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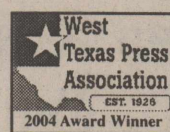
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Sept. 19 95	73	-0-	
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Sept. 21 93	57	-0-	
Sept. 22 97	55	-0-	
Sept. 23 93	57	-0-	
Sept. 24 95	59	-0-	
Sept. 25 104	55	-0-	

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

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EXTENDED FORECAST	
Wednesday	Thursday
Hi 99	Hi 81
Lo 66	Lo 60
Sunny	Isolated T-Storms

Friday	Saturday
Hi 86	Hi 91
Lo 60	Lo 64
Sunny	Sunny

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Jones announces retirement, Hearne to seek re-election

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

County Judge Johnny Jones announced Monday that he will not seek re-election next year.

Jones said he will retire at the end of 2006 marking his 12th year as county judge.

"I'll be 65 and it's time for me to retire," he said. "It's about that time for me to get out before they run me out."

Keeping the Family Health Center of Ozona open, as well as the building of the new Visitors Center, a new public swimming pool and implementation of new subdivision rules and regulations were some of the goals accom-

plished during Jones's term.

The sound oil and gas business has also helped the county's tax base, despite the wear and tear to the county roads that are being repaired, he said.

Renovations to the Crockett County Courthouse should be a goal to look into for the future, Jones said.

"I've enjoyed my time very much," he said.

Jones said he plans on spending his time ranching, continuing to work in real estate and keeping up with his grandchildren.

James "Jim" Hearne announced that he will be a candidate for justice of the peace next year.

Hearne has been in his position for 15 years.

"I sincerely request the voters consider me," he said.

Other county positions up for re-election in 2006 are: District/Crockett County Clerk, incumbent is Debbie Puckett; Commissioner, Precinct 2, incumbent is Pleas Childress III; Commissioner, Precinct 4, incumbent is Rudy Martinez and County Treasurer, incumbent is Burl Myers.

Filing period for these positions starts Dec. 3 and runs through Jan. 2. Applications can be picked up at the district/county clerk's office in the courthouse annex.

Primary elections will be in March and general election in November 2006.

Second public hearing to be held about off-road vehicle park

The Texas Motorized Trails Coalition has made an application to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for a federal grant from the Recreational Trails Fund to acquire property and to develop a public recreation area in Crockett County.

This proposed public recreation area will include trails to ride off-road recreational vehicles, specifically all-terrain vehicles and off-road motorcycles.

Parks and Wildlife invites all interested citizens to attend a public hearing at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 6 at the Crockett County Civic Center in Ozona.

The hearing will include a short overview of the proposed project, the funding source, question and answer period and public input.

The hearing will be recorded so that comments made during the hearing will become part of the public record.

For individuals who would like to submit comments on the proposed project, but can not attend the hearing, written comments may be sent directly to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department at the address below.

For questions or additional information call Steve Thompson in the Recreation Grants Branch, Texas Parks & Wildlife Department at (512) 912-7130.

Written comments may be submitted to this address: Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, attn: Recreation Grants Branch, 4200 Smith School Road, Austin, Texas 78744.

Local resident travels to help out Hurricane Katrina victims

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

When Armando entered Laurel, Miss., he saw the remains of what used to be a historic, southern town.

Tree limbs blocked the roadway, some tore threw houses and debris was scattered everywhere, he said.

The one thing that did bring a smile to the American Electric Power workers face was the residents who were anxious to see them.

Armando was part of five AEP Texas Distribution Teams that worked in Mississippi and Louisiana after the wrath of Hurricane Katrina. Armando was in Laurel, Miss., a town of about 19,000 people, from Aug. 29 to Sept. 12.

"Most of the people were glad to see us," he said. "They were surprised when we told them we were from Texas."

On his first night there, Armando slept in his truck. After that, he and the rest of the electrical crews worked 14 hours days to restore power in the community. Once power was restored, the crews did manage to stay in a motel for the remainder of their time there.

The town itself sustained 60

to 65 percent damage to homes and businesses. At least a dozen people were killed in the storm.

"There were a bunch of people just waiting for the electricity to come back on," he said. "There was a lot of trash, limbs on streets and alleys. The whole town was dark."

The first place the crews went was to the hospital, the bank and the motels before concentrating on resident's houses.

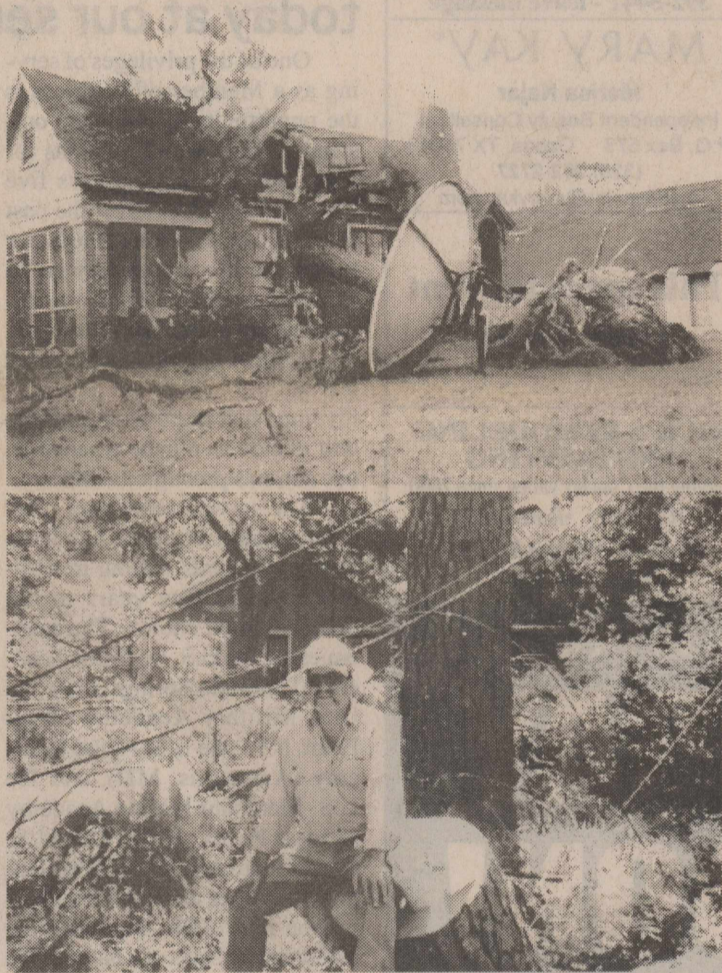
They also restored a sewer plant, grocery stores and gasoline stations.

The crews also worked at getting a chicken farm back on that supports thousands of jobs in the community, said Mark Baker, manager of distribution systems for AEP.

"We had plenty of security. Police officers were there from Dallas," he said. "After three or four days, people can become impatient."

The AEP operation was the largest contingent of AEP personnel ever dispatched to assist after a disaster, said Carl English, president of AEP Utilities.

"It was an experience like nothing like I've ever seen before," he said. "You don't want to be in it. Imagine yourself without electricity or water for two weeks or longer."



TOP: A HOUSE IN LARUEL, MISS. is cut in two after devastating winds from Hurricane Katrina. BOTTOM: ARMANDO ARRENDANO, of Ozona, takes a break from restoring electricity in Mississippi. Arrendano was sent as part of the AEP Texas Distribution Teams that worked in Mississippi and Louisiana after the wrath of Hurricane Katrina.

Western author Elmer Kelton to speak Monday

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

After more than 40 years of writing, Elmer Kelton continues to write about cowboys and the old west.

It's a genre that Kelton said he knows well, but was never able to get the knack of being a good cowboy himself.

"I guess there's a compulsion to write," he said. "There's always this possibility of a story."

Kelton will share his love of writing during a program from 7-9 p.m. Monday at the Crockett Room. The program is part of the Crockett County Public Library's 20th Anniversary Celebration.

"I am so excited to have Elmer Kelton be a part of our 20th Anniversary Celebration," said Librarian Louise Ledoux. "Mr. Kelton is one of our local treasures and I never miss an opportunity to hear him speak. He can tell one tale after another about the people and history of West Texas, and always keeps me wishing to hear just one more."

Growing up on a ranch in Crane, Kelton said he fell in love with the way of the cowboy, but found writing about them was easier than being one. He grew up on the McElroy Ranch, with which his father, the late R. W. "Buck" Kelton, was associated for 36 years.

"I never developed into a really good cowboy," he said. "I grew up around ranch people and I've always been fascinated by history, especially Texas history."

During his years as writer, Kelton said that he has always advocated the importance of libraries and literacy.

"They are important to any town. They help keep people in touch with the rest of the world, and they contain the classic novels of the past and the popular ones of today. Literacy is highly important."

With technology, movies and video games, Kelton said an entire generation has been raised without knowing Westerns.

In the 1950s and 1960s television oversaturated the Western, making people tired of the same storylines, he said. One of Kelton's novels, "The Good Old Boys" was made into a television movie in 1995 starring Tommy Lee Jones.

"I always hope that it might become popular again and the young people might discover them," he said. "I do find lots of younger people reading my books. I worry about the younger generation."

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Lions struggle against Hawks in district opener

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

Every step Ozona took Friday night, the Wall Hawks were there waiting to stop the Lions.

There were times, however, when the Lions did stop the Hawks.

Despite starting District 2-2A with a 0-26 loss to Wall, the Lions are looking to regroup and move on to the next game against Grape Creek.

"The Hawks were a better football team than we were on Friday night. We just could not get anything going offensively and our defense finally wore out from being on the field all night long," said Coach Benny Granger. "We have to bounce back this week and get things going again. I believe in these kids and I think they will."

Jordan Long left the game in the second half with a knee injury. As of Monday, it was not known how long he will be out.

The Lions defense would hold Wall to two field goals and hold them at the line on two series of plays.

Key tackles were made by: Caleb Mitchel, Nick Perez, Kyle Fish, Jack Rodriguez, Clint Hale,



OZONA LIONS (left to right) CALEB MITCHEL, JARED ESPINO and JACK RODRIGUEZ tackle a Wall Hawk during Friday night's District 2-AA opener at Lion Stadium.

Levi Vargas, Matt McGuir, Freddy Fierro, Matthew Payne and Colby Mayfield.

Offensively, Perez would rush five times for 25 yards. Long would complete two out of five passes for 16 yards and David Esparza would complete four

passes out of five for 27 yards.

Ozona and Wall would battle back and forth in the first quarter until three minutes left in the game when the Hawks scored on a 21-yard field goal.

The two teams would step up again in the second until 3:21 left

when the Hawks scored on a 36-yard run by Jake Halfmann. Wall's Seth Dunham would kick another field goal with 14 seconds left in the half for 29 yards to put Wall up 13-0.

In the third quarter, Wall

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What's on My Mind

By Melissa Perner

Really Cute Advice

Here's some really cute advice a friend sent me this past week:

- Give people more than they expect and do it cheerfully.
- Marry a person you love to talk to. As you get older, their conversational skills will be as important as any other.
- Don't believe all you hear, spend all you have or sleep all you want.
- When you say, "I love you," mean it.
- When you say, "I'm sorry," look the person in the eye.
- Be engaged at least six months before you get married.
- Believe in love at first sight.
- Never laugh at anyone's dream. People who don't have dreams don't have much.
- Love deeply and passionately. You might get hurt but it's the only way to live life completely.
- In disagreements, fight fairly. No name calling.
- Don't judge people by their relatives.
- Talk slowly but think quickly.
- When someone asks you a question you don't want to answer, smile and ask, "Why do you want to know?"
- Remember that great love and great achievements involve great risk.
- Say "bless you" when you hear someone sneeze.
- When you lose, don't lose the lesson.
- Remember the three R's: Respect for self, Respect for others and Responsibility for all your actions.
- Don't let a little dispute injure a great friendship.
- When you realize you've made a mistake, take immediate steps to correct it.
- Smile when picking up the phone. The caller will hear it in your voice.
- Spend some time alone.

