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Briefly

Early voting

Early voting began Monday and runs through Friday, Oct. 30 and will be held at the new courthouse annex at 600 Strong Ave. (corner of 6th Street and Strong Avenue) in Ballinger. Early voters may cast ballots from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Oct. 20 and 27.

So far, 31 votes have been cast in the election on seven constitutional amendments determined by the 84th legislature in the last session. Voters may cast ballots for or against the seven constitutional amendments which were determined by the 84th Legislature in the last session.

Flu shots, immunizations

Texas Department of State Health Services will have immunization/flu clinics for children with Medicaid, no insurance or 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 Winters will be from 10 a.m. to noon and 1:30 to 3 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 5, at the Professional Building, 110 South Main St., Suite 108. For your convenience, please use rear entrance (Grant Street).

The clinic in Ballinger will be from 10 a.m. to noon and 1:30 to 3 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 12 at 600 Strong Ave. Please bring child's immunization records and if the child has Medicaid, please bring the card.

The last drop

The change of seasons has been a bit slow, but fall weather and a 70 percent chance of rain is in the forecast for today, and that should bring temperatures down, with the high expected today to be 78 degrees. The chance of precipitation increases in the area tonight to 80 percent.

Friday night football fans might take an umbrella to the games, since the chance of rain will still be 50 percent Friday and Friday night.

Rain chances continue Saturday at 40 percent, with the high expected to reach 76. Sunday, the forecast is for sunny skies and a high reaching only 72.

There was no rain recorded in the area from Oct. 15-Oct. 20.

So far this year, Ballinger has received 23.1 inches of rain while 24.84 inches has been reported in Wingate. The NWS reported 21.5 inches of rain has fallen in San Angelo.

Winters ISD is looking at tax increase down the road

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A deficit budget, lower property values and fewer students, are forcing the Winters Independent Board of Trustees and administration to take a hard look at finances and this

may mean a tax increase over time.

This year, the board adopted a budget of \$6,070,153 which is down from last year's budget of \$6,160,289.

The tax rate for Winters ISD is \$1.04 per \$100 valuation.

Superintendent Bruce Davis said the district is going to have to consider a 13 percent tax increase if they want to maintain the status quo in coming years.

Davis is proposing an increase to \$1.17 per \$100 valuation which he wants

to do in increments. Davis said it is likely the first and second increment of the tax increase would have to go before voters.

Davis said the issue cannot be put before voters until next year.

The trustees voted to change the fiscal year to

cover July 1 to June 30 so they could adopt the annual budget before school starts.

"When kids and teachers get here our budget is rolling," Davis said.

But that can pose a bit

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PINK OUT PEP RALLY FUNDRAISER



PHOTO COURTESY JOE GERHART

The Winters Blizzards Cheerleaders held a fundraiser during the Pink Out Pep Rally Oct. 9. Pictured on the bottom row from left to right are Jenessa Wade, Jessica Roman, K'Lee Lindley and Brenna Edwards. Pictured on the top row from left to right are Christy Kruse, Brenna Knight, Abbie Killough, Bobby Briley, Jo Collins, Mark Collins, Bailee Busher, Celeste Sanchez and Brooklyn Galloway.

Blizzards play hard in defeat

BY CHAD MCDUFFEE
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Winters knew coming in they would have a difficult battle against the Roscoe Plowboys Friday, Oct. 16 and in the end they were defeated 41-22.

Roscoe pounced on Winters quickly scoring

three touchdowns in the first quarter, while Winters was left trying to figure out their quarterback situation as Kyler Richards went down with an injury on the second drive of the game.

Once the Blizzards got the ball moving they went score for score with

Roscoe the rest of the game, but they were never able to bring the score any closer despite a big game rushing the ball from Chris Diaz #32 with 22 carries for 131 yards and Julian Soto #20 with 17 carries for 67 yards and three touchdowns.

Coach Matt McCarty

was proud of the way his team fought through the entire game and he was also pleased with the four turnovers the Blizzards produced.

"We've been playing hard and making plays, we just have to keep going forward," McCarty said.

This week the Blizzards

will be hosting the Bronte Longhorns who play very tough on defense. Holding Menard and Miles to 22 and 21 points the last two weeks in losses.

The Longhorns run a similar offense to the Blizzards, but McCarty says to

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Thorpe speaks at Lawton event

BY VIC SCHOONOVER
LAWTON CONSTITUTION

Old-time Texas Rangers and Comanche warriors must have been turning over in their graves Tuesday when a meeting hosted by the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) special rangers took place at Watchetaker Hall at the Comanche Tribal headquarters north of Lawton.

But times have changed for the better. Welcomed by the Comanche secretary of agriculture, TSCRA officers held a "ranch gathering," as they call it, to encourage Oklahoma cattlemen to join the ranks

of the TSCRA, an organization begun in 1877 that works to protect the interests of southwestern cattlemen on the back roads and in the halls of state legislatures and Congress.

Richard Thorpe III, Winters, Texas, cattelman and incoming president of the TSCRA, told the group of approximately 40 people attending the meeting that TSCRA backs the effort of the Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association to have a state beef check-off approved for the Sooner State. Thorpe said Texas has such a program and it is a welcome addition to the

National Cattlemen's Beef Association's check-off program that has had "too many different demands placed on it."

"Texas has a law requiring livestock auctions to keep specific identification records on people selling livestock. These records are kept in a central clearing office to, among other advantages, enable law officers to double check if stolen livestock have been illegally sold there," Thorpe said. He would like to see Oklahoma create a similar law, he said.

Dallas Henderson,

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CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Participating in the meeting were from left, back row: Bart Perrier, Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) special ranger; Richard Thorpe III, rancher of Winters and 2016 TSCRA president; Bret Walden, TSCRA special ranger; front: April Bonds, TSCRA youth programs, and Dallas Henderson, Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association legislative liaison.

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FUNERALS AND OBITUARIES

Alvin Lynn Cook

Alvin Lynn Cook 63 passed away on October 14, 2015 Alvin was born on March 24, 1952 Alvin Was great handyman there was nothing he could not do. Alvin was preceeded in death by his parents J.L. and Virginia Cook, and brother Jimmy, survived by Brother Steve and his wife. He also had nieces and nephews that were close to his heart. Arrangements were made through Rosewood Memorial Funeral Home.



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Dorothy Louise Compton

Dorothy Louise Compton, 89, of Winters, died Thursday October 8, 2015. She was born October 12, 1925 in Pumphrey and grew up there. She graduated from Winters High School. She married Ervin Compton February 4, 1946 in Robstown. He preceded her in death on October 4, 1997. She was a lifetime resident of Runnels County. She was a homemaker and a member of the Wingate Baptist Church.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law: Susan and Dale Brancel of Colleyville. 3 grandchildren: Travis, Tierney and Kirsten Brancel.

The family would like to give special thanks to the fifth floor nurses at Abilene Regional Medical Center, Hospice of the Big Country and Winters Assisted Living Center.

The family will receive friends at 7:00 P.M. Sunday October 11, 2015 at Winters Funeral Home. Funeral service will be 10:00 A.M. Monday October 12, 2015 at Wingate Baptist Church with burial in Northview cemetery in Winters directed by Winters Funeral Home. The Family suggest memorials be made to a favorite charity.

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San Joseph Salinas Valverde

San Joseph Salinas Valverde, 55, passed away in his home on October 12, 2015. Joseph was born in Winters, Texas. He grew up and lived his life in Runnels county. Joseph spent the better half of his life passionately working for Wingate Gin and Elevator. Joseph served in the United States Army as well as the Texas National Guard. Joseph was preceeded in death by his father Manuel Valverde of Goldthwaite, Texas. He is survived by two sons, Skye Joseph Salinas of Abilene, Texas, San Joseph Salinas Jr of Wingate, Texas. One daughter and son in law Stephanie and David Hadlock of Winters, Texas. Two grandsons Ashton and



Zander Hadlock of Winters, Texas. His mothers Juanita Valverde of Goldthwaite, Texas and Maria Valverde of Midland, Texas. Two brothers Ray Valverde of San Antonio, Texas and David Valverde of Midland, Texas. Two sisters Linda Augirre of Midland, Texas and Nora Valverde of Midland, Texas as well as many nieces and nephews that he loved very much. All arrangements were made through Rosewood Memorial Funeral in Ballinger, Texas.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Trick or treat!

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

Blizzard fundraiser

The Winters Athletic Booster Club is holding a fundraiser to benefit the Blizzard student athletes. Tickets are \$10 each and that enters the participant in three drawings. The grand prize is a 60X24 portable barbecue pit made by Texas Best Pit. Additional prizes will be a Tundra 45 Yeti ice chest and a Yeti Hopper 30. The drawing will be held at Nov. 6 at the last home varsity game. Tickets may be purchased from any booster club member. Message the Winters ISD Facebook page for more information.

City Council meetings

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

AA resumes in Winters

Alcoholics Anonymous has resumed in Winters. The first meeting will be Tuesday Nov. 3. The group will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays thereafter. The meetings will be from 7 to 8 p.m. at 204 W. Truett St. behind the Baptist church in Winters.

Runnels County Alzheimer's Support Group

The monthly Runnels County Alzheimer's Support Group will be held at Central Texas Nursing and Rehabilitation Center from 6:30-7:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month from. All concerned citizens are invited to share in discussion and education about the disease process and caregiver perspective. There is no charge for this public service sponsored by the National Alzheimer's Association.

