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PHOTO: RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ The new 2012-2013 Sno-Royalty left to right: Sno-Princess Breana Ochoa, Sno-Queen Chelsea Gray, and Sno-Flake Myra Ochoa.

## **Christmas Parade and** Sno-Royalty light up the night

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ

WINTERS- The colorful caravan was brightened by cheers and multicolor lights, and at the end of the day the celebration was topped by the crowning of the 2012-2013 Sno-Royalty, during the Christmas Parade and pageant held last Saturday, December 1, in Winters, Texas.

Businesses, churches, clubs and associations made the walk through downtown Winters, as well as all the contestants looking forward to become the new Sno-Flake, Sno-Princess or Sno-Queen for 2012-2013.

A total of 25 candidates participated in the parade, sponsored by local businesses and families. Chuck wagons, cowboys and even a replica of the Chick-Inn Diner, sponsored by the Lions Club and volunteers were cheered by the crowd out in the streets.

After the parade the floats took the contestants to West Dale, for the crowning ceremony held at the Rock Hotel.

Chelsea Gray was crowned the new 2012-2013 Sno-Queen, with Tamron Tamez being first runner up and Amanda Horton second runner up. Breana Ochoa was crowned Sno-Princess, with Brooklynn Anderson as first runner up and Brenna Knight second runner up, and Myra Ochoa was crowned the new 2012-2013 Sno-Flake, with Alyssara Rodriguez being the first runner up and Mara Mostad the second runner

Sandee Schneider, sponsor of the Sno-Royalty Pageant, thanked all the sponsors, parents and contestants for participating.

"We would also like to give a big thank you to Lone Star Video and Diner, The Attic, and Heidenheimer's for donating gift certificates to the winners," Schneider

said. "We thank The Daisy Patch for the flowers and the tiaras. Thank you also to the judges for coming and the outgoing chamber members for letting us join the parade and pursue the Sno-Royalty contest for the girls."

Other volunteers helping with the Sno-Royalty Pageant are: Liz Silva, Malissa Goetz, Sally Vega, Pam and Randy Barnes, and Theresa Prater.

Snow Flake contestants
Alexus Grenwelge-WD Well Service and Knox Oilfield Supply Alexus Hubach-Winters Funeral

Alyssara Rodriguez-Casa Cabana Cindy Wright-Winters Feed **Emily Tindle-McCabe Automotive** Evelyn King-Cartwright Farms Morgan Yanez-Dr. and Mrs. Victor Hirsch

Myra Ochoa-Bahlman Motors Hailey Horton-Doty's Tire Jayden Galven-Bentley and Issac Olivia Nava-Calcote Dirt Contracting

Mara Mostad-Bedford Norman McKenzie Ventress-Daisy Patch Rylee Calcote-Milton's

**Snow Princess contestants** Angel Stratton-Wheat Energy Coyanita Martinez-West Dale Grocery

Stacie Ventress-Security State Bank

Summer Schneider-Lonestar Video and Diner Breana Ochoa-LG's Place Brenna Knight-Priddy Construc-

Brooklynn Anderson-Royal Electric

**Snow Queen contestants** Amanda Horton-DLC Realty Chelsea Gray-Mane Tamers Destiny Chavis-Polished Nail Tamron Tamez-The Tamez family

SEE MORE PHOTOS PAGE 6



REASON Animal Rescue and their float filled with furry occupants.

## New board to take over **Chamber of Commerce**

**RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ** 

WINTERS- After their last meeting the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce board of directors was completely renovated, with a new group taking over and moving its offices to a different location in

order to cut down on expenses.
The chamber held its last meeting on Monday night, December 3, 2012 at their offices at the Professional Building, on Main Street. Interim Chamber President Ida Rodriguez and the outgoing board had previously announced that the chamber was going through difficult times and would close its doors in January of 2013 if nobody else would step up and take over.

Sandee Schneider was elected President, Pam Barnes, of Lone Star Video and Diner was elected Vice President, Randy Barnes, of Lone Star Video and Diner will be the new Treasurer, and Theresa Prater is the incoming Secretary. The new board will take over starting on January 1, 2013.

"We, as a new chamber board are planning on mov-

ing the chamber offices from its current location at the Professional Building to the Lone Star Video building and work from within the diner," said Schneider. "Lone Star was nice enough to offer space for us to be able to lower the chambers monthly expenses. If anyone has any questions they are welcome to call Lone Star Video with those and any concerns.'

