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WINTERS ENTERPRISE FILE PHOTO U.S. Representative Mike Conaway will host a town hall meeting Wednesday at Ballinger City hall.

Conaway to hold town hall in Ballinger

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WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. Representative K. Michael Conaway (R-Texas) will hold a town hall meeting from 4-5 p.m. Wednesday, May 6, 2015 in the City Council Chamber at Ballinger City Hall, 700 Railroad Avenue. The town hall is open to the public and media.

Conaway will be bringing a legislative update for Runnels County constituents, and will be answering questions regarding the latest bills going through the floor and committees at the U.S. House of Representa-

Lady Blizzards begin playoffs today against Eldorado

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The Lady Blizzards wrapped up two big time wins over Trent last week defeating them 17-4 and 14-0 in the two contests.

Magan Ballard led the Lady Blizzards with three runs batted in and also received some help from Caitlyn Shew who added two RBI's in the 14-0 thrashing of Trent.

Victoria Sanchez picked up the win after five innings of work and six strikeouts.

Shelby Gray and Brooklyn Gallaway headed up the Winters offense in the second match-up both accounting for driving in three

Trent was limited on the scoreboard by Magan Ballard who pitched five innings and struck out 11 batters.

The Winters Lady Blizzards also took on Hermleigh last week and fell to the Lady Cardinals 9-6 after a late inning rally.

Hermleigh got off to a quick start adding three runs in the top of the first inning, but the Lady Blizzards didn't back down as they rallied back and held a 6-4 lead going into the sixth inning.

Hermleigh then took a firm grasp of the game as the Cardinals added three runs in the sixth and then an additional two for insurance in the seventh to defeat

The Lady Blizzards were led on offense by Stacie Ventress who recorded three hits and Shelby Gray who added another two hits.

Magan Ballard was on the mound for Winters and lasted four and two-thirds innings while striking out nine batters.

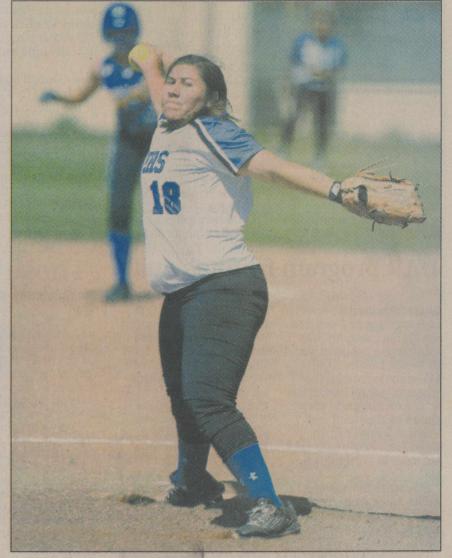


PHOTO BY JOE GERHART Pitcher Victoria Sanchez delivers a pitch against Trent last week. The Lady Blizzards will take on El Dorado in a three game series starting tonight.

The Lady Blizzards finished third in district play and qualified for the playoffs and will play a three game series versus Eldorado.

The first game will be today at 5:30 in Grape Creek and the other two games will be played Friday in Forsan starting at 6 p.m.

Junior High robotics team gearing up for Saturday's state meet

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Cecille Hunter, Megan Tarr, Mara Mostad, Olivia Smith and Winters robotics coach Monte Angel will compete in the upcoming state robotics meet.



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Four sixth grade students from Winters Junior High will compete in the TCEA State Robotics contest on May 2 in Duncanville, TX. They will be competing against schools from all classifications (A-AAAAA).

The top two teams from each of the 20 Regions of Texas and a select group of wild card teams will compete for the title. Over 150 teams

will be involved in two divisions. Representing Winters Junior high are students Megan Tarr, Olivia Smith, Mara Mostad, and Cecille Hunter. They are competing against

other students from the fourth through eighth grade.

"They are very unique in several aspects," said their coach Monte Angel. "They are the first 6th grade team and the first team represented by all girls to compete from Winters. I am extremely proud of each student."

They started work on the project in September of last year and qualified for the state meet in January.

