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PHOTO: JOE GERHART
 The Winters Blizzards defeated the Ben Bolt Badgers last Saturday, November 19 in Llano, Texas, and won the Area Championship.

THE SKY IS THE LIMIT!

CHARLES MURPHY
 ENTERPRISE CONTRIBUTOR

WINTERS— It was clear from the very beginning that the Winters Blizzards were going to take charge of this contest and create an atmosphere that defied any one to get in the way as they jumped on the Badgers from Ben Bolt to the tune of a 34-13 halftime lead and then cruise to an impressive 46-13 win over a Ben Bolt team that had more talent than discipline.

The Badgers would win the coin toss and elect to defer until the second half giving the Blizzards the choice to receive to get this one under way. The attempted onside kick gave the Blizzards the ball with a short field after it only traveled 4 yards. Big Blue would take full advantage of this and put together an eight play drive that culminated with Cristian Sandoval scooting across from the six on fourth and four to get on the score board first. Andrew Chavis was good with the extra point and a 7-0 lead with 8:35 left in the first quarter.

The Blizzards defense would not be outdone as the kickoff set the visitors up at their own 20. The Wrecking Crew would produce a three and out and leave the Badgers facing fourth and 10. Andy Garcia would knock the personal

protector in to the ball as the Badger punter attempted to get off the punt blocking the punt and giving the ball at the Badger five. Needless to say it did not take long for Riley Ripley to find the end zone with a one yarder run with 5:45 left in the first quarter. The Chavis extra point was good and the Blizzards were up 14-0.

The ensuing kickoff set the Badgers up at their own 15 and the Wrecking Crew got busy and produced another three and out with the help of defensive linemen Cannon Bryan, Fabian Esquivel, Roger Wright and linebackers AC Mata and Karl Fink. This time the punt set the Blizzards up at the Ben Bolt 28 after a 25 yard return by Sandoval. The first play from scrimmage would pad the Blizzards lead as Hayden Nitsch would cover the rest of the ground with a 28 yard scamper and with Chavis' extra point put the lead at 21-0 still in the first quarter with 4:29 left.

The next set of downs would get the Badgers on the board as they put together a methodical eight play drive beginning at their own 22. The score would come with 1:44 left in the first quarter on a 2 yard run and combined with the extra point cut the Winters

lead to 21-7 which is where the score would remain as the stanza ended. The next series would find the Blizzards setting up at the Badger 44 and eventually turn the ball over on downs at the 22. Aided by a holding call the Blizzards would force the Badgers in to a punting situation looking at fourth and 16. The punt set the Blizzards up at the Badger 39 looking at another short field and four plays later Sandoval found the end zone from 16 with 8:07 left and combined with Chavis' extra point put the Blizzards up 28-7 with 8:07 left in the half.

The kickoff and return set the Badgers up at their own 21 and the sound of doors closing produced a punting situation at fourth and eight. Sandoval would carry the ball for gains of 16, 11 and finally 13 to cover the distance and produce a 34-7 lead as the extra point was missed. The ensuing kickoff set the Badgers up at their own 41 from where they commenced to put together a 13 play drive that would end in an 11 yard pass completion for the score. The extra point was missed and the score stood at 34-13 Winters as the half ended.

The Badgers received to get the second half going. The kickoff and return set them up

Regional round

Shiner (7-5) vs. Winters (9-3)
 Saturday, Nov. 26, Marble Falls, Texas

The Winters Blizzards will be facing Shiner on Saturday, November 26 at Marble Falls. Shiner defeated Bracket 35-0. The winner of this match will be facing either Mason or Ganado in the next phase of the playoffs. Mason and Ganado will be playing Friday night at 7:30 p.m. in Smithsfort valley.

first downs later the Badgers were looking at getting back into this contest until Ripley pulled down a Badger pass in the end zone to effectively end this Badger threat.

With the ball setting at the Blizzard 20 the offense would kick it in gear and cover the ground in five plays with Ripley covering the last 30 yards on a run that left the Badger faithful heading for the gates. The drive was helped along by one of several unsportsmanlike penalties that hit the Badgers throughout the night. Ripley's jump would close out the scoring and put the Blizzards up 46-13 with only 24 seconds left in the third quarter.

With an entire quarter left the Blizzards saw a lot of unfamiliar faces in the ball game gaining valuable playoff experience that will produce dividends later. Unofficially Sandoval would carry the ball 21 times for 189 yards and score four touchdowns. That can only be done with a well honed offensive line knocking people out of the way. Without a doubt Roger Wright, Fabian Esquivel, Andy Garcia, Justin Ventress, Corey Pritchard and AC Mata knocked some people out of the way. Without these guys up front the going would not be as smooth.

City votes for Wes Hays, Don Davis to Appraisal District

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
 WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS— The City of Winters split its votes Runnels County Appraisal District Board of Directors. In the regular council meeting for the month of November, held last Monday, November 21, Council members voted to cast 101 votes for Wes Hays and 100 for Don Davis.

At the meeting aldermen also pass a resolution to pay request No. 8 for the USDA - Rural Development funded Water Distribution System Improvements Project for the waterline replacement, the project is 70 percent completed at 56 percent of the estimated time, the payment approved was \$39,352.51. The meter replacement project is scheduled to start by mid December.

