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# Test-firing range now open in Runnels County <br> Specialized new 

facility in Winters is the only one in America and third of its kind worldwide

RUBEN CANTV-RODRIG
WNTERS ENTERPRIISE
WINTERS- The grand opening of a test-firing
range brought the Olymrange brought the Olym-
pic spirit last week to the
City of Winters. City of Winters. Eley, a
British manufacturer of Olympic-grade ammunition and a local resident started a partureship
with a highly specilize with a highly speciaized
test-firing range. The new facility, located just south of town, is the only one in
America and third in the world.
Dan Killough, owner of Killough Shooting Sports, hosted the grand
opening of the shooting opening of the shooting
range, located at 5999 U.S. Highway 83 . Some of the guests at the ceremony
included the three-time included the three-time Emmons, and Jamie Gray, gold medalist in London
2012 . Killough, who is also the largest distributor of Eley ammunition in the United States, said he and
his wife Dawn had been looking into this project for several years. "There is only three
test-firing ranges like this in the world, one of them is in Birmingham, England, the other one in latest one," said Killough "We have been working with Eley for several years in this project." Eley distributor some


Three-time Olympic medalist Matt Emmons shoots his rifle in the new indoor high precision range located in Winters, Texas
five years ago, and before different batches of am- easier for us," said Emopening the test-firing range the factory had to
make considerable invest ments to get the production up. Andrew Lane, Eley's
Executive Director, said that they are dedicated exclusively to the produc tion of .22 caliber long rifle ammunition, with
their main target being the Olympic and competition shooters.
"This is not the kind of ammunition that you
find in any given store, it is highly specialized for competition," said Lane.
In the new test range the shooter sets up his rifle or pistol under a controlled indoor enviro ment. The gun is set up to insure that every shot fired from the gun has no other variable than
the ammunition. Then the ammunition. Then
the shooter gets to try

Christmas tree exhibit warming up the season RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
WNTERS ENTERPRRSE WINTERS- Classic Christmas at the Rock Hotel, a unique Christmas
tree exhibit currently open in Winters, dragged last week a large crowd from Abilene eager to experience the spirit of
Christmas with some "Blizzard style." The Rock Hotel Board
of Directors hosted a of Directors hosted a
group of visitors from Anson Park Seniors Apartments, in Abilene, Texas. The visitors enjoyed the a delicious meal topped a dilicious meal topped sung by all. "This has been a great
experience very unique and entertaining for all or us," said Kathie Hewes, Community Coordinator
of New Life Alliance Christian non-profit that fosters communities for people of all ages.
All visitors enjoyed the Christmas trees, and some of them found a special reason in thei


Thursday, November 6, a group of visitors from Abilene visited the Christmas tree exhibit at the Rock Hotel.
life connecting them with some of the trees. most is the Cancer tree I feel identified with it members that passed away of this disease," said Susie Puryer. The annual exhibit
showcases Christmas trees decorated by
churches busine churches, businesses, in-
dividuals or organizations n a very original way enjoyed the trees, the ood was real good and all the people here has been a lot of joy, we go to
Tuscola very often and I didn't even know this exhibit was here, I'm going to come back and bring
my wife with me," said Earl Adams.
Some of the trees in the
easier
mons.
"It's
"It's easier for us to bring our guns to Texas
than take them overseas, before we had to take them to England in order to perform the test we
now have here," Gray said. Since 2000 , Eley has
been supplying U.S. rifle and pistol teams with select batches of 22 -caliber ammunition and testing services. Eley has spon-
sored Team USA since sored Team USA since
2004 "We are very pleased
with this ammunition" with this ammunition,"
said Olympian Eric Uptasaid Olympian Eric Upta-
grafft. "As a professional in shooting you always want to perform your best, they supply the am-
munition for the team and even when you don't have to use it if you don't want to I personally shoot with it, we've had very good
results".


