



Mike Ledoux - Cook of the Week

Cook of the Week Mike Ledoux shares several recipes from his native Louisiana. Born in Opelousas, Mike learned to cook at a very young age. "Mama made sure all us kids knew how to cook," said Mike.

He remembers standing in a chair to cook and cooking for his father and sister once while his mother was in the hospital.

"It's fun, it takes time, and you've got to put the TLC in it along with all the other stuff," says Mike of cooking. "You've got to stand at the stove to do it right."

Mike is married to Ozonan Louise Perner Ledoux. "I'm so glad we made our home in Ozona," said Mike. "I love living here in Ozona; I just wish there was more work here instead of having to work out of Houston."

Mike owns a truck and flatbed trailer and does hauling out of Houston into Louisiana and the Rio Grande Valley. He has seen a great deal of the world while working on his brother's seagoing tug. "I was engineer and cook," says Mike with a laugh. "We'd go all over: Venezuela, Brazil, Costa Rica, Jamaica, Aruba, and all up and down the east coast of the United States."

Mike hopes people try his recipes. The first one, Chicken and Sausage Gumbo, is a cool weather favorite. "The first cool snap in the fall everybody starts hollering 'Gumbo, Gumbo,'" he says.

Chicken and Sausage Gumbo

- 1 - 6 lb. hen
 - 1 lb. smoked sausage, chopped (use the leanest sausage to be found)
 - 1/2 c. green onion tops, chopped
 - 1 med. onion, chopped
 - 1/4 c. parsley, chopped
 - 4 1/2 qts. water
 - 1 tsp. salt
 - 1/2 tsp. each black pepper and red pepper
 - 4 oz. or 1/2 pint dry roux mix
- Add water to large pot. Bring to boil and add roux mix, stirring continuously until roux is completely dissolved. Add rest of ingredients. Boil uncovered over medium heat for approximately 2 hours. When gumbo is finished cooking, debone chicken and return meat to gumbo. Serve over rice with crackers or french bread.

Mike's Crawfish Pies

- 2 lbs. crawfish tails
 - 2 cloves garlic
 - 1 c. chopped onion
 - 1 c. chopped celery
 - 1 can cream of onion or mushroom soup
 - 1 stick margarine
 - 2 unbaked pie shells and tops
 - 2 T corn starch or less depending on thickness
 - 2 T green onions, chopped
 - 2 T (or more) parsley
 - 1 lg. can evaporated milk
 - Salt, black and red pepper to taste
 - Tumeric or paprika for color (yellow or red)
- Sauté onions, celery and garlic

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Belinda Koerth crowned Xi Sigma Omega Valentine Queen

On Saturday, Feb. 13, members of Xi Sigma Omega held their Valentine's Party at the home of Rory and Susan Buchanan. Members were treated to a delicious barbecue brisket meal prepared by hostesses Janet Smith, Susan Buchanan and Laurie Hale. After supper, members crowned Belinda Koerth as the 1999 Xi Sigma Omega Valentine Queen and Shannon Hunnicutt the 1999 Princess. Secret Sister gifts were also exchanged.

Couples in attendance were: Susan and Rory Buchanan, Janet and Mark Smith, Laurie and Ed Hale, Laura and Jim Skehan, Belinda and Ronald Koerth, Shannon and Rick Hunnicutt, Diane and Tom Anderson. Special guest was Billy Cunningham.

The Hitchin' Post was the setting for the regular meeting held on March 1. Hostess Belinda Koerth treated all

members to a delicious grilled chicken dinner and presented a program on palm reading. During the business meeting, Martha Weant reminded all members that the blood drive would be held on March 4.

Officer elections were held. Officers for 1999-2000 are: President - Susan Buchanan, Vice-President - Belinda Koerth, Treasurer - Shannon Hunnicutt, Recording Secretary - Laura Skehan, Corresponding Secretary - Sherry Rostyne and Extension Officer - Janet Smith.

Names were also drawn for Secret Sister gifts for Founder's Day in April.

Members attending were: Diane Anderson, Susan Buchanan, Laurie Hale, Laura Skehan, Janet Smith, Belinda Koerth, Shannon Hunnicutt, Sherry Rostyne and Martha Weant.



Mr. Sanchez, Miss Vargas to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Vargas and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Sanchez announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter and son, Tiffany Katherine Vargas and Patrick Anthony Sanchez.

The wedding will be held on April 24, 1999, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church.

The bride-elect is a 1994 graduate of Ozona High School. She received a bachelor of business administration in management information

Commission meets Friday, March 12

The Crockett County Historical Commission will meet Friday, March 12, from noon until 1:00 p.m. in the museum.

system from Texas Tech University in December of 1998 and is currently employed with the Texas Department of Transportation in Austin. Mr. Sanchez is a 1996 graduate of Ozona High School and is currently employed at Frito Lay of Austin.

It's a grandson!

Mr. and Mrs. Vance Worthington would like to announce the birth of their grandson, Jay Will Woodwick. Jay Will was born Feb. 22, 1999, in Lubbock. His parents are Jamie and Tess Woodwick.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Woodwick of Crane. Maternal great-grandmothers are Quilla Worthington of Peacock and Margaret Coates of Ozona.

Program focuses on plant care

Preceptor Mu Chi's March 8 meeting held at Crockett National Bank was hosted by Lisa Branch.

Blanca Martinez gave a program on caring for flowers, trees and grass in Ozona. Blanca is the owner and manager of Baskets and More of Ozona.

It is too late to cut back rose bushes. If you haven't already cut them back, don't. The liquid rose fertilizer is best at one-half a cup to a gallon of water applied to the base of the rose bush twice a month. Now is a good time.

Now is the time to cut back salvias, begonias, impatiens and geraniums.

Fertilize pecan trees now with iron. Use iron granules at the rate of 16-8-8 that says its good for trees. Sprinkle around root systems of tree on ground and water in.

It is too late to fertilize or winterize your grass.

Use BR-16 for outside or inside flowering plants.

Use bone meal on your bulbs, but it is too late for tulips. Plant bulbs the last of March and add bone meal.

Blanca is going by the old wife's tale "Thunder in February, freeze in April". So we are all expecting a freeze the 29th of April.

Prepare beds to be planted in April. Use bone meal, fertilizer. Osmocote is a good fertilizer. Also add mulch, peat moss and or potting soil to enrich your flowering beds.

The feeling is caladiums will not do well here as last year. The early high temperature makes caladiums not a good choice. Coleus are maybe a better and colorful replacement. Gerber Daisies also will do well with the hot temperatures.

Aphids are predicted to be bad

1 lg. bunch green onions, chopped

1 1/2 cans tomato sauce

1 lg. bell pepper, chopped

Select a black iron pot or heavy pot that you can handle well enough to shake as you never stir the fish while it's cooking.

Rub fish pieces well with salt, black and red pepper. Put oil in cold pot. Arrange layer of fish on bottom. Mix bell pepper, garlic, celery, onion and parsley together. Sprinkle gener-

ously over fish. Sprinkle 1 T flour over vegetables and 1/2 of the tomato sauce. Then, repeat with another layer of fish, a layer of vegetables, 1 T flour and remaining tomato sauce. Add thyme, bay leaf, lemon and water.

Place pot on very low heat and cook slowly for 1 hour or until fish is tender. Shake pot often to prevent sticking. Never stir to prevent breaking up fish. When done, taste for seasoning and add more if necessary. Serve over rice.

The ladies plan a trip to Pandale to Grimm's and to eat at Pandale store Saturday, March 13.

Lisa Branch served dips of Velveeta and Rotel and cream cheese and Rotel and chips, with lemon bars and brownies for dessert. Coffee and tea were also served.

Eleven members were present and four absent. Present were: Terri Adams, Lisa Branch, Nancy Davee, Nancy Hale, Sonja Hoover, Betty Koerth, Billie Morris, Brenda Newton, Donna Sanders, Jeanne Wellman and Lynda Wende.

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County 4-H members compete in San Antonio rabbit show

Submitted by Sara Hignight

Members of the Crockett County 4-H Rabbit Club left Ozona en masse to attend the San Antonio Stock Show. Gathering in the show barn at 7 a.m. on Saturday morning to show rabbits created a time of fun and excitement. Youth from all over the state as well as adults were there to show their best animals in one of the top stock shows in Texas for rabbits.

Results of the youth show are as follows:

Hilary Huffman-Mini Rex tort-1st and B.O.V. Jr. Doe, 1st and B.O.S.V. Sr. Buck, 1st Jr. Doe. Black-1st and B.O.S.V. Jr. Buck. Castor-4th Sr. Doe. Hol. Lop solid-2nd Sr. Doe, 7th Sr. Buck. Brk.-3rd Sr. Buck, 6th Jr. Buck.

Julia Henderson-Jersey Wooley-1st Sr. Doe. Mini Lop Brk.-1st Jr. Buck. Satin White-1st Sr. Buck. Mini Rex Red-1st Sr. Buck B.O.V. and Best

Opp Sex and received a rosette.

Jenna Henderson-Neth. Dw.-1st Sr. Buck B.O.S.G. and B.O.V. Mini Rex Tort-2nd Sr. Doe. Satin Brk.-1st Sr. Doe B.O.V. and Best Opp. Sex and received a rosette. Jersey Wooley-1st Sr. Buck B.O.V. and Best of breed and received a rosette.

