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Thursday, March 14, 2013

## Talpa man gets 18 months for crop duster shooting

The incident occurred last year, when pilot Steve Ballard, of Winters, was spraying a field near Talpa

**RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ** 

WINTERS- A Talpa man was sentenced to 18 months in prison and fined nearly \$300,000 for shooting at a crop duster plane in an incident occurring last February 29, 2012 near Talpa, Texas.

James R. Cate, of Talpa, was sentenced Friday afternoon,

March 8, 2013 by U.S. District Judge Sam R. Cummings, to 18 months in federal prison and ordered to pay a total of \$297,179 in restitution, following his guilty plea in November 2012.

Charges stem from a federal felony offense of making a threat to an aircraft, announced U.S. Attorney Sarah R. Saldaña of the Northern District of Texas. Judge Cummings ordered that Cate surrender to the Bureau of Prisons on April

"According to documents filed in the case, on February 29, 2012, Cate, using a Ruger Number One, 25-06 caliber single shot rifle with a Redfield scope, shot a crop duster plane. At the time Cate shot the aircraft, it was flying over a field neighboring Cate's land near Talpa, dusting crops. Before he actually shot the aircraft, Cate fired three rounds from the rifle into the air. Cate admits that he threatened the aircraft to frighten the pilot away from his crops," announced Saldaña's office.

"The last round that Cate fired hit the propeller of the aircraft, penetrated the engine cowling traveling toward the rear of the plane, passed through the firewall and the spray hopper (which contained nearly 500 gallons of chemical used for the crop spraying), entered the cockpit where it fragmented into multiple pieces (at least one of which tore through the leg of the jeans the pilot was wearing), then into the rear fuselage, all of which caused damage to the aircraft.

The FAA and the FBI office in San Angelo started the investigation of the incident occurring with the AT-502B Air Tractor property of Ballard's Crop Dusting Service, in

Steve Ballard, of Winters, Texas, was the pilot of the plane and was spraying a wheat field property of David Hallmark

located north of Talpa, Texas. Ballard reportedly saw a man following his trajectory with a rifle and was hit by one of the four rounds shot.

After being hit the spilling chemicals sprayed Ballard in the face. Before landing the plane spilled the chemicals up to the level where the hole was made (nearly 200 gallons) by the bullet. The bullet also damaged the plane's navigation

The investigation was conducted by the FBI and the Federal Aviation Administration. Deputy Criminal Chief Assistant U.S. Attorney Denise Williams prosecuted.

### **Ballinger Woman pleads** guilty to Education **Foundation fraud**

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ

WINTERS- Jackie Gibbs, former Ballinger ISD business manager and former Ballinger **Education Founda**tion Treasurer pleaded guilty last Tuesday morning, March 12, 2013, to the charges of forgery and theft. She was sentenced to 10 years deferred adjudication and restitution of nearly \$50,000.

Assistant District Attorney Bryan Clayton said that the case was heard by 119th District Judge Ben Woodward, and she will remain on felony

probation. "Gibbs pleaded guilty to the charges of forgery and theft for \$49,876.75, she paid \$5,000 and owes the rest. We know that she has substantial resources from a retirement fund and we'll be expecting the rest of the money soon," said

Gibbs is the former Ballinger Independent School District business manager. In January of 2012, when she left the school district, she was working as accountspayable.

Gibbs was also Treasurer of the Ballinger Education Foundation, a non-for-profit organization granting scholarships to Ballinger High School graduating seniors.

The foundation, not affiliated with Ballinger ISD, was founded in 2007 by well know and respected members of the community. The mission of the Ballinger Education Foundation is to generate and distribute funds to Ballinger Independent School District students and staff.

Some of the fundraisers and donations held by the foundation include scholarships donated to Ballinger High School Class of 2011 graduating seniors, the sale of a recipe book, and the sale of Bearcat Paw Print/Bearcat car window

The foundation states that it's mission is to encourage all students to work to their highest potential, recognize and reward Ballinger students and staff, and inspire parents and community to participate with the school district in enriching education.

## Gerhart throws no-hitter in Ballinger

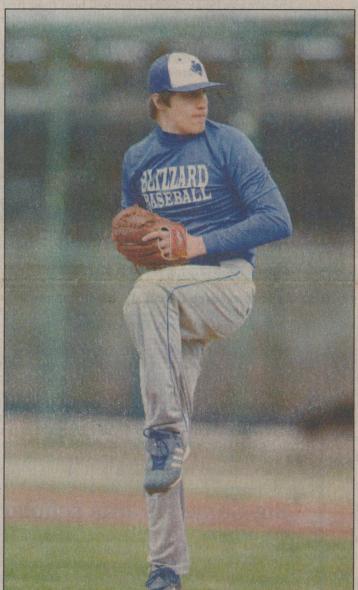


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Daniel Gerhart struck out 10 and walked none in the Winters vs Ballinger game held last Saturday.

### WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS- Daniel Gerhart threw a no-hitter in the Blizzards' 4-0 victory over Ballinger at the game played Saturday, March 9, 2013 at the Ballinger High School Baseball Tourney.

No batter was able decipher Gerhart's throws during the game. Gerhart tallied 10 strikeouts and walked none. Gerhart forced Lance Berkley to ground out for the final out of the game in the seventh inning.

Backed by a solid defense Gerhart and the Blizzards prevented the Ballinger boys from reaching base in the first, second, fifth and seventh innings.

