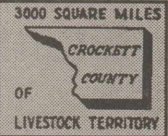


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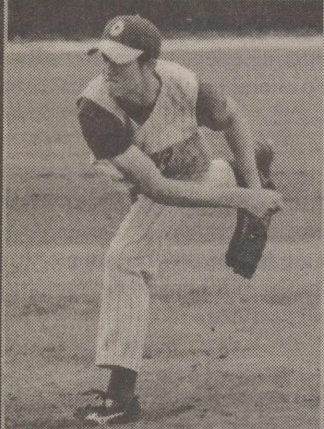
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## Sheriff's department warns against meth usage

*Editor's note: The following was reprinted with permission from the Crockett County Sheriff's Office.*

Today, Methamphetamine is one of the most used and abused illegal drugs throughout the United States. Because of its ease to manufacture and the low cost, Meth abuse is rapidly increasing virtually in every city, county and state. Users of this powerful drug are often totally unaware of the toxic chemicals that go into making the drug. All too often, Methamphetamine is manufactured by inexperienced users in "home made labs" that are known to blow up and

produce toxic fumes. As the Methamphetamine continues to evolve the users are coming out with higher concentrated forms of the drug. Ice has become a much purer form of Methamphetamine. With longer effects the users are known to experience the high or tweak for days at a time. With a purer form of the drug, Ice users may also experience the side effects 10 times faster and more intense than the average Meth user. Evidence of Ice use has already been found in Crockett County, said Deputy Fred Fierro. An Ice user can experience many side effects from this terri-

ble drug. Extreme paranoia, violent behavior, rapid weight loss, tooth loss, grinding of the teeth, hallucinations, hearing voices, pale complexion, symptoms of Parkinson's disease, rapid speech that makes no sense, depression, sleeping or sleeplessness for long periods of time, suicidal ideation's and different forms of schizophrenia. Ice users are also known to see shadows that move and feel that people are after them. Sometimes Ice users accuse their family members and friends of being with the Police, FBI, CIA or other government agencies and express extreme anger and violence

to their loved ones. These side effects can often remain permanent if not treated; this is called "Meth Psychosis." Many family members of Ice users and the user themselves often do not know the seriousness and dangers of Ice. The Ice Addiction Help Line is here to assist you in answering all of your questions regarding Methamphetamine and Ice. This may include how to stop using Ice, helping a loved one stop, Ice interventions, Ice information and signs to look for. For more information, call the 24 help line at 1-800-480-5965.

## Stockman office closed Friday for Easter

The Ozona Stockman will be closed Friday, March 25, in observance of Good Friday and Easter weekend. Our deadline remains **NOON MONDAYS.** Have a safe and happy Easter holiday.

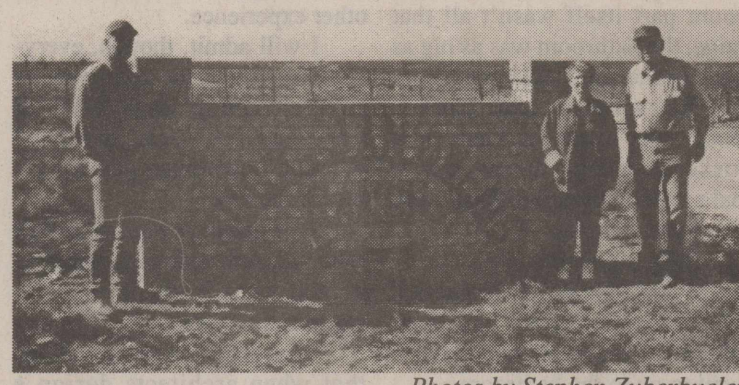
## Local ranchers honored for conservation, resource efforts

**By CAROL YEAGER**  
 Crockett County Soil and Water Conservation District

Plaques for Outstanding Conservation Rancher were presented by Pleas Childress III to the Buck Owens Family and Bill Cole at the annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet March 8.

The awards were presented for outstanding conservation efforts by both recipients for water conservation, brush control and grazing procedures as well as other ranching improvements.

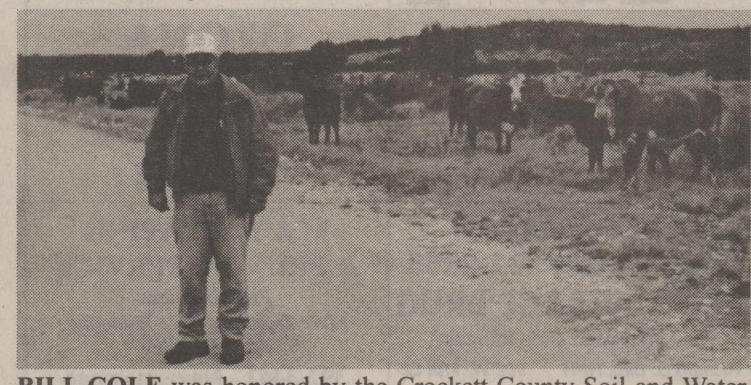
The Buck Owens family operates over 18,000 acres in northern Crockett County and the lands have been leased since 1888. The land was run as open range until the Owens Family drilled the first water well and began building fences.



*Photos by Stephen Zuberbueler*  
**THE BUCK OWENS FAMILY** was honored by the Crockett County Soil and Water Conservation District for their work as conservation ranchers and promotion of wise use of natural resources. Pictured are (left to right) Rusty, Jan and Buck Owens.

Today the ranch is well watered and divided into 15 pastures and traps. There has been an ongoing battle with prickly pear and mesquite and work to eradicate these species has been in full swing since the early 1970s.

In 1992, they started spraying through the State Brush Control Program with tremendous results following the treatments. Today the ranch is stocked with Angus cattle and crossbred Bore goats. Along with the livestock



**BILL COLE** was honored by the Crockett County Soil and Water Conservation District for his work on his ranches in Crockett and Val Verde counties. Cole has improved the natural resources on his land with more desirable vegetation, less erosion, brush management and good wildlife management.

operations, the family runs hunting operations because of abundant deer and turkey. Their practice of management in cooperation with the Texas Parks and Wildlife and University Lands recommendations provides for a

better management of wildlife. The Owens family works hard to protect the resources which have been their livelihood for well over a century and this family will undoubtedly continue. *Please see RANCHERS, page 8*

## MYERS SIGNS AS ATHLETIC TRAINER WITH HOWARD COLLEGE



*Photo by Melissa Perner*  
**BAYLOR MYERS** signs with Howard College to be a Hawk Athletic Trainer next year on Monday. With Baylor is Ozona Schools Athletic Trainer Sam Justiss (left) and parents Barbie and Ray Don Myers. Baylor received a partial scholarship to Howard College in Big Spring.

## HOUSTON STOCK SHOW WINNERS

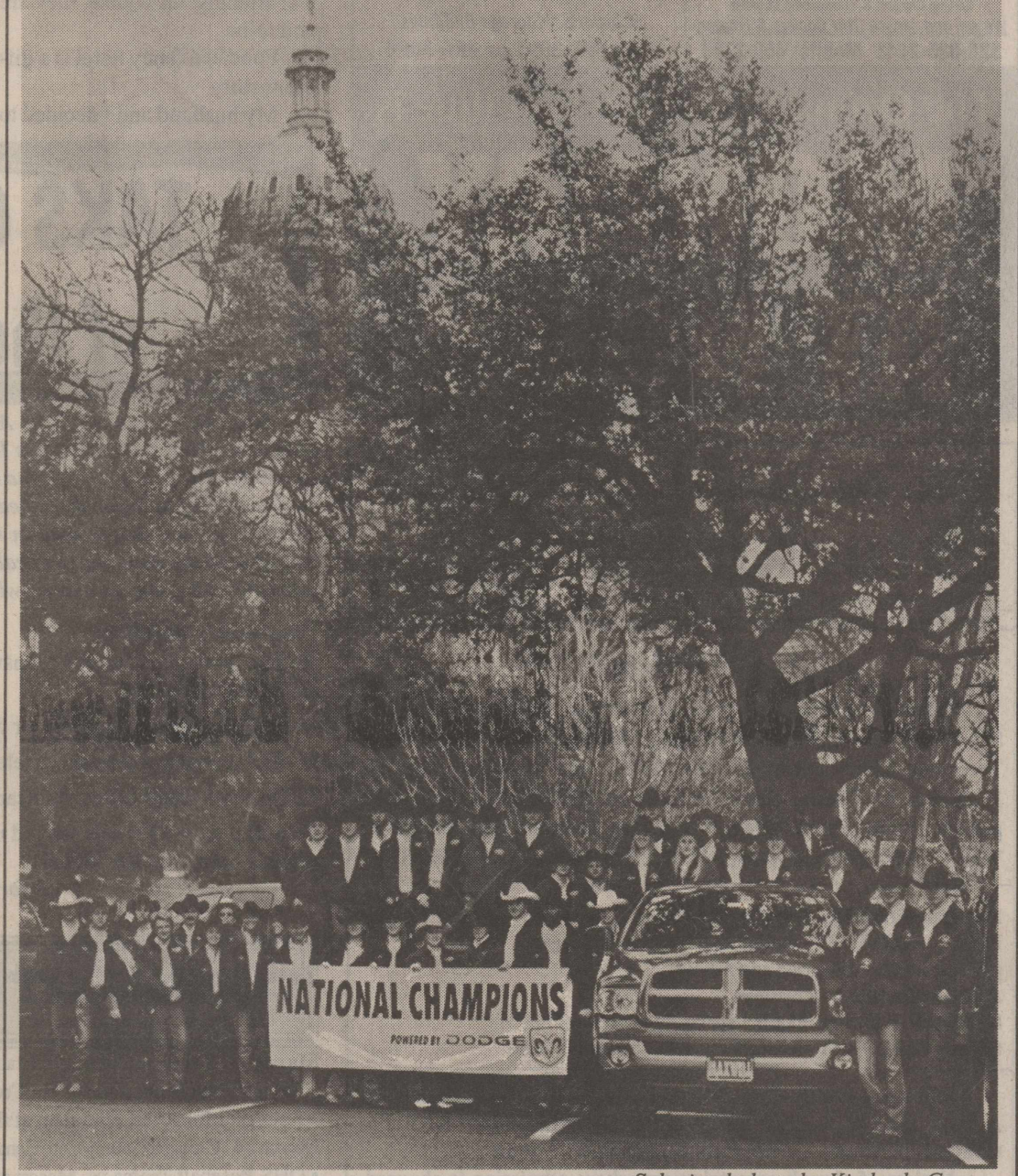


*Photos courtesy of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo*  
**KELBIE RENFROE** (right) exhibited the Reserve Champion Junior Market Goat at the 2005 Houston Livestock Show this past week.



**ALEXANDRA BEAN** exhibited the Reserve Champion Finewool Cross Lamb at the 2005 Houston Livestock Show this past week. For more stock show results, see page 5.

## Texas High School Rodeo National Championship Team honored in Austin



*Submitted photo by Kimberly Gentry*  
**THE 2004 TEXAS HIGH SCHOOL RODEO ASSOCIATION'S NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM** was recognized last month in Austin by the Texas Senate.

## Local athletes attend ceremony at state capitol

The 2004 Texas High School Rodeo Association's National Championship Team was recognized in February by the Texas Senate in the State Capitol. Texas' National Team traveled to Gillette, Wyo. in July where they competed at the National High School Rodeo Finals. The team contended against more than 1,500 contestants from 39 states, four Canadian Provinces and Australia. Team members competed in a variety of events including bull riding, bareback riding, saddle bronc riding, calf roping, team roping, steer wrestling, barrel racing,

pole bending, breakaway roping, goat tying and girls and boys cutting. Members of the National Team were introduced as Senator Chris Harris, R-Arlington, read a resolution commending the team on their accomplishments. Several senators praised the team members and the THSRA for preserving the state's western heritage. Many Ozona youth are members of the THSRA, including National Team member Dean Wadsworth of Ozona. Wadsworth was the State Champion Saddle Bronc rider. Other Ozona students include Allison Skehan, Clint Hale,

Kristin Bunger, Matt McGuire, Tell Churchill, Victoria Miller and Zane Coates. The THSRA State Finals is the largest state rodeo. During the week-long event, the top 10 contestants in each event from the 10 state regions compete for the state championship and a chance to represent Texas at nationals. The top four contestants in each event at the state level competed at the 2004 National High School Finals Rodeo. The 2005 National Team will be determined at the Texas State Finals Rodeo, held in June at Abilene.

