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County debates, leaves burn ban in place

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
WINTERS ENTERPRISE

BALLINGER- Runnels County Commissioners Court discussed and left in place the burn ban currently in effect for the unincorporated areas of the county. Commissioners Court met Tuesday morning in a regular meeting to discuss and approve several agenda items.

All outdoor burning with an open flame is prohibited while the burn ban is in effect. Commissioner Rick Strube proposed to evaluate lifting the ban, but after hearing and reviewing conditions in the northern part of the county he recommended to leave the burn ban in effect.

The Commissioners Court took no action on the agenda item and maintained the burn ban in effect.

Under the burn ban household trash burning is allowed as well as outdoor cooking under certain requirements. In any case anybody conducting a burn is required to contact Runnels County Dispatch at (325) 365 5961 as well as the area fire department.

Commissioners Court approved budget amendments/line item adjustments to the 2012-2013 fiscal year budget. Adjustments were made to pay for autopsies. The court had estimated a total of \$10,000 under the line item for the fiscal year, but as of the meeting the county had spent \$11,000 in post-mortem examinations.

Commissioners Court voted unanimously appointing commissioners whose terms have expired for the Board of Commissioners of the Runnels County Emergency Services District No. 1. Those being re-appointed were Johnny Alley, Eugene Kasberg, Jr., and Charles Book.

The court also approved a motion to replace an air conditioning unit (package unit on RTU2) at the Runnels County Jail.

Senior Commissioner Rick Strube was appointed to preside over Commissioners Court in the event of Judge Barry Hilliard's absence.

Commissioners Court accepted an order appointing county auditor and assistant county auditors, and passed a motion appointing County Judge Barry Hilliard, to negotiate energy contracts on behalf of Runnels County.

Commissioner Strube was also appointed to negotiate the Runnels County a long-standing contract with Texas Communications, regarding the company's right to use a county owned tower in exchange for Internet services.

All county commissioners and County Judge were present at the Commissioners Court.

WHS looking for new Head Football Coach

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WINTERS- The Winters Independent School District has officially announced the resignation of Athletic Director and Head Football Coach Adam Bright.

Winters ISD Superintendent, Mr. Don Kuempel, Jr., said in a press release that the Board of Trustees accepted Bright's resignation last Monday, January 14, 2013, at the monthly regular meeting.

"At the regular scheduled Winters ISD school board meeting held Monday, January 14, at 6:30 p.m. Superintendent Don Kuempel gave notice to the board of trustees he had accepted the resignation of Athletic Director and Head Football Coach Adam Bright effective at the conclusion of his first term contract period."

Following this announcement, the Winters ISD board of trustees approved an action item to hire a new athletic director/head football coach. The position will be posted and advertised starting Tuesday, January 15 and applications will be accepted until filled.

First season head coach Adam Bright and the Winters Blizzards had a 2-8 football season in 2012, with 1-3 in district games. The team finished the season early by placing fourth in Conference 1A District 4 Division I.

Bright was hired in April of 2012. The Winters Board of Trustees approved the recommendation of a special committee comprised of faculty members, coaching staff, administration representatives and members of the community. Bright was selected lone finalist by the committee out of a pool of 70 plus applicants.

Bright previously worked at Conference 4A District 3 Amarillo Caprock High School as Defensive Coordinator.

In 2011 under Head Football Coach Stephen Hermesmeier, Winters had an overall record of 9-4, 3-1 in district games and 2-1 in playoffs. That season Winters High School reached the Area round of the playoffs, a territory the Blizzards had not stepped into in over a decade.



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Left to right at the goat show: Winters FFA member Daisy Martinez, Winters FFA member Jaymee Pritchard, Davis Hill-Miles FFA, Tyler Wright-Miles FFA, Ballinger 4-Her Rebecca Simpson and Rowena 4-Her Whitney Halfmann.

Runnels Co holds 12th Jr Livestock Show

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BALLINGER- Miles 4-Her Jessica Kalina earned Grand Champion Steer honors, Ballinger 4-Her Rachel Gibbs showed the Grand Champion Lamb, Miles FFA representative Sloan Riddle was awarded

the Grand Champion Swine ribbon at the 2013 Runnels County Junior Livestock Show held last Friday and Saturday, at the Ballinger Community Center.

Ballinger 4-Her Rusty Fischer earned Grand Champion Goat honors, Miles FFA representative

Trey Heard got Grand Champion Fryer, Grand Champion Heifer was awarded to Ballinger 4-Her Hadley Hatler, Miranda Riddle (Miles FFA) showed the Grand Champion Gilt, Ballinger 4-Her Shane Flanagan got Grand Champion Breeding Sheep, and the Grand Champion Rab-

bit ribbon was awarded to Miles FFA student Conner Schwartz.

Read the complete list of winners and participants next week in the Ballinger Ledger and Winters Enterprise 2013 Runnels County Junior Livestock Show Special Section.

Daisy Patch awarded Business of the Quarter

WINTERS ENTERPRISE
STAFF REPORT

WINTERS- The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce named Daisy Patch Business of the Quarter for the last quarter of 2012. Daisy Patch has been a Chamber member in good standing for 6 years. They have always been a big supporter of the chamber.