"It is extremely difficult to qualify for the State Contest. These ladies have worked so hard to get themselves into position to compete," said Angel.

Winters ISD offers additional enrollment opportunity

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With one Kindergarten Round-up already in the books, Winters ISD will be holding another enrollment opportunity for the 15-16 school year on May 6, 2015 from 12-3:30 p.m. in the elementary school library.

The requirements for what parents need to bring for the annual Winters Elementary School Kindergarten Roundup have been released and the list is specific in what exactly parents must have in their possession and completed before their child is school ready.

A reminder, not all children will qualify for the prekindergarten programs.

To be eligible for prekindergarten, students must be 4-years-old on or before September 1, 2015, must

reside within the Winters ISD zone and must bring the information listed in the content box.

The requirements for a child to be enrolled in kindergarten requires that the student be 5-years-old on or before September 1, 2015 and that the student resides within the Winters ISD zone. However, parents should still bring all the required documentation listed. In addition, all students who are entering school for the first time as a kindergartner will need to pre-register.

The early registration will be held on April 7 from 5-6 p.m. in the Winters Elementary School library.

Only parents are needed at this meeting, Winters ISD asks that no children attend.

For more information regarding the registration, contact Winters Elementary School.

What to bring for a head start student:

• Proof of Income (W-2, Tax Return, Child Support Pay-

ment Record, SSI or TANF Letter.

• Proof of Residency (Utility bill). • Birth Certificate.

· Shot Record.

• Social Security Card. • Driver's License.

• Insurance or Medicaid/Chip Card. • Foster Care Documents if applicable.

• IEP for Disability if applicable

Children with disabilities welcome! An affiliate of Region 14 and Region 15 Educational Service Centers. Head Start Program. Phone: 325-658-6571. Region 14 and Region 15 Head Start DOES NOT provide transportation. (For more information, call Susy Mendoza at

What to bring for a prekindergarten student:

Proof of income

325-754-5577 ext. 5050.)

- Birth Certificate
- · Shot record

Social security card

 Proof of residence (ex. phone, water, electric or gas bill) • Driver's license of person enrolling student

Documentation of custodial rights if parents are

separated of divorced.

• Military ID Foster care documentation

Please Note Since income level documentation must be current to qualify, we will have to re-verify income as the new school year approaches. We will send letters out in August with directions. Thank you for your cooperation.

What to bring for kindergarten student:

- Birth certificate
- Shot record
- · Social security card Proof of residence
- Driver's license of person enrolling student
- Legal documents proving custody of child belongs to person enrolling
- · Documentation of custodial rights if parents are separated or divorced



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Gifted/Talented Nominations

Nominations are being accepted for the Winters Elementary Gifted/Talented program, first-fourth grades. If you believe your child might benefit from a gifted/ talented program, we welcome your nomination. Nomination and parent-permission-for-testing forms may be obtained at the Elementary Principal's office during normal working hours. All forms must be completed and returned to your child's homeroom teacher by May

Los nombramientos para el programa de gifted/talented se están tomando para el grado primero-cuatro. Los padres que desean nominar a un niño/una nina pueden recoger una forma en la oficina elemental. Regrese las formas a la escuela antes May 8, 2015.

Winters Public Library

The Winters May Fest will be held on May 16th in the downtown area this year. The winters Public Library will have a silent auction. The silent auction is one of our fund raisers and we depend on this revenue to help with the overhead costs to maintain our facility. If you would like to donate items for the auction, it would be greatly appreciated. Just bring your donation to the library or call 325-754-4251 and we will be glad to pick it up. We thank you for all you do to help support your library.

Immunization Clinic

Texas Dept. of State Health Services Immunization Clinics for: Children with Medicaid, no insurance, or underinsured, adults with no insurance.

For questions or to schedule an appointment please call 754-4945 if no answer leave a message.

The next clinic in Winters will be from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1:30-3 p.m. Thursday, May 7 at the Professional Building (110 South Main, Suite 108). For your convenience please use rear entrance (Grant Street). Please bring child's immunization records.

