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Winters awarded Community of Achievement

WINTERS ENTERPRISE
 STAFF REPORT

ABILENE- Winters was named a "Community of Achievement" at the 18th Annual Texas Midwest Conference, October 19, at the Abilene Civic Center. The award was presented to Mayor Pro Tem Jim Lincycomb and Chamber of Commerce President Don Wood. A large delegation of Winters citizens was present for the presentation.

According to TMCN President Jimi Coplen, Knox County Visiting Group, "the awards program sponsored by TMCN encourages communities in our region to be better prepared for the future." More than 400 community representatives from 45 cities in the region were present for the luncheon and awards presentation.

An application for the award was submitted in July which detailed Winters' community-wide plan (vision), beautification efforts (pride), student participation on local projects (youth involvement) and website (connectivity). When applications are received by the TMCN office, individuals from neighboring communities in the region are assigned to visit the city to conduct a windshield tour of what a visitor sees and experiences when they come to town (assessment). Information from the windshield tour is then provided to local leaders.

Other recipients of this year's Community of Achievement Award include Ballinger, Colorado City, Eastland, Eden, Miles and Haskell.

TMCN member cities are 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, Rising Star, Robert Lee, Roscoe, Rotan, San Angelo, San Saba, Santa Anna, Snyder, Stamford, Sweetwater, Throckmorton, Tye, and Winters.

The mission of Texas Midwest Community Network is to promote a regional approach to provide the resources and awareness for its members to achieve economic and community growth. The organization provides a means by which communities can work together to accomplish what one community cannot do alone.

STUDENTS JOIN TMCN CONFERENCE IN ABILENE



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WACC President Don Wood and Mayor Pro Tem Jim Lincycomb accepted the Community Achievement Award from TMCN President Jimi Coplen, Executive Director for the Knox County Visiting Group.



Mayor Pro Tem Jim Lincycomb holds the Community of Achievement award given to the City of Winters last Wednesday, October 19 at the 18th Annual Texas Midwest Conference.

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Against all odds Eagles fall at Blizzard Stadium

CHARLES MURPHY
 ENTERPRISE CONTRIBUTOR

WINTERS- According to the "experts" the Blizzards did not have much of a chance on Friday night and that is what it looked like as things got started. Things are not always what they seem as the Blizzards put it on the Goldthwaite Eagles in an impressive win over the defending district champions 36-20. The Blizzards offensive line put on another line play clinic and in the process Cristian Sandoval would gain 159 yards on 24 carries, Riley Ripley 72 on 13 carries while Hayden Nitsch got 65 yards on 11 carries as the home team put up 302 on 51 carries.

Winters captains Nitsch, Sandoval, Andy Garcia and Riley Ripley represented the Blizzards for the coin flip. They won the toss, chose to defer to the second half and defend the south end. It appeared that the experts had been correct as the Eagles scored on the second play of the game on the most



Riley Ripley runs with the ball while being tackled by a defender at the game last Friday, October 21 at Blizzard Stadium.

PHOTO: JOE GERHART

basic of plays, the QB sneak that went for 56 yards and the first touchdown of the contest. The extra point was good and the Eagles had a 7-0 lead with only 52 seconds gone in the first quarter.

The ensuing kickoff and return set the Blizzards up at their own 31 and the home

team began an eight play drive that would end in a interception after going for it on fourth and two following a punt that was called back on fourth and seven. The interception set the Eagles up at the Blizzard 40 and would see them put together a three first down six play

drive that would end with Fabian Esquivel falling on the Eagle fumble at Blizzard 14. The drive would establish the running game for the Blizzards with 10 plays, all on the ground, covering the 86 yards. Sandoval and Nitsch would do the bulk of the work with Ripley getting the honors with a five yard run with 1:17 left in the first. Andrew Chavis was good on the extra point for a 7-7 score.

The Eagles set up at their own 21 after the kickoff and return. The Blizzard defense would come in and force the Eagles to punt facing fourth and seven. The punt set the home team up at their own 20 and four plays into the drive disaster struck as Ripley's pass was tipped and intercepted near midfield. Goldthwaite would proceed to move the ball and scored on a 21 yard run with 8:13 left in the half. The extra point was good and the score was 14-7, Eagles.

The Blizzards would run

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Athletic Booster Club will be having a Halloween Carnival

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WINTERS- The Winters Athletic Booster Club will be hosting their annual Halloween Carnival this Saturday, in the WISD Yellow Activity Building. Doors open at 5:45 p.m. and BINGO will begin at 6 p.m. Admission is free and the entire community is invited to attend.

Besides fantastic prizes to be won at BINGO, perennial favorite booths will also be available including: cakewalk, kiddie bingo, drink and food concessions, cotton candy, face painting, milk can throw, basketball toss, pie-in-the-face, and other kiddie booths.

Anyone who brings canned goods and items for the Winters Food Pantry will receive tickets to enter a drawing for a Blizzard football from the Goldthwaite football game signed by all of the players. Bring your donations to help a good cause and earn the chance to win a keepsake memento from one of the best Texas high school football games you'll witness for years to come.