WEEKLY REPORT
Congressman
Henry Bonilla
23rd District, Texas

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Creating tomorrow's leaders today at our service academies

One of the privileges of serving as a Member of Congress is the opportunity to nominate outstanding high school students for appointment to the nation's five service academies. Over the past several years, I have had the honor to endorse an extraordinary group of young men and women as future leaders in our armed forces.

As students return to school this fall throughout our area, it is my hope that more young people will decide to pursue a career in our nation's prestigious military.

The service academies offer a fully-paid, world-class education for students willing to dedicate at least five years to the branch of their choice. The academies are the U.S. Air Force Academy (Colorado Springs, CO), the U.S. Military Academy (West Point, NY), the U.S. Naval Academy (Annapolis, MD), and the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy (Kings Point, NY). The U.S. Coast Guard Academy (New London, CT) does not require a nomination and offers appointments solely on the basis of a nationwide merit-based competition.

Selection for placement in the academies is highly competitive as students from all over the country compete for a limited number of appointments. In addition to being in the top of their high school class academically, and in peak physical shape, students also must be nominated by either the President, the Vice-President, a Secretary of the Armed Forces, or a Member of Congress.

Once a student submits an application, a local citizen advisory board [a local advisory board of academy graduates and retired military officers] reviews all nominations for the 23rd District. I then forward the advisory board's recommendations to the academies, which make the final decisions on which students receive appointments.

Those who succeed the arduous application process then face a rigorous education that requires academic excellence, athletic performance, character development, and much more.

To be eligible, the applicant must reside in the 23rd District, be at least 17 years old, but cannot have reached his or her 23rd birthday. Additionally, he or she must be a citizen of the United States, be unmarried, not be pregnant, and have no legal obligation to support children or other dependents. The service academies welcome applications from all students regardless of race, color, ethnic origin, or creed.

When looking at potential students, the academies consider a number of qualifications, such as character, scholarship, leadership, physical aptitude, goals, and motivation. All of these factors are used to consider each applicant's "whole-person" evaluation. Many of our nation's most notable leaders have graduated from the academies, including Presidents Ulysses Grant and Dwight Eisenhower as well as General Norman Schwarzkopf.

There are many good reasons to seek admission to a service academy—a top-notch education, family tradition, a desire to serve or the need to take on an exceptional challenge are just a few. No doubt about it—students at our service academies are united by a desire to better themselves and serve our nation by becoming tomorrow's leaders.

You could be one of them.

Now is the time to apply for the class entering in the summer of 2006. Congressman Bonilla's deadline for applications is October 31st. For more information about nominations to service academies, please contact my district office at 210-697-9055 or visit my website at www.house.gov/bonilla.



NEWS REEL
SEPT. 25, 1975

Sheriff Billy Mills is home and taking it easy for a couple of weeks before returning to his duties. He is recuperating from heart surgery performed a few weeks ago in a Houston hospital.

Fifteen-year-old Regina Everett won sixth place in the 1975 J.T. Rutherford 4-H Achievement Award for 4-H members in Extension District-6. Everett is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R.J. Everett Jr. Sixteen-year-old Max Schroeder won fourth place in the boys' division. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Schroeder.

Mrs. Edna Dendy of Silver City, N.M. visited her brother Dean Phillips and family in Ozona last week.

NEWS REEL
SEPT. 26, 1946

Despite the fact that the second and third stringers played a big part of the game, the Ozona Lions gobbled up the San Angelo Kittens 38-0 last Saturday.

Miss Joy Hubbard, bride-elect of Lee W. Crenwelge of Fredericksburg, was honored with a number of parties this week, including a Coke party, Mrs. H.B. Tandy hostess; a gift shower, Mrs. B.B. Ingham, Mrs. A.A. Carter, Mrs. Richard Miller and Mrs. W.C. Phillips hostesses; and a Coke party, Dale Clendener and Dorothy Mayfield hostesses.

Mrs. Charlie Butler, former Ozonan, now residing in San Antonio, is here this week for a visit with friends and relatives.

It's the Pitts

By Lee Pitts

What are Friends For?

There is no accounting for some people's taste in friends. Or animal's either, for that matter. In my life I have seen a duck befriend a chicken, a Holstein cohabiting with an Angus, a Suffolk raised by a Southdown, a hog sucking a cow, a rancher who was buddies with a dairyman and a Border Collie that fell in love with a Hampshire hog and tried to consummate the relationship. Talk about strange bedfellows! Thank goodness the two were genetically incapable of reproducing or I'd have had a litter of deodorantly deprived, slop eating hog-dogs on my hands that were smarter than me.

Animals have taught me a lot about friendship. Take cows for instance. Most of their relationships are "symbiotic" in nature where the affiliation is based on a mutually beneficial arrangement. Have you ever seen birds resting on the back of a cow and wondered what that was all about? The cow serves as a bovine aircraft carrier for a feathered friend because the birds pick irritating insects off the cow's back. It's a win-win situation for both, despite the fact that they have absolutely nothing in common and never engage in meaningful dialogue. I guess you could say it's just like a marriage.

Perhaps the brotherhood that is the most baffling to me is that which exists between a goat and a race horse who are often stalled together. I see what the goat gets out of the deal: it gets to hang around an eye-appealing, muscular beast who is smart and smells better. (It's just like the relationship my wife has with me.) But darned if I can see what's in it for the horse? I think this combo is typical of a friendship based on social climbing where one animal sucks up to another individual with a higher social standing hoping to share in the celebrity spotlight. It's the same reason why I mention that I am on speaking terms with Baxter Black and a semi-famous team roper.

Sometimes a relationship is based simply on confusion. Like a dog we once owned that lived with our pig. The dog and the hog

overcame their differences to the point where the swine actually became a good watch-hog and the dog liked to take frequent mud baths. The friendship was a potentially harmful one but I let it run its course because, quite frankly, hog food was a lot cheaper than dog food.

Often two individuals appear to be friends but are simply united against a common enemy. For some reason I have found this a lot with people who have worked for me. This was also the case with my horse, Gentleman, who appeared at times to get along with cows while sharing a pasture with them. But Gentleman did not really like cows, he just ate their feed and used them as a defense when I tried to catch him.

Animals remind us that friendships are often based on plain old availability. A farm or ranch is not exactly a target rich environment for making high quality friends.

In that respect it's like a prison or a convention of pornographic film makers. Other than availability, and a little warmth on cold nights, why else would an otherwise normal dog sleep with a cat like ours did? A cat is everything that a dog isn't: lazy, sneaky and aloof. Cats think they are superior to dogs and are too good to ride to ride in the back of a pickup truck. I think any dog who befriends a cat suffers from loneliness and the same affliction many of my friends have: low self-esteem.

They can do better.

Occasionally there is simply no explaining the attraction. My wife's best friend was a vegetarian for a few years and you can imagine my embarrassment at brandings when she nibbled her tofu and bean sprouts. And I must admit that I count among my friends a liberal Hollywood film maker, a member of the Sierra Club, several auctioneers, a sheepherder and a lawyer. I realize I should know better than to hang around such a seedy crowd but my animals taught me long ago that if you are too picky in life the only friends you'll have will be imaginary ones.

Letters to the Editor

We welcome your letters. Not all will be published, those that are chosen will be found on page 2.
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Letters should try not to exceed 250 words.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- Sept. 28 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Pot luck luncheon, noon at the Senior Center.
- Reception for Crystelle Childress, 3:30-6 p.m. at the Crockett County Museum.
- Katalyst Ministries, 7 p.m. at the Crockett County Civic Center.
- Sept. 29 - Crockett County Care Center Family Council meeting, noon at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- Levis and Lace Square Dance lesson, 7 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Seventh Grade Lions vs. Grape Creek, 5 p.m. at Grape Creek.
- Eighth Grade Lions vs. Grape Creek, 6:30 p.m. at Grape Creek.
- Freshmen and JV Lions vs. Iraan JV, 6:30 p.m. at Lion Stadium.
- Sept. 30 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Nutrition/Food Pantry class, 9:30 a.m. at the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.
- Varsity Lions vs. Grape Creek, 7:30 p.m. at Grape Creek.
- Oct. 1 - Lady Lions and Lions Cross Country teams at Sonora.
- Oct. 2 - Breakfast and service honoring the teachers and employees of the Ozona Community Center, Family Health Center staff and Ozona Care Center staff and families, 8 a.m. at the Ozona United Methodist Church.
- Oct. 3 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Crockett County Senior Board, meeting at the Senior Center.
- Elmer Kelton to speak, 6-9 p.m. at the Crockett Room.
- Oct. 5 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.

Happy Birthday

Sept. 28 - Lenny Morrow, Mary Welt, Dale Mayfield, Mari Longoria, Kimberly Balderrama, Mari Longoria, Randy Jones and Bailey Badillo

Sept. 29 - Ted Dews, Kódi Glosson and Paige Villarreal

Sept. 30 - Tom Ben Williams, Carolyn Wilson, Michael Garza, Joey Arredondo, Cheyenne Taylor, Guy W. Hester, Elizabeth Upham, Griselda Tambunga and Chase and Chance Darr

Oct. 1 - Leslea Fierro, Nancy Gutierrez, Chase DeHoyos, Michael Morelli, Debra Burk and Fay Henry

Oct. 2 - Susan Hester, Aryn Danae Sanchez, Mike Miller and Brandi Trevino

Oct. 3 - Lizette de la Cruz, Margret Longoria, Autumn Gonzales and Robert G. Tambunga

Oct. 4 - Christopher Rodriguez, Kurtlan Reyes, Ray Ramos and Jesus Guerra

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Mr. and Mrs. James Owens and Dorothy Friend.

In Memory of:

Chris Perner

Given by:

Jo Davidson

Perner named to Media Honor Roll

AUSTIN - Melissa Perner of The Ozona Stockman was named to the Media Honor Roll, a program sponsored by the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB), by the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District.

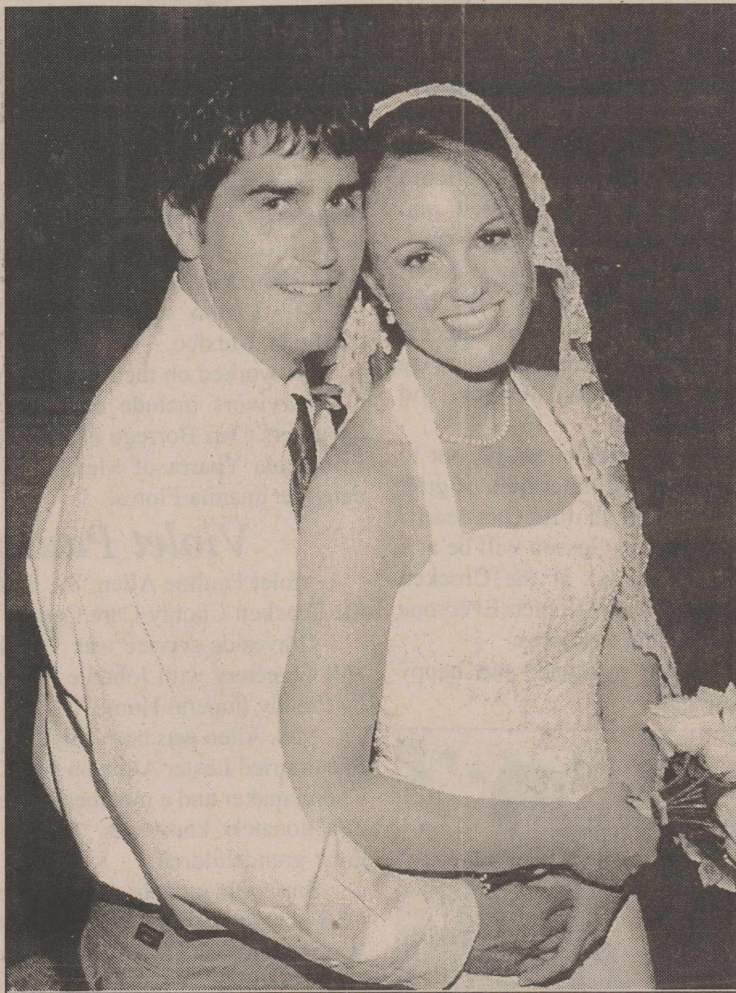
The Media Honor Roll recognizes media representatives statewide who deserve recognition for fair and balanced reporting of news about public schools. Media representatives from about 500 Texas newspapers and radio and television stations were honored by their local school districts.