Historical Commission to publish book

The Runnels County Historical Commission is planning to publish a book about the many schools and post

offices that have served the county. Over one hundred schools and twenty-eight post offices have been identified in the county.

The information is being compiled with plans to have the book published in the fall of 2015. Much more information is needed about the older, rural schools. School histories are needed for the current schools--Ballinger, Winters, Miles, and Olfen--as well as Wingate, Rowena, and Norton. Pictures are needed, especially from the 1940s to present.

Much information is found in the Rural View published in 1920, but that only covers a short period of school history. Anyone having histories of schools, pictures, or other historical information about Runnels County schools or post offices is encouraged to send the information to Ruth Cooper at jrc@abilene.com or Randall Conner at rconner@wtxs.net or mail to PO Box 211, Winters 79567. The information must be received by June 1, 2015 in order to be included in the book.

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 Linda at 754-5385.

City Council Meetings

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

WIC open to many incomes and families

Women Infants and Children, located at 706 Strong Ave in Ballinger is open Monday thru Wednesday 7 a.m. till noon and 1 p.m. till 6 p.m.

Closed every third and fourth Monday of each month. Phone (325) 365 5925. WIC is open to many incomes and all kinds of families.

AA Meetings

AA meeting are held at 204 W. Truett behind church on Main St. Tuesday and Thursday at 7 p.m.

Wingate Masonic Lodge meetings

Wingate Masonic Lodge 1042 A.F. & A.M., meetings on fourth Monday of the month, at 6:30 p.m. at Wilmeth, Texas Lodge. For further information contact Hank Bourdo, at 754 2048.

Paint Rock Masonic Lodge meetings

Paint Rock Masonic Lodge No. 613 meets the first Thursday night of each month at 7:30 p.m. Supper will be provided after the meeting. The location is the Masonic Lodge building located at 360 South Roberts on Highway 83 South.

Alanon meetings

Alanon meetings are held at the First United Methodist Church on Monday and Wednesday night at 7 p.m. Enter on Ave A and Seventh St. side.

Alanon is open to all — for family, friends of alcoholics or drugs including relationship issues and all other forms of addiction. For more info call (325) 365 2323.

Sobriety First AA Group

Sobriety First Alcoholics Anonymous Group will meet at the First United Methodist Church, Ballinger, every Monday and Friday at 7 p.m. Please use the Ave. A and Seventh St. entrance. For more information please contact the church at (325) 365 2323.

Runnels Co Alzheimer Support Group

The monthly Runnels County Alzheimer Support Group will be held at Central Texas Nursing and Rehabilitation Center the second Tuesday of the month from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

All concerned citizens are invited to share in discussion and education about the disease process and care giver perspective.

There is no charge and this is a public service sponsored by the National Alzheimer Association.

DAR program features quilts

The Henry Downs Chapter, National Society of Daughters of American Revolution, recently was treated to a program led by Welba Dorsey, DAR Museum docent, on the museum's quilt exhibition.

"Eye on Elegance: Early Quilts of Maryland and Virginia," is on display through Sept. 5 at the DAR Museum in Washington,

It focuses on regional quilts made from the finest imported fabric of the time (1790 to 1850), and their creators.

Dorsey was joined by docents Sylvia Marrs,

acting regent of the Betty Martin Chapter, NSDAR, in Temple; Betty Crocker Abdo, membership chair for the Mary Isham Keith Chapter, NSDAR, in Fort Worth; and Shirley Dobson, from the Pocahontas Chapter in San Angelo.

The chapter also was able to peruse some of the DAR Museum Shop through the "Trunk Show," which offers a selection of gifts from the museum that may be purchased as a fundraiser.

For membership information, contact Kay Wenzel at 772-0442 or gwenzel@hot.rr.com.

Those aren't gargoyles on the Haskell courthouse

RONALD W. ERDRICH

HASKELL, Texas (AP) — Spring babies are everywhere in West Texas. On the heels of bobcat kittens at Fort Griffin on the old West Texas frontier comes the reappearance of baby owls on the south side of the Haskell County Courthouse.

"Every year, they come back," said Susan Cockerell, who has worked in the courthouse for a decade.

