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Eight file for upcoming primary

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
WINTERS ENTERPRISE

BALLINGER- Runnels County Republican Party has received eight applications from candidates to run for election or re-election for the Republican Primary to be held in March of 2014. Runnels County Republican Chairman Charles Hensley said that those filing for re-election as of press time are District Clerk Tammy Bursleson, County Treasurer Ann Strube, County Commissioner Pct. No. 2 Ronald Presley, County Commissioner Pct. No. 4 Richard Strube, Justice of the Peace Pct. No. 1 Glenda Wood, and Justice of the Peace Pct. No. 2 Richard Hamilton.

Two candidates are filing for the position of retiring County Clerk Eles Ocker, those filing for the position are Amanda Collom and Julia Miller. Also up for election is the position of County Judge, incumbent is Judge Barry Hilliard.

Filing period for the March Primary in Texas will be from Saturday, November 9, 2013 until Monday, December 9, 2013.

Filing fees for the Primary Election are \$750 for the position of County Judge, District Clerk, County Clerk, County Treasurer, and County Commissioner. Filing fee for the position of Justice of the Peace is \$375.

Candidates can alternatively submit a petition with signatures in lieu of the filing fee. Fifty-three signatures are required for the position of County Judge, District Clerk, County Clerk and County Treasurer. The number of signatures required for position for County Commissioner and Justice of the Peace is 50.

A candidate needs to obtain and file and "Appointment of Campaign Treasurer" form from the County Clerk's office before making a campaign expenditure or accepting a campaign contribution.

To file with the Republican Party, a candidate needs to contact Charles Hensley, Runnels County Republican Chairman at (325) 365 1082 to schedule an appointment.

To file with the Democratic Party a candidate will need to contact Jane Jeschke, Runnels County temporary chairman at (325) 234 7727. Deadline to file for the March 4 Primary Election is December 9, 2013.



PHOTO: RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
VFW Post 9196 Rowena members Harold Franke, Jimmy Block and Chad McDuffee posting the colors at the Veterans Memorial on Monday, November 11, 2013.

Honoring those who served

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
WINTERS ENTERPRISE

BALLINGER- Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9196 Rowena hosted the Veteran's Day 2013 Memorial, last Monday morning, November 11, 2013 at the Runnels County Courthouse lawn.

Veterans of all branches of the military, friends, family members and members of our local communities gathered at the Veterans Memorial for the posting of the colors, welcome and introduction by John Multer, and singing of the National Anthem by Patricia Vancil.

Texas Representative Drew Darby, thanked all those who paid the price of defending the principles of freedom, some of whom left their homes to never come back.

"I want to pay tribute to the men and women who are standing behind me and in this audience, who have sacrificed so bravely on behalf of the United States of America the great state of Texas and our local communities," Rep. Darby said.

"Thank you everyone that has left their home, their families and community, and upheld the wonderful freedoms that we have in this great country," he added.

Art Mavrode, former Air Force and retired from Goodfellow Air Force Base, remarked the importance of honoring our veterans in these days, when we are losing more veterans by their own hand than at war in Iraq or Afghanistan.

The privilege of serving, a huge honor

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS- The honor to serve one's country can not be measured, but coming from a small town that helped to raise and shape a little kid's character is an honor shared with all the community members, and as such this Veteran's Day one member of the Winters community came back to say thank you.

Russell Parramore, formerly of Winters, Texas, and now a Lieutenant Colonel with the United States Air Force came back to his grassroots this Monday, November 11, 2013, at the Veterans Day celebration hosted by the Winters ISD.

"Veterans are a tight knit group, they remember their buddies and they know everybody in town, I think that's unique, how especial it is to be part of that less than 1 percent of the population who served, and then be from a small town where everybody knows each other," he said.

Parramore grew up in Winters his whole life, graduated from Winters High School in 1993 and from Angelo State University in 1997. He began his military service completing his pilot training in 2001 and graduated from the prestigious USAF Weapons School in 2007, earning a "Top Flyer" award, and later served as a Weapons School Instructor.

"This is home for me, I enjoy coming back home and I know all these people, they know me, that makes it very special to come back here and see them," said the third generation Air Force.

"Here I am in the service, I've done 16 years and looking forward to the next few years. It's a huge sense of pride because you were raised here in town and everyone has a part of raising you, then you go to the service and you serve a bigger and a higher calling there with your government and you're proud and you want to say thank you to a small town."

Lt. Col. Parramore was a speaker for the Veterans Day celebration held Monday morning, were he was honored along with many other veterans currently residing in Winters, Texas.

The ceremony featured the Posting of Colors by the Dyes Air Force Base Marine Detachment, the Junior High girls group singing the Star Spangled Banner, pledge of allegiance by President of the WHS Student Council Kara Heathcott, Invocation by Pastor David Montoya, and Vietnam War veteran Hank Bourdo.