Criteria for the district selection included media representative's efforts to get to know the superintendent, board president and the district's mission and goals; report school news in a fair, accurate and balanced manner; give a high profile to positive news about schools; visit the schools and maintain a policy of no surprises by sharing information with school officials.

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Mr. and Mrs. Brandon Michael Goetz

Millie Kathrine Wadsworth and Brandon Michael Goetz, both of San Angelo, were married July 30, 2005 at the home of Reba Kay and Jimmy Miller, aunt and uncle of the bride, in Mertzon. Judge Brock Jones II officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Kenny and Elizabeth Ann Wadsworth of Ozona. Paternal grandparent is Barbara McCarty of Devine and the late Dean Wadsworth. Maternal grandparents were the late Jack and Millie Saunders.

The groom is the son of Mike Goetz and Malissa Goetz both of Ballinger. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Goetz and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Knight, all of Ballinger.

Kristi Avila Lewis, of San Angelo, attended as Matron of Honor. Bridesmaids were Callie Chamberlain, of Colorado City and Keley Moorman, of San Angelo.

Tanner Sykes, of Lubbock served as the best man. Groomsmen were Bill Goetz, grandfather of the groom and Johnny Hoffman, of Ballinger.

Morgan Daughters attended as flower girl and Jagan Daughters served as ring bearer.

Ushers were Cole Wadsworth, brother of the bride, Jasique Hughes, family of the bride, Nathan and Ryan Smith, cousins of the groom.

Music for the ceremony was performed by Dean Wadsworth, brother of the bride. Scripture was read by Kendal Wadsworth, sister-in-law of the bride, and Bridget Goetz, sister of the groom.

A reception, dinner and dance were held on Spring Creek following the ceremony. The couple honeymooned at St. Lucia, Virgin Islands.

The bride is a 2001 graduate of Ozona High School and a 2004 graduate of Angelo State University. The groom is a 2001 graduate of Ballinger High School and a 2003 graduate of Angelo State University. The couple resides in Abilene where both are employed at Hendrick Medical Center as RN's.

Bird, Batura receive AP Scholar honors

Two graduates of Ozona High School, Jared Bird and Amber Batura, have earned the designation of AP Scholar by the College Board in recognition of their exceptional achievement on the college-level Advanced Placement Program (AP) Exams.

The College Board's AP Program offers students the opportunity to take challenging college-level courses while still in high school, and to receive college credit, advanced placement or both for successful performance on the AP exams. About 18 percent of the more

than one million high school students in more than 15,000 secondary schools worldwide who took the AP exams performed at a sufficiently high level to merit the recognition of AP Scholar.

Bird and Batura are both 2005 graduates of Ozona High School. Bird is the son of Rick and Lucy Bird and Batura is the daughter of Terry and Elaina McElwain.

Ozona Schools is proud to acknowledge and congratulate these students on their accomplishment.

Ozona Woman's Forum News

By NELL WESTER
Ozona Woman's Forum

The Ozona Woman's Forum met for Round Up Time for the 2005-2006 year at the Hitchin' Post on Sept. 20.

Hostesses were Marilyn Cox, Jean Odom, Sandy Bebee, Glenda Henderson, Katherine Russell and Marolyn Bean. Sixteen members attended and all enjoyed a good lunch.

A business meeting ensued with Charlotte Harrell presiding. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Jean Odom presented the new yearbooks titled "Read For Your Life." All programs were reviewed and discussed.

Virginia Hubbard proposed Lynn English for new membership. She was added by a unanimous vote.

Ann Shaw reported on the scholarship winners, Amber Batura and Penny Stewart.

The meeting was adjourned with Louise Taliaferro leading in the Club Collect.

Nutrition/ Food Pantry class Sept. 30

The Nutrition/Food Pantry program will be held at 9:30 a.m. Sept. 30 in the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. This class focuses on nutritious foods and spending your food money wisely. Recipes will be given.

The class is open to all interested persons.

However, in order to receive a food box, you must pre-register.

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

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Send off Friday for Bill the UPS man

You may or may-not know that Bill Donica, Ozona's beloved UPS man, is retiring as of Friday, Sept. 30 after 30 years of service in Ozona.

A brown-bag lunch celebration has been set for noon Friday at the Crockett Room.

The public is welcome to stop by, bring your lunch and wish Bill farewell and good luck in his retirement.

Cake and punch will be served while we all reminisce with OZONA'S FAVORITE UPS MAN.

If you or your business would like to present Bill with a gift, this would be the perfect

time.

Plans are to give him a final escort from town that day about 3:30 or 4 p.m. with lots of lights and sirens provided by the Crockett County Sheriff's Department, the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department and company.

We would like to encourage the community to line the square for a last good-bye.

Donations are welcome to help pay for the cake, punch and decorations.

If you would like to help out, call Barbie Myers at 392-1001 or 392-5243 or Donna Herring at 392-3978.

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October 2 Breakfast at 8:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Singing begins around 8:45. Worship will begin at 9:00 recognizing the teachers and employees of the Ozona Community Center, Family Health Center staff and Ozona Care Center staff and their families as our honored guests.

These services are all casual dress and will be over at 9:45 so that you may attend your regular church. You are also invited to attend Sunday school from 9:45-10:45 and traditional worship services in the Ozona United Methodist Church sanctuary beginning at 11:00 a.m.



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Care Center Chatter

By JAN ST. CLAIR TICE
Activity Director

Our facility was in a state of sorrow learning that our music man Otis Nester had passed away. Otis played his music and sang for many years here at the facility. Otis will be missed by every one of us. Our prayers are with the Nester family during this time. A memorial service will take place here at the facility, no date or time has been set yet.

Another month is just about gone. I think we are all looking forward to cooler weather. Oct. 31 will be the residents birthday party and Halloween party at 3:30 p.m. in the main dining room. Come join the afternoon with us. If you can, we can always use help with decorating the hallways and residents rooms.

Thank you to residents Francis Flanagan, Oscar Kost, Mildred Couch, Helen Stokes and Emma Camarillo for helping other residents during activities.

From our home to yours, have a good week.

⁽¹⁶⁾ Of faith that it might be according to grace, so that the promise might be sure to all the seed not only to those who are of the law, but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all.

⁽¹⁷⁾ (As it is written "I have made you a father of many nations") in the presence of Him who he believed—God, who gives to the dead and calls those things which do not exist as though they did;

⁽¹⁸⁾ Who contrary to hope, in hope believed, so he became the father. Of many nations according to what was spoken, "So shall your descendants be?"

Romans 4: 16, 17, -18

Levis & Lace News

By TINA JARVIS
Levis and Lace Square Dancer

Thursday, club members Leroy and Carol Adcock, Raul De La Rosa, Nell Wester, JoAnn Babbitt, Renee Padier, Jim Couch, Lucy Hinde, Carol Yeager and Tina Jarvis had lessons with student Frank Fred and a veteran dancer that is brushing up on her dancing, DeAnna Gerhardt, the USDA Rural Development Manger in Ozona.

Saturday, caller Tracey Dowell was ill with the flu and unable to call so Tina Jarvis called. Club members Leroy and Carol Adcock, Maria and Raul De La Rosa, Nell Wester, JoAnn

Babbitt, Renee Padier, Jim Couch, Lucy Hinde and Carol Yeager practiced mainstream with student Frank Fred and then we also practiced plus calls. Carol Yeager's birthday was celebrated at this dance. We had lots of fun and a lot of practice. Our guests were our honorary member Mildred Couch and Buster Miller.

Our condolences go out to Myra Nester in her time of grief and we will all miss Otis dearly. Our next lesson will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Crockett County Senior Center. Everyone is welcome to join us.

Keep it square and happy dancing!



Submitted Photo

ENJOYING THE LEVIS AND LACE DANCE on Saturday are: (l. to r.) Lucy Hinde, Carol Yeager, Renee Padier, Carol Adcock and JoAnn Babbitt.

Beginning Tues., Oct. 4 we will resume our

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Obituaries

Hermenegildo Limon

Hermenegildo Limon, 90, of Grand Prairie, died Saturday, September 24, 2005 in Arlington Memorial Hospital. Graveside service was, Tuesday, September 27, 2005 in Lima Cemetery. Arrangements were by Preddy Funeral Home.

Mr. Limon was born April 13, 1915, San Jose de Aura, Coahuila, Mexico.

He worked on the Mike Clayton ranch for 27 years.

Survivors include one son Gilberto Limon of Ozona, three daughters Cruz Borrego of Mexico, Ernestina Cruz of Grand Prairie, Ermelinda Ybarra of Mexico. He was preceded in death by one daughter Juanita Flores.

Violet Pauline 'Vi' Allen

Violet Pauline Allen, 89, died Saturday September 24, 2005 in the Crockett County Care Center.

Graveside service was Tuesday, September 27, 2005 in Cedar Hill Cemetery with Johnnie Perkins officiating. Arrangements were by Preddy Funeral Home.

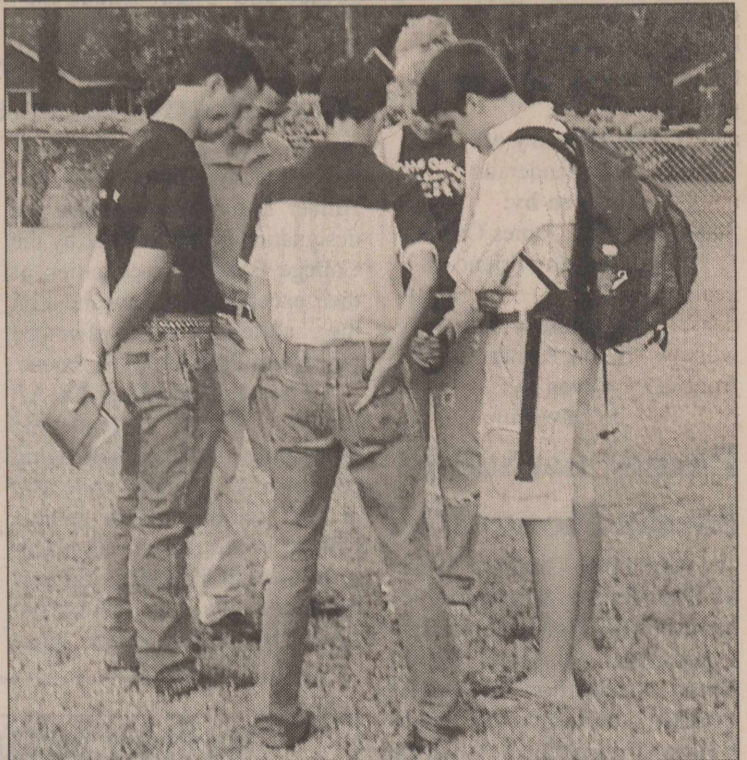
Mrs. Allen was born July 23, 1916 in Verno, Willbarger County. She married Lester Allen on June 2, 1938 in Fredrick, Okla. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of Christ. Mrs. Allen was affectionately known as "Sugarfoot" to all her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Survivors include one daughter, JoAnn Williamson and husband Cliff of Ozona; four sons, Melton Allen and wife Connie of Midland, Wayne Allen and wife Laura Ann of Loving, N.M., Byrl Allen of Ozona and Randy Allen and wife Michelle of Slidell, La; 10 grandchildren; Duane Williamson, David Ward, Cindy Harrison, Denise Ward, Cary Allen, Danny Allen, Leslie Allen, Maxy Allen, Ryan Allen and Jessica Noel; 11 great-grandchildren, Michael Nicks, Casey Nicks, Bobby Allen, Dylan Allen, Courtney Allen, Hunter Hood, Leroy Romero, Amanda Allen, Barbara Noel, Alex Williamson and Mat Solansky and one great-great-grandchild, Aiden Michael Nicks.

