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Farewell reception for WISD Superintendent

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
 WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS - Friends and family, teachers and staff members joined last Wednesday, March 9, Winters ISD Superintendent David Hutton, at his farewell reception held at the new Winters High School gymnasium.

Everyone enjoyed the refreshments served, met and wished Hutton good luck in all his future enterprises. Last Friday, March 11 was his last day at the office.

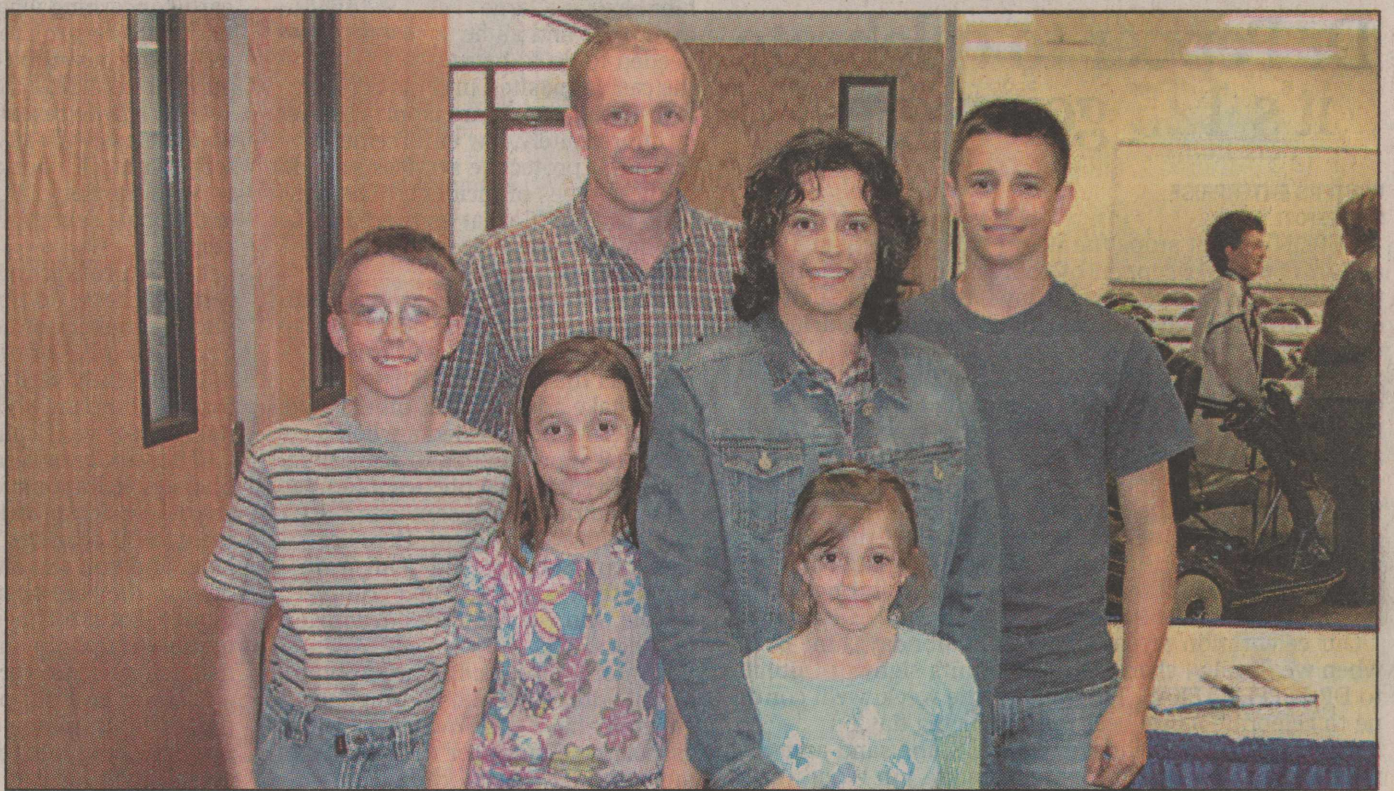
An interim Superintendent will be taking over for the school year until the Board of Trustees completes the hiring process of a new permanent administrator.

Winters ISD Board of Trustees hired John King, a former Superintendent from Early, Texas, to take the seat as interim Superintendent starting after the spring break.

The selection process started in January through the Texas Association of School Boards. Out of nearly 40 qualified candidates registered the list has been narrowed to three. According to School Board members the hiring of a new superintendent will depend on the conditions found in each one of the candidates considered.

"Some of the candidates have a contract they need to finish, and there are several considerations in each one of the cases," said board member Kevin Busher.

Doug Wheat, School Board president, explained that the selection process has been carefully made to meet the requirements of the Winters School system.



PHOTOS RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
 Winters ISD Superintendent David Hutton with his family from left to right: Daniel, Holly, Micah, his wife Shana and eldest son Dave.

Spring clean up starts on March 25

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
 WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS - The first clean up of the year will be held in Winters on the week of Friday, March 25 through Friday, April 1, at the Winters Street Department yard located on Broadway, one block east of Main St. A second clean up will be held later in the year.

The service is for Winters residents only and each participant must produce a current water/garbage bill receipt to participate in this program.

The container will be placed within a fenced area that will only be open weekdays from 8 a.m. through 5 p.m., and Saturday from 8 a.m. through 3 p.m.

The container will be receiving household domestic trash, including construction waste but there are several items that will not be allowed to dump such as tires, auto parts, chemicals, devices with refrigerants oil and shingles.

For more information

about the Spring clean up please contact Shelly Antilley-Guevara at Winters City Hall, at 754 4424.

