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Thursday, May 3, 2012

June Fest to feature entertainment, arts and crafts, and car show

WINTERS ENTERPRISE STAFF REPORT

WINTERS- The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring June-Fest this year on Saturday, June 2, 2012. It will be held in Downtown Winters with food, drinks, arts and crafts, entertainment, a car show, and many vendors from around the area participating.

It will be held from 9 a.m. Saturday morning until 6 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend. Those interested can get vendor application forms and car show forms on-line at www.winters-texas.us or

contact the Chamber office at (325) 754 5210.

In conjunction with June Fest, the Chamber will be sponsoring a softball tournament to be held at City Park the same day. Applications for teams can be obtained on-line at www.winters-texas.us or through contacting the Chamber office or Vanessa Esquivel at Wes-T-Go in Winters. Any team is welcome to participate and there is a no-alcohol rule in effect.

Come join us on Saturday, June 2 for what should be a great JuneFest celebration!



This year for the first time the MayFest will be held in June, in Downtown Winters.



zzard track is almost ready The

extreme makeover to the Winters High School track is

expected to be finished by May 25.

PHOTO: CONTRIBUTED Winters Economic Development Executive Randall Conner, WABIC board member Charles Bahlman and Coleman EDC 4b board members Doodie Taylor-Knox and Mitzy Mays visited before lunch.

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Winters represented at regional network luncheon

WINTERS ENTERPRISE

CROSS PLAINS- WABIC executive Randall Conner and board president Charles Bahlman attended the network luncheon in Cross Plains sponsored by Texas Midwest Community Network. The luncheon was held at the Cross Plains Community Center on Wednesday, April 25, 2012. Immediately following lunch discussion focused on "Communities of Achievement".

The informal program included a brief video about TMCN and information about the awards program available to member communities. Winters received the "Community of Achievement" Award in 2011. There was an in depth discussion about the importance of rural West Texas cities being prepared for the future with the projected outflow from metropolitan areas of the state. Also discussed was the need for rural communities to have vision with a cross-section of the community leadership being involved and "on the same page".

Cities represented at the luncheon included Cross Plains, Baird, Clyde, Cisco, Coleman, Comanche, Eastland, Ranger, Rising Star and Winters. Also in attendance was a representative from the Workforce Solutions of West Central Texas. The meal was catered by Staghorn Catering.

Texas Midwest Community Network is a one-of-akind regional organization founded in 1994 for economic development, tourism development, regional awareness and promotion, and legislative awareness. It is an organization of "communities working together to accomplish what one community cannot do alone.'



PHOTO: CONTRIBUTED

The State Track and Field Meet will be held in Austin at Mike A. Meyers Stadium on the University of Texas campus. The 1A 100M and 300M hurdles are scheduled to run just after noon on Saturday May 12.

State bound Lady

WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS- Forecast calls for 100 percent chance of Blizzards in Austin. The Winters Blizzards will once again be represented in Austin as the UIL State Track and Field Championships take place on May 11 and 12.

LeeAnn Taylor hurdled her way to Austin after a terrific performance at the 1A Region II Track Meet in Abilene held Friday and

Saturday last week. Ms. Taylor qualified for the Regional Meet in four events, advancing to the State Championship Meet in both the 300M and 100M high hurdles, and to the Regional finals in the 200M Dash as well. The Blizzards Boys Track team also competed over the

weekend at the 1A Region

II Track Meet after having the mile relay team qualify at the Area Meet held in Garden City.

The boys ran a strong race Friday advancing to the Regional finals on Saturday. Saturday's race would have the Blizzards run their fastest time of the year in the mile relay, coming up just a couple of seconds short of advancing to State.

"These Blizzards showed what heart and determination can do. To make this type of run and for our athletes to accomplish all of this without a track this year is something special. I look forward to cheering on LeeAnn as she shows the rest of the state just what kind of special folks we have here in Winters" said Winters Athletic Director Adam Bright.



The Winters Woman's Club held their annual Ladies Night Out on Thursday, April 19, 2012 at Jones Fellowship Hall, First Baptist Church in Winters.