Pallbearers were grandsons, Duane Williamson, Dan Harrison, Danny Allen, Cary Allen, Leslie Allen, Casey Nicks, Matt Solansky, Alex Williamson and Dylan Allen.

A special thanks to everyone at Crockett County Care Center and Hospice for their love and care.

The family request memorials be made to the Crockett County Care Center or Hospice.



Photos by Kyle Webb

OZONA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS pray on Sept. 21 on the school grounds for the annual "See You At The Pole."

Ozona Senior Happenings

By LYNN ENGLISH
Senior Center Director

This Monday found me in good form and very happy because my printer is up and running. First, my computer went on the fritz and my printer soon followed. With the help from a computer tech and a phone call, everything was straightened out.

These hot days have been a lot to be desired. We are anxious for Thursday to arrive as the high on that day should be in the 70s.

My son, Ben English, was sent to Port Arthur because of Rita. He called to report Sunday that he had spoken to Geraldo Rivera. Seems that Geraldo had run out of gas and approached Ben to inquire if he could assist in getting him some.

My condolences go out to Myra Nester due to the death of her husband Otis. Myra and Otis were faithful to come out to the Senior Center. He will be missed.

Also, our condolences go out to the family of Vi Allen. It was with regret that we learned of her passing. Vi's many friends here will miss her.

Last Saturday, the Levis and Lace Square Dancers had their last dance of the month. This group would like for you to come out to the Senior Center and watch them dance or join in.

Our next pot luck will be noon today. Our program will be "Medicare Information Advantage" by Miguel Villanueva. Please make an effort to attend.

The Crockett County Care Center Family Council will meet at noon Thursday at the senior center. Interested persons are welcomed to attend.

The Crockett County Senior Board will meet Oct. 3 at the senior center. All members are urged to attend. We will discuss socials for October and November and any business at hand.

We have all been missing Marolyn Bean. She and Joe are on a trip, the East Coast I believe. We will be happy to have her back.

Betty Bullard has moved back to Ozona and we are so happy to have her back. She promises to come to the center often.

We have a number of games here or you are welcome to bring your own.

Our exercise class, "Walk Two Miles," is growing and we would like for you to join us. We meet at 8:30 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

If you are a pool player, we have a good pool table in the back room.

Our activities are for those of you 50 years of age or older (we are flexible). Come out soon and see what you are missing.

Four Ladies and A Song

A small group from different Churches was doing a weekend program for some youth when four of the ladies walked up to the microphone and started singing a little song. As they sang it took me back to the days of my childhood. I used to hear my grandmother singing it when she was washing dishes or it could have been my mother or one of the Sunday school classes that we occasionally attended.

Where did I hear it for the first time? Your see the song and its first verse "Jesus loves me this I know for the Bible tells me so" sure influenced my life because I grew up believing there was a God and that His only son, (Jesus) died on the cross, (John 3:16, John 14:6) that I might have my sins forgiven, (Romans 5:8). It was not till many years later that I experienced that fact.

One evening in my front yard at a very low point in my life, I called upon God to have mercy on me and forgive me, (I John 1:9). I also called upon Jesus to be my Lord and Savior, (Romans 10:13). Wow! What a difference, (John 10:10). I felt like a giant burden had been lifted from my shoulders and newness came into my life. That was over thirty-five years ago and if I am dreaming please don't wake me.

See you in Church next Sunday.

Brother J

First Baptist Church 901 Ave. D Rev. John Collis Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting - 6:30 p.m. Team KIDS: Wednesday - 5:30 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. Dan & Ann Rios Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Family Service: 6:30 p.m.
Templo Bautista Jerusalem 138 Blas St. Rev. Esequiel Cervantez Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. 6 p.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m.	Church of God of Prophecy 102 Man O' War St. Pastor Mario De La Mora Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 4:30 p.m. Tues. & Fri: 6:00 p.m.	Our Lady of Perpetual Help 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.
Calvary Baptist Church 601 Ave. I Rev. Daniel C. Fleming Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Wed. & Sun. Worship: 7 p.m.	Attend the Church of Your Choice This Sunday	
New Beginnings Church 701 9th Street Pastor Jesse Cardona Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Tuesday Worship: 7 p.m.	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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Tracy's Tidbits

By Tracy Hildreth, CEA-FCS

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Thank you, Ozona for the Hurricane Katrina donations

I would like to take the opportunity this week to thank all of the residents of Crockett County for their generous donations to the Katrina relief efforts. Thousands of dollars worth of supplies, as well as, numerous hours of volunteer time were generated over the last few weeks to make this such a success.

Items were distributed to areas of need in the Houston area thanks to the collaborative efforts of E. A. Wadsworth in association with the Methodist Church, Texas Cooperative Extension and Randy Upham, who donated the trailer and delivered the supplies himself.

The health kits were assembled and the trailer loaded on Sept. 15. About 30 volunteers assisted throughout the day. Randy then drove the trailer to Houston on Sept. 18.

While we cannot even begin to name all of the individuals donating to this effort, we do appreciate the effort put forth by EVERYONE.

Some of the final numbers are as follows:

- Health Kits and Other Disaster Relief Donations To Assist Hurricane Katrina Victims
- 212 Adult Kits
- 52 Children's Kits
- 72 Infant Kits
- 69 small kits
- Total 405 kits (plus)
- 73 cases of bottled water
- 16 cases Cup O Noodles
- Approximately 30 blankets
- 41 new pillows/cases
- More than 500 diapers
- 3 cases of baby formula



Submitted photos
DONATIONS CAME POURING IN for the Hurricane Katrina relief kits put together by the Crockett County 4-H and the Ozona United Methodist Church.



Submitted photos
MEMBERS OF CROCKETT COUNTY 4-H FOOD AND NUTRITION GROUP experienced a real treat this past Saturday. Mr. Holmes showed off his authentic chuck-wagon and demonstrated some outdoor dutch oven cooking. 4-Hers were then able to get into flour up to their elbows, making their own chuck-wagon biscuits.

30 baby bottles
28 sippee cups

In addition, there were several boxes containing new men's, women's and children's undergarments, feminine hygiene products, assorted food and miscellaneous items.

Thanks again Crockett County for making me proud to be a resident of this great community!

Applications being accepted for brush control assistance

The Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board is currently accepting applications for brush control cost-share assistance (this includes treatment of salt cedar along the Pecos River).

Landowners interested in cost-share assistance for the brush control program need to have applications turned in to their local Soil and Water Conservation District and a copy sent to the Texas Soil and Water Conservation Board in San Angelo by the Nov. 1, 2005 deadline.

Allocations for current projects will be made based on applications turned in by Nov. 1. Applications after the Nov. 1 deadline may result in limited funds for your district.

The TSSWCB agrees to pay 25 percent of the average cost for salt cedar, not to exceed \$218.40.

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Halloween carnival time

Helping Hands-Meals on Wheels will no longer sponsor the Halloween Carnival. After all these years, we decided it was time for someone else to take the reins.

Ozona Community Center will be the new sponsor, so give them the support you gave over these many years.

Booths will be \$10 each. Those that have the same booth

each year will be given first choice as we try not to duplicate food and games.

Craft vendors, both local and out of town, are welcome.

The time, date and place will be announced in the near future.

We have had several already reserve their booths, so call 392-3060, 392-2552, 392-2710 or 392-3175 to reserve a spot.

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KELTON: Writer concerned about younger generation

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generation losing interest in books, and then a new 'Harry Potter' comes out. I'm hoping that gears a lot of them to other books and broadens their interests."

Some of Kelton's most recent novels include "Sons of Texas," "Lone Star Rising" and "Jericho's Road."

Three of his novels have appeared in Reader's Digest Condensed Books. Four books have won the Western Heritage Award from the National Cowboy Hall of Fame, Oklahoma City. He is also a seven-time winner of the Spur award from Western Writers of America.

In 1987 he received the Barbara McCombs/Lon Tinkle Award for "continuing excellence in Texas letters" from the Texas Institute of Letters. In 1990 he received the Distinguished Achievement Award from the Western Literature Association. The Texas Legislature proclaimed Elmer Kelton Day in April 1997. In 1998 he received the first Lone Star award for lifetime achievement from the Larry McMurtry Center for Arts and Humanities at Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls. He also received honorary doctorates from Hardin-Simmons University and Texas Tech University. He was

given a lifetime achievement award by the National Cowboy Symposium in Lubbock.

After graduation from Crane High School he attended the University of Texas at Austin in 1942-44 and 1946-48, earning a B.A. degree in journalism.

He and his wife Ann, a native of Austria, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary three years ago.

They have two grown sons, a daughter, four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

For more information, call the Crockett County Public Library at 392-3565.

NRCS offers help to Rita victims

TEMPLE - The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is working with state and Federal emergency response teams to monitor the potential effects of Hurricane Rita and to identify the immediate threats to life and property.

The NRCS is responsible for administering the Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) program, which was created by Congress to respond to emergencies caused by floods, drought, earthquakes, windstorms and other natural disasters.

The purpose of the EWP program is to help communities with a common problem. All projects undertaken must be sponsored by any legal subdivision of the State such as a city, county, soil and water conservation district or a flood control district. When potential projects are identified, NRCS staff works with sponsors to prepare damage survey reports (DSR) as the first step in providing EWP assistance.

Funding may be provided through EWP to project sponsors for work such as removing debris from streams, protecting destabilized streambanks, establishing cover on critically eroding lands, repairing conservation practices, and the purchase of flood plain easements. The program is designed for the installation of recovery measures. The measures that are taken must be environmentally, socially and economically sound.

Addresses and contact information can also be obtained on the NRCS Texas Web site at: www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov

State NRCS Headquarters address is: STATE CONSERVATIONIST, USDA NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE, 101 South Main St., Temple, Texas 76501.

Chamber Thanks the Community

The Chamber of Commerce would like to thank the following individuals and organizations for their donations and contribution to the festival:

A special thanks to the employees of Crockett County who always work so hard to prepare the park for the event. They assisted with set-up and provided equipment to assist the Chamber. We couldn't have done it without you! Thank you Penni Moore, Richard Sanchez, Jesse Fierro, Miguel Damian, Estalfo Vargas.

T & C Village and T & T Village Supermarket for donating ice and water for our volunteer drinks.

Raydene Flores, David Lee Borrego and the Ozona Varsity and JV Cheerleaders for running the Game Pavilion, and doing a terrific job! Sandy Stokes for providing us with an amplifier and mic for the game pavilion.

Johnnie Perkins for blessing the riders before they began their journey for the Poker Run.

LaDonna Slayter for hanging festival flyers throughout town.

West Texas Rehab for providing the comfort station offering free water.

Duke Energy for donating two tents to the Chamber of Commerce and for providing a tent for the Poker Run event. Dianne Lott for loaning her tent used for the Mohair Style Show dressing room.

Crockett County Convention Center for the use of the tables and chairs placed at the Entertainment Stage, the West Texas Rehab Comfort Station, the Chamber booth and the game pavilion.

Arts & craft vendor Charles McClure who donated half of his BBQ pit raffle proceeds to the Chamber of Commerce.

Crockett County Road Department and Penni Moore for loaning us the use of their golf carts for the festival and the dance.

Red Bandana (Wilena Holden & Jamie Knox) and Levi and Lace Square Dancers for their performances at the Entertainment Stage.

Wool Growers Central Storage for donating wool sacks for the game pavilion. Richard Sanchez for organizing and running the Washer Pitching Tournament.

