



*****CAR-RT LOT**R-002
 RANDALL CONNER
 216 CIRCLE DR
 WINTERS TX 79567-3504

Serving Winters and Runnels County

Volume 20, Issue 15

Thursday, March 4, 2010

Winters, Texas

75c

Johnson and Hilliard in runoff election

Nathan Johnson led the field with 547 votes in the Republican party race for Runnels County Judge. Johnson's 30.7 percent of the vote was below the 50 percent to declare him the winner.

The second place finisher was Barry Hilliard with 311 votes, 17.45 percent. The two will face off April 13 in a runoff election to determine who will be the party's candidate to face Democratic candidate Ray Anderson.

The remaining four candidates on the Republican party ballot were very close. Jan Knight Foster had 257 votes, Mark Baird 251, Elizabeth O'Connor 244 and Clay Bulcock had 172.

In the other contested races on the GOP ballot Runnels County voters in a very close vote chose Gov. Rick Perry with 757 votes over challenger Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison with 702 votes. Debra Medina came in third in the voting with 329

votes in the county.

Mike Conaway was the runaway choice in the race for united States Representative, District 11 garnering 82.7 percent of the votes over his two challengers, Chris Younts and Al Cowan.

David Porter was also the clear choice of county voters in the race for Railroad Commissioner. he led Victor Carillo 1,007 votes to 484.

In the race to repre-

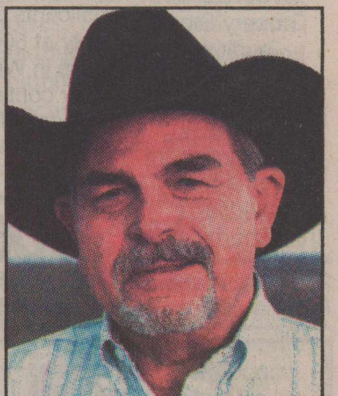
sent the Republican party on the ballot for Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3 Jeff Brown was the leader in the county with 254 votes, winning in a crowded field.

In the race for Member, State Board of Education, District 15 county voters favored Bob Craig over Randy rives, 765 votes to 473.

In another close race for the Republicans, Scott Field edged out Melissa Goodwin in the



Nathan Johnson



Barry Hilliard

county for Justice, 3rd Court of Appeals District, Place 4.

There were also five propositions on the Republican Party ballot. Number one would require photo identification in order to cast a ballot in an election.

Proposition two concerned controlling government growth. Proposition three, cutting Federal income Taxes. Proposition four public acknowledgment of God and proposition five requiring sonograms be shown to mothers before an abortion. All five propositions carried the county by large majorities.

Runnels County Democrats favored Bill White the former Mayor of

Houston with 70.99 percent of the ballots cast. In a close race they selected Ronnie Earle as the candidate for Lieutenant Governor with 39 percent of the votes.

The race to be the Democratic nominee for Commissioner of the General Land Office Bill Burton won the county Dems support with 70.97 percent of the vote and Hank Gilbert edged out Richard "Kinky" Friedman in the county as the choice for Commissioner of Agriculture on the Democratic ballot.

Locally, Louise Sumners, was selected to be on the Democratic ballot in Runnels County for Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 2.

Collums celebrate 60 years of marriage

By coincidence, Jessie and Alfred (Al) Collom met in Jessie's hometown, Winnfield, Louisiana, 450 miles east of Crews. They met in June, 1949, and were married in the Winnfield Methodist Church on March 4, 1950. They were both busy people and dated very little, sometimes in Winnfield, or Dallas, or Shreveport, but they each knew who they wanted to marry. But for 60 years?

Al was a student at S.M.U. in Dallas and needed some money so he could finish his final semester of college. He graduated from college in February, 1950, and was single for one month.

Jessie had graduated from Louisiana Tech in January, 1947, a few months after Al was discharged from the Navy. She was living with her parents and teaching school when she and Al met.

Their first home was in Dallas, "way off over there in Texas"...no job, no money, no problem. They knew how to "make do". They were both depression babies, born in 1926, and knew instinctively that hard work would result in success. Their sons, Keith and Larry were both both in Dallas.

On Larry's second birthday, the Collom family moved to Friendswood, Texas, near NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston. Both Jessie and Al were beginning lifetime careers at NASA. Almost everyone they knew was exceptionally bright, well educated and young, and either worked for NASA or a NASA Contractor.

Jessie and Al lived in Friendswood for the next 25 years, almost half of their married life. Both of their boys graduated from Friendswood High School.

Both Keith and Larry moved to our land in Runnels and Coleman counties as soon as they could after finishing their educations, and Jessie and Al moved there too, as soon as they could after retiring from NASA. They lived in the country for 17 years before moving to Winters. Their family lives within 10 or 15 minutes of each other, including their only living grandchild, Amanda, who is the Winters Director of the Chamber of Commerce.

Their extended family, the families of Bobbie and Karen, do not live close by, but they are some of our closest friends. Courtney's daughter, Taytem, lives in Sterling City, so we get to see her often, along with Amanda's two children, Blake and Bailey.

They have lived in Winters for four years, but the Collom family has owned Runnels County land continuously since 1918. Jessie is the only transplanted Texan, but she has more friends than anyone.

Jessie and Al had 9 siblings, one is still alive. Jessie's sister Bess, who celebrated her 100th birthday last August. Bess thinks Jessie and Al are 84 year old youngsters.



Jessie and Alfred Collom exchanged wedding vows on March 4, 1950 at the Winnfield Methodist Church in Dallas.



Jessie and Alfred celebrate their 60th anniversary in Winters, Texas.

Former Resident Wins Award

by Ouida Nichols
 The book, The Last Gifts, written by Jillian Matthews Brasch, has won two prestigious awards. In the health division, her book received the New Mexico Book Award. The book tied for first as the "Best of Show".

Her book tells creative ways to be with the dying. It is rich with insight and the satisfaction of small triumphs. The Story of her growing up reveals the quality of her spirit, and her creativity shines out of every description of her work. Ms. Brasch gently guides us through the process of living with those who face the challenges of limited life and certain death. She reassures us that even as the process of death and loss may be painful and uncertain, there is also the promise of joy and ultimate accomplishment.