Come out and bring the household for a night of good, clean, family fun while supporting the Winters Athletic Booster Club. All proceeds are used to support the Winters ISD athletic program.



The Winters Blizzard Band performed last Saturday, October 22 at the Regional marching competition held in Brady.

PHOTO: RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ

Band ends season on a good note

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
 WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS- The Winters Blizzard Band finished its 2011 marching season last weekend, at the Region 7 marching competition held in Brady, Texas. The band fell short of the Area competition after receiving a two rating from Region level judges.

Under the direction of Phil and Karen Mooney the Winters Blizzard Band performed well a presentation starting with

House of the Rising Sun, You've Got to Change Your Evil Ways and Hey Jude.

Region 7 competition judges Greg Goodman, Cindy Mikel and Weyland Rapp gave the Blizzard Band a two rating.

The rest of the Region 7, West Zone schools participating in the Class 1A contest were Mason, Eldorado, Santa Anna, Eden, De Leon, Miles, Cross Plains, May, Menard, Irion County, Bronte and Rising Star.

Advancing to the Area marching com-

petition were Mason High School, under the direction of Pat Ruiz, Menard High School directed by Chans Moellendorf, and Irion County High School, under the direction of Brian Tillman.

A total of 15 schools will be competing this Saturday, October 29 in the Area marching competition to be held in Groesbeck, Texas. Top seven will advance to the finals, to be held that same day and the Class 1A Finals will begin at 6:30 p.m.

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FUNERALS AND OBITUARIES

George N. Cavazos, Sr.

George Noriega Cavazos, Sr. went to be with his Lord on Thursday, October 20, 2011. George was born to Alfredo and Benecia Cavazos on April 23, 1947 in Robstown, Texas. His family moved to Ballinger in 1961. On December 12, 1965 he married Mary Ellen Duarte and was blessed with three sons, one daughter, and a foster son. He worked at Rains-Seale Funeral Home, ran the East Side Texaco, and was owner/operator of his own wrecking service. The last 15 years he spent working with his sons at Cavazos Construction.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Freddy and Ramon Cavazos.

George is survived by his wife, Mary Ellen Cavazos of Ballinger; his children, Daniel Cavazos and wife, Sandra, of Victoria; Ernest Cavazos and wife, Joy; Maria Lopez; and George Cavazos, Jr. and wife, Sheila, all of Ballinger. George had a special place in his heart for his grandchildren, Michael Cavazos of El Paso; Loreana and D.J. Cavazos of Victoria; Tanner Cavazos of San Angelo; Jade Cavazos of Ballinger; Felisha Lopez of Plano; Phillip Lopez of Lubbock; Bryce Lopez of Ballinger; Gabriel, Carissa, and Corey Cavazos of Ballinger. His great-grandson, Chase Cavazos, brought him many laughs. Also surviving are brothers, Dale (Lepe) Cavazos; David Garcia of Ballinger; and sisters, Eloisa Chapa; Elva Lopez and husband, Paul, of Ft. Worth; Minerva Herrera and husband, Andres, of Austin; and Nellie Salinas and husband, Aldolfo, of Cleburne; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Rosary was recited on Friday, October 21 at 7 p.m. at St. Mary, Star of the Sea Catholic Church in Ballinger. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Saturday, October 22 at 10 a.m. also at St. Mary Catholic Church with Rev. Bob Baden celebrating. Burial followed in the Latin American Cemetery in Ballinger. Serving as pallbearers were Michael Eldred, Shane Eldred, Benny Martinez, Gabriel Cavazos, Tanner Cavazos, Phillip Lopez, Ricky Gonzales, and Michael Cavazos. Honorary pallbearers were Bryce Lopez, D. J. Cavazos, and Chase Cavazos. Arrangements were with Lange Funeral Home. Guests may register at ballingerfuneralhome.com.

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Joseph F. Schniers

Joseph Francis Schniers, 77, passed away Thursday, October 20, 2011 in Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo.

He was born August 7, 1934 in Miles, Texas to Joseph F. and Emma Ulrlich Schniers. Joe was a lifetime member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rowena, a member of Knights of Columbus, and a charter member of Crossroads Gun Club. He was a farmer and operated Schniers & Sons Construction with his two sons, Duane and Curtis. On November 11, 1958 Joe married Deanna Kasberg, who preceded him in death April 23, 1980. He married Clare Droll Fischer on June 16, 1984 at St. Joseph Church in Rowena.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother-in-law, C. J. Buxkemper.

Rosary was recited on Friday, October 21 at 7 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rowena. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Saturday, October 22 at 1 p.m. at St. Joseph Church with Fr. Ariel Lagunilla officiating. Burial followed in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery. Grandsons served as pallbearers.

Memorials may be made to the St. Joseph Building Fund or to the American Cancer Society.

Arrangements were with Lange Funeral Home of Ballinger. Guests may register at ballingerfuneralhome.com.

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Sherry Dawn Nitsch

Sherry Dawn Nitsch Carter unexpectedly passed away Saturday, October 15, 2011, at home with pneumonia, leaving behind a heart-broken family and many friends.

