

Long distance road trips hard on buses

School board discusses the possiblities of newer transportation

By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

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The new UIL district is posing a problem for bus travel.

During the Aug. 23 school board meeting, it was discussed how the school's three main charter-style buses were not looking prosperous for long road trips.

Each of the buses are high in mileage, and two of them have cost the district more around \$30,000 each in major repairs over the 2002-2006 period.

Currently, one of the buses and that they are looking at pur-

needs a new transmission that and transportation director.

Horn, Alpine, Marfa and Kermit the next two years," Myers said.

Superintendent Abe Gott style buses or look into a new program by Bluebird that has new buses equipped similar to outright and pay them. charter buses.

several of the Bluebird buses Gott said.

air conditioning in their Bluebird buses

The cost for the Bluebird may cost \$6,000 to \$8,000, said buses is around \$133,000 each. Ray Don Myers, maintenance Cost estimates for the new/used charter buses various on the bus-\$279,000 on the ones the district has found, Gott said.

said that the district can look at looking into putting significant purchasing new/used charter- money into the 2006-2007 fund balance and that the district can lease purchase or buy the buses

'We're getting worried with Gott said that Kermit has all these long trips coming up,'

Gott also said he talked to

chasing more, but that Reagan Frank Tambunga, president of County has had trouble with the the Ozona Athletic Booster Club, about the cost of hiring a charter bus. Tambunga said the booster club is looking into it for a football game and that the cost they had was around \$1,500.

The school uses three buses "It looks bleak going to Van es and ranges from \$174,000 to at each varsity football game, Myers said.

> "We may have to do that Gott said the district is to get through the season," said Tom Anderson, board member.

Board President Dr. Marcus Sims said that the board could ask the voters of Crockett County to pass a bond for a couple of buses.

"For that, it's a matter of convincing voters," Gott added.

By MELISSA PERNER

Tools for employers, employ-

ees and small business were pre-

Editor and Publisher

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Tools for business

Chamber luncheon features

information, resources available

Stockman to be closed Labor Day, deadline Friday

The Ozona Stockman will be closed Monday, Sept. 4 for the Labor Day holiday.

The **DEADLINE** for the Sept. 6 issue is 4 P.M. FRIDAY, SEPT. 1.

Have a safe and happy holiday weekend!

ING THROI Photos by Melissa Perner POKER RUN GRAND MARSHALL MIKE LEDOUX leads the pack during the Davy Crockett Days parade

sented at the Ozona Chamber of Commerce luncheon on Aug. 24 at the Hitchin' Post Restaurant.

Representatives from Concho Valley Workforce Solutions and the Angelo State University Small Business Development Center, addressed chamber members and guests about what their organizations can do to help businesses.

The focus for Concho Valley Workforce Solutions is to help not only people seeking jobs, but employers seeking workers as well.

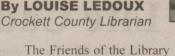
Richard Kitchen, an emplover services representative with workforce solutions, said the organization deals specifically with employers in the area. The services provided to the public are at no cost.

Concho Valley Workforce **Solutions**

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candidate to visit Ozona PAGE 7 **Cross country** teams win big **PAGE 10 Crockett County** Sheriff's Report

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FIVE-DAY WEATHER FORECAST Wednesday High 86 Low 67 **Chance of T-Storms** Thursday High 89 Low 68 **Chance of T-Storms** Friday High 87 Low 67 **Partly Cloudy** Saturday High 88 Low 65 **Chance of T-Storms** Sunday High 83 Low 64

Chance of T-Storms Forecast information

provided by the **National Weather** Service in San Angelo

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Poker Run and Bike Show was a huge success and fun for everyone last Saturday during the Davy Crockett Fall Festival. 36 bikes and 46 riders rode in the Festival Parade and made the 120-mile run.

the first place winner, and Sheila Douglas of Iraan was the second place winner.

to all the riders who participated and supported the library.

front of the Emerald House for inspection by County Judge Johnny Jones in the Bike Show.

big winner taking prizes in three classes with his Harley Davidson old-style Road King featuring screaming eagles and custom chrome.

Lee Payne of Ozona was A huge thank you goes out

Sixteen bikes lined up in

Bill Harris ended up the

Please see RUN page 8 JV, Varsity Lions ready to rumble

Teams face Fort Stockton in opening games **By MELISSA PERNER** Editor and Publisher

The scrimmages are over and the season is upon the Ozona Lions as they prepare for their first battle with the Fort Stockton both seniors and juniors will start. Panthers this week

spent the past two weeks in prac- contact. We have also blown some tice and in two scrimmages against assignments that have caused us to San Saba, Mason and Brady.

ons got off to a slow start but fin- do) are doing a great job of taking ished strong.

for us. It could cost us if we do

not get started more quickly," said Coach Benny Granger. "I was very pleased with how we played after things got going though. We started dominating and playing extremely hard. We are still in the process of trying to find out who will be starting. Part of this is due to injuries and part of it is due to competition."

The Lions have 23 seniors this year and 12 juniors. Granger said

'We are making good con-The JV and Varsity teams have tact, but are not maintaining that have bad plays. The quarterbacks In both scrimmages, the Li- (Jordan Long and Justin Maldonacharge of the huddle and running "The slow start is a concern the offense," Granger said.

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"The only guarantee I can make you is that if you don't try it, then it won't work," Kitchen said. "We can open up the search

A job posting web site called "Work In Texas" is used by workforce solutions to help employers seek workers. The group also provides quarterly report from the Texas Workforce Commission on the labor market, as well as offering a vocational profile that tests job seekers strengths and weaknesses.

"We hope to be able to provide great services for you," said Bill Ray, workforce solutions community coordinator.

Concho Valley Workforce Center (SBDC). Solutions will be in Ozona ev-

Telephone: (325) 942-2098 Fax: (325) 942-2096 **Online:** www.angelo.edu/services/sbdc E-mail: sbdc@angelo.edu

ery second Friday of the month at the Ozona Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center.

The group is also planning to host a regional job fair in Ozona sometime this fall.

Anyone interested in participating in the job fair, can call 1-800-996-7589.

People interested in starting their own business, or businesses looking to improve can find free resources through the ASU Small Business Development

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JOSE GALVAN (center) knocks the helmet off of a Brady Bulldog as fellow teammates push back during the Aug. 24 scrimmage in Brady. Also pictured is: (left to right) A.J. Montanez, Steven Silva, Stephen Gillitt, Matthew Payne and Felix Venegas. The Lions start the season against Fort Stockton Friday.



OZONA LIONS VS. FORT STOCKTON, 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY IN FORT STOCKTON



for you."



LEFT: CADE HARDY tries out the rock wall, while Omar Villareal (top) wins the mutton bustin' competition.

ing the Aug. 26 parade.

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and BAND march along

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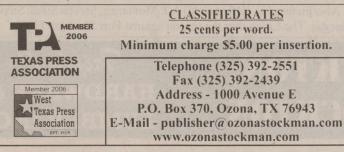
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letter about the need for mentors,

years ago to work in San An-

gelo. My two sons, Aaron and

Jared, stayed in Ozona to fin-

ish school. I was worried at first

about how they would stay fo-

cused on school and sports with

their mom not there. Thanks to

my dad, Luis, and mom, Teresa,

and their aunt Michelle, along

with their teachers, coaches and

the whole Ozona community,

they got through their last years

of school just fine. They both

had the finest of mentors anyone

they finished school in Ozona.

