Winters Enterprise

Thursday, March 24, 2011

Wreck on Main St. sends two children to hospital

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ WINTERS ENTERPRIS

WINTERS - A two-vehicle accident sent two children to the hospital with minor injuries, and caused a road closure last Thursday, March 17, on Main St. and Broadway St. for about two hours. The accident happened at about 9:30 a.m.

A white Ford F150, crew cab, driven by Justin Lee Deike, of Winters, was headed southbound on Main St. hauling a single-bail hay trailer. Headed northbound also on Main St. was a white Chevrolet pick up, extended cab, driven by Joe Hernandez, of Winters.

Deike was headed to West-T-Go and tried to turn to his left, on Broadway St. Deike failed to vield right of way to the incoming traffic and his truck was hit almost headon by the Chevrolet pick up.

After the collision the Ford pick

up ended up facing north. The impact sent the Chevrolet pick up truck, driven by Hernandez into a nearby utility pole, on the sidewalk of the City Hall.

First responders helped both drivers and two passengers that were on the Chevrolet truck. Troy Hernandez, 10-years-old, and Joey Hernandez, 9 years-of-age, were taken to North Runnels Hospital with minor injuries and for further evaluation.

Winters Fire Department helped to take drivers and passengers out of the vehicles. Officer Paula Geyer, with the Winters Police Department, is investigating the case. Winters Police Department was aided by Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper Jeremy Sherrod and Runnels County Sheriff Bill Baird.

The four lanes on Main St. were open for circulation at 11:15 a.m.



PHOTOS BY RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ

Joe Hernandez was driving a Chevrolet pick up northbound on Main St. when he crashed head-on into the incoming truck.



A white Ford F150, driven by Justin Lee Deike, was going southbound on Main St. and tried to turn left to get into West-T-Go.



Through traffic headed northbound and south was sent to alternate routes for almost two hours.

Winters resident grandson featured in fundraiser

WINTERS - Chisum Allen, the grandson of Marie Allen, of Winters, was featured as one of the "Miracle Kids" at the KIXY Cares for Kids radiothon on February 24-26, in San Angelo. The event raised over \$154,098 in donations

and pledges. Chisum's story stood out as father, Rusty Allen, recalled June 13, 2010. The Allen family's world turned upside down when a traumatic event left their son, Chisum, in danger. Just before leaving to watch his sister compete in the National High School Rodeo finals, Chisum attempted a jump from his father's skid steer loader to the hay accumulator. He lost his footing, fell in between and was run over by the skid steer loader. Shannon's Trauma Center dispatched Airmed1 to the scene for help and Chisum was eventually hospitalized for six days with blood in his

lungs, a spleen injury and a fractured pelvis, clavicle and multiple ribs. Thanks to the exceptional care he received at Shannon Medical Center, Chisum is back up on the horse and of life and is raring to become the next best cowboy.

The radiothon was held at the Sunset Mall with DJs Jay Michaels, David Carr and Miracle Mom Delaine Fuchs highlighted stories of children in the Concho Valley who have been treated at Shannon Medical Center. The 2011 Miracle kids were introduced and we revisited former Miracle Families.

"We have been so blessed to listen to these families share their incredible stories," said Sharla Adam, Director of CMN. "The miracle stories Jay, David and Delaine shared were full of inspiration and hope. Because of the response that we had this weekend, we will be able to continue to touch the lives of the children treated at Shannon Medical



PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

Chisum Allen, grandson of Marie Allen, of Winters, suffered serious injuries in a farm accident. He was treated in San Angelo and now he is one of the Miracle kids featured in San Angelo's radiothon.

Is it a plane, is it a bird?...

The water tank restoration started in Winters last Monday, March 21, with workers from Maguire Iron Company installing the first rigs and equipment, in order to repaint inside and out the water containers. Workers from the South Dakota based company gave a very unusual view, hanging with cables and getting everything ready for the renewal at the south tank located on Grant St., between Tinkle and Wood. In January of 2011 the City Council approved the bid of Maguire Iron Company, of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, for the rehab of the elevated storage tanks. PHOTO JOE GERHART



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Attendees at the E.D. Workshop included Randall Conner of Winters, Tammie Virden of Ballinger, Kathy Keane of Eden and Tammy Thorn of Bronte.

