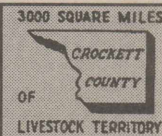


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## Students use their brains for upcoming academic decathlon

By MELISSA PERNER  
 Editor and Publisher

It's a decathlon where students will have to outsmart instead of outrun their opponents.

This weekend, six students from Ozona High School will participate in the Small Schools Academic Competition in Hamilton.

The students, Jared Bird, Paarth Raj, Justin Tebbetts, Dean Wadsworth, Ross Kelley and Eric Fierro, will face other teams as they go head to head in answering questions in a variety of subjects.

"This is a good opportunity for students of all levels to compete," said high school teacher Cindy Webb, who has been coaching the team.

The competition is made up of teams of three students each whose grades are on various levels. Level I team has an average

of 93-100, Level II team is 83-92 and Level III team is 73-82.

Questions are from the state-mandated curriculum, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills, in the subjects of science, English, math and social studies.

The cost to enter the teams is \$500 per team, but the top five scoring teams in the competition will receive scholarships and will qualify for the state competition to be held April 10 in Belton.

The competition is restricted to small school districts as well.

The Small Schools Academic Competition has awarded \$240,000 in cash scholarships during the last four years.

Webb said she also wanted to thank teachers Daniel Fontenot, Tammy McWilliams and Dan Webb for helping the team and for providing questions to get them ready for the competition.



Photo by Melissa Perner

SMALL SCHOOLS ACADEMIC COMPETITION PARTICIPANTS: (back row left to right) Jared Bird, Dean Wadsworth, Justin Tebbetts and Coach Cindy Webb. Front row (left to right): Paarth Raj, Ross Kelley and Eric Fierro.

## Counties not giving up on Texas Pecos Trail

By SHANON BIGGERSTAFF  
 Chamber Executive Director

Representatives of a 22 county area met in McCamey at the Santa Fe Depot on Jan. 26 to continue working on an application to be submitted to the Texas Historical Commission Texas Heritage Trails Program to activate the Texas Pecos Trail. The deadline to submit the application is May 2005

Members of this regional partnership reviewed the various sections of the application and the point system used by the THC re-

view committee.

The application must include resolutions from 75 percent of the counties located within the region. In addition, support letters from businesses and individuals within each county represent 80 points of the application.

"It takes time and follow-up to compile all the information needed for such a large region," said Shanon Biggerstaff representative of Crockett County. "This is our second attempt at activating the trail system. At this past meeting the group focused on how we were going to convey to the THC the benefit of activat-

ing the Texas Pecos Trail to our communities."

The Texas Heritage Trails Program is a regional tourism initiative that helps Texas communities promote tourism, revitalize local economies and foster community leadership through historic preservation.

If selected the region is awarded \$50,000 for a three to five year minimum. The local match for the region is \$10,000 per year. Awarded finding pays the salary of a Regional Coordinator who coordinates board activities acts as an advocate for the region and promotes the region

as a tourism destination.

These funds along with financial commitments from each county also pay for operational expenses for the coordinator. The Regional Coordinator of the newly designated region has the advantage of working with the staff of a state agency, the THC, that will guide the coordinator in developing brochures marketing plans, and assist the region in partnering with other state agencies.

The Texas Pecos Trail Region covers the following 22 counties: Andrews, Crane, Crockett, Ector, Edwards, Glasscock, Kimble, *Please see TRAIL, page 3*

## Crockett County 4-H Thank You Note Party changed to Thursday

Due to Ash Wednesday, there has been a change to the 4-H Thank You Note Party. It will NOT be taking place on Wednesday, Feb. 9.

It will be taking place at 6 p.m. Thursday at the Extension Office.

## Crockett Soil and Water Conservation District poster and essay contest winners

By CAROL YEAGER  
 Crockett Soil and Water Conservation District

The Crockett Soil and Water Conservation District and Ozona National Bank co-sponsored conservation essay and poster contests for the sixth, seventh, and eighth grade classes at the Ozona Middle School.

Students were presented with information concerning conservation and then given the themes for this year's contests.

**POSTER CONTEST:** The two themes were "Celebrate Conservation" and "The Living Soil" in the poster division.

There were some very nice posters with great ideas and art work submitted this year.

First place was awarded to Jose Aguilar, second place to Rebecca Ramos and third place was Eric Talamantez.

These winning posters will be submitted to an area-wide contest later this month.

**ESSAY CONTEST:** Thanks to Principal Doug Guynes and the teachers, the Essay Contest was also a big success with all seventh and eighth grade students participating, the theme being "Celebrate Conservation."

The students did a great job according to the district's board of directors.

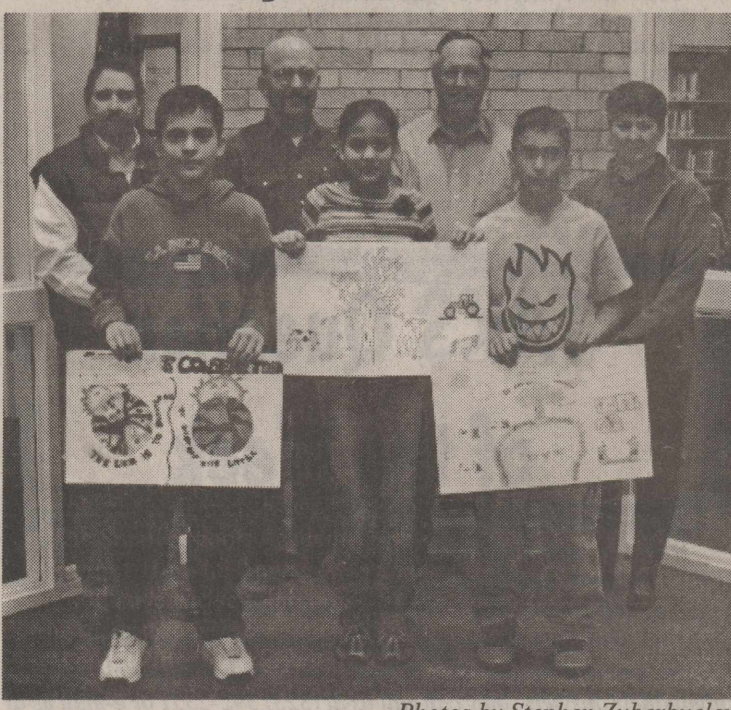
"We had a really difficult time deciding our winners since we had some excellent essays submitted" said the district's board of directors.

First place went to Ethan English, second place to Libby Moore and third place to Travis Zuberbueler.

Cash prize awards in both categories were presented by Pleas Childress III, Marty Acton and Jack Baggett Jr., directors of the Crockett SWCD, and Debbie Vordick, Vice-President of Ozona National Bank.

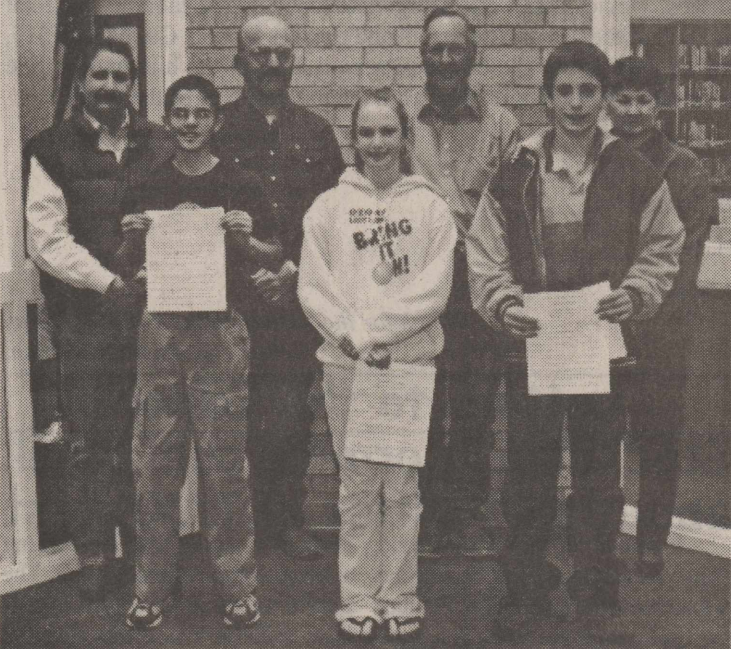
Prior to the awards presentation, Jack Baggett Jr. presented a very informative question and answer session about conservation for the students.

Essay and Poster winners



Photos by Stephen Zuberbueler

POSTER CONTEST WINNERS: (front left to right) Jose Aguilar, first place, Rebecca Ramos, second and Eric Talamantez third. Back row (left to right): Crockett SWCD Board Members Jack Baggett Jr., Marty Acton and Pleas Childress and Debra Vordick from Ozona National Bank.



ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS: (front left to right) Ethan English, first place, Libby Moore, second and Travis Zuberbueler, third. Back row (left to right): Crockett SWCD Board Members Jack Baggett Jr., Marty Acton and Pleas Childress and Debra Vordick from Ozona National Bank.

posed with their entries for pictures after the awards ceremony.

Crockett SWCD and the Ozona National Bank would like to congratulate these students for their efforts and ac-

complishments.

We really appreciate their interest and participation in our contests, and would like to encourage their continuing interest in soil and water conservation.

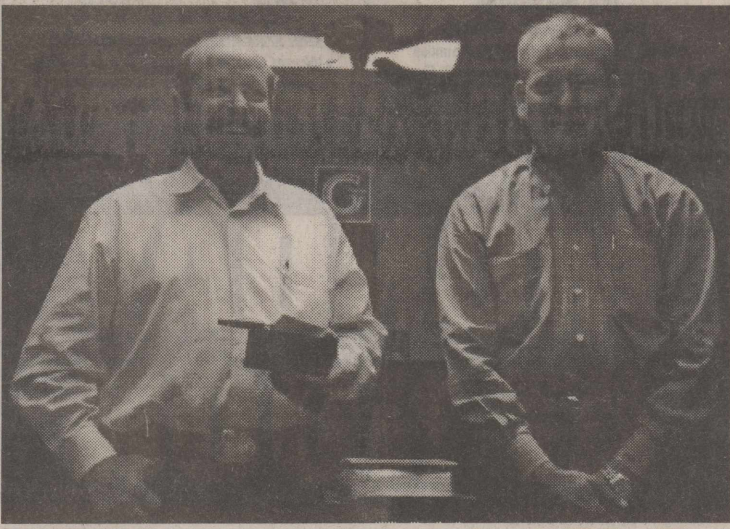


Photo by Melissa Perner

DAN DAVIDSON (left) receives the Golden Trowel Award from fellow Mason Scott Bourne Monday night at the monthly meeting.

## Masonic Lodge bestows high honor on member

At its regular scheduled stated meeting on Feb. 7, Ozona Masonic Lodge #747 conferred the Golden Trowel Award-the highest award a local lodge can bestow on its members-on Dan H. Davidson, a local ranchman.

During the years Davidson has been a member of the Masonic Lodge, he has served the local lodge as Worshipful Master, Eminent Secretary and in various other offices.