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Pictured here are front row: Alyssa Flanagan, Brylee Matschek, Rusty Fischer, Kasey Byler. Middle row: Allie Kalina, Lane Busenlehner, Avery Flanagan, Trevor Gibbs.
Back row: Jessica Kalina, Rachel Gibbs, Brandon SchaeBack row: Jessica Kalina, Rachel Gibbs,
fer, Ethan Bredemeyer, Shane Flanagan.
Runnels Co 4-Hers place first in District Livestock Judging

## WINTERS ENTERPRIS STAFF REPORT

BALLINGER-Runnels County 4-H Livestock Judging BALLINGER- Runnels County 4-H Livestock Judging
Senior Team qualified for State competition on Friday, December 7, 2012 with a first place finish in the District 7 competition held at the First Community Credit Union Spur Arena, in San Angelo.
Team number 1 members are: Brandon Schaefer, Jesplaced first overall out of 17 teams Rachel Gibbs. Team Beef, first in Reasons, second in Swine and second in
Sheep.
Senior team number 2 placed sixth overall out of 17
teams, with teams, with a third place in Beef, and sixth in each one
of: Reasons, Swine and Sheep. Senior team number 2 members are: Brylee Matschek, Kasey Byler, Alyssa Fla-
In Intermediate Individual Runnels County 4 -Her Shane Flanagan got first high individual overall placing
first in in Beef, third in Swine, and 12th in Shee. first in in Beef, third in Swine, and 12 th in Sheep.
Also participating with the Junior Team were. Also participating with the Junior Team were: Lane
Busenlehner, Allie Kalina, Avery Flanagan, Trevor Gibbs. Senior Team 1
Brandon Schaefer - 4th High Individual, 5th in Beef 8th in Swine
Jessica Kalina - 21st High Individual, 4th in Reasons,
3rd in 3rd in Swine
Ethan Bredemeyer - 5 th High Individual, 4th in Beef, 5 th in Reasons, 9th in Swine Rachel Gibbs - 1 st High Individual, 2nd in Beef, 1st in
Reasons, 4th in Swine, 1st in Seep Reasons, 4th in Swine, 1st in Sheep
$\frac{\text { Senior Team } 2}{\text { Brylee Matschek - 22nd High Individual, } 10 \text { th in Beef, }}$ 11th in Reasons
Kasey byler - 16th High Individual, 7 th in Beef Alyssa Flanagan - 32nd High Individua
Rusty Fischer - 37 th High Individual
Intermediate Ind. Shane Fanagan - 1st High Individual overall, 1 st in
Beef, 3rd in Swine

Christmas program set for Sunday at WHS auditorium

## WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS- Winters Junior High One Act Play and Winters righ School Theatre Arts class will present 2012 at 7:15 p.m. in the WHS Auditorium. In addition, you will also be blessed by the beautiful voices of Iesha Tamez, Grace Bryan and Alycia Nesbitt and Kamri Soto and Justine Garcia as they perform Christmas carols to
compliment the shows. Admission is free and the entire community is invited to attend and get in the Christmas spirit with these holiday season festivities!
The junior high will perform first, presenting "The neer Drama Service. Christmas is just around the corner but you'd never know it the way Delia is acting. She
wants to get rid of the park's old gazebo, the eyesore wants to get rid of the park's old gazebo, the e
which is right across the street from her café. When Eudora silently puts a poinsettia on its steps, Delia learns that this "eyesore" holds a lot of lovely memories for people. Doing a one-eighty, Delia fervently
works to reverse the demolition plans and get people to works to reverse the demolition plans and get people to The whole town seems to have an excuse for not help

## For That

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Beofmastor PIES
/ FUHERALS AND 0BTHARIES
Gordon Carl McGuffin Gordon Carl McGuffin, 88, of Winters died Decem-
ber 4, 2012. He was born October 6, 1924 in Eden and ber 4, 2012. He was born October 6, 1924 in Eden and
grew up there graduating
from EEden High School. He
served in the United States
Navy during World War II
and Korea. He retired from
the UUited States Air Force.
He served in the United
States Militatry for 20 years.
He was very proud of his
service in the United States
Military. He moved to Win-
ters in i965. He married
Pauline Wosnoski July 20 ,
1983 in Las Vegas, Nevada
and she preceded him in
death May 3, 2009. He lived the last three and one half
years in Clyde with his grandson Guy Rister. He was a death May 3, 2009. He lived the last three and one half
years in Clyde with his grandson Guy Rister. He was a
stock farmer and a member of the North Main Church of Christ.
He is survived by one brother Dawson McGuffin of He is survived by one brother Dawson McGuffin of
Winters; one sister Thelma King of Smithville, Missisand several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his sister Polly Pentecost.
Services were Saturday December Services were Saturday December 8, 2012 at the lowed at Lakeview cemetery directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Winters Enterprise, December 13, 2012
'iSeminar' for agricultural producers set for Dec 19 miners surferpise

