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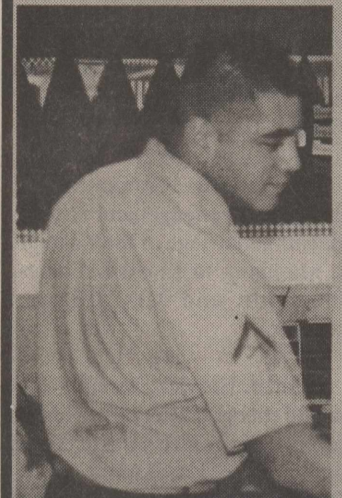
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| Date | Hi | Lo | Rain |
|----------|----|----|------|
| March 07 | 73 | 45 | -0- |
| March 08 | 70 | 34 | -0- |
| March 09 | 70 | 45 | -0- |
| March 10 | 77 | 34 | -0- |
| March 11 | 72 | 43 | -0- |
| March 12 | 81 | 36 | -0- |
| March 13 | 66 | 45 | -0- |

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| EXTENDED FORECAST | |
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| Wednesday | Thursday |
| Hi 57 | Hi 68 |
| Lo 32 | Lo 39 |
| AM Showers | Partly Cloudy |

| Friday | Saturday |
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| Hi 72 | Hi 73 |
| Lo 44 | Lo 52 |
| Sunny | Sunny |

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Tennis team comes in second at state meet



Photo by Jeannine Henderson
OZONA HIGH SCHOOL 2005 STATE RUNNER-UP TEAM TENNIS CHAMPIONS

By **MELISSA PERNER**
 Editor and Publisher

For the second consecutive year, the Ozona High School tennis team finished as the runner-up at the TTCA State Team Tennis Tournament this past weekend in Round Rock.

"The Lions and Lady Lions played some remarkable tennis over the two day tournament only to once again face a superior team from Mason in the finals where they put up a valiant effort against a great tennis team," said Coach Rick Bachman.

Ozona dismantled a good Elkhart team in the first round by a final score of 15-4.

Elkhart's top two boys were

both at the State Tournament last year in singles, and they were involved in three of their wins, Bachman said.

In girls' doubles, Jessica Moore and Jenna Henderson defeated Wilson and Mendiola 6-4, 6-2; Hilary Huffman and C.J. Graves beat Miller and Herring 6-1, 6-1 and Kristin Bunger and Patsy Larson beat Cooper and Farley 6-2, 7-5.

On the boys' side, Roland Galindo and Ruben Talamantez lost a close match to Mendiola and Cline 7-5, 6-4; Jeff Gillit and Jared Espino defeated Wilson and Blackmon 6-4, 6-2 and Paarth Raj and Joseph Tambunga beat Helm and Reed 6-4, 6-1.

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No goat roping this year

By **ART ROANE**
 World Championship Goat Roping organization

Due to the waning interest and participation, the organizers of the World Championship Goat Roping have decided not to sponsor that event this year.

Unless another group takes up the cause, there will be no World Championship Goat Roping this year.

Constructive criticism, advice, questions, etc... can be directed to Art Roane at (325) 650-5086.

Chamber banquet honors local heroes

White selected as Citizen of the Year

By **MELISSA PERNER**
 Editor and Publisher

When Judy Churchill read the first sentence describing this year's Citizen of the Year recipient, Patsy White gasped in disbelief as her story was told.

White, along with several other local heroes, were honored at the 41st annual Ozona Chamber of Commerce Banquet March 8 at the Crockett County Civic Center.

White was chosen for her work as director at the Crockett County Museum and her devotion to the Ozona United Methodist Church and the Crockett County Historical Society, said Churchill, chamber chairman.

"Since Patsy became the museum director two years ago, the museum has flourished, but nothing compares to the transformation made over the past year," Churchill said.

Along with being named Citizen of the Year, White also accepted the Chamber Member of the Year Award on behalf of the Crockett County Museum.

The museum was recognized for the renovations and additions of new rooms that have been done during the past year.

"I hope we can all share in this joy," White said. "This is our museum and we're going to make it the A++ museum in the state."

Elizabeth Ann Wadsworth was honored with the Unsung Hero Award for her dedicated service as the Wesley Nurse for the Ozona United Methodist Church, service to the Ozona Community Center Board and local American Cancer Society Board, her time devoted to diabetic counseling, organization of this year's Angel Tree Project, breast cancer awareness programs and organization of the local health fair.

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Photos by Stephen Zuberbueler and Susan Calloway
OZONA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 41st ANNUAL BANQUET WINNERS: (back row, left to right) Steve Baird of the Crockett County Probation Department, Brian Morrow and Ryan Bean of the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department, Buck Owens, Rusty Owens and Penny Owens for the Buck Owens Ranch and Patsy White, director of the Crockett County Museum. Bottom row (left to right): Nell Wester, beauty shop volunteer at the Crockett County Care Center, Lue Morrow, Salvation Army chair and fire station "mom," Elizabeth Ann Wadsworth, Wesley Nurse for the Ozona United Methodist Church, Jane Owens and Jo Ann Williamson, beauty shop volunteer at the Care Center.



TOP: KAY STEWART AND MELISSA PERNER, representing The Ozona Stockman, were honored by the West Texas Rehabilitation Center for their work and awareness about the center.



RIGHT: PATSY WHITE was chosen as the Citizen of the Year for her devotion as Crockett County Museum Director and overseeing all the work that was done at the museum this past year. The museum was also recognized for the renovations done during the past year. White is also a member of the Ozona United Methodist Church and on the Crockett County Historical Society.

Commissioners discuss county map

By **MELISSA PERNER**
 Editor and Publisher

Discussion of adopting an official county map was part of Monday's Crockett County Commissioner's Court meeting.

Commissioners, County Judge Johnny Jones, County Road and Parks Superintendent Eddie Moore, County Auditor Sandy Stokes and County Tax Assessor-Collector Rhonda Shaw spent

time looking over the map that contains the town streets and alleys.

The group found several discrepancies in the map that will need to be corrected before the map is officially adopted, Jones said.

A public hearing was also held for people to come and discuss any roads that are going to be adopted on the county map.

Rusty Owens addressed the

court on why a road on his family's property was taken off the map.

The road comes out of Barnhart and starts out as Irion County Road 301. It then comes down into Crockett County and swings back out, Owens said.

When it gets to Crockett County, it's no longer a county road. All of the family's property along this road is University Land.

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Bean elected board chairman of Ozona National Bank

Joe Bean was recently elected to serve as Chairman of the Board of Directors of Ozona National Bank.

George Bunger was elected Vice Chairman of the Board. Pleas Childress Jr. was elected Chairman Emeritus.

Bean, a native of Crockett County, has served on the board since March 1971. During that time, he has taken an active part in the growth of the bank.

He has seen the bank grow from the home bank in Ozona to

the opening of a branch bank in Wimberley, a branch in San Marcos and a loan production in San Antonio. During this time, the bank has grown steadily in deposits and in capital structure.

In 1950, Bean married Marolyn Powell and they settled at the Pikes Peak Ranch in Crockett County. They currently live in Ozona where they are members of the First Baptist Church.

In the fall of 1952, Bean joined the army where he served in Japan and Korea. He received his

discharge in the summer of 1954.

Bean served on the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District Board of Trustees for 12 years. He was president during a major building program and was instrumental in many changes of the system during that time.

He has been a member of the Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Committee, the O.B. Trap Co., as director and the Crockett County Cemetery Board.

He is currently a director of the Robert Massie Foundation.

ENGLISH HONORED AS EAGLE SCOUT



Submitted photo
LEVI ENGLISH (right) hands Frank Tambunga a plaque for helping English with his Eagle Scout project during the ceremony on Feb. 20 at the Crockett County Civic Center. English composed a spreadsheet of local veterans buried in Cedar Hill and Lima Cemeteris. For more on English and his project, see page 3.

Board meeting to begin with public hearings

By **MELISSA PERNER**
 Editor and Publisher

The Crockett County Consolidated Common School District Board of Trustees will hold their regular monthly board meeting at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday in the boardroom of the Administration Building at 797 Avenue D.

Items on the agenda include a public hearing for the first day of 2005-2006 instruction. The school district intends on applying for a waiver of the prohibition to begin the 2005-2006 school year before the week of Aug. 21.

School board meeting

What: Crockett County Consolidated Common School District Board of Trustees meeting.

When: 6:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Where: Administration Building at 797 Avenue D.

The district will submit a waiver to begin the first day of classes on Aug. 17. The board approved the 2005-2006 district calendar at their February meeting.

Another public hearing on the agenda deals with the 2003-2004 Academic Excellence Indicator System report. According to Board Policy BR (LEGAL) and the Texas Education Code, the district must hold a hearing for public discussion of the report within 90 days after the report is received from the Texas Education Agency.

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What's on My Mind

By Melissa Perner

Aiming for perfection

Every week I try to strive for perfection. Of course, for those of you who read this paper cover to cover, I have yet to reach that goal. Unlike most people who may mess up on the job, my mess ups are printed for the whole town, state and nation to view. In my profession, I have learned to expect criticism. I don't always handle the critics very well, especially if they catch me on a bad day, but I do know that criticism comes with the job. Sometimes I feel like I can relate to athletes in their profession. The baseball pitcher is always aiming to pitch that perfect game. The football team is always striving for that perfect season. Like me, they put their work out there for the public to criticize. Sometimes, though, I feel that the public doesn't always remember that those of us out trying to achieve this perfection are just human beings. The last time I checked only one person was ever perfect, and I believe He is the only one since.