Winters City Council accepted the final project and released the \$24,183.89 retainage for the TWDB (CWSRF #72108) funded WW Lift Station / Force Main Project. The project was accepted and certified as completed.

City Council denied a request by KW Cook to close the alley in Cook addition. A third party was involved in the petition.

Council members reviewed the case of a water bill on customer Judy Anderson (estate of Bill Ivey). Her water meter was tested and according to the test the customer had not been paying accordingly to her usage. The water customer was given several options to pay her bill. The City of Winters passed a resolution to renew the dispatch service agreement with Runnels County, the yearly contract approved will cost the City of Winters \$22,463. Among other agenda items reviewed by the City Council aldermen passed the new personnel policy. The new policy reduces holidays from 13 to 10.5 a year and sick days are reduced from 1.5 a month to one every two months.

Proud of their country

WINTERS ENTERPRISE
 STAFF REPORT

WINTERS— Winters Veteran of Foreign Wars Post 9193 announced winners of their Patriot's Pen Contest Monday November 21, 2011 in the Winters High School Auditorium. VFW National Commander in Chief chose "Are You Proud of Your Country" for the 2011-2012 theme. Post Commander Pete Gray,

Quartermaster RC Kurtz co-chairman, Trustee Raymond Lindsey, and Auxiliary Member Mary Kurtz co-chairman, presented the awards. One hundred and twenty six students of the Winters Junior High School in the sixth, seventh, and eighth grade under the supervision of teachers Mrs. Deb Pritchard and Mrs. Tracy Cates entered the contest.

Essays were to be 300 to 400 typewritten words and judged on knowledge of the theme, theme development, and clarity of ideas. Judges were Mrs. Betty Thomason, Mrs. Ruth Cooper, and Mrs. Melinda Tucker. Eight graders



PHOTO: RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
 Eighth grader Samuel Reyes, first place of the Patriot's Pen contest, reads his essay in the Winters High School Auditorium.

Samuel Reyes, Bailee Busher, Brady Calcote, sixth grader first place Baily Knight, and seventh grade first place K'Lee Lindsey read their essays to the group. All participants received a certificate designating them as an "Outstanding Young Spokesman of the Future."

Overall prizes were: First place winner Samuel Reyes, who

received a pin and \$50. Second place was for Bailee Busher, who got her pin and \$25, and third place was Brady Calcote who also received \$25. Fourth to tenth place winners are Athene Mata, Brendon Mikeska, Baily Knight, Jonathan Sandoval, K'Lee Lindley, Daniel Gerhart and Dawn La Valie each received \$10.00.

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FUNERALS AND OBITUARIES

Mamie Gene Hoppe

Mamie Gene Hoppe, 85, of Winters, died November 21, 2011. She was born October 18, 1926 in Runnels County to Gus and Mathilda Lindemann Gerhart and lived there all her life.

She is survived by three daughters: Sheila Rhanae Ziller and husband Jack of Bertram, Jeanene Laird of Winters and Fran Walker and husband Larry of Winters; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The family will receive friends at 7 p.m. Thursday November 24, 2011 at Winters Funeral Home Chapel. Services will be 10:30 a.m. Friday November 25, 2011 at St. John's Lutheran Church with Rev. Alsen Wenzel officiating.

Keith Gerhart Keith Paschal

The family requests memorials be made to St. John's Lutheran Church.

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George William Watson

George William Watson, 66, of Winters, died Wednesday November 16, 2011. He was born January 18, 1945 in Winters and lived there most of his life.

He is survived by his wife Alene Watson of Winters, four children Barbara Covey of Brady, Loretta Horton of Wilmeth, Donna Plumley of Ballinger and Wallace Samuel Watson of Winters; one brother: Larry Watson of Winters; 12 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was held on Monday November 21, 2011 in the First Baptist Church with Rev. Heath Powers officiating.

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Loyd Baker Hester

Loyd Baker Hester, longtime resident of Poth, Texas, passed away Monday, November 14, 2011, at 9:35 p.m., at William R. Courtney Texas State Veterans Home in Temple, Texas, at the age of 77 years, 3 months, 13 days.

Loyd was born August 1, 1934, in Miles, Texas, the son of Lonnie B. Hester and Bonnie L. Stewart Hester. He graduated from Winters High School, Class of 1952, and Hardin-Simmons University, Class of 1961, where he majored in religion.



Loyd is survived by his beloved daughter, Heidi Neff of Austin; his brother, Gary Hester of Austin; numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews; and his many friends and family.

Visitation was held from 2-5 p.m. Saturday, November 19, 2011, at Vinyard Funeral Home Chapel in Floresville. Funeral services were held at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, November 22, 2011, at Vinyard Funeral Home Chapel in Floresville, officiated by D.A.V. Chaplain Albert Owens.

Loyd lived most of his life in Texas except for when he was stationed in Germany from 1964-1967, and when he lived in Arizona from 1972-1983. He was a lifetime member of Disabled American Veterans and served as Sergeant at Arms for the Alamo Chapter 5 of San Antonio, for over 15 years.

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Winters Woman's Club getting ready for Christmas

WINTERS ENTERPRISE STAFF REPORT

WINTERS- The Winters Woman's Club met on November 8, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. at the Z.I. Hale Museum where Bobby Mayo shared information on some of the exhibits. He was especially knowledgeable with specific facts about the movie theaters in town since he was deeply involved himself.

