**TEXAS CROSSWORD**

by Charley & Guy Orbison

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Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

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# Law & Order

## Official Records

### County Court Dispositions

David Luera, motion to dismiss charge of possession of marijuana granted  
Elisha Nicole Westerman vs. William McArthur Westerman, application for temporary protective order granted

### Criminal Cases Filed January 2

Santiago Manuel Quiroga, filed for theft of services

### January 6

Raymond Eugene Lett, filed on three charges, two for assault, and for interference with an emergency telephone call

### January 7

Mitchell Boggress, filed for criminal mischief

### January 8

Elaine Reed, filed for assault

### Civil Cases Filed January 8

Elisha Nicole Westerman vs. William McArthur Westerman, application for protective order

### District Court Divorce Cases Filed January 3

Kenneth H. Slimp vs. Mary K. Slimp

### Divorces Granted January 2

James Kevin Grant and Ruth Lee Grant

### Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Felony Cases Filed January 7

John Sanford Thralls, filed for possession of a controlled substance

### Criminal Cases Filed December 26

Chad Andrew Gossett, filed for violation of open container law

### December 27

Howard Pruser, filed on two counts: hunting deer in closed season (night), and for untagged deer

### January 4

William David Row, filed for improperly tagged buck deer (mule deer tag on whitetail)

### January 5

Johnny House, filed for improperly tagged deer

### January 9

Brian Reeves, filed for theft by check

## Genevieve Spill heads Winters area West Texas Rehab Telethon

Between now and midnight on January 18, Winters area residents are urged to join others in stepping forward to support West Texas Rehabilitation Center in a very special way.

The occasion is WTRC's 34th annual telethon, an event Rehab relies on to raise funds essential to its ability to provide outpatient rehabilitation programs during 2003 to more than 20,000 children and adults—regardless of their financial circumstance.

Coordinating the local area effort this year is Genevieve Spill. Many folks in the area will be receiving a letter from her asking for their support to help the Rehab provide quality care to all. Another way to show support is to watch the telethon and call in a donation. The telephone number for pledges that night is (915) 439-REHAB or toll free 1-800-993-7889.

Rehab 2003 promises to be a fast-paced show, featuring country music singer Tanya Tucker, plus regular Rehab telethon entertainers Bill and

Susan Hayes, Florence LaRue, Anacani, and Jay Michaels. Returning as emcees will be Peter Marshall and Charlie Chase. The five-hour show begins at 7 p.m. and will be aired on 11 television stations covering Texas and parts of New Mexico and Oklahoma.

In addition to entertainment, the show includes an auction of about 250 items ranging from agriculture products to travel packages. On-line bidding began on December 18 at <www.WestTexasRehab.org>. Telephone bidding begins at 6 p.m. on telethon night.

Significant underwriting for Rehab 2003 has come from AEP-West Texas Utilities and Associated Publishing's Area-Wide Phone Books. "We are most grateful to these two corporate friends for the momentum their telethon sponsorships provide. Our job now is to build on that momentum because hundreds of people are counting on Rehab for help every day next year," concluded WTRC President Woody Gilliland.

## Police Beat

The information below is taken from reports on file with the Winters Police Department. Some cases may still be under investigation. These reports make up a small percentage of the total calls the Department receives and responds to each week.

Winters Police Department reports received and/or investigated from Monday, January 6, 2003, through Sunday, January 12, 2003. Winters Police Officers:

• were called to the North Wes-T-Go store in reference to an assault. When the Officers arrived they were met by three clerks that stated a female customer had come into the store and asked if they would call the police. The female stated that her husband was intoxicated and had beaten her. The officers spoke with the 38-year-old Winters female. She stated that her husband had been drinking all afternoon and had been abusing her. She said that they had gone to purchase more alcohol and on the way back into town stopped at Wes-T-Go to buy sodas. The female stated that she asked the clerk to call the police because she was afraid her husband would continue beating her if she went home with him. Jesse M. Garcia, a 48-year-old Winters male, was arrested for Assault family violence and taken to Runnels County Jail.

• were called to Potbellies restaurant for a report of theft of service. When officers arrived they were informed that a Hispanic male had ordered two steak dinners and ate them while at the restaurant. The subject then left without paying the bill. The subject was located by officers in an alleyway shortly after he had left Potbellies. Adam Urrabazo, from San Angelo, was arrested for theft of service \$50.00 and taken to Runnels County Jail.

• were contacted by Coleman Police Department concerning a recovered vehicle in their city. Coleman officers had recovered a vehicle belonging to a Winters female early Monday morning. Coleman officers stated that the driver and passenger fled from the vehicle and were not located. The owner of the vehicle was notified and stated she had last seen the vehicle in her driveway on Sunday night around 10:00 pm. The vehicle was not damaged but remains in Coleman pending an investigation by their department.