### Ozona Weather Conditions and Forecast

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March 17	77	45	-0-
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March 20	77	54	-0-

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## What's on My Mind

By Melissa Perner

### A weekend of luxury

For our fourth wedding anniversary, my husband and I decided to go all out.

We booked a three-night stay in San Antonio on the River Walk at a fancy hotel. We decided to see how the ritzy people lived for a weekend.

During our stay, we discovered a few unique things about staying in such a high-class place. First of all, we were always nervous about when we used something because it seemed that everything had a price. From the mini bar with its \$4 soft drinks to this basket of smell good body and hair goodies.

The goodies were full-sized versions of the smaller, complimentary ones that were also in the room and made their way to my make up bag.

While I will admit the bedroom part itself wasn't all that huge, the bathroom was as big as the front of the Stockman office.

Ritzy hotels have shower doors, not curtains. There is a make up mirror, Q-tips, cotton balls (we figured out these were free) and a phone.

Why a phone?

I don't know why. I guess if you're expecting an important phone call then you don't have to wait to go to the bathroom.

The absolute best part was the Jacuzzi bathtub. Let's just say my husband and I were the cleanest people in San Antonio.

Even two hours before we checked-out, we each took one last swim.

Ice machines are nowhere in existence. You have to call room service and they bring someone up to get your ice.

There's also a separate person to turn down your sheets after someone else just made the bed and cleaned your room.

The staff themselves are also over friendly. Of course, they are paid to be.

Food at a fancy hotel is a different story.

My husband and I decided to splurge one night at the in-house restaurant, which specialized in seafood.

This was not Red Lobster. There was more silverware on the table than we knew what to do with. I'm sure we ate the bread wrong when we picked it up out of the basket and dipped it into the olive oil and there were some food on the menu that we had never heard of.

The food itself, when we finally figured out what we wanted (we found shrimp and crab those we knew), was not very plentiful. Unlike most restaurants that serve you 10 times the amount you want, this place served what was enough for me, but not enough for my husband.

In fact, he got a burger later that night.

The spa in the hotel was another experience.

I will admit, though, everyone should have the experience of an 80 minute massage. After all that pampering, you are so relaxed you don't care what you for the rest of the day.

As a guest, you get your own robe, slippers and as much time as you want in the whirlpool, steam room or sauna.

The relaxation room was one that when architects design a house they should design a room just like this for the sole purpose of relaxing.

I called this the free area.

People bring you water (with fruit in it) and grapes. This place seemed to really like fruit.

The only big shocker to the spa is when you go downstairs, look at the prices of all those neat products that they just used on you and pay your tab.

Remember luxury comes with a price.

As we left San Antonio, my husband and I decided that this is something everyone should experience at least once in their life.

Next time, however, we think we'll stick to just regular hotels and wish they had a Jacuzzi tub.



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MARCH 14, 1946

John L. Parks, native of San Saba, has been named Executive Vice President of Ozona National Bank. The position was left vacant last month when Lowell Littleton was named bank president.

Mrs. Ralph Jones represented the Ozona Garden Club at the annual spring convention of District 8 garden clubs in Del Rio last week.

Members of the Board of Trustees of Ozona Public Schools re-elected all teachers for the 1946-47 term, granted salary increases to all teachers not now receiving maximum pay and moved to return to pre-war basis by authorizing the superintendent to employ a band and choral teacher and an assistant coach.

Byron Williams, who served in the Navy in the South Pacific area, has received his discharge. He is the last of the five sons of Mrs. Charles Williams to be discharged from service.

Mrs. Elizabeth Coose Childress became the bride of Mr. Charles G. Applewhite in a home ceremony this morning, March 14.

## It's the Pitts

By Lee Pitts

### Downsizing

It was the ultimate insult: a breeder of miniature cattle drove down my driveway looking for new genetic material.

"Hi," said Roger. "I am a small breeder, you might say, and as I drove by your place by I was impressed by the size of your cattle."

"Yes, I must admit I'm pretty proud of them," I replied, puffing out my chest.

"Very impressive indeed," said Roger. "May I ask, how did you downsize your herd so effectively?"

"What are you talking about?" I raged at Roger, deeply offended. "I'll have you know that some of my calves weaned off last year in excess of 350 pounds."

"Yes, that's just what I'm looking for," said Roger. "I breed miniature cattle that are shorter than a yard tall, weigh 35 pounds at birth and 700 at maturity."

"Heck, I've owned dogs bigger than that!" I muttered.

"I'm looking to expand my herd," continued Roger patiently, "because more and more people are discovering that cows make the perfect pet. They have found that miniatures are more quiet than a canary, don't give birth to litters, seldom shed on your furniture and if they die you can eat them or remember them as a rug. You can even write them off as a business expense. Try doing that with your cat or goldfish."

"My cows are not pets," I insisted. "They don't sleep at the foot of my bed, ride on the back of a four wheeler or sit at my feet and watch TV. The truth is they don't even respond all that well to petting. So, even if my cattle are proportionally-challenged I hardly think I'll switch to raising cattle for pets."

"But consider the potential," begged Roger. "With the proliferation of five to 20 acre ranchettes people need smaller cattle to run on their spreads. And with miniatures an entire side of beef will fit in the freezer and because their carcasses are smaller, portion control is much easier in restaurants."

"As much as I like beef," I replied, "I can hardly envision a scenario in which I would walk into a restaurant any time soon and order an entire rump of cow."

"Well, minis do have many other benefits," said Roger. "If you enjoy showing cattle at fairs the classes are small and you can haul your show string in a large SUV."

"Makes the car kind of messy I'd think," turning up my nose at the concept.

"That's another advantage," countered Roger. "Because minis eat one third less feed than normal sized cattle their plops are almost microchips by comparison."

"Roger you seem like a nice enough guy but you can't be serious about all this."

"It's all about lifestyle. A mini-cowboy can wear fancy western duds without being called a drugstore cowboy. Heck, he can even join a breed association."

"I knew there was a catch," I said, shaking my head. "You are some kind of breed representative who wants to charge me dues and drown me in paperwork and EPD's."

"No, not if that's not your cup of tea. Instead you could join the PRCA and brag that you ride bulls. No one has to know they were miniature bucking bulls and that your feet dug the ground the entire eight seconds. The point is that mini-livestock offer endless possibilities. Did you know that horses also come in miniature?" asked Roger. "So you can ride the range looking at your miniature cattle on a miniature horse without fear of getting bucked off! And even if you did it wouldn't be that far to fall."

"Full size cattle are hard enough to rope," I replied. "I can't imagine trying to fish my twine on an even smaller target."

"Then consider the economics," pleaded Roger. "Because miniature cattle are so scarce they are worth twice as much as normal sized cattle."

"So, what do you say Pard," I said to my new friend Roger, "care to hop in my rig and we'll mosey on out to the back forty to look at my new herd of miniatures?"

## 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!

**This week's question:**  
Which question cannot be answered by experimentation using a scientific approach?

A. Does hot water freeze faster than cold water?  
B. Will wearing a copper bracelet reduce arthritis symptoms?  
C. Do roses smell better than carnations?  
D. Will popcorn kernels soaked in water produce a greater volume of popped corn than dry kernels?

- Look for the answer in the March 30 edition of The Ozona Stockman.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- March 23 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- Pot luck luncheon, noon at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- Katalyst Ministries, 6:45 p.m. at the Crockett County Civic Center.
- March 24 - Crockett County Care Center Easter party, 3:30 p.m. at the Care Center.
- OHS Baseball Teams vs. Mason at 4 p.m. at the baseball complex.
- OHS Softball Teams vs. Grape Creek at 4 p.m. at the softball field.
- OHS Track Teams at the Ozona Track Meet at Lion Stadium.
- OHS Tennis Teams at the Reagan County Invitational in Big Lake.
- March 25 - Good Friday: Ozona Schools closed; Stockman office closed.
- OHS Track Teams at the Ozona Triangular at Lion Stadium.
- OHS Tennis Teams at the Reagan County Invitational in Big Lake.
- OHS Tennis Teams at the Ozona Tournament at the tennis courts.
- March 26 - Levis and Lace Square Dance, 8 p.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- March 27 - Easter Sunday.
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes "Run to the Cross" 5K fun run and 3K walk, 6:45 a.m. meet at the baseball complex.
- March 28 - Staff Development Day at Ozona Schools; student holiday.
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- OHS Baseball Teams vs. Reagan County at 4 p.m. at the baseball complex.
- March 29 - OHS Softball Teams vs. Wall at 4 p.m. at the softball field.
- March 30 - Ozona JV Softball Team at the Wall JV Tournament in Wall.
- March 31 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- Nutrition/Food Pantry class, 9:30 a.m. at the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.
- OHS Track Teams at the Sonora Track Meet in Sonora.
- OHS Golf Teams in the District 2-2A first round meet at Eldorado.

## 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.





Submitted Photo

**LEVI'S & LACE SQUARE DANCERS** at Allamanders in Odessa. Back row: (l. to r.) JoAnn Babbitt, Carol Adcock, Nell Wester, Tina Jarvis, Jim Couch, Renee Padier, Maria De La Rosa. Middle row: Myra Nester. Front row: Steve Usener, Leroy Adcock, caller Nasser Shukayr, Otis Nester and Raul De La Rosa.

## Levis & Lace News

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

On March 16, club dancers Leroy and Carol Adcock, Otis Nester, Nell Wester, JoAnn Babbitt, Renee Padier, Jim Couch, Lucy Hinde, Tina Jarvis and student Steve Usener danced at the Crockett County Care Center.

On March 18, club dancers Leroy and Carol Adcock, Otis and Myra Nester, Jim Couch, Renee Padier, JoAnn Babbitt, Nell Wester, Raul and Maria De La Rosa, Tina Jarvis and student Steve Usener went to Odessa to dance with the Allemanders.

We walked through the door and were greeted by a man in a mini toga and gold leaf headband, with a "Hail!" This started one of the most unique square dancers we have ever attended.

Nasser Shukayr, caller from Harlingen, kept five squares moving with calls that we were not allowed to use our hands to perform. We danced the ancient way of starting from lines instead of squares and in-

between Shukayr told trivia of Julius Caesar. We were never sure if the trivia was true or part of the entertainment.

Round dancing was called between square dance tips and desserts and drinks were served. Bob Bell and his wife were present. Bob use to be a caller for Levis and Lace until his retirement. We still dance and work lessons to Otis Nester's tapes from Bob's dances and lessons. Raul and Maria's daughter and grand-daughter joined us for the festivities.

Our next lesson was Monday at the Senior Center.

Our next dance is at 8 p.m. Saturday at the Senior Center featuring caller John Geen from San Angelo.

Our 19th annual festival is fast approaching on April 8 and 9. Callers will be Bill Prichard from Eagle Pass and Roy Lombard from Del Rio.

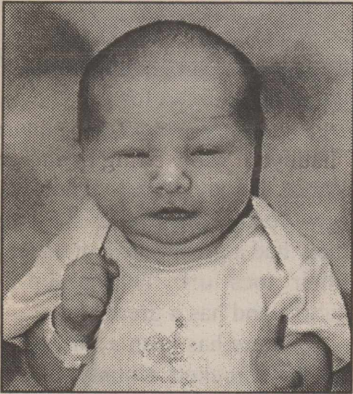
Everyone is welcome to come and join the fun.

Keep it square and happy dancing!

### Correction...

Sophomore Roman Tambunga made the Ozona High School "A" Honor Roll.

His name was misspelled in last week's Stockman.