Regional development workshop

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EASTLAND - Economic and community development representatives from throughout the region met in Eastland on March 16 to sharpen their development

A workshop entitled "Secrets of Economic Development Unveiled" offered presentations by several E.D. specialists. Topics included: economic development programs and assistance available through the Governor's Office; what's new in economic development; legislative update; prospecting for prospects and how to respond; and legalities that ED organization must follow.

The workshop was open to members and guests of the Texas Midwest Economic Development Alliance. The Alliance was formed in 1999 to provide educational and networking support to TMCN cities actively engaged in economic develop-

The E.D. Alliance is one of several programs conducted by Texas Midwest Community Network, an organization of "communities working together to accomplish what one community cannot do alone." The regional organization sponsors a number of networking events during the year as well as projects to market the region for business and tourism devel-

TMCN member cities include: Abilene, Albany, Anson, Aspermont, Baird, Ballinger, Brady, Breckenridge, Bronte, Brownwood, Buffalo Gap, Cisco, Clyde, Coleman, Colorado City, Comanche, Cross Plains, De Leon, Dublin, Early, Eastland, Eden, Goldthwaite, Gorman, Hamilton, Hamlin, Haskell, Hico, Knox City, Menard, Merkel, Miles, Munday, Ranger, Robert Lee, Rising Star, Roscoe, Rotan, San Angelo, Santa Anna, Snyder, Stamford, Sweetwater, Throckmorton, Tye and Winters.



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FUNERALS AND DEATH NOTICES

Blasa Cordova

Blasa Lara Cordova, 84, of Ballinger passed away Wednesday, March 16, 2011 at Ballinger Memorial

She was born February 3, 1927 in Harlingen, Texas to Santos and Manuela (Castanon) Lara. Blasa and Jose Cordova were married March 16, 1956 in Brownsville. She had lived in the community since 1961 and was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rowena. In 1993 after 16 years of employment, she retired from Dry Manufacturing. She was preceded in death by two sons, Jose Abel

Cordova, Jr. and Victor Cordova. Blasa is survived by her husband, Jose Cordova of Ballinger; daughter, Maria Cordova of Ballinger; brothers, Aniceto Lara of Harlingen and Bruno Lara of San Benito; sisters, Olivia Lara and Santa Lara, both of Houston. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews, including

Esmeralda Perez.

Rosary was recited Friday, March 18 at 7:30 pm at Lange Funeral Home Chapel in Ballinger. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Saturday, March 19 at 10 am at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rowena with Fr. Ariel Lagunilla officiating. Burial took place in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery.

Services were under the direction of Lange Funeral Home. Guests may register online at ballingerfuneralhome.com.

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Wildfire conditions prevail in Texas

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COLLEGE STATION - Texas Forest Service officials stayed on alert last week due to weather conditions that could lead to dangerous wildfires in several regions, including north and west of a dry line from Wichita Falls down to Midland and Van Horn, and the Guadalupe Mountains.

In this area of West and Northwest Texas, temperatures reached the 90-degree range, with relative humidity of 10 percent or less, and winds 15 to 20 miles per hour gusting up to 30 mph.

In the past days, Texas Forest Service responded to 67 fires burning 14,726 acres. So far this year, the agency has responded to 364 fires burning 246,089 acres. More than 1,750 structures have been saved, and 170 structures have been lost.

Of the 254 counties in Texas, 169 currently are reporting burn bans.

Residents should avoid outdoor activities that could generate a spark or open flames. Even if your area has had recent rain relief, it could still be in danger of wildfire. Clear combustible materials away from your home and don't do any outdoor burning until the threat of fire decreases and burn bans are

ANNUAL FARM AUCTION

IN WINGATE

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UVALDE - The 2011 Farm and Range Forum

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will be held April 1-2 in Uvalde, with this year's theme being "Conserving Our Rural Heritage." According to event

organizers, the forum will be "of interest to landowners, urban and rural conservationists, and anyone interested in the history and dynamics of the region as it faces economic and social challenges.'