Perfection isn't easy to achieve. In fact, it's realistically impossible. Getting close to perfection can be possible, which is what I try to do. Some weeks I achieve this, while during some I don't exactly hit the nail on the head. When a person makes a mistake on the job, such as delivering the wrong flowers, ordering the wrong parts or painting the wrong color, usually the people upset are limited in number. When I do something wrong, the whole world reads about it. This is a big difference. Many people will tell me that it's just part of the job and it is. However, I will tell them that they also have the same experience in their life, just fewer critics. So, as I aim for another perfect issue, I also gear up for the phone calls, e-mails and the public themselves as they walk through my door with complaints of typos. I just hope when the public is kind enough to point out these mistakes, they are also kind enough to realize we're only human.



NEWS REEL
MARCH 13, 1975

Ozona Girl Scouts celebrated "Girl Scout Week" a little early with a camping scene float in the San Angelo rodeo parade. All Ozona Troops were represented. Troop 189 is hosting a circus this week to help raise funds for their trip to Switzerland next summer.

A happy group of Ozona Lion Tracksters nailed down the team championship at the Cactus Relays in Iraan Saturday for the fifth straight year. Captains for the team are seniors David Bean, Romaldo Cervantez, Clifford Crawford and Richard Sanchez.

Eight Crockett County 4-Hers exhibited lambs at the San Angelo Livestock Show last week. Those exhibiting were Max Schroeder,

Will M. Black, R.J. Everett III, Rebecca Everett, Louis Bunger, Sue Ellen Black, Regina Everett and Ed Hale.

NEWS REEL
MARCH 7, 1946

A.O. Fields, recently discharged from the army after service in China and India, entertained members of the Rotary Club at its luncheon Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Russell announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Margaret, to Lloyd I. Coates, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Coates.

Martin Harvick, recently discharged overseas veteran, has leased a seven-section ranch north of Ozona from his uncle, J.A. Harvick.

It's the Pitts

By Lee Pitts

Too Close For Comfort

I read somewhere that the world is growing by 168 people every minute... and I suspect all of them are moving to my small town. The global village is getting far too crowded for my tastes. According to my outdated encyclopedia the population density of the entire planet is 117 people per square mile. So, the United States at 76 persons per square mile looks rather uncluttered. Especially when you compare it to a place called Macao, which evidently has never heard of sex education, with a population density of 69,000 people per square mile!

The poor buggers must be stacked on top of each other. I lived in Australia for a year and found it about right at six people per square mile but even that felt crowded while I waited in line to use a pub's restroom. The feeling of being crowded is not best expressed as a number. There are better ways to tell if you're little hamlet is being overrun with people. For example, if there is a Wal-Mart, sushi bar, fast food joint, Starbucks, modern art museum, oxygen bar or tattoo parlor within 10 miles of where you live the carrying capacity has already been exceeded. If you have a sign welcoming people to your town on which the population number is bigger than the elevation you may want to consider relocating. I wouldn't want to live anywhere where the people outnumber the cows.

Other signs of a population explosion include the presence of parking meters, stoplights, speed bumps and express lanes. If you have more than one Dairy Queen, town drunk, zip code, high school, banker or bar you have already had one too many. If the nearest movie theater has more than one screen or the library has more than one copy of the latest Grisham novel you are being exposed to far too much culture. If you know your sheriff's name, see no need to lock your doors and dial a wrong local number and talk for an hour anyway you are in a sweet spot. There

should only be one homeless person in town and the only reason he's homeless is because he's thirty years old and you finally kicked the lazy bum out of the house. It's already too crowded if you have to show an ID at the bank to cash a check or wait in line at the fireworks stand. If you go to the local cemetery for a funeral and there are two freshly dug holes too many folks are dying to live where you do. Your only traffic jams should be caused by a flock of sheep or an oversized farm implement and there should never be anyone else in the same aisle as you in the grocery store. To be considered a decent place to live the term "rat race" should apply only to rodents and the local "mall" should consist of nothing bigger than a couple gas pumps and a quickie mart. The elevator on Main Street should hold grain, not move people and the words "crowd control" should NOT refer to anything other than an orange cone in the road or a velvet rope in the bank. Population density is best measured by the local newspaper. If it's a daily there is far too much going on. The local football team should lead the news, not news from some foreign country you hope never to visit. The sheriff's log for the week should consist of mostly lost dogs, heart attacks and fender benders and if someone writes an anonymous letter to the editor you should still be able to tell who wrote it. Sounds of an impending invasion include jake brakes, sirens and the words, "Attention K-Mart shoppers." In your town the only swarms should go buzz, the only "SWAT" team should be armed with fly swatters and no stranger should be sitting in your seat at the coffee shop. The only tourist season your town should have is on the first day of hunting season and if more than two cars pass your house in an hour you are already on the road to ruin. If political candidates come to your town every four years I'd be checking out real estate in Macao if I were you.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

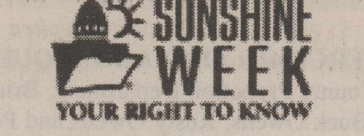
- March 14-18 - Ozona schools closed for Spring Break.
- March 16 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- March 17 - St. Patrick's Day
- March 18 - OHS Baseball Teams vs. Wall at 4 p.m. at the baseball complex.
- OHS Tennis Team at the Eldorado Invitational in Eldorado.
- March 19 - OHS Baseball Team in the Bangs Tournament at Bangs.
- OHS Tennis Team at the Eldorado Invitational in Eldorado.
- OHS Tennis Teams at the Sonora Tournament in Sonora.
- March 21 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- Games, 1-3 p.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- OHS Lady Lions Golf Teams in Iraan.
- OHS JV Baseball Team vs. Eldorado at 4 p.m. at the baseball complex.
- March 22 - Crockett County Consolidated Common School District Board of Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building on 797 Avenue D.
- March 23 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- OHS Lions Golf Teams in Iraan.

TAKS Question of the Week

This week's question is on spring break. A new question will be printed in the March 23 edition of the Stockman. The answer to last week's question was: F. Stamp Act, Boston Massacre - One person responded and got it right!

Ensuring the consent of the governed:

Celebrating America's commitment to freedom of information and openness in government



BY U.S. SEN. JOHN CORNYN R-Texas

The celebration of our nation's first-ever national Sunshine Week is, at its essence, a celebration of our nation's founding principles. The Declaration of Independence makes clear that our inalienable rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness may be secured only where "Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed." And James Madison, the father of our Constitution, famously wrote that consent of the governed means informed consent—that "a people who mean to be their own Governors, must arm themselves with the power which knowledge gives."

Our founders thus firmly believed that a free society cannot exist without an informed citizenry and an open and accessible government. That is why the cause of open government has been a top priority throughout my time in public service.

As Attorney General of Texas, I was charged with the important responsibility of enforcing and maintaining openness in Texas government. Open government advocates have long recognized that Texas's open government laws are stronger and more robust than federal open government laws.

Just last month, U.S. Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., a longtime champion of open government at the federal level, and I joined forces to introduce the OPEN Government Act of 2005, to strengthen and enhance our federal open government laws. It has been nearly a decade since Congress has approved major reforms to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). And the Senate Judiciary Committee has not convened an oversight hearing to monitor compliance with FOIA since 1992. So this week, I will chair a Senate hearing to examine needed improvements to our open government laws. The legislation we introduced

contains important Congressional findings to reiterate and reinforce our belief that the Freedom of Information Act establishes a presumption of openness, and that our government is based not on the need to know, but upon the fundamental right to know. In addition, the bill contains more than a dozen substantive provisions, designed to strengthen FOIA and close loopholes, help FOIA requestors obtain timely responses to their requests, ensure that agencies have strong incentives to act on FOIA requests in a timely fashion, and provide FOIA officials with all of the tools they need to ensure that our government remains open and accessible. Moreover, our legislation is not just pro-openness, pro-accountability, and pro-accessibility—it is also pro-Internet. It requires government agencies to establish a hotline to enable citizens to track their FOIA requests, including Internet tracking, and grants the same privileged FOIA fee status currently enjoyed by traditional media outlets to bloggers and others who publish reports on the Internet.

The OPEN Government Act is the culmination of months of extensive discussions between my office, Sen. Leahy's office, and various members of the requestor community. After all, open government is not a Republican or a Democrat issue; it is an American issue. Indeed, the bill is supported by a broad coalition of open government advocates and organizations across the ideological spectrum as well as by Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott.

Open government is a fundamental principle of our democracy. As President Lincoln once said, "no man is good enough to govern another without that person's consent"—and of course, consent is meaningless if it is not informed consent. For that very reason, the cause of open government is as American as our commitment to constitutional democracy. Cornyn is a U.S. Senator from Texas and a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee. He previously served as Texas attorney general and supreme court justice and received the James Madison Award from the Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas in 2001.

Letters to the Editor

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

phone number and email if available. All letters must contain this information or will not be published. 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.

Happy Birthday

March 16 - Rene De La Rosa and Wilton Russell
March 17 - Allison Moore, Ruth Hester and Angela Damian
March 18 - Lesley Mendoza
March 19 - Braxton Bauerlein, Dennis Newby, Vanessa Santiago and Jady N Poindexter
March 21 - Heather Price
March 22 - Sebastian De La Cruz, Juan Villarreal, Alex Sanchez and Cynthia Bartley
 To add a name to the birthday list, call 392-2551

Crockett County Museum Memorials

In Memory of: Sonny Henderson, Lefty Walker and Taylor Deaton
Given by: W.A. Childress
In Memory of: Gene Fowler, Sonny Henderson, Elizabeth Applewhite and Lefty Walker
Given by: Crystelle Childress
In Memory of: Jane Black, Lib Applewhite, Willie V. Baggett, Taylor Deaton, Left Walker and Gene Fowler
Given By: Charlie and Jo Davidson

Eagle Scout documents local veterans as project



Submitted photo

LEVI ENGLISH during his Feb. 20 Eagle Scout Ceremony at the Crockett County Civic Center.