His contributions also include financial donations and assistance with the Clay Bird Shoot held near San Angelo in conjunction of the Scottish Rite of Texas.

Davidson also has participated in many activities of the Grand Lodge of Texas. He regularly at-

tends the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of Texas which is held in December. He has served on Grand Lodge Committees.

Davidson's most notable contribution to the Ozona Lodge was serving almost two full terms as Worshipful Master. This job he performed was at a time when the Lodge was not functioning well due to the illness of the elected Worship Master.

This duty he performed while serving on the Crockett County Water Improvement District, President of the Ozona Barnhart Trap Company, and pursuing ranching interests far and wide.

Davidson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davidson III.

## Spring election set for Emerald Water District

The election for two members to the Emerald Underground Water Conservation District will be held in May.

Members of the board whose terms expire are Larry Williams and James Owens. Other board members are Paul Perner, Nat Read and George Bunger.

Anyone who is interested in filing for a place on the ballot, call the office at 392-5156 or go by at 1102 Avenue I.

Requirements for being on the board are: a person must be a resident of the District in which

the election is being held, at least 18 years of age and not otherwise disqualified by Section 50.026 of the Texas Water Code, as amended.

In order for the person's name to be on the ballot, the person must sign or submit an application to the board or 10 qualified voters of the district can sign an application to get a person's name on the ballot. The application must be filed with the board at least 45 days prior to the election.

Applications can be obtained from the district office.

### Ozona Weather Conditions and Forecast

Date	Hi	Lo	Rain
Jan. 31	46	39	-0-
Feb. 01	39	34	-0-
Feb. 02	45	32	-0-
Feb. 03	55	27	-0-
Feb. 04	55	32	-0-
Feb. 05	54	43	-0-
Feb. 06	66	37	-0-

(Readings are for a 24 hour period beginning at 8 a.m.)

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### EXTENDED FORECAST

Wednesday	Thursday
Hi 54	Hi 47
Lo 36	Lo 40
Mostly Cloudy	Showers

Friday	Saturday
Hi 49	Hi 62
Lo 40	Lo 45
Showers	Showers

Forecast information provided by The Weather Channel

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**What's on My Mind**  
 By Melissa Perner

## Mom moves into the 21st century

I know the reason for last week's cold spell. It has nothing to do with the climate, arctic winds or anything the weatherman might have said.  
 On the cold day of Tuesday, when we were suppose to get that "big snowstorm," I called my parents to see how they were doing.  
 My mother answers the phone and she tells me that she is on the computer looking up knitting patterns.  
 I freaked! I asked "is it dad's computer? The personal computer you all own?"  
 "Yep," she replied.  
 I couldn't believe it. My mother, miss I refuse to learn how to operate a computer, was surfing the Internet.  
 For years my mother told everyone she was not going to use a computer. Unfortunately for her, she has had to learn how to use one at her job.  
 As far as using a personal computer, just for fun, she wouldn't have it.  
 My dad on the other hand thought e-mail was the greatest thing since slice bread when we taught him, and he has a list of favorites that he clicks on every time he logs on to the web.  
 As I talked to my mom, she was telling about all the great knitting patterns she was finding, and all the other information she had found on a health Web site.  
 She even e-mailed the Web site for more information!  
 I couldn't believe it. My mother had finally moved into the 21st century and discovered the Internet.  
 After I got off the phone, I immediately called my sister, who was looking at a snow-covered tree outside her office window in Midland, and told her the news.  
 She freaked as well.  
 "Our mother?" she said.  
 "Yep," I replied. "She was looking up knitting patterns."  
 So, while the meteorologists can say the cold spell was due to some arctic front that moved in, I can honestly tell you it's because mom finally learned to compute.  
 Now, if we can just teach her how to use the DVD player.



The Love of a cowboy is different in many ways  
 With their hats and clean western clothes  
 Flowers that was in the pastures at hand  
 Their at their love's door because they want to be close.  
 A little nervous and a little shaky when they are near the door  
 He gives the flowers which he picked to his only love  
 With a great big kiss and saying "Be My Valentine!"  
 Then he waits to see if he is invited in.  
 And after a while - a sign of relief and a little prayer  
 He stepped inside  
 And a good cowboy will always take off his hat  
 Some will sing or wait to served coffee  
 God Bless a cowboy for he expresses the love.  
 At times he will bring a card and a gift  
 It depends on how his mood is  
 Because they want to be proper and express it his way  
 But I always laugh when he brings his horse into his conversation.  
 Cowboys will take his love on horse back  
 And find a place for a picnic  
 You will be surprised what mood a cowboy is in  
 By the smell of the food that you bring in.  
 On the hill both hearts watch the evening to come in  
 And music of nature fills the air  
 A quietness that surrounds the two in love  
 Will bring a romantic mood into action  
 And at the end of the day  
 He pats his horse and on his way  
 Looking back every once in a while  
 And wave good-bye until the next time.

**TAKS Question of the Week**

With the upcoming Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) test that students across Texas, including Crockett County, will be taking this spring, The Ozona Stockman will be running a question similar to those found on the test each week to test the public's knowledge. The answer will be revealed in next week's paper. If people want to submit their answers, they can call us at (325) 392-2551 or e-mail us at publisher@ozona.com and we will print the results. Good luck!

The answer to last week's question was:  
 B. women's suffrage movement

This week's question:  
 Carlos, Jackie, Lester and Margie ate lunch at a restaurant. The total amount of the bill, including tax and tip, was \$44.60. Carlos paid \$15, Jackie paid 1/4 of the bill, Lester paid 20% of the bill, and Margie paid the rest of the bill. Who paid the greatest part of the bill?

- F. Carlos
- G. Jackie
- H. Lester
- J. Margie

- Look for the answer in the Feb. 16 edition of The Ozona Stockman.

## Letters to the Editor

### Stockman informing public well about difficulties of TAKS test

I want to tell you what a good thing you are doing in informing the public about the TAKS test. Printing the Question of the Week is a good way for the public to see that our students really do have a lot to learn to be able to pass all levels of the TAKS. The TEAMS and TAAS tests were easy to prepare the students for. But TAKS involves so many levels of problem solving that it 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. Box 370, Ozona, Texas 76943 or email at publisher@ozona.com.



**News Reel**  
 News items taken from the files of The Ozona Stockman

**NEWS REEL FEB. 6, 1975**  
 Lighting struck a 1,000 barrel tank at the Indian Wells Operating Plant early Saturday morning, resulting in a spectacular fire. The tank held from 300 to 500 barrels of condensate, a high grade of gasoline and the lightning bolt immediately ignited vapors. The plant is located on the Carson Ranch, about 30 miles down Pandale Road.

**NEWS REEL FEB. 7, 1946**  
 Woodrow Wilson, son of Lee Wilson of Ozona, has been promoted to the rank of full colonel, his father learned recently.

Lowell Littleton has been named President of Ozona National Bank. Littleton has been with the bank for 46 1/2 years. He has served as assistant cashier, cashier and executive vice president.

The Smith Drug building and the building which housed Parker's Cleaners for half a century are being remodeled. Already the clock

New automobile license plates for 1946 are now on sale at the sheriff's office, it was announced this week following receipt of the county's allotment of new tags.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Butler have announced the sale of their cafe, known as Butler's Cafe, to Mr. and Mrs. Don H. Hyde of Houston.

**It's the Pitts**  
 By Lee Pitts

## No Lessons Learned

I've got shocking news for generations of farmers and ranchers who were always told we had to feed the world: The USDA says this year we will import more food than we export.

It's official... the breadbasket of the world is now a charity case. Even more irksome was the scolding given to this country by the Deputy Director of the Chinese Central Bank who said "high labor costs in the U.S. have made it so uncompetitive globally that it should give up textiles, shoe making and even agriculture."

If we forget what OPEC taught us and follow the China man's advice and give up on feeding ourselves here are some stories you might be reading in the future.

Dateline: Washington, D.C.: With world milk prices reaching \$50 a barrel and loaves of bread fetching \$20 apiece a new government report issued today warns that the rate of inflation has reached levels not seen since the Carter administration.

Phoenix: Food lines stretched for blocks outside of grocery stores as food shortages have created a hoarding mentality among residents. Due to the loss in productivity caused by people who have to wait in food lines all day the government today issued a mandatory plan whereby citizens can only shop for food on either odd or even numbered days based on their date of birth.

Rio De Janeiro: Billionaire ministers from member countries of OFFAL, the Organization For Farming And Livestock, met today at a five star resort to decide whether they should restrict the production of food even further in order to drive up food prices around the world.

Houston: As imported beef reached an all time high it was reported that sheiks, princes and dictators from OFFAL countries have purchased 65 percent of this fair city.

Carlsbad Caverns: President George Bush the Fourth announced today that food reserves stored here have been totally depleted. He

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- Feb. 9 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- Feb. 10 - Varsity and JV Lady Lions Softball teams scrimmage vs. Miles, 4:30 p.m. in Miles.
- United Blood Services blood drive, noon-5:30 p.m. at the Crockett County Civic Center.
- Feb. 11 - OHS Tennis Teams compete in the Lake View Invitational in San Angelo.
- JV and Varsity Lady Lions and Lions vs. Junction at 5 p.m. at Junction.
- Feb. 12 - OHS Tennis Teams compete in the Lake View Invitational in San Angelo.
- Varsity and JV Lady Lions Softball teams scrimmage vs. Brady in Brady.
- OHS Small School Academic Competition in Hamilton.
- Levis and Lace Square Dance at 8 p.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- Feb. 13 - OHS Small School Academic Competition in Hamilton.
- Feb. 14 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- Crockett County Commissioners Court monthly meeting, 9 a.m. at the Crockett County Courthouse Annex.
- Games, 1-3 p.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- Crockett County Consolidated Common School District Board of Trustees special called meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building.
- Feb. 15 - Crafts 3 p.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- JV and Varsity Lady Lions and Lions vs. Reagan County at 5 p.m. at Reagan County.
- Varsity and JV Lady Lions Softball teams vs. Crane at 5 p.m. in Crane.
- Feb. 16 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.



## TRAIL: 'Regional partnership opens door of opportunity'

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Kinney, Loving, Martin, Maverick, Midland, Pecos, Reagan, Reeves, Sterling, Sutton, Terrell, Upton, Val Verde, Ward and Winkler.

"As discussed at the Mc-Camey meeting, there are numerous reasons for our communities to work together to promote one another. The biggest being that most of the counties within this region consist of only one small

rural community with limited budgets. This type of regional partnership opens the door of opportunity for all of us economically, but it takes determination and dedication to make it happen. We feel really positive about our application, and while we still have some work to do, it's coming together very well," Biggerstaff said.

## Help fight neuromuscular disease by purchasing a Shamrock starting Feb. 14

Beginning Feb. 14 and continuing through St. Patrick's Day, March 17, businesses throughout the Permian Basin and Eastern New Mexico are teaming up to fight the battle against neuromuscular disease.

