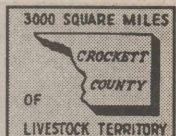


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Date	Hi	Lo	Rain
Feb. 28	66	37	-0-
March 01	72	34	-0-
March 02	70	48	-0-
March 03	73	43	-0-
March 04	64	52	-0-
March 05	61	52	-0-
March 06	63	54	-0-

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Sunny	Sunny

Friday	Saturday
Hi 73	Hi 78
Lo 47	Lo 53
Sunny	Sunny

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## Looking back 10 years Lady Lions honored again in Austin

By **BARBIE MYERS**  
Special to The Ozona Stockman

Past, present and future Ozona Lady Lion fans showed their loyalty this weekend at a celebration held in Austin for the 1994-1995 Class 2A State Champions. The 10-year reunion was attended by several Lady Lions and all coaches. More than 50 friends, family and fans were also on hand to reminisce about the regional and state games, while watching old game tapes and glancing at school yearbooks.

The group remembered it all. From the famous 360 layup shot made by Bobbie Bryson to her regional game free throws against Hart, the details of the largest crowd for a 2A game ever at the "Drum" and even more play-by-play details of the three freshmen, one sophomore and one senior starting team that was the Ozona Dream Team. A group of players, fans and

families met at the Drury Inn before heading off to the Frank Erwin Center in downtown Austin. The team was introduced during the halftime of the 2005 Class 2A State Championship game by the Director of the University Interscholastic League, Dr. William D. Farney and Dr. Charles Breithaupt, UIL Director of Athletics. Farney began by introducing Ozona to the crowd by letting them know just where Ozona was located on the map and how far the teams have had to travel for district games in the past. Farney-recapped the team records and play-off performances. The Ozona Lady Lions attended the state tournament three out of the four years from 1994 to 1998.

Breithaupt also presented each player with a UIL pin to commemorate the honoring of the team. Players and coaches in attendance and introduced by Farney were:

Please see **LADY LIONS**, page 6



MEMBERS OF THE 1994-1995 LADY LIONS STATE CHAMPION BASKETBALL TEAM were honored this past weekend at the state tournament in Austin. Those attending were: (back row left to right) Amber Tarr and Shelly Sullivan Morkovskiy; (second row) Amber McWilliams, Megan Tambunga Sanchez, Autumn McWilliams Brown, Tara Wilkins, Gloria Pena-Alfaro Fierro, Coach Rodney Johnson and Coach Dickie Faught; (front row) Julie Perez Wilson, Bobbie Bryson and Coach Deborah Ramon.

## Trustees extend contracts another year

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
Editor and Publisher

The Crockett County Consolidated Common School District Board of Trustees approved a one-year contract extension for school officials during a special called meeting Monday.

After meeting in executive

session from 7:02-11:45 p.m., the board unanimously approved the contract extension for all campus principals, which includes Steve Taylor, Doug Guynes, Manley Holmes and Dan Webb, as well as David McWilliams, district counselor, Janina Savala, elementary counselor, Sonny Bahlman, band director, Jeff Streun,

athletic director and Rod Miller technology director.

The motion extends the contracts for all positions through the 2006-2007 school year. All board members were present.

The regular monthly board meeting will take place at 6:30 p.m. March 22 at the Administration Building at 797 Avenue D.

## Three file for school board race

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
Editor and Publisher

Three candidates have filed late Monday to run as board trustee for the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District.

Jana Wilson and Santiago

Ybarra Jr. both filed to run in District 2, which is currently held by George Ybarra who has decided not to seek re-election.

Douglas Bean filed to run in District 5, which is currently held by Kenny Wadsworth who also decided not to seek re-election.

voting will be April 20-May 3.

The last day to register to vote in this election is April 7.

Persons wanting a ballot by mail can apply from March 8-April 29.

For more information, call the CCCSD Administration Office at 392-5501 ext. 5700.

## Taking someone's identity

District attorney speaks about potential victims, steps to take to prevent possible theft

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
Editor and Publisher

A simple task of throwing away a piece of mail can cost a person thousands of dollars as well as their own name, social security number and drivers' license.

District Attorney Laurie English addressed these and other concerns about identity theft during a program on Feb. 28 at the First Baptist Church. The program was sponsored by the JOY (Just Older Youth) Group.

Identity theft is the misuse of personal or financial information to gain something of value, English said.

"Potential victims by enlarge are elderly. They come from the generation where your word was your bond and you didn't have to hide things," she said.

English said in order to prevent identity theft, people should remember the word SCAM.

S - being stingy with personal information.

C - checking financial information regularly.

A - asking periodically for a credit report.

M - maintaining careful records.

As of June 1, credit report checks will be free from the three major credit bureaus, English said.

"Check your credit on a regular basis. You need to know what is out there," English said.

Limiting the number of credit cards or debit cards carried in a purse or wallet, as well as not carrying personal financial information and a social security cards keeps theft at bay, English said.

Shredding any possible credit card applications using a cross-cut shredder is another step, and not putting drivers' license numbers and social security numbers on



DISTRICT ATTORNEY LAURIE ENGLISH (right) explains one of the papers that has tips to help stop identity theft during a presentation on Feb. 28 in the First Baptist Church Parlor. The program was sponsored by the JOY (Just Older Youth) Group of the First Baptist Church of Ozona.

checks. Also, don't leave purse or wallet unattended or in the car.

"Thieves can be friends, family, neighbors or total strangers," English said. "If you have an elderly friend receiving Home Health Care, don't be afraid to secure their information. You need to watch out for each other."

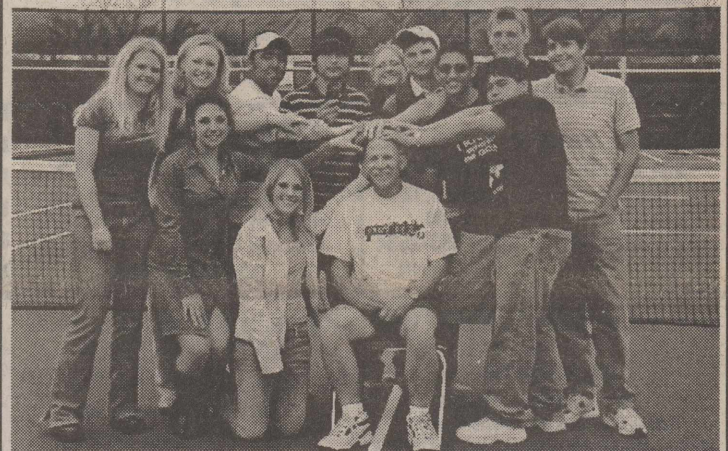
In checking if someone is a victim, English said to look out for any unusual credit charges that may not have been authorized, watch for bills from unopened accounts and think twice when collection agencies start calling about debts not incurred.

If someone is a victim, English said to contact financial institutions immediately and to file a report with local law enforcement.

## Tips to help stop identity theft

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| <p><b>Protect your identity...</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check your credit report annually.</li> <li>• Don't give out personal information.</li> <li>• Review your bills and statements on a regular basis.</li> <li>• Guard your mail and trash from theft.</li> <li>• Shred items that contain personal information.</li> <li>• Copy the contents of your wallet or purse.</li> <li>• Report the lost or stolen checks or credit cards immediately.</li> </ul> | <p><b>Recover your good name...</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact the fraud departments of the three major credit bureaus:<br/>Equifax: 1-800-525-6285<br/>Experian: 1-888-397-3742<br/>TransUnion: 1-800-680-7289</li> <li>• Notify your financial institution.</li> <li>• Inform your credit issuers.</li> <li>• File a report with your local law enforcement.</li> </ul> |
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- For additional information and advice, call the Federal Trade Commission Identity Theft Hotline toll-free at 1-877-IDTHEFT (438-4338) or visit [www.consumer.gov/idtheft](http://www.consumer.gov/idtheft).
- source Ozona National Bank

## STATE BOUND



MEMBERS OF THE OZONA HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY TENNIS TEAM rub Coach Rick Bachman's head for good luck after he shaved it due to the team qualifying for the State Team Tennis Meet this weekend in Austin. For results of the regional meet, see page 6.

## LADY LIONS NAMED TO ALL-DISTRICT TEAM



DISTRICT 2-2A ALL-DISTRICT BASKETBALL LADY LIONS: (back row left to right) Honorable Mention Casey Ybarra, Taylor Oglesby and Ashley Unger. Front row: Honorable Mention Hilary Huffman, Second Team Malorie Moran and Honorable Mention Heather Ybarra.

## Collis to play in Fellowship of Christian Athletes All-Star game

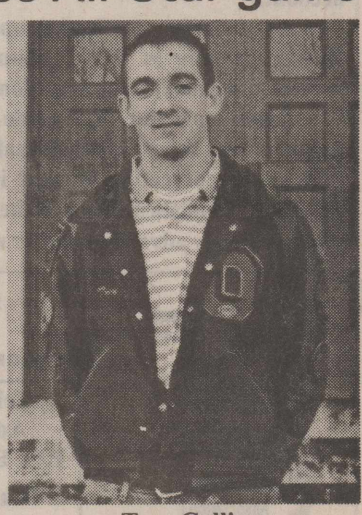
Trey Collis has been selected to play in the 6th annual Fellowship of Christian Athletes All-Star Football Game.

The game is played in Abilene and will be played on June 4. Game time has yet to be announced.

Collis had an excellent football season, said Coach Jeff Streun.

He was selected as First Team All-District Receiver and First Team All-District Cornerback this past season.

"Trey is very well deserving of this honor and should represent Ozona in a good way," said Streun.



Trey Collis

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## What's on My Mind

By Melissa Perner

### Remember, it's just stuff

During this past week, I heard a lot about theft. A lot of it, I didn't know. I never thought about the person who takes care of you taking your identity by digging in the trash and applying for those pre-approved credit cards you get in the mail.

I also didn't realize how easy a lot of us make it for these thieves to take advantage of us.

It's so easy to leave our purses in the chair when we go the buffet, or to just keep it sitting there when we run into the store. This is especially true in a small town where we all feel we aren't vulnerable to a person breaking into our vehicles and taking our important information and money.

When a person, or persons, decides to make off with our belongings, it can be frustrating. You want to scream, shout or walk around in circles waiting for the missing objects to show up. You ask the inevitable question "Why?" Then, you don't get an answer until maybe months later after you have analyzed everything that happened.

Yes, it's just stuff. It can all be replaced and that's why we have insurance. Those are the sen-

tences you keep saying to yourself to try to make you feel better. Sometimes they work. Sometimes they just make you want to scream.

The stuff was stuff you worked for. It was important to you and now it is all gone.

I have had a person in my life experience this problem twice. Both times, I have rushed to her side to try and help.

The first time, it was easy for us to figure out why the theft happened.

The second time, we have yet to find the answer.