This year, a clutch of four eggs produced an equivalent number of fluffy, downy, horned owl chicks tucked into the corner of a secondstory ledge. Cockerell can look down on them from her desk in the county judge's office on the floor above.

"I know it's not the same mom, but it's the same family," she told the Abilene Reporter-News (http://bit. ly/1EwbEK5). "They lay their eggs about the first of January in that area and hatch them out. Then they go off, and the next year they come right back to the same place.'

It's the first time anyone can recall four chicks on the ledge; usually it's just two. The parents come and go regularly, bringing bits of meat to their young and checking on their welfare. When they aren't hunting, they usually can be spotted hanging out on the water tower a few blocks over, or elsewhere at the courthouse.

Four owl chicks, plus the parents, qualifies as a group and as with oth-

er animals, a grouping of owls has its own unique name — a parliament. Mythology considered the owl to be a wise bird, exemplified by Athena, the Greek goddess of wisdom whose symbol was the owl and who often was depicted with one of the birds by her side.

Though opinions may vary, a parliament theoretically is filled with wise and learned people, hence the name for a group of owls. It's fitting then, that they chose a courthouse as the place to bear their young.

You may draw your own conclusions, however, over the term origins regarding a murder of crows, a mob of emus, a troubling of goldfish or a rhumba of rattlesnakes.

Donna Weise's desk in the district attorney's office sits right across from the owls' nest. Usually she keeps the blinds drawn to prevent the glare from the afternoon sun from obscuring her computer screen,

On occasion, she might leave her blinds open after checking on the chicks and then walking away. But if Mom shows up, it's not long until Weise notices something just doesn't

"She gives you that evil eye," Weise said. "Their sense of hearing is unbelievable."

Cockerell laughed.

"She does — you just glance over without even touching anything, and she's looking right straight at you,"

she said. "She's just giving you that

The far side of the ledge near the nest is a veritable crime scene of missing critters. Justice of the Peace Lynn Ward Dodson, whose office is on the other side of the building but still has a south-facing window, said there's a lot of DNA over there.

She's seen the owl parents in ac-

"We've watched them swoop down and hit dogs crossing the lawn," she said. "It was bad enough one time that the dog's hair on its backside was fluffed up.

Weise's voice took on an air of contemplation.

"Yeah, but think about it. We don't have a lot of dogs running around, do we?" she asked.

"Not anymore," Cockerell answered. "And we used to have cats, but not anymore."

"And we used to have a real bad problem with pigeons," Dodson recalled.

"Not anymore," Weise said. "And the kittens that were born underneath the courthouse," Dodson

"Not anymore," chimed all three. Thankfully, small children still are safe, though adults might get a warning swoop. Cockerell reported that a groundskeeper around the courthouse has experienced her own close encounters.

Authorities seeking information on Comanche County cattle theft

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COMANCHE — Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association Special Ranger H.D. Brittain is seeking information on the theft of 10 pair of black and black baldy cattle stolen from a rancher in Comanche, Texas on April 9.

The suspect(s) gained entry into the victim's property by lowering the

The cattle are branded with a tilting "S" on their left hip, with the "S" tilting toward the tail. They also have notches in the tip and under their left ear. The calves have no marks or brands and weigh 250 to 300 pound.

Anyone with further information regarding this case should contact TSCRA's Operation Cow Thief hotline at 888-830-2333 or call Brittain at 325-853-2062 or Comanche County Sheriff's Deputy Robert Jolly at 325-356-7533. A cash reward may be paid to individuals who can provide useful information leading to the

arrest and grand jury indictment of suspect(s). Individuals reporting information may choose to remain anonymous.

TSCRA has 30 special rangers stationed strategically throughout Texas and Oklahoma who have in-depth knowledge of the cattle industry and are trained in all facets of law enforcement. All are commissioned as Special Rangers by the Texas Department of Public Safety and/or the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investiga-

TSCRA is a 138-yearold trade association and is the largest and oldest livestock organization based in Texas. TSCRA has more than 16,500 beef cattle operations, ranching families and businesses as members.