The City of Winters is also working on a separate housing program for families in need, getting ready to build four new family homes.

Alan Hollander, City Manager, said this program will be part of a campaign entitled "Embrace the Partnership," looking forward to increase participation of the people in the area, and encourage care of our own neighborhood.

"We are in the midst of tearing down four houses that are being built for four families. Demolition works are almost done in one of the sites and soon we'll be working in the others," said Hollander.

This project has been developed for several years now, and is being funded by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, sharing matching portions with City funds.



David Hutton, with his daughters, Holly and Micah shows his gratitude for the gift he received

Fatal rollover in Fisher County

WINTERS ENTERPRISE
 STAFF REPORT

ABILENE - One person was killed in a one vehicle crash occurring Tuesday at 4:09 p.m. The crash was on County Road 324, one-tenth of a mile east of Farm Road 2831 in Fisher County.

Joyce Rook Walker, 90 years of age from Roby, Texas, was pronounced dead at 4:58 p.m. at Fischer County Hospital. The body was taken to Wethersbee-Ray Funeral Home in Rotan, Texas.

Walker was driving a 2002 Lincoln Towncar west bound on county Road 324. The vehicle left the roadway, overturned and came to rest in the ditch.

The weather was clear and the roadway was dry. Trooper Christopher Michael Romo is investigating this crash.

Two candidates file for City Mayor

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
 WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS - Two candidates filed to run for Mayor in the City of Winters election that will be held in May 14. The deadline for the City Council election, School Board election, and Hospital District Board of Directors election was last Monday, March 14.

Rufus People and Lewis Bergman filed to occupy the place currently held by Mayor Dawson McGuffin. McGuffin had previously announced that he would not be filing for re-election. Two more places are open for the City council, the District 1 seat, currently held by Jim Lincycumb and District 3 seat, currently held by Rene Woffenden. Both Aldermen filed for reelection and will run unopposed.

The Winters School Board is having three seats up for election, Place 5 currently held by Board President Doug Wheat, Place 2 held by Board Secretary Carla Hooper, and Place 6, this one a place at large, currently held by Kevin Busher. All three board members filed for re-election.

Barron Guy also filed as candidate for Place 6 and will be challenging Kevin

Busher.

The North Runnels Hospital has three seats up for election for the Board of Directors and three incumbents signed up: Marvin Jones, Joe Guajardo and Freddie Grohman.

Grohman was seated by the board of directors to fill the unexpired term of Melanie Wade during a special meeting on March 7, 2011. Wade left the place vacant in October 2010. All positions at the North Runnels Hospital Board of Directors are at large.

Window for candidates to file was open from February 14 until last Monday, March 14. Election day is scheduled for Saturday, May 14.

Thursday, April 14 will be the last day to register to vote for the Saturday, May 14, 2011 election. Early vote by personal appearance will be held from May 2 through May 10.

For more information on the City election call the City Hall, at 325 4424. For more information on the Winters ISD Board of Trustees election contact Glenda McKneely at 754 5574. For more information on the Hospital Board of Directors election contact North Runnels Hospital, at 754 4553.

Next delivery is retirement

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
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WINTERS - After 41 years in public service, the last 35 within the U.S. Postal Service, Postmaster Jerry Sims will be retiring on April 1, to enjoy his life, share more time with his family... and play golf.

Sims, a native of Stamford, Texas, came to Winters at an early age with his parents, enlisted in the Navy for four years after graduating from Winters High School, and made a career in the Postal Service.

Sims' career with the Post Office took him to Wingate, where he worked as Postmaster; in Anson was named Officer in Charge, and also worked in Bronte until he finally became Postmaster in Winters.

"Neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of

their appointed rounds," says the unofficial motto of the U.S. Postal Service, and for Sims this was a tough mission more than once.

In February, all roads in the Big Country were covered with a thick layer of ice for several days, a severe blizzard froze all activity in the area... all but the mail delivery. The mail truck sent to Abilene ditched due to the slippery road, and Sims had to take the mail on his own truck "that day at the ice storm wasn't funny."

Sims is also very well known golfer in Winters, he participates in mostly all tournaments held in the Winters Country Club either as player, organizer or both. Now, with retirement around the corner, Sims said he will spend more time traveling with his wife Jan, visiting with his family and making more rounds than ever at the golf course.



PHOTO RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
 Jerry Sims, Winters Postmaster will be retiring on April 1, after 41 years and 3 months dedicated to public service.

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FUNERALS AND DEATH NOTICES

Lydia Estella Yanez

Lydia Estella Yanez, infant daughter of Carlos and Marisela Yanez of Winters, passed away Sunday, March 13, 2011. A viewing was held Tuesday afternoon from 3:00 to 5:00 PM and Rosary at 6:00 PM. Funeral Service for Lydia Estella Yanez will be Wednesday at 10:00 AM in the Chapel at Heritage Family Funeral Home in Ballinger, Texas.

Winters Enterprise, March 17, 2011

Dr Pepper to celebrate it's 125 going greek

WINTERS ENTERPRISE STAFF REPORT

DUBLIN - What stops the world from turning at 10, 2 and 4? Dublin Dr Pepper, of course! That's when Atlas takes a break - three times a day - to enjoy the delicious, refreshing taste of the most unique soft drink in the world.

Dublin Dr Pepper invites all our friends, family, and even Greek mythology buffs to our Big Fun GREEK Birthday!! It will be our 120th Birthday Celebration and it's on Saturday, June 11, 2011. Come join the fun as we transform our Dr Pepper complex into the Playground of the Gods. Sure as the sun rises in the east, Hermes (the god of swift traveling) will be there to start the 10-2-4K run that morning, or maybe you prefer joining Nike (the god of Victory) on the Tour de Pepper, exhibiting feats of endurance in the 9, 34 or 62 mile rides.