• The Winters Police Department invites the public to view their website at [www.winterspd.com](http://www.winterspd.com).

Runnels County Crimestoppers offers a cash reward for information which leads to the grand jury indictment or conviction of offenders and the caller does not have to give his or her name. To give a Crimestoppers tip, call your local law enforcement agency at:  
Winters Police Department—754-4121  
Ballinger Police Department—365-3591

There's no ceiling on effort! —Harvey C. Fruehauf

## IRS announces taxpayers may now begin e-filing individual income tax returns

The Internal Revenue Service announced today that taxpayers began e-filing their individual income tax returns on Friday, January 10, 2003. "Choosing IRS e-file is the quick, easy and smart way to get your taxes done," said Terry Lutes, Director of Electronic Tax Administration.

At the start of the filing season, the IRS also reminds taxpayers that they should make sure they have the right income documents before e-filing. Taxpayers should have copies of all the Forms W-2, W-2G and 1099-R they expect to receive before they e-file. These forms report wages, gambling income and retirement income. In addition, tax professionals are prohibited from submitting electronic returns to the IRS without getting all Forms W-2, W-2G, and 1099-R from the taxpayer. Payers should provide these forms to the recipients by January 31, 2003.

E-filers using a personal computer enter the data from Forms W-2, W-2G, and 1099-R themselves. This is similar to attaching the forms to the

face of paper tax returns. Taxpayers who rely on end-of-the-year paystubs to submit tax returns sometimes may not have complete, accurate tax information. For example, some paystubs do not separate pre-tax deduction—such as 401(k) contributions from total income.

Almost 47 million Americans chose IRS e-file options in 2002—16 percent more than the year before. The IRS expects about 54 million e-filers in 2003, as more and more taxpayers who file through a computer or a telephone find that e-filing is faster, more accurate and provides confirmation of receipt.

The IRS provides information on its Web site, [IRS.gov](http://IRS.gov), about how individuals can e-file. The site includes a list of many software products taxpayers can use to e-file. There is also contact information, by zip code, of tax professionals authorized to e-file their clients' tax returns.

Faster refunds and more accurate filings are just some of the benefits of e-filing. Taxpay-

ers who choose IRS e-file and the direct deposit option may receive their refunds in as few as 10 days from the time they e-file. The average e-file refund is issued in 14 days, compared to four to six weeks for a paper tax return. Taxpayers who e-file have more accurate returns, because IRS computers quickly and automatically check for errors or other missing information.

There are three ways a taxpayer can e-file. Individuals can file from a home computer, through a tax professional, and some can file from a touchtone telephone.

Taxpayers with a computer, a modem or Internet access and tax preparation software can e-file their tax returns from home any time, day or night. To do so, a taxpayer sends a completed, electronic tax return to a transmitter. The transmitter converts the file to an IRS-approved format and then sends the converted return file to the IRS. Within 48 hours, the IRS notifies the taxpayer through the transmitter whether or not the return is accepted. In 2002,

9.4 million taxpayers e-filed their returns from home—37.9 percent more than the year before.

Taxpayers can go to a tax professional who is an authorized e-file provider to e-file their tax returns. Computer filing through an authorized provider has been the core of e-filing since its debut in 1986. Using this method, tax professionals send clients' returns electronically to the IRS. Some prepare their clients' returns and send them, others take returns prepared by their clients, enter the data, then e-file it with the IRS. Authorized providers filed 33 million returns in 2002, up 15 percent from the previous year.

Some taxpayers can even file their tax returns over the telephone. Taxpayers who are eligible and who receive a special TeleFile instruction booklet from the IRS can file their tax return with an easy 10-minute telephone call. It's the easiest way to file. More than 4 million people chose TeleFile during 2002.

## Legal Notice

### NOTICE

The City of Winters will hold the second of two Public Hearings for annexation of the property described below on Monday, January 27, 2003, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 310 S. Main, Winters, Texas:

#### Jose and Julia Sanchez (607 Crews Road)

All that certain lot, tract, or parcel of land lying or being situated in Runnels County, State of Texas, and being further described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point in the North boundary line of a 20-acre tract conveyed by R.E. Cole et ux to R.A. Skiles, dated Jan. 17, 1936, now of record in Vol. 166, p. 124 of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, being 353 feet East of the Northwest corner of said 20-acre tract;

THENCE East along the North boundary line of said 20 acre tract 67 feet for a corner, THENCE South 105 feet for corner; THENCE West 67 feet for corner; THENCE North 105 feet to the place of beginning.