I know it will come to us because God has a purpose for us all but this will have to take awhile to figure out.

Instead, all I can do is just be supportive as she goes through the steps in putting her life back together.

Take the preventive steps, watch your back and always check both angels. This is what we can do in order to keep the thieves at bay.

If you do everything possible to keep the bad guys away, then don't feel bad when they win a round.

Eventually, they will meet their match.



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

**NEWS REEL**  
MARCH 6, 1975

Ozona Lion Golfers will begin district play this weekend at Big Lake. They already have one tournament under their belts, where they placed sixth last weekend in a non-district match in McCamey. The team consists of Eugene Hood, Ronald Koerth, Weldon Nicks, Kirby Kirklen and Mike Hays.

The Ozona High School Girls placed sixth at the McCamey Track Meet. Those winning medals included Debra Clayton, Nancy Womack, Debbie Montya and Anne Tillman.

New officers were elected for the TOPS Club are Ann Glover, leader; Glenda Martin co-leader; Oleta Reed, secretary; Ginger Bullard, treasurer and Connie Baker, weight recorder.

**NEWS REEL**  
MARCH 7, 1946

The 1946 Fund Campaign of the Crockett County Red Cross chapter will be launched Friday morning next week.

J.B. (Buster) Miller registered Rambouillet sheep breeder of Ozona, topped the aged ram and aged ewe division of the San Angelo Livestock Show last week. Dempster Jones, another Crockett County breeder of registered Rambouillets, also carried off a large share of honors in the show.

Gulf Oil Company soon will begin construction on a local housing project for its employees on building lots which the company has leased from George Montgomery.

## It's the Pitts

By Lee Pitts

### Let Dogs Be Dogs

Flying on commercial aircraft has gone to the dogs. The pooches get better treatment than the people, I'd imagine.

On a recent trip I noticed that a canine passenger got to ride in a big kennel box where it could lay down while I was scrunched up with my knees under my chin.

The pooch was not subject to an embarrassing full body search either. Once on the plane I opened up a Sky Mall catalog just full of "necessities" for dogs. There was a doggie daybed, booster seat, playpen, stroller and staircase to assist your canine couch potato in taking over your recliner.

I'll bet your dog has heretofore never considered the many benefits of filtered water but, sure enough, there was an ad for a doggie water bowl with a filter.

I was especially interested in the airplane wheelie that can also serve as a suitcase "for your dog's travel gear!"

It's a sad commentary on modern society that dogs, these days, have their own travel gear. But that's not all. I recently saw an ad for a four poster, solid mahogany doggie bed with softer pillows than I've ever slept on for only \$18,000. I called up the advertised phone number and asked if they've ever sold one and was told "several."

If you look in a big city phonebook you can find advertisements for doggie acupuncture, travel agencies, plastic surgery, tuxedo rentals, daycare, cookies and chemotherapy. All for dogs!

Cabela's offers camouflage for hunting dogs and I've even heard of fat farms for obese mutts. In town the other day I noticed a truck with a business name painted in big letters on a camper shell: "We Do Doo."

It seems they go around to affluent clients picking up their dog's you know what.

Don't laugh... I hear their business is really picking up.

Maybe I'm just jealous. I have never had a manicure in my life but I'm told some dogs get monthly pedicures. I haven't taken a vacation in years but dogs are going to vacation camps to do whatever it is dogs do on vacation. Mostly

to get away from their owners who are trying to turn them into people, I'd imagine.

Doesn't anyone find it odd that we like dogs because they are dogs but then we proceed to try to turn them into people... which we never have been too fond of.

Dog worship is in full bloom everywhere you step. People are putting leashes on their dogs and taking them for long walks while their kids are running around unsupervised. My neighbor takes her dog for long walks every day with all her sensitive anatomical parts covered in clothing.

Of course, I'm talking about the dog, meanwhile the robust neighbor lady's tube top can barely keep everything in its proper place. She won't let the dog do its duty and if she sees another dog she'll turn around so that her dog doesn't associate with canines of lesser status.

She talks to her dog as if it could understand every word, which might be possible in a few years because the Japanese are working on a battery operated dog translation device. I can hardly wait to hear what the dogs think of all this.

Dog owners themselves chow down on mega-meals at McDonalds while they feed their dogs Science Diet.

My longtime barber opened up a pet salon to give dog's \$40 hair cuts because he couldn't make a living cutting my hair for eight bucks. But then again I don't bite.

People are dying and leaving part of their estates to their dogs while some humans are still sleeping under bridges.

I love dogs as much as anyone and I'm sure the close companionship of dogs has contributed to the mental health of our society, but I wonder if treating pooches like people is really good for the dogs?

Wouldn't they like it more if we'd just let them run, romp, dig in the dirt, chase cars, howl at the moon, sniff and scratch whenever and wherever they wanted?

Instead we have elevated our pooches to human status and we are treating dogs more like people than pets. I think they deserve better.

## 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:  
A. Her heart beating more quickly. Two people responded and got it right!

This week's question:  
1763 French and Indian Wars  
1765 ?  
1770 ?  
1775 Battles of Lexington and Concord  
1776 Declaration of Independence

Which events in U.S. History best complete the time line above?  
F. Stamp Act, Boston Massacre  
G. Sugar Act, Shays's Rebellion  
H. Townshend Acts, Battle of Yorktown  
J. Intolerable Acts, Articles of Confederation  
- Look for the answer in the March 16 edition of The Ozona Stockman.

## Letters to the Editor

### Movies and outdoor screen a big success

After seeing this great big screen at the park in Ozona I decided to follow this crew and keep tabs on their progress.

I caught up with them in September in Big Lake. They were helping the Big Lake Chamber of Commerce put on a Family Night Fund-raising event. They had music going all afternoon till dark. They showed several music videos and also a special advertising sponsors video. The night was a big success for the Desert Runner Crew and the Chamber of Commerce.

More than 150 people showed. Some sat up front but most stayed in their vehicles and listened to the movie on their radio, just like a real drive-in.

It was very well organized, Tammy Blakely, chamber president was very happy with this crew. They were very professional, well organized and great to work with. They plan to have another event in April with this outdoor movie theater.

In November, they put on the

We welcome your letters. Not all will be published, those that are chosen will be found on page 2.

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All letters must contain this information or will not be published.

Letters are subject to editing. Defamatory, libelous and/or profane language will reject any letter out of hand. Letters should try not to exceed 250 words.

J. B. Tron

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- March 9 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- Pot luck luncheon, noon at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- March 10 - OHS Baseball Team in the Bangs Tournament at Bangs.
- March 11 - OHS Baseball Team in the Bangs Tournament at Bangs.
- OHS Tennis Team at State Team Tennis Tournament in Austin.
- OHS Track Teams at track meet in Big Lake.
- March 12 - OHS Baseball Team in the Bangs Tournament at Bangs.
- OHS Tennis Team at State Team Tennis Tournament in Austin.
- OHS Track Teams at Reagan County Track Meet in Big Lake.
- March 14-18 - Ozona schools closed for Spring Break.
- March 14 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- Crockett County Commissioners Court meeting, 9 a.m. at the Crockett County Courthouse Annex.
- Games, 1-3 p.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- OHS JV Baseball Team vs. Sonora, 5:30 p.m. at the baseball complex.
- March 15 - OHS Varsity Baseball Team vs. Sonora, 5:30 p.m. at Sonora.
- Hamburger supper and bingo games at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- March 16 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.

### Happy Birthday

**March 9** - Jeannie Henderson, Sandra Childress, Teresa Yeager and Noe Alba

**March 10** - Evelio D. Mata, Lillian Payne and Jolissa Payne

**March 11** - Madison Reid Fierro, Gary Mitchell, Marivel Mata, Steve Dorrrough, Amelia Tambunga and Anthony Gonzales

**March 12** - B.T. Turland, Anna Lara, Andres Macias and Leandra Benson

**March 13** - Morris King

**March 14** - Anthony Vasquez

**March 15** - Tracey Preddy  
To add a name to the birthday list, call 392-2551

### Crockett County Museum Memorials

In Memory of:  
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Submitted photo  
**MILDRED COUCH** celebrated her 92 birthday during Levis and Lace Square Dancing on March 1

### Levis & Lace News

By **TINA JARVIS**  
Levis and Lace Square Dancer

On March 1, club dancers Carol and Leroy Adcock, Otis Nester, Nell Wester, Jim Couch, Renee Padier, Lucy Hinde, Raul and Maria De La Rosa, Rita Rios, Jim Brisbin, Brigitte Rogers, JoAnn Babbitt, Tina Jarvis and student Steve Usener and Cody Gotcher helped Mildred Couch celebrate her 92 birthday.

We danced, had snacks and cake and sang Happy Birthday to Mildred, who has also been voted into the club as an honorary member. We all wish her the happiest of times in the year to come.

Friday, we will travel to Fort McKavett to dance to caller Ed Hart.

On March 18, we travel to dance in Odessa.

On April 8-9, we will have our 19th annual club festival at the Crockett County Civic Center.

Come join the fun.  
Keep it square and happy dancing!

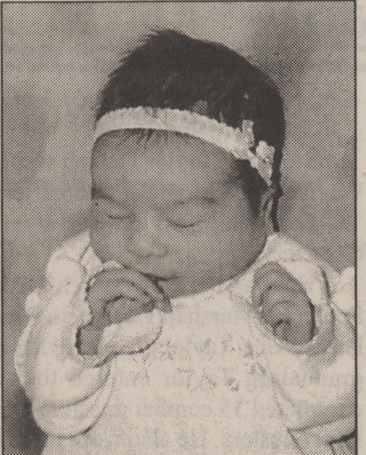
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### It's a girl

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She weighed 6 pounds and 14 1/2 ounces, and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Proud parents are Mandy and David Martinez.

Proud grandparents are Ray and Kay Shaffer and grandmother Maria Duran.

Proud great-grandmother is Adelfa Duran.

### Ozona Senior Happenings

By **LYNN ENGLISH**  
Activity Director

Today is the day for our potluck. A good turnout is expected and I am hearing the ladies talking about what they will be bringing. We will miss the green beans that Lefty always use to bring.

We are fortunate that we are still getting showers. Our vegetation will be beautiful. Many are already planning a blue bonnet drive.

Last week I visited with Merle Welty and Freddie Nicks at the post offices. Both had big smiles and Merle said that he was doing well. Freddie said he was going to get a shot for the pain in his back. His shots are a series of three and I understand the first one did not work. We wish for Freddie that the next one helps him.

Betty and Bob Hartley have begun a new puzzle. Betty said that she wanted to go fishing thus she picked out a puzzle with fishing boats and water. Drop by and visit with those who are here and put a few puzzle pieces in.

Lionel has gotten the St. Patrick's Day decorations put up and it appears that we are getting set up for our St. Patty's hamburger and bingo social that will be held on Tuesday. We have already received some bingo prizes. Make plans to come out to the Crockett County Senior Center and join in on the fun.