### It's a boy

Stephen and Caryl Simmons of Ozona are extremely proud to announce the birth of their first grandchild, Cadence Jonathan Larson.

Very proud parents are Misty and A.J. Larson of San Angelo.

Cadence was born March 9, 2005 at 11:33 a.m. He weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Paternal grandparents are Jean Larson of Wall and Mike and Cindy Larson of San Angelo.

Great-grandparents are Grace Franklin of Eldorado and Fred and Wanda Wilson of San Angelo.

Also welcoming Cadence are his proud aunts and uncles Shanna, Jarrod, Jessica and John Simmons of Ozona and David, Katie, Justin and Tyra Larson of Wall.

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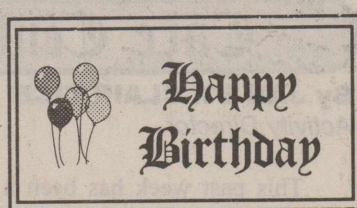
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**March 26** - Pife Borrego, Juan Molina Jr. Jose I. Dominguez Jr., Albert Trevino, Chapo Leal, Melvin Parker and Vanessa Tobar

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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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### 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. today 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.

### 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.

For information, call E.A. Wadsworth R.N. at 392-3060.

### Care Center Chatter

By JAN ST. CLAIR TICE  
Activity Director

This past week has been a busy one. On Thursday afternoon, our residents celebrated St. Patrick's Day and residents birthdays. Our birthday parties are sponsored by Crockett National Bank. Cake, cheese, crackers, birthday cake, green punch and wine or beverage of choice was served.

Lucy Hinde, Johnnye Johnson, Mary Sellers, Odilia Sanchez, Diane Phillips, Rudy Huereca enjoyed the afternoon along with residents and staff. The afternoon was enjoyed by everyone.

Volunteers for the week were Hospice nurse Veronica Fierro, Lauren Miles, Mickey Leija, Otis Nester, Levis and Lace Square Dancers, Nell Wester, Janell Tambunga, members of the Church of Christ and Bobbie and Johnie Griffith. Thanks to each and every one of you so very much.

Thanks goes to The Ozona

Stockman for supplying our residents with papers each week to keep our residents updated on the local scene.

Ann Shaw donated our bingo prize. Thank you for all the darling Easter gifts for bingo our residents are always excited to see what prize they get at bingo.

At 3:30 p.m. Thursday, we will have our Easter Party in the main dining room. We will serve cheese, crackers and beverages. Come join the fun with residents and staff.

At 3 p.m. April 20, we will honor our volunteers. On April 21 we will celebrate residents' birthdays.

On June 10, we will have our yearly fund-raiser. We will let you know more later on this event.

Thanks goes to resident Frances Flanagan for helping to prepare for our party Thursday and serving residents and guests.

From all of us at the CCCC have a happy and safe Easter Holiday.

### Obituaries

#### Dianna Dean Johns

Dianna Dean Johns, 49, died Thursday, March 17, 2005 at the Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

Services were held March 19 at the McCoy Chapel of Memories at the McCoy Funeral Home in Sweetwater.

Johns, a resident of Nolan, was born April 2, 1955 in Aspermont. She married Bobby Johns on July 28, 1980 in Graham.

Johns was a LVN and worked for Sweetwater Healthcare several years. She lived in Nolan for the past eight years and in Sweetwater most of her life. She was also a homemaker.

Johns was preceded in death by one grandchild, Stephen Metcalf Jr.

She is survived by her husband, Bobby Johns of Nolan; two daughters, Lee Ann Wright of Nolan and Krisstam Bunga of Ozona; a step-son, Kenny Johns of Sweetwater; three brothers, Gary Quillian of Arkansas, Howard Capps of Sweetwater and Murry Capps of Sweetwater; one sister, Arlena Willingham of Sweetwater and seven grandchildren.

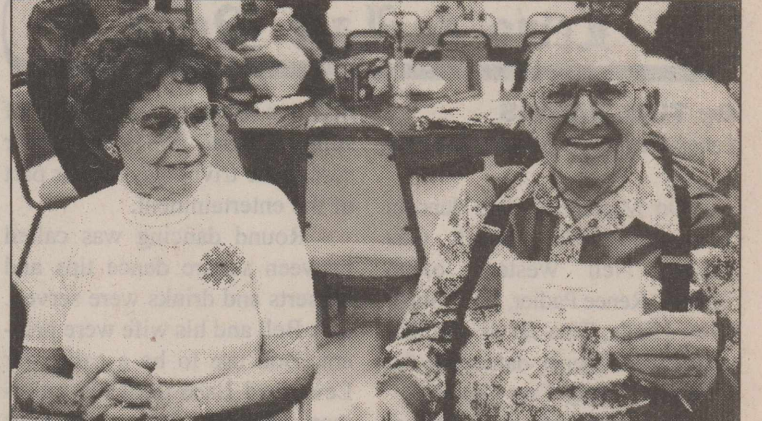


Photo by Melissa Perner

MYRA and OTIS NESTER were the big winners at the Burgers and Bingo St. Patrick's Day party March 15 at the Crockett County Senior Center. Otis won a \$20 gift certificate from T&C Village Market.



Photo by Melissa Perner

THIS TABLE WAS FULL OF BIG WINNERS at the Burgers and Bingo St. Patrick's Day party March 25 at the Crockett County Senior Center. Here they display all their prizes.

### Ozona Senior Happenings

By LYNN ENGLISH  
Senior Center Director

guys for cooking for us.

The Levis and Lace Square Dancers went to Odessa to dance Friday night. When we saw JoAnn this week, she said they had a great time and danced their toes off. This group is active and has a great time.

There has been a mix up. It is the Crockett County Senior Center who is having the Spring Fest at 10 a.m. April 2 at the town square and not Helping Hands. Helping Hands operates out of the Senior Center but we are separate.

At the Spring Fest we will have something for all ages. 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 the 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 will be closed Friday for Good Friday. Helping Hands will be serving meals on this day but the building will be closed and the activities have been cancelled.

Remember we have games to play, Monday, Wednesday and Friday we have our "Walk Two Miles" at 8:30 a.m. As of late exercise ladies have been "Sweating to the Oldies" with Richard Simmons once a week.

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

The Senior Center is decorated for Easter and the pot luck is at noon today.

Laurie English, our district attorney, will present the program on how to prevent identity theft. There are people in this area that have had it happen to them and we all need to know how to keep this from happening to us. I do hope you plan on coming.

We heard that Zelma Johnigan had a birthday March 19. Best wishes go out to you Zelma and we wish you many more birthdays.

We have learned that Pleas Childress has been taken out of ICU and is in a private room. This is good news and we are looking forward to Pleas and Geniece being back with us.

Carol Adcock came in to see us Monday. It was good seeing her as we haven't seen her in some time. She told us she has been very busy. Carol don't stay gone so long.

Al Fields will be having foot surgery this week in San Angelo. We will be thinking about Al and Betty. We are wishing Al a quick recovery.

Our St. Patrick's celebration turned out really well. The hail storm did not keep our guests from showing up and we moved the cooker under the canopy. The hamburgers were so good thanks to Bear Borrego and Carlos Lopez.

We are grateful for you two

### Katalyst Ministries returns tonight

The Ozona Youth Alliance will present Kevin Kirkland of Katalyst Ministries at 6:45 p.m. tonight at the Crockett County Civic Center.

All middle school and high school students are invited.

Refreshments will be served and there will be door prizes.

Transportation provided, call Mack Richie at 392-5482 or 392-1335 or Lenny Morrow at the high school or Sylvia Lara at the middle school.



Submitted Photo

DIANE PHILLIPS, Rudy Huereca and resident Bernice Phillips celebrate St. Patrick's Day at Crockett County Care Center.

#### Card of Thanks

Your thoughtfulness at this most difficult time in our lives is greatly appreciated. I want to thank those of you who came to the hospital and stayed with me. I couldn't have made it without you. To those who brought food and other items, we thank you. All your hugs and words of encouragement meant more than you know. The plants and flowers were beautiful. To those special people who fought so hard to save Gene's life, thank you from the bottom of my heart. To Dr. Sims, the emergency room staff and the EMT's thanks for all you did.

Sincerely,  
Connie, Keith & Ann, and Misty Fowler

Ⓜ This is love, that we walk according to His commandments. This is the commandment, that you have heard from the beginning, you should walk in it.

2 John 6

### He Loves Me, He Loves Me Not

In second grade of elementary school the girls used to play a game with some wildflower that were blooming. They would pick a flower, mention a boy's name they liked and pull off one petal of the flower at a time. As they did this they would say, "He loves me" and with the next petal, "He loves me not". The last petal left was supposed to show how the person mentioned really felt about them. We don't have to play that game to know if God loves us or not. He proved it over 2000 years ago. It was the day that Christ Jesus suffered and died on the cross for us, (Romans 5:8). Part of it involved the verbal (Luke 22:63) and terrible physical abuse (John 19:1-3)

He endured. He was innocent, (John 19:4) but sentenced, (John 19:6) to a slow death on a cross. They drove nails or spikes through His hands and feet and placed on a wooden cross so all the people could see, and there He died hours later, (John 19:30). Jesus cried out, "It is finished!" It was at that place and at that moment that the innocent blood of the Son of God was shed for us so we could have our sins forgiven, (Matthew 26:27,28). It was not just the forgiveness of our sins but also the hope of a whole new relationship to God.

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; Charity 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 Avenida Sun. Mass: 11 a.m. Sat.: 7 p.m. M. W. F. - 8:30 a.m. Thurs.: 7 p.m.</p>
<p><b>Calvary Baptist Church</b> 601 Ave. I Rev. Daniel C. Fleming Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Wed. &amp; Sun. Worship: 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Attend the Church of Your Choice This Sunday</b></p>	
<p><b>New Beginnings Church</b> 701 9th Street Pastor Jesse Cardona Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Tuesday Worship: 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Iglesia de Cristo</b> Hwy 163 S. at Quail Run Interim - Ray Valadez Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 6 p.m.</p>	

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## FROM THE COUNTY AGENT

By Miles Dabovich, CEA-AG/NR

### Crockett County 4-H adds two more champions in Houston

Crockett County 4-Hers had an awesome trip in Houston last week.

The group brought home more than \$56,000 in premium money for placing animals. Two more champions were also added to the 2005 list, making it 11 champions.

In the Houston goat show, Kelbie Renfro showed her paint goat to win the second class and Champion Division. Then the next night, her goat went on to be crowned Reserve Champion Meat Goat of the Show. Congratulations to Kelbie, Arron, Billy Dell and Bobbie.

In the lamb show, Alexandra Bean won the Middle Weight Finewool Cross Class and was crowned Reserve Champion Finewool Cross Lamb. Congratulations to Alexandra, Douglas and Tina.

Crockett County had 20 members participating. They were: Adrienne Bendele, Allie Black, Murphey Black, Lane Hale, Kyann Kothman, Abby Newton, Taylor Newton, Arron

Renfro, Kelbie Renfro, Allison Skehan, Ashley Unger, Alexandra Bean, Lakin Arron, Clint Hale, LuCinda Birkenfield, Andy Birkenfield, Kara Bird, Ross Kelley, Jayci Miller and Victoria Miller.

They were accompanied by Miles Dabovich, Will M. and Vicki Black, Billy Dell and Bobbie Renfro, Ed and Laurie Hale, Monica Schwartz, Michael and Dawn Carter, Benji and Mary Jo Unger, Jim and Laura Skehan, Rod and Kim Miller, Cindy Dusek, Douglas and Tina Bean, Rick and Lucy Bird, Polly Perner, Joe and Marolyn Bean, Bill and Susie Black, Billy and Judy Reager, Ryan Bean, Charles Seidensticker and Bryan Skehan.

To go along with Kelbie's champion goat, Crockett County also had Class 6 winner - Allie Black; Class 1 - Jayci Miller, second place, Abby Newton, 12th and Class 6 - Alexandra Bean, fourth place.