Women's Club enjoy their 18th Ladies Night Out

WINTERS ENTERPRISE STAFF REPORT

WINTERS- The Winters Woman's Club held their 18th annual Ladies Night Out on Thursday, April 19, 2012 at Jones Fellowship Hall, First Baptist Church in Winters.

The theme of the evening was "An Old Fashioned Hoedown." The guest speaker was Myron Halford, from the Ballinger Cowboy Church. He was accompanied by his wife Jody. Mr. Halford gave a humorous rendition of his career as a

preacher. His stories were received with rounds of laughter. Fran Kidwell played old fashioned 'hoedown" piano music while the guests all sang along.

Members of Mrs. Deb Pritchard's AVID group, and others served the tables, did clean up and were an invaluable asset to this fun evening. The menu was: Chicka-dee Chicken Salad, Henny Penny Corn Salad, Mini Tree Broccoli Salad, Bread Sticks, Bread Pudding, tea and coffee.

Door prizes that had been donated by members, friends and local businesses were enjoyed

by many. As in past years, the proceeds from this fun evening and other fund raisers during the year are given back to the community: College scholarships, special school programs, Winters Volunteer Fire Department, North Runnels Hospital, Winters Public Library , Ministerial Alliance and others.

Thanks to all who attend and support the club.



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FUNERALS AND OBITUARIES

Edwin Tischler

Edwin Lee "Pip" Tischler, 67, of Winters died Sunday April 29, 2012. He was born July 28, 1944 in Mills County, Texas and came to Runnels County as a child. He married Patti Smith February 12, 1971 in Winters. He worked in the oilfield and at Dry Manufacturing. He was a Lutheran.

He is survived by his wife: Pattie Tischler of Winters, two daughters Melissa Tischler of Winters and Jennifer Ischer and husband Courtney of Ballinger, five sisters Adalene Tomlinson of Llano, Serena Maas of Ballinger, Nelda Briley of Winters, Eva Hollis of Winters and Josie Henry of Ballinger, and grandchildren Cassie and Case Ischer. He was preceded in death by two children Jer-

emy Mark Tischler and Mary Ann Tischler.
A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday May 2, 2012 in the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Alsen Wenzel officiating.

Winters Enterprise May 3, 2012

Obituaries in The Winters Enterprise are now also online, check out our webpage

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Raising awareness about safety on the road

WINTERS ENTERPRISE

COLLEGE STATION- Texans have a love affair with pickups, and while residents of the Lone Star State think these vehicles "rock," they also need to know they roll, said a Texas AgriLife Extension Service

About one in four vehicles registered in Texas is a pickup truck. And according to a 2011 study conducted by the Texas Transportation Institute, only 80 percent of pickup truck drivers buckle up, as compared with more than 90 percent of regular seat belt users in all other types of vehicles.

"Even though pickups are larger than cars and their owners tend to feel safer in them, they are twice as likely to roll over as passenger cars," said Bev Kellner, AgriLife Extension program specialist-passenger safety at Texas A&M University in College Station.

Kellner added that pickup truck drivers and their passengers also typically have a lower seat-belt usage

rate than drivers of other types of vehicles.

"Statistically, pickup truck drivers and passengers are the least likely to buckle up," she said. "Also, one out of every two pickup truck drivers killed in a traffic

crash in 2010 was not wearing a seat belt."

Kellner said the lower overall seat belt use by pickup drivers is likely a combination of the false sense of security and an incorrect belief that seat belts don't need to be used during short trips.

"Pickup truck drivers and passengers also tend to be younger, male drivers who are either not getting or are disregarding the well-known fact that seat belts save lives," she said. "And pickup crashes can be especially serious - even deadly - due to their tendency to roll over and for unbelted occupants to be thrown from

'Click It or Ticket is a two-week-long program designed to emphasize the ease – and cost effectiveness – of using a seat belt," she said. AgriLife Extension supports the Click It or Ticket campaign and is working in partnership to help promote its positive messages about seat belt use.'