These members represent approximately 50,000 individuals directly involved in ranching and beef production who manage 4 million head of cattle on 76 million acres of range and pasture land primarily in Texas and Oklahoma, but throughout the Southwest.

By Talpa Bob

Hello To All: Maureen says:

HM and Maureen Duncan went to Lowake's Steak House on Friday evening to a family party honoring her granddaughter, Jessica Rainville of Berwick Me. Jessica made a flying trip down to see her nephew play soccer. Brody is 5 years old and it is pretty important to have Aunt Jess come for an overnight just to

watch him play soccer. .It was short notice but Davidson and Steward are used to being show up. Pam(Davidson) Gapter spent the night with HM and Maureen (Steward) Duncan.

Sunday morning was Gideon Day at the Voss Baptist church. Brother Allen, speaker for Voss came in from May. He spent 30 years teaching Ag classes at May High School and now devotes. his time promoting the Gideon work.

and now from Talpa Bob: It has been a quiet week out here. Rained a couple of times, humongous storm cells, lots of wind and thunder and lightning...2/10th in. in the rain gauge. Maybe the chances are better today.

All that driving to Dallas area and back was not productive. We were trying to get Judy included in a clinical study group about stomach disorders. Turns out it was all about being lactose intolerant, "if

drinking milk doesn't make you throw up we don't want you". So, back to the drawing board and

find another doctor who knows about stomachs. The picture on the front

page of The Ballinger Ledger for April 23rd was of Ernie Andrus. He is the 91 year old guy who is "run-ning" from coast to coast to bring attention to LST 325. Ernie was in it when it landed on Normandy beach on D day. It is being restored and he is trying to raise funds to ship it back to Normandy beach for the 75th anniversary. volunteered to be part of his run from the Runnels/ Coleman county line and go hwy 67 East to county road 406,

about 7.2 miles. He is a very interesting character and I am better for having met him. I drove my pickup behind him with the blinkers on to give him

some protection from the traffic. He went the whole way and did not stop to rest or get a drink. He is part of that Great Generation when men signed on to the service it was for the duration. They could teach the younger generations something about commitment and toughing things out. The look of determination in his eyes are like what you see in the eyes of a bull rider just before he nods his head to open the gate. No, he didn't run too

fast. I wished him well and expect to keep up on his progress on the internet and will give odds that he makes it to the Atlantic So it goes in our quiet

little corner of Coleman County.

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Fresh Way to Fiesta

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(Family Features) Cinco de Mayo is the perfect opportunity to indulge in Mexican-inspired dishes, dips and drinks. This year, put a tangy twist on your festive favorites with a refreshing new flavor.

Watermelon is a versatile fruit with a flavor profile that pairs perfectly with many of the ingredients in traditional Mexican dishes. Sweet and juicy watermelon is a great way to cut the heat of spicier foods, and its texture lends an unexpected, satisfying crunch in dips such as chunky salsas.

Whether you're hosting a Cinco de Mayo themed party or simply looking forward to an inspired meal at home, get an early jump on summer and let watermelon be your star ingredient.

Fiesta-Worthy Facts

Impress guests at your Cinco de Mayo celebration with these mouthwatering morsels:

Although about 200-300 varieties of watermelon are grown in the United States and Mexico, there are about 50 varieties that are most popular. The five best-known types of watermelon include: seeded, seedless, mini, yellow and orange. Watermelon is the most-consumed melon in the United States, followed by cantaloupe and

good option for hydrating your body. For more recipes featuring low-calorie, no-fat watermelon, visit www.watermelon.org.

