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Briefly

Christmas in Winters!

The Christmas season will be in full swing Friday and Saturday in Winters as activities including extended shopping hours, a hamburger fund raiser sponsored by the Winters Volunteer Fire Department begin. On Saturday the Winters Christmas Parade gets underway at 10 a.m.. Events Saturday also include the selection of the Snow royalty and a tamale contest at the Rock Hotel. All events are sponsored by the Winters Chamber of Commerce.

There will be three categories, Snow Flake for girls in grades 3-5; Snow Princess, for girls grades 6-8 and Snow Queen, for girls in grades 9-12. The Snow Queen will receive a \$1,000 scholarship and the others will receive Winters bucks, which are good at all merchants that are members of the Winters Chamber of Commerce.

RCSO Toy Drive

The Runnels County Sheriff's Office is holding the annual Christmas Toy Drive to benefit children throughout Runnels County. The toy drive is funded through donations from local businesses. Last year over 400 children in Runnels County were served.

Children receive toys, clothes and blankets. Families who wish to sign up to receive toys may do so by calling the Runnels County Sheriff's Office at 325-365-2121 and list the number of children in the household, whether they are a boy or girl and the ages. The toys will be distributed on Wednesday, Dec. 21 at the RCSO at 612 Strong. Ave. in Ballinger.

The last drop

The first Arctic blast was in the forecast this week, bringing low temperatures in Runnels County to the low 20s, forecasters at the National Weather Service in San Angelo said.

Blustery cold winds are expected to bring wind chills into the upper teens and some light precipitation may accompany the front but no accumulation is expected.

The front brought temperatures across Runnels County down to below freezing Wednesday night. Forecasters warn that the cold weather may affect pipes, animals and plants.

A warming trend will begin Friday with the high reaching the mid 40s and the 50s and 60s on Saturday and Sunday.

Last week, Ballinger received .47 inches of rain, while Wingate received 1.37 inches and San Angelo received .72 inches of rain.

So far this year, Ballinger has received 36.95 inches of rainfall, with 38.11 inches reported in Wingate and 31.62 inches received in San Angelo.

ON THE NET: http://www.srh.noaa. gov/sjt/

Man facing multiple felonies for ramming police vehicles

Bond has been set at \$250,000

The Winters

BY CELINDA HAWKINS MANAGING EDITOR WINTERS ENTERPRISE chawkins@ballingerledger.com

A 52-year-old Ballinger man is in custody facing numerous felony charges following a confrontation with law enforcement Wednesday afternoon during which he allegedly

rammed two patrol vehicles according to the Runnels County Sheriff's Office.

John Lloyd Jonas, was placed into custody after resisting arrest and reportedly ramming law enforcement vehicles. He was transported to the Runnels County Jail and booked on multiple charges, including one count of aggravated assault on a public servant, two counts of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and one count of aggravated assault, all first degree felonies. Jonas was also charged with unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, a state jail felony and evading arrest or detention and resisting arrest, both third degree felonies. Bond has been set at \$250,000.

According to reports, a 2007 GMC pickup was reported stolen from the parking lot of

Mueller Inc. in Ballinger at 2:07 p.m. Wednesday.

Later in the day at around 4:40 p.m. a ranch hand reported a GMC pickup on a ranch east of Winters and reported that the vehicle did not belong there. The witness also reported the male occupant was armed with a handgun. The license plate on the vehicle was that of the reported stolen

vehicle, said Sgt. Carl Squyres **FELONIES**, 6



John Lloyd Jonas

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husband accepts

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The district attorney has

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attorney general.

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Mereta, died following the

Sept. 11 accident in which Precinct 4 Commissioner

Richard Strube reportedly

after the accident on Oct. 18

at Shannon Medical Center

struck her with a county

vehicle. She died a week

"The case has been

referred to the attorney

general for review," Best

said. "The case was referred

simply to avoid any appear-

ance of conflict of interest

since a commissioner was

Best said he did not know

Kelly Wyatt, 53, of

The spirit of giving



CELINDA HAWKINS | ENTERPRISE PHOTO

A total of 45 Hormel Cure 81 hams were donated to Samaritan House in Winters by Spring Market and its parent company Brookshire Grocery Company on Friday Dec. 2, 2016. Samaritan House Program Director Barbara Jones accepted the donation from Spring Market Store Director Christ Hinojosa.

Spring Market donates hams to Samaritan House

MANAGING EDITOR WINTERS ENTERPRISE

's all about feeding people this holiday season and thanks to a donation of hams from Spring Market, many of the needy in Winters will have a hearty meal this holiday season.

Samaritan House in Winters is now taking food donations for the holiday season and on Friday, Spring Market in Winters donated 45 hams to the

"We appreciate Spring Market for giving us a donation to feed people in our community," said Barbara Jones, program director of Samaritan House, which offers assistance to those in need in a variety of ways, including providing food items for holiday

The hams were donated Friday at the store in Winters.