It is never too soon to advise you of our "Spring Fest" that will be held April 2. Plan to attend and if you would like to have a booth call Lynn English at 392-9094. The Crockett County Senior Center will sponsor this event. There will be a cake walk, games, food, music and in general fun for the whole family. This will be our third Spring Fest and people are calling in to reserve a space for their booth.

One of our regular visitors came in smiling and not saying much because they were listening to the voices and sounds around them. They had gone to San Angelo and gotten their new hearing aid and are very pleased with the results. Do you know who this may be?

We have the nicest group of ladies that come in every Monday to play bridge. They seem to enjoy being here and I look forward to them coming in.

Remember we have games here to play, puzzles to put together and friends to talk to. Monday, Wednesday and Friday we have our "Walk Two Miles" at 8:30 a.m. As of late the exercise ladies have been "Sweating to the Oldies" with Richard Simmons once a week. Twice a month we have noon pot lucks and Saturday Levi and Lace square dances.

Our activities are for those 50 years of age and above (we are flexible). Our building is alcohol and smoke free.



## Former Ozona resident brightens the elderly's lives in Wyoming

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BY **DAVE PERRY**  
Daily Times Publisher

Liz Elizondo moved the St. Patrick's Day decorations from a chair in her office at South Central Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center.

"Preparing for the next party," she says, finding a new berth for green crepe paper and leprechaun gear. "It's a small party, but we still celebrate."

Liz Elizondo celebrates life, and wants her aging clients to squeeze every last moment of joy and happiness from the time they have left.

"It's my job to give them a good quality of life," she said. "I want to see their faces smile, I want to see them happy, I want them to be active all the time. That's my job description."

This is far more than a job for Liz, who's nearing five years — a long time, in her position — as the nursing home's activities director. Her days are long and exhausting. She tries to brighten the lives of people who may only see darkness, and who may only feel depression.

"I try for them not to get that way," said Liz. "I want them to see the last part of their life in a different way. It's OK to be in here, and you can still do a little bit for yourself in here. Let's do this, let's do that. Will you join us?"

Liz's activities calendar for February — a "mild" month, she says — is remarkably full. Exercise, happy hours with Crystal Lite, club soda, cheese and crackers, sing-alongs, music and manicures, arts and crafts, the Friday morning popcorn and root beer socials, shopping trips, Bingo, a birthday party on the third Tuesday this month, games, reading groups, bus rides ... Liz keeps the people at SouthCentral moving. In the summer, she'll get them up to Music in the Park, up on top of the Snowy Range, to a Fourth of July picnic, to sing-alongs. They'll go out to eat at McDonald's, Pizza Hut, the Rawlins Senior Center. Those who go "can ambulate, and I take wheelchairs too. I ask for extra help." She's taken them to a football game, bused the men to Saratoga Lake for fishing, helped get everyone ready for the county fair parade, danced at luau parties, helped them nurture their garden out back.

Liz loves these people, and they love her. She loves these people, who may soon die.

"There are people who really, really grow on you," Liz said. "You get attached to them. I've



Photo by Kathy Johnson, Daily Times

**LIZ ELIZONDO** (right) is the activities director at South Central Healthcare and Rehabilitation in Rawlins, Wyo. She is former resident of Ozona. Here she chats with resident Thelma Showalter during an afternoon sing-along. Elizondo tries to keep the activities calendar full at the facility.

been hurt several times, maybe more than several times, when people pass away. It hurts really bad, especially when it happens overnight," or suddenly.

She is a woman of faith and purpose, someone who believes God has put her in this place and this work for reasons.

"The little time they have left, I want to make them as happy as they can be," she said. "I want to make it to where it's the best, every bit of it, every single bit of it. I feel that they deserve that. It's important. They've been through life, the good and bad times."

Liz knows something about life's good and bad times.

She is part Mescalero Apache, part Hispanic, with bright brown eyes, long hair, turquoise and silver, nice clothes and a smile that brightens the day for everyone, resident and staff, at South Central. Liz was raised by her grandparents, Denise and the late Martin Moran, in Ozona, down deep in Texas. Liz is also the niece of Joe and Tina Moran of Ozona. Her upbringing shaped Liz's view of the elderly.

"I like being around the elderly people," she said. "To me, elderly are very special."

She first came to Carbon County in the late 1970s, with her husband during the oil boom. They went back to Texas in March 1983. He died that July. She was 21, the mother of

two children, and widowed.

"After that, I just had to come back," she said. "This felt like home to me. It feels like home away from home."

Liz worked two or three jobs at a time to get by. Eventually, she moved her family to Wamsutter. She waited tables at a truck stop for six years (and still does, part-time, at the Hungry Miner). They went back to Ozona in May 1992, and stayed eight years. Yet she wanted to come back to Rawlins. She took a job as a certified nursing assistant at South Central, work she still does in her "free" time. Six weeks in, Liz was asked to help as an interim activities director.

"They said I was really good with them, I got along with them. I filled in as the activities director. 'I'll give it a try,' I said." Soon, South Central wanted her in the position all the time. She studied at Casper College, developing the skills that go with the heart.

"I look out after the ones who don't have that much family, not that many visitors," she said. "I go to them the most. I can't turn my back on them. I feel so, so bad when a resident has no family, is dying by themselves. That tears my heart to pieces." She will sit with them, pull them close, hold their hands.

She grows fond of people like Don Nobles, who wanted Liz to be his queen when he was

voted king by the residents and staff for Valentine's Day this week.

Gertie Miller. Ruth Reed from Hanna. They are gone now. There are many others. "God gives me the strength and everything I need to do what I do," she said. "Number one to me, you have to have the patience to work with them."

People she does not know thank her on the streets, in the stores. "They make me feel good," she said.

Liz has three children. Eva Marie Yanaga works in radiology at a Billings hospital. Lana Kay Sanchez is a student in San Antonio. Her youngest, George Mendez, 14, a Gladiators boxer, is a Rawlins Middle School eighth-grade student. Liz yells for her champion whenever he fights. She is a very proud mother. She believes her children are proud of her.

Her father, Florencio, now lives in Rawlins, and is one of Liz's many volunteers. "My volunteers are so valuable to me," she said, and they count near 30. "They all have their schedules, on certain days of the week. I don't want to overload them, or run them off right away. National Volunteers Week, I always throw them a big party."

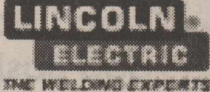
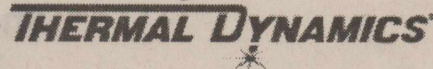
One more party thrown by Liz Elizondo, this one the third week of April, after St. Patrick's Day and Easter, and before the summer's outings.

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### Care Center Chatter

By **JAN ST. CLAIR TICE**  
Activity Director

Our Monday morning started with bingo for our residents, and then the afternoon was reading with E.A. Wadsworth.

Tuesday mornings is exercise class with resident Halley Allison leading the class. The afternoon was with Stan and Brother John for our Baptist Bible Study.

Wednesday afternoon, our residents enjoyed Coke floats, while Mary Welty and Otis Nester sang and played music.

Thursday afternoon, residents enjoyed the Catholic

Church Choir for singing and church services. Our facility was blessed when the Jack Baggett family arrived with their family again.

How grateful we are to live in a community that is so caring and thoughtful for our Care Center.

Friday morning, it was off to Sonora with some of our residents to enjoy a meal from Pizza Hut.

That's our happenings for the week here at CCCC. I hope your week was as good as ours was.



Submitted Photo

**CARE CENTER** residents Francis Flanagan, Lala Galindo, Emma Camarillo, Buck Williams, Mori Perez and Halley Allison enjoyed a trip to the Pizza Hut.



Submitted Photo

**CARE CENTER** residents Connie J. Bently, June Carter, Emma Camarillo, Francis Flanagan and Mildred Couch model their Easter hats they made.

<sup>(5)</sup> Hearing of your love and faith which you have toward all the saints.

<sup>(6)</sup> That the sharing of your faith may become effective by the acknowledgment of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.

**Philemon 5, 6**

### Obituaries

#### Tessie Broadfoot

Tessie Broadfoot, 97, died Friday, March 4, 2005 in Evanston, Ill. Graveside service was Tuesday, March 8 in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Arrangements were by Preddy Funeral Home.

Survivors include a daughter, Marsha Barnett, of Evanston, Ill.

#### Peggy Phillips



Peggy Phillips, 76, went to meet her Lord and Savior on Saturday, March 5, 2005. She was born June 5, 1928 in Shackleford County to Olin and Margaret Houston, who both preceded her in death.

She graduated from Paint Creek Rural High School on May 20, 1946. Her life-long desire to become an elementary school teacher was fulfilled on Sept. 1, 1953. Her teaching career led her to Throckmorton, Leuders, Guthrie and finally Ozona.

She married Dean Phillips on June 27, 1959 at Paint Creek Baptist Church. Together they

owned and operated Redwood Motel in Ozona for many years.

Peggy was a long time member of the First Baptist Church of Ozona and Harris Avenue Baptist Church in San Angelo. She felt a strong need for community involvement and volunteer services. She was actively involved in the church as a Sunday School teacher, GA leader and nursery worker. Community involvement included the Girl Scouts, Salvation Army, 4-H and volunteer services at Baptist Memorial Center.

Funeral service was March 8 at the First Baptist Church of Ozona with Dr. Travis Monday of San Angelo officiating. Graveside services to follow. Arrangements were by Preddy Funeral Home.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Dean Phillips; brother, Lester Ivy and sister, Clothilde Hughes.

Survivors include daughters, Katrina Phillips of Odessa; Deena Gatlin, of Galveston; two grandchildren, Dean and Jade Gatlin; sister, Margaret Bolding of Stamford and four nephews and two nieces.

#### Marshall Taylor Deaton

Marshall Taylor Deaton went to his Lord and Savior on Wednesday, March 02, 2005 after a lengthy battle with his health.

Graveside service was at 11 a.m. March 5 at the Cedar Hill Cemetery.

He was born on March 18, 1919 in Juno and was the son of Frederick Marshall Deaton and Jessie Lee Taylor Deaton of Juno and later Ozona. Taylor graduated from Ozona High School in 1936. After graduating Taylor entered the Army 8th Air Force in 1943. He completed 35 combat missions winning the Air Medal with five Oak Leaf Clusters. He also wore the ETO Ribbon with five Bronze Battle Stars and the Good Conduct Medal.

Returning from the service Taylor began a partnership with his uncle, Sherman Taylor, and cousin, Charlie Applewhite, to form Ozona Butane Company. The business continued for 50 years.

In 1951 Taylor found and married his sweetheart Mary Louise Drake. They worked side by side in their community, ranch and Ozona Butane Company.