Our celebration actually begins on Monday, June 6 when we (legally) change the city limits signs of Dublin to DR PEPPER TEXAS. Throughout the week, we'll continue to celebrate as we gear up for the big day on Saturday. Starting Wednesday, June 8, the sand arrives for master sand sculptor extraordinaire Jon Woodworth to begin his masterful creation Friday evening, and Alleyfest kicks it off with some of the most interesting and unique crafts from vendors across the great state of Texas. There is also live music from the 10-2-4 Band until the sun goes down. Then we'll all move on over to the Dr Pepper stage - which will look a lot like the Parthenon—to watch a classic movie, The Adventures of Hercules - Disney style!

As always, family-friendly games and activities are the center of the party. This year, young and old alike can attempt to climb Mt. Olympus, or join in a number of other games geared to show off your Herculean strength. Delicious food and live music will be abundant, as well as all the free Dublin Dr Pepper you can drink and a Dr Pepper Birthday cake that is sure to delight even the finickiest (and hungriest!) of the gods.

This marvelous celebration has been tradition since Dublin Dr Pepper turned 100 years old. It's our way of thanking our friends and family (cause they are way more than just customers) for another year of support and friendship. You can check our website, www.dublinpepper.com for more information as details are finalized. You may also call Dublin Dr Pepper Special Events at (254) 445 4210 or contact us at drpeppertx@embarqmail.com.

Recently, I was contacted about an ongoing scam. The victim had responded to an advertisement in a magazine directing him to put his contact numbers at various locations around the city and "if his number were picked" he would win a prize. The scammers then told him he won a large cash prize and all he needed to do to have the cash deposited into his account was to pay a small transportation fee. Unfortunately, law enforcement and adult protective services see a lot of these types of incidents. The old Latin saying, "Caveat emptor" for "Let the buyer beware" seems more appropriate than ever.

The word "scam" means "a fraudulent or deceptive act or operation." There are many "tried and true" methods that unscrupulous people use to take advantage of others, and the internet has created a whole new realm of opportunities to scam uninformed victims. No one wants to be scammed or to have someone they love taken advantage of. Here are some tips to help avoid being a victim of those unethical and criminal people who want to take advantage of others.

1. Internet issues: Pay attention to e-mail addresses. Major companies generally have their own website and associated e-mails for their staff contacts. If the e-mail is xyzbigcompanyname@yahoo.com or xyzbigcompanyname@gmail.com, for example, it's likely a scam.

2. Don't open email from unknown sources. Scam artists try a shotgun approach by sending out a barrage of emails hoping for one or two takers. If you are selling a product online, be wary of offers that exceed

Beware of SCAMS



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the actual value of your product. Also, the buyer should be able to pay in the method that you request such as PayPal or a valid major credit card. Use a reputable auction or sell site.

3. If you are buying something online, search for products from reputable sites. Use a credit card that you specifically use for online transactions only. This will make it easier to cancel the card if there's a problem and to track any unauthorized transactions. Check with your card concerning what protection you have with regards to online purchases. As the buyer, be careful what you purchase online.

4. Do a little research before you do business with any company. Ask for references, check out the company with the Better Business Bureau, and Google search the company or person.

5. When contacting companies to verify a check, do not trust the phone numbers or addresses listed in the job offer or document. Independently verify a phone listing for the company and contact that number for verification.

6. Be very careful in responding to phone solicitations from business or charitable organizations. There are many local charities in need of your help, and you can always check up on how they are spending the money. Local businesses have a reputation to uphold and their advertisements can be verified.

7. Never give out personal information over the phone or internet to someone who initiated the contact - even if they say it is for security of an already existing account or document. Get their information, obtain a callback number from an independent source, then verify the issue with the appropriate provider.

8. Consider paying with a credit card rather than a debit card or wire transfer. Most credit card companies will help recover your money if you

haven't received the product or service.

9. Document everything you can, whether it is a phone recording, e-mail, text, or letter. You will need paperwork to prove your case if you end up making a fraud report about the incident.

10. Report suspicious incidents to the police and other fraud watch organizations such as Fraud.org. They may not always be able to get your money back, but they are able to track trends and warn other consumers.

11. Be suspicious of a check, money order or bank transfer you did not earn, especially if it comes with a request to return (or forward) part of the funds to someone else. Scammers often create sophisticated counterfeit checks resembling those from financial institutions and large companies. Just because you can deposit the check and withdraw money doesn't mean the check or money order is good. It can take weeks, even months, for counterfeits to be discovered; however, you can still be held responsible and it can cause major problems for you financially.

12. Be careful to maintain (and shred) copies of credit and debit card receipts or checks. These documents have identifying and account information that should be kept in the right hands.

13. Finally, use your gut instinct. If it sounds too good to be true, then it probably is. There is no "free lunch". Everything costs "someone" "somewhere" "something"! Don't be scammed.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at the Winters Police Department and we will do our best to assist you.

Semper Fi,
Nathan T. Johnson
Chief of Police
Winters, TX

A&M going Android

WINTERS ENTERPRISE STAFF REPORT

COLLEGE STATION - Texas A&M University takes another step in being a leader by providing fast and easy access to campus services through TAMUmobile apps, with its latest development being an app for Android smart phones.

Finding out where to eat, what's happening and how to get around are common questions on every college campus. The answers to these questions can now be found quickly and easily on the new Android application developed by the Division of Marketing &

Communications at Texas A&M.