Then members went to the home of Ouida Nichols where refreshments were served by she, Sylvia Wilson and Virginia Brown.

The meeting was called to order by President, Marlene Smith.

New business: We will again decorate a Christmas tree at the Rock Hotel. A new member was welcomed to the club. She is Debbie Gowler. We are glad to have her!

Cheryl Bryan shared information about the Christmas parade and other activities in town the night before and day of the parade. Not all plans were final at the time of the meeting.

Our annual bake sale was held on Saturday, November 19 at Lawrence Brothers IGA. Our thanks to IGA for sharing their space with us for a couple of hours. This is one of our two annual fund raisers. Monies raised by the club are put back into the community in the form of scholarships and gifts to promote education and civic welfare.

Plans are already underway for the annual Ladies Night Out. It will be held on Thursday, April 19, 2012.

The next meeting will be held on December 13, with a white elephant gift exchange and donations of non-perishable foods to Samaritan's House.

The Winters Woman's Club normally meets on the second Tuesday of each month from September through May. Contact President, Marlene Smith for more information, 754 4961.

NEWS NOTES

Risk management workshop in Runnels Co Runnels County AgriLife Extension Service will be conducting a Risk Management Workshop on Wednesday, November 30 at 3 p.m. at the Extension office in Ballinger.

The workshop will be conducted by Extension Grain Marketing Specialist Mark Welch and AgriLife Extension Economist Bill Thompson. It'll begin with an overview of available crop insurance products, e.g., yield protection, revenue protection and revenue protection with harvest price exclusion policies.

For more information and register call to the Runnels County Extension office by Monday, November 28 at 365 2219.

Advocacy Center looking for sponsors Runnels County is halfway there! Eleven more children to go by December 9.

The Children's Advocacy Center of Tom Green County's "Christmas for Kids" program has secured sponsors for 11 of the 22 children from Runnels County who are presently being cared for under the CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) Program or under the CAC's early intervention programs.

Sponsors can help a child by obtaining their "Wish List" and purchasing the items or by making a monetary donation which will be used to purchase the items. Depending upon the age of the child, the total cost per child is \$45-75.

To be provided with a child's Wish List, please contact Sam or Laura Mallory at 365-4277. To make a mon-

etary donation, please make your gift payable to the Children's Advocacy Center of Tom Green County and send it directly to: Rebekah Lewis, Children's Advocacy Center, P. O. Box 5195, San Angelo, TX 76902. Please be sure to note on the check "Christmas for Kids Program - Runnels County".

Christmas Parade on Dec. 3 The award-winning WHS Blizzard Band will lead the annual Christmas parade coming Saturday, December 3 at 3 p.m. through Downtown Winters. A variety of other parade entries as well as young ladies vying for the titles of Miss Sno Flake, Miss Sno Princess and Miss Sno Queen will also add to the festive event.

Deadline for registering a parade entry to be judged ends November 25, 2011, at 5:30 p.m. Entries will be accepted the day of the parade but will be ineligible for judging and will be placed at the end of the parade line. Anyone interested in participating in the parade should call the Chamber at (325) 754 5210.

SnoRoyalty applications can be obtained from the Chamber web site or by calling the Chamber at (325)754 5210. Entry deadline is November 25, 2011 by 5:30 p.m.

Immunization clinics Texas Department of State Health Services will be holding two immunization clinics in Runnels County. Flu vaccine will be available. The first clinic will be held in Winters, on Thursday, December 1 from 1:30-5:30 p.m. at the Professional Building, 110 South Main, Suite 108.

The second clinic will be held in Ballinger on Thursday, December 8, 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.

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.

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.

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.

THANK YOU We would like to express our gratitude to all who attended and supported the 2011 St. Joseph's Fall Festival. We are truly grateful to have the support of our community and surrounding areas. Your loyal support has made our Fall Festival a huge success. May God continue to bless each and everyone. Father Ariel Lagunilla - Pastor The Parishioners of St. Joseph Catholic Church - Rowena

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - BALLINGER, TX INVITES YOU TO AN EXCITING SHOW! Texas artist (retires Methodist pastor) Dr. Kenneth Wyatt will be showing his works in the Fellowship Hall December 2nd-4th, 2011 between the hours of 9:00am-5:00pm & 1:00 to 5:00pm Sunday Come by FUMC and see this beautiful display. 20% OF THE PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT MISSIONS

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Winters Elementary Honor Roll

