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BrieflySupport the

Reserved seat tickets for Winters Blizzards football games can be purchased in the WISD Administration Office between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Senior Citizen, 60 or older, free general admission passes are also available at the

General admission tickets may be purchased at the gate. No advance tickets are available. Admission to varsity games will be \$5 for adults and \$2 for students. JV and JR High admission prices will be \$3 for adults and \$2 for students.

WISD Administration Of-

ON THE NET: www.wintersisd.org

Winters Elementary

events

Mark your calendar for upcoming events at Winters Elementary. The STAAR meeting for the 4th grade will be at 4 p.m. Tuesday at the elementary library. The 4th Grade Play Performance is slated from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27 at the WHS Auditorium. Elementary picture day is scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 29 at the Special Events Center. The Vocabulary Parade will be held at 8:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 30 at the high school gym.

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The last drop

The change of seasons has been a bit slow, say forecasters at the National Weather Service in San Angelo, but recent cold fronts have had overnight temperatures dipping in to the upper 40s and mid 50s. However, highs during the day are expected to continue to reach the upper 80s to mid 90s, forecasters say.

A weak cold front will be passing through on Friday, but no precipitation is expected and temperatures at game time should be around 80 degrees.

On Oct. 8, rainfall was reported in Runnels County with .07 recorded in Ballinger and .12 reported in Wingate. San Angelo received .81 inches.

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.

Election set in Runnels County Nov. 3

Early voting begins

STAFF REPORTS

Runnels County officials have announced the locations for the upcoming constitutional amendment election Tuesday, Nov. 3. Voters are being asked to adopt or oppose the amendments pro-

posed by the 84th Legis-

Early voting begins Tuesday, Oct. 19 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). 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.

Voters may cast ballots for or against the seven constitutional amendments which were determined by the 84th Legislature in the last session.

On Nov. 3, the following polling locations will be

open:

Precinct 1 - Ballinger Courthouse Annex, 600 Strong Ave.

Precinct 2 – Elm Creek Grain, LLC, 302 Hutchings Ave., Ballinger.

Precinct 3 - Winters Housing Authority, 300 North Grant St., Winters. Precinct 4, 5,6 - Win-

Precinct 4, 5,6 - Winters Tax Office, 143 West Dale St., Winters.

Precinct 7 – Ballinger Community Center, 300 Crosson Ave., Ballinger.

Precinct 8 - Ballinger City Hall, 700 Railroad Ave., Ballinger. Precinct 9 - Miles City

Precinct 10 - Rowena
Fire Department, 504
Mary St., Rowena.

Hall, 110 Robinson St.,

District starts with a WIN



BY CHAD MCDUFFEE WINTERS ENTERPRISE

aving a week off to try and get healthy seemed to help the Winters Blizzards a great deal. After playing two of their last three games against 3A schools with winning records and the third against perennial 2A powerhouse Hamlin, the opening of their district schedule ended in victory. With a

34-0 win over the Roby Lions Winters is now undefeated in district.

Quarterback Kyler Richards was back pulling the trigger for Winters having been out since the season opener at Eldorado.

Coach Matt McCarty was pleased to have him back.

"Kyler helped immensely,"
McCarty said. "With his age and understanding we were able to operate smoother and quicker at quarterback."

He also returned the passing threat to Winters offense, completing 10 of 11 passes on the night.

"Having Julian (Soto) back also helped on both sides of the ball," McCarty explained. "He had a great offensive game, but having him back on defense allowed people to play their natural positions and he gets people lined up where they need to be."

This week should prove to be a much tougher contest as the Bliz-

zards face the Roscoe Plowboys.

Roscoe sports a 2-4 overall record, but had an impressive 48-7 victory over Miles in their district opener. Roscoe throws the ball and they have very good skilled players so this will be an interesting game to watch as we continue district play.

The Winters Blizzards (1-5, 1-0 district) will face the Roscoe Plowboys in Roscoe (2-4, 1-0 district) at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Winters PD and Winters VFD host National Night Out

BY CELINDA HAWKINS MANAGING EDITOR WINTERS ENTERPRISE

The community came out to take advantage of National Night Out in Winters, Tuesday, Oct 6. The event was sponsored by the Winters Police Department and the Winters Vol-

unteer Fire Department.
Winters joined with
many other communities
to promote National Night
Out, which is an opportunity for law enforcement
to partner with citizens
against crime.

gainst crime. The crowd gathered at the Winters VFD building located in the 200 block of Main Street. Law enforcement from Runnels County also attended.

"It was a great turn out and everyone had a fantastic time."

> —Randall Davis, Winters Police Chief

Fire fighters cooked almost 100 hamburgers and during the event, the attendees enjoyed participating in several drawings and getting valuable information from both law enforcement and fire fighters.

There several citizens who won prices, like a mowed lawn courtesy of a police officer and pet vaccinations. In addition, police provided child ID

kits to the attendees.
Winters Police Chief
Randall Davis said the
response from the community was good.

