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Winters, Texas

## WISD hires interim Superintendent

**RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ** WINTERS ENTERPRISE

**WINTERS-Winters ISD Board of Trustees hired** John King, a former Superintendent from Early, Texas, to take the seat as interim Superintendent for the Winters ISD, starting on March 11. The decision was announced last Tuesday, January 25, at the School Board called meeting held at the administration build-

The meeting was held for the presentation by Texas Association of School Boards report after the community open work-

shops held on January 17. David Hutton, currently serving as Winters ISD Superintendent will leave the office on March 11.

Kim Krause, TASB Field Services Representative, addressed the board and some community assistants to present the results of the session.

In closed session, the Board of Trustees interviewed the interim Superintendent candidates, as part of the agenda, and at the end of the meeting they voted to approve King and his compensation.

The Superintendent search will continue until

the application deadline, on February 14. Until press time TASB reported 32 candidates with a varied pool of Superintendency and administrative experience. Initial interviews will be conduced March 1-3, follow-up interviews March 22-24 and the board's lone finalist will be announced on March 31. On April 25 the board will vote to hire the new Superintendent.

In concert with the staff, students, and the community requirements, TASB identified certain characteristics and qualifications as highly desirable for the new Superintendent/CEO.

Among those qualifications Kim Krause, TASB Field Representative stated that the new Superintendent should be an effective communicator with superior interpersonal skills, who can make and defend difficult decisions.

The Winters community asked for an effective delegator who empowers staff members to carry out their responsibilities independently, while remaining knowledgeable and accountable for the district's overall progress. A motivational leader, attentive to staff morale, and has a proven ability in

building an effective management team engaged in collaborative planning, problem solving, and decision making. The new Superintendent

should have experience in school financial management and state funding laws, a successful record of improving student achievement, dedication to the district's mission and goals, somebody who is a "People" person who communicates effectively and can motivate staff and students to excel.

Other requirements include to work in partner-ship with the Board of

Trustees and build a climate of candor, mutual trust, and cooperation; integrity, vision and is visible on campuses and the

community.
Finally, for the candidate chosen Superintendency experience will be preferred, and administrative experience required.

The community in Winters asked for someone committed to Winters ISD for the long term and demonstrates active involvement in the district and community.

The next school Board meeting will be held on February 7, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.

## GOP appoints new County Chairman

**RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ** WINTERS ENTERPRIS

WINTERS - Charles Hensley, a retired Border Patrol agent and Runnels County resident since 1995, was appointed new County Chairman of the Republican Party. Hensley is taking the seat left by Runnels County GOP's founder Bill Cervenka, who is retiring due to health conditions.

Hensley was appointed two weeks ago, he retired as a federal employee in 1993 and moved to Runnels County two years later. He built a house north of Ballinger where he has lived ever since along with his wife Jean.

The new Runnels County GOP Chairman has worked as an election Judge in Precint 8 for over 12 years, and has a law enforcement background during all his professional career. Hensley worked with the Border Patrol in California and almost



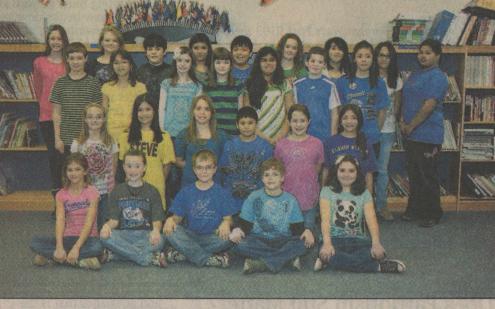
Bill Hensley, appointed County Chairman of the Republican Party in Runnels County.

everywhere in Texas including Pecos, Sierra Blanca, Big Spring, Eagle Pass and Marfa.

After graduating from high school Hensley joined the Army, became a Policeman in Little Field, Texas for five years, and was a trainee for the Department of Public Safety. He joined the Border Patrol in 1966 and retired 27 years later. Jean Hensley, his wife, is a member of the Midwest Texas Artists Guild.

Hensley stated that he will try to continue the good work and political guidelines left in Runnels County by Cervenka.

"I'll look forward to advance Republican objectives within Runnels County, and whatever the candidates come up with I'll support them however I can... I don't have a political agenda other than I am a Republican as I have been my whole life.'



#### Winters Elementary UIL awards ceremony

Celebrating their second place overall at the District event held in Christoval, Winters Elementary School held the UIL awards ceremony last Friday, January 28.