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North Runnels Hospital  
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Winters, TX 79567

The Rock Hotel  
P.O. Box 211  
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Winters Activity Center  
601 Wood St.  
Winters, TX 79567

Winters Food Pantry  
610 State  
Winters, TX 79567

Winters Ministerial Alliance  
P.O. Box 211  
Winters, TX 79567

Winters Public Library  
120 N. Main  
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Winters Relief Fund  
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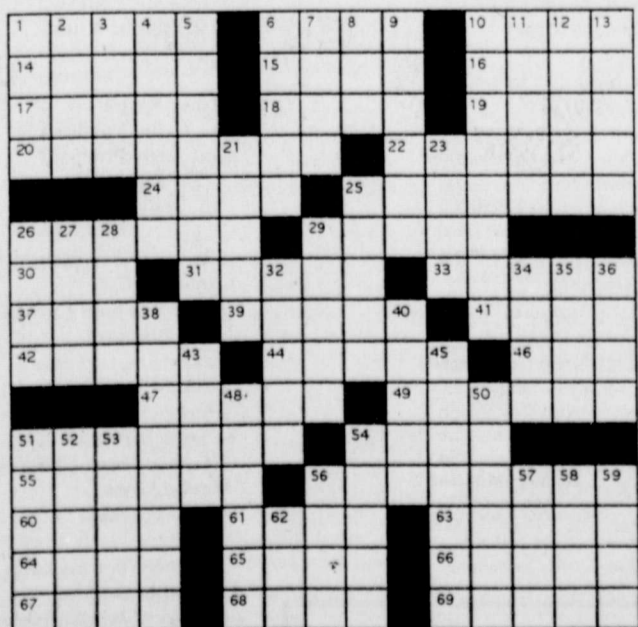
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| 14. Sheer fabric        | 33. Twilled material         | 60. Comedian Sahl           | 4. Ice cream treats                          |
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| 17. Spelling, for one   | 41. Word with evil or wrong  | 64. Building projection     | 7. Carry                                     |
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| 20. Cherish             | 46. Part of many Dutch names | 67. Deficiency              | 10. Notified                                 |
| 22. Vehement speech     | 47. Blow one's own horn      | 68. Barking animal          | 11. Beverages                                |
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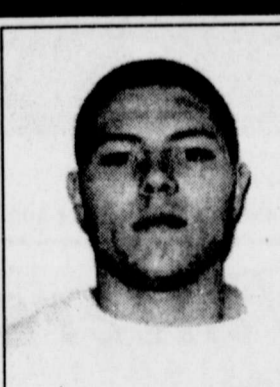


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**CORRECTION: The Winters Enterprise incorrectly published previous Notices of Convicted Sex Offender as related to this individual. We sincerely regret the error.**



**CONVICTED SEX OFFENDER**

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**RONALD DAVID CURRY JR.**  
19-year-old Male  
Address: 611 West Dale, Winters, Texas  
Convicted of Indecency with a Child by Exposure  
Victim: 12-year-old female

**RONALD DAVID CURRY JR.**  
Un hombre de 19 años de edad su residencia es 611 West Dale, Winters, Tejas.  
Fue declarado culpable de la ofensa de contacto indecente con un menor por exposición.  
La víctima fue una hembra de la edad de 12 años.

For more info on local sex offenders, visit the Texas DPS web site at <http://records.txdps.state.tx.us>  
Para mas informacion en ofensores sexuales en su localidad visite el Departamento de Seguro Publico en <http://records.txdps.state.tx.us>

