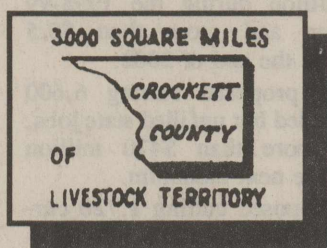
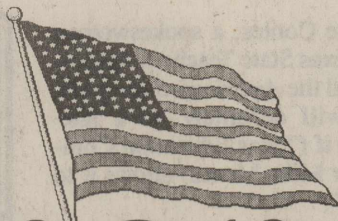


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"Okay Ed Hale, come get your shotgun, we ain't gonna deliver it to you." Master of ceremonies Sheriff Jim Wilson calls out Ed Hale's name as the first winning ticket for a brand new gun during this year's DeerFest. Assisting Jim were Jeffrey Stuart and John L. Henderson.
photo by Scotty Moore

DeerFest Big Success Once Again

Winners loaded up their prizes Saturday night and went home happy and well-fed after the annual DeerFest. Many were heard to comment that the food was even better this year than before. It seems that no matter how good the event is, each year just keeps getting better and better.

The year's big prizes, a Polaris 4-wheeler and a Sea-Doo watercraft, were won by local residents. Marolyn Bean was the proud recipient of the 4-

wheeler, and Travis Davidson won the Sea-Doo.

There were 1800 paid admissions to the event, said Laurie Hale, secretary of the DeerFest organization. Donations of money and prizes and many, many hours of volunteer labor combine to make the project a huge success each year. Money from DeerFest is put back into the community through worthwhile projects and organizations.

Court Continues 911 Discussion

Where to put 911 equipment was a topic for commissioners again Monday. Sheriff-elect Shane Fenton gave each court member a letter stating that if 911 is not under his department he will not be responsible or liable for the service.

Judge Jeffrey Sutton learned last week that the Shannon Health System clinic is handling 911 in Sterling City. Late Monday the judge discussed with a Shannon representative the possibility of locating the equipment at the Ozona Family Health Clinic. Shannon will consider the matter at a meeting of their board in January, Sutton said.

A remote system located at the Sheriff's Office would let the dispatcher hear everything that the 911 location hears and give officers a head start on response, according to commissioners.

The court voted to approve a new telephone system for the county. The system, CenterNet, from GTE, will cut the number of outside lines in the courthouse, annex, fire station and

sheriff's department from 55 to 14. Numbers will remain the same, and there is no need to change out the equipment. Calls between county offices can be made by private intercom system.

A separate system is being looked into for the care center.

New care center administrator Crystal Hargraves gave the court a brief report on last week's board meeting. She also introduced Gerald Creel of San Angelo who has applied for the job as director of nurses. Creel wanted to meet with commissioners before accepting the position, Ms. Hargraves said.

Commissioners voted to authorize the county auditor to zero out the hospital and care center accounts at the end of the year. This is an annual happening.

The court approved and executed deeds for transfer of property to A. B. Morris. Morris will transfer property to the county. These steps were necessary.

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66th Ozona Roundball Tourny Thursday

By Neal Ulmer
Stockman Sportswriter

In its 66th year, the Ozona Invitational Basketball Tournament will begin Thursday, Dec. 12, in Davidson Gym.

Sixteen teams - eight girls and eight boys - will take to the floor in the annual event. Girls' teams in addition to the Class 2A back-to-back state champions, the Lady Lions of Ozona, are: Brownfield, Comstock, Ballinger, Wall, Sonora, Brookesmith and Iraan. Boys' teams include Comstock, Brownfield, McCamey, Wall, Sonora, Brookesmith, Ozona and San Angelo Central sophomores.

Six games will be played on Thursday with the opener beginning at 1 p.m. between the McCamey and Wall boys. Following that game will be the Ballinger and Wall girls starting at 2:30, the third game will be between Sonora and Brookesmith girls starting at 4 p.m., followed by the Sonora and Brookesmith boys at 5:30 p.m. The fifth game will be with the Ozona Lady Lions and the Iraan Bravettes, starting at 7 p.m. The Lions will follow at approximately 8:30 p.m. against San Angelo Central sophomores.

On Friday, games begin at 9 a.m. between Brownfield and Comstock girls. The Comstock and Brownfield boys play at 10:30 a.m. Two games will be played at the junior high gym, with game number 12 - a girls' game to start at 4 p.m. and game number 14 - a boys' game, starting at 5:30 p.m.

On Saturday, fans can get an early start at 9 a.m. with game number 17, the seventh place girls' game, at Davidson Gym. The tournament will end with the presentation of trophies at the conclusion of the championship boys' game, which begins at 8 p.m.

A complete tournament schedule can be found in this issue of The Stock-

man. This year's event promises to be full of exciting games. Several close matchups in both the boys' and girls' brackets should result during the tournament. Both Ozona teams look to be competitive and should do very well.

Winning last year's tournament in the girls' division were the Ozona Lady Lions, defeating the Brownfield Lady Cubs 47-30. The Lady Lions defeated the Lady Cubs this year in their own tournament with a 52-43 win. The exciting Brownfield Cubs

won the boys' division of the tournament with a 67-42 defeat over the Sterling City Eagles.

For some electrifying entertainment, come out and see some great basketball and support our home teams.

Runaways Halted On Taylor Box Road

A gas drive off and high speed chase Monday afternoon resulted in the apprehension of two juvenile runaways from a rehabilitation center in Wharton County. The boys, a 13-year-old Asian male and a 14-year-old Hispanic male, were traveling through Crockett County in a stolen 1995 Mazda.

"They started running as soon as they saw us," said Cpl. Ben English of the Department of Public Safety. English and his partner, Trooper Ron Hernandez, were one and one-half miles east of Ozona when they got the report from the sheriff's department of the gas theft and saw the suspect car.

The youths fled west to the Ozona exit and once in town, raced through the parking lots at The Cafe Next Door and Maness Texaco. After circling and taking back roads, they headed east. Nearing the Taylor Box Road exit, the vehicle jumped all four lanes of traffic and then turned south on Taylor Box.

A short way down the road, the driver failed to negotiate a curve and plowed through a fence. There were no injuries to the youths, but the car was pretty well totaled, English said. Found in the front of the vehicle were three stolen firearms. Ski masks, sun shades and bandanas were also in the car, said English.

The youths were brought to Ozona and later in the day transferred to a juvenile facility in Kerrville.

English and Hernandez were assisted by DPS Sgt. Carl Mayfield, Ranger Jerry Byrne and Crockett County deputies.

The car traveled at speeds up to 96 miles per hour, as fast as it would run, English said. "No one likes pursuits through town, but as long as we

have the interstate, we're going to have them. We usually don't have any choice in the matter."

In the interest of safety, Cpl. English urges drivers to get off the road when they hear sirens. "Get over to the right side of the road, stop your vehicle and turn your emergency lights on," he suggests. Once officers have passed, wait a minute to make sure no others are following.

He also suggested that drivers

have a window slightly open in order to hear emergency vehicle sirens. Some of the new cars are so tight that outside sounds can't be heard, especially with music going.

Pedestrians are also at risk, and children should be warned to get away from streets and curbs when they hear emergency vehicles or see flashing lights.

"Be aware and take time to be sure we're gone," he said.

Crockett Co. Care Center Deficiencies Cleared

Crockett County Care Center was clear of deficiencies when state inspectors visited the facility Monday. Operation of the center had been placed under a court-appointed trustee late last month after a state inspection prompted by complaints.

David French, the trustee, said Tuesday he will be leaving as soon as the court receives word of the cleared deficiencies and notifies him of his release, possibly Tuesday or Wednesday. Local operation of the center will

resume with new administrator Crystal Hargraves in charge.

Wesley Hill, who came here as a temporary director of nurses with French, will remain until a new D.O.N. is hired and in place. A staff shortage is being remedied in part through a nurse aide class which is being taught here. There are six in the class which began Monday, French said.

The state will likely continue to closely monitor the center for some time, French said.

Man Walking On I-10 Struck And Killed Dec. 2

Mario G. Castellar, no known address, was struck and killed 14 miles east of Ozona on Interstate 10 while walking Monday, Dec. 2 around 10:55 p.m. He was declared dead at the scene by Crockett County Justice of the Peace James Hearne.

Castellar was standing in the outside traffic lane when a car driven by John Stephen Mead of San Antonio struck him. It was reported by Cpl. Ben English, DPS trooper out of Ozona, that Castellar was wearing dark clothing and was standing well within the traffic path when struck.

Passenger, Marlynn B. Sprague, 22, of San Antonio, suffered minor injuries and was treated at the scene and released.

Castellar's body was taken to Bexar County Medical Examiner's Office in San Antonio until next of kin can be located.

Christmas Toys For Tots Program

Christmas Toys for Tots, sponsored by the Crockett County Child Welfare Board, is now accepting donations of toys and other items for boys and girls who will not have a very merry Christmas this year without your help.

Your donations can be made by dropping them off at the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department or call 392-2749 for pick up. Deadline this year is Dec. 19.

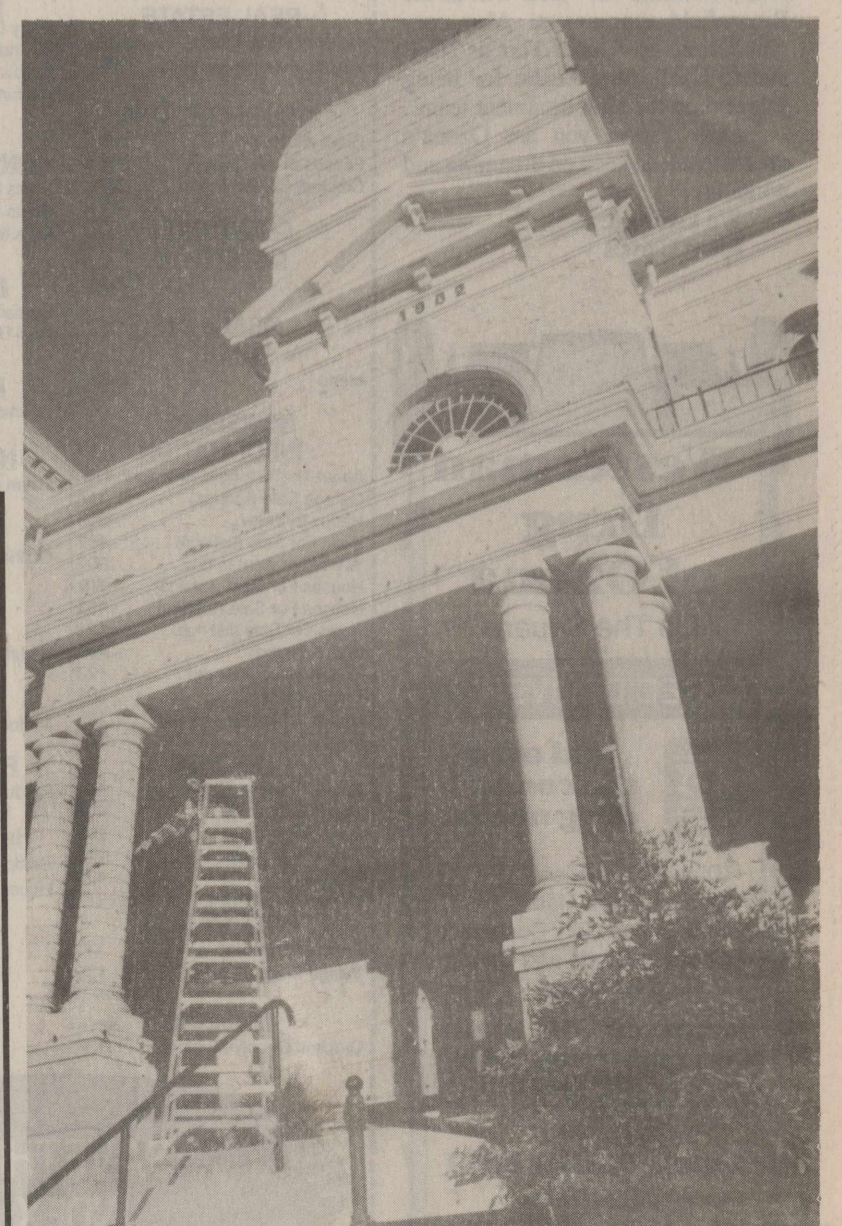
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RICHARD STORMS is hard at work getting the courthouse ready for last week's Christmas lighting ceremony. The courthouse and downtown area are beautiful with many sparkling lights each night of the Christmas season.
photo by Susan Calloway