Android users can quickly get mobile access to the university calendar, campus bus schedules, the latest campus news and updates, campus directory, the university library, athletics and more. The Android version of TAMUmobile follows the release of the iPhone version in 2009 and Blackberry app in 2010. TAMUmobile is now available as a free download in the Android Market at <http://tx.ag/droid>.

"We currently have more than 80,000 active users of our iPhone and

Blackberry apps. During the beta test of our Android app, we had more than 2,400 active users and expect this to grow," says Diane C. McDonald, director of social media in the Marketing & Communications Division.

Teri, an early user of TAMUmobile app for Android posted this review of TAMUmobile in Android Market: "Great app! I'm a new student this semester and this helped me find my classes and get familiar with the bus system."

"The new Android app is the next step in the progression toward providing

information in the fastest and most convenient way," says Jason Cook, vice president of the Division of Marketing & Communications. "The goal is always to provide information in a way that fits today's mobile lifestyle. We expect Texas A&M's presence in the mobile arena to continue to expand as communications and technology advance and evolve."

For more information about TAMUmobile apps, view the new video on YouTube at <http://tx.ag/droid2> or visit <http://www.tamu.edu/mobile>

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NOTICE

MEMBERS OF NORTH RUNNELS WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION

The North Runnels Water Supply Corporation will hold its 34th Annual Membership Meeting **Monday, March 28, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.** in the **Winters Activity Center**, located at 601 Wood Street Winters, Texas.

Included on the agenda is the 2010 Financial Statement Audit, presented by Merritt, McLane, Hamby CPAs. Also, the ballots for the three Directors (3-year term) will be counted and revealed. The Director's terms for Will Duggan, Danny Prado, and Sylvia Richie will expire at this meeting.

For the 3-year term, seeking re-election are incumbents: Will Duggan, Danny Prado, and Sylvia Richie. Other candidates for election are Paul Bilberry, James Griffith and Andy Smith.

New officers for the year will be elected at the annual meeting. Presently serving as officers are N.R. "Roeneal" Boles, President, Raymond Lindsey, Vice President, and Craig Gehrels, Secretary Treasurer. Present Directors are Barron Guy, Will Duggan, Tim Timmerman, Steve McCulloch, Danny Prado and Sylvia Richie.

There will be a drawing for door prizes and refreshments will be served. ALL MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION ARE URGED TO ATTEND THIS ANNUAL MEETING.

PUBLIC RECORD

Marriage Licenses

Michael S. Watkins and Sheri L. Collins, Feb. 7
Rodolfo Lopez and Tia N. Davis, Feb. 21
Jordan L. Champion and Bridgette V. Janssen, Mar. 3
Gilberto F. Salazar and Sierra N. Limon, Mar. 10

Divorces

Sheila Z. Stille vs. Walter A. Stille, Feb. 28
JoAnn Cortez vs. Eusebio Reyna, Mar. 3

Charles N. Jackson vs. Judy K. Jackson, Mar. 3
James Davis Ammons vs. Heather Louis Ammons, Mar. 4
Mary Jo Kemp vs. Elliot J. Kemp, Mar. 10

Runnels Co Criminal Docket and Fee Book

Robert Guevara Jr., Feb. 11, Possession of marijuana
Tania Marie Essex, Feb. 15, Criminal trespass
Justin Ray Rodriguez, Feb. 17, Theft
David Molina, Jr., Feb. 24, DWI
Amanda New, Feb. 24, Theft by check
Rebecca Nunez, Feb. 24, Theft by check
Jason Lloyd Beddo, Feb. 24, Terroristic threat
Jose Luis Moreno, Feb. 24, Fail to comply with duty

Brandon Greathouse, Mar. 10, Theft by check
Brittany Jewel, Mar. 10, Theft by check
Martin Mata, Mar. 10, Theft by check
Lindsay Smith, Mar. 10, Theft by check

Jail Record

Joshua Gibbs, 26, RCSO, MTR-DWI
Christopher J. Teague, 18, Concho, Possession marijuana
Ranay C. Mathews, 18, Concho, Possession marijuana
Carlos C. Cavazos, 64, BPD, Public intoxication
Stella Nembrano, 49, RCSO, Theft by check
Christopher B. Rock, 39, Concho Co., Assault causes bodily injury - Family violence

Philip M. Huerta, 22, Concho Co., MTR-FTA-MAAM

Jimmy D. Bishop, 58, Concho Co., Cooperative agreement w/states
Jay Criswell, 37, US Marshall, Fail tax comply, registered sex offender
Braiden Z. Granzin, 20, RCSO, Theft (Class B)
Alvie P. Sisk, 33, RCSO, Arson, Assault family violence

Osvaldo Condarco, 22, Menard Co., MTR-Burlary habitation
Sammy J. Lopez, 47, RCSO, Burglary of building
Rebecca Nunez, 20, RCSO, TBC
Rudy S. Torres, 50, Tarrant, Non Support
Jerod K. Wilson, 30, RCSO, POM
Richard S. Sanchez, 44, DPS, DWI
Ana Dehero, 21, RCSO, Illegal entry
Brandon A. Guidry, 20, Coke, POM

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NEWS NOTES

Rodeo Playday cancelled
The Winters Rodeo Association Playday scheduled for March 19 has been canceled. The arena is open for anyone who would like to practice.

Norton sausage and pancake supper
The Norton Lions Club will have its Annual Sausage and Pancake Supper on Saturday, March 19, from 5:30 p.m. through 7 p.m. Tickets will be \$5 all you can eat wit carry-outs available. The supper will be held at Norton Community Center, 210 Holloway Ave. Norton Texas.
Proceeds will be used for community center repairs.

