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## Briefly JV game

#### cancelled

The Winters ISD announced that the junior varsity match between Winters and Eldorado in Eldorado, has been cancelled.

The 7th grade team will play at 5:30 p.m. Thursday in Eldorado. The 8th grade team is set to play Roby in Roby at 5 p.m. Thursday.

The Blizzards will be playing at home against Roby at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Blizzard Stadium.

ON THE NET: www.wintersisd.org

#### Get your Blizzard tickets

Reserved seats for the 2015 Blizzard Football season can be purchased at the WISD Administration Office between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Senior Citizen, 60 or older, free general admission passes are also available at the WISD Administration Office.

General admission tickets may be purchased at the gate. No advance tickets are available. Admission to varsity games will be \$5 for adults and \$2 for students. JV and junior high admission prices will be \$3 for adults and

# Texas Beef Checkoff proves successful in first year

BY RICHARD THORPE FIRST VICE PRESIDENT, TEXAS AND SOUTHWESTERN CATTLE RAISERS ASSOCIATION

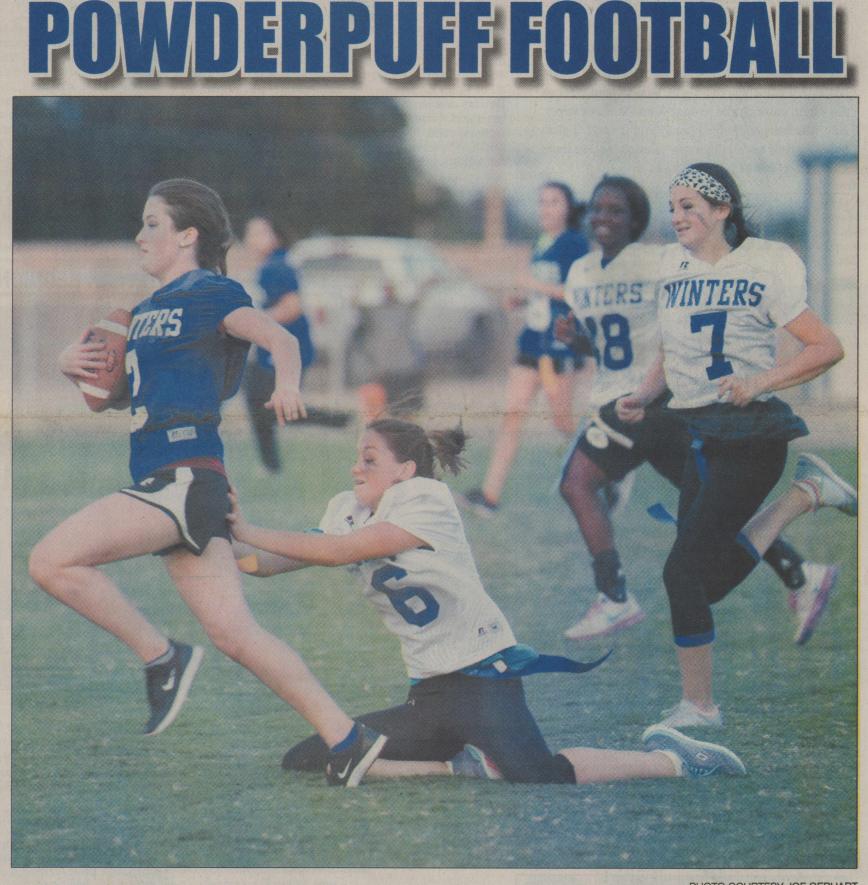
Texas cattlemen and women voted in a referendum in June 2014 to establish a state-level beef checkoff program to promote my personal favorite food product - beef. The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) supported passage of the referendum and it was overwhelmingly approved with 66.79 percent of producers voting in favor of creating the Texas Beef Checkoff.

The checkoff program is funded through a \$1 per head assessment on cattle at each point of ownership transfer in Texas. The funds are managed in accordance with Texas law by a council of 20 cattle producers, known as the Beef Promotion and Research Council of Texas (BPRCT). Collections from the checkoff began in October of 2014, and it's encouraging to see how much the program has

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#### The last drop

A chance of rain and lower temperatures are in store for the weekend bringing fall weather to Runnels County, say forecasters at the National Weather Service in San Angelo.

There will be a 60 percent chance of rain today increasing to a 70 percent chance Friday and a 40 percent chance Friday night. The rain chances are thanks to an upper level low that will be affecting West Central Texas. There will be a lingering 20 percent chance of rain on Saturday. The high today will reach 80 cooling to 74 on Friday and back up to 82 on Saturday. Lows will be in the low 60s.

There was no rainfall reported to the NWS for Runnels County Oct. 1-6.

So far this year, Ballinger has received 23.03 inches of rain while 24.72 inches has been reported in Wingate.The NWS reported 20.69 inches of rain has fallen in San Angelo, which is 4.69 inches over the normal annual amount.

http://www.srh.noaa. gov/sjt/ PHOTO COURTESY JOE GERHART Carrie Davis tried to get away from Bailey Knight during a run at the Powder Puff Football game Thursday, Oct. 1, 2015 at Blizzard Stadium.