Daisy Patch received the Business of the Quarter award on Saturday, January 12, 2013.

The Chamber of Commerce is still taking nominations for "Man and Woman of the Year." If you would like to nominate someone please send the nomination to the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 662, Winters, Texas 79567 or visit them on Facebook at wacc@wtxs.net and tell them who you think deserves "Man and Woman of the Year."

The 2013 Chamber Ball is coming February 16, 2013. It will be held at the Winters Community Center starting at 6 p.m. There will be a meal, awards and dance.



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Sno-Royalty and the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors awarded Daisy Patch Business of the Quarter for the last quarter of 2012.

The Chamber would like to thank Wheat Energy for their continued membership this month. Tickets for the Chamber

Ball are available with prices for couples, per person, or to the dance only. Child tickets are available for children 6 thru 15.

Five and under are free. For more information call the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce or visit them online.

Winters woman found dead in her home

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WINTERS- A 47-year-old woman was found dead in her home in Winters, last Tuesday, January 8, 2013. The Winters Police Department believes that the body of Laura Grohma Boglin had been laying on the floor for a couple of

days when she was found. The body was found Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 p.m. by her brother. Judge Richard Hamilton pronounced Boglin dead at 5 p.m.

The body was sent to the medical examiner in Lubbock, Texas. Winters Police Department Chief Nathan Johnson said there is no

apparent cause of death but there is no reason to suspect foul play at this time. The case will be treated as an unattended death. The results of the autopsy will take several weeks.

The Police believes that Boglin had just taken a bath and was lying down on a couch when she

passed away. She was found on the floor, apparently the body rolled down from the couch.

The case is under investigation by the Winters Police Department. "We'll be waiting for the results of the autopsy, that is going to tell us a lot about this case," said Chief Johnson.

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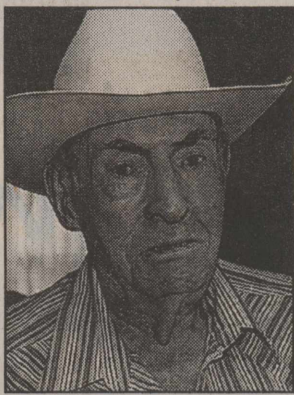
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FUNERALS AND OBITUARIES

Kenneth Sneed

Kenneth Sneed, 91, of Winters, died January 10, 2013. He was born October 15, 1921 in Bluff Springs, Mississippi to James Addison Sneed and Mamie Dove Adams Sneed. He was raised in Hamilton, Wingate and settled in Winters. He married Thelma Reid on December 2, 1943 in Winters and she preceded him in death May 23, 2007. Kenneth served in the United States Army from 1943 until 1945. He worked for Bob Loyd LP Gas Company for 41 years. He was a member of First Baptist Church.

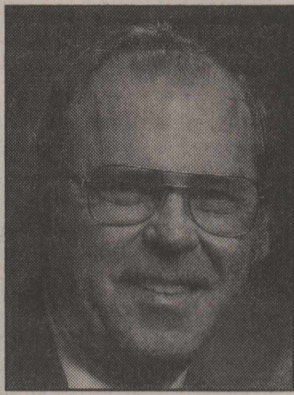


He is survived by one sister and one brother: Ann Harms of Abilene and G.W. Sneed of Winters. Several nieces, nephews and many friends. Services were Saturday, January 12, 2013 in the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Heath Powers officiating. Burial was in Lakeview cemetery.

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Donald W. Hambright

NORTH RICHLAND HILLS- Donald W. Hambright, 75, passed away Saturday, January 12, 2013, in Fort Worth.



Funeral will be held at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday in Greenwood Chapel. Interment: Greenwood Memorial Park. Visitation was held Tuesday at Greenwood Funeral Home.

Donald was born September 20, 1937, in Runnels County, son of Clarence and Mildred Hambright. He graduated from Winters High School. Don was raised and worked on the farm and in the oil fields. He served in the U.S. Army. While serving, he earned many commendations and received his honorable discharge as a specialist fifth class status. Don went on to receive degrees in accounting and midmanagement. He was active in his faith, both as a Sunday school teacher and working with the youth association. Don was a Master Mason and past master of White Settlement Lodge. He served as worthy patron of the White Settlement Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star twice. He retired from Bell Helicopter/Textron after 39 years of service.

His family would like to thank the health professionals at HEB Hospital and Universal Hospice for the outstanding care, kindness and consideration to each of us in our time of their care.

Don was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors: Wife of 47 years, Nora; children, Ricky Hambright, Patricia Olvera and husband, Jack, and Donna Hanna and husband, Dr. Bill Hanna, D.D.S.; 11 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; brother, Troyce Hambright; sister, Jerre Heathcott; and numerous family and friends.

