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County accepting applications for early voting by mail

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ WINTERS ENTERPRISE

BALLINGER- The County Clerk's Office is accepting applications for early voting by mail for the July 31, 2012 Democratic and Republican Primary runoff election. The election in Runnels County will define state and federal officials only. No local elections will be held in the July 31, 2012 runoff.

For the Republican Party Ted Cruz and David Dewhurst will be facing off for the U.S. Senator seat left by Senator Kay Bailey Hutchinson, who is not looking for re-

election. Warren Chisum and Christi Craddick are running for Railroad Commissioner, while Barry Sitherman and Greg Parker are running for the unexpired Railroad Commissioner term.

The last Republican runoff on the July 31 ballot is the Justice of the Supreme Court, Place 4, between David Medina and John

The Democratic Party runoff will have only one election on the ballot. Paul Sadler and Grady Yarbrough face off for the opportunity to run against either Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst or Ted Cruz, in November. The ultimate November winner will succeed Kay Bailey Hutchison, who has been a Senator since 1993.

To be eligible to vote by mail a voter must expect to be absent from the county of residency on election day and during the regular hours for early voting by personal appearance; requirements also include being disabled, being 65 years of age or older on election day; or to be confined in jail but eligible to

The last day to receive an application to vote by mail is July 24, 2012.

Any qualified voter will be eligible for early voting by personal appearance at the County Clerk's office in Ballinger, beginning July 23 and ending July 27, 2012 from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

For further information or to request an application to vote early by mail, please contact the County Clerk's Office at 365-

Winters businessmen, Mayor, apply for local option election

If approved, the petition to end local prohibition would be included in the ballot for the November general election

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ

WINTERS- A local group in Winters has announced that will be submitting a petition to the Winters City Council, so that a local option election can be held in November, to open the city regulations to the legal sale of beer and liquor in stores and

restaurants. The group, denominated Winters Economic Coalition Political Action Committee is led by President and Winters City Mayor Lewis Bergman, as well as

PAC Secretary Jill Davis. Other business men and women in Winters are part of the committee and sup-

port the petition. Mayor Bergman said that the petition has not been officially presented to the City Council, but it is expected to be presented soon, for the validation of the signatures required to include the item in the upcoming November elec-

"It is my understanding that the sole duty of the City Council is to certify the validation of the signatures," Bergman said.

According to local citizens and historians the City of Winters has been considered "dry" forever.

The former attempt to open the alcohol city regulations in the city was made in 1985, but the initiative was rejected.

According to the Texas

Election Code, it is necessary to apply for a petition for a local option liquor election. Before the county clerk or elections administrator can issue a petition to gather signatures, the petitioners must first apply for the petition and provide proof of publication.

The Political Action Committee published the notice in the June 7, 2012 issue of the Winters Enterprise.

Sections 501.023, 501.024, and 501.025 of the Texas Election Code state that an application for a petition is made by written application by 10 or more qualified voters of the territory to be covered by the election.

The Election Code simply requires that the application be in writing and bear the signatures of

The additional information required on a petition (i.e., address, date of birth) is not necessary for an application.

After the application has been approved, the City Secretary will provide blank petition pages to the petitioners. The Secretary of State and the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission must be notified of when petitions to gather signatures have been issued.

Section 501.032 of the Election Code provides that the number of required signatures depends on the category of local option liquor elec-tion the petitioners are seeking.

The number of signatures required to be on a petition is equal to or greater than 25 percent of the registered voters in the political subdivision

who voted in the most recent general election, if the ballot issue involves voting for or against "The legal sale of wine on the premises of a holder of a

winery permit.' The petition that will be submitted by the Winters Economic Coalition Political Action Committee includes the following issues according to the notice posted: 1) "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premise consumption only; and 2) "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holder

The number of signa-tures required is increased to 35 percent of the registered voters in the political subdivision who voted in the most recent gubernatorial election for an election on any other local option ballot issue.

