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Mostly Sunny

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beginning at 8 a.m.)

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Forecast information provided

The Weather Channel

For complete weather

Rain

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urtly Cloudy/Wind

Assistant superintendent to retire at the end of May ating a brighter future for Ozona's

Board accepts Cotton's resignation

By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

After 39 years, Ted Cotton's face will no longer be seen around the administration building at Crockett County Common School District.

The district's Board of Trustees approved the assistant superintendent's resignation, effective May 31, Monday night at their monthly meeting.

In his resignation letter, Cotton said "I consider myself very fortunate to have worked with six superintendents and many teachwhom have been dedicated to cre- Holmes

will remain forever in my mind purchases, including new percusand in my memories."

After meeting in executive school. session from 7:36-8:53 p.m., the board also approved contract extensions through the 2005-2006 school year on Athletic Director Jeff Streum, Elementary Counse-Principal Doug Guynes, High School Principal Steve Taylor, Technology Director Rod Miller, Secondary Counselor David McWilliams, Primary School ers, principals, counselors and Principal Robert Lacy and Interschool board members, all of mediate School Principal Manley

Band Director Sonny children. Even though I am retir- Bahlman presented the board with ing, please be assured that Ozona some considerations of equipment sion equipment for the high

> The current middle school percussion equipment is "literally being held together by duct tape," Bahlman said.

His proposal would call for lor Janina Savala, Middle School new equipment being bought for the high school, and moving down the existing high school equipment to the middle school. Cost for the new equipment would be around \$10,296, Bahlman said. Another request was also for

Please see BOARD, page 6

'Organic Gardening' program Tuesday

By CHARLOTTE HARRELL specialist will present the

The Ozona Garden Club and The Rustic Wheel Barrow of San Angelo will jointly host a special program on "Organic Gardening 101" free of charge for the public at noon Feb. 24 at the Civic

learning about how simple organic gardening really is. The Ozona Garden Club will provide dessert and iced tea.

Gardener and a natural gardener program.

program. Mr. Deuley is affiliated with Gardenville, producers and distributors of natural and organic gardening additives. He hosts a TV show out of Kerrville on HGTV and also writes weekly articles for the Kerrville Daily Times. Mr. Deuley has Everyone is invited to bring a more than 20 years experience brown bag lunch to eat while in his field and will be glad to answer your questions and to discuss any aspect of organic gardening of interest to you.

Please come and bring a Bruce Deuley who is a Master friend to enjoy this special

Pickup 'clips' gasoline pump 'Violently ill' man airlifted to Shannon

Editor and Publisher

An Odessa man became ill causing his pickup to clip a gasoline pump Monday morning at the Town and Country convenience store.

John Michael Blue, 51, was pulling into pump number three when he became "violently ill" causing him to lose control of his GMC Sierra pickup, which clipped the pump, said Texas Department of Public Safety Cpl. Ben English.

Blue regurgitated all over the ground and the floorboard of the truck. At first, Blue said he ate a cherry pie earlier in the day, but as it be more like blood, English said.

Crockett County EMS rushed Blue to Barnhart where Shannon AirMed picked him up and took him to Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo. English said he had some internal bleeding and tests were being run on Blue Monday.

"I appreciate everyone who responded on that," English said. "Everyone handled the situation really well."

Just after the EMS transported Blue, another accident occurred right across from the Town and Country on State Highway 163.

Henry H. Dugger, of Rich-



JOHN MICHAEL BLUE (center) is transported to the Crockett County EMS ambulance by Wesley Bean (left), DPS Trooper Kenny

continued the substance appeared to Chevrolet pickup with a camper ment, Crockett County Sheriff's trailer heading north on 163 in the Department and DPS all asoutside lane. An officer was sisted in the incidents. standing in the road, directing traffic away from the accident and ordering travelers to slow down, English said.

Wadsworth and Bear Borrego.

Matias Gandar, of Ozona, driving a grey 2003 Ford F150, was watching the accident scene when his pickup "banged" into Dugger's vehicle, English said.

Gandar was issued a citation for failure to control speed.

"When people see an accident scene, please pay attention to your driving," English said. "We (Emergency personnel) have all the help we need."

Crockett County EMS, mond Mo., was driving a black Ozona Volunteer Fire Depart- pickup as Blue was pulling up.



Photo by Melissa Perner **PUMP NUMBER THREE** was clipped by the GMC Sierra

Hunter pace accepting riders for April 4 event



A day of riding and compe- the first place team, \$500 for sectition is coming to Crockett ond place and \$250 for third, as County with the first Wild West well as ribbons and other gifts for Texas Hunter Pace.

The event will take place April 4 at the Acton Ranch. Both English with the last leaving around noon. and Western riders are welcome.

fore. It is up to each team to fig- dogs must be leashed. ure how the course should be ridden over the terrain.

"This is not a race, it is a

pace," Acton said.

one- to three-feet. There are also Box 157, Ozona, Texas 76943. "go arounds" for all non-jumpers.

ers leave the start every three min-

Awards include \$1,000 for Acton Ranch at 392-2014.

first-sixth. The first team leaves at 9 a.m.

Negative Coggins are re-

A hunter pace is to be ridden quired within 12 months for all at a safe pace through the coun- horses. Absolutely no muddy vetryside as if riding with a fox hunt, hicles permitted. Approved foraccording to coordinator Day mal headgear for jumping, no ex-Acton. A team wins by coming ceptions. Formal attire for whatclosest to the "optimum" time, ever discipline. Bring drinking which is set by a rider the day be- and bathing water for horses. All

To get to the Acton Ranch, go south on State Highway 163 for about 15 miles, turn right on Ranch Road 1973 and continue The course is six-seven miles for about 13 miles. The ranch will long. Teams of two or three rid- be on the left with signs posted.

Cost is \$40 per rider, \$5 refundutes. There are multiple jumping able pinny fee. Checks can be sent to efforts, ranging in height from Wild West Texas Hunter Pace, P.O.

For information, call the

Filing begins for local elections

County Consolidated Common School District Board of Trustees wishing to file may do so with and the Crockett County Water Improvement District #1 for the tion building. May 15 election.

District 6, held by Tom Anderson and the At-Large posi- ends March 15.

tion held by Jack Baggett Jr.

The filing period for Crockett has filed for the At-Large position. School board candidates Cynthia Hokit at the administra-

The Crockett County Water and School Board positions open Improvement District #1 has two this year are District 1, which is positions open. Candidates wishing currently held by Elliott Barrera, to file may do so at the district office. Filing for these positions

The Emerald Underground Anderson has already filed for Water Conservation District will re-election and Dr. Marcus Sims not hold an election this year.

Early voting begins Monday

County Courthouse Annex.

County in the Democratic primary are: 112th District Attorney -Steve Taliaferro and County Comfor the Republican primary.

- John Edwards, John F. Kerry, cal property tax increases. Dick Gephardt, Howard Dean, Wesley K. Clark, Joe Lieberman,

Early voting begins Monday for Randy Crow, Dennis J. Kucinich, the March 9 primary at the Crockett Al Sharpton and Lyndon H. LaRouche Jr.; U.S. Representa-Opposing races in Crockett tive District 23 - Joe Sullivan and Virgil W. Yanta.

Roy Glenn Sutton has filed Laurie English, of Ozona, and for sheriff as an independent and Frank Lacy, of Fort Stockton; will challenge incumbent Shane County Attorney - Bill Mason and Fenton in the November election.

Two referendums on the missioner Pct. 3 - Freddie Nicks ballot include: For or against and Randy Branch. The results of any efforts to end or privatize the primary will decide these Social Security and Medicare races, as no opponents have filed programs and for or against a consitutional amendment pro-Also on the Democratic pri-tecting taxpayers by prohibiting mary ballot: Presidential Nominee state mandates that require lo-

Early voting ends March 5. For information, call 392-2022.

Fitness Center Hours

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Memberships are still available; just come by anytime the fitness center is open and speak with an instructor.

The Crockett Soil and Water Conservation District and Ozona National Bank cosponsored a conservation poster contest for the sixth grade class at the Ozona Middle

Students were presented with informa-

tion concerning conservation and then given

the themes for this year's contest. The two themes were "Food for the Future" and "The Living Soil. All of the posters that were submitted were very good. The students did a great

Poster contest winners are: Shelby Ortiz, first place; Brandi Glosson, second and Jaron Vasquez, third. These winning

job, according to the district's board of di-

contest later this month. Ozona Middle School and the Ozona High Marty Acton and Jim Skehan. School. Any students that were interested were asked to write a short essay on the subject "The Living Soil."

"We really appreciate the students that participated in our contest and would like to encourage them to do so in the future. We had a difficult time deciding on our winners since we had some excellent essays submitted," said the district's board of directors.