1996 OZONA 7TH CUBETTES - Cub Tournament Champions - Front row, l-r, Stella Howard, Kimber Bean, Jordan Webster, Erin Castro; Back row: Staci Sutton, Joyce Caldera, Leta Bangeman, Lana Stewart, Jessica Herring and Leslie Flores. They defeated the Eldorado 7th Lady Eagles 26-18 to win the championship last Saturday afternoon in Davidson Gym.
photo by Neal Ulmer

Bud Mayes Service Wed. In Ozona

Hudson "Bud" Mayes, age 96 of Ozona, died Sunday, Dec. 8, 1996 in the Crockett County Care Center.

Graveside service will be at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday Dec. 11, in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Arrangements are by Freddy Funeral Home.

Mr. Mayes was born Feb. 11, 1900, in Robert Lee, Texas. He was a rancher and a member of the Masonic Lodge. Mr. Mayes married Clara Burns Friend March 23, 1923. She preceded him in death in 1981.

Survivors include his wife, Polly Eppler Mayes of Ozona; two daughters and a son-in-law, Helen M. Wilson of Roswell, N.M., and Ethel and Dick Henderson of Kerrville and Silver City, N.M.; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

Honorary pallbearers will be Charles Wilson, Bobby Wilson, Scott Henderson, Jimmy Burnett, Gene Williams, Bill Childress, Volkmar von Sehlen, Daniel Carpenter and Steve Wilkins.

Charles Baccus Service In Kerrville

Charles H. "Doc" Baccus, 93, died Friday, Dec. 6, 1996, in a local hospital.

Service was held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10 at St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Kerrville. Graveside service was held at 3:30 p.m. in Cedar Hill Cemetery in Ozona. Arrangements are by Grimes Funeral Chapels.

He was born June 18, 1903, in Hollis, Okla., and had been a resident of Kerrville for 29 years, formerly residing in Ozona. He was a retired assembler for General Electric and had worked for the railroad. He was a member of St. Paul's United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Jesse Baccus of Kerrville; three daughters, Betty McMullen of Coosbay, Ore., and Colyn Sharp and Yvonne Thomas, both of California; a son, Charles H. Baccus Jr. of San Jose, Calif.; two sisters, Bertha Hooks of Disney, Okla., and Lillian Hill of Hollis; a brother, Raymond Earl of Oklahoma City; four stepchildren, Ben Conklin of Mountain Air, N.M., Wilburn Conklin of Kettle Falls, Wash., Carl Conklin of Nacogdoches and Lenora Godwin of Kerrville; and numerous grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Letter to the Editor

Ozona has a wonderful Christmas present this year. Bobbie Bryson played last Tuesday night. So great to see her on the court again.

Congratulations to Coach Faught and the Ladies for their win at the Brownfield tournament. Also congratulations to Amber Tarr as MVP and to Shelly and Leslie for being selected on the all tournament team.

Lady Lions, you are Ozona's dream team, so keep on dreaming and winning.

We love you.
Mena Carnes



State Capital

HIGHLIGHTS
By Lyndell Williams & Ed Starling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Gov. George W. Bush's call for property tax relief could negatively affect funding of public education in Texas, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock and House Speaker Pete Laney said last week.

Bullock compared the present funding system, in which property-rich school districts send money to property-poor districts, to a house of cards.

"You remove one card and the whole house may fall down," he said.

"Property taxes and (the school-funding formula) are joined at the brain. Any changes in one will unquestionably change the formula itself," Bullock told incoming legislators at an orientation meeting.

Laney agreed with Bullock and said he is waiting for Bush to release a plan that can be studied and assessed.

The governor has made cutting the \$10 billion homeowners and businesses pay in school property taxes a priority for the 1997 legislative session, which will convene Jan. 14.

Sharp Calls for Cuts, Savings
State Comptroller John Sharp last week delivered his fourth Texas Performance Review report, calling for more than \$3.5 billion in taxpayer savings over the next five years.

"Once again," Sharp said, "we've scoured state government for outdated programs and new ways to save Texans money."

The report, titled "Disturbing the Peace: The Challenge of Change in Texas Government," presents 428 detailed proposals for saving taxpayers more than \$1.2 billion during the 1998-99 biennium and more than \$3.5 billion by the end of 2002.

Sharp proposed cutting 6,600 fully funded but unfilled state jobs, saving more than \$470 million during the next biennium.

He proposed cutting 1,720 current state jobs over the next two-year period through an early retirement incentive plan and other measures.

And among other proposals, he called for:

- Abolishing the Texas Department of Commerce and shifting the agency's duties to a new non-profit public/private entity; and
- Issuing Texans lifetime driver's licenses, with free-of-charge updates required every 12 years.

About three-quarters of the savings recommended in Sharp's previous performance reviews have been adopted by the Texas Legislature.

Private Schools, Public Funds
Lake Travis Independent School District board member Fred Walker, who sponsored a proposal to use taxpayer dollars to pay for private school tuition, is busy with plans to open a new private school that could benefit from the plan.

The Austin American-Statesman reported Walker is proposing the Parents as Partners Scholarship Program, a tuition reimbursement plan for the district of 2,900 students.

At the same time, he and his pastor at the Lakeway Ecumenical Church are working to build support for the construction of a Roman Catholic school adjacent to a 20-acre site where a new Catholic church is to be built next year in this community a few minutes West of Austin.

Supporters say vouchers would give parents more control over their children's education, but critics say a voucher system would take tax dollars away from public schools.

Annette Cootes, a spokeswoman for the Texas State Teachers Association, told the American-Statesman, "There will definitely be a lawsuit filed if (Texas Education Commissioner Mike Moses) allows it to proceed."

Other Capital Highlights

■ Texas Banking Commissioner Catherine Ghiglieri said 24 state banks in Texas will be examined less frequently beginning in 1997. She said the resulting reduction in regulatory costs will be passed along to the affected banks through a decrease in their assessments for examinations. The reduction in examinations for the 24 banks will be from once every 12 months to every 18 months for well-run banks with assets of \$100 million to \$500 million.

■ Texas Land Commissioner Garry Mauro has suggested that Gov. Bush call out the National Guard or get prison inmates to help fight beach erosion in Southeast Texas. Unusually high tides have eaten away more than 50 feet of beach on the Gulf of Mexico in Galveston and Brazoria counties, Mauro wrote in a letter to the governor. Bush spokesman Ray Sullivan said the governor's office is reviewing Mauro's plan.

■ A Christmas tree is to go up this week at the south end of the Capitol's Great Walk, where a permanent underground tree stand and tree anchors were designed into the sidewalk. The 30-foot Eastern Red Cedar came from land adjacent to Bastrop State Park, southeast of Austin.

■ A state audit released last week said the Lone Star Card, which debuted about a year ago, is working well. More than a million Texas welfare recipients use the plastic cards, which resemble credit cards, to receive welfare benefits electronically.

■ Regulators at the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission are considering a crackdown on industrial polluters that have operated under a "grandfather" clause in the 1971 Texas clean air law. A report is expected in about a week.

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Extension Connection

By Tedra Ulmer, County Extension Agent
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Kids Give Opinions On Food And Activity

Do kids think they are physically fit and have good eating habits? According to a Gallup telephone survey, more than half say "yes". The survey results are based on telephone interviews with a national sample of 410 children between the ages of 9 and 15.

Over 90 percent of the youngsters surveyed agree that a balanced diet and physical activity are important for good health. Fifty-two percent are aware of the Food Guide Pyramid and most could name at least one food group.

When asked about eating habits, about half (49 percent) reported eating meals with their family every day. Only 13 percent said they eat meals with their family only once or less per week. While two-thirds rated their own eating habits as good to excellent, breakfast is still the most frequently skipped meal (by 51 percent).

The study was initiated by the American Dietetic Association and the International Food Information Council in cooperation with the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports. A similar study was conducted in 1991. An important finding is that more kids surveyed in the most recent study rely on school lunches than in 1991.

The sponsoring organizations express concern that some confusion and misinformation about a healthy diet does still exist, however. Nearly three-fourths of kids said they are tired of hearing foods being labeled as "good" or "bad". They think their favorite foods are not good for them and that all high fat foods must be avoided in order to have a healthy diet. In addition, 64 percent say that foods that are good for them don't taste good.

Commenting on these findings, Nancy Schwartz, Ph. D., R.D., of the American Dietetic Association's Center for Nutrition and Dietetics, says that nutrition messages for consumers, especially young people, need to emphasize that all foods can fit into a healthful diet with variety and balance over time.

When asked about physical activity, the good news is that respondents say the most important reason for being physically active is because it is fun (59 percent). Activities that

youngsters said they do included playing outdoors, walking, jogging, riding a bike or playing sports. While these attitudes are promising, emphasis should continue to be placed on regular participation in both moderate and vigorous activities over time, says Sandra Perimutter of the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports.

Where do children get their health information? It may be important for educators and parents to recognize that children reported getting nutrition information from schools and teachers (90 percent) and parents (77 percent) with television coming in third at 64 percent and books fourth at 60 percent.

Another excellent source of nutrition information is the 4-H Food and Nutrition project. This year's project concluded last week with the District Food Show in Fort Stockton, but we'll be starting again in August. And some special efforts are being planned through our Better Living for Texans nutrition project, including a "Kids Fitness Day Camp" this coming summer. Watch the Stockman for more details.

If you'd like information you can use to teach your own children about good nutrition, contact me at 392-2721. Educational programs and information provided by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages, regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, national origin or disability.

Ozona High School's New Talk Theater To Help Students

The Ozona High School Theater Arts class has been working very hard on a new program called Talk Theater. This program allows the students to grow and learn who they really are and to overcome their fears.

We would like to perform our personal experiences and fear with you through a public performance at the high school auditorium at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 17.

The monologues deal with sensitive, timely issues such as teen pregnancy, abortion and drug abuse.