"We are excited about this opportunity to give back through this project that helps so many people in the communities we serve," said Spring Market Store Director Chris Hinojosa. "The Hormel Cure 81 ham is a premium brand and product and we're happy to help bring it to the tables of people in need within our market areas.'

Hormel Foods and Brookshire Grocery Company donated \$100,000 worth of hams to food banks throughout BGC's market area which equals a total of 5,300 hams with 45 in Winters through Samaritan House.

Each month, Samaritan House, which a ministry through the Ministerial Alliance of Winters, assists 150 families with food, provides

Lady Blizzards win in tournament play

SPECIAL TO THE WINTERS ENTERPRISE

The Lady Blizzards had a busy week as they played six games in five days, winning four.

On Tuesday, Nov. 29, the Lady Blizzards hosted the Paint Creek Lady Pirates, winning 56-25. Cha-Cha Lovelace had 14 points, while Monique Carrillo and Christy Kruse had eight apiece. Aimee Green had an all-around game with four points, nine assists and 10 rebounds. Karlee Busher dominated the boards with 14 rebounds.

Then, the Lady Blizzards played in the Albany

Invitational Tournament on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 1-3. On Thursday, Winters opened the tournament with a 44-27 loss to Seymour, a game that was a lot closer than the score, as the Lady Blizzards only trailed by six points going into the fourth quarter. Seymour's size eventually wore down Winters. Monique Carrillo had 15 points and nine rebounds.

Later on Thursday, Winters defeated former district rival and tournament host, Albany, 44-31. Monique Carrillo had 12 points and nine rebounds, while Aimee Green had eight points, five

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JOE GERHART | CONTRIBUTED PHOTO Christy Kruse goes for a shot under the goal during the game with Paint Creek Nov. 29, 2016. The Lady Blizzards won the game 56-25.

if or when the case would be presented to a grand jury. Kelly Wyatt's husband Cecil, said that he has accepted a \$100,000 settlement in the case from an official from Runnels County. He accepted the settlement Nov. 17. Jon Mark Hogg, the county's legal representative confirmed that Wyatt has accepted the settlement and that by accepting the settlement Wyatt is prohibited from pursuing further action

against Runnels County. "I feel like the settlement was unjust," Wyatt said. "I feel like some justice should be done, but I'm leaving that to the law.'

Wyatt had previously said the bills from Shannon Medical Center were around

\$300,000. Official autopsy results from Tom Green County

Justice of the Peace J.P. WYATT, 6



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FUNERALS AND OBITUARIES

Lou Scates

Lou Scates, 80, of Winters, died December 3, 2016. She was born February 23, 1936 in Wingate, Texas and moved with her family to Imperial Valley, California at the age of seven. She married Al Scates November 1, 1955 in Imperial Valley. They moved to Winters in 1962 and lived here since. She worked for Dry Manufacturing Company for several years. She was a member of North Main Street Church of Christ.

She is survived by her husband: Al Scates of Winters.2 children: Terrie Young of Euless and Tommy Scates and wife Mona of Bronte. 2 sisters: Nancy Wynns of San Diego, California and Dolly Self of San Diego, California. 2 brothers: David Self of Dallas, Texas and James Self of Stillwater, Oklahoma. 10 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by: 1 brother: J.R. Magahee. 1 sister: Julia Self. 1 granddaughter: Jenna Young.

Graveside service will be 2:00 P.M. Wednesday December 7, 2016 at the Shep cemetery directed by Winters

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

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Lessly Eugene **Thomasson**

CLYDE - Lessly Eugene Thomasson, devoted husband, loving father, beloved grandfather and great grandfather, passed away Sunday, December 4, 2016 at the age of 86. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Thursday at the Northwest Church of Christ, 1141 N. Willis, Abilene under the direction of Bailey Howard Funeral Home of Clyde. Burial will follow at 3:00 p.m. at the Evergreen Cemetery in Ballinger. Visitation will be from 6:00 to 7:30 Wednesday at the funeral home.

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County Farm Bureaus boost membership in 2016

STAFF REPORT

SAN ANTONIO — County Farm Bureaus across the Lone Star State were recognized for membership achievements during the Texas Farm Bureau's (TFB) 83rd Annual Meeting Dec. 4 at the San Antonio Marriott Rivercenter.

"Texas Farm Bureau continues to remain a strong, united voice for farmers and ranchers across the Lone Star State," TFB President Russell Boening said. "We've had 16 consecutive years of membership growth, attracting rural and urban folks, thanks to the efforts of our county Farm Bureaus. Together, we are growing a bigger and brighter Texas and a better understanding of agriculture."

Statewide, Farm Bureau membership showed a gain of 617 for a total of 519,119 member-families. Of the 206 organized county Farm Bureaus, 135 counties recorded a membership gain this year.

County Farm Bureaus signing the most new members included the following: Collin County, 1,828; Brazoria-Galveston County, 1,823; Fort Bend County, 1,459; Harris County, 1,380; McLennan County, 1,249; Jefferson County, 1,211; Ellis County, 1,174; Grayson County, 1,011; Bexar County, 944; and Bell County, 939.