"It was a great turn out and everyone had a fantastic time," Davis said.



PHOTO COURTESY JOE GERHART

The Winters Police Department and the Winters Volunteer Fire Department sponsored National Night Out last Tuesday evening in Winters. Pictured from left to right are Runnels County Deputy Steve Gray, Officer Steve Fullen, Corp. Paula Geyer and Runnels County Deputy Dawn Summerall during the event, Oct. 6, 2015.



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Visit our lake park and in-town RV park.

all 723-2081 or 754-4424 for informatio





FUNERALS AND OBITUARIES

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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Socorro Nava Perez

Socorro Nava Perez, 89, of Winters, died October 8, 2015. She was born June 26, 1926 in Durango, Mexico and came to Winters in 1978. She married Lazaro Perez in Mexico. He preceded her in death in 2011. She was a

She is survived by 2 sons: Jaime Perez and wife Dora of Winters and Rogelio Perez and wife Gloria of Acuna,

A Rosary service will be held at 7:00 P.M. Saturday October 10, 2015 in the Winters Funeral Home Chapel.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Visit Friendly Neighbors

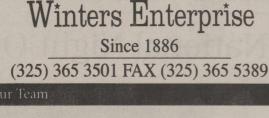
The Texas Extension Education Agency "Friendly Neighbors" invites everybody in the Runnels County area who is interested in learning about cooking, gardening, arts and crafts and other useful subjects to meetings at 2 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of every month (except during the summer). Meetings will 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.

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.

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







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Dan Odell Denton, long-time and wellknown resident of Ballinger, passed away Monday, October 12, 2015, at Central Texas Nursing and Rehabilitation in Ballinger at the

age of 79.

He was born April 3, 1936 near Eola, Texas to John Thomas and Lillie (Morgan) Denton. Hard working and dependable even at a young age, he had part-time jobs as he attended and graduated from Ballinger schools.

Odell's abilities and personality, along with his dedication, enabled him to be successful in various capacities. He began as a broadcaster for KRUN Radio, and for 20 years his pleasant, bass voice was enjoyed by area residents. His law enforcement career spanned several years in both Runnels and Tom Green Counties. He served with the Runnels County Sheriff Department for a period of time, and then became jailer for Tom Green County until 1999. Odell had also worked part-time for local funeral homes since 1975, most recently

for Lange Funeral Home.

Odell served his community and country as well. He joined the Ballinger Volunteer Fire Department in 1962 and held several official positions during his 26 years with the department. He was Hill Country Association President in 1975 and was Ballinger's 21st Fire Chief for ten years until his retirement in 1988. Odell was a Master Mason and served nine years with the Texas National Guard. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Ballinger.

Odell's tough law enforcement work ethic was coupled with compassion.

Dan Odell Denton

A close friend described him as the most tenderhearted man one could ever meet. His kindness, willingness, and helpfulness were always evident and appreciated by his co-workers. Knowledgeable and wise in many areas, he was unmatched in quick, dry wit. He had thousands of jokes or clever He was preceded in death by parents; brother, Tom Denton; and sister, Leara

Odell is survived by his devoted daughter, Tamela Denton Park of Austin, and his son, Terry Denton of Ballinger; granddaughters, Debrah Park and Dena Gray; and greatgrandchildren, Aryiana, Christopher, Deven,

Ashley, and Caden. Also surviving are past and present co-workers, numerous friends, and a grateful Ballinger.

The family expresses sincere thanks to the staff of Central Texas Nursing and Rehab for their excellent care and loving attitude, to Dr. Winton, and to many special friends

for their help, prayers, and support. Visitation for family and friends will be from 6:00 to 7:00 pm on Tuesday, October 13, at Lange Funeral Home. Services will be Wednesday, October 14, at 2:00 pm at the First Baptist Church in Ballinger with Ferris Akins and Max Pratt officiating. Burial will follow in Old Runnels Cemetery.

Guests may register online at ballingerfuneralhome.com.

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Connie Sue Briley

Connie Sue Briley, 64, of Winters, died October 11, 2015. She was born July 20, 1951 in Edinburg, Texas and grew up in the Rio Grande Valley moving to Winters at the age of 18. She married Bobby Briley on June 12, 1971 in Brownwood. She was a licensed day care provider and was a member of the First Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband: Bobby Briley of Winters. 1 daughter and 1 son: Mandy Sue Briley of Temple and Kevin James Briley and wife Lee Ann of Gatesville. 3 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild: Devon Sargent of Abilene, Lexi and Kolton Briley of Grape Creek and Watson Sargent of Abilene. 7 sisters: Ann Vinson of Lake Ivey, Loraine "Pee Wee" Porter of Abilene, Wanda Stanford of Georgetown, Kathy Albritton of Lyford, Carolyn Montagne

of Harlingen, Lue Walker of Winters and Jennifer Hutt of Kilgore. 4 brothers: Tommy Davis, Curtis Davis, Johnny Davis and Ronnie Davis all of Raymondville. Mother-inlaw: Theresa Briley. Sister-in-law: Carla Briley-Hooper. She was preceded in death by 1 brother: Leroy Davis.