# Cardiff Energy casing first horizontal drill in Runnels County

#### **COURTESY OF THENEWSWIRE.CA**

Cardiff Energy Corp. is pleased to announce that casing of the Clayton #1H has commenced. Cement crew will arrive today and once complete preparations and commencement of 5 days of horizontal drilling will take place. On November 21, 2013

On November 21, 2013 the Company, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Cardiff Energy (USA) Inc. entered into a Partnership and Operating agreement with Martin Energies, LLC the operator to drill and develop a Multi-Zone 55.35 Acre Prospect in Runnels County.

On September 25, 2014 the Company through its wholly owned subsidiary Cardiff Energy (USA) Inc. announced that it had acquired an additional 468 acre oil and gas lease in Runnels County adjacent

to its current Multi-Zone Prospect.

Although many delays where encountered during the drilling of the Clayton #1H, the Company is excited to have pioneered the first horizontal well in Runnels County. The Clayton # 1H targets the Gardner Lime. The Gardner Lime is a fractured limestone which is approximately 15 feet thick and comparable geologically to another major field in Texas called the Austin Chalk. The Austin Chalk

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#### <u>COMMUNITY NEWS</u>

#### **Trick or treat!**

The Senior Citizen Nursing Home Annual Halloween Trick-or-Treat will be from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31. Bring all candy or monetary donations to the SCNH. Contact Pat Hollis by October 24.

#### **City Council Meetings**

The Winters City Council meets at 6 p.m. the last Monday of the month in the council chambers at 310 North Main.

#### **Runnels County Alzheimer's Support Group**

The monthly Runnels County Alzheimer's Support Group will be held at Central Texas Nursing and Rehabilitation Center from 6:30-7:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month from. All concerned citizens are invited to share in discussion and education about the disease process and caregiver perspective.

There is no charge for this public service sponsored by the National Alzheimer's Association.

#### **Sobriety First AA Group**

Sobriety First Alcoholics Anonymous group will meet at the First United Methodist Church, in Ballinger, at 7 p.m. every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. The group will meet Saturday with prior arrangements. Please use the Avenue A and Seventh Street entrance. Child care is available. For more information please contact the church at 325-365-2323.

#### **Alanon meetings**

Alanon meetings are held at the First United Methodist Church in Ballinger at 7 p.m. Monday and Wednesday night. Enter on the Avenue A and Seventh Street side. Alanon is open to all family and friends of alcoholics or drug users. Child care is available. For more information call 325-365 2323. <u>FUNERALS AND OBITUARIES</u> Louise Adele Davis Dermody

SONORA — "She is clothed with strength and dignity and laughs without fear of the future." Proverbs 31:25

Louise Adele Davis Dermody lived her life to the fullest exemplifying strength and courage. After a long and fearless battle with cancer, Louise became one of our heavenly treasures on October 5, 2015. A celebration of her life will be held on Wednesday, October 7, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church with Father Chris Roque officiating.

Louise was born January 24, 1966 in San Angelo, Texas to Nancy Wilson Davis and Richard W. Davis. She graduated from Winters High School in 1984; attended Texas Tech University before transferring

and graduating from Texas A&M University in 1988 with a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture Economics. Louise married Dean Colyer Dermody on June 9, 1990 and they began their life together in Sonora. Louise received her teaching certificate as well as her Masters Degree in Mid-Management Education from Angelo State University. She later received her Master Reading Teacher Certification from Texas A&M University followed by her Superintendent Certification. She began her career teaching 3rd grade at Sonora Elementary in 1990 and served as the Elementary School principal from 1998 to 2013. Recently in 2014, she was named Chief Academic Officer for Sonora ISD.

Louise was a devoted wife, mother, daughter, sister, cousin, aunt and friend. She was a woman of many passions, but none greater than the love for her family. She motivated her children to succeed in all aspects of their lives including academic achievement, athletic competition and theatrical accomplishments. Louise enjoyed traveling and organized many family trips domestic and abroad. She saw God's Glory on the mountains snow skiing, in the oceans scuba diving, and on the beaches watching the sunset. Louise loved all of God's creations. Her desire to have beautiful flowers and landscaping were present everywhere she lived and worked. Animals of all shapes and sizes were rescued, loved and raised in her home and at the ranch. She never found a stray animal that she was not willing to adopt. Louise had a heart of generosity and compassion for all those in need. During her short life and career, she touched generations of students, parents and grandparents with her love for education and the betterment of those around her. She will be deeply missed by her family, students and many friends.



Louise served her Sonora community in many capacities. She was a board member of the Good Samaritan Community Services as well as the Child Welfare Board. She was an active member of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society and the Texas Elementary Principals and Supervisors Association. In 2002 the Sonora Chamber of Commerce recognized her as Employee of the Year. Louise was very involved in her church where she was currently serving as the Senior Warden at St. John's Episcopal Church. She also served as a Lay Eucharistic Minister, Lay Reader and was a member of The Order of St. Luke, Daughters of the King and Women of St. John's.

