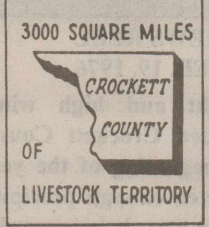


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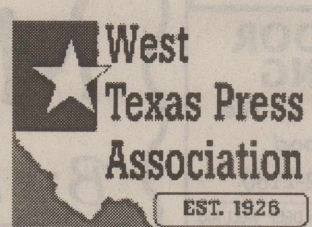
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Mostly Cloudy	
Thursday	
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Chance of Rain	
Friday	
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Partly Cloudy	
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Partly Cloudy	
Sunday	
High 57	Low 38
Mostly Cloudy	
Forecast information provided by the National Weather Service in San Angelo	

Grand Opening of new Visitor Center is today

Congressman Henry Bonilla is scheduled to attend

The Ozona Chamber of Commerce is inviting all Ozona Citizens to the Dedication and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony to celebrate the Grand Opening of the Ozona Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Center Park.

The event will take place at 1 p.m. Feb. 22 at the center located at the intersection of Interstate-10 and State Highway 163 south or 505 15th St.

The event will feature the dedication, ribbon cutting, flag raising ceremony, tours and refreshments.

U.S. Congressman Henry Bonilla, R-San Antonio, is expected to attend.

Along with the congressman, other attendees include Ozona Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, Brenda

Harper, Travel Services Section Manager with the Texas Department of Transportation, Chamber Ambassadors, architect Henry Schmidt, TxDOT employees, Templeton Construction representatives and members of Boy Scout Troop 153.

The new Visitor Center was built on the 2,728-acre property through a \$1,139,000 grant from the Texas Department of Transportation Statewide Enhancement 2001 Program. Templeton Construction of San Angelo worked on the center, which is around 3,950 square-feet.

The center includes 24-hour restroom facilities, tourism information from around West Texas and a conference room that can be utilized for meetings or events.

The center is also open seven days a week and local, as well as out of town visitors, are welcome to stop and take a look.

There is also plans to do landscaping on the outside including the addition of native plants and foliage.

"The Visitor Center is enticing travelers off of I-10 to a location that is visible, accessible and provides adequate parking," said Shanon Biggerstaff, chamber executive director. "The Chamber of Commerce staff now has the opportunity to directly influence the traveler to the many services available throughout Ozona, thereby increasing our already existing tourism industry."

For more information, call the Chamber at 392-3737.

Moore wins again

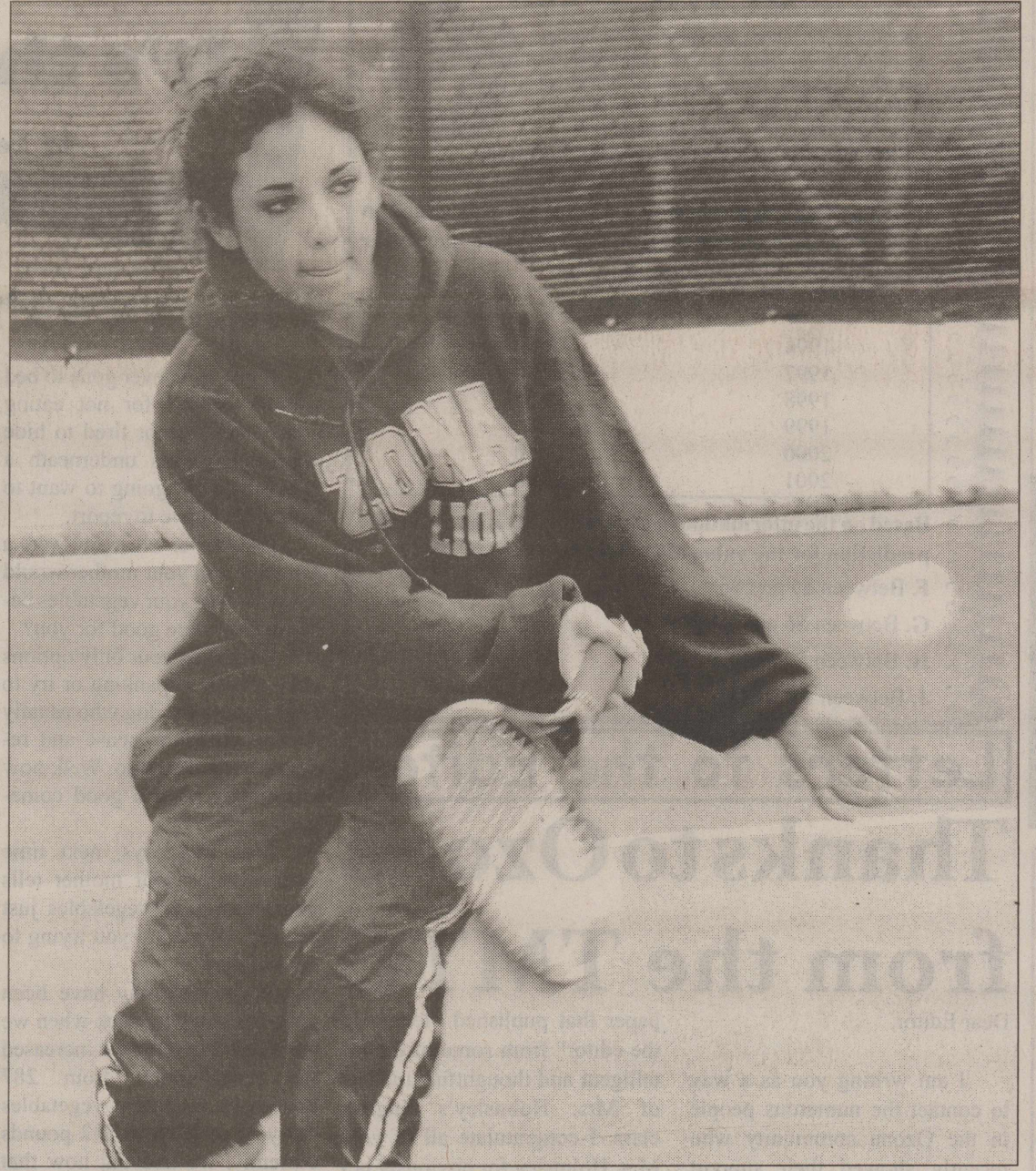


Photo by Joe Hernandez

JESSICA MOORE didn't let the cold weather stop her at the third annual Ozona Invitational "Super 8" tennis tournament held Feb. 17 and 18 at the tennis courts. Moore won the meet making this three championships in a row for the OHS Senior.

OHS Varsity Tennis Team captures championship

By MELISSA PERNER
 Editor and Publisher

DANIEL GONZALES WINS JV TENNIS TOURNAMENT PAGE 6

The Ozona High School Varsity Tennis Team, led once again by the outstanding play of senior netter Jessica Moore, won the third annual Ozona Invitational "Super 8" Tennis Tournament held Feb. 17 and 18 at the Lions' courts.

Ozona scored 91 points as a team to Wall's 68.5 for second and Reagan County's 67 for third.

Jessica continues to roll along in girls singles, as this was her third championship in a row this season.

She defeated Hejl of Wall 6-0, 6-0 in the first round; Leonard of Grape Creek 6-0, 6-2 in the quarterfinals; Sides of Wall 6-2, 6-1 in the semi-finals and Ivey of Buena Vista 6-4, 6-0 to secure the girls' championship.

girls singles was Julia Henderson who defeated Pyburn of Grape Creek 6-0, 6-0 in the first round and Wheeler of Garden City 4-6, 6-3, 10-7 in the quarters. She then lost a close contest to Ivey of Buena Vista 6-4, 7-5 before defeating Sides of Wall 9-7 to capture the third place trophy.

"Our top two girls really played well throughout the tournament as they combined to pick up a whopping 28 points for our team. Jessica continues to impress me as she just gets out on the court and takes care of business in every match she plays," said Coach Rick Bachman.

The team of Justin Maldonado and Rocky Munoz finished second in the tournament as they

defeated Zuniga and Pierson of Garden City 6-4, 6-0 in the first round; Gibson and Bubenik of Wall 6-4, 6-1 in the quarters and Jones and Cathey of Eldorado 7-6, 6-0 in the semis. They then lost to Reyes and Strauss of Reagan County in the championship to finish in second place and pick up 14 points for their team.

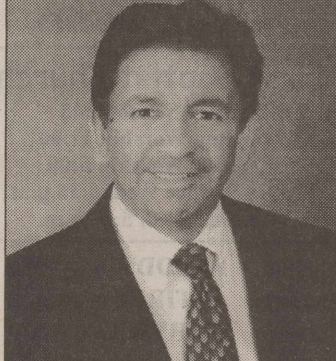
Freddy Veloz and Ben Flores had a first round bye and then lost to Hirt and Plagens of Garden City 3-6, 6-3, 10-4 in the quarters. They then lost to Young and Contreras of Reagan County 6-2, 7-6 (7-3) before defeating Bolf and Stone of Grape Creek 8-0 to finish seventh in the boys doubles and getting 9 points.

Also playing doubles were Rylee Ramos and Steven Silva who lost their first two matches to Bolf and Stone of Grape Creek 6-1, 6-4 and Word and Sanchez of Sonora 4-6, 6-2, 10-7.

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District Judge Q&A

Editor's note: The Ozona Stockman is running question and answer articles featuring candidates in local contested races for the March 7 primary. This week's article features candidates in the District Judge's race.



PETE GOMEZ

Q: WHAT IS YOUR OCCUPATION, EDUCATION AND FAMILY?

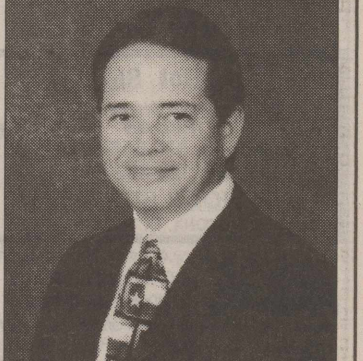
A: My occupation for the past 17 years has been as an attorney. I am an experienced trial attorney and have been in private practice concentrating on the areas of family, criminal and civil law. I graduated from Texas Tech School of Law in 1988, Angelo State University in 1984 and Sonora High School in 1980.

I am married to Pat Gomez. My two daughters are Emily and Catherine Gomez and my three stepdaughters are Gina, Cynthia and Amanda Rubalcava. My parents are Pete and Irene Gomez. My grandmother is Elena Tambunga of Ozona. I am expecting to be a grandfather in July.

Q: WHAT QUALIFIES YOU FOR THE POSITION YOU ARE RUNNING FOR?

I believe what qualifies me the most for the position of District Court Judge is the wisdom and good judgment that our good Lord has given me through 17 years of practicing law and being a father for 23 years. Without the gift of wisdom, I do not believe it is possible to say that a certain number of years practicing in the legal field or having held public office automatically prepares one to become a good

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ALBERT VALADEZ

Q: WHAT IS YOUR OCCUPATION, EDUCATION AND FAMILY?

A: I am an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Texas and have been practicing law since 1983. I am admitted to practice law before the Western and Southern Federal District Courts and the Fifth Circuit Court of the United States Court of Appeals.

I attended grade school and junior high school in San Angelo. I graduated from Central High School in 1975.

I attended Angelo State University from 1975 until 1977. On Jan. 1, 1978 I moved to Houston and enrolled at the University of Houston where I graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in History in 1980.

I attended Thurgood Marshall School of Law at Texas Southern University from 1980 until I graduated with a Juris Doctor in 1983.

I am married to Lulu Valadez. I have four children, Adrian, Victoria, Christiana and Victor Eduardo.

Q: WHAT QUALIFIES YOU FOR THE POSITION YOU ARE RUNNING FOR?

A: I am a resident of the 112th Judicial District and have continuously resided in the district since 1986. In addition to the basic and mandatory residence requirements, my legal

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Fireguards to be cleared by TxDOT at landowners request

By MELISSA PERNER
 Editor and Publisher

With the existing dangerous grass fire conditions, the Texas Department of Transportation has initiated a program to start clearing fireguards along state-maintained highways, if it's requested by the landowners.

A fireguard or firebreak is a break in vegetation down to mineral soil that will stop a fire from spreading, said Ron Perry, Fire Prevention Specialist with the Texas Forest Service.