The family will receive friends at 6:00 P.M. Tuesday October 13, 2015 at Winters Funeral Home. Funeral service will be 10:30 A.M. Wednesday October 14, 2015 at the First Baptist Church with burial following at Lakeview cemetery directed by Winters Funeral Home.

The family request that in lieu of flowers memorials be made to the donors favorite charity.

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Louise Adele Davis Dermody

SONORA — "She is clothed with strength and dignity and laughs without fear of the future." Proverbs 31:25

Louise Adele Davis Dermody lived her life to the fullest exemplifying strength and courage. After a long and fearless battle with cancer, Louise became one of our heavenly treasures on October 5, 2015. A celebration of her life will be held on Wednesday, October 7, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church with Father Chris Roque officiating.

Louise was born January 24, 1966 in San Angelo, Texas to Nancy Wilson Davis and Richard W. Davis. She graduated from Winters High School in 1984; attended Texas Tech University before transferring

and graduating from Texas A&M University in 1988 with a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture Economics. Louise married Dean Colyer Dermody on June 9, 1990 and they began their life together in Sonora. Louise received her teaching certificate as well as her Masters Degree in Mid-Management Education from Angelo State University. She later received her Master Reading Teacher Certification from Texas A&M University followed by her Superintendent Certification. She began her career teaching 3rd grade at Sonora Elementary in 1990 and served as the Elementary School principal from 1998 to 2013. Recently in 2014, she was named Chief Academic Officer for Sonora ISD.

Louise was a devoted wife, mother, daughter, sister, cousin, aunt and friend. She was a woman of many passions, but none greater than the love for her family. She motivated her children to succeed in all aspects of their lives including academic achievement, athletic competition and theatrical accomplishments. Louise enjoyed traveling and organized many family trips domestic and abroad. She saw God's Glory on the mountains snow skiing, in the oceans scuba diving, and on the beaches watching the sunset. Louise loved all of God's creations. Her desire to have beautiful flowers and landscaping were present everywhere she lived and worked. Animals of all shapes and sizes were rescued, loved and raised in her home and at the ranch. She never found a stray animal that she was not willing to adopt. Louise had a heart of generosity and compassion for all those in need. During her short life and career, she touched generations of students, parents and grandparents with her love for education and the betterment of those around her. She will be deeply missed by her family, students and many

Louise served her Sonora community in many capacities. She was a board member of the Good Samaritan Community Services as well as the Child Welfare Board. She was an active member of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society and the Texas Elementary Principals and Supervisors Association. In 2002 the Sonora Chamber of Commerce recognized her as Employee of the Year. Louise was very involved in her church where she was currently serving as the Senior Warden at St. John's Episcopal Church. She also served as a Lay Eucharistic Minister, Lay Reader and was a member of The Order of St. Luke, Daughters of the King and Women

of St. John's. She was preceded in death by her father, Richard Wilhelm Davis of San Angelo, Texas, her grandparents, Adele Kyle and Ira Duke Wilson of Sonora, Texas; Victoria Louise Wilhelm Davis of Menard, Texas; A.J. Davis of Austin, Texas and her mother-in-law, Raye Davidson

She is survived by her husband Dean Colyer Dermody; sons Colyer Davis Dermody (23) and Slade Wilson Dermody (14); daughter Sidney Adele Dermody (20); mother Nancy Wilson Davis; brother Frank Edward Davis, his wife Nora Joseph Davis and their sons, Bryce and Mack; her extended family, Mary Adele and Jerry Don Balch, Anita and Keith Hudson, John Duke and Word, Anna and Brady Johnson, Mary Kyle and Wilson; father-in-law, Bernard Casper Dermody; brother-in-law, Byron Dermody; sisters-in-law, Terry Dermody Brown and husband Glynn, Dixie Dermody Radicke and husband Herbert; along with many nieces, nephews and cousins.

The family wishes to thank their special friends, Claire Jones, Sherry Ingham, Fran Pennington, Rebecca Stokes and Rosie Castijella; as well as, Dr. Kristy Edwards, Dr. Charles Pajestka, LMH Hospital and all staff for their care, kindness, and compassion. We would also like to extend our gratitude to all those who have shown their love, support and prayers.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that donations be made to the following: The Louise Davis Dermody Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o The Bank & Trust, 229 Hwy 277 South, Sonora, Texas 76950; St. John's Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 1100, Sonora, Texas 76950; Texas Great Pyrenees Rescue, 713 Apricot Drive, Kyle, Texas 78640; or a charity of your choice.

