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## Briefly

### Sales tax down

Sales tax allocations are down for all entities in Runnels County for March, according to Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar. Runnels County received \$25,536.25 for March, down 7.83 percent from last year's allocation of \$27,336.97. Ballinger received \$44,537.74, a decrease of 6.90 percent from last year's tax of \$47,840.63. Winters received \$19,080.28 down 2.04 percent from last year's allocation of \$19,477.81. The City of Miles received \$4,400.59, down 7.43 percent from last year's allocation of \$4,754.02.

Hegar announced last week he will send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$585.6 million in local sales tax allocations for March, 0.7 percent less than in March 2015. These allocations are based on sales made in January by businesses that report tax monthly.

### County Convention Saturday

Charles Hensley, Runnels County Republican Chairman, announced that the County Convention for the Republican Party will be held from 3-5 p.m. Saturday at the Cook Professional Building, 804 Hutchings Avenue, Ballinger. All interested voters are invited to attend.

### The last drop

An upper level storm system brought much needed rain to Runnels County this week, the National Weather Service reported. While Monday temperatures reached the upper 80s, they are expected to decrease as a cold front comes through today.

Cooler temperatures will accompany the front with highs only reaching into the 60s Friday and lows dipping in to the low 40s. Temperatures will dip into the 30s Saturday and the 40s Sunday. A 20 percent chance of rain is in the forecast today with a 30 percent chance of rain Friday.

Rainfall last week was reported at 2.1 inches of rain for Ballinger, 1.68 inches in Wingate and 3.3 inches of rain was reported in San Angelo.

So far this year, Ballinger has received 2.77 inches of rainfall, with 2.19 reported in Wingate and 4.13 inches received in San Angelo.

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<http://www.srh.noaa.gov/sjt/>

## WASP president to speak at Winters library



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Sandra Spears, president of the board of directors for the National WASP World War II Museum, will present the Winters Public Library program at 4 p.m. March 30 at the library.

### STAFF REPORT

The history of the WASP Museum and the women the facility honors, will be discussed by board president Sandra Spears, in an upcoming presentation at the Winters Public Library.

Spears, president of the board of directors for the National WASP World War II Museum, will present the Winters Public Library program at 4 p.m. March 30 at the library.

Spears began working in 2002 to help develop the museum to honor the Women Air Force Service Pilots, a subject near and

dear to her since her father was a flight instructor for the WASP during WWII.

The National WASP WWII Museum opened in 2005 at Avenger Field in Sweetwater. Its mission is to educate and inspire all generations with the story of the WASP: Women Airforce Service Pilots - the first women to fly American military aircraft - women who forever changed the role of women in aviation.

This museum honors and preserves the legacy of these courageous women serving their country in WWII. Currently,

the museum has plans to expand to include climate-controlled space.

Spears is serving as president of the Museum Board of Directors after serving as treasurer and secretary. She also serves as membership chairman.

Spears was born and raised in Sweetwater. After graduating from Sweetwater High School, she attended Texas Tech University in Lubbock, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Home Economics Education with

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# THE CUTTING EDGE



## WHS grad shares culinary skills

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Jacob McMinn wants to be a chef extraordinaire and he is on his way to that goal as he continues in the culinary arts school at Texas State Technical College in Waco.

On Thursday, March 10, McMinn was the special guest in Tami Richards' Family and Consumer Science class at Winters High School. During his visit, he shared some of the cutlery techniques that he has learned during his first two semesters in TSTC's Culinary Arts Program. McMinn,



CELINDA HAWKINS | ENTERPRISE PHOTOS

Jacob McMinn stopped by the Family Consumer Science class at Winters High School Thursday, March 10, 2016 to share some of his cutlery skills. McMinn, a 2015 graduate of WHS, is currently in the Culinary Arts Program at Texas State Technical College in Waco.

who's grandparents are John and Diane McMinn of Winters, stopped by the class of about 15 while he is home on spring break.

He fielded questions from students and the teacher, while demonstrating techniques like chopping, dicing, julienne and tourne. Students

looked on as he demonstrated his knife skills by cutting onions and potatoes.

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## Winters students to receive scholarships through the Winters Area Foundation

### STAFF REPORT

A scholarship opportunity for Winters students and the Winters Community has been established by the Winters Area Foundation. Several scholarships that provide education assistance for local youth have been determined.

The Winters Area Foundation Scholarship has been in existence for almost 10 years. Scholarship funds have been raised through the annual membership drive for the Foundation.

The Pearl Jackson Scholarship is a long-established scholarship for Winters students. That scholarship has now been placed under the administration of the Winters Area Foundation and the Community Foundation of Abilene. This allows total compliance with tax laws and the requirements of scholarship disbursement.

The Floy Hodge Scholarship is similar to the Pearl Jackson in that it is a long-standing scholarship in this community. Now it is under the guidance of the Foundation and will continue for many years to offer Winters students financial assistance.

The Eula Mae Kruse Scholarship has been granted many years and continues to be a popular fund for donations from classes and individuals who respected Mrs. Kruse as a teacher and friend.

The Bergman Family Scholarship is newly established and will be awarded for the first time next year. It will go toward students attending Texas Tech.

The Red Raider Scholarship is a recent project of the Winters Area Red Raiders. Alumni and supporters of Texas Tech have given to this fund and continue to seek donations as the fund moves toward endowment status. Last year and this year, two students will receive this scholarship.

The Winters Community Scholarship Fund is available for donors wishing to honor

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## Adeline Grissom

Adeline Grissom, 96, died March 7, 2016. She was born July 31, 1919 in Harmony in Runnels County and moved to the Eagle Branch Community and lived there until moving to Ballinger in 1994. She married Kat Grissom in August of 1940 in Crews. She was a cook for the Winters Lions Club for 15 years. She loved to dance and cook. Her greatest joys in life were her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was a member of the Hopewell Baptist Church in Crews.