County Farm Bureaus reporting the largest total membership gain included the following: Grayson County, 343; Gregg County, 295; Brazoria-Galveston County, 279; Wilson County, 253; Johnson County, 216; Bexar County, 188; Robertson County, 179; Smith County, 165; Kendall County, 163; and McLennan

The highest membership renewal percentages were achieved by the following: Throckmorton County, 96.30 percent; Yoakum County, 94.86 percent; Dickens County, 94.00 percent; Coleman County, 93.71 percent; San Saba County, 93.65 percent; Motley County,

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The Market Perspective Oil traders decide OPEC really is Santa

Yes Virginia, there is a Santa Claus.

Eight-year-old Virginia O'Hanlon wrote a letter to the editor of New York's Sun, and the quick response was printed as an unsigned editorial Sept. 21, 1897. The work of veteran newsman Francis Pharcellus Church has since become history's most reprinted newspaper editorial.

This past week oil traders, following Virginia's lead of 1897, deciding that indeed, OPEC is Santa. The price of oil leapt 9% in one day. Both West Texas Intermediate and Brent topped \$50 by the end of the week. Impressive yes but really took oil to the very top of its recent \$40-\$52 trading range. And, yes it is the Christmas season but let's consider past history.

OPEC has only 'controlled' oil prices twice in history. The twice celebrated event in fact was not a production cut-back but the simple refusal to sell to the United States in the 1970s. And there is no OPEC monitoring system to keep members from exceeding voluntary

Non-OPEC member Russia has simply agreed to a 'freeze' on production. And this comes after increasing production half a million barrels a day over the last few months. The

problem as always is that most oil exporters literally have nothing else to sell. If Nigeria or Russia were to throttle back on oil exports, what else do they have to sell for hard currency? The answer is nothing, which is why such accords inevitably end in rancorous discord over excessive production.

Even if the promised 1.2million barrel per day cut back happened, that would simply put production where it was in the second quarter of 2016.

The move in natural gas is perhaps more interesting. The price has doubled this year to near \$3.60. It will be interesting to see if the new administration favors more natural gas usage in trucks and automobiles.

While oil prices were surging, bond prices were imploding. We have stated several times in this space that the low in interest rates has been seen this year. Analysts now warn that interest rate increases could affect mortgage demand, but we are not at those levels yet! When I began trading bonds in 1984, Treasury yields were north of 12%. The widely followed ten-year yield has doubled since July from 1.4% to 2.5%. I am not predicting a return to double-digit rates but

in the 6-8% range. The benchmark bond fund TLT has fallen 16% in price since July. Utility and REIT shares have fallen 14-16% as well. While such prices look overdone for now, expect fierce rallies and then a resumption of the move down in, which is to say a bear market. This decline has wiped out the returns on utilities and REITS for the last two to three years.

After brokering a deal to curb steel prices and union wage demands, US Steel announced it was raising steel prices anyway. Then President Jack Kennedy felt betrayed and launched an offensive, acting to have the Government purchase from firms not raising prices. The companies began backing off a week later.

This past week President Elect Trump strong-armed United Technologies into keeping some 1,000 jobs in Indiana. That delivers on a campaign promise but raises the specter of micro-managing individual companies from the White House. But, what else is

The executive offices of UTX are a revolving door of the sort that Washington D.C. offers as a special perk to the best connected. Alexander Haig moved from Chief of Staff of the US Army to NATO Commander to UTX CEO to Secretary of State; those

Dennis Elam

dots are all connected. Ten percent of UTX business is defense related. So UTX is especially vulnerable to such Federal armwisting. And, it is in Trump's interest to get the UTX billions overseas back here invested in something other than stock-buy backs. Oh, the names of the power players change but the same firms, UTX, Goldman Sachs, a handful of law firms, are still the permanent occupants of the White House.

Presidents come and go but Goldman Sachs always has their man in the White House. And remember, Goldman only has one client, Goldman.

Follow Dennis at http:// www.themarketperspective.com.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Winters Public Library News

The Library will host a Children's Christmas Program from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, December 17. Children of all ages are invited to attend for games, crafts and fun. The library has recentlyreceived several non-fiction reference books including the 2016 Edition of the "Physicians' Desk Reference," the "Taber's Cyclopedic Medical Dictionary" and two very informative books regarding dyslexia. Also, just in time for the holidays, the library has received "The Pioneer Woman Cooks-A Year of Holidays," and "The Pioneer Woman Cooks-Dinntertime." In addition WPL has received David Baldacci's "No Man's Land" and the new book by Nicholas Sparks, "Two by Two." Donations and memorials for the month of November were received by: A.W. and Lee Andrae, Mary Jo Tucker in honor of Betty Henson, Bobby and Cathy Black in memory of J.C. Wilkerson, Sydney Alderman Underwood, Francis E. Griffin in memory of Betty Lou (Holle) Griffin, Juanita Wilson, Nancy R. Thompson in memory of Jigg Nichols and Louise Richey, Henry N. Bourdo and Beth Bradley.