Second six weeks

FIRST GRADE "A" Raven Collins Abanea Cortez James Galvan Anthony Llanas Serenity Luera Kaydee Palady Nicholas Trevino	James Winchester SECOND GRADE "A" Chaney Bahlman McCaelyn Beuschel Jon Busher Simon Camacho Tori Campos Kent Cates Destiny Chausse Charles Childress Cannon Collins Rider Duggan Connor Garcia Trent Hamilton James Killough Ashton New Myra Ochoa McKenzie Ventress	Dayvin Oats Chantel Reyna Millie Arely Rios Alyssara Rodriguez Emmett Rodriguez James Summers Cindy Wright	Madison Poe Hailey Renfro Arazeli Reyes JohnJo Rodriguez Xavier Rodriguez Logan Schneider	Skylar Lee Briana Luera Marco Luevano Isabella McMahan McKenzie McWhorta Shiyann Reyna Miguel Rodriguez Miranda Rodriguez Hailey S. Majalca Karin Soto Makaya Spier Nevaeah Tamez Mollie Weaver
"A-B" Kolton Briley Steven Cavazos Courtney Chouse Kira Collins Jesenia Corral Shelby Gardner Brianna Griggs Kayden Nava Adrian Ochoa Austin Ortiz Mary Renfro Felix Reyna Krisol Reyna Adrian Rodriguez Jazelyn Rodriguez Nicholas Rodriguez Chelsea Sanders Roman Sandoval James Spier Wyatt Staggs Matthew Weaver	"A-B" Cary Cordell Anastasia DeLaCruz Hayden Forder Monica Garcia Reagan Hernandez Saleen Jalomo Marcos Moreno Mario Moreno Chase Morton Amber New Casey Niedecken	THIRD GRADE "A" Skyla Camacho Kristina Correa Joseph Escalona Seth Gerhart Bryce Hermesmeier Evelyn King Marc Sanchez Megan Tarr Avery Wheat Zachary Wheat	FOURTH GRADE "A" Alexis Briley Tara Campos Hunter Duggan Esmeralda Gallejo Cody Johnson Domyic Lujano Rico Sanchez	FIFTH GRADE "A" Abigail Killough Gage Mc Fadin Patrick Reyes Celeste Sanchez
	"A-B" Peyton Anderson Treyson Brown Brandon Bullard Karlee Busher Christopher Castillo Graciela Corral Christopher Criag Logan Donica Felipe Erazo Keagan Esquivel Zane Fernandez Sonnig Hagle MacGuire Hooper Graciela Jiminez	"A-B" Armando Esquivel Christopher Gray Matt Jacob Natalie Lara Querstin Lara Savanah Lawson Carlos Moreno Mara Mostad Dayton Nava Brittany Ortiz	"A-B" Caleb Cates Michael Diaz Emily Espino Priscila Espino Audie Goodwin Taylor Gray Jayden Palady Alexis Silva Chloe Underwood Jenessa Wade	

Winters Junior High Honor Roll

Second six weeks

SIXTH GRADE "A" Brooklyn Anderson Brenna Edwards Jose Garcia Bronte Hermesmeier Megan Jacob	Hyla Forder Macey Gerhart Aimee Green Troy Hernandez Baily Knight Brenna Knight Brandon L'Abbe Coyanita Martinez Alonso Mendoza Zachary Rodriguez Lucero Vega Matthew Wenzel	SEVENTH GRADE "A" Grace Bryan Mason Johnson K'lee Lindley	Marcus Mostad Aaron Jacob Smith Kamri Soto Angel Stratton Chance Towe Stacie Ventress Desiree Wilson Samuel Woodall	EIGHTH GRADE "A" Ellis Sierra Daniel Gerhart	George Reyna Jonathan Sandoval
"A-B" Alyssa Bullard Mason Donica	"A-B" Tia Campos Mikaela Cates Micah Drake Brooklyn Galloway James Lange	"A-B" Bailee Busher Brady Calcote Cameron Cooper Ayla Horton Brendon Mikeska Maci Oliver Samuel Reyes			

WHS Honor Roll

NINTH GRADE "A" William Bredemeyer Jordan Hamrick Lukas Kraatz Christian Tamez	Kendall Ferguson Karl Fink Ashley Guy Taylor Hooper Rodolfo Lara Adreanna Lopez Jennifer Rios Victoria Sanchez Elisabeth Wenzel
"A-B" Kimble Bridgeman Jacob Brock Daniel Cortez	
TENTH GRADE "A" Lauren Bredemeyer Kalyn Drake Christopher Gerhart Kara Heathcott Kara Kraatz Teren Shandor	Alanna Cooper Guillermo Corral Corey Pritchard Adrianna Reyes Iesha Tamez Tameron Tamez Alberto Trevino Hannah Weaver Sierra Woffenden
"A-B" Melissa Calcote	
ELEVENTH GRADE "A-B" Jordan Busher Gaudencio Espino William Gibbs McKenzie Hooper Daisy Martinez	Adan Mata Cody May Bryce Mikeska Andrew Silva Graciela Soto Randa Watson
TWELFTH GRADE "A" Justin Bryson Fabian Esquivel Hannah Franklin Andy Garcia Caitlin Kurtz Camille Kurtz Christian Sandoval Brianna Taylor Deven Towe	Reba Coleman Strait Daniel Michelle Kruse Sarah Lara Victoriano Mendoza Archibald Mills Fernandez Perez Matthew Pritchard Sara Rodriguez Noe Sanchez Virginia Sellers Angelica Taylor Jace Thomae
"A-B" Cannon Bryan	

District and campuses garner 10 TEA Gold Stars

WINTERS ENTERPRISE STAFF REPORT

WINTERS- The Texas Education Agency just released the final 2010-11 Academic Excellence Indicator System (district accountability report) with the Gold Performance acknowledgements. In addition to the Texas Education Agency accountability ratings system used to rank campuses and districts, TEA also awards schools for performance on additional categories not included in the accountability ratings system.