Essay contest winners are: Julia Henderson, first place; Abel Villareal, second and Keshia Dean, third.

There were no entries submitted by the Ozona High School this year and we look forward to participation from the high school students next year. This is really a



Photo by Stephen Zuberbueler posters will be submitted to an areawide OZONA MIDDLE SCHOOL poster contest winners (from left to right) Shelby Ortiz, Brandi Glosson and Jaron Vasquez An essay contest was presented to the are pictured with (back row left to right) Jack Baggett Jr.,



Photo by Stephen Zuberbueler OZONA MIDDLE SCHOOL essay contest winners (from left Please see AWARDS, page 6 to right) Julia Henderson, Abel Villareal and Keshia Dean.

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Crockett County History

"This is the way it was"

By Oscar Kost



A history of Ozona newspapers

Claude Hudspeth made history tor in Ozona for many years. The papers were hand set.

ment on a burrow. He was a man on Sept. 15, 1926. to give the community this.

States Congress from his district. Quero Record in Quero, Texas.

His ranch was 40 miles south of business to the Metcalf brothers. On Sept. 10, 1903, Clemmen Dodson Building when completed. bought the paper. Miss Dodson served her apprenticeship on the Uvalde was hand set. The first paper he put News. She owned The Sonora Cou- out, he had set at the San Angelo rier for a short time.

a rival newspaper to The Kicker. Everett purchased a new Linotype. There had been no opposition to His first thing was to take advertis-Claude Hudspeth until that date. ing off the front page. Miss Dodson became the wife of Will C. Easterling, a printer and paper to Kitty Montgomery (Mrs. editor. During the same year, she sold to publisher Hunt of Menard, paper production changed to offset and he sold to Christian Myers, a method of printing. They took the graduate of Ozona High School. paper to Big Spring for printing.

F.L. Burchett bought the paflatbed press for printing the paper. from Montgomery. Scotty pur-Financial difficulties fell on chased a three section press, and Burchett and A.L. Bunger and used it for about 10 years. He then the paper. Judge Davidson acquired tion press. He printed the paper Nolan to continue publishing.

the editor. While Davidson and worked hard and made a success Smithwere in charge of the paper, the of the paper. name changed to The Ozona Stockthe ranching industry.

It was sold Feb. 23, 1923 to R.S. Cooke, a meat market opera-

for the newspaper business, when he meat market and the paper were arrived in Ozona with a printing press. on the south side of the square Of course, it was Fauntso Type as next to the Bank, in the Davidson Building. His son-in-law, John H. It is said he came with equip- Sawyer, started running the paper

W. Everett White purchased Ozona's first newspaper was the paper next. Ruth, an Ozona na-The Ozona Kicker. Now called tive and Everett's wife, helped and The Ozona Stockman, it was made the paper a success. They started in 1892 by Claude B. published the paper for 46 years. Hudspeth, who became a rancher Everett graduated from the Univerand was later elected to the United sity of Texas and worked for the

The meat market was in the front Ozona in 1895. Hudspeth sold the of the building and the paper was in the back. Cooke moved to the Perner

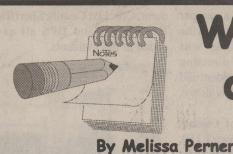
When Everett got the paper, it Standard-Times. The next paper In 1906, Miss Dodson bought was set with an ancient linograph.

In July 1972, Everett sold the Tom Ed Montgomery). In 1970, the

In April 1987, Scotty and per from Myers and installed a Linda Moore purchased the paper Judge Chas E. Davidson acquired purchased a later model, four secthe paper and associated with Tom and surrounding town's papers. Before that, they took the paper Finally, one Smith Jones became to San Angelo for printing. They

They sold to Melissa and man on March 27, 1914. The Judge Paul C. Perner IV Jan. 3, 2004. wanted to make it a trade journal for The Perners are young and doing a good job. See you,

Oscar



'redneck

There has been a new discovery in my house.

the closet Friday when my hus- Yertle's time. band was taking him back to the getting his yearly vaccinations.

radio, Yertle kept "meowing" un- tic, since the cat has always been til the station turned to honky tonk "my pet"). country and western music. We're talking Johnny Cash, Willie through good times and bad. Per-Nelson, Hank Williams, etc...

came quiet the rest of the way.

To look at my cat, you would I never thought that he was the type.

This is the animal that sleeps between us and then is running ing in our house. around the house like crazy. I never thought that his forte was myself.

On the lighter side of "There's a tear in my beer" and 'Ring of Fire.'

As comedian Jeff Foxworthy says "the definition of redneck is My cat, who have I owned for a glorious absence of sophisticaseven years, is a redneck. It's true. tion, and it can be either full-time Yertle, my cat, came out of or part-time." I guess this was

My husband was beaming have been prouder. (Actually, I As Paul flipped through the think he was being more sarcas-

Yertle has traveled with me, sonally, I always thought he was At that moment, Yertle be- a Jimmy Buffett fan, but maybe he was just trying to amuse me.

I guess he decided enough never know that he had this in him. was enough, and he wanted it known what type of cat he was.

on our chests at night, cuddles up pen sooner or later if you're liv-

I couldn't have been prouder,

Folktales of Crockett County

nickname of "Bobbo"

Hallie Black, Ginger's grand-Granny or whatever, she would say, "No, that's Bobbo."

When Vonnie grew up and windshield in big letters. got married and had kids of course they all called Myrtle "Bobbo". Bobbo Bus for church activities. hand. Letters should not exceed 250 words.

Ginger Perner's great-grand- Everybody in the family called her State University professor, 2:30 p.m. in the distance learning lab, on the in town called her Bobbo.

mother, said that when Ginger's old class at the First Baptist San Angelo. For information, call Charlotte Harrell at 392-2501. mother, Vonnie, was little and Church for many years. When she learning to talk she started call- died in 1976, her son Tom ing her "Bobbo" and they do not Mitchell bought a blue and white know why. When they would tell bus in her honor and donated it to her that Myrtle was Grandma or the First Baptist Church to use.

> Bus. It had Bobbo up above the A lot of kids rode on the



NEWS REEL FEB. 21, 1974

mas Raleigh Conner.

The Ozona Country Club announced the results of its officer's election this week. New officers are B.W. Stuart, president; Dick Webster, vice president; John R. Hunnicutt, John Childress and Jack Baggett, directors. Freddie Nicks and Douglas Moore.

named Ozona High School's 1974 Betty Crocker Family Leader of Tomorrow. Sanker won the honor by scoring rapidly and a large number of trees have high in a written knowledge and attitude examination administered to high school seniors here.

United Methodist Church. Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. William shearing time.

Dempster Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Tho-

NEWS REEL MARCH 1, 1945

Mrs. Chas E. Davidson Jr. and daughter, Muggs, will spend the holiday weekend in Canyon visiting Mr. Holdover directors are Joe Williams, and Mrs. Bryan McDonald and family.

Members of the Ozona Women's Patricia Ann Sanker has been Club will continue working on the highway beautification program next week. The planting program is progressing been set out.

A 5-year-old ewe, heavily laden with wool was found on the Cam Miss Shelley Christy Jones and Longley Ranch and yielded more Thomas Raleigh Conner Jr. were united than 30 pounds when sheared. The in marriage Saturday at the Ozona ewe had never been marked and apparently been missed each year at

Sales tax revenues increase again



AUSTINtinues for Texas. January

sales tax re-

ceipts were up compared to a year before, the fifth straight increase in rev-

enue to state coffers. lature Budget Board was briefed by economists who predicted this state's economy.

Texas may gain as many as 150,000 jobs this year, University

Weinstein told the LBB. many of the jobs lost, a factor that translates into lower consumer spending. That, of course, means less in sales tax revenue.

Special session in April?

The buzz around the Capitol is that early April, possibly April 10, is D-Day for the special session on school finance.

That would be a month after the primaries and six months before the November general elections.

Believe this or not, but another component of the buzz is that one ations that ranks fairly high up the list is an increase in the sales tax. New Main Street communities...

Since 1981, the Texas Historigram has helped 145 communities in the state revitalize their historic downtown areas.

The cities selected for Main The good Street funding this year are Grand economic Saline, Pecos, Pharr and news con- McKinney. Architectural renderings for downtown renovations in each of these cities will be unveiled by First Lady Anita Perry in ceremonies set for March 30 in Pharr

and Pecos and the following day in McKinney and Grand Saline. Beam up all the cell phones?

If you watched the original "Star Trek" on television back in Earlier this month, the Legis- the '60s, or caught the series on syndication, you know that Captain Kirk and the other members of the would be a much better year for the Enterprise crew had a communication device that looked remarkably like today's small cell phone.