RCHC book available
The latest book titled "Volume III Historical Markers of Runnels County and Post Offices of Runnels County" is available at

Ballinger Printing & Graphics and JK Hair Salon in Ballinger; The Attic, Bee's Quilting, and the Z. I. Hale Museum Gift Shop in Winters; Beverly Teplicek in Rowena or from members of the Runnels County Historical Commission.

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The book can be ordered from Ballinger Printing & Graphics at ballingerprinting.com, Amazon.com, or by mailing payment to **Runnels County Historical** Commission, PO Box 211, Winters 79567. "Volume I The Organization of Runnels County" is also available for \$25 or \$31 if shipped, and "Volume II Schools of Runnels County" is available for \$30 or \$37 if shipped.

Immunization

clinics for December Texas Department of State Health Services ill have immunization and flu clinics for children with Medicaid, no insurance, underinsured and adults with no insurance. For questions or to schedule an appointment, please call 754-4945. If there is no answer, leave a message. The clinic in Ballinger will be from 10 a.m. to noon and 1:30 to 3 p.m. today at 600 Strong Ave. Please bring the child's immunization records and if the child has Medicaid, please bring the card.

Ballinger Junior

Livestock Show The Ballinger Junior Livestock Show is slated for Saturday, Dec. 17 at the Ballinger Community Center. The barns open at 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 16. The entry fee is \$10 per head of livestock and must be paid between 7 and 8:30 a.m. Saturday. Steer weight cards must be turned in by 8 a.m. and sheep weight cards mut be turned in by 8:30 a.m. with all other species turned in by 9 a.m. The show order is steers, lambs, rabbits, goats, a lunch

break and then swine. The show starts at 8:30 a.m.

CASA volunteers wanted The Children's Advocacy Center of Tom Green County, Inc. CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) is seeking volunteers. Currently CASA serves 60 percent of the children in foster care. To sign up, call 325-653-4673 or email mblue@cactomgreen. org. CASA serves Tom Green, Runnels, Concho, Crockett, Coke, Irion, Reagan, Sutton, Sterling and

Miles America 1st

Schleicher counties.

Saturday Trade Days The Miles America 1st Saturday Trade Days will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m in downtown Miles. Downtown shops will be open and vendors will have booths on the street. Vendor booths are available for \$20 each. For more information contact Debbie Elguezabal at 325-227-0013 or Bonnie Sloan at 325-656-1355

AA meeting Sobriety First Alcoholics Anonymous group will meet at the First United Methodist Church, in Ballinger, at 7 p.m. every Monday and Wednesday. 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.

A Time for Freedom A new addiction class is

forming in Winters called "A Time for Freedom," and Pastor Tommy Akin, of the Pioneer Church

of God in Winterswill be overseeing the program which will provide addiction education to addicts, family and loved ones. The meetings will be held at 7 p.m. every Thursday at the Pioneer Church of God at 158 North Main St. in Winters. For more information call 903-474-4740.

Visit Friendly Neighbors The Texas Extension

Education Agency "Friendly Neighbors" invites everybody in the Runnels County area who is interested in learning about cooking, gardening, arts and crafts and other useful subjects to meetings at 2 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of every month (except during the summer). Meetings will alternate between the Runnels County Extension Office on the corner of south 7th Street and Sealy Ave. in Ballinger and the Winters Public Library at 120 N. Main St. in Winters. If you are interested and would like to find out more about this group, call Martha at 365-3890 or Judy at 754-5386.

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.



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Ballinger man accepts manslaughter plea

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A Ballinger man charged with murder last year, accepted a plea deal and received five years in prison for the offense, according to 119th District Attorney John Best.

Queandro Quarles, 34, of Ballinger was charged with murder following a fight that resulted in the death of Kenneth Sneed, 36, of Kentucky Oct. 3,

Quarles pleaded guilty Nov. 3 to manslaughter and received five years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. He remains in custody at the Runnels County Jail awaiting transport to TDCJ.

Police reports indicate that Quarles and Sneed started arguing after a night of

The two reportedly got into a fight at an apartment in the 1500 block of 8th



Queandro Quarles

Street and according to reports Sneed was knocked down and "did not get up." Police were called to the scene at 1:40 a.m. Oct. 3, 2015 and found Sneed unresponsive.

The two reportedly got into a fight at an apartment in the 1500 block of 8th Street and according to reports Sneed was knocked down and "did not get

Sneed was airlifted to Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo, where he died at around 1 p.m. Quarles was arrested at the scene and initially charged with aggravated assault. He was later arraigned and charged with murder. His bond was initially set at \$500,000.

Quarles was indicted Dec. 2, 2015 and his bond was lowered \$150,000.

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS

Breakfast

Friday Blueberry muffin or bagel or cereal, yogurt, applesauce, fruit juice, choice of milk.

Monday Biscuit sausage or cereal, pineapple, fruit juice, choice of milk, jelly gravy.

Tuesday Pancake on a stick or cereal mandarin oranges, fruit juice, choice of milk, syrup.