Adrienne Bendele-Holland Lop-1st Jr. Doe B.O.S.V. Dwarf Hotot-1st Sr. Doe B.O.B. received a rosette, 1st Sr. Buck B.O.S.B. Mini Lop-3rd Sr. Buck. Polish-1st Sr. Buck B.O.B. received a rosette. Satin-1st, 3rd Sr. Does, 2nd Sr. Buck. Californians-1st Sr. Buck, 6th Sr. Buck, 2nd Jr. Buck, 3rd Jr. Doe, 1st Sr. Doe and 3rd Sr. Doe.

Results of the open show (youth and adults showing together) are as follows:

Peyton Fenton-Californian-7th Sr. Buck, 11th Sr. Doe. Satin-1st 6/8 Doe B.O.V.

Morgan Glosson-Satin-1st Sr. Doe. Mini Rex Brk.-4th Sr. Buck.

Frankie Skinner-Californian-2nd Sr. Doe, 7th Jr. Doe. Fl. White-5th Sr. Buck, 1st Sr. Doe. Mini Rex-1st Jr. Doe. Neth. Dw.-R.E.W.-1st Jr. Buck. Black 1st Sr. Doe. Siamese Sable-1st Sr. Doe B.O.B. and Best Opp. Sex received a rosette. Chinchilla-1st Jr. Doe. Silver Martin-1st Jr. Buck, 1st Sr. Buck.

Kasey Gray-Dutch Black-1st Sr. Buck, 1st Jr. Buck. Mini Rex tort-1st Jr. Doe B.O.V.

Thomas Gray-Californian-5th & 12th Jr. Buck

Kristopher Gray-Neth. Dw.-1st Jr. Buck B.O.G. & B.O.V.

Amanda Hignight-Mini Lop-1st Sr. Doe B.O.S.V., 1st Sr. Buck B.O.V. & B.O.B. received a rosette. Californian-2nd & 5th Sr. Doe. Mini Rex Brk.-1st Jr. Doe. Castor-1st Sr. Buck B.O.V. & B.O.B. received a rosette, 1st Jr. Buck, 1st Sr. Doe B.O.S.V., 3rd Sr. Doe. Tort-2nd Jr. Doe. Black-1st Sr. Buck B.O.V.

Receiving a first place for the first time at a major stock show was Morgan Glosson, Peyton Fenton, Kasey Gray and Kristopher Gray. Using four A.R.B.A. judges at the show the San Antonio Stock Show celebrated its 50th year. A total of over 900 rabbits were at the show which continued through Sunday. The Bendele Family stayed that day to show also.

Attending from Ozona were: Jenna, Julia and Jeannine Henderson; Jerry and Willa Perry; Frankie Skinner, Mary Jo and Marvin Clark; Peyton Fenton; Kristopher, Thomas, Kasey, Tammy and Tommy Gray; Adrienne, Monica and Vernon Bendele; Morgan, Brandi, Cody, Melissa, and Larry Glosson; Hilary, Karen and Vince Huffman; Amanda, Sara and John Hignight. Also coming to the show were Tonya and Keith Olive of Kerrville with the Glossons and Donna Jo and Coll Nicolson with Frankie Skinner.

*Skinner (cont. from pg. 1)

ner 5th, Kristopher Gray 11th; Jr. Bucks- Frankie Skinner 1st, Kristopher Gray 2nd; Sr. Bucks- Frankie Skinner 3rd, Kasey Gray 5th, Diana Hernandez 8th and Morgan Glosson 9th.

Holland Lop: Jr. Does-Adrienne Bendele 1st.

Receiving a 1st place at a major show for the first time were Dana Moran, Sarah and Barrett Richie. Many of the classes would have over twenty animals and would be strong competition among the animals on the show table.

Attending the San Angelo show

from Ozona were Morgan Glosson, Larry and Melissa Glosson and Cody, Bailey Bishop, Dana Moran, Jon and Terry Moran and Selena, Diana Hernandez, Nat and Amparo Hernandez and Natalie and Nat Jr., Sarah and Barnett Richie, Mack and Carol Richie, Peyton Fenton, Shane and Peri Leigh Fenton, Ronnie and Carolyn Pennington of San Angelo, Christopher Thomas, Kasey Gray, Tommy and Tammy Gray, Frankie Skinner, Marvin and Mary Jo Clark, Mr. Marvin Clark of Ballinger, Adrienne Bendele, Vernon and Monica Bendele, Mr. J. R. Scharwtz of Wall, Amanda Hignight, John and Sara Hignight.



March 10 - Jolissa Payne, Perry Hubbard, Dean Fierro, Gerald Ortiz, Maria Tollett, Joe Perez Sr., Tina Elizondo, Robin Tambunga, Ann Mayo, Ryan Bean, Eula Elmore, Manuel Perez, Leticia Schalek, Roberto Ybarra, Beto Ybarra, Lorena Hernandez, Jim Bob Bailey

March 11 - Emily Moore, Gary Buck Mitchell, Amelia Tambunga, Ryan Bean, Robin Myers, Susan Pullen, Madison Fierro, Olga Rios, Amber Loftin, Gerhard Nehus, Jaime Huerta

March 12 - Andy Wilson, Mitchell Martinez, Santiago Ybarra Sr., Janie Chandler, Billy Tom Turland, Ty Porter, Anna Lara, Belia

Vasquez, Thomas Mossman

March 13 - Pat Glaze, Leonard Munoz, Natalie Arredondo, Morris King, Ami Sewell, Patty Navarette, Jack Stanton

March 14 - Diego Pena Jr., Ann Duran, Kay Stewart, Anthony Vasquez, Karina Rodriguez

March 15 - Tracey Preddy, Gloria Rivera, Derek Nichols, Megan Mitchell, Melinda Leal, Charlie Galindo, Stephanie Maskill

March 16 - Rene De La Rosa, Liz Huereca, Benito Gutierrez, Jennifer Beasley, Araceli Tijerina, Nancy Huffman, James Dickenson, Sulema Martinez, Catarino Villarreal Sr., Laura Garza

Wildflower hotline available

Motorists searching for the best wildflower locations along Texas highways will soon have help at their fingertips.

"The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will operate a wildflower hotline beginning Feb. 25," according to Patsy Maddux, the San Angelo District's Public Information Officer. The toll-free hotline, 800-452-9292, will provide callers with automated information on the best locations for wildflowers along the 77,000-mile Texas highway system.

The hotline information comes from TxDOT's maintenance employees around the state and includes wildflower information from cities, chambers of commerce and parks officials.

While finding the best wildflowers is as easy as picking up the phone, it is too early to predict the overall quality of the year's wildflowers, according to one wildflower expert.

"Wildflower plants are developing roots now," said Herb Neimann, TxDOT's director of landscape design. "We really need some rain soon across much of the state, or the flowers we get will be smaller than usual. We still have time, but the sooner the better."

"We want the wildflowers to grow and be enjoyed," Neimann said. "Taking a drive to view spring wildflowers is pretty much a Texas tradition. Hopefully, it will be a good show this year, but we need some rain."

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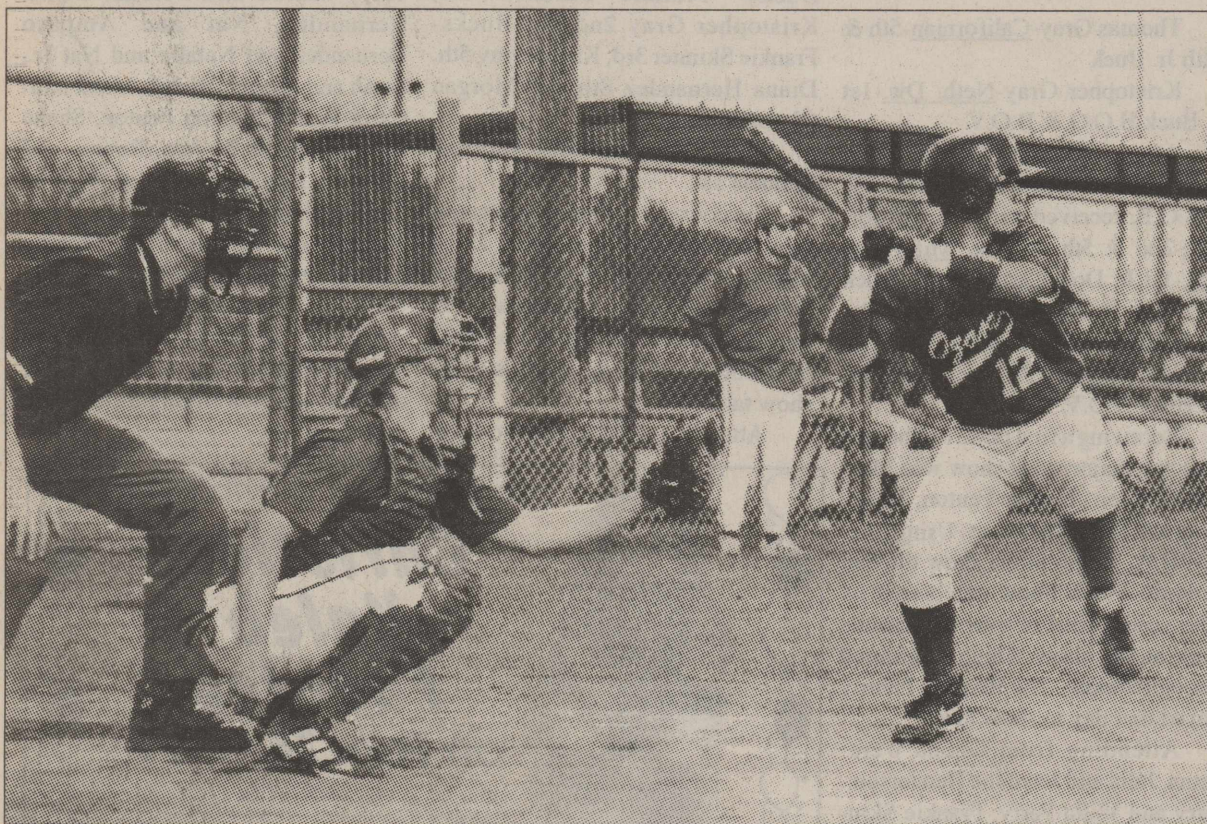
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ERNIE HERNANDEZ WINDS UP FOR A POWER HIT in the Ozona Lions first baseball game of the season vs. Miles. Photo by Stephen Zuberbueller

Lions win third in Sonora baseball tournament

By Michelle Holtz
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The Ozona Lions baseball team improved their win-loss record to 1-1 when they defeated the Ballinger Bearcats 4-3 in the first game of Sonora tournament Friday.