Ms. Brasch is a registered occupational thera-

pist who has been in practice since 1978. She has provided direct care to hospice patients, co-lead an art class for AIDS patients and led bereavement support groups. She has an extensive background in psychiatry, rehabilitation and biofeedback and has published professional articles in Occupational Therapy Forum and Elder Care In Occupational Therapy. She has lectured at state and national conferences on occupational therapy in hospice care.

Ms. Brasch grew up in Winters and graduated from Winters High School in 1971. She was active in all school activities and was a drum major in the band. Her parents were the late Vera and Buck Matthews. She lives in Santa Fe, N.M. She presented a copy of her book to the Winters Public Library.



The Winters High School baseball team won the Blizzards baseball tournament Friday, Feb. 26.

Meals on Wheels

Runnels County Meals on Wheels and the Winters Activity Center received gifts and donations.

Contributions received as memorials include:

- In memory of Calvin Hoppe by Maurine David, Cindy Brown.
- In memory of Coy McNeill by Lois Leverington, Larry and Bobbie Calcote, Daniel and Sherry Calcote, Bill and Joyce Suggs.
- In memory of Charles Wearden by Daniel and Sherry Calcote.
- In memory of Ollie Webb by Charlie Michael, Ronnie and Gail Rogers, Terri and John Benze.
- In memory of Mimi (Bedford) Hill by Class of 1957.
- In memory of Earl Head by Bill and Joyce Suggs.
- In memory of Bob Webb by Bill and Joyce Suggs.
- In memory of Norma Sudduth by Barbara and Pete Gray.

We would like to thank the 24 businesses and individuals that donated such wonderful Bingo gifts. The Seniors had such a "Fun Special Christmas Party". Thank you Billie Helm and Marianne Ray for collecting 60 gifts. We appreciate your hard work ladies.

We are truly grateful for the monetary and food donations from Nina Hale, Martha Hale, Jerry McCabe, Rich and Beth Hamilton, Therin and Nila Osborne, Melvin and Marvin Gerhart, Pat Bishop, Frances Hall, Karen and Wesley McGallion, Stephine and Simon Comacho, Neomia Owens, Theresa Torres, Barbara Everett, Betty Pinkerton, Terri & John Benze, Canasta and Bunko Ladies, Marie Allen and daughter, Soon Lee, Judy Klatt, Arlene Boles, Juanita and Freddie Bredemeyer, Jerry Lloyd, Marcie Webb, Betty Gray, Selkirk, Maggie Patton, Doug O'Connor, Johnny and Deb Pritchard, Senior Class of 2010.

The City of Winters welcomes tourists
 Visit our lake park and in-town RV park.
 Call 723-2081 or 754-4424 for information.

Got News?
 Visit Linda at the Lonestar Video,
 Send by mail to P.O. Box 34,
 Email to: news@wintersenterprise.com,
 or call: 325-754-4958
 The Winters Enterprise

Chamber Banquet
 Saturday Night
 6:00 p.m.
 Winters H.S. Cafeteria
 Dallas Houston - speaker

RUNNELS COUNTY CLASSIFIEDS

200 Employment

230 Employment Wanted

WORK WANTED
Fence builder, heavy equipment operator, 35 years experience, will travel. Call (325)338-0371

240 Help Wanted Part Time

EVALUATORS WANTED for Grocery Store audit in Winters, TX. Apply online at <http://www.trendsource.com> then e-mail hsandifer@trendsource.com

245 Help Wanted Full Time

FULL-TIME part's counter sales positions. Must have valid Texas drivers licence and complete a drug test. Ballinger Auto Parts
200 N Broadway, 325-365-2588

SENIOR CITIZENS NURSING HOME is seeking an LVN for 2pm - 10pm 10pm - 6am shift. Competitive salary. Qualified applicants please apply at 506 Van Ness in Winters or contact Shanda O'Neil at 325-754-4560. EOE

400 Business & Services

455 Cleaning Services
HAUL OFF old vehicles - FREE. Title or Not (325)212-9503

500 Merchandise

570 Items For Sale
USED RAIL Road ties for sale call 817-822-8266

TWO BURIAL Plots for Sale Garden of Memories section 10 space (plot 16,17). They are in the front of cemetery not many in the front section. Will sell for \$1,000 for both plots. Contact 409-745-4717 or 409-313-0266

700 Real Estate

720 Lake Property
300 ACRES @ Lake Ivey. \$1500/ac w/ 10% down. Owner finance. 325-656-2324

MUST SELL Steel Buildings from 2009 Inventory Cancellations, one is 30x42, will sell for balance owed. Freight paid to Texas. Call (800)552-8504

730 Homes For Sale

FOR SALE BY OWNER 3bedroom 2 bath brick home all new inside \$82,000 call 325-977-0000

595 Wanted to Buy
WANTED TO BUY: Muenster, Texas Family looking to buy 400-800 acres. At least one-half wooded. Call Stick @ (214)288-2211

740 Mobile Home For Sale

ASSUME NOTE; OWNER IN JAIL; MAKE UP 2 PAYMENTS AND MOVE IN! (210) 673-9025 (800) 934-9644 RBI 03190

HOUSE FOR SALE Fixer-upper big house, big lot. Good location, close to school and IGA store. Call (325)754-5637

ROWENA - 608 Bennie St. 4BR 2BA, corner lot, detached garage. (325)718-9233 or (325)718-8062

MOBILE HOME FOR SALE Fixer-upper mobile home, big lot. Good location, close to school and IGA store. Call (325)754-5637

SPECIAL GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS; ZERO DOWN IF YOU OR FAMILY OWNS LAND; APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED OVER THE PHONE (210) 673-9025 (800) 934-9644 RBI 03190

MOBILE HOME FOR SALE Fixer-upper mobile home, big lot. Good location, close to school and IGA store. Call (325)754-5637

GLENDA MCNEILL, c/o Kenneth Slimp, Box 157, Winters, TX 79567.
Independent Executrix of the Estate of COY FORREST MCNEILL, Deceased, Cause No. 6693, County of Runnels, Texas

800 Rentals
810 Apartments For Rent

APARTMENTS FOR RENT Low-Rent Public Housing available. Please apply in person at the Ballinger Housing Authority 1401 N. 13th St., Ballinger, Tx Tel 365-2629

Gatewood Heritage and Winters Apts. No pets. 1500 N. 6th St., Ballinger
Susie Leady, Mgr. (325)365-9131
Winters Apts. 100 N. Grant

900 Legal Notices

NO. 6693 NOTICE TO CREDITORS NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF COY FORREST MCNEILL

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of COY FORREST MCNEILL were issued to the undersigned on the 18th day of February 2010, in the proceeding indicated below, which is still pending, and that I now hold such letters. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present the same within the time prescribed by law. Please forward all claims to

GLENDA MCNEILL, c/o Kenneth Slimp, Box 157, Winters, TX 79567.