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Winters ISD menus Oct. 15 to Oct. 23

Breakfast

Oct. 16 Blueberry muffin or Cereal w/grahams Peaches Fruit juice Choice of milk

Pancake on a stick or Cereal w/graham Mandarin oranges Fruit juice Choice of milk

Oct. 20 Donuts or Cereal w/grahams Raisins Fruit juice Choice of milk

Oct. 21 Yogurt or Cereal w/grahams Blizzard berries Fruit juice Choice of milk

Oct. 22 French toast or Cereal w/grahams Banana Fruit juice Choice of milk

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

Lunch

Oct. 16 Chef salad or Cheese sticks or Cheese burger

Baked chips Salad/carrot sticks Choice of milk

Chef salad or Choice of pizza Corn Black-eyed peas Salad/carrot sticks **Applesauce** Choice of milk

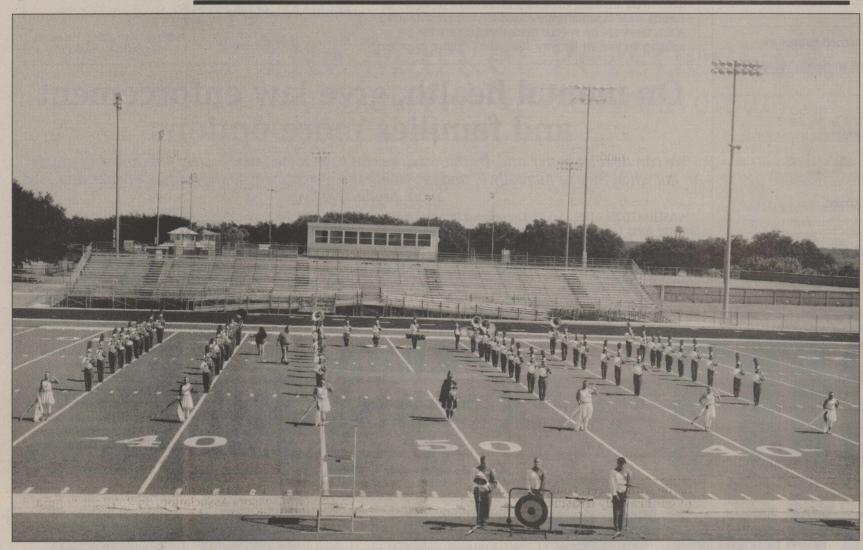
Oct. 20 Chef salad or Grilled chicken/bun or Broccolie w/cheese Salad/carrot sticks Pineapple Choice of milk Oct. 21 Chef salad or Salisbury steak or Grilled cheese sandwich

Italian green beans Cheddar Goldfish Salad/broccoli Melon Choice of milk

Oct. 22 Chef salad or Meatball sub or Steak fingers/sliced bread Mashed potatoes w/gravy Salad/carrot sticks Tropical fruit Choice of milk

Oct. 23 Chef salad or Cheese burger or Hot dog Baked chips Salad/carrot sticks Peaches Choice of milk

WINTERS BAND WILL BE IN LONGHORN STADIUM IN EARLY SATURDAY



The Pride of West Texas Winters Blizzard Marching Band participated in the Heart of Texas Marching Festival last Saturday. The festival was hosted by Early ISD and the Early Longhorn Band. The band received a 1, 2++ and a 2 from the three judges. The festival helped to get the band ready for the UIL Region Marching Contest. The Blizzard Band will perform at 12:30 pm on Saturday at the Early High School Stadium.

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Weather Whys

Q: Where can haze occur?

A: Just about anywhere, and in recent years, some of the worst cases have occurred in Latin American and in Southeast Asia, McRoberts says.

"Forest fires and brush fires in some areas of the world produce hazy conditions that can be seen from space. The thick smoke can wander over huge portions of the Earth, including parts of the United States. Because haze is basically bad air, it can be very hazardous to human health, especially to people who have difficulty breathing. Long-term exposure can produce lung and eye diseases and that's why a concerted effort has been made to make sure that logging companies and others are aware of the risks associated with haze," he points out.

COMMUNITY **CALENDAR**

Runnels County Alzheimer's Support

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.

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Weather Whys

Q: What exactly is haze?

A: Haze is usually defined as fine particles of dust or smoke that are dispersed through portions of the atmosphere, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University.

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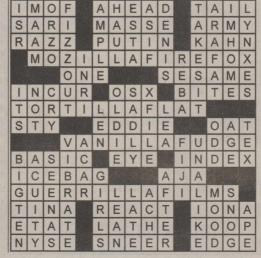
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"These particles are so small that they cannot be felt or seen individually with the naked eye," he explains. "These particles tend to decrease visibility in the area, and because of the way they scatter light, can give a tint to the sky that can appear as brown, green, grey or other colors. Under stagnant air conditions, the air can be trapped in valleys or canyons and produce a layer of haze that can stretch for



LAST WEEK'S ANSWER GRID

Runnels Count

Thursday, October 15, 2015

Public Record

Runnels County Jail Record October 15, 2015

Name Agency 23 **RCSO** Griffith P. Greene MTR - poss. of controlled substance

John L. Jonas **RCSO**

MTR - poss. of controlled substance

Fernando Mendoza 47 **RCSO** DWI 3rd or more sent to TDJC

35 turned himself in Jalon E. Reed

Warrant aggravated assault w/ deadly weapon

RCSO Crispin J. Barron 56 DWI 3rd or more

Vincent A. Hanna 58 **RCSO**

Rosemarie A. Garcia 27 Sterling City

Theft of property

Public intoxication

VETERAN'S CORNER

Since 1957, if you had military service earnings for active duty (including active duty for training), you paid Social Security taxes on those earnings. Since 1988, inactive duty service in the Armed Forces reserves (such as weekend drills) has also been covered by Social Security. Under certain circumstances, special extra earnings for your military service from 1957 through 2001 can be credited to your record for Social Security purposes.

