Thursday, April 3, 2014

# Night of awards at the WACC banquet

Wanda Brewer, Randy Coach and Daisy Patch earn the 2014 chamber honors

**RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ** 

WINTERS- Wanda Brewer was awarded Woman of the Year, Randy Coach received Man of the Year honors, and the Business of the Year was for Daisy Patch last Saturday night, March 29, at the 2014 Winters Area Chamber of Commerce annual banquet, held at the Winters Community Center.

A special recognition was also awarded to Fred Watkins, Roger Stephenson, Charles Brewer, and Mike Kozelsky, the con-struction crew behind the restoration project of the Blue Gap Post Office recently finished on Main Street, Winters.

Ruth Cooper, Runnels County Historical Commission Chairperson, was the keynote speaker presenting a program about the history of Winters, from the early days to the up-coming 125th anniversary of the city. Energy consultant Luke Legate also presented a program about the oil and gas industry in West Texas.

"The chamber would like to thank Ruth Cooper and Luke Legate for being guest speakers at our banquet Saturday night. Kevin Gray and David Sanche did a great job on cooking the steaks for the meal. Their help allowed the rest of us to finish last minute preparations," said chamber President Pam Barnes.

"Delores Sanchez went out of her way to make sure everyone was served Saturday night. Thanks to Benita Delacruz and Israel Jimenez for setting up tables, chairs and decorations. Thanks to all the other people who helped prepare," she added. The chamber also

thanked everyone who showed up for the banquet. Their contributions will help the chamber fund other events throughout the year.

"We appreciate all the businesses that donated items for the event. Thanks to all the businesses and individuals that have a membership with the chamber. Without you none of this would be possible. We are hoping to have enough money raised to have fireworks this

Highlight of the night was the presentation of the 2014 awards.

For some years the Z.I. Hale Museum and the Rock Hotel have been under the care of someone who cares about the history of Winters, any fundraisers that are going at the hotel and museum involve a meal, and any person who attends these functions can attest to the fine culinary skills of the 2014 Woman of the Year, Wanda Brewer.

Wanda is also an active member of the Red Hats, Winters Dove Fest, West Texas Fair Exhibit, and other local activities

Randy Couch, receiving the Man of the Year award, was recognized as a very caring man, not only for his employees at Lawrence Bros. but also for the com-

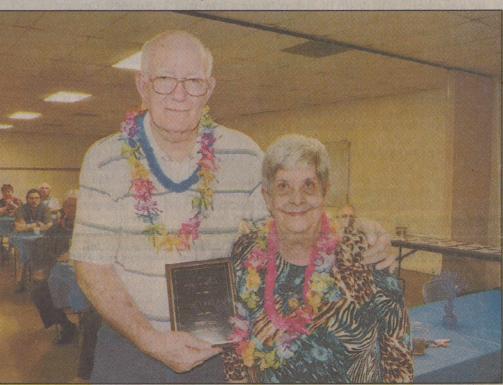


Wanda Brewer was awarded 2014 Woman of the Year

Randy Coach received 2014 Man of the Year honors.

munity. "Whether you are having a bake sale or need a donation he is always willing to help out. His employees and other members of the community speak very highly of him. Randy is an active member of the Lions Club and an all around great person," said Pam Barnes.

The Daisy Patch, owned and operated by Franklin and Chris O'Dell, has been the go-to flower place for most of town's floral needs. They make beautiful arrangements for funerals, handle all of the flowers for Homecoming, Glacier King and Queen, all of the flowers for the Sno-Royalty parade and more. in the community, they are not afraid of hard work and it is with great pleasure that they donate PLEASE CONTINUE



PHOTOS: RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ

PAGE 6 Franklin and Chris O'Dell on behalf of Daisy Patch were awarded Business of the Year.



#### Deep diving!

Friday, March 28, 2014 the Winters Lady Blizzards mad the most out of six hits in a 5-2 victory over the Miles Lady Bulldogs, in a game played at the Blizzard Softball Field. Victoria Sanchez struck out seven in a seven-inning night. The offense was led by Tameron Tamez batting in three runs for the Big Blue.

Pictured here is Sabrina Esquivel giving extra effort to try to catch a foul ball.