Sobriety First AA Group

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

Alanon meetings

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

Early voting underway in Runnels County

STAFF REPORTS

Early voting in Runnels County started Monday and voters are being asked to adopt or oppose the amendments proposed by the 84th Legislature in the last session.

Early voting runs through Friday, Oct. 30 and will be held at the new courthouse annex at 600 Strong Ave. (corner of 6th Street and Strong Avenue). Early voters may cast ballots from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Oct. 20 and 27.

A listing of the constitutional amendments has been posted by the Secretary of State and includes:

SJR 1 - Current law provides an exemption of \$15,000 from the ad valorem taxation for public school purposes of a residence homestead. The proposed amendment would increase this exemption to \$25,000, starting in the tax year beginning January 1, 2015. In order to reflect the increased exemption on the homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or a disabled person, the proposed amendment would

provide a reduction to the current limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes. The proposed amendment would protect school districts from all or part of the revenue loss by authorizing an appropriation of funds according to formulas set by the legislature. In addition, the proposed amendment would authorize the legislature to prohibit a political subdivision from reducing or repealing a homestead exemption adopted by the political subdivision. Finally, the proposed amendment would prohibit the imposition of a tax on the conveyance of real property, but would not prohibit the imposition of a business tax measured by business activity, a tax on the production of minerals, a tax on the issuance of title insurance, or a change in the rate of a tax in existence on January 1, 2016.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment increasing the amount of the residence homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation for public school

purposes from \$15,000 to \$25,000, providing for a reduction of the limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for those purposes on the homestead of an elderly or disabled person to reflect the increased exemption amount, authorizing the legislature to prohibit a political subdivision that has adopted an optional residence homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation from reducing the amount of or repealing the exemption, and prohibiting the enactment of a law that imposes a transfer tax on a transaction that conveys fee simple title to real property."

Proposition 2-HJR 75 - In 2011, voters approved a constitutional amendment to allow a surviving spouse of a 100 percent or totally disabled veteran an exemption from ad valorem taxation from all or part of the market value on the disabled veteran's residence homestead, as long as the surviving spouse had not remarried. The amendment did not apply to surviving spouses of veterans who died before 2011. This amendment would extend the exemption in such cases. The proposed amendment would apply only to ad valorem taxes imposed for a tax year beginning on or after January 1, 2016.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment

authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a 100 percent or totally disabled veteran who died before the law authorizing a residence homestead exemption for such a veteran took effect."

Proposition 3 - SJR 52 proposes a constitutional amendment to repeal the requirement for the Comptroller of Public Accounts, the Commissioner of the General Land Office, the Attorney General, and any other officers elected statewide to reside in Austin, Texas, the state capital. Under current law, these statewide elected officers are required to reside in the capital of the State of Texas while in office. This amendment would not apply to the residency requirement for the Governor.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment repealing the requirement that state officers elected by voters statewide reside in the state capital."

Proposition 4 - HJR 73 proposes a constitutional amendment that would grant the legislature the authority to pass statutes to allow a professional sports team charitable foundation to conduct charitable raffles under the terms and conditions imposed by general law. The laws passed under

this authority may provide that the professional sports team charitable foundation may use proceeds from such charitable raffles to pay reasonable advertising, promotional, and administrative expenses. Any law enacted by this provision only applies to entities defined as professional sports team charitable foundations on January 1, 2016. Additionally, any law enacted by this provision may only allow charitable raffles to be conducted at games hosted at the home venue of the professional sports team associated with a professional sports team charitable foundation.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit professional sports team charitable foundations to conduct charitable raffles."

Proposition 5 - SJR 17 proposes a constitutional amendment which would increase from 5,000 to 7,500 the maximum total population threshold of a county that is allowed to construct and maintain private roads as long as the county imposes a reasonable charge for the work.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize counties with a population of 7,500 or less to perform private road construction and maintenance."

Proposition 6 - SJR 22 proposes a constitutional amendment that would add the right to hunt, fish and harvest wildlife, including by use of traditional methods, in the Bill of Rights of the Texas Constitution. This right would be subject to laws and regulations intended to conserve and manage wildlife and to preserve the future of hunting and fishing. The proposed amendment would establish

hunting and fishing as the preferred method of managing and controlling wildlife in Texas. The proposed amendment is not intended to affect any law or provision related to trespass, property rights or eminent domain, and would not prevent the legislature from authorizing a municipality to regulate the discharge of a firearm in a populated area in the interest of safety.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment recognizing the right of the people to hunt, fish, and harvest wildlife subject to laws that promote wildlife conservation."

Proposition 7 - SJR 5 proposes a constitutional amendment to dedicate a portion of revenues from (1) the state sales and use tax, and (2) the tax imposed on the sale, use, or rental of a motor vehicle, to the State Highway Fund (SHF). Under current law, these funds would be deposited to the General Revenue Fund. Money deposited to the SHF is intended to be used only to construct, maintain, or acquire rights-of-way for public roadways other than toll roads; or to repay certain transportation-related debt.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment dedicating certain sales and use tax revenue and motor vehicle sales, use, and rental tax revenue to the state highway fund to provide funding for nontolled roads and the reduction of certain transportation-related debt."

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Editor's note: Information on each proposition was provided by votetexas.gov through the Texas Secretary of State.

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Winters ISD menus Oct. 23 to Oct. 30

Breakfast

Oct. 23
Cinnamon roll or cereal w/ grahams
Mixed fruit juice
Choice of milk

Oct. 26
Biscuit & sausage w/gravy
Pop tart, cereal w/grahams
Fruit juice
Choice of milk

Oct. 27
Breakfast pizza, cereal
W/graham raisin
Fruit juice
Choice of milk

Oct. 28
Sausage roll, cereal w/grahams

Orange slices
Fruit juice
Choice of milk

Oct 29
Pancakes, cereal w/grahams
Tropical fruit
Fruit juice
Choice of milk

Oct. 30
Blueberry muffin, cereal
W/grahams, peaches
Fruit juice
Choice of milk

Lunch

Oct. 23
Chef salads or cheeseburger
Hot dog baked chips

Salad/carrot sticks
Peaches
Choice of milk

Oct. 26
Chef salad or
Spaghetti/toast or chicken/bun
Italian green beans salad/carrot
Sticks mixed fruit
Choice of milk

Oct. 27
Chef salad or
Bean & cheese chalupa
Chicken fajita corn
Salad/carrot sticks apple
Choice of milk

Oct. 28
Chef salad or
Steak fingers or chicken nuggets
Cinnamon grahams mashed potatoes/

gravy
Salad/broccoli peaches
Choice of milk

Oct. 29
Chef salad or
Peanut butter/jelly sandwich
Or chicken tenders
Mac n cheese salad/carrot sticks
Fruit cup raisins
Choice of milk

Oct. 30
Chef salad or cheeseburger
Or fish baked chips
Baked beans salad/carrot sticks
Diced pears
Choice of milk

TEXAS HISTORY MINUTE

The legendary Bob Wills

Bob Wills was one of the earliest stars of country music in Texas just as radio became popular. Wills was one of the pioneers of western swing and inspired generations of country music artists.

James Robert Wills was born in the small community of Kosse, about 45 miles southeast of Waco, in 1905. He was born into a family of cotton farmers and musicians. His father, John Tompkins Wills, was a popular local fiddle player and reportedly won several competitions.

In 1913, the family moved to Turkey in the panhandle, eventually buying a farm in the area. In spite of the musical education he received playing with his siblings, he grew bored as a teenager and left home at the age of 16, spending several years traveling by freight train. He returned home after a few years, but the music was waiting, and Wills began playing with a renewed energy.

He moved to Fort Worth in 1929

where he began playing music and performing in travelling vaudeville acts. As he traveled, he learned more about other musical styles and steadily incorporated their influences into his music, including influences from Bessie Smith, an early African-American blues legend as well as early country artists Jimmie Davis and Jimmie Rodgers.



Dr. Ken Bridges

Wills formed the Wills Fiddle Band in 1930, which became a hit on radio. With a new sponsorship, it was renamed the Light Crust Doughboys. Wills left the band in 1933 and formed the Texas Playboys the next year. By this time, Wills was among a group developing the "western swing" sound. In 1940, he released perhaps his most popular song, "New San Antonio Rose."

He started appearing in western movies, ultimately appearing in twenty altogether, in the 1940s. In 1942, at the age of 37, he enlisted in the army. How-

ever, he was quickly discharged. Nevertheless, he wrote and performed several popular patriotic songs to support the troops during World War II.

He developed problems in the 1940s because of his increased drinking, but he continued to tour. In 1968, he was inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame. His health continued to decline. In 1973, he had just started an album with country artist Merle Haggard when he suffered a massive stroke. Wills never recovered and spent the next two years in a coma before his death on May 13, 1975.

Bob Wills influenced a very diverse group of musicians, including such legendary acts as blues artist Fats Domino, rock stars Jimi Hendrix and The Rolling Stones, and country artists such as Waylon Jennings as well as Haggard.

Wills' 1936 hit "Right or Wrong" was re-recorded by George Strait in 1984. "Sugar Moon," a number one single from 1947 was later recorded by Willie Nelson and K. D. Lang in the 1980s. In 1950, Wills released "Faded

Love," a song that he had written with his father and brother. The popular tune was later sung by Conway Twitty, Elvis Presley, and eventually, Willie Nelson. A multitude of artists perform other songs of his still to this day.