Chamber board members Mack Richie, Greg Thornton, Judy Churchill, Sally Oglesby, Louise Ledoux, Renee Padier, Sandy Glover for working the front gate.

Chamber Ambassadors Dick & Shirley Kirby for volunteering to work the gate during the festival.

Volunteers Robert Flores, Lynn English, Luann Pierce, for working the front gate and the dance.

AEP/WTU for hanging our promotional street banner, and replacing street lights for the dance.

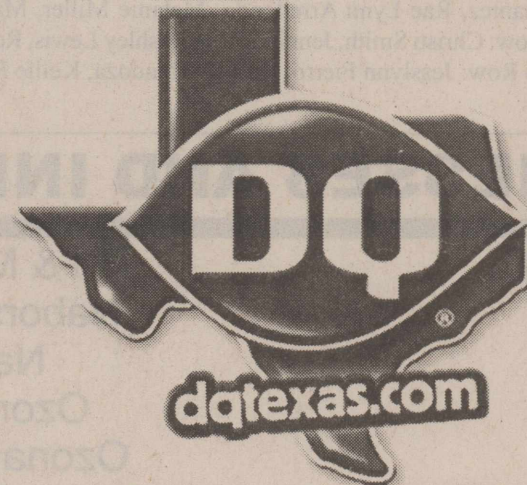
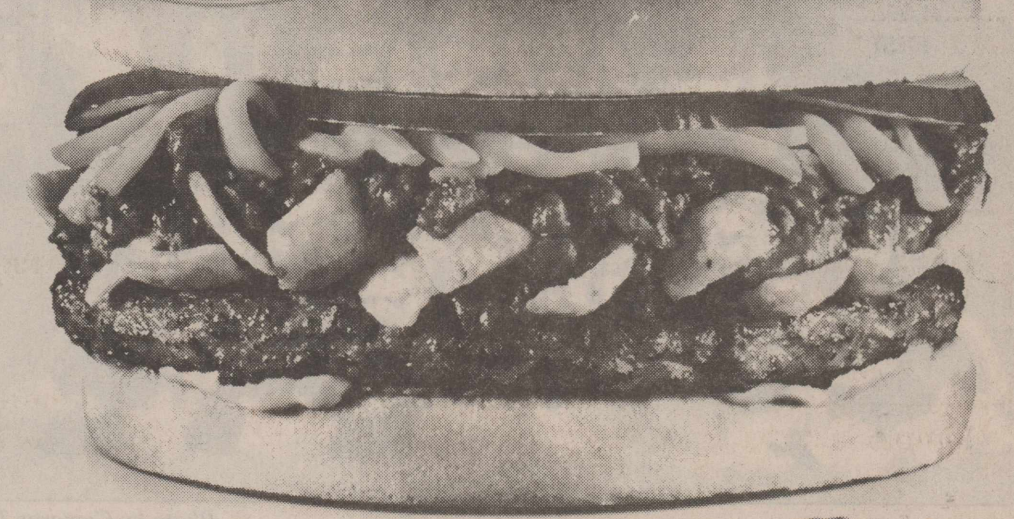
Sheriff Fenton for providing security during for Hired Gun Media at the street dance featuring Jim Raby.

Circle Bar Cable for advertising the festival on Channel 34.

Kenny McMullen for helping the Chamber to set up and take down tables, chairs and signs for the festival.

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Eighth Grade Lions hold off Wall for victory

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

The Eighth Grade Lions battled and held on to defeat the Wall Hawks 24-10 Thursday night.

"This team showed a lot of character and effort against the Hawks as they played as a team for much of the game," said Coach Rick Bachman. "I was very proud of the effort exhibited on both sides of the ball, and I expect the young men to continue to get better and better offensively."

Wall would get on the scoreboard first with a touchdown in the first quarter.

Ozona would then score early in the second quarter on a seven-yard run by Dylan Castillo to put the Lions at 6-8.

The next Lions' touchdown would come on a wild play when pressure from the Lions defense would cause the Hawks to fumble the ball and Manuel Villarreal would land on it for the score to put Ozona on top 12-8.

With four seconds left in the first half, Jimmy Munoz would run the ball 12 yards in for six more points to

put the Lions up 18-8.

Wall would score again in the fourth quarter to close the gap to 18-16.

The Hawks would try to get across the goal line, but the Lions defense would hold them back.

Wall would try to once again to score late in the fourth quarter on third and eight with 52 seconds left, but Lalo Longoria would catch an interception and run it back for an 82-yard touchdown to seal the win.

"Lalo's interception return was a huge play for us as Wall had the momentum and was knocking on the door once again with a chance to win the game," Bachman said. "The defense was once again phenomenal as they really had Wall out of sync for most of the game."

Sergio Mata and Jay Villar-

real would also get interceptions for the Lions and Oscar Lopez would get a fumble recovery for Ozona.

Starting and playing well on offense were: Lalo Longoria, Kurtlan Reyes, Markaus Galindo, Oscar Lopez, Wes McGuire, Lane White, Nathan DeHoyos, Dylan Castillo, Jaron Vasquez, Kyle Sewell, Jimmy Munoz, Jay Villarreal, Jesse Badillo, Taylor Newton and Josh Ramos.

Playing well on defense were: Lalo Longoria, Manuel Villarreal, Markaus Galindo, Wes McGuire, Nathan DeHoyos, Jordan Martinez, Lane White, Sergio Mata, Andres Mata, Anthony Villarreal, Kurtlan Reyes, Dylan Castillo, Kyle Sewell, Austin Whitten, K. C. Carson, Nick Leonard, Andrew Galindo, Bailey Badillo and Jaron Vasquez.

Seventh Grade Lions shutout Hawks 14-0

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

The Seventh Grade Lions shutout Wall Hawks to get their first win of season at 14-0.

Ozona would score on the first play of the game when Josh Gonzales run the ball back 78 yards on a kickoff return for the touchdown. Gonzales would also get the two-point conversion to put the Lions on the board at 8-0.

The Lions would score again with four minutes left in the fourth quarter on a 52-yard run by Gonzales to seal the win 14-0.

"Josh (Gonzales) had a great game as he was able to get us on the scoreboard early with his opening kick return and then iced the game with a long touchdown run the fourth quarter. He also had an interception on the defense which helped stop a Wall drive," said Coach Rick Bachman. "Russel Komechak and Frankie Vasquez also connected on a couple of passes which were big plays for the offense."

Starting and playing well on offense were: Russel Ko-

mechak, Josh Gonzales, Abbey Lara, Matthew Beseril, Jayce Logan, Kyle Dean, Tyler Vitela, Trey Fierro, Anthony Gonzales, Cesar Villarreal, Andrew Hamilton, Ben Hernandez, Sean Davis and Richard Borrego.

"The offensive line played extremely well as they opened holes for our backs all afternoon," Bachman said.

Starting and playing well on defense were: Frankie Vasquez, Miguel Vergara, Eric Talamantez, Austin Suddreth, Anthony Gutierrez, Abbey Lara, Jose Aguilar, John Simmons, Joe Borrego, Erik Estrada, Anthony Tambunga, Caden Rutherford, Phillip Munoz, Stefan Wilson, David Perez and Duncan Knox.

"The entire defense was simply fabulous the entire game as they never allowed Wall any opportunities and kept them off the scoreboard," Bachman said. "I am really excited about this team as they are continuing to improve from week to week."

The Lions will face Grape Creek at 5 p.m. Thursday at Grape Creek.

LIONS	0	VISITOR
24		16
2 DOWN		QUARTER 4
17 TO GO		BALL ON

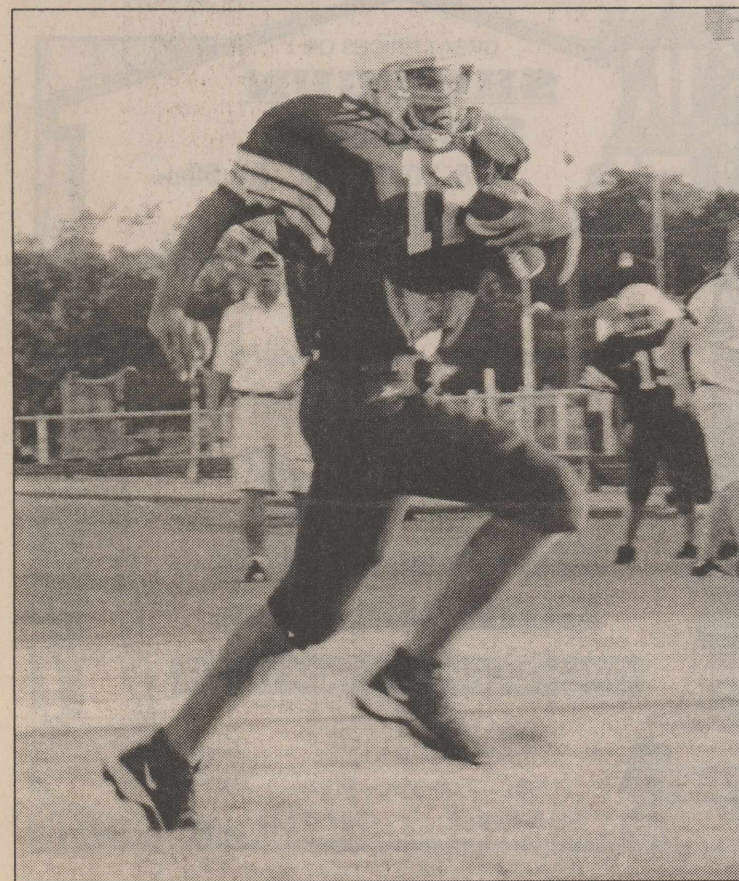


Photo by Joe Hernandez

DYLAN CASTILLO runs in for an touchdown in the second quarter of the eighth grade Lions victory over Wall.



Photo by Joe Hernandez

LALO LONGORIA sprints 82 yards for a touchdown after intercepting the ball to clinch the victory for the eighth grade Lions.

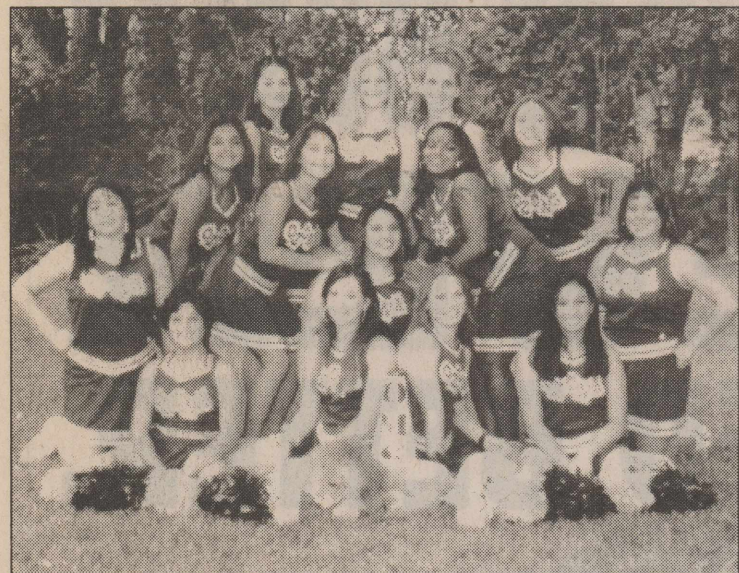


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THE 2005 OMS EIGHTH GRADE CHEERLEADERS are: (bottom row, l. to r.) Samantha Lara, Jayci Miller, Brandi Glosson and Alex Macias. Second row: Sophie Trevino, Adrianna Tijerina and Angelic Gutierrez. Third row: Lauren Najjar, Shelbie Ortiz, Jolissa Payne and Stephanie Galindo. Top row: Alex Cruz, Brandyn Tebbetts, Kelsey Childress and (not pictured) Abigail Rodriguez.



Photo by Joe Hernandez

JIMMY MUNOZ drags a Wall Hawk to a first down for the eighth grade Lions.

