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ADRIAN RODRIGUEZ EXCITEDLY PONDERES WHAT TO ASK SANTA FOR CHRISTMAS during jolly St. Nick's traditional visit to Ozona last Thursday.  
DigiCam Photo by Susan Calloway

## Superintendent Taylor to retire

In their regular monthly meeting that was held on Tuesday, December 18, members of the Ozona School Board held a public hearing on the district's 2000-01 Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS) Report that was prepared by the Texas Education Agency. The report, prepared annually by T.E.A., includes district and campus information on student performance, personnel, budgeted operating expenditures, and programs. The district section of the AEIS also includes tax information, budgeted revenue information, fund balance information, and budgeted expenditure information.

As a result of student performance as reported by the AEIS, the district and all four of its campuses (Ozona High School, Ozona Middle School, Ozona Intermediate School, and Ozona Primary School) received the Texas Education Agency's "Academically Recognized" Award. To be eligible for this award, a district or campuses within a district has to have a spring, 2001 Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) passing rate of at least 80% of its students passing each TAAS subject area (all students and each student subgroup) and a student dropout rate of less than 3.0%.

Districtwide, 93.2% of the students in grades 3-8 and 10 passed TAAS Reading. Among the analysis subgroups in reading, 90.7% of the district's Hispanic students passed, 97.3% of the district's white students passed, and 89.1% of the district's economically disadvantaged students passed the reading portion of the test. 96.4% of the district's students passed TAAS Mathematics. Among the analysis subgroups in mathematics, 95.5% of the district's Hispanic students passed, 98.0% of the district's white students passed, and 95.0% of the district's economically disadvantaged students passed the state mathematics exam.

89.1% of the district's students passed TAAS Writing that is given in grades 4, 8, and 10. Among these analysis subgroups, 83.3% of the district's Hispanic students passed, 98.4% of the district's white students passed, and 86.3% of the district's economically disadvantaged students passed the writing portion of the test.

The school district had a 1999-2000 school year attendance rate of

96.9% and a 1999-2000 school year student dropout rate of 0%.

All four of the district's four schools, under the TEA criteria for a school district or school campus, earned the "Academically Recognized" Award. During the meeting Board President Elliott Barrera pre-

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KAYLEIGH TRUESDALE goes over her Christmas list with Santa during his visit to Ozona last week.  
DigiCam Photo by Susan Calloway

## Stockshow scheduled for Jan. 12

The 54th Annual Crockett County Junior Livestock Show is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 12, beginning at 8:00 a.m. at the Crockett County Show Barn. All livestock must be stalled in the barn by 8:00 a.m. Friday, Jan. 11.

This year's show will involve 86 youth in four different species, rabbits, barrows, goats and lambs, along with a new reformatted schedule to make for an even better show for the exhibitors, spectators and buyers of the sale.

This year's show has been changed to a one day show beginning with rabbits and barrows starting at 8:00 a.m. The rabbit show will run concurrently with the other shows during the day. Immediately following the barrow show in the 4-H Show Barn will be the goat and the lamb show held in the convention center. Each show will include, along with the regular classes and showmanship classes, a pee-wee show for all K-2 youngsters interested in participating in the show.

The buyer's dinner will begin at 5:30 p.m. recognizing all buyers from the 2001 show. Additional plates may be purchased at a \$5.00 charge with proceeds benefiting the Crockett County 4-H Club. The premium sale will begin around 6:30 p.m. following the award ceremony. Anyone interested in donating to the sale is encouraged to contact the Crockett County Extension office at 392-2721 for more information.

## West Texas Rehab annual telethon Jan. 19

Ozona residents have an opportunity between now and midnight on Jan. 19 to help West Texas Rehabilitation Center by making a gift to Rehab 2002, the Center's 32nd annual telethon.

Kay Stewart is spearheading the local solicitation effort and has arranged for a phone bank to be in operation on telethon night at Crockett National Bank. That evening, donors can call 392-3745 to make a pledge.

Rehab friends in the community who won't be able to call in their pledge on Jan. 19 are encouraged to make an advance donation. Checks payable to WTRC may be mailed to Rehab Phone Bank, Crockett National Bank, P.O. Box 1089, Ozona, TX

76943.

The five-hour television special will be aired from 7 p.m. to midnight on 10 Texas stations, including KLST-TV in San Angelo.

Country music singer Brad Paisley, who recently won an award from the Country Music Association, will be the telethon's featured entertainer. Peter Marshall and Charlie Chase will emcee the show, which will also include entertainment by Florence LaRue of the 5th Dimension, rising new talent Jay Michaels and long-time Rehab telethon regulars Bill and Susan Hayes and Anacani.

Significant underwriting for Rehab 2002 has come from AEP-West

Texas Utilities and Associated Publishing's Area-Wide Phone Books. "The challenge for the rest of us," said WTRC president Woody Gilliland, "is to build on the momentum started by these two great corporate friends of Rehab."

"The telethon is a critical fundraiser for Rehab because we count on it to launch the New Year in a good position to meet the needs of more than 20,000 patients who'll look to us for help in the next 12 months," said Gilliland. "That's why we're so grateful to local volunteers staffing telethon phone banks... why every advance gift and every pledge called in during the show are so deeply appreciated."

## Ozona post office rated outstanding

The local post office received an overall outstanding rating for 2001 by the U. S. Postal Service, earning the Pride in Excellence award earlier this month.

"This is the first year for the award to be given," said Postmaster Melvin Wende who is "exceptionally proud" of his staff for their part in making this possible.

The larger post offices in each district compete against a set of plans and goals to accumulate points toward the award, he explained. The Ozona Post Office earned 13.89 out of a possible 15 point rating for the overall "outstanding" designation. In three of the five categories, Ozona achieved a perfect 15 points. These included safety (no accidents), overtime usage (less than the minimum overtime used) and attendance.

"Our employees are always exceptional," said Mr. Wende.

In addition to the postmaster, the local office has one regular employee. The others are flexible, meaning that they work according to the work load.

"The bigger you (the post office)

get, the harder to achieve the Pride in Excellence award," said Mr. Wende. The driving force in earning the recognition is the budget category. Staying within the budget this year was difficult in Ozona because of overtime hours made necessary by training on

the new computerized equipment.

Wende accepted the Pride in Excellence plaque at a Dec. 4 meeting of postmasters in Lubbock. Making the presentation was Mike Flores manager of the Fort Worth Postal District.



THE OZONA POST OFFICE was presented with a Pride in Excellence award earlier this month. Pictured are: (l. to r.) Ray Martinez, postmaster Melvin Wende, Betty King and Jesse Ortiz.  
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**THE FOURTH GRADE CCD CLASS** at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church presented a traditional manger scene for their part of last week's Christmas program.  
Photo by Stephen Zuberbueler



**THE KINDERGARTEN CCD CLASS** at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church sang songs at a program held last week.  
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**News Reel**  
News items taken from the files of The Ozona Stockman published 29 and 58 years ago.  
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**News Reel**  
Capt. R. L. Houston of Ozona, scored a perfect simulated bomb hit recently at the annual simulated bombing competition in Ramstein, Germany. The perfect score was one of only two scored during the five-day event.