GLENDA MCNEILL, L.
Independent Executrix of the Estate of COY FORREST MCNEILL, Deceased, Cause No. 6693, County of Runnels, Texas

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Sealed Proposals addressed to Marilyn Egan, County Judge of Runnels County

ty, Texas will be received at the Commissioners Court Room at 613 Hutchings Avenue, Room 103, Ballinger Texas until 10:00 a.m. March 15th, 2010.

You may bid on one or two or all of the following items:
Emulsified Asphalt, per gallon, (CRS-z) and (CRS-2H) at the plant and delivered to Runnels County. Delivered price is for full truck load quantities and will not include pump or demurrage. CRS-2 and CRS-2H asphalt must be at 170 to 187 degrees. Specify no amount of gallons. Bid on asphalt to be effective until December 31, 2010. Delivery of Emulsified Asphalt must meet State specifications. Topping rock 9Type A (#2, #3, #4, #5) per cubic yard (NOT BY THE TON), F.O.B. At the plant and F.O.B per loaded mile. Topping rock to be delivered with 15 days of notification. The County reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and to waive any or all formalities. The County also reserves the right to extend this bid for one year, if the vendor awarded this bid both agree. No fax bids will be accepted. By Order of Commissioners Court February 16, 2010. Cindy Notgrass, Runnels County Auditor

By Order of Commissioners Court February 16, 2010. Cindy Notgrass, Runnels County Auditor

UNWANTED ITEMS?
Sell them in the RUNNELS COUNTY CLASSIFIEDS
Call 1-800-283-0998

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Sealed Proposals addressed to Marilyn Egan, County Judge of Runnels County

UNWANTED ITEMS?
Sell them in the RUNNELS COUNTY CLASSIFIEDS
Call 1-800-283-0998

Cottonwood Real Estate
Mary Slimp, Broker
476 PR 2001, Winters, TX 79567 668-9987

Call for Listings
Monnie Davis, agent 754-5628
cottonwood-realty.com mobile 365-6404

422 Tinkle, Winters 2 BR/1 BA, metal roof, large living area, carport with storage, small yard.

114 W. Spill, Winters, Texas - 2 bed/1 bath hardwood floors, custom cabinets, utility room, office. Fenced yard with 2 storage rooms, 1 car carport
514 E. Tinkle, Winters, Texas - 3 bdrm/2 bath, brick, two car carport, large kitchen with island cook top, living room and large den.
Commercial Property, Winters, Texas - Former lumberyard with main store, shops, fenced yards, lumber racks on Main Street
1300 N. 8th, Ballinger - Corner lot, quality built, 2 bdrm/1 bath, new roof, fresh paint
611 E. Tinkle, Winters, Texas - 2 bdrm, 1 updated bath, screened in porch, upstairs apartment, central h/a, metal roof, two car garage, carport.
REDUCED! 309-4th Street, Wingate - Remodeled 3 bdrm/1 and 1/2 bath, pecan trees, two fenced yards, garage, two car carport, rural and well water.

200 E. Pierce, Winters - 4 bdrms, 2 large living areas, galley kitchen with new appliances, garage, carport, storage, central h/a
LOT FOR SALE: on Freddie Lane, good neighborhood, 112' x 140', build to your specifications.
107 Laurel Dr., Winters, Texas - Looking for Your First Home? Then start here in this 2 bedroom, 1 bath home. This home features central heat and air, one car carport in great neighborhood. Little TLC will go a long way on this property. Priced at only \$15,500.00 you could have the joy of owning a home. Call Mary at 325-754-4081.
407 S. Arlington, Winters, Texas - 2 bdrm/1 bath, fenced yard, patio and cellar
422 Tinkle, Winters - 2 bed/1 bath, metal roof, large living area, carport with storage, small yard.

FOUR STAR TITLE CO.
SERVING RUNNELS & SURROUNDING COUNTIES
Title Insurance - Abstracts Escrow Property Closings
Owned and Operated by:
Saam Geistmann, CLA saam@fourstartitle.com
Jill Davis jill@fourstartitle.com
801 Hutchings Ave. Ballinger, TX 76821
1116 S. Main, P.O. Box 456 Winters, TX 79567
www.fourstartitle.com

The Winters Enterprise
325-754-4958 • Since 1905
FAX 325-365-5389
Publication No. 040700
One year mail subscription Rates:
Runnels County.....\$21
Elsewhere in Texas.....\$31
Outside of Texas.....\$41
Postmaster:
Send address changes to:
The Winters Enterprise
200 Tinkle
Winters, Texas 76801
Periodical postage paid at Winters, Texas

Are you at least 16 years of age and still struggling with dyslexia?

If so, would you like to participate in a study of the Reading from Scratch program? This is a program that is supposed to retrain the brain to help those with dyslexia read better.

If you would like to become a participant in this study, please call Donna Moore at 325-754-5140.

The number of participants is limited to 6. If your child is currently a student of Mrs. Moore's at Winters High School, your child is not eligible to participate in this study.

MIDWEST PHYSICAL THERAPY
Fred Garcia, PT
120 S. Main Street • Winters, TX 79567
(325) 754-4381

NRH Clinic FAMILY PRACTICE
7771 East Highway 153 - Winters, TX 76567
(325) 754-1317
Clinic Hours: Monday-Friday
8 am - 12 noon & 1:30 - 5 pm
All Age Groups Accepted
Medicare, Medicaid and CHIPS Accepted
Texas Health Steps & Immunizations
Most major medical insurance
We accept appointments and walk-ins
Please call (325) 754-1317 for an appointment
Dr. Sarah Endicott, M.D.
Judy Zuspahn, PA-C

Health Notes

At North Runnels Home Health our focus is providing the best care possible for patients and helping them care for themselves. We believe the more our patients know, the better care they receive.