Taylor served his community as an active member of the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District. Taylor was elected as a school board member in 1961, vice president 1967, thru 1970, elected president 1970 to 1973. Taylor enjoyed working with the youth and found joy in acting as a Little League coach.

Taylor partnered with his father, Fred Deaton, in a ranching business in Val Verde County. The ranching livelihood brought great fulfillment to Taylor as all of his family worked by his side.

His beloved wife, Mary Deaton, preceded Taylor in death.

Taylor is survived by his children, Diana Deaton, Debbie Deaton, Fred Deaton and his wife Mary Anne Deaton; grandchildren Jessica Truitt and her husband William, Jane Smith and her husband Jared, and Taylor (Ty) Ninness; step-grandchildren Kristen Shurley, Kayla Davidson and her husband Travis; great-grandchildren Calvary and Trinity Truitt, and Augustus (Gus) Smith.

#### Willie V. Coose Baggett

Long time West Texas ranching woman, Willie V. Baggett, also known affectionately as "Shorty" by her friends; "Mun" by her nine surviving grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren, died Sunday, Feb. 27, 2005.

At the time of her death, Mrs. Baggett was surrounded by family at her home in Peachtree City, Ga. She passed after a short bout with ovarian cancer.

Mrs. Baggett, was born in Ozona Oct. 24, 1917, the oldest daughter of Stephen Austin Coose and Modenia Taylor Coose. She graduated from Ozona High School in 1935. That same year she married James Monroe Baggett Jr. on Sept. 3. For 40 years the couple raised sheep and goats on their ranch, the Half Circle S Ranch, south of Ozona with their three children. Fondly remembered by all are the family fishing and camping trips on Devil's River.

Mrs. Baggett was active in the Texas Sheep and Goat Raiser's Association. As president of the Women's Auxiliary of that organization she worked and traveled with the national Miss Wool and Miss Mohair pageants, later becoming coordinator for both. Mrs. Baggett is also remembered in Crockett County as president of the Parent Teacher Association and Band Boosters. Also remembered by the Ozona United Methodist Church as an active member and teacher of the church's High School Youth Group.

Mrs. Baggett and her husband lived part time in Kerrville. After her husband's death in June of 1975, she sold the ranch. In Kerrville she was active in the Riverhill Golf Association and later served on the Riverhill Country Club board of directors. While living in the Hill Country she also introduced her grandchildren to Camp Mystic and Camp Stewart... a bit of a gift for the children, but especially so for their parents.

In 1997 Mrs. Baggett moved to Peachtree City, Georgia to be near her children and grandchildren. She was a member of the Peachtree City United Methodist Church where she was a member of the UMW Ruth Circle, and the Ad Lay Ho Sunday School Class. Mrs. Baggett was also a beloved member of numerous bridge club groups. Her hobbies were fishing, golf, dancing, reading, and traveling. But all who knew her could tell you her favorite pastime was loving people.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her two sisters, Jo Nell Coose Corder and Elizabeth Coose Applewhite who died one week prior to Mrs. Baggett, and her husbands, James M. Baggett, in 1975 and Wally V. Miller in 1984.

She is survived by her daughters Ann and Duane Oswald of Fayetteville, Georgia and Sally B. Griffith of Peachtree City, Ga. and her son James Monroe Baggett, IV of Grantville, Ga. She is also survived by nine grandchildren, Tom and Ten Oswald of Barnesville, Ga., Carol and J.R. Graham of Peachtree City, Ga., Steve and Joanna Oswald of Douglasville, Ga., Sarah and Charlie Dees of Winchester, Va., Mitty and Frank Mirrer of Providence, R.I., Kim and Mart Erwine of Peachtree City, Ga., Brandi and Larry Chu of Mt. Laurel, N.J., Brooks and Troy Jeffcoat of Leandret, Ryder and Kelly Baggett of Brownwood and many great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Services for Mrs. Baggett were held on March 1 at Peachtree City United Methodist Church. Interment followed at Westminster Cemetery. Arrangements were by Carl J. Mowell & Son Funeral Home in Peachtree City, Ga.

Memorials may be made to The Memorial Fund of Peachtree City United Methodist Church at 254 Robinson Road, Peachtree City, Ga. 30269, Southwest Christian Hospice, 7225 Lester Road, Union City, Ga. 30291, West Texas Boy's Ranch, 10223 Boys Ranch Road, San Angelo, Texas 76904-9989.

#### Ludiviana A. Villa

Ludiviana A. Villa, 67, died Monday, March 7, 2005 in San Angelo.

Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. today in Iglesia de la Nueva Vida with burial in Lima Cemetery. Arrangements are by Preddy Funeral Home.

Survivors include her husband, Pedro Villa of Ozona; two daughters, Maria Perez and Aracely Aguilar both of Ozona; three sons, Victor Villa and Blas Villa both of San Angelo and Jose Guerrero of Round Rock and seven grandchildren.

We would like to thank the ICU ward at San Angelo Community Medical Center for all that they did for our mother.

*God looked around his garden  
Found an empty space  
He then looked down upon the Earth  
and saw your tired face  
He put his arms around  
and left you to rest  
God's garden must be beautiful  
He only takes the best!  
He knew you were suffering  
He knew you, and the hills  
were hard to climb  
So He closed your weary eyelids  
and whispered Peace -  
It broke our hearts to lose you  
but didn't go alone  
For part of us went with you  
The day God called you home*

Amen

### Never the Same

I don't know if it was the first time but I know it was a tragedy for me and things were never the same after that. It was the time I played hokey from school and went swimming. The school called my dad and he hurried home from work to find me. When he saw me he said, "Young man you go to your room and stay there. We are going to have a talk." He didn't come to my room right away and the wait seemed like an eternity. I felt so ashamed. My father is a very loving kind man not given to violence or loud shouting. I never saw him hit my mother or anyone else. What I did hurt my father very much, it was a major problem and he had to punish me for disobeying.

That is similar to the problem God faced with Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, (Genesis 2:15-17, & 3:6,7) when they disobeyed. That beautiful fellowship and relationship had been severed or broken, (Genesis 3:8). God's punishment was painful and had long-term consequences to them. My punishment from my dad was painful but I think the fact of the broken relationship even hurt more. After the punishment God started planning or making a way that a relationship to mankind could be restored, (Romans 5:8).

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; Charly 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 align="center"><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>		
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I want to thank all of the employees of Triple C Lumber and Hardware for their prompt attention and concern when I stumbled in their driveway. They picked me up right quick and were very, very nice and helpful. They took me in their building and looked me over and suggested I go and get Dr. Sims to check me out. I really appreciate all you did for me.

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## Ozona Garden Club News

By CHARLOTTE HARRELL  
Ozona Garden Club

The District VIII Spring Convention of the Texas Garden Clubs was hosted by the Haskell, Stamford and Breckenridge Garden Clubs in Breckenridge Friday evening and Saturday, March 4 and 5. Thirty-five members enjoyed dinner at The Market Place, a brand new gift shop-tea room in a historic downtown building. Two members of the Breckenridge Garden Club are its proprietors. Before dinner The Hotfooters, a local Irish dancing troupe, entertained us with numbers set to both Irish and American pop music.

The convention was held at the lovely Breckenridge Library and Fine Arts Center, where we enjoyed several flew displays during our breaks, including a lovely exhibit of 900 dolls as well as doll houses, an exhibit of elaborate ball gowns worn by the queens and duchesses of the various Texas festivals, such as the San Antonio Fiesta Parade and the Tyler Rose Festival Parade, and, finally, an exhibit of metal sculptures by artist Marc Rankin of Strawn. A delicious breakfast was provided by members of the Haskell Garden Club.

Breckenridge Mayor Virgil Moore welcomed 49 Texas gardeners to our convention. He graciously acknowledged the many ways the Breckenridge Garden Club has enhanced life in Breckenridge. Breckenridge looks forward to an

ever brighter future, as it has just become a "Main Street" community. All present felt very welcome.

The Executive Committee presented three recommendations which were approved in the general meeting: due to the increasing costs of meetings for host clubs, future registration fees will be \$20, rather than the present \$15 (this includes a meal); a \$25 award will be given to the club with highest number of members in attendance at meetings, excepting the host community club, the district scholarship may be awarded to a student attending either a 2- or 4-year college, rather than just one attending a 4-year college. District VIII has funds to award a \$500 scholarship every other year.

Melyn Wittenborn who is our new District VIII Director, presented awards to the clubs, Ozona Garden Club received 32 points for 4 award categories. The Ozona Garden Club Scrapbook received a First Place award, and all the credit goes to Vice President Jerri Lynn Pierce. Another First Place award was received for our participation in the Woodsy Owl poster contest, thanks to the outstanding effort of Pamela Maresch First Grader Narda Aquilar and Second Grader Ricky Porras won First Place awards for their respective posters. Sixteen Points were awarded for contributions to these Texas Garden Club funds: Building Maintenance Fund, Endowment Fund, Headquarters Landscape Fund, and

Headquarters Office Expense Fund.

Nan Markland of the Cross Plains Garden Club installed the new 2005-2006 officers Director Melyn Wittenborn, 1st Assistant Director Charlotte Harrell, 2nd Assistant Director Betty Turner, 3rd Assistant Director Marilyn Ratliff, Recording Secretary Sandra Browning, Corresponding Secretary Jo Ann Denson and Treasurer Elaine Bryant.

Melyn Wittenborn appointed Loyce Rogers as Historian and Alma Fecher as Parliamentarian.

Mike Price, owner of Antique Rose Plantation of Jacksboro, spoke on "Antique Roses — Nature's Perfect Landscaping Plant." He gave us many tips on successfully growing roses in our unique climate.

Before adjournment, all were invited to the 2005 Fall Meeting to be held in Snyder next November 11 and 12. Arrangements have been made for Mary Poythress to be the featured speaker. Mrs. Poythress won a silver medal for her arrangement at the Chelsea Flower Show, one of England's most exciting annual events. A picture of her arrangement is featured on the cover of The Lone Star Gardener, the October, November, December 2004 issue. The meeting theme will be "Victoria's Secret Garden."

Charlotte Harrell served as delegate from the Ozona Garden Club. As President of the Ozona Garden Club, she gave the convention a report of highlights from the club's 2004 activities.

## Texas NRCS announces funding for innovation grants

Natural Resources Conservation Service State Conservationist Dr. Larry D. Butler announced last week \$500,000 available funding for new technology under the Conservation Innovation Grants.

CIG, a component of the Environmental Quality Incentives Program, provides farmers and ranchers with the opportunity, through innovation, to address some of the states most pressing natural resource conservation needs.

"These grants offer an opportunity to promote public-private partnerships and support the agency's agenda to provide innovative technologies and approaches to environmental enhancement and protection on

working agriculture lands," Butler stated.

State, tribal, and local governmental entities, non-governmental organizations, and individuals may apply. Project proposals should demonstrate the use of innovative technologies or approaches to address a natural resource concern.