**News Reel**  
The Adobe Mini-Mart, a joint venture of the Lilly brothers, Gene and Bob, opened its doors Jan. 1, 1973, at its location north of Ozona on Hwy. 163 or 201 Ave. E.

**News Reel**  
Funeral services for Mrs. Hilario Cortez and her grandson, Mario Flores, about 3 years, were held on Christmas Day from Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church with Father James Plegans officiating. Burial was in Lima Cemetery.

**News Reel**  
Navy Fireman Recruit Sotero M. Fuentes III, husband of the former Miss Patsy J. Higginbottom of Ozona, graduated from recruit training at the Naval Training Center at San Diego.

**NEWS REEL**  
JAN 6, 1944

**News Reel**  
Sgt. Boyd Baker is prisoner of the German government. Mrs. Alice Baker received an official notification that her son is alive.

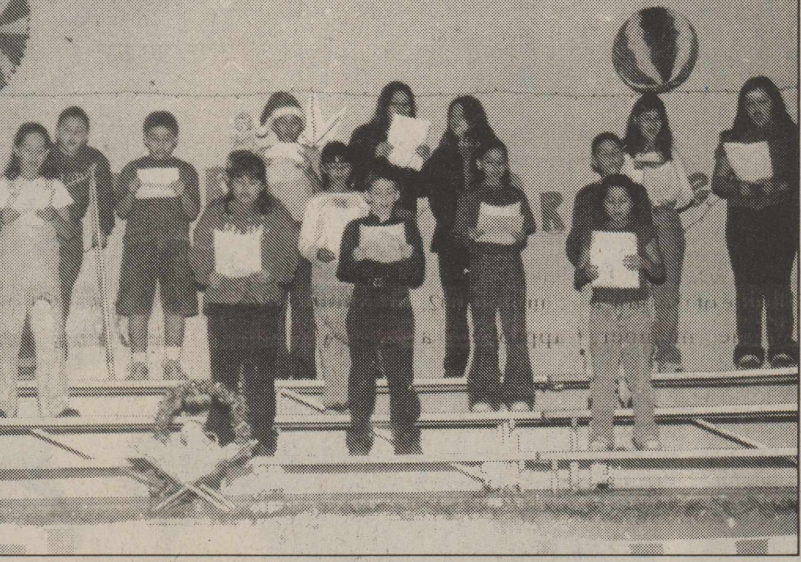
**News Reel**  
Pvt. Johnnie Leonard Armentrout is wounded in action in the Pacific area. He is believed not seriously hurt in the Tarawa scrap.

**News Reel**  
Pfc. Vernon Donald Wilson, stationed at Scott Field, IL, has just completed a training course at Scott field as a radio operator on transport planes and expects to be shipped for overseas services soon after his return to duty.

**News Reel**  
Mr. and Mrs. Jones Miller enjoyed traditional new year family dinner on their 66th wedding anniversary and his 88th birthday.

**News Reel**  
Jimmy Hignight, a Marine, expects to be shipped to the West Coast to mix it up with the Japs.

**News Reel**  
Beecher Montgomery was commissioned Second Lieutenant in the Marines.



**THE FIFTH GRADE CCD CLASS** at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church entertain at a Christmas program held last week at the church.  
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The San Angelo Genealogical and Historical Society will meet at 7:00 at the Church of Christ at 901 N. Main Street fellowship hall.  
The speaker will be Ray Dawson talking about "Finding your Grandparents-parents" and the migration of the Scotch-Irish.  
The meeting is open to the public. For more information, call 655-6494.

**Political Announcements**  
The following candidates have authorized The Ozona Stockman to announce their intentions to file as candidates for posts in the Democratic Primary Election on March 12, 2002.

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1 TXism: "\_\_\_ like death warmed over"  
5 garden implement  
6 TXism: "stuffed shirt"  
7 TXism: "It'll \_\_\_ in a pinch"  
8 TX Coburn won '78 Pulitzer for drama "The \_\_\_ Game"  
9 This Mickey hit 1st Astrodome homer  
15 Mavericks zealots  
16 TX "Operation Game Thief" targets  
18 TX "Babe's" status as an Olympian  
20 Texas among the states  
22 rifle failure  
27 TEA tries to lower the dropout  
28 teeth corrections for TX teens  
29 not finished  
30 TXism: "smart \_\_\_ full of owls"  
32 TXism: "got a mind \_\_\_ (inclined)"  
33 LBJ proposed on the \_\_\_ with Lady Bird  
36 Hawaiian two-step? Biblical transport  
38 tropical tune by TX Jim Reeves  
39 Houston oil fire business: "Red \_\_\_"  
41 Vega's h.s. class  
42 TX Toomay's "\_\_\_ Given Sunday" proper word?

**DOWN**  
1 in Smith Co. on hwy. 135  
2 TXism: "beer shed"  
3 TXism: "happy as \_\_\_ candy store"  
4 political protests at '92 GOP convention in Houston  
8 TXism: "that's the ball \_\_\_ (over)"  
9 TXism: "don't bite off \_\_\_ chew"  
10 Howe h.s. class  
11 former TX 1st lady Connally (init.)  
12 TXism: "if it ain't true, \_\_\_ liar in Texas"  
13 mother-in-law of 11-down  
14 Rangers sports-caster Nadel  
15 TXism: "suits me to a \_\_\_ well"  
16 TXism: "\_\_\_ pencil to it" (calculate)  
17 cowboy hat  
19 "\_\_\_ up a little"  
21 TX Vikki Carr '89 release: "\_\_\_ Hombres"  
22 TXism: "\_\_\_ chacha" (girl)  
23 treaty that led to destruction of TX missiles  
24 TX Bush's missile defense program  
25 Presidio La Bahia (\_\_\_ the Bay)  
26 Dallas founder John Neely Bryan died in the State Asylum  
28 \_\_\_ Karolyi trained gymnasts in Houston  
31 TX Gallin brother  
34 make a phone call  
35 TXism: "up and \_\_\_ juice" (coffee)  
37 across the border from Dal Rio: Ciudad \_\_\_  
40 TX Ely, et al.  
43 film "Viet \_\_\_ Texas"  
44 guacamole source  
50 George H. supported the North American Free \_\_\_ Agree.  
51 TXism: "couldn't find an egg under a sitting \_\_\_" (dumb)

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THESE CHRISTMAS ELVES wrapped the packages that were distributed to the needy by the Ozona Ministerial Alliance last Thursday. They are: Tonya Williams and Debbie, Daniel, Daniel Jr., Billy and Shannon Fleming.

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SHERIFF SHANE FENTON and Rev. Nancy Mossman pose with some of the bicycles that were distributed to needy Ozona children. The bikes have accumulated at the sheriff's department from various sources and were repaired by the Sheriff's Department and jail trustees. Parts were purchased from donations to the Ozona Ministerial Alliance from Ozona Schools students and the community.

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• Taylor (continued from front page)

sented campus plaques of academic recognition to principals Donny Wiley, Charles White, Manley Holmes, and Bob Lacy. These plaques will be on display at the four schools.