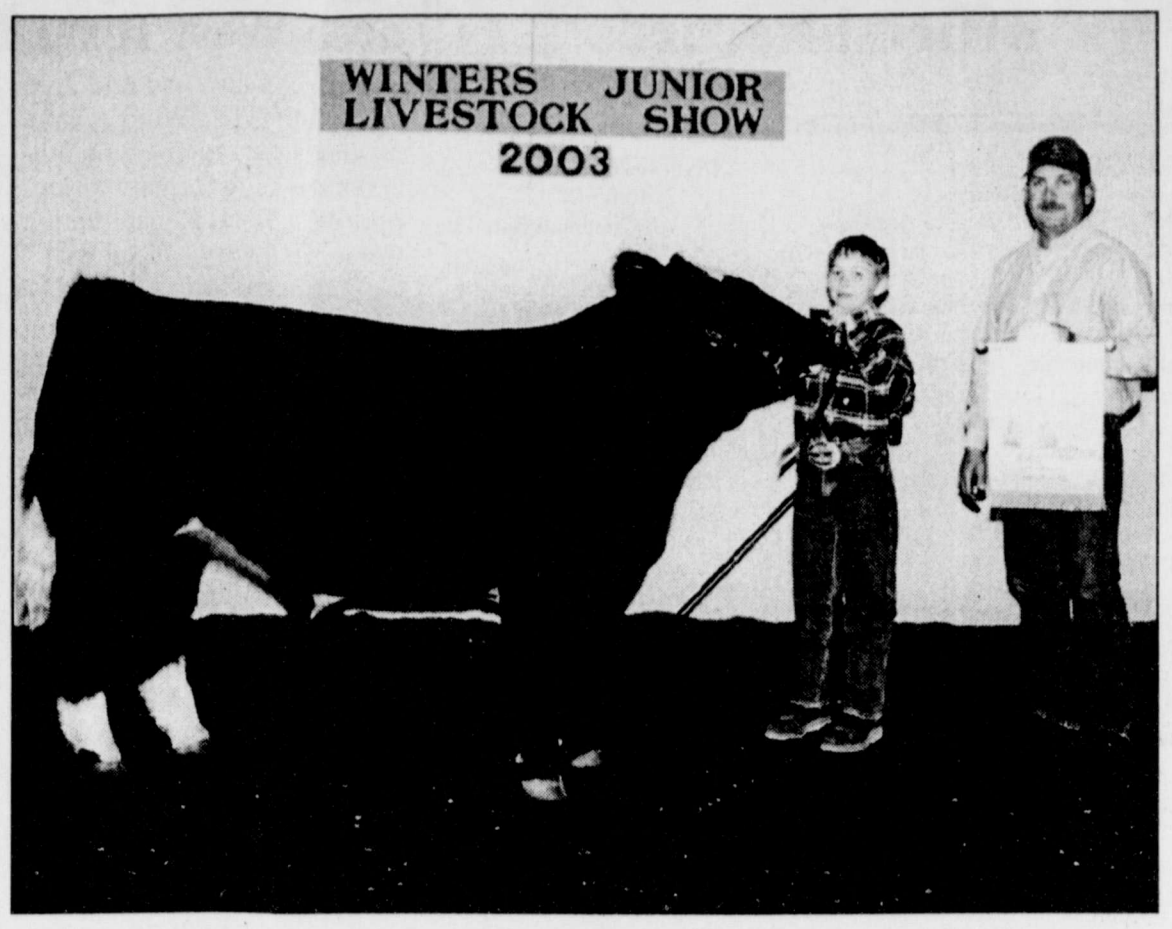
Pursuant to Tex. Rev. Civ. Stat. Art. 6252-13c.1, the Probation Dept. of Runnels County is required to publish the above information about an adult, convicted of a sexual offense against a child, who is located in our city or county.

**Grand Champion Market Steer**



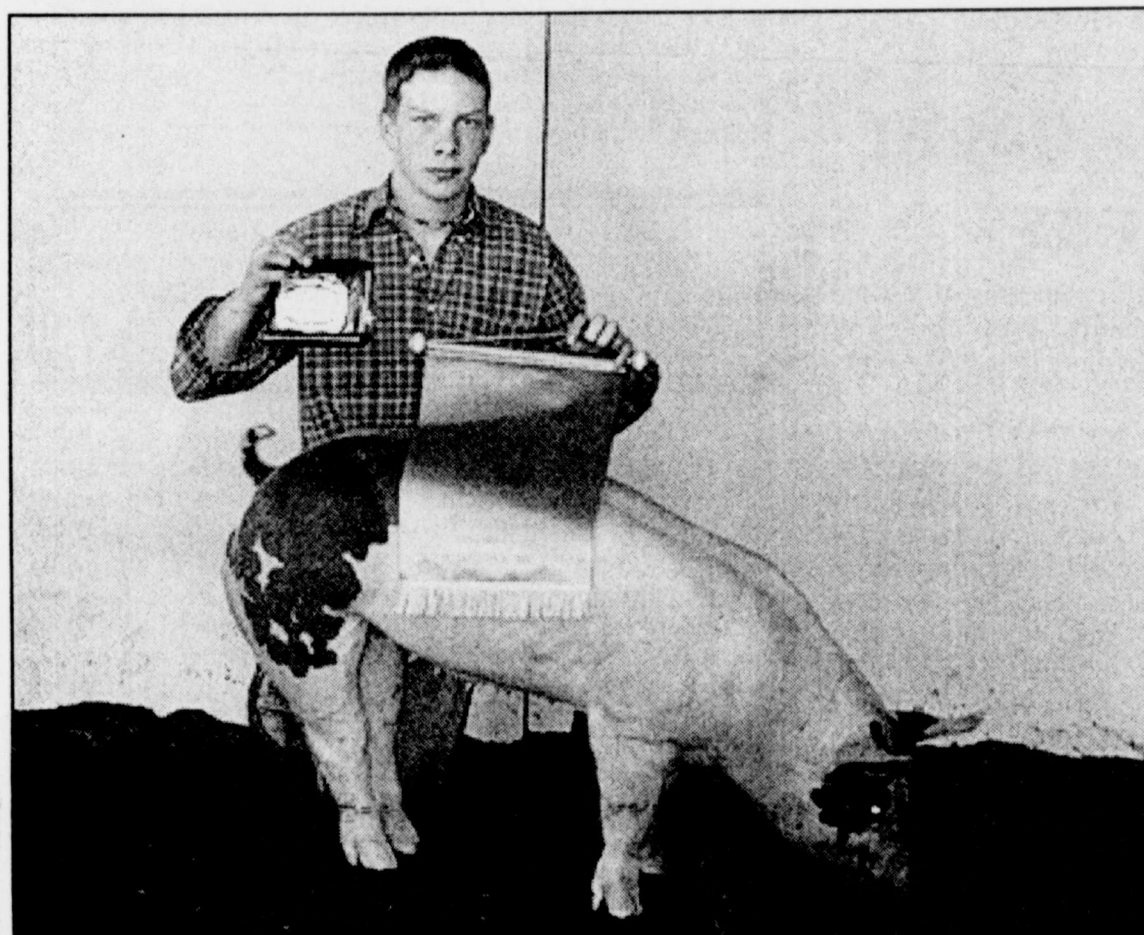
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**Reserve Grand Champion Market Steer**