She is survived by 5 children: Rickey Grissom and wife Patsy of Winters, William "Bill" Grissom and wife Sharon of Winters, Steve Grissom and wife Penny of Ballinger, Wanda King and husband Windell of Winters and Phyllis Byrd and husband Von of Abilene.

She was preceded in death by her husband Kat and 1 daughter Katherine Thomas Grissom. The family will receive friends at 6:00 P.M. Thursday March 10, 2016 at Winters Funeral Home. Funeral service will be 2:00 P.M. Friday March 11, 2016 at Hopewell Baptist Church in Crews. Burial will follow in the Crews Cemetery directed by Winters Funeral Home.

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## Saam Larissa Geistmann

Saam Larissa Geistmann, 54, of Winters, died March 7, 2016.

She was born August 17, 1961 in Phoenix, Arizona where she grew up and graduated high school. She moved to Winters in 1981. She received her associates degree as a paralegal. She married Duane Geistmann November 12, 1983 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Winters. She was an escrow officer and manager for Security Title Company in Ballinger.

She is survived by her husband: Duane Geistmann of Winters. Two daughters: Leslye Molamphy and husband Mark of Winters and Paige Grimes and husband Christopher of Winters. One granddaughter: Abigail Molamphy of Winters. One brother: Stephan Roth of Phoenix, Arizona.

The family will receive friends at 7:00 P.M. Thursday March 10, 2016 at Winters Funeral Home. Funeral service will be 10:00 A.M. Friday March 11, 2016 at St. John's Lutheran Church. Burial will follow at St. John's Lutheran cemetery directed by Winters Funeral Home.

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## Nila Osborne

Nila Osborne, 85, of Winters, died March 8, 2016. She was born February 17, 1931 in Content and grew up in the Crews area graduating from Crews High School. She married Therin Osborne September 29, 1950 in Crews. She cooked for the Winters Lions Club for many years. She was a homemaker. She was a member of the Hopewell Baptist Church and was active in the WMU.

She is survived by 1 daughter: Karen McGallian and husband Wesley of Wingate. 1 sister: Doris "Tootsie" Tippett of Odessa. 2 grandchildren: John Wesley McGallian, Jr. and Stephanie Camacho and husband Simon. 4 great-grandchildren: Skyla, Wes, Shayla and Shyan Camacho. She was preceded in death by her husband Therin and 2 brothers, L.C. and Tommy Foster.

The family will receive friends at 6:00 P.M. Friday March 11, 2016 at Winters Funeral Home. Service will be 3:00 P.M. Saturday March 12, 2016 at Hopewell Baptist Church. Burial will follow at Crews cemetery.

The family request memorials be made to Gideon Bibles or cancer research.

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## Norma Dorrice Hedgpeth Beck

Beautiful, blessed, and beloved Norma Dorrice Hedgpeth Beck was born May 21, 1927 in Hico, Texas, and passed from her earthly home on March 7, 2016 at the age of 88 to "dwell in the house of the Lord forever."



As the daughter of a public school teacher/administrator, Dorrice lived in several towns throughout central Texas during her childhood and graduated from Gatesville High School in 1943, having just turned 16. She professed her faith in Jesus Christ on September 29, 1940 and remained a member of the Presbyterian Church throughout her life. Shortly after her graduation, she began working at Fort Hood as a dental assistant and moved to Coleman County in 1945 where she worked for the A.S.C.S. in Coleman and met her future husband, Hal Beck, a lifelong rancher, who had just returned from serving a three-year tour of duty in the U. S. Army in Europe during World War II. They were married on August 3, 1946 and shared life together for 56 years until death parted them on September 10, 2002, when Hal passed away suddenly and unexpectedly.

Hal and Dorrice Beck were a well-known and well-respected Coleman County couple, and Dorrice's happiest days were spent on the ranch where she and Hal raised their three children, whom they loved deeply and unconditionally. Dorrice spent many hours through the years transporting three active children over dusty ranch roads to and from countless school and community activities, devoting herself tirelessly and sacrificially to their happiness and well-being. With the prospect of having three children in college, Dorrice began commuting to work in Brownwood in 1966 for a short time and then began her 25-year career

at First National Bank in Ballinger where she retired as Vice-President in 1992. Following Hal's death, she moved to San Angelo where she resided at Royal Estates for three years, then moved to Baptist Retirement Community where she spent her final years.

Dorrice lived her life with faith, strength, determination, and grace through the Depression, the Drought of the 1950's, and other difficult times, including the heartbreaking loss of her youngest child and beloved son, Zane, in 2012. Despite every hardship, she remained optimistic and thankful, often saying, "I am so very blessed." Her life's purpose was to be the most loving wife, mother, and grandmother possible, and she succeeded beyond measure in accomplishing that goal. She leaves her family a legacy of love and devotion—and memories of a life defined by goodness and faithfulness—to cherish and hold in our hearts forever. Survivors include two daughters, Cherry Wells and her husband Jim Roy of Friona and Cindy Maedgen and husband James of San Angelo. She is also survived by her daughter-in-law, Paula Beck of Lindale, three grandchildren, Dara Knobloch and husband Keith of Seabrook, Jason Wells and wife Pat of Friona, and Brody Maedgen and wife Jordan of Houston, as well as seven great-grandchildren: Cody and Wellsley Knobloch, Alek and Avril Wells, and Carter, Charlotte, and Coleman Maedgen. Also left to cherish her memory are her brother, Harold Hedgpeth and wife Anne of Spring Branch and several nieces.

Family visitation was from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM at Harper Funeral Home on Friday, March 11, 2016. The Graveside Service was at 10:00 A.M., Saturday, March 12, 2016 at Valera Cemetery with Pastor Taylor Sandlin officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to Meals for the Elderly, West Texas Boys' Ranch, or to the donor's favorite charity.

Family and friends may sign share condolences and sign the online register book at [www.harper-funeralhome.com](http://www.harper-funeralhome.com).

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## Juanita 'Janie' Gonzales ValVerde

Janie ValVerde 75 of Goldthwaite we to to be with the lord on March 8th 2016.