The Lions were led by a complete game from Kenny Vargas on the mound and a 2-4 day from the plate scoring 2 runs.

Ozونا jumped out to a 4-3 lead in the first inning over the Bearcats. The Bearcats captured the lead scoring 2 runs in the fifth inning and 1 in the sixth inning to hold the lead.

The Lions were not to be denied their first victory of the season as they scored 3 runs in the bottom of the sixth inning to win 7-6.

BALLINGER 3 0 0 0 2 1-6 8 2

OZONA 4 0 0 0 0 3-7 7 2

In game two of the touney the Lions played the host team Sonora Broncos.

Paul Sanchez started on the mound for the Lions. The game was close as the Broncos led 4-0 going into the fourth inning, but the Broncos exploded for 7 runs in the fourth inning and went on to defeat the Lions 11-0.

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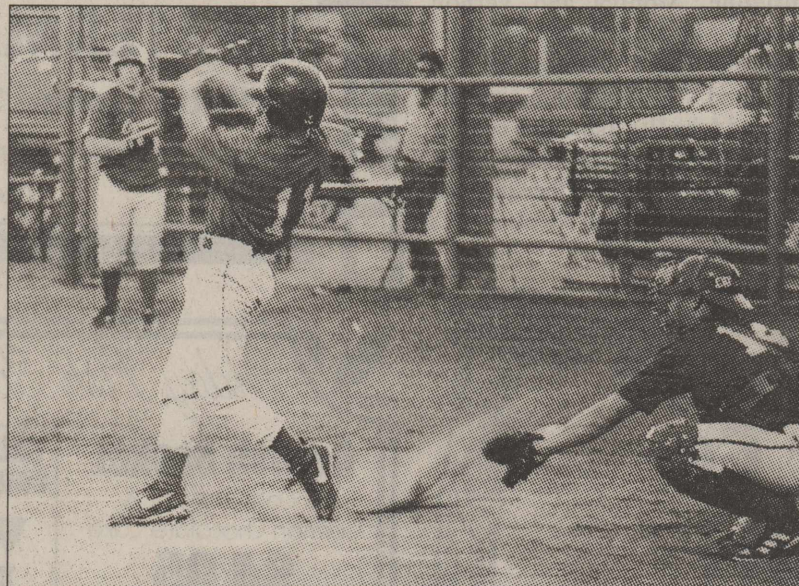
The Lions matched up against the Sonora JV for third place and walked away with a victory and the third place trophy.

The Lions started lefty Kenny Vargas on the mound with Robert Kelly coming on for relief.

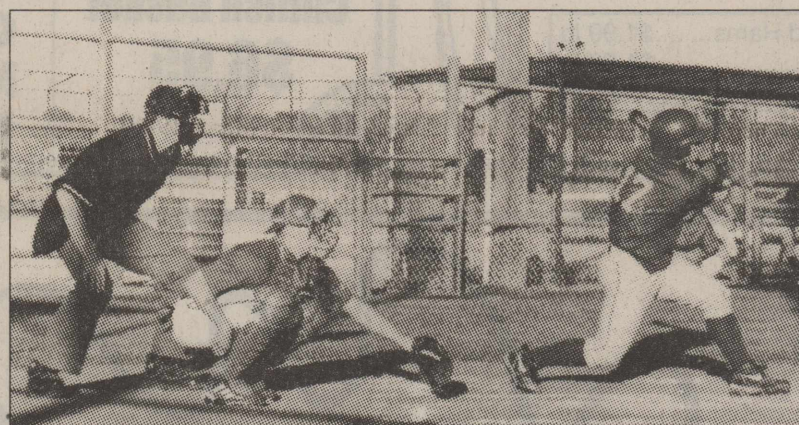
The Lions held the Sonora JV scoreless through five innings and Ruben Rey went 3 for 4 and scored 3 runs to lead the Lions to there second victory of the year. The Lions are now 2-2 for the season.

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OZONA 1 5 0 0 0 3-9 7 0



DIRT FLYS AS KENNY VARGAS takes a swing in the first OHS baseball game of the season against Miles. Photo by Stephen Zuberbueller



ROBERT KELLY gives it his best in the Lions season opener against Miles. Photo by Stephen Zuberbueller

Lions fall to Miles in season opener

By Michelle Holtz
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The Ozona Lions hosted Miles in a baseball season opener.

Robert Kelly started on the mound for the Lions and held Miles to only 2 runs in two innings.

The Lions scored 5 runs in 2 innings to lead 5-2. However, Miles out

scored the Lions 18-3 in the next 3 innings behind 18 hits, 9 walks and 6 errors to win 20-8.

Kenny Vargas came in to relieve Robert Kelly in the 3rd inning.

The Lions scored 7 runs on 6 hits and a 2-4 performance by A. Ortiz. The Lions fall to 0-1 for the season.

MILES 0 2 10 2 6-20 18 6

OZONA 2 3 3 0 0-8 6 6

OHS tennis teams compete in 1999 Regional Tourney

By Michelle Holtz
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The Lions and Lady Lions tennis teams traveled to San Angelo last Friday and Saturday and competed in the 1999 Regional Team Tournament.

Ozونا defeated Winters in the first round of team play, but were defeated in the second round by Sonora placing them in consolation play against Irion County and were defeated. They then played and were defeated by Forsan for their last team event of the tournament.

In the singles division the Lady Lions defeated Winters in round one of the championship bracket. The following Ozona girls defeating their opponents in round one were: Donika Martinez 6-3, 6-0; Kelli Anne Goble 6-0, 6-0; Cara Green 6-4, 3-6, 6-2; Erin Barber 3-6, 6-1, 6-0; Leslie Flores 6-0, 6-0, and Kayla Shurley 6-3, 6-1.

The Lady Lions also defeated Winters in the doubles division. Erin Barber and Cara Green defeated their opponents 6-0, 6-0, Donika Martinez and Kelli Anne Goble won their match 6-1, 6-1, and Leslie Flores and Kayla Shurley also defeated their opponents 6-0, 6-3.

The Lions were defeated in doubles and most of the singles division against Winters. Dustin Faught won his match in the singles division against Winters 6-2, 7-6, 7-4. Also competing in the singles division for the Lions were: Shayne Albers, Harrell Hodges, Ty Porter, Chad Flanagan and Robert Quiroz.

Playing in doubles divisions for the Lions were Dustin Faught, Shayne Albers, Ty Porter, Chad Flanagan, Robert Quiroz and Josh Tambunga.

Harrell Hodges and Cara Green won the mixed doubles against Winters by default.

Ozونا was the winner in round one of the championship bracket with a score of 10-9. In round two Ozona played against Sonora. Sonora won the second round 16-2 of the champi-

onship bracket.

In the singles division Kelli Anne Goble won her match 6-2, 6-2. Also competing in the singles division but were defeated by Sonora were: Donika Martinez, Cara Green, Erin Barber, Leslie Flores and Kayla Shurley.

In doubles Kelli Anne Goble and Donika Martinez won their match 7-5, 3-6, 6-4. Also competing in doubles, but were defeated were: Erin Barber-Cara Green, and Leslie Flores and Kayla Shurley.

The Sonora Broncos shut out the Lions in singles play and doubles. Playing for the Lions in the singles division were Dustin Faught, Shane Albers, Harrell Hodges, Ty Porter, Chad Flanagan and Robert Quiroz.

Playing in the doubles division were Dustin Faught-Casey Jamerson, Ty Porter-Chad Flanagan and Robert Quiroz-Josh Tambunga.

In the consolation bracket singles division against Irion County Lady Lion Kelli Anne Goble won her match 6-1, 6-3. Other Lady Lions competing, but were defeated were: Donika Martinez, Cara Green, Kelli McNeely, Leslie Flores and Kayla Shurley.

In the doubles division of round two Donika Martinez and Kelli Anne Goble won their match 6-1, 6-3. Other Lady Lions competing, but were defeated were: Kelli McNeely-Allison Preddy, Leslie Flores-Kayla Shurley.

In the boys single division against Irion County Lion Harrell Hodges and Chad Flanagan both won their matches 6-0, 6-4 and 6-1, 6-1 respectively. Other Lions competing, but were defeated were: Dustin Faught, Shayne Albers, Ty Porter and Robert Quiroz.

Lions Robert Quiroz and Josh Tambunga won their match 6-4, 4-6, 6-4 in the doubles division. Other Lions competing, but were defeated were: Dustin Faught-Shayne Albers and Ty Porter-Chad Flanagan.