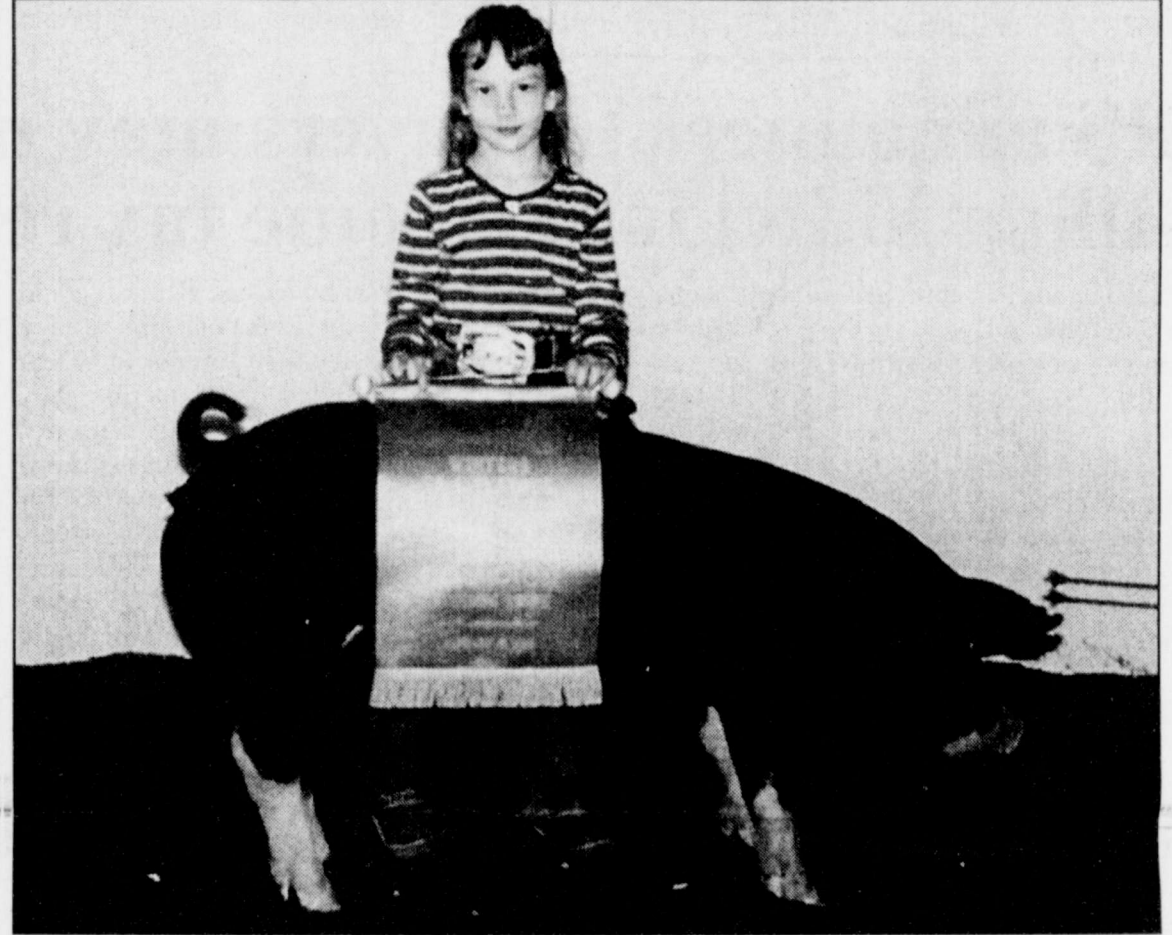
**Colby Pritchard**  
(shown with Judge Joe Totar)