Local residents to be featured on national T

WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS- Winters residents, Richard and Starlyn Smelker, are Texas Representatives of Greyhound Protection League (GPL). GPL is a national organization that investigates and documents abuse cases, works for protective legislation and public information about Greyhound Racing dogs. Starlyn was recently invited to Dallas to be interviewed about Greyhound rescue and adoption by the nationally syndicated program "Wild About Animals" which is narrated by the Nationally acclaimed and Emmy winning actress, Mariette Hartley. The program segment will be centered around greyhound rescue and adoption by the Greyhound Adoption League of Texas (GALT). GALT is one of the largest Greyhound adoption agencies of its kind in Texas and the U.S.

'Wild About Animals" will be aired first in Texas on the FOX Network this coming November, when



PHOTO: CONTRIBUTED

Richard, Starlyn and Starlyn's mother, Verna Bachelder with their three Greyhounds, Ginny, Jesse and Benii.

it returns for the fall and winter programming season. Eventually the program will be nationally syndicated throughout the US, then in rerun and also shown on the Internet.

Richard, Starlyn and Starlyn's mother, Verna Bachelder, moved to Winters in 2009 to retire. Verna Bachelder was born and raised in Pear Valley, TX near Brady. They are "owned"

by three Greyhounds, Ginny. Jesse and Benji. Each of their Greyhounds has a moving background story and message. Smelker's recently lost their forth Greyhound, Mac, to bone

cancer. Starlyn says "Mac was a wonderful ambassa-dor of his breed." "All who knew him were impressed by him and all of the Grey hounds he represented."

The Smelkers have been public speakers for many vears to schools and organizations about the plight of the Racing Greyhound. They are members of the area's new REASON Animal Rescue, of which Starlyn is currently secretary. The Smelker's Greyhound, Jesse, was pictured as one of the first mascots on REASON's Animal Rescue area circulars. Jesse was found abandoned, starved and near death in Amarillo by Animal Control officers. Greyhound Adoption League of Texas received Jesse and nursed him back to health. Richard and Starlyn and Verna adopted him several months later. He is Verna's companion.

Starlyn has promised to let us all know when the "Wild About Animal" program will be aired this

Strait Daniel named in All-State baseball team

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ

WINTERS- The Texas **High School Baseball** Coaches Association released last week the All-State nominations for the 2012 baseball season. Winters Blizzards starter and center fielder Strait Daniel was nominated second team outfielder.

Daniel played in a total of 31 games with 117 plate appearances and 102 at bats. Daniel had 19 base hits, 15 doubles, 6 triples and 1 home run for a total of 41 hits, he batted in 37 runs and scored 32. He finished the 2012 season with a batting average of .402.

The Senior player pitched in 19 games for a total of 292 outs. He finished the season with

an impressive 12-3 in wins and losses. Daniel had a season of 75 hits and 59 runs, only 35 of them are earned runs. He walked 54 opponents and struck out 113. Daniel finished the 2012 season with a 2.52 earned runs average.

The Blizzards had the best season in the baseball program history in Winters. They started winning their first playoff game ever and defeated in McCamey, Tahoka, Fort Hancock, and Seymor in consecutive series before falling to the Class 1A State runner up and three times in a row regional champion Stamford Bulldogs.

With a 23-8 record the Blizzards added four golden gloves to their trophy case.

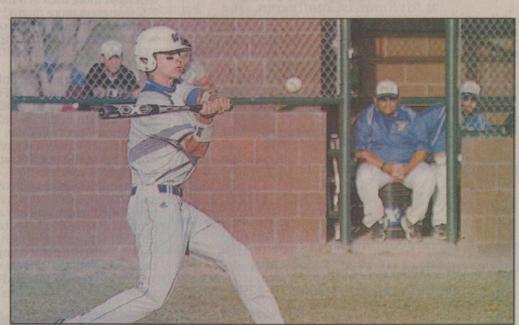


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Strait Daniel's great season with the Winters Blizzards was recognized by the Texas High School Baseball Association.





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Antonio Reyna Espino, Jr.

December 13, 1990 - June 10 2012

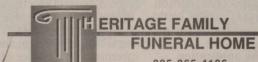
You mad bro? I ain't even mad." Antonio was born on December 13 1990 to proud parents Antonio Espino Sr. and Catarina Reyna. He was born in Winters Texas. He is survived by his parents, three brothers of Winters, Texas: Ezequiel Martinez, Emanuel Espino, and Gabriel

Espino; and four sisters: Esmeralda Rawls of Abilene, Texas, and Marcela Espino, Priscila Espino, and Yessenia Espino, all of Winters,

Tony was a hard worker at his job as a mechanic and welder. He was always willing to learn something new and give a helping hand. His friends and family could always depend on him for love, jokes, and anything else they may have needed.