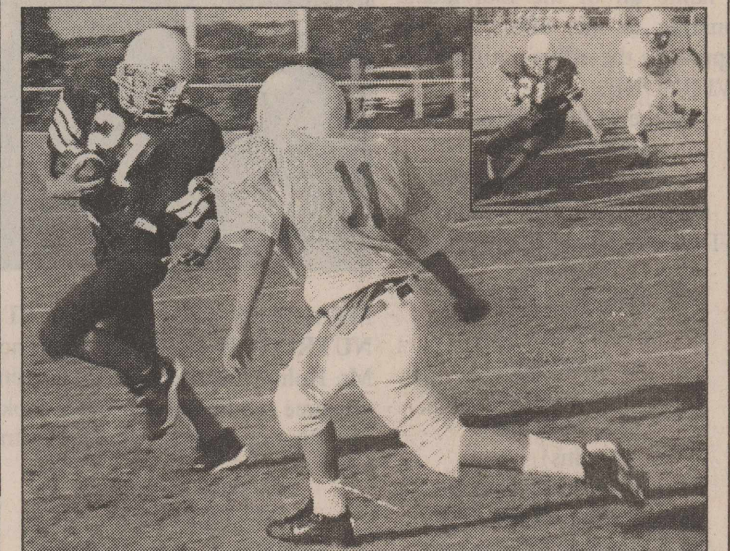


Photo by Joe Hernandez

JOSH GONZALES demonstrates his running skills as he outmaneuvers the a Wall defender. The inset box on the top right shows him skirting around the #11 seventh grade Hawk.



Photo by Joe Hernandez

ABBEY LARA moves the ball down the field in the seventh grade Lions 14-0 victory over the Wall Hawks.



Photo by Cameras Two

THE 2005 OMS SEVENTH GRADE CHEERLEADERS are: (bottom row, l. to r.) Jadyndy Poindexter, Evette Longoria, Rocio Torres, Roxanne Talamantez, Rae Lynn Arredondo, Melanie Miller, Makayla Badillo, Robyn Slayter and Irene Vargas. Middle row: Christi Smith, Jennifer Allen, Ashley Lewis, Rebecca Ramos, Chelsea Moore and Rebecca Pierce. Top Row: Jesslynn Fierro, Kristen Mendoza, Kellie Pilcher and Alma Elizondo.

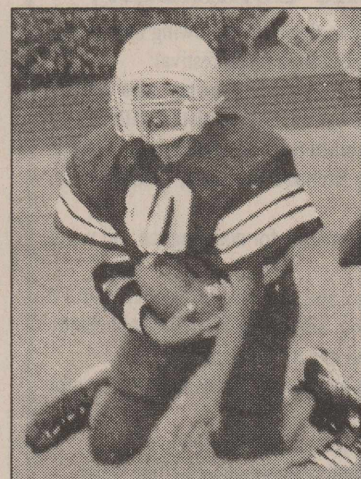


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MANUEL VILLARREAL was on the ball literally when he fell on top of a fumble in the Ozona Lion endzone for a second quarter touchdown for the eighth grade Lions. They defeated the Wall Hawks with a score of 24-10 on Sept. 22 in Lion Stadium

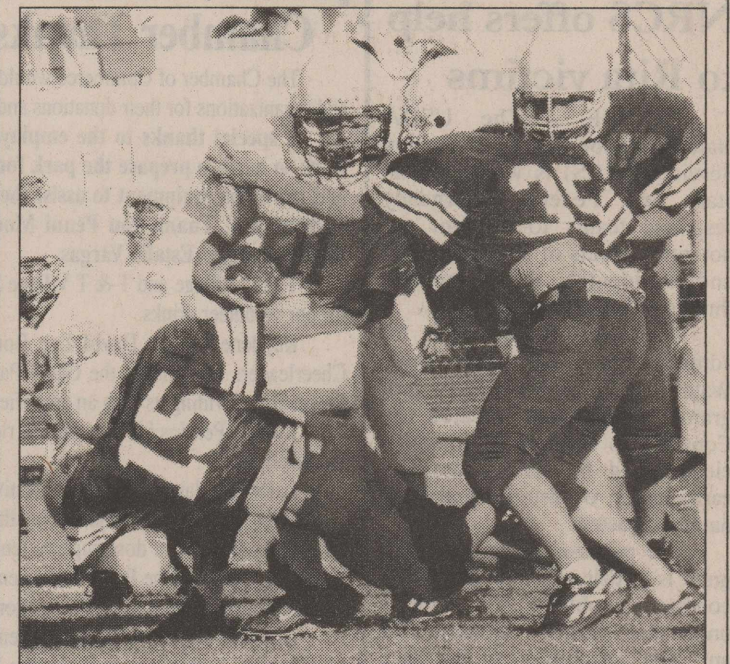


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THIS SEVENTH GRADE WALL HAWK BALL CARRIER has no hope against the tackling trio of #15 Eric Talamantez, #35 Jose Aguilar and #52 Trey Fierro.

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The Defending 2-AA Boys' State Cross Country Champions



Photo by Susan Calloway

THE OZONA HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' VARSITY CROSS COUNTRY TEAM MEMBERS ARE: (front, l. to r.) Ethan English, Coach Lenny Morrow and Rocky Munoz. Back: Tate Collis, Roman Tambunga, Michael Maldonado, Ross Kelley, A.J. Montanez, Wilson White and Levi English.

JV Lions battle against Hawks

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

The Ozona Lions JV team took their 1-1-1 record on the road last week to Wall.

The Wall Hawks defeated the young Lions 0-26.

The first half did not have but a few highlights to mention, said Coach Ronny Clayton.

John Tom Tijerina caught a pass from quarterback Justin Maldonado for about a 30-yard gain.

During the second half, the Lions were able to put together a couple of drives deep into Hawk-territory but two personal foul penalties kept the Lions from scoring, Clayton said.

Maldonado connected with Josh Santos for a couple of good gains. Santos also had some good runs, Clayton said.

Thomas Gray ran for about 35 yards inside the Hawk 5-yard line but one of the personal fouls brought the ball back out to the 20, Clayton said.

This week the JV will join forces with the Freshmen team, as their opponent for the week has cancelled. The Lions will take on the Iraan JV at 6:30 p.m. at Lion Stadium.



Photo by Susan Calloway

THE OZONA HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY TEAM MEMBERS ARE: (front, l. to r.) Vanessa De La Garza, Allison Skehan, Jessica Moore, Vicki Treto, Sara Dorrrough. Back: Coach Glen Gleghorn and Jamie Moore.



Photo by Joe Hernandez

KYLE FISH HURDLES OVER THE OPPOSITION to tackle the #33 Wall ball carrier in the Ozona Lions game against the Wall Hawks on Sept. 23.

The JV game against Grape Creek has been canceled. They will play alongside the Freshman Lions against the Iraan J.V. at 6:30 p.m. in Lion Stadium.

Freshmen Lions pounce Hawks for 35-8 victory

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

The Freshman Football team continued their winning ways at Wall on Thursday night and came out the 35-8 victory over the Hawks freshman team.

"We got out to an early lead and played through some struggles during the game to come out with the big win for us. The guys responded well to the adversity they faced during the game," said Coach JayBen Alls.

Matt Garza had 40 yards rushing on 7 carries, 125 yards passing, and 1 reception on a trick play that resulted in a 35-yard touchdown.

James Caldera once again had a big game on special teams with two big kickoff tackles.

Felix Venegas did a little of everything throwing a halfback throwback pass to Garza for a touchdown and being a work-horse at fullback pounding out 65 yards rushing on 10 carries and 3 touchdowns.

Ben Flores finished the night with 8 solos tackles and

65 yards rushing on 7 carries. "The offensive line is a great job all night opening up holes and protecting the quarterback," said Coach Justin Holloway.

Ruben Rivas and Danny Anderson played well from their tackle positions, while Steven Silva and Preston Tebbetts combined with center Chris Lara to open up holes between the tackles for scores, Holloway said.

Matias Gandar came in and played at running back and did a great job holding on extra point attempts, Holloway said. Silva kicked two extra point attempts and had 11 solo tackles and 5 assists.

"All in all, the Lions did an excellent job converting when they reached the red zone and making key stops to keep the momentum in their favor," Holloway said.

The freshman will be combining to play with the JV squad this week against the Iraan JV at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Lion Stadium.

Cross Country Teams compete at Mertzson

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

The Lions and Lady Lions Cross Country Teams competed in Mertzson over the weekend and performed well.

The girls were paced by a strong fourth place finish from Vicki Treto and a seventh place finish from Allison Skehan. Sara Dorrrough, Jessica Moore and Vanessa De La Garza also ran good races to help the Lady Lions to a strong showing, said Coach Lenny Morrow.

The boys were missing Levi English do to a minor injury, but the team still managed an impressive team performance.

Tate Collis was the first Lion across and finished fifth overall with Roman Tambunga hot on his heels to finish seventh. Ethan English raced in at 13th and Ross Kelley toughed out a strong 19th place finish. A.J. Montanez squeezed into the top 30 and Wilson White gutted out a good performance to finish in the top 40.

"There were over 90 runners in each race so the Lions and Lady Lions are to be commended for an excellent showing," Morrow said.

Team results were not available as of Monday because of a scoring error on Saturday. Team results will be given at a later time.

The teams will compete Saturday in Sonora.

LIONS: Ozona to regroup for Grape Creek Friday

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would begin a series down the field and get into scoring position, but the Lions defense would keep the Hawks back from the goal line.

Ozona tried to get the ball down field on the next series, but the Wall defense was ready each time. The series would end with a Wall interception to put the Hawks back into scoring position.

Wall would then score on a three-yard run by Aaron Smith.

In the fourth quarter, Ozona would once again try to get the ball down field but time and luck ran out for the Lions.

Wall's final touchdown came with 2:37 left by Zach McCormick on a three-yard run.

The Lions are now 3-1 overall and 0-1 in District 2-AA play.

Ozona will face the Grape Creek Eagles at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Grape Creek.

Ozona 0 Wall 26

SCORE BY QUARTERS	
Ozona	0 0 0 0
Wall	3 10 6 7-26

First Quarter
Wall - 3:02 remaining, Seth Dunham 21 field goal.

Second Quarter
Wall - 3:21, Jake Halfmann 36 run (Dunham kick).
Wall - :14, Dunham 29 field goal.

Third Quarter
Wall - 2:37, Aaron Smith 3 run (pass failed).

Fourth Quarter
Wall - 3:12, Zach McCormick 3 run (Dunham kick).

	Ozona	Wall
First downs	7	17
Rushes-yards	29-81	42-241
Passing yards	42	79
Total yards	123	320
Comp-Att-Int	6-11-1	3-11-1
Punts-Avg.	3-32	1-35
Fumbles-Lost	6-3	1-1
Penalties-yards	2-15	8-55

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING
Nick Perez 5 carries for 25 yards.
PASSING
Jordan Long 4-5 for 27 yards.
RECEIVING
Levi Vargas 2-21 and Jared Espino 1-6 yards.

SCORES FROM AROUND DISTRICT 2-AA

Eldorado	12	Junction	21
Grape Creek	6	Mason	20
Sonora	35		
Reagan County	13		

OFFENSIVE MVP OF THE WEEK



Clint Hale

Clint had an interception and was in on seven tackles.

DEFENSIVE MVP OF THE WEEK



Tell Churchill

Tell had a great night blocking. He had his man taken care of on nearly every play.