State Rep. Scott Campbell, R-San Angelo, urged TxDOT to start the program due to the recent outbreaks of wildfires.

It's been 10 years since TxDOT made fireguards due to the erosion along the roads.

Dry conditions have caused wildfires to burned at least 455,127 acres across Texas since late December, according to the Texas Forest Service.

Around 343 homes have been destroyed and three people killed due to the fires.

"Anything any agency or private individual can do to reduce the risk of losing property from wild fire will be helpful," Perry said. "I would encourage ranchers to clean grass and brush from any existing fire breaks they have on their property. This can be accomplished by dragging old tires behind a pickup along the fire break on their property. Several recent fires have been started along the roadside and burned into private property." Fireguard blading will be

limited to 10-foot wide and 0.4 miles on each side of the road, according to the TxDOT Fireguard Blading Procedures. The state is not allowed to clear ground on private property.

TxDOT will prioritize each request, using such things as whether there are nearby houses or other structures as standards for which projects to do first.

"We will limit our blading to the vicinity of an asset such as a home or commercial facility," said Walter G. McCullough, P.E., District Engineer with the TxDOT San Angelo District. "We would welcome any blading assistance the counties wish to provide but those efforts must conform to our guidelines."

The procedures also state that TxDOT should work with county judges where needed to coordinate efforts between the use of county equipment and TxDOT in blading.

"TxDOT appreciates the concerns of citizens during this drought," McCullough said.

The state maintains the following kinds of highways:

- Interstate highways, such as I-10.
 - U.S. Highways, such as U.S. 190.
 - State Highways, such as State Highways 163, 290 and 137.
 - Farm-to-Market and Ranch-to-Market Roads, such as FM 2398, 1973, 2083 and 1964.
- To make a fireguard blading request, call Ozona Maintenance Supervisor Jimmy Tambunga at 392-2505.

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What's on My Mind

By Melissa Perner

Cell phone manners, or lack thereof

I have noticed that since the invention of the cellular telephone the idea of good manners has gone out the window. The using of cell phones has caused us, as a society, to become some of the rudest people. This behavior especially stands out at an airport.

This past weekend, I witnessed many a rude person walking through the terminal with bag in one hand and cell phone in the other. I even saw one guy walk into the restroom just talking away. I'm sure the person on the other end of the line appreciated that.

Then there was the one. The man who I believe took the cake on rude cell phone usage. He didn't just have a cell phone, but he also had one of those hands-free devices that go around your ear, so you can look really high-tech as you talk. As I was standing in line to board the plane, he kept talking and talking and calling and talking. I could tell that he was a salesman by his conversation. By the time we boarded the plane I could tell you that he had received some big news that morning, that the T8 model was hot but that the T12 model was coming on and that he would be in Cincinnati on Monday. He repeated his destination several times, as if going to Cincinnati was the highlight of his life.

I don't know what a T8 is or a T12 and I certainly didn't care where he was going to be on Monday, but he made sure everyone heard it.

I leaned over to my dad as we were walking down the runway toward the plane and said "let's make sure we don't sit by him." Dad agreed.

The debate on cell phone etiquette is still up in the air as to the exact rules, but one rule I believe that should be made is to make sure not everyone around you hears your conversation. Yes, there were other people talking on cell phones but I didn't have to hear what they were talking about.

All I can say is, I wonder how many times the stewardess had to ask this man turn off his phone during our flight.

TAKS QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Once again, The Ozona Stockman will be running questions from the TAKS test to test your knowledge and skills. The answers to each question will appear in the next week's edition. Call 392-2551 or e-mail publisher@ozona.com to let us know your answer.

ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S QUESTION:
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Q: A baseball card was worth \$3 when it was issued in 1996. The table shows the value of the card each year since 1996.

Year	Value of Card
1996	\$3.00
1997	\$3.30
1998	\$3.65
1999	\$4.05
2000	\$4.50
2001	\$5.00

Based on the information in the table, what is a reasonable prediction for the value of the baseball card in 2004?

- F. Between \$5 and \$6
- G. Between \$6 and \$7
- H. Between \$7 and \$8
- J. Between \$8 and \$9

Letters to the Editor

Thanks to Ozona from the TMTC

Dear Editor,

I am writing you as a way to contact the numerous people in the Ozona community who recently showed their support for our park project. We received many individual and business letters of support. The Chamber of Commerce made the trip to Austin to speak about their support for us. The entire Board of Directors of the TMTC wishes to express their heartfelt and deep gratitude, we thank you.

I have personally had the opportunity to meet and shake hands with a number of people from the Ozona Community. I can now honestly say that your marketing moniker is correct, "the air is pure, the climate is agreeable and the people are friendly."

The TMTC looks forward to calling it "home" and becoming a welcome addition to your community. We look forward to being good neighbors and to supporting the community, as much and as often, as we can.

I would also like to mention that I had the distinct pleasure of reading a recent edition of your paper that published "letters to the editor" from some of the intelligent and thoughtful students of Mrs. Holmsley's English class. I congratulate all of you, Mrs. Holmsley for obviously being a great teacher and giving her students such venue to have their voices heard. And to the editor of this newspaper who gave them the venue to do so.

And last (but certainly not least!) the students themselves, who took the time, effort and initiative to speak out and write down their thoughts and feelings.

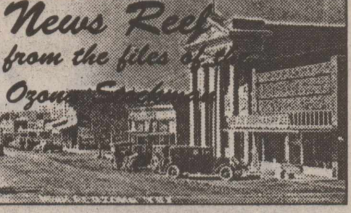
I respect all of your opinions, whether or not you agree with what I am trying to do. That is your right, as Americans, to speak your mind. I applaud you for doing so.

Sincerely,
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Letters should try to not exceed 250 words.

Community Calendar

Feb. 22 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
• Pot luck luncheon, noon, at the Senior Center.
• Ozona Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center Grand Opening, 1 p.m. at the center.
• Domino games, 2 p.m. at the Senior Center.
• OHS Golf at the Sonora Boys Tournament in Sonora.
Feb. 23 - Lady Lions Softball at the Crane Tournament in Crane.
• Ladies bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
• CCCC Family Council meeting, 7:30 p.m. at the Care Center.
Feb. 24 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
• OHS Varsity Tennis Teams at Fort Stockton meet in Fort Stockton.
• Lady Lions Softball at the Crane Tournament in Crane.
• OHS Golf at the Fort Stockton Girls Tournament.
• OHS Varsity Tennis in the Ozona Invitational at tennis courts.
• OHS Baseball Teams in the Ozona Classic at the baseball complex.
Feb. 25 - OHS Varsity Tennis Teams at Fort Stockton meet in Fort Stockton.
• OHS Golf at the Fort Stockton Girls Tournament.
• OHS Track Teams at Brady Meet in Brady.
• OHS Baseball Teams in the Ozona Classic at the baseball complex.
• Levis and Lace Square Dance, 7 p.m. at the Senior Center.
Feb. 27 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
• Ladies bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
• OHS JV Baseball vs. McCamey, 5 p.m. in McCamey.
Feb. 28 - Lady Lions Softball vs. Kermit, 5 p.m. at Kermit.
• OHS Golf at the Big Lake Girls Tournament in Big Lake.
• Bingo social, 6:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
March 1 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
• Domino games, 2 p.m. at the Senior Center.
• OHS Golf at the Big Lake Boys Tournament in Big Lake.



NEWS REEL

FEB. 19, 1976

Drought and high winds have plagued Crockett County since the beginning of the year, with not even enough precipitation to call a trace being recorded since the middle of December of last year. The drought has been responsible for at least nine grass fires in the area.

Winners of the soil conservation essays are: Brian Gries, Cathy Russell, Orlando DeHoyos, Janice James, Debbie Leatherwood and Kathleen Appel.

Catrina Russell has been named OHS 1976 Betty Crockett Family Leader of Tomorrow.

NEWS REEL

FEB. 20, 1947

Thirty former service members were enrolled as charter members and officers were installed at the first meeting of the American Legion post meeting Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jones entertained with a formal dinner party at the Hi-Way Cafe in honor of their daughter Jan on her ninth birthday.

A burglar broke into the Rodriguez Cafe Tuesday night and took 25 pounds of sugar and nickles from the juke box.

It's the Pitts
by Lee Pitts

Popeye's Predicament

If you have ever gone to bed without dessert for not eating your vegetables or tired to hide your lima beans underneath a napkin you are going to want to hear what I have to report.

Remember when you were a little tike and your mother would tell you to eat your vegetables because they were good for you?

Back then your only options were to risk a spanking or try to feed them to the dog who usually showed his good sense and refused to eat them too. Well, now you finally have a good comeback.

Men and boys, next time your wife or your mother tells you to eat your vegetables just ask her, "What are you trying to do, kill me?"

Vegetables may have been good for you way back when we were kids but after we increased our consumption from 287 pounds of fruits and vegetables per year in 1990 to 332 pounds currently, we find out now that mother should not have force fed us all those veggies.

Consider this: illnesses traced to fresh produce and vegetables are now responsible for more large scale outbreaks of food borne illnesses than meat, poultry and eggs.

Produce now accounts for 12 percent of food borne illnesses and 6 percent of the outbreaks. That compares to only 1 percent of illnesses and seven-tenths of one percent of the outbreaks in 1970. So you vegetarians out there can stop acting so smug.

And no... this information was not brought to you by the Beef Board or preschoolers but by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which just happens to be the same people that used to tell everyone not to eat beef. (They also report that meat related e.coli infections are on the decline.)

The scientists say that illness from eating fruits and veggies are rising due to increased centralization of produce distribution, the rise of imports and the growing popularity of pre-chopped fruits and vegetables. To this list I would add one of my own reasons from personal observation: people sneezing into the salad bar.

The news is not quite as good as it sounds because the main culprits are tomatoes, melons, lettuce and green onions, all foods which I actually love to eat. I was hoping the guilty parties would be Brussels sprouts, spinach and Lima beans but no such luck. But I do have even better news. Guess what's now good for you?

Beer. That's right, the Breakfast of Champions. At least that's according to Anheuser-Busch who may not exactly be a disinterested party. Still, this is the news that beer guzzlers have been waiting for. According to Meir Stampfer, Chair of the Epidemiology Department at the Harvard School of Public Health, moderate drinkers are 60 percent less likely to have cardiovascular disease than nondrinkers. And this is from Harvard not the Miller High Life School of Better Brewing.

I ask you, could the news be any better? To be healthier all we have to do is eat less asparagus and drink more Coors Light! Next thing you know Bud will be found in the health section at the grocery store. Don't spend your salary on celery, buy a 12 pack instead.

No water for me waiter, bring me the healthy stuff. I'll have a Corona without the lemon.

I was excited about this news until Bob Lachky of Anheuser-Busch said, "There's sound science that there are some aspects of beer that are as good as wine and even better than white wine." It's been my experience that any time you hear the words "sound science" you should cover your ears and hide your wallet.

There's also research in the hopper, so to speak, to find an ingredient in hops that could prevent cancer.

Wouldn't that be great? And if a little is good for you more has to be better. Right? Then you could die of sclerosis of the liver instead of cancer.

Remember Popeye the Sailor Man who got superhuman strength from eating spinach? To foil Bluto and save Olive Oyl these days instead of opening a can of the green leafy stuff Popeye could just pop the top on a can of Bud Light.

Ozona Garden Club News

By ALICE BREWER
Ozona Garden Club

The Ozona Garden Club met Feb. 13 at the Ozona Civic Center for Valentine treats, and the art of working with flowers as gifts. Hostesses were Judy Jones and Alice Brewer.

The minutes were read as the business meeting began, followed by the treasurer's report by Sharon Williams, who reported that our funds were secure. Discussion followed as to the coming conventions and events necessary to plan for.

It was reviewed as to the progress of our 2004-2005 winner of the "Smokey the Bear and Woodsy Owl" poster contest winner, Ricky Porras, of Ozona, a third-grader. Ricky went on to enter the district contest, state contest and eventually the U.S. Forestry Service National contest-winner of first place at all of them.

He was awarded in these events, and the club is very proud of our talented Ozona boy.

Pam Maresch suggested a place to plant a tree to celebrate Arbor Day.

Other ideas were reviewed also, as it is important to plant a tree on the club's 50th anniversary year. We are still open to further suggestions.