Kellner noted that this year marks the eleventh year of the Click It or Ticket campaign in Texas and that the campaign has saved an estimated 2,843 lives in Texas and prevented more than 48,000 serious injuries from car crashes.

The Click It or Ticket campaign time frame includes the Memorial Day weekend, and this year the campaign is scheduled for May 21-June 3. During this time, extra law enforcement representatives will be on the roads enforcing the seat belt and child restraint laws in an effort to save lives.

"The campaign will also stress that under Texas law seat belt use is now required for both front seat and back seat passengers," Kellner said. "Fines for non-compliance can range from \$25 dollars to \$250 dollars. Motorists can save money - and, more importantly, save lives -- by buckling up on every trip."





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NEWSTOTES

Counts Cemetery Gathering
Counts Cemetery Gathering and The Content Reunion have joined together and will meet at Counts Cemetery

on May 5, around 9:30 a.m. Lunch will served with the meat provided. Please bring a vegetable, salad, or des-

For more information contact Buddy Miller at (325) 754-5401 or Carolyn Miller Gully at (325) 583-2545 Donations may be mailed to: Rex Miller, 1710 PR 1811, Novice, Texas 79538

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 Monday, May 2012 from 1:30-5:30 p.m. at the Professional Building, 110 South Main, Suite 108. For your convenience please

use rear entrance on Grant Street.

A second clinic will be held in Ballinger on Thursday, May 10, 2012 from 10-12 and from 1:30-3 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. For your convenience please call to schedule an appointment, if no answer leave a

Gospel singing in Wingate
There will be a Gospel meeting at the Wingate Church of Christ. The speaker will be Danny Johnson and the song-leader will be Kevin Hall. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Sunday, May 6 and Monday through Wednesday, May 7, 8 and 9 at 7:30 p.m.
There will be a potluck lunch, Sunday noon and area

wide singing from 2 to 4 p.m.

Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Round-up Enrollment for the school year, 2012-2013, for Pre-

Kindergarten and those Kindergarteners who have not enrolled in school before, will be May 8 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the elementary school library.

Parents of children who will be 4 on or before September 1 must qualify for Pre-kindergarten. All parents wishing to see if their child is eligible for Pre-kindergarten must bring the following information to the meeting on round-up night: 1) Proof of income, 2) Birth certificate, 3) Shot record, 4) Social Security card.

Children who will be 5 on or before September 1 and are entering school for the first time as a kindergartner will need to pre-register. Please bring the following information to the meeting on the round-up night: 1) Birth certificate, 2) Shot record, 3) Social Security card.

Only parents are needed at this meeting, no children,

Estate-planning seminar

Tuesday, May 8, 2012 from 6 p.m. thru 8 p.m. a local estate-planning attorney will be offering a free Preparing Your Estate Plan seminar to learn basic estate-planning strategies. The seminar will be held at Main Street Restaurant, 701 Hutchings, Ballinger, Texas. RSVP by May 1 to 365 2505.

FOW to hold annual dinner

The Annual Dinner for the Winters Area Foundation Future of Winters Club is May 8. Tickets should be

purchased by May 4. For the membership price of \$100, members get a steak dinner for two and a delightful evening at Fort Chadbourne and the new visitor center. Area residents are encouraged to contact any director of the Foundation for tickets: Charles Bahlman, George Mostad, Armando Tamez, Hilda Woffenden, Nancy Spill, Marvin Jones, Mike Bedford, Gene Wheat or Susan Conner. A check made to the Winters Area Foundation for your membership may be mailed to Box 211, Winters. Everyone is invited to join.

Bronte 2012 golf calendar

Bronte Longhorn Golf Club 2012 events: May 5, two-person 18 holes select shot; May 19, Wilson tournament three-person 27 holes select shot; June 2, two-person 18 holes select shot; July 7, two-person 27 holes LB/AS/SS; August 4, three-person 27 holes select shot; September 8, two-person 18 holes select shot; September 29 and 30, Coke Co. Tournament two-person 18 holes select shot each day; October 6, two-person 18 holes select shot; November 3, two-person 18 holes shots.