Wednesday Sausage kolache or pop tart, egg pop, mixed fruit, fruit juice, choice of milk.

Thursday Pancakes or cereal, bacon raisins, fruit juice, choice of milk, syrup.

Lunch

Friday Oven fried chicken or BBQ sandwich, oven fries, baked beans, salad/carrot sticks, dinner roll, grapes, choice of milk.

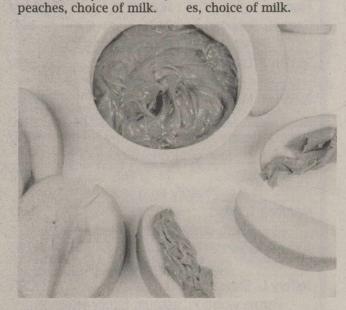
Monday

Chef salad or choice of pizza, corn, salad, carrot sticks, mixed fruit, choice of milk.

Tuesday Chef salad or taco or chalupa, rice, lettuce/ tomato, zesty cucumbers,

Wednesday Salad or meatball sub or cheese stix w/sauce, broccoli w/cheese, salad, carrot sticks, applesauce, choice of milk.

Thursday Salad or BBQ rib sandwich or chicken nuggets, okra, baked beans, salad, zesty cucumbers, orang-



COMMUNITY NEWS

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STAFF REPORT

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Women Infants and Children, (WIC) located at 706 Strong Ave. in Ballinger is

open from 7 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 6 p.m. Monday through Wednesday. WIC is closed every third and fourth Monday of each month. Phone 325-365-5925.

Wingate Masonic Lodge meetings

The Wingate Masonic Lodge 1042 A.F. & A.M., meets at 6:30 p.m. on the fourth Monday of the month, at the Wingate Masonic Lodge in Wilmeth. For further information contact Brandon Poehls at 325-786-2125.

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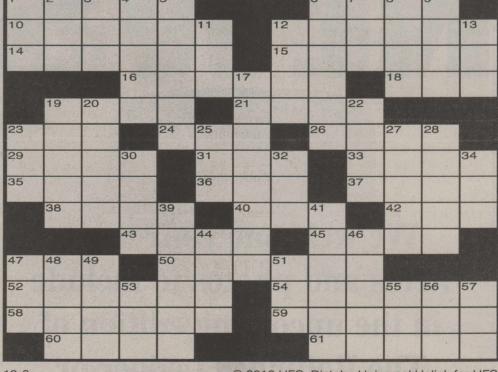
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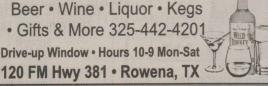
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Jesse J. Deeds	25	RCSO
Sale of alcohol to minor.		
John L. Helms	21	BPD
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Marshall T. Ward	44	WPD
Theft, possession of marijuana.		
Julian J. Gonzales	48	RCSO
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Jeffery L. Stewart	37	RCSO
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Jasmine M. Blackshe	ar 18	RCSO
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Sandra G. Van Zant

Central Texas Opportunities just received an extension from the Texas Veterans Commission to continue their services for another 6 months and received an additional \$150,000.00 to go with the extension. They were out of funds up until they received the extension so they will be able to continue serving Veterans again. This is the program that will help veterans pay one-time utilities, with no income stipulation. Just get the form from City Hall (or me). Fill out only the personal information, enclose a copy of your 214, driver's license, and the bill. If you need help, just come and see me. Thank you all for using this program, and keep using it so our veterans in this area will keep getting the services. What a wonderful program for us all. 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 325-365-3612.

— Sandra G. Van Zant, Veterans County Service Officer

Dogs missing, family devastated

BY CELINDA HAWKINS MANAGING EDITOR WINTERS ENTERPRISE

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BALLINGER - Three weeks ago Sunday, Nov. 19, two beloved dogs were reportedly snatched from the backyard of Suzann and Mike Riley and the couple is devastated.

The two dogs, Tanque, a 7-year old black Brindle French bull dog and Daisey Mae, a 3-year old Frenchton, have not been found.

Suzann said she sent the dogs outside in the backyard of their home at 209 North 7th St.on Sunday, Nov. 19.

"We went back out after about 20 minutes and they were gone," Suzann said.

Suzanne her husband and daughter searched for the two dogs for the next three hours with no success. When they went into the backyard, the couple found the back gate open.

Since then, Suzann and Mike friends and family have put flyers with pictures of Tanque and Daisey Mae all over town, throughout Runnels County and in San Angelo and Abilene.

"We've gotten some reports that kids have seen them," Suzann said Monday. "I also had a woman call from San Angelo to say she had seen them."

The Rileys filed a report with the Ballinger Police Department on the missing pure bred dogs which are valued at up to \$2,500 each.

Suzann said that Tanque is sick with heart worms and that she has been treating him every 15 days with medication.