Project results are expected to improve and create the transfer of conservation technologies, management systems, and innovative approaches (such as market-based systems) into NRCS technical manuals or guides or to the private sector.

Applications are due in the Texas NRCS State Office by April 22. Project proposals will

be evaluated with the assistance of the State Technical Committee based on the criteria identified in the request for proposal.

Selected applicants may receive grants up to 50 percent of the total project cost, not to exceed \$75,000. Applicants must provide nonfederal matching funds for at least 50 percent of the project cost, of which 50 percent may be from in-kind contributions.

Projects may be single or multi year, not to exceed three years. Additional information, the Request for Proposals and related forms are located on the Web at [www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/cig](http://www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/cig) and at [www.fedgrants.gov](http://www.fedgrants.gov).

## Sheep and Goat Board elects officers for 2005

The Sheep and Goat Predator Management Board held its initial meeting of 2005 in late February with new directors Dwight Childress of Ozona (District 1), Jason Bannowsky of Menard (District 2) and Robin Giles of Comfort (District 3) present to begin their six-year terms on the nine-member board elected by producers to represent its three districts encompassing 111 counties.

Formed in 1992 by a referendum vote of sheep and goat producers, the board meets every-other-month and oversees collection and use of a 20-cent per head assessment that funds predator management programs.

Officers elected for fiscal year 2005 were: President - Dwight Nanny of Gouldbusk, Vice President - John Wade of Sonora and Secretary-Treasurer - Gordon Hays of Ballinger.

## Hilderbran signs on to protect private property owners

AUSTIN - Representative Harvey Hilderbran, R-Kerrville, is co-sponsoring legislation that would protect rural Texans and private property owners by reducing the size of the Trans Texas Corridor and the impact it would have on its surrounding environment.

"The corridor will affect everyone: private property and business owners, water districts, people concerned about the state's aesthetic value, and certainly your everyday driver," Hilderbran said. "With this legislation, we hope to help these people retain their right to drive on an affordable roadway that doesn't unnecessarily intrude on private property, restrict private businesses from thriving, or

place a burden on our natural resources."

HB 1273 would reduce the corridor's right-of-way from 1,200 feet to 800 feet, require that there be access on and off every state highway and local farm-to-market road, abolish a clause that allows corridor operators to restrict public projects that they think would negatively affect the corridor, and eliminate the franchising of businesses along the TCC.

As the corridor plans are currently laid out, land along the corridor can be taken from the private sector and then sold to a single franchise.

Lastly, the legislation would require that any increase in toll or collection fees face

public oversight and be approved by the Transportation Commission instead of allowing the private company operating the corridor to set rates.

In addition to the bill, Hilderbran is also drafting legislation that would require government agencies, including the Transportation Department and General Land Office, to comply with local water districts' rules and regulations.

A second bill would prevent quick-takes of private property.

The corridor, scheduled to be completed in several phases over 50 years, will include an 800-mile route that will extend from north of Dallas/Fort Worth to Mexico.

## Customer service seminar to be held Thursday in San Angelo

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# Tennis team to face Mason at state tournament this weekend

By MELISSA PERNER  
Editor and Publisher

The Ozona High School Varsity Tennis Team is once again headed to the TTCA Team Tennis State Tournament to be held in Round Rock this weekend.

The Lions and Lady Lions were undefeated in the Regional Tournament this past weekend in San Angelo, and were to face district rival Mason for the title on Saturday but were rained out instead.

Wall and Eldorado were to play for third place Saturday with a chance for a playback, but conceded the two state positions to Ozona and Mason because of the weather.

"The kids and I were really disappointed Saturday because we were had been looking forward to playing Mason for the title. I felt

we had a great opportunity to accomplish something very special, but it just wasn't meant to be this weekend," said Coach Rick Bachman. "Hopefully, with hard work and a little luck, we will get that same opportunity this Saturday in the State Tournament."

In the regional tournament, Ozona defeated Grape Creek in their first round quarter-final match 10-1, but went ahead and played out the rest of the matches to finish 15-4.

The girls matched up very well against Grape Creek as they swept all nine of their matches without losing a set.

In doubles, Jessica Moore and Jenna Henderson defeated McWright and May of Grape Creek 6-0, 6-1. Hilary Huffman and C.J. Graves teamed up to defeat Diaz and Arrieta 7-5, 6-1 and Patsy Larson and Kristen Bunger

defeated Leonard and Pyburn 6-1, 6-2.

In singles, Moore defeated Leonard 6-0, 6-1, Henderson defeated Pyburn 6-0, 6-0, Huffman defeated Arrieta 6-1, 6-3, Graves defeated McWright 6-0, 6-3, Julia Henderson beat May 6-3, 6-0 and Larson beat Diaz 6-0, 6-1.

On the boys' side, Roland Galindo and Ruben Talamantez teamed up to beat Fisher and Jones 6-4, 6-1, Jeff Gillit and Jared Espino defeated Briggs and Bolf 6-1, 6-1 and Paarth Raj and Joseph Tambunga lost to Gomez and Gammons 7-5, 4-6, 14-12.

In the singles, Galindo lost to Gomez 5-7, 6-4, 10-6, Gillit lost to Gammons 6-4, 6-4, Talamantez defeated Fisher 6-1, 6-3, Jared Espino beat Jones 7-5, 6-1, Jared Bird beat Briggs 6-3, 7-6 (7-5) and David Casarez lost to Bolf 6-

3, 2-6, 17-15. Grape Creek did not have a mixed doubles team so Ozona's Bird and Julia Henderson won that match by default.

In their semi-final round against a very veteran Eldorado team, the Lions and Lady Lions were once again victorious by the official score of 10-2.

The boys' fared well in this round as they swept every match they played. The doubles team of Galindo and Talamantez defeated Eldorado's Ryan Cathey and Edmiston 6-1, 6-2, Gillit and Espino beat Russell Cathey and Ballew 4-6, 6-4, 11-9 and Raj and Tambunga defeated Montalvo and Jones 6-4, 6-2.

In singles, Galindo beat Ballew 6-2, 6-1, Gillit defeated Ryan Cathey 7-6 (8-6), 4-2, Talamantez beat Edmiston 6-1, 6-3, Espino was beating Russell Cathey 6-3 but did not finish, Bird beat Montalvo 6-3, 6-3 and Tambunga was up on Jones 6-0,

4-0 when the match was called.

Moore and Jenna Henderson once again teamed up to defeat Baker and Holley 6-1, 6-3, Huffman and Graves lost a close match to Newman and Wanoreck 4-6, 6-4, 10-6 and Larson and Bunger lost to Brown and Reynolds 6-3, 6-4.

Moore then turned around and defeated Wanoreck 6-2, 6-1 in singles, Jenna Henderson beat Holley 6-3, 6-2, Huffman was down a set but coming back against Reynolds 4-6, 3-2 but was unable to finish game, Graves was locked up with Baker 5-5 when the match was called and Julia Henderson lost to Brown 0-6, 6-3, 10-5.

Jared Bird and Julia Henderson teamed up to defeat Eldorado's Redish and Mittle 6-3, 6-0 in mixed doubles.

"I am extremely proud of our team and excited for them as they once again demonstrated that they

are one of the premier teams in the state in 2A tennis. I am simply elated that once again they have been rewarded for all of the time and effort they have put in on the courts. I am confident that they will continue to play well as they face this huge opportunity to go to state and represent themselves, their school, and their community," Bachman said. "They really stepped up and played 'lights out' against a very solid Eldorado team. We were able to jump out to a lead in the doubles action, and continued to roll through the singles. This team was not going to be denied their chance to play against Mason for the championship. I would also like to thank everyone from the school administration, the teachers at the high school and all of the fans in the community who have given us their support and blessings as we attempt to accomplish something very special."

# Lady Lions softball team defeats Crane for first win

By MELISSA PERNER  
Editor and Publisher

The Lady Lions softball team had their first win on March 1.

Ozona defeated Crane 15-11 with Tori Miller pitching the entire game.

The Lady Lions then competed in the San Angelo Tournament this past weekend.

They lost to the Lake View JV 2-8 the first game, Eldorado, 3-8, the second game and Miles,

7-12, in the third game.

On Friday, they lost 0-12 to Grape Creek and 6-8 to Eden.

The girls managed their second win with a 10-8 victory against Menard.

Winning pitcher - Miller 3 strikeouts, 5 hits and 2 BB.

Top hitters - Britney Ramos 1 single and 1 RBI; Tyler Cunningham 1 single; Miller 1 single; Taylor Oglesby 1 double and 3 RBIs, Erika Conner 1 RBI and Vicki Treto 1 RBI.

Game action - Ramos scored

3 runs off of a hit and 2 walks; Cunningham scored 1 run off of one hit and had one sacrifice bunt; Heather Ybarra scored 1 run (1 strike out, one hit by pitch, and one walk); Oglesby scored 3 runs off a double, and two walks; Miller scored 1 run off a hit and a walk and Kayla Parks scored 1 run off a walk.

The Lady Lions will travel to Crane March 17-19 to compete in the Crane Tournament.

# Lions baseball team defeats Rocksprings, competes in Eldorado Tournament

By MELISSA PERNER  
Editor and Publisher

The Lions baseball team continued their winning streak on March 1 as they defeated Rocksprings 14-3.

Ozona had 14 runs on 13 hits and 1 error. Rocksprings had 3 runs, 1 hit and 2 errors.

Winning pitcher - Erick Martinez (1-0), 3 strikeouts and 2 IP on balls (walks).

Other pitchers - Matt McGuire, 2 strikeouts and 2 BB and Drew Clayton 5 strikeouts and 2 BB.

Top hitters for the Lions were: Nick Perez - 4 for 5, 1 double and 3 RBIs; Jack Rodriguez 2 for 4, 1 triple and 2 RBIs; Jordan Long 2 for 4, 1 homerun and 2 RBIs; Clayton 1 for 3, 1 double and 3 RBIs and

McGuire 2 for 5; 1 double 1 RBI.

The Lions then traveled to Eldorado to compete in the Eldorado Tournament.

Ozona defeated Miles, 6-2, in their first game on March 3.

Ozona had 6 runs on 8 hits and 2 errors. Miles 2 runs on 5 hits and 1 error.

Winning pitcher - Long (2-0), 16 strikeouts and 3 BB.

Top Hitters: Perez 1 for 3 and 1 RBI; Long 2 for 3; Clayton 1 for 3, 1 double and 1 RBI; McGuire 2 for 3, 2 doubles and 2 RBIs and Martinez 1 for 4 and 1 double.

Ozona received its first loss in a 3-10 game against McCamey on March 3.

Ozona had 3 runs on 3 hits and 3 errors. McCamey had 10 runs on 6 hits and 0 errors.