These extra earnings credits may help you qualify for Social Security or increase the amount of your Social Security benefit.

Special extra earnings credits are granted for periods of active duty or active duty for training. Special extra earnings credits are not granted for inactive duty training. If your active military service occurred from 1957 through 1967, the Social Security Administration will add the extra credits to your record when you apply for Social Security benefits. If it occurred from 1968 through 2001, you do not need to do anything to receive these extra credits. The credits were automatically added to your record. After 2001, there are no special extra earnings credits for military service. In January 2002, the Defense Appropri-



Sandra G. Van Zant

ations Act (Public Law 107-117), stopped the special extra earnings that had been credited to military service personnel. Military service in calendar year 2002 and following years no longer qualifies for these special extra earnings credits.

Here's how the special extra earnings are credited on your record: Service in 1957 through 1977- you are credited with \$300 in additional earnings for each calendar quarter in which you received active duty basic pay. Service in 1978 through 2001- for every \$300 in active duty basic pay, you are credited with an additional \$100 in earnings up to a maximum of \$1,200 a year. If you enlisted after September 7, 1980, and didn't complete

at least 24 months of active duty or your full tour, you may not be able to receive the additional earnings. Check with Social Security for details. 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

On mental health, give law enforcement and families more options

'We can do a lot better and, by the way, we can save some money ... by not throwing people in jail when they're mentally ill and providing them treatment so they can get better and lead more productive lives.'

WAŞHINGTON - U.S. Senator John Cornyn (R-TX) appeared on MS-NBC's "Morning Joe" this morning to discuss his Mental Health and Safe Communities Act following last week's shooting at an

Oregon community college, as well as the bipartisan criminal justice reform bill he and others have introduced. Excerpts from the interview are below. and video of Sen. Cornyn's appearance can be found

On the Mental Health and Safe Communities Act:

"One of the things we can do is take money from programs that don't work and put it on ones that we think needs to work, and

Michael

Roman

empower families with more options rather than involuntary commitment or

doing nothing." "We have come to realize that like our criminal justice system, our mental health system, after the deinstitutionalization, basically created no options for treatment other than in jails and emergency rooms. We can do a lot better and, by the way, we can save some money ... by not throwing people in jail when they're mentally ill and providing them treatment so they can get better and lead more productive lives."

On the bipartisan Sentencing Reform and Corrections Act introduced last week:

"Amidst all the noise there is actually some real work getting done. And in this case it's based in large part on what's been happening in the states. In places like Texas, where we've actually realized being tough on crime is not good enough, you have to be smart. And realize people are going to get out, and make sure they're better equipped so they don't come back."

Senator John Cornyn, a Republican from Texas, is a member of the Senate Judiciary and Finance Committees.

DPS seizes 80 pounds

of marijuana in Wichita County

WICHITA FALLS - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) conducted a traffic stop Wednesday on US-287, yielding 80 pounds of marijuana valued at over \$485,000.

At approximately 12:25 p.m., a DPS trooper conducted a traffic stop on a 2015 Chevrolet Cruze passenger vehicle traveling southbound on US-287, for a traffic violation, near Iowa Park in Wichita County.

The driver of the vehicle was identified as Garrett Micheal Aguilar, 28, of Houston. During the traffic stop, the trooper called for assistance from the Wichita Falls Police Department K-9 unit. After a positive K-9 alert for narcotics, the trooper found two duffle bags full of vacuum-sealed packages of marijuana in the trunk

Aguilar was placed under arrest for possession of marijuana over 50 pounds but less than 2000 pounds, a second degree felony, and booked into the Wichita County Jail. The marijuana was allegedly being transported from Amarillo to



The Runnels County Sheriff's Department is seeking information on the whereabouts of Michael Roman, 30, of Winters, who has outstanding warrants on a revocation for drug possession, which is a second degree

Roman led law enforcement on a chase last Thursday, and fled from a vehicle on foot. Roman is still at

He is described as 5 feet, 6 inches tall with brown hair and weighs ap-

proximately 180 pounds. The Runnels County Sheriff's Department is offering a \$500 reward

to anyone who provides information that leads to the arrest and conviction of Roman. If you have information, contact the RCSO at 325-

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The history of the Battleship "Texas"