Carts are limited so sigh up early if need carts. Bronte Longhorn Golf Club (325) 437-2156.

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.

Cross Emmaus Community gatherings

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

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.

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.

Predator awareness workshop to be held in Menard Co

WINTERS ENTERPRISE

MENARD- Predator awareness will be the topic of a workshop to be conducted by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service from 8:15 a.m.- 4:45 p.m. May 22 at the Menard County Show Barn located on the A.H. Murchison Complex -Whitehead Youth Center in Menard.

Six Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units - two laws and regulations, four general - will be available for those with a private applicator license. With wildlife such an

important part of our region's economy and with strong sheep and goat prices enticing some to reenter the business, managing predators in a responsible manner becomes crucial to the success of these endeavors," said Jerry Kidd, AgriLife Extension agent in **Menard County**

Dr. Dale Rollins, AgriL-ife Extension wildlife specialist at San Angelo, will be the workshop's main speaker. His presentations will include: Appreciating Predators; Interpreting Physical Evidence of Predation, lab practical; Predator

Biology; Coping with Coyotes - Feral Hogs and Bobcats; Predator Control and Wildlife Management; and A Code of Ethics for Predator Management. Immediately follow-

ing a catered lunch, Jude Sandoval, Texas Wildlife Services, Kerrville, will demonstrate several predator control options. They are non-lethal approaches, traps and snares, M-44s and livestock protection collars, aerial gunning and

Other topics and speakers include: Predators as Disease Vectors, Dr. Pete Fincher, DVM, Texas

Animal Health Commission, Lampasas; Preventing Illicit Use of Pesticides in Predator Control Programs, Cory Pence, Texas Department of Agriculture, San Angelo; and Menard Game and Livestock Protection Board and Texas Sheep and Goat Management boards, Jason Bannowski, Texas Sheep and Goat Board member, Menard.

RSVP to the AgriLife Extension office in Menard at 325-396-4787. Individual preregistration is \$20 by May 18 and \$30 thereafter. The fee includes the noon

Forest Service unveils wildfire risk assessment portal

WINTERS ENTERPRISE

AUSTIN- Officials with Texas Forest Service and The Texas A&M University System gathered with state lawmakers last week to unveil new web applications that will help homeowners and communities determine wildfire risk - and take measures to mitigate potential hazards.

Wildfires scorched almost 4 million acres across the state last year, destroying nearly 3,000 homes. Texas Forest Service officials say the new web applications will arm Texans with the tools they need to reduce threats from future blazes.

"Making a fundamen-

tal difference in the lives of students in the Texas A&M University System is something we try to do every day," said John Sharp, chancellor of the Texas A&M System. "But today we hope to make a difference in the lives of all Texans with this TxWRAP program from the Texas Forest Service.'

Texas Wildfire Risk Assessment Portal, or TxWRAP, allows users to identify wildfire threats for a particular area based on landscape characteristics, historical fire occurrence, weather conditions, terrain and potential fire behavior. It also routes users to resources that can help them imple-

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ment wildfire prevention practices.

Accessible at texaswildfirerisk.com, the applications are free to use. Professional users such as civic planners, wildland fire managers and elected officials can use TxWRAP to generate a report packaging all the wildfire risk data for their community. Such a tool can be useful in defining mitigation options, allocating resources and prioritizing programs that will better protect

communities. Developed by Texas

Forest Service GIS specialists, TxWRAP is the first web portal of its kind in the nation granting public access to risk assessment data that previously hasn't been readily available, particularly in a user-friendly format.

Texas Forest Service Director Tom Boggus called the website a "holistic approach to Texans helping Texans mitigate their wildfire risk.'

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THE IDLE AMERICAN Deeds of a 'Best Samaritan'

Commetary by Dr. Don Newbury

His smile said much and his words said even more, but good deeds during his "three score and ten" life trumped them both.

Alzheimer's finally had its way with Hal Rowe recently, but during the seven-year ordeal, he was talked out of little - and had his way with much - in a life that inspired, delighted and encouraged.