Lion Harrell Hodges and Lady Lion Cara Green won the mixed doubles match against Irion County in the second round consolation bracket.

Lady Lion alternates were: Amy Ivey, Leslie Flores and Kayla Shurley. Lions alternates were Tripp Farris and Jason Davis.

In the second round of the consolation bracket against Forsan Lady Lion Donika Martinez won her match 6-3, 6-4 and Kelli Anne Goble also won her match 6-3, 6-3. Allison Preddy and her opponent did not finish their game. Also playing, but were defeated were: Cara Green, Kelli McNeely.

Forsan shut out the Lady Lions in the doubles division. Playing for the Lady Lions were: Donika Martinez-Kelli Anne Goble, Allison Preddy-Kelli McNeely and Leslie Flores-Kayla Shurley.

In the boys singles division against Forsan Lion Josh Tambunga won his match 6-4, 7-5. Ty Porter and Chad Flanagan won their doubles match against Forsan 6-3, 6-3. Playing for the Lions, but were defeated in the singles division were: Dustin Faught, Shayne Albers, Ty Porter, Chad Flanagan and Robert Quiroz. Also playing in the doubles division, but were defeated were: Dustin Faught-Shayne Albers, and Robert Quiroz-Josh Tambunga. Harrell Hodges and Cara Green beat Forsan in the mixed doubles match by default.

Ozona competes in Hubble Relays

By Michelle Holtz
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

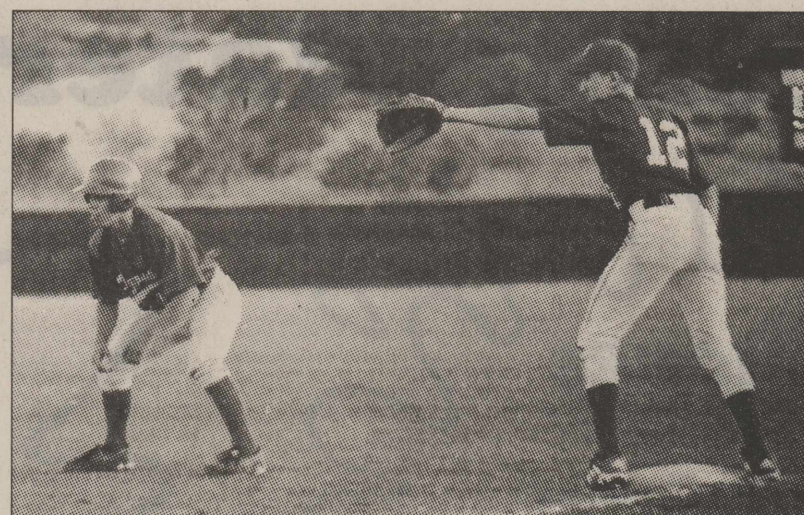
The Ozona Lions and Lady Lions competed in the Hubble Relays,

the first track meet of the season, Saturday in Junction. Both teams were short handed for the first track meet of the year due to Spring Break.

The boys finished with a total of 37 points as Steven Martinez finished 3rd in the shot put with a throw of 45 feet, 2 1/2 inches, Ray Ramos finished 2nd with a time of 23.93 seconds in the 200 meter dash, and the sprint 400m relay team of Ray Ramos, Ken Sessom, Gabe Tijerina and Will Roane finished second with a time of 45.67 seconds.

The girls finished with a total of 20 team points as Lori Sanchez won the mile run with a time of 5 minutes, 38.87 seconds to lead the pack.

Overall, both teams got some good experience. They will compete next week in Eldorado.



TIM MALDONADO leads off of first base against Miles in the Lions baseball season opener. Photo by Stephen Zuberbueller

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West Texas Utilities
Troy Williams
Wool Growers

School

Heritage study revealing to students at Middle School

Seventh graders at Ozona Middle School know more about themselves and their ancestors after completing a unit on family heritage. The enthusiastic youngsters finished the week with a display of family treasures, photographs and reports on things they had learned.

Beginning the morning's program was a talk by Sid Hoover relating the story of the first pioneer family to come to Crockett County.

A meal with some dishes prepared from recipes in a cookbook compiled in English class as part of

the unit completed the program.

The unit was interwoven among the classes as part of the team teaching concept. In their reading class, the seventh graders completed the book "Search for the Shadow Man". History class included making family trees and interviewing the oldest family member. These interviews were used in character sketches as part of English class.

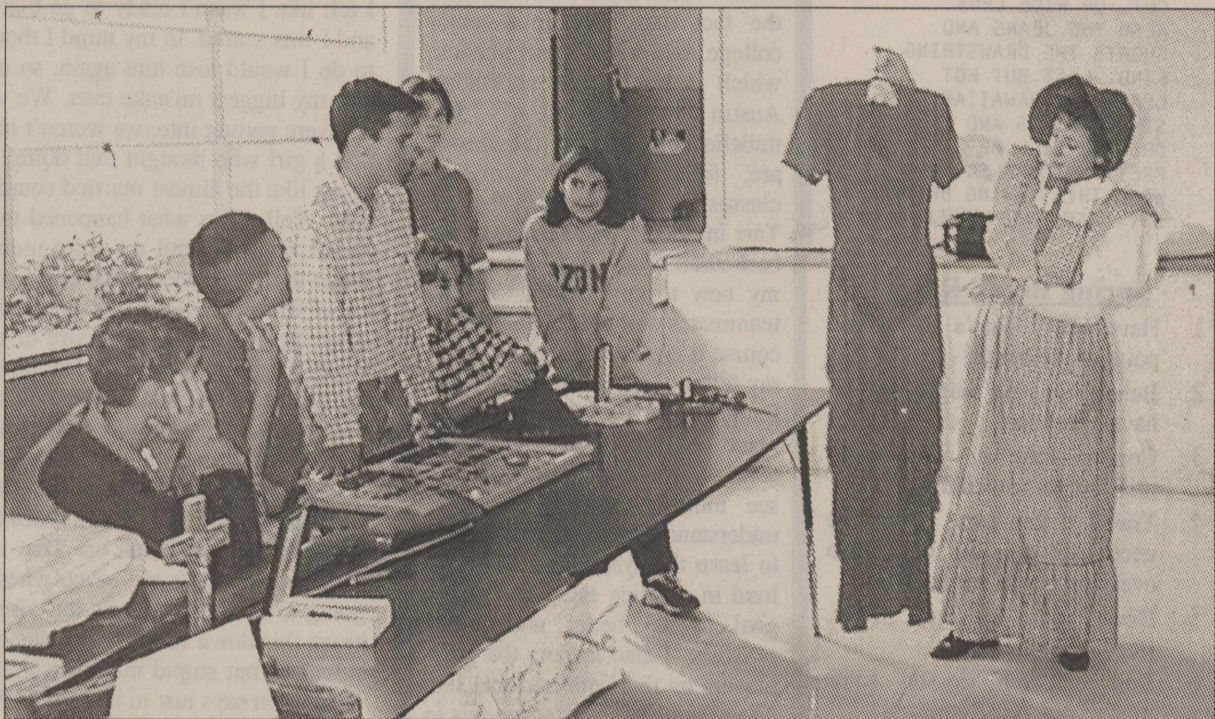
Science students studied genetics and genetic traits, and the math class learned about making quilt blocks.



ABEL MARTINEZ (l.) proudly surveys his grandfather's heirloom collectibles as Arron Garza looks on during the Ozona Middle School family heritage unit. DigiCam Photo by Linda Moore



MODELING ANTIQUE PIONEER APPAREL during the seventh grade family heritage program are seventh grade teacher Lloyd Winkley, guest speaker Sid Hoover, and seventh grade teachers Jennifer Hicks, Nancy Floyd, Katrece Hale and Michelle McGee. DigiCam Photo by Linda Moore



KATRECE HALE (r.) displays a 1920 vintage flapper dress belonging to the Clayton family brought for exhibition by Arron Garza. Also pictured are: (l. to r.) Brad Mayfield, Abel Martinez, Arron Garza, Trace Larson, Ryan Pearl and Becky Barrera. DigiCam Photo by Linda Moore

Letter could win scholarship

The Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Auxiliary and the American Land Foundation is sponsoring a letter writing contest to encourage young people to take an interest in writing members of their legislature. The contest is open to all students who are juniors or seniors in high school in the spring of 1999 or plan to enroll in a university in the fall semester of 1999. Former Texas or national contestants who wish to enter must totally rewrite their previously entered letter.

The subject for the letter is *Is Environmental Education Biased?* Entries must be postmarked by July 31, 1999.

First prize is a \$1000.00 college scholarship, second prize is a \$750 college scholarship, and third prize is a \$500 college scholarship.

Letters must be typewritten and not over two pages in length (preferably one page). The heading must include your address and telephone number. The first paragraph must state the student's age, classification in school, the name of the high school or college attended, or the college you plan to attend in the fall of 1999 and your classification in that college. Then state that this letter expresses your views.

Address the member of Congress properly, be polite, be specific, be concise and use examples to support your position and ask that the congressman please respond to your concerns. Your letter must be pro-American agriculture and pro-private property rights.

Letters will be judged in August of 1999 by an industry leader.

Write the 1999 state representative from your district. Letters to national representatives will be disqualified. Mail the original letter to your state representative and a copy of the letter to: TSGRA Letter Writing Contest, P. O. Box 387, Marathon, TX 79842.