"It is a tremendous honor to receive the accolades from TEA; these acknowledgements are quite special in that it reflects the high achievement and unwavering diligence of our students, teachers, and principals," commented Superintendent Don Kuempel, Jr. "we are very proud to receive one of the premier honors a campus and district can achieve."

District Gold Acknowledgements earned include College Ready Graduates (class of 2010), and Recommended High School Program.

High School Gold Awards include College Ready Graduates (class of 2010), and 35 percent or more of the graduates from the school or district scored at or above the college-ready criteria on both English/language arts and mathematics TAKS.

Recommended High School Program (Class of 2010). At least 80 percent of graduates satisfied the course requirements for the Texas State Board of Education's Recommended High School Program or Distinguished Achievement Program.

Texas Success Initiative (TSI) English/Language Arts. At least 50 percent of all 11th grade students taking the TAKS test score at or above the "Texas Success Initiative" standard on the ELA portion (the standard, determined by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, is a scale score of at least 2200 and a score of 3 or higher on the essay portion).

Texas Success Initiative (TSI) Mathematics. At least

50 percent of all 11th grade students taking the TAKS test score at or above the "Texas Success Initiative" standard on the ELA portion (the standard, determined by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, is a scale score of at least 2200).

Junior High Gold Acknowledgements include: Commended on Writing. At least 25 percent of all students taking the TAKS test score at or above the "Commended Performance" standard on the writing portion (the standard is a scale score of at least 2400 and a score of 3 or higher on the essay portion).

Commended on Social Studies. At least 25 percent of all students taking the TAKS test score at or above the "Commended Performance" standard on the mathematics portion (the standard is a scale score at least 2400).

Elementary Gold Acknowledgements include Commended on Science. At least 25 percent of all students taking the TAKS test score at or above the "Commended Performance" standard on the mathematics portion, and Comparable Improvement in Math.

Students of the Month



Miranda Rodriguez and Cody Johnson were named Winters ISD Students of the Month for the month of November. Pictured here are Miranda and Cody with School Board members Doug Bryan and Danny Martinez.

PHOTO: CONTRIBUTED

NEWS NOTES

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.

Ballinger Masonic Lodge meeting

Masonic Lodge 643, 500 N Broadway, Ballinger, Texas. 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.

CAFETERIA MENU

Nov. 28 - Dec. 2

Subject to change

WINTERS ISD BREAKFAST MONDAY Biscuit/Sausage or Cereal or Scrambled Eggs, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.
TUESDAY Breakfast Pizza or Cereal or Breakfast Taco, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.
WEDNESDAY Biscuit/Egg Pattie or Oatmeal or Breakfast Burrito, Toast w/Jelly, Choice of Milk.
THURSDAY Breakfast Pocket or Cereal or Pancake/Sausage Link, Toast w/Jelly, Choice of Milk.
FRIDAY Biscuit/Sausage or Cereal or Muffin/Sausage, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.
WINTERS ISD LUNCH MENU Note: Menus are subject to change without notice. Students may purchase extra Entree for \$1.00. Milk for \$.30. Sides for \$.50. Large Chef Salad for \$2.00. Small Chef Salad For \$1.00. Tea \$.50 (Jr. High and High School), Water \$1.00, Visiting Adult \$4.00. Visiting Child \$3.00.
MONDAY Chicken Pattie/Bun or Salisbury Steak w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy, Black Eyed Peas, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Peaches, Hot Roll, Choice of Milk.
TUESDAY Chicken Nuggets w/Gravy or Spaghetti/Meat Sauce, Broccoli w/ Cheese, Corn, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Rainbow Bar, Bread Stick, Choice of Milk.
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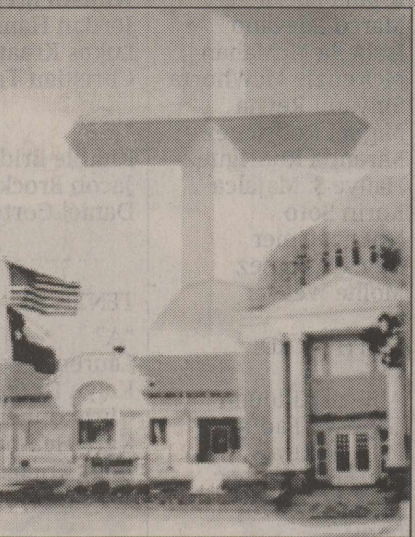
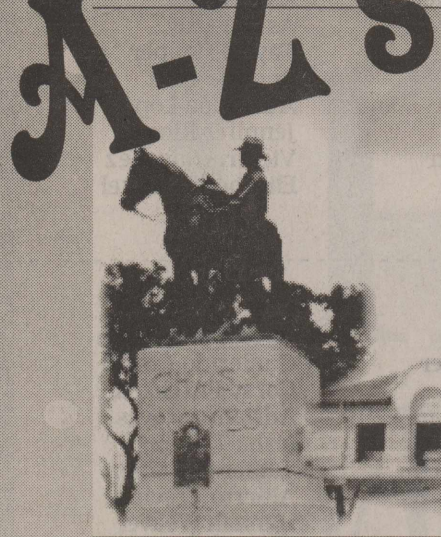
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Runnels County Gold Star 4-Hers honored in San Angelo

Locals achieve highest honor given by Texas AgriLife at county level

WINTERS ENTERPRISE STAFF REPORT

SAN ANGELO- Two local 4-H members from Runnels County were among 28 youth honored during the Texas AgriLife Extension Service's District 7 4-H Gold Star Banquet. The annual event was held November 14 in the Cactus Hotel in San Angelo.