More than 500 people gathered at his beloved Bacon Heights Baptist Church in Lubbock for a memorial service bathed in rich memories of one who did all he could for as many as he could for as long as he could. The sanctuary was awash in "Hal Rowe stories," none richer, though, than one of his final acts of kindness that tied a ribbon around an exemplary life. Nearly four years ago, he gave away a kidney to an

acquaintance....

When Hal learned that Randy Parsons faced a bleak future of blindness and dialysis without a kidney transplant, he offered "a perfectly good kidney.

Family members agreed after medical professionals assured them that it was "Hal talking - not Alzheimer's."

He wanted the world to know that TEXAS having Alzheimer's COLUMNIST didn't rob him of his ability to help, and that Jesus'
"doing unto others" Newbury instructions didn't stipulate "unless you get sick." In fact, he urged doctors to take a portion of his liver while they were "in there." Friends believe he would have given the other kidney away, too, had he known of a need....

At the funeral, laughs and tears got equal time. Words, music and videos provided warm remembrances. His admission of nervousness during his marriage proposal to

Joyce — his wife of almost 50 years — was recalled. Under a tree at Howard Payne University, their alma mater, he jammed an engagement ring onto her finger without saying a word.

"Hal, I'll marry you, but please put the ring on my other hand," Joyce

"I've never done

Don

this before," Hal stammered. "Besides, do you want a proposal from a 210-pound football tackle or a 130-pound poet?"...

A deacon for several decades, he taught fifthgraders in Sunday school for more than 40 years. "Mr. Fix-It" was the "whoyou-gonna-call guy" for hundreds of widows and widowers. Whatever was broken or needed replacement, he was the man, relentlessly taking on all projects. Some of 'em even a former football tackle

shouldn't tackle. He was immersed in work - even as a preschooler — at his dad's service station in Temple, where he and Joyce were high school sweethearts.

A natural salesman, he sold Bibles during summers of his college years. Some earnings went for that engagement ring....

He worked in retail for many years, and with a school-teaching wife, invested steadily in rental properties, all kept up by 'Mr. Fix-It.

Rowe always had time for others. Someone recalled the day he misdialed a church widow. The respondent was not to be spared Hal's warm spirit. "How're you doing?" he asked. She expressed frustration about failure to sell her house.

If you figure that Hal bought it over the phone, you'd be right....

An outstanding college football player, Hal passed on a chance to play professionally with the Dallas Cowboys. Instead, he opted to teach in Comanche during Joyce's final college year.

Soon, they were off to Lubbock, where she was an oft-honored teacher and Hal spent most days — and many nights — giving his life away.

A member of the church orchestra, he "saxophoned" birthday greetings by phone to widows and widowers for many years....

A couple of years ago, as his memory started to

fail, he told Joyce he wanted folks at his funeral to be fed. He had a full meal in mind, but settled for Blue Bell ice cream cups at the exits. (Pudgy during his adult life, the ice cream lover claimed to be a "recovering anorexic.")

What a model for others! Beloved by his wife, family and friends, he was an unwavering Christian stalwart. Even when his 20-year-old son was killed in an auto crash caused by a drunken driver, his faith was strong.

Hal personified Corrie Ten Boom's quote: "The measure of a life is not its duration but its donation.' When he died February 19, that's really all he needed to do that day....

Dr. Newbury is a speaker in the Metroplex. Send inquiries/comments to newbury@speakerdoc.com. Phone: 817-447-3872.

Daniel strikes out 10 in Blizzards win over Reagan Co

WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS- An ace performance by opener Strait Daniel lifted Winters to a 3-1 win in seven innings over Reagan County Friday, April 27, 2012 in a game played at Snyder. After having scored 43 runs in their previous two games the Blizzards found a rival to play with and improved their 2012 spring record to

Daniel worked out of 12 difficult moments for Winters. He pitched seven innings and allowed no earned runs on one hit. Daniel faced his toughest moment in the fifth inning.

Reagan County's lone run of the ballgame came in the first inning on a sacrifice fly by Gardner.

The game was never in doubt after the first, as Winters scored two runs on a passed ball and a sacrifice fly by Daniel.