SUE LITTLETON,
author of "Ranch on the Pecos"
photo by Bruce Dye

Attention Crockett Co. History Buffs

Poet Sue Littleton will be in Ozona on Sat. Dec. 14, from 3:00-5:00 pm at the Crockett Room of Ozona National Bank to read selections from her recently-published collection of poems, *Ranch on the Pecos*.

The poems relate tales of her life and experiences growing up on her Grandfather Ingham's Crockett County ranch on the Pecos River.

The Plainview Press publication is another important piece of the county's history, relating both amusing and poignant stories from the earlier days to the present.

Lucille Littleton and Charlotte Harrell invite all who may be interested to join them with Ms. Littleton for a holiday tea in the Crockett Room. *Ranch on the Pecos* will be on sale for \$12.00 per copy, and the author will be pleased to personally autograph your copy.

Should you be unable to attend the tea, copies of the book will be available at the Crockett County Museum. To order a copy of the book by mail, please send your check payable to Sue Littleton for \$14 (including shipping and postage) to, 1514-A Summerstone, Austin, TX 78704.

Students Included In Who's Who

A total of seven students from this area are included in the 30th Annual Edition of *Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1995-96*.

Local students selected include: Paul Browne, Shayne Fuentes, Jessica Fuller, Korte Jones, Courtney Lockridge, Jon Sanchez and Christy Vasquez.

Who's Who, published by Educational Communications, Inc., Lake Forest, IL, is the largest high school recognition publication in the country. Students are nominated by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches and educational organizations based upon students' academic achievement and involvement in extracurricular activities. Traditionally, 99% of *Who's Who* students have a grade point average of 'B' or better and 97% are college bound.

The 30th edition of *Who's Who*, published in 18 regional volumes, features over 750,000 students or just 5% of the nation's 14,000,000 high school students. They represent approximately 18,000 of the 22,000 public, private and parochial high schools in the country.

Who's Who students also compete for \$150,000 in scholarship awards and participate in the publication's annual opinion poll of teen attitudes. The book is distributed to up to 15,000 high schools, colleges, universities and public libraries throughout the country.

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CARE CENTER RESIDENTS Monie Brewer and Hazel McDaniel are ready to admire the afghan held by Queta Fierro at the annual Christmas bazaar. Money from the bazaar goes into the center's activity fund.
photo by Linda Moore

Christmas Decorations Auction Theme For Garden Club

The Ozona Garden Club met in the home of Bill and Nancy Childress Dec. 9 with Dorothy Montgomery serving as co-hostess.

Lou Deaton, president, opened the business meeting by asking for the reading of the minutes, which were amended. At the November meeting, a nominating committee was appointed with Marolyn Bean as chairman. Grace Williams and JoNel Stokes were the other committee members.

Mrs. Williams then gave the treasurer's report. Mrs. Bean announced that the club had received a silver raffle in horticulture due to points received for members reporting plants, trees and shrubs they have planted this last year.

Linda Hixson reported that Manley Holmes, principal of Ozona Intermediate School, approached her to ask if the club would be interested in redoing the inside planter in that building. After discussion, several members volunteered to help with that project.

Mrs. Bean said that the base for the Heritage Sculpture will be delivered and placed on Wednesday, Dec. 11, in the city square park, and the sculpture will be delivered soon after Christmas. Carmen Sutton announced the date of the chamber of commerce awards banquet, and a discussion of the table designs the club provides followed.

Dorothy Montgomery reported that the nativity scene is completed and is now placed in the triangle park. A letter of appreciation was sent to the donor of the cost of materials for the restoration.

Mary Jo Mason presented a District VIII life membership to Lou Deaton for her leadership as president and dedicated club member. The club voted to honor another member next month.

At the close of the business session, the Christmas auction was held. Each year at this time all members make a decoration for the home to be auctioned as a fund raising project and also a fun time for bidders.

Those attending were: Dean Allen, Marolyn Bean, Chris Beckham, Nancy Childress, Lou Deaton, Linda Hixson, Virginia Hubbard, Mary Jo Mason, Ethel Miller, Dorothy Montgomery, Marge Smith, Carmen Sutton, Jan Van Shoubrouek, Grace Williams and Jonesy Williams.

Marge Smith reporting

Happy Birthday

Dec. 11 - Roger Longoria, Jim Wilson, Brandy Jennings, Amanda Maldonado, Pete Maldonado, Jennifer Davidson, Morgan Williams

Dec. 12 - Wade Richardson, Laura Sapper, Marcy Williams

Dec. 13 - Roy Moore, Billy Reagor, Cookie Worthington, Jack Baggett Jr., JoPat Flores, Daphne Martinez, Lyndon English, Basilia Castillo, Blanche Walker, Marecila Martinez, Esmeralda Borrego

Dec. 14 - Jeanie Thompson, Ty Allen, Harvey Fierro, Ysabel T. Ybarra, Rene Huffman, Alexa Cervantez, Johanna Pullig

Dec. 15 - Luetta Kost, Mark White, Trey Angel Fierro, Darrel Vargas

Dec. 16 - Alice Espino, Tondra DeLaRosa, Jacque Hayes, Kyle Sewell, Manuel Gutierrez Sr., Lupe Llanas, Janina Savala, Marcos Galindo

Dec. 17 - Armando Ybarra, Lela Nussbaumer, Lee Galan, Lee C. DeHoyos, Benjamin Maness, Elena Dominguez, Derek Tambunga

"It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name. O most High:

To shew forth thy loving kindness in the morning; and thy faithfulness every night.

Psalm 92: 1-2

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Library News

Christmas Tour & Raffle

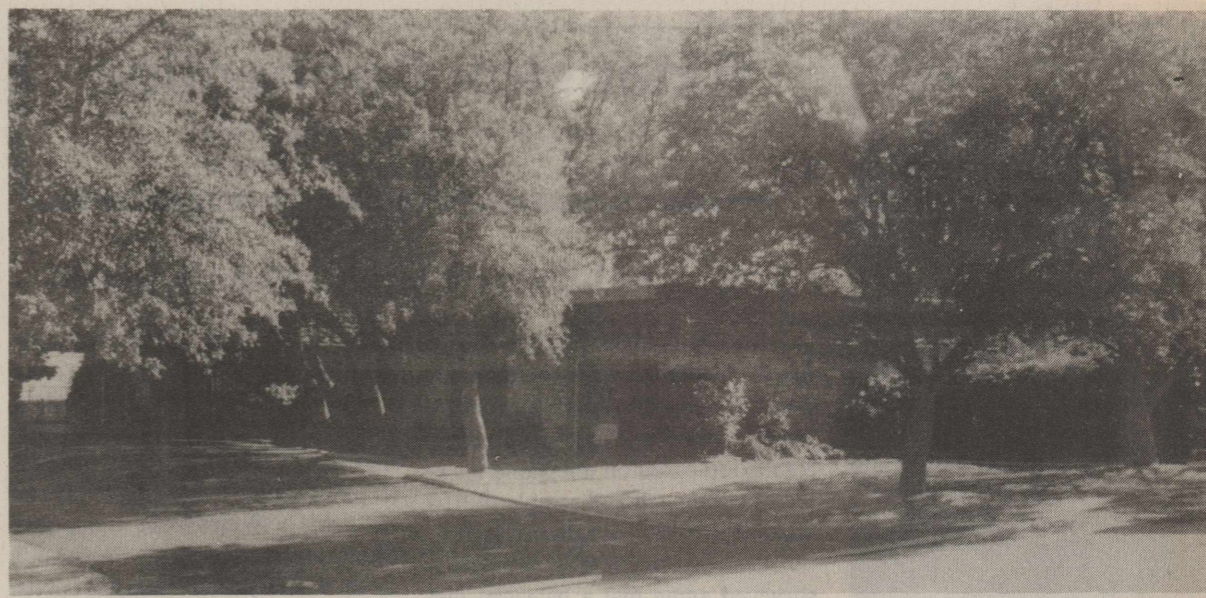
Sunday, Dec. 15, 1996 is showtime for five of Ozona's most beautiful homes decorated for Christmas. This year the Friends of the Library Christmas Tour of Homes includes the historic Perner Home at 1106 Ave. D; the home of Becky and Dwight Childress at 12 Country Club Road; the home of Beth and Jerry Scoggins at 1204 Ave. D; the home of Aurora and Joe Tobar at 805 5th Street; and the home of Jill and Pon Seahorn at 1113 11th Street.

Tickets for the Tour at \$5.00 each. The tour is self-directed and you can take all the time you need to see each of these exquisite homes from 2 to 5:00 p.m. End your tour with Refreshments at the Crockett County Public Library open house at 705 12th Street. Tickets may be purchased at the public library, from Friends of the Library members, or at the door of any home on the tour. All proceeds benefit the Friends of the Library Expansion Fundraising Campaign.

Along with the Tour, the Friends are holding a Christmas raffle. This year there are five prizes to win. Beautiful jewelry from the Cactus Patch includes a silver cross and matching earrings, a sterling silver bracelet with charms, a sterling silver onyx bracelet, and a silver necklace with a turquoise cross and hoop earrings. Also to be raffled are two engraved bricks for the cornerstone porch. The prizes are each valued from \$50.00 to \$100.00 retail.

Tickets for the raffle are \$2.00 each or 2 for \$5.00. The drawing will be held at the public library on Sunday, Dec. 15, after 5:00 p.m. to complete the tour. There will also be doorprizes in the library. All proceeds benefit the Friends of the Library Expansion Fundraising Campaign.

Get in the Christmas Spirit and enjoy a little Crockett County history and hospitality on the Friends of the Library Christmas Tour of Homes.



THE HOME OF BECKY AND DWIGHT CHILDRESS on Country Club Road is one of five house on the Christmas Tour of Homes being sponsored Dec. 15 by Friends of the Library.
photo by Scotty Moore

Christmas Tour Of Homes Dec. 15

Ozona's annual Christmas Tour of Homes sponsored by Friends of the Library will be held Sunday, Dec. 15, from 2 until 5 p.m. Tickets are available at any of the five homes, and proceeds go toward the library expansion fund. The self-guided tour will conclude with refreshments at the library.

This week's featured home is that of Becky, Dwight and Mark Childress

on Country Club Road.

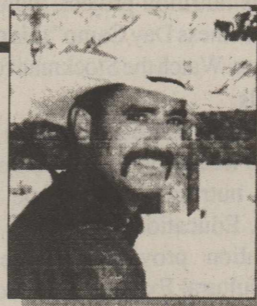
The home was built in 1973, the year of Becky and Dwight's marriage, and remodeled in 1981.

A large family living area is enjoyed by the Childress family and their guests. Three of the home's four bedrooms, including Mark's, are on the second floor. A fireplace was added to the master bedroom at the time of the remodeling.

Traditional decor, antiques from

family members, and items collected from their travels combine to make the home appealing. Mark's favorite part is the swimming pool, says his Mom.

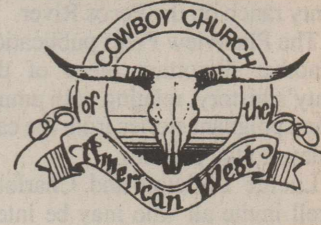
Other homes included on the tour are those of Joe and Aurora Tobar, 805 - 5th Street; Jerry and Beth Scoggins, 1204 Ave. C; Pon and Jill Seahorn at 1113 - 11th Street; and the historic Perner home of Jan and Fred Van Shoubrouek at 1106 Ave. D.