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Mary E. Kurtz

Mary E. Kurtz, 78, of Winters died Wednesday January 9, 2013. She was born January 10, 1934 on the Ed Gerhart farm in the Harmony Community. She was baptized February 18, 1934 and confirmed April 10, 1949 in St. John's Lutheran Church. She graduated from Winters High School in 1951. She then married R.C. Kurtz on June 21, 1953 at St. John's Lutheran Church. She worked for the Winters State bank, Bob Loyd gas company, the CTO and the Lutheran preschool for many years. She was also a substitute teacher in Winters and Ballinger. She was a lifetime member of the VFW Women's auxiliary and St. John's Lutheran Church. She got the Ed Gerhart farm registered with the state of Texas for being farmed by the family for 100 years. The family would like to thank Hospice of Ballinger and Central Texas Nursing and Rehabilitation of Ballinger for her care. Memorials can be made to the American Cancer Society.

Survivors are husband R.C. Kurtz of Winters, mother Alvina Gerhart of Lawn, sons Randall Kurtz and wife Janice of Ballinger, and Darrell Kurtz and wife Sherry of Winters; one brother: Walter Alvin Gerhart and wife Carla of Lawn, one sister sister: Rosalie Sauer and husband Richard of Abilene.

Survivors also include four grandchildren: Keegan Kurtz of Odessa, Camille Kurtz of Stephenville, Caitlin Kurtz of College Station, Carrie Ramos and husband Isaac of Ballinger.

She was preceded in death by her father, Walter Gerhart and a grandson, Brenton Jeremy Kurtz.

Family visitation was Thursday at the funeral home and service was held Friday January 11, 2013 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Winters with Rev. Alsen Wenzel and Rev. Diane Eggenmeyer officiating. Burial followed in Lutheran cemetery.

Serving as pallbearers were: Keegan Kurtz, Alvin Gerhart, Jimmy Villers, Mike Belitz, Don Heller, Isaac Ramos, Gilbert Minzenmayer.

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Laura Drucillea Bogolin

Laura Drucillea Bogolin 47 of Winters Passed away on January 8, 2013. Arrangements are being made at Heritage Family Funeral Home in Ballinger, Texas.

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

NEWS NOTES

Aggie Mom's Club monthly meeting

Abilene Area Aggie Mom's Club will be holding its monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 15 at 6:45 p.m. at Coldwell Banker Panian and Mash Building, 2500 S. Willis (S. 27th and Willis, half a block N on Willis). Please join us for a light meal. You will get to meet other Aggie Moms and learn a little more about Texas A&M and all of its traditions! Whoop! If you can't make the meeting but would like more information, please call or email Sheryl Kendrick (President) at 695-2628, sherylann@suddenlink.net, or Martha Michalewicz (membership) at 668-7307, marthamike@sbcglobal.net

Lions Club Pancake Supper

The Winters Lions Club will be holding its traditional Pancake Supper on Friday, January 11, 2013 from 5 p.m. thru 8 p.m. at the School Cafeteria. Tickets are \$5 per person, children under 6 for free.

Historical Commission meeting

The Runnels County Historical Commission will meet Saturday January 12, 2013 at 10:30 a.m. in Winters, Texas at the Casa Cabana Restaurant. Anthony Lange will present the program with the research paper, The History of Norton, The Town And The Man. His research paper has been published in the Edwards Plateau Historical Association, Volume XIII of The Historian. The business meeting will follow. All meetings of the Runnels County Historical Commission are open to the public.

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.

VFW meetings

Winters Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9193 meet the second Monday night of each month at 6 p.m. in the Rock Hotel. All eligible veterans of the United States military are invited to attend.

Band Boosters

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

Winters Women's Club

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

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.

FSA disaster loans available in the Big Country

WINTERS ENTERPRISE STAFF REPORT

COLLEGE STATION- USDA Texas Farm Service Agency (FSA) Acting Executive Director James B. Douglass announced that 207 counties in Texas were declared a disaster on January 9, 2013, due to drought and heat using the new, streamlined Secretarial Disaster Designation process.

Under this designation, producers with operations in any of the 157 primary disaster counties or 50 contiguous disaster counties are eligible to apply for low interest emergency loans.

The streamlined disaster designation process issues a drought disaster

declaration when a county has experienced a drought intensity value of at least a D2 (severe drought) level for eight consecutive weeks based on the U.S. Drought Monitor during the crop year. Under this declaration 157 counties in Texas have reached that threshold since November 1, 2012.

Some of the 157 counties designated as primary disaster counties in West Texas include: Comanche, Jones, Menard, Taylor, San Saba, Schleicher and Sutton counties.

Among the 50 counties designated as contiguous disaster counties is West Texas are: Concho, McCulloch, Tom Green, Coke, Coleman and Runnels

counties.

"The disaster designation is welcome relief to producers because it allows all qualified operators in primary and contiguous counties to apply for a low interest emergency (EM) loan," said Douglass.

Emergency loans help producers recover from production and physical losses due to drought, flooding and other natural disasters or quarantine.

Producers have eight months from the date of the declaration to apply for emergency loan assistance. FSA will consider each loan application on its own merits, taking into account the extent of losses, security available

and repayment ability. Producers can borrow up to 100 percent of actual production or physical losses, to a maximum amount of \$500,000. The current emergency loan interest rate is 2.25 percent.