She was preceded in death by her father, Richard Wilhelm Davis of San Angelo, Texas, her grandparents, Adele Kyle and Ira Duke Wilson of Sonora, Texas; Victoria Louise Wilhelm Davis of Menard, Texas; A.J. Davis of Austin, Texas and her mother-in-law, Raye Davidson Dermody.

She is survived by her husband Dean Colyer Dermody; sons Colyer Davis Dermody (23) and Slade Wilson Dermody (14); daughter Sidney Adele Dermødy (20); mother Nancy Wilson Davis; brother Frank Edward Davis, his wife Nora Joseph Davis and their sons, Bryce and Mack; her extended family, Mary Adele and Jerry Don Balch, Anita and Keith Hudson, John Duke and Word, Anna and Brady Johnson, Mary Kyle and Wilson; father-in-law, Bernard Casper Dermody; brother-in-law, Byron Dermody; sisters-in-law, Terry Dermody Brown and husband Glynn, Dixie Dermody Radicke and husband Herbert; along with many nieces, nephews and cousins.

The family wishes to thank their special friends, Claire Jones, Sherry Ingham, Fran Pennington, Rebecca Stokes and Rosie Castijella; as well as, Dr. Kristy Edwards, Dr. Charles Pajestka, LMH Hospital and all staff for their care, kindness, and compassion. We would also like to extend our gratitude to all those who have shown their love, support and prayers.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that donations be made to the following: The Louise Davis Dermody Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o The Bank & Trust, 229 Hwy 277 South, Sonora, Texas 76950; St. John's Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 1100, Sonora, Texas 76950; Texas Great Pyrenees Rescue, 713 Apricot Drive, Kyle, Texas 78640; or a charity of your choice.

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Runnels County represented at Burnet meeting



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#### **STAFF REPORTS**

The 2015 Fall meeting of the Edwards Plateau Historical Association met in the Highlander Restaurant in Burnet Saturday morning, October 3, 2015.

The Burnet County Historical Commission and the Burnet County Heritage Society were hosts for the meeting.

Four research papers were presented by authors about the history of the surrounding area. The papers presented at each association meeting are published in the book, The Historian. The association was organized in 1962, and since that time, fourteen volumes have been published with the fifteenth nearing completion.

Among items on the agenda was the annual business meeting and the location for the Spring Meeting of the association. The group has been invited to meet in Edwards County in the town of Rocksprings, Texas, May 7, 2016.

The books for sale included The Historian and those published by other authors.

Those attending from Runnels County were: Anthony Lange, Sally Spill and Ruth Cooper. Current officers of the association include the President, Ruth Cooper and First Vice President, Betty Thomason, both of Winters. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

The Winters High School Class of 1958 met recently for their 57th year reunion. Pictured from left to right in the front row are: Adelia Stone Wright, Kay England Busher, Kleta Gerhart, Jerrye Deike Carey, Dianne Sims Davis, Martha Russell Fauber, Becky Liddell Young and Dorothy Fairy Pruett. Pictured from left to right on the back row are: Roger Long, Elaine Hoppe Miller, George estes, Carolyn Templeton Harris, Jerry Sullivan, Roy Matthies, Joe Young, Ronnie Burns, Carolyn Green Davis, J.C. Gray, Charles Simpson, Pat Wade Smith and Coach W.T. Stapler. Cotton Everett attended but is not pictured.

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has had a number of successful horizontal wells, of which some of the more prolific wells have had initial production of 1,500 barrels of oil per day (BL/day). "TheClayton #1H is the first horizontal well in the

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JUNK + HANDMADE JEWLERY + BOUTIQUE ITEMS FURNITURE + ANTIQUES + ODDITIES + DECOP 'INTAGE GOODS + CLOTHING + RE PURPOSED ITEMS facebook.com/lonestarmarketwarehouse Gardner Lime formation drilled in Runnels County, Texas," said Jack Bal, president and CEO of Cardiff Energy Corp. "We have learned from the issues encountered during the drilling of the Clayton #1H and will leverage this knowledge to exploit future horizontal wells. We are in the process of selecting additional drill locations and will announce them after initial flow rates of the Clayton #1H are reported."

To learn more about the company and the drilling of the Clayton #1H horizontal well please visit: http:// www.cardiffenergy.com/i/pdf/Runnels-County-Texas. pdf

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First United Methodist Church Lord's Acre Festival Sunday, October 18, 2015 Bar-B-Q Brisket & Sausage Dinner 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Dine-in Tickets - Adults \$10.00 Children (under 10) - \$5.00 Dine in only Drive-thru/Carry-out Tickets - \$10.00 JOIN IN THE FOOD, FELLOWSHIP, AND FUN! Country Store • Christmas Store "Friends-in-Stitches" • Silent Auction open at 10:00 a.m. Children's Fair with Petting Zoo and Horse Rides starting at 11:00 a.m. LIVE AUCTION BEGINS AT 12:30 p.m. Nursery will be available Thank you in advance for supporting our Lord's Acre Festival "We will make "new" disciples for Jesus Christ through helping others to KNOW Him, LOVE Him, and SERVE Him." For tickets and more information please contact:

First United Methodist Church 1501 N. Broadway • Ballinger, TX 76821 (325) 365-2323 fumc.ballinger@verizon.net Thursday, October 8, 2015

# Winters ISD menus Oct. 2 to Oct. 9

#### **Breakfast**

Oct. 9 Cinnamon roll or Cereal w/grahams Mixed fruit Fruit juice Choice of milk

Oct. 12 Biscuit & sausage w/gravy or Cereal w/graham Mandarin oranges Fruit juice Choice of milk

Oct. 13 Breakfast pizza or Cereal w/grahams Raisins Fruit juice Choice of milk

Oct. 14 Sausage roll or Cereal w/ grahams Orange slices Fruit juice Choice of milk

Oct. 15 Pancakes or Cereal w/ grahams **Tropical** fruit Fruit juice Choice of milk

Oct. 16 Blueberry muffin or Cereal w/grahams Peaches Fruit juice Choice of milk

#### Lunch

Oct. 9 Chef salad or Hot dog Curly fries Salad/carrot sticks Orange slices Choice of milk

Oct. 12 Chef salad or Chicken fried steak w/gravy or Ham & cheese sandwich Italian green beans Salad/carrot sticks Mandarin oranges

# **CLASS OF 1957 REUNION**



PHOTO COURTESY JOE GERHART The Class of 1957 met Saturday, Sept. 19, 2015 in the Jones Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church in Winters, celebrating 58 years since graduating from Winters High School, Seated from left to right are Norma Crownover Dorsett, Patsy Wilkerson Watkins, Eva Leta Wright Smith, Darlene McWright Smith, Ann Frierson Bryan, Kay England Busher, Norma Best Morgan, Ginger White Helm and Gail Huddleston. Standing from left to right are Sylvia Schroeder Richie, Norris Crownover, Carolyn Cotton Crownover, CaroChoice of milk

Oct. 13 Chef salad or Chicken nuggets or Nachos Corn Salad/carrot sticks Peaches Choice of milk

Oct. 14 Chef salad or BBQ/bun or Peanut butter/jelly sandwich Baked beans Coleslaw/carrot sticks Apple Cinnamon grahams Choice of milk

"Fall Back"

Across two minds 1 " about it" 5 Onward 10 Kite part 14 Mumbai dress 15 Billiard shot 16 \_\_\_ brat 17 Tease 18 Add 19 Madeline in "Clue" 20 Chrome rival 23 Together 24 Opening word? 25 Bring upon oneself 28 Mac platform 31 Fast snacks 32 Steinbeck novel 35 Place for a pig 36 Dog on "Frasier" 37 Meal starter 40 "You Keep Me Hangin' On" band 44 Early computer language 47 Cyclone part 48 The Dow, e.g. 49 Swelling reducer 51 1977 doubleplatinum Steely Dan album 52 They're taken undercover 58 Comic Fey 59 Strike back College in New Rochelle 62 Coup d' 63 Carpenter's machine 64 Surgeon General under Reagan 65 Ticker locale: Abbr. 66 Look of disdain 67 Cutting part

Oct. 15 Chef salad or Steak fingers/sliced bread or Grilled cheese sandwich Oven fries Salad/carrot sticks Fruit cup Raisins Choice of milk

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Oct. 16 Chef salad or Cheese sticks or Cheese burger **Baked** chips Salad/carrot sticks Pear Choice of milk

#### **CROSSWORD PUZZLE**

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### Weather Whys

lyn Gerhart Roach, Dwayne Williams, Ron Huddleston, Billy Jacob, Jerry Morgan, Jackie Murray, O.J. Murray, Linda Scott, Donald Roach, Raymond Lindsey, Clarence Repete

## Weather Whys

#### Q: How long have been barometers been around?

A: At least 400 years, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. Barometers, which are used to measure air pressure - which in turn can give us one measuring stick of predicting the weather - were invented in the 1640s in Italy. "Scientists back then noticed that the level of mercury in glass tubes tended to vary from day to day," McRoberts says. "They further noticed that this seemed to coincide with changes in the weather. In the late 1600s and early 1700s, more barometers were made in England than anywhere in the world, and some had unusual shapes - some resembled clocks, others looked like large banjos and others were in the shape of large wheels. Mercury was used in all barometers back then, and even though it is toxic, it proved to be the best liquid for measuring air pressure. A change in the level of the mercury indicates high pressure or low pressure - falling pressure usually means possible stormy weather, while a rising barometer means fair weather."

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#### Q: Have they changed much over the years?

A: A big change occurred in 1840, when a Frenchman named Lucien Vidie made the first barometer that had no fluid, called an aneroid. "The tube that had contained mercury was replaced with one that had a metal vacuum disc," McRoberts says. "This type was a little less accurate, but it could be made smaller and was easily carried on ships or outdoors. There is quite a large market today for antique barometers, and it's a worldwide market. Many of the barometers that were made several hundred years ago can still be found in antique shops and stores, and some of these sell for \$5,000 and up. The unique style and condition of the barometer plays a big part in its price."