Strategies for Coping with Panic and Stress

CONFRONT YOUR PANIC—Seek information about it
Thinking
• What messages do I say to myself as I get panicky?
• Am I exaggerating ("always," "never," etc.)?
• Am I expecting a high probability of an outcome of dire consequences?
• Am I oversimplifying (if A happens, then B must follow)?
• What payoff do I get from panic (avoidance of aversive responsibilities or failure, feared situation, attention from others)?
Feeling
• How do I feel before, during, and after panic?
• How do I know/label those feelings?
Behavior
• What situations set off the panic?
• Do my breathing, heartbeat, muscle tension, or body movements change?
• What actions are different (do I cry, sweat, hide, yell, shiver, etc.)?
Face it
• Seek and accept treatment (learn panic reduction and stress management skills).
• Take an active role in your own care.
• Build a reservoir of coping strategies (meditate on positive or pleasant images, develop symbols of being in control to modify fears, learn hypnosis, use diversion, listen to relaxation tapes).
AVOID YOUR PANIC
• Distance yourself from the panic and stress in your imagination (think about something long ago, far away, or in the future).
• Distance yourself via external distraction (initiate pleasant activity immediately, call someone, exercise, meet someone else's need).
• Distance yourself via internal cognition (deny, joke, intellectualize).
• Avoid situations that trigger the panic.
• Avoid excessive use of stimulants and caffeine, skipping meals, and excessive fatigue.
TURN TO OTHERS
• Share your feelings and fears.
• Seek support from your family, friends, or therapist.
• Pray.

Brought to you as a service of
North Runnels Home Health Agency
106 N. Main, Winters, Texas 79567 • (325) 754-4141
Provided as a service of North Runnels Hospital District

West Texas Centers for MHMR
Quality Service for Quality Life
Case Manager for Mental Health: Assists individuals in gaining access to medical, social, vocational and educational services. Requires Bachelors degree in Social Work field or Bachelors degree with a minimum of 24 hours in psychology, sociology or other human service hours. Base salary \$14.71-\$15.72 per hour (\$30,588.00-\$32,700.00 annually) DOE, plus excellent benefit package. Four day work week is possible. Flexible schedule offered. Crisis on-call rotation required. Applicants must live within 70-mile radius of duty site. Applications available at www.wtcmhmr.org or by calling JOBLINE 800-687-2769. EOE.

Duane Dobbins
Owner
350 CR 411
Talpa, TX 78882-9608
Dobbins Home Repair & Welding
Welding and Welding Services
325-636-4316
325-636-7338 cell

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP
The monthly meeting of the Alzheimer's support group will be held on Thursday, March 11, 2010, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at Runnels County Rehab & Nursing Center, 1800 N. Broadway, Ballinger, Texas. The guest speaker will be Jeff Dohrse LMSW
Nutrition and Alzheimer's
Followed by a group discussion. Refreshments provided.
(AN ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION SANCTIONED SUPPORT GROUP)

Phone: 325-754-1108 Fax: 325-754-4399
DLC REALTY
Contact us to market & sell your property today!
Single family & commercial at website below.
FEATURED LISTING
483 Acres - Runnels County Hunting Ranch. Every so often we have the pleasure to represent a property that has everything that most customers are looking for; you might say the "Total Package", this property is it. Property includes, in part, the following: all weather road frontage, 3/2 home/hunting lodge, good roads, ponds, small lake, large tree cover (including live-oak, mesquite, and cedar, food-plot, creek, elevation changes, water well, windmill, blinds (5), feeders (4), and some of the best bird and big game hunting in the area. Centrally located between Abilene and San Angelo. Only \$1200/acre. (\$579,600). Contact Bryan Davis at 325-754-1108 email: bryan@davislandandcattle.com.
CURRENT PROPERTY AVAILIBILITIES AT:
www.davislandandcattle.com
Owner/Broker: Bryan Davis
1116 S. Main Winters, TX 79567

SECURITY FINANCE
has openings for
ASSISTANT MANAGER/COLLECTOR
Do you have customer service and collection experience?
If so we want to talk with you about joining our team.
STARTING PAY UP TO 10/HR - BASED ON EXPERIENCE
APPLY CONFIDENTIALLY
In Person At:
Security Finance 756
117 West St.
Coleman, TX 76834
EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

CERTIFIED NURSE AIDE SCHOOL
offered by
RUNNELS COUNTY REHAB. & NURSING CTR.
1800 North Broadway, Ballinger, Texas
ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE PRE-APPROVED.
Classes start in near future.
For more information call
Sandra Clack R.N.
(325) 365-2538

KRAATZ PLUMBING
Serving the Winters Area for Over 50 Years
...Repairs
...Remodeling
...New Construction
TRY US. WE'LL BOTH BE GLAD YOU DID!
Denny Heathcott, owner
TX Master Lic#M-12351
754-4816 office 754-5610 home

WHAT IS YOUR 5th or 6th grader DOING AFTERSCHOOL?

Coming in January—Space Limited!
Guitars lessons Create your own Video Games
Art Lessons Beginner Auto Mechanics
YHQ Activities begin January 25th!!
Activities are **FREE** to students
Call Rosa @ 754-3013 or Visit her at the Community Center after 3pm
Parents! We have the answer!
Sign your up your 5th or 6th grader in YHQ TODAY!

RETIREMENT MAY BE FAR OFF, BUT THE APRIL 15 DEADLINE FOR IRA CONTRIBUTIONS ISN'T.
To learn more about the advantages of an Edward Jones IRA, call or visit today.
www.edwardjones.com Member SIPC
Larry M Gilbert
Financial Advisor
122 N 8th St
Ballinger, TX 76821
325-365-2505
Edward Jones
MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING

RUNNELS COUNTY ROUND-UP



Line dancers entertaining the residents at Runnels County Rehab and Nursing. Photo contributed

New tractor supply company store open March 6 in Ballinger

Retailer creates 16 new jobs for community

BRENTWOOD, Tenn. (Feb. 26, 2010) The new Tractor Supply Company store in Ballinger, Texas will open for business Saturday, March 6, at 8 a.m., according to Store Manager Matt Gleason.