Producers with operations in counties that did not receive a disaster designation could be eligible for emergency loan assistance if they suffered at least a 30 percent loss in crop production or a physical loss to livestock, livestock products, real estate or chattel property.

For more information about emergency loans, please contact your local FSA office or visit www.fsa.usda.gov.

Texas Midwest Day at the capitol

WINTERS ENTERPRISE STAFF REPORT

ABILENE- Texas Midwest Community Network announces plans for Texas Midwest Day at the Capitol on Feb. 5, 2013. Community leaders from throughout the region are encouraged to participate.

"Generally speaking, rural communities are at a disadvantage when it comes to influencing state lawmakers" says TMCN President Kathy Keane of Eden. "By joining together, a larger group of rural delegates gets more attention and presents a stronger voice in Austin."

The day in Austin will include a photo session with lawmakers on the steps of the Capitol, a briefing on issues important to the region, visits with lawmakers and staffs and a legislative reception for which TMCN is partnering with the Brownwood Area Chamber of Commerce to host.

The primary issues to be addressed by the Texas Midwest delegation that meets with lawmakers are water and transportation.

Funding the 50-year water plan passed by the Legislature in 1997 is most important. SB1 provided a

framework for the management of water resources, including drought planning, water rights regulation, financial and technical assistance and data collection, however, funding was not provided. The regional organization supports bills that have already been filed to designate \$2 billion from the Economic Stabilization Fund (e.g. Rainy Day Fund) to fund the plan.

Regarding transportation, it is the view of TMCN that the State must take on the responsibility of funding the basic transportation needs of our State. With the booming oil and gas industry and a heavy influx of new residents, the transportation system is reaching a point of critical mass to improve how goods, products, and services move from point to point in our state. TMCN supports the "User Fee" option to fund DPS as proposed by Rep. Drew Darby (R-San Angelo) thus not diverting those funds from current sources of revenue for roads.

The more citizens attending Texas Midwest Day at the Capitol from the region, the better the message will be heard for rural Texas. A list of the regional issues and talking points is

posted online at texasmidwest.org.

For details on registration for Texas Midwest Day at the Capitol visit the texasmidwest.org website or call the TMCN Office 325-795-8626. Make a difference for rural Texas. Plan to participate on Feb. 5.

Lawmakers representing the Texas Midwest region include Senators Troy Frasier (Dist. 24), Robert Duncan (Dist. 28), and Craig Estes (Dist. 30); and Representatives Harvey Hilderbran (Dist. 53), J.D. Sheffield (Dist. 59), Jim Keffer (Dist. 60), Drew Springer (Dist. 68), James Frank (Dist. 69) Susan King (Dist. 71), Drew Darby (Dist. 72), and Charles Perry (Dist. 83).

TMCN Member cities: Abilene, Albany, Anson, Aspermont, Baird, Ballinger, Brady, Breckenridge, Bronte, Brownwood, Buffalo Gap, Cisco, Clyde, Coleman, Colorado City, Comanche, Cross Plains, De Leon, Dublin, Early, Eastland, Eden, Goldthwaite, Gorman, Hamilton, Hamlin, Haskell, Hico, Knox City, Menard, Merkel, Miles, Munday, Ranger, Rising Star, Robert Lee, Roscoe, Rotan, San Angelo, San Saba, Santa Anna, Snyder, Stamford, Sweetwater, Throckmorton, Tye and Winters.

Institute to present water programs Jan 22-23 in Temple

WINTERS ENTERPRISE STAFF REPORT

TEMPLE- On Jan. 22 and 23, the Texas Water Resources Institute will hold two events designed for water professionals at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center, 720 E. Blackland Road in Temple.

The institute is part of Texas A&M AgriLife Research, the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Texas A&M University.

According to Nikki Dictson, AgriLife Extension program specialist for the institute, the programs have been developed for watershed coordinators and other water resource professionals. The Jan. 22 event is a no-cost Texas Watershed Coordinator Roundtable meeting taking place from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

"These roundtables, held biannually, provide a forum for watershed coordinators where they can develop interactive solutions to common watershed issues faced throughout the state," Dictson said.

Roundtable presenters include speakers from the institute, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. Additionally, Amy Hays, Texas A&M Institute of Renewable Natural Resources, will present on the role of social media in conservation science, followed by a viewing of the film, "Watershed: Exploring a New Water Ethic for the New West."

A catered lunch is available for \$10 and vegetarian options will be available. RSVP is required, and participants may register at <http://watershedplanning.tamu.edu/training/>

The Jan. 23 event, "An Introduction to Modeling Training," will be held at the center from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The cost is \$75. "This training will provide an introduction on the variety of watershed models that can be used in watershed planning efforts, considerations when selecting models and procedures for implementing modeling in your watershed," said Dr. Kevin Wagner, associate director of the institute.

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Alanna Cooper drives the ball and looks for a teammate during Varsity Girls vs TLCA.

Lady Blizzards freeze TLCA in district game

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WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS- The Winters Lady Blizzards defeated the TLCA Lady Eagles by a score of 71-19, in a district game held last Friday, January 11, at the Winters High School Gymnasium.