In the lamb show, Crockett County placed 12 lambs in the

premium sale.

Light weight Finewool - Adrienne Bendele, sixth place; Kelbie Renfro, 17th and Taylor Newton, 20th.

Middle weight Finewool - Allie Black, ninth and Allison Skehan, 21st.

Heavy weight Finewool - Murphey Black, fourth; Kyann Kothman, 11th and Ashley Unger, 21st.

Middle weight Cross - Alexandra Bean, first and reserve champion.

Heavy weight Cross - Arron Renfro, second; Clint Hale, 17th and Lakin Arron, 18th.

It has been an unbelievable year for Crockett County 4-H.

With all of the champions and placing animals that we have had, we expect it to be a record breaking year.

I would like to thank all of the parents and volunteers for their help.

All of the teamwork we have is what makes this program successful.

Members will finish up this week at the Austin Stock Show.

## TFWC Heart of Texas District News

By CHARLOTTE HARRELL  
District President

Over 30 Texas Federation of Women's Clubs (TFWC) members from the Heart of Texas District met for their 45th and final convention on Saturday, March 12, at the Museum of Fine Arts in San Angelo. We were honored to welcome TFWC State President Barbara Wingham from Bowie, TFWC State President-elect Patricia Siegfried-Giles from Lancaster and TFWC State First Vice President Marjorie Williamson from Baytown. Additionally, we welcomed the following visiting district presidents: Sandi Conway from Albany of the Mesquite District, Beverly Gerding from Georgetown of the Capitol District as well as First Vice-President of the Western District, Catherine Travland of Pecos, standing in for Western District President Mary Vongsavath.

The Texas Federation of Women's Clubs designated 14 named districts in 1960. At that time, the Heart of Texas District had over 40 active clubs. Today, the district has only eight remaining clubs with a total district membership of less than 200. Further, it has become nearly impossible to fill all the board positions, which a district requires to function properly. Therefore, after the Fall Board Meeting last October, the Executive Committee of the TFWC Heart of Texas District began exploring the prospect of our eight remaining clubs joining other nearby districts and closing the Heart of Texas District. After much discussion and research, this plan was adopted. As of June 30, 2005, the TFWC Heart of Texas District will cease to exist, leaving Texas with 13 TFWC districts.

The Comanche Heritage Club has elected to join the Pioneer District; the Comanche Study Club, the Mesquite District; the DeLeon Shakespeare Club, undecided; the Mason Bluebonnet Study Club, the Alamo District; the Rochelle Study Club, undecided; the San Angelo Women's Forum, the Western District; the Sterling City Wimodausis Club, the Western District and the Winters Literary and Service Club, the Mesquite District.

The TFWC Heart of Texas District is proud of its many accomplishments over the years. The district produced two TFWC State Presidents: Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins of Eastland, 1938-1940, and Miss Ethel Foster of Sterling City, 1942-1945. Its most recent

TFWC Life member was the late Mrs. T. J. (Jewel) Bailey of Ozona who served the TFWC for over 60 years. At this final convention, our eight clubs earned awards for over 40 reports and yearbooks.

TFWC District Scholarship Chair Ruby Schuman of Comanche recommended the distribution of our total scholarship funds in the amount of \$6,300, which were awarded to the following students: Hector Gonzales of Mason, \$1,500 to assist him to finish his final two years at Angelo State University at the same level of support given him for his first two years; Adriana Crystal Moreno of DeLeon \$500; Travis Robert Morganstean of DeLeon \$500; Erica Rae Roueche of Rochelle \$500; John Mark Schuman of Comanche \$500; Cheryl D'Shay Tucker of DeLeon \$500. Rebecca Dee Anna Welch of Winters \$500; Staci Nichole Beaty of DeLeon \$300; Lori Nicole Brinson of DeLeon \$300; Jeremy Cole Holland of Comanche \$300; Mindi Nicole Quinn of DeLeon \$300; Brittany Lee Fox of DeLeon \$200; John David Grishom of DeLeon \$200; Clara Megan Stephens of DeLeon \$200, for a total of \$6,300 in scholarships.

All remaining TFWC Heart of Texas District funds will be given to the TFWC Historical Foundation, which supports the TFWC clubhouse in Austin. Emily Munn of the Woman's Forum of San Angelo is currently serving as a trustee for the TFWC Historical Foundation.

The Woman's Forum of San Angelo led by club president Shirley Kennedy, which includes

Ozona members Arlene Clayton and Charlotte Harrell, hosted the final convention. The luncheon tables were decorated in red, white, and blue with vases of red roses and white baby's breath as centerpieces. Heart-shaped pewter picture frames were given as table favors to remind us of the district that once was. Special guest Howard Taylor, Director of the San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, joined us for lunch. Mr. Taylor welcomed us to the museum and then discussed the architecture of the museum and the current exhibits, which we all enjoyed after lunch. Another special guest at our luncheon was scholarship recipient, Hector Gonzales.

The present and final TFWC Heart of Texas District President Charlotte Harrell wishes to thank the present district board for their diligent work during the past year: President-elect and Treasurer Elaine Coleman of Winters; First Vice-president Joanne Chambers of Comanche; Second Vice-president Mary Hemphill of Mason; Secretary Becky Norwood of Comanche; TFWC Trustee Emily Munn of San Angelo; Scholarship Chair Ruby Schuman of Comanche and Parliamentary Advisor Betty Meyer of Rochelle. Further thanks go to 2004-2005 Department and Program Chairs, Bobbie Lee of San Angelo; Tommie Luckenbach of Fredonia; Opal Palmer of Sterling City; Arlene Clayton of Ozona; Becky Norwood of Comanche; Betty Meyer of Rochelle; Shirley Kennedy of San Angelo; Joanne Chambers of Comanche; and Edna Earle Benton of Mason.

### Wildlife camp a unique summer opportunity

By ETHAN WEST  
Buckskin Brigade Wildlife Leadership Camp participant

Looking for something to do during the summer besides watch TV?

I wasn't either when my Mom talked me into signing up for the Buckskin Brigade Wildlife Camp.

The camp was four and a half days of intense, hands-on experiences about deer, habitat, conservation, and anything else one could think of to learn about the white-tailed deer.

Each day began at sunrise and ended in the wee hours of the following morning. We found no time during the long days and short nights for becoming couch potatoes or getting into mischief.

In addition to the knowledge and experiences we brought from this camp, we, as Buckskin cadets, also developed

confidence in ourselves and were provided the resources to share our experiences and our newfound knowledge of wildlife and conservation with the rest of the world.

The Texas Brigades motto: "Tell me, I forget. Show me, I remember. Involve me, I understand." is evident in every aspect of the camp.

We spent most of the four days being involved in hands-on activities such as performing a necropsy on a white-tailed deer to learn about the anatomy. We showed up to the camp not knowing what to expect and before we knew it, we were getting down n' dirty with the intestinal region of a deer. This was a little out of my daily routine.

I don't usually get up in the morning and perform a necropsy. The necropsy is only one of the dozens of fun and interesting activities that we did at the

camp. This is what makes this camp so unusual. We did things that we normally wouldn't do while just hunting and cleaning a deer. We also learned easier techniques to use when cleaning that big trophy buck.

Not interested in the white-tailed deer? There are also other camps besides the Buckskin Brigade. There is the Bobwhite Brigade, Feathered Forces, and the Bass Brigade.

Since I attended the camp, I have done public presentations, had my articles published by major magazines and newspapers, and am earning points toward some pretty nice scholarships.

So...don't be a lazy bum this summer and sit on the couch watching cartoons and soap operas, get on the internet, print out an application at www.texas-brigades.org, fill it out, send it in, wait for an acceptance letter then get ready for one of the most memorable four and a half days you will ever experience.

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# OHS tennis team dominates Eldorado Tournament

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
Editor and Publisher

The Ozona High School tennis team traveled to Eldorado this past weekend to again dominate the girls' singles and boys' doubles divisions of the tournament.

The boys' doubles team of Jeff Gillit and Jared Espino received a bye in the first round and then went on to defeat Wagoner and Spivey of Sonora 6-0, 6-2; Jones and Montalvo of Eldorado 6-1, 6-2 and teammates Rocky Munoz and Justin Maldonado in the finals 6-2, 6-0.

"Jeff and Jared are really playing well this year as they have won every tournament they have entered and totally dominated the competition in Eldorado," said Coach Rick Bachman.

Munoz and Maldonado also received a first round bye, then went on to defeat Sellars and Thomas of Wink 6-2, 6-3; Cathey and Edmiston of Eldorado 4-6, 6-3, 6-3 and then they lost to Gillit

and Espino in the finals to finish as the tournament runners-up.

Jessica Moore was the number one seed in the girls' singles and she breezed through the tournament without really being challenged, Bachman said.

She had a bye in the first round, beat Kerley of Wink 6-0, 6-1 in the quarters; Wanoreck of Eldorado 6-0, 6-0 in the semis and Seaton of Sonora 6-1, 6-2 in the finals to finish as the champion.

"Jessica played some of the best tennis I have seen her play this year in winning this tournament. She totally controlled all of her opponents and displayed some remarkable shot-making ability," Bachman said.

Jenna Henderson was the number two seed and also had a first round bye.

She then went on to beat Hildebrand of Wink 6-0, 6-1; she lost a close match to Seaton of Sonora in the semis 6-2, 2-6, 6-2 and then defeated Wanoreck of

Eldorado 6-2, 6-1 to finish 3rd in the tournament.

Hilary Huffinan also played very well in the tournament as she defeated Lopez of McCamey 6-0, 6-1 in the first round. She then lost to Seaton of Sonora 6-1, 6-1; defeated Hildebrand of Wink 6-4, 6-1 and then lost her final match to Kerley of Wink 7-5, 6-7 (7-3), 6-4.

In girls' doubles action, the team of Patsy Larson and Julia Henderson finished fourth in the tournament after beating Robertson and Blair of Eldorado 6-2, 6-2; they lost to Holley and Baker of Eldorado 6-3, 6-1 and then lost the third place match to Reynolds and Newman of Eldorado 6-2, 6-2.

Puja Bhakta and Park Predy won their first round match over McWilliams and Edmiston of McCamey 7-5, 7-6 (9-7). They then lost to Kenney and Hedgecock of Sonora 7-5, 6-2; beat teammates Rebecca Enriquez and Diane Hernandez 6-3, 5-7, 6-3 and then lost to Higdon and Arispe of Sonora 6-4, 6-0.

Enriquez and Hernandez lost their first match to Reynolds and Newman of Eldorado 6-3, 6-4; then lost to Bhakta and Predy 6-3, 5-7, 6-3 and lost their last match by default to Robertson and Blair of Eldorado.

In boys' singles, Joseph Tambunga won his first match over McGehee of Wink 6-3, 6-1; lost his next one to Russell Cathey of Eldorado 7-6 (7-1), 1-6, 10-5; lost his next match to Draper of Sonora 6-2, 6-3 and won his last match by default over Carillo of McCamey.

Stephen Gillit lost his first match to Ballew of Eldorado 6-1, 7-5; beat Adler of McCamey 6-0, 6-2; lost to McDaniel of Sonora 6-1, 6-1 and then lost the third place match to Cathey of Eldorado 6-3, 3-6, 6-1.

"Once again, I really enjoyed watching these kids play some outstanding tennis. Everyone played very well, and this was a great tournament for some of our younger players as they got to jump into a varsity environment and play against some very polished kids from our district. Our veteran players again demonstrated their fantastic ability to compete on a higher level than many of their opponents, and I was especially proud of the fact that all these kids sacrificed part of their Spring Break to try and improve themselves as we wind down our season," Bachman said.

The tennis team will compete in the Reagan County Invitational Thursday and Friday in Big Lake.

## Ramos takes two first places at Bronco Relays

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
Editor and Publisher

Britney Ramos ran at Bronco Relays in Sonora this past Saturday.

She won both the 1600-meter run with a time of 5 minutes, 37.07 seconds and the 3200-meter

run at 12:19.86.