SEE AWARDS. 4

## WACC opens registrations for Man, Woman of the Year

WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS-The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce is now accepting nominations for Man of the Year and Woman of the Year. Nominations must be received by March 18, 2011, and may be sent to WACC, P.O. Box 662, Winters, TX 79567. Any questions may be addressed to Don Wood at 325-754-5754 or Vanessa

Esquivel at 325-977-0093.

This award is an annual issue of the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce that features and profiles a person that has done the most to influence the events of

The designation is regarded as an honor for those serving the Winters community, and representing the ideals of the people





RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ / WINTERS ENTERPRISE

The Runnels County Courthouse, in Ballinger, was dressed with an unusual white coat due to the winter storm.

#### Blizzard freezes the Big Country

**RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ** 

WINTERS- A blizzard bringing snow and ice struck the Big Country on Tuesday, February 1, causing school and office closings all over the area. Wind gusts arrived on Monday, at about 6:30 p.m., and by 3 a.m. the whole region was already covered with a white frozen sheet.

All school districts cancelled activities for the day, as well as the Senior Citizens centers in Ballinger and Winters the Ballinger Community Pantry, and the Carnegie

The Texas Department of Public Safety and The Texas Department of Transportation encouraged travelers to delay or cancel travel in the Big Country area for Tuesday and possibly Wednesday. Freezing temperatures were anticipated until as late as Friday.

The blizzard covered all roads with a thick layer of ice, creating hazardous conditions for drivers especially in hills and curves. In Ballinger, several drivers were struck on Broadway Street, trying to climb up the hill at Park Av. The Ballinger Police Department closed that section of the

Mostly all daily activities were affected by the blizzard, emergency responders including the City Police Department. Texas DPS and Runnels County Sheriff's Office helped dozens of stranded drivers in the urban and rural areas, whose vehicles were not prepared for the sleet and icy conditions on all the roads.

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#### FUNERALS AND OBITS

#### Ella Lee Grant

Ella Lee Grant, 83, of Winters, died Tuesday January 25, 2011. She was born May 23, 1927 in Winters and lived here all her life. She was a housekeeper and a Baptist.

She is survived by one son: Joe Henry Toliver of San Angelo. One brother Eugene Grant of Abilene. Several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral services were held 2:00 p.m. Sunday January 30, 2011 in the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. James Gehrels officiating. Burial was at Northview cemetery directed by Winters Funeral Home.

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#### NEWS NOTES

**Annual Farm Auction in Wingate** 

The 24th Annual Farm Auction in Wingate, sponsored by the Wingate Lions Club and the Volunteer Fire Department, is currently asking for donations or consign-

Please call Thurman Self at 325-743-6453, Alphus Hill at 325-743-2342 or Suvern O'Dell at 325-743-6061.

**Immunization clinics** 

The Texas Department of State Health Services will be holding two Immunization Clinics in Runnels County. Flu and pneumonia vaccine will be available. In Winters the drive will be held on Thursday, February 3, 2011, from 1:30-5:30 p.m. at the Professional Building, 110 South Main St, Suite 108. For your convenience use the rear entrance, on Grant St.

The second clinic will be held in Ballinger, on Thursday, February 10, 2011, from 10 a.m.-12 Noon and from 1:30-3 p.m. at 608 Strong Avenue, behind the Runnels County Courthouse.

Those attending the clinics are asked to bring child's immunization records. If child has Medicaid or CHIP bring card. For more information call (325) 754 4945.

**VFW** meetings

Winters Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9193 meet the second Monday night of each month at 6 p.m. in the Rock Hotel. All eligible veterans of the United States military are invited to attend.

Co-Dependent Recovery Group
Winters Co-Dependent Recovery Group meeting at Southside Baptist Church on Tuesdays, at 6 p.m. for more information call Theresa at (325) 977 1007.

**Band Boosters** 

The Band Boosters meet at 6:30 p.m every Monday evening at Dot's Diner.

Winters Woman's Club

Members meet the second Tuesday of the month. Call Marlene Smith at 754-4961 for additional information.

#### **NEW MANAGED ACCESS AT LAKE**

Over the past year, the City Council has worked to address various issues at the Elm Creek Reservoir and specifically the "Old Winters Lake" area. Several citizens voiced concerns regarding using the area for illegal hunting, dumping, discharging firearms, and general disorderly conduct that disturbed the peace. To address these issues, the council has implemented a specific hunting ordinance that requires registration and documentation of hunters, adopted a "Managed Access" for the general use of the "Old Lake" area, and equipped the Police Department with vehicles capable of patrolling the lake area and responding to calls for service there. The council also authorized and funded the construction of access gates on the east and west side of the old lake and adopted rules for use at the old lake area.