The ceremony also featured the Winters Elementary Select Choir, and interviews with the attending veterans. "To the veterans who have served I want to say thank you for what you did in their service, it's thank you from a small community, and for the young kids, cherish your time in the small community, cherish the experiences, because coming from a small town makes you unique, what you learn, how you conduct yourself, your values, your morals from a small town, it's a tight knit group," Lt. Col. Parramore said.

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Blizzards' season ends on neck-and-neck battle

RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ
WINTERS ENTERPRISE

WINTERS- The Winters Blizzards played one of their best games of the season, a neck and neck battle against the Forsan Buffaloes, and despite overcoming an early first quarter fell by a score of 38-35. It was the end of the football season for the Blizzards falling just one win short of going to the playoffs.

"It was an exciting ballgame, we had nine lead changes in the game, when you play like that you have to be proud of the team," said Winters Head Football Coach Stan Caffey.

"We are disappointed that we didn't make it to the playoffs, but we finished our season strong, we learned a little every time and our kids did real well," Caffey added.

Players deserving special mention for the game are Stephon Cleg-horn, who had 10 tackles and returned a fumble 95 yards for a touchdown. Julian Soto also returned a kickoff 87 yards for a



PHOTO: JOE GERHART
Chris Gerhart runs for one of his three touchdowns for a second game in a row.

touchdown. Chris Gerhart scored three touchdowns for second game in a row.

Once finished his first season with the Blizzards, Coach Caffey said he was satisfied with the results, and even when the team will not be playing in the postseason there are several accomplishments achieved.

"We played better every

week, they did real well and we'll be looking forward for next year," said Coach Caffey.

Winters finished the season with a record of 2-8, 1-3 in district games, but the numbers can be misleading since two of the district teams, Anson and Stamford, were ranked top five in state throughout the season. The non-district schedule

was also tough for the Blizzards facing Mason, another state ranked team, and Brock, an emerging football powerhouse.

However the sub-varsity teams achieved a great season, with the Eighth Grade squad claiming the district championship and the Seventh Grade team placing second, losing only to Stamford.

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FUNERALS AND OBITUARIES

Vera Lee Sneed

Vera Lee Sneed, 91, of Winters, died Saturday November 9, 2013. She was born February 26, 1922 in Winters on the family farm. She graduated from Winters High School and attended Hardin Simmons College. She married L.Q. Sneed December 24, 1940 in Abilene. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church and she was a member of and loved the Good News Sunday School Class.



She is survived by six children: Barbara Washam and husband Wilbert of Wichita Falls, Louis Sneed, Jr. and wife Penny of Aledo, Randall Sneed and wife Cheryl of Winters, Rhonda Buchanan and husband Greg of San Angelo, Linda Barr and husband Glendall of Eula and Judy Grun and husband Marcy of Moro; sister Edna England of Winters, 12 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents: Thomas and Ada Pearl Williams, her husband, Louis Question Sneed, two granddaughters, Sarah Elizabeth Sneed, LaShay Barr Grover and one grandson, Matthew Sneed.

Services will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday November 14, 2013 at the First Baptist Church. Burial will follow at Lakeview Cemetery directed by Winters Funeral Home.

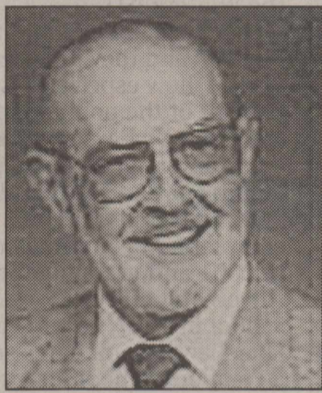
Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or First Baptist Church.

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Gordon Franklin Kintner

Gordon Franklin Kintner passed away on Monday, October 28, 2013, in Winters, Texas. Gordon was born May 22, 1932 in Akron, Ohio to the late Galen and Mabel Kintner. He moved to Washington state, and married Jacquelin CR Bonamy on September 18, 1953.

Gordon leaves behind a sister, Marilyn Jean Stone and late Donald, of North Manchester, Indiana; three children, William E. Kintner and Sandra; Elizabeth N. Pratt and Charles all residing in Camano Island, Washington, and Rebecca S. Nixon and Timothy of Marysville, Washington. He also leaves behind nine grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, two nephews and four nieces.



Gordon worked for and retired from Boeing. He loved his dogs, working for the animal shelter, gardening and jokes.

At his request, there will not be a service. He has donated his body to the medical school at Texas Tech University, and then he will be cremated.

Peaceful journey Dad! We love you.

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Varnell D. Pierce

Varnell D. Pierce, 86, of Winters died Tuesday, November 5, in Big Spring, Texas at his residence. He was born October 7, 1927 in Winters, Texas to Johnnie L. and Dessie Mae Bowen Pierce. He attended school in Winters. He served in the U.S. Army 11th airborne and served in occupied Japan. He married Alma Lou Tatum on January 4, 1948 in Winters, Texas. He worked for Halliburton for 34 years serving in various capacities and retiring as a field supervisor. Varnell and his wife lived in Big Spring, Kermit and Monahans, Texas. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Winters, Texas.