MULESHOE - The Texas A\&M AgriLife Extension Ser
office in Bailey County will conduct an iPhone, iPad workshop for agricultural producers from 9 a.m. -3 p.m. Dec. 19 in the AgriLife Extension office for Bailey
County, 118 West Avenue C, Muleshoe
to train farmers and ranc iPhones and iPads to make decisions to increase their ottom lines whether they are in the field, on the tractor
or in the pickup," said Curtis Preston, AgriLife Extension agent in Bailey County. pecific "apps" to more effectively manage risks in their pusiness and improve the profitability of their opera-
ions. Preregistration is required by Dec. 17 as seating is lim-
ited. Individual registration is $\$ 30$ and includes lunch. For more information and to preregister, call the Agrii
fe Extension office in Bailey County at $806-272-4583$

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HEUS NOTES

Winters Elementary holiday schedule
Thurssay, December 13, the Winters Elementary Select Choir will perform for parents and the community at 6:30 p.m. in the High School Auditorium. Thursday, December 20, the Third Grade classes will the community at 6:30 p.m. in the High School Auditorium and Friday, December 21, students will have an January 7, 2013 at the regular time.
VFW Post 9196 Christmas dinner
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 inters are invited.

Flu immunization clinic
Texas Department of State Health Services will have
a flu immunization clinic in Runels County For your aflu immunization clinic in Runnels County. For your
convenience please call to schedule an appointment if no answer leave a message. Flu vaccine is available in Ballinger from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 3 p.m. Tuesday December 18,2012 at 608 Strong (behind the uesday, Dec
Courthouse).
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Medicaid, please bring card For Medicaid, please
(325) 7544945 .

Fine Arts League Christmas Party a Christmas party/meeting Saturday December 15 at
2 p.m. at Heritage Hall. Members will furnish pot-luck p.m. at Heritage Hai. Mexbense by members atld items for snacks. A gift exchange by members and do-
nated food items for the Loaves and Fishes will be part of the event. All members are encouraged to attend to
celebrate the season with artist friends and guests. Bill celebrate the season with artist friends and guests. Bill
Shields, President, will discuss the Youth Art Show 201 as well as other activities planned by the Art League.
Pray Until Something Happens
Every Church will be having PUSH "Pray United Meth Happens" everyone is invited to come and pray from 7

## Former Winters resident retires from US Navy

## WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS- After serving 20 years in the United State Navy, Petty Officer First Class John R. Austin retires. His adventure began on November 2, 1992, when he departed Dallas, Texas, to attend recruit training for ght weeks in San Diego, California
opon completion of recruit training, he reported ported in Norfolk, Virginia. He had such a great dventure, he would go on to serve aboard U.S.S. Norfolk, Virginia. He moved onward to serve at Naval Air Station in atuxent River, Maryland and the U.S.S. Bataan (LHD5) Navy Cargo Handling Battalion One based in Williamburg, Virginia. Throughout his career, Austin visited many coun-竍 His personal awards and decorations in Hur Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals, vo Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, one NATO ervice Ribbon, two National Defense Medals, one Global War On Terrorism Medal and Enlisted Surce Warfare Speci
John Austin is a 1992 graduate of Winters High school and the son of Barbara and Pete Gray of Winers, and the late Archie Austin. He plans to reside and work in the Hampton Roads Area of Virginia.
He would like to take this time to thank the family He fould like to take this ome to thank supported him throughout and frien