By MELISSA PERNER
 Editor and Publisher

The honor of Eagle Scout was bestowed on Levi English during a Feb. 20 ceremony at the Crockett County Civic Center.

English had spent the entire summer of 2004 working on his Eagle Scout project of composing a list of all local veterans buried in Cedar Hill and Lima Cemeteries.

With the help of local businesses and organizations, such as

Triple C Hardware and Lumber, The Ozona Stockman, the Crockett County Clerk's Office and the Crockett County Museum, as well as many individuals, English created a Web site and spreadsheet listing veterans alphabetically, their rank, service branch and wars they fought in.

English also listed the plot number for each veteran and the global position system grid coordinates of each gravesite, in World Geographical Survey 1984 format.

The results of English's project led to a list of around 209 veterans.

During the ceremony, Lewis Allen introduced English, Frank Tambunga presented the Eagle Charge and Glenn Conner presented the Eagle Challenge.

Steve Taylor read a speech from English's cross-country coach Lenny Morrow who was unable to attend. Tambunga also gave a speech.

English's parents, Ben and Cathy English, then presented the Eagle Scout award to their son.

English in turn presented awards to his parents, Tambunga, Jim White and Melvin and Linda Conner.

The invocation and closing prayer was given by the Rev. John Collis.

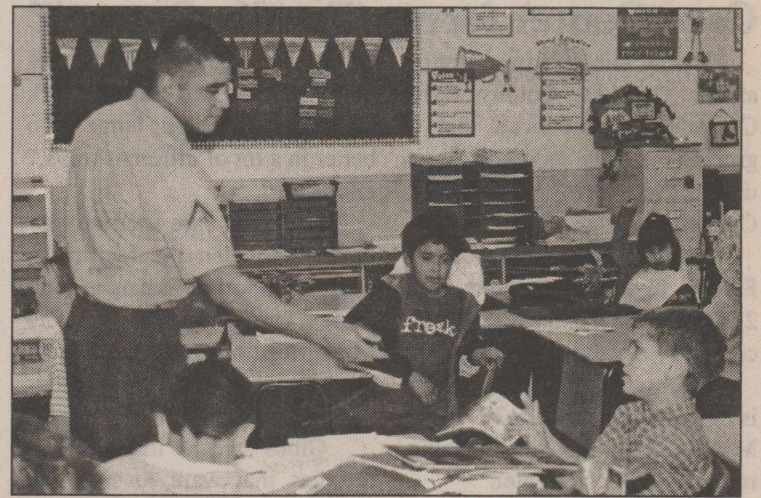


Photo by Susan Calloway

VICTOR HERNANDEZ JR. (left) visits with students in Mrs. Angie Burleson's third grade class on March 8 at the Ozona Intermediate School. Hernandez, who is a Lance Cpl. in the U.S. Marine Corp, just returned from an eight month deployment in Iraq.

Easter Egg Hunt and Eaton Hill Treasure Hunt March 26 in Sonora

The Friends of Historic Sonora Main Street and Sonora Merchants Association are hosting the 2005 annual Easter Egg Hunt and Eaton Hill Treasure Hunt on March 26.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. on the front lawn of the Sutton County Courthouse with the hunt beginning at 10 a.m. Children must be registered to be eligible for any and all prizes.

The Easter Bunny will hide the eggs on the courthouse lawn for ages birth to first grade. Eaton Hill is the location for second-graders and up.

The event is sponsored by Sutton County, Dairy Queen of Sonora, First National Bank of Sonora, Alco, The Bank and Trust of Sonora, Devil's River

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The Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial annual bake sale will also take place on the courthouse steps with the best cookies and cakes in West Texas.

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Ozona Senior Happenings

By LYNN ENGLISH
 Activity Director

Another week has gone by and we find ourselves in the middle of March. It looks as if this will be a cool wet week. Any showers that we get are most welcome.

This past week our friend Zelma Johnigan came in to give a memorial to Lefty Walker. All of us here were happy to see her. We would like to have her come back soon and often.

Mary and Merle Welty dropped by the Senior Center last Friday on their way to San Angelo to do some shopping. They were all dressed up and they were smiling big smiles. They were having such fun that I wanted to jump in the car and go with them. We would like for them to drop by to stay longer with us.

I was sorry to learn this past Saturday night Pleas Childress fell and broke his hip. He is in San Angelo Community Medical Center at this time. We will miss Pleas not being here at lunch and wish him a speedy recovery.

Jonny Johnson was out most of last week. She had a rough case of bronchitis. She is back here at the Senior Center but says that she has no energy. We are happy to have you back with us.

Tuesday we celebrated St. Patrick's Day early with a senior social. We began the evening by eating hamburgers cooked by Bear Borrego and drinking green punch. While we ate we played St. Patrick's Day Party Music. Next everyone was ready to play bingo. At evenings end we all had a great time.

The Canasta Club will meet at

6:30 p.m. Thursday at the Crockett County Senior Center.

Nell Wester will host the group, which leaves no doubt that the food served will be delicious.

There will be no potluck this week. Our next potluck will be March 23. Our District Attorney, Laurie English will be bringing the program on how to guard against identity theft. Mark your calendar and plan to attend.

The Levis and Lace Square Dancers had a dance here at the senior center last Saturday night. There is no square dance scheduled for the fourth Saturday this month because of it being the Easter weekend.

It is time to remind you that we will have a Spring Fest at 10 a.m. April 2 on the town square. There will be something for every age. The Crockett County Senior Center will sponsor this event. If you would like a site for a booth call Lynn English at 392-9094. There will be a cake walk, games, food and music. We would appreciate a donation of cakes for our cake walk. This will be our third Spring Fest and people have already begun to call in for a booth. In the event of bad weather we will hold Spring Fest at the Senior Center.

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

Remember we have games to play. 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.

Rhoades named to Dean's List

Amanda Stover Rhoades was named to the Dean's List for the 2004 fall semester at Texas Woman's University at Denton.

To qualify for the dean's list, students must complete at least nine hours with a minimum grade point average of 3.5, with no failing grade.

Rhoades is the daughter of Allan and Carolyn Stover of Ozona.

She is pursuing a teaching career.

Ozona Community Center Memorials

In Memory of: Sonny Henderson, Lefty Walker and Willie V. Baggett
Given by: Betty and Pierce Miller

Fellowship of Christian Athletes to host fun run Easter morning

The OHS chapter of Fellowship of Christian Athletes will be hosting "Run to the Cross," a 5K fun run, 3K walk on Easter morning.

The run will begin at 6:45 a.m. March 27 at the baseball fields and conclude on the lawn of the Ozona United Methodist Church for the sunrise service.

All runners/walkers will need to pre-register by March 21. All runners or walkers interested in participating, call Wendy Justiss at 392-2229 or Benny Granger at 392-9109.



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Care Center forms 'Family Council'

Benny Gibbs, administrator at the Crockett County Care Center, has announced that a group of family members have united to form a "Family Council."

The second meeting of the Family Council was held Feb. 23 at the Care Center where officers were elected.

Gibbs said the next meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. March 23 in the small dining room of the Care Center.

Families that have loved ones at the facility are cordially invited to the next meeting.

"The more families that get

involved with our facility, the more efficient we can all work together to make our home even better in a lot of different ways," Gibbs said.

Speakers are tentatively planned to visit the facility to address important issues in long term care, such as The Modernization Act, the Estate Recovery program and other topics of interest.

Gibbs said he invites those families that want to show an interest in participating to make plans to attend the March 23 meeting at the Care Center. Refreshments will be served.

Care Center Chatter

By JAN ST. CLAIR TICE
Activity Director

At 3:30 p.m. Thursday, we will celebrate residents' March birthdays, along with St. Patrick's Day. Our birthday parties are sponsored by Crockett National Bank.

Our Easter party is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. March 24. Wine, cheese and crackers and beverage of choice will be served.

The beautiful organ that now sits in our main lobby was given to the facility by the Jack Baggett family. We are very appreciative of the organ and many residents and guests can enjoy organ music.

Bea Vargas, one of our dietary employees, donated money for our residents Coke floats. Bea, thank you, we appreciate what you do for our residents.

Jo Ann Williamson and Nell Wester received awards at the Ozona Chamber of Commerce Banquet for their years of being beauty shop volunteers.

E.A. Wadsworth R.N., also received an award. Congratulations to these three ladies that help make up our facility.

Our volunteers for the week are Stan Burleson and Brother John Collis for the Baptist Bible Study, E.A. Wadsworth R.N. for her reading class, Mary Welty and Otis Nester for their singing

and music, members of the Church of Christ and the Ozona United Methodist Church and beauty shop volunteers Lana Chandler and Nell Wester. Thank you all, our residents appreciate you all.

On Tuesday morning, our residents and staff were entertained by a large group of ladies from Iraan singing religious songs. This program was enjoyed by everyone. Thank you ladies. The Iraan ladies were: Rose Mary Rogers, Dottie Mann, Jean Owens, Alice Turpin, Velma Sigmon, Wanda Watts, Dorothy Young, Wanda Morrow, Dennice Holley, Dorothy Sauders, Lee Sebka and Mary Lane.

U.S. Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Victor Hernandez Jr. spoke with residents, staff and guests about his time in Iraq. Victor stated he was glad to be home and proud to serve our country for freedom. Victor is the son of Patty Hernandez that works in our dietary department.