He enjoyed being with his family and loved to fish and hunt. He was a task master when it came to his job and he was a loving and devoted husband and father. He adored his three grandchildren, Justin Pierce of Odessa, Sandra Gainey Dunbar and husband Rick of Dallas and Dr. Paige Gainey of Lubbock.

Survivors include his wife Alma Pierce currently of Big Spring, one son, Terrell Pierce and LaNell Webb of Odessa and daughter Brenda Pierce Gainey and husband Ronnie of Big Spring. One sister, Nadine Kute, sister-in-law Annie Bell Pierce and sister-in-law Loretta Pierce.

He was preceded in death by Willie Ray Pierce, Jack Pierce and Vollie Dee Pierce.

Visitation was Thursday November 7, 2013 at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall and services at First Baptist Church Winters, Texas with burial following in Northview cemetery.

Memorials can be made to Home Hospice, 111 E. 7th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

Pallbearers were Tommy Kute, Timmy Kute, B.J. Kute and Alton Pierce.

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County Committee elections start Nov. 4

WINTERS ENTERPRISE STAFF REPORT

WASHINGTON- USDA Farm Service Agency Administrator Juan M. Garcia announced that the 2013 FSA County Committee Elections began November 4, with the mailing of ballots to eligible voters. The deadline to return the ballots to local FSA offices is December 2, 2013.

"The role and input of our county committee members is more vital than ever at a time when our country faces important choices

regarding the funding and operation of our government," said Garcia. "New county committee members provide input and make important decisions on the local administration of disaster and conservation programs. With better participation in recent years, we have also seen promising increases in the number of women and minority candidates, helping to better represent the richness of American agriculture."

County committee members are an important component of the operations of FSA and provide a link between the agricultural community and USDA. Farmers and ranchers elected to county committees help deliver FSA programs at the local level, applying their knowledge and judgment to make decisions on commodity price support programs; conservation programs; incentive indemnity and disaster programs for some commodities; emergency programs and eligibility. FSA committees operate within official regulations designed to carry out federal laws.

To be an eligible voter, farmers and ranchers must participate or cooperate in an FSA program. A person who is not of legal voting age, but supervises and conducts the farming operations of an entire farm may also be eligible to vote. Agricultural producers in each county submitted candidate nominations during the nomination period, which ended on August 1.

Eligible voters who do not receive ballots in the coming week can obtain ballots from their local USDA Service Center. December 2, 2013, is the last day for voters to submit ballots in person to local USDA Service Centers. Ballots returned by mail must also be postmarked no later than December 2. Newly elected committee members and their alternates will take office January 1, 2014.

Close to 7,700 FSA county committee members serve in the 2,124 FSA offices nationwide. Each committee consists of three to 11 members who serve three-year terms. Approximately one-third of county committee seats are up for election each year. More information on county committees, such as the new 2013 fact sheet and brochures, can be found on the FSA website at www.fsa.usda.gov/elections or at a local USDA Service Center.

NEWS NOTES

Coleman Co. Electric Co-Op to refund capital credits

Coleman County Electric Cooperative refunded \$1,183,164.95 in capital credits on June 19, 2013. A large amount of this money has still not been claimed. If you had service with the coop or are the beneficiary to a member that had service with the coop during 1967 to 1981, please check our website. You can view the members behind the "Unclaimed Capital Credit Checks" tab on the left side of our webpage. All unclaimed money will be turned over to the State of Texas after an allotted time if not claimed, so please help the coop find the proper members or heirs to this money. You can visit our website at: www.colemanelectric.org.

Aggie Moms' Club monthly meeting

The Abilene Area Aggie Moms' Club will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 19, 2013 at 6:45 p.m. at the Coldwell Banker Panian and Mash Building, located at 2500 S. Willis (S.27th and Willis, one-half of a block N on Willis), in Abilene, Texas.

Please join us for a light meal. You will get to meet other Aggie moms and learn a little more about Texas A&M and all of its traditions! Whoop!

We meet the third Tuesday of each month, at 6:45 p.m. for refreshments and fun.

If you can't make the meeting but would like more information, please call or email either of the following: Venita Teal (President) at 669-0886 vltmini5@gmail.com or Kathy Hocke (Membership) - 721-3131 hockeig@camalott.com

Friends of the Gus Pruser Ag Museum to Meet

The Friends of the Gus Pruser Ag Exhibit of the Z.I. Hale Museum will meet Monday, November 18, 2013 at 6 p.m. at the Ag Museum, 219 West Dale in Winters. The group has been formed to support and improve the agricultural exhibits and will meet on the third Monday of each month. The current project is to get several tractors and vehicles in running condition for the Christmas parade. Future plans are to hold an antique tractor show in the spring and to expand the display area in the museum. Dale Duggan and John Long are leading the efforts of the Friends of the Ag Museum. Everyone is invited to join in and help in an area of their personal interest.