Also write your 1999 state senator from your district. Use the same letter, but change the addressee to your senator. Letters to national senators will be disqualified. Mail the original letter to your state senator and mail a copy to: TSGRA Auxiliary Letter Writing Contest c/o Debbie McMullan, P. O. Box 516, Iraan, TX 79744.

If you have questions, you may call Mrs. McMullan at 915-639-2208. For a list of resource materials and more information on environmental education, send a self-addressed envelope to the above address.

Booster Club to meet March 16

There will be a Booster Club meeting Tuesday, March 16, at 6:30 p.m. in the main building of Ozona High School. The Booster Club will have the concession stand at the

track meets on March 19-20.

Any parents wanting to help are asked to call Randy Herring at 392-2031 or 392-8023. Help is greatly needed.



BRANDI BUCHANAN (r.) models Nancy Floyd's (l.) great grandmother Yarborough's antique dress from the 1800's. DigiCam Photo by Linda Moore

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

All lunches served with your choice of white or chocolate milk

REGULAR

March 15 - Pizza, Nachos, Carrot Sticks, Applesauce
 March 16 - Spaghetti & Meat Sauce, Corn, Pineapple
 March 17 - Chickburger, Burger Salad, Tator Tots, Cookie
 March 18 - Chicken Quesadilla, Salad, Ranch Style Beans, Pudding
 March 19 - Steakfingers, Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls

FAST FOOD

March 15 - Corn Dog, Nachos, Carrot Sticks, Applesauce
 March 16 - Taco Burger, French Fries, Pineapple, Rolls
 March 17 - Hamburger, Burger Salad, Tator Tots, Cookie
 March 18 - Pizza, Salad, Corn, Pudding
 March 19 - Cheeseburger, Burger Salad, French Fries, Rolls

BREAKFAST

All breakfasts are served with milk, juice, muffin, toast and jelly. You may have your choice of one of the following items each day. You may buy extra items for 25¢ each.

March 15 - Beef & Bean Burrito or Cold Cereal
 March 16 - Sausage & Biscuit or Cold Cereal or Oatmeal
 March 17 - Sausage & Egg Burrito or Cold Cereal
 March 18 - French Toast or Cold Cereal
 March 19 - Potato & Egg Burrito or Cold Cereal

1210 Peach Call in your order - 392-4040

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The Lions Roar

It can happen to anybody

S P R I N G B R E A K k a k

HOW EMBARRASSING

GREASY

I WAS EATING PIZZA WITH MY FRIENDS. I GOT UP TO GO GET SOMETHING TO DRINK. WELL, WHEN I GOT BACK I SAT DOWN ON A PIZZA MY FRIEND LEFT ON MY CHAIR. THEY WERE ALL LAUGHING, AND I HAD A BIG GREASE STAIN ON MY BUTT. SO I HAD TO GO HOME TO CHANGE.

TOILET PAPER

I HAD BEEN WALKING DOWN THE HALLS AROUND ALL DAY. AND I NOTICED PEOPLE LAUGHING AT ME. FINALLY AT THE END OF THE DAY A FRIEND WALKED UP AND TOLD ME "YOU HAVE A PIECE OF TOILET PAPER ON YOUR JEANS". IT TURNED OUT ONE OF MY CLASSMATES TAPED A PIECE OF TOILET PAPER TO MY JEANS. IT WAS KIND OF LATE, BUT I'M GLAD MY FRIEND TOLD ME. IT WAS EMBARRASSING SINCE I WALKED AROUND SCHOOL ALL DAY LIKE THAT.

SPLASHED

IT HAD RAINED ALL DAY SO IT THERE WERE PUDDLES EVERYWHERE. I WAS WALKING TO THE STORE WITH MY FRIEND AND SOME CAR WENT BY RUNNING OVER THIS PUDDLE. WE GOT SPLASHED BIG TIME. IT WAS SOME GUYS AND THEY STOPPED AND YELLED "SORRY" AND DROVE OFF. WE FELT REAL STUPID STANDING THERE ALL SPLASHED, AND THE FREAKS JUST DROVE OFF.

THE RIDE

I WAS AT THE CARNAVAL WITH MY COUSINS. I HAD GOTTEN ON ALL THESE RIDES AND I WAS FEELING PRETTY DIZZY. I STILL WANTED TO GET ON SOME RIDES SO I GOT ON THE NEXT RIDE. WELL HALF WAY THROUGH THE RIDE I WASN'T FEELING GOOD, AND I THREW UP ALL OVER THIS GIRL SITTING BESIDE ME. SHE WAS DISGUSTED, AND I JUST WANTED TO GET OUT OF THERE AND GO HOME. IT WAS REAL EMBARRASSING.

THAT SMELL

I WAS IN MRS. CASEY'S BACK ROOM AND I FARTED BECAUSE I DIDN'T THINK ANYBODY WOULD GO BACK THERE. THEN MRS. CASEY AND AMANDA CARSON WENT BACK THERE AND LOST IT BECAUSE OF THE SMELL. IT WAS REAL HUMILIATING.
BY: MAGDA RODRIGUEZ

FASHION

FOR THIS SPRING THE COLORS THAT WILL BE IN ARE ALL THE PASTELS OR EASTER COLORS. THE PINK, AND BABY BLUE BEING THE MOST POPULAR AMONG THE STORES. THE CAPRI PANTS, AND THE SHIRTS WITH SLEEVES ABOUT THE ELBOW. BUTTER FLIES ARE IN FLYING FROM SHIRTS, JEANS, JEWELRY, AND HAIR ACCESSORIES. AS FOR THE SHOES THE THONG SANDALS, LEATHER SANDALS AND THE PLATFORMS, BUT NOT AS MAJOR. THE JEANS ARE STILL THE FLARED LEG, BOOT CUT, OR WIDE LEGS. ALSO THE JEANS AND SHORTS THE DRAWSTRING KIND. LAST BUT NOT LEAST THE HAWAIIAN STYLE SHIRTS AND DRESSES WILL BE PRETTY NICE ALSO TO WEAR THIS SPRING BREAK.
BY: MAGDA RODRIGUEZ

Life At Tech

We E-mailed Amber Tarr some questions on life at Texas Tech and how her team there compared to the team she was on here and this is how she replied.

When asked about life at Tech, Tarr said, "life at Texas Tech or any other college is what you make of it. If you want to have fun and go dancing then there are plenty of minor dance clubs that seem to be the happening place. There are also many organizations you can join to keep you busy. As for me I have basketball which consumes my time but hey it pays for my schooling and it's also what I love." Tarr says that she likes the fact that Tech is a major college, but that it's in Lubbock, which is not as big as Dallas, Austin or Houston. "It's unbelievable how big the classes are, for instance one of my classes has 300 people in it," Tarr implied. When asked about basketball Tarr said, "as far as my new team, I really like my teammates and coaching staff, of course it could never match up to my fellow Lady Lions and Coach Faught, but it's a close second place. As far as my role on the team, I would definitely like to see more playing time, but I understand that I need this year to learn the system. I just work hard in practice everyday with a goal to get better with every practice. I also respect the other players on the team and feel like I have some of the best models to learn from." We would like to thank Amber and wish her the best of luck.
By: Penny Weddle

Spring Break Rules

1. Have fun. That's the whole point of the break.
 2. Behave or you might not be having any fun.
 3. Communicate or you might miss out on something.
 4. Travel if you can. Everyone needs to get out of Ozona every once in a while.
 5. Don't pick up bad habits. (Key word is bad).
 6. Rest. Catch up on some missed out ZZZZ's.
 7. Drive safely. You wouldn't want to hurt anyone. Would you?
 8. The most important thing to remember is... (refer back to rule #1).
- By: Millie



L I O N S

How do you feel about sex education in school?

- Shio Tambunga** - Kids need to know the facts and consequences.
- Jane Chandler** - Sex education is important. Because the kids need to know about diseases, and if they are going to have sex it needs to be safe.
- Rhonda Shaw** - Just say no!
- Lucy Humphrey** - Very important it could mean life or death.
- Debbi Pucket** - Alright, but parents also need some involvement.
- Maria Ortiz** - It is cool, I don't have any problems with it.
- Luis Hernandez** - I don't care teach it.
- Steven Martinez** - I think everyone should learn the consequences and responsibilities. From personal experiences.
- Kim Miller** - I would prefer to teach my children myself.
- Anthony Ortiz** - Pretty Good
- Doris Hood** - I think that the reproductive process should be taught as a science and other matters or sex should be taught at home.
- Ricky Dominguez** - I think it benefits the kinds because all the pregnant teens.
- Kink (Albert)** - I think it is important to learn about Ernie. Sex the right way. It was too late for some of us. I think it is cool.
- Marcus and Zeke** - If they want to do it let them do it.
By: Woody

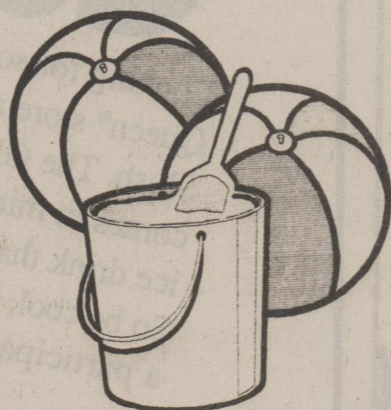
Register Spring Break

The school year is almost over and the new one will soon be here. Have you registered yet? The sooner, the better. Remember choosing your classes depends on what diploma you want to receive. Make your choices wisely. If you seem to be confused or have questions ask a teacher or Coach McWilliams.