He was the kind of guy who could always be found with friends and family, and when possible, buying clothes, watching movies... and always on FaceBook. His dear ones will always have a special place in his heart, but especially his nieces and nephews.

Tony was proud of his accomplishment of being best dressed saying, "Best dressed in high school right here!" No conversation could be finished with Tony without at least one mention of, "I ain't even mad."



1910 Hutchings Ave., Ballinger, TX 76821

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Juan Alejandro Ramirez

March 4, 1992 - June 10, 2012

"Mom, don't worry, I'm gonna be just fine." Juan Ramirez was born on March 4, 1992, to the proud parents: Juan Ramirez and Hilda Iracheta in Acuna, Mexico. He is survived by his parents, brother Cesar Iracheta of Eden, Texas, and sisters Mayra Iracheta and

Carina Marin both of Winters, Texas. He also leaves behind four nieces and one nephew, and

his Alaskan Husky, Embry. One of Juan's greatest accomplishments was graduating in the top 10 of his class at Winters High School; he planned to continue his education to become a psychologist. His family looked at him as a great son and brother and a true friend. He lived up the

saying YOMO (You're Only Mexican Once) when among friends and family. Juan was a superman collector who also enjoyed working out and spending time with those

He will always be remembered as a guy who could be counted on for a laugh and a smile, as well as never letting any day be thought of as "bad." He worked at AC Delco in Ballinger and Winters as a mechanic. As a music lover, he enjoyed listening to country, rock and Selena Gomez.



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Faye Jordan

Faye (Cate) Jordan 87 of Hylton passed away Tuesday morning June 12, 2012 at the Bronte Health and Rehab Center. She was born June 11, 1925 in Hylton and grew up there. She graduated from Blackwell High School as valedictorian for the class of 1942. She married James Richard Cate, Sr. on March 13, 1942 and he preceded her in death on December 25, 1962.

The family received friends Friday, June 15, 2012 at the Winters Funeral Home. Graveside services were held Saturday, June 16, 2012 at Blackwell Cemetery with Rev. Kenneth Jones officiating.

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Obituaries in The Winters Enterprise are now also online, check out our webpage at MyRunnelsCounty.com



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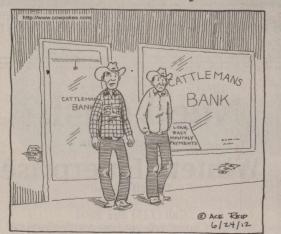
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By Ace Reid



"He says I've got plenty of cash flow except it's in

the wrong direction!

The Winters Rodeo Association will host their June Playday on Saturday, June 23 at the Winters Rodeo Arena. Sign up for events at 5 p.m. and ride at 6 p.m. For more information please contact Melissa Gerhart (325) 754 5648.

YMCA Fall Football Signups in Winters

Winters Rodeo Playday

YMCA fall football signups will be held for boys and girls third thru sixth grade. Registration and payment will on Friday June 22, 2012 from 6-8 p.m. at the Scout

YMCA members \$60, Non Members \$75. Equipment fee \$35 for both helmet and shoulder pads.

YMCA representative will be on site for scholarships/financial assistance approval. Bring last two pay stubs, financial form 1040, or other proof of income to qualify.

Season kick-off: September 15, 2012. For questions please contact Ida at (325) 669 4521 or Amy at (325)

Pray Until Something Happens

Every first Friday of the month the First United Methodist Church will be having PUSH "Pray Until Something Happens" everyone is invited to come and pray from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Bronte 2012 golf calendar

Bronte Longhorn Golf Club 2012 events: July 7, twoperson 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.

Winters Elementary School is looking for volunteers

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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.

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

Marlene Smith at 754-4961 for additional information.

Members meet the second Tuesday of the month. Call

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.