After Wills' death, tributes poured in from around the country. He and the Texas Playboys were inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1999 for their contributions to the beginnings of rock and roll. In 2011, the Texas House of Representatives passed a resolution honoring him by declaring western swing to be the official music of Texas. Waylon Jennings perhaps spoke for millions of Wills's fans when he sang in his 1975 tribute, "I don't care who's in Austin, Bob Wills is still the king."

Dr. Bridges is a Texas native, writer, and history professor. He can be reached at drkenbridges.com.

DPS increases school bus safety efforts

AUSTIN - In conjunction with National School Bus Safety Week (Oct. 19-23), the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is reminding drivers that it is illegal to pass any school bus that is stopped and operating a visual signal - either flashing red lights or a stop sign. During this time, DPS Highway Patrol troopers will be on the lookout for drivers who disregard the law.

"DPS urges drivers to make the safety of our children a priority whenever they travel near school buses, and DPS will not tolerate those who break the law and put our children at risk," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "Remember, children are particularly vulnerable when entering or exiting a school bus."

During National School Bus Safety Week, troopers in many areas will be riding on or following school buses to catch motorists who disregard the law. Troopers will also be patrolling areas where school buses pick up and drop off students, watching for motorists violating the school bus law. Drivers who violate the law could face fines as much as \$1,250.

In 2014 and year to date in 2015, Texas Highway Patrol troopers have issued 852 tickets for passing a stopped school bus. According to the Texas Education Agency, more than 42,000 school buses transport approximately 1.5 million Texas children every school day.

According to Texas statute, a driver - traveling in either direction - must stop when approaching a school bus that is stopped and operating a visual signal. The driver may not proceed until one of the following occurs: the school bus resumes motion; the operator is signaled by the bus driver to proceed; or the visual signal is no longer activated.

If a road is divided only by a left-turning lane, drivers on both sides of the roadway must stop for school buses with alternating red flashing lights activated. However, if the lanes are separated by an

intervening space or physical barrier, only motorists going in the same direction as the bus are required to stop.

(As a reminder, school buses, by law, must stop at all railroad crossings.)

Here are several safety measures drivers can take to help keep children safer:

- When driving in school zones, watch out for student pedestrians.
- Slow down and watch for children congregating near bus stops.
- Look for children who might dart into the street without looking for traffic.
- Know and obey the laws concerning traffic and school buses in Texas.

Weather Whys

Q: What causes cold fronts?

A: The simple explanation is that the leading edge of a cold air mass is moving into an area previously occupied by a warmer air mass, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "The air mass behind the cold front is noticeably colder and it pushes out the warmer air," McRoberts explains. "As a cold front moves into an area, the heavier, colder air lifts the warmer, lighter air upward. If the warm air is humid enough, water vapor in it will condense and rain can occur. A greater contrast in temperatures between the two air masses will lead to stronger upward motion, which is why strong cold fronts often trigger thunderstorms."

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

"Spooked"

- Across**
- 1 Robot of Jewish lore
 - 6 Messy dresser
 - 10 Strain, as flour
 - 14 Speedy Northeast train
 - 15 Diamond Head locale
 - 16 Melville tale
 - 17 1947 Rex Harrison film, with "The"
 - 20 "I got an ___ my test! Woo hoo!"
 - 21 Diehard
 - 22 Like child's play
 - 23 "Hold your horses!"
 - 24 To be in France
 - 25 Like a Seoul man
 - 28 Some Olympians, nowadays
 - 29 Parts of finan. portfolios
 - 32 "Bad news"
 - 33 Island feast
 - 34 Hunted
 - 35 Lindbergh's plane, with "The"
 - 38 Kind of wave
 - 39 Ring bearer
 - 40 Raised
 - 41 Survey choice
 - 42 Anchovy containers
 - 43 Glossies' opposites
 - 44 Composes
 - 45 Dapper fellow
 - 46 Bud holders?
 - 49 Not manual
 - 50 Journalist's question
 - 53 Pilot, perhaps
 - 56 Musical mark
 - 57 Sans ice
 - 58 Last
 - 59 It has its ups and downs
 - 60 Houston basebatter, briefly
 - 61 Rundown
- Down**
- 1 Crazy (over)
 - 2 Eight in España
 - 3 Rock's Kings of ___
 - 4 Golf pro Ernie
 - 5 Seductive WWII spy
 - 6 Actress Braga
 - 7 "Shane" star
 - 8 Physics unit
 - 9 Give sudden release to, as laughter
 - 10 Amiens is its capital
 - 11 Late riser's "all right already!"
 - 12 Baking sheet
 - 13 Sped
 - 18 Skin care brand

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- 19 Lancelot and Mix-a-Lot, for two
- 20 "___ the World"
- 23 Expunge
- 24 Ex-punge
- 25 Given to smooching
- 26 "Have another slice ___"
- 27 Control, symbolically
- 28 Light pastries
- 29 Salad oil holder
- 30 Prepare for winter takeoff
- 31 Procedures: Abbr.
- 33 Meat cuts
- 34 ___cochere (carriage entrance)
- 36 Esau and Jacob, to Isaac
- 37 First ones at the plate
- 42 It may be pitched
- 43 Stray dog, often
- 44 Spotted
- 45 Because of
- 46 Active
- 47 Lt. Kojak
- 48 Effortless
- 49 Open a bit
- 50 Soave, e.g.
- 51 Principal
- 52 Paris airport
- 54 Confronted
- 55 Deception

LAST WEEK'S ANSWER GRID

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Weather Whys

Q: How fast can the temperature drop when a cold front arrives?

A: Sometimes amazingly fast, McRoberts adds. It is not uncommon for the temperature to drop 15 degrees or more in just one hour after a cold front arrives. "There are some incredible stories about temperature changes, with one in particular that stands out" he adds. "On Jan. 22, 1943, the town of Spearfish, SD was sitting on the edge of an arctic air mass and recorded a temperature of -4 degrees at 7:30 in the morning. Within two minutes, the thermometer shot up to 45 degrees because of strong 'Chinook' winds descending down a nearby mountain peak. By 9 a.m. the temperature was up to 54 degrees, but as the winds died down and the cold air mass settled in, the temperature fell to -4 degrees within 27 minutes, a 58-degree temperature drop that is still believed to be a record."

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Runnels County Jail Record October 22, 2015

Name	Age	Agency
Rosemarie A. Garcia	27	Sterling City
Theft of property		
Lonicio R. Carrillo	31	Coleman County
Parole violation		
Scotty D. Long	41	Ballinger PD
Child support		
Brandon S. Fisher	33	RCSO
Warrant forgery/financial instrument		
Manuel R. Roman	24	WPD
Public intoxication, terroristic threat of public servant		
Victor G. Valenzuela	36	WPD
Bail jumping and FTA		
Leonardo M. Lopez	53	Turn self in
Parole violation		
Anthony Sheperd	24	Coleman Co
Warrant Coleman County poss. of controlled substance		
Jalon E. Reed	35	Turn self in
Warrant aggravated assault w/ deadly weapon		
Jerry J. Carson	61	BPD
Public intoxication		
Shawn C. Brantley	38	Coleman County
Parole violation		
Adam J. Stokes	39	BPD
Disorderly conduct		

\$5,000 reward offered for most wanted sex offender from Chambers County

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) has added Mark Anthony Breaux, 49, to the Texas 10 Most Wanted Sex Offenders list, and a cash reward up to \$5,000 is now being offered for information leading to his capture. Breaux is wanted for failure to register as a sex offender, evading arrest/detention and probation violation. All tips are guaranteed to be anonymous.

Breaux has ties to Chambers County, including the city of Winnie, and Jefferson County. His criminal history includes sexual assault, burglary and escape. In 1991, Breaux was convicted of aggravated sexual assault of a child after an incident in Jefferson County involving a 9-year-old girl. For more information or updates in the event of his arrest, see his wanted bulletin

at: www.dps.texas.gov/Texas10MostWanted/SexOffenderDetails.aspx?id=309.

Breaux is 5 feet 5 inches tall and weighs approximately 155 pounds. He has tattoos on both arms, his right hand and chest; and scars on his arms and left knee. Breaux has prior work history as a repairman and laborer. He may also be known as "Tony" or "Speedy."

Texas Crime Stoppers, which is funded by the Governor's Criminal Justice Division, offers cash rewards to any person who provides information that leads to the arrest of one of the Texas 10 Most Wanted fugitives or sex offenders.

To be eligible for the cash rewards, there are five different ways to provide anonymous tips:

- Call the Crime Stoppers hotline at 1-800-252-TIPS (8477).

- Text the letters DPS - followed by your tip - to 274637 (CRIMES) from your cell phone.

- Submit a web tip through the DPS website by selecting the fugitive you have information about, and then clicking on the link under their picture.

- Submit a Facebook tip at

<http://www.facebook.com/texas10mostwanted> by clicking the "SUBMIT A TIP" link (under the "About" section).

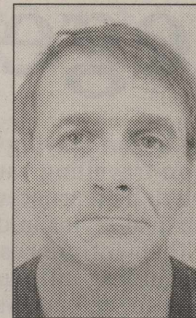
- Submit a tip through the DPS Mobile App. The

app is currently available for iPhone users on the Apple App Store: (<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/texas-dps/id902092368?mt=8>) and for Android users on Google Play: (<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.microassist.texasdps&hl=en>).