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"Scandals"

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In looking at the lives of some of the greatest men of the Bible we see moral failure. David committed adultery and he also murdered. Moses murdered! The list goes on but the point is, God stands alone as supreme! Your salvation is not up to me, nor is mine hinged on your attributes. What we see is God alone dealing with sinful people (like me). He never hides our sins but is willing to forgive us when we ask.

Remember this truth, Adam and Eve sinned, but God didn't. Peter sinned, but God didn't. I've sinned, but God never has nor ever will. Scandals and sins are never okay, but at the same time I hope you are not going to try to blame someone else's sins (especially preachers) for your Godless life. People may sin, but God never has. Period!

Pastor Jim Carter,
Ozona United
Methodist Church

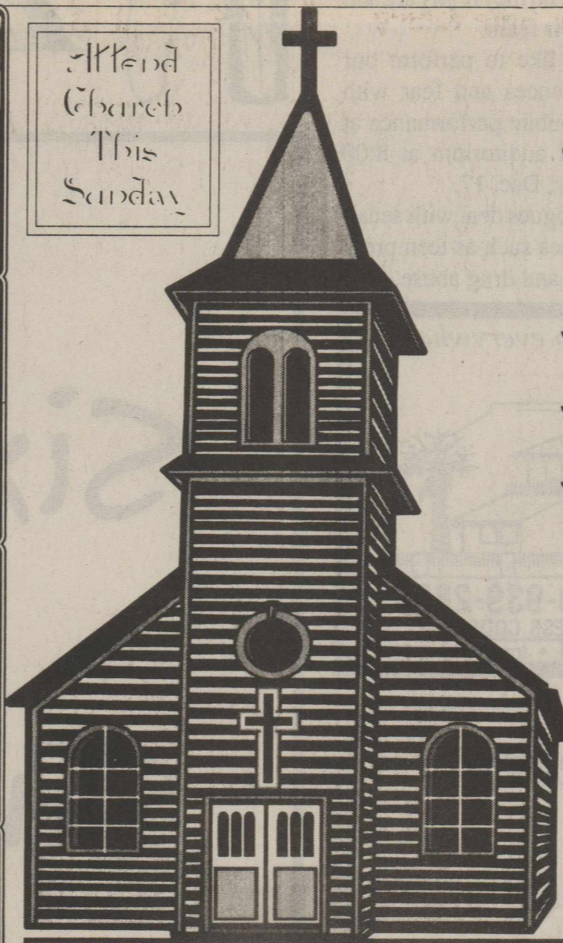
feelings about others, with our own situations, and find ourselves desperately lacking. We feel angry, and, because anger is thought to be an inappropriate expression for the holidays we turn it into depression and lethargy.

"Most of the conflict seems to focus on the family. Where do we go this year? We went there last year. Who do we have over? Why? Do I have to go see them? Why can't we have our own holidays alone?"

"It may help us endure and even enjoy the holidays if we remember two things: 1.) Life is too short to attempt to please everyone else. (I had a relative who swore she would not be around next Christmas for 20 years.) Happy memories are built on feelings of love, not obligation. 2.) Jesus knew that children and parents don't own each other. See them as people rather than relatives and makes decisions accordingly. You'll like each other more."

"Following these two guidelines we may emerge on January 2nd feeling uplifted, satisfied and perhaps even grateful."

See you in church during the holidays.



From Under The Algeria Bush

As we move into the holidays—it is not yet Thanksgiving as I write this... I felt obliged to share something written by my friend Chuck Myer, chaplain at St. David's Hospital in Austin. I think you'll find it helpful.

To stressful human beings it is universal agreement that the mere thought of this 39 day stretch of agony is enough to cause sweaty palms and high blood pressure. So what is it about his delightful, festive, sparkling, fun-filled, exciting cheery, hopeful, glorious time of celebration and good will that can result in such a depressive funk? Try the following images: shopping, relatives, money, cleaning, deadlines, family, hurry, obligations, demands, crowds.

"It is a time when we come face to face with the way things really are. We observe the happy, smiling, commercial family of four with piles of gifts under the tree. We watch the TV specials and the ads promising acceptance and love in exchange for many expensive gifts. Then we compare these phony images with our own real

Meals On Wheels Menu

Monday, Dec. 16.....Smothered Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread and Dessert

Tuesday, Dec. 17.....Dorrito Casserole, Pinto Beans, Tossed Salad, Bread and Dessert

Wednesday, Dec. 18.....Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Green Salad, Rolls and Dessert

Thursday, Dec. 19.....Tuna Casserole, Apple Rings, Biscuits and Dessert

Friday, Dec. 20.....Beef Noodle Soup, Cottage Cheese on Pear, Corn Bread and Dessert

Card of Thanks

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Cafeteria Menu

Dec. 16... Hoagie Sandwich, Salad, Chips, Pineapple and Milk
Dec. 17... Chicken Spaghetti, Sweet Peas, Peaches, Rolls and Milk
Dec. 18... Cheeseburger, Salad, Tator Tots and Milk
Dec. 19... Pizza, Nachos, Corn, Fruit Cocktail and Milk
Dec. 20... Happy Holidays

Fast Food Menu

Dec. 16... Chili Dog, Salad, Chips, Pineapple and Milk
Dec. 17... Hamburger, Salad, French Fries, Peaches and Milk
Dec. 18... Chick Burger, Salad, Tator Tots and Milk
Dec. 19... No Fast Food
Dec. 20... Happy Holidays

Breakfast Menu

(Everyday we have Toast, Muffin, Milk and Juice)

Plus:

Dec. 16... Sausage & Biscuit or Cold Cereal
Dec. 17... Beef & Bean Burrito or Cream of Wheat or Cold Cereal
Dec. 18... Sausage & Egg Burrito or Cold Cereal
Dec. 19... Pancakes or Cold Cereal
Dec. 20... Happy Holidays

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| Mt. Zion Baptist Church Rev. Norvell Allen Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. | Faith Lutheran Church Rev. Charles Huffman, Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m. | Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church Rev. Sergio Arellano Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 7 p.m. |
| Templo Bautista Jerusalem Pastor Miguel Arjon Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. | Church of God of Prophecy Pastor Lupe Domaniquez Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 4:30 p.m. Tues. & Thurs.: 6:00 p.m. | Our Lady of Perpetual Help Rev. Bill DuBuisson Rev. Ray Gallagher Mass: 11:15 Sun., 7 p.m., Sat., 8:30 a.m. M.W.T.F. |
| Calvary Baptist Church Rev. Daniel C. Fleming Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Wed. & Sun. Worship: 7 p.m. | Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida Pastor Alec Rivera Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. service: 7:00 p.m. | Apostolic Church Rev. Filiberto Prieto Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 5 p.m. Tue. & Thur. Service: 7:30 p.m. |
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T & C #219 Opens In Ozona

Town and Country opened its 4800 square foot Ozona convenience store Dec. 2. The store offers 24-hour fuel and restaurant service along with a variety of groceries and sundries. Video tapes, cassettes, lottery tickets and money orders are among the items on sale there. MasterCard, Visa American Express, Discover and GasCard are all accepted at T&C.

While the Country Kitchen is open 24-hours a day, the Taco Bell portion of the store opens from 10 a.m. until midnight Sunday through Thursday and from 10 a.m. to 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday.

The store is still hiring and will employ 40 people when at full staff according to manager Peggy Bullard. Stella Fierro is food service manager and Debra Gilstrap is assistant food service manager.

"We're pleased to bring these additional services to Ozona and the traveling public," said Mrs. Bullard. "We invite everyone in the community to come see the new store."

Town and Country originated in 1965 with six convenience stores in San Angelo and one in Del Rio. The company now spans a 104,000 square-mile area of Texas and New Mexico, stretching more than 500 miles north, south, east and west of San Angelo.

The roots of the company go back to 1961 when an Austin-based company, Town & Country Food Stores, acquired five locations in San Angelo.

At this time, F. L. "Steve" Stephens, current board chairman and co-founder of the present-day Town & Country, had completed his Air Force service and was attending the University of Texas at Austin. He worked as a night clerk at one of the Austin Town & Country Food Stores.

In 1962, when the first of the San Angelo stores opened, Stephens, who had received his degree in economics, was selected as the first district manager for the San Angelo-area stores.

Stephens and Harold Gibbs, a former Town & Country employee, purchased the six San Angelo stores and one in Del Rio in November of 1965. Gibbs' interest in the stores was later purchased by the company.

Within a few years, the Austin-based company sold the remainder of its stores and, by agreement, the new West Texas company acquired the name Town & Country Food Stores.

The company will soon total 150 convenience stores, six grocery stores and a gasoline distributorship.

One of the grocery stores is in Ozona. Others are located in Big Lake, McCamey, Sonora, Cross Plains and Sundown.

7th Grade Cubs Tourney Box Scores

BOX SCORES--BOYS

Ozona 7th Cubs 30, Reagan County 7th Owls 16
Thursday, Dec. 5, First Game

Reagan County 2 6 6 4--16
Ozona 5 5 15 5--30
Record: 3-3

Scoring: Chris Kennedy 9, Abel Rodriguez 8, Martin Sanchez 5, Chet Stuart 4, Shane Albers 2, and Hayse Worthington 2. Others playing: Kyle Richardson and Ryan Kasper.

Ozona 7th Cubs 33, Rankin 7th Red Devils 40 Saturday, Dec. 7, Second Game

Rankin 4 14 10 12--40
Ozona 10 8 5 10--33 Record: 4-4

Scoring: Chet Stuart 12, Abel Rodriguez 9, Shane Albers 7, and Chris Kennedy 5. Others playing: Ryan Kasper, Hayse Worthington, Martin Sanchez, and Kyle Richardson.

Ozona 7th Cubs 30, Eldorado 7th Eagles 17 Saturday, Dec. 7, Third Place Game

Eldorado 2 9 4 2--17 Ozona 6 14 5 5--30 Record: 4-4

Scoring: Able Rodriguez 10, Chris Kennedy 7, Shane Albers 5, Chet Stuart 3, Kyle Richardson 3, and Hayse Worthington 2. Also playing were Martin Sanchez and Ryan Kasper.

Ozona 7th B Cubs 22, Eldorado 7th Eagles 38 Friday, Dec. 6, First Game

Eldorado 20 0 12 6--38
Ozona 2 10 2 8--22

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Ozona 7th B Cubs 6, Sonora 7th Colts 42 Saturday, Dec. 6, Second Game

Sonora 18 6 12 6--42
Ozona 0 2 0 4--6

Scoring: Eliberto Onate 3, R.J. Fierro 2, and Wes Bishop 1. Others playing: Anthony Hodges, Dustin Smith, James Swearingen, Gustavo Perez, Matt Young, Michael Ramos, and Carlos Salazar.

McMullan Interview On Discovery Dec. 18

An interview with the late Shawn McMullan, Iraan calf roper killed in an auto accident, will be televised Dec. 18.

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Dee Keilers states that, "Boy Scouting can be the most exciting adventure a boy can experience. Boys will develop skills that they never knew possible." "Most of my fondest memories come from experiences I had while a Boy Scout. I value every moment I

spent in the program."