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**Public Record Runnels County Jail Record** October 8, 2015 Name Age Agency Eduardo J. Mata 22 **RSCO** MTR-deadly conduct RSCO Natalie N. Torres 32 Bench warrant Jesus J. Jaimes WPD 41 DWI Martin A. Rodriguez 22 Coke Co. Drivers license invalid Jerry W. Kile 43 Coleman MTR - unlawful possession of a firearm Justin R. Rodrigues 29 WPD MTR - aggravated assault WPD Emalee M. Raznousky 22 Hinder apprehension of a felon/endangering a child 39 Michelle Ortega Concho Warrants criminal mischief Erick N. Gomez 23 Concho **Border Patrol hold** Cory B. Sander 43 **RCSO** Public intoxication Joshua Emerson 21 **ECSO** Credit/debit card abuse Johnathan D. Ramirez BPD 19 P.O.M Drew A. Williams BPD 29 Menard County warrant (MTR DWLI) Cheyenne N. Wagner 26 BPD Travis County warrant BPD **Quendro Quarles** 34 Murder Rosendo F. Ocvalles WPD 58 Fail to register as sex Offender / poss of a controlled substance MPD **Julio Fernandez** 23 DWLI - Class C misdemeanor / parole violation Coke DPS Crystal M. Roque 26 DWLI

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Assault family violence

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## **VETERAN'S CORNER**

It is becoming increasingly unlikely that federal retirees, including military and Social Security retirees, will receive a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for 2016. The Bureau of Labor Statistics recently released the second of three very important numbers that will determine whether retirees get a COLA in 2016. Based on the current trends in the data, there won't be a COLA boost next year, although things might change this month. The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) fell 0.2 percent in August, after staying flat in July. The CPI-W, upon which the annual COLA for all retirees is based, decreased by 0.3 percent over the last 12 months. The CPI-W

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Sandra G. Van Zant measures price changes in food, housing, gas, and other goods and services. The September 2015 numbers could change all that, but it is unlikely based on the trend. The exact COLA for next year will not be known until October 15, when all the numbers are in.

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For more information, contact Sandra Van Zant at the Veterans Service Office at 602 Strong Ave on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., or call 365-3612.

> -Sandra G. Van Zant, Veterans County Service Officer

#### **DEAR FLOYD**

## **Op-ed on bedtime, school time and families**

Family Research Council Senior Vice President Rob Schwarzwalder has a new op-ed on the value and lifetime effects of an in-tact family for children. Rob examines various factors on what parents can do to shape their children into good citizens, integral to this formula is a family with an always married mom and dad, and regular church attendance.

Rob spent many years on Capitol Hill as Chief of Staff for two Members of Congress and as a press secretary in both the House and Senate. Rob was director of communications and senior writer at the National Association of Manufacturers. In 2001, President George W. Bush appointed Rob to be senior speechwriter at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, where he crafted language relating to all facets of the President's health care agenda. Family Research Council is a leading advocate for

faith, family, freedom in Washington, D.C. If you would like to run or cite this piece, we ask that you email achao@frc.org and tell us the date of publication. This is a free service of the Family Research Council. The text is located below.

-Alice Chao 202-637-4615 achao@frc.org Bedtime, School Time,

and Families By Rob Schwarzwalder, Senior Vice-President Family Research Council It's been said that bedtime is "the perfect time for kids to ask questions, request food, require additional bathroom breaks, and need a nightlight."

All parents can identify with that! Sometimes the simple act of tucking a little one into bed seems like the implementation of a military campaign.

Another thing all parents share is the desire for a quality education for their children. Preparing our boys and girls for the challenges of the workplace, as well as training their minds to think well and giving them a solid grounding in the virtues that build good citizens, are among the highest priorities for every Mom and Dad.

These are things most of us take for granted. But what too often is ignored is that children learn best in a home with a mother and a father.

The Marriage and Religion Research Institute (MARRI) has done research showing that the children "who have the best chance of success in schools are also those who come from intact families and attend church weekly or more."

Church attendance counts for a lot and in many ways. In additional to biblical instruction, moral guidance, and the fellowship of good friends, church attendance seems to inspire a higher level of self-discipline, curiosity, and intellectual interest. For example, teens who attend church at least once a week have the highest GPA, the highest combined average GPA in English and math, and received the highest percentage of A's at school.

On the other hand, teenagers who report never going to church have the lowest GPA, the lowest combined average GPA in English and math, and the lowest percentage of receiving mostly A's at school.

Similarly, having a mom and a dad in the home has an equally profound impact on school performance. As MARRI research shows, "Teenagers from always-intact married families had the highest GPA average (3.0), the highest combined average GPA in English and math (2.9), and the highest likelihood of receiving A's (28%)."