A memorial service will be held on Friday March 18th 2016 at 10:00 AM at First Baptist Church Winters Texas .

Janie was born June 16th 1940 in Winters Texas to Alexander and Isabel Gonzales .

Janie was married to Manuel ValVerde in October 1959. They raised one son together San Joseph Salinas - ValVerde in Wingate Texas.

Janie and Manuel moved to Goldthwaite in 1991. Janie enjoyed caring for her family as a homemaker. She also served others as a housekeeper and caregiver.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers Marcus Gonzales and Alexander Gonzales Jr. Her husband Manuel ValVerde II, and four children Manuel ValVerde III, Daniel ValVerde, Juana ValVerde, Dianna ValVerde, and San

Joseph Salinas - ValVerde.

She is survived by two brothers Raymond Gonzales and Trino Gonzales of Wingate Texas. Three grandchildren Stephanie Hadlock and her husband David of Winters Texas , Skye Joseph Salinas of Abilene Texas, San Joseph Salinas Jr of Winters Texas. Two great grandsons Ashton and Zander Hadlock of Winters Texas.

Special friends Gerry and Stephanie Head and numerous other friends and her church family. Arrangements made through Rosewood Memorial Funeral Home in Ballinger TX.

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### COMMUNITY NEWS

#### Distinguished Alumni wanted

The Winters High School Alumni Association is seeking nominees for the 2016 Distinguished Alumnus Award for the 2016 school year. Applicants must have graduated at least 10 years prior to the year in which they are nominated, should have been a leader in his or her field or made a significant contribution, bringing exceptional distinction to the individual or their community. Applications can be obtained at the Winters ISD Administrative Office during regular office hours or online at [wintersisd.org](http://wintersisd.org) under the "About Us" tab then click "Alumni." The verifiable documentation of accomplishments and completed application form must be returned by April 1 to the WHS Alumni Association c/o Bruce Davis, Superintendent, 603 N. Heights, Winters, TX 79567.

#### A Time for Freedom

A new addiction class is forming in Winters called "A Time for Freedom," and Pastor Tommy Akin, of the Pioneer Church of God in Winters will be overseeing the program which will provide addiction education to addicts, family and loved ones. The meetings will be held at 7 p.m. every Thursday at the Pioneer Church of God at 158 North Main St. in Winters. For more information call 903-474-4740.

#### Barbecue anyone?

The Lowake Community Center is the location for the Annual Barbecue Brisket Meal from 5-8 p.m. Saturday, March 19. Plates are \$10 for adults and are available for dining in or carry out. Those who would like a whole brisket, may order in advance by calling Linda Urbanek at 325-442-4211, Kay H. 325-442-3173 or Donnie Schw-

ertner at 325-468-3333. Extra briskets will not be available the day of the event, so place your order early. In addition to the barbecue, there will be sweet treats available with Sweet Bingo and door prizes will be awarded.

#### Visit Friendly Neighbors

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

#### Out of this world!

The Carnegie Library in Ballinger will be hosting an exhibit from NASA during the month of March. See NASA artifacts like official uniforms and suits to photos of the legendary moon walk in 1969 to models of the Space Shuttle, plus much more. The Carnegie Library will be featuring the NASA exhibit from March 8-23. Call the library 325-365-3616 to schedule a tour to see the exhibit.

#### 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.



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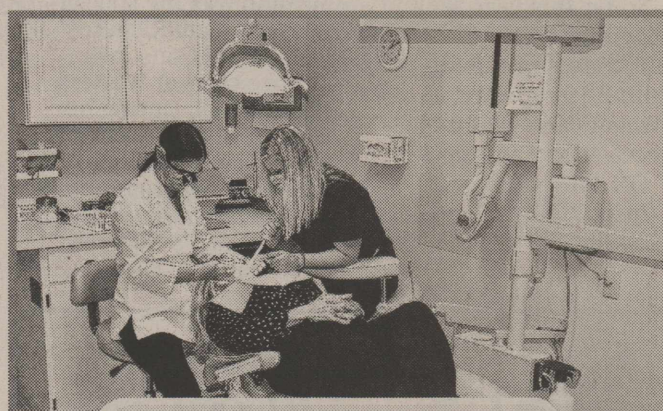
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TEXAS HISTORY MINUTE

# The rise of the Dalton Gang

The 1880s and 1890s saw the rise of some of the most notorious criminals in American History, mostly riding the dusty trails of the West. One of the most infamous was the Dalton Gang, made up of outlaws from Kansas, Oklahoma, and Arkansas. The Dalton Gang terrorized the frontier, with a string of murders and robberies stretching from Texas to Kansas.

The Dalton Gang was led by three brothers from Kansas. Their parents, Lewis Dalton and Adeline Younger, aunt to the outlaws Cole and Jim Younger, had fifteen children together. They settled in Coffeyville in southeastern Kansas and were otherwise honest citizens. Ironically, the eldest Dalton brother, Frank Dalton, had been a respected Deputy U. S. Marshal before his own death in the line of duty in 1887. Three brothers, Grat, Emmett, and Bob had worked with posses their brother had organized and briefly continued to work as deputies afterward.

Along the way, they turned away from the law and into a whirlwind of crime and destruction. By 1891, the three had formed the Dalton Gang, bringing in a number of characters from across Oklahoma. One, Bill Doolin, was born in rural Johnson County in Western Arkansas

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to was that the Ter-(mod-Okla-in as a hand, drifted for several years after-ward and had a number of brush-es with the law.

After months of robberies and shootings up and down the frontier, the brothers returned to Coffeyville in October 1892 to rob two banks. The daring plan collapsed and four residents and four gang members were killed, including Grat and Bob Dalton. Emmett Dalton was captured and served fifteen years in a Kansas prison before being paroled. He later moved to California, wrote a book about his experiences, and eventually became a real estate agent before his death in 1937.