Winters took the lead from the beginning, and at the end of the first quarter the Lady Blizzards were ahead 26-6. By the half Winters increased the lead 44-

13, and with three quarters of the game played the locals were 54-17.

Lauren Bredemeyer led the Lady Blizzards with 13 points. Each one of Ashley Guy, Kat Lindley and Kara Heathcott scored 11 points.

As of press time the Lady Blizzards were playing Christoval in Winters, and on Friday, January 18, will be traveling to Miles for another district game against the Lady Bulldogs.



PHOTO: JOE GERHART

Kolton Garcia bringing the ball down during the Varsity boys game vs TLCA.

Blizzards bring down TLCA Eagles

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS- The Winters Blizzards defeated last Friday, January 11 the TLCA Eagles by a score of 68-32, in a district game played at the Winters High School Gymnasium.

The Blizzards started strong the game and finished first quarter 15-4. At halftime the Blizzards were ahead 41-8, and with three quarters of the game played the board showed 52-24.

Bryce Mikeska was the highest scoring for the Blizzards with 11 points.

As of press time the Blizzards were hosting Christoval, and will be taking the road on Friday, January 18, to play against the Miles Bulldogs at 8 p.m.

Cattle herd rebuilding strategies at BIG Conference

WINTERS ENTERPRISE
STAFF REPORT

WACO- It can be a costly experience when rebuilding cow herds, but beef cattle producers can learn about strategies to consider at the 51st Blackland Income Growth Conference Feb. 4-6 in Waco.

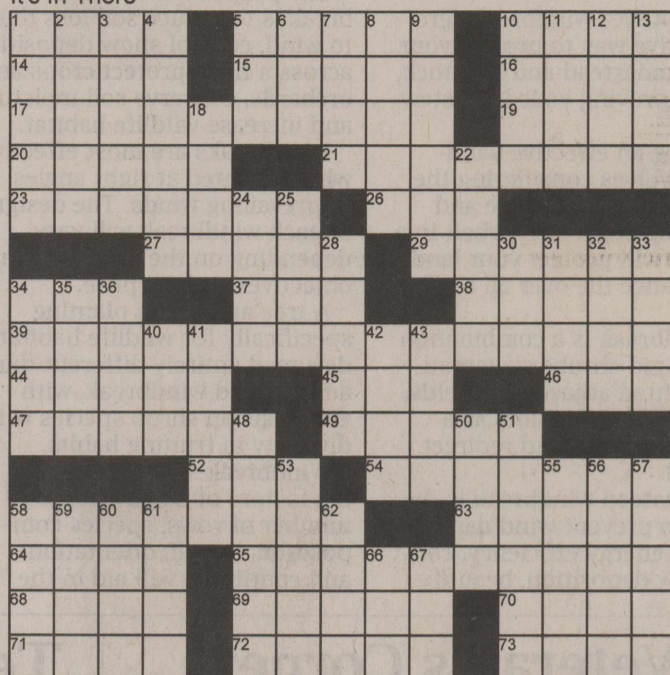
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service economist Dr. Stan Bevers from Vernon

will be featured at the conference to be held at the Extraco Events Center.

"We will be discussing economic considerations when rebuilding cow herd inventory as well as what the trend prices will be in the next five years," Bevers said. "I'll give an overview of how we got into this situation with low inventory numbers and talk about how it wasn't just the drought that contributed to this."

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14. Cosmetics "caller"
15. Put up with
16. Curly veggie
17. Emaciated one
19. Diva's delivery
20. Staffordshire stink
21. Lamb, notably
23. Crammers, in short time
26. Anderson's "High"
27. Scarecrow stuffing
29. Thumb through, as pages
34. Tooth care org.
37. Bar intro?
38. Great Lakes tribesmen
39. Life, in a "Forrest Gump" simile
44. High standard
45. Right-angle bend
46. B'way hit sign
47. Horseshoes throws
49. Nehi drinker on TV
52. Mini-albums, for short
54. Strikes out
58. Idaho's nickname
63. Amtrak's Northeast Corridor bullet train
64. Zillions
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69. Destroy gradually
70. Roth, et al.
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73. Full of streaks

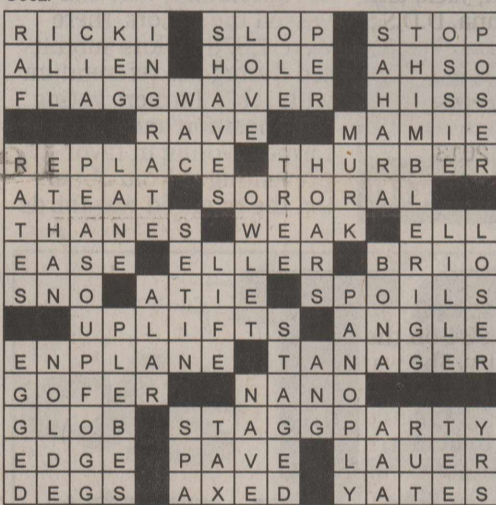
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3. Bits of business card art
4. Pigs' rooting tools
5. Semi section
6. Blood-typing letters
7. Jungle transport
8. I.e., for long
9. Rent collector
10. "Sure, why not?"
11. ___-mutuel
12. Dubya and classmates
13. Clutter-free
18. Fingerboard ridge
22. Israel's Sharon
24. Grid great Dickerson
25. Obi, e.g.
28. Courter
30. Lobster ___ Diavolo
31. Starts' partner