And teens "from a intact family or adoptive family are three times less likely than any other family structure to have repeated a grade," while teens "from always-single parent families had the lowest GPA

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# County Most Wanted

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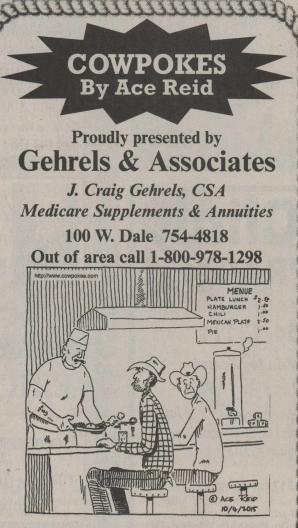
The Runnels County Sheriff's Department is seeking information on the whereabouts of Michael Roman, 30, of Winters, who has outstanding warrants on a revocation for drug possession, which is a second degree felony.

Roman led law enforcement on a chase last Thursday, and fled from a vehicle on foot. Roman is still at large.

He is described as 5 feet, 6 inches tall with brown hair and weighs approximately 180 pounds.

The Runnels County Sheriff's Department is offering a \$500 reward to anyone who provides information that leads to the arrest and conviction of Roman.

If you have information, contact the RCSO at 325-365-2121.



"I'm required by law to tell you that everything you order today may be harmful to your health!" (2.5) and were least likely to have received mostly A's at school."

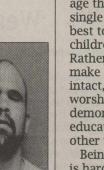
This is not to disparage the brave and faithful single parents who do their best to encourage their children to excel in school. Rather, these data simply make the point that the intact, married family that worships together weekly demonstrably has better educational outcomes than other types of families.

Being a mom or a dad is hard work -- hard and important. The shaping of a young life is, perhaps, life's noblest calling. In that molding and building process, the education a child receives will often set the tone for his or her professional achievement, income-earning ability, and capacity to contribute to one's community and country.

Marriage matters, for adults and children, for work and school, for neighborhood and culture. So do worship and education. If we're serious about fostering a society in which civility, prosperity, liberty, and personal character combine to make our country the place it can and should be, all of these factors need to be combined so as to provide future generations with the nation and culture they deserve.

Bedtime is challenging for parents and little ones alike. But it can also be a time of joy, sweetness, hugs and prayers. Educat-ing a child can be hard, too, but keeping the home intact and stable and loving makes so much difference, for parents and kids alike. And when worship is added to the mix, the results are even better. The numbers prove it. So do kids and parents who know the satisfaction of a good report card, a well-shaped mind, and character ready for life.

Rob Schwarzwalder is Senior Vice President at Family Research Council in Washington, D.C.



Michael Roman

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**CLASS OF 1959 AND 1960 REUNION** 



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The Winters High School classes of 1959 and 1960 held reunions at First United Methodist Church Sept. 19. Pictured from left to right on the front row are Marc Knox Dobbins, Frances Wood Hord, Evelyn Marie Fairey Cariker, Mona Hamilton Blalock, Joyce Heathcott, Judy Ledbetter Badgett, Sammie Lou Jones Milliner and Maudella Hill Reeves. Pictured on the back row from left to right are Philip Roland, Royce Heathcott, Jim Caskey, Gene Rice, Lu Ada England Shoemake, Naomi Busher Gerhart, Marilyn Mitchell Rock, Frances Minzenmayer Holle, David Dobbins, James Schroeder, Sammy Blalock and Roeneal Boles.

#### ADAPT AND OVERCOME

# **Challenges come when we** least expect them

#### **BY CHAD MCUDFFEE** WINTERS ENTERPRISE

"The human foot is a masterpiece of engineering and a work of art." -Leonardo Da Vinci

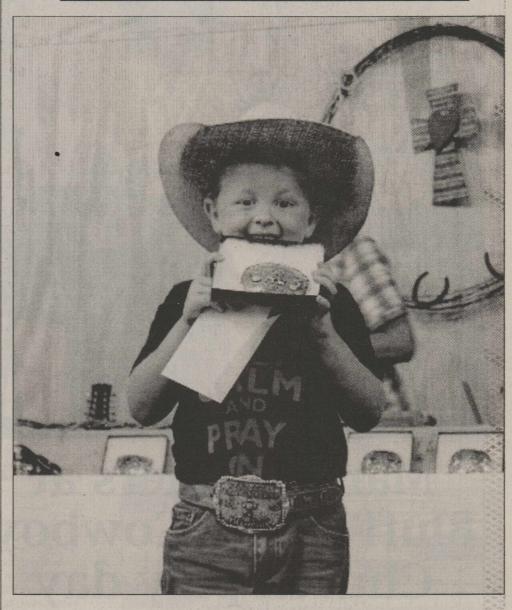
We don't know who will be challenged with a serious disability and we don't know when. Our lives can forever be changed in the blink of an eye just as easily on a Mon-day afternoon driving down the highway as they could for many of our brave young men and women in Afghanistan or the dozens of other countries we have troops in. When I suffered my