Were excited about opening our doors and welcoming customers, said Gleason. Were ready to serve our neighbors in Ballinger and the surrounding communities.

Tractor Supply Company is the largest retail farm and ranch supply store chain in the United States and has been operating in Texas since 1950.

The new Ballinger Tractor Supply Company store is at 2021 Hutchins Ave. and has 18,800 square feet, including a sales floor and support service space. A fenced exterior



space offers a display area for items such as fencing, sprayers and livestock equipment. The store currently employs 16 full- and part-time employees.

A grand opening is planned for mid-March.

Tractor Supply Company, listed on the NASDAQ Stock Exchange as TSCO, operates more than 900 stores in 44 states. Tractor Supply Company stores are focused on supplying the lifestyle needs of recreational farmers and ranchers. The company also serves the maintenance needs of those who enjoy the rural lifestyle, as well as tradesmen and small busi-

nesses. Tractor Supply Company stores are located in the outlying towns in major metropolitan markets and in rural communities. The company offers a comprehensive selection of merchandise for the health, care, growth and containment of horses, livestock and pets including select Purina and Nutrena brand feeds; a broad selection of agricultural products; and tools and hardware selected for our customers needs. In addition, the company sells light truck equipment, work clothing for the entire family, and an extensive line of seasonal products including lawn and garden power equipment products. For more information on Tractor Supply, access the website at www.TractorSupply.com.

Crime Stoppers

The Runnels County Sheriff's Office and the Office of Postal Inspector request your help.

We have been having a problem with rural mailbox vandalism. This may seem like a game to someone but not to the victims who have to replace or rebuild their mailboxes. This act of vandalism is a serious federal and or state offense. If anyone has any informa-

tion about who may be responsible for these criminal acts, please contact your local law enforcement agency or the Federal Postal Inspectors Office. You do not have to give your name when calling. A reward is offered for information that leads to the arrest and conviction of the person(s) responsible.

Respectfully,
Deputy Steven Gray

Commissioners Court special meeting

March 3, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.

AGENDA

Pursuant to government code section 551.041,vtcs, as amended notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the Commissioners Court of Runnels County, Texas will be held in the Commissioners Courtroom at the Courthouse, 613 Hutchings Avenue, Ballinger, Texas.

Items for discussion and action:

- 1.call to order.
- 2.consider adopting a resolution approving the submission of a grant application for the safety and computer initiative to the office of the governor, criminal justice division; and designating sheriff william baird as the grantees authorized official and take action.

Historical Commission

Runnels County Historical Commission will meet at Casa Cabana Restaurant in Winters, at 11 a.m. on Saturday March 6. All meetings are open to the public.

Texas Groundwater conference set for April 17

SAN ANGELO — Groundwater Management Area 7 will conduct The Texas Groundwater-Your Future Conference beginning at 8:45 a.m. April 17 in the Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center auditorium at San Angelo.

The center is located north on U.S. Highway 87. The meeting is free and open to the public. A noon meal will be served.

"The one issue we'll address that will have an effect on all the people within the area beginning Sept. 1 is the legislative mandate requiring every state groundwater management area to establish goals for the pumping of groundwater," said Allan Lange, Lipan-Kickapoo Water Conservation District general manager.

"By law, the groundwater conservation districts within Area 7 are required to establish the 'desired future condi-

tions' of the aquifers within the area by the Sept. 1 deadline," Lange said. "Currently, that means that the district must set goals for the condition of each aquifer at the end of a 50 year period."

The law requires the groundwater districts to establish 'desired future conditions' for all aquifers within their management area, including those areas not located within a groundwater district, Lange said. Once the recommended conditions are approved, they are submitted to the Texas Water Development Board. The board then notifies each district concerning the amount of groundwater that can be permitted for pumping to meet the 50-year goal. The implemented plans must then be reviewed and updated every five years.

Groundwater Management Area 7 covers 32 West Texas counties and includes 20 groundwater conservation

districts.

Program speakers will include: Dr. Bill Hutchinson, director of groundwater resources for the Texas Water Development Board, Greg Ellis, attorney and executive director of the Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts, Dr. Archie Ruiz, West Texas Weather Modification Assoc. consultant, and former State Representative Bob Turner.

Presentations will include talks on water issues, policy, law, legislation, geology, water quality, weather, riparian areas and brush control.

"By hosting the conference, the groundwater districts hope to give the general public the opportunity to better understand the water issues we're facing now and in the future," Lange said.

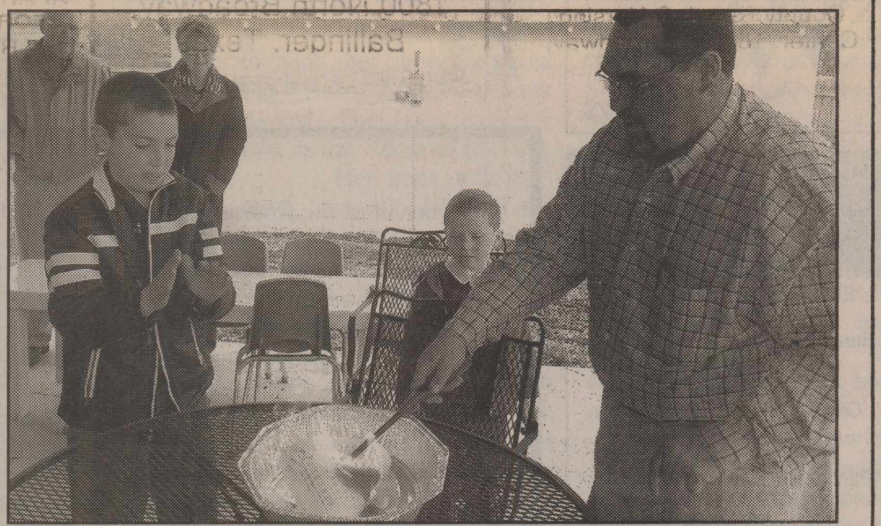
For more information contact Lange at 325-469-3988 or e-mail him at lkwd@centex.net.