PHOTO: JOE GERHART

## Bringing awareness to child abuse

STAFF REPORT

BALLINGER- April is Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month, and in Runnels County a ceremony will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, April 4, 2014 at the Courthouse lawn, to bring awareness to this issue. Pinwheels and a banner will be displayed in support of

Runnels County children. The CASA (Court Appointed Special Advo-

cates) volunteers are inviting everyone to join this effort wearing blue at the ceremony, and then every Monday during the month of April, to bring awareness to the prevention of child abuse and neglect.

Every child deserves to grow up in a safe, loving, permanent home where his or her physical, emotional and educational needs are fully met.

According to CASA in

child in Texas was the subject of abuse or neglect. All citizens of Runnels County, community agencies, faith groups, school, government agencies and business are urged to participate in efforts to support families and prevent child abuse. Any time you see or suspect abuse or neglect of a child, please report this. It is everyone's responsibility to help take care of our children in Runnels County.

### Yard of the Month

The Sandovals home, located at 910 North Cryer in Winters, Texas, was awarded Yard of the Month for the month of April 2014. Chamber President Pam Barnes, Linda Arispe and the Winters Sno-Royalty pictured presenting the award to the Sandoval family. PHOTO: CONTRIBUTED









#### **FUNERALS AND OBITUARIES**

#### W.T. (Dub) Davis

W.T. (Dub) Davis passed away on March 27, 2014 at the age of 93. He proudly served his country as a member of the Army Air Corps. While serving in the military he met the love of his life, Louise. They married on October 19, 1944 and were joined in marriage until her death in March, 1993. They are survived by two sons and their spouses, Toby and Handa Davis of Willis, Texas, and Ken and Pam Davis of Spring, Texas. They are also survived by three granddaughters, Rhonda Davis Bailey and her husband, Jeff, Kenya

Davis Childress and Sarah Davis Tefteller. Paw Paw is also survived by six great-grandchildren.

Mr. Davis retired from the Exxon Corporation in 1982. After his retirement he spent thousands of hours at his beloved Ft. Chadbourne in Bronte, Texas. He located thousands of artifacts and memorabilia on the grounds of the fort.



He also loved God and his son Jesus Christ serving many years as Elder of the Main Street Church of Christ in Winters, Texas. We who knew him always were grateful to God who gave a person like Dub who showed us God's love through him.

He will be laid to rest beside his wife, Louise at a graveside service at 1 p.m. at Luling City Cemetery in Luling, Texas. In lieu of flowers, etc. please make contributions to the Ft. Chadbourne Foundation. Memorial condolences may be made to the family online at www.shmfh.com.

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## Therin Osborne

Therin Osborne, 84, of Crews died March 26, 2014. He was born May 4, 1929 in Ballinger and grew up in Crews graduating from Crews High School in 1948. He married Nila Bee Foster on September 29, 1950 in Crews. He was a farmer and worked for Runnels County Pct. 2. He was a member of the Hopewell Bap-

He is survived by his wife Nila Bee Osborne of Crews, daughter Karen McGallian and husband Wesley of Wingate, brother Dee Osborne of Houston, grandchildren John Wesley McGallian, Jr. and Stephanie Camacho, four great-grandchildren: Skyla, Wes, Shayla and Shyan Camacho.

He was preceded in death by sisters Neomia Owens. Effie McNelly and Selma L. Osborne.

Services were Friday March 28, 2014 at the Hopewell Baptist Church in Crews with burial at Crews cemetery. The family received friends Thursday March 27, 2014 at Winters Funeral Home.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers memorials be made to the Gideon's or your favorite charity.

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#### Andrew 'Andy' Dorner

Andrew "Andy" Dorner, 90, passed away Sunday, March 30, 2014 at Ballinger Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center, Andy was born August 31, 1923 to Daniel and Emma (Kammerer) Dorner in Ballinger. On August 29, 1944, Andy married Bertha Voss at First Methodist Church in Winters. They shared 69 loving years together.

Funeral Services will be at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, April 2, 2014 at Lange Funeral Home Chapel in Ballinger. Burial will follow at Evergreen Cemetery in Ballinger. Arrangements are with Lange Funeral Home in Ballinger.

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I would like to express my sincere appreciation for being allowed the privilege of serving the citizens of Runnels County for the past 30 years as Deputy County Clerk and as County Clerk. It has indeed been an honor.