Each day, they had something

positive to say about someone

there. Whether it was their grand-

parents, teachers or coaches,

something back and that's serv-

ing our country. They take a lot

of pride in what they are doing,

like for his grandpa to be on

just like they did in sports.

Now, they both want to give

Jared recalls how he didn't

these boys looked up to them.

The boys are grateful that

I left Ozona about three

I totally agree.

could ask for.

thing started with labels on packages of cigarettes but have warning labels stopped people from smoking? I figure if a young kid is smoking he's too stupid to read the label in the first place. He probably can't read!

Everywhere you look there are warnings. I take medicine five times a day and in the pill bottles is a little packet of desiccant which is put in the bottle to absorb moisture. On the desiccant package in big letters are the words, "DO NOT EAT!"

I've been hungry in my life but never so much that I wanted to eat a little bag of sand. On the outside of the pill bottles in red letters it warns me, "Do not operate heavy equipment."

I suppose this is what stops me from rushing right out and buying a new backhoe every time I take a pill.

What about those tags on pillows that threaten, "Do not remove this label under penalty of law"? How much hard time, I wonder, does a person have to do if caught in the act of removing a label from a pillow?

I'd be willing to bet there is not one rotten pillow label remover doing serious jail time in any prison in this country. It's an outrage, I tell you!

If the government is going to force us to label everything that could potentially be dangerous why don't they make us put licenses, lawyers and oat bran.

ing to make us label everything that is dangerous they ought to have to do the same thing.

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On every television advertisement and placard for a politician there should be a warning label: "Voting for this person may cause extreme pain.'

Air Force One should leave a trail of white smoke in its wake ... "Beware: Bad news trav-

Are people really that stupid that they need to be constantly reminded of all the risks in life?

If we are really going to do this label thing right the stock market should carry a warning that it may crash, horses may kick, cows may not calve and objects in the mirror may be fatter than they appear.

All females should henceforth be tattooed, "Warning, may be prone to headaches." And all males should have to carry red warning triangles on their rear ends with the warning, "Wide load up ahead."

Where does it all end? Hot flashes may cause global warming, cats may have kittens and daytime television may cause you to go brain dead. Prune boxes will one day have to be stamped in big letters, "This too shall pass.'

Old Dobermans will have to carry a tag on their collar, "Let sleeping dogs lie." And shouldn't postage stamps carry a warning. that, "This letter will get there when it gets there?"

While we're on the subject, couldn't the folks who write warning labels be a little more creative. I mean, they are so dry nobody reads them. Warning labels should have to carry a warning label, "Warning, this label may cause drowsiness!'

I just don't think warning labels work and I'll prove it. Those of you who are still with me continued reading this little essay despite being warned that doing so may have caused you to go blind, sterile or dead. WARN-ING!!!

If any of these things have occurred stop reading immediately and contact your doctor or pharmacist.

47th INF Regiment BCTB 5375 Hanson Dr. Ft. Benning, GA 31905-4930 (on the bottom left hand corner write:) 1st PIT/Rough Riders.

Alice has had several requests

for her son's addresses.

Here they are:

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who care about them, whether

family or not, and are interested in them with their daily lives. With a simple pat on the back or saying "good job," this has a large impact on our youth than we realize. Our youth are facing tougher times than we

ents, coaches and the community of Ozona. Keep up the great work and continue supporting our youth.

ever did as kids, so teachers, par-

Ever so grateful and appreciative,

Alice Espinio San Angelo, Texas

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Special guest attends birthday party

On Aug. 9, several friends and her family celebrated Sandy Bebee's birthday at Circle Bar Restaurant. Everyone then went to the Wilkins' home to meet a friend who had come to wish Sandy a Happy Birthday.

Edith had come from San Angelo, and parts unknown, to enjoy the celebration. She wore a designer gown with an antique, handmade pearl necklace, beautiful earrings, and a huge diamond rign and carried a Kate Spade bag.

Edith was dressed by Katharine Russell, Susie Childress and Courtney Childress.

Anyone wishing to use their services should cantact Katherine Russell in Hollywood.



ENJOYING SANDY BEBEE'S BIRTHDAY are: (l. to r.) Glenda Henderson, Jean Odom, Katharine Russell, Edith, Sandy Bebee and Marilyn Cox.



CROCKETT COUNTY CARE CENTER FAMILY COUNCIL Meagan and Morgan Espinosa, prepare watermelon for staff and residents Sunday afternoon.

Care Center Chatter

By JAN ST. CLAIR TICE Activity Director

This past week has really been enjoyed by all. Monday, Ron Valadez, a long time friend of resident Mildred Couch, sang in the morning and afternoon. Ron is from Sanderson. A big thank you to Ron for his all day you Judy, you brighten our lives. performance.

dents enjoyed Coke floats by resident Connie Bentley's daughter Shirley, which everyone enjoys. ing. Thank you for your faithful Thank you Shirley.

Thursday morning, Rachel

provides for us all. Friday, Mary Welty, daugh-

ter of resident Marie Gerlach, had a birthday party for her mom, residents and staff with ice cream and peanut butter cookies. Everyone enjoyed the party. Our lovely lady of singing, Judy Reagor, danced and sang for all. Thank I came in Sunday morning

Tuesday afternoon, our resi- and the Ozona Church of Christ services were taking place. We had a large group of residents attend-

of Christ, Ozona United Methodist Chruch and the First Baptist Church of Ozona. We were so thankful for the rain received over the weekend. It was wonderful.



JOANN BABBITT (center) is surrounded by family and friends during her surprise birthday party Saturday, Aug. 26 at the Crockett County Senior Center. The big surprise was that no one spilled the name: Alisha Dawn), age 26, of beans about the party. JoAnn turned 65 years young.

Ozona Woman's League News

By MELISSA PERNER Ozona Woman's League

The Ozona Woman's League met for their first meeting of the year on Aug. 22 at the home of President Melissa Hokit.

Chris Dorrough gave a presentation on the benefits of a massage, and league members were treated to chair massages for a small fee.

The league also discussed the upcoming homecoming barbecue fund-raiser dinner on Oct. 6 and the possibility of taking

photos at the Ozona Community Center's pumpkin patch in late October.

Pam Crenwelge, Tiffany Esparza, Kayla Davidson and Melinda

will be about the homecoming barbecue dinner at 5:30 p.m. Sept. 12 at the Crockett Room.

Members and guests that were in attendance include: Haley Forehand, Camille Dammon, Leigh Ann Dannheim, Abbie Hubbard, Melissa Hokit, Melissa Perner, Vicki Childress,

Moran. The next league meeting

Main Stage, Friday night of the Reunion Celebration, Sept. 15.

center receives donation from **Devon Energy**

The Ozona Community Center received a \$250 donation from Devon Energy Corporation to be used to make improvements to the playground and purchase new playground equipment.

Devon has contributed money to improve the playground at our center," said Vicki Villarreal, di-

"Devon's donation to Ozona Community Center is just one way we can show our appreciation for the important service the center provides to our community," added Lynn Hinsley, Devon

The Ozona Community Center offers day care services to a 25 children in the summer and about 45 during the school year.

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Alisha Dawn Bullard seeks online votes to win Brownwood Idol contest

title of Brownwood Reunion perform the song on the Main Idol, were announced in a live in- Stage as part of the Saturday terview on KOXE 101.3 Friday, night show, to include country and officials said on-line voting should begin Thursday. The top five contestants include, listed in line voting begins, each contesalphabetical order by last name, Alisha Dawn Bullard, from Ozona; Rachel Degal Goins, of Early; Emily Phillips; Ryan Tharp; and Anna Kay Tilton, all three from Brownwood.