original injury on September 26, 2006 I never thought it would become as serious as it has. I was originally told I had suffered a sprained ankle by the Troop Medical Clinic on Camp Taji, just north of Baghdad. This is much more concerning when you consider that in my military medical records on the date I was seen they have me quoted as saying "When I try to walk it feels like my foot is breaking in half." Despite this they failed to get x-rays at the time and I finished the following three months of deployment without being properly treated. By the time I saw another doctor I had extensive arthritis throughout my mid-foot and got no explanations as to what caused it. At the time I was 24 years old and all I received were what amounts to some shrugged shoulders from doctor after doctor. It wasn't until two deployments and almost five years later when I finally found a doctor that decided to find out why I had such extensive arthritic damage. The original injury ended up being diagnosed as a Lisfranc fracture which is a debilitating fracture of the mid-foot bones and joints. It has derailed many professional athlete's seasons and careers. Surgery for this injury is recommended within 7-10 days and considering it had been almost five years that explained the arthritic damage as my body tried to fix itself. By the time the doc-tors and I figured out what was wrong the damage had been done. Despite our best efforts to fuse the bones and remove the arthritis in my foot it continued to spread. Compounding the issues was a post op tendon tear that resulted in drop foot and through each surgery my condition only worsened instead of improved. All the while I was attending national and regional Paralympic competitions and witnessing people with prosthetics getting around much better than I could on my best day.



PHOTO CONTRIBUTED Chad McDuffee is being fitted for a prosthesis by Whitney Brandon and orthotist at West Texas Rehab Center in San Angelo.

## **BLUFF CREEK COWBOY CHURCH PLAY DAYS**



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Tuff Grun was the winner in the 5 and under category during the Play Days that were held from April to September at Bluff Creek Cowboy Church in Drasco.

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This made it much easier when Dr. Elliott Vann at Abilene Bone and Joint said, "There's nothing I can

do to fix this," moments after meeting him. Within two weeks I had my amputation and started this new journey in my life. My amputation was on the 8th of July 2015 and I am now completely healed from surgery and only waiting on final approval from Veterans Affairs to receive my prosthetic.

Adapt and Overcome is a new weekly column by Chad McDuffee, a veteran who served 11 years the U.S. Army and a photographer and sports writer for the Ballinger Ledger and Winters Enterprise. The column will cover his experiences on his journey as an amputee as well as documenting the journeys of others.



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# Many winners at **Bluff Creek Cowboy Church play day**

#### **STAFF REPORTS** WINTERS ENTERPRISE

The Bluff Creek Cowboy Church in Drasco had its play days series from April through September 2015. Contestants ranged in age from 2 to 60. Events included barrel racing, pole bending, flag racing, goat tying and touching and stake racing. Parents and children were able to compete. Church members manned the concession stands during the events.

Contestants competed for All-Around saddles and buckles. In addition, each age group won first place buckles, second place spurs, third place blankets and fourth place hoof picks. The next series will begin in the spring of 2016. Everyone is invited to enter or just come and watch.

Officials at the church wish to thank the following persons:

BCCC Arena Director Dusty Green.

Jennifer Fauntenot, of The Cowboy Way in Abilene for making the awards a tremendous success with saddles and tack.

Sheridan Witten. Ft. Cobb, Okla. For handcrafting leather crosses for each contestant.

Lynn Peters for publicity on our favorite radio stations KEAN and Y99.

Ginny Mayfield for donating her goats to the goat tying and touching.

Dakota Dawkins and Frances Tunnell making and donating their goat strings. Cole Manahan of Red River Arena for the wide range of publicity on his Face-

book page. In addition, the Dennis and Jaque Lin-

ney of the church would like to thank all of the staff at the concession stand for all of the food and drink, arena help inside and out of the arena and the announcing staff. We would also like to thank the parents and grandparents for taking time to spend with their children and grandchildren.





CONTRIBUTED PHOTOS LEFT: Dylan Page, 6, of Ballinger was the All-Around Junior winner at the Bluff Creek Cowboy Church Play Days. Kristi Guerin, was the All-Around Senior winner. Both won buckles and a saddle. TOP: Three girls won buckles after placing in the 13-15 year old category during Play Days at the Bluff Creek Cowboy Church. Pictured from left to right are Brenna Knight, 3rd place, Baily Knight, 2nd place and Shavia Kitchens. 1st place. Not shown is Colton King, who were Baily Knight, 2nd place and Shayla Kitchens, 1st place. Not shown is Colton King, who won 4th place. **ABOVE:** The Bluff Creek Cowboy Church in Drasco had its play days series from April through September 2015. Contestants ranged in age from 2 to 60. Winners in the 19 and over category included Amy McDaniel, 3rd of Albany, Ovidio Mendoza 2nd of Odess and, Kristi Guerin 1st of Winters.