The new policies apply to the old lake area and not to the general access point at the new lake. They are as follows and will be posted on a sign at both entry gates:

1. ALL PERSONS ACCESSING THE "OLD" LAKE AREA AND WESTERN SHORE AREA OF THE NEW LAKE AREA must enter and exit at managed points of access and must register with the POLICE DEPARTMENT to obtain a user permit and combination lock code for access.

2. The "OLD LAKE AREA" area, on which hunting is allowed, is described as follows:

All of the City of Winters Lake Property lying North of the Old Dam and extending to FM 1770.

3. Hunting must be with shotgun only and may be for dove or duck only (as prescribed by the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife).

4. Only 10 hunters may be registered and use the hunting area in the same period of time. Hunters must register with the POLICE DEPART-MENT prior to each use of the premises for hunting. Hunters must receive a permit and must carry the permit at all times while occupying the premises.

5. ALL USERS must remove all trash or debris generated by the user. 6. No vehicular traffic is permitted off existing roads and improved

7. Each user must remove all his or



POLICE REPORT

Nathan Johnson her personal property upon conclusion of each area use.

8. NO DUMPING OR DEFACING **PROPERTY** ALLOWED

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SIVE NOISE THAT DISTURBS OTHER AREA USERS 11. ALL USERS must relock / secure gate after each entrance and exit.

12. NO user may disclose the lock combination or loan an access key to any unauthorized or unregistered

Failure to follow any of the guidelines or requirements herein or such other guidelines or requirements as promulgated by the City Council or the State of Texas may result in immediate expulsion of the user from the premises and denial of future use permits or area use.

Any person entering the premises above described in violation of these rules shall be considered a trespasser, as defined by Teals Penal Code Sec. 30.05. and may be subject to criminal prosecution.

The following permits will be available to access to the old lake area and can be obtained by contacting the Police Department:

1. HUNTING PERMIT (for appropriate seasons only) with all its accompanying documentation and liability waivers

2. ANNUAL USE PERMIT. This permit must be approved by the Chief of Police and is available to citizens who are willing to submit to a background check, have NO criminal history, are not a "person of interest" in an ongoing investigation, and who are generally believed to have acted responsibly in and around the City of Winters.

3. DAY USE PERMIT. This permit may be approved by the Chief of Police, or officer on duty, and is good for one calendar day.

To obtain a permit, follow this pro-

1. Call Police Dispatch and request to meet with an officer at the Police Department (325-754-4121).

2. Have your Driver's License or ID card, address, and phone number ready, and identify your primary use of the lake area (such as fishing, hiking, picnicking, etc...)

3. Request a day use permit from the officer (annual permit request must be reviewed but a daily permit can be obtained while the background check is being completed).

(You may also fill out the waiver for the background check and annual use permit information at this time and you will be notified when your annual permit is ready for pickup.)

4. The officer will issue a use permit with a combination code. The daily code will be for the RED lock and the annual code will be for the

GREEN lock. 5. Drive to the lake area and select the appropriate colored lock on the gate system (there are several locks on the gate, but only one needs to be open to allow the gate to unlock). Open the lock and slid the bar through the hole where the lock was in place. Pass through the gate and RE-LOCK the gate behind you.

6. Maintain your use permit at all times while in the lake area. Do not loan your permit or disclose the combination to unregistered/unauthorized persons.

It is only necessary to register one driver per vehicle/party using the facility, however; that registered person MUST be present with the group while using the lake area.

We believe the lake is a wonderful resource and asset to our community. We encourage each user to be responsible stewards of the grounds and cooperative with other users of the facility.

On behalf of the Police Department, we hope that the stewardship of the lake area through registration and managed access will result in a cleaner and safer environment for those who wish to access the beautiful property.

We ask for your help and support as we try to fulfill our duty to the citizens to protect and serve.

> Semper Fi, Chief Nathan T. Johnson

#### **VFW POST 9193 PATRIOTIC PEN ESSAY CONTEST**

#### Does Patriotism Still Matter?

Ashley K. Guy Second place in the WJH essay contest sponsored by the VFW Post 9193

"And so my fellow Americans, ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country," said John F. Kennedy, our 35th President of the United States. This is a perfect example of patriotism, the love and devotion to our country, United States citizens have the opportunity to demonstrate their patriotism through their actions and deed, It is important for Americans to love this country and support it's leaders.