Alisha Dawn Bullard (Stage Ozona will be competing in this years Reunion Idol Competition, held at the Brownwood Reunion Celebration in Brownwood on Sept. 15,16, and 17.

Alisha placed first and advanced to state in both the 2002 and 2003 Colgate Country Showdown and in 2005 made it to the second round of the American Idol in Denver, Colo. Alisha's entry song is "Happy Girl" recorded by country music's one and only Martina McBride.

This year's Reunion Idol Contest is being staged for the second time, and will be a part of the sixth annual Brownwood Reunion Celebration. All five contestants will perform on the The winner will be announced

Community

"We are really pleased that rector of the community center.

Five finalists, vying for the Sept. 16, and he or she will again music superstar Blake Shelton.

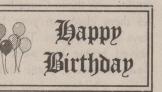
Also this year, before the ontant will record their entry song at Brownwood Music, and those pieces will be played over KOXE 101.3 and possibly KYXX 94.3 Ozona, radio stations beginning Thursday. Online voting began last Thursday and will continue until noon, Sept. 13. The contest is 50 percent popularity, determined by the on-line vote, and 50 percent judges' choice from the Sept. 15 live performances. In the event of network or system malfunctions with the online voting, the winner will be determined by the judges.

The prize package for the winner includes having a complete demo CD recorded in the Baker St. Bunkhouse Recording Studio located @ Brownwood Music. Reunion Idol Competition is brought to you by KOXE & Baker St. Bunkhouse Recording Studio.

Voting will started Aug. 24 at 12 noon @ www.brownwoodtx. com. Click on the Reunion Idol link to get to the voting page.

"Your vote would be "greatly appreciated," said Alisha Dawn .





Aug. 30 - Finley Allen, Dolores Mata, Raevon Johnson, Daniel Landin and Irma Cruz

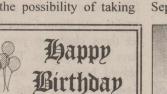
Aug. 31 - Brenda Newton, Alex Rodriguez, Melvin Conner, Joe Stewart, Betty Castro, Hilario Guadarrama and Robert O'Keefe

Sept. 1 - Albert Ramos Jr. and Lucille Littleton

Sept. 2 - Nat Hernandez III, Sandy Montgomery, Ricky Dominguez, Arturo Gonzales, Madison Neslony was welcomed Candy Landin, Donna Herring, into this world at Angelo Com-Melinda Santiago, Zeke Rivera munity Hospital. She weighed 7 and Julia Carrizales

Sept. 3 - Mikki Moran, Van- 1/2 inches long. essa DeLaGarza and Maria Elizondo

Sept. 4 - Casey Ybarra, Jim- Lori Ann Sanchez-Neslony. Also ambassador. services from the Ozona Church mie Lott, Amado Carrizales Jr. welcoming Haley Madison is big and Mike Ledoux



Ybarra volunteered for ladies beauty shop, along with her great snacks she brings. Thank you Rachel for all you do.

Thursday evening, the Levis and Lace Square Dancers performed for staff and residents. What a great show this group

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It's a Girl!

pounds, 12.5 ounces and was 19

Lieutenant Timothy Neslony and

The proud parents are 2nd

On July 28, 2006 Haley

Numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends also welcomed Haley before bidding a farewell good-bye. 2nd Lieutenant Neslony and his family flew to Hawaii on Aug. 5 where they will be stationed at Hickam Air Force Base for the next three years.

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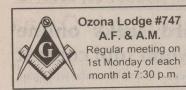


Lynn Hinsley Ambassador

Devon Ambassador Lynn Hinsley is a west Texas native and has been a district foreman for the company for 13 years. Sports of all kinds play a significant role in Lynn's life, which is why he is a committed Sonora City League activity supporter. Lynn is also an avid football fan and looks forward to the time he spends coaching YMCA Youth Football in Sutton County. Lynn and his wife, Susan, are the proud parents of 11-year-old twins, Aaron and Jared, and daughter Kayla, who is the mother of grandchildren, Bailey and Kenzie. Lynn fills his free time during every season pursuing his other hobbies, which include hunting, fishing and golfing.

Devon Energy is proud to be a part of west Texas. As a committed and active community partner, Devon makes safety and environmental stewardship a priority. Our job is to ensure that oil and natural gas continue to be efficient and safe resources. Devon's support for beneficial natural resource development extends to contributing to the well-being of west Texas, its people and their property. We continually demonstrate this commitment through support of local fire departments and law enforcement, sponsorship of community events and involvement with local schools and associations.





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Esparza graduates from **Angelo State**

Juan Antonio Esparza graduated with a bachelor of science degree from Angelo State Uni- and we have been blessed with versity during the 2006 Summer Commencement Exercises held Aug. 12 in San Angelo.

He is a teacher and coach at Ozona Middle School.

Esparza is a 1998 graduate of Ozona High School. He is the son of Joe and Julie Ballesteros, of Pflugerville and the grandson of Carmen Martinez of Uvalde.

Diabetes support group meets Aug. 31

The Wesley Nurse Program hosts a monthly diabetes support cock and Jim Couch. All of us here group at the Ozona United Meth- at the Senior Center send all of you odist Church Fellowship Hall.

p.m. Aug. 31.

continuation for all who have attended any part of the "Do Well, friends were happy to see her Be Well with Diabetes" class.

Various topics and activities are part of the monthly meeting including cooking, diabetes care, medications, research and general discussion.

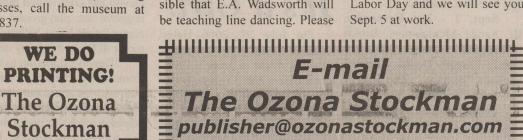
For more information, call EA Wadsworth R.N. at 392-3060.

Museum needs updates for new Ozona **Address Book**

The Crockett County Museum is working on printing a new version of the Ozona Address Book

The last version printed was in 2000. The book will contain names and mailing addresses of local individuals and businesses.

To change or verify mailing addresses, call the museum at 392-2837.



Ozona Senior Happenings

By LYNN ENGLISH Senior Center Director

August is on the way out rain this past weekend. I've been told that there is more rain in our forecast. In a word, the rain is "wonderful."

The surprise birthday party for JoAnn Babbitt here at the Senior Center on Aug. 26 was a huge success. The party was given by her two children and their families. JoAnn was greeted with "surprise" when she walked in the door. About 60 people attended who enjoyed punch and delicious cake.

Also having a birthday last week was Bob Hartley, Carol Ada very happy birthday greeting and The next meeting is at 5:30 we wish you many more.

Visiting this past week in This support group is a good Ozona was Jeanne Wilman from Arkansas. All of her Ozona and are looking forward to her next visit

> Our movie matinee last Wednesday was a success. We had eight people dropping by the Crockett County Senior Center to watch a movie and have soda and popcorn. We will have another movie afternoon soon.

I heard that Weldon Nicks has been transferred to Austin from San Angelo. All of us are anxious to hear how he is doing.

Sgt. Carl Mayfield has returned home after his hospital stay and is said to be doing all right. We are happy to have you back home Carl.

There has not been any information as of late about Jess Marley. We can only hope no news is good news.

In the near future, it is possible that E.A. Wadsworth will be teaching line dancing. Please watch this column for a time and a date. We think E.A. is wonderful to want to do this.