Schneider said the new board is planning on working towards having a positive relationship with all local businesses. They will be inviting and encouraging any and all individuals who are interested in joining the board as well as volunteering to please step up and help.

"I am open to having anyone help out regardless of who they are. This chamber board is meant to help businesses and give the community something to enjoy. The only way to grow is through open communication and positive encouragement," Schneider added. "Everyone needs to work as a team for not only the better-

ment of the town but also for

our children and citizens." For Pam Barnes, the incoming Vice President, moving the chamber offices to Lone Star Video will provide a better place for the community to have access to the chamber meetings.

"We are talking about to moving things here, where people have more access to the chamber. We are ready to take on the challenge, get everybody interested and get the chamber to do something for our busi-

nesses," said Barnes. The previous board had announced that the chamber could be closing permanently due to the lack of support. The Christmas Parade and Snow Royalty Pageant held over the weekend were the last events sponsored by the chamber.

Before becoming involved in the chamber or being elected as the new Chamber President Sandee Schneider stepped up as a volunteer and sponsored the Snow Royalty Pageant.

"The only way to improve is through trial and error. As well as positive support system and working together," said

## Sheriff's Toy Drive set for December 20

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ INTERS ENTERPR

WINTERS- Thursday, December 20, 2012 starting at 9 a.m. the Runnels County Sheriff's Department will be holding its traditional toy drive, a joint effort of the Sheriff's Office and local community to help deserving children feel the spirit of Christmas.

Sheriff's Office is now taking names by calling at 365 2121 or in person at the Sheriff's Department on Strong Avenue, behind the Courthouse. The Sheriff's Office is also taking donations from individuals,

businesses, clubs or associations. Donations can be made in the form of cash or unwrapped toys.

The Runnels County Sheriff's Office is open during office hours Monday thru Friday. Donations can also be picked up by calling at 365 2121.

"We are asking for each and every corner of our county to participate, every year we have families coming from all over the county so we are encouraging people from different places to participate and donate for these needy children," said Sheriff Bill Baird.

The drive, which has been a constant every Christmas for over two decades, has been delivering over 400 toys to boys and girls in Ballinger, Winters, Wingates, Miles and many other places in Runnels County.

Registration is open for any family in Runnels County. Parents just have to come by or call to drop their name and address as well as their children's age and gender at the Sheriff's Department.

Baird urged those who are going to donate to make it with time and not to wait until the last minute.

## **Runnels Co 4-H goes to District Food Show**

WINTERS ENTERPRISE STAFF REPORT

WINTERS- The District 7 4-H Food Show was held in Abilene on November 17, 2012. Runnels County 4-H was well represented by 12 participants who earned the way to the district competition by placing first in their respective categories at the Runnels County Food Show in October.

Congratulations to all these 4-Hers and their project leaders for their success in the Foods and Nutrition Project. Hadley Hatler of Ballinger 4-H also earned a First Place with her Senior Food and Nutrition Exhibit. Alyssa Flanagan, Rachel Gibbs and Hadley Hatler will advance to State 4-H Roundup in June as a result of their First place awards.



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Back row left to right: Jennifer Castleberry, Ballinger 4-H; Senior Fruits and Vegetables - 3rd Place. Hadley Hatler, Ballinger 4-H; Senior Protein - 1st Place. Rachel Gibbs, Ballinger 4-H; Senior Grains - 1st Place. Alyssa Flanagan, Ballinger 4-H; Senior Dairy – 1st Place. Middle row: Ashlee Havlak, Rowena 4-H; Intermediate Fruits and Vegetables – 3rd Place. Kolton Looka, Miles 4-H; Intermediate Grains - 1st Place. Emma Duke, Ballinger 4-H; Intermediate Protein - 5th Place. Julia Williams, Miles 4-H; Intermediate Dairy - 3rd Place. Front row: Seth Gerhart, Winters 4-H; Junior Grains – 4th Place. Megan Tarr, Winters 4-H; Junior Dairy – 5th Place. Sydney Carroll, Miles 4-H; Junior Fruits and Vegetables – 4th Place. Cambree Schwartz, Miles 4-H; Junior Protein – 6th Place.