The Blizzards took and early lead and never fell behind with two runs in the third on an RBI single

Winters scored one in the fourth inning, and one more in the fifth. In the fourth, Winters scored on an RBI single by Daryl Hagle, plating Austen Green

The Blizzards tied one game and dropped another one at the Ballinger Tourney. On Thursday, March 7, Winters tied 2-2 with Abilene High JV. Then on Friday, March 8, not even a strong hitting and pitching performance from Cory Pritchard could carry the Blizzards past Haskell as Winters suffered a 8-1 defeat. Pritchard reached base two times doubling in the first inning, and he also drove in one runner.

Monday, March 11, the Varsity dropped their Spring 2013 record to 7-5-2 by falling to the Hamlin Pied Pipers 4-1 in non-district baseball action.

Chris Gerhart did all he could with the bat, but it wasn't enough to get past Hamlin. Chris went a perfect 2-2 at the plate for Winters Blizzards. He singled in the fourth and sixth innings

Cory Pritchard pitched lights out for Winters. Pritchard gave up just one hit, allowed no earned runs, walked none and struck out three during his three innings of work.

The lead stayed with Hamlin after the first, when the Pied Pipers scored on a groundout by Georges. Hamlin got one-run boosts in each of the third, sixth and seventh. In the third, Hamlin scored on an RBI single by Hall, plating Georges.

Winters scored one in the fourth inning on an RBI single by Ty Cortez.

### Annual Texas deer study group set for April 18-19

WINTERS ENTERPRISE

GLEN ROSE- The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will conduct their annual Texas Deer Study Group April 18-19 at Glen

The first day's classroom-style program will be in the Somervell County Expo and Texas Amphitheatre, 202 Bo Gibbs Blvd. Activities start at 7:30 a.m. with registration and last until 8:45 p.m. with breaks scheduled during the day for lunch and dinner. A tour of the Quail Ridge Ranch the second day will convene

"This year's theme is Navigating the Deer Management Continuum, which reflects the spectrum of deer manage-

ment intensity and technologies," said Dr. Dale Rollins, AgriLife Extension wildlife specialist at San Angelo and steering committee member. "A growing trend towards more intensive deer management, including deer breeding, illustrates some managers' goals, while others believe such intensive management diminishes the overall value of deer in the eyes of the hunter and the

"The slate of speakers assembled for this year's meeting is a who's who among deer biologists. Topics will range from biology to ethics. Several veterinarians will lead the group in a hands-on deer dissection which will help set the stage for the other presentations. The hands-on teaching method will continue during the second day's tour of the Quail Ridge Ranch where participants will be trained on proper habitat management."

The Texas Deer Study Group was initially known as The West Texas Deer Study Group when it first began in 1997. The name changed a decade later to better serve deer managers across the entire state. Rollins said its original purpose of serving as a forum for information exchange among like-minded deer professionals remains the same.

"Since its inception, the program has been a collaboration among AgriLife Extension, the U.S. Department of Agriculture

Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, the Texas Wildlife Association and Wildlife Systems," Rollins said.

'The teamwork developed among these partners not only brings a multifaceted approach to an educational meeting, but other spin-offs, like the Buckskin Brigade Wildlife Leadership Camp for youth for example, have helped raise awareness on deer management to audiences of all ages." Individual registration is \$75 before April 10 and \$100 thereafter. Registration is available online at www.texas-wildlife.org.

For more information on the study group, email Helen Holdsworth at hholdsworth@texaswildlife.org.

### One-Act Play to perform 'Double Date' this Sunday

WINTERS ENTERPRISE STAFF REPORT

WINTERS- Winters High School One-Act Play will perform Double Date for the public this Sunday, March 17, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in the WHS Auditorium. Admission is free and the community is encouraged to attend. A cookies and punch reception will be held immediately following the play in the high school

Written by Florence Rhyerson and published by Samuel French, Inc. the play is set on a southern morning of a spring day in the living room of Mrs. Barton's house in Irvington. A human and amusing play;

it tells the story of two teenage girls who plan to outsmart the boys with their flirtatious feminine ways. However, Uncle Clay and the boys learn what they are up to and decide to go fishing instead, giving them a run for their own money. The girls, who are from south of the Mason Dixon line, are not used to such discipline, nor being caught in their own trap.

This year's cast and crew includes: Ashley Guy, Armando Rodriguez, Corey Pritchard, Kimble Bridgeman, Iesha Tamez, Brittany Gray, Nina Mooney, Jaymee Pritchard, Joanna Perez, Jonathon Sandoval and Christa Bahlman.



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### **FUNERALS AND OBITUARIES**

### Mary Elizabeth Briley

Mary Elizabeth "Beth" Briley, 85, formerly of Winters, died March 11, 2013. She was born October 15, 1927 in Miami, Texas and graduated from high school there. She worked for American Airlines for 20 years as a tape librarian in Tulsa, Oklahoma. She married George Briley on September 16, 1971 in Oklahoma and he preceded her in death in 1993. She had traveled to many countries and during her marriage she and George traveled in their motor home all over the United States. She also spent many winters hunting and cleaning the deer she shot in the mountains of Colorado. While she lived in Tulsa she enjoyed fishing

trips and picnics with friends.
She is survived by one sister, Marie Cacy of Monahans; one brother, Lawrence Southerd of Bakersfield, California; three nieces, Sharron Barlen of Monahans, Nancy Cook of Richardson and Anita Bell of Pampa; two nephews, Stephen Cacy of Monahans and Duane Harrison of Houston.

Graveside services will be 2 p.m. Saturday March 16, 2013 at Lakeview Cemetery in Winters directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Winters Enterprise, March 14, 2013

### San Antonio Old Spanish Missions, Inc. honored with Governor's award

WINTERS ENTERPRISE

AUSTIN- Gov. Rick Perry and the Texas Historical Commission (THC) recognized Old Spanish Missions, Inc. (OSM, Inc.) with the prestigious Governor's Award for Historic Preservation on March 11 at the Texas State Capitol. Gov. Perry presented the award to Arch-diocesan Director Rev. David Garcia and members of the OSM, Inc. board of directors. The award is in recognition of the organization's fundraising and preservation efforts for Missions Espada, San Juan, San José, and Concepción in San Antonio.