On Aug. 24, the Area Agency on Aging was here at the Senior Center. There were several people who came to have their questions answered.

Do not forget that we have the Defensive Driving videos (or DVD's) to rent here at the Crockett County Senior Center. The cost to rent them is \$40.00 and you are allowed to keep them 72 hours.

We have a number of books to select from in our book case. We also have magazines and a few recipes. The book case is placed in the hall across from our small kitchen here at the Senior Center.

Come "Walk Two Miles' with us every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8:30 am. This exercise program conditions you to begin your day and everyone who participates testifies that it makes them feel better. Our numbers are down because of summer and vacations.

Our bridge players come to the Senior Center to play every Monday and Thursday afternoons at 1:30 p.m. These ladies have such fun and bring smiles with them. Come by and let them cheer up your Mondays and Thursdays. Those who played bridge last week were Sadie Davidson, Diane Phillips, Eileen Childress, Jean Odom, Liz Williams, Katherine Russell, and Celia West.

of you over 50 years of age. (We bara Jean Caperton. are flexible). Come out and see us soon and see what you are missing.

Remember: The Senior Center will be closed Labor Day, Sept. 4. Be sure to have a safe Labor Day and we will see you Sept. 5 at work.

Obituaries

Adolfo 'Pito' Rodriguez

Adolfo "Pito" Rodriquez, 42, of Ozona, died Friday, Aug. 25, 2006, at his residence. Service was Monday, Aug. 28 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church with burial in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Arrangements were by Preddy Funeral Home.

Survivors include his mother, Belia Darling of Ozona; daughters, Brandy Fay of Ozona and Belia Rodriquez of Weatherford; sisters Belinda Velez, Brenda Ramos and Bobbie Darling, all of Ozona; and brothers Abel Rodriquez and Lalo Rodriquez, both of Ozona.



Photos by Tina Jarvis

LEVIS and LACE MEMBERS celebrate birthdays. They are: (left to right) Sandy Bebee, Addie Haynie (from Concho Squares), JoAnn Babbitt, Carol Adcock and Jim Couch.



LEVIS and LACE MEMBERS celebrate their graduation. They Our activities are for those are: (left to right) Danny and Tammi Monzingo and Tesla and Bar-



MEMBERS OF THE CONCHO SQUARES CLUB captured the Levis and Lace Square Dance banner due to the amount of people they brought to the dance Saturday night.

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ROSES OF JERIC

I was given one for my birthday from a good friend. When I took it out of the small package I thought he was playing a trick on me. I didn't say anything until one day he asked me how it was doing. I sadly said it was dead. He started laughing and told me to go home and put it in a little water. I did and to my amazement in a few days it had uncurled from a little dry brownish dead looking ball to a beautiful greenish, full of life plant. It is called the Rose of Jericho or the Resurrection Plant. That little plant reminds me of a dynamic in the Christian life. Our physical bodies are deteriorating, drying or getting older every day and it has a date with death, (Genesis 3:19, Ezekiel 18:4, Hebrews 9:27). The great news is that even though our bodies are drying physically our spirits can be alive, (Romans 8:9-11). When we ask God to forgive our sins and call upon, and put our faith in Jesus Christ, alone, (John 5:24-26) we get a new spirit. The same Spirit or power that resurrected Christ from the grave, (1 Corinthians 6:14). And just as that little plant when exposed to water blossomed, so will every Christian

when brought into the presence of the Christ Jesus, (1 Corinthians 15:52 & 57, Hebrews 9:28).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. Awanas: 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.	
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.	Faith Lutheran Church 802 1st St. Pastor Tom Baden Worship: Tuesday - 7 p.m. Bible Class: Tuesday - 6 p.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.	
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Levis & Lace Square Dance News

By TINA JARVIS

Levis and Lace Square Dancer

Saturday was a fun filled day for us. That morning, club members Carol Adcock, JoAnn Babbitt, Nell Wester, Jim Couch, Renee Padier Raul De La Rosa and Tesla and Barbara Jean Caperton our students performed at the memebers of Levis and Lace. Crockett County Days Festival.

That afternoon, we all atbirthday party, the surprise was that no one spilled the beans. JoAnn's daughter and son had two cakes, punch and just a wonderful time for all.

JoAnn was very surprised.

That evenign, club members Leroy and Carol Adcock, Raul and Maria De La Rosa, JoAnn soon. Babbitt, Nell Wester, Lucy Hinde, Frank Fred, Tina Jarvis, Joe and Tina Moran, Sandy Beebe, Rita Rios, Mildred Couch our students Tesla and Barbara Jean some much needed practice. Caperton and Tammi and Danny Monzingo danced to called dancing!

John Geen from San Angelo. We celebrated Carol Adcock, JoAnn Babbitt, Addie Haynie (from Concho Squares) and Jim Couch's birthday.

We also graduated our students tonight, Tesla and Barbara Jean Caperton and Tammi and Danny Monzingo were made Congratulations to all.

Concho Squares brought a tended JoAnn Babbitt's surprise square of people with them and captured our banner, we will have to take a square to one of their dances to retrieve our banner.

> Guests tonight were Buster Miller, Destiny Love, David Turicchi, Jacob Jarvis, Matthew Jarvis and Jack Gillit.

Lessons will begin again

A workshop for myself and Rita Rios with caller John Geen critiquing will be from 2-4 p.m. Sept. 9. This is to just get us

Keep it square and happy

Isn't God Wonderful?

We thank you Lord for 50 years of marriage, for Raul Jr, Ruth, Rita and Rene, for eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. We would also like to thank all who worked so hard in making our anniversary so special, all who brought food, helped serve, sent cards, money, gifts, all the square dancers, thanks to Merry, Ryan, Sara Z., David Craig and Father Serafin. We love you all. May God bless you always Raul & Maria De La Rosa



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FROM THE COUNTY AGENT By Miles Dabovich, CEA-AG/NR

Producers should stay updated on 2006 tax issues

lower property taxes assessed to Texas landowners, but will now tax many business entities previously not affected by the state's franchise tax, according to financial consultants.

affect some agricultural operations depending on the business structure and the amounty of annual gross revenue.

Here are some of the highlights of tax changes affecting agricultural operations the consultants presented:

• The new Texas margins tax will affect most corporations, limited liability companies, professional associations, doctors, veterinarians, limited partnerships and certain business trusts. Businesses grossing more that \$3,000,000 will

apply to qualifying retail and wholesale businesses. General partnerships are exempt, unless they have a non natural partner, such as a corporation.

To determine how much The recent changes will a business will be assessed at the 1 percent tax rate, currently either the cost of goods sold, total compensation or the alternative computation method can be used. These formulas allow a business to factor in the expense to produce a good or compensation paid to employees to lower their taxable margin.

• Capital gains - The maximum rate is 15 percent and has been extended to 2010. Ranchers thinking about selling land and a lot of older cows should study the outcomes.

• Kiddie Tax - Children unbe subject to a 1 percent busi- der the age of 18 who had un- about the changes.

School finance reform will ness tax. A 0.5 percent rate will earned income from investment dividends are now taxed at the parents' tax rate.

> • Section 179 deduction limits - Businesses can expense up to \$108,00 of qualifying property, such as equipment, furniture and other qualifying property.