The annual Shamrocks Against Dystrophy Campaign helps raise funds that remain locally to provide much needed client services such as help with purchasing and repairing wheelchairs and leg braces. It also supports a monthly comprehensive medical clinic that is held at

the Abell-Hanger Medical Pavilion, occupational and physical therapy, support groups as well as a summer camping program for children between the ages of 6-21 with neuromuscular disease.

T&C Village and Town and Country and Shot's convenience stores in Ozona have the Lucky Shamrocks available for purchase. Green Shamrocks are \$1 and Gold Shamrocks are \$5.

For more information, call MDA-Permian Basin at (432) 570-4970.

## SBDC to host series on QuickBooks beginning Thursday

The Angelo State University Small Business Development Center will host a three-part series for QuickBooks this quarter.

The first class "Intro to QuickBooks - Company Profiles" will be from 2-5 p.m. Thursday in Room 117 of the Rassman Building at the ASU campus.

The course will review basic business terms and how to obtain the necessary information to set up a company.

This will be a hands-on

class where participants actually set up a company in the QuickBooks program.

Two more classes will follow next month, with each class building on the knowledge from previous class.

It is mandatory that participants be able to perform basic computer skills for these courses.

There is a \$15 fee for each class. Seating is limited.

For more information, or to reserve a seat, call 942-2098.

## Library to host AARP Tax-Aide Program Feb. 19

By LOUISE LEDOUX  
Crockett County Librarian

Crockett County Public Library is proud to once again host the AARP Tax-Aide Program from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Feb. 19 or later if needed at 30 minute intervals.

AARP offers free tax help and E-Filing for taxpayers with middle- and low-income, with special attention to those age 60 and older.

This program is administered through the AARP Foundation in cooperation with the IRS.

Mr. Ted Lawler, District Coordinator for the AARP Tax-Aide Program, and his volunteers will be in the library all day Saturday, Feb. 19, helping people file their tax returns for 2004.

The tax preparation will be done on computer for e-filing or can be printed for mail-in filing. This Tax-Aide program is aimed at low and medium-income filers and is **By Appointment Only**.

Please bring the following with you when you come:

- \* Current year's tax forms and preparation booklet.

\* Copy of last year's income tax returns.

\* W-2 forms from each employer.

\* Unemployment compensation statements.

\* SSA-1099 form if you were paid Social Security benefits.

\* Any and all 1099 forms showing interest and/or dividends, miscellaneous income, pensions or annuities.

\* All forms indicating federal income tax paid.

\* Dependent care provider information.

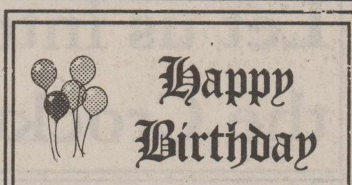
\* All receipts or canceled checks if itemizing deductions.

\* Social Security numbers for all dependents.

Please call the Library at 392-3565 to make an appointment.

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## Blood drive Thursday

United Blood Services will be hosting a blood drive from noon-5:30 p.m. Thursday at the Crockett County Civic Center.

"United Blood Services is asking Ozona residents to come out and give blood," said John Perry of UBS. "The holidays were harder than ever on the blood supply."

The blood drive is sponsored by Xi Sigma Omega Sorority.

Potential donors must be at least 17 years-old, be in good health and have a valid picture identification card (drivers' license) or UBS card with them when they come.

UBS is this area's non-profit community blood service provider, serving patients in 10 area hospitals. It takes 300 blood donations every week to meet the needs of area patients.

To make an appointment, call Janet Smith at 392-2211 or 392-5252.

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## Levis & Lace News

By TINA JARVIS  
Levis and Lace Square Dancer

On Jan. 31, we had a lesson at the Senior Building.

Cody Gotcher and Steve Usener joined club dancers Leroy and Carol Adcock, Otis Nester, Nell Wester, JoAnn Babbitt, Renee Padier, Lucy Hinde, Jim Couch and Tina Jarvis for lessons. Mildred Couch, Rita Rios and Jonny Johnson came and watched the fun.

On Feb. 3, club dancers Leroy and Carol Adcock, Otis Nester, Nell Wester, JoAnn Babbitt, Lucy Hinde, Jim Couch and Raul De La Rosa danced at the Care Center.

On Feb. 5, club dancers

Leroy and Carol Adcock, JoAnn Babbitt, Jim Couch and Rita Rios went to Uvalde to dance at the 31st anniversary of the Honey Bees featuring caller Bill Wright, from San Antonio.

Round dancing began at 7 p.m. followed by square dancing at 8 p.m. In-between tips round dancers were cued. Nine squares were kept busy with left spin the tops, teacups chains, this time the men did the chain, plus tips were also called.

Our next dance will be at 8 p.m. Saturday at the Senior Building featuring caller Roy Lombard from Del Rio.

Everyone is invited to come and join the fun.

Keep it square and Happy dancing!

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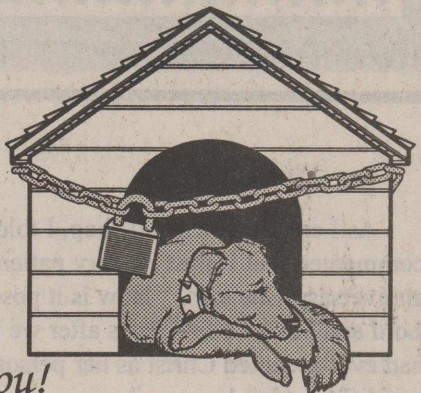
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**Ozona Senior Happenings**

By **NELL WESTER**  
Senior Center Volunteer

Another week has gone by and I'm still hanging around here at the Senior Center. I surely have enjoyed visiting with and seeing all who have stopped by. This is such a nice place, so do come out and see us. There generally is always something going on, if not maybe you can suggest something to do.

Our pot luck is Wednesday, so put something together and come on over.

The exercise class is still working hard to lose those pounds and make the heartbeat better. Class time is 8:30 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Good news - Willena has so willingly consent to play music for us. We will have the Red Bandanna group at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 25 till as long as she will play or we wear out. Come and enjoy.

All our activities are for those 50 and older (we are flexible) and our building is alcohol and smoke free. See you out here.

**Let us introduce employees from the Crockett County Care Center**



**Juanita Mendoza**

Juanita Mendoza works in housekeeping/laundry.

Mendoza has lived in Ozona all her life. Her husband is Mario and she has two grown children and two grandchildren.

Mendoza said she enjoys spending time with her grandchildren and going to San Antonio every other weekend.

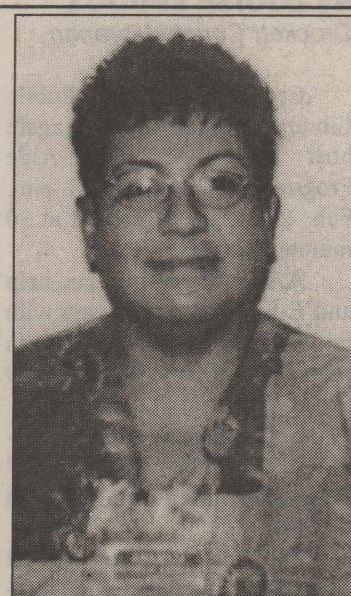


**Caryl Simmons**

Caryl Simmons is a CNA. She has worked at the Care Center for two years.

Simmons is originally from Eldorado. Her husband is Stephen and her children are Shanna Simmons, Misty Larson, Jarrod Simmons, Jessica Simmons and John Simmons.

Simmons said she enjoys spending time with her family and is looking forward to the birth of her first grandchild.



**Anabelia Espinosa**

Anabelia Espinosa is a CNA/CMA. She has worked at the Care Center for three years.

Espinosa is originally from Sonora.

She said she enjoys everything that is fun, such as working at the facility with the residents and staff.

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<sup>(14)</sup> And when the hour came [Jesus] reclined at the table, and the Apostles with Him.  
<sup>(15)</sup> And He said to them, I have earnestly and intensely desired to eat this.  
<sup>(16)</sup> For I say to you, I shall eat it no more until it is fulfilled in the Kingdom of God.  
<sup>(17)</sup> For I say to you that from now on I shall not drink of the fruit of the vine at all until the Kingdom of God comes.  
**Luke 22: 14-16, 18**  
<sup>(20)</sup> [Jesus said to his disciples] And you do not seek by meditating and reasoning to inquire into what you are to eat and what you are to drink: Nor be of anxious (troubled) mind (unsettled, excited, worried, in suspense).  
<sup>(21)</sup> For all the pagan world is [greedily] seeking these things, and you Father knows that you need them.  
<sup>(22)</sup> Do not be seized with alarm and struck with fear, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.  
**Luke 12: 29, 30, 32**



**Rosie Rivas**

Rosie Rivas works in housekeeping/laundry. She has worked at the Care Center for 11 months.

Rivas is originally from Mexico. Her husband is Miguel and she has two sons and a daughter.

Rivas said she enjoys watching TV and shopping.

**DEADLINE:**  
**MONDAY**  
**AT NOON**

**Obituaries**

**James Leon Mayo**

James Leon Mayo, 71, of Abilene, passed away Friday, Feb. 4, 2005. Services were held Monday at North's Memorial Chapel with Alton Davis and Bob Scott officiating. Burial was in Buffalo Gap Cemetery, under the direction of North's Funeral Home.

Mr. Mayo was born July 30, 1933 in Mason to John and Anne Mayo. He graduated from Mason High School in 1951. He served in the United States Navy from 1953-1957. He married Martha Simpson on July 18, 1958. After receiving his barber's license, they moved to Abilene where he owned and operated Westgate Barber Shop, until his retirement in 1996. He is a past member of the Lions Club and was a member of The Highland Church of Christ for 15 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Survivors include his wife, Martha, of 46 years; one daughter and son-in-law, Debra and Brett McCracken of Abilene; one son, Michael Mayo of Fort Worth; one granddaughter, his little sweetheart, Katie McCracken of Abilene; one sister Janet Robertson of Ozona and several cousins.

Pallbearers will be Brett McCracken, John Moore, Dale McPadden, Fred Stokes, Scott Baber and Burl Hambrick.

**Lee Andrew Burnett**

Lee Andrew Burnett, 79, of Buchanan Dam, passed away on Saturday, Feb. 5, 2005.

Lee was born to Hal and Rachel Burnett of Imperial on March 25, 1925. He grew up in West Texas and served honorably in the U.S. Navy in the South Pacific during World War II, before returning home to marry Ruth Davis of Ballinger. Lee was a farmer, superb athlete, Mason, coach, teacher, principal, community leader, sportsman and outdoorsman.

After farming in Imperial for a time, he attended Sul Ross University and upon graduation began a career of serving young people in the school system. Most of his career was spent in Iraan where he retired in 1980, subsequently serving on the Iraan-Sheffield School Board.

Lee was preceded in death by Ruth, his wife of more than 40 years.