**Grand Champion Market Swine**



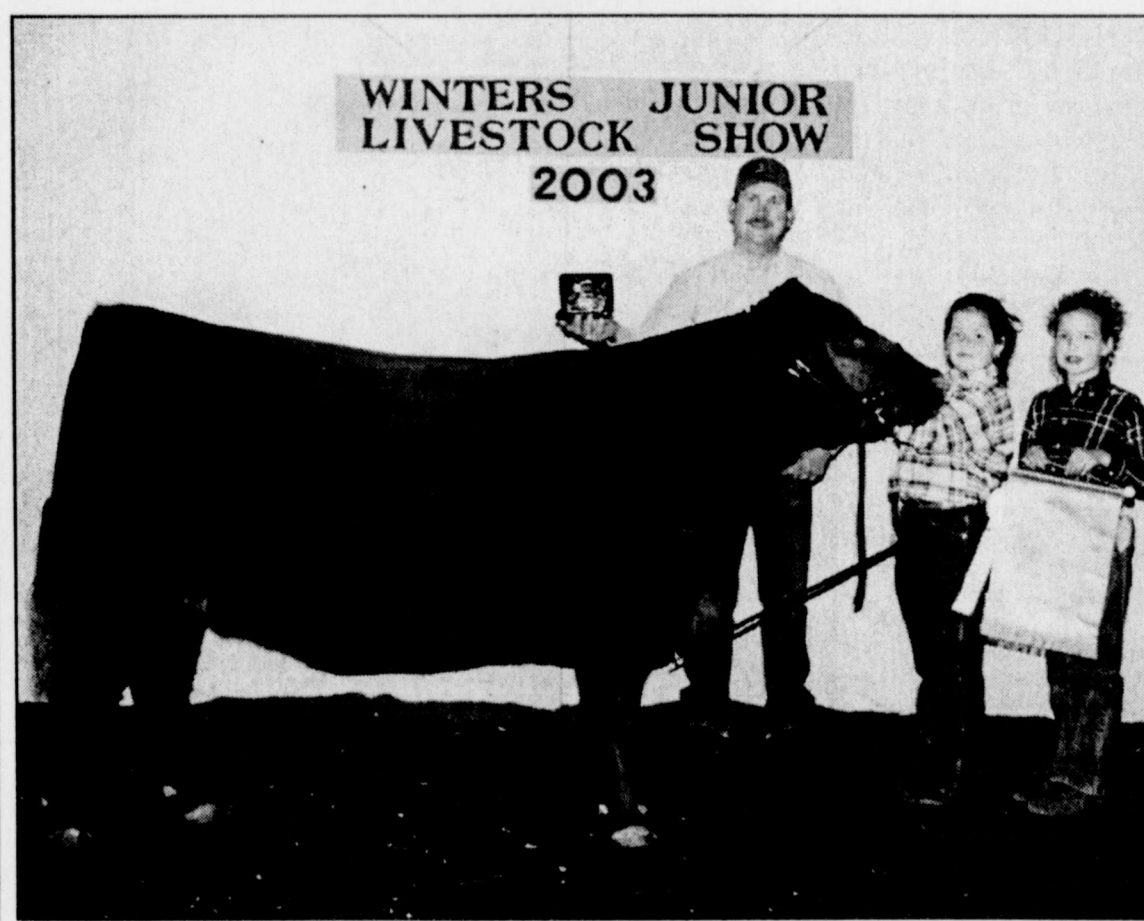
**John Heathcott**

**Grand Champion Breeding Swine**



**Kara Heathcott**

**Grand Champion Heifer**



**Brianna Mesey**  
(shown with Candance O'Dell holding banner and Judge Joe Tator)

**Reserve Grand Champion Heifer**



**Trenton Grohman**  
(shown with Judge Joe Tator)

**—2003 Winters Junior Livestock Show Results—**

**MARKET SWINE**  
**Hampshire-Light Weight**  
1st, Kara Heathcott  
2nd, Ashley Guy  
3rd, John Heathcott

**Medium Weight**  
1st, Wiley Guy  
2nd, John Heathcott  
3rd, Abby Guy  
4th, Jaymee Pritchard  
5th, Dylan Perrie

**Heavy Weight**  
1st, Roy Kendrick  
2nd, Abby Guy  
3rd, Wiley Guy  
4th, Ashley Guy

**Champion Hampshire**  
Roy Kendrick  
**Res. Champion Hampshire**  
Kara Heathcott  
**Duroc-Light Weight**  
1st, Abby Guy  
2nd, Jack Pritchard  
3rd, John Heathcott

**Heavy Weight**  
1st, Kara Heathcott  
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3rd, Cannon Bryan

**Champion Duroc**  
Abby Guy  
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John Heathcott

**White OPB-Light Weight**  
1st, Tina Perrie  
2nd, John Heathcott  
3rd, Kara Heathcott

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1st, John Heathcott  
2nd, Kara Heathcott  
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**Champion White OPB**  
Tina Perrie  
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2nd, Wiley Guy  
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3rd, Colby Pritchard