These days, according to the of North Texas economist Bernard Department of Public Safety, cell phones are becoming almost as One problem: Jobs lost during dangerous as entering Klingon terthe recent economic downturn tended ritory. Traffic crashes related to cell to be of the higher paying variety. phone use (because of the driver Many of the newly-created jobs, and distraction they cause) jumped 44 anticipated positions, are in the serpercent from 2000 to 2001. And if vice industry and government. Both data from 2002-03 were available, categories are lower paying than which it isn't, the percent of increase probably is even greater.

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In real numbers, reported cell phone-related crashes jumped to 1,032 from 716. Seven people died in cell phone-related crashes in 2000 and eight deaths were reported the following year.

A more traditional problem, road rage, was blamed on 219 crashes in 2001. That represents an increase of 143 percent from the 90 crashes attributed to road rage the year before.

"It is difficult to draw concluof the school funding consider- sions at this point," said DPS Director Col. Thomas Davis Jr., "but the data probably understates the

There is no doubt that cell phone ranch after a morning at the vet of when he told me. He couldn't cal Commission's Main Street pro- misuse and road rage create major problems on Texas roadways."

The solution: Don't use your cell phone when you're driving.

Feb. 18-29 - Art exhibit featuring bronze sculpture work by Judy Black Hall and paintings by Mary Jo Mason's San Angelo painting group, during library hours at the Crockett County Library. For information, call Charlotte Harrett at 392-2501 or the library at 392-3565.

Feb. 18 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m., at the Crockett County Se-Besides, it was bound to hap-nior Center. For information, call 392-5026. Feb. 20 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m., at the Crockett County Se-

> nior Center. For information, call 392-5026. • Trans-Texas corridor public hearing, 9:30 a.m., Crockett County

Courthouse. · Varsity Tennis Tournament in Fort Stockton.

Feb. 21 - Red Bandana Valentine Dance, 7 p.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center. For information, call 392-5026.

• Varsity Tennis Tournament in Fort Stockton. Feb. 23 - Exercise Classes, 8;30 a.m., at the Crockett County Senior Center. For information, call 392-5026.

· Games, 1-3 p.m., at the Crockett County Senior Center. For information, call 392-5026. • "History of Scientific Thought" by Dr. Ross Dawkins, Angelo

mother, Myrtle Mitchell, had the Bobbo and eventually everybody first floor of the library building at Ozona High School. Feb. 24 - "Organic Gardening 101," noon at the Ozona Civic Cen-She taught the little 3-year- ter. Sponsored by the Ozona Garden Club and Rustic Wheel Barrel of

• Varsity Lions Baseball game vs. McCamey, 6 p.m. in McCamey.

Letters to the Editor

We welcome your letters. Not all will be published, those that are chosen will be found on page 2. To submit a letter, mail us at The Ozona Stockman, P.O. They named it the Bobbo Box 370, Ozona, Texas 76943 or email at publisher@ozona.com.

Please include name, address, phone number and email if available. All letters must contain this information or will not be published.

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Ozona Garden Club News

Ozona Garden Club met Feb. 9 at Wheel Barrow from San Angelo the home of Mrs. Jerri Lynn Pierce at noon Tuesday at the Crockett with Mrs. Mary Jo Mason as County Civic Center. The event is

The program was presented needs, were part of the program.

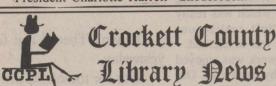
Mary Jo Mason passed information on the upcoming home flower historic Jones House, behind Ozona National Bank.

President Charlotte Harrell Shoubreuek

By JERRI LYNN PIERCE reminded members of the upcoming event "Organic Thirteen members of the Gardener" presented by the Rustic

by David Mikulik of Scherz Bobbie Bird, new member; Landscape Company of San Marilyn Bean, Ella Clegg, Debi Angelo. Landscape design with Hamilton, Charlotte Harrell, personalities and needs of Virginia Hubbard, Mary Jo customers, including water Mason, Dorothy Montgomery, systems to fit each individual Jerri Lynn Pierce, Carmen Sutton, Jan Van Shoubreuek, Celia West, Flower show co-chairman Esther Williams and Sharon Wiliams.

The next meeting will be held show being held April 15 at the March 8 at the Jones House, behind Ozona National Bank, the home of Mrs. Jan Van



By LOUISE P. LEDOUX

The Crockett County Public Library is happy to host a free tax by AARP.

Ted coordinator for the AARP Taxwill be in the library all day Feb. 28, helping people file their tax forms for 2003.

aimed at low- and medium-income filers and is by appointment only. There is no charge for this one-dayonly program.

open to the public.

Members in attendance were: Business By Pamela Venable

> the Concho Valley. The center also will house the staff of the Small Business Development Center (SBDC), the International Trade Office (ITO), and the Small Business

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Institute (SBI). As the CVCED is intended to be the focal point for entrepreneurial development in the Concho Valley, following is an informational overview of the programs and services provided by the center.

First, the mission of the SBDC is to promote growth, expansion, innovation, increased productivity, and improved management for small businesses in the Concho Valley through our core services of counseling and

Counselors at the center work with both existing and startup businesses in such areas as developing a business plan or loan proposal, conducting a Take advantage of this market analysis, managing and many others.

> Counseling is confidential the client.

> The center also offers a diverse array of business seminars and workshops in areas ranging from business start-up, business planning, basic bookkeeping, managing employees, computer applications for business, as well as other topics of interest to small

A small registration fee Beginning in 2006, all might be required for some

Second, the International Trade Office provides counseling

and training services similar to those of the center. They focus on international issues such as importing, exporting, currency exchange, cultural diversity issues, contractual interpretations and translations and other global business issues affecting small

Graduate students and center counselors work in conjunction with trade office clients to improve their chances for success in our ever-evolving global economy.

Third, the Small Business Institute is a partnership with Angelo State University, allowing business students the opportunity to assist small businesses through projects monitored by the center's staff and business faculty.

The institute allows small business clients to take advantage of the resources of the university through the students and faculty.

ASU students benefit by putting to work what they have learned in the classroom by assisting real businesses with real-world issues.

And finally, the CVCED serves as a business incubator to nurture young businesses, helping them survive and grow during the start-up period when they are most vulnerable.

The CVCED provides handson management assistance, access to financing, orchestrated exposure to critical business and technical support services, shared office services, access to technology and equipment, flexible leases and expandable space, all under one roof.

Focusing on the start-up phase of a firm's development, the CVCED provides support that transforms a business, rather than support that simply maintains a company's existence.

While the development center cannot guarantee a company's success, it can positively influence the probabilities of success as well

San Angelo center helps small businesses as the rate of growth.

Three companies who have benefited from the services of the CVCED since its inception four months ago, have credited the center with creating 14 new jobs, helping to retain 11 jobs, assisting with the creation of approximately \$3.3 million in sales and saving \$50,000 through the services associated with business incubation.

All this has been accomplished with only \$190,000 being granted to-date from the City of San Angelo Development Corporation to support the

So far, this is an incredible return on investment that will keep contributing to the local economy far into the future through the creation and expansion of successful small businesses in the Concho Valley area.

For information on the services of the SBDC, the ITO, the SBI, and the CVCED, please contact our offices at (325) 942-SBDC@angelo.edu, CVCED@cvced.org or by visiting our center at 1702 West Avenue N in San Angelo, Texas.

We will be glad to schedule an appointment for you and one of our highly qualified counselors to discuss your particular business situation and how one or more of our programs might benefit you and your small business.

Business Tips was written by Pamela Venable, Director and Certified Business Advisor IV of Angelo State University's Small Business Development Center and the Concho Valley Center for Entrepreneurial Development. For more information, on the topic of this article or the services or programs of the CVCED, contact her at Pamela. Venable@cvced.org.

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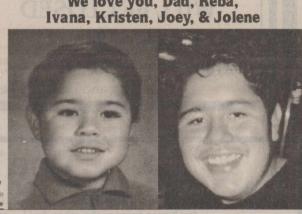


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Crockett County

by Louise Ledoux

The first appointments start at Crockett County Public Librarian 10 a.m. and will continue until 5 p.m. or later, if needed, at 30

minute intervals. Clients are advised to bring all materials preparation program, sponsored needed to file, such as Social Security cards, last year's tax Lawler, district return, W-2 wage forms and other documents. The tax preparation Aide Program, and his volunteers will be done on computer for efiling or can be printed for mail-

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To make an appointment or for information, call the library at and is provided at no charge to

The new Medicare Act and its impact on local residents

Research and Manufacturers of

The new Medicare law passed in December will greatly affect residents on Medicare or who will be on Medicare in Crockett County

in the coming years. New data compiled by the Medicare Services (CMS) and interpreted by the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA) show how the new prescription drug provisions will benefit area residents.