The forum begins Friday at noon with participants leaving by carpool or caravan from the Uvalde Adult Activity Center, 250 E. Main Street, for a field trip to Harris Ranch, a large working ranch outside Uvalde. At the ranch, experts will give smallgroup demonstrations and explanations of recommended range management practices, riparian values and protection, and healthy rangeland plant diversity, as well as opportunities for income diversification. Activities will be followed by a steak dinner at the ranch and "campfire conversation" among the participants. Each of Saturday's

forum activities will take place at the Uvalde Adult Activity Center. Breakfast is available at the center from 7:30-9 a.m. From 8-9 a.m. an optional session on pesticide laws and regulations will be offered. Official forum presentations will take place from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. These include panels addressing topics ranging from public benefits of private lands to land fragmentation, economic development, crop diversification, rain enhancement and maximizing conservation values of rural lands. Featured presentations include discussion by landowners who have chosen to place conservation easements on their property and an introduction to the "Barn Again" program of the National Trust for Historic Preservation and its tax credit offering for barn restoration.

Keynote speaker during Saturday program will be Con Mims, general manager of the Nueces River Authority.

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Registration for the event is \$40 per person for Friday activities only, including the tour, steak dinner and campfire discussion. Registration for Saturday only, including breakfast, breaks and lunch, is \$65 per person. Registration for both Friday and Saturday is

\$85. Student registration

is half price.

Checks should be made payable to "Texas Wildlife Association" and registration form and payment should be mailed to: Texas Wildlife Association, Attn: FandR

Forum, 2800 N.E. Loop 410, Ste. 105, San Antonio, TX 78218. There are also options to pay by credit card using fax or

Registration forms and details are available at the following websites: www.greensatx.org, www.texas-wildlife.org, www.hillcountryalliance.or g and www.bexaraudubon.org.

A block or rooms is being held for a limited time at the Holiday Inn Express in Uvalde at the rate of \$89.95 per night. For more information on this, call 830-278-7300 and reference the 2011 Farm and Range Forum.

The Farm and Range Forum was developed to foster dialog between rural landowners and urban conservationists, recognizing that in Texas, with over 95 percent of land in private ownership, conservationists who wish to conserve wildlife habitat must depend on and cooperate with landowners who provide steward-

The forum this year is being planned by the Bexar Audubon Society, **Edwards Region Grazing** Lands Conservation Initiative, Green Spaces Alliance of South Texas, Hill Country Alliance, Nueces River Authority, San Antonio Conservation Society, Texas Agricultural Land Trust, the Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Texas Department of Agriculture, Texas Wildlife Association and U.S. Department of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Sponsors and exhibitors are welcome. Contact Courtney Hollimon at chollimon@texas-widlife.org or Helen Holdsworth at hholdsworth@texaswildlife.org or 800-TEX-WILD (800-839-9453).

St. Patrick's Day celebration



PHOTOS CONTRIBUTED

St. Patrick's Day party was a success at Runnels County Rehab and Nursing Center. Enjoying the activities for the celebration are back row from left to right Annie Liddell, Activities Director, Memory Ln. Maria Pompa, CNA, and residents Twila Evans, and Gentry, Edward Day and Paula Wilson, with the glasses on were Clovis (Snuffy) Smith and Dennis (Blue) Graham. Everybody enjoyed with the music, dance and refreshments. Special thanks were given to all staff and family members that joined for fun.

One man dies in wreck in Nolan Co

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ABILENE - One person was killed and one injured in three vehicle crash involving an 18 wheeler, a wrecker and a pick up truck occurring Thursday, March 18, at 2:55 p.m. The multiple crash was located on IH-

Ronald Manndler Jett, 57 years-of-age from Lubbock, Texas, was pronounced dead at the scene by Judge Sharon Gardner at 3:40 p.m. The body was taken to McCoy's Funeral Home in Sweetwater, Texas. Jett was not wearing a seat

in Nolan County.

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Mikle Lee Sadler, 62 years-of age, of Loraine, Texas, was injured at the scene and taken to University Medical Center, in Lubbock, Texas.