The honorees were Paige Zentner, daughter of Mark and Penny Zentner of Rowena 4-H, along with Abbey Multer, daughter of Tony and Norma Multer of Rowena 4-H.

The Gold Star Award is the highest honor given by AgriLife Extension on the county level. Winners

are picked based on their personal development, leadership and achievement in 4-H projects, and on activities and contributions made to the 4-H program. The annual Friend of 4-H Award is given annually to an organization or individual that supports the District's 4-H program. This year's award was presented to Stripes Convenience Stores. Their Mobile Clover Campaign in which shoppers can support 4-H by making donations upon check out at store registers, raised over \$5,000 for District 7 in 2010 and almost \$11,000 in 2011. The award is given annually to an individual or business for their support of the district's 4-H program.

The Gold Star Banquet is sponsored annually in the 23-county district by AgriLife Extension and AEP-Texas.



PHOTOS: CONTRIBUTED
Abbey Multer (top) and Paige Zentner were among 28 youth honored during the AgriLife Extension Service's District 7 4-H Banquet.

RCHC holds last meeting of the year

WINTERS ENTERPRISE STAFF REPORT

BALLINGER- The Runnels County Historical Commission met in Ballinger, Texas at the Farm Bureau Building November 12, for their last meeting of 2011.

Dale Duggan presented an informative program about Farm Bureau and its history. Also presenting a program was Glenda Lacy of the Miles Preservation Authority. Her informative presentation included the Miles Area History.

Betty Thomason gave a report of the meeting October 2, of the Edwards Plateau Historical Association held in San Angelo, Texas. Those attending were the guests, Glenda



PHOTO: CONTRIBUTED
Glenda Lacy of the Miles Preservation Authority, and Alan Evans of Norton, guests at the Runnels County Historical Association meeting.

Lacy of Miles and Alan Evans of Norton. Appointees present were Ruth Cooper, Diana Rozmen, Alton O'Neal, Jr., Keith and Betty Thomason, Anthony Lange, Bobbie Campbell, Elaine Coleman, Marianne

Ray, Roy and Noleta Rice, Dale and Linda Duggan, and Beverly Teplick.

The Commission will begin the new year with their first meeting, Saturday January 14, 2012 in Ballinger, Texas.

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Wingate Lodge 1042 reaches a masonic milestone

WINTERS ENTERPRISE STAFF REPORT

WINGATE- On December 17, 2011, Wingate Masonic Lodge #1042 will be celebrating its 100th anniversary.

As we all know, a lot of changes have occurred since 1911. Our communities, businesses and our lodge have changed. Wingate was a thriving community with many businesses including three cotton gins, grocery store, gas station and a repair shop (operated by the late Bro. B.

Folsom). As time went on, bank (run by the late Bro. Duncan Hensley) was opened as well as a pharmacy to supply the Wingate community. As with many other small Texas towns, in recent years it has become a small rural village where the only businesses left are the Wingate Gin and the Post Office along with the County Precinct Barn and Lions Club.

Surprisingly, the Wingate Masonic Lodge has continued to thrive and grow. Throughout the

years, it has sent members off o war and watched the sons, grandsons, and even great grandsons of its charter members become Masons. Although on charter members are still alive, three generations of charter member Ray Dean are currently members of the Wingate Lodge.

Although the Lodge is no longer physically located in Wingate, it is still nearby in the even

smaller town of Wilmeth. A former Baptist Church was donated several years ago to the Lodge and many members who had been unable to attend due to the steep stairs at the old lodge have become active again. When the Winters Lodge was close, several of their members also transferred their membership. The membership numbers considering the area population is a source of

considerable pride.

The Winters Order of Eastern Star Chapter #80 also meets in the lodge. The ladies were a welcome addition when they moved their meetings to Wingate after losing their lodge in Winters.

The general public along with all area Masons are invited to attend the centennial ceremonies that will be held at the Lodge at 2 p.m. on December 17.