An open house will be held on Thursday, Dec. 12 at the Ozona Scout Hut. This will be an opportunity for parents and boys to find out more about the Boy Scouting program. This open house will be conducted by Doug Lunsford, field director for the Concho Valley Council. Mark Richardson will be in Ozona on Thursday afternoon to speak to all sixth grade students about the program.

For more information, contact Tommy Gray at 392-5120 or Mark Richardson at 655-7107.

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OZONA LADY LION TWIN SISTERS ON THE ATTACK - Amber McWilliams (center left) and Autumn McWilliams (center right) try to get the ball from a Stanton Lady Buff in the Dec. 3 game held in Davidson Gym. The Ladies remain undefeated winners in their sixth game 62-33. *photo by Neal Ulmer*

Lions Take Consolation In Brownfield Tourney

Neal Ulmer,
Stockman Sportswriter

Perhaps the Ozona Lions have had a tough early season and schedule, but it paid off last Saturday in Brownfield. The Lions defeated the Garden City Bearkats 57-55 for the consolation trophy in the 1996 Brownfield Lions and Rotary Club Tournament held Dec. 5-7.

"It was a good tournament. We got a lot of things out of it and benefitted from it," said Ozona Lion coach Ronnie Casey.

The Ozona Lions had an extremely hard time against the District 2-4A Snyder Tigers losing 89-54. Snyder returns two lettermen from a 20-19 1995 record.

"Snyder has a great team. They are a very good basketball team," said Coach Casey. "It wasn't a disgrace to get beat by them."

The Tigers played with great consistency, scoring 23 points in the first period and 29 points in the second for a 52-17 halftime lead. On the other hand, Ozona had one bad quarter. That quarter was the second, as they scored only six points. They scored 11 in the first period.

Actually, the Lions outscored the Tigers in the last half, making 15 in the third and 22 in the fourth to the Tiger's 32 points. "We played a good second half," said Casey.

"We had a couple of young men come through--Steven Martinez with 18 points, Bobby Cervantez with 14, and Justin Browne with 11 points. They all stepped up."

Ozona got off to a relatively good start in their second game against the District 4-3A Kermit Yellow Jackets. They scored 14 points with Bobby Cervantez making six of those to Kermit's 16 points. Ozona fell behind

in the second some, despite Cervantez scoring six more points. Kermit added another 16 points to lead at the half 32-26.

The Lions kept the game in reach in the third period, scoring 10 points with Justin Browne hitting five of those. The Yellowjackets scored 11 maintaining a 43-36 lead after three quarters. The fourth quarter was a turning point for the Lions as they shifted into a higher gear. Browne again notched five more points of their 17 and held Kermit to 10, tying the game at 53-53.

"After halftime, we went to a man-to-man defense, caused some turnovers, and caused the game to be tied," said Casey.

Browne came through again for the Lions as he tallied five more points of the Lions' 12 in the overtime period. The Lions stayed in there playing good defense, holding the Yellowjackets to nine points for a 66-64 victory.

Impressed with his team, Coach Casey said, "We played good under pressure and I was pleased with that."

Cervantez, a 6-1, freshman post, scored 17 points to lead the Lions. He was closely followed by junior Justin Browne with 15 points. Others scoring included Steven Martinez with 10, Jon Sanchez 9, Lando Pena-Alfaro 5, Anthony Ortiz 4, Peter Rodriguez 2, and Brian Badillo with one point. Also adding to the effort were Jason Stuart and Michael Nicks.

The win over Kermit placed the Lions in contention for the consolation trophy with the District 7-A Garden City Bearkats on Saturday, Dec. 7.

Garden City edged by the Lions with a 11-10 first quarter lead. The Lions faltered in the second, scoring only four points. The Bearkats did not back off, but increased the tempo and

scored 18 points to lead 29-14 at the half.

According to Coach Casey, the Bearkats started a 6-6 player and a 6-3 player along with several real good smaller boys. "We used a five-man rotation due to tired legs. We were down by 15 at the half," he said.

Coach Casey encouraged his players at halftime. Evidently, whatever he said worked, as the Lions came out fired up, scoring 19 points in the third quarter. Ozona's defense slowed the Bearkats to 14, but they stilled trailed by 10 at 43-33.

A strong fire deep within the Ozona players continued to push them onward as they scored 24 points in the final quarter. They played extremely good defense as well, holding the Bearkats to 12 points and edging out the Bearkats for a 57-55 win.

Coach Casey set the second half up as he said, "In the second half, we ran a man press and pressured them. Anthony Ortiz was a key to the game with several steals to turn the momentum in our favor--they (Garden City) panicked. Jon Sanchez made a buzzer beater with a two-point shot down the lane."

What a way for the Lions to end a tournament, with good playing, feeling good about yourself and a trophy to boot. The Lions definitely worked for what they received and are preparing themselves for the future--especially the district schedule.

Sanchez, a 5-10 senior guard, will not forget that last shot for a while along with scoring 15 points. Bobby Cervantez added 11 points for the Lions. Also scoring were Justin Browne with 9, Brian-Badillo and Lando Pena-Alfaro with six apiece, and Jason Stuart, Steven Martinez, Anthony Ortiz, and Michael Nicks with two points each. Peter Rodriguez also added his efforts to the game.

Lady Lions Triumphant In Brownfield Tourney

Neal Ulmer,
Stockman Sportswriter

The Ozona Lady Lions repeated as the champions of the annual Brownfield Charity Invitational Basketball Tournament held Dec. 5-7 in Brownfield. The Ladies defeated their host, the Brownfield Lady Cubs in the championship game 52-43.

The Ladies came out of the tournament unscathed as the three tournament wins improved their season record to 9-0. Ozona's Amber Tarr won the top honors as she was chosen the Most Valuable Player. Shelly Sullivan and Leslie Avila were chose to the all tournament team. Tarr was chosen to the all-tournament team last year.

"The Brownfield win was a good win. It was a great game for us and to be able to win like we did," said Lady Lion coach Dickie Faught. "It was a tough game on their home court. The kids showed a lot of character."

The battle to the front of the field appeared to be an easy road. The Ladies defeated the El Paso Burges Lady Mustangs, who are in District 3-4A, 59-25 in their first game Dec. 6.

Both Amber Tarr and Shelly Sullivan added six points each plus 10 points by their teammates to give them a 22-6 lead over the Lady Mustangs in the first period. Ozona added nine and the Mustangs seven in the second for a halftime lead of 31-13.

The Lady Lions outscored the Lady Mustangs the rest of the way, scoring 16 in the third and 12 in the fourth. The Mustangs were unable to overcome their deficit, scoring only 12 points as they fell to the Lady Lions 59-25.

Amber Tarr led the Ladies with 20 points. Shelly Sullivan scored 15 points, Amber McWilliams made eight, Stormi Sessom scored five, Autumn McWilliams hit one three-pointer, and Amy Laughlin, Megan, Tambunga, Leslie Avila, and Lauren Wilkins added two points apiece. Adding to the effort were Julie Perez and Juli Hall.

The second game, held Friday afternoon with the District 11-A Garden City Lady Bear Kats was just another stepping stone as the Ladies won 44-22. They started out a little weak in the first quarter scoring 10 points of which Amber Tarr scored eight. In their previous game with El Paso, they scored 22 in the first period. The Kats

were only able to score four points.

Ozona added 11 in the second and the Lady Kats increased their shooting to nine for an Ozona 21-13 lead at the half. Both teams played more defense than offense in the third period, scoring five points each. Ozona added 18 points in the final period with Tarr making six of those and played good defense holding the Lady Kats to only four for a 44-22 win.

Tarr, again led the Ladies in scoring with 22 points. She was aided in scoring by Amber McWilliams with 10, Shelly Sullivan 5, Leslie Avila 4, and Julie Perez with three points. Also assisting in the winning effort were Autumn McWilliams, Amy Laughlin, Megan Tambunga, Stormi Sessom, Juli Hall, and Lauren Wilkins.

The District 2-3A Brownfield Lady Cubs stayed close in the first and last periods of the Saturday championship game, but were unable to maintain enough consistency as they fell to the Ladies 52-43.

Brownfield's Amanda Moss scored five of their 11 points in the first pe-

riod. But Ozona's Shelly Sullivan did even better scoring eight of Ozona's 13 points for a 13-11 lead. Sullivan added six more of Ozona's 18 points. In the second to carry the Ladies to a 31-21 halftime lead.

Moss scored eight points of their 15 in the third, but Ozona had one more than that for a 47-36 lead. Ozona only added five in the fourth and Brownfield seven, but it was enough to take the championship with a 52-43 victory.

Coach Faught was impressed with their speed as he said, "They were pretty quick. We could press them, but I thought it would be to their advantage."

Sullivan, who finished with 19 points, had one 3-pointer. Tarr ended the evening with 13 including nine free throws, Amber McWilliams scored 9, Stormi Sessom made seven, and Leslie Avila hit four points. Aiding the team in winning were: Megan Tambunga, Amy Laughlin, Julie Perez, Autumn McWilliams, Lauren Wilkins and Juli Hall.

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photo by Scotty Moore

Cubettes Win Cub Tourney, Cubs Third

Neal Ulmer,
Stockman Sportswriter

The Ozona 7th Cubettes continued their winning ways and domination of the annual Ozona 7th Grade Cub Tournament by winning the girls' championship trophy. The Cub Tournament was held Dec. 5-7 with most of the games played in Davidson Gym and some played in the junior high gym. The Cubettes defeated the Eldorado 7th Lady Eagles 26-18 to win the championship trophy. The Cubs ran into difficulties earlier, but won the third place trophy. The McCamey 7th Badgers defeated the Rankin 7th Red Devils for the boys' championship trophy.

"We worked hard on the press and caused the other teams to have turnovers. We were able to score off of the turnovers," said 7th grade Cubette coach Tiffany Pullig. "The 7th A team played pretty well the last two games. That last game, our girls held their composure and the Eldorado girls lost it."

Eight teams played in the girls' and boys' divisions of the tournament. Teams playing included Reagan County, Rankin, Iraan, Eldorado, McCamey, Sonora, Ozona A, and Ozona B teams. In the girls' bracket, Eldorado won second place, Sonora defeated Rankin 34-13 for third place, and Reagan County beat McCamey 40-11 for the consolation trophy. The Rankin boys won the second place trophy, Ozona A Cubs defeated Eldorado 30-17 for third place, and the Sonora Colts beat Reagan County 42-22 for the consolation trophy.

In the girls' division, the Cubettes had some difficulty in their first game on Thursday with Reagan County, but won the game 34-30. They faced Rankin early Saturday morning and had some trouble, but overcame it in

the fourth period to win 37-23. Eldorado proved to be a challenge early in the championship game, but the Cubettes stuck to the game plan winning 26-18.

"The B team girls' games gave them more experience," said Coach Pullig. "This is the first year our B team has been in our tournament. So, I think it helped our B teamers."

In the boys' division, the Cubs had little trouble in defeating the Reagan County Owls 30-16 in their first game on Thursday, Early Saturday morning,

the Cubs had scoring problems in the third period and fell short losing to the Rankin Red Devils 40-33. Late Saturday afternoon, the Cubs played hard to defeat the Eldorado Eagles 30-17 to win the third place trophy.