This society has become a me generation. We have become a people who care only about one thing, ourselves. Many people don't give to the poor, or give to their church. They thieve from the elderly to survive themselves. Patriotism is honorable and the service men and women who go to war to fight for our freedom are not selfish; they are the ultimate patriots.

My neart defines patrio ism as truth, integrity and loyalty. We live in a world of many opportunities and should be proud and thankful for our freedoms. Be proud of who you are, Be proud of where you live and most of all, be proud of this country. Speak truthfully, live honestly, and fight for what you believe. When these ideals no longer matter then the terrorists have won.

Patriotism is a choice, like most things in life, Minnesota Governor Jesse Ventura (1999-2003) once said "Patriotism is voluntary. It is a felling of loyalty

Check out what

and allegiance that is the result of knowledge and belief. Patriots shows their patriotism through their actions, by their choice." His declaration is a true definition of patriotism and great words to live by. Patriotism is an essential

part of life when you reside in the United States of America. It baffles me that some individuals are not patriots and therefore don't appreciate the men and women who are currently putting their lives on the line for our freedom, peace, and equality. Or that they are not thankful for all those who have served so selflessly before them. All I can say is shame on you people. Shame on you for being so selfish, thankless, and unappreciative! Patriotism does matter. For this country to remain a great nation, all Americans must exhibit their loyalty and love for their country.

#### Does Patriotism Still Matter?

Allison R. Crook Third place in the WJH essay contest sponsored by the VFW Post 9193

Patriotism is the love and devotion to one's own country. There are so many ways to demonstrate patriotism including some rather simple acts like saying the Pledge of Allegiance every day at school, or putting an American flag up outside of your home. Some ways are a lot more difficult though, like joining the military to protect your country and not know if you will ever come back home, Does patriotism still matter? Of course it does! Having patriotism shows that you love and respect everything for which our nation stands.

Some people are willing to sacrifice their life for

#### the love of their country. Many Americans do not realize that people die

ever day because they love and support the United Sates. If somebody that I loved went to war I would be terrified because I wowan t know ii i wowa ever see them again, But I would also be very proud because they would be doing something important to show the passion that they have to protect the United States of America. Some people think that

patriotism does not matter. I think that if someone doesn't believe in patriotism they don't believe in America because patriotism is the glue that holds this country together as one. What do you think would happen in nobody believed in America and it's values? I think our country would-

n't be as strong as it is today if we weren't patriot-

Patriotism isn't just about showing pride in your country, it is about showing love for the people that we share it with as well. The people who live in the United States represent many different cultures and religions, and they are all a part of this great land. Today's children are tomorrow's future, and if they aren't taught to believe in patriotism then our country's future won't be as magnificent as it is today.

The simplest acts can express our patriotism, but our most courageous deeds reflect our ultimate love and devotion. Our youth must learn how fortunate they are to live in a free country like America and that patriotism is one of the most important lessons we can teach this nation.

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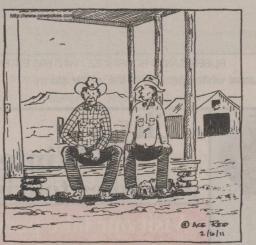
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a tough and trying time but with the help of everyone we mentioned before and also with assistance of the ones we neglected to mention, the out come was a miracle. This included the Winters P.D, the Sheriff's Office and the Texas Rangers, who joined everyone we mentioned in the last edition, and the result was one many people never get to realize and that is the safe return of a loved one.

We count ourselves lucky to live here and special thanks to Sergeant McNulty and Chief Gore.

The family of Samantha Robin Cavazos.

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## JH Girls pushing their way up

WINTERS ATHLETIC REPORT BY STEPHEN HERMESMEYER

**IH Girls Basketball** 

Monday, January 24, 2011 Winters JHG Blue team played TLCA with a score of Winters 29 and TCLA 2. High score belonged to Cedie Taylor with 8 points and Bailee Busher close behind with 7 points. Gabby Madrid, Christa Bahlman, and Katey Reyes all contributed to the score with 4 points each and Jazmine Blackshear with 2 points.

JHG Blue Team also faced TLCA Monday

evening with a score of Winters 38 and TCLA 7. The girls did a great job pushing the ball up the court and executing the offense well. High scorers were Amanda Horton with 12 and Nina Mooney with 10 points. Other contributors were Gabby Jiminez with 8 points and Ashley Guy with 4. Gabby Pena and Maggy Mendoza also added to the score with 2 points each.