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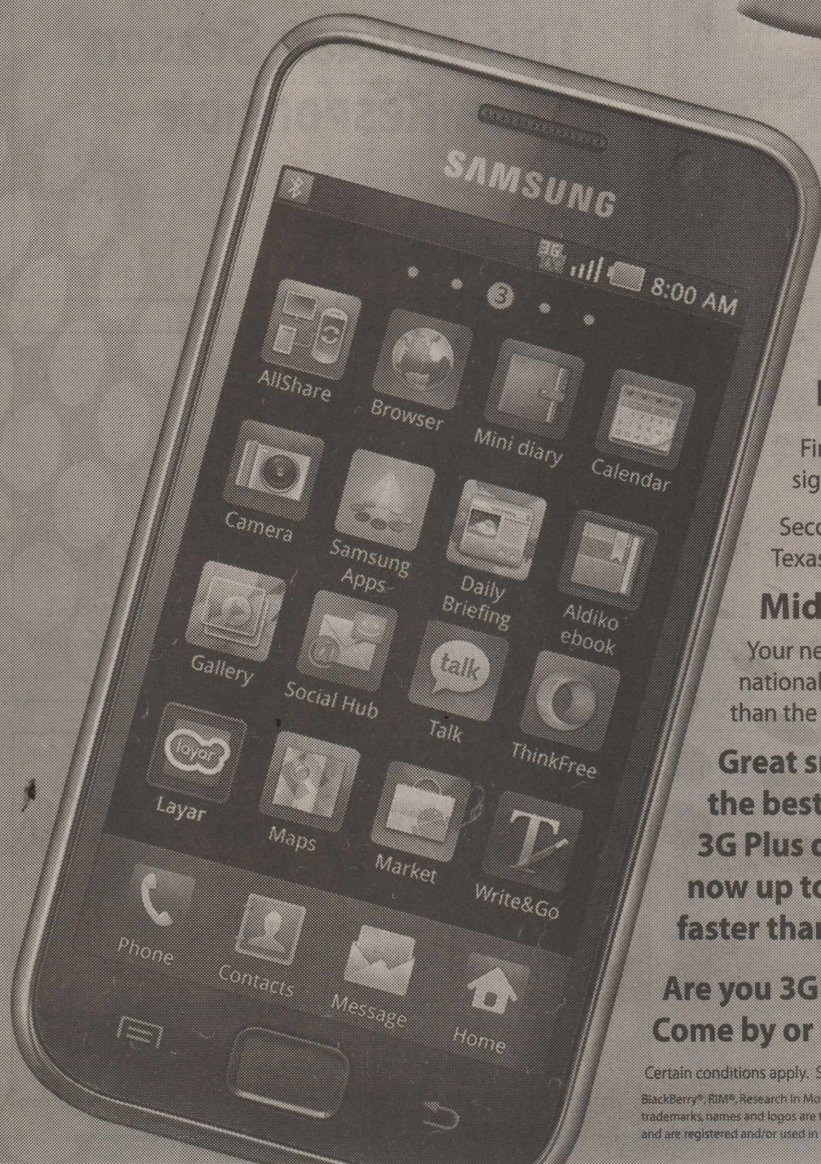
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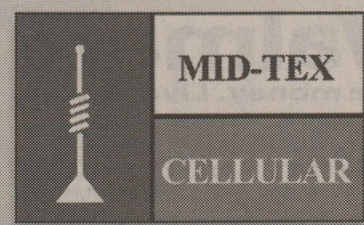
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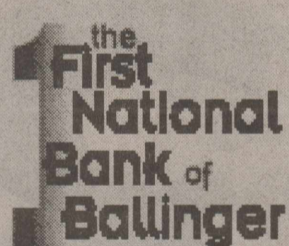

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Lady Blizzards drop to 2-1

WINTERS ATHLETIC REPORT
BY STEPHEN HERMESMEYER

Basketball: (Brooke Bicknell)
The Varsity Lady Blizzards are now 2-1 on the season after their first loss to Grape Creek, 21-35, in a hard-fought defensive team effort on November 15 in Grape Creek. On average, the girls have only given up 37 points per game for the season. The Lady Blizzards had a total of 34 rebounds, with Jordan Busher contributing 12, and LeeAnn Taylor with 10. The girls got some good looks offensively, but only shot 20 percent from the field. Caitlin Kurtz had 7 points, Jordan Busher and Camille Kurtz each had 4, and Lauren Bredemeyer, Crystal Sanchez, and LeeAnn Taylor each had 2.

The Varsity Lady Blizzards lost to Clyde 23-53 on Friday, November 18 at home. Jordan Busher scored 9 points, Caitlin Kurtz had 5, Camille Kurtz had 3, and Lauren Bredemeyer, LeeAnn Taylor, and Ashley Guy each had 2 points. The Lady Blizzards are 2-2 on the season and hosted the Abilene Hawks Tuesday, November 22 beginning at 5 p.m.

Coach Holson (JV Girls) JV White tournament
JV White Lady Blizzards competed in the Coleman JV Tournament this past weekend. Overall they played a total of four games and ended up with a tournament record of 0-4. The JV White Lady Blizzards played hard the entire tournament and did a great job of learning from each game and applying it to the next game in order to improve. JV White played Coleman, Comanche 1, Comanche 2, and Cross Plains.

Scoring for the Lady Blizzards were

JV White Lady Blizzards (8) Vs. Cross Plains (51)
Hagle - 2 pts, Mooney - 2 pts, Pena - 2 pts, Woffenden - 2 pts

JV White Lady Blizzards (7) Vs. Comanche 1 (61)
Hagle - 1 pt, Jiminez - 2 pts, Pena - 2 pts, Woffen-



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The Varsity Lady Blizzards played at home against Clyde on Friday, November 18.

den - 2 pts

JV White Lady Blizzards (23) Vs. Coleman (52)
Mendoza - 2 pts, Mooney - 13 pts, Jiminez - 1 pt, Pena - 2 pts, Crook - 5 pts

JV White Lady Blizzards (L) Vs. Comanche 2 (W)

JH Boys Basketball
Seventh Grade Basketball Girls (Coach Straw)

The Winters Lady Breezes fell to the Goldthwaite Lady Eagles 23-18 in the game held last Monday, November 14 at Goldthwaite. The Lady Eagles lead each quarter 6-2, 16-5, 16-13 and 28-18.