The Rankin boys easily defeated Iraan 68-25 in their first game, but lost to the McCamey Badgers in the championship game 43-28. McCamey defeated Sonora 34-28 in their first game and defeated Eldorado in their second game to place them in the championship game.

Ozona 7th Grade Cubette Tourney Box Scores

BOX SCORES--GIRLS Ozona 7th Cubettes 34, Reagan County 7th Owlettes 30 Thursday, Dec. 5, First Game
Reagan County 0 11 7 12--30
Ozona 12 8 10 4--34 Record: 4-2

Scoring: Erin Castro 12, Jessica Herring 10, Leslie Flores 4, Staci Sutton 2, Lana Stewart 2, Leta Bangeman 2, and Stella Howard 2. Others playing: Jordan Webster, Kimber Bean, and Joyce Caldera.

Ozona 7th Cubettes 37, Rankin 7th Lady Red Devils 23
Saturday, Dec. 7, Second Game

Rankin 8 8 4 3--23
Ozona 10 6 9 12--57 Record: 5-2
Scoring: Leslie Flores 17, Erin Castro 12, Jessica Herring 6, and Staci Sutton 2. Others playing: Joyce Caldera, Stella Howard, Leta Bangeman, Lana Stewart, Kimber Bean, and Jordan Webster.

Ozona 7th Cubettes 26, Eldorado 7th Lady Eagles 18
Saturday, Dec. 7, Championship Game

Eldorado 6 6 4 2--18
Ozona 3 6 5 12--26 Record: 6-2
Scoring: Erin Castro 11, Staci Sutton 6, Stella Howard 4, Leslie Flores 2, Jessica Herring 2, and Kimber Bean 1. Others playing: Leta Bangeman, Joyce Caldera, Jordan Webster, and Lana Stewart.

Ozona 7th B Cubettes 8, Eldorado 7th Lady Eagles 17
Friday, Dec. 6, First Game

Eldorado 8 4 3 2--17
Ozona 2 1 4 1--8

Scoring: Victoria Castro 5, Amanda Carson 2, and Kimberly Nowell 1. Others playing: Victoria Lara, Amy Ivey, Candace Luna, Kristen Tambunga, Denise Ortiz, Charlene Yruegas, Lisa Bryant, and Amy Ybarra.

Ozona 7th B Cubettes 9, McCamey 7th Lady Badgers 21

Saturday, Dec. 7, Second Game
McCamey 4 11 6 0--21
Ozona 1 6 0 2--9

Scoring: Victoria Castro 4, Lisa Bryant 4, and Amanda Carson 1. Others playing: Amy Ybarra, Charlene Yruegas, Denise Ortiz, Kristen Tambunga, Candace Luna, Amy Ivey, Victoria Lara, and Kimberly Nowell.

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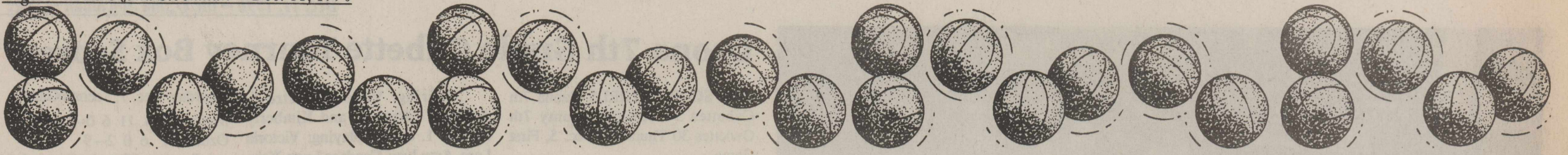
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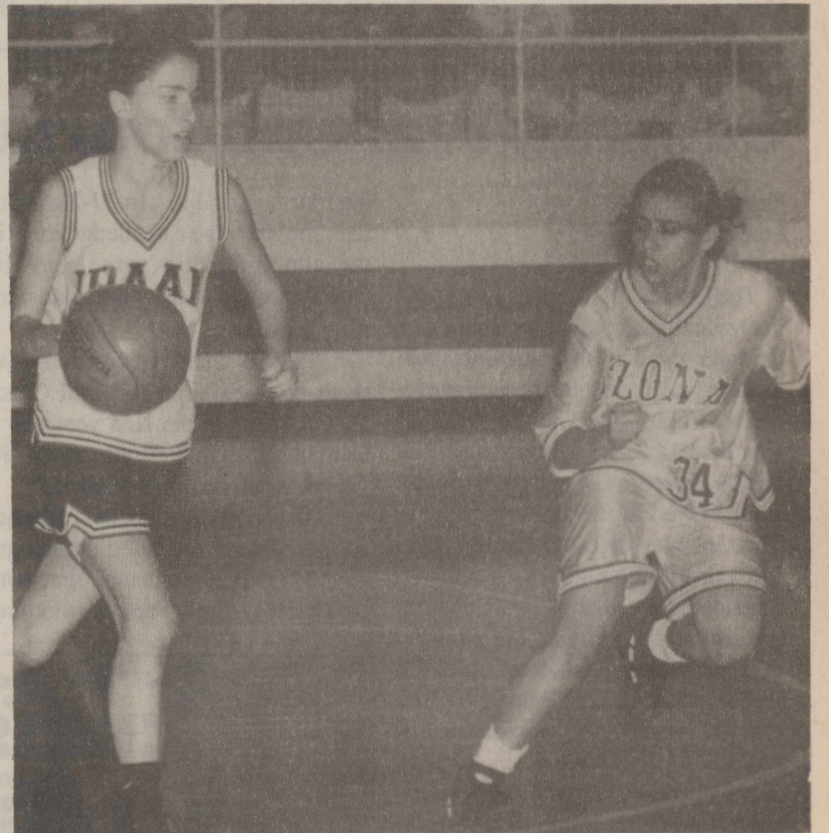
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1996 OZONA LIONS BASKETBALL TEAM: (front row, l. to r.) Jon Sanchez, Jason Stuart and Anthony Ortiz. Back row: (l. to r.) Brian Badillo, Justin Brown, Bobby Cervantez, Lando Peña-Alfaro, Steven Martinez, Michael Nicks, Peter Rodriguez, Eric Ramos and Codie Porras. Photo by Sandra Childress.



OZONA LION BOBBY CERVANTEZ goes up for a shot as a Stanton Buffalo goes even higher to defend. The Buffaloes defeated the Lions 66-42 in a Dec. 3 game in Davidson Gym. photo by Neal Ulmer



IRAAN'S BRITNEY LANEHART tries to dribble around JV Lady Lion Ammie Avila. Avila scored five points in the JV Lady Lions' 42-28 loss in last Saturday's championship game of the Irion County Super Hoops Shootout Tournament. The JV Ladies won the second place trophy in the varsity tournament. photo by Neal Ulmer

JV Ladies Place Second In Irion Co. Tourney

Neal Ulmer,
Stockman Sportswriter

The Ozona JV Lady Lions are working their way to the top as they played some of their best games of the year in the Irion County Super Hoop Shootout Basketball Tournament held Dec. 5-7 in Mertzon. The Ladies took home a second place trophy being de-

feated only by the first place winners, the Iraan Bravettes 42-28 in Saturday's championship game. Ozona had the only two junior varsity teams in the varsity girls' and boys' tournament.

"I thought we played better basketball than we have all year. Our defense was outstanding," said Lady Lion JV coach Rodney Johnson. "I was really proud of the effort and the enthusiasm

the girls gave. It is a pleasure to be around those girls. They have a great attitude.

In the first game on Dec. 5, the Ladies defeated the Rankin Lady Red Devils 54-31. The second game was a real close one, as the Ladies fought to a 25-24 win over the McCamey Lady Badgers early Friday afternoon. On the evening of Dec. 6, Ozona won

45-35 over the Water Valley Lady Wildcats.

The championship game held on Saturday, Dec. 7, was exciting to say the least, as the Ladies took on the highly touted Iraan Bravettes. The JV Lady Lions came close several times, even within six points at the end of the third quarter. But, it was not meant to be that night, as the Bravettes came back to win 42 28.

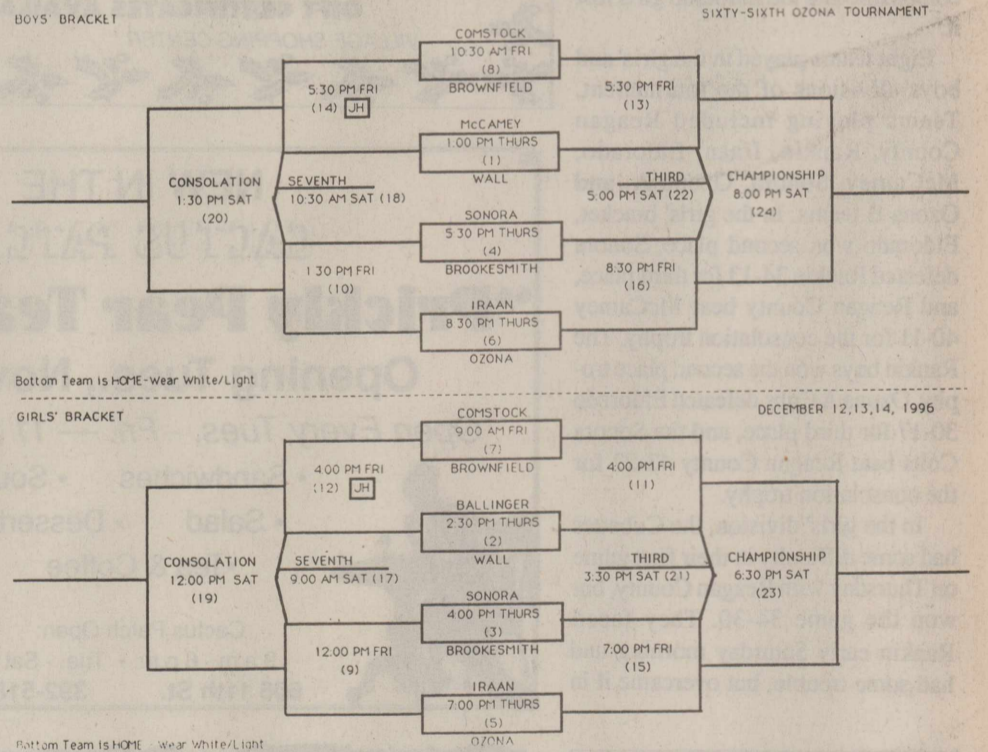
Lady Lions Super Hoops Tourney Box Scores

First Game, Dec. 5
Rankin 7 8 5 11--31
Ozona 16 14 10 14--54 Record: 8-1
Scoring: Diana Ellison 14, Stephanie Franco 10, Donika Martinez 10, Angela Branch 10, Kayla Turland 4, Ammie Avila 4, and Stephanie Castro 1. Others playing: Maria Quiroz, Haley Holden, Araceli Tijerina, Traci Screws, and Kristen Shurley.