"She had the best times of the year for her," said Coach Benny Granger.

Ramos and the rest of the Lady Lions track team will participate in the four-way meet at 10 a.m. Friday at Lion Stadium.

## Lions take fourth place at Reagan County Relays

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
Editor and Publisher

On March 12, the Ozona Lions Varsity and JV Track Teams attended the annual Reagan County Relays at Big Lake.

Throughout the day, the Lions fought and clawed their way to a good showing in the 16-team field, said Coach Tom Duncan.

The varsity Lions finished fourth with 61 points. The JV Lions also finished fourth in their division with 71 points.

"The Ozona Lions competed with great focus and effort," Duncan said.

Varsity results are as follows:  
Pole vault - 3. Michael Maldonado

400-meter dash - 3. Tate Collis

Shot put - 2. Freddy Fierro, 5. Toby Pagan and 6. Matthew Payne

3200-meter run - 2. Eliseo Treto, 4. Simon Garza and 5. Levi English

Discus - 2. Pagan, 5. Michael Garza and 6. Caleb Mitchel

300-meter hurdles - 4. Vince

Castro  
1600-meter run - 4. Treto, 5. Garza and 6. English  
110-meter hurdles - 6. Mitchel  
100-meter dash - Maldonado

JV results are as follows:  
200-meter dash - 3. Ely Silva  
Long jump - 2. Silva  
100-meter dash - 1. Silva  
3200-meter run - 1. Roman Tambunga and 3. Kolton McGinnis

1600-meter run - 1. Tambunga and 6. McGinnis

Discus - 1. Silva and 4. Kyle Fish

300-meter hurdles - 4. John Tom Tijerina

Shot put - 5. Fish

"We always work hard at what we do and we shall continue to keep improvement insight," Duncan said.

The Lions will compete at 10 a.m. Friday at Lion Stadium for a four-way meet.

"Once again we will see you at the track meet and thanks for your support," Duncan said.

## Softball team competes in Crane JV Tourney

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
Editor and Publisher

The Lady Lions softball team competed in the Crane JV Tournament this past weekend.

The Lady Lions lost to Kermit, Crane JV and Marfa on Thursday. Morgan Glosson pitched all three games.

On Saturday, Ozona lost to Crane JV 11-21 and Marfa 5-16.

Erika Conner pitched one inning of the Crane JV game and the entire Marfa game. Glosson finished the Crane JV game.

The Lady Lions will face Grape Creek at 4 p.m. Thursday and Wall at 4 p.m. Tuesday. Both games are at the softball field.

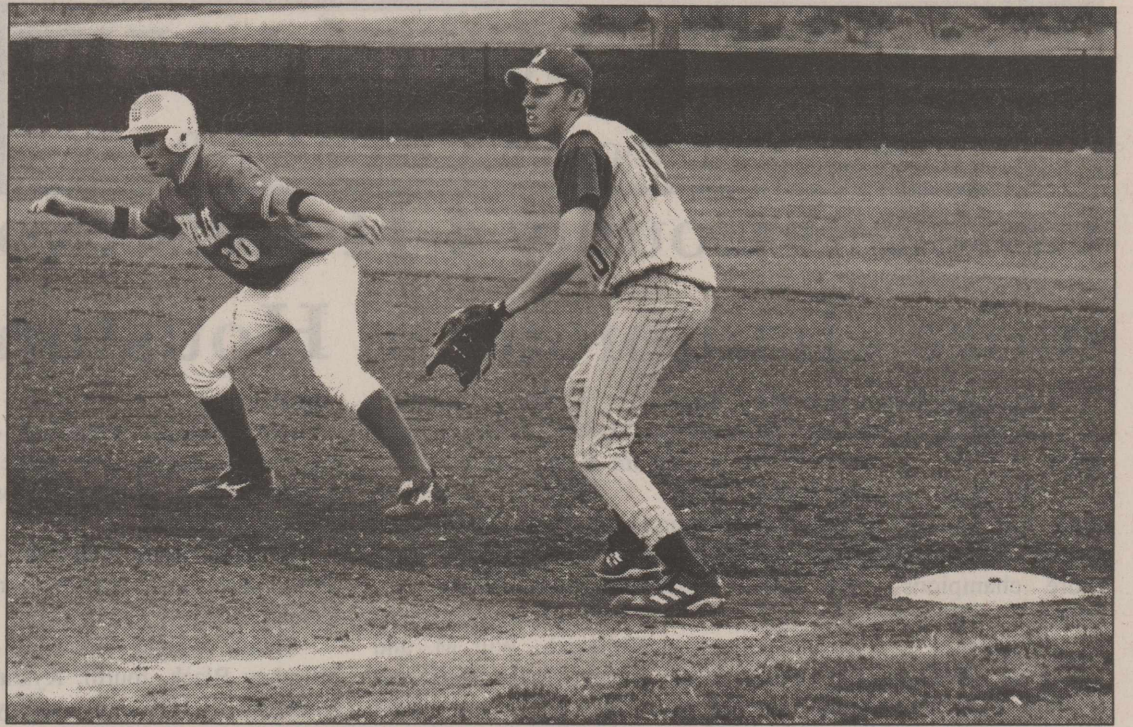


Photo by Stephen Zuberbueller  
DAWSON OWENS covers first base for the the Ozona varsity Lions in their 9-4 district win over Wall.

# Lions baseball stomps Wall, falls to Sonora

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
Editor and Publisher

The varsity Lions baseball team defeated district rival Wall, 9-4 on March 18.

Ozona had 9 runs on 6 hits and 3 errors; Wall 4 runs on 3 hits and 3 errors.

Winning Pitcher - Jordan Long (3-1) 4 runs 3 Hits 13 strikeouts and 4 walks.

Top Hitters - David Esparza 1 for 4 and 1 RBI; Drew Clayton 1 for 3 and 2 RBIs and Jordan Long 2 for 2 and 1 double.

Ozona lost to Sonora 0-3 on March 15.

Ozona had 0 runs on 3 hits and 3 errors; Sonora 3 runs on 3 hits and 0 errors.

Losing Pitcher - Caleb Mitchel (1-1) 3 runs 3 hits 5 strikeouts 5 walks 1 HP

Long 0 runs 0 hits 1 strikeout 1 walk 1HP

Top Hitters - Nick Perez 1 for 3; Matt McGuire 1 for 3 and Long 1 for 3.

Ozona is now 5-4 overall and 1-1 in District 2-2A play.

The Lions will face Mason at 4 p.m. Thursday and Reagan County at 4 p.m. Monday. Both games are at the baseball complex.

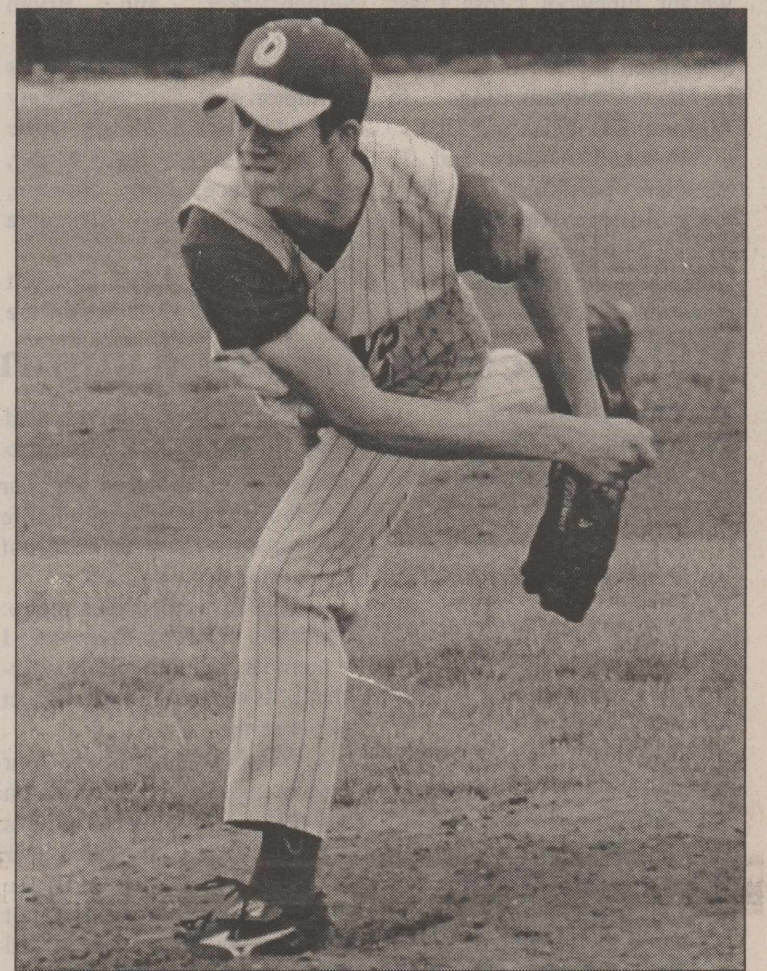


Photo by Stephen Zuberbueller  
JORDAN LONG WAS THE WINNING PITCHER for the Ozona varsity Lions in their 9-4 victory against Wall on March 18. Long had 14 strikeouts in the game and only allowed three hits.

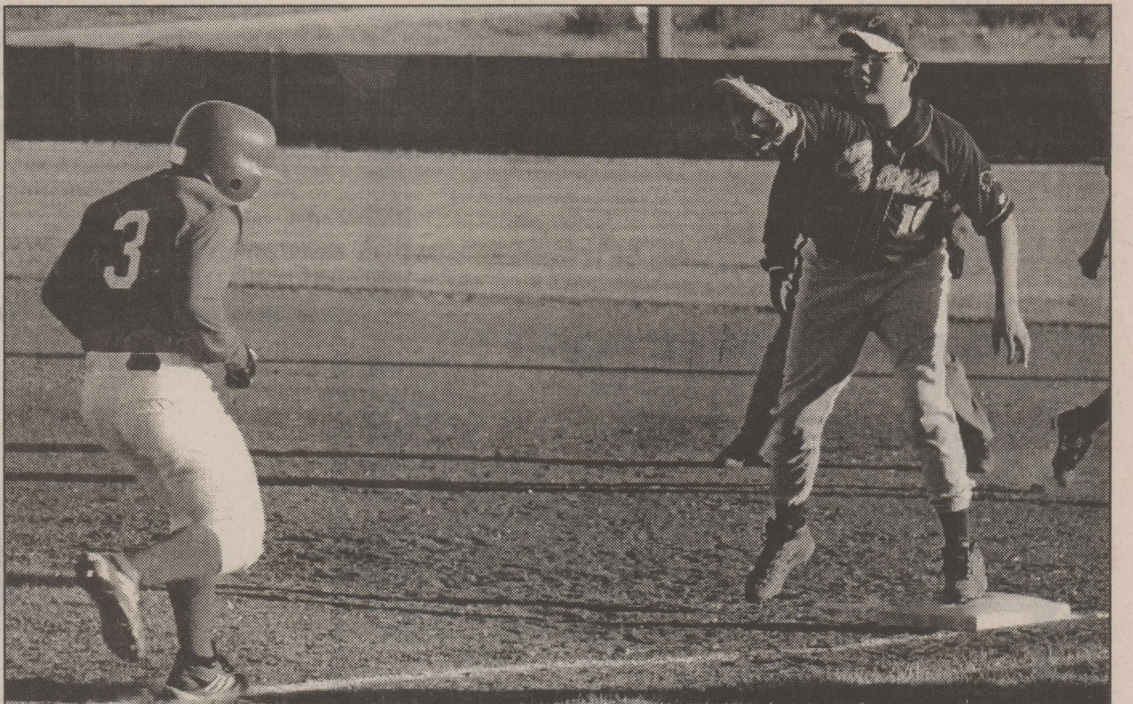


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JUNIOR VARSITY LION RYLEE RAMOS tagged this Sonora batter out at first base in the March 14 game held in Ozona.