Residents and staff would like to thank our Administrator Benny Gibbs for doing an excellent job here at our facility in keeping us all informed of the latest state regulations and seeing that we meet standards for our facility.

From our house to yours, have a good week.



Submitted photo
VICTOR HERNANDEZ JR. speaks at the Care Center.

Card of Thanks

We the family of Ludivina Villa would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to all those that brought food, sent flowers and even a small note of comfort during the loss of our mother. Thank you to the pall bearers (Frank Tambunga, Ruben Cruz Jr., Keith Miller, Carlos Aguilar, Cipriano Perez, Jesus Dominguez Jr.), Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida, Juan and Frances Avila for the lovely ceremony in honor of our mother, Jesus and Josefina Dominguez for their constant prayers for our mother and father. Your kindness was appreciated more than words can say. Thank you and God Bless.

Pedro Villa, Blas Villa, Victor Villa and Donna Ortiz, Cipriano and Maria Perez, Carlos & Araceli Aguilar, Jose Guerrero
I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers.
Ephesians 1:16

Obituaries

Jose 'Chap' Rodriguez

Jose "Chapo" Rodriguez, 56, of Ozona died Tuesday, March 8, 2005 in San Angelo.

Funeral service was March 10 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church with burial in Lima Cemetery. Arrangements were by Preddy Funeral Home.

Survivors include three sisters, Eva Rodriguez, Elva Ortiz and Esperanza Tinney, all of Ozona, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Tessie Kyle Broadfoot

Tessie Kyle Broadfoot, 97, formerly of Ozona, Alpine and San Antonio died March 4, 2005 in Evanston, Ill., home of her daughter, Marsha Barnett.

Mrs. Broadfoot was born in Bennington, Okla. and moved to Ozona as a child, where she met and married Chalmers Broadfoot.

They lived in Alpine and subsequently in San Antonio, where he preceded her in death.

While living in Alpine, Mrs. Broadfoot was president of the PTA, Matron of the Order of Eastern Star and active member of The First Methodist Church. She later graduated from Sul Ross College / State University with a degree in elementary edu-

cation and a minor in library science. She taught briefly in the San Antonio public schools.

In San Antonio, Mrs. Broadfoot was a member of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, Daughters of the American Revolution and her beloved St. Andrews United Methodist Church.

In addition to her daughter, she is survived by her son-in-law, John McKnight, four grandsons, Marc (Amy), Stuart (Miriam), Eric and Scot and two great-granddaughters, Emerson Liberty and Remington Honor.

A memorial service was celebrated in Evanston, Ill. Interment was held at Cedar Hills Cemetery in Ozona.

Ozona Youth Alliance meeting Monday at the Civic Center

The Ozona Youth Alliance will meet at 6 p.m. Monday at the Crockett County Civic Center.

All those concerned with the youth of our community are invited to attend.

For more information, call Lenny Morrow at 392-8314.

Levis & Lace News



Submitted photo
LUCY HINDE celebrates her birthday at the Levis and Lace Square Dance on March 12.

By TINA JARVIS
Levis and Lace Square Dancer

On March 10, club members Leroy and Carol Adcock, Otis and Myra Nester, Brigitte Rogers, Jim Brisbin, Jim Couch, Renee Padier, JoAnn Babbitt, Nell Wester, Rita Rios, Cody Gotcher, Lucy Hinde and Tina Jarvis traveled to San Angelo to get our banner back from the Concho Squares.

Caller Ed Hart kept six squares busy with mainstream and plus calls. Everyone was fed a nice meal. Jim Couch won the honey pot and a set of trivets and Leroy Adcock won a set of trivets during a drawing at intermission.

On March 11, club members Leroy and Carol Adcock, Raul and Maria De La Rosa, Brigitte Rogers, Jim Brisbin, JoAnn Babbitt, Nell Wester and Rita Rios traveled to Fort McKavett to dance at their annual living history event.

Ed Hart, from San Angelo, Tracey Dowell, from McCaulley and Mr. Gross, from San Angelo, called on Friday night during this three-day event. People in period clothing welcomed us to their event. Buffalo soldiers, who had just returned from taking kids from El Paso

on a trail ride, also joined the festivities.

Stew, cornbread, barbecue, hot dogs and many desserts were provided. On Saturday, people dressed in period clothing played a baseball game. We could only attend Friday night as we had to dance Saturday night in Ozona.

On March 12, Bill Prichard called at our dance at the Crockett County Senior Center. Club dancers Leroy and Carol Adcock, Raul and Maria De La Rosa, Brigitte Rogers, Jim Brisbin, Jim Couch, Renee Padier, JoAnn Babbitt, Nell Wester, Mildred Couch, Tina Jarvis and birthday girl Lucy Hinde danced mainstream and learned new calls. Lucy celebrated her birthday with cake, balloons and singing of "Happy Birthday." Ray and Shirley Brown, of Iraan, joined us. We're sorry to be losing them to the Odessa group as they are moving. David Turicchi was our guest tonight.

Our next lesson will be at 7 p.m. tonight at the Crockett County Care Center.

On Friday, we will travel to Odessa to dance. We hope to take at least a square with us and capture the banner.

Our next dance will be at 8 p.m. March 26 at the Crockett County Senior Center with caller John Green from San Angelo.

Our 19th annual festival will take place April 8 and 9 at the Crockett County Civic Center. Friday night there will be a dance and then soup afterwards. Saturday, we will have a workshop at 2 p.m., a brisquet and sausage dinner at 5 p.m. and the dance afterwards featuring callers Bill Prichard from Eagle Pass and Roy Lombard from Del Rio. Everyone is invited. The brisquet dinner will be \$5 a plate.

Keep it square and happy dancing!

Ozona Garden Club News

By SHARON WILLIAMS
Ozona Garden Club

On March 7, nine members and three guests met in the home of Mrs. Vivian Childress with Mrs. Karen Childress as hostesses.

A short business meeting was conducted by President Charlotte Harrell followed by committee reports.

Tony McQuire of Fort Stockton gave a wonderful and very informative program on flower show mechanics in preparation for the annual Ozona Flower Show to be held April 14 at the Crockett County Public Library.

Members in attendance were Marolyn Bean, Alice Brewer, Vivian Childress, Charlotte Harrell, Dorothy Montgomery, Carmen Sutton, Celia West, Esther Williams and Sharon Williams.

Guests included Crystelle Childress and Sarah Sims and Brody Sims-Forehand, both of Amarillo.

For to this end I also wrote, that I might put you to the test, whether you are obedient in all things.

Now whom you forgive anything, I also forgive, For if indeed I have forgiven anything, I have forgiven that one for your sakes in the presence of Christ.

2 Corinthian 2: 9, 10

Two Men

He was born in the Mideast. He has brown eyes, brown hair and olive colored skin. He is from a royal family and very wealthy. He has no scars or outstanding marks. He is a leader and has a large group of followers. He is thought to be living in a cave in a remote part of the world. He has a goal and has been successful at it. He has purposed in his heart to bring harm and misery to many many people. He has killed men, women and children. He has also wounded and maimed many others and killed their loved ones, makes no difference to him. He has led or financed or trained people that have killed in many parts of the world.

His name is Usama Bin Laden. Another man was born in the Mideast but many years earlier He had brown hair, brown eyes, and olive colored skin. Noticeable scars, on both hands and both feet and his side. He was leader but only of a small band of twelve. He helped people by giving sight to the blind, healing the sick, and giving new life to the dead. His main purpose in life was to save the world from its sin, (John 1:29& 3:17). He said he came to seek and save the lost, (1 Timothy 1:15). He was successful but it cost him his life, His name is Jesus.

See you in Church next Sunday.

Brother J

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| First Baptist Church 901 Ave. D Rev. John Collis Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. | Ozona Church of Christ 1002 11th St. Mr. Johnnie Perkins Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m. | Ozona United Methodist Church 12 - 11th St. Rev. John Fluth Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m. |
| Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida Corner of Secretariat & Man 'O War Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Service: 7 p.m. | Faith Lutheran Church 802 1st St. Worship: 9 a.m. | Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church 2121 Santa Rosa St. Rev. Jon & Charity McCullough Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Family Service: 6:30 p.m. |
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| Iglesia de Cristo Hwy 163 S. at Quail Run Interim - Ray Valadez Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 6 p.m. | | |

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CHAMBER: Fire department honored for heroic service

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"She cares for the elderly, some of which have been forgotten, for people who cannot speak English and are frightened to get help elsewhere," said chamber board director Sandy Glover.

The Ozona Volunteer Fire Department was honored as Organization of the Year for their service to the citizens of Crockett County.

The organization is made up of around 30 members that devote their time to protecting the residents of Crockett County which is 2,600 square miles, said Chamber Vice Chairman Mack Richie. The department also averages 120 runs per year.

"The department is aggressive. When arriving upon a burning home, our local firefighters are compassionate in knowing that the home contains family treasures that can never be replaced," Richie said. "Aside from fighting fires they never refuse service, whether it is to remove a cat from a tree, tackle a few killer bees or enter burning buildings to protect both lives and property."

Along with honoring the fire department, Lue Morrow, "the mother" of the fire station, was recognized as the Legacy of Spirit award recipient.

As chair of the local Salvation Army, Morrow has helped more than 346 people with food, lodging, gas, utilities or a bus ticket. She also helps organize the Toys for Tots campaign, bake sales, talent shows and concession stands to raise funds.

"She enjoys keeping the firefighters in line," said Chamber Treasurer Debbie Long. "Those of you who know this lady know that her



Photo by Stephen Zuberbueller

KATHY KEATON aka Piccolo the Clown (center) entertains during the 41st annual Ozona Chamber of Commerce Banquet with help from clown-nosed volunteers Lue Morrow (left) and Patsy White (right).

lack of sight has not held her back." Special recognition awards were presented to Nell Wester and Jo Ann Williamson for their volunteer work in the beauty shop each week at the Crockett County Care Center.