Lee is survived by his daughters, Linda Conger and husband Carl of Horseshoe Bay and Sharon Watts and husband Maxie of Buchanan Dam; his grandsons Jeffrey Watts and wife Mandi of Austin and Alan Watts and his fiancée Bekki Stapleton of College Station and one great-granddaughter Ruth Watts of Austin; sisters Margaret Adams and husband Tam of Tow and Rachel Howell of Ruidoso, N.M.

Graveside services were held on Feb. 7, 2005 in Iraan with the Rev. Charlie Spooner of First United Methodist Church of Iraan officiating, and attended by many family members and friends. Arrangements were by Preddy Funeral Home.

Lee had an overriding passion for the annual Bloys Campmeeting and since his birth, only missed attending during the three years he was in the South Pacific.

The family requests that donations for memorials be made to Bloys Church Camp of Fort Davis (Burnett Camp) and sent to Margaret Adams, 924 Alexander, Tow, Texas 78672.



Submitted photo

**CARE CENTER VOLUNTEER JOANN WILLIAMSON** beautifies resident Helen Stokes during Thursday's beauty shop day at the Care Center.

**Care Center Chatter**

By **JAN ST. CLAIR**  
Activity Director

You know the song "Thank Heaven for Little Girls?" We have a very special girl (lady) that sees that we have bingo prizes each month. This person is Ann Shaw. We are so thankful for all she does for our bingo activity and residents.

Our facility was filled with spiritual music and singing by the First Baptist Church, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, the Ozona United Methodist Church and the Ozona Church of Christ. Thank you all for your services and faith-fulness.

Our other volunteers for the week are employees Flores Longoria and Belia Reyes, our music

man Otis Nester, art lady Johnnye Johnson, Johnie Griffin, beauty shop ladies Lana Chandler and JoAnn Williamson, Levis and Lace Square Dancers and E.A. Wadsworth R.N. Thank you all very much.

Our Valentine and birthday party will be at 3:30 p.m. Monday in the main lobby. It is sponsored by Crockett National Bank.

Please note, I need a month's notice for activities inside or outside the facility as our calendar is planned in advance.

We have our Valentine mail boxes by each resident's door. If you would like to bring cards, we do deliver for our residents.

Have a good week from all of us at the CCCC. Come by for a visit, we will be waiting.

**Card of Thanks**  
Thank you for your thoughts and prayers, also for the flowers, food and firendship we received during our time of loss and sorrow.  
From the Family of Juan Molina

**Card of Thanks**  
We would like to express our gratitude to everyone who accompanied us during our time of loss. We appreciate all the food sent to our homes, the beautiful plants and flowers as well as all the cards we received.  
A special thanks to the First Baptist Church for their wonderful service and meal. Friends like you provide a huge support to our entire family. A sincere and heartfelt thank you.  
The Family of Jose Cesar Flores

**Library Books**

As I entered the small shop, I told the young clerk that I was waiting for my wife who was shopping next door. She commented that I must be very patient. I told her that in a few months we were going to celebrate our fortieth wedding anniversary. She said, "How is it possible?" I told her that my wife and I had both accepted Jesus Christ as our personal Lord and Savior a few years after we were married and that really changed our lives and our marriage. I asked her if she had ever accepted Christ as her personal Savior or read the Bible. She said no but she was going to the library and reading different books.

I said reading books may help but there is only one book from God. It is the Bible or the Word of God, (Luke 11:28). If we will honor and obey the Bible we can have a better life, (Joshua 1:8). It is in the Bible that we find out about God. We also find out that He loves us and sent His only son to die for us, (John 3:16, 2Timothy 3:15-17). The world and things of the world can bring happiness but it is nothing like the joy and peace that comes from knowing Jesus Christ As Lord and Savior (John 15:10,11).

See You in Church next Sunday.

Brother J

<p><b>First Baptist Church</b> 901 Ave. D Rev. John Collis 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. John Fluth Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m. &amp; 11 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida</b> Corner of Secretariat &amp; Man 'O War Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Service: 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Faith Lutheran Church</b> 802 1st St. Worship: 9 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church</b> 2121 Santa Rosa St. Rev. Jon &amp; Charify McCullough Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 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 Mario De La Mora Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 4:30 p.m. Tues. &amp; Fri: 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Our Lady of Perpetual Help</b> 219 Martinez St. Fr. Serafin Avenido Sun. Mass: 11 a.m. Sat.: 7 p.m. M. W. F. - 8:30 a.m. Thurs.: 7 p.m.</p>
<p><b>Calvary Baptist Church</b> 601 Ave. I Rev. Daniel C. Fleming Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Wed. &amp; Sun. Worship: 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Attend the Church of Your Choice This Sunday</b></p>	
<p><b>New Beginnings Church</b> 701 9th Street Pastor Jesse Cardona Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Tuesday Worship: 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Apostolic Church</b> 307 Santa Rosa St. Rev. Hector De La Cruz Sunday School: 3 p.m. Worship: 5 p.m. Thur. Service: 7:30 p.m.</p>	
<p><b>Iglesia de Cristo</b> Hwy 163 S. at Quail Run Interim - Ray Valadez Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 6 p.m.</p>		

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# FROM THE COUNTY AGENT

By Miles Dabovich, CEA-AG/NR

## Birkenfeld honored with leadership award, scholarship

Crockett County 4-Her, Andrew Birkenfeld, was honored with the San Antonio Rural Youth Leadership Award and a \$1000 scholarship for his accomplishments achieved in 4-H club work.

Andrew was recognized during the Rural Youth Banquet in San Antonio Friday evening. He is an Ozona Senior and is the son of Randy and Cindy Dusek.

Andrew has been an outstanding member of the Crockett County 4-H program for 10 years. He has been involved with numerous projects and activities. He has participated in the Crockett County Leadership program, 4-H Record Book program, State and National Wool and Mohair Judging programs, serves as the President of National Junior American Boer Goat Association, is a District 6 4-H Ambassador and is very active in breeding and meat goat projects.

He has also been involved in community service efforts such as the Angel Tree, and the West Texas Boys Ranch Hunter

## Wool Judging Team places third at San Antonio

The Crockett County 4-H Wool Judging Team placed third on Feb. 5 at the San Antonio Stock Show.

The team of Aaron Renfro, Andy Birkenfeld, Kraig Chandler and Laura Stapper was

## Sign-up period for 2005 EQIP funding to end March 18

TEMPLE - The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Texas announced that farmers and ranchers wishing to be considered for 2005 funding in the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) should make sure they sign up by the close of business Friday, March 18.

EQIP was reauthorized in the 2002 Farm Bill to provide a voluntary conservation program for farmers and ranchers that promotes agricultural production and environmental quality as compatible national goals.

EQIP offers financial and technical help to assist eligible participants install or implement structural and/or management practices on eligible agricultural land.

In 2005 Texas will receive about \$64 million in EQIP financial assistance funds and approximately \$5.5 million in Ground and Surface Water EQIP funds.

"The funds will help farm-



Submitted Photo

ANDY BIRKENFELD received San Antonio Rural Youth Leadership Award and a \$1000 scholarship for his accomplishments achieved in 4-H club work. Education program.

Andrew is also the winner of the Crockett County Mother Davidson, Dan Bean scholarship, and the District 6

Outstanding Senior Boy. He was accompanied by his mother, Cindy, and County Extension Agent Miles Dabovich.

Lakin Aaron was seventh place High Individual in the contest.

Accompanying the team was Kelvin Chandler, Carlon Stapper, Cindy Dusek and Donnie Laughlin.

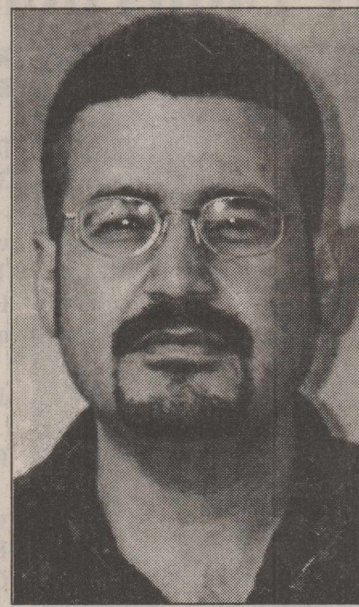
ducers who meet the criteria as a Limited Resource Farmer or Rancher can receive 90 percent cost share for eligible practices. The group also recommended an application ranking process to prioritize applications for funding. We have reviewed and concurred in all of their recommendations."

Beginning immediately after March 18, all applications will be ranked and those selected for funding will be approved. A conservation planner will develop a contract and conservation plan for each contract that is approved. Producers who have been awarded contracts can then begin implementing the approved conservation practices this year.

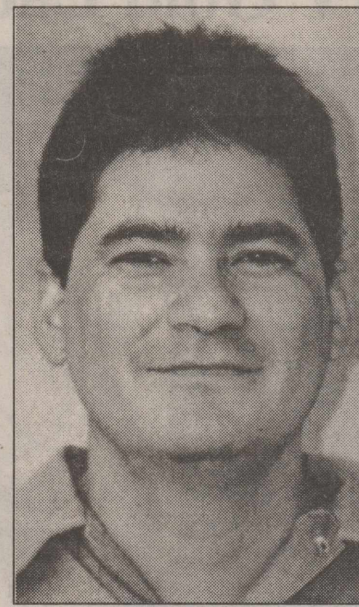
Local NRCS field offices have complete details for their county. Additional information and access to ranking criteria, practices, and cost share rates for EQIP can be found at [www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/](http://www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/).

"Using national and state EQIP priorities, counties working through a Local Work Group chaired by the local Soil and Water Conservation District recommended local resource concerns to be addressed, eligible practices, and cost-share rates and/or incentive payments. This group also recommended cost-share rates for beginning farmers," Butler said. "In 2005, pro-

## TxDOT announces service awards



Joe Lara



Mike Lara

## Joe and Mike Lara honored for 10 years of service

Fourth quarter Texas Department of Transportation service awards have been announced, honoring 21 employees in the San Angelo District.

Joe and Mike Lara, of Ozona, were recognized for 10 years of service to the state's transportation system. Joe is a crew chief, and Mike is the mechanic for the local maintenance office.

## Central Texas Wildland Fire School to be held this weekend

Registration is now underway for the 4th annual Central Texas Wildland Fire School. The school will be held Friday-Sunday at the Camp Bowie Military Reservation in Brownwood.

The sessions are sponsored by Texas Forest Service and the Dam Volunteer Fire Department. Courses being offered are Wildland Firefighting for Volunteer and Career Departments, GPS Orientation, Tanker Shuttle, Mini Engine Academy, Grants for the Fire Service and Rest and Rehab for Fatigued Fire Fighters.

These classes offer instruction in fire fighting methods, structure triage, tactics and suppression, safety, tools and equipment. Also included are tanker functions and planning, foreman duties, GPS orientation and function, and rest and rehabilitation for fatigued fire fighters. These classes will include classroom and field exercises with a live burn. Personal Protective Equipment will be required for participation in field exercises.

Although the classes are geared towards fire departments, auxiliary groups and citizen emergency response teams, they are open to anyone interested in attending.