Winters Area Chamber of Commerce News

The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce is excited to announce that the Christmas Parade and Pageant will be coming December 14, 2013. Lineup is at 2 p.m. The parade will start at 3 p.m. This year Sno-Queen will receive a \$500 scholarship donated by Lone Star Video and Diner, first runner up will get a \$250 scholarship donated by Lloyd Farris, and second runner up will get a \$100 scholarship donated by the Lion's Club. Sno-Princess and Sno-Flake will receive gift certificates. Deadline for entry is November 29, 2013. Forms can be picked up at Lone Star Video and Diner, City Hall and Winters ISD Offices, or go to <http://www.winterschamber.us> and download the form from our web site. Please contact Pam Barnes at 754-4978 for more information.

Winters Area Chamber of Commerce meetings

Winters Area Chamber of Commerce meets at 7 p.m., first Thursday of the month at the Lone Star Video, 200 Tinkle Street.

TEEA 'Friendly Neighbors'

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

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

Winters Women's Club

Members meet the second Tuesday of the month. Call Sylvia Wilson 754 4992 for additional information.

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From the Chief's Desk

Have a safe and happy holiday

By Randall Davis
Winters Chief of Police

I have been thinking the past few days, and yes, I have been accused of the practice, but on rare occasions only. I was looking toward the upcoming Thanksgiving Holiday season and of my own family and the raising of my own children. It occurred to me just how fortunately blessed I have been in my life.

I have been fortunate to have the opportunity to be called Dad by four children, three wonderful and beautiful daughters and one extraordinary son. I have been even more fortunate for my children's good health and for the privilege of being able to watch each of them grow into fine adults and caring parents as they each ventured into parenthood.

I was convinced many years ago the most awesome word in the English language was "Dad." Whether it was being yelled in excitement, or spoken softly while giving confidential fatherly advice. There was nothing to compare to it. I always heard it with pride and a sense of accomplishment.

Only during the past several years has the great word "Dad," come close to being replaced with a greater word, "Grand Dad." It's hard to believe those precious children have grown to adults and the memories of those small children seem so ancient, but still so fresh in my mind as if they were playing in the yard yesterday. These days I now get to enjoy their children, full of amazement and wonder

from the position of the spoiling grandfather who always has a few extra pieces of candy.

I have learned there are fewer gifts in life greater than watching a legacy of children and then grandchildren grow to maturity, healthy and happy, each with their own unique personalities and traits. They are truly the miracles of life and can only be considered as gifts from God. The most frequent prayer I pray these days are those asking they all live long healthy lives and I never have to see them in pain.

This Holiday season, when you are faced with the question of what you are most grateful and thankful for, I hope each of us has to look no further than across the table at our children and grandchildren knowing they made it to granddad's house safely and will have a safe return to their own homes.

According to the National Highway Safety Administration, the Thanksgiving Holidays are the most dangerous holidays for traveling on the highways. It is one of the busiest times for families to travel and reunite with other members of their family. It is unfortunate, but also one of the busiest times for drunk drivers to frequent the roadways. This year, wouldn't it be nice if we didn't invite cousin Bud Weiser to make the road trip.

I ask all persons to make this Thanksgiving Holiday unique by being extra cautious and ensure all those awesome children and precious grandkids traveling on the road make it home safely.



Winters High School senior football players (l-r) Justin Ventress, Marcus Torres, Fermin Cruz, Chris Gerhart, Dusty Hines, Andrew New, Corey Pritchard and Austen Green.

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CAFETERIA MENU

Subject to Change*

Nov. 18 - 22

Winters ISD Breakfast Menu

Monday
Breakfast Taco or Cereal/Toast w/Jelly, Fruit Juice, Choice of Milk.

Tuesday
Pancake/Syrup or Cereal/Toast w/Jelly, Fruit Juice, Choice of Milk.

Wednesday
Breakfast Burrito/Salsa or Cereal/Toast w/Jelly, Fruit Juice, Choice of Milk.

Thursday
Sausage Roll or Cereal/Toast w/Jelly, Fruit Juice, Choice of Milk.

Friday
Muffin or Cereal/Toast w/Jelly, Fruit Juice, Choice of Milk.

Winters ISD Lunch Menu

Monday
Chef Salad or Lasagna/Graham Cracker (Elem., J.H.) Bread Stick (H.S.) or Grilled Chicken Pattie/Bun, Peas and Carrots, Baked Potatoes, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Peaches, Choice of Milk.

Tuesday
Chef Salad or Salisbury Steak/Roll (2 oz.) or Chicken Tenders/Graham Cracker (Elem., J.H.) Bread Stick (H.S.) Italian Green Beans, Mashed Sweet Potatoes, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Blue Bell Fruit Bar, Choice of Milk.

Wednesday
Chef Salad or Nachos or Chicken Fajita, Pinto Beans, Spanish Rice, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Coleslaw, Pear, Choice of Milk.

Thursday
Chef Salad (H.S. only) or Turkey/Dressing/Gravy or Corndog, Mashed Sweet Potatoes, Green Beans, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Fruit Cup, Hot Roll, Choice of Milk.