32. Lecher's look
33. Old US gas brand
34. "This won't hurt"
35. Bird clubbed to extinction
36. Gives walking papers to
40. Western Hemisphere gp.
41. Like a base-stealing threat
42. Decked out
43. Word on shoppe signs
48. It keeps things apart
50. What "there oughta be"
51. Pistol's kickback
53. Rubberneck
55. "Girls Lie Too" country singer Clark
56. Violinist Mischa
57. Fresh-mouthed
58. Needle-nosed fishes
59. Carrier to Ben-Gurion
60. Turn in chess
61. Hobo fare
62. Slaughter in baseball
66. Words of praise
67. Hardly any

LAST WEEK'S ANSWER GRID

Geez!



Weather Whys

Q: What's the best thing to do if you're caught in a severe storm?

A: Some thunderstorm safety tips could save your life, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "If you're outdoors, find sturdy shelter, either in a building or a car - preferably not a convertible," he notes. "If you can hear thunder, that means you're close enough to be struck by lightning. Generally speaking, enclosed vehicles provide good shelter from lightning. If outdoors, you should avoid high places, open fields, isolated trees, picnic shelters, gazebos, baseball dugouts and anything metal such as flagpoles, light poles and fences. If you cannot find a place of shelter and are caught out in an isolated area, squat down low so as to create the least surface area as possible. This will reduce the risk of being struck. Water is a great conductor of electricity, so avoid water if at all possible."

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RSWCD holding annual windbreak program

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STAFF REPORT

BALLINGER- Windbreaks are an effective way to protect your crops, homestead and livestock, while improving your land stewardship.

Planting an effective windbreak involves considering the needs of your landscape and then designing a shelterbelt in a way that will protect your land and enhance the over all aesthetics.

A windbreak is a combination of trees and shrubs systematically planted adjacent to fields, homesteads or feedlots as a barrier to reduce and redirect the wind.

A farmstead windbreak is designed to prevent wind damage, increase energy efficiency, control snow deposition, beautify

and improve wildlife habitat. The purpose of a field windbreak is to reduce soil loss due to wind, control snow deposition across a field, protect crops and orchards, conserve soil moisture and increase wildlife habitat.

Windbreaks are most effective when oriented at right angles to prevailing winds. The design of each windbreak will vary depending on the landowner's objectives and purpose.

A tree and shrub planting specifically for wildlife habitat is designed entirely different than a farmstead windbreak, with emphasis on shrub species with diversity in fruiting habits.

Windbreak structure involving factors of height, density, number of rows, species composition, length, orientation and continuity will aid in the

reduction of the wind speed and alteration of microclimate.

Windbreak height is the most important factor determining the downwind area protected by a windbreak. This value varies from windbreak to windbreak, and increases as the windbreak matures.

Within the rows, shrubs need to be 15 feet apart and mid to tall trees, 15 to 20 feet apart. Between each tree row, tall growing deciduous tree rows should be planted at least 25 feet from evergreen rows. Otherwise, spacing between rows should be 20 feet.

A homestead planted in relation to the house or other structures at least 100 feet and no more than 200 feet from the home or protected structure. Controlling weeds in new

windbreak plantings is very important. Broadleaf weeds will quickly grow up over the small trees and shrub seedlings shading them from sunlight. Grasses have an aggressive root system that will deprive small tree seedlings of valuable soil moisture. Growth rate and shape of tree seedlings is improved dramatically if weeds are controlled.

A synthetic landscape fabric that is laid down when the seedlings are planted is the most effective way to prevent weeds and retain moisture within the tree rows. A hole is cut for the seedlings to grow up through. Soil on the outer edges of the fabric keeps the wind from blowing the fabric off. Most UV treated fabrics will give effective weed and moisture control

for at least five years. Certain chemicals can be used to control weeds but the safest method is a landscape fabric.

The most effective means to irrigate a windbreak is a drip irrigation system designed to deliver at least one gallon of water per hour to each tree, combined with landscape fabric.

The Runnels Soil and Water Conservation District is having their annual tree program and the program will conclude on January 30, 2013. Seedlings will arrive at the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) office in Ballinger on February 7, 2013.

For more information call (325) 365 3415 ext. 3 or come by the NRCS office at 2000 Hutchings Avenue in Ballinger and place your order.

Veteran's Corner

On Tuesday, 22 January 2013, at 3:30 p.m. there will be a flag donation ceremony on the Courthouse lawn. The Woodsmen of the World are donating US and Texas flags to Runnels County. Let's have a good showing of support for veterans and appreciation of the donation of the flags. For more information, contact Sandra at the Veterans Service Office at 602 Strong Ave or call 365 3612.