Detailed information and registration can be obtained online at [www.tamu.edu/ticc](http://www.tamu.edu/ticc).

The cost for the weekend courses is \$50 payable to the Texas Forest Service. Breakfast and lunch meals will be provided by the Dam Volunteer Fire Department at a cost of \$10 a day. Barrack lodging is available at no additional charge.

Tuition Grants are available through the Forest Service under House Bill 2604. Call Rick Boehm at (979) 458-7351 for grant information.

Class and registration information is available through Texas Forest Service by Nick Harrison at (325) 676-5827 or Dam Volunteer Fire Department by Mona McCombs at (325) 784-7544.

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PN2 Leroy Martinez

## Martinez promoted in U.S. Navy

Leroy Martinez was recently promoted to PN2 in the U.S. Navy.

Martinez's promotion was made possible by diligent work, study, devotion to duty and successfully passing the Navy-wide examination, according to a letter from the U.S. Navy.

He has also earned the admiration and respect of his shipmates by providing his ability to accept additional responsibilities while increasing his technical knowledge and competence, the letter stated.

Martinez is stationed in Corpus Christi.

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## JV Gold Lady Lions defeat Sonora

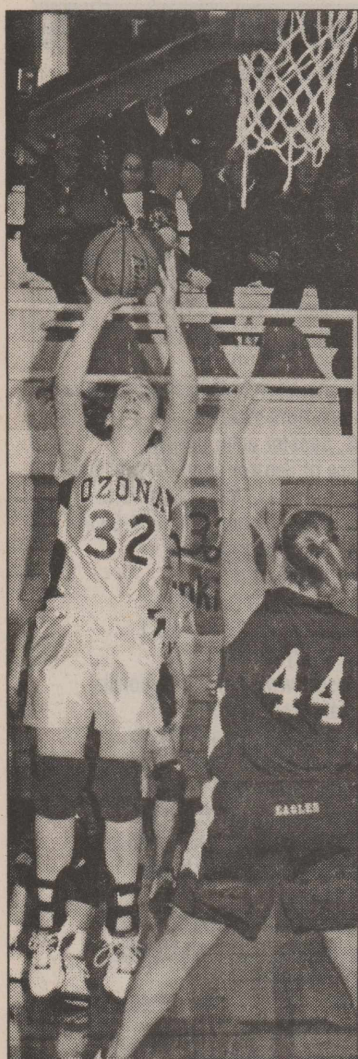


Photo by Stephen Zuberbueller  
**FRANKIE SKINNER** puts up a jump shot for the Lady Lions against Eldorado.



Photo by Joe Hernandez  
**ANNA HERNANDEZ** works the ball down the court in the JV Gold Lady Lions victory over Sonora on Jan. 31

### Lady Lions stomp Eldorado in district match up

By MELISSA PERNER  
Editor and Publisher

The Varsity Lady Lions stomped the Eldorado Lady Eagles 63-30 in a District 2-AA match up on Jan. 31.

Scoring for the Lady Lions was: Hilary Huffman 16; Ashley Unger 14; Casey Ybarra 11; Megan McDaniel 9; Taylor Oglesby 4; Allison Skehan 5; Malorie Moran 2; Heather Ybarra 2 and Frankie Skinner 1. Three-point goals - McDaniel 2, Skehan 1 and Huffman 1.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 14 18 12 19 - 63; Eldorado - 17 20 - 30.

Ozona lost to Wall, 16-65, on Feb. 4.

Scoring for the Lady Lions was: Huffman 6; Unger 3, C. Ybarra 5 and H. Ybarra 2.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 6 17 2 - 16; Wall - 22 20 9 14 - 65.

The Lady Lions are 12-18 overall and 3-10 in district play.



Photo by Joe Hernandez  
**BRITNI BUCHANNAN** slows the pace before executing a play for the Freshman Lady Lions.

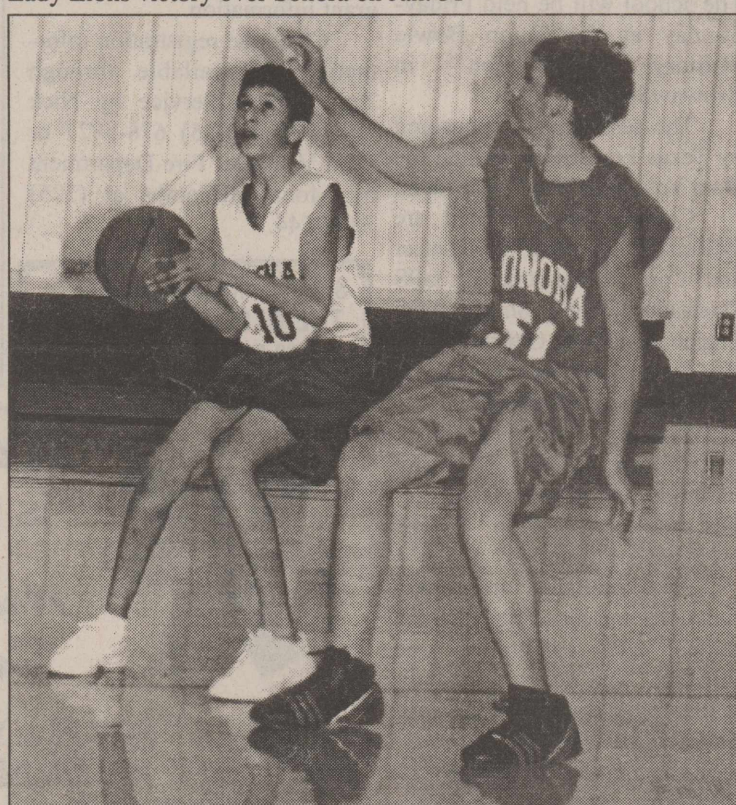


Photo by Stephen Zuberbueller  
**BAILEY BADILLO** keeps his eye on the basket as he prepares to take a shot in the seventh grade Lions game against Sonora.

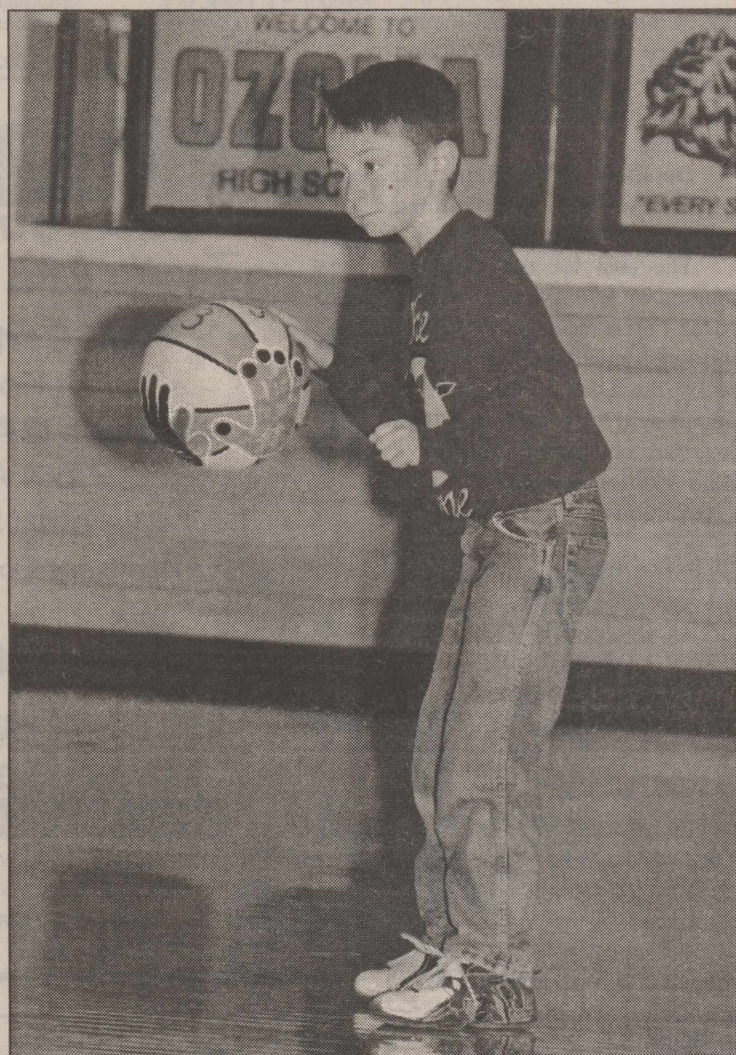


Photo by Stephen Zuberbueller  
**MICHAEL HILL** demonstrates his dribbling skills during half time at the varsity game along with other second graders from Ozona Primary School.

By MELISSA PERNER  
Editor and Publisher

The JV Gold Lady Lions defeated the Sonora Lady Broncos 36-15 on Jan. 31.

Scoring for the Lady Lions was: Julia Henderson 4; Paloma Taylor 1; Britni Buchanan 2; Anna Hernandez 6; Melanie Wallace 7 and Morgan Glosson 16.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 10 3 9 14 - 36.

The Lady Lions lost to Reagan County, 22-27, on Jan. 21.

Scoring for the Lady Lions was: Henderson 4; Taylor 4; Buchanan 10; Hernandez 2 and Glosson 2.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 2 7 8 5 - 22.

Ozona lost to Grape Creek, 33-44, on Jan. 17.

Scoring for the Lady Lions was: Henderson 5; Buchanan 1; Hernandez 1; Wallace 2 and Glosson 24.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 6 7 10 8 - 33.



### Seventh Grade Lions lose by three to Sonora

By MELISSA PERNER  
Editor and Publisher

The Seventh Grade Lions lost to Sonora 24-27 on Jan. 31.

Scoring for the Lions was: Kyle Sewell 5; Bailey Badillo 1; Matthew Fay 4; Dylan Castillo 4 and Jaron Vasquez 10.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 10 5 6 3 - 24; Sonora - 4 8 8 7 - 27.

"We played a very good game, maybe the best so far as doing our jobs correctly," said Coach Benny Granger. "We have had a tendency to get a little wild in the last moments of the game but not this time. The kids stayed composed and ran the plays as we were supposed to. We just couldn't make a bucket in the last quarter and sometimes that happens."



Photo by Stephen Zuberbueller  
**DANIEL GONZALES** makes a beautiful layup against the eighth grade Sonora Colts.



Photo by Stephen Zuberbueller  
**TREY COLLIS** avoids a steal by a varsity Eldorado Eagle and makes two of the 26 points he scored for the varsity Lions in their 67-53 victory on Feb. 1.

### Lions defeat Eldorado, fall to Wall

By MELISSA PERNER  
Editor and Publisher

The Varsity Lions defeated the Eldorado Eagles 67-53 on Jan. 31.

"This was a good win. Everyone scored and contributed," said Coach Lynn Searcy. "Trey (Collis) shot the ball well and had a good game."

Scoring for the Lions was: David Esparza 2; Trey Collis 26; Tate Collis 6; Justin Galan 4; Zane Coates 2; Nick Perez 6; Levi Vargas 9; Drew Clayton 8 and Matt McGuire 4. Three-point goals - Trey Collis 1.