OSM, Inc. recently completed extensive preservation and restoration work at the iconic missions, which are owned by the Archdiocese of San Antonio. The organization embarked on a capital campaign headed by Rev. Garcia that raised \$15.5 million and ended ahead of schedule in 2010. As a result, restoration work at three of the four missions include façade stabilization, removal of biological growth, and interior restoration at Mission Concepción; extensive façade stabilization and cleaning, partial restoration of exterior stone carvings, drainage remediation, and interior rehabilitation at Mission San José; and extensive foundation stabilization and interior rehabilitation at Mission San Juan. Continued evaluation and additional work is anticipated at all four properties. The creation of an endowment fund through OSM, Inc. ensures long-term care of the missions.

"The missions of San Antonio are truly state treasures, a vibrant part of the south Texas community that provide a link to the origins of our state and help give San Antonio its distinct character," Gov. Perry said. "The hard work of Father Garcia and all the individuals at Old Spanish Mission has made it possible for these structures to stand for many generations to come, maintain a special and enduring place of worship and wonder for parishioners and anyone who admires beauty in architecture."

A total of five Spanish Colonial missions were established in San Antonio by Franciscan Fathers in the 18th century including, Mission Valero (Alamo), Mission Concepción, Mission San Jose, Mission San Juan, and Mission Espada. With the exception of the Alamo, which is now under control of the State of Texas, the mission churches remain active parishes.

The National Park Service (NPS) today operates the San Antonio Missions National Historical Park in collaboration with the Archdiocese.

Journey to the crossa step by step journey with Jesus.

Families are invited to join us on Sunday March 24th from 5-6:30 p.m. at the First Baptist **Church in Winters** 

104 W Truett St Winters, TX 79567 FMI call (325) 754-5521 **RCRSE** meeting March 26, 2012, the Runnels County Retired School Educators will be holding a meeting at the Miles High School in the room to the right of the Library. Lynn Granzin will share the experiences of her trip to Finland and Russia. Meeting starts at 9:30 a.m. and if you are interested in carpooling call (325) 365 2854.

Mega garage sale
On Saturday, March 16, from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. REASON

Animal Rescue will be holding an huge garage sale at

128 S. Main Street, Downtown Winters, Texas. Items from glassware, linens, children's needs and toys, golfing, office equipment, arts and crafts, bicycles, clothing, furniture, art work, sports, Christmas decorations, books, fabrics, all types of treasures, etc. will be available. Come and take a look. The treasures you are looking for are waiting for you to come and rescue them. All proceeds will benefit REASON Animal Rescue. See you there!

Norton Lions Club annual pancake supper
The Norton Lions Club will have its Annual Sausage

and Pancake Supper on Saturday, March 16, 2013 5:30-7:00 p.m. All you can eat and carry outs available. The supper will be held at the Norton Community Center, located on 210 Holloway Ave. Norton, Texas. Proceeds will be used for Community Center repairs.

Coleman County Easter Musical
The Coleman County Choir will present an Easter Musical Saturday March 30 and again on Sunday March 31 at 6 p.m. each evening in the sanctuary of Coleman First United Methodist Church.

This year the group will present "O What A Savior" by Russell Mauldin and Sue C. Smith under the direction of Ann Hargett and accompanied by Jesse Lotspeich on the flute. Narrator will be Richard Hetzel with Robert Lowe as the sound technician. Soloists include Larry Thompson, Leslie Cross, Lorrie Payne, K'Lynn Storm, Carolyn Merriman, and Garvin Cox.

Coleman County Choir is sponsored by Coleman First United Methodist Church and Pastor Brad Slaten. Sixty four members from several churches in the area are

singing with the group for this musical.

Coleman First United Methodist Church is located at 500 W. Live Oak. Call the church office at (325) 625 3501 or Director Ann Hargett at (325) 625 5383 or (325) 363 3575 for additional information.

Winters Rodeo Association playday

The Winters Rodeo Association will host their first playday of 2013 on Saturday, March 16 at the Winters Rodeo Arena. Sign up for events at 12 p.m. and ride at 1 p.m. A concession stand will be open. Scheduled events are: poles, straight barrels, flags, clover barrels, and boot race. Ribbons are awarded to all participants at each playday. Current membership and attendance of at least half the playdays will make you/your child eligible for end of the year awards. For more information call Melissa at (325) 754 5648

Coleman Co Electric Co-op scholarships available
Golden Spread Electric Cooperative is a wholesale generating cooperative from whom Coleman Co Electric purchases power. The scholarship is available to an entering freshmen college or university student who is a member, or spouse or child of a member, or child whose guardian is a member of Coleman Co Electric Cooperative which is an owner (member) of Golden Spread Electric Cooperative. Applications and Directors Memorial Scholarship brochures are available at Coleman Co Electric Cooperative. Applications must be postmarked no later than March 15, 2013. For more information call Tony Williams at (325) 625 2128 or visit our office at 3300 N Hwy 84, Coleman, Texas 76834.

Coleman Co Electric Co-op offering scholarships Scholarship applications are available to 2013 high school graduates who will be attending a college, technical school or university as a freshman.