Elesa Ocker





#### NEWSHOTES

**Senior Citizens Nursing Home Easter Egg Hunt** Senior Citizens Nursing

Home is having their annual Easter Egg Hunt at 2 p.m. on April 18, for ages 0-10 years old.

The Activity Department is asking for donation of wrapped candy for the egg hunt. We appreciate anything that is donated. We thank you very much and look forward to seeing everyone

**Small Town ACTS Wom**en's Retreat

Small Town ACTS Women's Retreat will conduct a retreat for women on June 19 thru June 22, 2014 at the Christ Retreat Center in San Angelo. Give yourself this gift of time with God and all denominations of ladies. It will be a weekend you will never forget. Cost of the retreat includes meals and lodging for the three days. Please do not keep the cost of the retreat keep you from going. Financial help is available for those who need help. A deposit is required to reserve your place with the balance due at the Thursday evening check-in.

For more information contact Gaye Pelzel (325) 468 3191, Carol Kozelsky (325) 754 4133, Rita Busenlehner (325) 468 2000. Applications can be picked up at the St. Mary's Catholic Church or download at http:// stmarystaroftheseaballinger.org/.

Immunization clinics in **Runnels County** 

**Texas Department of** State Health Services will have two immunization clinics in Runnels County. For your convenience, please call to schedule an appointment, if no answer leave a message.

The clinic in Winters will be from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. Monday, April 7 at the Professional Building, 110 South Main, Suite 108. For you convenience please use rear entrance (Grant Street).

The clinic in Ballinger will be from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:30 to 3 p.m. Thursday, April 10 at 600 Strong. Please bring child's immunization records. If child has Medicaid, please bring card. For more information, call (325) 754

Gifted and Talented nominations being accepted Nominations are being

accepted for the Winters Elementary Gifted/ Talented program, for

First-Fourth grades. If you believe your child might benefit from a gifted/ talented program, we welcome your nomination. Nomination and parent permission for testing forms may be obtained at the Elementary Principal's office during normal working hours. All forms must be completed and returned to your child's homeroom teacher by April 7, 2014.

Nominaciones para el programa de estudiantes dotados y con talentos especiales

La Escuela Elemental de Winters está recibiendo nominaciones para el programa de estudiantes dotados y con talentos especiales en los grados de primero a cuarto.

Los padres que desean nominar a un niño/niña pueden recoger una forma en la oficina de la escuela. Las formas deben entregarse antes del 7 de abril del 2014.

**Fundraiser for Chad McDuffee** 

An account has been established at the First National Bank of Ballinger to accept donations or sponsorships for Chad McDuffee. McDuffee is a Ballinger native and veteran of the Iraq War. Chad lost most of the use of his right foot after sustaining an injury while on deployment in Iraq in 2006. Chad earned a bronze medal in the 2013 Valor Games Midwest in powerlifting and is currently trying to earn a spot on the U.S. Paralympic Team in time for the 2016 World Games in Brazil. Donations to the account will be used to help defray his travel expenses and purchase special equipment for training.

**Winters Area Chamber of Commerce meetings** 

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

TEEA 'Friendly Neighbors

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

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Winters Women's Club Members meet the second Tuesday of the month.

Call Sylvia Wilson 754 4992 for additional information.

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

**Ballinger Al-Anon meet-**

Al-Anon meetings will be held every Monday and Wednesday at the First United Methodist Church of Ballinger, on Broad Ave. Meetings begin at 7

Please enter through the south side of the church.

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

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WIC open to many incomes and families

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

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

**Ballinger Masonic Lodge** 

Masonic Lodge 643, 500 N Broadway, Ballinger, Texas. Stated meetings are at 7 p.m. on the first Monday of every month except for holidays if it falls on that Monday. For more information call (325) 365 3202.

**Wingate Masonic Lodge** meetings

Wingate Masonic Lodge

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

**Paint Rock Masonic Lodge meetings** 

Paint Rock Masonic Lodge No. 613 meets the first Thursday night of each month at 7:30 p.m. Supper will be provided after the meeting.

The location is the Masonic Lodge building located at 360 South Roberts on Highway 83 South.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, April 3 Rowena VFW Ladies Auxiliary rummage sale at 5 p.m. Rowena VFW Hall. Friday April 4, from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Thursday, April 3 Toast of Ballinger variety show at the Old Texas Theater at 6 p.m. Meal will be provided. Hosted by the Runnels County Child Welfare Board. For ticket information call Malisia Goetz or Debbie DeBerry at (325) 365 3511 or Cecelia at (325) 754 4941.