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## Seventh grade Lady Lions take championship at Reagan County Track Meet in Big Lake

By MELISSA PERNER  
Editor and Publisher

The Seventh grade Lady Lions brought home the team championship from the March 11 Reagan County Track Meet in Big Lake.

Ozona had a total of 212 points. Reagan County was second with 206, Eldorado third at 36 and Reagan County "B" at 10.

Results are as follows:  
Long jump - 1. Vanessa Rodriguez, 12-feet, 7 inches; 4. Libby Moore, 11' 4" and 7. Shelby Ortiz, 10' 4".

Shot put - 4. Adrianna Tijerina, 18' 2"; 5. Jolissa Payne, 16' 4" and 6. Julie Gutierrez, 14' 5".  
Discus - 4. Payne, 50'; 5.

Tijerina, 43' 4" and Gutierrez, 40' 2".  
400-meter relay - 1. V. Rodriguez, Kelsey Childress, Jayci Miller and Abby Rodriguez, 58.82 seconds.

800-meter run - 1. V. Rodriguez, 2:42 and 7. Stephanie Galindo, 3:34.06.

100-meter hurdles - 1. A. Rodriguez, 19.68; 2. Alex Cruz, 20.83 and 3. Childress, 21.0.

100-meter dash - 2. Ortiz, 14.9; 3. Moore, 15.2 and 4. Childress, 15.3.

800-meter relay - 1. Lauren Najjar, Alex Macias, Miller and V. Rodriguez, 2:09.65.

400-meter dash - 1. Najjar, 1:15; 2. Ortiz, 1:17; 3. Brandyn Tebbetts, 1:19 and 4. Moore, 1:19.01.

200-meter hurdles - 1. Cruz, 36.68 and 3. Tebbetts, 40.74.  
200-meter dash - 2. Moore, 33.3 and 3. Galindo, 34.36.

1600-meter run - 1. V. Rodriguez, 6:33.09.

1600-meter relays - 1. Macias, Najjar, Miller and Cruz, 4:55.45.

The Lady Lions also competed in the Junction Hubbell Relays on March 4.

Results are as follows:  
800-meter run - 1. V. Rodriguez, 2:50.9 and 4. Brandi Glosson, 3:00.9.

100-meter dash - 5. Ortiz, 14.9.

## Middle school tennis teams brings home medals, trophies from Sonora

By MELISSA PERNER  
Editor and Publisher

The Ozona Middle School Tennis Teams competed in the Sonora Tournament on March 19.

The Eighth Grade Team won the team trophy and several individuals brought home medals as well.

"They did a great job, especially after being on Spring Break. We brought home lots of medals and a trophy, and that is always a good thing," said Coach Wendy Justiss.

Results are: Seventh grade girls' doubles - 2. Brandi Glosson/Abby Rodriguez and 4. Jasmine Moran/Diana Rodriguez.

100-meter hurdles - 2. A. Rodriguez, 20.3; 4. Cruz, 21.1 and 6. Childress, 22.3.

800-meter relay - 3. V. Rodriguez, Childress, Moore and A. Rodriguez, 2:11.1.

200-meter hurdles - 3. A. Rodriguez, 36.4; 5. Glosson, 37.9 and 6. Cruz, 39.6.

1600-meter run - 1. V. Rodriguez, 6:46.5 and 3. Glosson, 7:01.8.

Others participating were: Macias, Galindo, Payne, Najjar, Julie Gutierrez and Tijerina.

The Seventh grade Lady Lions will compete in the Ozona meet Thursday at Lion Stadium.

## 8th grade Lions win track meet

By MELISSA PERNER  
Editor and Publisher

The Eighth grade Lions won the championship at the Reagan County Middle School Relays on March 11 in Big Lake.

Ozona had 209.5 points followed by Reagan County at 145.33, Eldorado at 136.33 and Irion County at 50.33.

Results are as follows:  
Pole vault - 2. Daniel Gonzales, 8 feet, 0 inches

High jump - 3. Gonzales, 4' 10" and 4. Felix Venegas, 4' 10"

Long jump - 3. Matt Garza, 15' 8"; 5. Ben Flores, 14' 11.75" and 6. Venegas, 14' 8.75"

Triple jump - 2. Garza, 33' 5"; 4. Johnny Flores, 29' 8.75" and 5. Matthew Komechak, 29' 6.5"

Shot put - 1. Stephen Silva, 37' 1.5"; 2. B. Flores, 36' 11" and 5. Ruben Rivas, 33' 8"

Discus - 2. Silva, 110' and 8. Rivas, 80' 08"

2400-meter run - 1. Ethan

English, 9 minutes 10.45 seconds.

400-meter relay - 1. Fabian Onate, Venegas, Silva and Garza, 49.71.

800-meter dash - 5. Nathan Knox, 2:41.00.

100-meter hurdles - 2. Komechak, 18.24; 5. J. Flores, 20.02 and 6. Jessie Ramos, 20.05.

100-meter dash - 1. Garza, 12.14 and 6. Latham DeCote, 15.14.

800-meter relay - 2. Flores, Gonzales, Silva and Venegas, 1:49.49.

400-meter dash - 1. Fabian Onate, 1:01.21 and 3. Wilson White, 1:02.05.

300-meter hurdles - 2. Komechak, 46.54; 4. Ramos, 49.99 and 9. J. Flores, 54.87.

200-meter dash - 1. Venegas, 26.36; 4. Silva, 27.92 and 5. B. Flores, 28.81. Also participating was Gonzales.

1600-meter run - 2. English, 5:50.44.

1600-meter relay - 1. Komechak, Garza, White and Onate, 4:13.62.

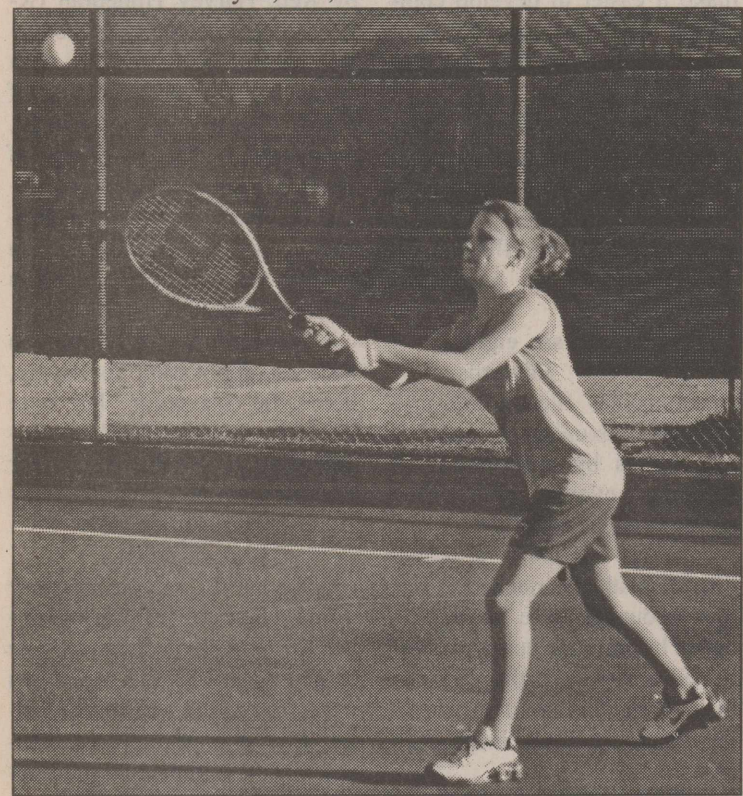


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BRANDI GLOSSON is pictured during a practice meet on March 8. Glosson and partner Abby Rodriguez placed second in girl's eighth grade doubles at the Sonora Tennis Tournament on March 19.

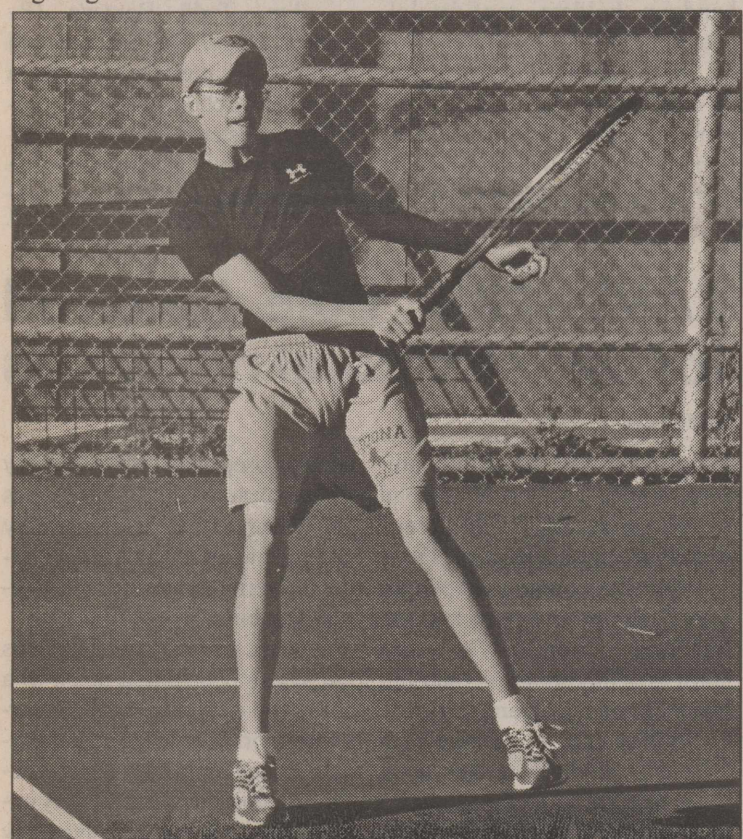


Photo by Stephen Zuberbueller

ETHAN ENGLISH won the boy's eighth grade consolation at the March 19 Sonora Tennis Tournament.

## Eighth grade Lady Lions place third at Reagan County track meet

By MELISSA PERNER  
Editor and Publisher

The Eighth grade Lady Lions won third place at the March 11 Reagan County track meet.

Ozona had a total of 115 points.

Results are as follows:  
Shot put - 2. Crystal Gonzalez, 21-feet, 2-inches; 5. Barbara Caperton, 18' 1.5" and 6. Victoria Zapata, 15' 1".

Discus - 2. Caperton, 59' 1"; 3. Zapata, 50' 9" and 4. Gonzalez, 43' 2".

2400-meter run - 1. Jasmine Moran, 10 minutes 30.48 seconds.

800-meter run - 1. Cristina Rodriguez, 3:08 and 3. Sarah Lott, 3:14.74.

100-meter hurdles - 1. Melissa Miller, 18.74.

100-meter dash - 2. Moran, 14.34; 4. Miller, 14.71 and 5. Rodriguez, 15.30.

400-meter dash - 2. Lott, 1:19 and 3. Gonzalez, 1:26.

200-meter dash - 3. Miller, 31.86; 4. Rodriguez, 33.49 and 5. Lott, 35.02.

1600-meter run - 1. Moran, 6:28.22.

The Lady Lions also participated in the Junction Hubbell Relays on March 4.

Results are as follows:  
2400-meter run - 1. Moran, 10:14.08.

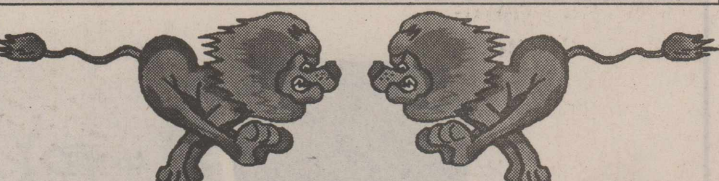
100-meter dash - 2. Moran, 14.1 and 6. Miller, 14.6.

200-meter dash - 6. Miller, 31.2.

1600-meter run - 1. Moran, 6:32.

Others participating were: Lott, Iris Vergara, Zapata, Caperton, Gonzalez and Rodriguez.

The Eighth grade Lady Lions will compete in the Ozona meet Thursday at Lion Stadium.