Experience Works in Runnels County
Experience Works, formerly Green Thumb is having a countywide campaign for people looking for work.
Baby Boomers and over in need of a job may call at (254) 675 2024 and contact Liz Cox, Employment and Training Coordinator with opportunities available, or e-mail at liz_cox@experienceworks.org
For more information visit www.experienceworks.org, Hispanics are welcome.

Dove Festival seeking for arts coordinator
The Dove Festival Committee is seeking an individual or organization who can take over the arts and crafts show portion of the Dove Festival. If you or your organization is interested please contact Chris Bahlman, Alan Cooper or Amanda Collom. The arts and crafts show portion of the Dove Festival is an asset to our local down town businesses and the committee would like to go forward with this part of the event if possible.

Diabetes seminar for families
Texas Lions Camp, in cooperation with Texas Tech Health Sciences Center - Permian Basin, is conducting an exclusive advanced diabetes education seminar for the entire family, including siblings and grandparents on Saturday, April 16 in Kerrville, Texas.
Attending this seminar will provide knowledge, understanding, and confi-

dence for the entire family. Grandparents will spend a portion of the day in sessions specifically designed for their unique situations, and siblings will have a break out session of their own. More details are available at www.lion-scamp.com.

Players needed for Alumni game
The Winters Blizzards are needing football players for the 2011 Winters Alumni Football game vs Ballinger. The game will be held on April 8-10 TBA. Info can be obtained through www.alumnifootballusa.com or contact Winters alumni Scott Billups at (325) 529 4513, cell (325)280-7932

Nominations open for Man of the Year
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.

Deadline nears for Taylor Electric scholarship
Taylor Electric Cooperative supports member families each spring by offering \$1,000 scholarships to high school seniors who are residential Taylor EC members.
The deadline for consideration is April 1, 2011. Applications are judged by an independent panel of educators, who judge students based on academic performance, community involvement, test scores, transcripts, letters of recommendation and financial need.
High school counselors have applications in their office, and the forms also are available in a downloadable file at www.taylor-electric.com. Click on "Community Connections."
For more information, call Communications Director Kelly Thompson at 325-793-8538, or email her at kelly@taylorelectric.com.

Annual Farm Auction in Wingate
The 24th Annual Farm Auction in Wingate, spon-

sored by the Wingate Lions Club and the Volunteer Fire Department will be held on April 2; auction is currently asking for donations or consignments.
Please call Thurman Self at 325-743-6453, Alphas Hill at 325-743-2342 or Suvern O'Dell at 325-743-6061.

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.

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.

AA Meetings
AA meeting are held at 204 W. Truett behind church on Main St. Tuesday and Thursday at 7 p.m.

Ballinger Al-Anon meetings
Al-Anon meetings will be held every Monday and Wednesday at the First United Methodist Church of Ballinger, on Broad Ave. Meetings begin at 7:00 p.m.
Please enter through the south side of the church. FMI contact Theresa at (325)977-1007

Chamber of Commerce
Chamber of Commerce meets at 5:30 p.m. first Monday of the month at DLC Realty 116 S. Main St. in the backroom.

City Council Meetings
Winters City Council meets at 6 p.m. the last Monday of the month at 310 North Main.

School Board Meetings
Winters ISD School Board meets at 6:30 p.m. every second Monday of the month at 603 North Heights.

Wingate Masonic Lodge meetings
Wingate Masonic Lodge 1042 A.F. & A.M., meetings on fourth Monday of the month, at 6:30 p.m. at Wilmeth, TX Lodge. For further information contact

Hank Bourdo, at 754-2048.

Ballinger Masonic Lodge meeting
Masonic Lodge # 643, 500 N Broadway, Ballinger Tx.
Stated meetings are at 7 p.m. on the first Monday of every month except for holidays if it falls on that Monday. For more information call 325-365-3202.

15th Annual Open Bass Tournament
The 15th Annual Open Bass Tournament sponsored by the Bassin' Bunch Bass Club will hold its annual registration at the Ballinger Community Center from 4-9p.m. on Friday, March 25,2011. The Ballinger Rotary Club will prepare hamburgers for the public for \$5 from 5-9p.m. The Ballinger Chamber of Commerce will host the registration and buy a meal for anyone entering the tournament. The Chamber is also selling raffle tickets on a Glock 19 9mm with 2-10 round magazines, chances are \$1 or 6 for \$5 proceeds will go to Special Olympics Texas. FMI on the tournament or the registration please contact the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce 325-365-2333 or by email coc@ballingertx.org.

Dog attacks pedestrian on Fannin St



RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
WINTERS ENTERPRISE
WINTERS -The Winters Police Department impounded a dog after an attack occurring last Monday, March 7, on Fannin Street. The dog, owned by Tony Hernandez, is a female pitbull and had not been vaccinated. The animal was quarantined and will be kept at the animal shelter.
Michael Barnes, 44, reported the incident to the Winters Police Department after he was walking down the road and the unleashed animal bit him on the left arm, below the elbow. The attack occurred at about 9 p.m. The bite hurt skin and tissue, but was not considered serious.
The dog will be kept in the animal shelter for 10-14 days.
City of Winters Code of Ordinances require all domestic animals within the city to be vaccinated and registered.