Sandra G. Van Zant
Veterans County Service Officer

Texas grain farmers elect not to establish a statewide grain indemnity fund

WINTERS ENTERPRISE
STAFF REPORT

AUSTIN- Texas grain farmers voted against the establishment of a statewide grain indemnity fund in the referendum held by the Texas Grain Producers Indemnity Board, according to the results released last week after the canvassing of the ballots.

Farmers across the state voted in the referendum, which was held November 19, 2012, until December 7, 2012, on the statewide establishment of a grain indemnity fund. According to the Texas Department of Agriculture, who canvassed the ballots, there were 1,678 ballots submitted during the referendum with 1,171 farmers voting in opposition and 507 farmers voting in favor - preventing it from obtaining the required two-thirds

majority to pass. "Over the years, many producers across Texas have been forced to deal with the financial pain that comes when a grain buyer fails. Unfortunately, Texas grain producers will continue to face this risk for at

least another crop year," TGPIB Chairman Dee Vaughan said. "The TGPIB will be meeting soon with stakeholder groups to determine the best course of action for the future."

During the referendum, which was held in accordance with the referendum rules found at 4 Texas Agriculture Code, Ch. 17, Subchapter A, Div. 3 by the TDA, farmers voted on establishing an assessment rate within a range of 0.2 percent to 0.6 percent of the final sales price of grain. The assess-

ment would have been collected and remitted to the TGPIB effective Feb. 1, 2013 - providing coverage for producers for the 2013 crop season.

The TGPIB was established as the result of legislation passed by the 2011 Texas legislature and signed into law by the governor. Rep. Larry Phillips of Sherman and Sen. Craig Estes of Wichita Falls introduced the legislation after a series of grain buyer financial failures in recent years resulted in millions of dollars in losses to Texas grain producers.

The establishment of the grain indemnity fund would have allowed the TGPIB to award up to 90 percent of the financial losses suffered by producers of corn, sorghum, soybean and wheat when grain buyers fail to pay

for grain due to a financial failure.

The TGPIB met on January 4, 2013, in Austin, Texas, to discuss what next steps it will take as a board. To learn more about TGPIB and the proposed indemnity fund program, visit

www.TexasGrainIndemnity.org.

Conservation leaders to gather in San Antonio

WINTERS ENTERPRISE
STAFF REPORT

WASHINGTON- The National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) is hosting its 2013 Annual Meeting, January 27-30 at the Marriott Rivercenter Hotel in San Antonio, Texas. Based on the theme, "Conservation: Proud Past, Positive Future," the 67th Annual Meeting will reflect on the roots of conservation districts and look ahead to the future of conservation in America.

The 2013 NACD Annual Meeting will feature keynote speaker Timothy Egan, a Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter and the author of six books, including *The Worst Hard Time*, which won a National Book Award for nonfiction. The *Worst Hard Time* chronicles the unparalleled dust storms in the High Plains during the Great Depression. This fall, Egan served as the main on-screen narrator for filmmaker Ken Burns' PBS documentary about the Dust Bowl.

Other confirmed speakers include: Rep. Henry Cuellar (TX-28); Jason Weller, Acting Chief, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS); Ellen Gilinsky, Senior Policy Advisor, Environmental Protection Agency; Gene Schmidt, NACD President; John Larson, NACD Chief Executive Officer; David Lamm, Soil Conservationist, NRCS East National Technology Support Center; Tom Martin, CEO, American Forest Foundation; and Tim Wigley, President of the Western Energy Alliance.

The meeting will offer a wide range of informative sessions and networking opportunities.

In addition, there will be a Conservation Expo showcasing the latest programs, products and technologies in conservation from partners across the country. Also, during the meeting, the NACD Board will elect new NACD Officers for 2013 - 2014.

The National Association of Conservation Districts is a non-profit organization that represents the nation's 3,000 conservation districts, their state associations and the 17,000 men and women who serve on their governing boards. For more than 70 years, local conservation districts have worked with cooperating landowners and managers of private working lands to help them plan and apply effective conservation practices.

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WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS- The grand opening of the new Chick Inn, a replica of the old diner built by the Winters Lions Club and Friends of the Chick Inn, was held last Friday, January 11, 2013, at the Lions Club Pancake Supper.

The concession trailer was parked at the front door of the Winters High School Gymnasium, and those attending the Winters vs. TLCA basketball game had the opportunity to enjoy a delicious dinner cooked at this brand new concession stand.

The new Chick Inn made its first appearance at the Winters Christmas Parade. This concession trailer is a replica of the old Chick Inn, formerly located on Highway 83, south of Winters, which will be used for special events in Winters.

The original Chick Inn was a local diner that became the teen hangout for generations between 1950 and 1982. The concession trailer is equipped with a cooking grill, refrigerator, cabinets and sink.



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PHOTO: RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
A crowd waits in line outside the Winters High School Gymnasium, during the Winters Lions Club Pancake Supper.

Winters Police Department gets new truck and boat

New equipment is funded by USDA grant

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS- The Winters Police Department acquired a new pick up truck to replace one of the older vehicles, and will be soon purchasing a new skiff rescue boat. The new acquisitions are being funded with a US Department of Agriculture grant that Winters PD has been applying for since 2010.