Monday, April 7

Texas Department of State Health Services immunization clinics in Winters 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Professional Building, 110 South Main, Suite 108. For more information call (325) 754 4945.

Monday, April 7 Gifted and Talented nominations deadline at the Winters Elementary Gifted/Talented program, for First-Fourth grades. Forms must be completed and returned to your child's homeroom teacher by April 7, 2014.

Saturday, April 12 Memories of Times Past Spring Fest hosted by the Z.I. Hale Museum starting at 9 a.m. Antique tractor show, quilt show, antique and classic auto show, motorcycle show and fun run, photo contest, live music, games, food, blacksmith demonstration, soap making.

Tuesday, April 15 Abilene Aggie Moms monthly meeting at 6:45 p.m. Coldwell Banker Panian and Mash building 2500 S. Willis (S. 27th and Willis, 1/2 block N on Willis) Abilene, Texas, FMI call President Venita Teal at 669 0886 or email at vltmini5@ gmail.com

Friday, April 18 Senior Citizens Nursing Home Easter Egg Hunt at 2 p.m. for ages 0-10.

Saturday, April 26 Ballinger Noon Lions Club 39th Annual Colorado River Bikefest. Race starts at 8:30 a.m at the corner of Hutchings Ave. and Hwy 83, in Ballinger, Texas. 5K walk/ run/ride, 30, 60 and 100K tours. Entry forms available at www.ballingernoonlions. org FMI call at (325) 234 7842

Community News and the Community Calendar are open for all members of the Runnels County community wanting to advertise an event. To have an event listed please include the day, hour, location and particulars of the event to our office at 806 Hutchings Ave. Ballinger, TX 76821, fax it at (325) 365 5389 or email it to news@wintersenterprise.

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### From the Chief's Desk Improving the quality of life

**RANDALL DAVIS** 

I guess its common news at this point, a few businesses including our local Dairy Queen and City Bank are closing their doors here in the City of Winters. It's sad when we lose a business resulting in the loss of jobs and opportunities and services these businesses provided to the community. The thought of the continued loss of businesses has been a growing concern

for community leaders with efforts under way to attract companies allowing for new job opportunities to consider the City of Winters as their new

The loss of businesses and subsequently the business owners, then the work staff generally effects the economy by loss of tax base, loss of income, loss of quality in life, and increase in the poverty level and then a similar increase

Key factors in gaining new growth, job opportunities and raising the general quality of those

in crime rates.

who wish to reside here is to make our community more attractive for people wanting to invest in, and move here. The Winters Police

Department has joined the effort in continually improving the quality of life for our citizens, and to make the community a little safer and attractive through a series of actions including the recent efforts to reduce the number of dilapidated and abandoned proper-

ties in our town. Officers of the Winters Police Department have identified a large number of structures posing various safety hazards and creating eye sores in and around the community. The owners of the dangerous structures are being contacted and given the opportunity to bring the properties up to code. Property owners failing to bring their properties into compliance face being filed on in court and having fines attached. Some of the structures have been condemned and others are in the process of being condemned

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and are subject to being destroyed.

Several property owners chose to ignore previous request for action on properties, and then again chose to ignore warnings. Those property owners choosing not to bring their properties into compliance with code are finding their cases revisited and charges filed them and or liens attached to the properties.

The City of Winters, City Council, recently approved a bid for the construction of a disposal pit to be facilitated and for the demolition of properties deemed as a safety

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concern, expediting the efforts of the cleanup with the removal of the substandard properties expected to begin in the near future.

It is not the intention of the City of Winters, not the Winters Police Department to arbitrarily take or destroy people's property, but rather to improve our community's safety factor and garner positive visibility. We readily invite the rest of the community, especially those in violation to join our efforts in cleaning up the debris in the area and removing the dilapidated structures.