Losing pitcher - Martinez (1-1), 6 runs, 3 hits, 0 strikeouts, 2 BB and 1 HP.

Other pitchers - Perez 4 runs, 3 hits, 0 strikeouts, 3 BB and 1 HP; Rodriguez 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 strikeouts and 0 BB and Caleb Mitchell 0 runs, 0 hits, 2 strikeouts and 0 BB.

Top hitters - Perez 1 for 2 and 1 double and McGuire 2 for 2 and 1 double.

The Lions were in the third inning on March 5 against Eldorado for the third place trophy, but the game was called because of rain. The Lions were leading 6-2.

Ozona will take on Sonora at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in Sonora and then make their home debut at 4 p.m. March 18 against Wall at the baseball complex.

# JV Tennis competes in the Regional Team Tennis Tourney

By MELISSA PERNER  
Editor and Publisher

The Ozona JV Tennis Team competed in the Regional Team Tennis Tournament this past weekend in San Angelo.

This was the first time that Ozona has sent two teams to the regional tournament. Ozona was invited to play after Miles High School withdrew.

The JV played the same format as the varsity team taking on the varsity team from Jim Ned in the first round.

It was a tough match and Ozona fell to Jim Ned 10-3. However, Rocky Munoz and Justin Maldonado defeated the number one boys' doubles team 6-2, 4-6, 10-2.

Maldonado also won his number three singles spot by defeating a Jim Ned player 6-1, 6-

1. Ashley Anderson gave Ozona its third win at the number two singles spot. Anderson defeated a Jim Ned player 7-5, 6-3.

The JV then received a bye into the consolation semi-finals to be played Saturday morning against Sonora. Play started Saturday morning, but was quickly ended due to thunder and lightning. The rain never let up and the tournament was eventually cancelled.

"The JV did an excellent job representing OHS. They played some tough matches that could have really gone either way," said Coach, Wendy Justiss.

Results are: Boys' doubles - Munoz/Maldonado def. Yarbrough/Cook 6-2, 2-6, 10-2; Levi Vargas/Doug Duncan def. by Shaw/Perez 2-6, 4-6 and Eric Fierro/Rylee Ramos def. by

McClure/Gwen 2-6, 7-6, 11-13.

Girls' doubles - Diane Hernandez/Lanell Garcia def. by McClure/Mays 1-6, 2-6; Heather Price/Gloira Onate def. by Kennedy/Taylor 3-6, 5-7; Puja Bhakta/Park Preddy def. by Taylor/Yarbrough 6-4, 4-6, 3-10

Boys' singles - Vargas def. by Yarbrough 2-6, 6-7; Munoz def. by Perez 3-6, 3-6; Maldonado def. Cook 6-1, 6-1; Fierro def. by Shaw 3-6, 3-6; Jorge Siller def. by Adkisson 0-6, 1-6 and Ramos def. by Coffman 0-6, 2-6.

Girls' singles - Amber Batura def. by Mays 5-7, 2-6; Anderson def. Kennedy 6-2, 6-1; Kyann Kothmann def. by Adams 3-6, 3-6; Becca Enriquez def. by McClure 2-6, 0-6; Cristy Dominguez def. by Brannon 3-6, 5-7 and Onate def. by Taylor 5-7, 4-6.

# Lions track team takes third at Junction meet

By MELISSA PERNER  
Editor and Publisher

The Lions varsity and JV track teams traveled to Junction March 5 to compete in the Hubbell Relays.

The varsity placed third with 86 points and the JV placed fourth with 90 points in the overall team competition.

"Our athletes did the first important thing any coach wants to see, they competed hard and with class," said Coach Tom Duncan. "We were pleased with the results of this first meet. The great effort our kids showed yielded a good number of points for the first meet, and we shall continue to work for good improvement in the weeks to come."

Varsity results as follows: 3200-meter run - 2. Simon Garza, 10 minutes, 50.4 seconds; 3. Levi English, 10:51.2 and 6.

Roman Tambunga, 11:40.1.

110-meter hurdles - 3. Caleb Mitchell, 17.59.

100-meter - 5. Jack Rodriguez, 11.59.

200-meter - Rodriguez, 23.92.

300-meter hurdles - 1. Vince Castro, 42.13 and 3. Mitchell, 43.45.

1600-meter run - 2. English, 4:59.10 and 3. Garza, 5:01.3.

Shot put - 3. Toby Pagan, 41 feet, 6 1/2 inches and 4. Freddy Fierro, 41' 3"

Discus - 2. Pagan and 6. Mitchell.

Long jump - 3. Rodriguez, 18' 5 1/2"

Triple jump - 3. Rodriguez 38' 8"

JV results as follows:

3200-meter run - 5. Kolton McGinnis.

400-meter relay - 4. Jose

Galvan, Tim Longoria, Harvey Santos and Eli Silva.

800-meter - 2. A.J. Montanez, 2:18.30.

100-meter - 1. Michael Maldonado, 11.64 and 2. Silva, 11.68.

800-meter relay - 4. Maldonado, Galvan, Longoria and Santos.

400-meter - 4. Montanez, 57.82.

300-meter hurdles - 2. John Tom Tijerina, 47.38.

200-meter - Silva, 24.83.

1600-meter - McGinnis, 5:35.61.

"Thanks goes to our fans for their attendance at Junction's meet. It really was inspiring to have that good of a turnout," Duncan said.

The next meet will be the Reagan County Relays Saturday in Big Lake.

# Lady Lions track team places third at Junction

By MELISSA PERNER  
Editor and Publisher

The Lady Lions track team placed third on March 5 in the Hubbell Relays in Junction.

Ozona had 116 points overall. Sonora came in first with 132 and Ingram was second at 126.

"It was a rainy, messy day but the girls jumped in there and did a great job," said Coach Benny Granger. "We will get better and win some team trophies. We have to get our field events in so we can score points in that area. We will

also become better as we figure out exactly who needs to do what. I am very proud of the girls."

Results are as follows: Shot put - 4. Erika Rubio.

3200-meter run - 1. Britney Ramos, 12 minutes, 22.98 seconds and 4. Vicky Treto, 12:57.22.

400-meter relay - 1. Malorie Moran, Casey Cervantez, Tashina Lewis and Heather Ybarra.

800-meter run - 5. Allison Skehan, 2:43.18.

100-meter - 1. Cervantez, 12.89; 2. Kayla Parks, 13.4 and

6. Moran, 13.96.

800-meter relay - 1. Moran, Cervantez, Sara Durrough, Ybarra, 1:52.67.

400-meter - 3. Durrough, 1:04.46.

300-meter hurdles - 4. Erica Venegas, 58.28.

200-meter - 4. Parks, 29.19.

1600-meter run - 1. Britney Ramos, 5:39 and 4. Vicky Treto, 6:13.

1600-meter relay - 3. Jaime Moore, Skehan, Treto, Ramos, 4:31.96.

# • Lady Lions (Continued from front page)

• Gloria Pena-Alfaro Fierro, sophomore guard, attended Sul Ross University in Alpine and is now an accountant in Pflugerville.

• Amber Tarr, freshman post, graduated from Texas Tech University, where she played for the Lady Raiders. She is currently an ATM/Debit Card coordinator at a Lubbock bank.

• Tara Wilkins, junior center, attended Southwestern University and is currently a graduate student and substitute teacher in Austin.

• Julie Perez Wilson, sophomore guard, attended Angelo State University and is currently an internal audit assistant at a Federal Credit Union in Pflugerville.

• Amber McWilliams, freshman guard, attended Hardin-Simmons University and Sul Ross University. She is currently a counselor at a residential treatment facility in Alpine.

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is a teacher/coach at Klondike High School.

• Rodney Johnson, assistant coach and graduate of Angelo State University, is currently an assistant varsity girls' basketball coach in Seminole.

• Dickie Faught, head coach, graduated from Angelo State University and coached at Ozona from 1992 until 2004. He is currently the head girl's basketball coach at Seminole.

Thanks go to the 1994-1995 Ozona Lady Lion Team. The fans of Ozona and surrounding areas will never forget the excitement we experienced watching you play ball and giving it your all. Each and every one of you will always be our Ozona Lady Lions - Our Dream Team.

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## Eighth grade Lions win championship at Junction

By MELISSA PERNER  
Editor and Publisher

The eighth grade boys won the team championship Friday at the Junction meet.

"The boys performed very well in their first track meet of the year," said Coach Lenny Morrow. "A host of athletes came away with strong performances."

The team scored 147 points. Results are as follows:  
Shot put - 3. Stephen Silva.  
Discus - 1. Silva.  
Long jump - 3. Felix Venegas.  
High jump - 4. Venegas.  
Triple jump - 2. Mathew Garza.

200-meter - 1. Venegas; 5. Daniel Gonzales and 6. Chris Lara.

## Seventh grade Lions compete at Junction track meet

By MELISSA PERNER  
Editor and Publisher

The Seventh grade Lions competed at the Junction track meet this past weekend.

Ozona scored 79 points in the meet.

Results are as follows:  
Shot put - 2. Markaus Galindo  
Long jump - 3. Matthew Fay  
Triple jump - 3. Bailey Badillo

2400-meter - 6. Austin Whitten

400-meter relay - 5. Lalo Longoria, Kurtlan Reyes, Matthew Fay, Jaron Vasquez

800-meter - 1. Josh Ramos; 4. Jesse Badillo and 6. Whitten

## Jump Rope For Heart another success at Ozona Primary School

On Feb. 24, students at Ozona Primary School jumped all over heart disease and stroke by participating in Jump Rope For Heart.

The students raised more than \$5,200 for the American Heart Association.

Donations raised for Jump Rope For Heart help fund research, fight heart disease and stroke and support the American Heart Association's public and professional education programs. Heart disease is the number one killer in America and stroke is the number three.

"This year's event was a

100-meter - 2. Garza.  
2400-meter run - 2. Ethan English.

800-meter - 3. English.  
110-meter hurdles - 1. Mathew Komechak and 5. Jessie Ramos.

100-meter hurdles - 1. Komechak and 2. Ramos.  
400-meter - 2. Fabian Onate; 4. Wilson White and 6. Nathan Knox.

400-meter relay - 3. Ben Flores, Venegas, Silva, Garza.  
800-meter relay - 2. Flores, Venegas, Silva, Gonzales.  
1600-meter relay - 4. Komechak, English, Knox, Onate.

The Eighth grade Lions will compete at the Thursday at the Reagan County meet in Big Lake.

## Ozona graduate coaches wrestlers to state meet

Roy Tambunga, formerly of Ozona, and his team of wrestlers qualified for the state tournament. Tambunga coaches at Akin High School in Austin.

Last year, they qualified six members for regional. This year, three female wrestlers qualified for state placing fifth and sixth in the 5A meet.

This is the first time in the history of the school to have state qualifiers.

Tambunga is a 1984 graduate of Ozona High School and a 1991 graduate of McMurray University in Abilene.