'Facelift' performed at the Carnegie Library

WINTERS ENTERPRISE
STAFF REPORT
BALLINGER - Turning 100 is a good reason to develop some marks and wrinkles, and for the Carnegie Library, in Ballinger, the celebration of its first century in West Texas is also a good reason to have a little "facelift" performed.
Last Monday, March 14, a crew of volunteers took down the four columns at the facade, using a special rig designed by Ed Studer, took down the columns one at a time and transferred them to the parking lot, north of the building.
Max Pratt, member of the Carnegie Library Board of Directors supervised the operation, and said that the columns will be evaluated and repaired, probably for the first time since they were put in place.
May of 2011 will mark the 100th anniversary of the dedication of the Carnegie Library. The building was built thanks to a generous donation by philanthropist Andrew Carnegie, who believed that anyone could achieve success through hard work, education and optimism.

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Flood safety awareness week

March 14-18, 2011

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SAN ANGELO - NOAA's National Weather Service (NWS) has designated March 14-18, 2011, as the annual Flood Safety Awareness Week. It floods someplace in the United States or its territories nearly every day of the year. In the past 30 years, floods have killed an average of 95 people a year and have caused an average of \$7.5 billion dollars in damages annually. The goals of Flood Safety Awareness Week are to heighten public awareness of the risks associated with floods and flash floods, inform the public about NWS forecast and warning services and flood safety information, and empower citizens to take actions necessary to protect their lives and property.

Floods can occur any time of the year and at any time of the day. Currently, many areas across Texas are dry and are experiencing drought conditions. However, even in times of drought, rapid rises in normally dry draws, creeks and rivers is possible due to excessive rainfall over short periods of time. Spring and early summer seasons are favorable times for thunderstorm development that can produce significant amounts of rainfall and cause localized flooding.

Extensive information about flooding and flood safety, including educational materials, videos, brochures, and news articles can be found online at:



<http://www.weather.gov/flood-safety>

For local information about Flood Safety Awareness Week, please contact the NWS office in San Angelo at 325-944-9445.

During Flood Safety Awareness Week, the following topics will be highlighted:

Advanced Hydrologic Prediction Service

The Advanced Hydrologic Prediction Service (AHPS) is the NWS frontline solution for providing improved river and flood forecasting and water information across America. AHPS provides a suite of graphical and

numeric products over the Internet to assist the public, community leaders and emergency managers in making better life and cost saving decisions about evacuations and movement of property before flooding occurs. The broad reach of AHPS extends the range of forecasts from short-term (up to 6 hours) to long-term (out to weeks and months). AHPS provides the public with more detailed and accurate answers to the following questions: How high will the river rise? When will the river reach its peak? Where will the flooding occur? How long will the flood last? How long will the drought continue? and How certain is the forecast? Your gateway to web resources provided through AHPS begins here: <http://water.weather.gov>

Turn Around Don't Drown

Most flood-related deaths occur in motor vehicles when people attempt to drive through flooded roadways. Don't underestimate the power of flowing water across a road. NWS has developed the flood safety slogan: Turn Around Don't Drown and hopes you will remember these words when you're faced with a flooded roadway and have an important decision to make. Be especially cautious when driving at night when it is harder to recognize flood dangers.

Yellow warning signs which include the phrase "Turn Around, Don't Drown" are compliant with the Federal Highway Administration Regulations and can be deployed on roadways where flooding occurs.

Floods, Droughts, and Other Related Phenomena.

Many parts of the nation will experience floods or flash floods this year. In other areas, drought will prevail. Hydrologic extremes have always plagued our vast nation. Tropical cyclone inland flooding, snowmelt flooding, ice jams and debris flows are just some of the flood-related phenomena which pose a threat to Americans.

Flood Insurance

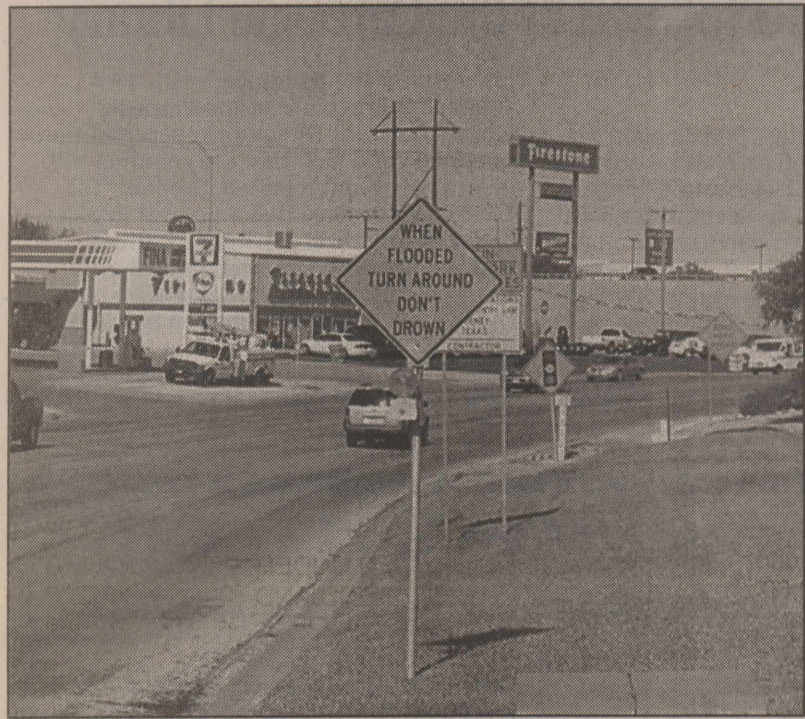
Flood losses typically are not covered in homeowner insurance policies; however, flood insurance is available in communities taking part in the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) National Flood Insurance Program. FEMA's FloodSmart campaign promotes the idea that all Americans should know their flood risk and choose the appropriate flood insurance. For more information on flood insurance, refer to <http://www.floodsmart.gov>

Flood Safety

NWS, along with government and private sector partners, educates communities across the United States about flood risks and how to respond to flood threat. Knowing what to do before, during and after a flood can save lives and reduce injuries and property damage.