Other qualifications are; must be a child of a member, a grandchild of a member or child of a legal guardian who is a member of Coleman County Electric Cooperative. Must reside with the active member and within the Coleman County Electric Cooperative service area. Eligible applicants will be placed in a drawing to be held in July at the cooperative's annual meeting. There will be nine separate drawings, each scholarship totaling \$500.00. Deadline is June 28, 2013. For an application, visit http://www.colemanelectric.org or contact Tony Williams at (325) 625 2128 or tony@colemanelectric.org

Barbecue chicken sale in Olfen

On Saturday, March 16, the St. Boniface Knights of Columbus and Catholic Daughters of Olfen will be having a drive-thru barbecue chicken sale. Homemade potato salad and beans will also be sold. The food will be ready for pick up at 12 noon on Saturday March 16 at the Olfen St. Boniface Parish Hall. Pre-orders can be placed by calling Marty Frey at 365 6618 or David Rohmfeld at

Ballinger Noon Lions 2013 Bikefest

Ballinger Noon Lions Club will be holding the 38th Annual Colorado River Bikefest. The run/bike ride will be held in conjunction with the Ethnic Festival. The festival starts on Friday, April 26 and the Bikefest will be on Saturday, April 27 starting at 8:30 a.m. by the Courthouse. Go to www.ballingernoonlions.org and get an entry

form to register. The Bikefest will have 30K, 60K and 100K tours as well as a 5K fun ride/walk/run.

**TEEA 'Friendly Neighbors'** 

The Texas Extension Education Agency "Friendly Neighbors" invites everybody in the Winters and Ballinger area who is interested in learning about cooking, gardening and arts and crafts to join us on the fourth Tuesday of every month (except during summer) at 2 p.m. at the Runnels County Extension Office on the corner of South Seventh and Sealy Ave in Ballinger.

If you are interested and like to find out more about us, call Nancy at 325 5042 or Linda 754 5385.

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

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.

### Big Game Awards scholarship applications now available

WINTERS ENTERPRISE

SAN ANTONIO- Applications are now available for the 13th Annual Texas Big Game Awards (TBGA) Wildlife Conservation College Scholarship Program, sponsored by Carter's Country Outdoor Stores and the Wildlife Heritage Foundation of Texas. Over \$15,000 will be awarded in college scholarships for the 2013-2014 school year.

All applicants for the TBGA scholarship program must be agriculture and/ or natural resource-related majors. One \$1,500 will be awarded in each of the eight TBGA Regions, and the overall top scholarship applicant will receive a \$3,000 college scholarship.

Any entering college freshman (graduating high school senior), or entering college sophomore, or

entering college junior is eligible to apply for one of the available scholarships. The scholarship applications will be reviewed and ranked by a statewide scoring committee using set criteria. Applicants do not have to participate in the TBGA to be eligible for the scholarships.

To download the application, please visit www. TexasBigGameAwards.org and all applications must be postmarked by March 31, 2013.

Celebrating its 22nd year, the Texas Big Game Awards (TBGA), a partnership of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) and the Texas Wildlife Association (TWA), continues to be the leader in recognizing the contributions that landowners, land managers and responsible hunters make to managing and conserving wildlife and wildlife habitat on Texas' private lands. The Texas Big Game Awards program is designed to recognize 1) the quality of big game animals in Texas, 2) the hunters who harvest these animals, 3) the land managers who produce these animals through their management efforts, 4) the importance of our hunting heritage, and 5) the achievements of young and new hunters. For more information on the program visit www. TexasBigGameAwards.org or call (800) TEX-WILD.

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## Lady Blizzards fall short to Santa Anna

WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS- The Winters Lady Blizzards won the batting battle 11-10 on Tuesday, March 5, but couldn't push enough runs across the plate to get the win. The Lady Blizzards ended up falling 5-4 in eight innings to Santa Anna.

Tamron Tamez got a hit in each of her three at bats. She singled in the first and fourth innings and doubled in the eighth.

In the bottom of the first, Santa Anna grabbed the early lead, 1-0. After

Monday, Mar 11

SAC: K. Alexander ROE: C. Pritchard

FC: K. Alexander

Saturday, Mar 9

Cortez 2, A. Green

PO: A. Green

Ballinger

FC: J. Ripley

Friday, Mar 8

RBI: C. Pritchard

Thursday, Mar 7

Mikeska, D. Gerhart

RBI: C. Pritchard 2

ROE: J. Ventress

FC: K. Alexander

GIDP: K. Alexander

**Roscoe Track Meet** 

March 8, 2013

HIGH SCHOOL

Place Name

Place Name

**Eighth Grade** 

March 4, 2013

2400-meter run

Place Name

400 Relay

Soto

Place Names

Place Name

Place Name

1600-meter run

Place Name

1600 Relay

Kruse, Soto

Place Names

100-meter hurdles

300-meter hurdles

Micah Drake

Justine Garcia

**Christy Kruse** 

Micah Drake

Christy Kruse

Sonia Ortiz

Lindley, Stratton,

100-meter hurdles

300-meter hurdles

Jaymee Pritchard

Jaymee Pritchard

K'lee Lindley Sonia Ortiz

Drake, Garcia, Ochoa,

ROE: C. Pritchard, B. Mikeska

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FC: T. Cortez HBP: K. Alexander, D. Hagle

SB: C. Pritchard, D. Hagle

Haskell

Winters

GIDP: T. Cortez

SB: D. Hagle, C. Gerhart

Hamlin Winters

Batting

2 0 0 11 Santa Anna 1 0

Batting 2B: T. Tamez TB: K. Lindley 3, T. Tamez 4, R. Watson, B. Garcia, A. Guy, #15, G. Jimenez RBI: R. Watson 3, B. Garcia HBP: T. Tamez, B. Garcia SB: K. Lindley, G. Jimenez

posting one more run in the third, Santa Anna again scored in the fifth.