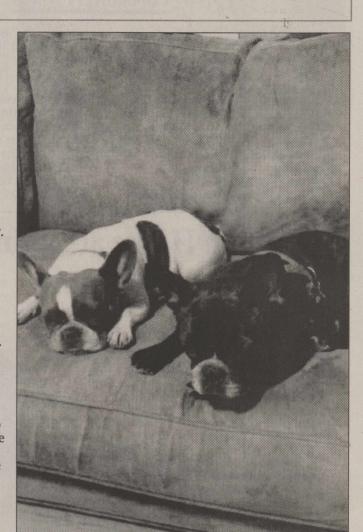
"We have been so lucky to

have had him this long - one reason we want him home is so he can be with us in he end," Suzann said.

The dogs are also listed

The dogs are also listed as missing at www.help-megethome.com.

If you see Tanque or Daisy Mae call the Riley's at 325-895-1991 or contact the Ballinger Police Department at 325-365-35911



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Two French bulldogs, Daisy Mae, 3, and Tanque, 7, have been missing from the home of Mike and Suzann Riley since Sunday Nov. 19.

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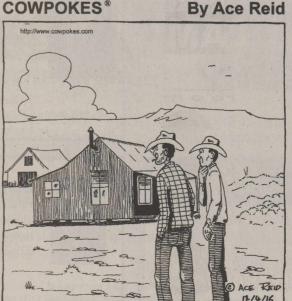
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THE IDLE AMERICAN

Rescue Dogs Roll the Dice...

I really don't know if old dogs can be taught new tricks. A more pertinent question is whether a couple of canines can--or choose--to remember old

Early on, they understood the "do-you-want-to-go" question warrants affirmative response. The query usually means trips to the store, bank or post office. The possibility of such trips offer numerous pleasantries, including treats and heads thrust through partially open windows for ready access to fresh air.

If they were kittens, they'd offer loudest purrs upon hearing comments that rescue dogs are smarter. Instead, they kick tail-wagging into high gear, indicating that all--or at least much--is well in their world....

Such trips are inter-

spersed with occasional other "go" offers that result in visits to the vet or the groomer.

Neither is a favorite destination.

On such occasions, they droop, as if betrayed. Thankfully, memories seem short. Soon, the "go" word again is regarded as a signal of auto rides to more favored places....

After experiencing a short ride in a "runaway car," however, they may re-think their stance on whether to remain eternal optimists concerning the appeal of bounding into the garage and hopping into the car.

I was an eye-witness to the accident, trying my best to jump back into my car, where gear shift-intended to have been left in "P"--was in the "N" position



TEXAS COLUMNIST

up pizza. They were Don stationed in the back-Newbury

seat, having learned recently that when the console lid is raised, they are forbidden to join me in the front seat....

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On the return trip home, I spotted our community's largest commercial building, an attractive new three-story structure under construction. It is topped by a clock tower that is

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Remembering my intent to write about the clock, I stopped at a grocery store parking lot across the street. (It should be noted that my parked vehicle was "pointed" toward Renfro Street, one of Burleson's busiest thoroughfares.)

I stood beside my car, bracing my arm on the open door while trying to figure out how to use my flip phone as a camera. I felt the door leaving me as the car oozed slowly forward, and I attempted to jump back in the car.....

I fell, wondering why I felt no pain as the rear wheel rolled over about a one-inch width of my size 12 foot.

I had a "worm's eye" view, sprawled on the parking lot, as my car rolled slowly across four lanes of traffic. It jumped the curb on the other side, soon coming to a stop by a security fence surrounding the new structure.

Embarrassed, I surveyed the scene quickly to see if there were witnesses. There were many. About 15 motorists in the four lanes somehow stopped to give my errant vehicle wide berth....

Seconds later, I jogged across the street, happy to see my dogs had remembered to stay in the backseat. I don't guess if I'll ever know if they were obedient, traumatized or realized that if they'd jumped forward, they'd have distanced themselves from the aroma of pizza in the trunk.

Upon re-parking at the grocery store, three motorists drove alongside to make sure I was okay.

Then, one of Burleson's finest arrived in a squad car. He offered to call an ambulance, but I "poo-pooed" such action. My foot didn't hurt, then or later. Before leaving the scene, I made a photograph—WITH MY FLIP PHONE--and without assistance.

The accident knocked my bumper off, and my sonin-law repaired it. Yes, the pizza was good, and no, I didn't file an insurance claim. The dogs still enjoy car rides, but now, only with my wife. If I invite them, they head for their beds, pulling the covers over their heads....

Dr. Newbury is a speaker in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex. Inquiries/comments to: newbury@speakerdoc.com. Phone: 817-447-3872. Website:www.speakerdoc.

Am I on the gift list?

I have been adding names to the list for several weeks. Whenever I found a quiet moment or a quiet place which can be hard to do sometimes, I would add someone special to the list. Once they were on the list I would start thinking about what they would enjoy or could use or needed. It brought a sense of joy and warmth to my heart when I thought of that person and the special gift I might give to them. I love the people on that list very much and they are extremely important to me. Not only do I think of that special gift I can get for them but I very much look forward to those moments we can spend together. I am also reminded of how much God loves us very much and how we are on His heart and mind. I do not think there is anything more precious than a special relationship we share with somebody. It can be with a wife, child, family member, friend or whoever. God wants to have that special relationship us. There is one problem - sin has separated us from God, (Romans 3:23). God provided a way for that fellowship to be restored or made anew, (Ephesians 2:4-10). He did it with a special gift that was sent just for us, (John 3:16). It was His very own Son Jesus Christ, (1 John 4:9&10). See you in church next Sunday.