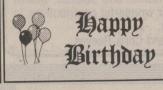
Some 568 residents of Crockett County were on hospital insurance and/or supplemental medical insurance as of Oct. 29, 2002, according to CMS statistics.

The Medicare Prescription Drug Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003, signed in December provides all of the 2,392,209 Medicare beneficiaries in Texas with access to a Medicare prescription drug benefit - for the first time in the history of the Medicare program - beginning in January, 2006.

That year, the bipartisan agreement will give 591,867 Medicare beneficiaries in Texas access to drug coverage they would not otherwise have and will improve coverage for many more.

Within six months after the Dec. 8 signing date, Texas residents will be eligible for Medicare-approved prescription drug discount cards which will provide them with savings of between 10 and 25 percent off the retail price of most drugs.

Beneficiaries with incomes of less than \$12,123 (\$16,362 for couples) who lack prescription drug coverage (including drug coverage under Medicaid) will get



Feb. 18 - Naomie Borrego and Leslie Flores

Feb. 19 - Gavina Flores, Inez Ortiz and Lando Pena-Alfaro Feb. 20 - Matthew Galindo

and Michael Maldonado Feb. 21 - Alexander Chase, Owen Luke Friess and Michael Garcia Jr.

Feb. 22 - Leigh Chavez, Trinity Collis and Jay Lite Woodwick Feb. 23 - Tonya Bullard, Mary Capps and Bernalda

Villarreal Feb. 24 - Mae Borrego To add an upcoming birthday to the list, call 392-2551.

From a report by the Centers for up to \$600 in annual assistance to Medicaid and Medicare Services help them afford their medicines, and the Pharmaceutical along with the discount card. That's a total of \$651,954,681 in additional help for 543,296 Texas businesses. residents in 2004 and 2005.

2,392,209 Medicare beneficiaries workshops. living in Texas will be eligible to get prescription drug coverage through a Medicare-approved plan. In exchange for a monthly premium Centers for Medicaid and of about \$35, seniors who are now paying the full retail price for prescription drugs will be able to cut their drug costs roughly in half. In many cases, they'll save more than 50 percent on what they pay for their prescription medicines.

A total of 858,469 beneficiaries in Texas who have limited savings and low incomes (generally below \$12,123 for individuals and \$16,233 for couples) will qualify for even more generous coverage. They will pay no premium for their prescription drug coverage, and they will be responsible only for a nominal co-payment (no more than \$2 for generic drugs or \$5 for brand name drugs).

In addition, 188,333 lowincome beneficiaries in Texas with limited savings and incomes below \$13,470 for individuals and \$18,180 for couples will qualify for reduced premiums, lower deductibles and coinsurance, and

no gaps in coverage. Additionally, Medicare, instead of Medicaid, will now assume the prescription drug costs of 420,318 Texas beneficiaries who are eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid. This will save Texas over \$1.7 billion over 8 years on Medicaid population.





Valentine

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held at 7 p.m. Saturday at the

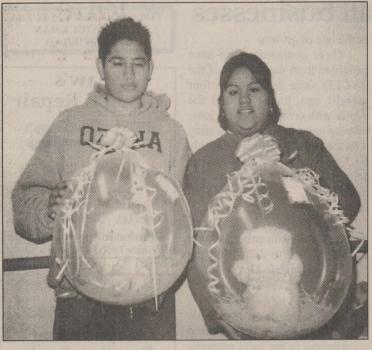
Crockett County Senior Center

A Valentine Dance will be

The dance will feature the

Dance

Red Bandana Band.



Submitted Photo

RYLEE AND ASHLEY RAMOS presented gifts from Carlee's After Hours for the care center resident's birthdays.



Submitted Photo

CARE CENTER RESIDENT ELVIRA HIGGENBOTHOM wins a Valentine pillow from Carlies after Hours.

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Saturday, Feb. 21.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

Melvin and Laura Parker



Submitted Photo CARE CENTER RESIDENT Ethel Miller celebrates her Feb. birthday with the assistance of private sitter Josie Mandoza. Not pictured is resident Mary A. Dunlap.



gown and robe from Carlies After Hours.

Behold, you desire truth in the inner dom in my inmost heart. ⁽⁷⁾ purify me with hyssop, and I shall be clean[ceremonially] wash me, and I shall [in reality] be whiter than snow.

(9) I will thank you and confide to you forever, because You have done it. (delivered me and kept me safe) I will wait on You and expect in Your name for it is good, in the presence of you saints (your kind and pious ones) Matthew 6:21, 24

Care Center Chatter

By JAN ST. CLAIR

Friday afternoon was Valentine and residents' birthday party, sponsored by Crockett National Bank. Residents celebrating February birthdays received gifts from Carlie's After Hours. Thank you.

Valentine flowers and candies flowers of carnations, sweets in delicious as usual. heart-shaped candy tins were Westerman Drug. Thank you June Carter and Ruth Nobles. Laura and Junior.

Girl Scout Jessica Borrego did Valentines for our residents. Stan Burleson, song leader from the First Baptist Church, provided Valentines from his two daughters.

Friday morning Lucille Littleton's great nephew James with his piano playing.

In spite of the cold, we had a

choose from. Our next pot luck big crowd.

nice group at our Wednesday lunch. The food was good and

there was a large selection to

In am reflecting on my

morning. I look forward to the

who call in are Oscar Kost, John

Hunnicutt, Bernice Cota, Carolyn

Wilson and many others. Hearing

from all of you helps our morning

Dance Group had their Valentine

Dance last Saturday night. I stopped

by with my grandson Foy to watch

them for awhile. They all looked so

Care Center last Thursday, and

she told me that Cecil was back

in San Angelo Community

Hospital. We miss him and do

I saw Elma Buckner at the

good in their Valentine best.

The Levis and Lace Square

Our very much appreciated volunteers for the week are E.A. Wadsworth, Penn Baggett, Esther Williams, JoAnn Williamson. Levis and Lace Square Dancers, Otis Nester, Mary and Merle Welty, Commissioner Freddie Nicks and his wife Pat and members of the Church of Christ Friday and Saturday, the and First Baptist Church.

The staff enjoyed the Valentine filled the facility. Baskets and cookies from Commissioner More gave each resident vases of Freddie Nicks. There were

Residents that went for deliveries given to each resident from for Meals on Wheels last week were

> During our local band performance with Otis Nester and Mary and Merle Welty, our Administrator Benny Gibbs sang with the band which was really good. We didn't realize our administration was so talented.

The past week was enjoyed yesterday, Hardberger entertained residents by all. Come by for a visit. Our doors are always open.

be playing. We are hoping for a

that we have the Texas Defensive

Driving videos for rent here at the

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deliver, call us at 392-5026 and

third Monday of each month here

at the Senior Center. Exercise

Wednesday and Friday. Afternoon

games are 1-3 p.m. Mondays.

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See you soon!

AARP will meet at 7 p.m. the

reserve yourself a day.

I want to remind everyone

Keep in mind that we are

wish him well soon.

Ozona Senior Happenings

All are welcomed. For information, call 392thank, Thee

I thank Thee, Lord for

Lord

Nor for tomorrow pray; One's gone, one's yet to

Dear Lord,

Teach us to use today, Today is all I own, 'tis This Saturday will be the mine;

Valentine Dance at 7 p.m. at the My God, 'tis Thine, the Senior Center. Willena Holden Wayand her Red Bandana Band will

So while I have it, teach me, Lord,

To wisely use today. I made some grave mis-

takes, I own Forgive me, Lord, I pray, I can not call them back

always needing people to deliver Meals on Wheels for our elderly. We need you and your neighbors They're gone with yesto help out. Please do not let these

elderly people down. If you can And Lord, tomorrow

may not come For me, I can not say. I only ask in humbleclass will be at 8:30 a.m. Monday, ness,

Teach me to use today.

-Robert Byrd in The Baptist Observer



Submitted Photo CARE CENTER RESIDENT Dottie Mason wins a Valentine

store me the joy of Your salvation and uphold me with a willing spirit.

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get a good start.

One Little Mistake

of blood I realized if I were in the they are going to heaven. Romans asked Christ into your heart as medical profession and working 3:23 and 6:23 teaches differently. on a person who had aids I would have just condemned myself to and it is, but unlike aids for which new and wonderful life God death because of one little there is no cure, there is a cure for created you for (Ephesians 2:10).

our house furnace the other day I condemned to death (never our sins and make us whole again. got a little careless and in a hurry allowed in His presence). Many It can remove the sentence of and stuck myself with one of the people think because they have death that we deserve. not robbed a bank or killed As I looked at the tiny drops someone they have not sinned and confessed your sins to God and

That sounds like bad news sin (Romans 5:8). It is the In Gods realm it is also the innocent shed blood of Jesus See you in Church on Sunday.