The twentieth century became the great age for the battleship as navies around the world raced to build the most powerful vessels on the seas. As the United States established itself as a world power, the nation was determined to show the strength of its own navy. As a

result, the Battleship USS Texas, designated BB-35, was built as the second vessel named for the state by the US Navy. Construction on the Tex-

as, a New York-class battleship, began in 1911 at a cost of over \$5.8 million (nearly \$140 million in 2015 dollars). It was commissioned in May 1914. The 573-Bridges foot vessel boasted a crew of more than one thousand men. It included ten fourteen-inch guns, twenty-one five-inch guns, and four submerged torpedo launchers. Its firepower easily matched the most powerful ships in the world at the

During most of America's involvement

in World War I, the Texas was attached to the British fleet patrolling the waters near Scotland and spent the interwar years as part of the navy's Pacific

Fleet. In 1919, just after the war ended, it made naval history as it became the first battleship to launch an airplane off its deck. The successful experiment was a critical part of the navy's tests of the viability of aircraft carriers and their potential designs as airplanes became more reliable instruments for reconnaissance and combat.

The Texas spent most of the early years of World War II on convoy escort duty, protecting troop transports and supply ships from the German submarine attacks that had devastated the Allies. In October 1942, the ship served as part of the fleet

transporting American troops to North Africa as part of Operation Torch, the first landing of American troops against

On June 6, 1944, the Allies staged Operation Overlord, the invasion of Normandy, and the Texas was there, its guns pounding Nazi positions along the coast. The ship stayed along the coast of northern France for several weeks, aiding American troops as they struggled to move inland.

As the Allies retook Europe, the USS Texas was sent to the Pacific in early 1945. In February and March, the Texas supported ground troops landing at Iwo Jima as American forces advanced toward the Japanese home islands. Beginning in April, the ship was part of the six-week naval bombardment campaign as American troops struggled to gain control of Okinawa. The capture of both islands was essential to forcing Japan to surrender, which occurred four months later. After the end of the war, the Texas spent the last few months of its career bringing troops

The Texas was decommissioned in 1946, along with many other storied vessels from both world wars. The ship, however, was given a noble retirement by the people of the state. On April 20, 1948, it was permanently docked in La-Porte near the San Jacinto Battleground State Historic Site to begin operating as a museum, allowing the general public to explore the ship for themselves. The arrangement was the first of its type for a battleship and was wildly popular with

While protected from the ravages of battle today, the ship still suffers from the corrosive effects of weather and the sea which has presented long-term issues for its preservation. The Battle-shipTexas Foundation has for years raised money to support maintenance and education efforts in coordina-tion with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. Nevertheless, thousands of visitors from around the world still come each year to explore the legendary

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

The Market Perspective A Forty Year Cycle Anniversary

This week is the 50th anniversary of an event. That was the week the Ramsey Lewis Trio debuted their version

of "The In Crowd " at the Bohemian Caverns in Washington D.C. The live recording shot to the top of the charts right behind the Beatles Help! A waitress overheard the trio grasping for the right song and suggested Dobie Gray's successful recording of the tune. Listening on the juke box, Lewis quickly envisioned how the arrangement would sound. They debuted it that weekend, and the Lewis trio never looked

But, we are here today to warn of another anniversary event. That would be the start of the 50 percent meltdown in the markets

from 1973-74. The Dow Jones had returned to its 1966 1,000 + level by January, 1973. From there it fell 20 percent into August of 1973. Then the market rebounded into October. But that was the last kiss goodbye. The market then reversed down. It lost 50 percent from its January, 1973 top of 1051 closing at 577 during December,

1974. Since December, 1974 was a low, the 40 year anniversary was high in the Transports by November, 2014. The Transports typically lead a market turn. Since then all the Indexes have turned down. China's Shanghai for example has lost 44 percent just since June, 2015.

And with history as a guide, markets in the US have collapsed about 20 percent this year, just as they did in 1973. And now

they have rallied back with the DOW recording a 1,500 point rally since August 24. But is that all there is? If the analogy continues the markets will hold up into next week and then turn down

Are there other

similarities? The Yom Kippur War (1973 Arab-Israeli War) began

in October 6, 1973. Then Egypt and Syria attacked Israel on the holiest day of Judaism. Now, Russia is aiding Syria's Assad in a bid to keep the latter in power. And the dates are a near perfect 40-year correlation. Putin is daring NATO to do anything to stop him in a parallel to his Ukraine invasion.

Then Richard Nixon went from popular to unpopular as the Watergate scandal unfolded. By 1974 Nixon would resign. Now the Speaker of the House has already resigned. The former Secretary of State (who was fired from the Watergate Panel at the time, how is that for irony) cannot shake an e-mail scandal. Political nobodies top the polls for both parties as evidence of a severe negative mood towards politicians.