KATALYST MINISTRIES

7 p.m. Sept. 28

at the Civic Center

OZONA YOUTH ALLIANCE MEETINGS

4 p.m. Sept. 25 at the

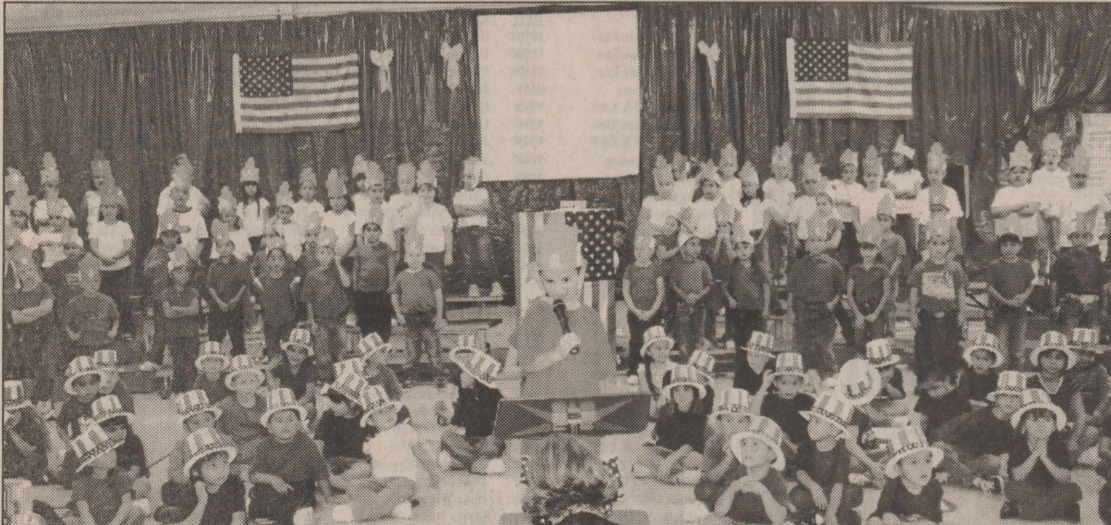
Ozona United Methodist Church

4 p.m. Oct. 16 at the

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Catholic Church

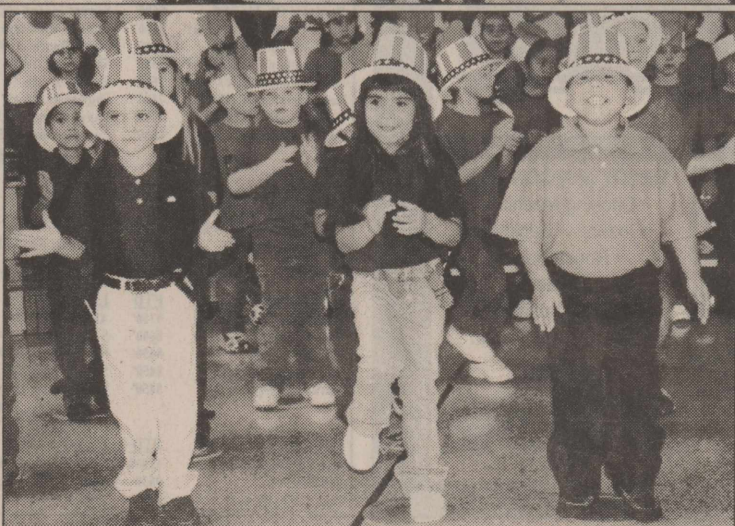
Ozona Primary School goes patriotic at open house



Photos by Joe Hernandez

TOP: EVERYONE AT OZONA PRIMARY SCHOOL celebrated the Red, White and Blue during the annual Open House on Sept. 20 in the primary school gym.

RIGHT: (left to right) GAVIN GRANNIS, AUDREY GANDAR and MARC FLORES march along during the performance. The program featured grades kindergarten through second and was directed by music teacher Justina Saunders.



Youth Center Calendar of Events

Sept. 28 - Katalyst Ministries, 7 p.m., center will be closed during event

Sept. 30 - Ozona Middle School Eighth Grade Reward Party 1-2:45 p.m.

Freshmen and JV football games, 5 p.m., center will be open after games

Oct. 3 - High School Subway night, 7-10 p.m.

Oct. 4 - Eighth Grade Pizza night, 7-10 p.m.

Crockett County Sheriff's Report

CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS REPORT
TYPE OF CALLS # OF CALLS
Criminal Complaints/Reports 19
Civil Complaints 3
Civil Service 2
State/county Road Dept. 1
Juvenile Complaints 6
Locked Vehicle 8
Welfare Assistance (Gas, Food, Lodging) 3
911 Medical/Fire/ vehicle Accidents 4
Gas Thefts 1
Disturbance, loud noise etc. 7
Suspicious Vehicle/Person 5
Animal Control/Complaints 4
Security Alarms 2
Sheriff's Office/ Jail Admin. 4
Reckless driving/speeding complaints 3
Welfare Concern 2
Motorist Assistance 4

OUTSTANDING WARRANTS:
The following persons have outstanding Felony or Misdemeanor Warrants in Crockett County. It is against the law to aid, harbor, or assist in preventing arrest/apprehension of a person with Felony warrants.
• Kristina Marie Hudson of Sonora, Tx. -Theft by Check - Misdemeanor
• Ricky Leavell Johnson of Bakersfield Calif.- Motion to Revoke Probation/Possession of Marijuana under 2oz. - Misdemeanor
• Luis Robert Perez, of Ozona, -Assault Family Violence-Misdemeanor
• David Garrard Vargas of Tamarac, Florida,- Motion to Revoke Probation/Driving while Intoxicated.- Misdemeanor
• Jaime Valasquez Blanco Jr., of Ozona, - Criminal Mischief-State Jail Felony
• Saul Villarreal Lopez, of Lake Jackson.- Possession of Controlled Substance- Felony
• Luis Aberto Herrera, of San

Angelo - Theft- Felony
• Melissa Rosales Rivera, of Lubbock - Probation Violation/ Forgery- Felony
• David Lynn Wiley, of Merkel - Failure to Appear/ Driving While License Suspended- Misdemeanor, Failure to Appear/Driving While Intoxicated-2nd
• Neftali Escobar, of San Antonio - Failure to appear/ Driving While License Suspended.- Misdemeanor.

INCIDENT REPORTS
09-25-05
• An unattended death report was filed by sheriff's office - local citizen was reported as deceased at the 600 block of Ave I.
09-26-05
• A report of assault was filed by person who reported that he was threatened by known person with a Knife. Investigation continues.
• A report of criminal trespass was filed by person, who stated that known persons had entered a place of business without authorization, at the 1800 block of Santa Rosa St. Investigation continues.

ARREST REPORT
09/21/05
• Travis Keesee, 24, arrested by DPS Trooper for possession of marijuana under two ounces. He posted bond and was released.
• Romulo Arturo Lozano, 27, had original charge of aggravated assault family violence reduced to harassment Class B misdemeanor. Subject remains in custody.
• Matthew John Flynn, 45, arrested by DPS Trooper for driving while intoxicated. Subject remains in custody.

09/23/05
• Frank Arturo Trujillo III, 38, was arrested by sheriff's deputy for outstanding traffic warrants issued by DPS and also Tom Green County warrants. Subject was transferred to Tom Green County.
09/25/05
• Andrew Anthony Cordova, 20, was arrested by sheriff's deputy for assault family member. Bond was posted and was released.

Ozona Lodge #747 A.F. & A.M.
Regular meeting on 1st Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Monday at NOON is the Ozona Stockman Deadline

Junction Stockyards Market Report
Sheep and Goats
Sept.26, 2005
We sold 3,404 head of sheep and goats. Kids and nannies were steady.
#1 spring lambs 50-70 lbs. 1.35-1.40
#1 spring lambs 70-90 lbs. 1.20-1.30
#1 old crop lambs 50-70 lbs. 1.15-1.25
#1 old crop lambs 70-90 lbs. 1.10-1.15
Fat ewes 50-55
Thin ewes 45-55
Bucks 30-50
Baby tooth ewes no test
Solid mouth ewes 80-1.00
Ewe & lamb pairs 55-65/hd
Baby tooth Angora stocker nannies 60-80
Solid mouth Angora stocker nannies 55-65
Stocker Angora muttons 55-65
Angora kids 1.30-1.40
Angora kids-shorn 1.10-1.20
Weighing Angoras-shorn (thin) 40-45
Weighing Angoras-shorn (fat) nannies 50-60
Stocker Spanish nannies 70-85
Fat Spanish nannies 50-60
Fat Spanish muttons 90-1.10
Fat Spanish billies 70-85
Fat yearlings 1.00-1.10
Fat Spanish kids 1.15-1.25 (some 1.40)
Small kids 1.10-1.15
Thin kids 1.05-1.10
Spanish nanny & kid pairs 40-45 hd
Next goat sale - Oct. 3, 2005

Category 3 Hurricane Rita slams Texas-Louisiana border



HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling

AUSTIN - Up to 3 million people fled from coastal areas as Hurricane Rita lumbered steadily through the Gulf of Mexico toward the Lone Star State, Sept. 19-23.

Rita struck Saturday morning, Sept. 24, making landfall at Sabine Pass near the Louisiana border. The storm's 100-mph winds and torrential rains ripped buildings, downed powerlines and flooded homes and other property.

Some storm damage estimates reached \$20 billion. Hardest hit were Jefferson, Orange, Jasper and Newton counties, but damage assessments are still in progress.

In advance of the storm, Gov. Rick Perry recalled the Texas National Guard and other state emergency teams deployed out of state in response to Hurricane Katrina, which struck Aug. 29.

Coastal county dwellers and Galveston Islanders in particular packed up and headed inland after Perry called for voluntary evacuation on Sept. 21.

On Sept. 22, President George W. Bush declared a state of emergency for all of Texas, and mandatory evacuation orders were issued. Evacuees, joined snail-like highway processions toward the interior of Texas and beyond.

Relief agencies converted school gymnasiums into shelters. Officials canceled, postponed or rescheduled high school football games and community activities.

Stores sold out of bottled water; hotels and motels filled up; and inland kin and friends took in their coastal kin and friends.

Attorney General Greg Abbott said his attorneys and investigators stood ready to lower the boom on unscrupulous businesses, con artists and bogus charity workers who exploit victims and others.

Lawmakers to leave or shuffle
Certain members of the Texas Legislature have signified their intent not to run for re-election in 2006.

Those include Reps. Peggy Hamric, R-Houston, Suzanna Hupp, R-Lampasas, Bob Griggs, R-North Richland Hills, Terry Keel, R-Austin, Joe Nixon, R-

Houston, Richard Raymond, D-Laredo, and Jim Solis, D-Harlingen. Three members of the Texas Senate also will not return after their present terms expire. Those include Sens. Todd Staples, R-Palestine, Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin, and John Lindsay, R-Houston. Raymond has announced that he will challenge Henry Cuellar, an incumbent Democrat, for U.S. Congressional District 28.

Hamric and Nixon expect to compete in the GOP primary for Lindsay's Senate seat; Keel plans to run for a seat on the state's 3rd Court of Appeals; and Staples is running for commissioner of agriculture.

Sharp to head tax reform panel
Gov. Perry announced his intention to appoint a bipartisan panel to pick apart the state's tax system and find areas that could benefit from reform.

Perry, a Republican, asked former state comptroller John Sharp, a Democrat, to chair the panel. Sharp accepted. The panel will travel around the state to collect input from a broad spectrum of Texans. School funding ruling anticipated The Texas Supreme Court had not ruled as of Sept. 23 on the state's appeal of a lawsuit by more than 300 school districts that claim the state's way of funding public education is unconstitutional.

A year ago, a lower court ruling found in favor of the plaintiffs. When the state Legislature failed to solve school funding and the related issue of property tax reform, the state appealed. Oral arguments were heard July 6.

Anti-violence grants awarded
Gov. Perry announced \$6.8 million in grants to combat violent crimes against women and to render services to victims.

The grants will go to 100 programs across Texas under the STOP Violence Against Women Act and will be distributed by the governor's criminal justice division.

Big Tex expects big draw at Fair
The 2005 State Fair of Texas will open Sept. 30 at historic Fair Park in Dallas. More than 3 million people are expected to attend the extravaganza that will continue through Oct. 23. Exhibit hours are 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. daily. Kickoff for the Texas-OU football game is scheduled for noon on Oct. 8.