All tips are anonymous - regardless of how they are submitted.

DPS investigators work with local law enforcement agencies to select fugitives for the Texas 10 Most Wanted Fugitive and Sex Offender lists. You can find the current lists - with photos - on the DPS website at <http://www.dps.texas.gov/texas-10mostwanted/>.

Do not attempt to apprehend these fugitives; they are considered armed and dangerous.



Mark Anthony Breaux

VETERAN'S CORNER



Sandra G. Van Zant

The VA Outpatient Clinic in San Angelo is offering flu shots on Monday through Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. If you are a veteran patient in the VA system, you may choose to get a no-cost flu shot at an area Walgreens between now and March 31, 2016. No appointment is required; simply go to any Walgreens, tell the pharmacist you receive care at a VA facility and show your Veterans Identification Card and another form of photo ID. Use Group Code # 5933XBAYV. Your immunization record will be updated electronically in your local VA electronic health record. For more information, contact Sandra at the Veterans Service Office at 602 Strong Ave. on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., or call 365-3612.

-Sandra G. Van Zant, Veterans County Service Officer

Thieves hit Old Runnels Cemetery

BY CELINDA HAWKINS
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The Old Runnels Cemetery has been a target for thieves over the last few months officials with the Runnels County Sheriff's Office reported.

According to Deputy David Sellars, two benches and a religious figurine were stolen from the cemetery. The memorial benches were stolen from

the graves of Taylor Boman and Brooke Amber Abney, who were both killed in auto accidents in July of 2014. The figurine was stolen from the grave of Justin Byler, who was killed Oct. 31, 2005 in Iraq.

Sellars said there is an on going investigation into the disappearance of another graveside adornment.

The items have been stolen over the last three

months, Sellars said.

The Old Runnels Cemetery is located between Ballinger and Hatchel on FM 2887 and does not have a secure gate, Sellars said. Plus there is no caretaker on site at the cemetery, he said.

The Runnels County S.O. is offering a \$500 reward for information leading to the arrest and prosecution of the person or persons responsible for the thefts.

Those with information on the thefts may call the Runnels County S.O. with information at 325-365-2121.

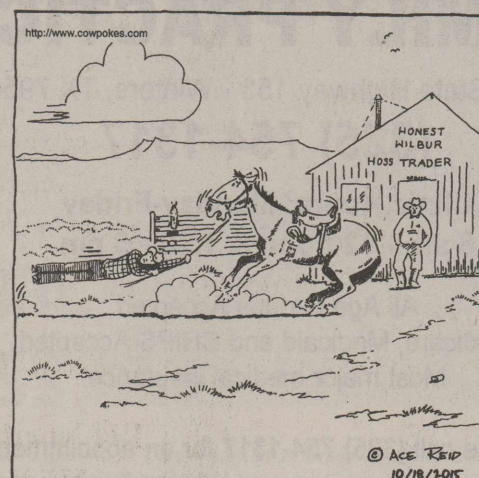
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ADAPT AND OVERCOME

Do it for your country

I once asked Johnnie what he would say to someone that just suffered a serious injury, how would you help them to cope.

He told me, "A lot of people would say to hang in there, it will eventually get better, but I would tell someone that they have a long hard road ahead of them, there will be times of great sadness and extreme accomplishment. You have to learn to balance these emotions and stay mentally as well as physically tough. Having a disability is a 'learn as you go' task and it takes time to begin to figure it out."

Speaking of accomplishments, Johnnie has come a long way in the three years he has been competing in paralympic sports. When I met him we were both hoping for the same thing, to represent our country against the world. After medaling at multiple Paralympic meets Johnnie was able to accomplish one of his goals and after qualify-

ing for Nationals he won first place in his division in the javelin, qualifying for the Para Pan Am Games in Toronto, Canada where he took third.

His accomplishments this year were enough to get him a spot on Team USA for the World Championships in Doha, Qatar being held October 21-31. If everything goes the way Johnnie hopes, he will don the red, white and blue for Team USA once again next August and September for the Paralympic Games.

His story is one of pride and one that fills you with hope. As he struggles to find his balance through competition we can all be members of his journey.

Adapt and Overcome is a new weekly article by Chad McDuffee, a veteran who served 11 years in the U.S. Army. The column will cover his experiences on his journey as an amputee as well as documenting the journeys of others.



Chad McDuffee

BROTHER J

The New Arrival

I came home and there she sat with the new arrival. She was sitting in the easy chair carefully holding him in her arms. She said, "What do you think?" Now I have been married 40 years and I would like to make 41, so I thought a minute and very carefully chose my words and I said, "he's kinda cute." He did have the prettiest soft brown eyes and his nose was cute too. I should have expected the red hair but not those big, long ears. When he tried to walk they almost touched the ground.

You see, a friend of my wife brought her an 8-week-old red bloodhound puppy. As I looked at the latest arrival I thought about all the things that puppy is going to have to learn to stay in good favor around here. He must be nice to the other animals and pets. To go outside when he needs to go to the bathroom. The furniture is not to be chewed and he must learn to come when called.

There is a list of acceptable things he can do and things not to do. That reminds me of the Christian life. There is a certain way God wants and expects us to live, (Exodus 19:5, Joshua 1:8). There are things we should do and things we shouldn't, (Ephesians 5:7-11) and the Bible tells us about them, (Colossians 1:10). See you in church next Sunday.

Brother J

Marriage Licenses Issued

Runnels County Marriage License List for Sept. 2 - Oct. 16, 2015

Name	Day married
Robert Adam Leininger and Stacy Elizabeth Bittick	09/02/2015
William Scott Wilson and Megan Marie Hannaman	09/03/2015
Matthew Skkye Awalt and Madelyn Cintron - Nolasco	09/10/2015
Howard Vincent Sklenarik and Wendy Michelle Storms	09/15/2015
Wyman Burson, JR. and Mary Rodriguez	09/18/2015
Epigmenio Cortez Valles and Yolanda Rodriguez	09/18/2015
Alan Lucius Evans and Kathy Joan Fritze	09/25/2015
Charles Wayne Plumley and Katie Pamela Lancaster	10/01/2015
Glendle Richardson and Lisa Lynn Kresta	10/02/2015
Joshua Richard Flohr and Sara Renae Schwertner	10/14/2015
Jomikel Delgado Leal and Chelsea Marie L Castillo	10/16/2015



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The Market Perspective

Anticipating a bottom in oil prices

This is the third or fourth time we have seen oil go up and it gets smacked in the face again. Everything will come back to the fundamentals sometime.

Tariq Zahir, managing member Tyche Capital Advisors Poor people think about Tuesday all day Tuesday. Rich people think in terms of decades.

Gail Sheehy, Pathfinders

Our position has been that the oil price would rebound in an A B C up-down-up fashion. And indeed that is just what has happened. We reined our optimism in over reaching \$55 last week. We suggested that probably the best we could hope for would be a return to the previous high at \$50. Sure enough, price poked just over \$50 and then retreated to the \$46 level. Which makes our forecast a good bit better than Boone Pickens \$70 estimate by year-end.

We follow a variety of technical indicators to form our opinions on price direction. On Thursday October 15, on the continuous price chart the parabolic stop and reverse PAR SAR indicator I (how's that for a mouthful?) generated a daily sell signal. This indicator will be in place unless price exceeds \$50.92, the high set five days ago. The up down pattern from the \$37.75 August low appears complete giving this indicator a higher than usual confidence level. It is not necessary to explain how PAR SAR works, think of it as a usually reliable black box. The price also is turning down on the more important weekly chart.

Business news abounds with headlines such as Low Prices Slam Schlumberger. Schlumberger's third quarter earnings declined 49 percent. In a battered market the stock price of SLB has held up in great fashion declining a mere 15 percent this past year.

Considering smaller energy firms are now trading below book value and have fallen more than 50 percent, the largest firm in the business has held up fairly well. Expect lower earnings from Halliburton and Baker-Hughes who will report next week. But we all know the bad news is in place, what should we be anticipating

In short let's take Gail's advice and think like rich people. Market wizard Jim Rogers notes that commodity markets usually have to fall below the cost of production to make a final bottom. That flushes out the weak players with too much debt or not enough cash. Assets move from the weak to strong hands. The nature of a bear market is to clear out the excessive speculation from the previous bull market. And that is certainly happening with personnel lay offs, capital budgets slashed, and over the top speculation in housing and hotels in what were boom towns just months ago. Notably we were sounding the alarm in this space when the rest of the 'experts' were wildly bullish.

We need look no further than the gold and silver market to have a road map to follow on how this will end for energy prices. Gold began its twelve-year run must under \$300 in the late 1998-99 time frame. It ran to \$1,900 in 2011 amid wildly bullish predictions of

a coming collapse in various world currencies. It then corrected half that advance falling to yes \$1,100 this past July. Shares of mining companies were pounded. The XAU index of gold miners lost 80 percent of its value from the 2011 top. Just a few weeks ago a Wall Street Journal Columnist referred to gold as a "pet rock" suggesting investing in the metal was the equivalent of a fad with no real value. Since then gold has jumped about \$100 or 9 percent. The point here is that market lows are occasioned by massive negative mood often bordering on outright derision.

Recall natural gas prices bottomed in summer 2012 around \$1.92. At the time I reported on articles suggesting the price would literally have to drop to zero, given the excess supply in the world. That in itself was evidence of an impending low. Sure enough natural gas prices hit \$6.50 just 18 months later. It is this massive negative mood coupled with the human instinct of herding (following the crowd) that makes buying such lows difficult.