Williamson has volunteered at the Care Center for 30 years and Wester has been volunteering for the past nine years.

The Crockett County Probation Department also received a special recognition award for the numerous hours and work of community service throughout Ozona and Crockett County.

The Crockett County Soil and Water Conservation District recognized the Bill Cole Ranch for outstanding work in the field

of soil conservation, and the Buck Owens family for outstanding conservation ranching family.

West Texas Rehabilitation Center honored Kay Stewart for her work as coordinator for the annual telethon and The Ozona Stockman for continuing to publish the rehab center's story.

Kay Schaffer was honored as a retiring chamber director and Louise Ledoux was honored as past chamber chairman.

Chamber Executive Director Shanon Biggerstaff reported on projects completed in 2004 and upcoming ones in 2005.

Entertainment was provided by "The Plaids" and Kathy Keaton, aka Piccolo the Clown.

Board: Band director's resignation on the agenda

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The report is a breakdown of how each district campus performed on the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills test, the Reading Proficiency Tests in English and the State-Developed Alternative Assessment test.

Ozona High School was given an accountability rating of Academically Acceptable. Ozona Middle School was given a rating of Recognized with a Gold Performance in attendance and commended on writing. Ozona Intermediate School was given a Recognized rating with a Gold Performance being commended in reading/English language arts and writing.

Other items on the agenda: Discussion and approval of teacher/coach contracts for the 2005-2006 school year.

Accept resignation submitted by high school band director Sonny Bahlman.

Consider hiring a high school science teacher.

Discussion and approval of the district textbook committee report.

Approve district housing guidelines and agreement.

Campus officials reports.

The public is allowed to speak during the two public hearing and during the open forum about agenda and non-agenda items.

However, any discussion by school board members on comments about non-agenda items must be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a future meeting, according to the Texas Open Meetings Act.

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

Nutrition/Food Pantry program to be focus on protein rich foods

The Nutrition/Food Pantry will be held at 9:30 a.m. March 31 in the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

This class will focus on USDA Food Guide Pyramid.

We will discuss the nutritional value, serving size and

other protein rich foods of the meat group.

The class is open to all interested persons. However, in order to receive a food box, you must pre-register.

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COURT: Speed bumps to be added to baseball fields

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"I didn't know when they took it off or anything. We couldn't figure out what was going on," Owens said.

Moore said he believed it was taken off in 1985 when it was deemed all University Lands.

Jones said the county would have to go through the procedure of establishing a new county road in order to adopt it. Under the map adoption process at this time, the county is only able to certify and make legal the existing roads.

In order to establish a new county road, court action must have been taken, condemnation or the road has been granted deeded excess, Jones said.

There also has to be a public use or need for the road to be established by the county.

"It's a private road at this point. That's where it is today. We can't deal with it today by adding it," Jones said. "It will be tough for us to open a new road, but it is something we can investigate."

Jones said the county has a 90-day comment period before they formally adopt the map.

Roland DeHoyos addressed the board on building speed bumps and replacing some of the bleachers at the Little League and T-Ball fields.

DeHoyos said that the organization has received applications and rosters for 216 children com-

pared to 168 last year.

With so many players signed up, DeHoyos said he is concerned with safety issues such as slowing down traffic especially with high school baseball and softball also out there. Currently, there north entrance is closed for traffic control.

"That is my safety precaution," DeHoyos said. "Once people turn the corner, they are coming fast."

Moore said putting speed bumps in the parking area should not be a problem.

DeHoyos also said the practice fields need to be smoothed out due to four-wheeling that takes place after it rains.

"I'm afraid the kids are going to get hurt in the ruts," he said.

Improvements on the bleachers are also coming. Moore said he is looking at replacing the wooden bleachers one at a time with aluminum.

"All of this is just little things, but once you add 216 kids plus mom and dad and siblings it adds up to around 800 people in one area," DeHoyos said.

Joyce Young announced to the commissioners that she is retiring as director of the Crockett County Civic Center.

"The (Civic Center) Board has asked me to stay on until they get a new director, which I am but

I'm not doing much. I just hope the center keeps going. I believe in it all. It's a good thing," Young said. "We appreciate all the work you've done," Jones said.

The commissioners approved the authorization of advertisement for a new director of the Crockett County Civic Center.

Crockett County Librarian said that a project is in the works to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the library in the fall.

Crockett County Museum Board President Jan VanShoubreouek said that the museum is needing cookers for the May 14 Shrimp Fest event.

Crockett County Care Center Administrator Benny Gibbs said the center has received a \$10,000 grant from the Hillcrest Foundation in Dallas.

The commissioners declined the request by Crockett County/District Clerk Debbie Puckett-Moore for a chief deputy.

Other items approved: A 2006-2007 improvement grant from the Texas Department of Transportation for rehabilitation and repair at the airport.

Final plan for Deer Canyon Ranch Phase 2.

Right-of-way acquisition on Liveoak Creek Bridge project.

Execution of a resolution opposing elimination of community development block grant program.

Southwest Texas ACA receives patronage payment

Eric C. Rothe, chief executive officer of Southwest Texas ACA, has announced the payment of \$5 million to farmers, ranchers and rural land owners doing business with Southwest Texas ACA.

The association's cooperative structure gives the stockholder elected board of directors the ability to distribute all or part of its net income to stockholder/borrowers by declaring a patronage refund and/or a dividend on stock.

The board of directors has elected to return \$5 million of

the 2004 earnings to the borrowers in the form of a patronage refund paid in cash.

The earnings distribution to each borrower is based on the amount of interest the association earns on the borrower's loan.

According to Rothe, the association continues to experience excellent growth and earnings that have strengthened the association's capital position.

"Over the past five years, we have returned in excess of \$12 million to our stockholder/borrowers in patronage refunds and dividends and we're now adding

another \$5 million to that amount. Our board of directors is particularly pleased to return such a significant amount, while maintaining a strong capital position to position us for future growth," Rothe said.

Southwest Texas ACA provides financing for rural real estate, equipment, livestock, improvements and ag-related businesses.

The association is headquartered in Devine with branch offices in Edinburg, Hondo, Laredo, Marfa, Pleasanton, San Antonio, Sonora and Uvalde.

Texas State Technical College to host second annual Mechanical Technology Division Career Day

Texas State Technical College (TSTC) West Texas Sweetwater will host the annual Mechanical Technology Division Career Day from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. April 16 on the TSTC West Texas Sweetwater Campus.

Prospective students are invited to bring their family members to this event. A free lunch will be provided.

The following TSTC West Texas Sweetwater Campus

Mechanical Division Technology programs will be showcased during this event: Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Technology, Auto Collision Repair Technology, Automotive Technology, Building Construction Technology and Diesel Technology.

The new Culinary Arts program will also be featured.

TSTC West Texas Sweetwater faculty and industry representatives will be in these departments

for tours and questions/answers.

New this year will be Mechanical Technology displays from two other TSTC West Texas campuses: Abilene - Aircraft Pilot Training and Aviation Maintenance Technology; Brownwood - Machining Technology and Welding Technology.

For information, call Judy Romine at 1-800-592-8784 ext. 431 or e-mail judy.romine@tstc.edu before April 11.

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JV baseball team off to a winning start

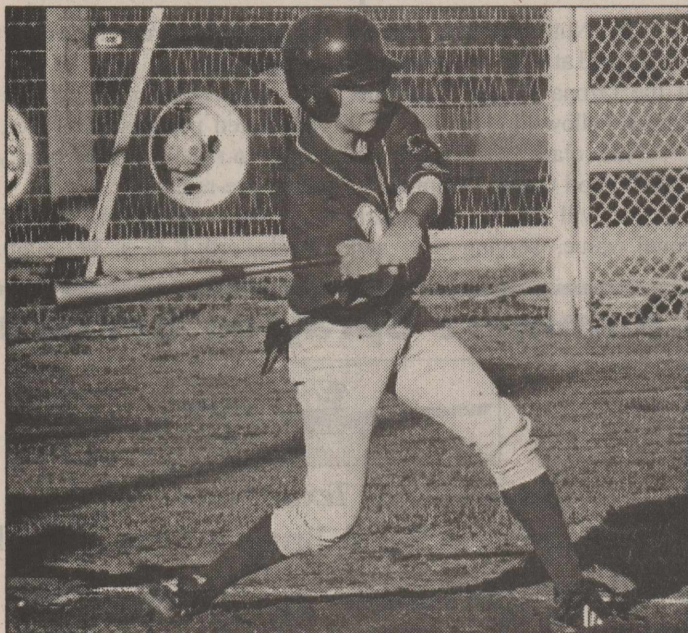


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MARK TAMBUNGA made a single on this swing to bring in one run for the JV Lions in their 16-5 victory over Big Lake.