teens. Watermelon is 92 percent water, which makes it a

honeydew. Early explorers used watermelons as can-

Recipe: Southwest Salsa BowlIngredients:Materials:1 round, seedless watermelonDry erase markerUtility knife or carving knifeIce cream scoop or other large spoonFire and Ice Salsa (see recipe below)Chips, jalapenos, cilantro and lime, for garnishCarving Watermelon1. Choose round seedless watermelon.2. Wash watermelon and pat dry.3. Use dry erase marker to trace design around middle of watermelon.4. Use utility knife to carve design (copy design in photo).5. Split watermelon in half, and use scoop to carve out flesh.6. Choose flat area of rind on other watermelon half to trace and carve out lizard design (copy from image in photo).7. Fill bowl with salsa.8. Garnish with lizard, chips, jalapenos, cilantro and lime. Fire and Ice Salsa Servings: 3 cups3 cups seeded and chopped watermelon1/2 cup green peppers2 tablespoons lime juice1 tablespoon chopped cilantrol tablespoon green onion1-2 tablespoons jalapeno peppersPreparation:Combine ingredients; mix well and cover. Refrigerate 1 hour or more.

Recipe: Watermelon Cilantro Salsa TropicalIngredients:2 cups chopped seedless watermelon1 cup chopped fresh pineapple1 cup chopped fresh mango4 limes (juice only)1 cup trimmed and chopped scallions1/2 cup chopped fresh cilantroSalt and pepper, to tastePreparation:Toss all ingredients in mixing bowl and season with salt and pepper just before serv-

Recipe: Watermelon MargaritaIngredients:1 1/2 ounces tequila3/4 ounce Triple Sec3/4 ounce Midori2 ounces sour mix6 ounces cubed, seeded watermelon8 ounces icePreparation:Blend all ingredients. Serve in 14-ounce glass. Garnish with lime and watermelon

Recipe: Baja Fish Tacos with Watermelon Guacamole-Ingredients:2 medium avocados, peeled and chopped2 tablespoons lime juice2 teaspoons diced jalapeno pepper (or to taste)1/3 cup chopped cilantro2 medium garlic cloves, minced1 can (4 ounces) diced green chilies, drained2 1/2 cups diced watermelon, dividedSalt, to tasteCooking spray1 1/2 pounds codChili powder12-16 corn tortillas3-4 cups commercial coleslaw mix (shredded cabbage and carrots)1/2-1 cup commercial salsaPreparation:For guacamole, mash avocados to mix of smooth and chunky in medium bowl. Add lime, jalapeno, cilantro, garlic and chilies and mix thoroughly. Add 1 1/2 cups diced watermelon and salt (if desired) and toss. Cover and refrigerate to let flavors blend. Heat oven to 350°F. Spray cookie sheet with cooking spray. Place cod on sheet and sprinkle with chili powder and salt. Bake for 12-20 minutes (depending on thickness of fish) or until cooked through. Remove from oven and cut into pieces. Heat tortillas on grill or griddle. Top each with few pieces of fish, 1/4 cup coleslaw mix, heaping spoonful of guacamole, tablespoon of salsa and few pieces of remaining diced watermelon.12-16

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Runnels County Commissioners regular meeting

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Runnels County Commissioners covered their agenda in just under one hour at Tuesday's meeting.

Commissioners approved utilizing a reporting and tracking service program with the Texas Association of Counties to monitor the total hours worked by part-time employees and took no action on changing the measurement periods related to the Affordable Care Act.

Commissioners had previously adopted a twelve month measurement period, which is the best selection in dealing with seasonal employees. Commissioners discussed making changes to the policy governing the recipients of home delivered meals.

After examining the various options, commissioners agreed that the criteria in place was the best way to handle the process of determining client eligibility for home delivered meals and took no action to change the policy. Commissioners heard a report from Sheriff Bill Baird on the recent annual inspection of the Runnels County Jail. Sheriff Baird stated that the jail had passed the inspection by the Texas Commission on Jail Standards for the 16th year in

Sheriff Baird added that the jail inspector provided a letter that was complimentary of the jail operations. Sheriff Baird stated that a new jail administra-

"Greenbacks"

1 Shower bar

9 Roughnecks

14 Almanac contents

_ rug (small floor

16 His cube was a craze

19 Make reparations, e.g

23 Petits ___ (tiny peas)

30 "Never heard of him"

33 Not-so-sharp dairy

17 Post-bottle sound

18 University VIP

20 Starch from San

Francisco

24 Penny figure

28 Isle near Mull

25 Beads up

item

35 "I'm for it!"