Gold and silver are perhaps the first major commodity market to bottom. We expect most other markets, like energy to follow with bottoms occurring over the next six months. The XES energy service ETF has fallen already lost 64 percent of its value from the April 2014 high. I expect it will bottom in coming months just over the 2009 panic low around \$12.50. It's not too early to brace for an "attitude adjustment" as Hank Williams Jr. put it, when everyone else will still be expecting lower prices.

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Dennis Elam

Multi-county Predator Awareness Workshop Friday in San Angelo

BY STEVE BYRNS
TEXAS A & M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE

SAN ANGELO - The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will conduct a multicounty Predator Awareness Workshop from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday in San Angelo.

Josh Blaneck, AgriLife Extension agent in Tom Green County, said the classroom instruction will be in the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center, located north of San Angelo on U.S. Highway 87, and will include afternoon field exercises.

The participating counties include Tom Green, Coke, Runnels, Schleicher, Irion and Sterling.

"This program's agenda was developed to fit landowners with acreages

of any size," Blaneck said. "Whether you have a few acres in the country and want to know more about those country critters on your place, or you're a rancher with a large acreage grazing many sheep and goats, this program will help you better understand the ecology and behavior of our West Texas predators."

"Knowing the ecology and behavior associated with predators will help you as a landowner understand the pendulum swings in predator numbers. This program will include a lot of outdoor, hands-on activities taught by those with a wealth of knowledge and experience in dealing with the realities and myths surrounding predators and predation.

Anyone with livestock or with an interest in wildlife will benefit from this program."

Registration is \$25 per person. The fee includes lunch.

For more information and to register, call the AgriLife Extension office in Tom Green County at 325-659-6523. Topics and speakers will include:

- Opening remarks and Predation Identification Exercise, Dr. John Tomecek, AgriLife Extension wildlife specialist at San Angelo, and participating AgriLife Extension agents.
- Predator Ecology and Behavior, Tomecek.
- Wildlife and Livestock Predation Identification, Tomecek.
- New Feral Hog Trap Technologies, a field

demonstration, Josh Helcel, AgriLife Extension associate at Gatesville.

■ Livestock Guard Dogs, Dr. Reid Redden, AgriLife Extension state sheep and goat specialist at San Angelo.

■ Trapping Options, Tom Green and surrounding AgriLife Extension Wildlife Services trappers. Afternoon breakout sessions will conclude the day. The sessions will include:

- Predator Sign and Identification, Tomecek.
 - Hog Trap Design and Implementation, Helcel.
 - Lethal Trapping Demonstration, area trappers.
- Three (3) Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units, one general and two integrated pest management, will be offered.

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TDA Market Report for the week ending Oct. 18

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For the week ending Oct. 18, 2014, feeder cattle prices quoted by Texas auctions were mostly steady to \$8 higher per hundred-weight (cwt) early in the week, but mostly steady to \$5 lower at week's end. Sharply lower feeder cattle futures pulled cash markets lower in spite of continued strong demand from feedlots and from ranchers needing cattle to turn out on fall and winter pastures. Texas direct feeder cattle sales were mostly \$2 to \$8 lower, though a few sold at steady prices early in the week. Fed cattle cash sales were steady. Wholesale beef values were higher. Limited supplies continue to support prices throughout the cattle-beef complex, but lower stock markets raised concerns about beef demand. Beef export sales for the week were down 43 percent from the previous week and 41 percent lower than the prior four-week

average. Export shipments were up three percent from both the previous week and the average.

Cotton prices were lower after both India and Pakistan increased their production estimates, with India now expecting a record-large crop. Falling stock markets also raised concerns about fiber demand, while lower crude oil prices signaled stronger competition from lower-priced synthetics. However, declines were limited by concerns about damage from cool, wet weather in much of the Cotton Belt and tight supplies of high-quality fiber. USDA NASS reported that the U.S. cotton crop was 22 percent harvested, slightly behind the five-year average, with 47 percent of the remaining acreage rated in good to excellent condition, unchanged from last week. (Comparisons to last year are not available because of last year's federal government shutdown.) In Texas, 20 percent of the cotton crop has been harvested, only one

point behind the average, with 33 percent of the acreage rated good to excellent, one point better than a week ago. Cotton export sales were down 90 percent from the previous week and down 95 percent from the prior four-week average. Exports of 65,900 bales were the lowest of the marketing year, down 19 percent from the previous week and 25 percent below the average.

Wheat prices were higher due to planting delays in the parts of the Midwest and dry conditions in Australia. U.S. winter wheat seedings were 68 percent complete, one point ahead of normal. The Texas crop is 63 percent planted, compared to 60 percent on average by this date. USDA has not yet started reporting wheat condition. Wheat export sales were up 22 percent from the previous week and unchanged from the prior four-week average. Export shipments were down 27 percent from a week earlier and 21 per-

cent below the average.

Corn and grain sorghum prices were higher due to harvest delays in parts of the Corn Belt and supportive export data. However, conditions still favor a record-large corn crop, though it might not be quite as large as earlier forecasts. Last week, the U.S. corn harvest progressed to 24 percent complete, well behind the normal 43 percent. However, 87 percent of the crop is now rated mature, only slightly behind the 89 percent average. Additionally, 74 percent of the remaining acreage is rated in good to excellent condition, unchanged from a week ago. The Texas corn crop is 70 percent harvested compared to 82 percent on average by this date. The crop is rated in 67 percent good to excellent condition, unchanged from last week. For grain sorghum, 41 percent of the U.S. crop and 74 percent of the Texas acreage has been harvested. Corn export sales were the highest of the marketing

year, more than double both the previous week and prior four-week average, as well as being the highest weekly total in more than four years. Export shipments were down eight percent from the previous week, but seven percent higher than the average.

Much of the state north and east of a line from Houston to Big Spring to Wichita Falls recorded one half inch or more of rain during the week, with the heaviest totals in East Texas and along the coast south of Corpus Christi. Last week's U.S. Drought Monitor showed another modest improvement in conditions in Texas with 69 percent of the state now in some degree of drought or abnormal dryness, down one percentage point from a week ago and the lowest since late November 2010. Thirty-seven percent of the nation is rated as abnormally dry or in some degree of drought, down two points from last week.

THE IDLE AMERICAN Votes of Confidence

Commentary by
Dr. Don Newbury

The old expression "can't know a player without a program" still has traction, but particularly at this time of year, the same is true of coaches.

Few would join picket lines opposing college presidents announcing "votes of confidence" for coaches soon to be sent packing. Typically, firings occur after coaches have delayed dissection of horrid losses, pending "seeing the tapes." Such coaches sound like "broken records," sadly shepherding yet more teams that never broke any. Such "confidence votes" usually are announced when guillotines are on downward swings, not worth the wheezes of lungs from which they come. Such occurred to me when the University of North Texas' Coach Dan McCarney got the axe before homecoming fans cleared the stadium. Alas, the 66-7 drubbing administered by

Portland State couldn't be brushed aside.

A similar situation once involved another Texas team, but that time, it prevailed. And the "egg-faced, mid-major host" was New Mexico State University. True, the Aggies fell to a comparative "mid-minor" expected to be a "patsy," and eggs were cheaper then. Sul Ross—the 1963 42-15 victor-pocketed "only" \$25,000. Even after paying the bus charter, SRSU coffers bulged with 24 grand and change....

Despite admitted change, much doesn't. Large schools now must schedule non-league games years in advance. Teams considered "mid-minor" at contract time can become raging devils, roaming about seeing who they can

devour. In Denton, they were Vikings, administering a 59-point loss and taking home a \$425,000 pay check.

UNT brass didn't "study the tapes" to determine what to do next. (In olden days, did they study the oil paintings?)

Once more, the guy claiming he'd coach football in Texas only if he had a home with wheels on it, makes a strong point....

One afterthought: The NMSU coach in 1963 was the late Warren Woodson, who likely was neither as brilliant as his strongest supporters suggested nor as inept as his cruelest critics claimed. He kept his job for four more seasons, leaving only when the "mandatory" retirement age of 65 was called into play. However, thorns prevailed. The brass

couldn't wait to lean on the rule, despite significant huffing and puffing about an exception being made—or a birth certificate being altered.

It should not be ignored that he won several bowl games—and, during a long career—coached basketball, track and baseball teams to conference titles. Long-time NMSU fans still call his firing "the Woodson curse." Since his departure, the Aggies have had ONE winning season (7-5) and no bowl trips....

During the rip-roaring years of the Border Conference, Woodson coached at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. The Cowboys had as much fire as smoke, disposing of major schools left and right.

Few coaches—then or since—have had highs or lows equaling Woodson's. Doubters should Google him. HSU now has sports in perspective, playing in

Division III, where athletes compete for the love of the game. "The game" matters most to the players, their parents, current students and alumni who return at homecoming....

Consider the current season. The Cowboys are undefeated. Recently, though, there was as much stir about a missing bird as there was about football. Gilbert the Goose—long seen gliding gracefully on the campus pond—was missing. That was the murmur in the stands during HSU's victory over cross-town rival McMurry. There were groans for their goose—a minority group insists should be gander—one honored at the HSU Library coffee bar. No longer at issue is his whereabouts. Gilbert had NOT been "goose-napped" by McMurry baddies, and charges against Harold Preston were dismissed. (Preston—longtime HSU financial VP known for ever-tightened

fists—thought all creatures eating on campus should pay. Gilbert quacked in his face. The university's heralded six white horses, however, breathed easily only after Preston was retired to pasture. It is said, BTW, that HSU folks were admonished to climb over gates to save the hinges.)