Sherry was born in Snyder, Texas on Feb. 19, 1960 to Beverly (Carter) Nitsch of Ballinger and the late Charles Nitsch of Winters. She grew up from the age of 2 with her mother and step-father Chuck Fredrickson.

She graduated from Alief Hastings High School, where her friends knew her as Sherry Fredrickson, and The University of Texas in Austin, where she earned a Bachelor of Science in Radio-TV-Film. She was on the Dean's List.

She helped her mother start the "Fort Bend/Southwest Star" newspaper in 1978, and worked there several years, then spent 10 years in Hollywood Ca. working in the television and film industry. She worked on the production of several movies and television series, such as "Hollywood Squares" and "Empty Nest." She was a finalist in the America's Best screenwriting competition with her script, "Amazing Grace." Her short story "The Euclidean Woman" was published in a regional literary magazine and she's also been published in The Fort Bend/Southwest Star and the Fort Bend Business Journal. She's written scripts for dozens of local TV commercials and several promotional videos and as Program Director for a local cable access channel, Sherry was responsible for overseeing production of over 3,000 hours of local television programming.

Sherry owned Star Video Digital Productions in Stafford for the past 10 years and was active in the business community as a member of several business networking groups.

She was president of the Investments Build Money investing club, an outstanding contributing member of BNI Post Oak where she served as Education Chairperson; politically active in the national Democratic party and early supporter of President Barack Obama; membership chairperson of Memorial Women's Business Network; and generous and supportive of her colleagues in the Houston, Katy, and Fort Bend business communities.

She had a soft heart particularly for her niece, Kathryn Kluge and two nephews, Carter and Jack Fredrickson, and her two cats. She often said that Michael and Lisa had the children for her and she was just loaning them back to their mother and father.

One of her favorite hobbies was taekwondo with her seven year old nephew Carter and she was invited to test for her black belt this month but refused in order to wait for Carter so they could get their black belts at the same time.

Sherry was always tender and loving with her elderly grandparents, the J.C. Carters of Ballinger and the Alvin Nitschs of Winters, and spent much time with them over the years before their deaths. She was pre-deceased by them and her father Charles Nitsch and her uncle Vance Carter.

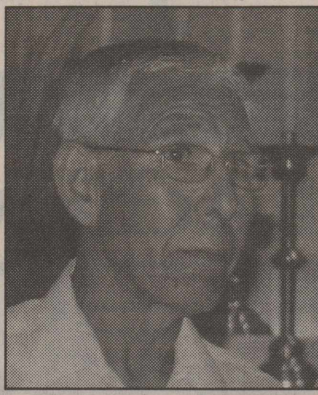
She leaves behind her mother, Bev Carter, her brother Michael Fredrickson and his family, wife Lisa Fredrickson and children Kathryn Kluge, Carter and Jack Fredrickson; her step-father Charles Fredrickson and his wife Maureen Fredrickson, all of Sugar Land, and her aunt, Joyce Carter of Memphis, Tenn. She will be missed by her Fredrickson step-sisters, Courtney and Nancy.

She also leaves other family; uncle and aunt, Alvin and Ann Nitsch of Rowena and her half-brothers, Skyler and Spencer Nitsch.

Sherry's life will be celebrated with a memorial reception on Saturday, November 5, 2011 at 2 p.m. at Sugar Land Mortuary, 1818 Eldridge Rd. in Sugar Land.

If you plan to attend, please RSVP to 281-302-6868. "Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened." - Dr. Seuss

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Epifanio V. Reyna, Sr.

April 7, 1941 - October 21, 2011 Epifanio V. Reyna, Sr., 70 of Winters, Texas was called home by his Lord and Savior after his hard-fought battle with cancer on Friday, October 21, 2011. Epifanio was born on April 7, 1941 to Antonia and Eusebio Reyna in Raymondville, Texas. He worked at Alderman Cave for 25 wonderful years until his retirement.

Epifanio is survived by his wife Olga Reyna, six children, sons Ramiro Reyna, Epifanio Reyna, Jr., Jesus Reyna and daughters, Sylvia Kruse, Husband John, Victoria Garcia, Husband, Jose, and Sandy Rodriguez, Husband Jimmy, all of Winters, Texas.

Epifanio is also survived by two brothers Reynaldo Reyna of Winters, Texas and Santos Reyna of Houston and two sisters Elena Torres and Carolina Jimenez of Winters, Texas. There are 17 grandchildren, one great-grandson, numerous nieces and nephews.

Epifanio was preceded in death by his parents Antonia and Eusebio Reyna and three brothers, Benito Reyna, Estevan Reyna, and Eusebio Reyna, Jr.

Honoring him as pallbearers will be nephews Martin Reyna, Eusebio Reyna Jr. III, Rodrigo Reyna, Cornelio Reyna, Estevan Reyna Jr. and Reynaldo Torres Jr. Honorary pallbearers are grandsons Justin Reyna and Brandon Reyna.