Copies of the 2000-01 Academic Excellence Indicator System Report are available for public inspection in the four campus offices and in the administration building.

Information about every district, campus, and region is also available from the Texas Education Agency Division of Performance Reporting website at [www.tea.state.tx.us/perfreport](http://www.tea.state.tx.us/perfreport).

During the meeting the trustees reviewed and discussed the bidding process for the addition and renovation work to the boys fieldhouse at Lions Stadium. Superintendent Larry Taylor told the members that district architect Larry Harvey and Higgins and May, the plumbing, heating, and air-conditioning engineers, were not able to complete the plans to meet the bidding legal requirements, so this item will be done at the board's January, 2002 regular meeting. Taylor also told the board that the addition and renovation work to be done on the boys fieldhouse at Lions Stadium to meet the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the Texas Barriers Division had caused the delay. Projected completion date of the project is June 3, 2002.

The members approved a \$21,500.00 bid from Dobbins Roofing and Construction Company in San Angelo for the removal of the old roofs and the installing of new roofs on the main part of the Ozona Primary School, the Ozona High School Homemaking Building, and the classroom part of the Ozona High School Auto Mechanics Building. They also approved the Crockett County CCSD Blood Borne Pathogen Plan as presented by district nurse Karen Huffman and a \$6,500.00 budget amendment for district employee immunizations.

Also during the meeting, the board members approved a shared services arrangement agreement with the Menard Special Education Cooperative and a resolution to preserve and protect the rights of students of faith to exercise their constitutional right of voluntary, non-coercive prayer and their constitutionally protected right to express their feelings of faith and patriotism.

Also approved was the local school district's administrative plan for the implementation of House Bill 1130. House Bill 1130 was passed by the Texas Legislature and signed by Governor Rick Perry in May of this year. The intent of House Bill 1130 was to ensure that reasonable efforts are made to inform and support educational aides who want to become

certified teachers.

House Bill 1130 also broadened eligibility for exemption of tuition and fees for teacher certificate courses. Any school employee who has worked as an educational aide for at least one year out of the past five and meets the financial criteria may apply for tuition exemption. The tuition exemption program is administered by the Division of Student Services at the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and has been in effect since 1997. The local plan includes making information available to instructional aides and explains what the district is able to do to support employees who want to pursue teacher certification.

During the meeting the board approved the resignation, effective May 31, 2002 and for the purpose of retirement, of Superintendent of Schools Larry Taylor. Mr. Taylor is completing his eighth year as superintendent of the school district. In January the trustee will be interviewing superintendent search firms for the purpose of selecting a firm to coordinate the new superintendent search process.

The meeting was adjourned following an affirmative vote to set the date and time for the board's regular meeting on January 17, 2002, at 7:00 p.m.



THIS HAPPY GROUP was part of the helpers delivering presents and food to the needy for the Ozona Ministerial Alliance's "Christmas for All Ozona" project. Forty-five families with 116 children were helped this year. Groceries to prepare Christmas dinner were distributed to 31 families.

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FREDDIE AND PAT NICKS were presented with a community service award from the care center for all the good deeds they do there. Submitted Photo



THE 4-H COUNCIL painted this giant Christmas card and placed it in the yard of the care center. The community is urged to come by to view it and visit with the residents this holiday. Pictured are: (l. to r.) Katy Churchill, Lana Stewart, Jake Stewart, care center resident Francis Flannagan, Kyann Kothman and Dub Walston. Submitted Photo



DEL'S LITTLE SCHOOLHOUSE STUDENTS charmed the care center residents with Christmas carols. Submitted Photo



THE TROOP 153 TIGER CUBS entertained the care center residents with Christmas carols. Submitted Photo



THE HEAD START STUDENTS sang Christmas carols and presented bags of fruit to the care center residents. Submitted Photo

Obituaries

Brady rites for Darla Roddie-Amesse

Funeral services for Darla Roddie-Amesse, 60, were held in Brady on Dec. 20, 2001, at 11:00 a.m. in First United Methodist Church. Burial followed in Rest Haven Cemetery at Brady. She died Dec. 16 in Charlottesville, VA.

Darla was born Feb. 13, 1941, in El Paso to Jack Williams and Effie Smith Weeks. She graduated from Ozona High School in 1959. She married Robert Roddie on May 3, 1974, in Brady. He preceded her in death.

Also preceding her in death were her parents.

She was a Christian and very active in the Heart of Texas Emmaus Community, a former Helping Hands of board member, and a McCulloch County election judge for many years.

She worked for seven years at Merle Norman Cosmetics and Clothing Store and was a homemaker.

Many knew and loved her by the name "Poppy" given to her by granddaughter Cayci.

She married A. Paul Amesse on Aug. 31, 2001. She is survived by her husband; son Michael Sutton and his wife, Tanya, of Laredo; stepson, William Amesse of Virginia; daughter, Glenda Smith and her husband, John, of Brady; stepdaughters, Carolyn Amesse and Christine Johnson and her husband, Neil, of Virginia; brother, Marshall Williams and his wife, Debbie, of Magnolia; sister, Jacqueline Ervin and her husband, Phil, of Big Spring; grandchildren: Jacqueline Shugart and husband Tanner of Dalhart, Cayci Cunningham of College Station, Michaela Smith of Brady, Cabrii Ayala, Robin Hale and Brandon Sutton of Laredo; great-grandchildren: Ian and Hannah Shugart and Sky Ayala.

Baptist youth receive message from President George Bush

Following the events of Sept. 11, Ann Shaw's seventh and eighth grade Sunday School class at First Baptist Church wrote a letter of support to President George Bush. Last week they were gratified to receive a reply.

The text of the President's response follows.

Dear Students:

All of us were shocked by the tragic events that occurred on September 11, 2001. As our Nation watched the news, we saw many upsetting sights caused by the acts of terrorism.

These unspeakable cowardly acts have caused many Americans to be fearful, angry and sad. The destruction and devastation are overwhelming. Communication is essential during this time of crisis. I hope that you are sharing your thoughts and feelings with your parents, teachers and friends.

Join me in remembering the many firefighters, rescue workers and police officers who risked their lives in the line of duty. My heart goes out to those selfless workers who died trying to save others. In addition, I extend my thanks to the many friends and neighbors who offered help. In the days ahead, I hope that you, too, will show care and concern for others. One way to help is to donate a dollar to America's Fund for Afghan Children in care of the White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., 20509-1600.

America and its allies stand together. We will win the war against terrorism. None of us will ever forget these recent events. Yet, we go forward to defend freedom and all that is good and just in our world.

God bless you and God bless America.

Sincerely,  
George W. Bush

Mrs. Shaw said the youth do plan to participate in the fund for Afghan children.

May we introduce...



AMY CERVANTEZ

Amy Cervantez is employed in the housekeeping department at Crockett County Care Center. She began work there on Dec. 17, 1996.

Originally from Ozona, she is a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church.

Her children are Alexa, age 11 and a sixth grader at Ozona Middle School, and Joshua, 5 and a kindergarten student at Ozona Primary.