Dr. Lanny Hall, HSU president, could have claimed spotting Gilbert near the campus. However, two students were there first, and, well, what with social media... The university's drone—we all fear—knows the WHOLE story. Anyway, the hunt was called off. Gilbert is gliding again. The horses are getting second helpings. And Preston—for now—is exonerated....

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The residence of the Independent Executor is in Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, and the post office address is: P.O. Box 345, Rowena, Runnels County, Texas 76875.

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

Date the 12th day of October, 2015.

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NOTICE OF Application for Fluid Injection Well Permit

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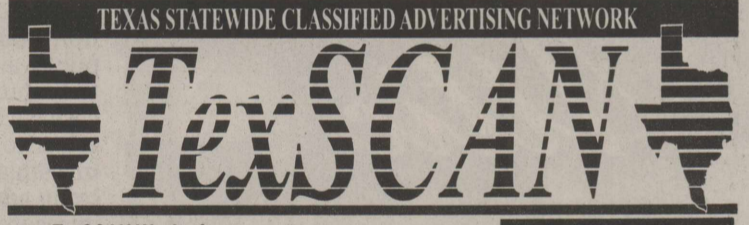
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BLIZZARDS FOOTBALL



Julian Soto is pictured here running back a kick off for a touchdown during the Blizzards game against the Ballinger Bearcats Sept. 11, 2015. Soto wracked up 17 carries for 67 yards in the Blizzards' game against the Post Antelopes Friday, Oct. 16, 2015. PHOTO COURTESY JOE GERHART

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look for them to throw the ball more. There will also be a familiar face on the opponents sideline as Brent Rider, the Blizzard defensive coordinator from last season, is now the head coach for Bronte. The Winters Blizzards (1-6, 1-1 district) will face the Bronte Longhorns in Roscoe (2-5, 0-2 district) at 7:30 p.m. at Blizzard Stadium.

DPS Seeks Information in 1993 Corpus Christi Murder

Cold cases to be featured monthly to garner new tips, attention

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) and Texas Ranger Unsolved Crimes Investigation Team are launching a public awareness program to feature one unsolved case each month in an effort to generate new investigative leads and bring added attention to unresolved or "cold cases" across the state. "These victims and their loved ones deserve justice, and DPS is committed to continuing the search for critical evidence related to these cases, and we urge anyone with information about any unsolved crime to come forward," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "In many cases, it just takes one tip or witness to help solve a crime and get a dangerous criminal out of our communities."

This month's featured case is the murder of Kathleen Suckley, 29, in Corpus Christi. On April 8, 1993, Suckley was found dead inside her apartment in the 5000 block of Meandering Lane. She had suffered multiple stab wounds, and her two young sons were inside the home during her murder. A witness in the case described a white or Hispanic male approximately 5 feet 6 inches tall with a medium build and short dark hair standing near Suckley's patio door several hours prior to the murder. At the time of her death, Suckley worked at the then Future Firm fitness center in Corpus Christi and had previously worked at a restaurant at a greyhound racetrack in 1992. Anyone with informa-

tion in this case is urged to submit a tip thru the Texas Rangers' Cold Case website or contact the Missing Persons Clearinghouse at 1-800-346-3243. The Texas Ranger Unsolved Crimes Investigation Team was created to assist Texas law enforcement agencies investigating unsolved murders or what appear to be serial or linked criminal transactions. Since there is no statute of limitations on the offense of murder, investigators pursue these cases to a successful resolution; or until no other lead is viable. In addition, DPS created the Texas Rangers' Unsolved Homicides webpage aimed at renewing public interest in unsolved cases. The site features the division's Top 12 Unsolved Cold Case Investigations,



Kathleen Suckley

which includes two cases from each of the state's six DPS regions. For more information, visit the Texas Rangers' Cold Case website at: <http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/TexasRangers/UnsolvedHomicides/index.htm>.

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Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association legislative representative, speaking on efforts to make create a state-wide check-off program,

indicated state livestock marketing businesses have been reluctant to support such a law, citing invasion of personal privacy rights. Thorpe said he believes such a law could be proposed for Oklahoma after the Sooner State beef

check-off effort is completed. April Bonds, who works with TSCRA youth programs, explained the organization is actively seeking to involve young people of high school and college ages.

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of a problem, since the Runnels County Appraisal District has to estimate the tax values at that time. "It is usually pretty accurate," Davis said. But this year, the values were off, causing an overall budget deficit of \$388,000, Davis said. However, the board has been fiscally responsible in the past, and the district has funds in reserve to cover the deficit this year. "There have been some good decisions made by the board," Davis said. But the district is also putting projects for building maintenance and improvements on the back burner. "All that is on hold for now," Davis said. As for the district's budget and tax woes, Davis said he is optimistic. "The sky is not falling, it's just raining," he said.

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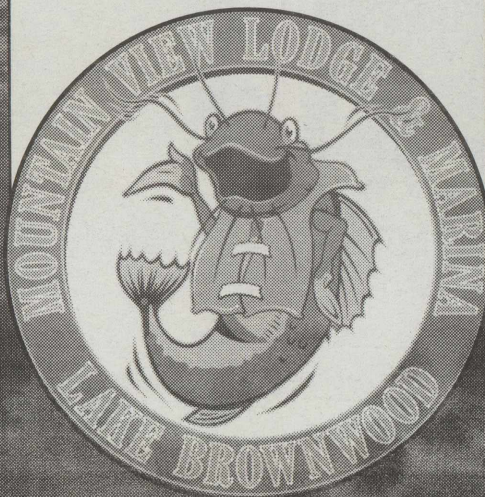
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What do you want to see?

BY BRENT ADDLEMAN
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Welcome to the final edition of Central Texas Outdoors for the 2015 calendar year. We hope you have enjoyed them as much as we have enjoyed producing them.

We've been able to tell some pretty cool stories this year.

We were fortunate enough to do an in-depth story on a pair of female hunters from Runnels County on Carolyn Lowry and Lindsey Byler.

The pair captivated readers with their stories from the wild and how much hunting means to them, and how they want to pass it down to their children.

We also focused on a canoe paddling trail here in Brown County, along with focusing on Lake Brownwood and Dinosaur Valley state parks.

The parks offer hiking, camping, fishing and general relaxation away from city life.

Other topics we have touched on include how to acquire a fishing and hunting license and all the laws and regulations that come along with possessing them.

We've also given you information about an outfitter for dove hunting, along with stories about zebra mussels becoming an issue in freshwater lakes here in Texas.

Plus, we've relayed boating safety and bag limits for all the hunting season.

But, we have one question.

What do YOU want to see?

We feel that you, the reader, are our most important resource.

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Is it more hiking? Fishing? Deer hunting? Pheasant/Quail/Dove hunting? Do you want more stories on equipment that will make your outdoors adventure more safe and fun?

We strive to make this special section the best it can be, and we feel that you, the outdoorsman, can help us achieve that goal.

Central Texas Outdoors is about you, the hunter, the angler, the hiker, the biker and camper. We feel that we have been touching on all the

aspects of the outdoors, but we want your input.

Your input will go a long way in shaping the 2016 editions, which we are planning on coming out in a quarterly basis.

We feel the outdoors are a rich part of life here in Central Texas, and we want to tell your stories. If you have a story idea, let us know.

We are looking to keep these editions focused on the outdoors, to include hunting and non-hunting sports. We want to keep these editions true to the outdoors.

We want to know what you think. Send us your thoughts via email to news@brownwoodbulletin.com.

Brent Addleman is managing editor of the Brownwood Bulletin. He can be reached by calling 325-641-3110, or email baddleman@brownwoodbulletin.com. Twitter: @BWD_Editor.



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Where can you hunt in Texas?

BY BRENT ADDLEMAN
BROWNWOOD BULLETIN
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With hunting season finally here, let's take a look at where you can hunt. Most hunters have to pay handsome sums of money to pay to hunt on a hunting lease, where they will have competition from other hunters.

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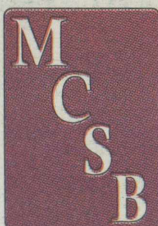
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Hogan harvests deer of a lifetime

Brownwood resident puts his archery skills to the test, wins

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For Brownwood resident Steve Hogan, there is nothing finer than hunting with a bow.

In fact, that is the only weapon Hogan uses when he is out hunting deer, turkey and wild hogs.

On Saturday, Oct. 17, at 8:20 a.m., Hogan harvested the largest buck he's ever taken - an 8-point with a 19-inch spread weighing 165 pounds - from his ranch.

Hogan, hunting in his box stand, had six deer, four doe, travel up to his stand, but the two males were entrenched in battle.

"I've probably killed 50 deer with a bow. This is the biggest one I've got."

- Steve Hogan, on 8-point buck

He knew he had to be patient and get his heart rate under control if he was to have a successful harvest.

"That was basically it," Hogan said of keeping his poise. "I waited until I had a good, lethal shot. I knew I needed to be patient until he gave me a good shot. Otherwise you are going to wound these deer. That arrow went in one side and out the other. It passed all

the way through him."

The veteran archer hit the deer right behind the shoulder, and watched him run off into the distance. However, the deer didn't go far.