The crash occurred when the 18 wheeler, driven by Tem Tanh, from Georgia, was merging onto IH-20 from U.S. 84. Tanh lost control of his rig and it rolled onto its side.

A Freightliner wrecker

driven by Jett, struck the overturning 18 wheeler, and a Ford pick up truck driven by Sadler took evasive action to avoid the developing crash and overturned.

Sadler was taken to the hospital in incapacitating condition with a head injury, Sadler was wearing a seat belt.

The weather was clear and the roadway was dry. Trooper Gilbert Valdez is investigating this crash.

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Texas A&M University hero's biography to be unveiled

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COLLEGE STATION -"Rudder: From Leader to Legend," the first comprehensive biography of one of World War II's foremost heroes who later put Texas A&M University on its path to prominence – Gen. James Earl Rudder — will be formally unveiled during campus ceremonies on

Thursday, March 24. The 5 p.m. ceremonies, expected to be attended by the book's author, Thomas M. Hatfield, and a host of dignitaries, will be held in front of a larger-than-life statue of the late Gen. Rudder. The statue, in turn, is adjacent to the landmark 11story office building and theater-exhibit hall complex named in his honor.

Gen. Rudder's legend began when, as a lieu-tenant colonel, he led the Army's Second Ranger Battalion up the cliffs of Pointe du Hoc on France's Normandy Beach on D-Day during World War II in a fierce battle with German defenders.

Tracking Rudder from Texas to Britain, across France, and into Germany was high adventure," said Hatfield. "To uncover the truth, I walked the ground in every place that was significant in his

entire life in Europe and this country, and I read virtually every related document I could find."

Rudder, a native Texan and 1932 Texas A&M graduate, went on to serve as head of the Texas Land Office, and then became president of his alma mater, and of The Texas A&M University System, from 1959 until his death in

1970 at age 59. He is credited with laying the groundwork that transformed Texas A&M from a small all-male predominately military college to the comprehensive teaching, research and service university that it is today — with almost 50,000 students, a 2,800-member faculty and an annual research budget exceeding \$630

The roll-out of "Rudder: From Leader to Legend" will be among the most extensive ever for the book's publisher, Texas A&M University Press, a scholarly publishing house that has more than 1,250 titles to its credit, noted Charles Backus, the Edward R. Campbell '39 Press Director. In the process of publishing that array of books, Texas A&M Press has become one of the leading public university presses in the

nation since its establishment in 1974.

"Tom Hatfield brings the perfect combination of experiences, skills and sensibilities to the writing of this book," said Backus. He noted that Hatfield — now an internationally-recognized military historian whose work has focused espe-cially on D-Day and the winning of World War II - spent several formative summers in College Station, worked while a student at the Texas Land Office while Rudder was commissioner and later served in an Army Reserve unit commanded by Rudder.

Some observers may find irony in the fact that the 528-page book about the man who personifies Texas A&M to most Texans, and especially to Aggies, is written by the director of the Military History Institute at the University of Texas at Austin, the institution widely considered Texas A&M's foremost rival. Gen. Rudder's career, however, shows that he worked effectively with people from all over the state and nation to accomplish great things, Backus pointed out, and Hatfield devoted nearly a decade to researching and writing the book.

Taste of championship



PHOTO BY RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ

The Winters Blizzards rallied seven runs in the sixth inning against the Ballinger Bearcats, to secure a victory in the second game of a double header held last Friday, March 18 in Winters. After tying the match Winters scored two more in the bottom of the eight, and celebrated the non-district victory with a taste of championship.

Food vendors moved to Courthouse lawn

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ

WINTERS ENTERPRISE BALLINGER -**Commissioners Court** approved in a regular meeting held last Tuesday, March 22, to relocate food vendors to the Courthouse lawn for the 36th Annual Ethnic Festival, to be held in Ballinger on April 30

trough May 1. The request, made by Ballinger Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Tammie Virden looks forward to provide food vendors with a better location, closer to the arts and crafts booths, in order to improve their sales.