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Friday, January 21 Winters JVG White team played Robert Lee JV with a score of Winters 9 and Robert Lee 42. Emily Reyes scored 5 points and Jaymee Pritchard and Coutney Wyatt both scored 2 points each.

Varsity Girls Basketball The Varsity Lady Blizzards played Goldthwaite on Friday, January 28, and fell

32-56 in a hard fought four quarters. The ladies caused 10 Goldthwaite turnovers in the first half and shot 55 percent from the field for the game. Abby Guy led the way with 9 points, Jordan Busher had 8, Bianca Carrillo had 7, Camille Kurtz had 4, and Caitlin Kurtz and Zannie Slimp each had 2. The ladies are sitting 17-11 for the season and 3-2 in district.

JV Boys Basketball

The JV Blizzards hit the court Friday for the first time in over a week, and they were ready to play, scoring a season high of 47 points led by Bryce Mikeska's 18 points, 12 of which came from the four 3pointers to beat the Goldthwaite Eagles 47-37. Matt Pritchard added 11 more points, Nik Kraatz had 7, Chirs Gerhart and Andrew Chavis had 4 each and Nick Perez rounded out the scoring with 3.

Varsity Boys Basketball

The Varsity Winters Blizzards fell 59-30 last Frdiay, January 28, playing at the Goldthwaite Eagles. The Blizzards now have a 2-3 record in district matches and 14-9 for the season. Riley Ripley and Cristian Sandoval led the way with 8 points each, Andy Garcia got 7, Strait Daniel 3, Dustin Oswalt 3 and Devin Martinez 1.

The Blizzards played at home against Christoval last Tuesday, and will be traveling to Miles on Friday to play their secondto-last game of the regular season against the Bulldogs.

Gene, Jeanie, Doug & Amy Wheat

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PHOTOS BY JOE GERHART Bryce Mikeska jumps over the defense at the JV Blizzards game against Goldthwaite. LEFT Varsity Blizzards' Riley Ripley.

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Thursday Sausage Roll or Cereal or Breakfast Burrito, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.

Friday Biscuit/Sausage or Cereal or Cinnamon Roll/Sausage, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.

Note: Menus subject to change without notice. Students may purchase extras: Entree got \$1.00, Milk for \$.30. Sides for \$.50.

WINTERS ISD LUNCH MENU Monday

Salisbury Steak or Chicken Rice Pilaf, Cheesy Potatoes, Black Eyed Peas, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks Apple Wedges, Hot Roll, Choice of Milk

Tuesday Lasagna or Grilled Chicken/Bun, Italian Green Beans, Cooked Carrots, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Rosy Pears, Peanut Pixies, Hot Roll, Choice of Milk. Wednesday

Taco Salad or Bean Chalupa. Spanish Rice, Pinto Beans, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Coleslaw/Lettuce/Tomato, Peaches, Cornbread/Jep.Che. Bread, Choice of Milk. Thursday

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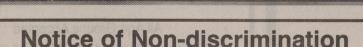
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Caitlin Kurtz drives the ball in the area passing the Lady Eagles defense at the Varsity Girls game.

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#### **Equal Employment Opportunity Statement**

The City of Winters does not discriminate on the basis of color, national origin, sex, religion, age and handicapped status in employment or the provision of services.

The City of Winters has adopted complaint and grievance procedures regarding its Texas Community Development Block Grant Programs. These procedures outline the steps for a citizen to follow if s/he wishes to file a written complaint about proposed TxCDBG activities. The City will make every effort to respond fully to such complaints within ten (10) working days. Citizens may obtain a copy of these written procedures at the City Hall between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Citizens may also request the procedures be mailed to them by calling City Hall at (325) 754-4424.

#### Winters Elementary places second overall in the Christoval UIL Contest



Grace Bryan, Kamri Soto and Brooklyn Galloway, first place team in Sixth Grade Art. Grace placed third, Kamri fourth and Brooklyn fifth.



Grace Bryan, Brooklyn Galloway and Mason Johnson (not pictured) placed second in Sixth Grade Calculators. Grace and Brooklyn tied for the second place.



Kristina Correa placed fifth and Zach Wheat fourth in Second Grade Creative Writing.



Sixth grader Staci Ventress, sixth place in Dictionary Skills.



Skylar Lee placed second in Third Grade Storytelling and second in Spelling.