"It was the perfect spot," he said of the hit. "I've done it for 30 years, and I know to be patient. He ran 95 yards. He was dead in a moment."

Hogan said there wasn't much difficulty tracking the deer as "he left a heavy blood trail for about 25 yards."

"I've probably killed 50 deer with a bow," Hogan said. "This is the biggest one I've got."

Hogan said the fight went on between the two deer for about 5 to 10 minutes.

"He actually started this out there in front of me, too far for me to shoot really," he said. "This 6-point and he had been fighting for about 10 minutes. They moved closer to me. I had to be patient and not take the first shot that came up."

Hogan said the fact there were six deer traveling together made the final portion of the hunt a bit tricky.

"There were six sets of eyes that I was having to avoid," Hogan said. "That was another thing. I had to wait until they weren't looking at me and he had his head turned. I waited for that minute to draw on him."

Hogan said he was first made aware of the deer by spotting a picture on the trail cam he has near his box stand. It was then he knew he would have to harvest the deer.



PHOTO COURTESY OF STEVE HOGAN

Brownwood's Steve Hogan harvested this 8-point buck with a 19-inch spread while hunting on his ranch on Saturday, Oct. 17. Hogan, an archery enthusiast, said the deer weighed 165 pounds and was the largest of his long hunting career.

"I saw him a couple weeks ago on a trail cam," Hogan said. "The first thing I wondered is where did this deer come from. He doesn't live there. The first thing that went through my mind was I needed to get him before gun season. Gun season starts in two weeks. If we don't get them before gun season, they get harvested.

"My thing was ambushing him before gun season."

According to Hogan, the temperature was in the low 70s the morning of his harvest with a light northerly wind.

"It really was a perfect day to harvest a deer," Hogan said. "It was perfect. We think about 30-degree weather and all that. It was nice."

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Hunters asked to submit brain samples for CWD testing

TPWD steps up free-ranging deer disease surveillance; biologists listed by county online

AUSTIN — With the recent discovery of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) in two captive deer breeding facilities in south-central Texas, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department will be stepping up efforts to strategically sample hunter harvested deer at a greater level during the 2015-16 hunting season.

Hunters are encouraged to assist with this statewide monitoring effort by voluntarily submitting samples this fall. TPWD biologists will collect and submit samples to the Texas A&M Veterinary Diagnostic Lab at no cost to the hunter.

Tissue samples from the heads of harvested deer must be collected within 24 hours of harvest, up to 48 hours if kept chilled.

It is very important that the deer head not be frozen.

Since 2003, TPWD biologists have been monitoring the state's free-ranging deer population for CWD. Using statistical sampling tables commonly used by animal disease experts, biologists set a sampling goal that would detect the disease with 95 percent confidence if at least one out of every 100 deer was infected.

Thus far, biologists have collected nearly 30,000 samples from hunter-harvested deer across Texas' eight ecological regions, in most cases surpassing 95 percent confidence standards. To date, CWD has not been found in Texas free-ranging white-tailed deer.

The sampling strategy for the 2015-16 hunting season is being refined to target disease risk levels within the state's 33 unique Resource Management Units (RMU); wildlife conservation areas that

Local biologists can be found at http://tpwd.texas.gov/landwater/land/technical_guidance/biologists/.

TPWD uses for all other deer management decisions.

Criteria for establishing risk levels include factors such as deer density, susceptible species importation history, proximity to a CWD-positive site, etc.

Sampling goals will rely upon hunter harvest submissions ranging from 60 to 433 (lowest to highest risk) deer for each RMU, and if biologists can achieve these goals, will result in excess of 7,000 samples.

TPWD will also specifically target sampling efforts within a 5-mile radius around the CWD index facility in Medina County to determine the prevalence and geographic extent of the disease in that specific area.

"In the wake of our increased concern

about CWD we are ramping up our sampling effort state wide," said Mitch Lockwood, TPWD Big Game Program Director. "We will be collecting samples from deer and elk, and other cervid species, in every county where deer hunting occurs."

Hunters wishing to submit samples can go online to find their local TPWD biologist, listed by county at http://tpwd.texas.gov/landwater/land/technical_guidance/biologists/.

The biologist will provide a sample receipt hunters can use to track test results online. TPWD anticipates test results could take 3-4 weeks to process. In some cases, biologists may request to retain the entire deer head for later sample collection; a resource document will be given to the hunter as proof of sex in those instances.

More information about CWD, including safe carcass handling tips and precautions, can be found online at <http://tpwd.texas.gov/huntwild/wild/diseases/cwd/>.

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Special youth-only hunting seasons create opportunities, memories

AUSTIN— Starting with squirrel season, young hunters can get a jump start on the 2015-16 Texas fall hunting seasons, with more special youth-only weekend hunting seasons on the horizon. Texas Parks and Wildlife Department biologists say range conditions and wildlife populations are ripe for success in the field.

TPWD has also set aside the weekend of Oct. 31-Nov. 1 as special youth-only seasons for white-tailed deer, Rio Grande turkey statewide, and for waterfowl in the North Duck Zone, to encourage adults to share the hunting experience with the next generation of hunters.

The statewide special youth-only hunting weekend for white-tailed deer and Rio Grande turkey is open to licensed youth 16 years of age or younger.

A Special Youth Hunting License (\$7)

is required for all hunting activities and may be purchased at any one of TPWD's 28 field offices, more than 50 state parks and at over 1,700 retailers across the state. Licenses may also be purchased online through the TPWD website at www.tpwd.texas.gov/buy or by phone at 1-800-895-4248. Call center hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please note that here is a required \$5 administrative fee for each phone or online transaction but multiple items can be purchased during a single transaction occasion for the \$5 fee. The online transaction system is available 24/7.

Hunting and fishing regulations for the new season can be found in the 2015-2016 Outdoor Annual, available in booklet form at license retailers and

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Tips and definitions that will lead to a successful hunt

Texas Parks and Wildlife has pieced together information that every hunter should understand before heading out into the field.

The following definitions and tips will help aid the hunter every time he or she steps into the wild.

Muzzleloader Only White-tailed Deer Season

A muzzleloader is any firearm that is loaded only through the muzzle. **Note:** A cap and ball firearm in which the powder and ball are loaded into a cylinder is not a muzzleloader. Muzzleloader deer seasons are restricted to muzzleloading firearms only.

Definitions

■ A "buck deer" is a deer with a hardened antler protruding through the skin. A "spike buck deer" is a buck with no antler having more than one point. All other deer are antlerless deer. A spike buck must be tagged with a buck deer tag from the hunter's hunting license or applicable permit.

■ White-tailed Deer - Except for deer taken under MLD permits, no person may take more than five white-tailed deer or more than three bucks (all seasons combined) in one license year. Bag limits in individual counties may be less.

■ Mule Deer - The annual bag limit is two mule deer with no more than one being a buck (all seasons combined). See County Listings for antlerless permit requirements.

After Killing a Deer

■ Also applies to pronghorn.

■ After a deer is killed and before the deer is field dressed or moved, the appropriate hunting license tag or permit (MLDP, LAMPS, etc.) must be immediately filled out and dates cut out.

■ Additionally, if a hunting license tag is used, then the Hunting License Harvest Log must be legibly completed.

■ A hunter may transport a deer to a final destination, provided the deer is tagged and proof of sex accompanies the deer.

■ A hunter may skin and quarter a deer (two forequarters, two hindquarters and two backstraps) and possess for transport, provided the quartered deer is tagged and proof of sex accompanies the deer.

■ A deer may not be processed any further than four quarters and two backstraps (example, steaks, hamburger, chili meat, etc.) until the deer reaches a final destination, except for immediate consumption in camp.

■ The four quarters and two backstraps are the only parts of a deer required by law to be kept in edible condition. Texas Parks and Wildlife Department encourages all hunters to continue to keep other portions of the deer (trimmings from the neck and rib cage) in edible condition. Edible condition does not include any portion of a game animal, game bird, or fish that is: bruised by bullet, shot, or arrow or otherwise destroyed as a result of harvest; decayed or rotting at the time of harvest; or obviously infected or diseased at the time of harvest.

■ The tag must remain with the portion of a deer the hunter possesses. If any portion is transferred to another person before it reaches a final destination, then the transferred portion must be accompanied by a Wildlife Resource Document.

Processing in Camp

■ You are allowed to quarter a deer or antelope in camp, but tagging and proof-of-sex requirements continue to apply until the wildlife resource reaches a final destination.

■ Deer or antelope may not be processed beyond quarters in camp unless the camp qualifies as a final destination.

■ While in camp you may remove and prepare a part of a wildlife resource if the removal and preparation occur immediately before the part is cooked or consumed; however, all tagging and proof of sex regulations apply to remaining parts and those parts may be transported to a final destination.

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Chronic Wasting Disease confirmed in Texas this year

AUSTIN - The Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) announced that a captive white-tailed deer in a Lavaca County deer breeding facility has been confirmed positive for Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD).

The Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory (TVMDL) in College Station detected the presence of CWD in samples submitted, and the National Veterinary Services

Laboratories in Ames, Iowa confirmed the findings.

The newly quarantined Lavaca County facility is a result of testing trace out animals that originated from a Medina County index captive white-tailed deer herd where CWD was first detected on June 30.

CWD was first detected in Texas in 2012 in free-ranging

mule deer in far West Texas in the Hueco Mountains. The Lavaca County herd is the second infected breeder herd detected in Texas.