Second Game, Dec. 6
McCamey 7 2 5 10--24
Ozona 6 8 2 9--25 Record: 9-1
Scoring Donika Martinez 7, Kayla Turland 4, Diana Ellison 4, Ammie Avila 4, Angela Branch 4, and Stephanie Franco 2. Others playing: Araceli Tijerina, Maria Quiroz, Kristen Shurley, Traci Screws, Stephanie Castro, and Haley Holden.

Third Game, Dec. 6
Water Valley 6 8 8 13--35
Ozona 14 7 14 10--45 Record: 10-1
Scoring: Ammie Avila 20, Donika Martinez 12, Angela Branch 5, Diana Ellison 3, Stephanie Franco 3, and Kayla Turland 2. Others playing: Maria Quiroz, Stephanie Castro, Haley Holden, Araceli Tijerina, Traci Screws, and Kristen Shurley.

Championship Game, Dec. 7
Iraan 12 8 4 18--42
Ozona 4 5 9 10--28 Record: 10-2
Scoring: Angela Branch 12, Donika Martinez 7, Ammie Avila 5, and Diana Ellison 4. Others playing: Kayla Turland and Stephanie Franco. Contributing from the bench were: Kristen Shurley, Traci Screws, Araceli Tijerina, Haley Holden, Maria Quiroz and Stephanie Castro.



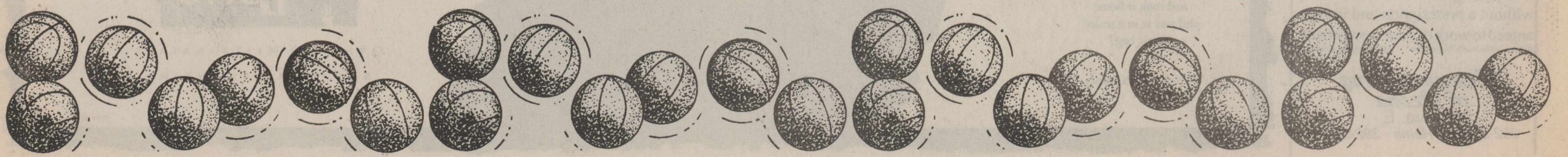
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Just a few of the master cooks for this year's DeerFest: (left to right)-Juan Delgado, Chris Martinez, Johnny Rodriguez, Mark Fierro and Pete Maldonado. Thanks boys for a job well done. photo by Scotty Moore



Crockett 4-H'ers Sweep District Food Show

If a team award had been given at the District VI 4-H Food Show, it would have gone to Crockett County for 1996. "This was one of our best overall shows ever," said County Extension Agent Tedra Ulmer. The district event was held Saturday, Dec. 7, in Fort Stockton at the Pecos County Convention Center.

The 23-county district had 185 4-H'ers entered from 19 counties. Crockett County had the largest number present - 16 contestants out of 21 possible at this year's show. "We were in the top three in most of our categories, with 75 percent of our contestants either first, second or third - the highest percentage in the district," said Ulmer.

In the junior division, Taylor Oglesby placed first in the main dish category, Kristin Bunger placed first in the nutritious snacks and desserts category, and Zachary Beasley placed first in lamb. Receiving second place was Jenna Henderson in pork, and third place went to Alexandra Bean in fruits and vegetables.

Specific placings were not available for contestants Clay Hale in breads and Rose Garza in beef, but they did very well, according to Ulmer.

In the intermediate division, first-place awards went to Quay Oglesby in fruits and vegetables, Paige Tambunga in nutritious snacks and desserts and Marsha Maskill in beef. Second place honors went to Trey Hale in pork, and third place was presented to Amanda Carson in lamb.

Exact ranking information was not available for Claressa Tambunga in intermediate main dish, but she "did a super job and ranked very well," said Ulmer. Leslie Flores, who had advanced to district in the bread category, was unable to compete due to a mid-morning game at the 7th Grade Cub Tournament in Ozona.

In the senior division, the three Crockett County contestants faced super-tough competition, according to Ulmer. Amanda Hignight placed second in the nutritious snacks and des-

serts category, Ty Porter placed third in the main dish category, and Patricia Garza was just out of third place in the fruits and vegetables category.

"This was one of the toughest food shows we've ever seen, and I am extremely proud of the way our 4-H members conducted themselves," said Ulmer.

The agent thanked Myra Tambunga, Tina Bean and Tammy Bunger for serving as judges for the show. She also thanked the parents and grandparents who helped get the 4-H'ers ready. "Many weeks of practice and preparation go into this event, and many of our contestants made super-human efforts to make it to the contest," she said, noting most of the contestants left Ozona between 6 and 6:30 a.m. on Saturday.

Also attending and providing coaching and assistance from Crockett County were: Nancy Hale, Douglas Bean, Sally Oglesby, Melissa Ybarra, Doris Hood, Wendy Tambunga, Deana Porter, Lupe Maskill, Jennifer Beasley, Cathy Carson and Jeannine Henderson.

In the 4-H Food Show, 4-H members are judged on the quality of their food - appearance, flavor, temperature, etc. - as well as their knowledge of nutrition.

They must tell the judges basic nutrition information such as the food groups in the food guide pyramid, the number of servings needed daily from

each, and an example of a serving from each group. They must also know the main nutrients in their food, explain how it was prepared, and how to store it safely.

The food project teaches 4-H'ers nutrition and food preparation and buying skills, plus it helps them learn to communicate effectively, plan ahead, stay calm in any situation, and develop self-confidence and responsibility - plus perseverance.

"Once they go in to the judges, the kids are on their own - their performance is directly related to the amount of work they've put in during the project," said Ulmer, "and the support and help of their parents in the project is critical to their success. That includes going over and over questions, working on garnishes and serving ideas, researching nutrition and all

the rest." The agent continued, "I am really blessed to have such a wonderful group of 4-H members and leaders to work with. They are truly dedicated to making the best better. Every one of our group was prepared, gave 110 percent and tried their hardest, and I am proud of every one of them."

For more information about how 4-H can help your child grow as a productive individual, contact Tedra Ulmer at the Crockett County Extension Office by calling 392-2721 or coming by the office, located at 1301 Ave. AA next to the Fair Park Convention Center. Educational programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages, regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, national origin or disability.



Cousins Wade Richardson and Pon Seahorn dump out excess grease from a large frying skillet used during the DeerFest. Those boys sure did a good job cooking as always. photo by Scotty Moore

*Court (continued from pg. 1)

sary after surveys were made in connection with construction of a new courthouse annex. The Morris property is located behind the courthouse.

Advertising for employee health insurance was authorized by the court; they also approved a resolution endorsing and supporting the principle of fair housing as set forth in Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968. This is required because the county receives government funds for Texas Community Development projects.

Monthly reports were heard from Janet McDaniel for Helping Hands, Louise Ledoux for the public library, Garland Young for the youth and civic center, auditor John Stokes, and Eddie Moore for the road and parks departments.

Mrs. McDaniel said that 1100 meals were served by the Helping Hands for the Elderly program during November. She also told commissioners that Union Pacific was scheduled to talk Monday about a grant request for the Crockett County senior center. No word will be forthcoming until January, however.

Court members were invited by Mrs. Ledoux to attend the Christmas Tour of Homes Sunday. Funds from the event go toward library expansion. A \$10,000 grant from the Meadows Foundation has helped Ozona meet the Abel Hanger Foundation challenge grant, Mrs. Ledoux said. Because

Ozona has acquired \$40,000 this year toward the expansion, Abel Hanger will add another \$10,000. She is working for a \$50,000 government grant to complete the \$250,000 project.

Her proposal for renting a new color copier and a new fax machine were accepted. The items do not change the budget for the library.

As part of the auditor's report, Stokes said the county is \$300,000 better off than at this time last year. He anticipates the county will end the year with "right at one million" in the revenue fund. Care center expenses related to operation by the state may be as much as \$75,000, he said.

During Moore's report the court talked about a six unit trash separation area planned for county property on 14th Street. The stalls are for use by citizens for discarding large metal items (appliances), shingles, building materials, concrete, dirt and limbs. The county will then dispose of this trash.

A written report from fire chief Bob Falkner showed three vehicle fires and one rescue during November.

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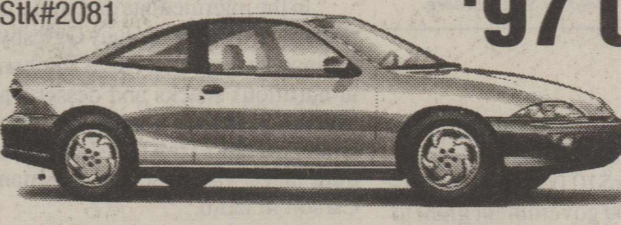
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The Newsreel

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NEWS REEL
DEC. 14, 1967

News Reel

Staff Sergeant Adrian A. Haire, son of Mrs. Jessie Hire of Ozona, received the UY.S. Air Force Commendation Medal at Phu Cat AB, Vietnam. Sergeant Haire was decorated for meritorious service as a jet aircraft mechanic.

News Reel

Chris Childress, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Childress, and Vickie Applewhite, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Applewhite were among the more than a thousand students from the United States, Mexico, and over a score of other countries attending the University of the Americas located in Mexico City.

News Reel

Crockett County 4-H Gold Star winners, Kathy Williams and Don Edger ton, will be honored guests at the District 4-H Gold Star Luncheon in El Paso on Saturday.

News Reel

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jones will leave for California Monday to spend the holiday with their daughter and her family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Van Shoubrouek.

News Reel

Gary Pagan is home on leave preparatory to a tour in Viet Nam. He will leave Ozona January 17 for Oakland, Calif., his point of embarkation.

News Reel

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. brown of Grand Prairie, owners of Brown Furniture Co., opened a new furniture store in Brady last week.

News Reel

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Henderson of Ymma, Arizona have been visiting Mr. Henderson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Henderson.

News Reel

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Miller attended the West Texas Chamber of Commerce breakfast and meeting last week at the Green Oaks Inn in Fort Worth.

News Reel

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Aikman returned to their home in Longview yesterday after visiting with friends here. The Aikmans are former Ozonans.

News Reel

Mrs. Norma Wiet and her son, Brant, have returned to Merced, Calif., after a visit with her mother Mrs. Rob Miller and other relatives.

News Reel

Mrs. Bill Littleton and Mrs. Barney Bedford, both of Abilene, were guests in the home of Mrs. Littleton's mother, Mrs. B. B. Ingham, last week.

News Reel

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Young returned Tuesday from San Angelo where Mr. Young has been under treatment the last three weeks for a heart condition. He is much improved but will be required to "take it easy" for some time.

NEWS REEL
DEC. 15, 1938

News Reel

C. P. Williams, after eleven years experience as a clerk in a grocery store in Ozona, has entered the business for himself. Mr. Williams this week took over by purchase the Ozona Market, buying out the business of W. Y. Bengé.

News Reel

The Ozona Lions opened their 1938-39 cage season with a smashing 28-16 triumph over the Sonora Bronchos on the Sonora court. Beecher Montgomery led the Lions' scoring spree with 14 points.

News Reel

Pupils of the kindergarten and the first four grades will present a Christmas program Tuesday morning in the auditorium. The program will include the following numbers: The Christmas Bells by Joe Perry; piano solo, Edith Lou Piner; Piano solo by Kerry Tandy.