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Elementary School is looking for volunteers to be a mentor on an elementary student. The volun-
teer 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 improver some cases improves test scores. Anyone interested may
contact Charles Murphy, Elementary Counselor at 754 contact Charles M
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 Method-
ist Church. For more information call (325) 3652323 .
$\frac{\text { VFW meetings }}{\text { Winters Veter }}$
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

$\frac{\text { Band Boosters }}{\text { The Band Boosters }}$
, Marlene Smith at the second Tuesday of the month. Ca AA Meetings
AA meeting are held at 204 W . Truett behind church on Main St. Tuesday and Thursday at 7 p.m.
$\frac{\text { Ballinger Al-Anon meetings }}{\text { Al-Anon meetings will be held every Monday and }}$ 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
f thers the month at 310 North Main.


Snow Flake Village now open Snow Flake Village, a place where the students can buy a
present for someone special is now open at the Winters present for someone special is now open at the Winters Elementary Libriday December 14 .The proceeds will go to BEST Blizzard Elementary Support Team.

PHOTO: CONTRIBUTED
Christmas program: Plays at WHS Auditorium
ing. Luckily, Sandy, a carpenter, lends be honest with them All people really nome advice. "Just you know." Sure enough, after Sandy pitches in, oddly wonderful things begin happening. A department store Santa Claus suddenly starts enjoying kids again, Marcy finds some nice ribbons to decorate the bandstand, even
the two town gossips find room in their purses - and the two town gossip This yuletide yarn is full of both laughs and sentiment,
showing along the way the real meaning of showing along the way the real meaning of Christmas as
everyone pitches in to decorate The Christmas Gazebo. The high school will present "Twas the Fight Before Christras" ${ }^{\text {Ba }}$ by Anne Coulter Martezns and published by Baker's Plays. In the story the Langfords and the Rid-
ers have been neighbors and close friends for years. ers have been neighbors and close friends for years.
Event their children have been playmates and pals. They
completely understand and admire one another - that is, until one day when Mrs. Rider phones the Langford home to leave a message and Ranny (yes, he's the
youngest) answers the call. He is engrossed at the time in a comic book, so how could anyone expect him to relay Mrs. Rider's words correctly.
He gets the
He gets the message so garbled that everyone goes far and right before Christmas!
Ranny finds himself in the middle of all the turmoil, brings to light what actually caused the misunderstand ing and tops everything by filling in at the last moment in the church pageant.

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The Varsity Blizzards played vs the Breckenridge Bucka-
The Varsity Blizzards played vs the Bre
roos. Chris Gerhart shooting a lay up.
ATHLETIC REPORT

Coach Ocheskey
VARSITY GIRIS
Dec. 6-8 Miles Tournamen
Winters Varsity vs. Eden

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| Eden | 11 | 13 | 7 | 6 | 37 | Kara Heathcott 15, Lauren Bredemeyer 11, Bailee Busher Winters Varsity vs. Eula Winters $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Eula } & 14 & 14 \\ \text { Lauren Bredemeyer 6, Kaitlyn Lindley } 4\end{array}$

Winters Varsity vs. Ira
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VARSITY BOYS

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Blizzard of the Week


Bryce Mikeska - Sr.
Bryce has enjoyed personal success in both football and basketball thus far his Senior Year. His nvaluable so far in 2012 court/nield have bethetic endeavors, Bryce also finds time to be FFA President, serve on Student Council, and is a member
the National Honor Society.

## Students of the Month

Winters Independent School District recently named Students of the Month for the month of
November, 2012. Winters Elementary students November, 2012. Winters Elementary students
Mara Mostad and Nicolas Ovalles, and Winters Junior High student Bailey Knight were awarded Students of the Month. Pictured are Mara Mostad and Nicolas Ovalles with board members Dan Killough and Carla
Hooper. PHOTO: CONTRIBUTED


GROSSWORD PUZZLE


Weather Whys
$\qquad$ A: For certain people, the answer is definitely yes,
says Brent McRoberts of Texas A\&M University. "Many people have said they can tell a change in
the weather is about to happen because their ioints the weather is about to happen because "their joints
or muscles start to ache," says McRoberts. "This is likely due to a change in the barometric cressure,
which often hapons before a thunderstorm or in which often happens before a thunderstorm or in
advance of a cold front. Damp weather is often advance of a cold front. Damp weather is often
associated with a low pressure system. A decreas in the air pressure decreases the tension in some large blood vessels, meaning they tend to expand.
When this happens, it tends to lead to increased When this happens, it tends to lead to increased
discomfort in joints and muscles. Also, we know discomfort in joints and muscles. Also, we know
that very rapid changes in temperature and humid-
ity ity can make some people say they feel 'stiff and
achy.' Many people who have arthritis say their achy.' Many people who have arthritis say their
joints are definitely affected by weather changes."