Doolin decided not to participate in the Coffeyville Raid, a decision that saved his life - for the time being. However, he and a fourth brother, Bill Dalton,



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proceeded to build a new gang in Oklahoma that came to be called the Oklahoma Long Riders, or simply, the Wild Bunch. They staged train robberies and bank robberies from Missouri to Texas. In September 1893, a posse of fourteen lawmen cornered the Wild Bunch in Ingalls, Oklahoma. A shootout erupted, leaving four dead and the Wild Bunch scattered.

After the raid, Bill Dalton rode south, and he and four men robbed a bank in Longview, Texas, in 1894. After the robbery, he and his gang rode back north toward the relative anonymity of the Oklahoma Territory, but he was shot and killed by U. S. Marshals in Ardmore two weeks later.

Doolin continued his string of armed robberies. In January 1896, he was captured in a bathhouse in Eureka Springs, Arkansas. He had come to the northwest Arkansas community in hopes that the mineral baths would help the injuries from his gunfights and flights from the law. However, he escaped from a prison in the Oklahoma Territory six months later. Doolin hid out on his father-in-law's farm in Oklahoma for several weeks afterward until U. S. Marshals were tipped off to his location. In August 1896, twelve U. S. Marshals



had surrounded the farmhouse and prepared to arrest him. Spying the officers, Doolin quickly reached for his gun but was shot dead on the spot. All the remaining outlaws were

captured or killed. With the death of Doolin, the last of the bloodshed and robberies came to an end. And with that, a chapter in the history of the Old West closed.

## Commissioner Miller kicks Off National Ag Week

STAFF REPORT

AUSTIN — Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller today encourages all Texans to help celebrate Texas agriculture, our farmers and ranchers, and the daily impact agriculture has on our lives during National Ag Week. National Ag Day, which coincides with the weeklong celebration, was Tuesday, March 15. Both events are geared towards recognizing agriculture and its contribution to feeding the world, conserving our natural resources, and supporting job creation and economic growth.

"Farmers and ranchers play a direct role in the health and wellbeing of our families and in the stewardship of our land and resources every single day of the year," Commissioner Miller said. "Not only does

agriculture provide us with the food and fiber that sustains our lives, it is a major driver of our state's economy and employs one in seven Texans. I hope you'll join me this week in recognizing the contributions Texas agriculture makes both right here at home and around the globe."

The second-largest resource-based industry in the state, agriculture is a powerhouse in Texas, with an economic impact of more than \$100 billion to the Lone Star State's economy. Farmers and ranchers across Texas play a critical role in supplying the world with food, fiber and fuel every day.

This year's Ag Day theme is Agriculture: Stewards of a Healthy Planet. Farmers and ranchers are the original conservationists and stewards of the land. More

so than many, agricultural producers understand the importance of preserving our natural resources. To ensure future generations can continue to enjoy our bountiful and beautiful land, Texas farmers and ranchers are taking innovative approaches to conserving water, growing more food with fewer resources and keeping pests from harming the food that we all enjoy.

From the Pineywoods to the Panhandle, through Central Texas and south to the Rio Grande, Texas is one of the most agriculturally diverse states in the nation. The Lone Star State leads the nation in the production of cattle, cotton, sheep, wool, goats, mohair and hay, as well as the total number of farms and ranches. Roughly 130 million of Texas' nearly 170

million acres are utilized for agriculture.

National Ag Day and National Ag Week are organized by the Agriculture Council of America (ACA). A nonprofit organization composed of leaders in the agricultural, food and fiber community, ACA dedicates its efforts to increasing the public's awareness of agriculture's role in society. For more information about National Ag Week and Ag Day, visit [www.agday.org](http://www.agday.org).

Be sure to visit the Texas Department of Agriculture on Facebook all week long for ag facts and more.

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 Blizzard Berries  
 Fruit juice  
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- March 24  
 French toast, yogurt  
 Cereal w/Grahams  
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March 25  
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Lunch

- March 21  
 Chef salad, choice of pizza
- March 22  
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 Grilled Chicken/Bun  
 Burrito  
 Broccoli w/ cheese  
 Mashed sweet potatoes  
 Salad/carrot sticks  
 Pineapple

Choice of milk

March 23  
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 Grilled cheese sandwich  
 Italian green beans  
 Goldfish  
 Salad/broccoli  
 Pears  
 Choice of milk

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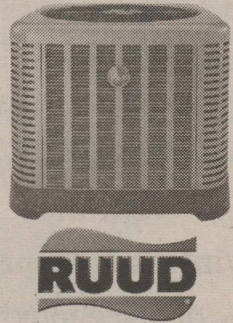
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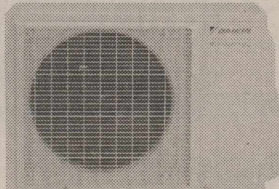
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### Weather Whys

Q: Why does the sky sometimes look green during a thunderstorm?

A: It's a question that has been asked for centuries and is still not fully answered, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "We know the ancient Greeks reported seeing green skies during thunderstorms, and sailors for hundreds of years have written about green skies," McRoberts explains. "The most popular theory is that thunderstorms contain a lot of water - often in the form of hail - and this water or ice tends to scatter green light during the strong updrafts that occur in severe storms. That's why many people say the sky appears green right before a hailstorm."

Q: Does the sky look green during a tornado?

A: It can, says McRoberts, but not always so. "Often the sky appears almost black during a tornado, but sometimes there are greenish-looking tints to the clouds," he adds. "Many tornadoes have hail right around them. What we do know for sure is that green skies do exist, but they are fairly rare. They may or may not contain a tornado, and they may or may not contain hail."