Friday
Chef Salad (H.S. only) or Hamburger or Chicken Bites/Bread Stick, Oven Fries, Baked Beans, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Orange, Choice of Milk/Orange. Choice of Milk.

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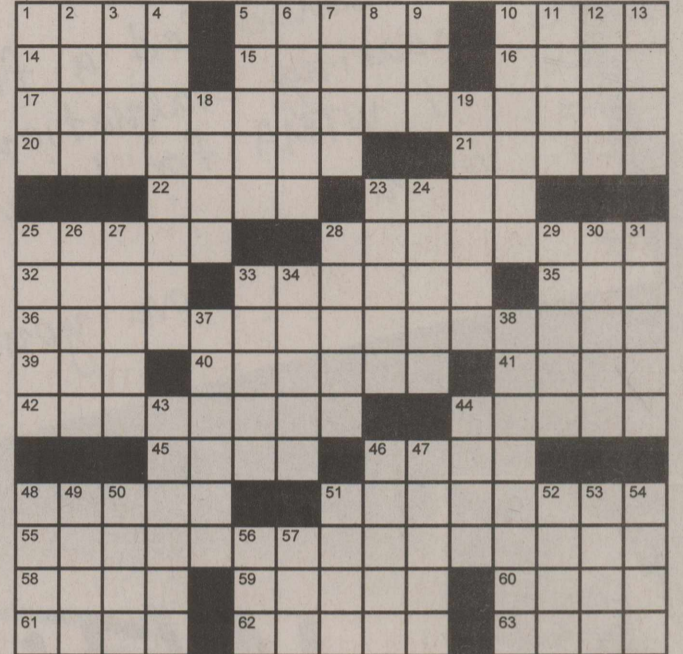
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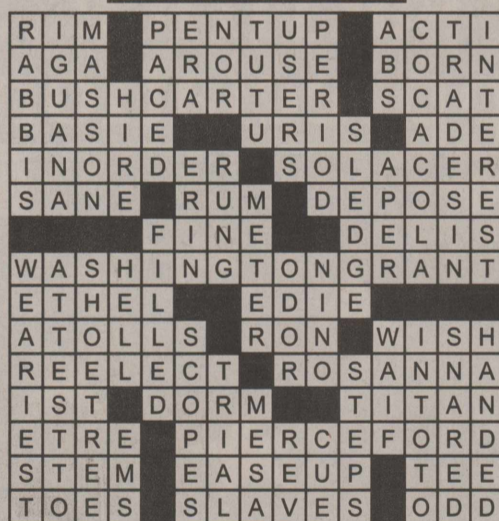
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- War god
- Like 22 and 24
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- Less plausible, as an excuse
- Help with the heist
- Shampoo oil
- ___ Paulo, Brazil
- Physical therapy job opportunities
- More than -er
- Guitarist Segovia
- Long-term spy
- Cut it out
- Gives a five, maybe
- At hand
- Assist in a crisis, with "out"
- Tiny
- Fabled race winner
- Whips up some stew
- Textbook chapter
- Word with bumps or eggs
- "There are more names..."
- Perfect scores
- Made up one's mind

Down

- Rub
- October birthstone
- Computer list
- Gets the lode out
- Hesitant remark
- Santa ___
- Pen pals?
- ___ roll
- "What?"
- Benefits from an error
- Humorist Bombeck
- Little white lies
- "Entertainment Tonight" alum John
- Well-ventilated
- "The ___ Cometh"
- Degenerates
- Nonverbal feedback
- Did a new parent's job
- Lower
- Cardinal flats
- Oslo sight
- "This ___ happening!"
- Birdie beater
- February 14 purchase
- Post-revolution group
- Call for some Chinese food, say
- Flip-chart homes
- Early Beatles hit
- Chesapeake Bay features
- Comic Rudner
- Western capital
- Curvy
- Blue books?
- Lion's pride
- In the same family tree
- Horse's gait
- ., sometimes
- Senator's possession
- Sushi-bar selections
- Past
- Dandy



LAST WEEK'S ANSWER GRID



Weather Whys

Q: You hear the term 'sundog' every now and then. What is a sundog?

A: A sundog usually is seen as two bright spots of light in the same horizontal plane as the sun, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "The bending or refracting of the sun's rays as they pass through air filled with ice crystals forms a pair of small, bright rainbow-like spots. The ice crystals refract the light to form a bright spot that for centuries has been called a 'sundog.' They are sometimes called 'mock suns' or even by the scientific name, parheli, which means "with the sun," he says.

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Runnels County ROLL-UP

Winters Enterprise

Thursday, November 14, 2013

THE ORGANIZATION OF RUNNELS COUNTY

The young county holds elections on early stock laws

CONTRIBUTED BY RUTH COOPER
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WINTERS- The end of the year of 1884 was approaching fast. A special term of the Runnels County Commissioners Court was called on the first Monday, December 1, A. D. 1884 at the Courthouse in the Town of Runnels.