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## EQIP now open for applications in Runnels Co

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TEMPLE- Applications fo funding opportunities with the Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP) are currently fices located at 2000 Hutchins Ave. Ballinger, Texas, announce USDA Natural Resources Con-
servation Service (NRCS) District Conservationist Kathy Saunders last week.
NRCS in Texas has received its n 2013 and will of EQ randin and obligating EQPP contracts after February 15. All agricultur
producers interested in submitting a contract application for
2013 should do so before this 013 should do so before this
anking deadline. EOIP - one of the largest programs in the Farm Bill - is a
voluntary conservation program hat promotes environmental quality and assists producers to meet local, state and federal egulations. Runnels County's agricultural producers implement conseration practices that provide sustain agricultural operations,"
Saunders said.

EOIP is a continuous sign-up rs or operators to apply for ers or operators to apply for
financial and technical assistance for the application of secific conservation practices; 2013 funding is February 15 , 2013. Contracts are offered, periodically depending on budgetary allocations. Applications onsidered in the next fundng cycle. Higher priority will be given to those application and local priorities and provide higher cost efficiency,

EQIP offers technical and nancial help to install or impleand management practices that an benefit the soil, water, air, plants, livestock, and wildlife.
Each county in the state is unded yearly to assist produ ers financially with these land management practices. Last year, NRCS in Texas
funded over 4,000 EOIP contracts with $\$ 76$ million to accomplish conservation practices such as irrigation effi-
ciency, minimum tillage, brush management and more, on 2.1 management and more on 2.1
million acres across the entire
state. In addition to helping our environment, Farm Bill conservation program funds support
ural communities. In Texas it is estimated that each dolla of NRCS and private matching xpenditures on NRCS conan additional $\$ 2.54$ in sales of oods and services. For more information, includ
ing eligibility requirements, cal the USDA Service Center office in Ballinger at (325) 365-3415 x3. Service center locations and
program information can be program on the Texas NRCS Web
found site at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov.

## North Runnels Clinic and Home Health to hold open house

WINTERS ENTERPRISE


This move improves the North Runnels Hospital ability to provide services to the
community in Winters and surrounding community in Winters and surrounding ties. Previously and for many years, the
clinic was open in the building located on clinic was open in the building located on
Highway 153, next to the parking lot of Highway 153 , next to the parking lot of
the North Runnels Hospital, in a building that is not owned by the hospital district. The new building has larger areas and
new furniture, with two exam rooms and an office for each physician, a new and improved waiting room, and a large meet ing room suited to accommodate public Please come and see the new clinic that is a very nice addition to the Winters area
and North Runnels Hospital District.

## New Chick Inn almost finished

| IERS ENTERPRISE | original Chick Inn was a | will be available for use |
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|  | local diner that became | in various events aroun |
| Chick Inn made its first | generations - 1950-1982. | The project is being |
| appearance at the recent | A group has been work | ded by donation |
| Winters Christmas Parade. | ing on the new Chick Inn | e sale of tee shirts and |
| The new Chick Inn is a | project since mid-August | uvenir tiles. Chick |
| concession trailer made | and it is almost ready | shirts are available |
| to resemble the old Chick | to use. The concession | der. Tiles are available |
| Inn and is being sponsored | trailer will contain a grill | o sizes, they are 4 |
| by Winters Lions Club and | for cookingia refrigera- | inches or 6 by 6 . Tee si |
| Friends of the Chick Inn. | tor, cabinets, a triple si |  |
| It will be used for special | quipped for | medium, large, XL, 2X, or |
| events in Winters. | a variety of activities. It | 3 X . For orders or more |
| The idea is an out | can | information ca |
| growth of the committee |  | 5-5172 |
| that made application | have a propane tank for | 08 |
| for a historical marker | the grill and other cook- | 4542. Thes |
| for the Chick Inn. The | ing equipment. The traile | great Christmas gifts. |