"The investigation of the index facility in Medina County continues," said Dr. Dee Ellis, TAHC Executive Director. "The TAHC, TPWD and USDA are diligently working with the breeder deer industry to assess disease transmission risks, and to protect Texas' free ranging deer, captive deer and hunting industries."

"TPWD will continue to work with TAHC, USDA and stakeholders representing wildlife conservation and deer breeding interests to implement measures appropriate to protect our state's most popular big game animal, the white-tailed deer," said Carter Smith, TPWD Executive Director.

The disease was first recognized in 1967 in captive mule deer in Colo-

The disease was first recognized in 1967 in captive mule deer in Colorado. CWD has also been documented in captive and/or free-ranging deer in 23 states and two Canadian provinces.



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Chronic Wasting Disease was confirmed in two locations in Texas in 2015. The neurological disease, which affects cervids, is deadly. The disease is progressive and results in altered behavior in deer as the lesions form in the brain. Animals can carry the disease for many years without outward indication.

CWD Facts

- First recognized in 1967 in captive mule deer in Colorado.
- Affects cervids, including deer and elk.
- Produces small lesions in brains of infected animals.
- Characterized by loss of body condition, behavioral abnormalities and death.
- Classified as a transmissible spongiform encephalopathy, similar to mad cow disease in cattle and scrapie in sheep.
- Can reduce growth and size of wild deer and elk populations.
- To date, no evidence the disease poses a risk to humans or non-cervids.

- www.cwd-info.org/

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CWD among cervids is a progres-

sive, fatal disease that commonly results in altered behavior as a result of microscopic changes made to the brain of affected animals. An animal may carry the disease for years

without outward indication, but in the latter stages, signs may include listlessness, lowering of the head, weight loss, repetitive walking in set patterns, and a lack of responsiveness.

To date there is no evidence that CWD poses a risk to humans or non-cervids. However, as a precaution, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and the World Health Organization recommend not to consume meat from infected animals.

More information on CWD can be found on TPWD's website, www.tpwd.texas.gov/CWD or at the Chronic Wasting Disease Alliance website, www.cwd-info.org.

More information about the TAHC CWD program may be found at http://tahc.state.tx.us/animal_health/cwd/cwd.html.

Statewide Bag Limits

■ Except for deer taken under MLD permits, no person may take more than five white-tailed deer or more than three bucks (all seasons combined) in one license year. Bag limits in individual counties may be less.

Special Antler Restrictions

■ Antler restrictions apply only in certain counties (see County Listings). In these counties, the bag limit is two legal bucks, but only ONE may have an inside spread of 13 inches or greater. In these counties, a legal buck deer is defined as having:

- a hardened antler protruding through the skin AND;
- at least one unbranched antler; OR
- an inside spread measurement between main beams of 13 inches or greater (does not apply to a buck that has an unbranched antler).
- In these counties it is unlawful to take more than one buck with an inside spread of 13 inches or greater.
- To determine if a buck has an inside spread measurement of at least 13 inches, look at the distance from ear-tip to ear-tip on a buck with ears in the alert position (see illustration).
- Does not apply on Level 2 or 3 MLDP properties.
- Definition of a point: A point is a projection that extends at least one inch from the edge of a main beam or another tine. The tip of the main beam is also a point.

Hunting seasons

Mule Deer

General season

Panhandle	Nov. 21-Dec. 6
Southwestern Panhandle	Nov. 21-29
Trans-Pecos	Nov. 27-Dec. 13

Whitetail Deer

General season	Nov. 7 through Jan. 3, 2015
Youth only	Oct. 31-Nov. 1; Jan. 4-17, 2016

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digitally online at www.outdoorannual.com. Hunters and anglers can also download the free 2015-2016 Outdoor Annual mobile app on their Apple or Android devices.

In addition to the special youth-only weekend seasons, select state parks and wildlife management areas are conducting mentored hunting workshops designed to introduce and educate beginning hunters and their mentors to the hunting experience. These workshops are followed by a hunt on the area. Mentored Hunting Permits (MHP) required for these workshops are offered on a first-come, first-served basis and are only valid for a specific public hunting unit and the corresponding workshop dates. A person may participate in a designated hunt under an MHP only after completing the mandatory mentored hunting workshop, has been authorized by the department to participate in hunting activities and is accompanied by a designated mentor. More information about this program is available online at http://tpwd.texas.gov/huntwild/hunt/public/mentored_hunting_workshops/.

Hunter education certification is strongly recommended for young hunters, but if not certified they must be accompanied by someone who is at least 18, who is certified or exempt. In Texas, the minimum age that a young hunter may be certified is 9. All hunters 17 and older born after Sept. 1, 1971, are required to have successfully completed a certified hunter education course in order to legally hunt in Texas. A list of upcoming hunter education classes and options for certification is available on the TPWD Web site.

Additional information and resources about youth hunting opportunities is available online at http://tpwd.texas.gov/huntwild/hunt/youth_hunting/.

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the hunting area on a first-come, first-served basis. The fee will be waived for minors under the age of 17 who are hunting under the supervision of an adult in possession of the regular permit or possessing the annual public hunting permit.

No exceptions will be made for family members or other non-permitted guests to hunt in these areas, unless that hunter is directly assisting a permitted disabled hunter.

Mentored Hunting Workshops

Various state parks will be conducting mentored hunting workshops at a fee of just \$25. Wildlife Management Areas may also be involved.

These workshops are designed to educate beginning hunters and their mentors to the hunting experience. The workshops are followed by a hunt on the area where the workshop is being held. Mentored Hunting Permits are required for these workshops on a first-come, first-served basis.

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The bow is the way to go

"I strictly bow hunt, even during gun season I still bow hunt," Hogan said.

Hogan first started hunting in his late 20s, and it was a friend and Hogan's love of the outdoors that brought him into the sport.

"He talked me into it," Hogan said. "My question to him was, 'Do you ever get anything?' so he taught me how to do that.

"It was the challenge of it. That is my hobby. That is what I do. I bow hunt. This is a good place to live to deer hunt. Central Texas is really known for this kind of stuff. I came here 25 years ago, and it has been perfect for me."

"To me, I am big on ethics of hunting. I won't shoot a buck unless I am going to mount it. I won't shoot a young deer. I won't shoot a doe that has little ones with it. Here I am a big animal lover, yet I hunt."

Hogan's choice of arrow is a

100-grain Thunderheads, which is what he used to harvest, "The best deer I've got in 30 years."

For Hogan, archery hunting is much more of a challenge than hunting with a rifle.

"I have to be able to get up close, real close, to these deer within 30 yards preferably," Hogan said, "and have them not see me, smell me or hear me. It is a challenge. It really becomes a contest between that animal and me."

However, Hogan has nothing against hunting with a rifle and has experience with that method as well.

"I'm not knocking gun hunting. I've hunted years ago with a gun, took my son a lot," Hogan said. "But, as far as a real challenge between that and the wild animal and my persona, that is it right there.

"You can't just pick up a bow kind of like you can a gun and learn how to use it in an hour. It doesn't work that way.

You have to master this weapon and master the hunt."

Using what he kills

Hogan isn't into sport hunting. He prefers to harvest only an animal the he can mount and eat the meat.

"I had it processed and we'll eat the meat," Hogan said. "I love deer meat. I'm gonna have it mounted. Ted Hall is a taxidermist around here.

"If I am not going to eat it, I am not going to kill it. That is basically where I stand."

Hogan said he will have the back straps cut into steaks and the rest will be made into roasts. His plans for his next deer harvest will be to have the meat churned into ground beef and chili meat.

The mount will be hung in his home, but there is one provision from his wife - he must replace one of the other mounts and can't add to number hang-

ing on the wall.

"If I put that one up, I have to take one down," Hogan said with a laugh. "I will have to replace something on the wall."

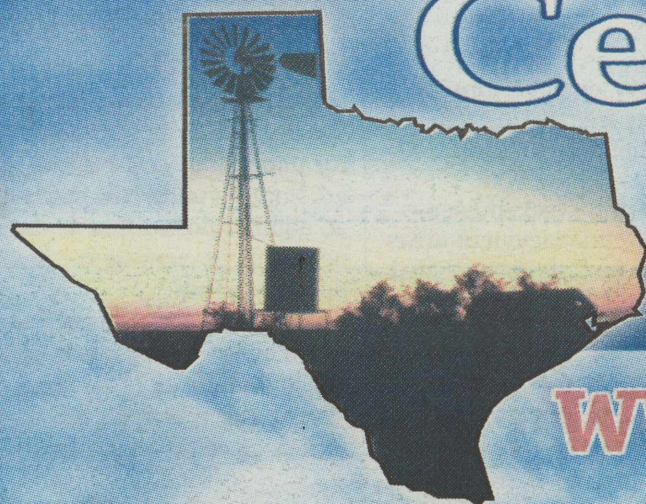
Quite a harvest

Hogan said he has harvested deer, turkey and wild hogs with his bow, and even has a fox, bobcat and dove.

"I've killed a lot of turkey," Hogan said. "I've killed 13 turkeys with a bow - one tom and 12 hens. I don't know how many pigs. I've probably killed 12 or 15 wild hogs.

"I killed a dove with a bow, believe that. Not in the air. The kill zone on a turkey is about the size of a baseball."

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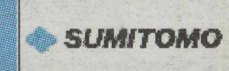
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