Officers present were Runnels County Judge C.H. Willingham presiding, and commissioners M.F. Bright*, T.L. Odom, Henry C. Wylie, Sheriff John McEwen Formwalt, and W.L. Towner, County Clerk. The court spent the entire day approving bonds, checking into rooms rented for county business and paying salaries and rent. They adjourned until December 22, 1884 for the purpose of receiving the election returns from Precincts 1 and 2.

December 22, 1884, a called term of Commissioners Court was held at the Courthouse in the Town of Runnels. The County Judge, Charles H. Willingham presided. Commissioners Job Davis and F.M. Bright* were present.

The court proceeded to examine the returns of the election held at content to determine if hogs should run at large in Precinct 2. The Stock Law for was 22 votes and against was 7 votes with a total of 15 votes for the law.

The next results were examined- that being to assess a tax of 20 cents per annum per \$100 worth of property in the Content School District. The mon-

ies would be for canceling debt, finishing school house and other school purposes. The final results were: for school tax, 21 votes; against school tax, 4 votes, leaving a majority of 17 votes for tax.

The returns of an election held in Runnels on December 11, A. D. 1884 to "determine whether or not hogs, sheep and goats shall run at large within an area of 1 mile from the public square" in Runnels, the results for the Stock Law were 37 votes for and no votes against the Stock Law.

The court then allowed credits on the 1883 tax rolls for a total of \$146.72. County delinquent were \$42.88 and State delinquent a total of \$69.72. Sheriff John M. Formwalt was the County Tax Collector as well as the Sheriff. The court adjourned until the next morning.

December 23, with the same officers present, the commissioners ordered the clerk to make out an account against the State of Texas for taxes due on lands bought by the State.

The court adjourned until the next regular term, thus closing out the year of 1884.

Runnels County's first Judge, Sylvester Adams, was born March 9, 1834 in Humphreys County, Tennessee. He came to Texas with his father while quiet young. When he was older, he enlisted in the Confederate Service from Bosque County March 8, 1862. He was a recruit in Speight's

Battalion Texas Infantry.

Sylvester Adams was at the re-organization meeting under the conscript law, later transferring to Co. A., First Texas Heavy Artillery and was stationed in Galveston, Texas, Virginia Point and served there for the duration of the war.

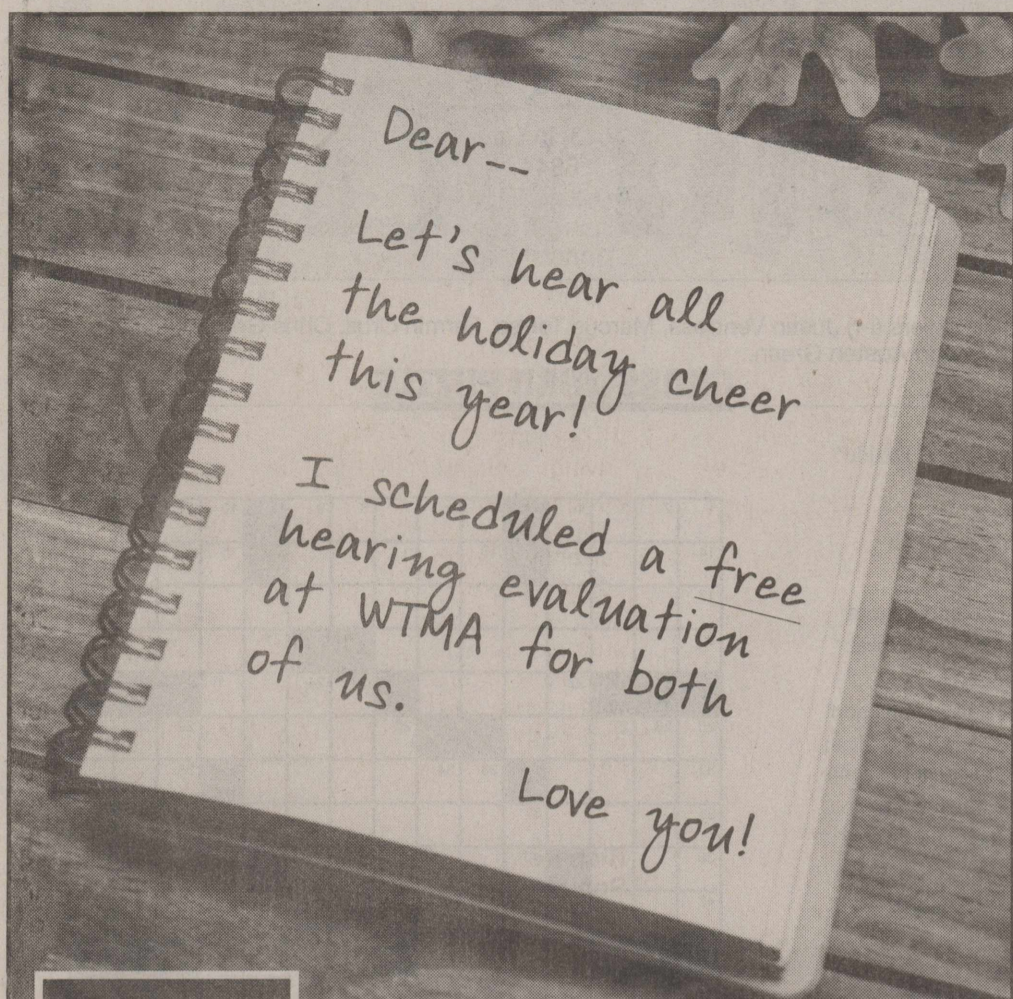
November 1879, he took an active part in the organization of Runnels County, after his move from Bosque County.