Amy enjoys being around family and attending football and basketball games and other sporting events.

"I do my very best in keeping the facility and residents' rooms clean," said Amy. "I enjoy working with all my fellow employees and like helping the residents in any way I can."



- Dec. 26 - Rebecca Hardin-Nieri, Jesus Rios, Britney Chandler, Latham Duote
- Dec. 27 - Roberto Longoria, Monic Castro, Timothy Maldonado
- Dec. 28 - Willie Schreffler, Eric Parker, Juan Hernandez Jr., Benjamin Flores
- Dec. 29 - Pam Acton, Cheyenne Coy, Lori Farris, Shelby Garza, Meagan Castro, Guadalupe Flores, Alicia Perez, Jared Shaffer
- Dec. 30 - Michelle Ramirez, Linda Sherek, Eva Tinney, Hector Hernandez, Jennifer Rodriguez, Jean Read, Kathy Morris
- Dec. 31 - Nancy Edwards Moore, Dennis Young, Terren Marshall, Joe Mendoza, Karina Rios, Cole Wadsworth
- Jan. 1 - Codie Porras, Maria De La Rosa, Danny DeLeon, Romie Arredondo, Lisa Ortiz, Jesus Castillo, Matt Miller, Cuatro Jones

"And she brought forth her first born Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

"And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying:

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace goodwill toward, men!"

Luke 2: 7, 13, 14

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Resolve to Seek the Lord

By Dr. Dennis J. Prutow

The nation was divided. Priests in the north, Israel, joined their friends in the south, Judah. They went together to the temple in Jerusalem to worship. "Those from all the tribes of Israel who set their hearts on seeking the Lord God of Israel followed them to Jerusalem, to sacrifice to the Lord God of their fathers" (2 Chronicles 11:16).

The Lord is God. In the New Testament the Lord God is Jesus Christ (Romans 10:9). To seek Him means looking to Him with Bible reading and prayer. Seeking the Lord means regularly joining God's people for worship and praise. It means joining in corporate prayer and listening to the public reading and exposition of the Bible. Seeking the Lord means forsaking things God finds distasteful (Isaiah 51:1). Seeking the Lord means trusting in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ as the only adequate payment for sins (Isaiah 55:6).

To set your heart to seek the Lord means you are genuinely inclined to seek God through Jesus Christ. You do not hesitate (1 Kings 18:21). You are not double-minded (Psalm 119:113). You understand the promise, "Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded" (James 4:8).

Here is a New Year's resolution worthy of the name. Set your heart to seek the Lord.

<p><b>First Baptist Church</b> 901 Ave. D Rev. Bill Fuller Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Ozona Church of Christ</b> 1002 11th St. Mr. Johnnie Perkins Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Ozona United Methodist Church</b> 12 - 11th St. Rev. Nancy Mossman Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Ozona Cowboy Church</b> Ceniso St. Pastor Rick Thomas Thursday: 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Faith Lutheran Church</b> 802 1st St. Rev. Charles Huffman Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church</b> 526 Santa Rosa St. - Rev. Sergio Arellano Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Tues. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m. Wed. Family Service: 6:30 p.m.</p>
<p><b>Templo Bautista Jerusalem</b> 138 Blas St. Rev. Esequiel Cervantez Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wednesday: 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Church of God of Prophecy</b> 102 Man O' War St. Pastor Lupe Domaniquez Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 4:30 p.m. Tues. &amp; Thurs: 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Our Lady of Perpetual Help</b> 219 Martinez St. Rev. Henry Laenen Sun. Mass: 11 a.m. Sat.: 7 p.m. M. W. F. - 8:30 a.m. Thurs.: 7 p.m.</p>
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<p><b>Harvest Time Christian Center</b> 604 11th St. Rev. Velma Trimble Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship 6 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Iglesia de Cristo</b> Hwy 163 S. at Quail Run Minister: Amelio Hinojos Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Attend the Church of Your Choice This Sunday</b></p>

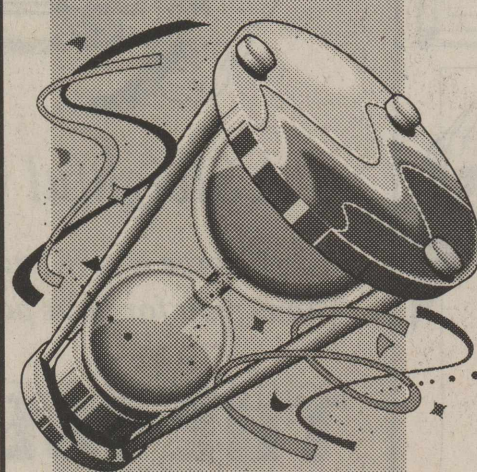
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# Lions scalp Braves

Written By Michelle Holtz  
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The Lions competed against the Iraan Braves Dec. 15 at Davidson Gym. The Lions scalped the Braves as they won the game by 13 points.

In the first quarter the Braves outscored the Lions by one. Scoring for the Lions were Lalo Garza leading with six, as G.L. Bunger, Derek Faught, Bryan Skehan and Robert Ogle each nailed a 2-pointer. In the second quarter the Lions dominated the floor, scoring a sweet 21 points and holding the Braves to under 10. Arron Garza led the Lions with eight points, Brad Mayfield had four, Faught three and Abel Rodriguez, Jarryd Taylor and Skehan each scored two points. The Lions held a sweet 12 points over the Braves at halftime, 35-23.

The Lions continued to work the floor in the third quarter, increasing their lead over the Braves. Lions scoring in the third were Lalo Garza draining a three and a two pointer; Bunger also sank a three, Skehan scored three points,

and Taylor and Arron Garza added two points each. The Braves scored two more than the Lions but, the Lions vast lead assured them a win over the Braves. Faught scored four in the fourth quarter as Ogle, Taylor, Skehan, Lalo Garza and Rodriguez all added in two points each. The final score of the game was Lions 64- Braves 53.

The Braves stood to win the game had they made all of their free throws. However, the Braves made only 16 out of 35, thus costing them the game. The Lions made 10 of 19 free throws.

Lead scorer for the Lions was Lalo Garza with 13 points, and he led with six steals. Faught led in total rebounds with six of them, and led in assists with three, he also scored 11 points. Also leading in rebounds was Robert Ogle with six.

Lion Scorers: Lalo Garza 13, Derek Faught 11, Bryan Skehan 9, Arron Garza 8, Jarryd Taylor 6, G.L. Bunger 5, Abel Rodriguez 4, Brad Mayfield and Robert Ogle 4.

# JV Lions take third in tourney

Written By Michelle Holtz  
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The JV Lions went to McCamey Thursday, Dec. 13, to play in the McCamey JV Tournament. The Lions placed third beating two of three teams.

The Lions faced off against the Alpine Bucks in game one, sending the Bucks packin' as they won the game over Alpine 45-27. Ozona began their attack on the Bucks in the first quarter outscoring them 9-4. The Lions continued their attack on into the second quarter for an 8-point lead, 14-6. At halftime the scoreboard revealed the Lions vast lead over the Bucks to be a 13-point difference, 23-10.