#### Library donations

The Winters Public Library received donations from:

- \* Elton and Marlene Smith, memorial for Gene Bernal. \* Mr. and Mrs. Robert Parramore, memorial for Gene
- \* Scotty and Peggy Belew, memorial for Freddie Bredemeyer, Gene Bernal, Mildred DeBerry.
- \* Betty Colburn, memorial for Gene Bernal, Mildred
- \* Connie Mac and Jean Gibbs, memorial for Gene Bernal.
- \* Jerry and Jan Sims, memorial for Ann Eckols.
- \* Craig Connor, in honor of Susan Connor.
- \* Billie and Ray Alderman, memorial for Gene Bernal and
- \* Eloise Brown, memorial for Ruby Nell Rougas.
- \* John R. Adcock.
- \* Joyce Carbery.
- \* Gary and Dinell Jacob, memorial for Susie Leady.
- \* Marilyn McGaff, memorial for Helen Mayfield.
- \* Winters Ladies Golf Association, memorial for Lois Roberts, Gloria Gordon.

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#### April 7-April 11 **Winters ISD Breakfast Menu**

Monday **Breakfast Taco or Cereal Toast** 

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w/Jelly, Fruit Juice, Choice of Milk.

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

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

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

#### Winters ISD **Lunch Menu**

Monday

Chef Salad or Sloppy Joe or Chicken Nuggets/Bread Stick (H.S.), Mac & Cheese, Mashed Sweet Potatoes, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato Pear. Choice of Milk.

**Tuesday** 

Chef Salad or Chicken/Bun or Chicken Spaghetti/Bread Stick, Cheesy Potatoes, Green Beans, Tossed Salad/Carrot Stick, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Blue Bell Fruit Bar. Choice of Milk

Wednesday

Chef Salad or Nachos or Soft Taco, Spanish Rice, Pinto Beans, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Coleslaw, Orange, Choice of Milk.

**Thursday** 

Chef Salad or Salisbury/Steak/ Bread Stick (Elem., J.H.)/Hot Roll (H.S.), or Chicken Tenders/Bread Stick, Mashed Potatoes w/Brown Gravy, Broccoli w/Cheese, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Strawberry, Choice of Milk.

Friday

Chef Salad (H.S. only), or Hamburger or Chicken Bites/Bread Stick, Black Eyed Peas, Oven Fries, Tossed Salad/Carrot Sticks, Broccoli/Cherry Tomato, Apple, Choice of Milk

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# Weather Whys

A: You sometimes hear of "Chinook winds." What are they?

Q: Chinook winds are those that bring warm air to an area and temperatures can rise in a hurry, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "Chinook is an Indian word meaning 'snow eater and that's exactly what these types of winds do," McRoberts explains. "Chinook winds usually occur in the Rocky Mountain states and throughout Canada. They form after a very intense cold spell and they can be remarkably fast in raising temperatures. In 1972 in Loma, Montana, a Chinook wind raised the temperature from -54 degrees to 49 degrees, the greatest temperature change ever in the United States, in a 24-hour period.

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THE ORGANIZATION OF RUNNELS COUNTY

# The building of a new courthouse

**CONTRIBUTED BY RUTH COOPER** 

WINTERS- The Runnels County Commissioners' Court called a special term of the Court to meet

June 2, A. D. June of 1888, the 1888, in the Courthouse in **Runnels County** the Town of Ballinger. All Commissioners officers of the Court were Court determined present: The to build a new Honorable Judge Sylvescourthouse ter Adams; commissioncorresponding ers present: to the Roberson C.H. Willingham, Precinct Co Courthouse, 1; F.M. Bright, Precinct 2; and with the top G.D. Cole, Preof the Concho cinct 3; E.M. Teel, Precinct Co Courthouse 4; John McEwen Formwalt, Sheriff

County and the County Clerk, W.L. Towner. The first order of the court was to examine the plans and specifications of Ruffini to build a courthouse in the Town of Ballinger for Runnels County. It would correspond with Roberson County Courthouse and with the Concho County Courthouse top, adapted. The court adjourned until Monday June 11, 1888.

of Runnels

June 11, the court met with the same officers

present as June 2. The court ordered that the residence renditions list for 1888 taxes by the Tax Asssesor D.C. Underwood be received. The court

ordered persons on a list be notified to appear on the 28th day of June 1888 to show cause why the valuation of their property in Runnels should not be raised. More than 33 names appeared on the list. All "unwatered" land was valued at \$2.50 per acre and all watered land at \$3 per acre.