Other individual statistics: Esparza 1 assist and 2 rebounds; Trey Collis 1 assist, 4 rebounds and 1 steal; Tate Collis 1 assist and 1 rebound; Galan 1 assist, 3 rebounds and 1 steal; Coates 1 re-

bound; Perez 2 assists and 2 rebounds; Vargas 3 assists, 2 rebounds and 1 steal; Clayton 2 rebounds and McGuire 4 rebounds.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 19 19 11 18 - 67; Eldorado - 11 17 12 13 - 53.

The Lions lost to Wall, 38-62, on Feb. 4.

Scoring for the Lions was: Trey Collis 9; Tate Collis 4; Galan 6; Coates 2; Perez 4; Vargas 3; Clayton 2 and McGuire 8. Three-point goals - Trey Collis 1.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 10 9 9 10 - 38; Wall 19 16 11 17 - 62.

The Lions are 10-14 overall and 3-8 in district play.

Ozona will face Junction Friday in Junction and then Reagan County Tuesday in Big Lake. Both games start at 8 p.m.



Photo by Stephen Zuberbueller  
**AARON PEARL** drives toward the basket in the Freshman Lions game against Sonora.

### Eighth Grade Lions lasso Broncos

By MELISSA PERNER  
Editor and Publisher

The Eighth Grade Lions defeated Sonora 29-19 in basketball action on Jan 31.

"This was a good win for the young Lions," said Coach Benjy Unger.

Scoring for the Lions was: Daniel Gonzales 5; Steven Silva 2; Matthew Garza 17; Jonathan Flores 3 and Matias Gandar 2.

"The young Lions played a great game defensively holding Sonora to only 19 points for the game," Unger said.

Playing in the game were Matias Gandar, Jordan Dehoyos, Matthew Garza, Fabian Onate, Daniel Gonzales, Devon Diehl, Jesse Ramos, Nathan Knox, Matthew Komechak, Josh Smith, Latham Ducote, Steven Silva, Jonathan Flores and Ruben Rivas.

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### Henderson captures singles title at West Texas Tennis Championships

Jenna Henderson captured the "A" Division girls' singles bracket at the West Texas Tennis Championships Feb. 4 in San Angelo.

Jenna won her first match over Allison Reynolds of Eldorado by a score of 6-0, 6-1, and then defeated Emily Cargile of San Angelo Central 6-0, 6-4 in the quarter-finals. She went on to defeat Nancy Lane of Central 6-4, 6-0 in her semi-final match, and finished the tournament with a 6-3, 6-3 victory over Lexanne Kilingsworth of Central in the finals.

Brooke Kelly also played in the "A" girls' singles where she lost to Cargile 6-1, 6-0 in her first match and she lost to Reynolds 6-0, 6-3 in her consolation match.

Kyann Kothman also represented OHS in the "A" girls' singles where she lost to Gracie Hughston of Central 6-0, 6-0 in the first round, and she then lost to Lauren Brown of Eldorado 6-3, 6-3 in her consolation match.

Julia Henderson fared very well in the "B" Division girls singles as she made it to the semi-finals before she was beaten. Julia defeated Kelcey Wells of Central 6-4, 3-6, 10-3 in the first round, and then beat Makinsey Morris of Wall 7-6, 6-4 in the quarters before falling to Veronica Quiroz of Colorado City 6-4, 6-2 in the semi-finals.

Park Preddy also made a good run the "B" girls singles as she lost in her first match 6-3, 6-1 to Chelsea Hey of Mason, and then won consolation matches over Heather Stewart of Central 6-0, 6-2; Kelcey Wells of Central 7-6, 4-6, 10-4 before losing to Amanda Roberts of Midland Christian 6-0, 6-2 in the consolation finals.

Dana Moran also played well in the "B" girls singles as she lost her first match 6-0, 6-2 to Barbara Coty of Central, and then lost her consolation match 6-1, 6-2 to Melinda Marin of Wall.

Cristy Dominguez and Rebecca Enriquez won their first round match in the "A" Division girls' doubles 7-5, 6-1 over Coats and Waldrop of Wall and then lost in the quarters to Stretcher and Oden of Midland Christian 6-0, 6-0.

Kristen Bunger and Lauren Pool also played in this division where they lost to Turnbow and Barnes of Lakeview 6-3, 6-4; and then lost a very close match to Jansa and Mead of Wall 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.

Patsy Larson and CJ Graves also played doubles in the "A" Division and lost their first round match 6-1, 7-5 to Molina and Dolan of Colorado City; they then defeated King and Hard of Wall 6-1, 6-4, and then they lost to Dickens and Whitehead of Wall 6-4, 3-6, 10-7 in the consolation semi-finals.

Diane Hernandez and Lanell Garcia also played in the "A" girls doubles where they lost in the first round 6-0, 6-0 to Kennedy and Aguilar of Lakeview, and then lost to Dickens and Whitehead of Wall 7-6, 6-0 in their next match.

Roland Galindo represented OHS in the "A" Division of the boys' singles where he defeated James Jackson of Lakeview 6-0, 6-0 in the first round before losing to Jonathan Burke of Midland Christian 6-2, 6-0 in the quarter-finals.

Jared Espino also played in this division where he lost his first match 6-0, 6-3 to James Jeffries of Central.

Jared won his next match over Richmond Adame of Eldorado 6-1, 6-0; and then defeated Briley Leggett of Wall 6-3, 6-3. Jared then lost 6-4, 6-3 to Wall's Justin Box in the consolation semi-finals.

Playing for OHS in the "B" boys singles were Jorge Siller and Eric Fierro. Jorge lost his first round match 6-0, 6-1 to Nick Harrison of Midland Christian and then he defeated Josh Draper of Central 7-5, 6-4 before losing to J. Rodriguez of Lakeview 6-2, 6-0.

Eric lost his first match to J.P. Martinez of Central 6-1, 6-4; and then went on to win the consolation bracket.

He defeated Landon Forsrage of Lakeview 6-1, 6-0, Andrew Williams of Mason 6-2, 6-1, and then Eric defeated J. Rodriguez of Lakeview 6-1, 6-4 for the consolation finals.

David Casarez and Joseph Tambunga were the only boys' doubles team from OHS and they played well in the "A" Division where they lost in the first round to a very polished Hilliard and Burkes of Midland Christian 6-0, 6-2.

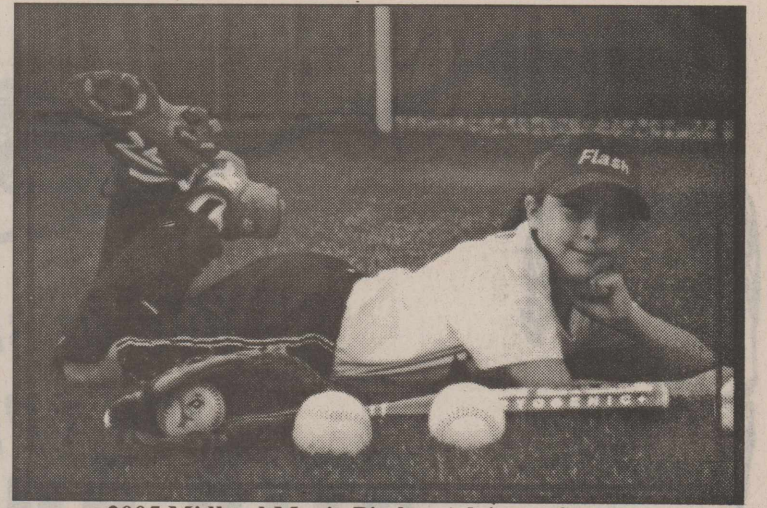
Joseph and David then defeated Hejl and Gray of Wall 6-1, 6-0 before losing to Livingstone and Flannery of Lakeview 6-0, 6-4 in the consolation finals.

"This is always a great tournament to start our season with as the competition at this tournament is simply outstanding. I never really know what to expect from our kids as we have just been practicing for a couple of weeks, but I was really impressed with the play of everyone," said Coach Rick Bachman. "Several of our JV players were able to play in the "A" Division and this experience will help them tremendously down the road. Jenna had another great tournament and her victory in the "A" Division of this tournament is very impressive. I was extremely pleased with how everyone competed, and am looking forward to much improvement and even better things to come."



Submitted photo

JENNA HENDERSON captured the "A" Division girls' singles bracket at the West Texas Tennis Championships Feb. 4 in San Angelo.



2005 Midland Magic Pitcher Adrienne Sanchez

### Sanchez chosen for Midland Magic fastpitch softball team

Eleven-year-old Adrienne Sanchez has earned a roster spot on the Midland Magic's 12U select fastpitch softball team.

Adrienne attended tryouts on Jan. 29 in Midland.

She will be pitching and playing outfield for the Magic

for the 2005 season.

The team will be playing tournaments throughout the state in hopes of qualifying for the National Tournament that will be held in Florida.

Adrienne is the daughter of Javier and Leticia Sanchez.

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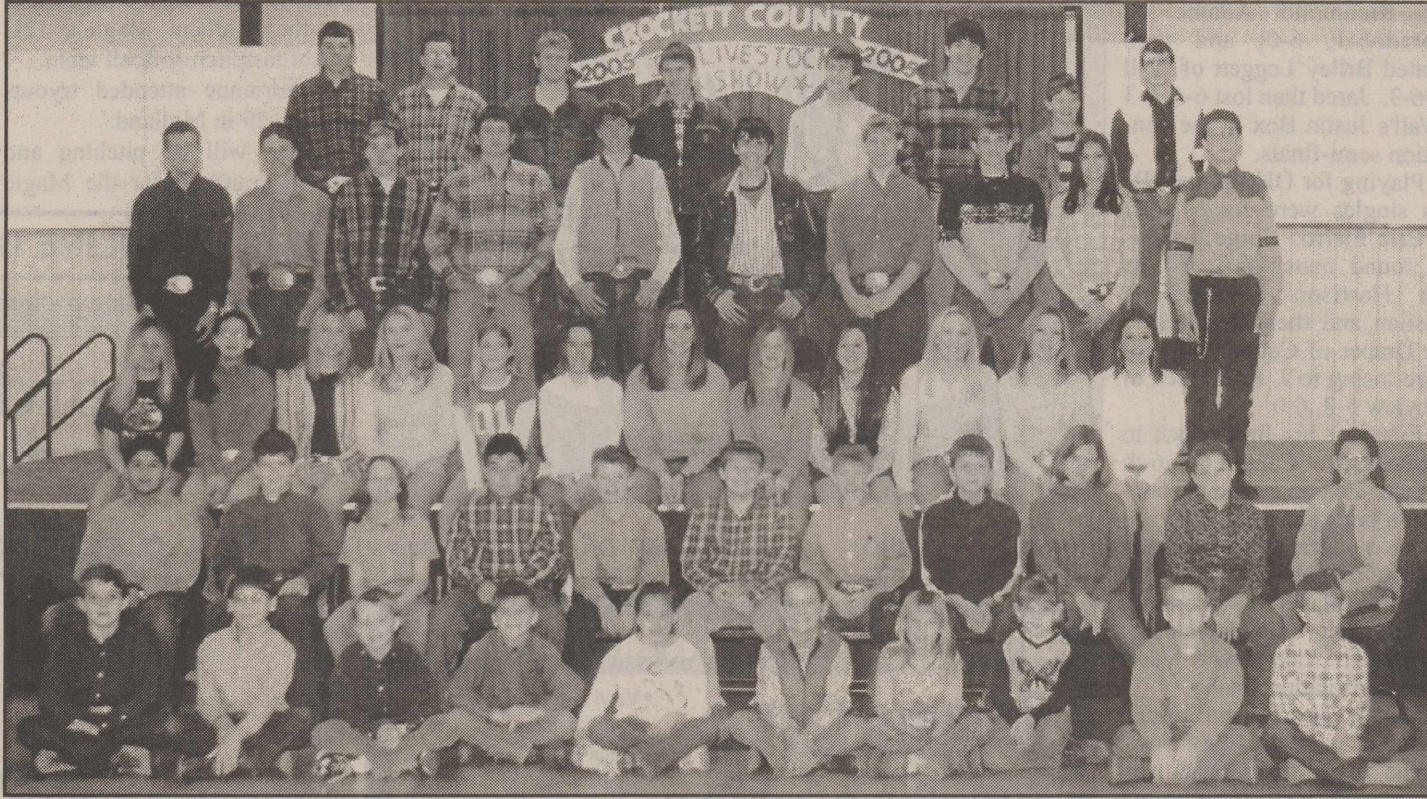
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### Sul Ross Cheer Squad returns to national competition