It has the power to cleanse

Make sure you have Lord and Savior (John 1:12, Romans 10:13) and start living the

Brother J

While changing the filter on little mistake and we are

wires in the filter.

same way and all it takes is one Christ (Colossians 1:14).

First Baptist Church

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Rev. John Collis

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Templo Bautista Jerusalem

Rev. Esequiel Cervantez

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Worship: 11 a.m. 6 p.m.

Wednesday: 7 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church

601 Ave. I

Rev. Daniel C. Fleming

Sunday School: 10 a.m.

Worship: 11 a.m.

Wed. & Sun. Worship: 7 p.m.

New Beginnings Church

701 9th Street

Pastor Jesse Cardona

Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

Tuesday Worship: 7 p.m.

Ozona Church of Christ

1002 11th St. Mr. Johnnie Perkins Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m.

Faith Lutheran Church

802 1st St

Rev. Charles Huffman

Worship: 9 a.m.

Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.

12 - 11th St. Rev. John Fluth Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Ozona United

Methodist Church

Worship: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m. Templo Siloe

Assembly of God Church 2121 Santa Rosa St Rev. Jon & Charity McCullough Sunday School: 9:45 a.m

Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Family Service: 6:30 p.m

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Rev. Hector De La Cruz Sunday School: 3 p.m. Worship: 5 p.m. Thur. Service: 7:30 p.m.

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VISITOR HAMES HARDBERGER, great nephew of resident Lucille Littleton, plays piano at the care center.

Card of Thanks

The OMS Student Travel Group would like to thank the following individuals and businesses for contributing to the "Shop Ozona Giveaway."Because of your generous donation these students are well on their way to New York City. Thanks to Petals and Pearls, Triple C Hardware, Lillie's Beauty Salon, Art With Attitude, Mike's Car Care, Nails by Debbie, El Chatos, Hero's Pizza, Dee's Burger Shop, Ozona Therapeutic Massage, Dairy Queen, Monica's Hair & Nails, Honey's Impressions, Mi Taco, Village Drug, Subway, Poco Taco, Baskets & More, Hitchin Post, Carlie's After Hours, Dollar General, Cafe Next Door, South Texas Lumber, Burger King, Maria's Design Line, Irma's Nail Salon, Pepe's Cafe, Westerman Drug of Ozona, Cynthia's Beauty Salon, Tia's Cafe and Tootsie's.

Card of Thanks

The W.O. "Dub" Reeves family, June, Diz and Chris would like to thank each and everyone of you for your endeavors and emotional support during this very difficult time in mourning the loss of Dub. A special thanks to the community for showing Dubs forty- four kinfolks and his many out-of-town friends, a big Ozona welcome." At a time like this, very act of kindness and expression of sympathy is deeply appreciated. A heart filled thanks goes out to Dr. John Fluth, the United Methodist Church congregation, the Preddy Funeral Home, and soloists, Jeanie Williams and Pam Acton for all their wonderful contributions in making the service very memorable.

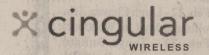
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Reeves shows champion lambs

Danny Reeves, great-grandson of the late W.O. "Dub" Reeves Jr. and June Reeves, of Ozona, exhibited the Champion Finewool, Reserve Champion Finewool, Champion Finewool Cross and Reserve Grand Champion Lamb Jan. 9 at the Kendall County Junior Livestock Show in Boerne.

Danny is a senior FFA student who represents his local chapter as vice president.

He is the grandson of E.E. "Diz" Reeves Sr., of San Antonio and son of E.E. "Diz" Reeves Jr.



"DIZ" REEVES, JR., DANNY REEVES "DIZ" REEVES, SR. with Danny's champion and reserve champion finewool lambs at the Kendall County Livestock show in Boerne.

'Academy Day' to be held March 7 in San Antonio

Representative Henry Bonilla, R- academies through these events." San Antonio, will host an in educational opportunities nomination process. available through the U.S. Service Academies.

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Students and parents will meet "Academy Day" orientation for with Bonilla's Academy Liaison all high school students interested who will assist them through the

The service academies that will be represented are the U.S. Air The seminar will be held from Force Academy, U.S. Military 2-4 p.m. March 7 at the United Academy, the U.S. Naval Academy Services Automobile Association and the U.S. Merchant Marine Building, 9800 Fredericksburg, in Academy. The U.S. Coast Guard and the Reserve Officer Training "Academy Days provide an Corps will also be represented.

Interested students, who are to learn about the many options unable to attend the event, may available through our armed visit Bonilla's Web Site at services," Bonilla said. "We are www.house.gov/bonilla or call

Trans-Texas Corridor hearing this Friday

Transportation officials will invite separate lanes for cars and trucks area residents to look ahead to the as well as passenger, commuter and future of transportation in Texas at a freight rail lines. Trans-Texas Corridor public hearing at 9:30 a.m. Friday at the Crockett grow, the state's population County Courthouse, 908 Ave. D.

Public involvement at aging roadways. hearings conducted in each county in the state by March will allow citizens to help determine if Texas needs the Trans-Texas Corridor, transportation legislation in stare said Patsy Rainwater-Maddux, the history. San Angelo District Public Information Officer.

to the Austin headquarters

The proposed Trans-Texas construction. Corridor, a network of roads, rail able to move people, goods, utilities and even ideas through the state

Texas Department of Frentual features could include

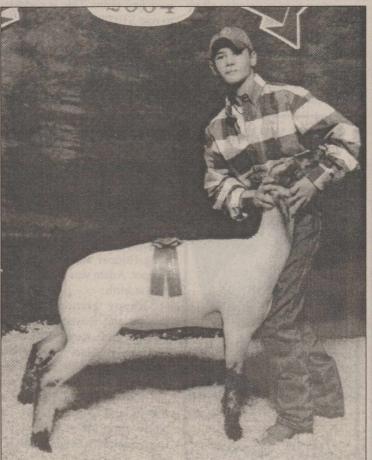
While Texas continues to growth adds additional strain on

However, last year Governor Rick Perry signed into law House Bill 3588, the most significant

This law allows more control and new funding tools for local Crockett County residents transportation planners. As a will have the opportunity to either result, bonds and toll roads will speak at the hearing or submit allow new roads to be built at a written comments that will be sent faster rate than the former pay-asyou go method of financing

Potential routes and these new and a dedicated utility zone, will be funding tools will be presented during the public hearings.

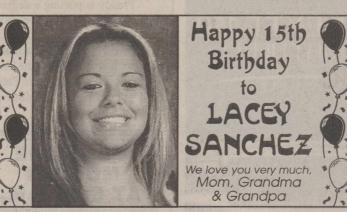
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Submitted Photo DANNY REEVES with his reserve champion crossbred lamb from

the Kendall County Livestock Show in Boerne. **FREE End Rolls Of Newsprint** Available Wed., Thurs. & Fri. ONLY

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Chamber banquet just two weeks away

By Shanon Biggerstaff Chamber Executive Director

The Chamber will be reviewing 2003 activities and celebrating their 40th anniversary. A special beautification project update. evening has been planned and the March 4 at the Civic Center.

will begin at 6 p.m. with a wel- and special recognition awards. come reception. Guests should be by pianist Stan Burleson repre- Excited About Change.' senting the First Baptist Church

the crowd in the Pledge of Alle- March 1. giance followed by the awards

Chambers' 40th anniversary.

Highlights at the banquet will include: recognition of retiring Plans for the annual Chamber officers and directors; 2003 year Awards Banquet are underway. in review; introduction of incoming officers and directors; preview 2004 and Visitor Center and

Awards given will be: 2003 banquet has been scheduled for Organization of the Year; 2003 Legacy of Spirit; 2003 Unsung Doors open and the festivities Hero; 2003 Citizen of the Year

The program speaker this year sure to take a look at the history is Chris Boleman, assistant prowall upon arrival. Dinner will be fessor to the Department of Agriserved at 6:30 p.m., by the Na- culture and Education at Texas A tional Honor Society students. A & M Extension of College Stawonderful meal has been planned tion. A motivational speaker, and dinner music will be provided Boleman will talk about "Getting

Banquet tickets for individual The program will begin with open seating are \$14 each. Rethe posting of the colors by Boy served tables of six are \$84. All Scout Troop #153 who will lead reservations must be made by

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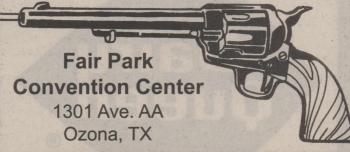
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Over 90 Vehicles Will be Available at Mitchell Toyota Kia

SAN ANGELO, TX- Bank repossessed cars and trucks are among the most huntedfor bargains in the automotive industry. Unfortunately for John Q. Public, they're also the hardest to come by.