After the half the Bucks seemed to get it together, scoring one point less than the Lions in the third quarter. The Lions, however, held the Bucks to a mere eight points in the final quarter while they scored 12 of their own.

The Lions held the Bucks to under 10 points in each quarter and won the game by a whopping 18 points.

There were five Lions who scored in this game. They were lead scorer Ryan Wiley with 12 points including drilling two threes followed by Dennis Taylor with 11 points, Doug Duncan with 10 points, Ryan Pearl with nine and Romeo Perez with four points. Taylor led in total rebounds with nine as Wiley, Duncan and Chris Martinez had eight total rebounds apiece. Wiley also led in assists with five and led in steals along with Pearl, each making three.

Coach Lynn Searsy stated, "Everyone did a great job. This was the best job this year of everyone working together."

In game two the Lions traveled back to McCamey on Saturday, Dec. 15, to take on the JV Iraan Braves. The Braves would tomahawk the Lions in this game. Ozona tried to come back in the final quarter, but it was just too late for the Lions to make up for lost time.

In the first quarter the Braves overwhelmed the Lions by scoring an outstanding 22 points and held the Lions to under 10 points. The Braves then held the Lions to under five points in the second quarter while adding six more to their already demanding lead. The score at halftime was Braves 28- Lions 11.

After the half each team struggled to outscore the other as the Braves scored three and the Lions two points in the third.

The Lions made a gallant comeback in fourth quarter but couldn't overcome the Braves in the end. The Lions

scored 17 points to the Braves' 10 in the fourth quarter.

Lead scorer for the Lions was Ryan Wiley with 11 points including making three sweet threes, one assist and one steal. Chris Martinez played a great game as he led in rebounds with an awesome nine total rebounds, one assist and one steal. Martinez also scored eight points.

Coach Lynn Searsy stated, "We played flat in this game, but showed a lot of poise by staying in the game even though things were not going well. We made a good run in the fourth quarter but too little too late".

Lions Scorers: Ryan Wiley 11, Dennis Taylor 9, Chris Martinez 8 and Romeo Perez 2.

Saturday evening the Lions competed against the JV Van Horn Eagles in game three. The Lions would shoot down the Eagles to win the game 56-49.

The first quarter was a close one as the Eagles scored one more than the Lions 12-11. The Lions answered in the second quarter by outscoring the Eagles four points, 17-13. At halftime the Lions held a three point lead over the Eagles 28-25.

The Lions again would score more than Van Horn in the next quarter as they outshot the Eagles 9-6.

The Eagles managed to outscore the Lions in the fourth quarter, sending the game into overtime. At the end of four quarters, the score was 45-45.

The Lions took care of business in the four minutes of overtime play as they scored 11 points to the Eagles' four to win the game 56-49. The Lions made five of seven free throws in overtime.

Dennis Taylor led the Lions in scoring with 16 points including making one 3-pointer followed by Chris Martinez with 15. Martinez led on the boards with nine total rebounds and Taylor had eight. Ryan Wiley also scored well with 12 points including making two 3-pointers and led the Lions in assists with three and led in steals with three.

"We came back after a poor game against Iraan and played really hard," said Coach Searsy. "Van Horn stayed with us within three points most of the game. Van Horn made a good run at the end of regulation time and tied us, sending the game into overtime. This is where the Lions showed a lot of poise and class. We placed in third place in the tournament".

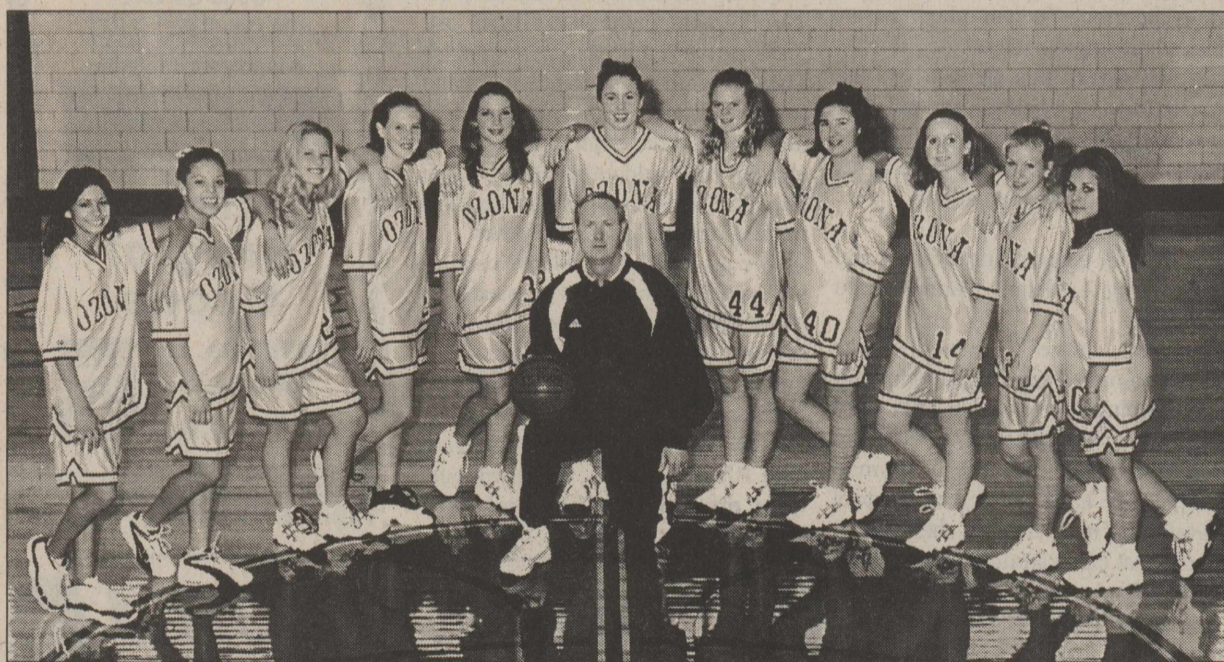
Lions Scorers: Dennis Taylor 16, Chris Martinez 15, Ryan Wiley 12, Doug Duncan 7, Ryan Pearl 4 and Kris Gray 2.