Then the country was subject to an oil embargo resulting in gasoline rationing. Now, alternation is again in evidence. Too much oil production has sent prices lower resulting in massive job losses

and panic in oil producing countries. Bankruptcies and takeovers are now the norm in what was an over confident US energy

industry just a year ago. Brazil was one of the red hot BRIC countries not long ago. Now there are rumors of impeachment proceedings against Pre3sident Rousseff amid a growing Petrobas scan-

China's shaky banking system and questionable accounting system along with a failed stock market simulation plan, is sending worry through the rim of countries that have

supplied Chinese growth. An emissions cheating plot at VW now threatens jobs in Germany, yes and even Tennessee, as Europe struggles to handle a flood of immigrants.

In 1973 inflation and high interest rates were the problem. Again in alternation, now deflation and low interest rates (no one wants to invest) are the problem. In both cases the FED gropes for a solution. Now what the FED thought was a growing economy ready for a rate hike, instead cannot even handle a quarter point increase; Treasuries are being auctioned at zero interest!

Our point is that there are more than a few anecdotal similarities to 1973-74. No one saw it coming in 1973 just as the FED did not and cannot see the weakness all

around us now.

Meanwhile the price of oil has finally risen near its former \$50 level. We originally thought it would hit \$55 and it may, given

the heightened tensions in the Mid East. But that too could be a fleeting moment before a final drop this fall.

So, our bottom line is

that now looks much like 1973. And that ended badly.

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In thinking about children and learning wouldn't it be wonderful if all the Children in America came to know Jesus Christ as Personal Lord and Savior, (John 1:12). It is probably not going to happen for several reasons. One big reason, they are not being taught about God in the home, (Deuteronomy 11:19). Another is that many parents do not know God, (Deuteronomy 4:10, Psalm 78:8 & 9). Children are a special gift from God, (Psalm 127:3) and parents, especially fathers are to ensure that children are taught or instructed about God, (Psalm 78:3-7). We are told not to hinder children from learning about God, (Mark 10:14). Do we take our children to church and Sunday School with us on Sunday because there is a warning if we do not teach them they may never come to know God, (Proverbs 22:6). See you in church Next Sunday. Oh, by the way do no forget to take the kids.



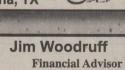
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THE IDLE AMERICAN Maude the Analyst...

Commentary by Dr. Don Newbury

Following Aunt Maude's 103rd birthday, she whispered to me when Uncle Mort was deep into his afternoon "log-sawing." Had the timber actually been hauled from the thicket, it would have been under groaning protests from the truck sinking deeper into ruts caused by such overloads.

"I want to show you where I keep my diary in case something ever happens to me," she confided. "I keep it on my cookbook shelf, knowing this is the last place Mort would look. He'd sooner read lists of medical side effects than anything suggesting kitchen duty.

Sure enough, her "diary" included entries printed carefully on Bible-thin, loose-leaf pages for each decade. I spotted "Volume

"I think it might be interesting reading for kinfolks, some of 'em not old enough to read and

many not yet born," she reasoned.

As if to pique my interest, she asked, "What flying creature do you think reminds me most of Mort? I'll provide a hint: It starts with the letters

"Nope, not 'buzzard'," she laughed, insisting what she had in mind was "butterfly."...

"Think about it," Maude said. "He flits about COLUMNIST during waking

hours, mostly Don floating and gliding with only Newbury minimal effort. He's like the butterflies who take easy-to-reach pollen from blossoms along the way, leaving some of it for other butterflies yet to come, the rest whisked away by the wind."

She claimed Mort to be the "master of unfinished projects," pointing to wooden objects halfwhittled, Lego bridges half straddling rivers half-painted below, scarecrows constructed from the waist down and a much bragged about horseshoetossing game that never got the second post driven

down at the other end. Maude said part of the appeal was supposed to be the challenge of tossing horseshoes both uphill and downhill.

"I guess the best example is the zip line he promised the great-grandkids four summers ago,' Maude laughed. "Zip lines aren't much good if allowed to dangle 200 yards, never drawn taut by the pulley-contraption he planned to

'nail down' just short of the swamp."...

"We get along because his aborted efforts bother me not at all," she said, even when many of his favorite expressions are only partially stated." She said when they

shorten idioms, both usually are better off. "A 'stitch in time' doesn't beg for additional comment," Maude suggested. "Throwing in 'saves nine' makes Mort start wondering if a stitch might sometimes

on a really good day--salvage ten.' Another old favorite--"Happy as a clam"--is best suspended after "clam." Maude says if "at high tide" is added,

save just eight, or-

Mort "starts worrying about whether clams really experience measurable unhappiness when tides are low."...

"Right now, Mort is caught up on the idea of sprucing up our animals' homes," Maude said.

At first, she didn't mind fresh coats of paint, and little signs like "Hound's Hang-Out," "Guinea Pig's Guest Quarters," "Rabbit's Ranch" or even "Hog's

Wallow."