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Christi Craddick elected chairman of the Railroad Commission of Texas

STAFF REPORT

AUSTIN - Commissioner Christi Craddick was unanimously elected Chairman of the Railroad Commission of Texas at Tuesday's Commission meeting. Following her election as Chairman, Craddick gave remarks on the agenda she will carry forward at the agency.

"We are in a pivotal time for enormous energy growth in the United States, and particularly in Texas," Craddick said. "Through innovative regulatory oversight, the Railroad Commission has been a thought leader for energy states in keeping the public and environment safe. I am honored to serve as Chairman as we continue to drive Texas and the nation forward during this important time for American energy development.

'My priorities for the agency continue to include our focus on maximizing efficiency throughout our processes and rules so that we are able to do our job better and at less expense to taxpayers and industry," Craddick said. "As part of that efficiency effort, our modernization of the Commission's IT programs and processes will bring more data online for public use, improve productivity and increase transparency across all divisions.

'Just after the New Year, I will launch a number of specific initiatives to help our overall efficiency goals," Craddick said.

Those initiatives will include: Meetings with Texas operators to outline a five-year plan that will allow us to better understand where the industry is headed technologically to ensure the agency

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CONTRIBUTED PHOTO Christi Craddick,(center), was elected Chairman of the Railroad Commission Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2016 by fellow Railroad

Sitton (right). employs best practices that keep pace with industry in-

Commissioners David Porter (left) and Commissioner Ryan

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The gift baskets are already being distributed and by Friday, a total of 30 baskets had been distributed. The gift baskets will be distributed through Wednesday, Dec. 21.

All of the work at Samaritan House is done by volunteers, who help by preparing food bags for clients, sort

clothing unload food trucks, stock shelves, take care of small maintenance projects.

The churches that participate in the Ministerial Alliance include First Baptist Church, United Methodist Church, St. John's Lutheran Church, Assembly of Good Church and Wingate Baptist Church. The Bluff Creek Cowboy Church also assists with deliveries.

For more information on Samaritan House or to volunteer or make a donation. call 325-977-2027.

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of the RCSO.

Squyres said law enforcement including RCSO units. Texas Parks and Wildlife and the Department of Public Safety assisted in the search and ultimately located the vehicle on County Road 201 east of Winters.

When law enforcement converged on the area, the suspect approached officers and as they attempted to block the roadway, Jonas reportedly rammed the RCSO unit causing significant damage.

"Several shots were fired into the suspect vehicle at this point," Squyres reported.

Jonas reportedly continued to ram the vehicles colliding head on with the TPW

Even after shots were fired into the vehicle's tires, Jonas reportedly attempted to flee the scene.

Jonas reportedly resisted arrest for a short time but was ultimately apprehended.

There were two Air Soft pistols located inside of the pickup, according to

According to Sgt. Stan Maresch interim chief of the Ballinger Police Department, the pickup was allegedly stolen when the owner went inside Mueller Inc. to make a payment. Two witnesses recognized Jonas, who lived nearby and identified him as the one who took the pickup, Maresch said.

Maresch said the truck is likely to be a total loss due to the damage. The case remains under investigation.



RIGHT: Brooklyn Anderson crashes the board and rebounds the ball during the game with Paint Creek on Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2016.

LEFT: Justine Alvarado pictured with a lay up during the game against Paint Creek Tuesday, Nov. 29.



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McGuire indicated that Wyatt's cause of death was blunt force injuries to the head and neck. The preliminary results deemed the manner of death an accident.

According to Sgt. Stanley Maresch of the Ballinger Police Department, Strube was in the pick-up area in front of the store, when the vehicle in front of him stopped in the garden area to load some items. Strube reportedly put his vehicle in reverse to back up and go around the vehicle and when he did, he struck Wyatt, who was behind him.

Maresch said Kelly was talkative at the scene following the crash. She was transported via ambulance to Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo where she succumbed to her injuries on Monday, Sept. 19.

According Wyatt, Kelly fell into a coma about 15 minutes after arriving at Shannon and she never came out of it.

Wyatt said he and Kelly had only been married about two months at the time of her death. Wyatt said previously that his wife had suffered a "skull fracture, broken bones and many other injuries from the accident.'

County officials confirmed that Strube was at Walmart that day conducting business on behalf of the county, filling coolers for his road crew for the next day.

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rebounds and five steals. On Friday, the Lady Blizzards defeated the Early Lady Longhorns, 36-32. Early had defeated Seymour on Thursday. Aimee Green tied her own school record, as she made six 3-pointers enroute to 19 points. Karlee Busher pulled down seven rebounds, while Cha-Cha Lovelace shined on defense with five steals and had five points.