> • Drought Sales - Cattle producers who have had to liquidate herds may qualify for Section 451 (e) of the tax code and elect to defer income, but this is only available to individuals whose principle source of income is farming. Section 1033(e) allows provisions for cattle ranchers who are looking to sell large number of cows and intend to replace them later.

Producers should consult with their accountants or tax preparers for more information

Candidate for attorney general to make stop in Ozona

By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

David Van Os, Democratic candidate for Texas Attorney General, will be making a campaign stop in Crockett County this week.

Van Os will speak at 4 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 31, in the commissioners' courtroom of the Crockett County Annex Building.

Van Os is making stops throughout the 254 Texas counties and speaking at county courthouses.

Van Os is a San Antonio at-



DAVID VAN OS

torney and graduate of the Uni- School. He is owner and senior versity of Texas at Austin Law attorney of David Van Os & As-

sociates, a San Antonio firm of four attorneys concentrating in constitutional law, labor law and civil rights.

He has also been admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit and every United States District Court in Texas.

In 2004 Van Os ran for a seat on the Texas Supreme Court.

Van Os is running against incumbent Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott in the Nov. 7 General Election.

For more about Van Os, visit www.vanosfortexasag.com/



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velopment specialist, said their organization is to advise, men- convenient for you," Howard tor or be counselor to people in small business.

ness, finances, marketing, legal issues and other topics related to small businesses.

The organizations recently started online training courses.

Howard said he hopes to be able to come Ozona more often, but that the ASU SBDC is willing to travel to the business if

special occasion

"We try to do whatever is

said.

Chamber Executive Direc-ASU SBDC offers seminars tor Shanon Biggerstaff said that and training in starting a busi- the ASU SBDC is good for both new and established small businesses.

"It's always good to have a fresh set of eyes looking at what you are doing in your business," she said. "Sometimes you don't see things that may be staring you right in the face."

"It's nice as a lender that I

Love Always, Mr. and Mrs. Nativadad Hernandez Sr. and Family

Card of Thanks Mr. and Mrs. Natividad Hernandez, Sr, along with our family, would like to ex-

press our appreciation and thank everyone who helped make our 50th Anniversary a reality. We would like to give thanks to God for being our fountain of

strength, hope and love, these fifty years of matromony. We ask that everyone continue praying for us and our loved ones, and we in return will pray for God

to guide us all. May God bless you all and thanks again for being a part of our

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Natividad y Maria Hernandez junto a sus hijos nietos y bisnietos, quisieran agra-

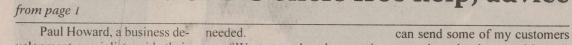
decer a todos quienes ayudaron a que esta jubilosa ocasion se volviera un sueno hecho realidad. Tambien quisieran dar gracias a Dios por ser su fuente de fortaleza, esperanza y amor esto cincuenta anos de matrimonio. Pedimos que todos sigan orando por nosotros y nosotros sequiremos picfiendo que Dios nos to a place that has good knowledge and is helpful with all those business questions," said Debbie Long, vice-president for Crockett National Bank and chamber chairman.

The luncheon also featured a year-to-date chamber update by Biggerstaff.

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

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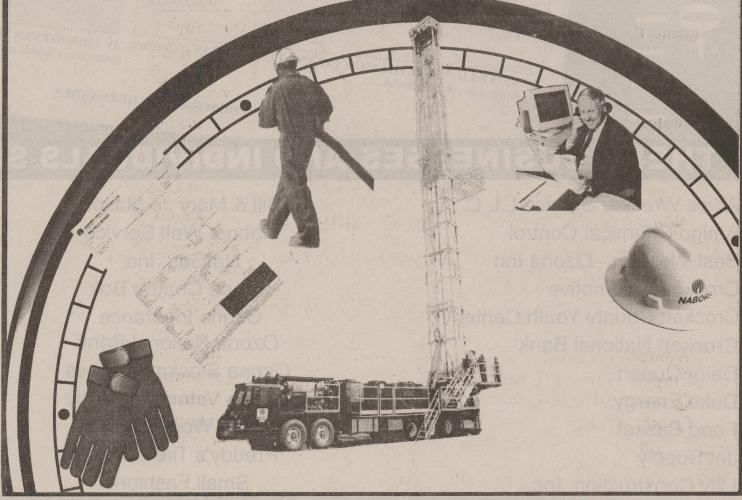
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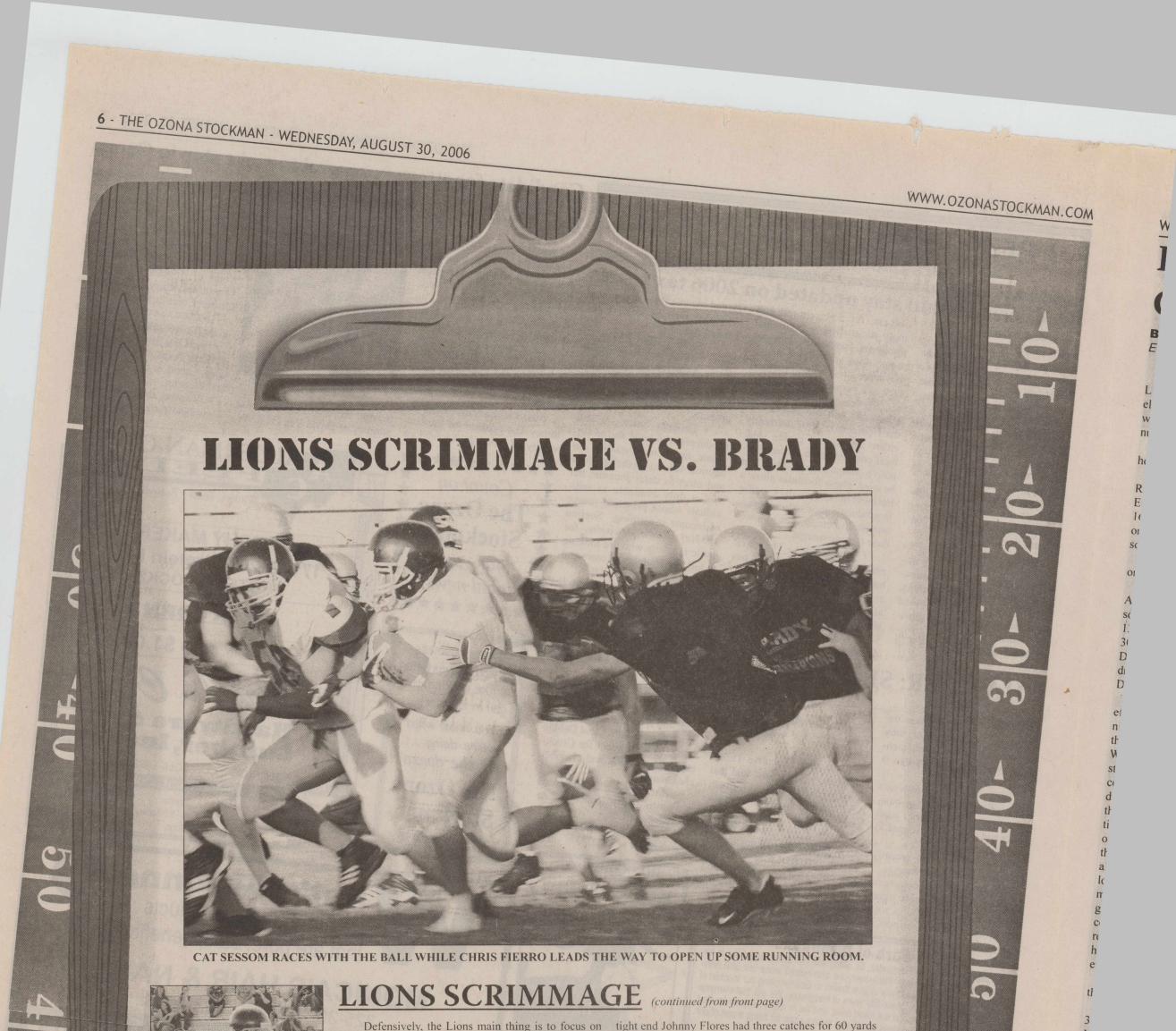
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wrapping up when they tackle, Granger said. "We are giving up too much yardage after initial loway said.

and wide receiver Jesse Ramos made two catches, Hol-

"The defense started off slow, but after the blood





MATIAS GANDAR grips the ball as he gains yardage for the JV Lions in their Aug. 24 scrimmage vs. Brady.

contact, Granger said.

day in their opening game.