36 Some poems

37 Give relief to

39 Mattel doll

40 Meeting all

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38 Breathe heavily

requirements

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46 Coffee orders with

5 Packs

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tor was recently hired and that he was doing a good job. In the next item on the agenda concerning the discussion of a bid for repair to the roof of the Runnels County Jail, Sheriff Baird stated that the roof of the jail had been leaking in two locations, both in the area of electronic rooms. Baird stated that spot repairs had been made and no leaks were observed during recent rains. Baird added that he had talked with the original contractor that installed the roof on the jail.

The contractor showed Baird several places that the roof had deteriorated due to age. Baird added that one type of repair could be performed for approximately \$9500 or

that the roof could be replaced for approximately \$110,000. County Judge Barry Hilliard added that if the roof were replaced that the project would require a bidding process.

Sheriff Baird also advised commissioners that a program was available for financing of the replacement project with favorable terms and a very low interest rate. Commissioner Bobby Moore suggested that if the leaks had been successfully patched that the project be revisited during budget meetings. Commissioners agreed with the suggestion offered by Commissioner Moore. All commissioners were present for Tuesday's regular meeting.

GROSSWORD PUZZLE

CAFETERIA MENU Subject to Change*

May 4-8

Winters ISD Breakfast Menu

Monday

Breakfast Pizza or Cereal w/Graham Cracker, Pineapple, Fruit Juice, Choice of Milk

Tuesday Sausage Roll or Cereal w/Graham Cracker, Diced Pears, Fruit Juice,
Choice of Milk.

Wednesday Breakfast Burrito or Cereal w/Graham Cracker. Peaches. Fruit Juice. Choice of Milk.

Thursday French Toast Sticks or Cereal w/ Graham Crackers, Applesauce, Fruit Juice, Choice of Milk.

Friday Blueberry Muffin or Cereal w/Graham Cracker, Mixed Fruit, Fruit Juice,

Winters ISD Lunch Menu

Choice of Milk

Monday

Chef Salad or Chicken Fried Steak/ Gravy/Graham Cracker or Chicken Patty/Bun, Mashed Potatoes, Corn. Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Applesauce, Choice of Milk.

Tuesday

Chef Salad or Pizza or Chicken Bites, Graham Cracker, Green Beans Broccoli w/Cheese, Tossed Salad/ Carrot Sticks. Blue Bell fruit Bar. Choice of Milk.

Wednesday

Chef Salad or Chicken Fajita or Frito Pie. Refried Beans. Spanish Rice. Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Apple, Choice of Milk.

Thursday

Chef Salad or Spaghetti or chicken Fries, Cheesy Potatoes, Black Eyed Peas, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks.

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-froid (calmness)

9 Wall-mounted safety

13 List of appts

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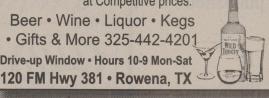
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The complexity of medications and how they are taken is increasing as well. For example, some medications must be

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taken in the morning on an empty stomach, other medications must be taken at night or with food, some you must avoid iron, dairy, antacids or grapefruit juice. More information is needed to safely and correctly take lifesaving medications and greater care is required to reduce and avoid the harmful side effects of these medications. However, the aging process makes our bodies more prone to undesirable side effects, as we age our body composition changes. We accumulate more fatty tissue and less lean muscle mass and water. This change in body composition is a critical factor in how drugs distribute into the body. Water-soluble drugs become more concentrated in the body and fat-soluble drugs accumulate in the fatty tissues more. To make matters more interesting our kidney function decreases with age and the body is less able to breakdown and remove these water soluble drugs from the body. Liver function also changes with age changing drug clearance through the liver.

The end result of all these changes means the physician may have to decrease doses or adjust the administration schedule or change the medication given to avoid side effects and adverse drug reactions which are more likely in elderly patients than in the general population. As the population begins turning 65 at the rates described above they become eligible for Medicare Part D Prescription coverage. This coverage is crucial to ensuring one of the largest and most vulnerable segments of our population get the prescription medication they need to maintain their health and a quality of living that can extend their life expectancy beyond the current US averages. If you have any concerns over possible side effects or adverse reactions talk to your physician, medical provider or pharmacist.