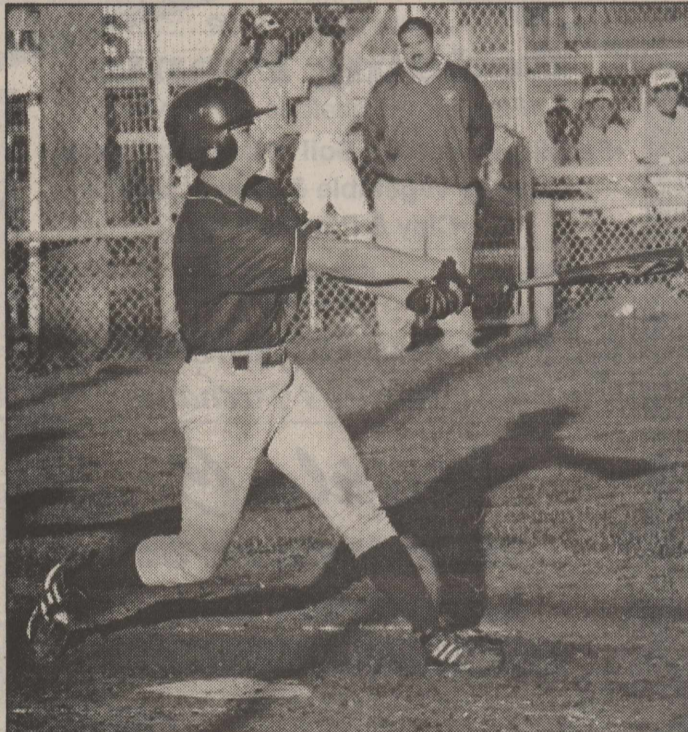


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STEVE VARGAS was one for three and brought in two runs in the JV Lions win over Big Lake on March 7.

**By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher**

The JV Lions Baseball Team got off to a winning start on March 7 with a 16-5 victory over Reagan County.

"It was nice to finally play our first game. Joe did a good job on the mound, and the guys played good defense behind him and put up a lot of runs on the board," said Coach David Delgado.

The JV team will face Wall

at 6:30 p.m. Friday and then Eldorado at 4 p.m. Monday. Both games will be at the baseball complex.

| Score by innings: | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | F |
|-------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Reagan Co.- | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 5 |
| Ozona | - | 0 | 5 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 16 |

Winning pitcher - Joe Lira, he pitched 6 innings, gave up 5 runs on 5 hits and 5 strikeouts.

Batters - Kolton McGinnis - 1 for 2, 2 walks, 3 runs; Thomas Gray - 2 for 5, 2 runs; Mark Tambunga - 1 for 3, 1 walk, 2 runs; Steve Vargas - 1 for 3, 1 walk, 2 runs; Albert Barrera - 2 walks, 2 runs; Rylee Ramos - 1 for 1, 1 run and Josh Santos - 2 walks, 2 runs.



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JOE LIRA was the winning pitcher for the JV Lions as they defeated the Reagan County Owls 16-5.



Congratulations Seniors!!!

THE SENIOR MEMBERS OF THE OHS TENNIS TEAM celebrate their second place victory at the state team tennis meet. Pictured are: (front, l. to r.) David Casarez, Ruben Talamantez, Roland Galindo, Kristin Bunger, Jenna Henderson, Hilary Huffman and Amber Batura. Back: Paarth Raj, Jeff Gillit and Jared Bird.

State Team Tennis (continued from front page)

Jared Bird and Julia Henderson were victorious in mixed-doubles as they beat Luff and Blake 6-1, 6-1.

In singles, Moore defeated Wilson 6-1, 6-1; Jenna Henderson beat Mendiola 6-4, 6-2; Huffman defeated Miller 6-4, 6-1; Graves beat Herring 1-6, 6-2, 15-13; Julia Henderson beat Cooper 6-1, 6-0; Larson beat Farley 6-1, 6-3; Galindo lost to Mendiola 7-5, 6-4; Gillit lost to Cline 7-6 (7-4), 6-1; Talamantez beat Helm 6-2, 6-2; Espino beat Blackman 6-2, 6-3; Bird defeated Wilson 6-1, 6-3 and David Casarez lost to Yeager 6-4, 5-7, 10-7.

In the quarter-final round, Ozona defeated Thorndale by a score of 16-3.

Once again the girls swept all nine of their matches without a loss, Bachman said.

Moore and Jenna Henderson beat Caffey and Lindeman 6-1, 6-3; Huffman and Graves beat Lehman and Gamble 6-1, 6-0 and Larson and Bunger won their match by default.

Galindo and Talamantez beat Gamble and Melde 6-0, 6-3; Gillit and Espino defeated Cuba and Heine 6-1, 6-3; Raj and Tambunga beat Rieger and Rieger 6-1, 6-2 and Bird and Julia Henderson lost to Heine and Titlow 2-6, 6-4, 10-8 in a very close match.

In singles, Moore beat Caffey 6-2, 6-2; Henderson beat Lindeman 6-3, 6-0; Huffman beat Titlow 6-0, 6-2; Graves defeated Lehman 6-0, 6-3; Amber Batura beat Gamble 6-0, 6-0; Gillit played the number one singles for the boys and lost a very close match to Melde 4-6, 6-3, 10-7; Talamantez beat Gamble 6-0, 6-2; Espino beat Cuba 6-3, 7-6 (7-1); Bird beat Heine 6-2, 6-1; Casarez lost to Schwartz 7-5, 6-4 and Justin Maldonado beat Ging 6-0, 6-1.

In the semi-final round, Ozona defeated a very salty Reagan County team by a score of 12-5. Moore and Jenna Henderson beat Ridgeway and Romero 6-1, 6-3; Huffman and Graves beat L. Moore and H. Moore 6-3, 7-6 (7-3); Larson and Bunger defeated Wilha and Aguilar 6-4, 4-6, 10-6; Galindo and Talamantez defeated Carrillo and A. Hernandez 6-1, 5-7, 10-4; Gillit and Espino beat Campbell and Campbell 6-2, 6-2; Raj and Tambunga beat Ash and Gonzalez 6-2, 4-6, 10-4; and Bird and Julia Henderson lost a very close match to D. Moore and G. Hernandez 6-2, 4-6, 10-4.

In singles action, Moore beat Ridgeway 6-1, 6-2; Jenna Henderson beat L. Moore 6-2, 6-2; Huffman lost to Romero 6-4, 6-1; Graves lost to H. Moore 6-2, 6-3; Julia Henderson beat Tovar 6-3,

7-5; Larson was down against Levario 7-8 when the match was called; Batura beat Subia 8-4; Galindo lost to Carrillo 6-2, 6-4; Gillit lost to A. Hernandez 6-3, 7-5; Talamantez beat Gonzalez 6-4, 6-2; Espino beat Brice Campbell 3-6, 6-3, 10-5; Bird beat G. Hernandez 6-3, 6-1; Casarez was even with Brit Campbell 3-6, 5-4 when the match was called and Joseph beat Ash 8-2.

"This was a huge match as the rivalry between these two schools is just tremendous. Our kids stepped up once again and dominated a very tough Reagan County team in the doubles to be in a position to run on though them in the singles," Bachman said.

In the final round, Ozona again lost to the best team in the state for the past three years, Mason, by a score of 13-6.

Moore and Jenna Henderson lost to the defending state doubles champs Smith and Drennan 6-2, 6-1; Huffman and Graves came very close to defeating Morris and Dockal as they lost 3-6, 6-4, 10-7; Larson and Bunger lost to Geistweidt and Nesloney 6-0, 6-0; Galindo and Talamantez lost a very close match to Baxter and McLeod 6-4, 4-6, 10-4; Gillit and Espino lost to Vargas and Lehmburg 6-1, 6-0; Raj and Tambunga beat Estes and Velez 6-3, 6-3 and Bird and Julia Henderson lost to Blair and Maenius 6-1, 6-3.

In singles, Moore lost to Smith 7-5, 6-0; Jenna Henderson beat Estes 7-6 (8-6), 6-2; Huffman lost to Blair 6-2, 6-2; Graves lost to Drennan 8-1; Julia Henderson lost to Nesloney 6-0, 6-1; Larson lost to Lehmburg 6-2, 6-2; Puja Bhakta beat Lange 8-1; Batura beat Estes 6-2; Galindo defeated Baxter 6-2, 6-2; Gillit lost to Vargas 6-3, 6-3; Talamantez beat Maenius 7-6 (7-4), 6-2; Espino lost to McLeod 6-0, 6-4; Bird beat Lehmburg 3-6, 6-1, 10-4; Tambunga beat Frey 6-3, 6-3; Casarez beat Rhodes 8-1 and Maldonado beat Martin 8-0.

"I was totally satisfied with the effort exhibited by our team as they gave Mason a good fight and played some close matches with the three-time defending state champs. We received many complements from the Mason fans after the match as to the way our kids battled and the sportsmanship they displayed. This meant a lot to me as everyone from Mason knows the game very well and they were highly impressed with our kids. We were all very excited to be able to participate once again in the State Tournament and I was very happy for all our players as they will remember this forever," Bachman said.

Varsity baseball competes in tourney

**By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher**

The Ozona Lions Varsity Baseball Team competed in the Bangs Tournament this past weekend.

In their first game, the Lions defeated Hico 12-2.

Winning pitcher - Caleb Mitchel (1-0), he gave up two runs, one hit, 1 strikeout and 3 walks.

The Lions scored 12 runs on 12 hits, said Coach Ronny Clayton.

Top hitters - Jordan Long, 2 for 3, 2 RBIs and scored 3 runs; David Esparza, 1 for 3; Drew Clayton, 1 for 3; Matt McGuire, 1 for 3 with 1 double; Eric Martinez, 2 for 3 with 1 double and 2 runs; Dawson Owens, 3 for 3, 3 RBIs and 3 runs; Josh Santos,

1 for 3 and Nick Perez, 1 for 2 and 1 double.

In their second game, the Lions lost to Bangs 1-7.

Losing pitcher - Long (2-1).

The Lions then lost in the third place game against Bangs 0-10.

Losing pitcher - McGuire (0-1).

Top hitters - Long 3 for 4 and McGuire 1 for 2.