Last year the Lions shutout the Panthers 37-0. This year, the Class 3A team has five starters re- ties on the field as time goes on." turning on offense and eight on defense.

back Sergio Corral, tight end Josh Rodriguez and fullback M.J. Salmon.

"This will be a good test for us to see where we are as a team," Granger said. "We feel the offensive line and defensive line will be a strength for us and that is a strong point for Fort Stockton. It will be interesting to see how we do against them. They are very big and physical. We must be ready at the opening kickoff."

Coach Justin Holloway of the JV Lions said the team performed well in both scrimmages. During the Mason and San Saba duel scrimmage, at Lion Stadium.

The Lions face the Fort Stockton Panthers this Fri- got flowing during the second series they really turned it up," Holloway said. "Our secondary struggled some, but they will get better as they understand responsibili-

At the Brady scrimmage, Markaus Galindo per-Players to watch for the Panthers include quarter- formed well at center and defensive tackle, and wide receiver Josh Ramso made several big blocks to help the running backs break long runs, Holloway said.

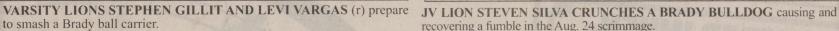
Felix Venegas had a great game at tailback with several big runs.

"He (Venegas) refused to go down easy," Holloway said.

Johnny Flores scored his first touchdown of the season along with fullback Ben Flores who had his first rushing touchdown this year, Holloway said.

The JV will open the season at 6:30 p.m. Thursday





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recovering a fumble in the Aug. 24 scrimmage.

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Lions, Lady Lions win big at Garden City cross country meet

By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

The Ozona Lions and Lady Lions cross country teams traveled to Garden City this past weekend to compete in their annual meet.

The OHS Lions brought home the first place trophy.

Those competing were: 3. Roman Tambunga, 17:35; 8. Levi English, 18:15; 14. Jesse Badillo; 16. Ethan English; 18. Lalo Longoria; 31. Stanton Najar; 35. Wilson White and 42. Corey Kelley.

The OMS Lions placed second in the meet.

Those competing were: 4. Abey Lara, 12:58; 5. Stefan Wilson, 13:07; 6. Aron Aguilera, 13:09; 23. Andy Trevino, 15:19; 30. Mark Gallando, 16:06; 31. David Perez, 16:22; 37. Alejandro Mendez, 16:50 and 41. Kyle Dean 17:52.

"I was very please with the effort the kids, especially the seniors. They put forth effort to lead this team to a first place showing. We had two younger guys really step up on Saturday and our team could not have excelled like it did without those two running their hearts out," said Coach Justin Holloway. "I'm excited about our potential this year and I think the guys just love to run and they all get along great. We have a long way to go and there are so many great teams. It is always good though to have a little success early on in the season to help reward those guys for working so hard all summer and so early every morning."

The OMS Lady Lions won the meet as well.

Those competing were: 3. Alex Rodriguez; 4. Chelsea Moore; 6. Rebecca Ramos; 21. Melanie Miller; 23. Makayla Badillo; 31. Maria Villareal; 42. Gabby Gonzales and 53. Natalie Hernandez.

The OHS Lady Lions also, competed.

Those running were: 41. Vanessa Rodriguez and 50. Farran Wilson. Other runners included: Sara Dorrough, Alex



Photos submitted by Hollis and Shona Moore **OZONA HIGH SCHOOL LIONS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM** placed first at the Garden City meet on Aug. 26. Those pictured are: (back row, left to right) Levi English, Roman Tambunga, Stanton Najar, Wilson White, Ethan English and Coach Justin Holloway. Front row: (left to right) Jesse Badillo and Lalo Longoria. Also competing was Corey Kelley.



OZONA MIDDLE SCHOOL LADY LIONS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM placed first at the Garden City meet on Aug. 26. Those pictured are: (left to right) Chelsea Moore, Gabriella Gutierrez, Makayla Badillo, Coach John Jackson, Alex Rodriquez, Rebecca Ramos, Maria Villarreal, Melanie Miller and Natalie Hernandez.



OHS cheerleaders are selling window decals through Aug. 31

The Ozona High School cheerleaders are taking orders for car window decals through Aug. 31.

Decals will be \$10 and will be available for all sports, band, rodeo and other interests your student may have.

This is the only time orders will be taken this fall, so be sure to order now.

All OHS cheerleaders will have the order forms and decals must be paid for when your order is placed.

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Anyone interested in a fall girls' softball league for girls ages 8 and up, call Manuel at 387-5390.

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Photos submitted by Janina Savala **OZONA STUDENTS AUDREY GANDAR** (top) and KERSTIN DANE are the two winners of the Ident-a-Kid bike raffle. Students who buy an identification card are placed in a drawing and one from each campus wins. Bicycles are given by Craig Bocan, the director.

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"The middle school girls really impressed me. I was really excited to see them do so well," said Coach John Jackson. "The

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The OHS Cheerleaders

OZONA MIDDLE SCHOOL LIONS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM placed second at the Garden City meet on Aug. 26. Those pictured are: (left to right) Kyle Dean, Andy Trevino, Alejandro Mendez, Coach Justin Holloway, Stefan Wilson, Abey Lara and Aron Aguilera.

high school girls went out and proud of them for that."

competed and that is all I asked got/their best and I'm also very

The cross country teams of them. Before they ran, I asked will compete Saturday, Sept. 2 at them to do their best and we the Reagan County Invitational in Big Lake.

'All Aboard the Fan **Bus to Van Horn'** The Ozona Athletic Booster Club

will be sponsering a charter bus to the Van Horn football game.

The seats will be \$32 and sold on a first come, first serve basis. The bus will leave on Friday, Nov. 3 at 2 p.m. It will depart from Davidson

Gym. No alcoholic beverages or smoking

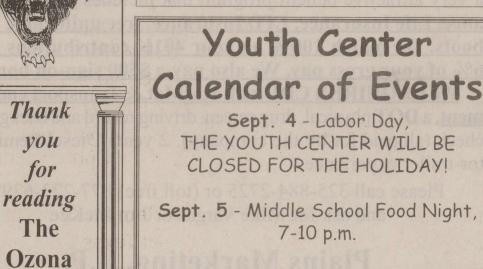
will be allowed on the bus. No refunds

If you are interested please call Jerri Lynn Fierro at 392-5062

Individuals who are no longer enrolled in school and who have not previously met minimum expectations on all sections of the TAAS or TAKS test, but who have met all other graduation requirements, may register to retake the necessary section(s).