According to chamber's figures three trailers will be located on the Courthouse lawn. Commissioners discussed about the new location, on regards of possible damages to the lawn and trees, and finally voted three to one to approve the propos-

Commissioner Bobby Moore, the one who voted against the new measure, said he didn't oppose the relocation but he would rather consult with Rick Minzemayer, AgriLife Extension entomologist for Runnels and Tom Green counties.

Among other agenda items approved by the Commissioners Court was the opening of bids for emulsified asphalt and topping rock for county roads. Holly Asphalt was awarded the winning bid for emulsified asphalt and none of the bids received for topping rock was con-

sidered at this time. **Commissioners Court** considered results of outside audit report and head the racial profiling report

presented by Runnels

County Sheriff Bill Baird. Commissioners received the request for a space for weekly meetings of the Healthy County Weight Watchers at Work Program. Use of the exercise room was approved at the meet-

The meeting passed the payment of all current accounts and any accounts that have been preapproved between court dates by members duly appointed by the Runnels County Commissioners Court.

The court didn't take any action on budget amendments/line item adjustments to the 2010/2011 Fiscal Year budget, and an item in the agenda to consider trading a water truck in Precint 3.

Experience Works in Runnels County Experience Works, for-

merly 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

> **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 confidence 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.lionscamp.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

Deadline nears for Taylor **Electric scholarship Taylor Electric**

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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

High school counselors have applications in their office, and the forms also are available in a downloadable file at www.taylorelectric.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, sponsored 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, Alphus 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 p.m. Please enter through the south side of the church.

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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 informa-

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Blizzards, Bearcats split double header

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WNTERS - The Winters Blizzards divided honors last Friday, March 18 in a double header played at the Blizzard Field against Ballinger. In the first game, an early rally paid off for the Bearcats given them a 14-2 win, but in the second match they were unable to hold a seven run advantage and fell 11-10 in extra

In the first match, held at 1 p.m., Ballinger rallied four runs in the first inning and never lost the advantage to secure their eighth non-district game of the season.

Logan McCoy and Nolan Esquivel each batted two doubles. McCoy batted in four runs, Ely Self con-tributed with three, Esquivel batted in two and Rhyan Ehlers had one.

Spencer Ryan stole two bases, and each of Alzado Rodriguez and Skylar Schniers stole one.

Kyle Halfmann completed

a double play. Pitcher Rhyan Ehlers completed the game in five innings, allowing three hits and two runs, none of them earned. Ehlers gave away five bases on balls, and struck out eight rivals; 57 of his 99 pitches were strikes.

Kyle Halfmann completed a double play.

For the Blizzards Chris Gerhart pitched two innings, allowing six hits and seven runs, five of

CAFETERIA MENU

March 28-April 1

WINTERS ISD BREAKFAST

Monday

Biscuit/Sausage or Cereal or Cheese and Egg Omelet, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.

Tuesday Breakfast Pizza or Cereal or

Breakfast Pocket, Toast s/Jelly,

Juice, Choice of Milk.

Wednesday

Biscuit/Egg Pattie or Cereal or Sausage on Stick, Toast w/Jelly,

Juice, Choice of Milk.

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

Stick, Peaches, Hot Roll, Choice

of Milk

Tuesday

Lasagna or Chicken/Bun, Italian

Green Beans, Cooked Carrots,

Fossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Rosy

Pears, Peanut Pixies, Hot Roll,

Choice of Milk.

Wednesday

Nachos or Bean Chalupa,

Spanish Rice, Pinto Beans,

Tossed Salad/Carrot Stick. Coleslaw/Lettuce/Tomato.

Peaches, Cornbread/Jep.Che.

Bread, Choice of Milk.

Thursday

Chicken Nuggets/Gravy or Sloppy

Joe/Bun, Broccoli w/Cheese,

Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy,

Tossed Salad/Carrot Stick,

Oranges, Bread Pudding, Hot

Roll, Choice of Milk.