Flash Flood/Flood Safety rules:

- Avoid areas subject to sudden flooding.
- Do not attempt to drive through a flooded road. The depth of water is not always obvious. The road bed may be washed out under the water, and you could be stranded or trapped.
- Do not drive around a barricade. Barricades are there for your protection. TURN AROUND DON'T DROWN!
- Be especially cautious at night when it is harder to recognize flood dangers.
- Underpasses can fill rapidly with water, while adjacent roadways remain clear. Driving into a flooded underpass can quickly put you in 5-6 feet of water.
- If the vehicle stalls, leave it immediately and move to higher ground. Rapidly rising water may engulf the vehicle and its occupants sweeping them away.
- Do not camp or park your vehicle along streams and washes, particularly during threatening conditions.
- Children should NEVER play around high water, storm drains, viaducts, or arroyos. It is very easy to be swept away by fast-moving water.
- Never try to walk, swim, drive, or play in flood water. You may not be able to see how fast the flood water is moving or see holes or submerged debris.



CAFETERIA MENU

March 21-25
Subject to change*

WINTERS ISD BREAKFAST
Monday
Biscuit/Sausage or Cereal or Scrambled Eggs, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.
Tuesday
Breakfast Pocket or Cereal or Breakfast Taco, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.
Wednesday
Biscuit/Egg Pattie or Cereal or Breakfast Taco, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.
Thursday
Breakfast Pizza or Cereal or Pancake/Sausage Link, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.
Friday
Biscuit/Sausage or Cereal or Muffin/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
Sloppy Joe or Popcorn Chicken/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Black Eyed Peas, Peaches Cup, Tossed Salad/Carrot Stick, Hot Roll, Choice of Milk.
Tuesday
Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce or Steak Fingers w/Gravy, Green Beans, Tossed Salad/Carrot Stick, Rainbow Bar, Bread Stick, Choice of Milk.
Wednesday
Frito Pie or Chicken Fajita, Spanish Rice, Pinto Beans, Coleslaw, Tossed Salad/Carrot Stick, Orange Wedges, Cornbread/Jep.Che. Bread, Choice of Milk.
Thursday
Grilled Chicken/Bun or Beef Shepherd Pie, Broccoli w/Cheese, Tomato Pasta, Tossed Salad/Carrot Stick, Peanut Butter Cookie, Peaches Cup, Hot Roll, Choice of Milk.
Friday
Cheese Burger or Filled Cheese Sandwich, Oven Fries, Baked Beans, Lettuce/Tomato Tossed Salad/Carrot Stick, Hot Cinnamon Apples, Choice of Milk.
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You've heard the saying, "It's not personal, it's just business." When we use this phrase we typically mean that the listener knows we are just doing business. But, I can tell you, as a business owner, an employee, a manager, and as a customer, my emotions surface even in a business transaction. Recently, I pulled out my

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MONDAY
Ham, Lima Beans, Cabbage, Cornbread, Jam Crunch Bar.
TUESDAY
Meatballs, rice, Mixed Vegetables, Hot Roll, Cookies.
WEDNESDAY
Lasagna, Corn, Tossed Salad, Garlic Bread, Oatmeal Cake.
THURSDAY
Chicken & Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Roll, Peaches.
FRIDAY
Mexican Cornbread, Pinto Beans, Cole Slaw, Crackers, Dessert.

Meals are served 11:30 a.m. daily. Anyone who does not take the meals regularly is asked to reserve a lunch by contacting the Activity Center at 754-4205 by 1 a.m.

copy of Getting Past No by William Ury. The book is a quick read and a helpful resource for negotiating through confrontation to cooperation. These five tips have helped me through conversations at work, at home, and even at the grocery store.
Don't React: Can you think of times when you just reacted to what someone said versus listening to them? According to Ury, there are three natural reactions to conflict; striking back, giving in or breaking off. Think of a business situation where a customer or a vendor pushed you to the point of reacting. By reacting, you lose your ability to be objective and make it hard to be constructive. The best way to work through that natural tendency is to recognize your reaction. Understand what causes you to react and try not to let others push your "hot buttons."
Don't Argue: This tip may not be easy for some. In a stressful situation, it

is easy to argue or become defensive. You fall into the trap of wanting to make the other person understand your side of the issues. However, it is actually easier to work through a conflict if you make the effort to see the other person's side of things. By actively listening to the other person's issues and asking questions, you can actually defuse a conflict. It may help when you are working with an employee and performance issues. By better understanding someone, the better you can work with them.
Don't Reject: In negotiations, it is easy to dismiss the other person's position. As a good negotiator, it is important to shift from the person's asserted positions to their actual interests in the negotiation. Rather than trying to change a person's position on a topic, you can work on negotiating an outcome that serves both of your interests. For example, you may not

change a vendor's payment policy, but you may be able to negotiate with them on their interests such as how quickly do they need to be paid, how much you need to pay them and when.
Don't Push: There may be many reasons why a negotiating process breaks down. Two very common reasons are the fear of losing face and trying to push too much too fast. Keep in mind that in negotiations there can be fear of giving too much away or agreeing to something that isn't reasonable. Take the responsibility as a negotiator to recognize why the other person or business isn't willing to work with you. You may be pushing the other person into a decision they are not ready to make.
Don't Escalate: Ury uses the term, "Don't escalate, educate." If you are in a negotiation process and the other party is resistant to negotiate, you may be tempted to exert more power to get your way. At this point, you have two choices: to either force the person into a decision or attempt to educate the person so you both can