By Nancy Blanton  
Sul Ross State University  
News Writer

Ozona High School graduate Jessica Galan, along with the rest of the Sul Ross State University Lobo Cheer Squad, has been invited to attend the Chick-Fil-A/ National Cheerleading Championships in Daytona Beach, Fla.

The contest will take place April 6-10.

The Lobo Cheer Squad competed at the nationals last year, scoring high enough to bring home a bid for this year's competition, and by tenths of a point missing out on being in the top eight teams for their division. The competition between the top eight teams was nationally televised on CBS and ESPN.

Tryouts were held last week to select new members for this year's competitive squad that now consists of 16 students, 12 women and four men.

Along with Galan, other

qualifiers include: Nicole Zunker, Jessica Flud, Joseph Torres, Johnny Ybarra, all of Alpine; Samantha Mills, League City; Venus Castaneda, Iraan; Raelynn Mitchell, Deer Park; Ericka Ivy, Bandera; Cristal Gonzalez, Coynosa; Jonathan Gilbert, Houston; Whitney Pitts, Hurst and David Rosales, Alexandria Valdez, Krystle Corral, and India Hoover, all of El Paso.

Zunker, Pitts, Valdez, Rosales and Hoover are new members to the Cheer Squad.

Ybarra, Mitchell and Ivy are veterans from last year's competition.

Freshman students make up the majority of this year's squad, bringing new enthusiasm to the team.

Cheerleading competition combines gymnastics, acrobatics and dance skills. The squad members must be athletes along with keeping up their grades. Cheerleading can be at times labor intensive, dangerous, and

stressful as any sport, but on the less serious side, it can also be a lot of fun.

The squad has a choreographed routine ready to practice and will be fund-raising for their travel expenses in the coming weeks along with cheering at the home basketball games next month.

Competing in Daytona has given the Cheer Squad and Sul Ross positive exposure and raised national interest in the West Texas university.

"Sully," the Lobo mascot character, will also be traveling with the Cheer Squad and will be part of the competition.

A redesigned costume premiered last year, but more emphasis will be placed on developing Sully's character this year.

Practice begins immediately for the squad members along with planning for future fund raising activities.

For more information, contact Ben Telesca at (432) 837-8299.

### Erin Castro selected for National Scholars Honor Society

Erin Yvonne Castro has been selected to The National Scholars Honor Society.

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Erin is a 2002 graduate of Ozona High School. She is a junior at Texas A&M University at Corpus Christi and is majoring in chemistry with a minor in math.

Erin is the daughter of Lupe and Elaine Castro.

### Vince Castro selected for Who's Who, National Honor Roll

Vince Castro has been selected for Who's Who Among American High School Students and the National Honor Roll for Academic Achievement for 2004-2005 school year.

Being selected for Who's Who means Vince will qualify to apply for 127 scholarships totaling more than \$202,000. Vince's name will also appear in the organization's publication, which will be distributed to high schools and colleges throughout the country.

The National Honor Roll also comes with the opportunity to apply for scholarships totaling \$25,000 and be published in their commemorative edition.

Vince is a senior at Ozona High School. He is the son of Lupe and Elaine Castro.

He plans on attending Del Mar College in Corpus Christi.

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OZONA HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC TEAM show off the trophy they won this past weekend at the Sonora Academic Meet in Sonora.

### Ozona wins Sonora Academic Meet

The Ozona High School Academic Team brought home the championship trophy from the Sonora Academic Meet this past weekend in Sonora.

The results are: **Journalism** - Team of DesaRay Goff, Jessica Knaack, Isabel Aguilar, Morgan Capps and Amber Batura, first place.

**News Writing** - DesaRay Goff, second.

**Editorial Writing** - DesaRay Goff, second, Jessica Knaack, sixth.

**Headline Writing** - Morgan Capps, fourth.

**Feature Writing** - DesaRay Goff, first.

**Computer Science** - Team of Jared Bird, Paarth Raj, Victoria Miller and Amber Batura, first. Individually - Jared Bird, second; Paarth Raj, third; Victoria Miller, fifth and Amber Batura sixth.

**Science** - Team of Jared Bird, Paarth Raj and Levi English, first. Individually - Jared Bird, second; Paarth Raj, third and Levi English, fourth.

**Mathematics** - Team of Jared Bird, Paarth Raj, Derek Fierro, Barrett Richie and Puja

Bhakta, first. Individually - Jared Bird, first; Paarth Raj, third and Derek Fierro, fifth.

**Number Sense** - Team of Jared Bird, Derek Fierro and Victoria Miller, first. Individually - Jared Bird, first and Derek Fierro, second.

**Calculator Applications** - Team of Jared Bird, Steven Lara and Derek Fierro, second. Individually - Jared Bird, first and Steven Lara, second.

**Current Events and Issues** - Alex Avila and Jessica Knaack

participated.

**Spelling/Vocabulary** - Derek Fierro, third.

**Social Studies** - Team of Amber Batura, Alex Avila, Levi English and Kyle Webb, third. Individually - Amber Batura, fourth.

**Ready Writing** - Amber Batura, sixth.

**Informative Speaking** - Kyle Webb, fifth.

**Prose** - Britney Ramos, second and Kyle Webb, sixth.

**Poetry** - Brady Granger, first.

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## Crockett County Sheriff's Report

### WEEKLY NEWS REPORT 2-01-05 to 2-07-05

**2-01-05**  
 • Deputy met with complainant via phone about subject requesting information on family member that was assaulted. Deputy advised caller adult victim has not filed statement or filed charges.  
 • Report of gas drive off from local convenience store at the 1300 block of Avenue C. Deputy located and returned subject back to the store.  
 • Report of a disturbance at the 300 block of Avenue I. Deputy reported that one of the subjects had already left the area, DPS trooper assisted deputy.  
 • Report of reckless driver in the area of Avenue A.  
 • Deputy met with school official about harassment concerning parent/student. Deputy filed report.  
**2-02-05**  
 • Deputy met with complainant at the 1600 block of Piedra St about subject that had taken set of keys. Deputy spoke with the other party and subject will return the keys.  
 • Deputy met with complainant at the 1600 block of Piedra St about an intoxicated subject that would not leave the residence. Deputy spoke with subject and advised her that if she returned, a criminal trespass notice would be served on her.  
 • Report of subject requesting gas welfare at local convenience store on Avenue E and 14th streets. Deputy assisted subject with fuel.  
 • Report of reckless driver in the draw on 9th Street. Deputy located the driver and vehicle, stuck in the mud.  
 • Deputy responded to a disturbance at the 1500 block of Piedra Street. Deputy escorted subjects to another residence, to wait for family member from out of town

to pick up subjects.  
 • Deputies met with complainant at the 1500 block of Piedra Street about a family member making threats to subjects involved in previous disturbance.  
 • Report of a suspicious vehicle parked in front of a residence at the 2000 block of Heraclio St. Deputy reported everything was okay that the vehicle was just dropping someone off in the area.  
**2-03-05**  
 • Deputy met with complainant at the sheriff's office about a civil matter.  
 • Deputy met with complainant at the 100 block of Swaps St about problems with neighbors' dogs tearing up fences. Deputy spoke with both parties.  
 • Deputy met with complainant at the sheriff's office about telephone harassment from her residence by a female subject. Deputy spoke with and warned suspect making the calls.  
 • Deputy met with complainant at local business on Ave B about a theft.  
 • Deputy met with complainant at local convenience store at the 1100 block of Sheffield Road about a theft. Deputy filed report.  
 • Report of a suspicious vehicle in the area of 9th Street and Avenue F. Deputy reported that it was just a subject trying to find a place to rest for the night.  
**2-04-05**  
 • Report of a vehicle that had been hit a deer at the 343 mile marker on I-10 and deer needed to be destroyed. Dispatcher made contact with game warden officer.  
 • Deputy served a court summons to parents at local apartments about juvenile not attending public school.  
 • Report of loose goats at State Highways 163 and 1973. Dispatcher was unable to make contact with the owner.  
 • Deputies responded to a 911 disturbance call at the 1500 block of Piedra St. Deputy arrested one male subject.  
**2-05-05**  
 • 911 hang up call at the 300 block of Avenue I. Deputy was dispatched due to welfare concern, deputies arrested one

male subject for assault family violence.  
 • Report of disturbance at 1800 block of Willow Street. Deputy responded all was okay.  
 • Report of traffic light out of order at I-10 and 14th and 15th streets. TxDOT notified.  
 • Deputy responded to report of reckless driver on Appaloosa Street. Subject was given a verbal warning.  
 • Anonymous caller reporting possible drug activity on Laredo Street. One suspect taken into custody for possession of marijuana.  
**2-06-05**  
 • Deputy dispatched on report of possible stranded motorist at 357 mile-marker east bound.  
 • Female subject at sheriff's office about abuse by spouse deputy met with subject and contacted shelter.  
 • Female subject met with deputy at sheriff's office on drug activity.  
 • Report of vehicle tail gating on State Highway 137 deputy made contact all was okay.  
 • Subject with Child Protective Services request welfare check on juveniles at Crockett Apartments. deputy reported all was okay.  
 • Deputy dispatched to Crockett Heights about subjects arguing. Deputy made contact with subjects.  
 • Deputy responded to report of vehicle taken without permission at Crockett Apts.  
 • Deputy responded to report of reckless driver on Ave. G.  
 • Deputy dispatched to medical clinic about subject with dog bite.  
**2-07-05**  
 • Deputy unlocked vehicle at 300 block of Santa Ana Street.  
 • Deputy responded to report of juvenile not returning home at 900 block Ave. E. Contact made with juvenile.  
 • Female subject met deputy at sheriff's office about family violence complaint.  
 • Deputy met complainant at local motel about problems with spouse.