Last call for Coleman Co Electric scholarships

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COLEMAN- Coleman County Electric Co-Op announced the approaching of the deadline for the 2012 scholarship program. Scholarships will be accepted until June 29; those planning to apply are encour-

"Apply now if you are a 2012 high school graduate who will be attending a college, technical school or

university as a freshman," stated the regional Co-Op this week in a

Some qualifications include being a child of a member, a grandchild of a member or child of a legal guardian who is a member of Coleman County Electric Cooperative. Applicants must reside with the active member whose residence is served by Coleman County Electric Cooperative.

Eligible applicants will be placed in a drawing to be held in July at the cooperative's annual meeting. There will be nine separate drawings, each scholarship totaling \$500.00. To obtain a copy of the rules and the application, visit www.colemanelectric.org or contact Tony Williams at Coleman County Electric Cooperative at (325) 625-2128 or send an email to tony@colemanelectric.org

Brices hold family reunion in Winters

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WINTERS- The Brice reunion was held at the Winters Community Center on June 16 and 17, 2012, with 90 people attending.

Those attending were Juanita Bradley of Cedar Park; W.A. and Dot Henley of Kerrville; Earling Moore of Cabot, Arkansas; Marvin and Fayrene Henager, Gloria and Bobby Smith, Gary Brice, Kendall and Meagen of Belton; Vickie and Eddie

Watts and granddaughter, Reese Cominsky of Gatesville; Leon Brice and granddaughter, Taylor Brice and Debbie Parker of Commanche; Kenneth and Cynthia Henager and Sarah of Moody; Beth Brice, Ann and Eddie Bedrick, Judy Snowden, Georgia and Steve Collier and Shane of Odessa; Darlene Kelly of Ballinger; Allen Coffey and Alisha Coffey and children of Gardendale; Odell and

Horace McGinnis, Sher-

rie and Greg Johnson;

Brandy and Brandon Mc-Ginnis and children; Sara and Johnathan Mendez and children; Bodie and Kelly McGinnis, Scarlette Morgan and children of Mineral Wells; Frances Faglie, Bobbie Joe Faglie, Curtis Mitchell, Gayland, Tina, Tracy, Joseph and Keagan Mitchell of Merkel; Darvin and Willie Bradley of Grape Creek; Joyce Weidner, Rusty Weidner and Jordan, Leslie Brice, Sarah Gandy, Shirley Strokos, Ricky and Tonia Weidner and Au-

gustin and three grandkids of San Angelo, Patsy Roberson, Alicia and Travis Sims and Aubree of Abilene; Terry Sanders of Tuscola; Jim Bob Webb of Meridian; Breanna Webb of Coppell; Bryce Webb of Lewisville; Vonda and Dwayne Grun and Gena and Nathan Wright of Lubbock; Kirsten Grun of Texas A&M, Oleta Webb of Winters,

Visitors were Kelly Wright of Tuscola and Chris Dillow of Waxahachie.

Texas Comptroller urges amendment to the Endangered Species Act

for reform.

AUSTIN- Texas Comptroller Susan Combs urged a federal committee on Natural Resources to amend the Endangered Species Act (ESA), and provided recommendations to make the process more science-based,

cost effective and transparent.

In comments submitted to the U.S. House Committee on Natural Resources Oversight Hearing, Combs said excessive ESA litigation can increase regulatory uncertainty for many entities such as private landowners and businesses. In this economy, putting jobs at risk without science is irresponsible, Combs said.

"We continue to reiterate that sound peer-reviewed science must be used in all listing decisions, and conservation efforts should be implemented, if necessary, in close coordination with impacted stakeholders,' Combs said to the oversight hearing which was titled, "Taxpayer-Funded Litigation: Benefitting Lawyers and Harming Species, Jobs and Schools.'

In the last four years the federal government has defended more than 570 ESA-related lawsuits, costing U.S. taxpayers more than \$15 million in attorney fees, according to data obtained from the Department of Justice.

"The large amount of litigation surrounding the ESA highlights the deeply flawed processes within the ESA," Combs said.

Combs is the presiding officer of the legislatively created Interagency Task Force on Economic Growth and Endangered Species, which serves to facilitate economic growth in the face of existing and flawed ESA regulations. Last week, the Combs-led Texas Conservation Plan (TCP) was a major reason the dunes sage brush lizard did not warrant listing as a threatened or endangered species.