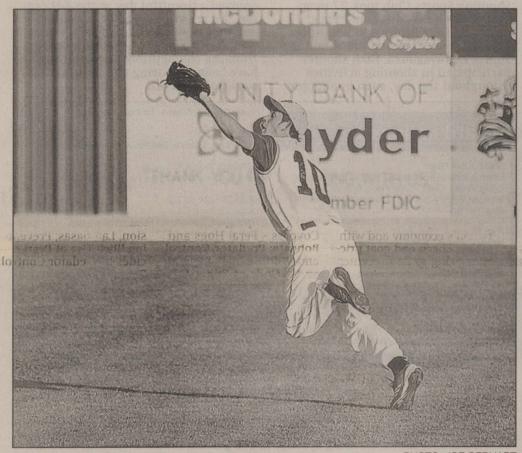


PHOTO: JOE GERHART Jace Thomae makes a running catch in right field during the Winters vs Big Lake game in Snyder, Texas. This game determined 2nd and 3rd place in district.

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Sheep and goat risk management workshops set for May and June

WINTERS ENTERPRISE

SAN ANGELO- Three Sheep and Goat Risk Management Workshops for commercial producers have been set for

The workshops have similar curriculums tailored to their respective locations and will last from 8:30 a.m.- 4 p.m. They are scheduled for May 31 in the Texas AgriLife Extension Service office for Gillespie County, 95 Frederick Road in Fredericksburg; June 5 in the Ed Davenport Civic Center, 100 Brady Country Club Road in Brady; and June 7 at the Iraan Civic Center, 9271 Alley Oop Lane in

The workshops are being hosted by a service partnership comprised of AgriLife Extension, the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, the U.S. Department of Agriculture-Risk Management Agency and the American Sheep Industry Association.

The workshops are meant to familiarize sheep and goat producers with the risk management tools now available, said Bill Thompson, AgriLife Extension economist at San Angelo and the workshops' coordinator.

Topics at each of the workshops will include: Pasture, Rangeland, Forage Rainfall Index as a Risk Management Tool, Price Seasonality and Lamb/Kid Market Outlook, Demographics of Lamb Consumers, Successor Development and Management Transition on Family Ranches, and Livestock Risk Protection and Cost of Production

"The workshops target commercial producers, but the information is applicable to producers with operations of any size," Thompson said.

"Prices paid for sheep and goats continue to be excel-lent and the future of the industry is bright," he said. "It is the partnership's aim to help growers incorporate risk management strategies into their plans as they contemplate either expansion or drought recovery efforts."

Individual preregistration due one week before each workshop date is \$15. Late registration and registration at the door is \$40. To preregister and for more information contact Thompson at 325-653-4576, w-thompson@

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HISTORICAL MARKERS AND THEIR HISTORIES IN RUNNELS CO

The first County Judge in Runnels Co.

CONTRIBUTED BY RUTH COOPER

WINTERS- Sylvester Adams was born March 9, 1834 in Humphreys County, Tennessee. He came to Texas with his father while quite young. When he was older, he enlisted in the Confederate Service from Bosque Co. March 8, 1862. He was a recruit in Speight's Battalion Texas Infantry. Sylvester Adams was at the reorganization meeting under the conscript law, later transferring to Co. A., First Texas Heavy Artillery and was stationed in Galveston, Texas, Virginia Point and served there for the duration of the war. November 1879, he took an active part in organizing Runnels County, moving from Bosque County. At the organization meeting The inscription

SYLVESTER ADAMS (MARCH 9, 1834-FEB. 3, 1889) BORN IN TEN-NESSEE, ADAMS AS A YOUTH CAME TO TEXAS WITH HIS FATHER. A FIRM BELIEVER IN THE CONFEDER-ATE CAUSE, HE SERVED AT GALVES-TON DURING THE CIVIL WAR. HE HELPED ORGANIZE RUNNELS COUNTY: WAS FIRST COUNTY JUDGE, 1880-1884, ALSO SERVED 1886-1888. HE HELPED PLAN AID FOR HIS DROUGHT-STRIKEN COUN TY, 1886-1887. THOUGH MANY RESIDENTS PROUDLY REFUSED TO TAKE "CHARITY" RELIEF. HE WAS A DEMOCRAT AND

of Runnels County held in Walthall, Sylvester Adams was elected the first

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BAPTIST. HE HAD 3 SONS AND 3

DAUGHTERS.