CS: T. Tamez

WHS VARSITY BASEBALL

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TB: D. Hagle, C. Gerhart 2, K. Alexander, C. Pritchard, T.

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RBI: D. Hagle, T. Cortez, J. Ripley

ROE: D. Hagle, B. Mikeska, C. Pritchard

3 0 0 4 0 0 5 2 0 6

2B: K. Alexander, C. Pritchard TB: K. Alexander 2, C. Pritchard 2, B. Mikeska

Batting TB: D. Hagle 2, C. Gerhart, C. Pritchard 2, J. Ventress, B.

TRACK RESULTS

**Seventh Grade** 

Discus

Place Name

Place Name

400 Relay

Place Names

rilo, Edwards

100 hurdles Place Name

100-meter dash

400-meter dash

300-meter hurdles

Place Name

Place Name

1600-meter run

Place Name

1600 Relay

Place Names

Place Name

2400-meter run

Third Place overall

Cross Plains March 7, 2013

Aimee Green

**Brenna Knight** 

Brooklynn Anderson

Martinez, Jacob, Car-

Macey Gerhart

**Brenna Edwards** 

Megan Jacob

**Baily Knight Brenna Knight** 

**Macey Gerhart** 

Brooklynn Anderson

Knight, Jacob, Ger-

**Baily Knight** 

TB: C. Gerhart 2, T. Cortez RBI: T. Cortez

In the fourth inning Kat Lindley opened the scoring for the Lady Blizzards on a sacrifice hit by Randa Watson. In the sixth inning Lindley and Tamez brought two more after a single by Watson to the left field. Tamez would plate the last run for the Lady Blizzards in the eighth, plated by a single RBI by Bernice Garcia.

### CAFETERIA MENU March 18-22

#### WINTERS ISD **BREAKFAST**

**MONDAY** 

Biscuit/Sausage or Cereal/Toast or Cheese and Egg Omelet, 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 Sausage on Stick, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.

**THURSDAY** Biscuit/Sausage or Cereal/Toast or

Cinnamon Roll/Sausage, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.

Biscuit/Sausage or Cereal/Toast or Muffin/

WINTERS ISD LUNCH

ausage, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk

**MONDAY** 

Chef Salad (H.S. only) or Sloppy Joe or Chicken Nuggets/Graham Cracker (H.S.) Mac & Cheese, Mashed Potatoes, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Applesauce, Choice of Milk.

TUESDAY

Chef Salad or Ham & Cheese Sandwich/ Fish, Bread (Elem., J.H.)/Graham Cracker (Elem., J.H.) or Chicken Spaghetti/Graham Cracker (Elem., J.H.)/Bread Stick (H.S.), Green Beans, Baked Potatoes, Tossed Salad/ Carrot Sticks, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Rainbow Bar/Mixed Fruit, Choice of Milk.

WEDNESDAY

Chef Salad or Nachos or Soft Taco, Spanish Rice/Coleslaw, Pinto Beans, Tossed Salad/ Carrot Sticks, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato,

**THURSDAY** 

Chef Salad or Turkey/Rice/Gravy or Chicken Tenders/Graham Cracker (Elem. J.H.)/Bread Sticks (H.S.), Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Broccoli w/Cheese, Tossed Salad/ Carrot Sticks, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Peaches, Choice of Milk.

**FRIDAY** Chef Salad (H.S. only) or Hamburger or Chicken Bites/Bread Stick, Black Eyed Peas, Oven Fries, Lettuce/Pickles, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Apple, Choice of Milk

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#### SHRIMPANDSAVE OCEAN SERPENTSTS IRAN SHREWDRIVER

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### Hold it right there!



PHOTO: JOE GERHART

Corey Pritchard waiting for the Abilene High player to slide into his tag to put him out at third base. Winters played last week at the Ballinger High School baseball Tournamet.

### **CROSSWORD PUZZLE**

Up the Corporate Ladder

ACROSS

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44. Lucy's pal 45. Gay Nineties, e.g. 46. Intro to marketing?

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64. Deliver a tirade 65. List ender

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Q: For most of Texas, what is the date of the last freeze each year?

A: Because Texas is so large, there are several dates of the last freeze date (LFD), says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "In the panhandle area, the LFD is not until early April because it is not uncommon for Amarillo and other areas to receive snowfall as late as May," McRoberts explains. "And in the Rio Grande Valley, it almost never freezes, so there is really no LFD to speak of. Much of Central Texas and a large part of the state has an LFD of March 12-15. But remember, these are average dates, and a freeze can certainly happen much later."

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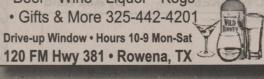
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### WHS graduate makes the President's List at Texas Tech

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WINTERS- Susan Sneed made the President's List (4.0) for the fall semester 2012 at Texas Tech University. She just completed her first semester as a grad student. Susan is a Speech-Language Pathology major and at-

tends Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. She will graduate in May 2014 with her Masters degree. Susan is a 2008 graduate of Winters High School and the daughter of Randall and Cheryl Sneed.

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### THE ORGANIZATION OF RUNNELS COUNTY

## A county seat

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WINTERS- The Reverend Thomas Waddlington Cotten, his wife, Catharine Shaw (Mc-Comb) Hobson, widow of John Hobson, Jr. and four of their sons came to Runnels County in 1877. Catharine had three children when she and the Rev. Cotten married, then they added nine more.

With most of the family grown and on their own, the family of six came to this area because of the bountiful grasslands for cattle. Rev. Cotten was the only one of his family in Missouri to leave that area.

As the wagon train was ready to leave, his father, Benjamin Cotten urged his son, "Son, let your wagon be last because I know I will never see you again." Those words were not prophetic, because the Rev. Cotten made two trips back to Missouri to see his parents before they passed away. He first settled in Grayson County before his move to Runnels County.