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Ed Hale signs all of the proper paper work for his new shotgun that he won during this year's DeerFest. Roy Glenn Sutton, the licensed firearm distributor for the DeerFest, looks on to make sure it's done right.

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Out and Around with Eddy Hall



Neal and Tedra Ulmer visited his father and brother, Craddock Ulmer and Vic Ulmer, in Stephenville for Thanksgiving. On Saturday, Nov. 28, they went to Abilene to see the semi-finals football game between Stephenville and Sweetwater. Stephenville won 7-0 in the Division II 4-A semi-finals.

Over the Thanksgiving holidays Beecher and Dorothy Montgomery went to visit their son, Bryan Montgomery, in Los Angeles, CA, where Bryan owns *Montgomery Designs*. Bryan designs and builds custom furniture, and he also does interior design. The Montgomerys spent Thanksgiving Day with their niece and her husband, Jean and Bill Gunnell, of Pasadena, CA. On the way home they stopped in Las Vegas and saw the Radio City Rockettes perform.

Paul "Pablo" Perner IV, a student at Angelo State University this semester, found a new interest. He joined the Ram's Air which is an organization

that teaches sky-diving and flight training. Nov. 23 Pablo received a certificate for his first jump. His next scheduled jump was Dec. 7. Good luck, Pablo.

Little Julia Peck is here visiting her grandmother, Carol Adcock, for a week. I know they will have fun.

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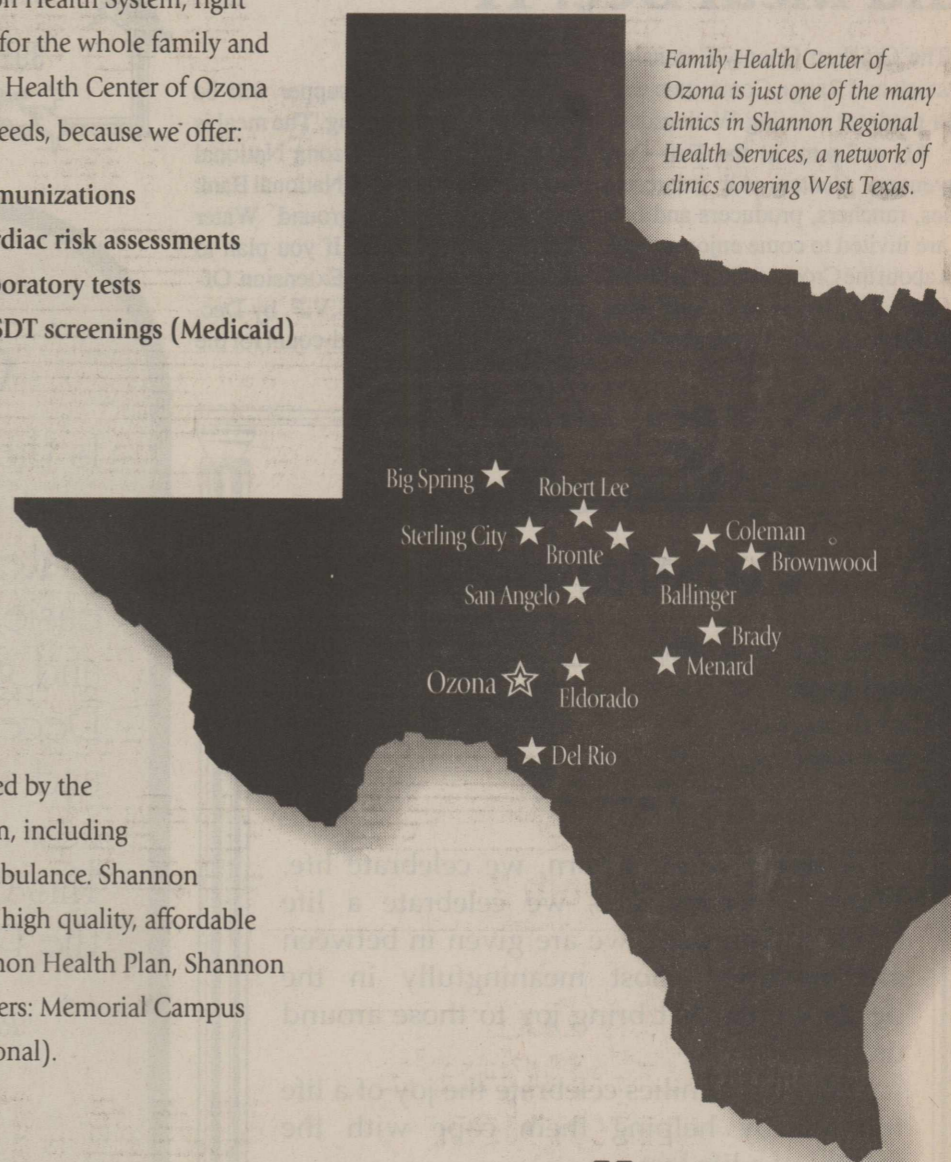
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Sheriff's Report

WEEK ENDING 12-10-96 8 a.m.

ARRESTS:

12-3-96...Micheal David Graham, age 17, of Ozona was arrested on charges of no drivers' license and no seat belt. He was released on 12-4 after paying a fine in J.P. Court.

12-4-96...Sherry Ann Easton, age 21, of Ozona was arrested on a warrant charging her with issuance of a bad check. She was released after appearing in J.P. Court and making restitution.

12-4-96...Willie Payne Jr., age 31, of Ozona was arrested and charged with family violence assault. He was released 12-5 after posting bond.

12-8-96...William T. McElwain, age 33, of Ozona and Kevin Ray Anderson, age 30, of Lufkin were arrested and charged with public intoxication and disorderly conduct, fighting in a public place. Both were released on 12-8 after paying fines in J.P. Court.

INCIDENTS:

12-6-96...A report of a family violence assault that occurred in Crockett County was taken from a woman from Sheffield. A warrant was obtained and a man arrested and transported to the Crockett County Jail.

12-7-96...A criminal mischief report was taken on Hwy. 163 South. It was reported that a vehicle had been scratched.

Calls received by Sheriff's Department from 8 a.m. 12-3-96 to 8 a.m. 12-10-96.

12-3-96
A motorist needing a ride from Shot's #4 to west on I-10. The motorist found a ride.

A complaint of a vehicle blocking a driveway on 11th Street.

A report of a stranded motorist at the 335 mile marker. Contacted a vehicle dealer in Sonora for the motorist.

A locked vehicle on 14th street. Unlocked the vehicle.

A locked vehicle at T&C. Unlocked a Ryder truck.

A stranded motorist at the 335 mile marker. Gave motorist a ride into town.

A locked vehicle on Hillcrest Street. Unlocked the vehicle.

A report of loud music on Monterey Street. Advised to keep the music down.

12-4-96
A report of a light meter sparking on Del Rio Street. Stood by and contacted WTU.

12-5-96
A report of a trespasser on a ranch south of Ozona. Checked and the person had authority to be where he was.

12-6-96...A report of a stranded motorist at the 360 mile marker. Unable to locate.

An alarm at Ozona national Bank ATM drive through. The alarm was reset.

A report of a family violence assault in Sheffield that occurred the previous date in Crockett County. A report taken and a person arrested.

A welfare requesting gas. Gave gas to welfare.

A report of a stolen dog on Blas Street. The dog was located and returned to owner.

12-7-96
A report of three people arguing on Ave. I. Checked and everything was O.K.

A report of a man and women arguing on 163 South. Everything was O.K. when officer arrived.

Assist DPS on an accident involving 18-wheeler at the 375 mile marker.

A request from two truck drivers who had been involved in an earlier accident for a ride from the truck stop to the clinic. Gave the two a ride.

A request to deliver a message to a residence on Ave. G. Delivered the message.

A harassment report on Monterey Street. No report taken.

A criminal mischief report on 163 south. A report taken.

A locked vehicle at the Hillcrest Motel. Unlocked the vehicle.

An alarm at Ozona High School Field House. Alarm company called and canceled the alarm.

A request to deliver a message to a person at the DeerFest. Message delivered.

A report of a hit and run on Monterey Street. A deputy and DPS responded.

A report of loud music on War Admiral. No loud music found.

A report of a sick passenger on the Greyhound bus. Ambulance personnel checked and he was O.K. Driver requested that he be removed and was brought in as a sleeper and put on a later bus.

Report of a fight on Hwy. 290 west. Two persons arrested.

A locked vehicle on 14th street. Unlocked the vehicle.

A report of a gas drive off from Shot's #4. Unable to locate vehicle.

A report of a drunk driver on Willow Street. Unable to locate.

12-9-96
A report of a gas drive off at the T&C. Unable to locate vehicle.

A request for a ride from the truck stop to the bus station. Gave a ride to the person.

A locked vehicle at Ozona High School. Unlocked the vehicle.

A report of a gas drive off from Kwik Mart. Vehicle located in Fort Stockton. Driver taken into custody in a stolen vehicle.

A courtesy transport from Sutton County line to Pecos County line.

A domestic disturbance in the parking lot at the Sheriff's Office. Problem settled for the night.

FSA NEWS

The Crockett County FSA Committee election was held on Monday, Dec. 2, 1996. Ballots were counted and the results were as follows: Marty Acton was elected to a one year term, Dan Davidson elected as 1st alternate and Sally Oglesby elected as 2nd alternate. Sam Perner and Dean McMullan are the returning Committeemen.

The Crockett County FSA office will be staying in Ozona, as a shared management office with Big Lake. The Ozona office will be open only a few days a week. These days have not yet been determined. When we have more details, we will let you know. Thanks to all who helped by calling Congressman and our State Office. It worked.

We are still waiting on word of the extension of DRAP (feed program). Producers can start gathering all feed tickets thru the end of November and their head count changes. Depending on the extension we will either make a final payment after December of issue another advance if the program runs thru Feb. 28, 1997.

Economic Injury Disaster Loans Available For Crockett County

Crockett County businesses depending on farmers and ranchers can now apply for low interest Economic Injury Disaster Loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). These loans are available to help businesses meet normal operating expenses that cannot be met due to the effects of a disaster. Drought, freeze, high winds, freezing temperatures, sleet and snow which occurred June 1, 1995 through June 11, 1996 and continuing caused many farmers and ranchers to experience reduced incomes which may have had an adverse economic effect on businesses depending upon these producers. Farmers and ranchers are not eligible for this loan program but may be eligible for disaster assistance through other Federal agencies. However, nurseries that are victims of drought disasters can apply.

To obtain an application or receive additional information, interested business owners may call the SBA toll-free at 1-800-366-6303 or TDD 817-267-4688 for the hearing impaired. The deadline for filing applications is June 24, 1997.

Due to the weather, many producers experienced crop losses and were not able to purchase goods and services at normal levels. Businesses



CATHY ENGLISH leads the group in a sing-along during the Christmas lighting ceremony held Friday on the square. Carols brought a holiday mood to a large number of townspeople who attended.

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work in the county. A free barbecue supper will be served to those attending. The meal is being sponsored by Ozona National Bank, Crockett County National Bank and Emerald Underground Water Conservation District. If you plan to attend, please call the Extension Office at 392-2721 to R.S.V.P. by Dec. 10 to help provide a head-count for the meal.

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