At the organization meeting of Runnels County held in Walthall, Sylvester Adams was elected the county's first County Judge. The date was March 10, 1880. He was re-elected twice in succession, serving until November of 1884. Runnels County would be seeing more of Sylvester Adams in the years ahead.

Judge Adams was known to his friends as a true friend. He was a Democrat from the old school believing in a government by the people and for the people, believing implicitly in the justice of the Confederate cause, and in religion he was a Baptist.

Resources:
Runnels County Historical Commission's Histories
Runnels County Commissioners' Court Minutes, December 1, 22, 23, 1884,
Runnels County Clerk's Records.

**(Taken from County Records, Mr. Bright's initials were written two different ways.)*



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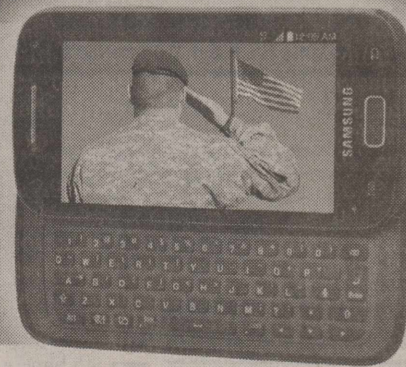
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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

C/O: Hans G. Borm Representative, Estate of Hans E. Borm
 368 FM 2111 Ballinger, Texas 76821

DATED
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Richard W. Sonnenburg, Independent Executor
C/O: Benjamin W. Clayton Clack & Clayton, L.L.P. Attorneys at Law
 711 Hutchings P.O. BOX 482 Ballinger, Texas 76821

DATED
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| PROP# | CAUSE# | STYLE | PROP DESCRIPTION, ADDRESS, ACCT # |
|-------|--------|---|--|
| 1 | 4311 | The County of Runnels, Texas v Lorima Morton et al | The South half of Lot 4, Block 3, Reeves Addition to the City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas (Vol. 232, Page 684, Official Public Records), Account #R000012894 |
| 2 | 4383 | The County of Runnels, Texas v Fred Peiser et al | Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, Block 2, Boykin Second Addition to the City of Miles, Runnels County, Texas (Vol. 582, Page 614 of the Deed Records), Account #R000010716 |
| 3 | 4384 | The County of Runnels, Texas v Marlon G. Brown AKA Marlon Brown et al | Lots 1 and 2, Block 40, Original Townsite of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas (Volume 2, Page 494 of the Official Public Records), Account #R000009058 |
| 4 | 4473 | The County of Runnels, Texas v Albert Wayne Hagle, Jr. | 85' x 150' tract, more or less, out of Lots 1, 2 and 3, Block 10, Vencil Addition, City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas (Vol. 256, Page 313), Account #R000021838 |
| 5 | 4477 | The County of Runnels, Texas v Jerry L. Simmons | Part of Lots 4 and 5, Block 94, 1st RR Addition to the City of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas (Volume 343, Page 138), Account #R000009416 |
| 6 | 4492 | The County of Runnels, Texas v Paul C. Gerhardt et al | The East 50' of Lot 6, Block 4, Southside Addition, City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas (Vol. 366, Page 502 of the Official Public Records), Account #R000012844 |
| 7 | 4509 | The County of Runnels, Texas v Matthew Horton et al | Lots 4, 5, 7, 8, Block 7, Sunnyside Addition to the City of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas (Volume 322, Page 184, Official Public Records), Account #R000022224 |
| 8 | 4509 | The County of Runnels, Texas v Matthew Horton et al | Lots 9 & 10, Block 7, Sunnyside Addition to the City of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas (Volume 322, Page 184, Official Public Records), Account #R000009934 |
| 9 | 4516 | The County of Runnels, Texas v Rosa Perez et al | The South 1/2 of Block 8, Spill Addition, City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas (Volume 205, Page 424 & Volume 232, Page 246, Deed Records, Runnels County, Texas), Account #R000012964 |
| 10 | 4523 | The County of Runnels, Texas v Terry C. Fussell | Lot 6, Block 1, Pierce Subdivision, City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas (Volume 321, Page 102, Deed Records, Runnels County, Texas), Account #R000022895 |
| 11 | 4524 | The County of Runnels, Texas v Araminda Pena | All of Lot 2, SAVE & EXCEPT the North 60', Block 11, College Heights Addition to the City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas (Volume 307, Page 466, SAVE & EXCEPT that property more particularly described in Volume 551, Page 678, Deed Records), 603 East Winters, Texas 79567-4527, Account #R000022486 |
| 12 | 4527 | The County of Runnels, Texas v Danny Martinez et al | Lot 4, Block 13, Dale West Addition, City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas (Vol. 276, Page 86 of the Deed Records), Account #R000012232 |
| 13 | 4527 | The County of Runnels, Texas v Danny Martinez et al | Lot 3, Block 1, Westmoreland Place Addition, City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas (Vol. 295, Page 292 of the Deed Records), Account #R000013229 |
| 14 | 4527 | The County of Runnels, Texas v Danny Martinez et al | All of Lot 9, the South 1/2 of Lot 8 and the North 1/2 of Lot 9, Block 35, College View Heights Addition, City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas (Vol. 288, Page 15 of the Deed Records), Account #R000012088 |
| 15 | 4333 | The County of Runnels, Texas v Francisco Santillan et al | The north 55 feet of Lots 17 and 18, Burton Place Addition to the City of Winters, Runnels County, Texas (Volume 87, Page 41 of the Official Public Records, Runnels County, Texas), Account #R000011829 |
| 16 | 4521 | The County of Runnels, Texas v Adam Organ et al | Lots 3 and 4, Block 6, Guion Addition, City of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas (Vol. 112, Page 505 and Vol. 129, Page 321, Deed Records), Account #R000009882 |
| 17 | 4521 | The County of Runnels, Texas v Adam Organ et al | Lot 6, Block 6, Guion Addition, City of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas (Vol. 161, Page 489, Deed Records), Account #R000008381 |