The multi-species settlements between the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) and environmental groups have failed to provide any certainty and have made the process even less transparent. Combs said it remains difficult to ascertain which species are under review because there is not a complete public list of all petitions received and species under review.

Through research provided by the Comptroller's office, there are 72 species in Texas included in the

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settlement with FWS, but a total of 114 species in the state are under review for changes in listing status.

In her remarks to the Natural Resources Oversight

Hearing, Combs laid out the following recommendations

More credible and complete science should be used

in decisions regarding endangered species, and that data

should be peer reviewed by independent, objective and

qualified scientists. The proper application of scientific

principles will inform decisions and minimize the risk of

unwarranted ESA regulatory burdens and inefficient use

the ESA should be adjusted to reflect appropriate time

Opportunities for recovery should be included in

the species should be delisted using an expedited process. FWS should handle all species reviews and listing de-

cisions in a more transparent manner. Any information

tions, data, assumptions, studies and modeling must be

related to listing decisions including range determina-

available on a timely basis for public review and com-

ment. Additionally, FWS should provide more informa-

tion and outreach on species under review and work with partner agencies to make publicly available a single

source of information for all species under review.

conservation efforts to more quickly lead to the delisting

Once FWS determines a species is no longer endangered,

taxpayer dollars currently used in lawsuits.

frames to thoroughly respond to petitions. This will save

Timelines required for responding to petitions under

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Runnels Co woman injured in rollover

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ

WINTERS- A Runnels County woman was injured and her car totaled in a rollover accident occurring Monday, June 11, 2012 on U.S. Higway 83, near the Hilltop Service Station, 10 miles south of Abilene.

Marion Alice Dahmann, of Ballinger, was driving southbound at 1:30 p.m. 1 mile north of Hilltop Service Station, on Highway 83, when she found two cars parked on the right lane, after a curve. Dahmann veered to the left to avoid the cars, hit the median and lost control of the vehicle. Dahmann was driving a 1996 Mercury Grand Marquis.

The car went to the right into the ditch, rolled over and landed on the roof. Witnesses helped Dahmann to get out of the car

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while the two cars parked on the road left the scene. The crash left the

front end of the roof so smashed that the driver could not be extracted through the front door. Dahmann was extracted through the back door.

Dahmann was transported by ambulance to Hendrick Medical Center, in Abilene, Texas. She was released later with non life threatening injuries.

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Weather Whys

Q: Some lightning bolts seem faint, while others light up the entire sky. How powerful is lightning?

A: It's a lot more powerful than most people believe, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "We know for a fact that not all lightning bolts are the same strength - some are relatively weak while others are incredibly strong," he explains. "At any given moment, there are about 1,800 to 2,000 thunderstorms on Earth and it's estimated that lightning occurs about 50 times every second. A typical lightning bolt contains about 15 million volts of electricity and can heat up the air around it to well over 50,000 degrees. That's why the total energy of one thunderstorm can easily surpass the energy released during an atomic explosion.

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Bonnie Fairey.

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Winters, TX 79567

Marlene Smith; Pete and Barbara Gray. * In memory of H.D. Poe by Class of 1957; Pete and Barbara Gray.

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* In memory of Luther Smith by Pete and Barbara Gray. * In memory of Hattie Belle Bishop by

Pete and Barbara Gray. * In memory of Wayne Satterfield by Pete and Barbara Gray. * In memory of Doris Gray by Pete and

Barbara Gray. * In memory of Betty Eldred by Pete and Barbara Gray.

* In memory of Darlene Wilson by Maurine Davis; J.C. and Mary Wilkerson. * In memory of Bill Polston by Maurine Davis and Michael Deike.

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signing of the Morrill Act that established the na-

tion's land-grant university

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ship with the National Park Service and the Association

of Public and Land-grant

Universities, the outdoor

festival is set for June 27-

July 1 and July 4-8 on the

The 2012 festival, titled "Campus and Community:

Universities and the USDA

tween universities, the U.S.

Department of Agriculture

(USDA) and communities

across the nation. It will

reflect the current work

of public and land-grant

universities and USDA:

reinventing agriculture, sustainable solutions,

transforming communities

and building on tradition.