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1st, Camille Kruse  
2nd, Camille Kruse  
3rd, Corbin O'Dell

**Heavy Weight**  
1st, Colby Pritchard  
2nd, Cody Pritchard  
3rd, Maegan Schwartz  
4th, Cody Pritchard

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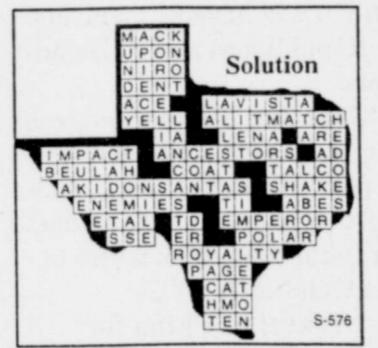
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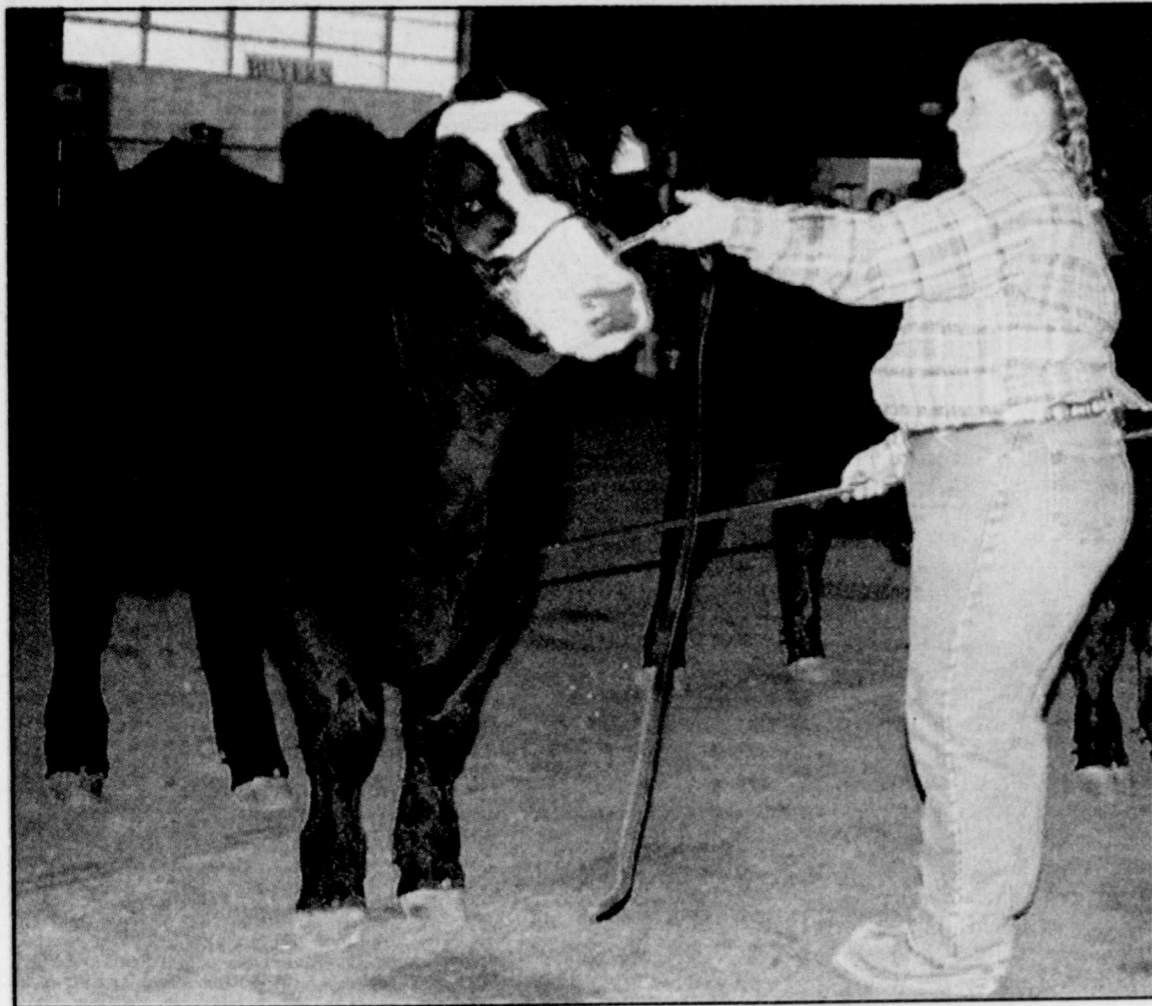
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## Ag Talk

by Congressman Charles Stenholm

The 108th Congress convened this week and the first order of business was to swear in new Members and to elect the leadership.

The House voted to re-elect Dennis Hastert of Illinois as Speaker, and in the Senate, Bill Frist of Tennessee has replaced Senator Trent Lott as the Senate Majority Leader.