December 29, 1878, Rev. Cotten and two of his sons organized the first church in Runnels County, naming it the Colorado Baptist Church. It began with eight charter members. Both the

Rev. and Mrs. Cotten and two granddaughters are buried in the Walthall Cemetery.

With the newly elected county officers in place at the meeting held February 16, 1880, the next meeting was scheduled for March 12, 1880. The Rev. Cotten was among the petitioners signing for Coleman County to divide at the January 12, 1880 Commissioners' Court meeting in Coleman County that would establish Runnels County. He offered his stone house, the only stone building in the area, as a temporary courthouse, until one could be constructed.

The Honorable Commissioners Court of Runnels County met March 10, 1880 but did not transact any business. They adjourned until 9 a.m. the next morning.

March 11, 1880, the Commissioners Court began with the called meeting at Walthall. The Honorable Judge Sylvester Adams presided with Commissioners W. G. Preston and P. S. Turner, Sheriff John W. Formwalt and County Clerk W. N. Copeland all in attendance. The court ordered record books and stationary, one deed record book, a mortgage record and

deed index record book, a financial ledger, a marriage license record book and various other supplies. They also ordered a certified copy of the Coleman County Commissioners Court minutes to organize Runnels County. In their business, they wanted the County Clerk to incorporate these minutes into the minutes of these meetings. They adjourned until the next

morning.
March 12, 1880, the Commissioners Court convened with the Honorable Judge Sylvester Adams presiding. The Rev. Thomas W. Cottens' stone house in Walthall would be the temporary courthouse until one was selected by an election. During the meeting, two places were nominated, they were Maverick on the Colorado River in the northwest area of the county in the Osgood Survey, and the Willett Holmes Survey Henry Garmes Survey on Elm Creek in the central area of the

In other business, April 14, 1880 was selected as the date for the election for a county seat. The vote would be counted by the Honorable County Judge Sylvester Adams on the 27th day of April, 1880 at Walthall, Runnels County, Texas, being the temporary county seat.

The election sites were designated by the organization meeting in Coleman. They were: Precinct 1, Walthall; Precinct 2, Davenport Ranch; Precinct 3, Pemberton's Ranch; and Precinct 4, Wylies' Ranch.

April 27, 1880 the called meeting with the Honorable Sylvester Adams presiding, with Commissioners Wm. Guest, Precinct 1, W. G. Preston, Precinct 2, P. S. Turner, Precinct 4 , Sheriff John W. Formwalt, and County Clerk W. N. Copeland all

The count of the votes resulted in 29 votes for the Maverick-Osgood Survey location and 30 votes for the Elm Creek-Willett Holmes-Henry Garmes Survey. The new county seat would be named Runnels City. Other business included the certified copy of the minutes of the Commissioners Court in Coleman County, Texas being entered in the minutes of Runnels County Commissioners Court. Other business was a review of a petition to appoint J. D. Yarbrough to serve in Precinct 3 due to the death of their first Commissioner, J. M. Pemberton. It was approved.

Business continued in the order by the Judge to the County Clerk to pay the officers holding the election held on the 14th day of April. Continuing, the Judge ordered certified copies sent to the General Land Office and a report of appraisement and a certified copy of all business to be filed with the County Surveyor of Runnels County.

Another order was to turn over the "laying out" of the county seat to be placed in the hands of the county surveyor in connection with Mr. Thad A. Thomson, with his donation of the land to select the county lots and report to the Commissioner's Court as the work was being finished. With no other business, the court adjourned.

Next: The surveyor's work and the sale of lots in Runnels City

Resources: Runnels County Historical Commission Histories Runnels County A Look Back, RCHC, May 1, 2010 Coleman County Commissioner's Court Minutes, January 12, 1880 Runnels County Commissioner's Court Minutes, March 10, 11, 12, 1880, April 14, 1880, April 27, 1880, Runnels County Clerk

### **Cotton Conference set for** March 28 in San Angelo

**WINTERS ENTERPRISE** 

SAN ANGELO- The 10th Concho Valley Cotton Conference is set for 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 28 at the City of San Angelo McNease Convention Center, 500 Rio Concho

"Growers wanting to catch up on the latest happenings in West Texas cotton production, along with some other crops, should plan to join us for this popular biennial event," said Rick Minzenmayer, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension entomologist for Runnels and Tom Green counties.

"We'll be looking at everything from the Farm Bill to the latest on cotton root rot," he said. "We'll also have updates on work being done on some perennial issues such as cotton variety selection

and weed control. The event will include a trade show that will remain open throughout the day.

The Southern Rolling Plains Cotton Growers Association will hold its annual meeting at 3 p.m. That meeting will include an election of officers as part of their annual business meeting.

Other conference topics will include: aerial imagery for mapping and monitoring cotton root

rot, current and future cotton root rot-related work, cotton research, weed resistance avoidance and grain sorghum management.

A program highlight prior to the serving of a complimentary lunch, will be the presentation of the High Cotton Award by Ron Smith, Southwest Farm Press editor.

The conference is sponsored by AgriLife Extension's Runnels/Tom **Green Integrated Pest** Management Committee, the Tom Green and Runnels counties crops committees, the South ern Rolling Plains Cotton Growers Association and the AgriLife Extension staffs in Runnels and Tom Green counties.

Three Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units will be offered to those staying for the entire program.

Registration is free and includes a noon meal and snacks, but participants must preregister by March 22, otherwise individual registration becomes \$20.

To preregister, call the AgriLife Extension office in Runnels County at (325) 365 2219, Minzenmayer's office at (325) 365 5212 or the AgriLife Extension office in Tom Green County at (325) 659 6523.