On Saturday, Winters pulled out a 35-34 overtime win over the Munday Mogulettes. Aimee Green had 13 points, while the Lady Blizzards outrebounded Munday 44-36, as K'Lee Lindley had eight rebounds, while Monique Carrillo and Karlee Busher had seven apiece. In the third place game

of the tournament, the Lady Blizzards fell to Abilene Wylie's JV, 35-25. Aimee Green had 11 points and four steals, while Karlee Busher hauled in nine rebounds. The Lady Blizzards have now surpassed last year's win total of seven and are currently 9-4 on the season. They hosted the Grape Creek Lady Eagles on Tuesday and will host the Eden Lady Bulldogs on Friday in their final two games before starting district play on December 16 at home against Forsan.

The JV Lady Blizzards competed in the Robert Lee Varsity Basketball Tournament and were defeated by Eden's, San Angelo Cornerstone's and Bronte's varsity teams. Freshmen Skylar Lee and Aliciea Reyna were mentioned by Lady Blizzards' JV coach Lyndsie Schur as having played well against very tough competition. The JV Lady Blizzards are now 6-3 on the

season and will play Grape Creek's JV on Tuesday, and then compete in the Grape Creek JV Tournament on Thursday and Saturday.

Last Monday, the JH Lady Breezes hosted Ozona's JH teams and split the games. The 7th grade Lady Breezes won and exciting overtime game, 22-18, against the 7th grade Lady Lions. Tori Campos had 11 points, while McKenzie Ventress had five. Cristina Aragon, Saleen Jalomo and Keeley Zachary all added two points. The 7th grade Lady Breezes are now 2-0. In the 8th grade game, the Lady Lions defeated the Lady Breezes, 20-12. Hailey Renfro had six points for the Lady Breezes, while Megan Tarr, Querstin Lara and Kailtyn Fuentes all had two. The Lady Breezes traveled to Eldorado on Monday to face the JH Lady Eagles.

Coach Valton Acree assisted with this reporte deso





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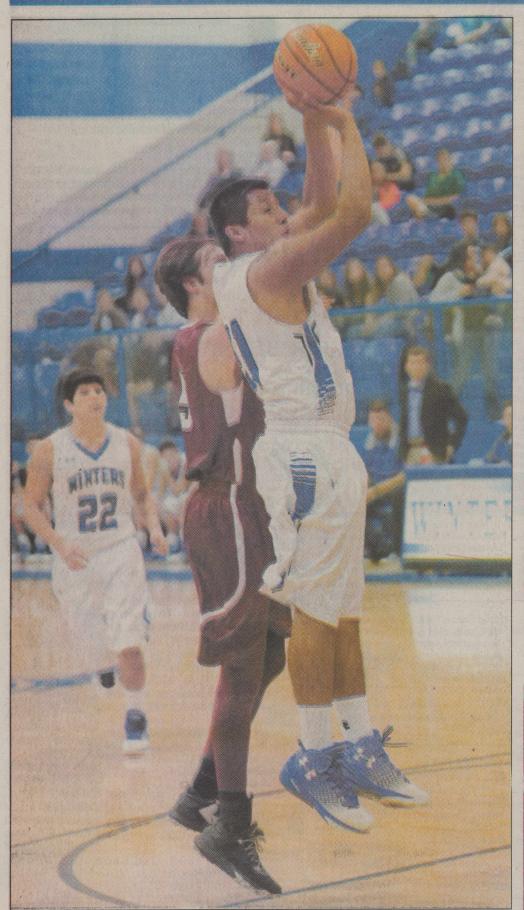
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ABOVE: Joey Garcia shoots between heavy defense from Paint Creek during the game Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2016. **LEFT:** Alonso Mendoza completes a short jump shot during the game with Paint Creek, Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2016. **BELOW:** Drey Patton goes for a lay up against Paint Creek during the game Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2016. The Blizzards won the con-



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level.

■ Input from staff involved in our day-to-day operations on potential ideas for cost saving and efficiency measures.

Eagle Ford Shale and West Texas, Permian Basin regions throughout the spring to meet with local leaders about the effect the downturn has had in their communities as we work to understand regulatory impacts on industry and resulting economics within

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those communities during this time.

"It is critical we focus on hiring high-quality staff and place an emphasis on work force recruitment, development, and retention," Craddick said. "Next year, we will enhance the development of our technical experts, including, cross training for inspections and permitting, updated training for oil and gas inspectors and succession planning within each agency division.

"As we begin the Legislative Session in January, we look forward to continued work with legislators to complete the agency's Sunset review," Craddick said. "We have also put a great deal of effort into our budget request for the upcoming biennium. We will make our case for necessary consistent revenue sources for the agency as well as immediate funding so that we are able to fully carry out the agency's important functions.

"Earlier this year, I was appointed to the National Petroleum Council, and I look forward to working with the new administration's Secretary of Energy on ways to protect states' regulatory authority of energy production for the benefit of local industry growth and state economies," Craddick said