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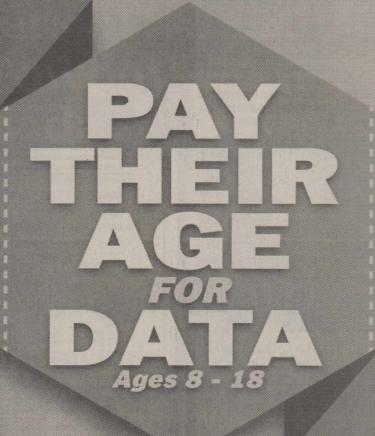
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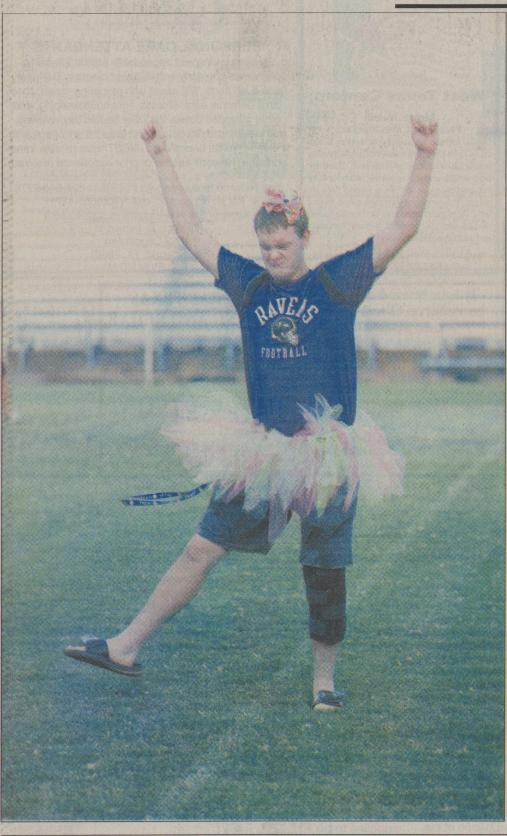
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#### **POWDERPUFF FOOTBALL**

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Left: Mason Payne of the Winters Blizzards, said you might not want to eat lemmons before cheering on the Powder Puff football teams. **Top:** The excitement was a bit much for Daniel Sebastian, who with other Winters Blizzards, cheered on the girls during the Powder Puff Football Game Thursday, Oct. 1, 2015 at Blizzard Stadium. **Above:** Jessica Roman catches a touchdown pass during the Powder Puff Football Game Thursday, Oct. 1, 2015 at Blizzard Stadium. The Senior/Freshman Blue team and the Junior/Sophomores White team played with the Blue team claiming a 42-33 victory.

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accomplished in a short amount of time.

Since Oct. 1, 2014, more than \$7.2 million has been collected from the checkoff. This revenue assists beef producers and consumers by advancing critical education, research, nutrition and marketing efforts that help provide a safe, abundant and affordable beef supply



worldwide.

The checkoff has created a competitive edge for Texas ranchers by significantly expanding educational efforts for producers. This has been made possible by using a portion of the funds to hold additional Texas Beef Quality Producer (TBQP) meetings throughout the state. The TBQP program is a collaborative effort of TSCRA, Texas Beef Council (TBC) and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension used to promote proper management practices for cattle producers. These efforts have proven extremely effective for helping cattle raisers deliver higher quality beef products for consumers. The checkoff has helped us make tremendous strides

in teaching consumers that beef is a healthy food product. This is critical as many physicians are recommend-ing that patients diagnosed with high cholesterol should reduce beef consumption. As a rancher and a practicing medical doctor, I already know how healthy our product is, but many do not. This is why we must be proactive in sharing how beef consumption in moderation promotes a healthy body. Checkoff funds have been used wisely to hold focus groups and physician research. These efforts have proven that doctors will change their recommendations to their patients after receiving factual information about how beef fits in a heart-healthy diet. The checkoff will enable us to expand these efforts in 2016 by training industry representatives to start calling on general practitioners and internists to educate them on new beef nutrition concepts. Updated beef nutrition facts will also be presented through key opinion leaders at many different physician events. Additionally, the checkoff has allowed producers to increase investment in all existing markets across the world through demand building programs for U.S. beef. These additional funds made it possible for producers to introduce Japan to Texas BBQ concepts at food shows, seminars and tasting events. It also provided resources to build on foreign media support and promotions.

Further, the checkoff allowed a Hong Kong importer group to visit Texas for a beef industry tour where Texas themed promotions were introduced. More outreach efforts will be conducted in the future as the checkoff provides additional opportunities to market our product internationally.

Last, but not least, with the technologically driven world we live in today, it is important to continue utilizing various media platforms to help present interesting and timely information to the public and promote beef products. The checkoff has provided funds for the TBC to overhaul their website and update their social media profiles.

The new website, www.txbeef.org was launched at the end of September 2015 and it now features Texasspecific content, such as 16 new Texas beef recipes, quality beef photography, healthy beef facts and the development of three documentary-style videos to help put a face to the Texas rancher. These videos actually feature several TSCRA leaders who own and operate family ranches and can speak from experience about the importance of our industry. This is just a snapshot of the many milestones the beef industry has reached through the Texas Beef Checkoff. With everything it has accomplished in just a year, it is exciting to think about what's ahead. TSCRA continues to recognize the importance of promoting our product, sharing the work of our industry leaders and investing in the future of the beef industry. We appreciate the many leaders and producers who have made this program a success. We look forward to building on these notable accomplishments in the future.

Richard Thorpe, III is the owner and operator of Mesa T Ranch, headquartered in Winters, Texas. Thorpe currently serves as the First Vice President of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA), and he became a TSCRA director in March 2006.