Carmen Sutton brought to our attention that the Club's 2006 flower show is in April. This year's theme is "Seeing the World Through Design." There will be several various divisions, and each member is asked to make their choice to enter. If members have not registered their choice, they need to see Carmen Sutton, Marilyn Bean or Jerri Lynn Pierce. The National Garden Club's Handbook for flower shows may be helpful.

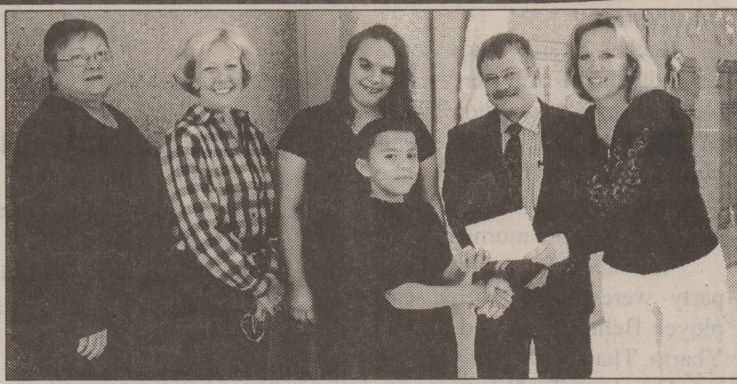


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RICKY PORRAS (center) was the first place winner of the 2004-2005 "Smokey Bear and Woodsy Owl" national poster contest. Ricky received \$10 and a certificate from the U.S. Forestry Service. Also pictured are: (left to right) garden club members Pam Maresch and Debi Hamilton, Ricky's mother Lisa Broughton, principal Dan Webb and teacher Sue Ellen Crawford.

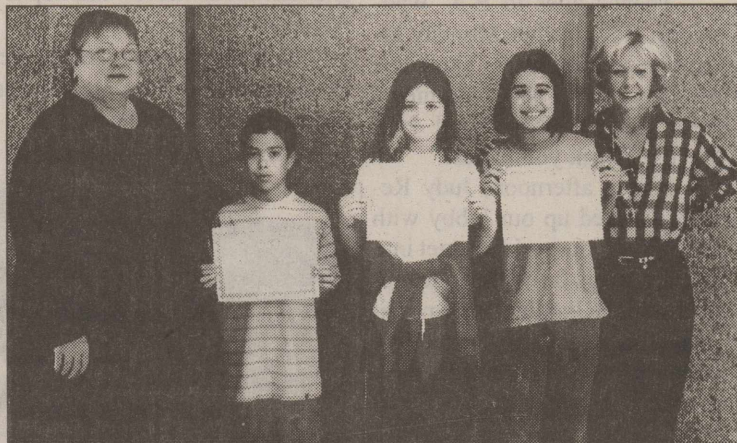


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WINNERS OF THE 2005-2006 "SMOKEY BEAR AND WOODSY OWL" LOCAL CONTEST ARE: (left to right) Bryce Gutierrez, Lisa Dorrough and Cynthia Garcia. Bryce also won a blue ribbon at the district contest. Also pictured are garden club members Pam Maresch (left) and Debi Hamilton.

The Lone Star Gardener report was given by Dorothy Montgomery, to ask us to review this month's writing concerning the new varieties of tomatoes, some unusual tomatoes and the explanation of planting and care.

The date for the Garden Club meeting will not be March 6, as printed in the club book, but on March 13. This abrupt change is due to Spring Break for Ozona schools on the original date.

The District VIII Spring Club Convention meets in Coleman soon, and reservations need to be made for anyone choosing to attend. Charlotte Harrell can be reached for information.

Meeting adjourned, the members retired to create fresh flower arrangements for loved ones, family, Care Center residents and anyone the members chose to say "Happy Valentine's Day" to someone.



Feb. 22 - Gloria Onate, Trinity Collis, Henry Delgado and Kambri Preddy

Feb. 23 - Mary Jo Unger, Tonya Bullard, Aldo Torres and Mary Capps

Feb. 24 - Billie Morris, Shana Granger, Jorge Siler, Jacob Moran, Jaylynn Tijerina and Jacob Moran

Feb. 25 - Tammy Bunger, David Tijerina, Jazveth Gonzales, John D. Ramirez III and C. J. Graves

Feb. 26 - Camille Dammon, Christian Kaleb Fuentes, Jose E. Mata and Christian Kaleb Fuentes

Feb. 27 - Paula Ramirez

Feb. 28 - Brenda Venegas, Kayleigh Jay Dominguez, Krislynn Harris, Alfredo Lopez and Alfredo Lopez

Odessa softball tournament seeking entries

Men's "ASA Class D" Softball Tournament will be held March 11 in Odessa at the UTPB Softball Complex.

ASA Entry Fee is \$125 (Unsanctioned teams \$135).

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Contact Michelle at (432) 552-7426 or The Odessa Softball Association at (432) 550-7811.

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Hours will be 10 a.m.-7 p.m. March 3; 10 a.m.-7 p.m. March 4 and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. March 5. Admission is free.

The event benefits the West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

Beverly and Ben Stribling are underwriting the show and sale which features the artistic

talents of current and former residents of San Angelo and the Concho Valley. Also assisting with a portion of the event costs is Wells Fargo, N.A.

Displayed works will range from oils, acrylics, watercolors and bronzes to metal works, ceramics, fabric and wood - all of which will be for sale.

The Young Artists Display, sponsored by Jud Gray and exhibited in Barracks 6, will feature the works of local and area high school students.

For more information, call 223-6300.

Ozona Senior Happenings

By LYNN ENGLISH
Senior Center Director

In last week's column, I failed to mention that Dee Kieler delivered an ambulance full of puzzles to us from Rio Concho Terrace in San Angelo. We are grateful for the puzzles sent to us and we thank Dee for bringing them to us here at Crockett County Senior Center.

Also, a lady brought in three brand new puzzles still in their wrappers and handed them to Johnnie Johnson without leaving a name. If you would call me, I would like to thank you properly for them. It was very nice of you to bring them by.

We are still receiving memorials in memory of Freddie Nicks. Freddie was a great supporter of the Crockett County Senior Center. He and his wife, Pat, did so much for our community. Freddie will be sorely missed.

On Friday of last week, Marilyn Cox was back doing exercise. It was wonderful seeing her looking and doing so well.

Our next pot luck will be at noon, today. We would really like for you to come. Bring a dish and join us. Brigitte Rogers and husband Jim Brisbin will be here at pot luck since they were unable to join us last time.

Levis and Lace Square Dancers will have a dance at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Senior Center. Come out and watch these ladies and gents square dance.

The Senior Center will have

their Bingo Social at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday here at the center. We will be serving Frito pie, dessert and tea. We hope that you can attend.

Anyone needing transportation to the Crockett County Senior Center, please call Lynn English at 392-9094. I will arrange a ride for you.

We have changed our domino games to 2 p.m. Wednesdays instead of 2 p.m. Tuesdays. Last week, we had a good turnout and everyone enjoyed playing.

There are several things going on here at the Crockett County Senior Center. We have a number of games of you are welcome to bring your favorite game with you or just drop by for coffee.

Our exercise class, "Walk Two Miles," has picked up again in numbers. The exercise gives you an uplift and readies you to face another day.

The Monday afternoon bridge games have expanded to 1:30 p.m. Thursday afternoons here at the Senior Center. The ladies who come have such fun and bring smiles with them. Come by and let them cheer up your Mondays and Thursdays.

If you are a pool player we have a good pool table in the back room and we have purchased new cue sticks.

Hope to see you at our activities.

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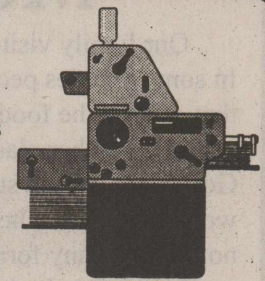
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Levis & Lace News

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

On Friday night, club members Leroy and Carol Adcock, JoAnn Babbitt, Lucy Hinde, Nell Wester, Renee Padier, Jim Couch and our student danced at the Care Center. Afterwards, we went to the Senior Center for a lesson.

On Saturday, Feb. 25, we will have a dance at 7 p.m. at the Senior Center featuring caller Ed Hart from Bronte.

Keep it square and happy dancing!



Submitted Photo
CARE CENTER RESIDENT
Salome Chavez shows flower arrangement by Ozona Garden Club.

(18) But the path of the just is like the shining sun, That shines ever brighter unto the perfect day.
(15) That you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world. (Matthew 5:14)
(19) The way of the wicked is like darkness: They do not know what makes them stumble. Proverbs 4: 18, -19 Phil. 2:15

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Care Center Chatter

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

We were honored on Monday afternoon with the Ozona Garden Club putting vases with different kinds of flowers on our residents' dining room tables. We all took time out to stop and smell the roses, so beautiful. Thank you ladies, our residents have really enjoyed the arrangements.

Tuesday, all through the day, residents and staff received flowers and many other Valentine gifts from their love ones. You couldn't even see the nurse's station as their area was covered with flowers, all beautiful.

Tuesday afternoon, we celebrated Valentine and residents' birthday party sponsored by Crockett National Bank.

Resident Moni Perez crowned Valentine Queen and resident Lester Evans as Valentine King. These residents were very delighted in taking the throne.

Thanks goes to Nancy Hale for providing our Valentine plates and napkins and the giant

strawberries. Rachel Ybarra made cookies and a huge strawberry cake. Needless to say, we didn't have any leftovers. Thanks goes to employee Anna M. Yrugas for the balloons and candy for our bingo prizes on Monday morning.

Volunteers for our Valentine party were Shirley Kirby, employee Belia Reyes and Rachel Ybarra. Thanks to all of you.

Guests at the Valentine party were Mr. and Mrs. Dick Kirby, Gloria Bishop, Lucy Hinde, Douglas Buckholtz, Margie Rogers, Diane Phillips, Janell Tambunga, Patsy Gutierrez and her grandchildren.

Thanks goes to E.A. Wadsworth R.N. for her Monday afternoon reading class. Thursday, our lady beauty shop volunteers were Rachel Ybarra and Nell Wester. Thank you ladies.

Friday afternoon, Judy Regor warmed up our lobby with singing. All our residents get into singing songs from long ago. Judy's mother Pauline Brown visited with residents. Thank you ladies it's always great to have you here at the facility.

Helping Hands News

Valentine's Day sure had the Helping Hands Building buzzing. The annual dance was Tuesday night with Jamie Knox, Benny Logan, Donnie Kilgore, all from Ozona, and Richard Warriner, H.F. Ritchie, Jimmy O'Briant, all of Big Lake, playing the night away.

A meal of roast beef, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad and dessert was served to 85 supporters of the Helping Hands program coming from Sonora, Illinois, Big Lake and Barnhart, as well as a good crowd from Ozona.

Door prizes were a welcome highlight to the evening with donations by Orlando DeHoyos, Pepe's Cafe, Triple C Hardware, Circle Bar Cable, Charlie's After Hours, Maria's Design Line, Village Drug, Fierro Shell, NatGas Inc., J.V. Tire and Lube, Westerman Drug, Mi Taco and board members.

Winners were Carolyn Stover, Anita Alvarez, Emma Munoz, Colene Kilgore, Don Kilgore, Corba Jones, Richard Warriner, Lupe Martinez, Leona Sanchez, Janie Everett, June Ritchie, Filiberto Sanchez, Shio Tambunga, Jovita Perez, Napo Vitela, Henry Turk, Betty Fields, Joe Moran, J.B. Miller, Larry Williams and Jamie Knox.

Thanks to all who helped make this affair a success. Plans are already being made for another successful evening of music and fun on March 17, St. Patrick's Day. This will be a Mexican food dinner for \$5 with a dance to follow. No advance tickets will be sold. Raffle tickets are being sold by board members for a microwave, saving bonds, Westminster anniversary clock, ice chest and porch luminaria. These will be given away at the dinner/dance.

Obituaries

Alfredo Lopez

Alfredo Lopez 81, of Ozona died Tuesday, Feb. 14, 2006, after a brief illness in San Angelo.

Funeral service was Thursday, Feb. 16, 2006 in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church with burial in Lima Cemetery. Arrangements were by Preddy Funeral Home.