# Runnels County ROLL-UP

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Thursday, March 17, 2016

## Runnels County Jail Record

March 17, 2016

Name	Age	Agency
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Possession of Marijuana		
Dalton L. Pullen	23	DPS
DWI		
Guado Lupe Luna	45	BPD
Theft of Service		
Tyrone L. Organ	31	BPD
D.O.C.		
Albert R. Saldana	34	DPS
DWI		
Linda A. Rodriguz	39	WPD
DWLI		
Bianca H. Garza	21	Concho
Possession of Marijuana		

## VETERANS CORNER

March is Multiple Myeloma Awareness Month. There is evidence that exposure to the herbicides used in Vietnam is associated with the development of multiple myeloma. If you are a veteran with multiple myeloma who was exposed to Agent Orange during service, you may be eligible to receive VA health care and disability compensation. Veterans who develop multiple myeloma and were exposed to Agent Orange or other herbicides during military service do not have to prove a connection between their disease and service to be eligible to receive VA health care and disability compensation. Multiple myeloma is a cancer caused by an overproduction of certain proteins from white blood cells. It is called multiple myeloma because it is characterized by plasma cell tumors in bones in multiple parts of the body. There are often no symptoms

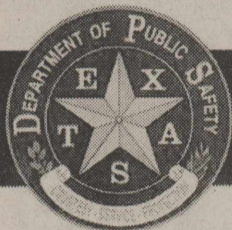


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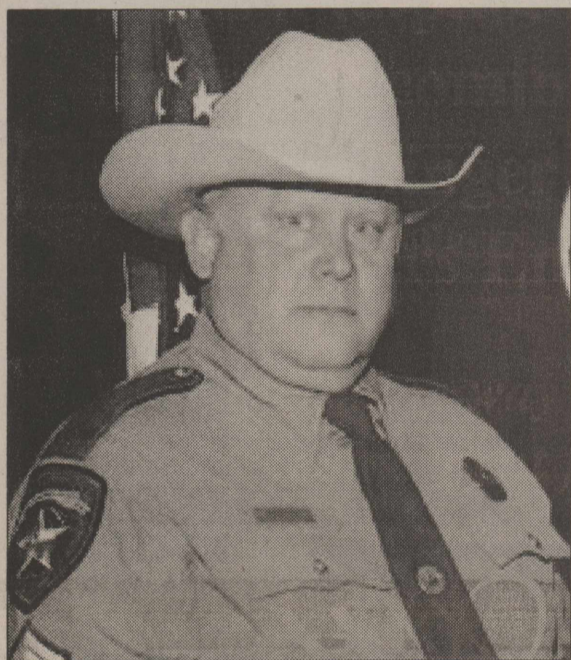
until the disease progresses. Symptoms include bone pain, unexplained bone fractures, repeated infections, weakness or numbness in the legs, abnormal proteins in the blood or urine, anemia, fatigue, and high level of calcium in the blood. Visit Medline Plus to learn more about treatment of multiple myeloma, the latest research and more from the National Institutes of Health. Veterans who served in Vietnam, the Korean demilitarized zone or another area where Agent Orange was sprayed may be eligible for a free Agent Orange registry health exam. Surviving spouses, dependent children and dependent parents of veterans who were exposed to herbicides during military service and died as the result of multiple myeloma may be eligible for survivors' benefits.

For more information, contact Sandra Van Zant at the Veterans Service Office at 602 Strong Ave. on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., or call 365-3612.

— Sandra G. Van Zant, Veterans County Service Officer



## Texas Department of Public Safety



### Monument honors fallen DPS sergeant in Brownwood

ABILENE — The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) dedicated a memorial marker Saturday in honor of Highway Patrol Sgt. William "Karl" Keesee, who was killed in a patrol car crash on Oct. 29, 2015. Sgt. Keesee's family, DPS leadership, fellow troopers and members of the community attended the ceremony at the DPS office in Brownwood.

## IRS refunds for Texans who did not file in 2012

STAFF REPORT

DALLAS — The Internal Revenue Service announced today that Federal income tax refunds totaling almost \$94 million may be waiting for more than 96,000 Texas taxpayers who did not file a federal income tax return for 2012. To collect the money, these taxpayers must file a 2012 tax return with the IRS no later than this year's April tax deadline.

Nationally, the IRS estimates the midpoint for potential refunds for 2012 to be \$718, with half being worth more than \$718 and half being worth less.

"Some people may not have filed because they had too little income to require filing a tax return, even though they had taxes withheld from their wages," said Clay Sanford, an IRS spokesman. "In cases where a return was not filed, the law provides most taxpayers with a three-year window of opportunity for claiming a refund."

If no return is filed to claim a refund within three years, the money becomes the property of the U.S. Treasury. For 2012 tax returns, the window closes on April 18, 2016 (or April 19 for taxpayers in Maine and Massachusetts). The law requires the tax return to be properly addressed, mailed and postmarked by that date. There is no penalty for filing a late return if you are due a refund.

The IRS reminds taxpayers seeking a 2012 refund that their checks may be held if they have not filed tax returns for 2013 and 2014. In addition, the refund will be applied to any amounts still owed to the IRS, or their state tax agency, and may be used to offset unpaid child support or past due federal debts, such as student loans.

By failing to file a tax return, people stand to lose more than just their refund of taxes withheld or paid during 2012. Many low-and-moderate income workers may not have claimed the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC). For 2012, the credit is worth as much as \$5,891. The EITC helps

individuals and families whose incomes are below certain thresholds. The thresholds for 2012 were:

\$45,060 (\$50,270 if married filing jointly) for those with three or more qualifying children,

\$41,952 (\$47,162 if married filing jointly) for people with two qualifying children,

\$36,920 (\$42,130 if married filing jointly) for those with one qualifying child, and

\$13,980 (\$19,190 if married filing jointly) for people without qualifying children.

Current and prior year tax forms and instructions are available on the IRS.gov Forms and Publications page, or by calling toll-free: 800-TAX-FORM (800-829-3676). Taxpayers who are missing Forms W-2, 1098, 1099 or 5498 for the years 2012, 2013 or 2014 should request copies from their employer, bank or other payer.

Taxpayers who are unable to get missing forms from their employer or other payer should go to IRS.gov and use the "Get a Transcript by Mail" button to order a paper copy of their transcript and have it sent to their address of record. Taxpayers can also file Form 4506-T to request a transcript of their tax return. Taxpayers can use the information on the transcript to file their return.