This Thursday, Republican leadership elected Bob Goodlatte from Virginia to the Chairmanship of the House Agriculture Committee.

I am pleased to say that I will continue to serve as the Ranking Member of the House Committee on Agriculture.

As many of you know, the former Chairman, Larry Combest of Lubbock, announced this past autumn that he would leave Congress effective May 31, 2003.

In terms of membership, the House Agriculture Committee will again have 51 Members: 27 Republicans and 24 Democrats.

Each side will need to name at least six new Members to replace those who retired, ran for another office, or were defeated.

If the Senate Agriculture Committee maintains the same ratio, it will have 21 members: 11 Republicans and 10 Democrats.

Once the 108th Congress has been organized, there will be plenty of work to do, including completion of the budget for fiscal year 2003, which began October 1, 2002.

### Travel to China for Trade Talks

Next week, I will be traveling to China with other Members of the House to participate in the U.S. China Inter-parliamentary Exchange Program.

Transportation will be provided by the Department of Defense, and this visit will be

an opportunity for House Members to exchange views on trade issues directly with our Chinese counterparts.

During the next decade, China will probably be the number one potential growth market for agricultural exports.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture projects that China's agricultural imports will grow by \$20 billion over the coming decade. This is about 15 percent of the expected increase in world agricultural trade.

There will be plenty of foreign competition for a piece of this pie, and I want to make sure that U.S. suppliers have fair access to China's increasingly prosperous customers.

China was recently admitted as a member of the World Trade Organization (WTO), and has agreed to play by the rules of world trade.

This visit to China will give U.S. legislators an opportunity to talk to our Chinese trading partners face to face about China's obligations under the WTO.

During the past year, U.S. cotton and soybean exporters have faced frustration with China's failure to deliver on their commitments to providing access to China's markets.

One of the key messages I intend to deliver to my Chinese counterparts is the need to meet these commitments.

### EPA Announces Changes to CAFO Regulations

Last December, the EPA announced final, court-ordered regulations on water-quality permitting for Confined Animal Feeding Operations (CAFOs).

The newly announced changes relate to animal feeding operations that are now classified as "large" and created a new class of "medium"

sized operations.

Large CAFOs have been redefined to specify that producers with at least 700 head of mature cattle are classified as large operations, and "medium" operations will have at least 200 head.

Rules relate to those operations that have a man-made structure that carries waste away from the operation, or the confined livestock come into direct contact with surface water.

These rules were proposed several years ago and I'm glad to report that after objection from many Members of Congress including myself, the new rule is less harsh than originally anticipated.

Texas already has strict water quality rules so few changes will need to be made in the 17th District.

### Sign-ups for Farm Programs are Slow

USDA recently reported that producers are registering at a slower-than-desired rate for crop supports under the 2002 farm bill. At best, only 40% of farmers in certain areas have completed the sign-up process.

FSA has been accepting yield updates since mid-September and will continue to do so until the April 1 deadline.

Sign-up for the 2002-2003 direct and counter-cyclical program began on October 1 and ends June 2.

USDA officials are concerned that farmers will wait until the last moment to update their yields and sign-up for these programs, creating a gridlock at county FSA offices in the spring.

Let me encourage you producers to sign-up for these farm programs in your local FSA offices as soon as possible.

## COMMISSIONERS, continued

the calendar year to the Miles Preservation Authority (library).

•Approval was given to enter into an agreement with Grantworks, Inc. for grant administration services for the Texas Community Development Program-Colonia Planning Fund Project for the Rowena area.

•Commissioners voted to renew the subscription to the Texas Litigation Guide at a cost of \$2,334.39 annually. Judge Egan pointed out the cost is paid by the County in monthly

installments.

•Approval was given for the continuation of the bond of Elesa Ocker, County Clerk in the amount of \$26,000.

•Support fees for computer software in the County Clerk and District Clerk's office were approved. Cost of the County Clerk support is \$3,300 per year and the District Clerk, \$962.50 per year.

•Approval was given for Enrich Oil Company to lay a temporary PVC water line across County Road 269 in Precinct 3.

•Appointments to the Runnels County Historical Commission were approved.

•The County's investment policy was approved.

•Accepted two bids on property held in trust. The first property, located at 1208 N. 8th Street, Ballinger, had already been approved by the City of Ballinger. The bid for the property was \$2,605 by Dan Likes. The second property was located in Miles and the high bid of \$201.50 was approved for that property.

Commissioners recessed, then conducted a workshop to consider use of available office space in county-owned buildings.

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## WISD, continued

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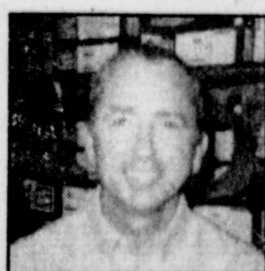
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