Runnels County Jail Log

Jail log for March 4, 2010

- Millican, Bobby D, 56, DPS DWI 3rd or more, with open container
- Thomas,Derek D 38 DPS Coke County DWI (misd B)
- Odom, Edward J, 41, RCSO Criminal Trespassing
- Burson,Wyman C, 19, WPD Fines Municipal courthouse
- Cook, Amanda K, 48, RCSO Burg Habitation
- Gamache, Trevor A, 23, WPD Poss. Drug Paraphenalia
- Soto, Anthony, 21, BPD Nolan CNTY Warrant

Elder Scott Flanagan of Grace Fellowship Church burns the bank note indicating the debt has been paid for the Church and adjoining Grace House. Grace Fellowship has been greatly blessed by faithful giving and was able to pay the debt off in half the time the note was made for. Grace Fellowship Church is a non-denominational family-integrated church located at 609 North 9th Street. Services are held on Sunday mornings beginning at 10:30 AM.



COMMUNITY BOARD

KAY GULLY INSURANCE AGENCY



AUTO • HOME • LIFE • FARM/RANCH
506 FM 2887 • Ballinger, TX 76821
(325) 365-4815

LYNN SMITH

Offering Complete Electrical Service for Home & Office.

365-2353 Days
365-3088 Evenings
T.E.C.L. #18298

HICE REAL ESTATE, HRE

Wants the opportunity to market your property

"Hice Real Estate will take care of you!"

Frances Hice, Broker/Realtor 365-3814
Franceshice@aol.com www.hicerealestate.com

HICE INSURANCE - Mike Hice, P&C, Health Broker, and Real Estate Broker

KEEL DRUG STORE

706 HUTCHINGS AVE.
BALLINGER, TEXAS 76821

325-365-3505

Hoelscher Liquor



120 FM Hwy 381
Rowena, Texas 76875

(325)442-4201

Runnel County Ag-Mart & Pest Control

Exterminating • Tree Spraying • Tree Fertilizing • Yard & Garden

David Switzer

Commercial Pest Control Applicator

(325) 365-2618

105 N. 10th
Ballinger, TX 76821

NEW NUMBERS • NEW NUMBERS

325-939-0280

Toll Free 888-772-2571



Call us today to schedule your FREE PC Check!

Jim's Computer Service
325-939-0280 Toll Free 888-772-2571

"Gentle Dental Care"

Max Teja, D.D.S.

Family & Cosmetic Dentistry

Swann Medical Bldg. • 604 Ave. B • Ballinger, TX

325-365-2583

NO PAYMENT UNTIL ALL WORK IS SATISFACTORILY COMPLETE

HOUSE LEVELING & FOUNDATION REPAIR

DAVID LEE & CO.

325-659-8844

325-675-6369

1-888-486-8588

West Texas Gas, Inc.

Wholesale & Retail Complete LP Gas Service
Campers • Bottles Filled • Diesel/Gas
All Major Brands of Lubricants

Hwy. 67 S. • Ballinger
325-365-2625

R.A. BAGWELL OIL CO., INC.

13TH & STRONG AVE. • BALLINGER, TX

365-2231

Alex Kvapil

Ken Kvapil

&
TRAVEL WITH CLASS

Mary Etta Kvapil
365-3357

Christy Kvapil
365-5943



Terry's Watch & Jewelry Repair

Custom Design Jewelry • Diamonds & Gemstones
Gold & Silver Jewelry • Watches
Repairs on Jewelry, Watches & Clocks

Terry Sneed
325-754-4758

402 E. Pierce St.
Winters, Texas 79567

Wingate Gin Corp.
 Here's to a great & fun season!
743-6453

From the gang at **BEST FRIED CHICKEN**
 710 N. Main • 754-5444
 Go, Blizzards!
 10:30 AM-9 PM Mon & Wed-Sat
 10:30 AM-2 PM Sun

GO BLIZZARDS!

Wal-Mart
 of Ballinger
 2305 Hwy 67 West • 365-5731

The **Winters Enterprise**
 Your ticket to complete coverage of all Blizzard games and WISD academic, athletic, and extracurricular activities

Winters City Manager says
"Run 'em over Blizzards!"
"May the Best Team Win!"
 Aref Hassan, Ph.D., CMC, LPI

SECURITY STATE BANK
 Working together means winning together!
 Box 156 • Winters 79567 • 754-4505
 Box 460 • Buffalo Gap 79508 • 573-3316

Go Big Blue!
 The Staff & Employees of the **City of Winters**

CAFETERIA MENU
 March 8-12
 Subject to change*

ELEMENTARY BREAKFAST
 Monday
 Breakfast Pocket, Juice, Choice of Milk.
 Tuesday
 Cereal, Cinnamon Toast, Juice, Choice of Milk.
 Wednesday
 Pancake w/Ham, Juice, Choice of Milk.
 Thursday
 Biscuit, Sausage, Juice, Choice of Milk.
 Friday
 Breakfast Burrito, Juice, Choice of Milk.
JUNIOR AND HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST MENU
 Monday
 Scrambled Eggs or Breakfast Pocket or Muffin w/Ham, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.
 Tuesday
 Cereal or Cereal Bar or Oatmeal or Breakfast Burrito, Cinnamon Toast, Juice, Choice of Milk.
 Wednesday
 Pancake w/Ham or Breakfast Pizza or Yogurt w/Ham, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.
 Thursday
 Biscuit w/Gravy Sausage or Cereal or Cereal Bar, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.
 Friday
 Breakfast Burrito or Cinnamon Roll w/Ham or Cereal Bar, Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Choice of Milk.
WINTERS ISD LUNCH MENU
 Note: Menus are subject to change without notice. Students may purchase extras: Entrees for \$1.00, Milk for .30, Sides for .50.
Monday
 Chicken Sticks w/Gravy or Meatball Sub, Mac & Cheese, Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Apple Wedges, Sugar Cookie, Hot Roll, Choice of Milk.
Tuesday
 Lasagna or Grilled Chicken w/Bun, Baked Potatoes, Cookie Carrots, Tossed Salad, Orange Wedges, Jell-O, Hot Roll, Choice of Milk.
Wednesday
 Frito Pie or Chicken Fajitas, Spanish Rice, Pinto Beans, Coleslaw, Fruit Salad, Cornbread, Bread Pudding, Choice of Milk.
Thursday
 Turkey/Dressing/Gravy or Steak Fingers, Broccoli w/Cheese, Mashed Potatoes, Carrot Sticks, Rosy Applesauce, Pudding, Hot Roll, Choice of Milk.
Friday
 Cheese Burgers or Fish, Oven Fries, Corn, Lettuce/Tomato, Peaches, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Hot Roll, Choice of Milk.