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# Judge grants request for additional ME review

## Quarles remains in custody for October murder

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A Ballinger man, jailed on murder charges since October, was granted a request for a new medical examiner to review the case Thursday March 10 in the 119th District Court in Ballinger.

Queandro Quarles, 34, of Ballinger was charged with murder following a fight that resulted in

the death of Kenneth Sneed, 36, of Kentucky Oct. 3, 2015.

During the proceedings Judge Ben Woodward granted a request by Quarles' attorney who was asking that another medical examiner review Sneed's autopsy results.

Also on Thursday, the trial date was set for June.

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

The two reportedly got into a fight

at an apartment in the 1500 block of 8th Street and according to reports Sneed was knocked down and "did not get up." Police were called to the scene at 1:40 a.m. Oct. 3 and found Sneed unresponsive.

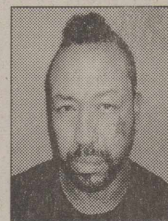
Sneed was airlifted to Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo, where he died at around 1 p.m. Quarles was arrested at the scene and initially charged with aggravated assault. He was later arraigned and charged with murder. His bond was initially

set at \$500,000.

Sneed's body was sent to Lubbock for an autopsy where it was determined that he suffered a cerebral edema and a fracture near the neck area.

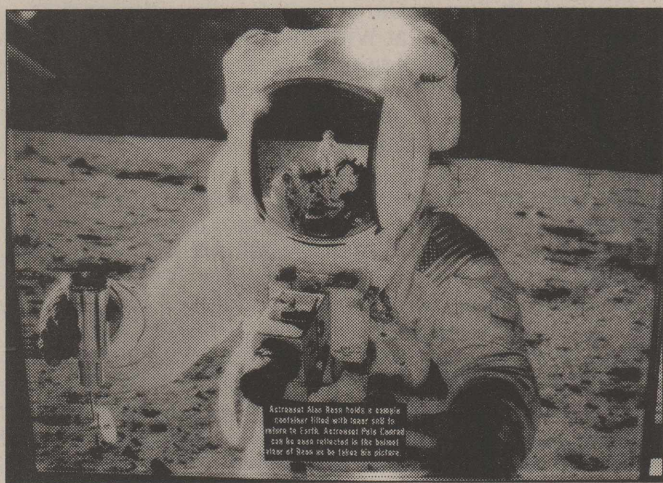
Quarles was indicted Dec. 2, 2015 and his bond was then set at \$150,000.

Quarles remains in custody at the Runnels County Jail. If convicted of the first degree felony, Quarles could face up to life in prison.



Queandro

Quarles



## Just Around the Corner

### NASA Exhibit out of this world

The Eagle has landed, in Ballinger that is...yes, it is the NASA Exhibit which will be on display at the Carnegie Library until March 23.

Librarian Mechele Ussery, is excited about the exhibit, which features a real space helmet and scale models of the Space Shuttle and an actual space walk glove.

The exhibit is fascinating for all ages, but perhaps especially to those of us who were among the millions of Americans glued to our televisions the day of the first moon landing back in July of 1969.

Forty-seven years ago, on July 20, 1969, Neil Armstrong made that famous observation as he stepped on to the surface of the moon: That's one small step for mankind....

In the weeks and days before the historic landing, newspapers across the state and nation covered every angle with headlines like "Mankind Awaits Moon Landing," and "Apollo Spaceship Races Toward Lunar Landing."

Even as a little child, I remember my heart swelling with patriotic pride as I witnessed history, whilst sitting on the floor in front of the console television on that hot day in Houston those many years ago.

We watched as the two ambassadors from earth planted the American flag and saluted it. Then they left gifts like a stainless steel plaque that read: "Here men from planet earth first set foot upon the moon July, 1969 A.D. We came in peace for all mankind"

On July 16, 1969, the day of the takeoff from Cape Kennedy, one million people attended the launch at Cape Kennedy and all "cheered as the great rocket lifted away



Celinda Hawkins

from earth."

"Reaching for a dream, America's Apollo 11 astronauts hurtled across the vastness of space today on a voyage of the ages, and at-

tempt to land two men on the moon," one story read.

Actually it was three. Civilian commander Neil Armstrong, 38, Air Force Col. Edwin E. Aldrin, Jr., 39, and Air Force Lt. Col Michael Collins, 38, three "Columbuses of the space age," who were setting sail across a quarter-million-mile ocean of space" to land on the moon. The astronauts would reach the moon's orbit in a little more than three days, and Aldrin and Armstrong would take a landing craft down to the surface, while Collins orbited above. And 22 hours later the three would rendezvous in space and return to earth.

That day the world watched in awe as Apollo 11 landed. My family was among the estimated 500 million Earthlings who gathered around televisions and watched silently as this incredible feat was carried out.

As they landed on the moon, at 4:18 p.m. Armstrong would report "Houston...Tranquility base here. The Eagle has landed."

If you are one of the conspiracy theorists who believe that Hollywood staged this event, you might as well stop reading now.

On that hot July day my family watched as Armstrong made his

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## Polk named VP at CTFC

### STAFF REPORT

Central Texas Farm Credit Names New Vice President of Credit Analysis Central Texas Farm Credit recently promoted Wade Polk to vice president of Credit Analysis of the Coleman based lending institution. Polk will continue to work from the company's San Angelo branch office. His new role will help ensure Central Texas Farm Credit continues to provide quality service to its members.

"Wade is an outstanding individual with excellent credit skills and exceptional understanding of agricultural production and commodity markets," says Jim Ed Field, Central Texas Farm Credit, director of credit analysis. "He is a model team player, always willing to help

out wherever needed." In his new role, Wade will take on assignments that are broader in scope and more complex in nature, requiring advanced originality, ingenuity, and leadership. In addition, Wade will have the opportunity to lead special credit projects.