The next morning court convened at nine o'clock. They declared this was the hour for filing bids for removal of the Runnels County Jail from the Town of Runnels City to Ballinger. They examined and rejected all bids. A new set of specifications and probable cause for the removal of the county jail would be submitted on the 28th day of June 1888. The court appointed a committee to select grounds for the jail and ascertain the cost of

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the same. The committee would be made up of the four commissioners.

The order of the court

was given that "we tender to Mr. Thomas W. Jackson, General Land Agent of the Gulf Colorado and Santa Fe Railroad Company a vote of thanks for the favors and courtesies (as written) heretofore extended by him to the court and the clerk is requested to furnish him with a certified copy of this order." The order be reconsidered that was not passed by the court at its special term, June 2, 1888, regarding a plan for a courthouse for Runnels County. The time was deferred until August 2, Monday, 1888 at one o'clock p.m. for receiving plans and specification for a courthouse. Advertisements for plans and specifications would be inserted in the Fort Worth Gazette and the Galveston News, Mondays and Fridays issues for four consecutive weeks. The courthouse specifics: could not cost more than \$30,000. The same advertisement would be inserted in the Ballinger Leader for four consecutive weeks. All officers of the court received their pay; then court ad-

Mr. R.K. "Bob" Wylie's ranch was located on the

Colorado River west of Ballinger, Texas. Samuel Maverick first came to the area in 1848 and built a fort. The three-room structure was built of native rock. The Wylie headquarters were later built at the site of the fort, and the fort was used as a stage stop for mail. Mr. Wylie ran cattle on the open range up and down the Colorado River in the late 1800s and begin to acquire land as Runnels County came to be settled. The land had been patented to people of German ancestry as early as 1856. He acquired another title, the Samuel Herring Survey, which he bought in 1881. Over a period of time, he had acquired more than 40,000 acres. Smaller streams such as Red Bank, Antelope, Mesquite Quarry, Bull Hollow, and Rocky Creek were included so the ranch had an abundance of water. Mr. Wylie built a large dam on Bull Hollow Creek; it made a large lake and was used for irrigation. The Wylie ranch had one of the first irrigation pumps on the Colorado River and was powered by a steam

The Wylie ranch house was located about 15 miles west of Ballinger in a grove of trees. The rock house was a two-

engine.

story structure, added onto from time to time with lumber. It had 21 rooms. There was a large smokehouse and wash room under part of the house. There were nine fireplaces featuring carved wood. There was a ball room and hardwood floors throughout. The stone part of the house was used for an office where a small basement was used as a vault for the safekeeping of the ranch's gold.

The ranch had barns, bunkhouses, corrals, silos, a dipping vat and three miles of rock fences. The main barn was 500 feet long and built with native rock. The ranch had four line shacks, each had four rooms and a porch. They were kept painted. Mr. Wylie was a shrewd businessman and a good judge of land, men, horses and cattle. He married Mollie Modena Jewell in 1882 when he was 45 years of age. They held many socials at the ranch. R.K. Wylie started with Longhorn cattle but soon ungraded his herd. He imported the first Durham bull to this area. There were at one time, 300 employees on the ranch. One of the top employees was a young man named D.A. Cameron. He followed the Colorado River finding a few settlements. When

he arrived in Brownwood. the Indians had raided the settlement. It was deserted. He kept moving and arrived in Walthall, east of present-day Ballinger. Upon arriving there he inquired if anyone knew where he could get a job. An old acquaintance, Nat Guest, a resident of Walthall, told him to follow the Colorado River some 20 miles and he would find R.K. Wylie who was running cattle up and down the river. When he got to the ranch he got a job. Cameron was a top cowboy and would take large herds to Lincoln, N.M. He had many encounters with the Indians. This would always cost some cattle to keep the Indians from causing trouble. He also ran into Billy the Kid, who traveled along with the trail herd several days at a time. When they met with Billy's gang, Cameron had to give them beef to keep

from having trouble. Mr. Wylie died in 1910 and sometime later, parts of the ranch begin to be sold into small farms.