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### **FUNERALS AND OBITUARIES**

### Joanie McAdoo

Joanie McAdoo, 79, of Winters, died November 28, 2012. She was born January 27, 1933 in Brownwood and moved to Winters at the age of 14 and lived here since. She graduated from Winters High School where she was a cheerleader. She married John Edward McAdoo December 20, 1952 in Brownwood and he preceded her in death in 1998. She worked in customer service at Dry Manufacturing for many years. She loved to play golf and was a member of the First Baptist Church.

She is survived by her son David Lee McAdoo and wife Cherri of Roundrock; her sister Virginia Jay of Dallas; brother Travis McCurdy of Dallas, and grandchild Chandler McAdoo of Roundrock.

Services were Saturday December 1, 2012 at the First Baptist Church, burial followed in Lakeview cemetery. The family received friends Friday November 30, 2012 at Winters Funeral Home.

The family requests memorials be made to North Runnels Hospital.

Winters Enterprise, December 6, 2012

## **Historical Commission** requesting public comments for new marker

WINTERS ENTERPRISE STAFF REPORT

WINTERS- The Runnels County Historical Commission is currently working with a "Friends of the Chick-Inn" marker application committee to get a Historical Marker for the site. The application for the 2013 marker has been submitted, and is under review.

The Texas Historical Commission has requested public comments to be sent about the marker.

Comments can be sent to the following address: markerapplication@thc. state.tx.us

The Commission and the Friends Committee would also appreciate your response to this request for another Historical Marker for Runnels

When sending your comments to this address, please identify yourself, and the Runnels County Chick-Inn Diner Site marker, and your connection with this marker application. The deadline for all comments is December 28, 2012. The comments will be reviewed at the meeting of the THC in January

## **Electrical safety tips for** the holiday season

WINTERS ENTERPRISE

CORPUS CHRISTI- "The year's largest and most festive holiday season is upon us. In addition to the cheer, sharing and family togetherness, safety should be considered when decorating the house," says John Flowers, AEP Texas safety manager. "Electrical safety is especially important during the holiday season due to decorative lights draped through trees and around homes.

AEP Texas recommends the following safety tips for decorating your home:

· Use only holiday lights that are safety-certified by a recognized testing agency such as Underwriters Laboratory (UL). Check your tree lights and outdoor lights for damage each year before you use them. Look for frayed wires, loose connections and broken or cracked

sockets. Throw away any set that is damaged.
•Follow the manufacturer's instructions for using tree lights. All lights should be fastened securely with string, ribbon or rubber bands, but never with conductive wire. Bulbs should not come into direct contact with needles or branches on natural trees.

Christmas for Kids brightening the holidays

Children's Advocacy Center Christmas for Kids Program thanks everyone who has donated to help make Christmas brighter for the Runnels and Concho County children who are currently in foster

care! Your donations have made it possible for the wish lists of all 22 children to be filled!

For those of you who have a child's wish list to fill, please remember that the unwrapped gifts need to be delivered to 317 Koberlin in San Angelo by Friday, December 7. Please be sure and include the child's wish list so that the gifts will reach the correct child. If you need the gifts to be picked up and delivered to San Angelo, please call Laura Mallory at 365 4277 by Thursday,

Thank you, again, for making the giving of these gifts

VFW Post 9196 Christmas dinner

Rowena Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9196 and Ladies Auxiliary will be having their Christmas dinner on Friday, December 14, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. Meal provided by the Post. All members from Rowena, Ballinger and Winters are invited.

Benefit car wash

A Benefit car wash for David Sanchez, to help with medical expenses will be held on Saturday, December 8, 2012 10 a.m. till 2 p.m. at Doty Tire Shop.

4-H Club to meet on Dec. 9

Winters 4-H Club has rescheduled the December meeting to 2 p.m. Sunday. Dec. 9 at the Winters show barns.

Flu immunization clinics

Texas Department of State Health Services will have flu immunization clinics in Runnels County. For your convenience, please call to schedule an appointment, if no answer leave a message. The flu vaccine is available in Winters from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m.Thursday, December 6, 2012, at the Professional Building, 110 South Main, Suite 108. For your convenience, please use rear entrance on Grant Street.

The clinic in Ballinger will be from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:30 to 3 p.m. Tuesday, December 18, 2012 at 608 Strong (behind the Courthouse).

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

NEWS NOTES

**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.

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 fourth Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the United Methodist Church. For more information call (325) 365 2323.

Winters Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9193 meet the

**VFW** meetings

second Monday night of each month at 6 p.m. in the Rock Hotel. All eligible veterans of the United States military are invited to attend.