Banks often unload repossessed vehicles to car dealers at rock-bottom prices - allowing dealers to re-sell them for re-

tail value. But bargain-seekers can take heart: This week, Mitchell Toyota Kia is going to change that. This Wednes-

day, February 18th through Saturday, February 21st, over 90 repossessed, off-lease and other preowned vehicles will be offered at Mitchell Toyota Kia for up to thousands below normal values, and pass the savings on to their custom-

"These vehicles have been acquired at incredible savings from banks (repos), auctions, and other sources," Mike Griffin of Mitchell Toyota

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Kia said. "We will sacrifice this pre-owned inventory near an inventory immediately - regardless of loss of profit. And if that means selling these vehicles for up to thousands below normal values, then that's what we'll

and other pre-owned vehicle will be available, some for a

\$59 down payment* then start said, "We'll have over \$3 mil-"This is the opportunity Texas

bargain hunters have been waiting for! Customers may never see savings like this again." MIKE GRIFFIN, MITCHELL TOYOTA KIA

> making payments. "It's that simple," said Mr. Griffin. "To make these bargains even easier, we'll mark the payments right on the windshield. Just pick your vehicle and pick your payment. You won't find a faster, easier way to get a great deal on a used vehicle."

Almost every type of vehicle and price range will be available, from luxury 4x4s to still under warranty. "With our San Angelo.

all-time high, chances are we have what you're looking for in stock and ready to drive home," said Mr. Griffin.

Extra sales and finance staff will be on hand to assure Every repossessed, off-lease customers prompt, quality service and the best finance terms possible. Mr. Griffin

> lion in financing available for this

"The opportunity Texas bargain-hunters have been waiting for happens this Wednesday

through Saturday at Mitchell Toyota Kia. Customers may never see savings like this again," said Mr. Griffin.

After the Prior Bank Asset \$59 Down* MegaSale ends at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 21st, many of these vehicles will be sent to auction. Questions can be directed toll free: 1-800-451-8281. Mitchell Toyota Kia is located basic transportation. Many are at 1500 Knickerbocker Rd. in

*All offers with approved credit. Vehicles subject to prior sale. Negative trade equity will be added to amount financed. Amount of down payment may vary with credit worthiness. \$59 down plus tax, title & fees.**Example: 2000 Ford Focus stk#U5542, Sale Price \$3731. \$79/mo for 48 mos. @ 10.5% APR. \$59 down payment plus tax. Total amount financed \$3,672 plus tax. Financing through TMCC. Subject to credit approval, prior sale & lenders

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- Former 112th District Attorney (1980-1984)
- · Unblemished record of integrity
- Honorable member of Texas Bar since 1962
- Korean War veteran (Security Service, U.S. Navy)
- University of Texas School of Law graduate



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10-15 supplementary uniforms in the middle school.

Bahlman said there was a school band hall, costing \$15,000struggle this year getting finding \$17,000, were also suggested due uniforms to fit some students, in- to the current "cubby holes" that cluding some football players that also play in the band.

"The problem is that we have Bahlman said. a lot of smaller uniforms that don't get used very much," he said.

Cost for the uniforms would be a really nice thing to have," be \$4,000-\$6,000, he said.

With all sixth-graders having to take band beginning next year, another concern raised was the look into incorporating the locknumber of chairs available.

Bahlman said next year's classes each day, there will be new low reed instruments over the times they need to practice all to- next few years. This is expected gether.

Bahlman requested around 80 posture chairs, which cost school chairs would then move to need for the upcoming marching

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With the sixth-graders comsixth-grade class is large, and ing up next year, Bahlman said while they will be split into two that he is planning at purchasing

New lockers for the high

have carpet are disintegrating and

they have no locks or doors,

lockers right now, but it would

nance directory, said he would

ers into his budget.

"We're living without the

Ray Don Myers, mainte-

to cost \$10,000-\$25,000 over the next two to three years, he said.

"Our biggest priority is the around \$50 each, for the high percussion equipment and the unischool band hall. The old high forms," Bahlman said. "Those we

It's a boy

Adam Garet Hopper was born Feb. 10, 2004 at Shannon Women's and Children's Hospital in San Angelo.

Welcoming the 8-pound, 1ounce boy are parents Shawna and Greg Hopper and brother Alex Hopper. Adam was 19 1/2 inches long at birth.

Happy grandparents are Brenda and Royce Newton of Ozona and Kay Harper of McCamey. Also making him welcome are aunts and uncles Victor and Amy Newton of Ozona and Kenny and Julie Dillard of Austin, and cousins Taylor and Abby Newton of Ozona and Lauren and Will Dillard of Austin.

Preddy named to Dean's List

Allison Preddy has been named to the 2003 fall semester professor Dean's List at Angelo State

Preddy is pursing a degree in interdisciplinary child development Monday and learning.

Preddy is a 2000 graduate of Ozona High School. She is the daughter of Tracey Knox Preddy and granddaughter of Jamie and Mary Lou Knox.

MONDAY AT 5:00 P.M.

King selected as finalist for Texas Homecoming Queen



King

Whitney King, daugher of Richard and Emily King, has been selected as a finalist for Texas' 24th annual Homecoming Queen Selection to be held April 3-4 at the Hyatt Regency in Dallas.

King is the 2003 Ozona Homecoming Queen.

Texas' 2004 Homecoming Queen will receive a cash scholarship, plus an expense paid trip to the National Finals to compete with queens from the other states for America's Homecoming

America's Homecoming Queen Inc. is a nonprofit organization promoting education, educational travel and community service in schools in all 50 states.

Galan, Sul Ross cheer squad to compete at nationals

cheer squad has been selected to compete in the Chick-Fil-A/ National Cheer and Dance Collegiate Championships, March 31-April 4, in Daytona Beach, Fla.

The cheer squad consists of Michelle Rueda, El Paso, captain; Rachael Dimitri, Texas City; Raelynn Mitchell, Deer Park; Velasquez, Alpine; Crystal Ozona; Soli Quintanilla, Denver City; Ericka Ivy, Bandera; Vanessa Fernandez, Hondo; Johnny Ybarra, El Paso; Greg Hazlett, Alvin and Ricky Dominguez, Alpine.

The road to the national competition began for the Lobos Cheer Squad in late July of last year when the newly formed 2003-2004 Lobo Cheer Squad attended National Cheerleader Association sponsored cheerleader camp at Southern Methodist University in Dallas. Performing their routine before judges and hundreds of other collegiate cheerleaders

Angelo State to speak

Dr. Ross Dawkins will speak dent of Ozona National Bank. about the "History of Scientific on the first floor of the library building at Ozona High School.

organic and biochemistry at would like to encourage their Angelo State University.

The event is sponsored by the OHS Science Club. The public is invited to attend.

The Sul Ross University attending the camp, they presented a perfect routine and walked away with an invitational bid to the nationals.

The squad had an added boost in obtaining Nory Callaway's coaching services. Callaway, a former Dallas Cowboy cheerleader (2001-2002) moved to Alpine this past year and agreed to help the Nancy Borrego, Alpine; Jennifer squad. A native of Mertzon, Callaway was on the Angelo State Sickler, Imperial; Jessica Galan, University Cheer Squad during her college years in San Angelo

During the past several home basketball games, Campus Dining Services served buffet dinners with \$1 of each meal sold going to toward the cost of the trip to

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great opportunity for all of the students who participate.

The winners in each category that place have the recognition of learning and sharing information from research and studies with other students. They also receive cash prize awards.

Cash prize awards in both categories were presented by Marty Acton and Jack Baggett, Jr., directors of the Crockett SWCD. and Jim Skehan, senior vice presi-

Crockett SWCD and Ozona Thought" at 2:30 p.m. Monday in National Bank would like to conthe distance learning lab, located gratulate these students on their efforts and accomplishments.

"We really appreciate their Dawkins is a professor of participation in our contests and continuing interest in soil and water conservation and these contests," said the district's board of directors.

Sutton named to Dean's List

Staci Deeann Sutton has been named to the School of Community Service Dean's Honor Roll at the University of North Texas.

Only students who completed 12 hours or more during the fall 2003 semester with a grade point average 3.5 or better were named to the honor roll.

Sutton is the daughter of Roy Glenn and Patricia Sutton.

Webster named to Dean's List

Seth Webster, son Ricky and Darolyn Webster, has been named to the Dean's List at McMurray University for the fall 2003

Webster is a senior general business major.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must have maintained at least a 3.5 grade point average while taking 12 or more credit hours.