He was born Feb. 28, 1924 in Mexico. He moved to Ozona in 1969 from Lubbock. He was a rancher his whole life.

Alfredo was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Florinda, his daughter Maricela Lopez and three grandchildren, Jonathan, Dominic and Tamara Onofre.

Survivors include one daughter, Sara Estrada and her husband Raymundo of Ozona; one son, Daniel Prieto and his wife Noemi of Sonora; one sister, Nena Reyes of Midland; grandchildren Rogelio, Erik and Abelika Estrada from Ozona, Daniel Prieto Jr. from Stephenville, Patrick Prieto, Hector Prieto and Flora Sanchez from Sonora and Yesenia Prieto from California; nine great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews and a very special friend, Anita Alvarez.

Pallbearers were Cecilio Perez, Enrique Perez, from Del Rio; Domingo Perez from Ozona; Jose Flores, Erasmo Flores and Aisor Flores, all from Lubbock.

Alfredo will be missed very much by relatives and friends.



Submitted Photo
CARE CENTER ADMINISTRATOR BENNY GIBBS (center) celebrates his February birthday at the care center.



Submitted Photo
CARE CENTER VALENTINE KING AND QUEEN Mori Perez and Lester Evans.

Card of Thanks

We are so blessed and fortunate to live in a caring community such as Ozona that is full of good people. We wish to thank everyone for the prayers, cards and phone calls concerning my illness. Thank you Ozona.

Barbara and Doug Meador

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See you in Church next Sunday.

Brother J

<p>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. Awanas: Wednesday - 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>Ozona United Methodist Church 12 - 11th St. Rev. John Fluth Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.</p>
<p>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.</p>	<p>Faith Lutheran Church 802 1st St. Pastor Tom Baden Worship: Tuesday - 7 p.m. Bible Class: Tuesday - 6 p.m.</p>	<p>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.</p>
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<p>New Beginnings Church 701 9th Street Pastor Jesse Cardona Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Tuesday Worship: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>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.</p>	

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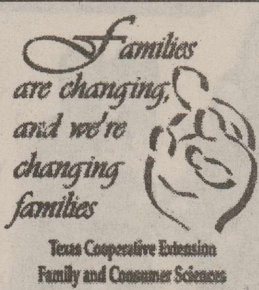
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Tracy's Tidbits



By Tracy Hildreth CEA-FCS

Save energy and money today

Many families spend more money than they need to spend on home utility bills because a large portion of the energy is wasted. The good news is, there is a lot you can do to save energy and money at home. By making a few small changes, you can reduce your energy costs by 10 to 50 percent.

The key to achieving these savings in your home is a whole-house energy efficiency plan. To take a whole-house approach, view your home as an energy system with interdependent parts. For example, your heating system is not just a furnace—it's a heat-delivery system that starts at the furnace and delivers heat throughout your home using a network of ducts. Even a top-of-the-line, energy-efficient furnace will use a lot of excess energy if the ducts, walls, attic, windows, and doors are not insulated and leak. Taking a whole-house approach to saving energy ensures that dollars you invest to save energy are spent wisely. The following tips will help you to save energy at home:

- Set your thermostat comfortably low in the winter and comfortably high in the summer. Install a programmable thermostat that is compatible with your heating system.

- Use compact fluorescent light bulbs. You can even purchase ones to use with dimmers. Study your family's lighting needs and use patterns, paying special attention to high-use areas such as the living room, kitchen, and outside lighting. Look for ways to use lighting controls—like occupancy sensors, dimmers, or timers—to reduce lighting energy use, and replace standard (also called incandescent) light bulbs and fixtures with compact fluorescent

lamps. Fluorescent lamps create less heat than incandescent bulbs. This is important if you are trying to cool the interior air.

- Air dry dishes instead of using your dishwasher's drying cycle.

- Turn off your computer and monitor when not in use.

- Plug home electronics, such as TVs and DVD players, into power strips; turn the power strips off when the equipment is not in use. (TVs and DVDs in standby mode still use several watts of power.)

- Lower the thermostat on your hot water heater to 120E F.

- Take short showers (5 minutes or less) instead of baths.

- Wash only full loads of dishes and clothes.

- Close fireplace dampers when not burning wood in the fireplace.

- Look for the ENERGY STAR® label on home appliances and products. ENERGY STAR products meet strict efficiency guidelines set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

In addition to these actions, do a home energy audit. When auditing your home, keep a checklist of areas you inspect and problems you find. This list will help you prioritize your energy efficiency upgrades.

Check the insulation levels. (Visit the Consumer's Guide for instruction on checking insulation levels: http://www.eere.energy.gov/consumer/your_home/energy_audits/index.cfm/mytopic=11170.)

Check for air leaks. Look for holes or cracks around walls, baseboards, ceilings, attic hatches, window frames, wall-

or window-mounted air conditioners, weather stripping around doors, light and plumbing fixtures, switches, and electrical outlets that can leak air into or out of your home (for example, mail slots).

Check to make sure the fireplace damper seals when it is closed.

Maintain your appliances and heating and cooling systems. Check owner's manuals for the recommended maintenance.

Energy-efficient improvements make your home more comfortable, and they can yield long-term financial rewards. Reduced utility bills more than make up for the higher price of energy-efficient appliances and improvements over their lifetimes. In addition, your home could bring in a higher price when you sell.

Source: Janie Harris, Extension Housing and Environment Specialist, Texas Cooperative Extension, December 2005. Website: <http://fcs.tamu.edu>

Reference: U.S. Department of Energy - Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy http://www.eere.energy.gov/consumer/your_home/energy_audits/index.cfm/mytopic=11170

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USDA Rural Development announces more than \$82 million available for home loans

TEMPLE - Bryan Daniel, USDA Rural Development State Director, announced today that more than \$82 million is available to assist rural Texans become homeowners through the Agency's Guaranteed Rural Housing loan program.

"With mortgage interest rates continuing near their lowest levels in recent history, now is the time to stop paying rent and purchase your own home," said Daniel. "Our Guaranteed Rural Housing loan program is the best option for eligible low and moderate-income applicants to move into a home without a down payment."

In many cases most of the closing costs associated with purchasing the house can be financed into the loan. Loans can be made to purchase new or existing homes that meet Agency requirements. In addition to allowing a Maximum Loan to Value ratio of 102 percent, another very attractive feature of this loan program is that the borrower is not required to pay mortgage insurance. Other zero down programs charge an up front mortgage insurance premium that is due at closing, with monthly mortgage thereafter. In comparison, the Guaranteed Rural Housing Program offers a significant savings to borrowers by charging a one-time only, two percent (2 percent) guarantee fee that is due at closing, and no monthly mortgage insurance. Typical savings for a family can range between \$20 and \$50 per month. A loan comparison calculator is available on our website at www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx/loancomp.htm.

Without expensive mortgage insurance premiums, homebuyers can qualify for a "better" home, which could mean the additional bathroom or bedroom that they may desire. Also, homebuyers may include their two percent fee in the loan. This will have a minimal impact on their payments yet maximize any cash reserves they may

have. They can put down \$2,000 toward a home loan or keep their \$2,000 and pay roughly \$12 more per month.

USDA Rural Development housing programs target communities with populations of 10,000 or less and locations not closely associated with urban areas. Under certain circumstances loans can be made in towns and cities between 10,000 and 25,000 in population. Never assume an area is not eligible.

Private lenders, such as mortgage companies and commercial banks make USDA Rural Development Guaranteed Loans. The loans have a 30-year term and a competitive fixed interest rate. Unlike other zero down loan programs, the Guaranteed Rural Housing Program does not have loan limits. The maximum loan is determined by the applicant's income and repayment ability.

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Bonilla holds one-on-one meeting with U.S. Agriculture Secretary

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Shortly after President George W. Bush presented his budget to the Congress, Congressman Henry Bonilla, Chairman of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies, held a one-on-one meeting with U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Mike Johanns. The two met in Chairman Bonilla's Washington, D.C. office and discussed how the budget would affect farmers and ranchers throughout the 23rd district, the state of Texas and the nation.

"This was a productive meeting. I always appreciate having the Agriculture Secretary visit me on Capitol Hill," said Chairman Bonilla. "Secretary Johanns and I share several goals, most importantly how to keep the

agriculture industry strong and productive."

At the meeting, Chairman Bonilla and Secretary Johanns discussed the president's Fiscal Year 2007 Budget. The two specifically discussed current drought conditions throughout Texas and the United States, the Women Infants and Children and Food Stamp programs, which are nutrition assistance programs; the importance of the Farm Service Agency in Bonilla's district; border inspections; and the USDA's role in food security. Later in the week the Secretary testified before Chairman Bonilla's Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee.

"I look forward to a sixth successful year overseeing the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee. With the Secretary's assistance, our agriculture indus-

try will remain strong. Our food supply will remain safe. And our nation will continue to be prosperous and prepared," said Chairman Bonilla.

Chairman Bonilla was appointed chairman of the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee in January of 2001. In addition to serving as chairman, Bonilla is also a senior member of the Defense Subcommittee. He has represented the 23rd Congressional District since his first election in 1992.

"Our nation is facing many challenges and we have many new issues and concerns on the agenda," said Chairman Bonilla. "Rest assured that my subcommittee will not forgo their commitment to the farmers, ranchers and consumers of our great nation. We will continue to get the job done."

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Gonzales wins Ozona's JV Tennis Tournament

By **MELISSA PERNER**
Editor and Publisher

Daniel Gonzales won the boys singles division at the third annual Ozona Invitational JV Tennis Tournament held Feb. 16 at the Lion's courts.

Daniel defeated Moore of Wall 8-0; Aguilar of Reagan County 8-3; Strong of Forsan 8-4 and then Posey of Forsan 8-5 to take home the championship.

"Daniel was simply fantastic as he defeated several varsity boys from Forsan on his way to his first high school tournament championship," Bachman said.

Kyann Kothman played in the girls singles where she lost her first match to Subia of Reagan County 8-2 before defeating Goff of Forsan in a close match 9-8 (10-8).

Morgan Capps also played singles and lost her first match 8-2 to Stanley of Forsan and she then lost her consolation match 8-6 to Kendrick of Forsan.

Libby Martinez also played in the singles bracket where she lost to Wheeler of Forsan 8-1 in her opener and then she lost to McDonald of Forsan 8-1 in her

consolation.

Kara Bird and Stacy Silva played in girls doubles where they won their first round match 8-2 over Martin and Vasquez of Wall. Kara and Stacie then lost in the quarterfinals to Martin and Gomez of Sonora 8-1.

Jordan DeHoyos and Nathan Knox played in the boys doubles division where they lost in their first match to Atkerson and Epley of Forsan 8-1 and then lost in the consolation 8-3 to Jones and Wharton of Reagan County.

"I was proud of our JV players as Forsan couldn't bring her varsity to our tournament on Friday, so she brought them to our JV tournament and our kids competed well against them. We moved some of our kids up from the JV to the Varsity tournament due to the Forsan situation, so we didn't have that many kids playing on Thursday, but I was really proud of those who went out against more seasoned players and gave their best effort. The competition in this tournament was very strong and our players did a great job," Bachman said.



SENIOR OZONA LIONS with their parents at their last game held Feb. 14. Pictured are Kyle and Karen Webb, Allison and Matt McGuire, Lynn, Justin, Jason and Frank Galan, Daniel Cruz, Sylvia Longoria and Robert DeHoyos, Drew and Ronny Clayton and Bobbie Reed and Jimmy Tebbetts.

Lions lose final game to Owls

By **MELISSA PERNER**
Editor and Publisher

The Ozona Lions lost their final game of the season, 70-30, to the Reagan County Owls on Feb. 14.

OHS varsity tennis (continued from pg. 1)

Rylee and Steven then went on to win their next two matches 6-2, 6-3 over Zuniga and Pierson of Garden City and 6-4, 6-2 over Redish and Adame of Eldorado to finish in 13th place.

Devon Diehl also played well as he beat Livingstone of Wall 6-3, 4-6, 10-4 in his opening round. He then beat Ballew of Eldorado 6-4, 6-3 in the quarters before falling to the tournament champion Draper of Sonora 7-5, 6-0 in the semis. Devon went on to defeat Gonzales of Reagan County 8-1 for the third place position in boys singles. Jared Espino received a bye in his first round then he lost in the quarters to the tournament runner-up Sanchez of Garden City

Scoring for the Lions was: Justin Galan 6; Levi Vargas 3; Jimmy Tebbetts 2; Matt McGuire 17 and Daniel Cruz 2.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 5 8 9 8 - 30; Reagan County - 20 10 14 26 - 70.