## Public Record

**Runnels County Jail** March 11, 2013 Age Agency Name

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### World records set at Houston Livestock and Rodeo Junior Market

**WINTERS ENTERPRISE** 

HOUSTON- World record prices were set at the **Houston Livestock Show** and Rodeo Junior Market Lamb and Goat Auction, Saturday, March 9, 2013.

The Grand Champion Junior Market Lamb, exhibited by Wilson County 4-H member Jessica Puente, 16, was purchased by the Hildebrand Family, in memory of Ruth and Dr. Tommy Hildebrand, for \$220,000, setting a world's record.

Brittany Hildebrand said she is glad her famly is able to support others in the name of her grandparents.

"We made a scholarship in memory of my grand-mother," she said. "Then my grandfather passed away recently, so it is mainly to support what they loved to do. We love the Rodeo just as much as they did, and this money goes toward a good cause and does amazing things."

Exhibited by 16-yearold Trae Shearer of Bells FFA, the Reserve Grand

Champion Junior Market Lamb sold for \$136,000, breaking another world's record. The lamb sold to Ted Gaylord; Cookie Michael/KCEF Foundation; Archie and Pamela Thompson; and Sharleen and Rob Walkoviak.

Rob Walkoviak said he is glad to support the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo's commitment to education. "Education for us has

been as important in our lives as it is in the lives of many folks," Walkoviak said. "I hopefully have taken a little of that burden off of students and that why we support this.'

Mason County 4-H member Gabe Jennings, 18, sold his Grand Champion Junior Market Goat for \$156,000, breaking yet another world's record at the auction. Skip Avara; Ken and Mary Hucherson; Melton Electric, Inc.; and David and Julie Shannon purchased the animal.

Ken Hucherson said this auction is about more than the money "We feel very blessed to

be able to do this," he said. "It is a wonderful cause. It's not about the money. I think my wife said it best a couple of years ago — it's about our future.

Reserve Grand Champion Junior Market Goat sold for \$100,000 to Mimi and Tom Dompier; Anne and Chris Richardson; and Jennifer and Joe Van Matre. Zane Mauney, 17, of Palo Pinto County 4-H, exhibited the goat

Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Lifetime Vice President Tom Dompier said purchasing the goat helps students and their families.

"It is the best feeling in the world to help all these kids get a college education and be contributive citizens," he said. "It just does somebody good."

The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo benefits youth, supports education, and facilitates better agricultural practices through exhibitions and presentation. Since its beginning in 1932, the show has committed more than \$330 million to Texas youth.

### CLIU Rowena Branch No. 40 holds annual social



CLIU Rowena Branch No. 40 left to right: Tommy Hoelscher - District Director; Charles Book - President of Branch No. 40; Dennis Lange - First Vice President; Werner Halfmann - Second Vice President; Stanley Schniers -Secretary-Treasurer; Alice Frerich - Agent; and Larry Pelzel

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### WINTERS ENTERPRISE

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Two hundred forty members were present for the meeting presided over by President, Charles Book. The opening prayer was led by Second Vice President, Werner Halfmann, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Secretary-Treasurer, Stanley Schniers, presented the

minutes from the 2012 meeting and Dennis Lange, First Vice President, gave the financial audit report. The convention report was given by Alice Frerich, Agent and one of the branch delegates to the 2012 state convention.

Several guests present for the event were recognized: Tommy Hoelscher, District Director, and his wife, Carla; Wilbert and June Jost of Wall and Larry Pelzel, General Agent of San Angelo. In his remarks, Mr. Pelzel stated that the past 3 years have been some of the most productive, despite the hard times and uncertain economy. He credited the success to the loyalty of the many members who make up Catholic Life and the new members who choose to join the family of Catholic Life.

Attendance prizes were awarded throughout the meeting. A chicken strip dinner with all the trimmings climaxed the social.



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## THE IDLE AMERICAN Bring back lay-away plan?...

Commetary by Dr. Don Newbury

He was as solemn as I've ever seen him. My Uncle Mort, looking down the gun barrel at his 101st birthday, was pensive, his thoughts filled with yesterdays and the snows of many winters.

"Our country's in a heap of trouble, nephew," he began. "There's plenty of blame to spread around, border to border, but I think I can pinpoint when our gradual demise began.'

Tears welling, he continued. "It started when folks abandoned lay-away plans."...

Mort thinks when the "we-want-it-now" craze won favor, lay-away plans crumbled. "Buying on credit - getting stuff now and paying later — became a way of life," he moaned.

He says we now pile debts upon debts, "trying to keep up with the Joneses - just when we think we've caught them, they

refinance."

My uncle claims debt to be at the root of many problems — from "our house to the state house to the White House."...

Not many of Mort's remarks end in question marks. This one did. "In your memory, who stands out as Texas' all-time greatest Christian statesman? Without hesita-

tion, I answered, "Congressman George Mahon (1900-1985). He served Texas' 19th Newbury District for 44 years (1935-1979), was never defeated for public office, endeared himself to the masses and never lost the common touch. He was

public service. I told him about several visits with the congressman during his twilight years and my remembrances of his sparkling eyes, deep faith and un-

passionately 'sold out' to

wavering optimism. Even as dementia took a stronghold, he ended every visit with this reminder: "There is no hope for the world without the church and education. It has always been that way."...

> "Congress must've been special with George Mahon and Kentucky's Second District Congressman Bill Natcher up

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there," Mort said. Indeed, Natcher (1909-1994) and Mahon were cut from the same cloth. Both were revered conservatives and southern

gentlemen. Both held law degrees. and both spent collegiate years at then-young educational institutions — now named Western Kentucky University and Hardin-Simmons University.