Highlights, Haircut, Style, & Wax
 an \$80 Value
Only \$65

Mens & Boys Haircuts
Only \$10

Monday thru Saturday
 Call or Come In
Lindsey's Beautique
 709 Strong Ave. 325-365-5279 Lindsey or Susie

Proudly brought to you by
Bedford-Norman Insurance Agency
 111 W. Dale • Winters
 754-4515

George Mostad

Literary Club holds 'Girls Night Out'

On Monday night, February 22, the Literary and Service Club held a "Girls Night Out" for Junior High and High School girls at the Winters High School cafeteria. For being the first time that this type of activity for girls has been offered we feel that it was a success. There were 42

young ladies and mothers signed up. Everyone that attended had a great time and wanted to know when we were going to have another one. The program was put on by the NewBridge Family Shelter in San Angelo with the emphasis being on Date Rape, Sexual Abuse and Abuse in the home. Other activities included getting a manicure, making bracelets, drawing for numerous door prizes and of course eating. A prize was given for the best pajamas (the young ladies could wear their pajamas to the party). A formal thank you will be sent out to all of the merchants that participated in helping with Girls Night Out but for now just know that we couldn't have done it without your help. Next year it will be "Boys Night Out".

Senior Citizens Activity Center Menu

Proudly Presented By:
North Runnels Home Health Agency
 106 N. Main, Winters, Texas 79567
 (325) 754-4141 • (800) 687-3305 (Toll Free)
North Runnels Hospital
 A Small Hospital With A Big Heart
 HWY. 153 EAST P.O. BOX 185
 WINTERS, TEXAS 79567 (325) 754-4553

March 8-12

Monday
 Blackeyed Pea Creole, Cabbage, Cornbread, Kolaches.
Tuesday
 Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Garlic Bread, Chocolate Cake.
Wednesday
 Bar-B-Que Chicken, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Bread, Cookies.
Thursday
 Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Hot Roll, Blueberry Cobbler.
Friday
 Hamburgers, Pea Salad, Chips, Lettuce & Tomatoes, Dessert.

Meals are served 11:30 a.m. daily. Anyone who does not take the meals regularly is asked to reserve a lunch by contacting the Activity Center at 754-4205 by 10 a.m.

Thank you to the doctors and hospital staff of North Runnels Hospital for the wonderful care given to me during my hospital stay.

Norma Killough

Thankyou

On behalf of the Rodriguez family, we would like to thank everyone for their support and prayers during this difficult time in our lives. Words can not express the gratitude in our hearts for the friends and family who stood by us. Our family knows that only God can help us overcome the big loss we have endured. With our family's faith and prayers and the faith and prayers of our friends we can all look forward to the day the Lord calls upon us, so that we may someday stand before him and endure his kingdom and see all of our loved ones we have lost in our lives. Our love and many thanks to the Ortiz family for helping us through this difficult time and for visiting and sharing many memories of good times about the "Ortiz boys and the Rodriguez boys just growing up and being boys". We encountered with many friends from all around dropping by all having a story to share. Our family grew by five, Mike's daughter Betty Jo Cabrera Gallant, her husband Nathan Gallant and their children Cain, Nate and Emma. We met her on a sad day in our lives but a joyous day that the Lord brought these beautiful people into our lives. Please know that our brother will not be forgotten and he was loved dearly. Many thanks again to all and may the Lord bless and keep you all safe.

JIM WOODRUFF, AAMS, WMS
RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.
 Member FINRA/SIPC
 Individual Solutions from Independent Advisors
365-9000
 719 Strong Ave • Ballinger, TX

Obituaries

Mike Rodriguez
 Mike Rodriguez, 53, of Winters died Monday, Jan. 25, 2010. He was born March 7, 1956, in Devine, to Jose C. Rodriguez and Isabella M. Rodriguez. He was married twice. He was married to Shirley Rodriguez and Beatrice Rodriguez. He raised their children like his own. He is survived by his three children; seven grandchildren; siblings, Josefina Rodriguez Smith, Jose M. Rodriguez of Winters, Eloy M. Rodriguez of Winters, Gloria R. Ochoa of Winters, Juan Celberto M. Rodriguez of Weatherford, Erasmo M. Rodriguez of Winters, Jimmy M. Rodriguez of Winters, Santos M. Rodriguez of Winters, Bonnie R. McMahan of Winters, and Maria Isabel Rodriguez of San Angelo; and many nephews, nieces, great-nephews, great-nieces, and a great-great niece.

Winters Enterprise
 Thursday, March 4, 2010

WISD Athletic Report

Breckenridge
 Breckenridge 14 Winters 0
Game 2: Winters vs Abilene Cooper JV
 Winters 14 Cooper 5
 Singles: Shelby Gehrels -2, Haley Kaczyk -1, Bibi Mendoza -1
Game 3: Winters vs Jim Ned
 Jim Ned 18 Winters 2
 Jim Ned cancelled their tournament due to field conditions from the snow. Breckenridge stepped up and replaced it with a round robin format. It was a great day for softball with lots of sunshine and virtually no wind. The games were played a 10, 12, and 2 with no breaks. I feel like we made progress in working on game situations and fundamental skills. We were encouraged by the game with Jim Ned in that we held them to 1 run for the first 2 innings before they timed out our pitching and began hitting. The final game was over at 4 so basically we played continuously for 6 hours.