Rosary was held at 7 p.m., Tuesday, October 25, 2011, at Heritage Family Funeral Home Chapel, 1910 Hutchings Avenue, Ballinger, Texas. Funeral Service was at 10 a.m. Wednesday, October 26, 2011 at Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, Winters, Texas with committal services to follow at Lake View Cemetery, Winters, Texas. Services are under the direction of Heritage Family Funeral Home, Ballinger, Texas.



HERITAGE FAMILY FUNERAL HOME Ballinger, Texas

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Peggy Scott Miller

Peggy Scott Miller, 77, of Midland passed away Saturday, October 15, 2011. She was born July 24, 1934, to Louis and Mildred Scott in Winters. She graduated from Snyder High School in 1953.

After moving to Midland, she worked at the City Hall for 17 years. Peggy was a member of Wilshire Baptist Church and also a member of the Eastern Star and Epsilon Sigma Alpha. Crafting was her favorite hobby.

She is survived by her son, Wendell Miller and wife Darlene; one sister, Gynell McMillan and husband Houston; granddaughter Kinsey Allen and husband Ron; one great-grandson, Colton Scott Allen; an aunt Marie Allen of Winters, cousin Bo Wilson and wife Gwyn.

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Eddie Dean Lopez

Eddie Dean Lopez, 54, of San Angelo, died Saturday October 22, 2011 in Ballinger. He was born on August 17, 1957 in San Angelo, TX to Raymond and Josie Urteaga Lopez. He is survived by his sisters, Delia Lopez and Diane Lopez Gaitan and husband, Bill both of Paint Rock; nieces and nephews, Meranda Ruiz, Michelle Hooper and husband Anthony, and Rudy Ruiz and wife, Jill; great nieces and nephews, Paradise Hooper, Purity Hooper, Parker Ruiz, and Michael Kennedy; and his cat, Frank.

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Winters Athletic Booster Club Halloween Carnival Saturday in the WISD Yellow Activity Building Doors open at 5:45 p.m. BINGO will begin at 6 p.m. Cakewalk Kiddie Bingo Drink & food concessions Cotton candy Face painting Milk can throw Basketball toss Pie-in-the-face Other kiddie booths

Corps of Cadets enrollment growing at A&M

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COLLEGE STATION- More young men and women are choosing to be in the Texas A&M University Corps of Cadets this fall than at any time in the past 14 years, with current strength standing at 2,128. This is largely attributable to the largest freshman class since 1987.

All indications point to the Texas A&M Corps continuing to be the largest uniformed group on any campus and in good position to continue to consistently produce more officers for the armed forces than any institution in the nation, except for, in both categories, the service academies, Corps officials note.

With Army, Air Force, and Navy/Marine ROTC instruction available, Texas A&M is one of the few schools to offer military commissions in all branches of service. A total of 179 cadets were commissioned into one of the branches during the 2010-2011 school year, including 33 more at the end of the summer session in August, 2011. That's despite the datum that the Department of Defense is allowing fewer young men and women to have opportunities to receive commissions, a result of national budgetary constraints and other considerations.

The fact is that most members of the Corps of Cadets choose to be in the all-volunteer organization because of the camaraderie and leadership opportunities that will serve them well, notes Brig. Gen. Joe E. Ramirez, Jr. (US Army-

Ret.), a 1979 Texas A&M graduate who returned to his alma mater this year to serve as commandant of the Corps of Cadets.

"For 135 years, the Texas A&M University Corps of Cadets has built a solid, leadership foundation first for young men, and then young women as well, to transition into their professional lives," continues Gen. Ramirez. "It is no longer only military commissions that the Corps supports, but also those who wish to seek careers in the public and private sectors. The Corps of Ca-

dets provides a balanced and structured lifestyle that helps them achieve academic excellence and gives cadets the opportunity to master management and organizational skills and become leaders - now and throughout their lives and professional endeavors."

Gen. Ramirez has made academic excellence, recruiting and retention and diversity his top priorities.

"Academic excellence is strongly emphasized as a member of the Corps of Cadets," explains Gen. Ramirez.

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NEWS NOTES

Workout area users required for meeting

If you have been using the yellow building workout area we would like for you to attend a meeting in the workout facility at 5 p.m. on Thursday November 3.

There will be some changes and we are looking for ideas that will make keeping the facility available but yet secure at the same time possible. So bring your ideas. We want to hear them.

If you have any questions please call Charles Murphy at 325 754-5577 or email charles.murphy@wintersisd.org

North Main Church of Christ trunk 'n' treat

North Main Church of Christ is having a trunk 'n' treat at 5 p.m. Sunday, October 30, 2011. There will be candy, food and games. Come and have fun with us.

Immunization clinics

Texas Department of State Health Services will be having two immunization clinics in Runnels County. The first clinic will be held in Winters on Thursday, November 3 from 1:30-5:30 p.m. at the Professional Building, 110 South Main, Suite 108. Please use rear entrance (Grant Street) for your convenience.

The second clinic will be held in Ballinger on Thursday, November 10, from 10 a.m.-12 noon and 1:30-3 p.m. at 608 Strong (behind the Courthouse).

Please bring child's immunization records. If child has Medicaid or CHIP please bring card. For more information call (325) 754 4945.