Mikaela Cates led the way for the Lady Breezes with 13 points scored, Micaela Ochoa and Tia Campos had 2 points each, and Christy Kruse had 1.

"This team played a great game overall. They played hard and fought back in the second half to make it a great game, but in the end came up a little short. We are very proud of their effort and hard work Monday night," said Coach Straw.

Eighth Grade Basketball Girls (Coach Airhart)
Eighth Grade Winters Lady Breezes fell last Monday, November 14 by a score of 49-17 to the Goldthwaite Lady Eagles. Score

by quarters was 13-5, 12-6, 13-4 and 11-2.

Katey Reyes scored 5 points for the Lady Breezes, Dawn LaVallie had 4 and each one of Bailee Busher, Marissa Gray, Cedic Taylor and Samantha Marrero scored 2 points.

"This was a frustrating game for both players and coaches. We failed to execute on both ends of the floor, but particularly the defensive. On a positive note, we were able to break their full court press fairly successfully," said Coach Airhart.

Seventh Grade Basketball Boys

The Breezes opened up their basketball season Nov. 14 at Goldthwaite against the Eagles. The Seventh grade played hard but the Eagles were just too much and the Eagles won 42-5. The Seventh grade had their home opener Nov. 21 against Christoval.

Eighth Grade Basketball Boys

The Eighth grade Breezes opened their basketball season also at Goldthwaite. They played really good at times. It will take a few more weeks to understand the system they are running. They came up short and lost 28-12.



Public Relations, Creed Speaking, and Ag Issues Forum teams completed on Saturday at the Area IV Contests. Hannah Franklin, Michelle Kruse, and Jordan Busher advanced to State.

FFA students advance to State

WINTERS ENTERPRISE
STAFF REPORT

WINTERS- This past Monday November 14, Winters FFA was proudly represented by 21 students competing in various events at the District FFA Leadership Development Contests. These contests all aim at developing students' leadership and public speaking skills. The district contest included all 19 area schools that make up our Big Country FFA District, which goes from Miles to Merkel and from Bangs to Cisco and everyone in-between. Unlike UIL and Athletic events, FFA competitions are not divided up by school size;

all schools, no matter how large or small, compete against each other.

In District competition Hannah Franklin, Michelle Kruse, and Jordan Busher placed second in Public Relations; Hannah Franklin placed first in Creed Speaking; Jack Pritchard, Hailey Wilson, Shelly Soto, Breanna Lynn, Daisy Martinez, and Cheyenne Ellis earned the second place in Ag Issues Forum; Reba Coleman, Breanna Lynn, and Taylor Hooper got fourth in FFA Radio, and Kat Lindley placed sixth in Job Interview.

Ethan Bredemeyer, Karl Fink, Ashley Guy, Lukas Kraatz, Danny Whipple, Taylor Hooper, Jake

Brock, Jimmy John Ripley, Amanda Horton, and Shelton Bryan placed fourth in Greenhand Chapter Conducting.

After advancing from the District level, the Public Relations, Creed Speaking, and Ag Issues Forum teams completed on Saturday at the Area IV Contests. The Ag Issues Forum team finished in fourth place. The Public Relations and Creed Speaking groups each finished in second place. Hannah, Michelle, and Jordan now advance to compete on the State level at Sam Houston State University in December! Congratulations to all our FFA Leadership Teams.



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Winters FFA students got one first place, two second places, two fourth places and one sixth in the District competition.

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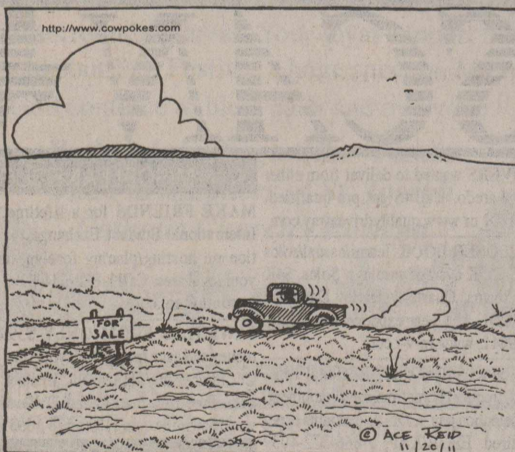
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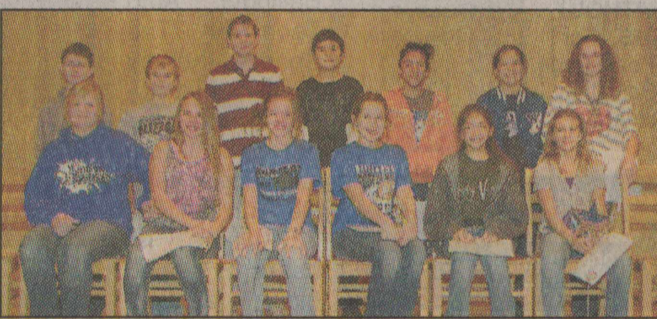
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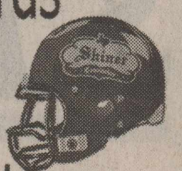
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