By: Stephanie Maskill

We are back to school once again after our Spring Break. Seemingly so short time seems to fly by but just think school will soon be over. If you have any wild or exciting stories or adventures that happened to you during Spring Break, don't be shy write them down and give them to Stephanie Maskill. Some people don't have a life and have to read others.

By: Stephanie Maskill



I met this guy once. I didn't think that he would mean this much to me. At first I thought it was just a guy to like. My best friend introduced us to each other. We started calling each other and then eventually we started going out and stuff. This relationship was a long distance one so we could only see each other on weekends. We went out for eight months and we broke up for some stupid reason, I don't even remember why we broke up, it was something about being jealous all the time. Well, anyway I had gotten so attached to this guy from the eight months that we went out so when we broke up I felt like part of me was gone. I cried endless nights, I had always put him first for the eight months we were together, and when he left there was nothing to do but think about the way things "used to be". Yes, I know that you are supposed to try to move on but I just couldn't find another guy just like him. He was it for me. Well after a month and a half of crying and feeling down, we got together on a summer day and we hooked back up again. I was the happiest girl in the world, I got what I wanted and I was happy. This time I wasn't going to let him go! Anyways one night we were just kicking back at his house, there were no parents no brothers or sisters, so I guess you can tell what was one his mind. (Of course he is a guy so yes he was thinking about it.) I felt like I wasn't ready to go that far into a relationship, I was only 16 and I was scared. In my mind I thought that if I didn't do what he wanted to do I would lose him again, so of course I went along with him. That was my biggest mistake ever. We were both young and had no idea what we were getting into, we weren't in love or anything, we were only a guy and a girl who thought that doing that one thing made us a couple, you know like the almost married couple but of course we were very far from that. Well guess what happened to me, of course I ended up pregnant. I didn't find out until my third month. My sister took me to a clinic and when the test came out positive, all I could do was cry because I didn't know what I was going to do. How could I be a mother to another child when I could barely take care of myself? How could I raise a kid, how would I tell my mom and dad, how would my boyfriend react? All these questions were going around in my head. Well I decided to tell my boyfriend first since this was "ours", but when I told him I could not believe the answer he gave me! He had told me that the baby wasn't his! Yeah right, of course it was his I told him. He said he didn't believe me and that he thought that we needed time apart from each other so he decided for us to break up. That was the worst thing that he could have done to me, leave me alone when I needed him the most. What was I going to do now? I was left alone. I didn't know how I was going to break this down to my mom, she always told me not to ever get into this situation, but stupid me always going out and doing just the opposite of what mom says just to be "cool". Well, I told my mom and of course she went nuts. She yelled for a long time telling me I was stupid and immature and telling me that I was going to have to do this all on my own because I was the only one who got myself into this mess. When my mom told my dad and the rest of my family my dad cried and so did the rest of my family. I guess they just saw me and felt real sorry for me I guess. Everyone was disappointed in me, I was supposed to be the "smart" one in the family and her I go and pull this stunt. I know this is going to sound stupid but I still loved my boyfriend after he just left me alone. I know it sounds crazy to feel that way but that's the way I felt, I didn't have anyone to turn to now, my parents and family told me I had to do this on my own since I had gotten myself into this mess. The only person that I could turn to was my best friend that introduced me to him. Thank god that my best friend was there for me. She let me stay with her in her house and her parents told me that I could stay there as long as I needed. Well it ended up that I did have to stay with my friend for about two months, then one day after school my parents picked me up and they said that we needed to talk. We talked things over, they told me that I was welcome back to my home and that they would help me out. They were still upset but I guess they loved me enough to let be a part of them again. I was so happy I had my family back to help me out. I moved out of my best friend's house, I will always be thankful to my friend. Well anyways I ended up staying with my parents and I had my baby, I named her Julie, after about two weeks that she was born, her daddy came to visit her and it was very obvious that the baby was his cause she looked just like him. Whenever he saw her his eyes were so gleamy and I guess he finally realized what a jerk he had been to me, and he just started crying and telling me that he loved me so much and he was so sorry for what he had done to me. He told me that he thought that we should try to work things out again, I didn't know what to say. I mean this guy left me when I needed him the most and I went through everything by myself. Where was he when I was going through all this pain? Why does he care now? But all I could see was my baby girl and all I could think about was her future. She needed a mommy and a daddy; it wouldn't be fair to only have one. I told my boyfriend that he caused me a lot of pain when he just left me but that I still had feelings for him. He said that we should start working things out before we made any major decision. Well we took things slowly and things worked out great. We ended up getting together again and we were a family and as for my family they loved Julie to death. At first this situation was rough but we all made it through. If I had to do this over again I wouldn't have gotten myself in this situation, yes it turned out good, but if I could have waited to do this all over again I would have waited a little bit longer to have a child.
By: Gina Castro

OHS WANNABES

BY LUIS AND ANTHONY

What is alcoholism? Alcoholism is a disease developed over time. Many people take this as a joke. Including many people we know. This is a subject that hits close to home. How do you know when you are taking it too far? Well here are some hints: when you drink by yourself, when you drink on your school lunch break, when you drink all week and weekend long, when you care less and less about your health, when you just put off your family and school work. What leads to alcoholism: depression, boredom, weak self esteem, peer pressure, and just trying to be a part of certain group. There is a difference between being an alcoholic and just partying. When you start to mess up in public and could care less about it, you are probably on the way to an alcoholic problem. We have seen many of these cases and have experienced them first hand. Now days at school we hear more and more about how people go out and have a good time. This may seem like it is something fun to do, but when you sober up and look deeper into the subject to see how stupid the whole thing really is. There is plenty of time to do this after school, and there are plenty of other things to do. One of the dumbest things that people do is when they claim to be alcoholics. No one at this school is an alcoholic they are just wannabes who know nothing about having a real good time. What we are trying to say in this article is that drinking is bad and it only leads to problems. So next time you think about going out partying and bragging about it, remember this article. Then come ask us how stupid you really are. If you're going to go out and have a good time that's fine, but keep it to yourself. People may say that we are contradicting ourselves, but remember this article is from experience.

P.S. One of us is on the wagon. Guess whom



Personality of the Week
By: Jaline Smith

Description:

Color of hair - Black
Color of eyes - Brown
Height - 5'10"
Weight - 160 lbs.

General Hints:

He is a junior. He is very funny and friendly. He also loves Jennifer Love Hewitt.

Favorites:

Song - Notorious Thugs
Book - Hank the Cowdog
Movie - Can't Hardly Wait
Sport - Football
Food - Fajitas
Magazine - YM
Subject - Science
Pastime - Listen to music
Nick name - stinker
Last weeks personality of the week was ... Jim Talamantez

Horoscopes

Capricorn: Listen to your heart this week. You will do as you want and not get any negative feedback. You will be happy.

Aquarius: A secret admirer will be calling or looking for you this week. Be sure to answer them because this will not be a person you will want to pass up.

Pisces: You will get a new job or interest this week. It's about time you found something you enjoy.

Aries: All the confused feelings you had last week will get settled this week. Get rested also. You need to take a break.

Taurus: You will have a horrible quarrel with a loved one. It will take a bit of time to solve this problem but things will get better.

Gemini: Okay you lucky person. It's about time to pass your good luck to someone else. You will have a problem that you will have to solve by the end of the week.

Cancer: You will meet a new person with whom you will get along with great. This friendship could be forever.

Leo: You will be the center of attention this week. Everyone will want to be in your social circle. Don't be rude to anyone or you will quickly lose your popularity.

Virgo: You will need extra cash this week. You have been spending way too much money and now you are starting to see the results.

Libra: You will find a new companion this week. They might not turn out to be who you thought they were though, so be careful.

Scorpio: You will get a surprise this week. It might be a person you have been hoping to see for some time now.

Sagittarius: You will spend a lot of time with your friends. You will have a good time especially since it's been a while since you were all together.

What new class would you like to see in Ozona High School?

Handwriting-Sarah Stewart
Class teaching common sense-Shio Tambunga
The Arts-Janie Chandler
Tex-Mex Spanish-Lucy Humphrey
Foreign Language-Debbi Puckett
Dance Class-Maria Ortiz
Latin-Louis Hernandez
Break Dancing-Magda Rodriguez
Cosmology-Gina Castro
Psychology-Thomas Mossman
French-Kim Miller
Class to help compose music-Millie Sanchez
Drug and Alcoholism-Anthony Ortiz

Poetry

...Into the Sea...

...I feel that the love around me has washed into the sea. I feel like I am nothing, nothing to be seen. I feel like love is just a distant dream and I am dying here losing hope in everything. I feel like dubbing over to see the earth beneath. I'm just a puddle of tears and fears and nothing is good for me. And I am sinking a hundred feet down deep. And only you can hopefully set me free. And I can't find love 'cause it has washed away into the sea...

By: Tripp Farris

Rumors

I always have to hear them. Always from other people. Not from you. Always from someone else. I would like to hear it from you and no one else but you. It hurts to hear it from someone else when I know it's true. It would hurt if you told me but not as much as when they told me. But why do I have to hear them? Why can't I hear it from you? Can you tell me if they're true or not. Tell me about the rumors.