Each theme area of the program will allow visitors

to interact with university

munity members highlight-

The water project to be

featured in the Texas A&M

exhibit at the festival is

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A&M's drinking water project

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MONDAY Biscuit/Sausage, Juice, Choice of Milk

TUESDAY Cereal, Juice, Choice of Milk WEDNESDAY Burrito, Juice, Choice of Milk

THURSDAY Blueberry Muffin, Juice, Choice of Milk

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lazeland and Wilmeth

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WINTERS- Captain A. B. Hutchison, a Civil War Veteran came to Runnels from Falls County in 1878 with his wife and two small daughters. They first settled at Walthall and moved to Runnels City in 1886. In 1892, Captain Hutchinson moved a house from Runnels City to a ranch he owned 12 miles west of Winters, Texas. East of the Hutchison Ranch was a large tract of land known as the Turner Ranch. In 1903, Doose and Company had acquired the Turner Ranch and began cutting it into small tracts to sell to the farmers moving into the area. Some thought it was called Mazeland because it was good maize country.

a store on their place and established a post office in 1903 with Mrs. Hutchison as Postmistress. A school building was erected in 1904, with Miss Sammie Padget serving as the first teacher. The school was called Mazeland and was located one mile west of Wilmeth and continued to be called Mazeland. By 1906, the settlement had spread north and east until the people on the east side needed a name. It was decided to name it Wilmeth in honor of Joe Wilmeth, a popular banker in Ballinger, known as "everybody's banker."

Elgin Davidson was born November 19, 1879 in Russellville, Logan County, Kentucky, and moved with his parents and brother to Abbott, Texas at the age of 10 years. In 1897, he met

Ellen Campbell near Abbott, who had moved with her family from Tennessee, where she was born Feb. 7, 1880. They were married in Cordell, Oklahoma, December 28, 1901 and farmed near Abbott for four years. They moved to the community and lived on the same farm for almost 40 years. They then moved to Walnut Springs, Bosque County, in April of 1945, in interest of Mrs. Davidson's health. She died May 18, 1948, and is buried in the Wilmeth Cemetery. The cemetery is located on the farm they owned and lived on.

Mr. Davidson was a farmer, a Methodist, and held membership in various organizations. He served as deputy sheriff of Runnels County for six years under three sheriffs, Jim Flynt, John Perkins and Walter

Holt. He was also constable for a two-year term.

Most people like the idea of combining any history of Wilmeth and Mazeland, in fact they were so interwoven that the history of one is the history of the other.

The post office was established in 1903 in Mazeland with Mrs. Hutchison serving until March 26, 1907, then Richard Nash was appointed, and he served until May 31, 1909 when it was discontinued. It was located three miles southwest of Wilmeth. The Wilmeth post office was established April 1, 1907 and discontinued March 31, 1909 also. The only Postmistress was Mary L. Smith. People in the community were designated certain days to "carry the mail" through the community. Housewives would take their turn in driving or riding horseback to Mazeland getting the mail for the Wilmeth area and depositing it at the store or deliver it along the way.

There have been several Runnels County law officers from the Wilmeth area. They were Judge O.L. Parish, E.C. Grindstaff, Robert White, Judge Henry Rampy and Frankie Berryman. Others were Don Atkins, W.T. Moreland, Garland Freeman, the late John Wilson, Johnny and Merle Wilson, Jr. Other peace officers were Jerry Dean Watkins, City Patrolman of San Angelo, Joe Frank Albro with the Liquor Control Board in Lubbock and Ronnie Hill with the State Patrol.

In 1904, Andy and Walter Whiteley purchased land from the M.T. Hensleys and built the first community

gin. By 1906, the town of Wilmeth had a telephone office, barber shop, two stores, garage, blacksmith shop, two churches, and the gin as well as their post office. The citizens of the community realized the need for a school and erected a one room school house

in 1904 on land donated by M.T. Hensley. In 1906, a 20 foot addition was erected to the structure. The school was known as Mazeland (1904-1947), served both communities and was located one mile west of Wilmeth. In time, a church, a teacherage and community center auditorium was added there.

The citizens contributed to the project when the Abilene Southern Railroad came to Winters, Texas.

In 1913, a Methodist Church was erected at Mazeland (1913-1950). Wilmeth by now was a growing community. By 1915 and 1916, more residents had moved into the area and were operating places of business. The Wilmeth Cemetery was established in 1916.