Trunk or treat at the FUMC

Looking for a safe place for your kids to trick or treat till's Halloween? Come on over to the parking lot at First United Methodist Church and join us for "Trunk or Treat." The friendly folks at First Methodist will be there with their car trunks open and full of all kinds of goodies for the kids.

Come between 6:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. See you there.

Fall Festival

Come and join the good souls of Winters First United Methodist Church for fun, food, and fellowship at their Annual Fall Festival on Sunday, November 6, at the school cafeteria. A delicious meal of southern fried catfish with all the trimmings, dessert, and drink will be served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Large plates are \$8 and small plates are \$6. Carryouts will be available. You will also want to stop by the Sweet Shoppe to pick up some of your early holiday dessert needs. All proceeds will benefit the missions of First United Methodist Church.

Harvest of Faith Fest in Rowena

St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rowena will be holding its 89th Annual Fall Festival "Harvest of Faith" on November 13, 2011.

The program starts at 10:30 a.m. with the flag raising and balloon release, then at 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. will be served a turkey and Rowena style German sausage dinner with trimmings. Adult plates will be \$8 and children plates \$4. Plates to-go \$8. Drive thru and walk up will also be available. Uncooked sausage for sale at \$4 lb. while it lasts. From 11:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. children and adult games and Bingo. Country store opened all day. Tickets on sale for two prize drawings.

Auction will begin at 1:30 p.m. The sausage sandwich supper (\$3) with tea will be served at 4:30 p.m. All activities are in the parish hall and on church grounds.

Winters Haunted House to benefit animal rescue

On Saturday, October 29 and Monday, October 31, a Haunted House "appears" to add to the Winters Halloween festivities. Proceeds will benefit the Humane Society CC Winters' Branch. The Haunted House theme will be

WHS alumni is Homecoming King at Texas Tech

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LUBBOCK- Winters High School graduate Wiley Guy, representing Alpha Tau Omega, and Amy Ashby, representing Chi Omega, were crowned Homecoming King and Queen during the halftime show at the Texas Tech versus Kansas State football game held on Saturday, October 15.

The winners were announced at the game by the Texas Tech Activities Board.

Guy, 21, from Winters, Texas, son of Donna and

Barron Guy, is a Senior Marketing/Management major. Ashby, 21, from Lubbock, Texas, daughter of Terri and Gary Ashby, is graduating this December with a major in Public Relations. They were nominated by their organization to compete against 21 other candidates. The entire process consists of a detailed resume screening and an extensive interview, covering topics pertaining to Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas, and the nation. Both the resume screening and interview were con-

ducted by representatives of Texas Tech students, faculty, and alumni.

Finally, the Homecoming Court, made up of Ashby, Guy, Cullen Brungs, Matthew Kidd, Ryan McCabe, Adam Visosky, Brittney Bennett, Jenny Mayants, Victoria Messer, and Alex Moore, were then voted on by their peers online to determine Saturday's winners. The scores for the interview and the total number of votes received were taken into account in determining the winner.

This is the third successive year for Chi Omega

to take the crown, but the first for Alpha Tau Omega. Ashby plans on continuing her education at Texas Tech for Mass Communication Sport Media, also while working on securing a communications job with the Texas Rangers. Guy plans on seeking a job in health-care, with a long term goal of hospital administration. Homecoming King and Queen duties include appearing during next year's homecoming events, and joining in Arbor Day festivities on campus in Spring 2012.

the Murder Mystery of "Where is Mrs. Branaman's Husband." Hours are from 8 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Festivities will include a Hayride to and from the Haunted House. Admission will be \$5 for adults 16 years and up, \$3.00 for 15 years and under. Park at the Lutheran Church. A hayride will take you to the Haunted House and bring you back. This is not for the "Faint of Heart." Come and help us solve the Mystery. If you dare!

Fund raiser Fun Run

Bronte High School Class of 2014 will be having a Fundraiser Fun Run on Saturday, December 3, 2011, at Christmas in 'Ole Bronte. Registration fee for the 10K run will be \$15, 5K run \$10, and there will also be a one mile run/walk. The registration fee for the one-mile run/walk will be \$3.

Registration and fees will be available on the race day only, at 8 a.m. at old Bronte Railroad Depot.

Race starts at 9 a.m. Pre and post race refreshments/water stops will be provided.

Divisions participating will be U-19, 20-25, 26-44, 45-59, and 60 and Up. There will be male and female overall winners.

For more information call Jerita Taylor at 473 8966 or 473 5551, or send an e-mail at Jerita.taylor@bronteisd.net; Tammy Thorn at City Offices at 473-3501.

Disclaimer must be signed by parents for minors to run. No dogs will be allowed on the course.

Spirit nights at WHS

Winters Athletic Booster Club is sponsoring the following Spirit Nights.

- October 28 Open Support the WABC Halloween Carnival on Saturday night, October 29 at yellow activity building
- November 4 at Mason Road trip... Let's take all of Winters to Mason for a show-down!