Out-of School retesters can register for the TAAS or TAKS retest by accessing http://k12testing.tx.ncspearson.com or by completing and submitting a paper registration form. Registration packets are available in the counselor's office at Ozona High School.

The appropriate registration form must be submitted online or returned in the preaddressed envelope and received in Austin, Texas, no later than 5:00 p.m. September 15, 2006.

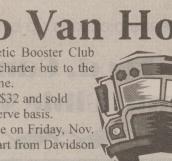


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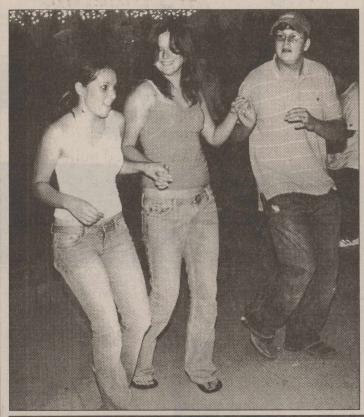




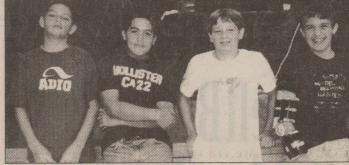




DANCING THE NIGHT AWAY









Photos by Joe Hernandez A big thank you goes to the Crockett County Youth Center Board of Directors and spouses and Renee Pearl for a job well done at the high school dance on Aug. 25. - Allen Williams

RUN: Library is looking forward toward next year's run from page 1

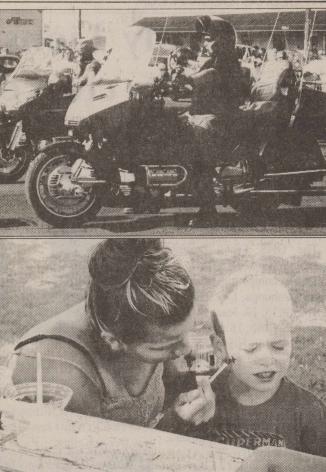
Judge Jones chose winners in five categories – Longest Travel won by Larry Gibson of Brownwood; Best Trike won by Mike Ledoux of Ozona; Best Street Bike won by Bill Harris of Odessa; Oldest Bike won by Bill Harris for his 1995 bike; and Grand Champion Over-All Best Bike also won by Bill Harris of Odessa.

Excellent prizes were donated by Crockett Automotive, Triple C Hardware, the Hitchin Post Restaurant, and the Village Drug of Ozona, from Midessa Motorcycle in Midland, and from A.C.E. Motorcycle & ATV Sales and Repair in San Angelo. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! We appreciate the great support from our Business Friends.

We're looking forward to next year and an even bigger and better Bike FUNd-raiser that's already being planned.



TOP: (left to right) TIFFANY ESPARZA, KAYLA DAVID-SON and ABBIE HUBBARD brave the hot sun in their coonskin caps. BOTTOM: PAIGE TAMBUNGA beckons. hungry customers to buy turkey legs.







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BOARD: Approval made on policy change in promoting students from page 1

rie Hale said that it will take time to get a bond together.

"We might inquire into the charter, as well/as seeing what you can do on the bond," said Dwight Childress, board member.

Board member Jana Wilson said that safety should be a factor if the school hires charter buses.

"This is not an agenda item." We are making you aware that we're getting concerned about these buses. If you see a bunch of charter buses at these games, then you will know why," Gott said. "I don't want them taking a bus that will leave (people) stranded on the side of the road."

The board also approved a change in board policy regarding students being promoted. The policy is in regards to

Board Vice-President Lau- students who are held back for student up if they get too old for in their office for their campus. multiple years, and how to move that grade." them up to the next campus when their age becomes a factor.

For example if there is a student who is 12 years old and is in fourth or fifth grade, the policy would allow the student to be placed in the sixth grade on the middle school campus.

TAKS test are still factors, but at the same time the state says that school district must have a plan to reduce retention, Gott said.

"This is not something to do every year," Gott said. "If under this policy we promote a kid to the next grade level, by law they are still in the lower grade level. Principal has to come up with a plan to help this student. We've got to find a way to move them between campuses. This is just a policy we can use to move a

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Gott said the hiring of Jan Patterson in the intermediate school to help students with their TAKS testing is one of the things the district is doing to help students progress to the next grade level. "If they fail that first year,

the teacher and the principal Grades and passing of the know the reasons. That's when we start, right there," said Carol 2007. Buie, board member.

> The board also approved regarding board policy DEC locreation of a technology committee to plan ahead for the future purchases of technology, such as computer lab replacement. Those on the committee will be Anderson, Hale and Childress.

In his report, Myers said that the security cameras are up and working and recording on each campus. Each principal has a recorder and can view the cameras

Myers also said that the

work on the cafeteria roof was expected to start Aug. 24, and that lights are in for the softball field and they will be installed by the school and the county.

Other agenda items approved:

· Proposal from for property casualty insurance for 2006-• Correction interpretation

cal, as written. • The "Agreement for the

Purchase of Attendance Credits." The board will hold their budget meeting and public hearing at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 30. The next regular school board meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 20. Both meetings will be held in the Administration Building at 797 Avenue D.

Agenda for Aug. 30 school board meeting

• Approval of Official Budget 2006-2007

Approval of Proposed Tax Rate 2006-2007

• Public meeting to discuss the adoption of the budget and adoption of the proposed tax rate.

Adoption of the Official Budget 2006-2007

Adoption of the Tax Rate 2006-2007

• Repeal of all previously adopted policies and adoption of (LOCAL) policies as prepared by TASB Policy Service.

 Consideration and approval of TASB Localized Policy Manual Update #78 at first and final reading.

• Consideration and approval of a request from the Crockett County 4-H program to obtain Adjunct Faculty status as well as sanctioned extracurricular activity.

• Gather input regarding substitute teacher pay.

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Crockett County Sheriff's Report

CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS REPORT # OF CALLS

TYPE OF CALLS	#0
Abandoned/impounded vehicles	1
Animal control, Livestock Complaints	11
Civil Complaints	2
Civil Service	2
Criminal Activity Complaints	14
Disturbances, Domestic, Loud Noise etc.	12
Gas Thefts	1
Juvenile Complaints	1
Locked Vehicles	4
911 Medical, Fire Calls	6
Motorist Assistance	4
Reckless driving/speeding complaints	2
Security Alarms	5
Sheriff's Office/Jail Admin	12
Suspicious Persons/Vehicles	2 .
Welfare Concern for Citizen/Property	4
Vehicle Accidents	. 1
Traffic Citations Issued	15



Photo courtsey of the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department A VACANT HOUSE at Third and Avenue H caught fire at 4:48 a.m. on Aug. 26. The Ozona Volunteer Fire Department responded in two pumper trucks and a booster truck. The fire was contained at 10:20 a.m. Firefighters also reponded to a small grass fire off of Interstate-10 at mile-marker 340 later that day and then sent two brush trucks and a tanker near the Irion County line for a grass fire. Barnhart, Big Lake and Mertzon assisted.

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son with Felony warrants.

8-23-06 • Alfred Chila, 45, of Ozona, was arrested by sheriff's deputyon a warrant for assault by threat. Subject posted bail and was re-

leased. 8-25-06

• Maria Muniz Tamez, 36, was arrested by sheriff's deputy. Subject plead out in county court, and was released.