Uncle

Mort

Neither did she draw the line on pet fish "Percival's Pond," or even "Canary's Closet." She admitted finding humor on a sign posted on a slightly-elevated hill: "Lamb's Look-

Out." Suddenly, she realized Mort not only views the

world as his oyster, but actually as his "man cave," with no confines or boundaries. She felt immediately left out. "I want him to build something just for me, where I can sew, iron, wash clothes, cook, quilt, play scrabble, churn butter or paint." Before she reached "full fume,"

though, she realized that most of the time, Mort is outside, flitting hither and yon. It dawned on her she already has something special--their home. So what if Mort calls it "his castle?" By hokies, she could name it, too, so she

did. Henceforth, claims Maude--backed up by her diary--their entire modest abode is her "she shed."...

She feels better, and also has determined her diary entry for the day.

Maude will be content "being Maude." Mort can be whoever he chooses.

"If Mort ever gets into the symphony-writing business, he'll make Schubert's Unfinished Symphony look like a completed work," she laughed. "When he's in a really 'flitting' mood, I'll get him even further off track by suggesting he listen to PDQ Bach's Unbegun Symphony."...

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Election identification certificates available at drivers license offices

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is reminding Texans in advance of the upcoming November election that Election Identification Certificates (EIC) are available year-round at all Texas driver license offices for individuals in need of proper identification required to vote. DPS will be deploying mobile stations to various locations across Texas; and alternate approved locations will be issuing EICs in select counties. Addition-

ally, select driver license offices will be open on Saturday, Oct. 24, to issue EICs only.

The 2015 Constitutional Amendment Election in Texas is November 3, with early voting from October

Texans can obtain an EIC

■ Any of the more than 220 Texas driver license offices during regular business hours throughout the

■ Select driver license

offices on Saturday, Oct. 24, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. (EIC transactions only)

■ EIC mobile station locations (EIC transactions only)

■ Alternate approved locations issuing only EICs in select counties

Most residents already have an acceptable form of photo identification needed for voting and will not need or qualify for an EIC. If an applicant already has any of the following documents, they arenot eligible to receive an EIC:

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To apply for an EIC, applicants must visit one of the locations listed above and complete an application for a Texas Election

Identification Certificate (DL-14C). (For the Spanish language version of the EIC application, see http:// www.dps.texas.gov/internetforms/forms/DL-14CS.

To qualify for an EIC, an applicant must:

■ Bring documentation to verify U.S. citizenship and Identity

■ Be eligible to vote in Texas (Bring a valid voter registration card or submit a voter registration application through the Texas Department of Public Safety)

■ Be a Texas resident ■ Be 17 years and 10 months or older

To avoid delays or complications, DPS urges potential applicants to make sure they have the necessary documentation before arriving at the office, mobile station or alternate approved location.

The EIC receipt an individual receives will include their photo and can be used for voting until the permanent card is delivered by

The EIC is free of charge to qualifying applicants and is valid for six years. There is no expiration date for an EIC for citizens 70 years of age or older. The EIC can only be used for the purpose of voting in an election and may not be used as personal identifica-

For more information on the requirements, exemptions and process for obtaining an EIC, please visit: http://www.txdps. state.tx.us/DriverLicense/ electionID.htm.

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Ever since I met Johnnie

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Johnnie is, "This guy is huge!" I don't mean huge in a bad way either. You can tell that he has put his mind to becoming better.

One thing that tends to happen with people



Chad Mcduffee

to reach personally. I have only ever thrown farther than him in seated shot put and he made me

look silly in seated javelin even when I came in

second place. As far as activities, Johnnie says he is more active now than he was before his injury and



Johnnie Williams

sports along the way with a newfound goal of making the United States

> year's Paralympic Games in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil. Mr. Williams is very humble when it comes to talking about his accomplish-

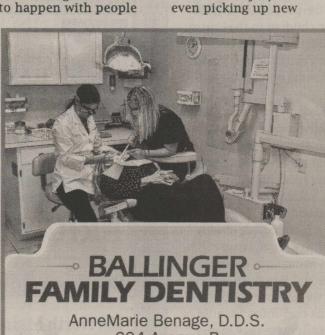
advance of next

ments. He and his wife welcomed their first child last year, which he considers his greatest achievement. Other than

that he says that getting the help he needed and not just trying to tough things out are things that he is proud of.
In the military get-

ting help is still looked down upon in many circles. When hurt we are continuously told to "Soldier up" and "Drive on". Saying you need help is commonly seen as a weakness that it really isn't. In a time when we have 22 active duty and veterans committing suicide on a daily basis getting help being a weakness is a stigma that we need to do away with once and for all. Continued next week.

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.



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BLIZZARDS FOOTBALL



The Winters Blizzards took on the Roby Lions Friday, Oct. 9. Here, #21 Joey Garcia returns a kickoff during the game.

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ALBANY INVITATIONAL CROSS COUNTRY MEET



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Hailey Renfro placed 14th in the 7th grade girls division of the Albany Invitational Cross Country meet, run at the golf course in Albany on Oct. 7.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT



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The Winters Police Department and the Winters Volunteer Fire Department sponsored National Night Out Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2015. Those who attended enjoyed burgers courtesy of Winters P.D. and Winters VFD.



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