**Band Boosters** 

The Band Boosters meet every Monday evening at 7 p.m. at the Band Hall.

Winters Women's Club

Members meet the second Tuesday of the month. Call Marlene Smith at 754-4961 for additional information.

**AA Meetings** AA meeting are held at 204 W. Truett behind church

on Main St. Tuesday and Thursday at 7 p.m.

Ballinger Al-Anon meetings
Al-Anon meetings will be held every Monday and

Wednesday at the First United Methodist Church of Ballinger, on Broad Ave. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Please enter through the south side of the church.

City Council Meetings
Winters City Council meets at 6 p.m. the last Monday

of the month at 310 North Main.

## LETTERNOTTE EDITOR

Winters former resident unhappy with alcohol election result

Dear Editor,

I can't believe that the citizens of my hometown of Winters fell for the information that the Mayor and the special petition committee presented for alcoholic beverage sales.

You may have increased revenue, but the increase of crime, police activity and ruined families will be your downfall.

Sincerely,

**Benny Mayo** Red Oak, Texas

## Texans urged to be aware of new bug in town

WINTERS ENTERPRISE

COLLEGE STATION -With the holiday season gearing up, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service entomologists are urging travelers to be wary of a new species of unwelcome six-legged hitchhikers itching to become fulltime Texans.

"We're working to raise awareness about the brown marmorated stink bug in Texas," said Bill Ree, AgriLife Extension entomologist at College Station. "This pest is hitting some states hard. It's a great hitchhiker which is probably one, if not the main reason, it has spread to so many states. Adults seeking overwintering sites tend to get in recreational vehicles, travel trailers, etc."

Ree said the pest can

cause lasting foul smells in homes and other confines, plus cause major damage to a wide variety of crops and plants.

"So far, we've only had one confirmed in Texas, Ree said. "That single find last November at Corpus Christi was from a pest control operator investigating a stink bug infestation in a trailer or RV that had been moved to Cor-

pus from Pennsylvania. "That's why we want the public, pest control operators and those in the landscape industry to be aware that we really want to know about possible sites before they escalate as they have elsewhere. New detections in Texas will more likely come from this group of folks, rather than an agricultural 'bug scout' in the middle of a soybean field."

Brown said the pest is originally from Asia and is found in China, Japan, Taiwan and Korea.

"Since it's an invasive species, natural predators and parasites can't help to keep populations in

check," she said. "It also seems that the pesticides we have do not do much to help manage the populations."

Main concerns among Texas field crops are soybeans, pecans and possibly cotton.

Entomologists are asking all Texans to report and submit suspected samples.

The brown marmorated stink bug it's a drab brown with black mottling on its back and a distinctive pattern of alternating white and black triangles around the outside of the abdomen. Samples should include

the name and contact information of the sender, the location the bug was found, and the plant or place where it was found. Ree said specimens should be put in something like a pill bottle (preferably dead) and sent to Kira Metz, Minnie Belle Heep Building 216D, 2475 TAMU, College Station, TX 77843-2475. The specimens could also be sent to any AgriLife Extension agent, but those will also be confirmed by Metz.

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"I shore wish one of you fellers would loan me a pocket knife to cut loose from this ole steer before one of us gits hurt!"



Kara Heathcott shooting free throws at the game the Varsity Girls held in the Bronte Tournament vs Highland.



PHOTOS: JOE GERHART Bryce Mikeska going up for a shot in Bronte.

#### CAFETERIA MENU Dec. 10-14

Subject to change\*

WINTERS ISD BREAKFAST

MONDAY Biscuit/Sausage or Cereal/Toast or Scrambled Eff, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk. TUESDAY Breakfast Pizza or Cereal/Toast or

Breakfast Pocket, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk. WEDNESDAY Biscuit/Egg Pattie or Cereal/Toast

or Yogurt/Toast or Breakfast Burrito, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk THURSDAY Breakfast Pocket or Cereal/Toast or Pancake/Sausage Link, Toast w/

FRIDAY Biscuit/Sausage or Cereal/Toast or Muffin/Sausage, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.

Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.

WINTERS ISD LUNCH Note: Menus are subject to change without notice. Students may purchase extra Entree - \$1.00, Milk - \$.30, Sides - \$.50.