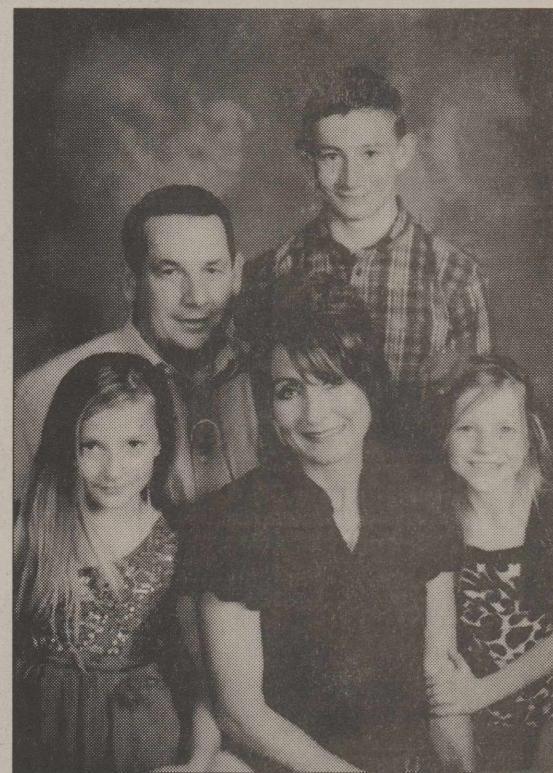
"I am very blessed to work with Wade," says Fields. "He is an integral part of the growth

and success of Central Texas Farm Credit."

Polk began his Farm Credit career in 2011. Prior to joining Farm Credit he worked for Texas Agrilife Extensions services for a number of years. He received bachelor's degrees in Agricultural Economics and Business Administration in General Business, as well as a master's degree Agricultural and Applied Economics, all from Texas Tech University. Polk is an active member of Christoval Baptist Church in Christoval. Wade and his wife, Tamara, have three children.

Central Texas Farm Credit provides financing for all types of rural real estate, including farms, ranches, rural homes and recreational property. The lender also finances livestock, equipment and the working capital needs of farmers, ranchers and agribusinesses. The Coleman-headquartered cooperative has branch offices in Brady, Brownwood, Coleman, Comanche, Haskell, San Angelo and San Saba. It is part of the nationwide Farm Credit System, which celebrates its 100th anniversary this year.

For more information, visit [www.ranchmoney.com](http://www.ranchmoney.com).



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Wade Polk, pictured here with his family, has been named vice president of credit analysis of Coleman-based Central Texas Farm Credit.

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# Heading to state with FCCLA

## Winters ISD wins gold, bronze at regionals

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Students in Family Career and Community Leaders of America program at Winters High School, recently attended the FCCLA Region II Conference held in Waco, March 3-5 and came away winners.

The winners included:

- Karlee Busher, gold medal, Creed, Mission and Purpose.
- Bailee Busher, gold medal, Culinary Arts Assessment.
- Mason Abernathie, bronze medal, FCS Assessment, Creed, Mission and Purpose.
- Zane Fernandez, bronze medal, FCS Assessment.

Sonya Vasquez and Lucero Vega participated in the sports nutrition challenge; Grace Bryan competed in the "Mystery Basket" and Abbie Killough competed in the life event planning portion of the contest. Marissa Gray participated in the fashion construction competition.

Family and Consumer Science teacher Tami Richards heads up the organization at WHS which currently has 34 members. She will be accompanying seven students to the state FCCLA competition April 6-9.

Richards, who was hired by Winters ISD last fall, has 120 students in Family Consumer Science classes, which include classes in culinary arts, fashion design, child development and principles of human services for students in grades 8-12.

She said since joining Winters ISD and becoming involved with FCCLA, she has received guidance from other teachers and members, including Julie Halfmann at Ballinger High School.

"This is an organization full of helpful people," Richards said.

CONTRIBUTED PHOTOS

**ABOVE:** Students from Winters High School competed in the Region II FCCLA Conference in Waco March 3-5. Pictured from left to right are Zane Fernandez, Sonya Vasquez, Lucero Vega, Abbie Killough, Karlee Busher, Tami Richards (advisor), Bailee Busher, Marissa Gray, Grace Bryan and Mason Abernathie.

**LEFT:** Students from Winters High School competed in the Region II FCCLA Conference in Waco March 3-5. Pictured from left to right are contest winners Zane Fernandez, Karlee Busher, Bailee Busher, and Mason Abernathie.



### SKILLS,

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His days at culinary school are long and arduous, but what he is learning is invaluable. He likened the school to military boot camp, saying that the chef instructors are tough and have high expectations of the

students.

He hopes to complete all five required semesters by December. Until then, he will work perfecting his skills at the campus restaurant where he and other students cook all types of cuisine each week.

McMinn, a 2015 graduate of Winters High School, said he started with a love of baking. He

started as a freshman attending the family and consumer science classes and continued through his junior year. The classes were suspended during his senior year.

He became a member of FCCLA (Family Career and Community Leaders of America) during his time at WHS and said it helped him choose his path. "FCCLA made me fo-

cus on what I can do to become a chef," McMinn said.

His advice to students wishing to pursue a career in the culinary arts through TSTC is to be prepared.

"Prepare for what you never believed would happen," McMinn said. "It's hard work - expect the unexpected."

### HAWKINS,

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declaration:

"That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind."

Then when Aldrin stepped on the lunar surface he exclaimed, "Beautiful! Beautiful! Magnificent desolation." Aldrin, known as a deeply religious man, relayed this message to the world shortly after the landing: "This is the LM pilot. I'd like to take this opportunity to ask every person listening, wherever they may be, to pause for a moment and contemplate the events of the past few hours and to give thanks in his or her own way."

We watched as the two ambassadors from earth planted the American flag and saluted it. Then they left gifts like a stainless steel plaque that read: "Here men from planet earth first set foot upon the moon July, 1969 A.D. We came in peace for all mankind."