6-3, 6-2. He then rebounded to defeat Leggett of Wall 2-6, 6-2, 10-7 to finish sixth.

"These top two boys did an outstanding job of getting 23 points for their team," Bachman said.

Joseph Tambunga lost his first round match 6-2, 6-3 to Ballew of Eldorado and was beating Livingstone of Wall 7-6 (7-5) when he had to retire.

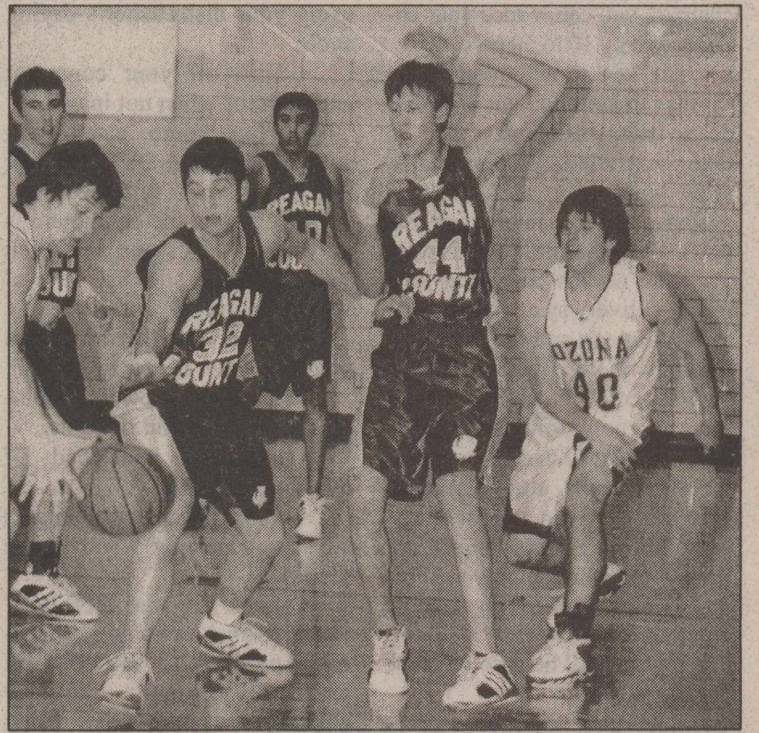
Patsy Larson and Puja Bhakta played in the girls doubles where they won their first match 2-6, 7-5, 10-2 over Diaz and Arrieta of Grape Creek. They then lost their next two matches to Collins and Hernandez of Reagan County 6-3, 6-2 and Coats and Waldrop of Wall 6-1, 6-1.

Ashley Anderson and Park Preddy played in the doubles division where they won their opener 6-2, 1-6, 10-7 over Hirt and Hirt of Garden City. They then lost their next two matches to Kenney and Hedgecock of Sonora 6-2, 6-0 and Moore and Moore of Reagan County 6-2, 6-0.

Ashley and Park will play Patsy and Puja at a later date to determine the 7th and 8th place finishers, so they gathered 17 points between them for the team, Bachman said.

Diane Hernandez and Cristy Dominguez also played in the girls doubles division where they lost their first round match 6-0, 6-0 to Coats and Waldrop of Wall. They then turned around and beat Garza and Gonzales of Garden City 6-1, 6-1 to finish the tournament in 12th place.

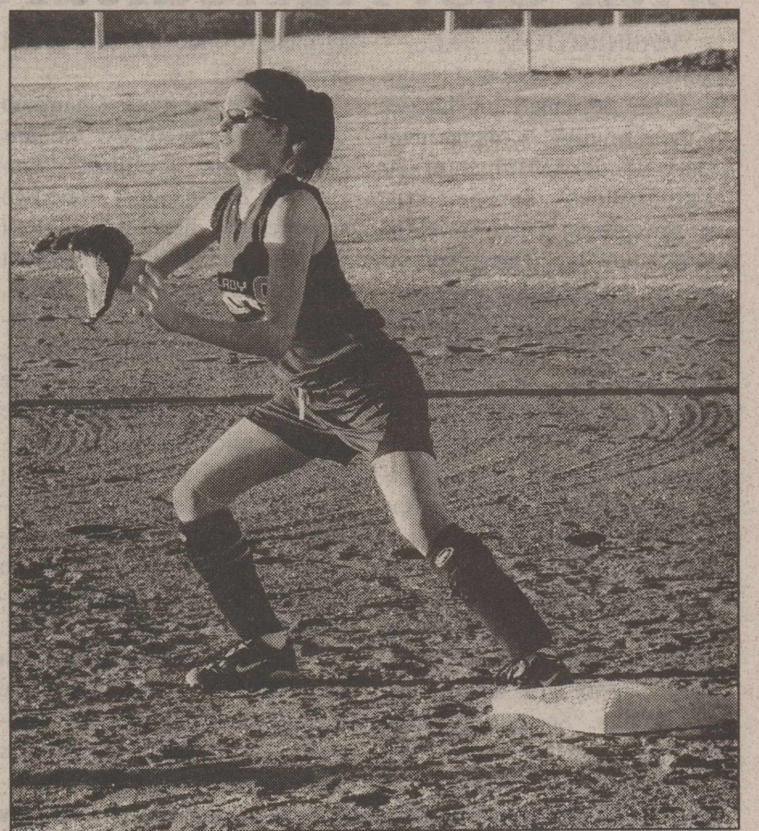
"I was elated over the caliber of competition displayed in this tournament and the way the kids endured extremely cold weather conditions to represent their school and community. They went out and played their hearts out to do well in their tournament and keep the team championship plaque where it belongs. This is the second year we have had this tournament and Ozona has won the team championship both times it's been played. We were rained out last year, but I'm certain we would have won it then as well," Bachman said. "These players should be commended for their hard work, dedication, and desire to continue the tradition of great tennis that we have come to expect in Ozona."



DREW CLAYTON (1.) reaches out for a pass from Matt McGuire in the varsity Lions last game of the season.



TORI MILLER (center) throws to Staci Silva on first base for an Lady Lion out during the Ladies scrimmage against Kermit.



BROOKE KELLY awaits a throw in the Lady Lions softball scrimmage held Ozona on Feb. 13.

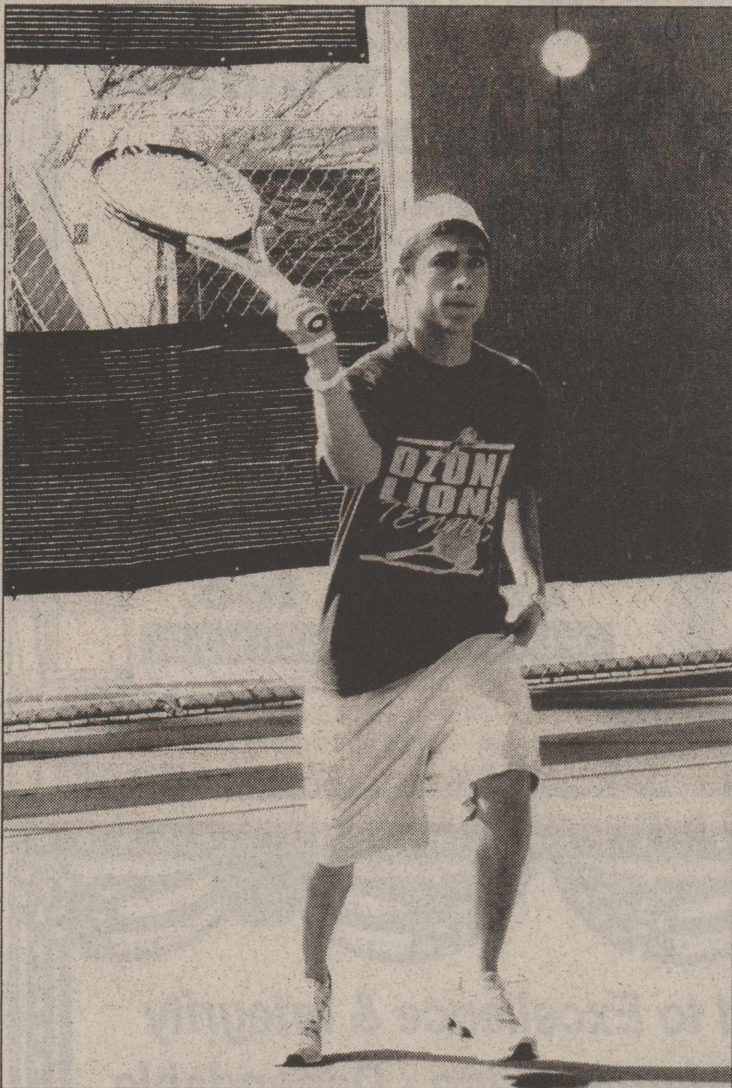


Photo by Joe Hernandez

DANIEL GONZALEZ won the JV division of the Ozona Invitational "Super 8" Tennis Tournament.

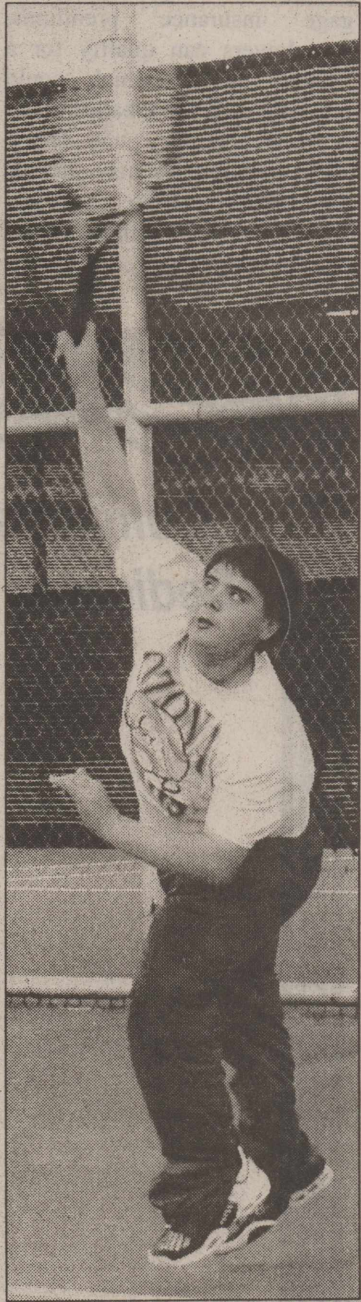


Photo by Joe Hernandez

DEVON DIEHL placed third in the varsity boy's tennis during the Ozona Tennis Tournament.

The first Varsity Baseball Classic will be Feb 24 and 25th. It will be a 5 team round robin tournament. The teams that will be here are Bangs, Menard, Pecos and Presidio. Each team will play all the others, each having 4 games in two days. The tournament champion will be determined by the best record. An All-Tournament team will be chosen by the coaches. Ozona will open the tournament with Presidio at 10:00 a.m. the 24th.

The following is the schedule of games:

Friday	Game 1	10:00 am	Ozona Vs Presidio
Feb. 24	Game 2	12:15	Bangs Vs Menard
	Game 3	2:30	Pecos Vs Bangs
	Game 4	4:45	Menard Vs Presidio
	Game 5	7:00	Ozona Vs Pecos
	Saturday	Game 6	10:00 am
Feb. 25	Game 7	12:15	Pecos Vs Menard
	Game 8	2:30	Presidio Vs Bangs
	Game 9	4:45	Ozona Vs Menard
	Game 10	7:00	Bangs Vs Ozona

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Ozona places second at Sonora UIL meet

The Ozona High School UIL Academic Team placed second at the Sonora UIL Practice Meet Feb. 10-11.

Ozona came in second to Abilene Wylie.

"It was a good weekend. Our goal is to keep working hard so we do equally as well as district, which is March 20 and 27 in Mason," said Coach Wendy Justiss.