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TIM BURTON'S CORPSE BRIDE (PG) 2:25 4:30 7:00 9:15
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Sutton County
OPERATOR PTD LEASE CONTRACTOR/RIG ACTIVITY-DEPTH
New Dominion OK TX E&P 9650* W H Karnes -C- #12 Patterson Drilling/A 120 Assigned
Dominion OK TX E&P 9200* Joe Friend Estate #4-27 Patterson Drilling/A 39 Assigned
New Dominion OK TX E&P 9000* Randeé Fawcett Trust #14 Patterson Drilling/A 40 Assigned
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New Dominion OK TX E&P 8975* L R Valliant #20 Patterson Drilling/A 108 Assigned
Dominion OK TX E&P 8950* L R Valliant #3-6 Patterson Drilling/A 108 Drig Ahead
Dominion OK TX E&P 8900* Randeé Hill-Fawcett Trust -D- Patterson Drilling/A 40 Drig Ahead
Dominion OK TX E&P 8850* Duke Wilson #176-9 Patterson Drilling/A 122 Assigned
Dominion OK TX E&P 8650* Duke Wilson #176-7 Patterson Drilling/A 122 Drig Ahead
New Dominion OK TX E&P 8500* Mayer Ranch -B- #2-3 Patterson Drilling/A 105 Assigned
Dominion OK TX E&P 8500* Sawyer-Jones #2003 Patterson Drilling/A 107 Drig Ahead
New Dominion OK TX E&P 8400* Edwin S Hill-Mayer Jr -R- #4 Patterson Drilling/A 105 Drig Ahead
Dominion OK TX E&P 8400* Mayer Ranch -K- #1003 Patterson Drilling/A 742 Drig Ahead
New Dominion OK TX E&P 7550* Sharley Rr -1c- #6 Patterson Drilling/A 107 Drig Ahead
New Dominion OK TX E&P 7550* Sharley Rr -1f- #6 Patterson Drilling/A 115 Assigned
New Dominion OK TX E&P 7500* Sharley Rr -1c- #5 Patterson Drilling/A 115 Drig Ahead
Dominion OK TX E&P 7000* Canyon Ranch #11315 Patterson Drilling/A 161 Drig Ahead
New Dominion OK TX E&P 6500* Canyon Ranch -115- #20s Patterson Drilling/A 161 Assigned
Schleicher County
OPERATOR PTD LEASE CONTRACTOR/RIG ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Approach Operating 9000* Rousselot #1311 Nabors Drilling (O) 709 Drig Ahead
New Dominion OK TX E&P/H 7900* Nixon -177- #7 Patterson Drilling/A 742 Assigned
Unit Petroleum/Mid 7300* University 53-17 #2 Heart Land Drilling 2 Drig Ahead 3800'
Reagan County
OPERATOR PTD LEASE CONTRACTOR/RIG ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Pioneer Natural/trv 9700* Aldwell -M- #4802 Mattlock Drilling 4 Drig Ahead 8000'
Pioneer Natural/trv 8600* S F Stout #2 Mattlock Drilling 2 Drig Ahead 8600'
Mariner Energy 8450* Sau Mariner -44- #2c Big Dog Drilling 5 Drig Ahead 7507'
New Mariner Energy 8450* Sau Mariner 25-La #1c Lariat Services/Ode 13 Drig Ahead 3208'
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Terrell County
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JAILER/DISPATCHER VACANCY: The Crockett County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for the position of Jailer/Dispatcher until midnight of September 28, 2005. Salary is \$10.18 per hour, \$22,233.12 per year. Jailer Applicants must be a citizen of the United States, Must be at least 18 years of age, should be a High School Graduate, or have passed a GED test, or have obtained the equivalent of 12 semester hours at an accredited college or university. Applicant must not have been discharged from any military service under less than honorable conditions, not on probation for a criminal offense, not convicted of a felony offense, not convicted of a misdemeanor offense of a grade of "Class A" or its equivalent within the last 12 months, not been convicted of a misdemeanor offense of a grade of "Class B" or its equivalent within the last 6 months, not convicted of the offense of driving while intoxicated or driving under the influence or drugs within the last two (2) years. Applicant must be of good moral character, must be able to pass a background investigation and interview board. Successful applicant must be able to pass a psychological evaluation, must be able to pass a medical examination and drug test. After applicant is employed he/she must complete a state certified jail school within the first year of employment, and pass a State License Examination. Applications can be picked up at the Crockett County Sheriff's Office in Ozona, Texas or by calling 325-392-2661 or 2662. The Crockett County Sheriff's Office is an equal opportunity employer. We do not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, national origin or disability.

CROCKETT COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT is accepting applications for full-time janitorial positions. Applicants must be 21 years of age or older. Drug Test and Pre-Employment Work Steps test are required. Applications may be picked up and returned to Crockett County Road Department at 225 State Highway 163 North, Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For additional information call the Road Department at 325-392-3020. Crockett County Road Department is an equal opportunity employer (EOE). 2c34.

OZONA COUNTRY CLUB is accepting applications for all positions. Please pick-up applications at Enron Oil and Gas office: Hwy 163 South, 392-3782 or after 6:00 p.m. at the Ozona Country Club: 392-2520. tfc34

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Texas Motorized Trails Coalition has made an application to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for a federal grant from the Recreational Trails Fund to acquire property and to develop a public recreation area in Crockett County. This proposed public recreation area will include trails to ride off-road recreational vehicles, specifically all-terrain vehicles and off-road motorcycles. Parks and Wildlife invites all interested citizens to attend a public hearing on Thursday evening October 6, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. The hearing will be held at the Crockett County Civic Center in Ozona. The hearing will include a short overview of the proposed project, the funding source, question and answer period and public input.

The hearing will be recorded so that comments made during the hearing will become part of the public record. For individuals who would like to submit comments on the proposed project, but can not attend the hearing, written comments may be sent directly to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department at the address below. For questions or additional information call Steve Thompson in the Recreation Grants Branch, Texas Parks & Wildlife Department at 512-912-7130. Written comments may be submitted to this address:

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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF CHAS E. DAVIDSON III, DECEASED:

Notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of September, 2005, Letters Testamentary were issued to Joanne B. Davidson and Dan Forrest Davidson as Independent Co-Executors in proceedings in the County Court of Crockett County, Texas, in Probate, styled "In the Matter of the Estate of Chas E. Davidson III, Deceased," being No. 1083 in that Court, and which proceedings are still pending. All persons having claims against the Estate are hereby required to present the same to Joanne B. Davidson or Dan Forrest Davidson, P.O. Box 448, Ozona, Texas 76943, within the time prescribed by law. DATED this 21st day of September, 2005. Joanne B. Davidson and Dan Forrest Davidson, Independent Co-Executors of the Estate of Chas E. Davidson III, Deceased.

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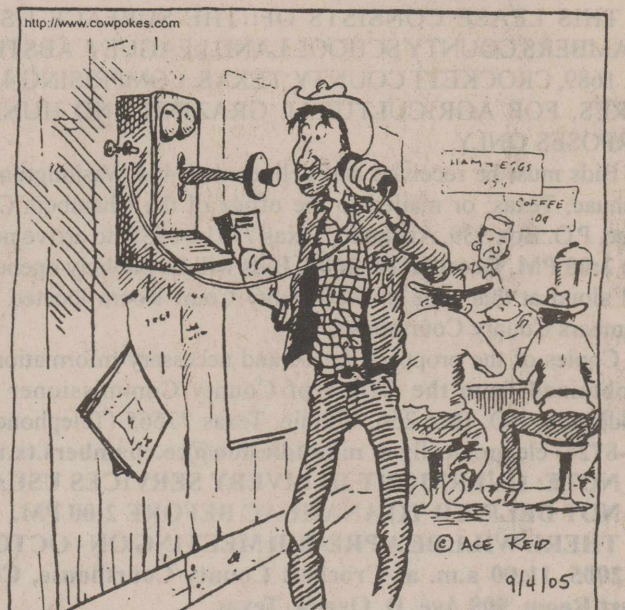
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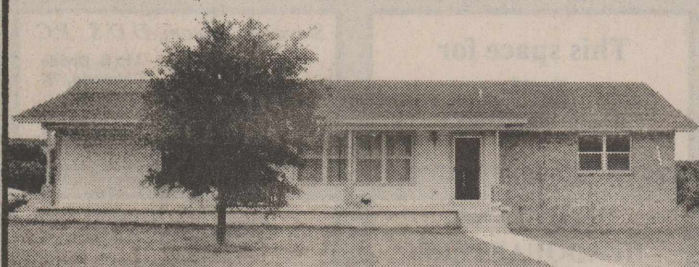
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NOTICE OF RATE INCREASE FOR WATER AND SANITATION SERVICES

Crockett County Water Control & Improvement District No. 1 (CCWCID #1) is giving notice of an increase effective November 15, 2005 for the following services: WATER and SANITATION. On September 12, 2005 the Board of Directors passed a motion unanimously to raise water and sanitation rates as follows: Water rates will increase by thirty cents (\$0.30) per minimum and fifteen cents (\$0.15) per thousand gallons after three thousand (3,000) gallons of usage. Sanitation charges will increase eight and thirty-three hundredths percent (8.33 %). Below is a comparison of current and new RESIDENTIAL minimum water rates, followed by a comparison of rates of ten thousand (10,000) gallons of water used and thirty thousand (30,000) gallons of water used.

MINIMUMS	
Current Rate	New Rate
\$15.80/3 thousand gallons	\$16.10/3 thousand gallons
Re-pump rate	Re-pump rate
\$16.55/3 thousand gallons	\$16.84/3 thousand gallons

10,000 GALLONS USED	
Current Rate/10,000 gallons	New Rate/10,000 gallons
\$24.90	\$26.25
Re-pump rate/10,000 gallons	Re-pump/10,000 gallons
\$26.70	\$28.05

30,000 GALLONS USED	
Current Rate/30,000 gallons	New Rate/30,000 gallons
\$53.90	\$58.25
Re-pump/30,000 gallons	Re-pump/30,000 gallons
\$58.70	\$63.05

CURRENT AND NEW MINIMUM RESIDENTIAL CHARGES

CURRENT		NEW	
Water	\$15.80	Water	\$16.10
Wastewater	\$15.00	Wastewater	\$15.00
Sanitation	\$15.00 + tax	Sanitation	\$16.25 + tax
Total	\$46.74	Total	\$48.37

RE-PUMP		RE-PUMP	
Water	\$16.55	Water	\$16.85
Wastewater	\$15.00	Wastewater	\$15.00
Sanitation	\$15.00 + tax	Sanitation	\$16.25 + tax
Total	\$47.49	Total	\$49.12

A public forum will be held 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 4, 2005 at the Ozona Civic Center for public comments. Questions can be referred to Doug Meador or Cindy Dusek at the District's office at 325-392-2730 or Box 117, Ozona, Texas 76943

Public Notices

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Chambers County is requesting Bids for:
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 THIS LEASE CONSISTS OF: THE SURFACE USE OF CHAMBERS COUNTY SCHOOL LAND LEAGUE 4, ABSTRACT NO. 1689, CROCKETT COUNTY, TEXAS, COMPRISING 4,428.4 ACRES, FOR AGRICULTURAL GRAZING AND HUNTING PURPOSES ONLY.
 Bids must be received and delivered to 404 Washington Ave., Anahuac, Texas; or mailed to the office of the Chambers County Judge, P.O. Box 939, Anahuac, Texas 77514-0939, to arrive no later than **2:00 PM, October 18, 2005**. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at that time in the County Court Room located in the Chambers County Courthouse.
 Copies of the proposed Lease and necessary information may be obtained from the Office of County Commissioner Mark Huddleston, P.O. Box 260, Winnie, Texas 77665 (Telephone 409-296-8724) electronically at mhuddleston@co.chambers.tx.us.
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