The Lions will face Wall at 4 p.m. Friday at the baseball complex and then take on Eldorado at 4 p.m. Tuesday in Eldorado.

The Ozona Athletic Booster Club will meet at 7:00 p.m., on Monday, March 21, at the OMS library.

Lady Lions place third in Reagan County Relays

**By MELISSA PERNER
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The Lady Lions varsity track team placed third this past weekend at the Reagan County Relays in Big Lake.

"The girls did a great job. We were missing several girls due to injuries and Spring Break, so I thought third as a team was pretty good," said Coach Benny Granger.

Results are as follows:

3200m run - 1. Britney Ramos, 12 minutes and 24.34 seconds and 2. Vicky Treto, 12:51.58.
Discus - 5. Erika Rubio, 74'7".

Shot put - 2. Erika Rubio, 27' 11 3/4".

400-meter relay - 2. Kayla Parks, Tyler Cunningham, Tashina Lewis, Heather Ybarra, 53.55.

800-meter run - 4. Allison Skehan, 2:45.37.

100-meter hurdles - 4. Erika Conner, 18.77 and 6. Erica Venegas, 19.7.

100-meter dash - 2. Kayla Parks, 13.69.

800-meter relay - 4. Kayla parks, Tyler Cunningham, Tashina Lewis, Heather Ybarra, 1:58.9.

200-meter dash - 2. Heather Ybarra, 28.14.

1600-meter run - 1. Britney Ramos, 5:41 and 4. Vicky Treto, 6:05.3.

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Crockett County Sheriff's Report

WEEKLY NEWS REPORT 3-8-05 to 3-14-05

3-8-05
 • Deputy provided civil standby at 1900 block of Willow Street.
 • Deputy provided civil standby at 1200 block of Hickory Street.
3-9-05
 • Deputies assisted Sutton County Deputies in locating a gas drive off from Sutton County. Subjects were located and arrested for Sutton County.
 • Report of suspicious person at local apartment on State Highway 163 south. Subjects were same subject from gas drive off.
 • Deputy met with complainant about subject not returning a bike, bike was turned over to owner.
 • Deputy provided civil standby 600 block of Avenue F.
 • Report of intoxicated subject 1000 block of 11th Street. Subject was picked up by family member.
 • Report of subject knock on door at 1000 block of 11th Street. Subject was gone upon deputy arrival.
3-10-05
 • Report of intoxicated subject 1800 block of Piedra Street. Complainant advised that he did not want subject coming to his house, subject was advised.
 • Deputy met with complainant 1600 block of Santa Rosa Street about harassment. Deputy talk with subject and was advised of complainant.

• Deputy met with complainant 100 block of first street about harassment. Deputy made conduct with subject and advise subject of problem.
 • Report of reckless driver on 1st Street. Deputy was unable to locate.
 • Deputy met with complainant at local restaurant about family members taking some of his personal items. Deputy advised complainant that it was going to be a civil matter.
 • Report of loud music in the area of Monterey Street. Subjects were advised to call it a night.
3-11-05
 • Report of subject consuming alcohol at business on 14th Street, and Avenue C. Deputy checked area.
 • Deputy met with citizen at the sheriff's office concerning a theft. Deputy filed incident report.
 • Report of kids walking in traffic on Avenue J. Deputy unable to locate juveniles.
 • Theft of gas from 1300 block of Avenue C. Deputy had subject return to pay for fuel.
 • Report of juvenile following another juvenile on Corto Street. Deputy spoke to subject.
3-12-05
 • Deputy met with complainant on civil matter on 600 block 11th Street.
 • Report of dog in neighbors' yard on Hickory St. Deputy had dog taken to kennel.
 • Reckless driver on State Highway 163.

Deputy spoke to driver.
 • 911 medical call on 200 block of Ave I. Deputy assisted EMS.
3-13-05
 • Report of harassment at Crockett Apartments. Deputy took report.
 • Report of intoxicated female on Piedra Street. DPS Trooper assisted.
 • Theft report on 1700 block of Del Rio. Deputy met with subject.
 • Stranded motorist on 15th Street. Dispatch unable to contact tire service.
 • Juvenile report of Airport Road. Deputy checked area.
3-14-05
 • Report of loud music in the corner of Willow and Hickory streets. Subject were advised to call it a night.
 • Report of loud music in the area of 1st Street and Avenue J. Deputy advised all quite upon his arrival.
 • Report of a disturbance 100 block of Swaps Street. Subject was gone upon deputy arrival.
 • Deputy met with complainant on Avenue E about paintball strikes done to her house. Complainant did not wish to file charges just wanted deputy to be aware of problem.
 • Deputy met with complainant at the office on being harassed. Complainant did not want to file charge at this time.

• Xavier Burney, 19, of Birmingham Ala. was arrested by sheriff deputies on charge of theft from Sutton County. Subject was transfer to Sutton County.
3-10-05
 • Tiffany Marie Gravell, 21, of Ozona was arrested by DPS officer on a Coke County warrant for motion to revoke probation. Subject was release from jail after posting bond.
3-11-05
 • Scott Breedlove, 38, of Ozona was picked up at Tom Green County Jail, on two Crockett County warrants for theft of fire arm and endangering a child. Subject remains in jail unable to post bond.
3-14-05
 • Timothy Garmon, 37, of San Angelo was picked up at Tom Green County Jail on a Crockett County warrant for theft. Subject remains in jail unable to post bond.

OFFENSE REPORTS
3-8-05
 • Deputy file an offense report for theft of firearms, a warrant was issue and subject was arrested.
3-10-05
 • Deputy filed an offense report for forgery government financial instrument; person took check and forged the signature. Investigation continues.
 • Deputy met with complainant at the office about theft - complainant advised that while she was at work person or person stole some money from her purse. Deputy took an offense report of theft, investigation continues.

3-13-05
 • Deputy filed a burglary of habitation report. Deputy met with complainant 1700 block of Del Rio Street, complainant advised that person or persons removed an air conditioner from her house, investigation continues.



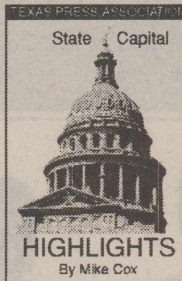
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CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF DEPUTY FRED FIERRO speaks to three subjects after Sutton County Sheriff's Department reported they left Sonora on a gas drive off on March 9. After searching down Interstate-10, Fierro located the three subjects behind the Crockett Apartments on State Highway 163 south. Christian Pierre Moore, 18, of Birmingham Ala. was arrested by sheriff deputies on charge of theft from Sutton County. Subject was transfer to Sutton County. Terry Lavell Dirden, 18, of Birmingham Ala. was arrested by sheriff deputies on charge of theft from Sutton County. Subject was transfer to Sutton County.

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Legislators file 863 bills at deadline



AUSTIN - It wasn't quite as big a deal as some other dates this month - Texas Independence Day (March 2) and the anniversary of the fall of the Alamo (March 6) - but March 11 loomed large in the Legislature. That day, the 60th of this legislative session, was the last day lawmakers could file bills or joint resolutions. After the 60-day deadline only local bills, emergency appropriations and bills on issues the governor declares to be an emergency can be filed. The only other way to get a non-emergency bill considered takes a four-to-five vote to waive the rules. As of closing time March 11, House members had filed 4,395 measures, while their Senate colleagues had placed 2,199 pieces of legislation in the hopper. That adds up to 6,594 measures ranging from resolutions honoring someone on a milestone birthday to bills that will change the way Texans pay their taxes. So far, the Legislature has passed 853 measures - mainly non-controversial resolutions. The deadline day saw the filing of 863 bills, the most for any single day since bill pre-filing began last Nov. 8. March 10 was almost as busy, with 651 measures filed. In fact, the last three days for bill filling are always the busiest. Last session, more than 20 percent of the legislation was filed on days 58, 59 and 60. **HB 2 update...** House Bill 2, the education bill, passed March 11. As it stands (subject to whatever Senate changes make it out of conference committee) the measure would allocate \$1.5 billion more for public schools annually, give teachers a \$3,000 pay raise and make school system performance measures more stringent. **HB 3 update...** One of the most important bills under consideration is House Bill 3, the measure providing for the tax law changes that will fund the education bill. House Speaker Tom Craddick, R-Midland, abruptly adjourned the House on March 11, saying he wanted members to have more time to ponder the various tax changes set forth in the bill. **A welcome "flood"...** South Texas farmers and ranchers, as well as Texans who like fishing and boating, will benefit from the release by Mexico of 733,000 acre-feet of water into the Rio Grande by Sept. 5. That influx of water will put lakes Amistad and Falcon in fine shape and send water downstream to the Valley, where much of it will be used for agricultural irrigation. Mexico's agreement to release the water into the river ends a 12-year dispute over provisions of a 1944 water rights treaty between that country and the U.S. **Job growth continues...** The Texas Workforce Commission reports that Texas gained 21,900 new jobs in January, the fifth straight month of job growth. Unemployment, meanwhile, was 5.9 percent in January. "The number of jobs is increasing, the number of employed is increasing, the number of unemployed is decreasing, and claims [for unemployment benefits] are dropping," TWC Commissioner Ronny Congleton said. For employment information by metropolitan area, check the commission's Web site at www.twc.state.tx.us.