• Richard Borrego, 36, of Ozona, was arrested by sheriff's deputy for public intoxication. Subject plead guilty in J.P. court and was released.

• Jason D. Grannis, 28, of Ozona, was arrested by DPS Trooper for driving while intoxicated. Subject posted bail and was released.

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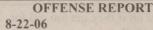
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#1 old crop lambs 50-70 lbs

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• A theft of property report was filed by a citizen, who stated property had been left in a vehicle and it was not returned. • A disorderly conduct report

ARREST REPORT was filed by citizen at an apartment complex on Country Club Drive who had a verbal dispute with a tenant. 8-24-06

* A Hindering secured creditor (failure to pay) complaint was filed by local utility service manager against a known person, property. 8-25-06

unattended death report, after a local citizen on Avenue L was closed doors. pronounced deceased by Justice of the Peace. 8-28-06

fatality accident at a local oil field company on State Highway 163. An accident report was filed.

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Junction Stockyards Market Report

Sheep and Goats

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the Lone Star State, New Mexico, Arizona and California met at the state Capitol with governors and officials from the northernmost Mexican states

Border security was the failing to pay/return purchased main topic, and Homeland Security chief Michael Chertoff spoke. Other topics included · Sheriff's office filed an commerce and security.

Meetings were held behind

Gov. Rick Perry told reporters that commerce and immigration are concerns that come after • Sheriff's office investigated security in his book, and that he doesn't plan to wait for the federal government to tighten up the border.

> Outside, immigration policy protesters and counterprotesters expressed their opinions in 100plus degree heat.

> In El Paso a couple of days before the Austin conference, Perry said increased joint law enforcement in the borderlands has helped lower the crime rate in some communities.

> "When you increase patrols, you decrease crime," he said.

Governors capped the border conference by co-signing a letter to congressional leaders, urging lawmakers in Washington D.C., to pass legislation enhancing border security and controlling immigration.

In mid-August, the state of Texas supplied El Paso County more than \$2 million to work with federal, state and local law enforcement agencies to disrupt organized criminal groups involved in violent crime, gangs, human trafficking, money laundering and drug trafficking.

More park funding, chairman savs

Texas law devotes \$32 million a year from the state sporting goods tax to maintain the state parks system. But the parks are only getting a fraction of the revenue.

Result: the parks aren't do-

on. It's no wonder, with some Texas hosted 10 million people visiting each vear

> On Aug. 24 the Texas Parks & Wildlife Commission met with its 17- member Parks & Wildlife Advisory Committee.

> Former state Sen. John Montford, chairman of the committee, suggested using the entire state sporting goods sales tax for parks to increase funding by about \$85 million per year, with the Legislature's approval.

> "Virtually every major Texas newspaper in recent months has devoted either editorial or column space to supporting our state parks. The time for action is now," Montford said.

Whooping cough initiative begins

The Texas Department of State Health Services launched a whooping cough education campaign Aug. 21.

The agency is spreading the word about new vaccines that can protect people ages 10 to 64 against whooping cough, or pertussis.

Last year the health agency reported more than 2,000 whooping cough cases with nine deaths. Eight of those who died were infants.

Symptoms include runny nose, sneezing and a cough similar to a cold, severe coughing fits and coughing spells lasting more than six weeks.

AG warns

of federal budget cut

The state's child support collections program is going to suffer if the Texas Legislature doesn't fill a financial gap on the horizon

Attorney General Greg Abbott gave the Legislature a heads up, because the federal Deficit Reduction Act is going to leave his child support division about \$200 million short in the 2008-2009 biennium.

Without adequate funding, his office would be forced to cut jobs, resulting in a sharp reduction in child support collections, Abbott said.

Drought losses register double

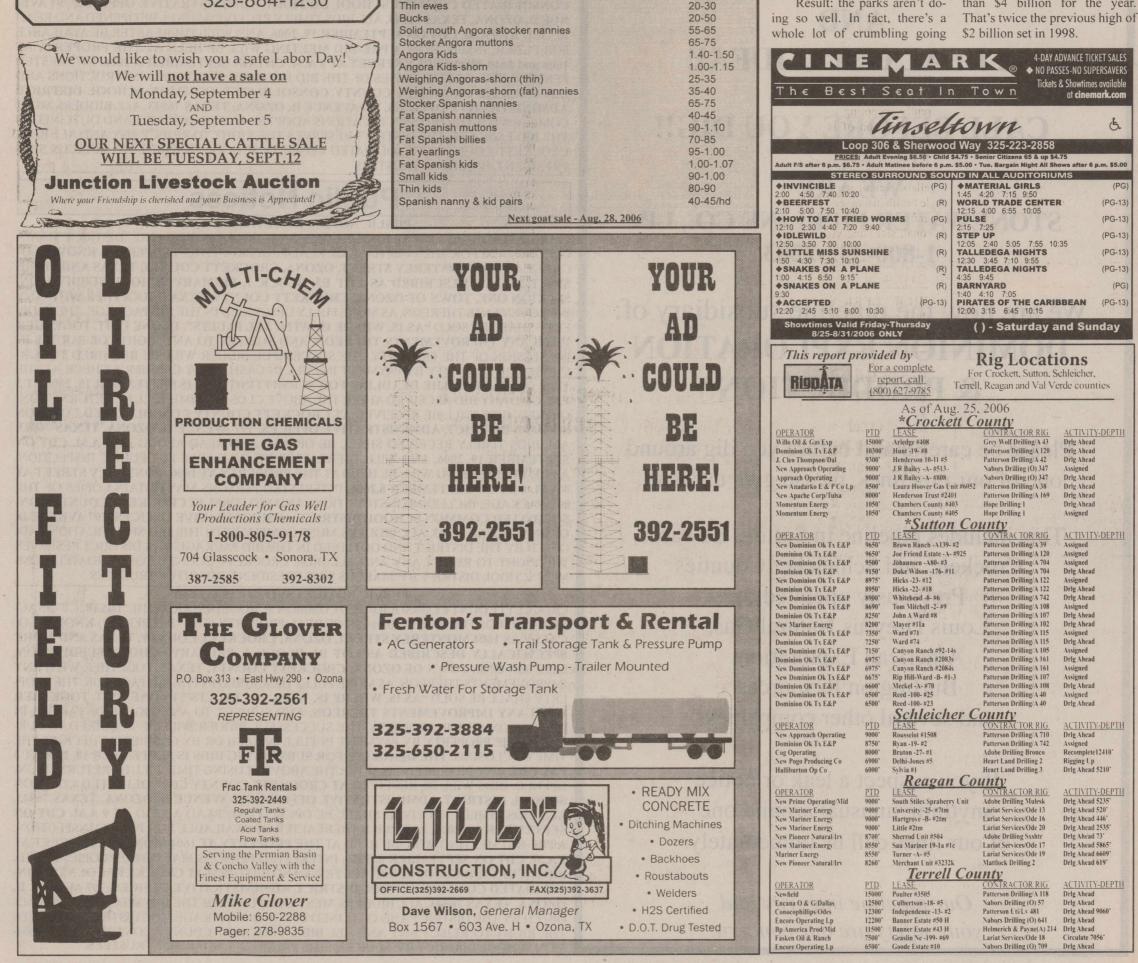
Texas Cooperative Extension economists report drought losses statewide are now more than \$4 billion for the year.

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