Church of Christ erected a church in Wilmeth with a sizeable congregation. By 1921, the Baptist Church was established.

The school consolidated with Winters Independent School District in 1947 June 16, 1968, Sunday

afternoon, Under the Auspices of the Runnels County Historical Survey Committee, celebrated the Dedication of an Official Texas Historical Marker for Mazeland-Wilmeth.

The inscription

Site of old communities of Mazeland and

Mazeland (2 1/2 mi. SW) was founded in 1903 when a Post Office and store opened on A. B. Huctchinson's ranch. Community was probably named for the corn or "maize" which grows in the area. A one-room school, built 1 mi. W (1904) later served both places.

By 1906 the settlement had enlarged so this section was named in honor of Joe Wilmeth, a popular Ballinger banker.

Before Wilmeth Post Office was established (1907) citizens would take turns bringing mail from Mazeland in horse-drawn wagons. in 1909, however, both postoffices were discontinued.

1968

The dedication ceremony was held at the Wilmeth Baptist Church. The group singing was led by J.W. Bahlman, with Mrs. Jack Pritchard playing the piano.

The group sang "My Country 'Tis of Thee" and The Star Spangled Banner".

The Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and Salute to the Texas Flag was led by Sheriff Don Atkins. The Invocation was given by Judge W.H. Rampy and the Master of Ceremony was Rankin Pace, Chairman of the Runnels County Historical Survey Committee. The welcome was given by Rev. Clovis Griffin, introduction of guests by Mrs. L.B. Watkins, introduction of speaker by Frankie Berryman,

address by Judge O.L. Parish, Ballinger. The last song, "The Eyes of Texas" was led by J.W. Bahlman. The Benediction was given by Rev. Griffin.

Resources: Runnels County Historical Marker Histories, Winters Enterprise, June 21, 1968

Daily Reporter-News, Abilene, Texas, June 12, 1968 Paint Rock Herald, Paint Rock, Texas, June 13, 1968 Daily Standard-Times, San Angelo, Texas, June 15, 1958