County Judge March 10,

1880. He was re-elected twice in succession. Then, after an interval of two years, was elected for his fourth term, November 1886.

Judge Adams was known to his friends as a true friend. He was a Democrat of the old school believing in a government by the people and for the people, believing implicitly in the justice of the Confederate cause, and in religion the

family was Baptist. In Commissioner's Court, May 11, 1880, it was further ordered

the County Judge retain from proceeds of sales 10 percent as compensation for his services. The County paid all expenses in making and acknowledging deeds. In 1885, the County Judge's salary was raised from \$400 to \$600. During the drought of 1886 in Runnels County, he worked tirelessly to see that needs were met for the families. This was referenced in Commissioner's Court records February 16, 1887, when Judge Adams was allowed \$30 out of the County Relief Fund for his services and expenses in going and returning from Albany in the interest of drought sufferers. County Judge Adams served out his fourth term and died at his home in Runnels City, Feb. 3, 1889. He is buried

A lot of the early history of Sylvester Adams was recorded in "Biographical Sketches of Confederate Soldiers", written by H. D. Pearce, the first postmaster in Runnels City, and published September 1910. Judge Adams' many friends had a large native stone monument erected to his memory. He left a wife, three daughters and three sons. The stone monument is approximately 10 feet tall, and is an obelisk type of monument. The monument inscription is as follows: A picture of clasped hands are on the upper part. In Memory of Sylvester Adams born March 9, 1834died February 3, 1889. A good and true man has gone to rest. One whose heart and hand was ever ready to respond to the petitions of sorrow and

In 1966, a Confederate foot stone of white granite was placed at the grave. It reads: Batry A, 1 Regt., Texas Arty, C.S.A. March 9, 1834, Feb. 3, 1889.

The Texas Historical Commission issued a 16"x12" Grave Marker July 18, 1968. The dedication was held in 1969, when the Runnels County Historical Survey Committee could dedicate two other markers at the same time. The others were for J. W. Clampitt and James (Jim) Flynt. Both were early day sheriffs.

Resources: Biographical Sketches of Confederate Soldiers, H. D. Pearce September 1910 Runnels County Historical Commission Marker Histories Eighteen Ghost Towns of Runnels County, Alton O'Neal, Jr. 2004



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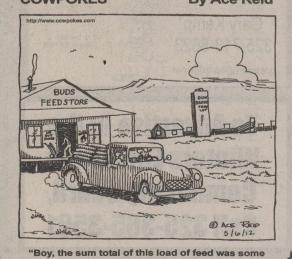
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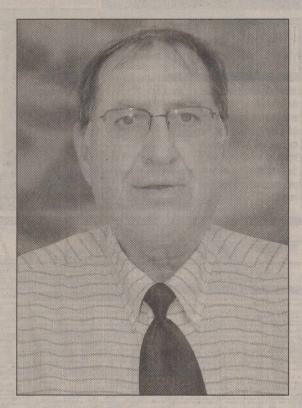
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Class of 51 reunited 61 years after

WINTERS ENTERPRISE STAFF REPORT

WINTERS- Winters High School Class of 1951 celebrated their 61st Graduation Anniversary April 21, 2012 at the Z.I. Hale Museum Rock Hotel. Classmates started arriving at 10 a.m. to a welcoming committee of Gene and Jeanie Wheat , Roy and Noleta Rice and Mary and RC Kurtz. The Hotel was decorated in a Spring theme with bright colors and flowers. A Class Picture was taken by the group at 11:30 followed by more visiting followed by a lunch.