The new Chick Inn made its first appearance at the recent Christme Palde. The ibuted The new Chick Inn made its first appearance at the recent Christmas Parade. The mobile
diner, resembling the 40 plus years hangout that disappeared in 1982, will be used for diner, resembing in herial events in Winters.
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Select Choir to perform at WHS Auditorium The Winters Elementary Select Choir will perform a Christmas Concert for the parents
of choir members and the community on Thursday, December 13, 2012 at the Winters High Schol Auditorium at 6:30 lift your spirits, please come and enioy this concert! Everyone is welcome!


Winters Rodeo Association holds annual banquet The Winters Rodeo Association held their annual banquet on Saturday, December 8 at 6 p.m. at the Winters Rodeo Arena Fellowship Hall. WRA President Roger Kruse and WRA Secretary Doddie Drake presented the awards or the 2012 Playday season. High
point girl and boy for each age division were recognized and received a high point belt point girl and boy for each age division were recognized and receivel a high point beit
buckle. WRA champion buckles were also awarded to boys and girls who attended at least half of the Playdays sponsored by the Winters Rodeo Association. The 2013 Playday season will begin in March with the first playday scheduled for the
third weekend of the month. Please call Melissa Gerhart at (325) 7545648 for more third weekend of the month. Please call Melissa Gerhart at (325) 7545648 for more
Pictured back row left to right: Efron Rodriguez, Micah Drake, Macey Gerhart, Brenna Knight, Karlee Busher, Alexa Graham, Baily Knight, Christy Kruse. Middle row: Made-
line Bell, Seth Gerhart, Tyler Loggins, Jon Kullen Busher Front row: Harlee Matthiesen, Kalyn Loggins, Sadie Kay, Eli Drake, Emmett Rodriguez. Kalyn Loggins, Sadie Kay, Eli Drake, Emmett Rodriguez. PHOTO: CONTRIBUTED



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Runnels County Commissioners Court and Judge Barry Hilliard awarded four plaques to retiring officials and employees last Tuesday, December 11, 2012
 Jail kitchen supervisor Jerry A.
Hilliard and Sheriff Bill Baird.


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Winters 4-H Club lending a helping hand Members of the Winters 4-H Club met on Sunday, December 9 at the Winters Show Barn.
Members participated in a bulletin board decorating contest and packaged blankets and Members participated to be given to the residents of Our House and the Winters Nackiged blankets and socks to be given to the residents of Our House and the Winters Nursing Home. derson. After the meeting the 4 -H members visited the residents of Our House and the Winters Nursing Home. They passed out their gifts and sang Christmas songs to the The next $4-\mathrm{H}$ meeting will be held 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 8 at the Winters Show Barn.


WISD Employees of the Month
Winters Independent School District recently named the Winters Independent School District recently named the
Employees of the Month for the month of November 2012. Winters Junior High teacher Deb Pritchard and Diagnostician Kari Calcote were awarded Employees of the Month. Pictured left to right are board member Dan Killough, Deb PHOTO: CONTRIBUTED

## Veteran's Corner

The Disabled American Veterans (DAV) has indicated hrough prior legislative bulleuns, beginning in January Law 112-25 will trigger mutomatic across-the-board cuts in federal departments and agencies resulting in $\$ 1.2$ trillion reduction in federal spending over the next ten law. Based on the DAV's interpretation of Public Law 112-25 and prior budget laws, and after consultation with outside budget experts, they believe that VA health care and benefits programs will be exempt from any authe General Accountability Office, and national veterans organizations, including DAV, have called on the Administration to render an opinion to confirm that mandatory, across-the-board sequestration of federal appropria-
tions will not be applied to any accounts of the VA. For more information, contact Sandra at the Veterans Service ffice at 602 Strong Ave or call $365-3612$.


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