The meet results are as follows:

- Headline Writing** - 1. Morgan Capps and 5. Ethan English
- Mathematics** - 4. Drew Clayton
- Number Sense** - 4. Levi

English and 6. Barrett Richie and second place team

Calculator - 6. Puja Bhakta and second place team.

Poetry - 2. Brady Granger

Prose - 1. Kyle Webb

Informative Speaking - 4. Kyle Webb

Computer Science - 2. Victoria Miller; 3. Levi English; 4. Matthew Bullard and

6. Patsy Larson and first place team.

Social Studies - 1. Brian Anderson

Current Events and Issues - 3. Brian Anderson

Science - 2. Levi English

Top Chemistry - Levi English

Knights of Columbus holds annual free throw contest

The Knights of Columbus held their annual Free Throw Championship on Feb. 12.

The winners are:
10-YEARS-OLD - Brianna Danielle Cervantez, 12-15 made and Jon David DeHoyos, 8-15.

11-YEARS-OLD - Bethani Trevino, 5-15 and Saul H. Benson, 9-15.

12-YEARS-OLD - Rae Lynn Arredonda, 7-15 and Abel Lara, 10-15.

13-YEARS-OLD - Brandy Tebbetts, 7-15 and Dylan Castillo, 10-15.

14-YEARS-OLD - Britni Mitchel, 10-15 and Bailey Badiilo, 8-15.



Photo by Joe Hernandez

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CONTEST WINNERS were honored during halftime of the Feb. 14 boys' basketball game.

KATALYST MINISTRIES YOUTH RALLY

7:30 p.m. TONIGHT at the CIVIC CENTER!



Photo by Melissa Perner

OZONA PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS POSTER WINNERS ARE (left to right) Cameron Rutherford, first place; Anthony Garza, second place and Alex Hopper, third place. The students created posters dealing with recycling and conservation.



Photo by Joe Hernandez

JULIA HENDERSON placed third in the varsity girl's division of the Ozona Invitational "Super 8" Tennis Tournament.

Lady Lions softball teams scrimmage Kermit Feb. 13

By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

The Lady Lions had a scrimmage against Kermit on Feb. 13.

Pitching for the Lady Lions was Erica Conner.

Playing for the Lady Lions was: Kayla Parks, Erika Venegas, Morgan Glosson, Whitney Hernandez, Brooke Kelly, Keshia Dean, Lori Lozano, Tashina Lewis, Lyndsie Crawford, Eliza-

beth Hernandez and Tori Miller.

The Lady Lions scored four runs on three hits. Kermit was able to score 12 runs on three hits.

"The Lady Lions have made great improvements over the last several weeks and will again take on Kermit in a game on Tuesday and will then compete in the Angelo tournament on March 2-4," said Coach John Esparza.



Photo by Joe Hernandez

ROCKY MUNOZ goes up for a shot in the JV Lions last game of the season. #40 Stephen Silva is set to grab a rebound if needed.

The Ozona Stockman deadline is MONDAY at NOON!

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Youth Center Calendar of Events
Feb. 22 -
Katalyst Ministries, 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 27 -
High School Pizza Night, 7-10 p.m.
March 1 -
High School Movie Night, 7-10 p.m.
Youth Center Board Meeting,
5:30 p.m.

Youth Baseball Sign-ups
Monday, Feb. 27
and
Tuesday, Feb. 28
5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
at Ozona Baseball Concession Stand
Parents must provide a copy of birth certificates.
Any parent wishing to help coach or volunteer for keeping books or helping call games, please let us know at sign-ups.

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New choral music classes offered at Texas Tech University Center at Junction

New choral music courses will be offered at Texas Tech University Center at Junction during summer session. These intense format courses last three weeks so a student can take only one course. The courses carry three hours of undergraduate or graduate credit. The Center has housing and dining available on campus.

Voice Care for the Young Choral Singer, MUSI 4301/700, will be taught by Sue Arnold during Summer Session I, June 4 to 23.

Two courses will be offered Summer Session II, June 25

to July 14. Principles of Music Theatre Production MUSI 4301 will be taught by Dr. Kathryn Barnes-Burroughs, the Voice/Opera/Coordinator of the Texas Tech Voice Alliance. The course covers the elements of producing music theatre, including: audition and rehearsal techniques, budgeting, administration, plus casting and directing. All students will direct and perform in final scene projects presented in a public performance.

The other Summer Session II class is Vocal Preparation and Techniques for Music Theatre MUSI 4301/7000, a comprehen-

sive study of various practices in developing healthy vocal production for music theatre. Kathy McNeil, Associate Professor of Music at Texas Tech University is the professor.

Students must apply to Texas Tech before registering. A brochure with details of the Summer II courses is available at <http://www.depts.ttu.edu/hill-country/junction/junctionmusic.htm>. Information about other Intersession and Summer Session courses is at www.junction.ttu.edu or contact Karen Lopez at 325-446-2301 or karen.lopez@ttu.edu.

FROM THE COUNTY AGENT

By Miles Dabovich, CEA-AG/NR

Crockett County 4-H makes good showing at San Antonio

Twenty-two exhibitors participated in the San Antonio Stock Show Feb. 11-17 in the Junior Market Goat and Lamb shows.

Exhibitors included Kelbie Renfro, Murphey Black, Allie Black, Clint Hale, Jayci Miller, Lane Hale, Abby Newton, Allison Skehan, Cuatro Jones, Kara Bird, LuCinda Birkenfeld, Adrienne Bendele, Ross Kelly, Cory Kelly, Matthew Komechak, Russel Komechak, Trey Fierro, Lakin Aaron, Wes McGuire,

Matt McGuire, Chelsea Moore and Dean Wadsworth.

In the goat show, two exhibitors placed in the premium sale. Jayci Miller placed third in Class 6 and Kelbie Renfro placed sixth in Class 7.

In the lamb show, seven out of 12 placed in the premium sale.

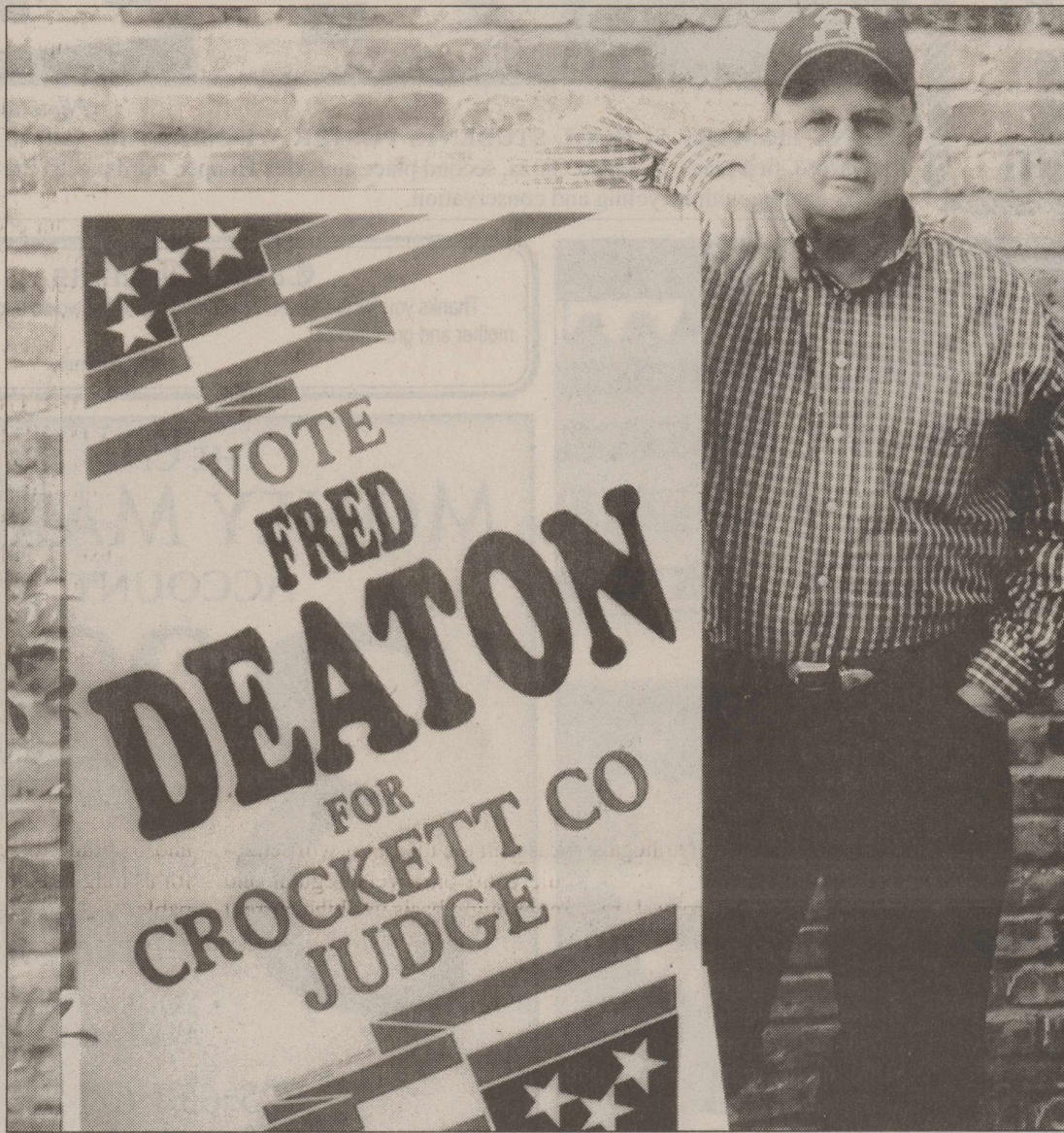
It seemed to be a day for second places for Crockett County.

Four second place lambs were exhibited in the Champion Finewool Drive. They were Wes

McGuire, second in Class 1; Lakin Aaron, second in Class 2; Allie Black, second in Class 3 and Kelbie Renfro, second in Class 5.

Also qualifying for the sale was LuCinda Birkenfeld, seventh in Class 3, Dean Wadsworth, third in Class 5 and Murphey Black, eighth in Class 4 Cross.

The exhibitors were accompanied by numerous friends, parents and grandparents. Member will be participating in San Angelo this week.



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- Crockett County Library Board 2 years
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GOMEZ: Candidate has experience in all types of cases

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judge. Not every lawyer has the metal to be a good judge. As a judge, I want to do good for the betterment of the lives of the people who come before my Court. I want to make a positive difference in people's lives. This in turn is for the good of our community.

In my years of practice, I have tried all types of cases from capital murder to child custody, and civil cases. I am in court at least four days of the week and have had the opportunity to learn from many good judges in West Texas. The best judges are those like Judge Brock Jones who always treat all people with respect, dignity and good judgment. Through the years Judge Jones has taught me that people who are called to be in Court should be treated with respect and that after careful consideration the Judge should make his decision according to the law, the facts and his good judgment.

Q: WHAT ARE THREE THINGS YOU WOULD LIKE TO ACCOMPLISH IF ELECTED?

A: 1. The most important item that I want to accomplish is to earn the trust of the citizens of the 112th Judicial District and that I am worthy of being their District Court Judge. I will accomplish this through my hard work and well-reasoned decisions.

2. There are many times when cases in district court involve children. Our children are our future and I want to make sure that any case concerning children in my court will be resolved in a way that will protect them in the best way possible. For example, in a custody case, when parents are contesting the custody of the children, I can make a well reasoned decision with the most consideration given to what will be in the children's best interest. In criminal cases, where children are the victims, I will be sure that we make all efforts to protect them from further harm, especially from the same perpetrator.

3. I will continue making the 112th District Court a place of respect, fairness and good judgment that has been instilled by Judge Jones to this Court. As a constituent recently told me, "You have big shoes to fill." I am up to the task.

Q: WHAT IS LIKELY THE MOST SIGNIFICANT ISSUE FACING YOUR OFFICE IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS AND WHY?

A: A district court is not immune to budgetary constraints. I think that funding for treatment and counseling programs that should be available to a judge will probably be most affected with funding being cut at the federal and state levels. This will probably affect the

ability of this Court to be able to provide drug treatment and counseling for individuals who have drug, alcohol or emotional problems.

Thus, I do believe that it will be imperative for a judge to be resourceful in locating new ways to provide these programs, either through the assistance of the legislature or grants that may be available. That is why it will take a judge who, with the assistance of his probation office, will be able to find alternative means for programs that will help people in this Court.