THE OHS VARSITY LADY LIONS are: (front, l. to r.) Myda Fay, Taylor Oglesby, Melanie Bullard, Katy Churchill, Paige Tambunga and Colbey Crawford. Back row: Coach Dickie Faught, Bekah Cowen, Jessica Herring, Lana Stewart, Jordan Webster, Joyce Caldera, Kimber Bean and Coach Rodney Johnson  
Photo by Cameras Two



THE OHS JV LADY LIONS ARE: (back, l. to r.) Amanda Poindexter, Krystle Fierro, Britney Buchanan and Ruth Cervantez. Middle, Jessica Galan, Ariana Lira, Casey Ybarra and Hilary Huffman. Front: Michelle Necessary and Janet Rodriguez. Not pictured is Heather Ybarra.  
Photo by Cameras Two



THE OHS JV GOLD LADY LIONS ARE: (back, l. to r.) April Vargas, Britney Ramos, Jenna Henderson, Kayla Johnson, Kristen Bunger, Laura Pierce, Katherine Walston, Heather Price, Kristen James, Makinsey Morris and Janet Rodriguez. Front: Coach Rodney Johnson.  
Photo by Cameras Two

# Bravettes tomahawk Lady Lions Dec. 14

Written By Michelle Holtz  
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The Lady Lions hosted the Iraan Bravettes Dec. 14 at Davidson Gymnasium. The Bravettes tomahawked the Lady Lions to win the game by a vast 15 points. The Lady Lions struggled to get it together in the first quarter as they would only score five points while the Bravettes racked up 11. Taylor Oglesby made the Lady Lions' first point of the game on the free throw line. Oglesby scored two more points a few minutes later, and Jordan Webster added in 2-point basket with 15 seconds left in the quarter.

The Lady Lions did much better in the second quarter as both teams scored 12 points. Webster led the Ladies with five points, Bekah Cowen, Casey Ybarra and Jessica Herring each score two points, and Lana Stewart added in one point. The Bravettes led the Lady Lions by six points at the end of the first half.

In the third quarter the Lady Lions scored five points to the Bravettes' six. Webster nailed a three and Katy Churchill scored a 2-pointer for the Lady Lions. The Bravettes kept the Lady Lions from scoring more than seven points as they put in 15.

Churchill made six points in the final quarter and Stewart added one free throw. The Bravettes won the game 44-29.

The Lady Lions again did not do well on the free throw line making four of 12 from the line. The Bravettes made 14 of 18 free throws. Taylor Oglesby played quite well, leading the Ladies in rebounds with four total rebounds, one assist, one steal and scored five points.

Leading the Ladies in scoring was Jordan Webster with 10 points followed by Katy Churchill with eight points. The Lady Lions are 3-10 for season to date.

Lady Lions Scorers: Webster 10, Churchill 8, Oglesby 5, Ybarra 2, Herring 2 and Stewart 2.

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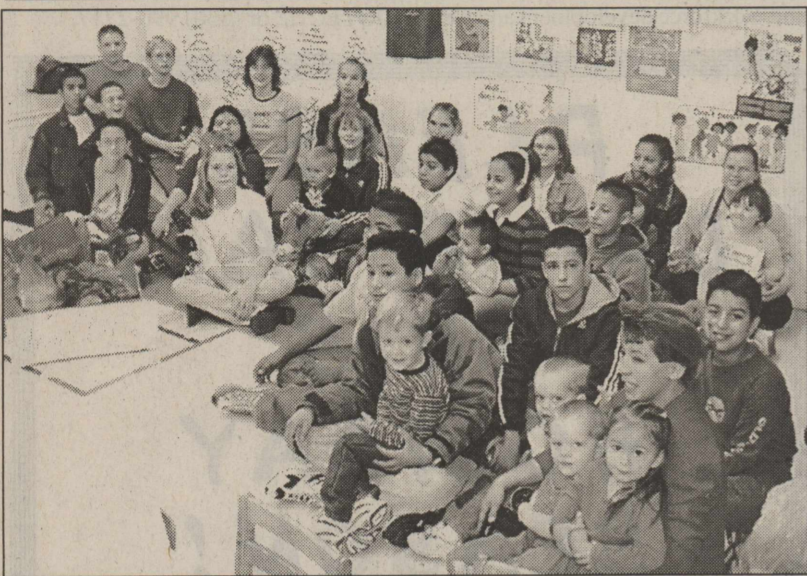
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**THE SEVENTH GRADE STUDENTS** at Ozona Middle School adopted the community center for their Christmas community service project. They delivered the assorted goods to the center last Thursday.  
*DigiCam Photo by Susan Calloway*



**OZONA PRIMARY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS** were honored with a luncheon last week at the primary school. Pictured are just a few of the dedicated helpers. They are: (l. to r.) H.O. Hoover, Sonya Hoover, Lorena Quiroz, Sara Estrada, Yvonne Rodriguez, Sharon Tralier, Christine Dorough, Bobbie Galindo and Terry Moran.  
*DigiCam Photo by Susan Calloway*



**OZONA HEAD START CHILDREN** enjoyed baking cookies with OHS students in the HE building earlier this month. *DigiCam Photo by Linda Moore*

## Richardson nominated to compete in national scholarship program

Kyle Richardson, an Ozona High School senior, has been nominated to compete in the national Principal's Leadership Award scholarship program (PLA), sponsored by the National Association of Secondary Principals (NASSP). Herff Jones, Inc., funds the Principal's Leadership Award program.

Donny Wiley, principal, Ozona High School, announced the nomination, which places Kyle in the national competition. One hundred fifty national PLA winners will be chosen this spring to receive \$ 1,000 college scholarships.

Principals in high schools throughout the country could nominate one of their leaders. Nominees were selected based on their leadership skills, participation in service organizations and clubs, achievements in the arts and sciences, employment experience, and academic record. They also were required to write an essay.

"Kyle has demonstrated exemplary achievement in his academic

## Houston Livestock Show 4-H and FFA scholarship program expanded to students in all fields of study

More students in 4-H and FFA programs across Texas will have the opportunity to apply for Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo scholarships due to a change in the program. In November, Show officials eliminated the program's restriction on agriculture or life science field of study, allowing students to major in any authorized field of study leading to a bachelor's degree.

The Show's 4-H and FFA scholarship program is its oldest program and awards \$1.4 million to graduating high school seniors each year. This change in policy not only affects future scholarship recipients, but also is effective for students currently attending Texas colleges and universities on Show 4-H and FFA scholarships. While this may change choice of major for some students, it will still allow them to take their agriculture and life science backgrounds into future career.

The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo is a 501 (c)(3) educational charity. With its current commitment of \$8.5 million, the Show has committed more than \$85 million to scholarships and educational programs since 1957.

work and service to his school and community," said Gerald N. Tirozzi, NASSP executive director. "He's a fine example of the outstanding caliber of young people in America's high schools."

In recognizing leadership in co-curricular activities-the term that replaces extra-curricular activities, as coined in Breaking Ranks: Changing an American Institution-as well as academic performance, the PLA scholarship helps assert the importance of as well-rounded education. Breaking Ranks, the high school reform report issued by NAS SP in partnership with The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, says co-curricular activities should be an essential part of the school curriculum.

While at Ozona High School, Kyle has been a class officer and Honorable Mention All District Football Member.

NASSP is the nation's largest school leadership organization with a membership reaching toward 40,000 middle level and high school principals and assistant principals. It administers the National Honor Society, the National Junior Honor Society, the National Association of Student Councils, and the National Association of Student Activity Advisers, collectively serving an additional 50,000 advisers and more than one million students. NASSP is also the sponsor of National Student Leadership Week.



**COATS AND BLANKETS** were gathered to be donated to the needy at the Catholic Church last Thursday by the Ozona High School Leadership Council for their holiday community service project. The students are: (front, l. to r.) Robert Mossman, Dianna Perez and Michelle Necessary. Middle: Logan English and Derek Faught. Back: Heather Ybarra.