Senior Citizens Nursing Home requesting candy donations

The Senior Citizens Nursing Home is asking for candy donations of individually wrapped candy for the Halloween Trick or Treat that will be given out by the residents from 5 - 6 p.m. Halloween evening, October 31, 2011. Donations may be brought to the office of the Activity Director at the nursing home.

Ballinger Rotary Annual Raffle

Ballinger Rotary Club will be having its Annual Raffle with a TW200 trail Wagon Runabout 4x2 light utility vehicle as the main prize. Tickets are \$10 and tax deductible. Chances are available with any Rotary member. Drawing will be held at the Hunters Appreciation Dinner on November 5, 2011. Proceeds go to scholarships for local students.

Mentors needed

Winters Elementary School is looking for volunteers to be a mentor on an elementary student. The volunteer would meet with the student once a week during school hours for approximately 30 minutes to help with homework, read a book, or just talk. Mentoring has shown to help build self-esteem, improve grades and in some cases improves test scores. Anyone interested may contact Charles Murphy, Elementary Counselor at 754

5577 ext. 1126.

Runnels Co. RSE meetings

The Runnels Co. Retired School Employees meet at the First United Methodist Church, the second Tuesday of the month at 9:45 a.m. On Tuesday, Nov. 15 Dorothy Hoelscher will be presenting the program - Yoga - at the FUMC in Ballinger; on January 10, at FUMC, Massage Therapist Ashley Wiley will present the program; on February 14, 2012 Dist. XV President Nancy Byler will present the program at the Miles Citizen's State Bank; on April 10, 2012 UIL Students will be the program at the Winters ISD.

**On October 11, Runnels Co. RSE is invited to San Angelo Retired Teachers meeting to hear Rep. Drew Darby at San Angelo First Christian Church (29 N. Oakes); meeting begins at 9:30.

Cross Emmaus Community gatherings

The Cross Emmaus Community gatherings held second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 at the United Methodist Church. For more information call (325) 365 2323.

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 every Monday evening at 7 p.m. at the Band Hall.

Winters Women'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.

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.

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| Barry L. Sicina | 48 | Concho | Possession CS |
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| Clayton W. Baker | 29 | Coke SO | DWLI |
| Manuel R. Roman | 20 | WPD | Public intoxication |
| Rose A. Torres | 29 | Concho SO | DWI |

FSA approves emergency grazing

WINTERS ENTERPRISE
STAFF REPORT

BALLINGER- In response to drought conditions, the Texas FSA State Committee authorized emergency grazing use of Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acres for 92 Texas counties effective November 1, 2011, for the fiscal year (FY) 2012 winter/spring period announced Runnels County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Byron Bauerlein. Emergency grazing for FY 2011 ends on October 31, 2011.

"The 2012 CRP emergency grazing period begins on November 1, 2011, and ends on January 29, 2012," said Bauerlein. "CRP land previously hayed or grazed, either managed or emergency use, during the previous 12 months is excluded from the FY 2012 grazing authori-

zation," he said.

Runnels County, Brown, Coke, Coleman, Concho, Scurry, Taylor and Tom Green counties, are some of the area counties approved for CRP emergency grazing approval for fiscal year 2012.

The FY 2012 CRP emergency authorization permits grazing only. No haying of CRP acres is allowed at this time. Additionally, there will be a 25 percent CRP payment reduction on the 2012 annual payment for CRP acres used for grazing under these emergency provisions.

To take advantage of the emergency grazing provisions, authorized producers can use the CRP acreage for their own livestock or may grant another livestock producer use of the CRP acreage. The eligible CRP acreage is limited

to the acreage located within the approved counties.

Eligible producers who are interested in grazing CRP under the emergency authorization and current CRP participants who choose to provide land for grazing to an eligible livestock producer, must first request approval to graze eligible acreage; obtain a modified conservation plan from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to include grazing requirements, leave at least 25 percent of each field or contiguous CRP field ungrazed for wildlife, or graze not more than 75 percent of the stocking rate as determined by NRCS.

For more information on emergency grazing of CRP acres contact the Runnels County FSA office at 325-365-5757.

USDA announces disaster assistance sign up

WINTERS ENTERPRISE
STAFF REPORT

BALLINGER- The Supplemental Revenue Assistance Payments (SURE) program enrollment for 2010 crop year losses begins November 14, 2011, announced Runnels County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Byron Bauerlein.

"Producers across the state experienced several natural disasters during the 2010 crop year that caused hardship and financial losses to many agricultural operations," said Bauerlein. "The SURE program provides assistance to producers when disaster strikes, so I strongly encourage producers with 2010 crop losses to contact the Runnels County FSA office to learn more about the program," he said.

To qualify for a SURE payment, the producer's operation must be located in a county that was declared a disaster for 2010 and have at least a 10 percent

production loss that affects one crop of economic significance. Producers with agricultural operations located outside a disaster county are eligible for SURE benefits if they had a production loss greater or equal to 50 percent of the normal production on the farm.