Friday

Chicken Burger or Pizza, Curly

Fries, Baked Beans,

Lettuce/Tomato, Tossed

Hot Roll, Choice of Milk..

ad/Carrot Sticks, Apples Crisp,



PHOTOS BY RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ Fabian Esquivel tags out Kyle Halfmann in first base, during the second game of the double header held at Blizzards'

them earned, and he gave

away one base on balls. Riley Ripley finished the game with three innings, four hits and seven runs, three of them earned. Ripley gave away three bases on balls and stroke out four rivals.

In the second game the Barcats took an early advantage, rallying three runs in the first inning, and increased the gap with five more in the sixth, but by the bottom of the seventh inning Winters came back with a seven run rally that would tie the match. The Blizzards scored two more in extra innings to win 11-

Each one of Clent Bryan, Strait Daniel and Fabian

Esquivel batted in two runs, Jace Thomae, Bryce Mikeska, Hayden Nitsch and Chris Gerhart contributed with one.

Strait Daniel and Thomae batted doubles. Clent Bryan pitched the

whole eight innings allowing 13 hits and 10 runs, two of the runs were earned. Bryan had two bases on balls and struck out three batters.

For the Bearcats Ely Self batted in three runs, Nolan Esquivel brought two more and each one of McCoy, Beau Gonzales, Rhyan Ehlers and RJ Nombrano contributed with one.

Alzado Rodriguez batted two doubles, and each one of Beau Gonzales, Nolan Esquivel, Ely Self, Rhyan Ehlers and Kyle Halfmann also batted a double.

Spencer Ryan and Beau Gonzales each stole a base. Self started the game

pitching for the Bearcats, he completed five innings allowing five hits and two runs, both of them earned. Self gave away four bases on balls and stroke out 10 batters. Beau Gonzales pitched for one inning allowint four hits and seven runs, five of them earned, he had two bases on balls and one stroke out. Logan McCoy finished the game for the Bearcats pitching one inning and two thirds with four hits, two runs, both earned, gave away



Chris Gerhart hit a single with runner on third in the bottom of the eight, to break the tie and give Winters the victory in the second game.

Winters Athletic Report

Softball: (Airhart) San Angelo Softball Tournament March 3-5, 2011 March 3 Game 1 11-3 Winters Stamford Game 2 Winters 17-8 Junction JV March 4 Game 3 Winters JV 2-13 Mason Game 4 Winters 24-8 Brady Game 5 Winters JV 6-10 Junction JV March 5 Game 6 Winters JV 12-21 Brady Game 7 12-9 Winters **McCamey** Game 8 11-14 Winters Mason

This tournament provided both the JV and Varsity teams with lots of opportunity for playing time. Each game was 1 hour 45 minutes and all games went the full time limit. It was really good for our young players as well as our pitchers to be able to work on their game. We were very pleased with the progress both teams

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Ozona

Game 9

Winters

Winters at Santa Anna March 8, 2011 Inning 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Final Winters 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 Santa Anna 2 0 2 2 0 3 - 9

Singles: Abby Guy (2) Doubles: Bibi Mendoza (1) Walks: Kruse (2), Watson (1), Cooper (1), Lindley (1), Torres (2)

Winters Softball vs. TLCA March 11, 2011 3 4 5 6 7 Final Inning 1 2 Winters 3 1 0 1 0 11 1 0 0 4 2 3 0 10

Singles: Kat Lindley (2), Sabrina Oswalt (2), Randa Watson (1), Brianna Taylor (2) Doubles: Kat Lindley (1), Randa Watson

Triples: Shelby Gehrels Pitching: Kat Lindley 8 strikeouts, 13

Winters Softball vs. Eden March 11, 2011 Inning 1 2 3 **Final** Winters 5 5 7 17 Eden 1 1 0

Singles: Shelby Gehrels (1), Randa Watson (1), Michelle Kruse (1) Doubles: Bibi Mendoza (1), Randa Watson (1)

Triples: Shelby Gehrels (1), Randa Watson (1) Pitcher: Kat Lindley 6 strikeouts, walks District Record: 2-1 Baseball: (Spivey)

March 3-5, 2011 **Hamlin Varsity Tournament** Game 1 Rotan 2 Winters 8 Game 2 Winters 1 Hamlin 2 Winters 4 Ballinger 8