## Ozona Primary School honor roll

### "A" Honor Roll

**First grade** - Joseph Absher, Annie Adams, Narda Aguilar, Benito Badillo, Kimberly Borrego, Madison Childress, Mitchel Cox, Jose Damian, Destany Delgado, Kristen Fierro, Autumn Gonzales, Alex Hopper, Dakota Lee, Rylie McGinnis, Lauren Miles, Jeremy Munoz, Robert Rodriguez, Vanessa Sandate, Estefania Torralba, Nereyda Vega and Kevin Villarreal.  
**Second grade** - Justice Adkins, Angel Aguilar, Justin

Badillo, Megan Bullard, Glenn Crowder, Lizette Delacruz, Madison Fierro, Bryce Gutierrez, Krislynn Harris, Marissa Held, Michael Hill, Jadie Marshall, Emmanuel Ortiz, Ricardo Porras, Tanya Reed, Stormi Rinehart, Abelardo Rodriguez, Colton Stalcup and Dalan Wilson.

### "A-B" Honor Roll

**First grade** - Bobbie Benson, Ricardo Damian, Kerstin Dane, John Garza, John Gomez, Maria Guerrero, Jeremy

Hernandez, Felipe Irlas, Gina Marquez, Noe Medina, April Ramoz, Alondra Rodriguez, Jacob Talamantez, Dustin Trevino, Duston Vargas, Megan Vasquez and William Whitten.

**Second grade** - Mariana Camarillo, Chase DeHoyos, Elva Gallardo, Zachary Leach, Daniel Lombrana, Bethany Martinez, Rebecca Mata, Janna Munsell, Ben Nelms, Rogelio Rios, Juan Rodriguez, Maria Rodriguez, Yeni Rodriguez, Loren Talamantez and Dylan Wynns.

**Card of Thanks**  
The 10 year basketball reunion was a blast. It was so great (and an honor) to see my old teammates again. And, let me tell ya...no one has changed a bit! On behalf of the rest of the team and myself, we want to say thanks to Pam Tarr, Barbie Myers, Donna Herring, and everyone else who put such a nice reception together. You all worked hard and made it extra special. We can't wait until next year.  
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## Crockett County Sheriff's Report

**WEEKLY NEWS REPORT**  
3-15-05 to 3-21-05

**3-15-05**  
• Deputy responded to a call on 1200 block of Peach Street about subject trying to gain entry to a vehicle. Deputy arrested subject for criminal trespass and resisting arrest.  
• Report of minor accident on Fairway Drive. Subject hit a parked vehicle and insurance information was exchanged.  
**3-16-05**  
• Deputy met with complainant on Fairview Drive about harassment. Complainant just wanted deputy to talk to subject and advised subject to stop harassing them. Deputy made contact with subject and was advised.  
• Report of suspicious person at the road side park on State Highway 163 north. Deputy made contact with subject. Subject advised that he was resting.  
• Deputy met with complainant at local motel about someone stealing his jacket from the laundry mat.  
• Deputies responded to a 911 at local apartments on 11th Street. Upon deputy's arrival they advised all was okay.  
• Report of an alarm going off at local business on State Highway 163 south. Deputy advised all clear alarm was re-set.  
• Report of an alarm going off at local business on 11th Street. Deputy advised that the alarm was set-off by a balloon flying around in the store, alarm was re-set.  
**3-17-05**  
• Deputy responded to report of livestock killed by dogs. Contacted owner about this matter, investigation continues.  
• Report of calf on road on State Highway 137 north, unable to contact landowner.  
• Subject having trouble with juveniles at Crockett Apartments. Deputy responded and made contact all okay.  
• Deputies assisted EMS on medical call on Hickory Street.

• Report of three female subjects stranded on I-10. Deputy dispatched and was unable to locate them.  
• Subject at sheriff's office reporting criminal mischief windshield on truck was shot with BB gun. Deputy took report.  
• Subject checking on welfare of individual not heard from in two months. Deputy spoke via phone took report.  
**3-18-05**  
• Deputy responded to report of neighbors arguing at Crockett Apartments, all was okay.  
• Deputy met with subjects about child custody problem all okay.  
• Deputies assisted Border Patrol agents in stopping vehicles transporting illegal aliens.  
• Deputy met complainant at Crockett Apartments about juvenile not at home juvenile located and taken home.  
• Report of possible intoxicated driver west bound on I-10. Notified DPS and local deputies.  
**3-19-05**  
• 911 emergency medical call at the 1100 block of Ratliff Street. Deputy assisted EMS unit.  
• Citizen reported her vehicle was egged while parked at a residence on Monterey Street. Did not wish to file charges at this time.  
• 911 emergency call in about a motor vehicle accident 21 miles north on State Highway 163. DPS Trooper responded to the call.  
• Deputy met with complainant at Crockett Heights about a lawn mower that was missing. Later complainant called the sheriff's office and reported that the property had been found.  
• Report of suspicious subject in a vehicle at local convenience store on Avenue E and 14th Street. Deputy escorted subject out of town.  
• Loose livestock west of town. Deputy escorted a cow to the pasture.  
• Loose livestock north of town. Dispatcher contacted land owner.

**3-20-05**  
• Deputy meet with complainant over the phone about a vehicle being hit with eggs.  
• Deputy took dog bite report over phone.  
• Deputy met with complainant about damage done a rent house.  
• Deputy met with complainant at local fuel station about a subject refusing to pay for fuel.  
• Deputy met with complainant on Coates Street about criminal mischief.  
**3-21-05**  
• Deputy met with complainant at Department of Public Safety about a damaged vehicle.  
• Report of kids driving recklessly on Go Carts on Native Dancer. Deputy advised no one in the area.  
• Deputy responded to a disturbance at local apartments, couple arguing.  
• Deputy checked welfare of citizen at local residence, subject was okay.  
• Deputy responded to a disturbance at local apartments, couple arguing.  
**3-21-05**  
• Deputy met with complainant about possible stolen horse.  
• Report of subject laying down on side of the road by I-10.  
• Report of theft of gas from local convenience store. Deputy was unable to locate vehicle.  
• Report of loud music on 1300 block Avenue B. Deputy advised subject to turn it down they complied.  
• Deputy responded to disturbance on 1st Street.  
• Deputy responded to a disturbance on Avenue B. Arrested subject for public intoxication.  
• Deputy responded to loud music on 100 block of Llano Street.

arrested by sheriff's deputy on a charge of resisting arrest and criminal trespass. Subject remains in jail.  
**3-17-05**  
• Constance Montgomery, 27, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on warrant for charge of endangering a child. Subject remains in jail.  
• R.A. Lozano, 26, of Ozona incarcerated on a plea of guilty to charge of driving while intoxicated second count to serve court sentence of 90 days.  
**3-18-05**  
• Benjamin Flowers, 24, of Austin transported from Travis county jail on local warrant on charge of unauthorized use of motor vehicle. Subject remains in jail.  
**3-19-05**  
• David Arrendondo, 25, of Ozona was arrested by DPS Trooper on a charge of driving while intoxicated. Subject was released after posting bond.  
• Stephen Michael Perez, 28, of Ozona was arrested by DPS on a charge of public intoxication. Subject was released after paying fine.  
• Kirk Anthony Morgan, 21, of Ozona was arrested by DPS Trooper on a charge of public intoxication. Subject was released after posting bond.  
**3-20-05**  
• Rafael Benson, 44, of Ozona was arrested for public intoxication. Subject paid fine and was released.  
• Randy Sorrel, 36, of Ozona was arrested for driving while intoxicated. Subject made bond and was released.  
**3-21-05**  
• David Torres, 46, of Ozona was arrested for public intoxication. Subject remains in jail awaiting arraignment.

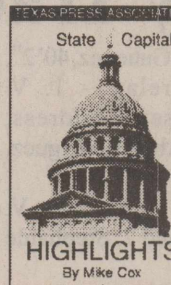
**ARREST REPORTS**

**3-15-05**  
• Jose Ramirez Villarreal, 36, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on a charge of resisting arrest and public intoxication. Subject remains in jail.  
• Cruz Julian Palacios, 19, of Ozona was

**OFFENSE REPORTS**

**3-17-05**  
• Deputy filed report reference criminal mischief at 100 block Man O War Street. Investigation continues.

## Proposal would move freight lines out of urban areas



HIGHLIGHTS  
By Mike Cox

**AUSTIN** - With flourish worthy of a treaty-signing, Gov. Rick Perry and Union Pacific Railroad CEO Richard Davidson have put their names on a memorandum of understanding that represents the first step in moving freight rail lines from urban areas in Texas.

The agreement included no specifics, but the idea is that the state and the private sector will work together to get freight trains out of the cities and into the country. That, the governor said, will improve safety and make it easier to develop commuter rail service between places such as Austin and San Antonio.

"Relocating rail lines from crowded city centers will lead to safer crossings, less hazardous cargo carried through populated areas, (and) greater efficiency in the movement of products," Perry said.

Two, four, six, eight... Rep. Al Edwards (D-Houston) has filed a bill prohibiting sexually suggestive movements by cheerleaders at sporting events and other extracurricular activities.

Under HB 1476, a school district could be docked a certain amount of state funding (to be set by the state commissioner of education) if that district "knowingly" allowed its cheerleaders to perform inappropriately.

Concealing concealed handgun holders' names... A bill that would make the names of licensed concealed handgun holders confidential passed the House on March 17.

Rep. Suzanna Gratia Hupp's (R-Lampasas) HB 318 would prohibit the Department of Public Safety, which administers the handgun licensing program, from revealing the names of any

of the state's 237,000-plus license holders.

A similar measure made it through the House in the last regular session but was gunned down in the Senate.

Meanwhile, the DPS has negotiated a reciprocal agreement with Pennsylvania allowing licensed Texans to tote guns in the Keystone State and vice versa. Texas has concealed handgun agreements with 18 states.

**State Historian...**

Texas has an official poet laureate, state musician and two state artists. Now a proposal's in the hopper to create the post of state historian.

House Bill 2938, introduced by Rep. Harvey Hildebran (R-Kerrville), says the state historian would be charged with enhancing Texans' awareness of their history and heritage, encouraging the teaching of Texas history in schools, speaking on Texas history and consulting with state officials "on matters related to the promotion of Texas history."

If the bill passes, before you rush an application to Austin, here's the fine print: "The state historian may not receive compensation or reimbursement for expenses from the state for serving as state historian."

**Kinky update...**

Kerrville singer-mystery writer Kinky Friedman continues to say he expects no trouble in getting the 50,000 signatures necessary to get him on the ballot next year as the first independent candidate for governor since Sam Houston in 1859.

And his effort may get some help from an unlikely person, a Republican House member.

Rep. Todd Baxter's (R-Austin) House Bill 1721 would eliminate the present provision in the state Election Code that prohibits a registered voter from signing a petition to get another name on the ballot if he had already voted in his party's primary.

## RANCHERS: Cole honored for use of natural resources

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to promote wise use of our natural resources. The District is proud to recognize the Buck Owens Family as conservation ranchers.

Bill Cole owns and operates over 27,000 acres in Crockett and Val Verde Counties. The ranch consists of limestone hills and valleys of good clay loam soils.

When the ranch was purchased in 1990, there was not a sprig of grass to be found except on top of the hills. The ranch is shy of well water and it is difficult to find good fresh water. Through assistance of the Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP), one well, storage facilities, troughs and pipeline was installed.

Most of the water system has been put on electric pumps and pressure systems which is more reliable and requires less maintenance. The improved grazing made possible by the addition of water helped Bill to start brush

control programs. Almost every treatable acre on the ranch has been cleared of mesquite, prickly pear, white brush and juniper, either by aerial spraying or mechanical grubbing.

Good grazing management is the key to operating a ranch as a sheep and cattle ranch. All conservation work is focused on improving the land for livestock and wildlife. Hunting operations are very important to Bill and he continually works to improve this enterprise.

Whitetail deer are the most important but Bill has added some exotics as a twist to the operation. Bill has improved the natural resources of this ranch in every way possible with more desirable vegetation, less erosion, brush management, better grazing distribution, better watering facilities, and good wildlife management.