## Jackston ASU graduate

Darin L. Jackson of Ozona was among the 339 students graduating from Angelo State University Dec. 14. Jackson earned a bachelor of science degree.

Graduates of the Fall 2001 class are the last to have their commencement at the San Angelo Coliseum. Beginning with the May graduation, the ceremony will be held on campus.

Guest speaker for the Friday ceremony was Dr. Fernando C. Gomez of the Texas State University System. The university conferred 344 bachelor's and master's degrees upon 339 graduates.

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## Community Calendar

Dec. 31 - Knights of Columbus New Year's Eve Dance. Fair Park Convention Center. 8 p.m.-1 a.m. Admission per person or per table reservation. Frank Tambunga 392-1300 or [oztambunga@aol.com](mailto:oztambunga@aol.com). 660 in attendance.

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## JV Yellowjackets swarm JV Lions

Michelle Holtz  
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The Junior Varsity Lions hosted the Junior Varsity Menard Yellowjackets Monday Dec. 17, at Davidson Gym. At the end of the first quarter the Yellowjackets led the Lions by one point, 8-7.

In the second quarter, both teams struggled to make their shots. With 3:38 remaining in the quarter the Lions came alive picking up the pace and playing some good ball, outscoring the Yellowjackets by five, 10-5. The scoreboard at halftime read Lions 17- Yellowjackets 13.

In the third quarter neither team could make most of their shots only scoring four points apiece.

In the final seven minutes of play, the Yellowjackets were right on target with the goal as Yellowjacket Castillo sank two threes and scored both of his shots on the free throw line. Four other Jackets put in two as they swarmed the Lions, overpowering them by scoring 16 points in the final quarter while the Lions only managed to score seven.

The Yellowjackets swarmed the Lions in the final minutes of play to win the game by five, 33-28. The Lions made four of nine shots on the free throw line while the Jackets made five of ten.

Lead scorers for the Lions were Dennis Taylor and Chris Martinez each scoring eight points. Others scoring for the Lions were Ryan Pearl and Doug Duncan each scoring three points as Romeo Perez, Kris Gray and Toby Pagan each added in two points.

### CROCKETT COUNTY CONSOLIDATED COMMON SCHOOL DIST COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2001

Data Control Codes	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES				TOTALS (Memorandum Only)	
	100-199 General Fund	200-499 Special Revenue Funds	500-599 Debt Service Fund	600-699 Capital Projects Fund	98 August 31, 2001	97 August 31, 2000
<b>REVENUES:</b>						
Local and Intermediate Sources:						
	\$ 248,630	\$ -	\$ 4,779	\$ 13	\$ 253,422	\$ 283,155
	10,799,745	64,988	660,140	-	11,524,873	9,602,674
5700 Total Local and Intermediate Sources	11,048,375	64,988	664,919	13	11,778,295	9,885,829
5800 State Program Revenues	545,643	106,694	-	-	652,337	648,023
5900 Federal Program Revenues	21,015	582,212	-	-	603,227	746,189
5020 Total Revenues	11,615,033	753,894	664,919	13	13,033,859	11,280,041
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>						
Current:						
0010 Instruction and Instructional-Related Services	4,428,946	474,100	-	1,279	4,904,325	4,684,259
0020 Instructional and School Leadership	426,132	9,849	-	-	435,981	443,927
0030 Support Services - Student (Pupil)	562,131	328,486	-	-	890,617	897,727
0040 Administrative Support Services	541,991	-	-	-	541,991	489,114
0050 Support Services - Nonstudent Based	1,477,002	18,761	-	-	1,495,763	1,349,043
0060 Ancillary Services	64	2,658	-	-	2,722	3,313
0070 Debt Service	-	-	648,124	-	648,124	649,665
0080 Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	1,371,798
0090 Intergovernmental Charges	3,818,735	-	-	-	3,818,735	3,130,217
6030 Total Expenditures	11,255,001	833,854	648,124	1,279	12,738,258	13,019,063
1100 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	360,032	(79,960)	16,795	(1,266)	295,601	(1,739,022)
7020 Other Resources	-	79,960	-	-	79,960	720,974
8030 Other (Uses)	(79,960)	-	-	-	(79,960)	(720,974)
1200 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues & Other Resources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	280,072	-	16,795	(1,266)	295,601	(1,739,022)
0100 Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	2,652,156	-	74,700	1,928	2,728,784	4,467,806
1300 Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	75,801	-	-	-	75,801	-
3000 Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 3,008,029	\$ -	\$ 91,495	\$ 662	\$ 3,100,186	\$ 2,728,784

# Crockett County Sheriff's Report

12-18-01 to 12-20-01

12-18-01

Report of alarm at Heritage Building. Workers set off alarm. All was okay.

Deputy met complainant on Ave. J in reference to hit and run.

Deputy met complainant on Pandale Rd. in reference to damage to company vehicle by gravel on county trucks. Gravel was not found, and subject was advised to contact insurance company.

Deputy met complainant on local RV Park in reference to attempted break in of motor home.

Report of unlicensed juvenile to arrive at Civic Center. He/she never arrived.

Deputy unlocked vehicle on Santa Rosa St.

12-19-01

Report of minor incident on Mulberry St. No injuries were reported, and subjects were issued a blue form.

Report of alarm at high school library was set off by teacher. Everything was okay.

Report of a speeding vehicle on I-10. Sutton County was contacted.

Deputy unlocked vehicle on Ave. C.

Deputy met complainant at high school gym in reference to damage to vehicle. An offense report was filed.

Deputy unlocked vehicle at local convenience store on Ave. E.

Off duty DPS. Officer destroyed a cat on Ave. I. Animal control was contacted.

Report of alarm at alternative education school. Janitor had set off alarm, and everything was okay.

Deputy assisted caller in reference to harassment. Subject came by office to file report.

Deputy was flagged down by local citizen in reference to reckless driver. Driver was located and a citation was issued.

Deputy met complainant in office in reference to another juvenile harassing him at school. Subject was advised to speak with the principal.

Officer checked on two 911 calls. Kids were playing with phone, and everything was okay.

Report by Reagan County of loose livestock on Hwy. 137, 2 miles north of Hwy. 190. Ranch foreman was contacted by the dispatcher.

Report of missing juvenile on Sheffield Rd. Juvenile returned home at later time.

12-20-01

Deputy issued a blue form to subject that had hit a deer.

Report of damage to business property by a large vehicle on Ave. C and 14th St. DPS was contacted.

Deputy escorted inmate to clinic.

Report of loose livestock on FM 1676. County Road 207 and 208. Ranch owner was contacted by dispatcher.

Dispatcher assisted on welfare concern request from local citizen. Harris County Police and Sheriff's Office were contacted to check welfare of citizen's daughter. Later in the day subject made contact with concerned party.

Deputy assisted on medical call from a drilling rig 8.2 miles on Hwy. 137. Victim was taken to hospital in San Angelo via ambulance.

Report of a reckless driver by the tennis court. Subject was identified and JP's Office was contacted.