Winters Varsity (4-2, 0-0)

March 7, 2011

Winters JV at Ballinger Winters JV 3 Ballinger JV 13 Winters JV (0-2)

March 8, 2011 Haskell Varsity at Winters Haskell 7 Winters 5 Winters Varsity (4-3, 0-0)

The Varsity Blizzard Baseball Team took third place in the Bang's Tournament over the weekend. The Blizzards advanced to the semi-final game by defeating 2A Clyde 7-4. Picking up the win for the Blizzards was senior pitcher Clent Bryan. Leading the way at the plate were junior Strait Daniel and freshman Chris Gerhart.

Inning 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 H R Vinters 1 0 2 0 4 - - 6 7 Clyde 0 1 3 0 0 - - 4 4 Winters Clyde

Despite out hitting the Buckaroos 7 hits to 4 hits, the Blizzards fell to 2A Breckenridge by the score of 6 to 4 in the semi-final game.

Inning Winters 2 0 0 2 0 0 - 7 4 Breckenridge 3 0 0 0 3 - - 4 6 In the third place game the Blizzards

knocked off 2A Eastland 14 to 2. An outstanding day at the plate by the Blizzards helped junior Riley Ripley picked up his first win of the season in his first start. Leading the offensive attack were Riley Ripley who racked up 4 RBI's on 3 hits that included 2 run shot in the third inning; junior Striat Daniel (3-4, 1-3B, 2 R) and sophmore Kolton Alexander (3-4, 1-2B, 1 RBI, 2R).

Inning 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 H R Winters 2 0 9 1 2 - - 15 14 Eastland 0 0 0 0 2 - - 3 2

Strait Daniel and Riley Ripley were selected to the Bangs All-Tournament Team. The Blizzards finished the tournament with an overall season record of 6-4.

Tennis: (Villarreal)

JH Girls Track: (Motheral) Seventh Grade

Discus		
Name	Distance	Place
Bailee Busher	53'3.5"	6
	High Jump	
Name	Height	Place
Athena Mata	4'	4
	Long Jump	
Name	Distance	Place
Athena Mata	13'2.5"	1
Cedie Taylor	12'11.5"	2
- Department -	Shot Put	
Name	Distance	Place
Bailee Busher	25'	5
	800	
Name	Time	Place
Athena Mata	2:54.46	5
	100	
Name	Time	Place
Cedie Taylor	14:65	2
	400	
Name	Time	Place
Gabby Madrid	69.52	1
	200	
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Gabby Madrid	30.81	1
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Gabby Madrid, Athena Mata, Jessica Roman, Cedie Taylor

Eighth Grade Shot Put Distance Name Place Casey Wright 28'7" 4x100 Relay Time Place 59.67 Ashley Guy, Gabby Pena, Maggie Mendoza, Brandi Wright

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ATHENS – Gilmer Reservoir sent a new lake record largemouth bass to the Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center (TFFC) March 17, and the next day Caddo Lake sent the existing lake record largemouth to Athens for the second year in a row.

The Caddo fish is especially noteworthy since it was the biggest fish caught in Texas last season, and it moved into the lead again this year. At 16.07 pounds it tops a fish from Lake Austin that weighed 16.03 pounds. It takes over the number 20 spot on the Top 50 list of biggest bass ever caught in Texas and also ranks number 16 due to its previous catch, when it weighed 16.17 pounds.

Two fish caught this season now are on the Top 50 list, the Caddo fish and the Lake Austin fish, which dropped to number 23.

Catches of 16-pound or bigger fish are extremely rare. Only 25 have been reported in Texas. Two of those came during the current season and two last season. Prior to last season, no 16-pound or bigger fish had been reported in Texas since the 2001-2002 season. This is the sixth season that two or more 16-pound-plus fish have been caught. Three were caught in each of the 1990-91 and 1991-92 seasons; one of those was the current state record 18.18-pounder caught from Lake Fork in 1992.