He is the son of Cruz and Edna Tambunga, and the grandson of Elena Tambunga, all from Ozona.

Tambunga and his wife, Lacy, both teach in Austin. They live in Kyle with their children Zachary and Jessica.

"This was a good first meet for the seventh grade," said Coach Benji Unger. "They all performed their best."

The Seventh grade Lions will compete at the Thursday at the Reagan County meet in Big Lake.

huge success," said Debbie Arrott, Jump Rope For Heart coordinator. "We are very proud of all the jumpers, and we all had a lot of fun. I want to thank everyone who helped by giving their time and money to help such a worthwhile project."

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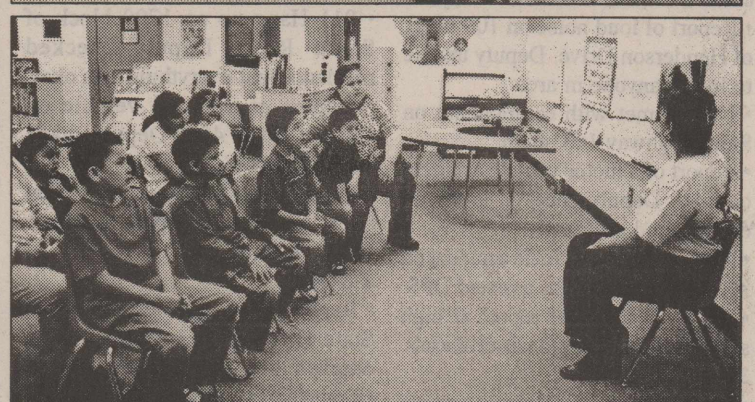
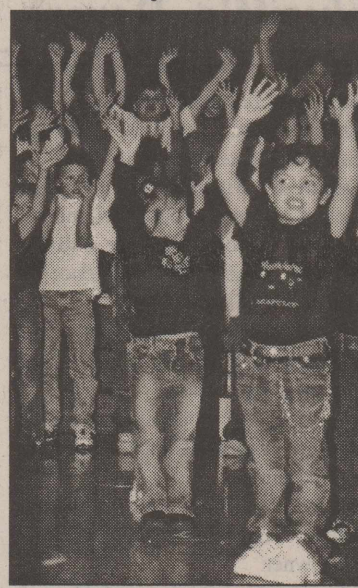
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## Primary school students celebrate Read Across America



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OZONA PRIMARY SCHOOL PRE-K STUDENTS took a tour of The Ozona Stockman on March 4. The students got the big printing press and learned how the newspaper was put together. Photo by Joe Hernandez

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## Crockett County Sheriff's Report

### WEEKLY NEWS REPORT 3-1-05 to 3-7-05

**3-1-05**

- Subject provided courtesy transport to his residence by deputy.
- Deputy met with subject on possible criminal mischief, investigation continues.
- Subject met with deputy on possible checks stolen, report filed.
- Notified animal control about a bat at entrance way at an apartment on Country Club Road.

**3-2-05**

- Report of a possible prowler on 100 block of Henderson Drive. Deputy checked area and unable to locate anyone.
- Report of loud noise on 100 block of Henderson Drive. Deputy unable to locate anyone in area.
- Deputy met with complainant on State Highway 163 south.
- Report of a motor vehicle accident on I-10. Deputy checked area and did not find accident.
- Report of motor vehicle accident on Airport Road. Deputy assisted DPS.
- Criminal mischief report at high school. Deputy spoke to school officials.

**3-4-05**

- Vehicle stalled in street posing traffic hazard. Deputy assisted in moving stalled vehicle from road.
- Deputy met with subject on Piedra Street about a civil dispute.
- Report of transient at truck stop. Subject was gone on deputies arrival.
- Welfare concern for subject on 1800 block of Avenue E. Deputy checked on subjects home and everything was okay.

**3-5-05**

- Civil dispute on 1900 block of Mulberry St. Deputy spoke to subjects.

- Report of a burglary in progress on Avenue I. Deputy checked residence and all okay.
- Report of a suspicious subject on 100 block of Swaps St. Deputy checked area and unable to locate.
- Report of a broken window at business on State Highway 290. Deputy made incident report.
- Disturbance on 200 block of Avenue I. Deputy made an arrest for family violence.
- Locked vehicle on 1800 block of Largo St. Deputy unlocked vehicle.
- Disturbance on 2000 block of Willow St. Deputy spoke to subjects.
- Locked vehicle on 1200 block of Avenue E. Deputy unlocked vehicle.
- 911 Hang up on 1700 block of Santa Rosa. Deputy checked residence and everything was okay.
- Report of a stolen vehicle on County Road 406. Deputy made incident report.
- Report of an unlicensed driver on Santa Ana Street. Deputy unable to locate juvenile.

- Report of unattended children in a parked vehicle on I-10. Deputy unable to locate vehicle in area.
- Deputy met with complainant on 500 block of Avenue J about a civil matter.
- Deputy stood by while subject retrieved items from a residence on 1600 block of Monterey St.
- Deputy met with parent on 1900 block Santa Rosa St. about upset child making threats.
- Request for animal control at Crockett Heights. Deputy unable to locate animal.
- Loose livestock report on County Road 305. Dispatch unable to contact land owner.
- Minor motor vehicle accident on 1st Street and Avenue E. Dispatch contacted DPS.
- Report of an assault on 300 block of Ramos. Deputy met with subjects.
- Deputy stood by while subject retrieved items from a residence on 1900 block of Willow Drive.

possession of drug paraphernalia. Subject remains in jail.

**3-4-05**

- Constance Montgomery, 26, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on warrant for debit card abuse, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. Subject posted bond and was released.
- Scott Breedlove, 38, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on warrant for counterfeiting money, possession of controlled substance, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. Subject was released on bond.

**3-5-05**

- Jose Martinez, 31, of Midland was arrested by sheriff's deputy on charge of public intoxication. Subject was released after paying fine.
- Brian Hurst, 26, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on charge of assault family violence. Subject released on bond.

**3-6-05**

- Jimmy Sanchez, 40, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and interference with an emergency call. Subject remains in jail.
- Saul Flores, 19, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on an indictment from the 112th District Court. Subject remains in jail.

**3-7-05**

- Deputy filed an offense report on criminal mischief that occurred on State Highway 290 after a window was broken at a business.
- Deputy filed an offense report on a vehicle stolen from a ranch on County Road 406. Vehicle was later returned.
- Deputy filed an offense report on an assault with a deadly weapon and family violence after a disturbance on the 1500 block of Piedra St. An arrest was also made.

**ARREST REPORTS**

**3-3-05**

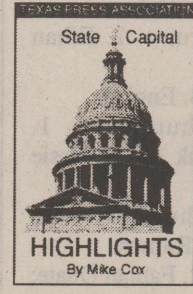
- Jaime Blanco, 27, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on charge of driving while license suspended. Subject posted bond and was released.
- Rani Davis, 19, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on charge of possession of marijuana. Subject posted bond and was released.
- Tonia Schuckman, 38, of Vann, Texas was housed temporarily for inmate transfer service.
- Kathleen Roverge, 42, of Cape Canaveral, Fla. was housed temporarily for inmate transfer service.
- Brandon Bradfield, 23, of Dallas was housed temporarily for inmate transfer service.
- Michael Sanchez, 36, of Pleasington was housed temporarily for inmate transfer service.
- Ezekiel Rivera, 52, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on charges of possession of marijuana and

**OFFENSE REPORTS**

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## Sales tax bill would make Texas highest in nation



AUSTIN - The House Ways and Means Committee has approved a bill that would allow the state to increase the sales tax rate by nearly 1 percent, giving Texas the highest sales tax in the nation.

Members voted 6-2 in favor of the measure on March 2.

The bill still has a long way to go before becoming law, but if it does, the sales tax rate would increase from the current 6.25 percent to 7.2 percent.

Since cities and other governmental entities also can levy sales taxes, in some places the sales tax rate could exceed 9 percent.

The bill also would add bottled water, car washes, vehicle repair and outdoor advertising to the list of goods and services that can be taxed when sold.

As long predicted, the state franchise tax would go away, replaced by a 1.1 percent business payroll tax.

Finally, smokers would pay \$1 more a pack, the tax jumping from 41 cents to \$1.41, and the tax on motor vehicle sales would go from 6.25 to 7.35 percent.

**Bye-bye free wi-fi?**

With the state and local governments moving to provide citizens free wireless Internet service, Rep. Phil King, R-Weatherford, has introduced a bill that would prohibit cities from doing that. The prohibition is only one aspect of King's telecommunications bill, House Bill 789.

King's chief of staff said last week that the lawmaker objects to free wi-fi because it puts government in competition with private businesses.

**No Pass, No Drive...**

The Legislature is considering a bill that links passing grades to a teenager's ability to get a driver's license.

Under House Bill 643, filed by Rep. Sid Miller, R-Stephenville, a Texas younger than 18 would need to have a grade-point average of at least 2.0 to get a driver's license.

As it stands now, the only education-related requirement (other than being able to pass a test on traffic laws and safe-driving techniques) is that someone under 18 be enrolled in school and abiding by attendance requirements.

Arkansas has had a similar law since 1991, but it is not widespread among the states.

**What should be official Texas vehicle?**

The obvious answer is the pickup truck, but that would be wrong. In Senate Concurrent Resolution 8, Sen. Kel Seliger, R-Amarillo, has proposed that the chuck wagon be designated by the Legislature as the official vehicle of Texas.

Invented in 1866 by Panhandle pioneer Charles Goodnight, the food-carrying chuck wagon supported the state's cattle industry well into the 20th century by playing a vital role in keeping cowboys fed. On some big ranches, the distinctive wagons with chuck (cowboy talk for food) boxes on the back are still used, though today most chuck wagons are for display and cooking competitions.

**Going Dutch oven...**

Proving that both major political parties can work together, Rep. Jesse Jones, D-Dallas, has filed a resolution that would declare the Dutch oven the official state cooking implement. Dutch ovens, of course, are what chuck wagon cooks use to prepare sourdough biscuits, perhaps the future official state bread.