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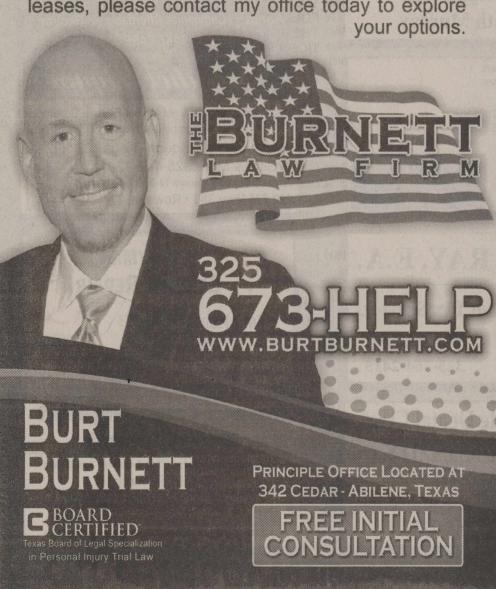
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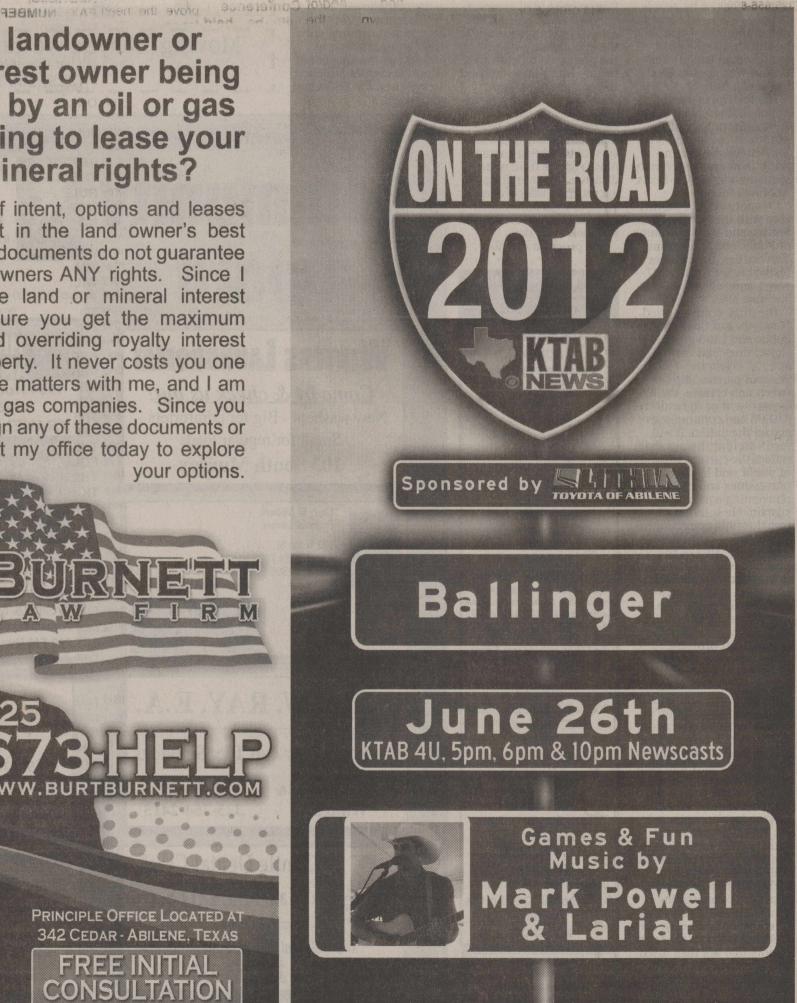
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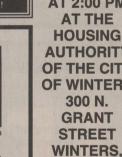
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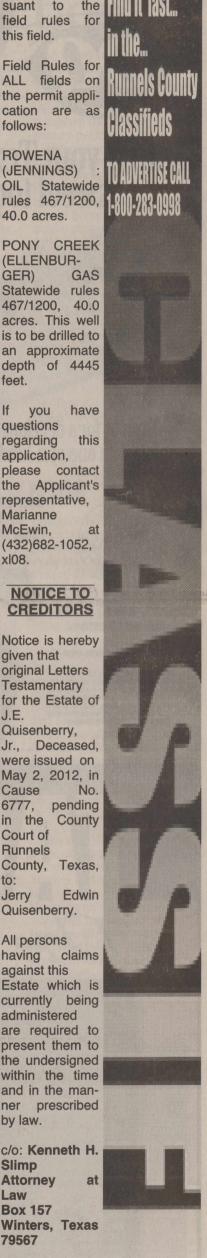
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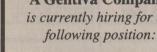
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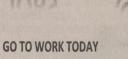
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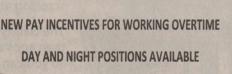
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Coach Ochesky was previously employed at Baird High School, where he served as boys' Head Casketball Coach / Asst. Coach and was chosen District 15 A Basketball Coach of the Year in

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Winters High School Athletic Director Coach Adam Bright and the new Girls Head Basketball Coach Ryan Ochesky.

Senior citizens tour the Abilene zoo



Senior Citizens Nursing Home residents made a trip to Abilene Zoo, Wednesday, June 13, 2012. Everyone spent the morning looking at all the different animals. After, all enjoyed a picnic. The residents left to right are Joanie McAdoo, Joyce Loudermilk, Jessie Waldrop, Anna Rogers, Jovita Lopez, Virginia Carey and Lee Colbath. The volunteers were Jen and Coby Johnson, Norma, CMA, Matt Price, Ashlee Hollis, Patricia Hollis, A.D. and Cacey.



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Texas Tech graduate

Krystal Gibbens, daughter of Gene Gibbens, DVM, and Laurie of Sonora, Texas; and Dane and Robbie Bishop of Winters, Texas; granddaughter of Roscoe and LaNelle Morrison of Winters, Texas and Rosemary Cox of Marfa, Texas, graduated from Texas Tech University, May 18, 2012, with a Master of Science in Forensic Science.

Krystal has been an active member of the Forensic Science Society

for the past two years, serving as treasurer for the past year. The society has volunteered with the Battered Women's Shelter of Lubbock and given nine presenta-tions to Lubbock and surround high schools promoting the society and the Masters program.

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