**2-05-05**  
 • Jimmy Don Holloway, 51, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on a charge of assault family violence.  
 • Ezekiel Rivera, 52, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on a charge of possession of marijuana under two ounces. Subject released after posting PR bond.  
 • Isa Christine Carson, 19, of Ozona arrested by DPS officer for possession of marijuana less than two ounces, minor in possession of alcohol, possession of drug paraphernalia and open container. Subject released after posting PR bonds.  
 • Luis Robert Perez, 34, of Ozona arrested for possession of marijuana under two ounces. Subject released on PR bond.  
**2-07-05**  
 • Osiel Ortiz, 23, of Ozona arrested by deputy on warrant for injury to child. Subject in custody awaiting arraignment.

### OFFENSE REPORTS

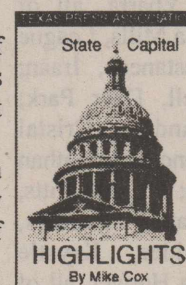
**2-03-05**  
 • Sheriff's deputy filed a theft less than \$500 no more than \$1,500 report: deputy took statement from employee of local business in reference to a missing bag of money, investigation continues.  
**2-04-04**  
 • Deputy filed an assault family violence report. One male subject taken into custody.  
**2-05-05**  
 • Deputy filed an assault family violence report. One male subject taken into custody.  
**2-07-05**  
 • Deputy filed injury to child report charges filed on subject and taken into custody.

### ARREST REPORTS

**2-03-05**  
 • Irma Veronica Hernandez, 30, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on a charge of theft greater than \$500 no more than \$1,500. Subject was released after posting bond.  
**2-04-05**  
 • Saul Sandate Flores, 19, was arrested by sheriff's deputy on a charge of assault family violence.

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## State library funding among the issues before Legislature



AUSTIN -- Just about every day in the early weeks of the legislative session, a procession of visitors in attire ranging from red blazers to white lab coats to 19th century cavalry uniforms arrives at the Capitol to make a pitch to lawmakers on one issue or another.

The group coming to the Capitol next week may be hard to spot unless some of them go around shushing people for talking too loudly. Members of the Texas Library Association will be in Austin Feb. 15-16 to unofficially lobby the Legislature on an issue that doesn't get a whole lot of publicity: state library funding.

Following the last session, the State Library had to cancel various periodical subscriptions and make other cutbacks. The budget the library has submitted for the next two fiscal years reflects the Legislative Budget Board's request that agencies base their budgets on 95 percent of their current appropriation. The TLA will be pushing for the legislature to approve all of the library's budget requests, plus "exceptional items" above the base amount. That would include funding to remodel the 1961 Lorenzo de Zavala Building that houses the library.

**Drawing a one-liner in the sand...**  
 Kerrville mystery writer Kinky Friedman stood in front of the Alamo last Thursday to announce his candidacy for governor, drawing numerous one-liners in the sand.

Saying that he supported stricter death penalty standards and gambling in casinos, he also endorsed gay marriage, quipping: "They have a right to be as miserable as the rest of us."

However, tossing your cowboy hat in the ring and being on

the ballot are two separate things. Friedman will need the signatures of 45,540 registered voters to get his name on the ticket as an independent candidate for the November 2006 general election. And he has to get those names after the March primaries.

**Lubbock in the political rearview mirror...**  
 Two days before Friedman finally made his intentions official in San Antonio, Alamo City Congressman Henry Bonilla, R-San Antonio, chose the hometown of the late Buddy Holly to declare that he would run seek to succeed U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison if she takes on Gov. Rick Perry, Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn and possibly the Kinkster.

**Hazardous outlook for TV weather people...**  
 Is the person on TV telling you whether it will rain tomorrow really a meteorologist? Or are they just dramatizing the National Weather Service's forecast?  
 Rep. Vicki Truitt (R-Keller) wants you to know for sure. Along with her umbrella, she's carrying House Bill 577, a measure that would make it a Class C misdemeanor for a broadcast personality to represent himself as a meteorologist without having a meteorology degree.

Turns out that being a member of the American Meteorological Society, the current national standard that is frequently seen hyped on TV weather casts, does not necessarily mean a person is a real meteorologist. The membership does mean the person has had special training, but not always a four-year degree in meteorology.

Rep. Truitt fears that inadequate training could result in inaccurate forecasts, creating a downpour of public safety problems.

The bill has already spawned a storm of protest among TV types who may have degrees in other disciplines, but not in meteorology.

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**Sheep and Goats**  
 Feb. 7, 2005  
 Junction Stockyards sold 790 head of sheep and goats. All classes of livestock were steady

#1 spring lambs 50-70 lbs.	1.30-1.40
#1 spring lambs 70-90 lbs.	1.25-1.40
#1 old crop lambs 50-70 lbs.	1.25-1.30
#1 old crop lambs 70-90 lbs.	1.20-1.28
Fat ewes	55-56
Thin ewes	45-55
Bucks	45-80
Baby tooth ewes	no test
Solid mouth ewes	75-85
Ewe & lamb pairs	45-65/hd
Baby tooth Angora stocker nannies	70-1.00
Solid mouth Angora stocker nannies	70-85
Stocker Angora muttons	75-85
Angora kids	1.30-1.35
Angora kids-shorn	1.25-1.35
Weighing Angoras-shorn (thin)	65-75
Weighing Angoras-shorn (fat) nannies	65-75
Weighing Angoras-shorn (fat) muttons	no test
Stocker Spanish nannies	67-1.00
Fat Spanish nannies	70-85
Fat Spanish muttons	1.20-1.30
Fat Spanish billies	75-85
Fat yearlings	1.15-1.25
Fat Spanish kids	1.35-1.42
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Thin kids	1.20-1.30
Spanish nanny & kid pairs	42 hd

Next goat sale - Feb. 14, 2005

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Endeavor Energy Res	10500	Dudley -26- #2 H	Big Dog Drilling 7	T.L.H. 10578*
Encore Operating LP	9100*	H & H Drilling Co. #2039	Patterson Drilling/A 109	Recomplete
Next Approach Operating	9000*	J R Bailey -A- #704	Nabors Drilling (O) 319	Drig Ahead
Approach Operating	9000*	Bailey #411	Nabors Drilling (O) 347	Drig Ahead
Next Kebo Oil & Gas, Inc	9000*	Bailey #311	Patterson Drilling/A 710	Drig Ahead
Momentum Energy	8000*	University -M- #2	Patterson Drilling/A 42	Drig Ahead
Next Anadarko E & P	7900*	Harris Ranch -4th- #1	Patterson UI/Tmbr 617	Drig Ahead 7800*
Next Devon Energy/Okc	7500*	Hobling -18- #5	Patterson Drilling/A 38	Drig Ahead
Eog Resources/Mid	7100*	Couch -22- #13	Nabors Drilling/A 169	Drig Ahead
Next Durango Pipeline	5900*	Shannon Hospital -4- #3	Patterson Drilling (O) 353	Drig Ahead
Fiml Natural Res	5500*	Friend #1	Patterson Drilling/A 161	Drig Ahead
Mission River System	5500*	Baggett -Bs- #1124c	Patterson Drilling/A 721	Assigned
	2200*	Meadows Ranch #1	Hinz Drilling 1	Assigned

**\*Sutton County**

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Dominion OK TX E&P	9350*	Duke Wilson -173- #10	Patterson Drilling/A 120	Drig Ahead
Dominion OK TX E&P	8850*	Mayfield -41- #17	Patterson Drilling/A 108	Drig Ahead
Dominion OK TX E&P	8600*	Mayfield -40- #13	Patterson Drilling/A 122	Drig Ahead
Next Res Resources/Tuba	7000*	Genini #3709	Patterson Drilling/A 115	Drig Ahead
Dominion OK TX E&P	6650*	Morris -64- #14	Patterson Drilling/A 40	Drig Ahead
Next Dominion OK TX E&P	6650*	Shurley #123	Patterson Drilling/A 102	Assigned
	6650*	Shurley #121	Patterson Drilling/A 107	Drig Ahead

**\*Terrell County**

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Newfield	15000*	Poulter #3802	Patterson Drilling/A 118	Drig Ahead
ConocoPhillips/Odes	12600*	University -4- #7	Patterson UI/UY 481	Drig Ahead 12356*
Wig Exploration	11000*	Uncle Cecil #3	Lariat Drilling 7	Drig Ahead
Pop/Houston	11000*	Mitchell -8- #9	Patterson Drilling/A 39	Drig Ahead

**Edwards County**

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Newfield	14000*	Whitehead #7401	Patterson Drilling/A 471	Drig Ahead

**Val Verde County**

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Next Pure Resources/Mid	4500*	Mills Trust -130- #1	Nabors Drilling (O) 709	Drig Ahead

**Schleicher County**

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Dominion OK TX E&P	7900*	University -5416- #2	Patterson Drilling/A 105	Drig Ahead
Dominion OK TX E&P	7900*	University -5717- #2	Patterson Drilling/A 105	Assigned
Discovery Operating	7250*	Lin -B- #2	Heart Land Drilling 5	Drig Ahead 6500*
Discovery Operating	7000*	Bearc #3	Heart Land Drilling 4	Drig Ahead 6300*
Next Pogo Producing Co	6900*	Jackson #10	Heart Land Drilling 2	Drig Ahead 1800*

**Reagan County**

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Next Pioneer Natural/trv	9500*	Aldwell -K- #4668	Mattlock Drilling 1	Drig Ahead 4000*
Next Mariner Energy	8350*	Sau Mariner 30-2 #2	Big Dog Drilling 5	Drig Ahead 491*
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Bidding instructions and specifications may be obtained by contacting the County Auditor's Office, Courthouse Annex, Ozona, Texas or the Crockett County Road Department.

Each bid envelope must be plainly marked (PAVING AGGREGATE). Any bid received after stated opening time will not be considered and will be returned unopened. Bids shall be mailed or given to John Stokes, County Auditor, P.O. Box 989, Ozona, Texas 76943.

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Hunt-Baggett (Strawn, North) Couch 24 #B5L		1983 13	Section 24
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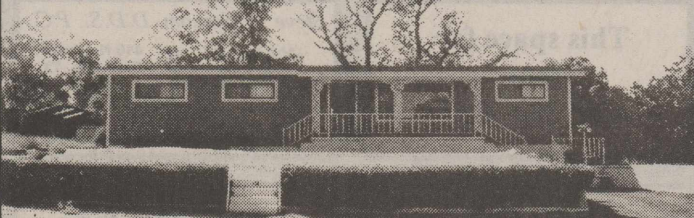
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