By: Susan Hester

Favorite Years and Why For the students of OHS

By: Jaline Smith

- '97 - Birth of DX. Jim Talamantez
- '97 - The birth of my son Justice. Linda Ruiz
- '97 - Birth of DX. Gabriel Tijerina
- '97 - Formation of DX. Daniel Gonzales
- '01 - The year I graduate. Crystal Ortiz
- '96 - The year High School started. Cara Green
- '98 - When I started High school cause I made a lot of friends, and it is 3 more years until I graduate (if I do). Victoria Lara
- '82 - The year I was born. Jimmy Nowell
- '01 - The year I graduate. Bridget Ybarra
- '96 - The best year ever for me I did not get in trouble. Tina Tebbets
- '95 - The year of my first true love. Billy Fleming
- '98 - My high school year started. Kyle Richardson
- '97-'98 - Went to the State Tournament. Duck
- '99 - The year my baby is born. Staci Mendez
- '80 - The year my girlfriend was born. Anonomous
- '99 - The year I graduate, I also made a lot of new friends. Karina Rodriguez
- '99 - The year that I graduate, it is a start of a new life. Beef

- '99 - I am outta here. Jesse Tebbets
- '98 - That is when I met the guy of my dreams. Gina Castro
- '95 - Varsity as a freshman, and I went to some of the best parties. Luis Hernandez
- '98 - I had a lot of fun. Millie Sanchez
- '00 - The year I graduate. Thomas Mossman
- '87 & '91 - The years that the two angels of my life were born. Kim Miller
- '00 - The year I graduate and live on my own. Jaline Smith
- '91 - The year Mrs. Kim was my b-ball coach. Donika Martinez

Joke of the Week

By: Thomas Mossman

Q: What do you call four bull fighters in quicksand?
A: Quatro sinko.

Random Acts of Kindness

What is one thing that you have done nice for someone?

"I helped my granny."
Stephanie Lombrona

"I gave my sister candy on Valentine's Day."
Julia Gutierrez

"I helped my mom."
Zachary Leach-Amyx

"I helped Kiki with her homework and carried her books."
Jayci Miller

"I helped a lady get up."
Vanessa Arellano

"I gave my friend a toy."
Josh Ramos

"I gave my best friend a candy."
Kelsy Childress

"My grandma was sick and I gave her food."
Jordan Martinez

"I picked up Lauren's sticker."
Stephanie Galindo

"I gave my two cousins a present."
Lauren Najar

"I helped my mom."
Kayla Fuller

"I gave my friend a ball."
Matthew Fay

"I helped my mom."
Alex Macias

"I helped my dad with chores."
Dylan Castillo

"I helped my dad with work."
Anthony Villarreal

"Me and my mom play house all the time."
Mikayla Mitchell

"I helped my mom and grandma."
Tyler Vitela

"I picked up trash for my mom."
Miguel Vegara
By: Jessi Longoria

THE SPRING
I LOVE THE SPRING
AND NATURE TURNING GREEN
I LOVE THE FLOWERS
AND ALL THEIR DIFFERENT COLORS
I LOVE THE WARM WEATHER
AND GOING FOR A DIVE IN THE WARM WATER.
I LOVE SPRING BREAK AND GOING TO THE LAKE
I LOVE IT TO BE MY BIRTHDAY, AND FOREVER STAY EIGHTEEN JUST LIKE IN A DREAM.
I LOVE SPRING OUT OF ALL THE SEASONS AND THESE WERE ALL MY REASONS.
BY: MAGDA RODRIGUEZ

A quiet chat with John Austin Stokes

How does it feel to be so successful in Debate?

J.S. - It is very rewarding. We have put a lot of hard work into this, and it feels very exhilarating to know that our hard work paid off. I feel I have done something that matters; a debate that affects everyone, the Russian foreign policy.

What is your best trait or quality in Debate?

J.S. - I can relate diverse ideas in analogies to help prove a particular aspect in my case.

What do you think your chances of winning state are?

J.S. - I think if we get really serious and dedicated we could have a good shot at winning state. If it were one of our major goals, we would be able to go into the event without a tidily-wink of doubt about who was going to win.

What is your most memorable time in debate?

J.S. - Ty, with his broken leg, and I decided to go take a glimpse of Mario's briefing, when he suddenly looked over at us from the podium. We were not suppose to be watching so at the first sight of his awareness of us, we took off running. Two steps, and Ty, still on crutches fell face-first into the cold, hard, magnolium floor.

Interviewed by Harrell Hodges

Personality of the week

By: Jaline Smith

Description:

Color of hair - Black
Color of eyes - Brown
Height - 5'2"
Weight - 125 lbs.
General hints - She is a junior. She has multimedia 4th period.
Favorite color is clear. And she likes mustangs.

Favorites:

Song - Where did you sleep last night?
Book - Clockwork Orange
Movie - Wizard of Oz
Sport - Tennis
Food - Nachos
Subject - Chemistry
Pastime - Listen to music, hanging with friends, writing poetry and stories

Cartoon Character - Scooby Doo

Career of the Week

You know, the first time that I saw my sister with braces, I totally freaked. I started asking all sorts of questions ranging from how did the dentist put the braces on to how did he get the rubber bands in her mouth. These are very interesting questions to me and probably are to some people who are seeking a career in dentistry. There are many opportunities in this field for you and for many others as well. Most dentists have to have an ADA certification. Candidates must have graduated from an ADA accredited school and pass a written and practical examinations after completing four years of dental school. Although, Dentists must have certain requirements for their educational purposes, they must have a sense of humor to put their patients at ease and to deflect the poor morale that can stem from patients' uneasiness. All 50 states and the District of Columbia require dentist to be licensed. Their education requires four years of dental school, the last two years of which are spent treating patient, usually in clinics under the supervision of licensed dentists. The average starting pay of a dentist is 55,000, after five years 100,000 and after 10 years 200,000. A dentist must work at 40 hours a week. Most dentists have a D.D.S or D.M.D degree (American Dental Association Accreditation). The following Undergrad Majors are available, Anatomy, Biology, Chemistry, and Physics. Most dentists have great personalities that include being compassionate, patient and comforting. Baylor College of Dentistry, University of Texas Dental Branch At Houston, and University of Texas at San Antonio are a dental schools in Texas that are available to close to you.

BY: DK

The King of the Drums

How do you feel about the future success of the Lady Lions?

I feel the Ozona Lady Lions can win state any year they have the Combination of leadership and will power.

How do you think the band will react to your absence next year?

I feel Ozona had one of the best percussion corps this year in the History of Ozona Lion Band. And without me, and my associate drummers I feel Mr. Glaze will certainly have his hands full with finding drummers.

Do you plan to pursue a musical career?

Yes, actually I intend on attending Washington University at St. Louis, Missouri where I will be majoring in music performance. I plan on perhaps someday even getting my doctorette and teaching at Ozona High School.

What was you most memorable moment in band?

Walking out on the astro turf for the first time when we advanced at the Marching Contest and not winning sweepstakes last year which we really should have.

Interview by: John Austin Stokes

OHS



Where To Go

We asked some of the teachers and students at the Primary school if they could go anywhere in the world for Spring Break where would it be? Here are the answers we got.

TEACHERS:

New York City - Mrs. Winkley
Hawaii - Mrs. Webster
Paris, France - Mrs. Wiley

STUDENTS:

The store - Bianca Garcia
Stock show - Murphey Black
Bowling - Caden Rutherford
Park - Cody Streigler
Aunts ranch - Tamara Fay
Austin - Frankie Vasquez
Circus - Michael Mitchell

By: Penny Weddle

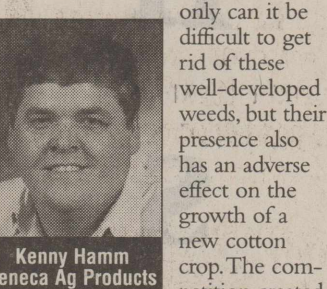
SPRING BREAK SCAMS

Students everywhere look forward to going somewhere on Spring Break. Travel agencies have started making package deals to unforgettable places. These amazing packages also come with an unbelievably low price. However, if you think it is too good to be true, it probably is. These scams are targeted mainly on college students, but it could happen to anyone. Students have limited budgets and very little experience in buying travel packages, and you can see why they are often the victims of spring break travel scams. Most scams are marketed through direct mail or over the phone. Many of the scam offers seen recently feature an offer of a cruise to Nassau in the Bahamas. When you read the fine print, you'll see that it's really only a half-day cruise, and there are no cabins. Really, nothing more than a glorified ferry ride. Some tour companies tell the people on the airplane that they need to pay more money or the plane won't take off. There are also several documented cases of travelers who were stranded at their destinations. The chartered flights they took never came to bring them home, forcing them to pay for expensive one-way return flights on commercial airlines. To prevent these things from happening to you, just follow these simple steps. Consult with your local travel agent. Ask the tour operator for names and numbers of the other customers. Call them and ask if they are satisfied with that company. If the company refuses, take that as a warning. Request all of the trip details in writing. Never give credit card information over the phone to companies or people you are unfamiliar with. Avoid booking a trip with a company that sells directly through student representatives, rather than a reputable travel agent. Make sure your trip has a guaranteed departure and a guaranteed price. If you follow these steps you will have a wonderful time on your trip.

By: Jessi Longoria

Burndowns Get Cotton Growers Off to a Clean Start

When the time comes to plant cotton, weeds may have established a strong hold in your fields. Not only can it be difficult to get rid of these well-developed weeds, but their presence also has an adverse effect on the growth of a new cotton crop. The competition created by weeds results in reduced stands and yields that don't meet potential profit.



Kenny Hamm
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U.S. sheep industry asks ITC for four years of market stability

U.S. Sheep industry leaders told the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) that four years of market stability - through the placement of a temporary tariff-rate quota - will give the industry the necessary capital and confidence to combat the surge of cheap imported lamb meat.