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DESIREE GALAN drives down the court in the 7th grade Lady Lions victory over Eldorado. Galan led the Ladies in scoring with

7th Ladies defeat Eldorado

Stockman sportswriter

against the Eldorado Eagles.

Both teams struggled to put Even after two whole quarters by Kara Bird with 1.

By MAKINSEY MORRIS of play, the score was 2-4 in favor of

Ozona's seventh-grade the Lady Eagles. During the Lady Lions played their last next two quarters, the Lady game of the season Feb. 9 Lions pulled ahead for the 7-6

Desiree Galan led the Lady points on the board this game. Lions with 6 points, followed



Submitted Photo

NCAA "LITTLE DRIBBLERS" LONGHORNS team members are: (back) Coach Cater Villarreal. Middle: Anthony Delgado, Mark Gallado and Tres Perez. Front: Aron Aquilera, Tyler Galindo and Nicholas Villarreal.



Submitted Photo

NCAA "LITTLE DRIBBLERS" WOLVERINES team members are: (back, 1. to r.) Steven Rubio, Ryan Johnson, Coach Frank Tambunga, Eric Carrizales and Blake Vargas. Front: Noah Tambunga Khalid Valencia and Jason Badillo.



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and Damon Johnson.

NCAA "LITTLE DRIBBLERS" BLUE DEVIL team members are: (back, l. to r.) Hunter Streun, Alex Borrego, Josh Tomlinson and Jeffrey Sanchez. Front: Marty Moran, Lane Hale and Kramer Hall. Not pictured are: Coach Jeff Sanchez and Coach Lori Tambunga.



Photo courtesy of The Eldorado Success

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DISTRICT FREE THROW CHAMPIONS are: Stacie Quiroz, Allyson Jarrett - Eldorado, Christina Rodriguez, Carmen Herrera - Eldorado, Eva Vasquez, Matt Turland, Joseph Turnbull - Eldorado, Freddy Veloz David Luna - Eldorado and Anthony Delgado. The Knights of columbus Council #11282 hosted the tri-county (Sonora, Eldorado and Ozona) competition on Sunday, Feb. 14 at the Eldorado Middle School Gym. They advance to regional competition in Wall on Feb. 29 at 3:00 p.m.

Team eighth-grade Lions end season with victory

Stockman sportswriter

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Eldorado Eagles.

The eighth-grade Ozona off with a bang. The Lions Lions played their final game of completely shut out the Eagles

NBA "LITTLE DRIBBLERS" NETS team members are: (back, 1.

NBA "LITTLE DRIBBLERS" SPURS team members are: (back,

l. to r.) Coach Abel Lara, Jaron Vasquez, Trey Fierro and Kyle Sewell.

Front Jacye Logan, Abey Lara and Charlie Gravell.

Talamantez. Front: KC Carson, Tyler Vitela and Eric Talamantez.

The 19-0 win ended the B Team's and pull ahead by 7. The B Team finished the year season with a 4-1-2 record.

> points this game was A.J. up for those lost points and were Montanez with 13 points. The left with a 28-36 loss. remaining 6 points came from Smith and Tim Beseril, who had

to a slow start for both teams and the first quarter ended 4-4.

The two teams battled it out The Eagles were able to double with 4 and Aaron Pearl, 2.

the season, Feb. 9 against the and racked up 19 points this game. the attempts of the Lions to score

As the final quarter came to Scoring most of the B Team's an end, the Lions couldn't make

Despite the loss, Coach teammates Ramon Ybarra, Josh Unger said he was proud of his team's effort.

"It was really a great year," The A Team game afterwards he said. "I am proud of the way wasn't as easy. This game got off these young men played all year. I would also like to thank our fans for all their support."

Justin Maldonado was the remainder of the half for a leading scorer with 8 points, halftime score of 12-13 with the followed by Rocky Munoz and Lions down by one. The third Rylee Ramos, each with 5, Matt quarter proved fatal for the Lions. Turland and Josh Santos, each

Eighth-grade Lady Lions finish season with victories

By MAKINSEY MORRIS Stockman sportswriter

to r.) Anthony Gonzales, Josh Ramos, Jay Villarreal and Coach Albert season Feb. 9.

with a 10-6 record and the B Team 3 and Eva, 2.

Paloma Torres added 2 The A Team defeated Sonora ahead by 18. 27-19 later that night. Ozona took outscoring the Broncos 11-6 for catch up to the Lady Lions. the final 27-19 score.

On Feb. 9, the B Team rocked the gym in the second half of play scoring 14 of their 15 total points Ozona's eighth-grade against the Eldorado Eagles. The Lady Lions wrapped up their Lady Lions claimed a 15-2 victory.

Vicky scored 6 points, The A Team girls finished followed by Paloma, 4, Vanessa,

The A Team's last game was On Feb. 2, the B Team lost to just as fun. By halftime the girls the Sonora Broncos 5-7. Kyann were already ahead of the Eagles Kothman scored 3 points and 14-3. By the end of the third quarter, the Lady Lions were

During the final quarter, the the lead early and were up by 3 at Lady Eagles made a hard run, but halftime. The Lady Lions really even with scoring 10 points in pulled ahead in the second half only a few minutes they couldn't

Ozona claimed a 30-15 win.

Varsity Ladies lose by one The Ozona Lady Lions followed by King 6, H. Ybarra and

The Lady Lions moved ahead Buchanan, each with 1. 17-13 at halftime, but the Lady

second half to give them the one-point, 32-31 victory.

played a tough, close game on C. Ybarra, each with 4, Cervantez, Feb. 10 against the Eldorado 3, Cambell and Oglesby, each with 2 and Huffman and

Scoring Ozona's three, three-Eagles dominated scoring in the point goals were King with 2 and Cervantez with 1.

Ozona finished the year 2-8

Johnson scored 8 points, in district play. Varsity Lions lose to Grape Creek, Wall and Eldorado

By MAKINSEY MORRIS Stockman sportswriter

Ozona's Varsity Lions lost to the Grape Creek Eagles 37-51 on

by 4 points at the end of the first 4 and McGuire, 2. quarter, but gave up 10 points to the Eagles in the next quarter for point goal for Ozona. a halftime score of 17-27 in favor of the Eagles.

The Lions had a difficult time 47-53. scoring against Grape Creek and only made 14 of 61 attempted

field goal shots. with 16 points, followed by Jarryd and D. Taylor, 4. Taylor, 10, Dennis Taylor, 6, Bryan Skehan, 5 and Brad Mayfield, 2.

The Lions took on the Eldorado Eagles Feb. 10, and lost by one point 54-55.

Scoring for Ozona were D. Taylor and Martinez, each with 10, Garza, 9, Skehan, 7, Collis and The Lions were only behind J. Taylor, each with 6, Mayfield,

Garza also scored a three-

The boys also played against Wall, Feb. 13, and were defeated

Garza led the team with 15 points, followed by J. Taylor, Vargas and Skehan, each with 6, Aaron Garza led the team Collis and Mayfield, each with 5

> Three-point goals scored for Ozona were Garza with 3 and Vargas with 2.

INDIVIDUALS

NBA "LITTLE DRIBBLERS" LAKERS team members are: (back,

1. to r.) Coach Frankie Moran, Jose Aguilar, Anthony Tambunga, Dylan

Castillo and Coach Luis Cruz. Front: Austin Suddreth, Austin Whitten

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warrant for motion to release surety

and order. Subject remains in jail.

surrendered to the Sheriff's Office

on a court order amending

conditions of probation. Subject

Noe Borrego Alba, 34, of

Ozona was arrested by Deputy Sheriff

on a charge of assault family member.

OFFENSE REPORTS

2-10-04 to 2-16-04

abandoned/lost property report. Deputy

took possession of a firearm found at local

motel on Avenue A. Deputy tagged and

stored the firearm at the Sheriff's Office.

family member report. Deputy took

statement from female subject on an assault

by an ex-spouse that took place at the Convention Center. Charges were filed and

mischief less than \$20 and more than \$200

report. Deputy took statement from

subjects in reference to damage to tires

mischief less than \$20 and more than \$200

report. Deputy took statement from subject on unknown subjects that attempted to

break into a building on Martinez Street

and caused damage to a door. Deputy

gathered evidence investigation continues

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investigation continues.

Deputy Sheriff filed a recovered

• Deputy Sheriff filed an assault

• Deputy Sheriff filed a criminal

· Deputy Sheriff filed a criminal

Subject remains in jail.

remains in jail.

· Ezekiel Rivera, 21, of Ozona

Crockett County Sheriff's Report

Junction Stockyards Market Report

Sheep and Goats

Feb. 16, 2004

igher. Spanish kids were 10-20.00 higher and lambs were 5-10 higher.

muttons

Next goat sale - Feb. 23, 2004

Junction Stockyards sold 803 head of sheep and goats. All stock was

WEEKLY NEWS REPORT

2-10-04 through 2-16-04 2-10-04

• Deputy assisted on 911 Medical on 16th Street on a child having convulsions. Child was taken to clinic in private vehicle.