Resources: Runnels County Historical Commission Histories Runnels County Commissioners Court Minutes, June 1888. Runnels County Clerk's Record

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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality



#### **EXAMPLE A**

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT RENEWAL **PERMIT NUMBER 73188** 

APPLICATION Wingate Gin Corporation has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit Number 73188, which would authorize continued operation of a Grain Elevator located at Highway 153 at 1st Street, Wingate, Runnels County, Texas 79566. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. <a href="http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=32.044166&lng=-100.1111118zoom=13&type=r">https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=32.044166&lng=-100.1111118zoom=13&type=r</a>. The existing facility and/or related facilities are authorized to emit the following air contaminants: particulate matter including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on March 12, 2014. The application will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, TCEQ Abilene regional office, and the Runnels County Courthouse, 613 Hutchings Avenue, Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Abilene regional office of the TCEQ.

The executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. In addition to the renewal, this permitting action includes the incorporation of the following authorizations or changes to authorized facilities related to this permit: alterations, amendments, permits by rule, and changes in emission factors. The reasons for any changes or incorporations, to the extent they are included in the renewed permit, may include the enhancement of operational control at the plant or enforceability of the permit. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 18006874040. The TCEQ may act on this application without seeking further public comment or providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.

PUBLIC COMMENT You may submit public comments, or a request for a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. The deadline to submit public comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the TCEQ's jurisdiction to address in the permit process

After the technical review is complete the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If only comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who is on the mailing list for this application, unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING You may request a contested case hearing. The applicant or the executive director may also request that the application be directly referred to a contested case hearing after technical review of the application. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 15 days from this notice, the executive director may act on the application. If no hearing request is received within this 15 day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided. According to the Texas Clean Air Act § 382.056(o) a contested case hearing may only be granted if the applicant's compliance history is in the lowest classification under applicable compliance history requirements and if the hearing request is based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission may only grant a hearing on those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing and the interests the group or association seeks to protect must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be subapplication/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 15 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

If any requests for a contested case hearing are timely filed, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for a contested case hearing to the Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. Unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing, the executive director will mail the response to comments along with notification of Commission meeting to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

MAILING LIST In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk for this application.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at <a href="https://www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html">www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html</a>, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. If you communicate with the TCEQ electronically, please be aware that your email address, like your physical mailing address, will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 18006874040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from Wingate Gin Corporation, P.O. Box 167, Wingate, Texas 79566-0167 or by calling Mr. J. Kelley Green, Texas Cotton Ginners' Association at (512) 615-1102.

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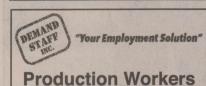
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#### Chamber awards: Time and effort

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their products and time to the commu-

A special award was presented to the Blue Gap Post Office restoring crew. The Blue Gap Post Office is a log cabin originally built in 1878 in the gap of the mountains 16 miles east of Winters. It served as a United States Post Office from 1878 through 1882.

In early 2013 a crew of retired builders — Fred Watkins, Mike Kozelsky, Charles Brewer, and Roger Stephenson — began the reconstruction and relocation of the 136-year-old log cabin at 120 North Main Street. The Winters Area Chamber of Commerce recognized the crew for their numerous hours of volunteer work.

This year the chamber recognized all of the man and woman of the year nominees with a plaque.

The chamber also announced the upcoming Easter Egg Hunt and Mayfest. The Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 19 at the City Park. The Mayfest will be on May 3 at the City Park and the Winters Community Center.



Fred Watkins, Quincy Traylor, Mike Kozelsky, Charles Brewer and not pictured Roger Stephenson and Billy Sherman received a plaque as Man of the Year nominees. Watkins, Kozelsky, Brewer and Stephenson were also recognized for their work restoring the historical Blue Gap Post office.

#### Public Record **Divorces** Filed Jose Cabrera and Maria Magdalena Cabrera Mar. 20 Runnels Co. Jail Log March 31, 2014 Age Agency Abby Reyes RCSO Theft by check BPD D'Kota S. Tiller Forgery financial instrument BPD Fernando Oviedo Public intoxication/ DWI BPD Cody Pearson Warrant criminal trespass Little J. Reyes 31 Coke MTR possession or controlled substance Jason M. Gibbs Concho Warrant (3) possession of dangerous drug Jerrod M. Klaras BPD Possession of marijuana BPD Francesca T. Gray DWI 1st Miguel Medina-Pulido Concho labama warrani BPD Julian R. Nava sault family violence WPD Roselee Martinez Parole violation Coke Raymond T. Garza Criminal trespassing BPD Jeremy Perez Possession of drug paraphernalia, resisting arrest, evading arrest Elizabeth A. Thurmond WPD Theft of property, theft by check Merlinda Delgadillo Coleman <u>Possession of marijuana</u> Coleman Stacy L. Hull Blue warran Stephanie Minkarez DPS BPD Ryan M. Barrow Aggravated assault, DWI 1st, evading arrest with vehicle Alvino Robles Assault Michael D. Finley 26 Coleman Possession of marijuana Christopher B. Collins Coleman Possession of marijuana