The domestic industry proposed imposing a 30 percent tariff on imports of low-priced lamb meat up to 40 million pounds per year. Above that level, industry leaders strongly recommended placing a 50 percent tariff on imported lamb meat. The 40-million-pound threshold is roughly equal to 1995 import levels, before the current surge in cheap imported lamb meat.

"This remedy will provide the lamb meat industry with the revenues needed to improve the efficiency of its operations and the confidence in the market to invest in the industry. Yet, at the same time, it permits imports to serve the U.S. at price levels that do not injure the domestic industry," said Peter Orwick, executive director of the American Sheep Industry Association.

Import companies and representatives of the New Zealand and Australian sheep industries proposed an alternative remedy - "trade adjustment assistance" - that generated more questions than answers as the commissioners tried to pin down specifics of the proposal.

The all-day hearing in Washington, D.C. Feb. 25 focused on what kind of trade relief the commission should recommend to the White House, which will make the final decision on the Section 201 trade action against lamb meat imports. The case was filed in September 1998 by an industry coalition, led by the American Sheep Industry Association, of feeders, lamb packing and processing companies and associations.

The commission ruled unani-

mously, 6-0, on Feb. 9 that the deluge of imported lamb meat seriously threatens the domestic market. The commission is scheduled to vote March 29 on the recommended trade relief to send to the White House. After receiving the recommendation, the President has 60 days to approve, modify or deny it.

Representatives of all segments of the U.S. lamb industry told the commissioners about efforts begun years ago in the name of competitiveness - efforts that will be wasted if the surge of imported lamb meat drives the industry out of business.

Imports now make up nearly one-third of the domestic market and comparisons of imported and domestic lamb meat have found that imports undercut domestic products nearly 80 percent of the time by margins of 20 percent to 40 percent, but sometimes as high as 70 percent. Between 1993 and 1997, the quantity of lamb meat imported to the U.S. - nearly all from Australia and New Zealand - increased 47 percent, from 40.1 million pounds to 60.4 million pounds, according to an investigation by the ITC. Imports during the first 11 months of 1998 soared 26 percent over the same time period in 1997 and the ITC reported that Australian and New Zealand producers are poised to boost lamb exports by another 20 percent to 30 percent in 1999.

As the level of imports skyrocketed, prices for lambs plunged 40 percent between spring 1997 and December 1998. In some parts of the U.S. last fall, growers with lambs to sell couldn't get a single quote.

That crippling financial crash must be corrected and the market stabilized for the industry to regain its feet and become competitive, industry leaders told the commissioners.

They outlined many plans contained in the adjustment plan the industry filed with the commission as part of the 201 case. Included in the plan - and in the testimony - were efforts in genetic improvements to

sheep, increasing carcass weight and yield, increasing lambing ratios, the move to "easy-care" sheep breeds, new technologies and production processes and industry alliances.

"There are a number of sheep breeding stock producers that have the seedstock genetically qualified to greatly enhance the quantity and quality of U.S. lamb production. The genetics are available; we only need a sheep industry that has the financial ability to take advantage of these offerings," said John Etchepare, of Warren Livestock Company, a sheep breeder with lands in Wyoming and Colorado.

Pierce Miller, chairman of the National Sheep Industry Improvement Center, told the commissioners that the center can be a useful tool to the industry, but that it isn't an alternative to trade relief. Created by Congress in 1996, the center will offer grants and loans to improve the industry. The commissioners also heard about the Business Development Council, a creation of the new, industry-wide organization that will deal with promotion and marketing efforts.

Witnesses representing the domestic industry were: Pierce Miller, Crockett County sheep producer and chairman of the National Sheep Industry Improvement Center; Charles Parker, executive director, U. S. Sheep Seedstock Alliance; Cindy Siddoway, Idaho sheep producer and ASI vice-president; John Etchepare, Wyoming and Colorado sheep producer; Bill Salina, National Lamb Feeders Association vice president and owner of Salina Traders Inc.; Brian May, secretary-treasurer of Ranchers' Lamb of Texas Inc.; Paul Rosenthal, counsel, Collier, Shannon, Rill & Scott; Brad Hudgens, Georgetown Economic Services; Peter Orwick, executive director, American Sheep Industry Association; Paul Rodger, ASI's director of Animal Health, Product Safety and Technical Services.

SBA disaster loans available across state

Businesses across the entire State of Texas have until March 23, 1999, to file applications for low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration. The SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loans are available for businesses dependent on farmers and ranchers sustaining crop losses from drought that occurred from June 1, 1997, through July 8, 1998, and continuing. Farmers and ranchers are not eligible for these SBA loans. However, nurseries that are victims of drought disasters can

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EQIP ranking deadlines set

The Natural Resources Conservation Service has set the ranking deadlines for the 1999 Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP). The first ranking deadline for the 1999 program year is March 31, 1999, and a second ranking deadline is set for July 1, 1999. Applications from individual landowners interested in participating in the EQIP during the 1999 program year received before March 31 will be ranked after the July 1, 1999, deadline. Producers who did not qualify for the EQIP program during the March 31 ranking period may request a deferral from their local Farm Services Agency (FSA) office and be eligible to be re-ranked during the July 1 ranking period. It should be noted that applications received after the July 1 deadline, as part of the EQIP continuous program sign-up provisions, will be held until the 2000 program year ranking period.

Private landowners should be aware that EQIP provides technical, educational and financial assistance to eligible farmers and ranchers to address soil, water and related natu-

ral resource concerns on their lands in an environmentally beneficial and cost-effective manner. EQIP is a voluntary program and is designed to assist farmers and ranchers with placing natural resource conservation practices on their property. Cost share is provided to program participants to achieve the goals of a conservation plan designed with the assistance of local NRCS staff.

Eligible practices will depend on the location of the farm or ranch on which the practice is to be installed and the major resource concern to be addressed in that particular area. Information on eligible cost shares practices and major resource concerns of an area can be secured from your local NRCS field office. Contracts for eligible producers are made for a period of five to ten years. It should be noted that program funds target natural resource concerns of farmers, as well as, livestock producers.

To learn more about EQIP or to submit an EQIP contract application, contact the NRCS office in Ozona at 392-2301.

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Permian Basin Weekly Rig & Drilling Summary (Districts 7C, 8, 8A & New Mexico)

Weekly Rig Count

Feb. 26, 1999

Compiled by Hughes Christensen and Tracer Supply Inc.-San Angelo, Texas

DIST. #7C	DIST. #8	DIST. #8A
Coke	0	Andrews
Concho	0	Brewster
Crockett	2	Crane
Irion	0	Culberson
Kimble	0	Ector
McCullough	0	Glasscock
Menard	0	Howard
Reagan	3	Hudspeth
Runels	0	Jeff Davis
Schleicher	0	Loving
Sutton	3	Martin
Terrell	2	Midland
Tom Green	0	Mitchell
Upton	2	Pecos
Total Dist. 7C	10	Presidio
NEW MEXICO		Reeves
Chaves	0	Sterling
Eddy	9	Ward
Lea	8	Total Dist. 8
Roosevelt	0	Winkler
Total NM	17	1
		Terry
		Yoakum
		Total Dist. 8A
		2

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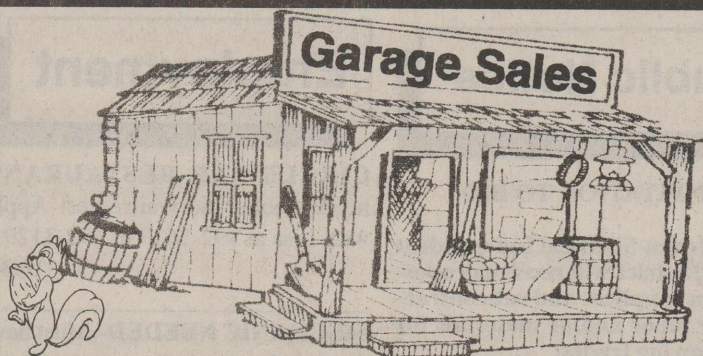
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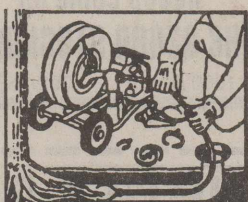
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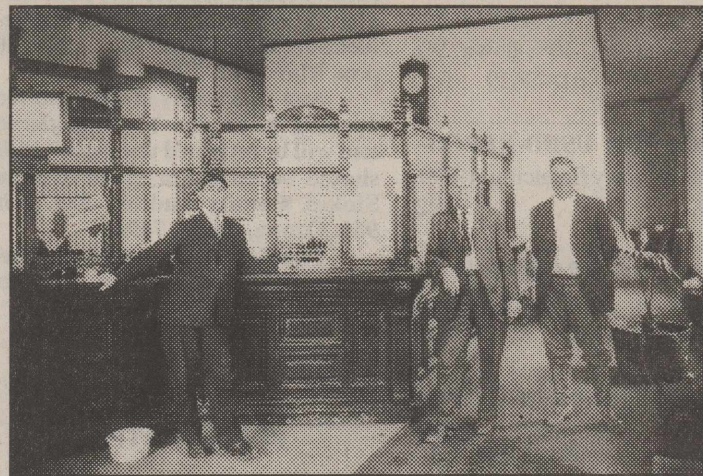
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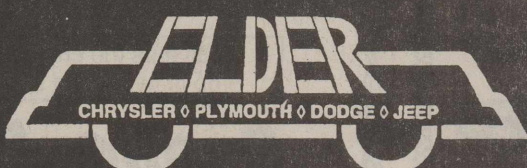
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