win. Using threatening words during a negotiation will cause the other party to become defensive. Try using respectful words to show the person that not coming to an agreement will cause more harm and not allow them to advance their interests. This approach can keep the conversation going versus shutting down. These simple tips can be useful for various business or personal situations. If you have an upset customer or employee, try this approach. You may be surprised at the results. In an economy where it is costly to find new customers and employees, you may find by using these negotiating techniques, you will keep a relationship that is valuable for everyone.
This article was written by Ms. Cindy Hartin, CEBS Fellow, Business Development Specialist and Certified Business Advisor II, of Angelo State University's Small Business Development Center. For more information on the topic of this article or the services of the ASU SBDC, contact her at Cynthia.hartin@angelo.edu or (325) 942-2098.

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Pride and dedication



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Faye Dean, LVN was honored as North Runnels Hospital Employee of the Quarter for the fourth quarter of 2010. Faye is an LVN at North Runnels Hospital and also serves as a certified pharmacy tech. Pictured with Faye is administrator Sidney Tucker.

Runnels Co Veterans Service Officer retires

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS - The Runnels County Commissioners Court held a regular meeting last Wednesday, March 9. Dr. Shaughn T. Sims was present and spoke with the court regarding the possibility of conducting drug testing, as required by Runnels County. No action was taken at the meeting.

Court approved the request of Brent Jones for an easement to cross CR 282, 1 mile south of HWY 158 to lay a water line to water livestock.

A bill was unanimously approved to make budget amendments and line item adjustments to the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2010 and ending September 30, 2011 regarding Aging Services, Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education Fund, and County Judge.

An order was passed to approve the Investment Policy for Runnels County, effective March 2011, as presented by Ann Strube, County Treasurer.

Runnels County Veterans Service Officer Arlen A. Vaughan presented his letter of resignation effective on May 1, 2011 or upon replacement.

An order was passed to approve the bid of Andy Martinez, of Winters, in the amount of \$1,401 for a property held in trust. The property is lot 2, block 6, southside, in Winters, and the bid of Brenda Anderson, of Winters, in the amount of \$501 for property held in trust being out of the Thomas Green Survey 490, abstract 232.

Commissioners considered temporary help at Senior Citizens Center while one employee is absent for medical reasons, but no action was taken.

Runnels County Commissioners Court also accepted minutes of previous meetings, and approved each of County Treasurer's report, Auditor's report, and Tax Collector's monthly report.

Sheriff recovers trailer and ATV

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS - Runnels County Sheriff's Office recovered last Thursday, March 10, a trailer and ATV reported stolen in Concho County. The trailer, hauling the smaller vehicle had been abandoned in Highway 67, about 12 miles west of Ballinger, in a rest area.

The ATV unit, a Kubota 1100 RTV is equipped with heating and A/C, has a diesel engine and is valued around \$15,000. The trailer recovered is a 20 foot Big Tex. Both were secured, processed for evidence and hauled back to Concho County by the Concho County Sheriff's Department.

Several burglaries have been reported recently all over the area. Last week a ranch in Bethel was burglarized, and Runnels County Sheriff's Department also recovered another trailer taken from Taylor County and abandoned between Drasco and Wingate on February 11.



It's a small world... after all

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
WINTERS ENTERPRISE

BALLINGER - In a world wide open and full of possibilities, the odds of finding an old friend from decades ago in a different city are very limited, but with patience, a little research and destiny playing its roll, two old friends were reunited in Ballinger, after 56 years.

Janice Amarine became friends with Pamela Ryan Gould in Coleman in the 1950s. She used to spend some time during the summer there to visit her cousin Judy. Pamela lived with her parents in Roselawn Ave. and Judy's family lived on Miami Ave. Their houses were back-to-back and the backyards became a common playground.

"They had a swing set, and I used to swung her, we were really good friends," said Janice.

They spent the summer evenings entertaining each other, having tea parties and at the swing set. "They even taught me how to make pictures out of crushed rocks," Pamela recalls.

After some years, when Pamela was 7-years-old, the Goulds moved from Coleman, and Janice never heard from her friend again, at least not for the next five decades.

Judy got married and moved to Georgia, Janice graduated from high school and eventually became Dispatcher at Ballinger Police Department.

Janice always wondered what had happened to her old friend Pamela Ryan Gould, where she had gone or what she did with her life. She never knew about her until one day, when she was reading the newspaper. In the obituary section she saw a name that caught her attention, Mrs. Lillian Gould, of Coleman, had passed away and her survivors included a daughter named Pamela Henderson, from Lake Ivie.

Janice fell she was loosing the floor, Pamela Henderson and her had been going to the Avenue B Church of Christ for over 11 years. "When I went and told her 'You are Pamela Ryan Gould' she just said 'how do you know my middle name,'" said Janice.

"When I was a little child we moved away, years passed and I got married, and then me and my husband moved to Lake Ivie and started attending to church in Ballinger, I guess it was just the ways of the Lord," said Pamela.

Once they knew that they had much more in common than just attending the same church, both women became good friends again, started visiting with each other to share their memories, and catch up with the old times.



ABOVE: Pamela Henderson and Judy's cousin Janice Amarine were reunited in Ballinger after 56 years, when they found out who they were.

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RIGHT: Pamela Ryan Gould, at age 5 with Judy Poarch in this picture taken in 1954, in Coleman, Texas. PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

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