The District is proud to recognize Bill Cole as a true conservation rancher.

This report provided by **RIODATA** For a complete report, call (800) 627-9785.

For Crockett, Sutton, Schleicher, Terrell, Reagan and Val Verde counties

### As of MARCH 18, 2005

**\*Crockett County**

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Monument Energy	9150	Shannon Ranch -5- #1	Patterson Drilling/A 617	Drig Ahead 3000'
New Approach Operating	9000	J R Bailey -A- #706	Nabors Drilling (O) 319	Drig Ahead
New Approach Operating	9000	Addie Clayton #1003	Nabors Drilling (O) 347	Drig Ahead
Approach Operating	9000	Bailey #120	Patterson Drilling/A 710	Drig Ahead
New Anadarko E & P	8750	Scheuber #15	Patterson Drilling/A 38	Drig Ahead
Encana O & G/Dallas	8300	Sinclair Clayton -10- #3	Nabors Drilling (O) 353	Drig Ahead
New Finl Natural Res	5500	Maggie Moore #12	Patterson Drilling/A 721	Drig Ahead

**\*Sutton County**

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Samson Lone Star LP	10000	Gerald Nicks #11	Patterson Drilling/A 39	Drig Ahead
New Dominion OK TX E&P	9450	Duke Wilson #1869	Patterson Drilling/A 120	Assigned
New Dominion OK TX E&P	9350	Duke Wilson #4018	Patterson Drilling/A 120	Drig Ahead
New Dominion OK TX E&P	8950	Kandee Fawcett Trust #10	Patterson Drilling/A 40	Assigned
New Dominion OK TX E&P	8925	Hudspeth -1- #10	Patterson Drilling/A 108	Drig Ahead
New Dominion OK TX E&P	8900	Mayfield -33- #19	Patterson Drilling/A 122	Drig Ahead
New Dominion OK TX E&P	8800	Joe M Vanderstucken -A- #3	Patterson Drilling/A 108	Assigned
New Dominion OK TX E&P	8575	Mayfield -38- #20	Patterson Drilling/A 122	Assigned
New Dominion OK TX E&P	8550	Kandee Fawcett Trust #20	Patterson Drilling/A 40	Drig Ahead
New Dominion OK TX E&P	7750	Canyon Ranch #2082s	Patterson Drilling/A 704	Assigned
New Dominion OK TX E&P	7200	Van Shoubrouk #5wd 1	Patterson Drilling/A 107	Drig Ahead
New Dominion OK TX E&P	7000	Morris -61- #6	Patterson Drilling/A 107	Assigned
New Dominion OK TX E&P	6650	Shurley #129	Patterson Drilling/A 115	Assigned
New Dominion OK TX E&P	6650	Shurley #125	Patterson Drilling/A 115	Drig Ahead
Xeric Oil & Gas Co.	6500	Joe Fraizer #1	Patterson Drilling/A 102	Drig Ahead

**Val Verde County**

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Newfield	14000	Whitehead #4801	Patterson Drilling/A 471	Drig Ahead
New Pogo Producing Co	5000	Bunger -5- #5	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	Drig Ahead
Pogo Producing Co	6700	Meador -11- #1	Heart Land Drilling 2	Drig Ahead
Marshall & Winston	6500	Napier #1	Heart Land Drilling 4	Drig Ahead 4237'
New Telesis Operating	4999	Megregor -2- #1	Sand Dollar Drilling 1	Drig Ahead

**Reagan County**

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Apache Corp/Tulsa	12000	Tjjes #2	Robinson Drilling 4	Drig Ahead 7400'
New Mariner Energy	8350	Sau Mariner -7- #4a	Big Dog Drilling 5	Drig Ahead 565'
New Mariner Energy	8350	Sau Mariner -17- #1a	Big Dog Drilling 9	Drig Ahead 4349'
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#### Sheep and Goats

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#1 spring lambs 50-70 lbs.	1.35-1.42
#1 spring lambs 70-90 lbs.	1.25-1.35
#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	70-100
Solid mouth Angora stocker nannies	70-85
Stocker Angora muttons	65-75
Angora kids	1.20-1.30
Angora kids-shorn	1.10-1.20
Angora kids shorn (thin)	1.00-1.05
Weighing Angoras-shorn (thin)	65-75
Weighing Angoras-shorn (fat) nannies	65-75
Stocker Spanish nannies	80-100
Fat Spanish nannies	65-70
Fat Spanish muttons	90-110
Fat Spanish billies	70-85
Fat yearlings	1.05-1.15
Fat Spanish kids	1.32-1.42
Small kids	1.20-1.35
Thin kids	1.10-1.20
Spanish nanny & kid pairs	40-45 hd

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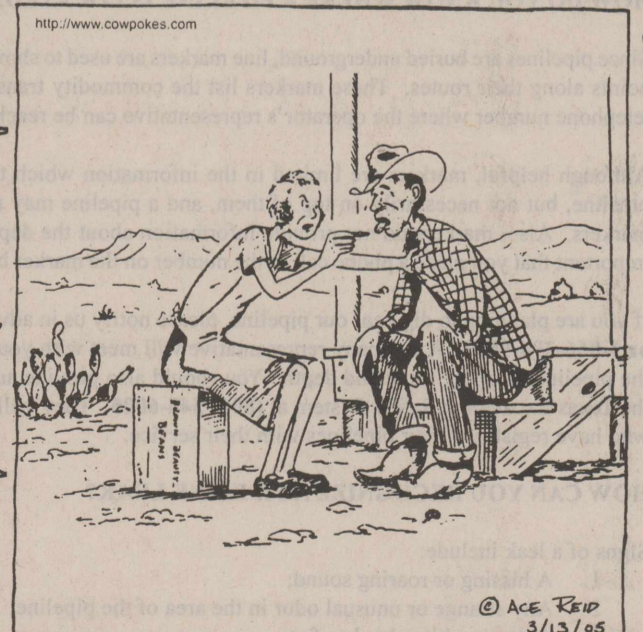


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**Historic "King Springs Ranch"** - Terrell Co. - 14,720 acres. \$135/acre. Whitetail deer, mule deer, turkey, dove and javelina. An abundance of Indian mounds. Owned by same family for over 60 years. Over 4,000 acres of state classified minerals to be conveyed.

**300 Acre Trunder** - 300 acres, well & electricity. Lots of Live Oak trees - \$225,000.  
**7,200 +/- Acres** - **SOLD**, water and electricity. Hwy. frontage. Shown by appointment only.  
**1103 Avenue C** - 5 bedrooms, 2 baths. Hardwood floors. Central H&A. Recognized by "National Register of Historic Places". Price Reduced. Call for Appointment - \$159,500

**NEW LISTINGS NEEDED**

*Wendland and Associates, Brokers*  
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[ozona.com/ponseahornrealestate.asp](http://ozona.com/ponseahornrealestate.asp)

**Miscellaneous**

**\$500.00 DOLLAR REWARD**  
During the past year person or persons unknown have damaged County road signs. The person who provides information that leads to the arrest and conviction of those responsible will be eligible for the \$500.00 reward. Those having information should call Sheriff Shane Fenton. Callers names will remain anonymous. tfc16

**Real Estate**

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

**COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:** Shop & Office Building on Hwy 137 in Big Lake. Commercial water well. Contact 325-884-2907 - Hubert Middleton 325-226-2984 - Mary Jean 325-226-2985 4c08

**For Rent**

**FOR RENT:** 2 beautiful offices fully carpeted for rent on main street with or without furniture. If interested call J. B. Miller at 392-2641. tfc33

**FOR RENT:** 1 & 2 bedroom trailers for rent with icebox and stove, TV and phone available. Call J. B. Miller 392-2641.tfc33

**FOR RENT:** 3 mobile home or RV lots available. Excellent, quiet and reasonable. Call 392-2382. 10c08

**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:** RV 1985 ITASCA 31' Class A 454 Chevrolet 35,000 miles on Chassis. \$6,500. Call 392-2136. 2p08

**FOR SALE:** Queen pillow-top mattress set, excellent condition, \$250.00. Blue double-recliner/sofa, asking \$400.00. More items. Merle Welty, 510 Avenue J, 392-2043. 1p08

**Honeybee Removal**

**HONEYBEE REMOVAL:** Free estimates. Call John Williams at 325-226-4202 in Ozona. 4p05



## CROSSTEX

CROSSTEX Energy Services, Ltd. serves energy needs by underground pipelines in many areas of Texas. Some of these pipelines may be located under the ground near your home or where you may be digging. Although pipelines are the safest method of transporting natural gas, they can easily be damaged if disturbed during digging or drilling, which includes landscaping, fence building, and installation of a sprinkler system or swimming pool.

CROSSTEX marks its pipelines to protect you and the public. So before you start digging, check the area thoroughly for pipeline warning signs.

**CAUTION PIPELINE**

BEFORE DIGGING CALL

**CROSSTEX**

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY PLEASE CALL

**361-299-4000**

**WARNING**

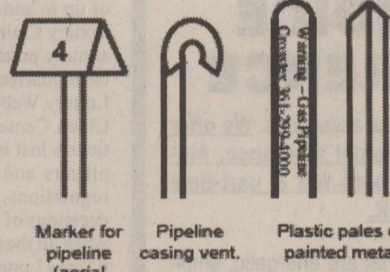
**GAS PIPELINE**

BEFORE DIGGING OR IN CASE OF EMERGENCY CALL

**CROSSTEX ENERGY SERVICES**

**361-299-4000**

Located near roads, railroads & along pipeline right of ways.



Marker for pipeline (aerial patrol)

Pipeline casing vent.

Plastic pales or painted metal

**Crosstex Energy Services pipeline safety program includes:**

- Daily surveillance by experienced operators in the field;
- Cathodic protection against corrosion;
- Periodic ground patrols for detailed inspection of the pipeline environment;
- Continuous monitoring of the gas flowing through the pipeline.

This notice was prepared so that you can identify our pipeline and know how to recognize and respond to a pipeline emergency.

**HOW DO YOU KNOW WHERE A PIPELINE IS LOCATED?**

Since pipelines are buried underground, line markers are used to show their approximate location at numerous points along their routes. These markers list the commodity transported, the name of the operator, and a telephone number where the operator's representative can be reached.

Although helpful, markers are limited in the information which they provide. They are placed near the pipeline, but not necessarily on top of them, and a pipeline may not follow a straight route between two markers. Also, markers do not provide information about the depth of the pipeline. Therefore, it is very important that you place a phone call to the number on the marker before digging in the area of the pipeline.

If you are planning to dig near our pipeline, please notify us in advance by calling collect at 361-299-4000 or 1-866-394-9839. A company representative will meet with you and provide detailed markings to show the pipeline location, route and depth. You should also provide advance notice of any planned digging to the Texas Excavation Safety System at (800) 545-6005. They will notify all pipeline operators in the area who have registered their pipelines with their service.

**HOW CAN YOU RECOGNIZE A PIPELINE LEAK?**

Signs of a leak include:

- A hissing or roaring sound;
- Any strange or unusual odor in the area of the pipeline;
- A dense white cloud or fog;
- Frost or ice on the ground;
- A spot of dead or discolored vegetation in an otherwise green area;
- Flames occurring if the leak has ignited.


**WHAT SHOULD YOU DO IF YOU SUSPECT A LEAK?**

If you know or suspect that a pipeline is leaking or damaged, leave the area immediately. Your personal safety should be your first concern. Also:

- Avoid driving into vapor clouds;
- Avoid creating sparks or sources of heat which might ignite the escaping gas;
- Immediately notify the pipeline operator giving your name and a description of the leak and its location. If the pipeline operator is not known, call your local fire or police department. Advise them of the location and nature of the emergency.

# Joy at easter!

The enchantment of this special time is yours to behold. Easter's upon us in all its glory. May it be your time to spread love and peace...share joy and happiness with those close to you. We extend our greetings this Eastertide and join with you in celebrating the return of Spring.





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