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| #1 old crop lambs 50-70 lbs. | 1.20-1.25 |
| #1 old crop lambs 70-90 lbs. | 1.10-1.15 |
| 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 | 65-75 |
| Angora kids | 1.30-1.40 |
| Angora kids-shorn | 1.15-1.30 |
| 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 | 1.10-1.20 |
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JAILER VACANCY Crockett County Sheriff's Department is accepting Applications for the position of Jailer through March 28, 2005. Salary \$10.19 per hour, \$22,233.13 per year. Applicant must be a citizen of the United States; at least eighteen (18) years of age; a high school graduate or have passed a GED test, or have

obtained the equivalent of twelve (12) semester hours at an accredited college or university; not have been discharged from any military service under less than honorable conditions; not on probation for a criminal offense; not been convicted of a felony offense; not been convicted of a misdemeanor offense of a grade of "Class A" or it's equivalent within the last twelve (12) months; not been convicted of a misdemeanor of the grade of "Class B" or it's equivalent within the last six (6) months; not convicted of the offense of Driving While Intoxicated or Driving Under the Influence of Drugs within the last two (2) years. Applicants should be of good moral character, be able to pass as background investigation and interview board. Successful applicants must pass a Psychological Evaluation, a Medical Examination, Drug Test and Work Steps Program. After employment, must complete a State Certified Jail School within the first year of employment and pass the State License Examination. Applicants can be picked up at the Crockett County Sheriff's Department in Ozona, Texas or by calling (325) 392-2661. 2c07

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LAND WANTED: 350-400 acres south or west of Ozona. CASH deal. Please call, I am very interested. Call 325-392-2382 tfc04



Texas Department of Transportation

The Ozona Maintenance Section of the Texas Department of Transportation (Tx DOT) located at 229 N. SH 163, Ozona, Texas is accepting applications for the position of **Summer Maintenance Tech I**

The entry level pay rate for this position will be \$7.25 per hour. The minimum requirements for this position are: Must be at least 17 years of age, a student in high school or other educational institution or have been accepted for enrollment in an educational institution. Employees 18 years of age or older with a valid drivers license may be assigned driving duties and may use power tools.

A Completed Hard Copy Application is Required. The On-line application system is not available for this position. Applications are available at any TxDOT Office and will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on March 31, 2005.

Questions regarding this position or the application process may be directed to the Maintenance Supervisor (325) 392-2505 or Human Resources at (325) 944-1501. An Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer



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Texas Department of Transportation

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Job Title: Transportation Maint Tech II
Location: Ozona Maintenance Section S.H. 163 North, Ozona, TX

Job Number: 00-7566
Closing Date: 03/23/05 at 5:00 p.m.
Salary: \$9.35-12.34 per Hour

Minimum Requirements: One (1) year of experience in maintenance, construction or an equipment operation related field. (Experience requirements may be satisfied by full-time experience or the prorated part-time equivalent.) Must have or obtain within 60 days from employment a Commercial Driver License. In addition to the CDL, the employee must have or obtain within 90 calendar days of employment the X endorsement. Must be able to report for duty within 30 minutes of notification on a 24-hour basis.

(The above is not a complete list of requirements or qualifications.) A Completed Application is Required. For additional information call Human Resources at 325-944-1501 or <http://www.dot.state.tx.us/> An applicant needing an accommodation in order to apply for the above job may call Human Resources.

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Public Notices

PUBLIC HEARINGS MARCH 22, 2005 6:30 P.M.
CROCKETT COUNTY CONSOLIDATED COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 797 AVENUE D OZONA, TX

Public Hearing for Waiver of First Day of School 2005-06:
Crockett County Consolidated Common School District intends to apply under Section 7.056 for a waiver of the prohibition to begin the 2005-2006 school year before the week in which August 21 falls. Crockett County Consolidated Common School District will submit a waiver to begin the first day of instruction for the 2005-2006 school year on August 17, 2005.

Public Hearing for AEIS Report:
According to Board Policy BR (LEGAL) and Texas Education Code §39.053 ©, a district must hold a hearing for public discussion of the report within 90 days after the report is received from TEA. In addition to posting an agenda as required by the Open Meetings Act, the District must also notify property owners and parents in the District of the hearing by providing notice to a newspaper of general circulation in the District and notice to electronic media serving the District.

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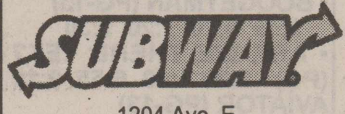
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Lease Wanted

WANTED: Long-term grass lease in the Big Lake, Barnhart, Merzon and Ozona area. Contact Johnny Ferguson, J&J Cattle Co. 325-885-2017 or 325-450-2087. tfc43

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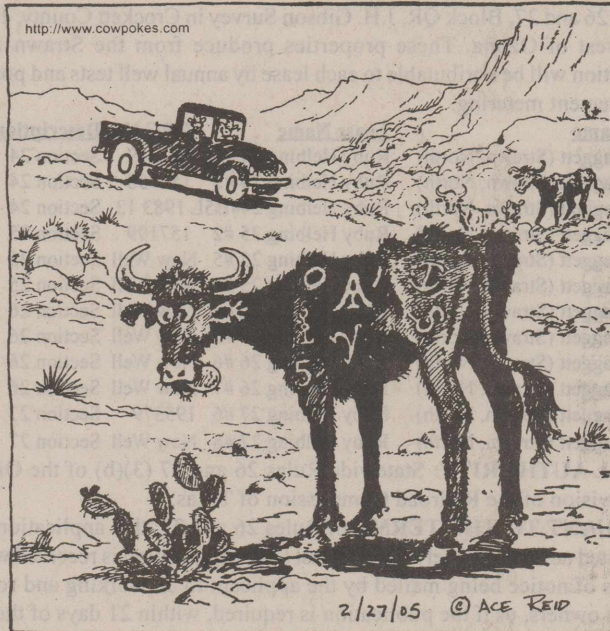
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Public Notices

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) CONTRACTS
Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)
Dist/Div: San Angelo Contract 6126-95-001 for UPGRADING METAL BEAM GAURD FENCE in CROCKETT County, etc will be received on April 13, 2005 until 1:00 pm and opened on April 13, 2005 at 2:00 pm at the District Office for an estimate of \$141,350.00.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 15904

State Office
Constr./Maint. Division
200 E. Riverside Dr.
Austin, Texas 78704
Phone: 512-416-2540
Dist/Div Office(s)
San Angelo District
District Engineer
4502 Knickerbocker Rd
San Angelo, Texas 76904
Phone: 325-944-1501

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin. 2c07

Notice of Public Meetings

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will conduct public meetings for the purpose of soliciting public input concerning project selection for the Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan and for the purpose of disseminating information about the Unified Transportation Program and the Transportation Improvement Plan.

Projects within the 15 county area of the San Angelo District will be considered. TxDOT officials will be on hand to present, discuss, and solicit comments concerning the draft Transportation Improvement Program for the fiscal years 2006 through 2008. The San Angelo District is composed of the following counties: Coke, Concho, Crockett, Edwards, Glasscock, Irion, Kimble, Menard, Reagan, Real, Runnels, Schleicher, Sterling, Sutton, and Tom Green.

Meetings will be held at the following locations and times:
San Angelo, Texas - Texas Department of Transportation District Office, Assembly Room - 4502 Knickerbocker Road - 2:30 PM - Wednesday, April 6, 2005
Ozona, Texas - Crockett Room - 509 11th Street (Business Loop 466) 9:00 AM - Tuesday April 19, 2005

The San Angelo meeting will be held in conjunction with the San Angelo Metropolitan Planning Organization (City of San Angelo) to solicit public input for Transportation Improvement Plan within the San Angelo Metropolitan Area Boundaries. The Texas Department of Transportation will solicit public input for projects outside the Metropolitan Area Boundaries at both meetings.

Written comments will be accepted through April 27, 2005. Comments concerning projects outside the San Angelo Metropolitan Planning Organization boundary should be addressed to: Walter G. McCullough, P.E. District Engineer, Texas Department of Transportation, 4502 Knickerbocker Road, San Angelo, Texas 76904 Email: jdwitt@dot.state.tx.us

Written comments concerning projects inside the San Angelo Metropolitan Planning Organization boundary should be addressed to: E'lisa Smetana MPO Director/Senior Transportation Planner City of San Angelo, PO Box 1751, San Angelo, Texas 76902 Email: "Elisa Smetana" smetanae@sanangelompo.org

All interested citizens are invited to attend and participate in these meetings. Persons attending the meetings who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact the District Public Information Officer at (325) 944-1501. Requests should be made no later than two days prior to the meeting. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs. 1c07

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.

| Field Name | Lease Name | RR# | Description |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------|---------------------|
| Hunt-Baggett (Strawn, North) | Ruby Helbing 24 #1 | 062349 | Section 24 |
| Hunt-Baggett (Strawn, North) | Ruby Helbing 24 #2 | 151758 | Section 24 |
| Hunt-Baggett (Strawn, North) | Ruby Helbing 24#B5L 1983 13 | | Section 24 |
| Hunt-Baggett (Strawn, North) | Ruby Helbing 25 #2 | 157199 | Section 25 |
| Hunt-Baggett (Strawn, North) | Ruby Helbing 25 #5 | | New Well Section 25 |
| Hunt-Baggett (Strawn, North) | Ruby Helbing 25 #6 | | New Well Section 25 |
| Hunt-Baggett (Strawn, North) | Ruby Helbing 26 #4 | | New Well Section 26 |
| Hunt-Baggett (Strawn, North) | Ruby Helbing 26 #5 | | New Well Section 26 |
| Hunt-Baggett (Strawn, North) | Ruby Helbing 26 #6 | | New Well Section 26 |
| Hunt-Baggett (Strawn, North) | Ruby Helbing 26 #7 | | New Well Section 26 |
| Hunt-Baggett (Strawn, North) | Ruby Helbing 27 #6 | 195379 | Section 27 |
| Hunt-Baggett (Strawn, North) | Ruby Helbing 27 #8 | | New Well Section 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 Forgue, 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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