So remember, there are some significant pieces of

history now on display at the Carnegie Library, some are related to subsequent moon landings, others are items that have been part of the space program for many years, like the food that the astronauts eat.

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- Property Tax Exemptions for Disabled Veterans - The law provides partial exemptions for any property owned by veterans who are disabled, surviving spouses and surviving children of deceased disabled veterans. This includes homesteads donated to disabled veterans by charitable organizations at no cost to the disabled veterans and their surviving spouses. The exemption amount is determined according to percentage of service-connected disability. The law also provides a 100 percent homestead exemption for 100 percent disabled veterans and their surviving spouses and for surviving spouses of U.S. armed service members killed in action.
- Property Tax Exemptions – Non-profit organizations that meet statutory requirements may seek property tax exemptions and must apply to their county appraisal district by a specific date. Businesses that receive tax abatements granted by taxing units; ship inventory out of Texas that may be eligible for the freeport exemption; store certain goods in transit in warehouses that are moved within 175 days; construct, install or acquire pollution control property; own and operate energy storage systems; convert landfill-generated gas; or store offshore drilling equipment while not in use may also be eligible for statutory exemptions.
- Rendering Taxable Property - If a business owns tangible personal property that is used to produce income, the business must file a rendition with its local county appraisal district by a specified date. Personal property includes inventory and equipment used by a business. Owners do not have to render exempt property such as church property or an agriculture producer's equipment used for farming.
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The new Cup of Joe Vintage Coffee Shop opened March 7 in Winters. Pictured from left to right are Donna Guy, Tina Davis, Melinda Meyers, owner, Cheryl Butler, Tresia Sharps Moore and Linda Mitchell.

## Stop in for a Cup of Joe

*New coffee shop opens in Winters*

**STAFF REPORT**

Cup of Joe Vintage Coffee Shop opened Monday, March 7 in Winters in the building at 106 N. Main St. formerly known as the North Runnels Home Health building.

Owner Melinda Meyers, worked on the remodeling project for seven weeks and said she is happy the coffee shop is up and running.

The new business includes a coffee bar and Meyers is offering a variety of specialty coffee drinks including the new featured coffee called "Taste of Winters" which has a hint of cinnamon. There are also a variety of drinks for non-coffee drinkers such as iced and hot tea, peach tea, orange and apple juice, chocolate milk and water.

Tasty muffins, baked daily are also on the menu with delectable flavors like bacon cheddar, blueberry, banana crumb, cinnamon sugar, double chocolate chip and cranberry.

Folks can also browse in the Vintage Shops which feature arts and crafts, jewelry, collectables, fishing lures, wreaths and T-shirts.

Meyers has tentative plans to serve lunch in one of the larger rooms, said she hopes the new shop will be a place for friends and neighbors to enjoy their favorite specialty drinks, treats and shopping.

She reminds customers to be sure and get a customer appreciation card to be stamped each time, they enjoy their favorite Cup of Joe.



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**BLIZZARDS ATHLETICS**



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The Lady Blizzards competed in the Buffalo Relays in Cross Plains March 10, 2016. Pictured from left to right are 4x400m relay medalists Cha-Cha Lovelace, Baily Knight, Jenessa West, and Brenna Knight.

## Lady Blizzards compete in Cross Plains

**STAFF REPORT**

The Lady Blizzards track team traveled to Cross Plains this past week and participated in the Buffalo Relays. Due to the rain, the field events were cancelled, but the running events were completed. As a team, the Lady Blizzards finished seventh overall.

The following athletes placed in their event(s): Justine Alvarado - 4x100m Relay (5th); 100m Hurdles (6th); Baily Knight - 4x400m Relay (3rd), 400m Dash

(5th), 4x100m Relay (5th); Brenna Knight - 4x400m Relay (3rd), 4x200m Relay (4th); K'Lee Lindley - 4x200m Relay (4th), 4x100m Relay (5th); Cha-Cha Lovelace - 4x400m Relay (3rd), 300m Hurdles (7th); Sonya Vasquez - 4x200m Relay (4th), 300m Hurdles (5th), 4x100m Relay (5th); Jenessa Wade - 4x400m Relay (3rd), 4x200m Relay (4th).

The Lady Blizzards will be taking off for spring break and will run next on March 24 in the Hornet Relays in Blackwell.

**WINTERS STUDENT SIGNS WITH WAYLAND BAPTIST UNIVERSITY**



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Kyler Richards, a senior at Winters High School, signed with Wayland Baptist University on Wednesday, March 9, 2016. He will play football at the university located in Plainview. He will also be a walk-on for baseball. Pictured from left to right are Ashlyn, his sister, Kyler and his mother Tami and father Conda.

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a minor in English and went to Irving to begin her career teaching homemaking at Irving High School. After four years, she went back to graduate school at Texas Tech and earned her Master of Science in Home Economics Education with an emphasis in clothing and textiles. After receiving her Masters she taught clothing and textiles at Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, N.C.

In 1970, she married Richard Spears in Singapore, where he worked for Texas Instruments. After having a daughter, Mary Susan, in 1971, Spears and her husband returned to the United States and lived in Dallas. While in Dallas, she was a homemaker, room mother, library volunteer, band parent, substitute teacher

and wallpaper hanger.

When Mary Susan went to college, Spears also returned to college at the University of Texas at Dallas and received her certification to teach English as a Second Language. She taught ESL at Garland High School in Garland for six years. After retiring, she and her husband moved to Sweetwater.

Spears has a connection to Winters in that her uncle, Sidney Anderson, was the Magnolia Petroleum agent in Winters for many years before his death. She often visited her Uncle Sid, Aunt Lillian and cousin Bobby Anderson while growing up.

"We are honored to have Sandra Edwards Spears as our guest speaker and excited for the WASP program that she will present," said Joyce Carbery, a board member at the WPL.

The event is free and open to the public.

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someone with a named scholarship, but do not anticipate having an endowed scholarship that will continue indefinitely. This scholarship is available for a donation of \$1,000. Currently a fund honoring Mary Louise Bauer is accepting

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