Grace Bryan placed first and Aaron Smith fourth in Sixth Grade Listening, the team including Mason Johnson (not pictured) finished first.



Fifth graders Bronte Hermesmeyer and Joey Garcia placed second and third in Maps, Graphs, and Charts, the team with Coya Martinez placed second.



Sam Woodall, K'Lee Lindley and Aaron Smith's team placed third in the Sixth Grade Maps, Graphs, and Charts competition, Aaron placed second individually and K'Lee sixth.



The Third Grade Music Memory team wiped the competition, Lexi Briley placed first, Esmerelda Gallegos second, Miranda Rodriquez third, Karlee Busher fourth, and Rico Sanchez fifth. In the team competition the Winters kids placed first.



First place winners in Music Memory Fourth Grade Alexis Silva, Keith Fields, Patrick Reyes, David Fernandez and Summer Schneider. Alexis placed second, Keith third and Patrick fifth.



Brooklynn Anderson, Alyna Rodriques, Megan Jacob and Brenna Knight, first place in Music Memory Fifth Grade, Brooklynn placed first, Alyna second, Megan third, and Brenna fourth.



The Sixth Grade Music Memory team placed first, Justine Garcia placed first, Desiree Wilson second, Kamri Soto was fifth, and Tia Campos sixth.



The Fourth Grade Number Sense team Brittany Blackshear, Patrick Reyes and Gage McFaddin placed third. Brittany placed second and Patrick sixth.



Bronte Hermesmeyer, Alonso Mendoza, Joey Garcia and Macey Gerhart. Bronte, Joey and Macey placed third as a team in the Number Sense Fifth Grade competition.



Justine Garcia, K'Lee Lindley and Marcus Mostad placed third in the Sixth Grade Number Sense competition, Justine placed



Karlee Busher, fifth place in Ready Writing Third Grade.



Jenessa Wade, sixth place in Ready Writing Fourth



Kelsey Riddle finished first in Sixth Grade Ready Writing, Alyna Rodrigues (not pictured) placed fourth.



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Cervenka, an Air Force retired Major, moved back from San Antonio in 1956 to work at his father's farm farming cotton, hay, and raising cattle. A few years later a group of friends including Elliot Kemp decided to form the Runnels County Republican Party. Kemp would later become Ballinger City Mayor and County Judge.

Cervenka always looked forward to stick to the party's principles with a local focus. An example of that was the debate held in 1984 sponsored by the League of Women Voters, in Winters.

Policies to centralize education would lead to feder-



Runnels County Republican Chairman Bill Cervenka (left) and Ballinger Mayor Elliot Kemp (center), in this 1982 photo taken by Carol Jones, receive Senator Mike Richards while he is campaigning for State Comptroller, the picture was printed in The Ballinger Ledger on July

al control over local schools and abolition of school boards, said Cervenka. Under that policy Federal government would exercise complete control over schools, choose teacher, books and dictate policies.

"The Democrats favor gun control; the Republicans advocate for crime control" stated Cervenka in an article printed in The Winters Enterprise on October 25,

Cervenka and group of friends founded the Runnels County Republican Party in 1959, aiming to the 1960 election. He was elected County Chairman in 1965 and kept on leading the

GOP until 2011, when health issues made him step down.

"I always kept a great relationship with everybody, including Democrats, I dealt with a wonderful bunch of people and never had any disagreement with either party or their people," said Cervenka.

However representing a political party has not always been easy. Cervenka remembers back in the days when

In this 1984 picture, taken by Michael Lee for The Winters Enterprise, Bill Cervenka addresses the Literary and Service Club of Winters.

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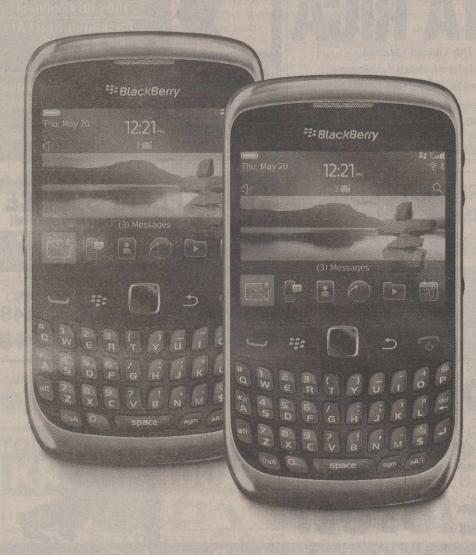
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