Pioneer Church of God Homecoming/Grand Opening Sunday, April 6th

Pioneer Church of God will be having their Annual Homecoming Celebration in conjunction with the GRAND OPENING of our new facilities at 158 N. Main St. in Winters. We have a morning of Praise, Worship and Ministry planned, as well as a Pot Luck meal after morning service. Sunday School will be canceled that morning and Morning Service will begin at 9:45 a.m. We invite everyone to come out and see firsthand the many Blessings God is pouring out and to be a part of the Blessings yet to come.

# COWPOKES By Ace Reid

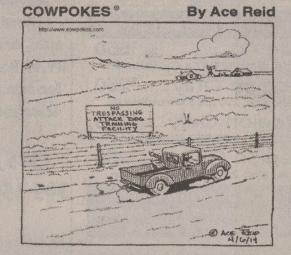
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Energy consultant Luke Legate presented a program about the oil and gas industry in West Texas.



Winters, past and present was presented by Runnels County Historical Commission Chair Ruth Cooper.

## Service and dedication

**RUBEN CANTU-RODRIGUEZ** 

**BALLINGER- Runnels** County retiring County Clerk Elesa Ocker was honored last Tuesday, March 25, 2014 at the **Commissioners Court** regular meeting. Ocker is retiring of a 16-year term as County Clerk, and a total of 30 years of public service in Runnels County.

Elesa was awarded a plaque. Her resignation is

effective starting March 31, 2014. The Commissioners Court appointed Julia Miller to fill Ocker's unexpired term. Miller was elected Republican nominee in the March 4 primary. The retiring County Clerk's term will be expiring until December 31, 2014.

A reception honoring Ocker was held immediately after Commissioners Court.



Amanda Collom, Billie Schaeffer, Elesa Ocker and Shanna

## Reaching out



Tye Cortez tags out the Miles Bulldogs runner, who was caught trying to steal second base.

PHOTO: JOE GERHART

#### WHS Irion County Relays

March 27, 2014 **Winters High School** 

VARSITY

Tony Sanchez

1600 M

800 M

Tony Sanchez

JUNIOR VARSITY Team scores

Winters

High Jump

**Drey Patton** 

Long Jump 6th Dylan Bryant

Shot Put Brendan Mikeska

Mondo Rodriguez

400 Relay Marcus Mostad, Mikey Martinez, Michael Aleman, Brandon

nez, Samuel Reyes, Brandon Reyna

800 M

Hunter Darnell 110 Hh

**Drey Patton** 

Dylan Bryant

800 Relay Marcus Mostad, Mikey Marti-

**Hunter Darnell** 

300 lh

**Drey Patton** Dylan Bryant

200 M

Mondo Rodriguez

Mondo Rodriguez, Dylan Bryant, Brandon Reyna, Hunter Darnell

# 300 IH

200 M

Brandon L'Abbe, Alonso Mendoza

WJH Irion County Relays

March 25, 2014

EIGHTH GRADE

High Jump 2. Chris Diaz

Shot Put

2. Chris Diaz

1. Chris Diaz

2. Rolando Rodriguez

5. Troy Hernandez

3. Alonso Mendoza, Troy Hernandez,

Joey Garcia, Chris Diaz

6. Matthew Wenzel

2. Chris Diaz

2. Brandon L'Abbe

Troy Hernandez, Joey Garcia,

SEVENTH GRADE

High Jump

4. Jovan Young

Long Jump 6. Slater Lindley

Shot Put 5. Patrick Reyes

Discus

5. Omar Martinez 400 Relay 6. Keith Fields, Omar Martinez,

Mikey Diaz, David Fernandez

4. Jovan Young

5. Lindley

6. Patrick Reyes

300 IH 1. Slater Lindley 3. Jovan Young

4. Jovan Young, Slater Lindley, Mikey Diaz, Patrick Reyes

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