Both men were passionate about serving their people and always committed to doing the right

Mike Stephens, longtime Natcher associate, recalls their mutual respect and their occasional breakfasts together. "They usually came down on the same sides of issues during their 26 years together in Congress," he said.

Many Texans have rich

remembrances of Mahon including his careful budgeting of time that called for squat-thrust exercises while on elevators - few know little, if anything, about Kentucky's late congressional leader. Natcher never missed a vote during his 40-year tenure — a record likely to endure. His last vote -#18,401 — was cast from a hospital gurney a few days before his death in 1994

His name is worth researching. You'll find it refreshing and may draw additional Mahon/Natcher parallels....

Random facts include: Always the natty dresser. Natcher sometimes changed shirts three

times daily...He dictated thoughts privately after each house session; the 58 volumes, an average of 400 pages each, are now bound and archived....He wrote weekly letters to his six grandchildren by hand. alternating recipients of original and carbon copies.

He never accepted a campaign contribution, personally financing every race, none of which exceeded \$10,000. He never had a press secretary and never ran a political ad. Storms, graduation ceremonies, weddings and other momentous events never took precedence over casting house votes.

He invariably operated his office at costs substantially below allowances. He was authorized a staff of 18, but never employed more than five, thus returning big chunks of office funding....

Early on, a friend sent Natcher a \$100 political contribution. He fretted over the gift, fearing that its return would be of-

Natcher decided to buy a couple of \$50 Countess Mara ties for the would-be

He mailed them and a note of thanks for the "contribution.".

Mahon and Natcher were essentially "book-ends." They both served as Chair of the powerful House Appropriations Committee, both died at age 84, and both were committed to "pay as we go."

Both had overflow crowds at their funerals. Names of both are on bridges, roads, buildings and schools.

We should "study up" on such Christian statesmen — reviewing their beliefs and lives of passionate service — and then try our best to model them....

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## USPS, Inspection Service team up to protect the consumers

WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WASHINGTON- The U.S. Postal Service, U.S. Postal Inspection Service and AARP joined with government agencies, advocacy organizations and private sector groups nationwide to celebrate National **Consumer Protection** Week (NCPW), March 3-9.

This coordinated consumer education campaign encourages individuals across the country to take full advantage of their consumer rights.

The U.S. Postal Service

is proud to work with a broad coalition of groups to share tips and information to protect consumers against fraud,' said Krista Finazzo, Consumer Advocate. "As the most trusted government agency and fourth most trusted company in the nation, we understand the importance of protecting privacy and steering clear from fraud

and scams. This year's theme, "Dollars & Sense: Rated 'A' for All Ages" highlights the importance of using good consumer sense at every stage of life — from grade

school to retirement. In recognition of this week, the Postal Service and its partners promoted free resources to help people protect their privacy, manage money and debt, avoid identity theft, understand credit and mortgages and steer clear of frauds and scams.

Consumers can visit deliveringtrust.com for free fraud education and prevention videos about identity theft, work-athome scams, Internet fraud, foreign lotteries, investment scams and more. The website also offers tips on recognizing scams and instructions on reporting scammers to the appropriate authorities.

"We're out to stop fraud — and you can help," said Guy Cottrell, Chief Postal Inspector. "Many fraudulent of-fers can be identified and prevented before they cause any damage. Together we can help protect our families and ourselves from these crimes.

To help protect older Americans, the Postal Inspection Service and

AARP are sending educational and outreach materials to 25 million consumers, targeting older Americans and their caregivers to educate them about foreign lottery scams. Brochures also will be on-site in 33,000 Post Offices nationwide and a series of consumer alerts new reports and public service announcements will air in 86 metropolitan areas

nationwide. Established in 1998, National Consumer Protection Week is a federal program led by the Federal Trade Commission to draw attention to issues and ideas that help customers become smarter consumers of products, materials and services and improve their knowledge of how to combat fraud.

For more information about National Consumer Protection Week, visit deliveringtrust.com and ncpw.gov

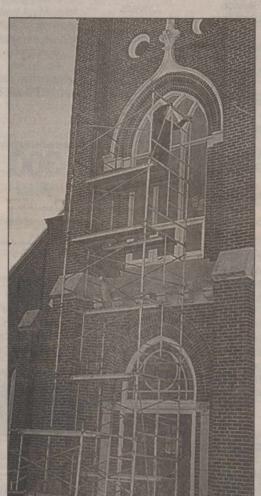
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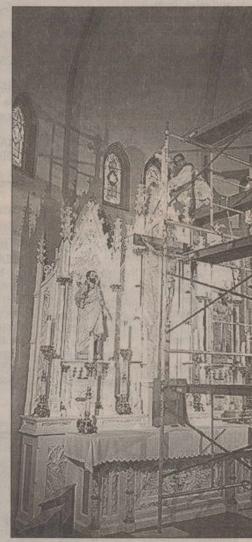
## **High-rise** work

ROWENA- St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rowena is getting a face-lift on its stained

Church Art Glass of Clinton, Kentucky is working on the outside to restore the windows. They are preparing and painting the woodwork, cleaning the stained glass and will be installing a vented, safety glass framed covering. This will allow the beauty of the windows to be seen from the exterior of the church

On the inside, Crystal Goodman, an artist from San Angelo, is painting a wood-grain effect to the window frames. The dark wood is enhancing the brilliance and many colors of the stained glass. Local stained-glass experts, J.B. and Mildred Terry created the large Agony in the Garden window being worked on in the picture. J.B. commented that there are over 300 pieces of glass just making up the leaves in the tree in the window. PHOTOS: CONTRIBUTED







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