• Deputy unlocked vehicle on Avenue A. · Report of suspicious persons walking north on State Highway 163. Subjects identified as illegal immigrants and were turn over to border patrol.

• Deputy met with complainant at the Sheriff's Office on family member not returning vehicle back and also to check welfare fare on complainant's grandkids. Deputy made contact with subject and was advised of complain

• Report of a reckless driver almost down or call it a night. running complainant off the road. Deputy and DPS Officer were unable to locate driver

16 miles north on Hwy 163. block of 11 th St. on theft. Deputy took

offense report. • Deputy met with complainant 300 block of Avenue O on burglary. Deputy the Care Center. Deputy reported all was okay.

took offense report. • Deputy unlocked vehicle on child visitation

 Report of possible intoxicated driver on 11th St. Deputy was unable to locate.

 Report of reckless driver in a small blue truck in the alley of Mulberry Street. a local convenience store. Deputies arrived Deputy was unable to locate

• Deputy met with cashier at local store about someone had flatten tire on a vehicle that was parked outside the store.

 Report of motor vehicle accident on Interstate-10. Deputy assisted DPS. • Report of gas drive off local store.

Deputy assisted stranded motorist

• Report of subject with self-inflicted gun shot wounds at local motel. Subject was at the 1200 block of Avenue B. Deputy transferred to clinic and then to San Angelo. reported that all was clear and the building

• Report of a loud party 1000 block Avenue F. Subjects were advised to turn it 100 block of Sunset Drive on a subject that

• Report of a vehicle at a local fast food establishment with the doors open. • Deputy assisted stranded motorist Request for deputy to check welfare, between two juveniles. everything was fine.

• Clerk from a local motel reported apartments south on Hwy 163. Deputy • Deputy met with complainant 800 finding a small handgun in the motel's spoke with two subjects. laundry room. The gun was brought to the Sheriff's Office

• Request a welfare check on subject at

Subject request a civil standby on

· Report of a stranded motorist in I-

mechanic arrived.

out of fuel.

was secured.

and settled the situation.

to a subject that needed to go the clinic.

• Deputy met with complainant at

the 1700 block of Martinez Street on break

the 100 block of War Admiral on problems

the Sheriff's Office on criminal mischief

#1 spring lambs 50-70 lbs.

#1 spring lambs 70-90 lbs.

Baby tooth ewes

Solid mouth ewes

Ewe & lamb pairs

Angora kids-shorn

Angora kids

Stocker Angora muttons

Stocker Spanish nannies

Spanish nanny & kid pairs

Fat Spanish nannies

Fat Spanish billies

Fat Spanish kids

Fat yearlings

Small kids

#1 old crop lambs 50-70 lbs.

#1 old crop lambs 70-90 lbs.

Baby tooth Angora stocker nannies

Solid mouth Angora stocker nannies

Weighing Angoras-shorn (fat) nannies

Weighing Angoras-shorn (thin)

• Deputy met with complainant at

caused to a vehicle. Deputy filed report.

• Deputy assisted EMS unit at the

in of a building. Deputy filed report.

had inhaled carbon monoxide.

10. Deputy stayed with the subject until a the Sheriff's Office on an assault. Deputy • Report of two subjects fighting at

• Deputy met with complainant at the intersection of Hwy 163 and Monterey Street on an argument between male and Deputy provided courtesy transport to stranded motorist on I-10 that had run

female subject. • Report of a reckless driver in the area of Besente Street. Deputy located that Deputy provided courtesy transport

the vehicle already parked on Piedra Street. • Deputy responded to an alarm at local business on Avenue C. Deputy

reported that the building was secure. • Deputy met with complainant at the 300 block of Avenue O on a previous complaint of criminal mischief.

• Deputy was requested at the 900 block of Angus Street for civil standby. Deputy reported that the other party never showed up at this location.

• Deputy met with subject at the • Deputy met with complainant at Sheriff's Office that gave information on a previous assault complaint.

 Deputy responded to an alarm at • Report of a disturbance at local local school on Primary Street. Deputy reported that school faculty member was working at the school. • Deputy met with complainant at

• Report of an unknown person knocking at an apartment on Hwy 163 South. Deputy was unable to locate anyone in the area.

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100 block of Man-O-War Street. • Deputy unlocked a vehicle at the

• Deputy unlocked a venicle at the

400 block of Apaloosa Run. • 911 emergency call at local

convenience store at the 1200 block of Avenue E. Deputy assisted EMS unit and

• Deputy unlocked a vehicle at local

business on 11th Street. • 911 call at local apartments on Hwy 163 South in reference to missing juvenile.

ARREST REPORTS 2-10-04 to 2-16-04

2-10-04 · Lesario Moreno Morales, 27, Javier Reyna Lemon, 36 and Juan

Antonio Morales, 32, all of Mexico was detained by a Deputy Sheriff for illegal entry. Subjects were released to the Border Patrol. · Jose Alvarez Mesa, 57, of

Ozona was arrested by DPS Trooper on charges of no drivers license and disregard traffic light. Subject was released after time served.

· David Urias, 42, of Hobbs, N.M. was arrested and transferred

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION: NOTICE IS HERE8Y GIVEN that the CONCHO EXPLORATION INC, 530 W TEXAS STE 1300, MIDLAND TX 79701 has made application for a spacing and density exception permit under the provisions of the Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 and 38 (16 Tex. admin. Code section 3.37 and 3.38) Applicant seeks exception to the distance, between well and density of the subject field(s) requirement for the drill permit for Well No. 2406, E. G. Baggett Lease, 651.2 Acres, Sec. 24, Bk. F, GC&SF RR CO/E. B. Baggett Survey A-4617, Baggett (Clear Fork), Hunt-Baggett (Strawn) Field(s), Crockett County, being 10 miles from southwest of Ozona, Texas. The location of the well is as follows:

2500' from the north line and 1540' from the east line of lease.

2500' from the north line and 1100' from the west line of survey. As apart of this application, applicant seeks permit authority in the Baggett (Canyon), Wildcat field(s). No Rule 37/38 is necessary pursuant to field rules

Field rules for the Baggett (Canyon), Wildcat field(s) are 467/120, 40 acres. Field rules for the Baggett (Clear Fork) field(s) are 660/1867, 320/160 acres. Field rules for the Hunt-Baggett (Strawn) field(s) are 660/1320, 320/80 acres. This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10,000 feet.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Rule 37 (h) (2) (A), and 38, this application may be granted without a hearing if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish Standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's reprsentative, Glenn S. George, Consultant, at 432-683-7443. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512) 463-6999.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAIIROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE BY March 15, 2004 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY. 4c02

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(Canyon), Baggett (Clear Fork), Wildcat fields. No rule 37/38 is necessary pursuant to field rules for these fields.

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PROPERTY DESCRIPTION The County of Crockett, Texas vs. Annie MaeWard Pierce and Unknown Heirs to the Estate of Annie Mae Ward Pierce

Lot 3, Block 3, Harlem Addition to the Town of Ozona, Crockett County, Texas, (Volume 133, Page 489 of the Deed Records, Crockett County, Texas)

The County of Crockett, Texas vs. Abco **Energy Corporation**

.037084 Overriding Royalty Interest in the Marley lease in Section 91, Block 0, GH&SA RR Co. Survey, Crockett County, Texas; Operator: Oz Gas Corporation (Volume 355, Page 109 of the Official Public Records, Crockett County, Texas SAVE AND EXCEPT Volume 357, Page 197, Volume 373, Page 227, Volume 373, Page 373, Volume 373, Page 548, Volume 375, Page 590 and Volume 377, Page 19 of the Deed Records, Crockett County, Texas)

portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and if any, to be applied as the law directs.

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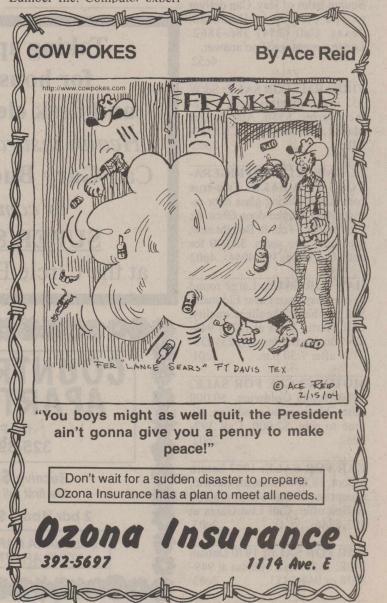
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