Thomas Milam of Pittsburg kicked off the action March 17 about 2:20 p.m. when he caught a 14.0-pounder from Gilmer Reservoir on a pumpkinseed craw worm in four feet of water. The fish was 25 inches long and 21.75 inches in girth. It is new lake record, eclipsing the former record of 11.41 pounds caught in 2009.

Since 1996 Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) has stocked about 450,000 Florida largemouth bass into Gilmer Reservoir. It is likely that Milam's fish was stocked into the lake in 2000 or 2001.

March 18 Sean Swank of De Berry, Texas, caught Toyota ShareLunker 522 from Caddo Lake. When the fish was scanned for a PIT tag (Passive Integrated Transponder) at TFFC, it was found to be the same fish caught from Caddo last year by Keith Burns and entered into the ShareLunker program as No. 487. At 16.17 pounds, it

became the new lake record.

Our canopy was the sky...

Commentary by Dr. Don Newbury
If cruise ships were circuses, there'd be no tents large enough for their hundreds of intriguing rings, many of them up and running at all hours of the day. The "big top" for vacations on the high seas is the sky.

This analogy came to mind as we sailed toward the Caribbean Sea from Florida's Port Everglades on Holland America's Zuiderdam for a 10-day cruise to the Panama Canal. As Fort Lauderdale faded from view, we perused booklets of 'see/play/eat/do" options during the 3,200-mile adventure. Even with serious "picking/choosing," we knew that we could partake of a mere smattering of this splendid vessel's offerings.

Soon, stars sparkled above us, blinking reminders to "tune out" the workaday world and to "tune in" leisure under the biggest of big tops....

Much may be taken for granted by 2,000 fellow vacationers, most of whom have cruised on multiple occasions. Dining, featuring food prepared by master chefs who turn out some 110,000 meals on the trip, is memorable. Also anticipated on Holland America vessels are lavish floral arrangements at every turn, as well as antiques and art dating back to the 18th century.

Classes covering numerous interests are offered, plus ports-of-call excursions, varied entertainment and "people-watching" extraordinaire.

There's always the unexpected. On this cruise, ages varied from eight months to 95 years. The latter, perhaps the eldest, was Dr. C. Everett Koop, US Surgeon General appointee of Presidents Ronald Reagan and George H. W. Bush. Finding cruises to be "helpful to his health," he was easily identified by his signature full beard. Dr. Koop graciously signed autographs and conversed with whomever wished to chat....

Cruise entertainment was as varied and well-received as any in memory. In addition to comedy, singing, dancing and magic acts was a showstopping musical group called Island Magic. Three

members of the quartet "play" chrome-plated oil drums, with the fourth accompanying on a traditional drum set.

You read it right. The 55-gallon barrels originally contained oil. Bands with up to 100 members are common in the Trinidad homeland, where longtime drum "makers" now teach the conversion art in college. For starters, the barrels are turned upside-down, with bottoms "concaved" to produce 30-40 musical notes when struck by small cushioned sticks.

Julian Gibbs, founder and leader of Island Magic, says that such bands often include 10 members, but he knows of no other with as few as four. Steel drum music has been his passion for more than 25 years. His group is now in its 19th year on cruise ships, and one fellow member, Dereck Ayum, has "drummed" out the melody for 17 years....

The musicians, none of whom read music, have "paid their dues." Until recent years, Island Magic performed pool side, a common assignment for such groups. Gradually, their popularity led to featured entertainment venues. For the past seven years, Island Magic has enjoyed headliner status, the last three for Holland America Lines.

My wife and I agree that the quartet provided the most memorable entertainment we've experienced in a decade of cruising. The drummers produce marvelous orchestral sounds on numbers ranging from Broadway to

Beethoven...and beyond. It is easy to understand why the quartet ranks #1 in fleet entertainment. The Vista Lounge fills to near its 850-plus capacity for both shows on "Island Magic" night. Standing ovations are common, as they are for a voluntary "encore show" on the final day at sea. It was standing room only then, too, with intermittent "standing O's," the longest for the Christian group's gospel medley. It includes "To God Be the Glory, "Amazing Grace" and "When the Saints Go Marching In." All members of the group are refreshingly humble, freely mingling with guests throughout the cruise....

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.

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