Guest Healthcare Contributor: Philip Rolland, Pharm.D., M.H.A. Pharmacist In Charge Keel Drug

Second Step

In thinking back about my grandchildren I was amazed at what they could learn at a very early age. At that time the youngest was being taught that food is for the mouth not all over the face or in the hair. The older was being taught not to throw temper tantrums, to say thank you and please. They were also learning not go off or run off on their own and when the children went someplace with their parents they had to hold onto their parents hand. Once when I was keeping one of them he broke loose from my hand and took

off on his own and ran around the car. Luckily, there wasn't any traffic at that time or he could have been severely injured or killed. I realized that after we accept Christ (step one) it very important that we learn to let God lead us (Psalms 23:1-4, Revelations 7:17). We must learn to listen (step two) to God (Proverbs 4:11, 12) and not do anything on our own or against His will. The toughest battle we will have is to say no to our own desires and the flesh and say yes to what God wants, (1 Peter 2:11, Romans 8:4,7-9). When we break away from God and go on our own we are in great danger (Deuteronomy 11:26-28, Hebrews 8:8&9). Make sure you hand is in God's hand. See you in Church next Sunday.

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ABORTION RESTRIC-TIONS-TEXAS

AUSTIN, Texas — Texas is down to only a dozen abortion clinics and Republican heavyweights such as George P. Bush have rallied activists trying to shut down the rest. But with time running out in the Texas Legislature, conservatives are struggling to deliver an encore to sweeping abortion restrictions in 2013 that rank as among the toughest in the nation.

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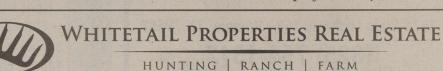
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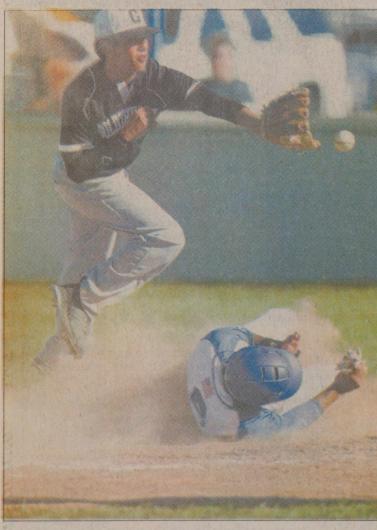
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PHOTOS BY JOE GERHART Above: Winters baserunner Ty Cortez slides into home for a run against Goldthwaite. Right: Daryl Hagle robs a catch from teammate Jonathan Sandoval against San Saba.

WINTERS ENTERPRISE

The Winters baseball team wrapped it's season up with two district wins over Goldthwaite and San Saba which saw the Blizzards wrap up the second place spot in district 7-2A.
Winters defeated Goldthwaite

on Tuesday, April 24 with a dominating 13-2 display.

The Eagles scored their only two runs in the top of the first and were held scoreless for the rest of the contest.

The Blizzards were led on offense by Daniel Gerhart and David Torres who both registered four runs batted in and also received some help from Kyler Richards who also drove in two

Daryl Hagle was on the mound for Winters and lasted five innings while striking out four batters. He also registered a 1.20

Winters registered another

win in the week with a 4-0 result against San Saba with a spectacular pitching display by Daniel Gerhart.

Gerhart pitched a complete game shutout and struck out 11 batters while registering a 0.57

Daryl Hagle drove in two runs and Lukas Kraatz added another. The Blizzards qualified for the

playoffs, however, at press time their postseason match-up was yet to be determined.







Winters right fielder Jonathan Sandoval makes a catch in right field against Goldthwaite.

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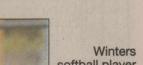


PHOTOS CONTRIBUTED Jonathan Meyers of Winters finished second in the 100K

LADY BLIZZARDS



Winters shortstop Jessica Roman makes a play at second base against Trent.



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softball player Amy Green makes a catch out in left field in the Lady Blizzards loss to Hermleigh last week.