After Lunch a Memorial Service was held by Nelavene Terry for 24 deceased members. The Class of 1951 was the largest class to go though the Winters High School at that time. There were 63 class members and five World War II Veterans receiving diplomas and six members graduating in the summer. Because of lack of room in the school auditorium it was the first graduation held at the football field. The speaker was John Ben Sheppard, Secretary of State of Texas. A big honor for the town of Winters. It was a beautiful night and the grandstands were filled and more. Besides 29 towns in Texas the class has members in Colorado, Arizona, Florida, Nevada, Georgia, California and Wyoming.

A business meeting was held with Gene Wheat presiding and Mary Kurtz giving the Secretary and Treasure report. Mary Kurtz was thanked for planning the 2012 reunion. Classmates then gave donations for the Scholarship Fund of the "Future of Winters" club . A total of \$ 1,000 was donated.

A committee for the next reunion in two years was then selected; Helen Smyth, Marthiel Russell, Kay Colburn, Janet Vaughan, Jody Sweatmon, Maxine Stone and Rhuenell Hall.

Those present were: Lester and JoAnne Byrd, Kay Young Colburn, Robert and Mary Davis, Grady and Evelyn Dorsett, Dale and Doris Eubanks, Zorita Tomlinson Flippin, Ruth Henderson Jobe, Billy and Clara Kurtz, RC and Mary Gerhart Kurtz, Lanny and Jo Ann Lacy, Suvern and Martha O'Dell, Lera Kay Cummings Randolph, Roy and Noleta Rice, Helen Howard Smyth, Jo Rita Wilson Sweatmon. Nelavene Vaughan Terry, Wendell Traylor, Arlen and Janet Kendrick Vaughan, Gene and Jeanie Wheat, Jerry Whitlow, Ruthie Odom, Geraldine Phelps, Buddy and Rhuenell Hall.

Blizzard track makeover near completion

WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS- It is hard to find teams, other than the Blizzards and Lady Blizzards, competing in the Regional Track meet who have spent an entire track season competing without a home track to practice on. But those members of the Blizzards Track teams have fought through the difficulties and are reaping the rewards as they traveled to Abilene last week to compete in the Region 1 Track Meet.

The Blizzards were represented at the meet by the boys Mile Relay team

and by Le Ann Taylor, who competed to make a return trip to the State Track Meet in Austin.

The construction on the new track continues on with roughly half of the track paved with concrete while the remaining half is prepped to be poured shortly. After a curing time, the new track surface will be laid on the new concrete as the project draws to a close.

"We are excited to see the progress that has been made over at the Track Facility. Once completed, Winters will have one of the finest track facilities in the region and we look

forward to continued success in our track program and also in seeing the Blizzards Relays possibly return to Winters very soon. We'll be excited this week to cheer on the track folks at Regionals and hope some fans will come do the same," said new Winters Athletic Director Adam Bright.

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Since AEP Texas and the 1,700 AEP employees in Texas are directly connected to the many communities where we live and serve, we'd like to share some information on how you can help manage your electric bills through active retail choice and where you can go for additional help if need be.

One of the best ways to lower higher electric bills is to shop around for a less expensive retail electric provider (REP). Finding different offers can be done quickly and efficiently.

- 1) Visit the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) electric choice website at www.powertochoose.org. If you don't have access to a computer, you can call the PUCT's Electric Choice hotline at 1-866-PWR-4-TEX (797-4839).
- 2) Use the information you receive to contact different REPs to collect more information on various services and offers. Also contact your current REP at the number listed on your electric bill for other offers that may be available. Ask about contract terms and prices and be sure to look at the REPs' Electricity Facts Labels to make a good comparison.

Need some help?

Customers having trouble paying their electric bills and wishing to avoid disconnection should discuss their concerns with their current retail electric provider. All REPs are required to offer deferred payment plans to eligible customers who express an inability to pay. REPs also offer balanced billing plans, which allow eligible customers to pay an average amount each month

Additionally, many community action agencies may be able to help with electric bills or energy efficiency programs. For more information, contact the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) at 1-800-525-0657, e-mail at info@tdhca.state.tx.us or visiting one of the following websites.

TDHCA Utility Bill Help, Home Repair and Other Assistance www.tdhca.state.tx.us/texans.htm

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