Deputy unlocked vehicle on Cenisa St.

Report of a reckless local driver in a tan and white pickup on Ave. J. Subject was not located. Deputy stated suspect is 18 years old, and reckless driving is subject to an arrest.

Deputy assisted Sutton County with a gas drive off. Sutton County unit located and transferred subjects back to convenience store.

### OFFENSE REPORT

12-18-01 through 12-24-01

12-19-01

Sheriff's Deputy filed a criminal mischief report. Complainant stated that on 12-17-01 she had parked her vehicle behind the gym, and the next day discovered that her vehicle had been damaged with a key by unknown person/persons. Investigation continues.

### ARREST REPORT

FOR PERIOD  
12-18-2001 through 12-20-2001

NO ARRESTS WERE MADE DURING THIS PERIOD.

# Texas Tech to provide courses at Fredericksburg

Texas Tech University is establishing a collaboration to provide increased opportunities for public higher education in the Hill Country. Heading a consortium of universities and community colleges that will offer freshman core undergraduate courses through graduate degrees, Texas Tech will be filling a need for accessible public higher education in this region.

For thirty years, Texas Tech has operated a center in Junction. Academic offerings are being expanded at that site. Fredericksburg is the headquarters for the TTHCUC with initial courses being taught in existing facilities at Fredericksburg High School. An additional center will be opening in Marble Falls in late January or early February. Faculty members from partner institutions, as well as local adjunct faculty, will teach courses offered days, evenings, on weekends and in intensive formats. Courses will be taught in person, via interactive video, and through the internet.

Collaboration partners are Angelo State University, Sul Ross State University, Schreiner University, Austin Community College, Howard College, Central Texas College and Texas State Technical College.

The target date for classes to begin is June 2002. Beginning in June, degrees to be offered include: Bachelor's degree in General Studies, Master's degree in Educational Leadership leading to Principal Certification, and a Master's degree in Education Curriculum and Instruction including an English as a Second Language endorsement that can be completed alone or in combination with the Master's degree.

The following academic programs are anticipated to be offered beginning in the Fall 2003: Teacher Certification Program; Business; Agriculture/Range and Resource Management; Criminal Justice; Hotel, and Restaurant and Institutional Management.

Austin Community College's will open an Associate degree in Nursing beginning Fall 2002. Texas Tech Health Sciences currently offers a RN-to-Bachelor's in Science degree in the Kerrville and Fredericksburg region. Therefore, beginning in Fall 2002, Hill Country students interested in nursing will be able to begin at ACC or Schreiner University in Vocational Nursing, complete their AND through ACC, and progress to the BSN through Texas Tech.

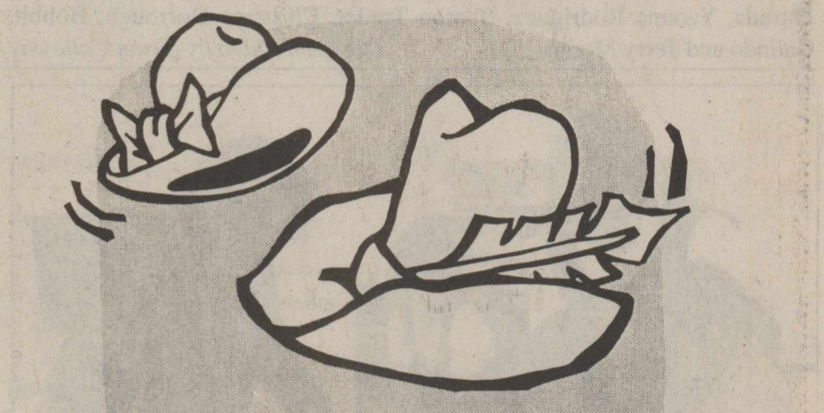
In addition, development is underway for further offerings in the allied health fields, upper division elective courses, continuing education, and workforce development and tech-

nical training. If demand is sufficient more degrees and programs will be phased into the collaboration over time.

In most cases, community college partners will teach first and second year core courses and offer associate's degrees, while university partners will teach upper-division and graduate courses, offering bachelor's and master's degrees.

For further information on the course offerings and plans for the Texas Tech Hill Country University Center, the address on-line is <http://www.hillcountry.ttu.edu>. Or you may reach the TTUHCUC Fredericksburg administration office at (888) GOTECH2 or (830) 990-2717.

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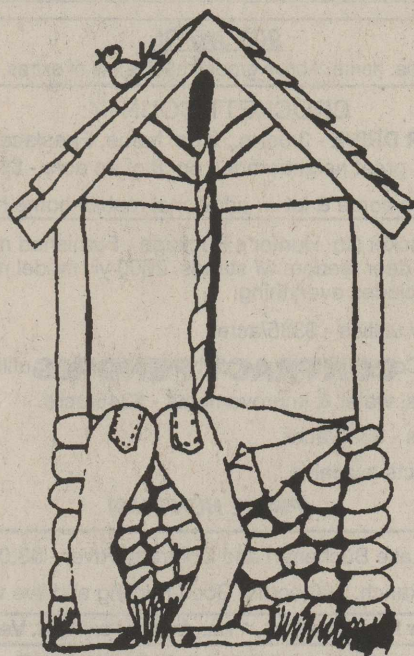
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District: San Angelo Contract 6075-42-001 for SEALING CRACKS AND JOINTS in SUTTON County, etc will be received on January 23, 2002 until 11:00 am and opened on January 23, 2002 at 2:00 pm at the District Office for an estimate of \$55,478.50.

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NO. 994 ESTATE OF BILLIE GENE BAGGETT DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CROCKETT COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Billie Gene Baggett, Deceased, were issued on December 12, 2001, in Docket No. 994, pending in the County Court of Crockett County, Texas, to: Jack Baggett.

The residence of Independent Executor is in Ozona, Crockett County, Texas, the post office address is:

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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Crockett County Consolidated Common School District will receive sealed bids until 2:00 p.m., Thursday, January 17, 2002, for Fieldhouse addition and renovations in Ozona, Texas, 76943. Bids received after 2:00 p.m. on January 17, 2002, will be returned unopened. All bids submitted in accordance with instructions will be publicly opened and read aloud beginning at 2:00 p.m., January 17, 2002, at the Crockett Co. CCSD Administration Offices.

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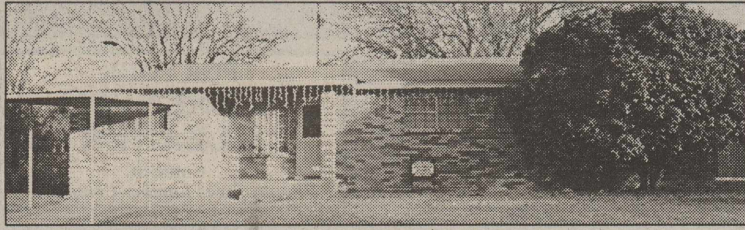
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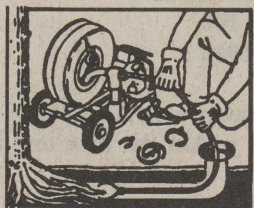
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