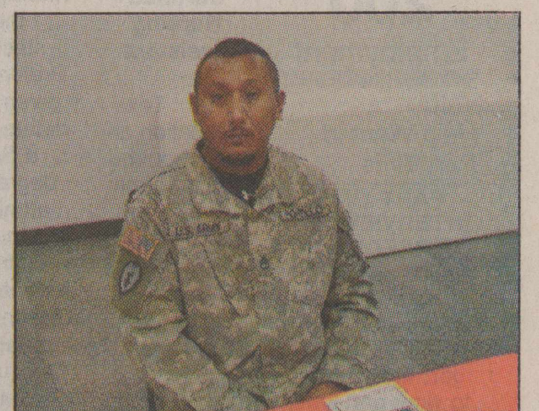
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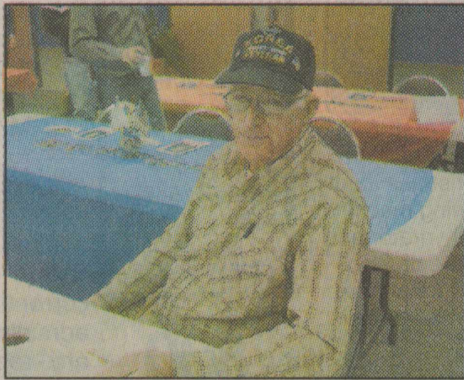


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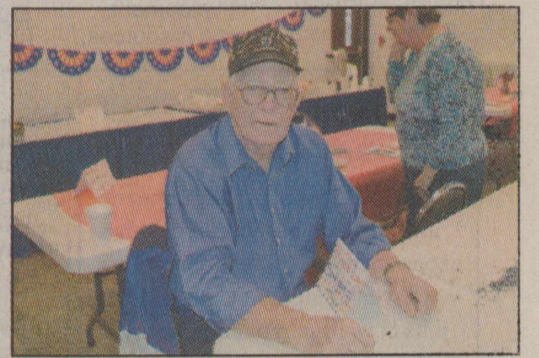
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WINTERS- Nearly a year after serving as the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce President, Sandee Schneider announced this week she was stepping down, due to personal reasons, and thanked everyone who helped her during her term as well as those who supported and sponsored the chamber.

"I want to thank all the people who have helped me out for the last 10 months while I served as the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce President, because of some unforeseen personal circumstances I have stepped down as President," Schneider said.

"I just wanted to give my utmost thanks and gratitude for all the individuals, groups, and businesses without whom we could not have made it such a success. Your volunteering of your time, money, sponsorships and support are greatly appreciated."

Schneider took over as the leader of the Chamber of Commerce on December 3, 2012. She replaced Interim President Ida Rodriguez, whom previously had announced that the chamber was going through difficult times and would be shutting down in January of 2013.

With Schneider stepping down Vice President Pam Barnes of Lone Star Video and Diner was named Interim President, while the rest of the board: Randy Barnes of Lone Star Video and Diner, Treasurer, and Theresa Prater, Secretary, will remain unchanged.

Barnes said that plans are underway to hold the traditional Christmas Parade, and the chamber is hoping to have an election on January of 2014.

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