Runnels, Brown, Coke, Coleman, Comanche, Concho, Menard, San Saba, Schleicher, Scurry, Taylor, Tom Green, among others counties in the area received a disaster designation during 2010. To meet eligibility, producers must have obtained a policy or plan of insurance for all insurable crops through the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation and Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) coverage on non-insurable crops, if available, from FSA. Eligible farmers and ranchers who meet the definition of a socially disadvantaged, limited resource or beginning farmer or rancher do not have to meet this requirement.

On the Level On a soapbox

Charles Frerich

I had a conversation with a friend the other day and we were discussing the drought, lack of feed for the cows and trying to hold on to them. His question was about seeding some grass in the pasture because there was none. I told him even though he would plant the grass the pasture would need to be rested for two years. I gave him my usual spill about overgrazing, resting the land and not being tied to the livestock. He gave me several excuses for keeping the cattle. Here was two different points of view on the situation, his and mine. Of course mine was right.

In church on Sunday, the Pastor was talking about doing things for the "Greater glory of God". He used the analogy of a farmer putting in long hours sitting on the tractor plowing back and forth. Was he putting the time in trying to support his family or was he putting the time in to stay away from the family? When a person sacrifices for the betterment of others, this is called, "Corporate works of mercy." The conversation earlier in the week came back to

me and I began to look at my friend's situation in a different manner. He was sacrificing his time, sweat and hardship to provide for his family. He was doing what he thought was best and that was pulling out all the stops to keep the farm afloat. It was a battle of time and Mother Nature.


Sometimes conservationist's get hung up on the ideas that are so ingrained in us that we sometimes cannot see the other side of the story. But we too are doing our work to keep the gifts God has given us from becoming tainted. I am not saying that either of us is wrong in our feelings, but it's the outcome in the end which we have to be mindful. Decisions we make today will affect decisions that have to be made in the future. Every decision is like a Y. If you continue to take the same fork of the Y, you will eventually end up on a downward course. Sometimes we have to get out of the box and try a new approach to give ourselves and the land a chance to rebound.

In writing this article and the others before it I sometimes wonder if I get "Preachy". I don't mean to come off this way but if

you really love what you are doing and believe in your convictions then you should not be afraid to voice your opinion. So if you haven't figured out that my love of the land and my love of God go hand in hand, this is why I am putting it on paper. So if I get on my soapbox and seem to come across too strong that's just the way it is.

I get the opportunity to work with farmers and ranchers addressing conservation concerns. They call me because they are concerned about keeping the resources on their property in good condition. My job is to give advice to the best of my knowledge and let the landowner make the decision on what to do. I take great pride in seeing projects that I have been involved with still in place many years later. I still see lots of areas that need help. All I can do hope the landowner will call.

I know I have been kind of all over the place with this article so I will get down off the soapbox and next time will get back "On the Level" See you then. For more information or comments you can contact the Natural Resources Conservation Service or contact me at charles.frerich@tx.usda.gov. USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.



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Students join TMC conference in Abilene

WINTERS ENTERPRISE
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WINTERS—Six Winters secondary students and their sponsors joined Winters community leaders at the 18th Annual Texas Midwest Community Networking Conference in Abilene last Wednesday. Winters' teens were actively engaged in workshops geared toward "Energizing Communities" and came home ready to share their experience with classmates.

The students are part of the AVID program at Winters ISD, a college readiness curriculum which emphasizes community involvement and leadership. WISD sponsors were Kelsey Holson, Deb Pritchard, and Glenda McKneely.

Most of the students agreed that their favorite session was presented by former National FFA President and Throckmorton resident Trent McKnight. His enthusiastic presentation focused on involving the younger generation in the community now, in an effort to encourage them to return to rural America after college to raise their

families. Referring to McKnight's speech, seventh grader Kamri Soto noted that "one hundred years ago the number of people living in rural communities comprised 72 percent of the U.S. population and today; only 16 percent of our citizens live in rural America."

Freshman Ally Crook found McKnight's comment about influencing our youth's attitudes about our community at a young age impactful. "He said the impression our citizen's give youth about their community now will directly affect whether they choose to return there after college to work and raise a family." "Yes, and because of the negative talk about there's nothing to come back for in small towns — jobs and ways to earn a living, young people are encouraged to move to larger communities for more opportunities," said freshman Ty Cortez.

Eighth grader Jonathan Sandoval was impressed with how important rural communities actually are to Texas for their resour-

es like cotton, wheat, and oil. He also learned that many old building structures in rural towns are useful despite the fact they are run down. "It's a good idea to keep old buildings because they probably have some sentimental value to the community," said Sandoval. "Oftentimes they can be refurbished and house new businesses which can give a financial boost to the town."

Sophomores Sabrina Esquivel and Tyler May were intrigued by the words of keynote speaker Bob Dixon, Mayor of Greensburg, Kansas. Dixon spoke about the devastation of his rural community after an EF-5 tornado destroyed all but one building in May 2007. It leveled 95 percent of the town and killed 11 people. The citizens bonded together and rebuilt the city from the ground up. "Mayor Dixon spoke about how they overcame the tragedy and worked together to rebuild. They built around the building that was left standing; leaving it as a reminder of who they were before the tornado," said Esquivel.