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#1 spring lambs 50-70 lbs.	1.35-1.42
#1 spring lambs 70-80 lbs.	1.25-1.35
#1 old crop lambs 50-70 lbs.	1.20-1.25
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Fat ewes	55-65
Thin ewes	45-55
Bucks	30-50
Baby tooth ewes	no test
Solid mouth ewes	65-85
Ewe & lamb pairs	55-65/hd
Baby tooth Angora stocker nannies	70-1.00
Solid mouth Angora stocker nannies	70-85
Stocker Angora muttons	1.00-1.15
Angora kids	1.30-1.40
Angora kids-shorn	1.15-1.20
Weighing Angoras-shorn (thin)	65-75
Weighing Angoras-shorn (fat) nannies	65-75
Weighing Angoras-shorn (fat) muttons	no test
Stocker Spanish nannies	80-1.00
Fat Spanish nannies	70-85
Fat Spanish muttons	90-1.10
Fat Spanish billies	70-85
Fat yearlings	1.15-1.25
Fat Spanish kids	1.28-1.42
Small kids	1.25-1.30
Thin kids	1.15-1.20
Spanish nanny & kid pairs	40-45 hd

Next goat sale - March 14, 2005

## Texas agrees to concealed handgun reciprocity with South Carolina, Pennsylvania

Gov. Rick Perry has signed a reciprocal agreement allowing citizens with concealed handgun licenses issued by South Carolina and Pennsylvania to legally carry concealed handguns in Texas.

Based on this agreement, Texas citizens with concealed handgun licenses may legally carry concealed handguns in South Carolina.

(These agreements were made possible by 1997 and 2003 changes to the Texas concealed handgun law.)

Texas also has reciprocity agreements with Arkansas, Arizona, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Montana, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Utah, Wyoming, Colorado and North Dakota.

"In essence, this agreement allows licensed Texans to enjoy the same or similar privileges their licenses give them at home," said DPS Director Col. Thomas Davis Jr.

This is the 17th and 18th reciprocity agreements Texas has reached with another state.

Texans should remember that laws vary from state to state, and before traveling, license holders should educate themselves about laws in other states that govern where and when they can legally carry their concealed handguns," Davis said.

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As of MARCH 4, 2005

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Monsieur Energy	9150	Shannon Ranch - 4 - #1	Patterson Drilling/A 617	Drig Ahead 7585'
Approach Operating	9000	J R Bailey - A - #703	Nabors Drilling (O) 319	Drig Ahead
Next Approach Operating	9000	Approach Bailey #108	Nabors Drilling (O) 347	Drig Ahead
Next Approach Operating	9000	Bailey #120	Patterson Drilling/A 710	Rigging Up
Next Anadarko E & P	8750	Scheuber #13	Patterson Drilling/A 38	Drig Ahead
Next Encore Operating LP	8200	Jones Ranch #228	Patterson Drilling/A 109	Drig Ahead
Next Devon Energy/Oil	7900	Ruby Helbling -16a- #7	Patterson Drilling/A 169	Drig Ahead
Eag Resources/Mid	5900	Shannon Hospital - 4 - #4	Nabors Drilling (O) 353	Drig Ahead
Next Film Natural Res	5500	Maggie Moore #3d	Patterson Drilling/A 721	Drig Ahead

**\*Sutton County**

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Samsom Lane Star-LP	18000	Gerald Nicks #10	Patterson Drilling/A 39	Drig Ahead
Next Marshall & Winston	9000	Sawyer-Jones #6	Patterson Drilling/A 42	Drig Ahead
Next Dominion OK TX E&P	8900	L R Valliant #25	Patterson Drilling/A 108	Assigned
Next Dominion OK TX E&P	8850	Hill-Randee Fawcett -1- #3	Patterson Drilling/A 40	Assigned
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Next Dominion OK TX E&P	8800	L R Valliant #25	Patterson Drilling/A 108	Drig Ahead
Next Dominion OK TX E&P	8800	Mayfield -33- #17	Patterson Drilling/A 122	Rigging Up
Next Dominion OK TX E&P	7700	Ida Cauthorn -135- #7	Patterson Drilling/A 107	Drig Ahead
Next Dominion OK TX E&P	6950	Canyon Ranch -114- #12a	Patterson Drilling/A 704	Moving On
Next Dominion OK TX E&P	6450	Collier Shurley #18	Patterson Drilling/A 115	Assigned
Next Dominion OK TX E&P	6400	Collier Shurley #17	Patterson Drilling/A 169	Drig Ahead
Next Dominion OK TX E&P	6250	Cuseberry -58- #6	Patterson Drilling/A 107	Assigned
Next Dominion OK TX E&P	5500	Shurley Rr -10- #3	Patterson Drilling/A 120	Rigging Up

**\*Terrell County**

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Newfield	15000	Posler #3802	Patterson Drilling/A 118	Drig Ahead
Conocophillips/Odes	11400	Aca -46- #2	Patterson Unit/L-481	Drig Ahead

**Val Verde County**

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Newfield	14000	Whitehead #4801	Patterson Drilling/A 471	Drig Ahead
Next Pogo Producing Co/H	5000	Bunger -5- #4	Patterson Drilling/A 161	Drig Ahead

**Schleicher County**

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Dominion OK TX E&P	7900	University 56-24 #1	Patterson Drilling/A 105	Assigned
Next Txp, Inc.	7400	University -3- #1	Heart Land Drilling 5	Drig Ahead 1100'

**Reagan County**

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Next Apache Corp/Tulsa	12000	Tejas #2	Robinson Drilling 4	Drig Ahead
Next Mariner Energy	8350	Sau Mariner 1-3 #3b	Big Dog Drilling 5	W.O.O.
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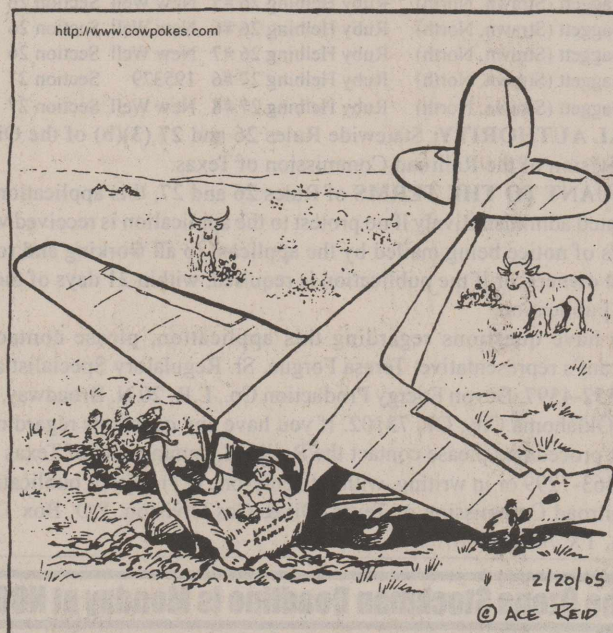


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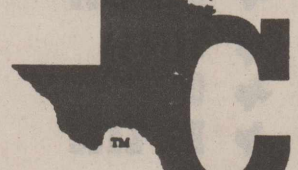


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Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE Pursuant to Texas Transportation Code, Chapter 258, the Crockett County Commissioners' Court intends to adopt an official county road map that includes every road in which the county has claimed public interest.

The purpose of this action is to clarify the public versus private status of the existing rural road network. After adoption, the official county road map will serve as conclusive evidence of the public's right of access over roads shown on the map and of the county's authority to spend public money to maintain the roads included on the map.

The Crockett County Comsmissioners' Court will hold a public meeting on Monday, March 14, 2005, 1:30 p.m. in the Commissioners' Courtroom located in the Crockett County Courthouse Annex at which time a citizen has the right to protest the county's claim of public interest in a road included on the map. A person may also file a written protest with the County Judge at any time prior to the public meeting.

The proposed offically county map will be available for viewing thirty days prior to the public meeting during regular business hours at the Crockett County Courthouse Annex in the office of the Tax Assessor-Collector. 4c03

NOTICE As of February 28, 2005, William Michael Burk ("Mike Burk") is no longer employed by South Texas Lumber Company of Ozona, Inc. in Ozona, Texas. Inquiries should be directed to: Chad Upham or Grady Jolley Nunley, Davis, Jolley, & Hill 1580 South Main Street, Suite 200 Boerne, Texas 78006-2372 (830) 816-3333 2c05

NOTICE South Texas Lumber Company of Ozona, Inc. is closed until further notice. Inquiries should be directed to: Chad Upham or Grady Jolley Nunley, Davis, Jolley, & Hill 1580 South Main Street, Suite 200 Boerne, Texas 78006-2372 (830) 816-3333 2c05

NOTICE FOR SURFACE COMMINGLING DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION CO., L.P. seeks to surface commingle production from the Leases listed below. These leases are located on Sections 24, 25, 26 and 27, Block QR, J.H. Gibson Survey in Crockett County, Texas, southwest of Ozona. These properties produce from the Strawn zone. Production will be attributable to each lease by annual well tests and positive displacement metering.

Table with columns: Field Name, Lease Name, RRC No., Description. Lists various lease details for sections 24, 25, 26, and 27.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Statewide Rules 26 and 27 (3)(b) of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Rules 26 and 27, this application may be granted administratively if no protest to the application is received within 21 days of notice being mailed by the applicant to all working and royalty interest owners, or if the publication is required, within 21 days of the date of last publication.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Teresa Fergie, Sr. Regulatory Specialist at (405) 552-4597, Devon Energy Production Co., L.P., 20 N. Broadway, Suite 1500, Oklahoma City, OK 73102. If you have any questions regarding the protest procedures please contact the Railroad Commission of Texas at (512) 463-7299 or in writing, within twenty-one (21) days of publication to the Railroad Commission of Texas, Oil & Gas Division, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, TX 78711-2967. 4c04

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HOUSE FOR SALE: 112 Avenue I, 3 BR, 1 BA. Large backyard with storage shed. Call 392-2696 or 226-3741 4p05

LOT FOR SALE: Santa Rosa St., \$6,000 Call 392-3396. 1p06

For Sale

PREDDY'S TIRE SERVICE Used truck tires 392-2016 tfc34

HUNTING TRUCK: 91 GMC, 4WD, Ext Cab w/2 seat High Rack, front/rear bumpers, camo paint, runs GREAT, too much to list, must see. \$5500.00 or OBO, 817-473-2294 - Randy tfc01

FOR SALE: '95 Ford one-ton pickup, four-door, automatic transmission and air conditioning, \$2,500. Call (325) 650-5086. tfc02

FOR SALE: 2003 Chevrolet Monte Carlo SS V6, auto, power windows and locks - 18,911 miles - take over payments. Call Hunter at 650-6458 or after 5 p.m. 392-4201. 4p04

SPEAKERS FOR SALE: Two 10" Rockford Fosgate Speakers installed in box and one 400-watt Jensen K-A3 AMP for \$250. Call 392-5246 after 4:30 p.m. 1c06

Pets & Supplies

DOG GROOMING: Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, every week from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m. Call Carol at 325-392-3415 or 325-226-2226 and leave a message. tfc49

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LOST: 2 Dogs - one is black with little tail with little white spot, white spot on neck and white legs; the other is just black with yellow around the eyes. Little bitty dogs. 4p06

NOTICE OF REWARD I AM OFFERING \$500 REWARD for apprehension and conviction of guilty parties to every theft of livestock in Crockett County - except that no officer of Crockett County may claim the reward. Shane Fenton SHERIFF, CROCKETT CO.

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