Q: ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO VOTERS?

A: I would like to remind all citizens of Crockett County and all readers of the Ozona Stockman that this election to determine who will succeed Judge Brock Jones is a very important one.

Thus, I want to remind everyone that Judge Jones's successor will be determined in the Democratic primary. There is no Republican candidate for this position on the ballot, thus, whoever wins in the Democratic primary will be the next District Court Judge.

Therefore, I call on all citizens in this district who want to have a voice in this important race to vote in the Democratic primary and vote for Pete Gomez to be your next District Judge.

VALADEZ: Candidate's legal career spans 23 years

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experience of nearly 23 years qualifies me to be the next district judge of the 112th District Court.

My experience began as a trial attorney in Houston, Texas. Within months of receiving my law license in 1983, I was representing clients in civil, criminal, domestic and juvenile trials in Houston and the surrounding communities. I gained a wealth of experience in personal injury, products liability and workers compensation cases as well. In addition, I represented clients in the federal court of Houston, Southern District of Texas, in both civil and criminal cases.

In August of 1986, I moved to Fort Stockton and became employed as the Assistant District Attorney in the 112th District Court. I quickly gained the confidence of the elected 112th District Attorney, J.W. Johnson, and was given the responsibility to cover Pecos, Upton and Reagan County on my own.

Within months of becoming an Assistant District Attorney, I quickly learned the role of a prosecutor and started a lengthy period of jury trials. In six years as an Assistant District Attorney, I represented the State in 100 to 150 felony jury trials and three capital murder trials.

My position as an Assistant District Attorney was not limited to jury trials. In addition, I personally represented the State in appeals to the 8th Court of Appeals in El Paso.

After serving as Assistant D.A. for six years, I chose to run for office. In March of 1992, I was elected 83rd District Attorney. At that time, the 83rd District was the largest district in Texas covering Presidio, Brewster, Jeff Davis, Pecos, Upton and Reagan County.

While serving as District Attorney I personally prosecuted hundreds of individuals charged with felony cases in jury trials. I had a staff of three Assistant District Attorneys, two investigators and the most talented paralegals and secretaries.

As District Attorney I received national publicity for the prosecution and maximum conviction of a fanatic group who called themselves "The Republic of Texas." Within months of that trial, I again received publicity, this time internationally, in my investigation of four

United States Marines who were accused of the shooting death of Esequiel Hernandez, a young man herding sheep who was shot near the Rio Grande River in Presidio.

After serving two terms as District Attorney, I returned to private practice in 2000. I have served the community as an experienced and qualified trial attorney for the past six years. In that time I have continued to represent clients in appeals to the 8th Court of Appeals in El Paso. In addition, I have represented numerous clients in Federal District Court.

In summary, it is my belief that the citizens of the 112th Judicial District should have a judge who is qualified and who has experience as a defense attorney, prosecutor, and appeals lawyer. A candidate for district judge must know the law and must have a strong command for court room procedure. After nearly 23 years of practicing law in a variety of cases, I am the candidate who brings that ability to the bench.

Q: WHAT ARE THREE THINGS YOU WOULD LIKE TO ACCOMPLISH IF ELECTED?

A: First I will immediately begin the process of equalizing the case load between the 112th District Court and the 83rd District Court in the largest and most populated county of the district, Pecos County. I have a plan to balance the case load between both courts. As a result, I will have more time to attend court in the remaining counties in the district for longer periods of time. My goal is to reduce the case load in Crockett, Reagan, Sutton and Upton counties and at the same time, provide fair and equal justice to everyone in the district.

Second After implementing my plan to balance the case load in Pecos County, I will begin the process of attending to the oldest cases in the district. I will schedule court on a very regular and continuing basis until the current caseload is at a minimum. For those cases that need immediate attention, I will encourage settlement through the mediation process. This process is extremely successful and results in reduced cost to the parties and to the taxpayers.

Third I will seek to develop new and better methods of handling the juvenile problem in our area. The increasing rate of juvenile crime is costly and often times results in juvenile offenders becoming adult offenders. This will be the most difficult of all of my goals and will take all of my ability and experience to achieve a satisfactory result. While I do not pretend to have all of the answers, my past experience working with juveniles will significantly assist me in this endeavor.

Q: WHAT IS LIKELY THE MOST SIGNIFICANT ISSUE FACING YOUR OFFICE IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS AND WHY?

A: While it is hard to predict which of the numerous problems of the past will raise its head in the future, in my opinion the past budgetary cuts at the State level will continue in the future. The budget cuts of the past resulted in less funds at the local level to pay for the cost of visiting judges. Visiting judges play a crucial role in assisting an elected judge by holding court when the elected judge is in another county in a lengthy jury trial. The assistance of a visiting judge ensures that court is held at regular intervals.

Unless our economy greatly strengthens in the future, I expect that such budgetary cuts will affect our judicial system in the future as it has in the past.

Q: ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO VOTERS?

A: After nearly 20 years of having Judge Brock Jones as the 112th District Judge, the voters of this district will have to make an important decision on who will be their next district judge. While qualified experience normally comes with decades of practicing law, I bring a wealth of experience at the relatively young age of 49.

My legal career spans nearly 23 years. I have the patience and fortitude to serve the voters for as long as I am physically capable.

I truly hope that the voters consider my qualifications and experience on election day.

I humbly submit that I am the best qualified and most experienced candidate to serve as the next District Judge of the 112th District Court.

Tree planting time is here

The Crockett Soil and Water Conservation District of Ozona is now taking orders for windbreak trees.

They will hold a sidewalk sale from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. March 14 at the square.

Evergreen trees consisting of Afghan Pine and Austrian Pine are available. Hardwood trees in a variety of Oaks and Elms will be available.

Other trees such as Chinese Pistache, Desert Willow, Golden

Raintree, Texas Redbud and a limited of Crape Myrtles will be available along with lots of other varieties.

Most of the trees come in the patented Rootmaker grow bags ranging in size from 5 inches to 8 inches.

There will be a special sale on Live Oaks of "buy four and get the fifth one free."

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root stimulant, Nutri-Pak three-year nutrients, a pre-measured time release fertilizer, and other accessories will be on hand with specialized instructions for planting and taking care of your new trees at the time of purchase.

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West Texas Regional Domino and 42 Tournament to be held in March

Historic Murals of San Angelo Inc. is pleased to sponsor the annual West Texas Regional Domino and 42 Tournament.

The annual event is the major fundraiser for the organization. The tournament is March 10 and 11 at the Suez Shrine Center, 2915 Loop 306 in San Angelo, Texas.

"Anyone who loves competitive dominoes or 42 is invited to participate in the tournament", states Lisa Fuentes, president of the Historic Murals of San Angelo Board.

"The tournament attracts players from all over the state. Men and women who enjoy the game will find fellowship and fun at the event. You do not have to be a professional", she said.

Historic Murals of San Angelo, Inc., is a non-profit organization dedicated to painting the history of San Angelo on walls in the Historic City Center, will

benefit from tournament proceeds.

"Proceeds from the third annual West Texas Regional Domino Tournament provided a major portion of the funds toward completion of our third mural, titled, '200 Block of S. Chardbourne early 1900.' This year's tournament will help us in funding for our next historic mural", says Susan Morris, executive director, Historic Murals of San Angelo. The proceeds will also help in funding other projects to beautify Historic downtown San Angelo. The organization hopes to start painting historical accurate images on empty storefronts in select locations.

To register for the tournament or for more information, please visit the Historic Murals of San Angelo web site at historicmuralsofsanangelo.org or call Susan Morris at 325-944-1443.

'Essentials of Starting a New Business' seminar March 2

The Angelo State University Small Business Development Center is presenting a free seminar titled, "The Essentials of Starting a New Business."

The seminar will be held from 6-8:30 p.m. March 2 in the conference room of the Rassman Building at 2222 Dena Drive on the ASU Campus.

This session will cover the requirements of owning a business and the resources available to small businesses.

Topics include: Advantages and disadvantages to owning a business; Market, profitability and financing assessment; Choosing a form of organization and naming your business.

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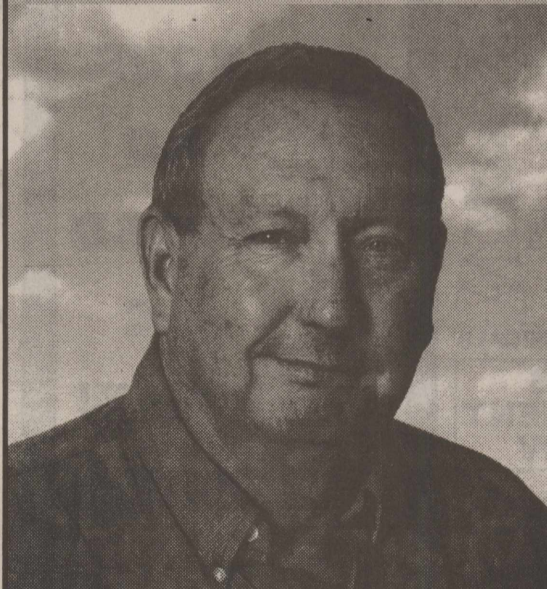
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Crockett County Sheriff's Report

CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS REPORT

TYPE OF CALLS	# OF CALLS
Animal control, complaints, Game Warden's	5
Civil Complaints	1
Civil Service	7
Criminal Activity Complaints	1
Disturbances, Domestic, Loud Noise etc.	5
Juvenile Complaints	2
Locked vehicles	7
911 Medical, Fire Calls	6
Motorist Assistance	4
Reckless driving/speeding complaints	7
Security Alarms	4
Sheriff's Office/ Jail Admin.	31
Suspicious Persons/Vehicles	2
Welfare Concern Citizen/Property	1
Welfare Assistance (Gas, Food, Lodging)	2
Vehicle Accidents	4

WEEKLY NEWS REPORT

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.

- **Nino Castillo Tambunga**, of Ozona, failure to comply with requirements on striking unattended vehicle, Class "A" and driving while intoxicated Class "B" misdemeanor.
- **Joe Sanchez**, of Ozona, Class "A" misdemeanor assault causing bodily injury (family violence).
- **Mario Najera Aguilar**, of San Angelo, theft/adjudication of guilt - felony

• **Stacy Lynn Mann**, of Roundrock, failure to appear/possession of marijuana

ARREST REPORT

2-14-06
 • **Joe Martinez Santiago Jr.**, 36, was picked up in Reagan County Sheriff's Office by sheriff's deputy for court. Subject was transferred back to Reagan County.

2-16-06
 • **Nakisha Danielle Allen**, 27, was arrested by DPS Officer on a charge of possession of a controlled substance and possession of marijuana. Subject was released after posting bond.

• **Antonio Duran Jr.**, 59, was arrested by DPS Officer on a Bexar County warrant. Subject still

remains in jail awaiting transfer to Bexar County.

2-18-06
 • **Mickey Miguel Ateefa**, 23, was arrested by DPS Officer on a Travis County warrant. Subject still remains in jail waiting transfer to Travis County.

INCIDENT REPORT

2-15-06
 • An unauthorized use of motor vehicle report was filed by sheriff's Deputy. Subject advised known person took his vehicle without

his permission. A warrant was issued for subject and arrested.

2-19-06
 • A theft report was filed by sheriff's deputy. Complainant advised that a know person had entered his resident and stole some money from complainant, investigation continues.

• A forgery Government financial instrument report was filed by sheriff's deputy. Complainant advised subject try to paid with counterfeit \$20 bill at local store, investigation continues.

Texas fails to submit hurricane aid application in time



AUSTIN - Top officials thought Texas was going to get \$2 billion of a \$20 billion hurricane relief appropriations supplement from Congress.

U.S. Sens. Kay Bailey Hutchison and John Cornyn were among those surprised to learn Texas was left off the list of requestors.

Gov. Rick Perry's office said Texas' request was made.

Railroad Commissioner Michael Williams, whose job it was to communicate with the White House on hurricane-related funding needs and provide details, said he did his part.

Both senators said they would continue to work to get adequate funding for Texas.

Report out on AP exams
 Despite a 61 percent increase in the number of Texas students taking Advanced Placement high school classes since 2001, Hispanic and African-American students are underrepresented in these classes, based on percentage of population.