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TMCNC Conference Attendees Left to Right: AVID teacher Deb Pritchard, Tyler May, Ty Cortez, Jonathan Sandoval, Kamri Soto, Ally Crook, Sabrina Esquivel, AVID teacher Kelsey Holson, and administrator Glenda McKneely.

"The citizens of Greensburg had nothing left," said May. "But they didn't give up; they stood as a community and rebuilt their town. It just goes to show that any community

can become a team and support their rural roots." The students have shared the experience with their AVID classmates and are making plans to express their ideas to Win-

ters community leaders in the near future. "I would like to do this again next year," said Cortez. "I want to help figure out ways to help our community by involving our youth."

Breezes ready to close season at home

BLIZZARDS ATHLETIC REPORT
BY STEPHEN HERMESMEYER

Jr. High Football (Coach Bicknell)

The Breezes traveled to Goldthwaite this past Thursday night on Oct. 20. The Breezes got off to a slow start and found themselves down 20 to 0, at the end of the first quarter. The Eagles did not score the rest of the game. The Breezes played the last three quarters very well but only scored 6 points. With the loss that moves the Breezes record to 4-3 and 1-2 in district play. The Breezes will play their final game of the season, on Nov. 3 at Blizzard Stadium, starting at 5 p.m. with the 7th grade followed by 8th grade and then Junior Varsity.

JV Football (Coach Cates)
JV Football Team vs. Goldthwaite 40-6
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By Coach Holson

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15th Brandon Reyna
21st Marcus Mostad
22nd Dre Patton
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46 Sabrina Esquivel
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Overall: 9th
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10 Marshall Scates
16 Kolton Garcia
19 Nik Kraatz



Daniel Gerhart running with the ball after receiving a pass

- 20 Jordan Hamrick
Overall: 3rd
- 7TH GIRLS**
1 K'Lee Lindley
9 Angel Stratton
12 Tia Campos
17 Makaela Cates
35 Desiree Wilson
41 Stacey Ventress
Overall: 2nd
- 8TH GIRLS**
9th Athena Mata

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six minutes off of the clock while putting together one of the most impressive drives of the year. This drive would string together 12 plays and 4 first downs to put the ball at the Eagle 1 where Nitsch would get the honors and score with 2:11 left in the half. Highlights of the drive included a third and seven completion from Ripley to Strait Daniels for the first down, another fourth and 11 completion from Ripley to Chris Gerhart for 14 and an unexpected first down to the Eagle 29. Sandoval would carry the ball for 14 to the 15 yard line and combine with Ripley to move the ball to the 1 yard line where Nitsch got the call and the score. The Chavis' extra point was good and the score was knotted again at 14.

With only two minutes left in the half the Eagles would begin at their own 26. With little time left in the half the Eagles would go to the air and regret it as Ripley would pick off a Hail Mary pass at the 3-yard line with only 28 seconds left. The Blizzards offense would take a knee and a 14-14 knot into the locker room for half time.

Having deferred until the second half the Blizzards would receive to get the second half started. The kickoff would set them up at their own 32. This 12 play drive would

end with Ripley in the end zone after a 2 yard run. This drive would see a little bit of everything as Sandoval would carry five times for 18 yards and Ripley would find Nick Kraatz for six and Noe Sanchez for 17. The score would come with 6:09 left in the third quarter. The Chavis' extra point was good and the score stood at 21-14 Winters.

It would not take for the Eagles to answer. Six plays and less than three minutes found the visitors on the scoreboard again on a 5 yard run with 3:26 left in the third quarter. The extra point was missed and the score stood 21-20 Winters.

With blood in their eye and one thing on their mind the Blizzard offense went to work and made short order of the slim lead. It would only take four plays to pad the lead. The highlight was a third and five completion from Ripley to Kraatz for 54 yards to the Eagle 7. Sandoval would take it from here for the score. The Chavis' kick was good and the lead had grown to 28-20 Winters.

Panic set in on the west side of the stadium as reality began to set in. After setting up at their own 40 the Eagles would put the ball on the ground for Karl Fink to find and provide a short field for the Blizzards to

increase their lead and they took full advantage of it. It would only take six plays to get the job done. Ripley would gain 18 just after the end of the third quarter and Nitsch 14 to put the ball on the seven first and goal. Sandoval gained five and Ripley got the rest on the ground. The extra point proved to be a little less mundane than expected as Nitsch, the holder, picked up the ball and ran to his left and threw back to his right to Strait Daniel for the two point conversion (somebody check that film) to give the Blizzards the lead at 36-20 with 11:14 left in the game.

The ensuing kickoff set the visitors up at their own 31. With time becoming a factor the Eagles put together a 10 play four first down drive to the Blizzard four yard line. It was here that the Blizzards decided to shut the door with as fine a goal line stand as has been seen in some time. With four shots at the goal line the Blizzards held and turned the ball over on downs at the 4 yard line.

A nine play on the ground drive would milk away all but 3 seconds from the clock when the Eagles got another shot at it. It was too late and the Blizzards took home an impressive 36-20 win that would have Friday night sportscasters all over the Big Country and Concho Valley getting whiplash checking this one out.

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