MONDAY Chef Salad (H.S. only) or Sloppy Joe or Chicken Nuggets/Bread Stick (Elem., J.H.) (H.S.) Hot Roll, Mashed Sweet Potatoes, Mac & Cheese, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Applesauce, Choice of Milk. TUESDAY

Chef Salad or Ham & Cheese Sandwich or Chicken Spaghetti/ Bread Stick (Elem., J.R.) (H.S.) Hot Roll, Green Beans, Baked Potatoes, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Rainbow Bar/Pears, Choice of Milk. WEDNESDAY

Chef Salad or Bean Chalupa or Soft Taco, Spanish Rice/Coleslaw Corn/Pinto Beans, Tossed Salad/ Carrot Sticks, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Orange, Choice of Milk. THURSDAY

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**CROSSWORD PUZZLE** 

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## ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD PUZZLE

## M U D S L I N G E R

## Weather Whys

Q: You sometimes hear the term "Alberta Clipper."

A: An Alberta Clipper is a winter storm that forms over regions of Canada near the province of Alberta and sweeps in a southeastern direction over the United States, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "It is believed the name comes from the big sailing ships of the 1800s, the ones with the huge sails that could travel quite quickly for vessels of that time period and were among the fastest ships on the seas. An Alberta Clipper storm moves quickly once it forms and usually has a greater impact in the U.S. than in Canada once it has fully developed," McRoberts explains.

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## Grain farmers to vote on self-funded protection program

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WINTERS- Grain Farmers in Runnels County and across the state will have the opportunity to vote on a self-funded protection program to prevent financial loss in the event of the failure of a grain elevator or

The idea for the Texas Grain Indemnity Fund came from a group of Texas farmers who experienced a significant finan-

cial setback when an elevator in their area went out of business, leaving them with a loss of revenue for the grain they had stored," said Collin Klattenhoff, President of the Runnels County Farm Bureau.

During last year's legislative session, the Texas House passed HB 1840 and created the Grain Indemnity Fund Referendum. If approved through the referendum process, Texas farmers of corn, sorghum, soybeans, and

wheat will be able to participate in the fund.

"This fund would serve as a risk protection for Texas grain farmers to ensure that, should they encounter the same situation, a portion of their losses

would be repaid," Klattenhoff

Producers would pay into the fund through a small fee assessed on grain at the first point of sale. The assessment would be set annually by the Texas

Grain Producers Indemnity Board, controlled by Texas grain farmers, and would range from 0.2-0.6 percent of the final sale

In the event of a claim, the board of producers would review the claim, identify the value of the grain lost and indemnify up to 90 percent of the value.

The referendum will take place from November 19 through December 7. Ballots are available at local Texas Agrilife Exten-

sion Service offices and must be mailed to the Texas Department of Agriculture with a postmark no later than December 7. Producers who have produced grain in the last 36 months are eligible

"This is an example of grassroots effort at its finest. Farmers saw a need, proposed a solution and worked with legislators to make it possible," Klattenhoff said. "We encourage producers to vote in the referendum election."

## Heritage Hall to hold an open house

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COLEMAN- Morris Cox will be doing his wood-turning 'magic" Saturday December 8 in the front area of the Heritage Hall Gallery, in Coleman, Texas. Everyone is invited to witness his skill and see his beautiful creations.

Come and see his beautiful mesquite vases, bowls, sculpture and intricate finials. Mesquite burl is the prime wood for Morris' creations because the burls are each individually different in grain and shape.

Open House at the Gallery will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Refreshments will be served and artists will be present. You will have the opportunity to admire and purchase specially created one of a kind items created by the 20 artists for this event. These items cannot be bought at the "mall", so be original and do your Christmas gift shopping at the Hall-i-day event. For more information on the Gallery call (325) 624 5544 or (325) 625 1140.



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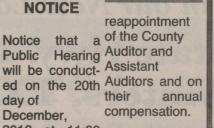
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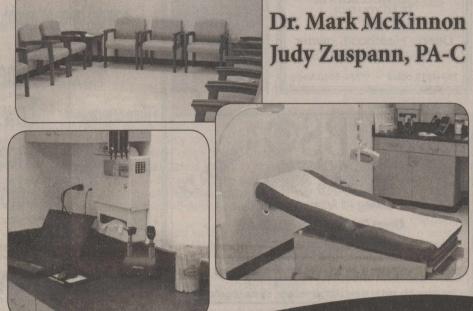


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