This information comes from the College Board's Advanced Placement Report to the Nation.

The report said 35 percent of the state's high school students are Hispanic, but only 32.2 percent of AP examinees are; and, African-American students, who make up 13.5 percent of the Texas high school population, make up only 6.8 percent of the Texas students who took AP exams.

"Ideally, the student population in AP classes should reflect the demographics of the school system as a whole," Education Commissioner Shirley J. Neeley said.

Boosters work for bigger kids
 Children who have outgrown their car safety seats but aren't quite big enough for adult safety restraints need an intermediate solution, the Texas Department of State Health Services said earlier this month.

"If children have outgrown a safety seat but are less than 4 feet 9 inches tall, they need a booster seat," said Frank Luera, director of the state health agency's Safe Riders Traffic Safety program.

RNC looking at Texas' big 3
 Dallas, Houston and San Antonio are among 31 cities invited by the Republican National Committee to bid on hosting the party's 2008 national convention.

Funds coming for services
 On Feb. 16, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and House Speaker Tom Craddick, R-Midland, jointly announced the Legislative Budget Board had authorized the Health and Human Services Commission to draw upon funds to pay for nursing homes, mental health care, trauma care and other programs.

The funding, which totals about \$240 million, is a stopgap measure.

Last summer, Gov. Perry asked for \$655 million to cover the programs.

Since then, the agency has been waiting for the 10-member Legislative Budget Board to exercise its budget execution authority.

Dewhurst and Craddick sit on the board.

Expenditures include:

- \$4.3 million in general revenue and \$4.3 million in federal funds to increase the personal needs allowance for long-term care facility residents from \$45 to \$60;
- \$75 million in general revenue and \$115.7 million in federal funds for nursing facility rate increases;
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Junction Stockyards Market Report
Sheep and Goats
 Feb. 20, 2006

We sold 924 head of sheep and goats today. Kids and nannies were \$5-\$10 higher.

#1 spring lambs 50-70 lbs.	1.35-1.40
#1 spring lambs 70-90 lbs.	1.25-1.35
#1 old crop lambs 50-70 lbs.	1.25-1.35
#1 old crop lambs 70-90 lbs.	1.15-1.25
Fat ewes	50-55
Thin ewes	45-55
Bucks	30-50
Solid mouth ewes	80-1.00
Ewe & lamb pairs	55-65/hd
Baby tooth Angora stocker nannies	80-1.00
Solid mouth Angora stocker nannies	55-65
Stocker Angora muttons	65-75
Angora Kids	1.40-1.50
Angora Kids-shorn	1.20-1.35
Weighing Angoras-shorn (thin)	45-55
Weighing Angoras-shorn (fat) nannies	55-65
Stocker Spanish nannies	85-1.10
Fat Spanish nannies	60-72
Fat Spanish muttons	90-1.10
Fat Spanish billies	70-85
Fat yearlings	1.05-1.20
Fat Spanish kids	1.40-1.58
Small kids	1.35-1.45
Thin kids	1.30-1.40
Spanish nanny & kid pairs	40-45/hd

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▶ RUNNING SCARED (R) 1:45 4:50 7:55 10:40	▶ CURIOUS GEORGE (G) 11:40 2:00 4:30
▶ MADEA'S FAMILY REUNION (PG-13) 1:00 4:00 7:00 9:50	▶ THE PINK PANTHER (PG) 11:55 2:15 5:05 7:35 10:05
▶ DOOGAL (G) 12:25 2:40 4:55 7:10 9:20	▶ FIREWALL (PG-13) 12:20 2:50 5:20 8:00 10:35
▶ THREE BURIALS OF MELQUIADES ESTRADA (R) 1:20 4:20 7:25 10:20	▶ WHEN A STRANGER CALLS (PG-13) 11:50 2:05 4:40 7:15 9:30
▶ EIGHT BELOW (PG) 1:00 4:00 7:00 9:50	▶ BROKEBACK MOUNTAIN (R) 7:05 10:15
▶ DATE MOVIE (PG-13) 12:00 2:30 5:00 7:30 9:45	▶ BIG MOMMA'S HOUSE 2 (PG-13) 12:15 2:45 5:15 7:50 10:25
▶ FREEDOMLAND (R) 1:00 4:10	▶ NANNY MCPHEE (PG) 1:10 4:10
▶ NEW WORLD (PG-13) 12:10 2:35 5:10 7:40 10:10	▶ UNDERWORLD: EVOLUTION (R) 4:05 9:40

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As of Feb. 17, 2006

***Crockett County**

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
New Gry Petroleum	15500	Blakeney-Krueger #4	Grey Wolf Drilling M 514	Assigned
Pioneer Natural Inv	9000	A F McMullan -B- #2	Patterson Drilling A 42	Drig Ahead
New Harrison Interests	9000	Joe Tom Davidson Jr -A- #48	Patterson Drilling A 109	Assigned
New Approach Operating	9000	Barley #324	Nabors Drilling OJ 347	Drig Ahead
Approach Operating	9000	Addie Clayton #808	Nabors Drilling OJ 353	Drig Ahead
New Approach Operating	9000	J R Bailey -A- #608	Patterson Drilling A 710	Drig Ahead
Pop Texas Inc	8500	University -12- #1 H	Nabors Drilling OJ 24	Drig Ahead
Domination OK TX E&P	8250	Clayton -2- #2	Patterson Drilling A 742	Drig Ahead
New Andarico E & P	8000	Laura Hoover Estate -7a- #12	Patterson Drilling A 38	Assigned
New Blazegaz Energy	7500	Edwin S Mayer Jr -K- #10	Adobe Drilling Mustan	Drig Ahead
New Trek Resources	6100	Simpson Canyon -1078- Unit #1	Shannon Unit #1 Midlan 64	W.O.O.
New Fiml Natural Res	5500	Maggie Moore #50	Patterson Drilling A 721	Drig Ahead
MIC Operating	5000	Onyx #2	Adobe Drilling Bronco	Drig Ahead 3116

***Sutton County**

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
New Dominion OK TX E&P	9450	Duke Wilson #185-11	Patterson Drilling A 704	Assigned
Domination OK TX E&P	9150	Rimel #1	Patterson Drilling A 309	Drig Ahead
Domination OK TX E&P	8850	Mayfield-34- #23	Patterson Drilling A 120	Assigned
New Dominion OK TX E&P	8800	Mayfield-#1- #11	Patterson Drilling A 122	Assigned
Domination OK TX E&P	8750	Tom Mitchell -2- #8	Patterson Drilling A 108	Drig Ahead
Domination OK TX E&P	8710	Mayfield-33- #11	Patterson Drilling A 122	Drig Ahead
Domination OK TX E&P	8650	Mayfield-46- #24	Patterson Drilling A 120	Drig Ahead
Domination OK TX E&P	8650	Duke Wilson #176-8	Patterson Drilling A 704	Drig Ahead
New Dominion OK TX E&P	8650	Edwin S Mayer Jr -S- #5	Patterson Drilling A 105	Assigned
Domination OK TX E&P	8350	Edwin S Mayer Jr -K- #10	Patterson Drilling A 108	Assigned
Domination OK TX E&P	8300	Edwin S Hill-Mayer Jr -J- #5	Patterson Drilling A 105	Drig Ahead
New Kcs Resources Tulsa	7850	Sawyer -146- #19	Patterson Drilling A 102	Drig Ahead
New Dominion OK TX E&P	7450	Shurley -166- #20	Patterson Drilling A 107	Assigned
Domination OK TX E&P	7125	Shurley -36- #14	Patterson Drilling A 40	Assigned
Domination OK TX E&P	6775	Kelly -126- #18	Patterson Drilling A 107	Drig Ahead
Domination OK TX E&P	6700	Shurley -123- #22	Patterson Drilling A 40	Drig Ahead
Domination OK TX E&P	6550	Davis -E- #17	Patterson Drilling A 115	Drig Ahead
New Dominion OK TX E&P	6250	Davis -F- #18	Patterson Drilling A 115	Assigned
New Dominion OK TX E&P	6250	Thomson #15	Patterson Drilling A 742	Assigned
New Dominion OK TX E&P	4650	Canyon Ranch #409s	Patterson Drilling A 161	Drig Ahead

Schleicher County

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
New Approach Operating	9000	Roussellot #1306	Nabors Drilling OJ 709	Drig Ahead
Pogo Producing Co	6900	Jackson #12	Heart Land Drilling 2	Drig Ahead 5065
Rouwe Oil & Gas Corp	5000	Powell #4	Heart Land Drilling 5	Drig Ahead 4760

Reagan County

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
J. Cleo Thompson Dal	11600	Santa Rita -35- #1	Robinson Drilling 4	Drig Ahead 6475
Mallory Operating	9500	Rocker -B75- #1	Patterson Drilling A 606	Drig Ahead 4008
New Mariner Energy	9000	Gladys Clark -A- #25m	Larlar Services Ode 12	Moving On
New Mariner Energy	9000	University -26- #10m	Larlar Services Ode 13	Drig Ahead 2748
New Mariner Energy	8650	North Siles Spabrery Unit	Larlar Services Ode 19	Moving On
New Pioneer Natural Inv	8480	Sherrod Unit #2208	Adobe Drilling Sxshtr	Drig Ahead 6330
New Mariner Energy	8450	Sau Mariner 1-3 #46	Larlar Services Ode 17	Drig Ahead 153
New Pioneer Natural Inv	8410	Merchant Unit #3103a	Manlock Drilling 4	Drig Ahead 2500

Terrell County

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Newfield	15000	Posler #3402	Patterson Drilling A 118	Drig Ahead
Conocophillips Odes	12000	Creek Ranch -15- #3r	Patterson Drilling A 118	Drig Ahead 10105
Exxonmobil Dcs Co	11600	Banner Estate #4	Helmreich & Payne A 214	Recomplete
New Encana O & G Dallas	11600	Acu -49- #6	Nabors Drilling OJ 57	Moving On
New Rata Energy, Inc	8000	Kohman #8101	Larlar Services Ode 1	Drig Ahead 484
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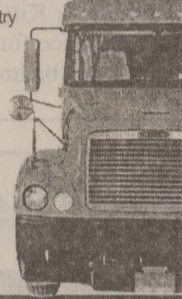
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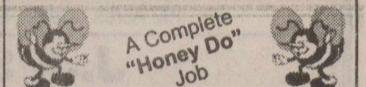
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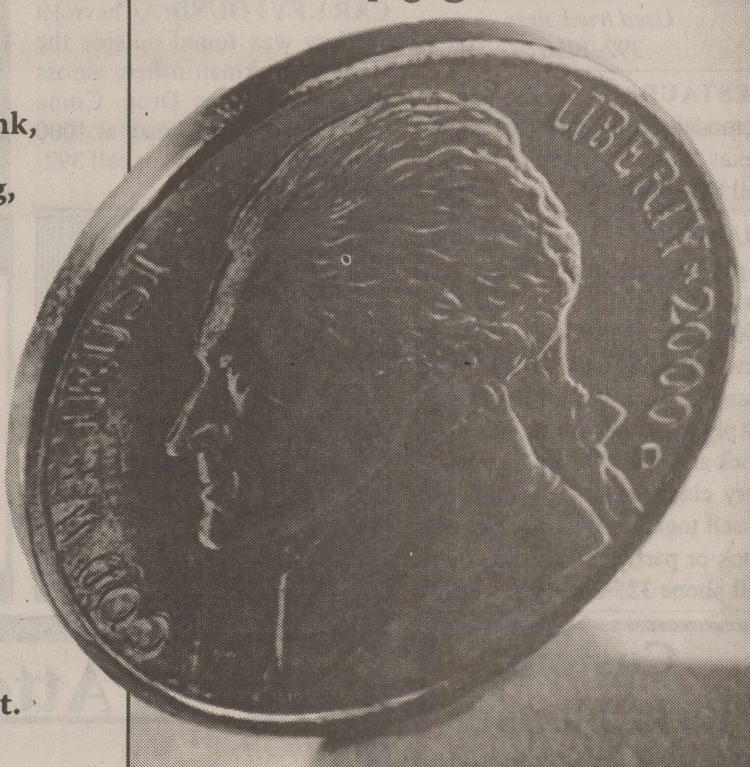
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