District play begins on Monday in Menard, weather permitting.
Baseball: (Coach Spivey)
 The Blizzard baseball team started off the season with two wins and the championship at the Winters Baseball tournament. The Blizzards beat Rotan 11-7 on Friday evening and blanked Baird in the championship 6-0. The Blizzards will host Cross Plains on Monday at 4:00pm and will play in the Hamlin tournament on Thursday-Saturday of this week.

Lady Blizzards on All-District Basketball Team
Newcomer of the year: Lee Ann Taylor So. Winters All District: Abby Guy - Jr.
Honorable Mention All-District: Zannie Slimp - Jr., Allie Yates - Sr.
Tennis: (Coach Villarreal)
 Michelle Kruse/Jordan Busher Vs. Chapman/Forrister Llano 5-8
 Michelle Kruse/Jordan Busher vs. Mullins/Raney Junction 3-6
 Haley Kaczyk Vs. Jenna McSherry Menard 0-8
 Haley Kaczyk Vs. Katie Lankford Veribest 6-3
 Haley Kaczyk Vs. Alyssa Cave Leaky 6-3
 Haley Kaczyk Vs. Samantha Stafford Fredricksburg 0-6
 Hayden Nitsch/Riley Ripley Vs. Hough/Garner Menard 8-0
 Hayden Nitsch/Riley Ripley Vs. Fertig/Thomas Medina 8-4
 Hayden Nitsch/Riley Ripley Vs. Allen/Cowsar Fredricksburg 6-8
 Jace Thoma/Jacinto Hernandez Vs. Johnson/McNease Junction 8-0
 Jace Thoma/Jacinto Hernandez Vs. Coker/Hernandez Llano 1-8
 Nikolas Kraatz Vs. Cheyenne Everrett Irion County 8-5
 Nikolas Kraatz Vs. Lane Becker Marble Falls 4-8
 Wesley Hagle Vs. Bram Berkelmans Llano 0-8
 Wesley Hagle Vs. Jacob Barbieri Junction 6-1
 Wesley Hagle Vs. Graham Comstock Llano 1-6
 Zuylema Garcia Vs. Ashley Schroeder Llano 1-8
 Zuylema Garcia Vs. Kindsey Holland Santa Anna 6-7

Special Thank You
 The Winters ISD coaching staff would like to thank everyone who helped at last weekends Baseball tournament. A special thanks goes out to the Booster Club for providing the coaches and officials with some great food. Here is a list of groups we would like to thank: WISD maintenance crew, Junior class and parents (concessions), the many men who helped prepare the field in between games. Doc Alexander for the use of his sound equipment and for announcing the championship game.

Hatler Insurance Agency
 "For All Your Insurance Needs."
Jim Hatler, owner
 108 S. Main • 754-5032

Gene, Jeanie, Doug & Amy Wheat

WHEAT ENERGY SERVICES, INC.
754-4555 365-3211
 PROPANE DISCOUNT ENERGY

Coleman County Electric Cooperative, Inc.
 Supporting Area Schools for 71 Years
 (325)-625-2128 or 1-800-560-2128

To all the wonderful people of Winters, Texas, who so graciously welcomed me to the community and family, businesses and church.
 I sincerely say "Thank You and God Bless You Everyone."
Margie Davis (Mrs. Jack Davis Sr.)

LONE STAR VIDEO
 200 Tinkle
 M-T 8:30am-9pm, Wed. 1-9pm, Thurs. 5-9pm Fri. 4-10pm & Sat. 2-10pm
"NOW OPEN" Game Room & Exercise Equipment ask about memberships
 Books & More
Movies - New Releases
 • 2012 Ponyo
 • Where the Wild Things Are
 Largest selection of DVDs & Games in Town
 Coming Soon! Deli
GO BLIZZARDS!

Casa Cabana
 Celebrating 23 years
Good Luck, Blizzards
 Opened Monday - Sunday
 11 am to 2 pm
 5 pm to 9 pm
 1032 N. Main • Winters
 754-5796 or 754-5123

WINTERS ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB
BLIZZARDS
 Invites you to become a member for just \$10/family and \$100/business. Meetings are every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Blizzard Fieldhouse.

HICE INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE
 Where the Emphasis is on Customer Service
 PH: 325-365-3814
 FX: 325-365-5485
 Website: www.hicarealestate.com
 Email: franceshice@aol.com

Daisy Patch Floral & Gifts
 Franklin & Chris O'Dell - Owners
Go Blizzards!
 117 N. Main • Winters, Texas 79567
 325-754-5130 Store
 Monday - Friday 8:30am - 5 pm
 Saturday 8:30am - 12pm

First Baptist Church
 104 W. Truett
 Please Join Us for
 Sunday School 9:30 AM
 Sunday Morning Worship 10:45 AM
 Sunday Evening Worship 6 PM
 Wednesday Worship
 AWANAS 6:30 PM Adult & Youth 6:45 PM

WINTERS FEED & SEED
 for all types of feed or seed
GO BLIZZARDS GO!
 902 S. Main 754-4610 (office)
 Winters, TX 754-4618 (fax)

Winters Auto Tech & Tire Service
 Go Blizzards!
 914 N. Main • 754-1058
 Ballinger Auto Tech
 510 Hutchings Ave.
 Ballinger, TX 76821 • 365-4180

Hatler Insurance Agency
 "For All Your Insurance Needs."
Jim Hatler, owner
 108 S. Main • 754-5032

WHEAT ENERGY SERVICES, INC.
754-4555 365-3211
 PROPANE DISCOUNT ENERGY

Coleman County Electric Cooperative, Inc.
 Supporting Area Schools for 71 Years
 (325)-625-2128 or 1-800-560-2128

To all the wonderful people of Winters, Texas, who so graciously welcomed me to the community and family, businesses and church.
 I sincerely say "Thank You and God Bless You Everyone."
Margie Davis (Mrs. Jack Davis Sr.)

LONE STAR VIDEO
 200 Tinkle
 M-T 8:30am-9pm, Wed. 1-9pm, Thurs. 5-9pm Fri. 4-10pm & Sat. 2-10pm
"NOW OPEN" Game Room & Exercise Equipment ask about memberships
 Books & More
Movies - New Releases
 • 2012 Ponyo
 • Where the Wild Things Are
 Largest selection of DVDs & Games in Town
 Coming Soon! Deli
GO BLIZZARDS!