"We applied for this grant for the first time in 2010," said Winters Chief of Police Nathan Johnson. "It is a \$60,000 grant that has to be matched with \$15,000," Chief Johnson said.

The unit was issued to officer Randall Davis and after being outfitted with new radio, lights and all the equipment needed, it started patrolling the city on Tues-

day, January 15, 2013.

The truck was purchased at Lawrence Hall in Abilene, the equipment was bought at Big Country Supply, also in Abilene, and was outfitted in Winters by Bahlman Motors.

"This new truck is a 4x4 and we'll be able to take it to the lake and everywhere is needed," said Chief Johnson.

The old Chevy Tahoe, previously assigned to officer Davis, will be now used for the reserve officers and as a backup vehicle.

The remaining of the grant will be used to purchase a new skiff boat and a storage container. The boat, which was bought in San Antonio, is expected to get here by the end of January or mid February.

"The boat will be used to rescue stranded swimmers at the lake," Johnson said. "The storage container will be used to store seized property or other items that do not need to be stored under the requirements of an evidence room."



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Winters PD officer Randall Davis and the new Chevy pickup truck purchased with the USDA grant.

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- TUESDAY**
Chef Salad or Ham & Cheese Sandwich or Chicken Spaghetti/Graham Cracker (Elem., J.H.) Bread Stick (H.S.) Green Beans, Baked Potatoes, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Rainbow Bars, Pears, Choice of Milk.
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THE IDLE AMERICAN

The walk and the talk...

Commentary by Dr. Don Newbury

When life's talkin' lines up so closely with the walkin', light sheds on how joy can trump sadness at a funeral. That's my nutshell description of Dr. Mike Toby's memorial service, one he largely planned himself.

At 80 minutes, it didn't seem protracted, though he might have disagreed. After all, he had included no allowances for senior staff ad-libbing, or for reflective pauses shared by an overflow crowd of almost 2,000 people at First Woodway Baptist Church, where he had been senior pastor for 35 years.

His life was a testimony, his stature obvious and his leadership consistent. Mike "stood tall" in the faith, and, at 6-5, towered over most congregants, his disarming smile projecting an "all is well" countenance. "Be a lighthouse" was the credo of this beloved pastor....

He was the kind of man who "seized the day" at an early hour, ready to face the opportunities, challenges and demands that would surface later.

Mike dealt with numbness during a sermon back in October. He went to the doctor, sharing symptoms he simply didn't understand.

Doctors understood and medical tests confirmed that brain cancer was entrenched....

Jackie, his wife of 45 years, sons Joshua and Scott and their families knew the course their loved one would take. He had options of invasive surgery that might have extended his life for a year

or so, or he could finish his earthly pilgrimage at home, with the probability of living two or three months.

He made a short video for a church service, explaining that he "wouldn't bargain with the Lord for 15 seconds beyond his allotted time."

Mike spent November and December at home, medication keeping him comfortable. There, he said what he needed to say and did what he needed to do....

Mike had "are we there yet, daddy," kinds of questions, as enthusiastic as a 12-year-old on the road for summer vacation. He looked forward to the next step. "If it were up

to me, I'd be in the front seat of the next flight out," he mused. (His staff often kidded about his penchant for punctuality. "To be on time," one said, "was to be a few minutes late!")....

His ever-present sense of humor lightened the moment when the senior staff gathered at the Toby home to "nail down" memorial service details.

"I don't want a preacher doing my funeral," he insisted, turning to Rev. Terry Graham, Associate Pastor for the past 18 years, "I want you to do it." Chuckles erupted....

This "God's man/family's man/man's man" — his spiritual calling never questioned but prankster tendencies sometimes were — was a tender leader, tough only when situations demanded.

In reality, his life work began almost a half-century ago while a student at Pasadena, TX, High School. Each morning, he offered prayer and devotions on the intercom system.

Relentless in athletic competition and an outdoorsman, his experiences became life lessons for sermons....

Mike spent much time in reflection during his eight weeks at home preceding his death on Dec. 29. Included were thoughts of his support of mission points in the Waco area and around the world.

Probably every person at the service had favorite "Mike Toby stories."

I do, most of them centering on his gracious spirit, unbounded enthusiasm and infectious "yes we can" attitude....

In his final hours, he told Jackie that he wanted to "take a puppy along." Puzzled, she recited all the dog names she could remember. He interrupted, "You know, the one we had when we moved to Waco."

To conclude the service, the Toby's grandchildren walked with Rev. Graham in front of the casket. A trumpeter belted out "When We All Get to Heaven." Behind the family were 50 or so children, "whosoever will" participants. All of them carried glow sticks. Congregational singing closed it out with lively singing of "I'll Fly Away."

Putting the glow sticks away, the children — some of them as young as five — hastened to an adjacent room, where their parents were waiting. Though the church has grown large — from a membership of 1,000 to 4,600 during Toby's ministry — they knew "the way." Dr. Toby spent the bulk of his life telling them about it....

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