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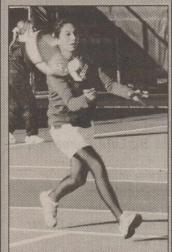
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High 71 Low 50 **Partly Cloudy** 

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**Partly Cloudy** Sunday

High 65 Low 38 **Partly Cloudy** 

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Sutton County ranchers file lawsuit, objection to bankruptcy statement

**By MELISSA PERNER** Editor and Publisher

What was suppose to be a cut and dry plan for Wool Growers Central Storage Co., has hit a

The company faces a lawsuit and an objection filed against the bankruptcy plan by a group of Sutton County ranchers.

Jack David Wardlaw, Jesse Lem Wardlaw and Warlaw Brothers, which is composed of Jack David Wardlaw III, Mack Miers Wardlaw and William Chase Wardlaw, have filed an objection to the disclosure statement in the bankruptcy case, as well as a lawsuit against the Wool Growers Board of Directors, current manager Mike Edinburgh, former manager Donnie Laughlin and former secretary Tonya Stalcup.

According to court documents, board of directors George Bunger Jr., president, Bill Black, vice president and John Allison, secretary-treasurer, have contributed \$2.625 million toward the reorganization plan that was filed in early January.

This money will go toward the payout of some of the \$4.3 all concerned," Bass said.

million in claims to the more than 100 creditors that have filed since Wool Growers filed for bankruptcy in April 2006.

The dividend to be paid to the holders of unsecured claims should equal about 60-70 cents on the dollar, depending on the total amount of claims by the court, documents stated.

Documents also stated that the payments from the Board of Directors shall be in forms of loans to Wool Growers Central Storage Co.

The reorganization plan stemmed from disclosure statement that was put together by the creditors' committee, made up of Bill Pfluger, San Angelo, Duery Menzies, Fredericksburg and Beverly Ann Short, Pipe Creek, along with attorneys.

Attorney Byrn Bass Jr., who represents the company in the bankruptcy case, said the disclosure statement took around six weeks to prepare and the Wardlaw group was heavily involved in the process.

"Other creditors and producers and the committee think what the board of directors and Wool Growers proposed is the best for

According to the objection filed, the Wardlaw group claims that the disclosure statement falls "far short of the adequate information" that is required to be disclosed when it comes to the directors' liability.

The objection states the disclosure statement should contain more specific details about the possible liability of the directors. This includes regular director's meetings that were not held during the time most of the fraud was being committed and no investigation was made of Laughlin's background when he was hired.

Prior to the bankruptcy the directors discovered Laughlin had failed to pay producers more than \$200,000, that they were due and that the directors were negligent in performing their duties, the objected stated.

The disclosure statement releases the board of directors from any liability, including negligence of Laughlin.

Laughlin and Stalcup, were arrested and charged in May with misapplication of fiduciary property over \$200,000, which is a first degree felony that is punishable up to life in prison and a fine up to \$10,000.

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#### Wool Growers plan hits a snag Local jury terminates mother's parental rights

By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

Villarreal gets to go home, with her father.

A Crockett County Jury handed down a verdict on Monday to terminate the parental rights of Sylvia Cardenas to her daughter Faith Elizabeth.

jury voted 11-1 after a weeklong trial at the Crockett County Courthouse.

The verdict gave parental rights to the father, Eusebio Vasquez Gaytan.

Judge Brock Jones presided over the trial.

The trial has been stemming since April 2005, when a fire broke out in a trailer house occupied by Cardenas and her

two children. Ten-year-old Felipe Jesus Ramirez Villarreal and fiveyear-old Belia Gracila Villarreal Cardenas died in the fire, which was ruled undetermined. The mobile home did not have electricity, but a candle was burning before the fire started,

according to a report by Fire

Marshal Steve Kenley.

Faith Elizabeth was born in June 2005. She was immedi-Faith Elizabeth Ramirez ately removed from Cardenas' care by a court ordered issued by Jones.

> Cardenas, 39, was accused by the state's child protection agency of negligence due to the April fire.

According to court docu-The 10 women and 2 men ments, Faith Elizabeth is the fifth child to be removed from Cardenas's care. Four of her children have died in what court documents have called "suspicious circumstances."

The documents also state that the only children of Cardenas' that are still living are those that are not in her care.

Cardenas' infant son Rural Palacio died in 1985 when he choked on a pacifier while left unattended in a vehicle.

Two-year-old daughter Juanita Palacio died while choking on a glass of water, but prosecutors claim the child drowned in the bathtub, the documents state. Cardenas was charged with murder in 1990 and later acquitted.

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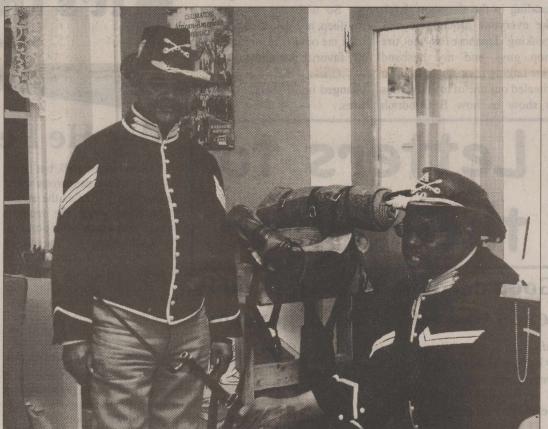


Photo by Melissa Perner

BUFFALO SOLDIERS RICHARD BROWN (left) and PAUL COOK demonstrate the use of a bayonet during the program at the Crockett County Museum's annual Appreciation Dinner on Monday.

#### Buffalo Soldiers share tales of their history at the museum

**By MELISSA PERNER** Editor and Publisher

They fought the plains and prairies, yet they were not accepted in most of the communities they formed.

They also were a proud group. They blazed the way for their heritage.

Speaking to a full audience, Buffalo Soldiers Paul Cook and Richard Brown told the story during the Crockett County Museum's annual Appreciation Dinner Monday night.

"I consider myself a glorified book reporter," Brown said.

Brown and Cook both represent Company A 10th Calvary out of Fort Concho. Brothers-inlaw, Cook has been a tour guide them a drink of water." at Fort Concho for three years for 15 years.

1866-1942.

"This was the first time for

#### BUFFALO SOLDIER HISTORY

• In 1866, through an act of Congress, legislation was adopted to create six all African American Army units. The units were identified as the 9th and 10th cavalry and the 38th, 39th, 40th, and 41st infantry regiments. The four infantry regiments were later reorganized to form the 24th and 25th infantry regi-

• The nickname buffalo soldiers began with the Cheyenne warriors in 1867. The actual Cheyenne translation was Wild Buffalo. The nickname was given out of respect and the fierce fighting ability of the 10th cavalry. Over time, Buffalo Soldiers became a generic term for all African-American soldiers.

- Buffalo Soldiers National Museum

diers. These were proud men. said. They were protecting a group of

The two men talked about ed the stagecoach line. and Brown has been a volunteer the history and culture of the Buffalo Soldiers, as well as dem- are no excuses," Brown said. More than 25,000 men onstrated their various firearms were Buffalo Soldiers between and weapons, a saddle and dis- the best of your ability. That's

cussed parts of their uniform.

to receive recognition in the learn how to read and write. A army," Cook said. "I am proud chaplain was assigned to each to represent the Buffalo Sol- unit to teach the soldiers, Brown

The soldiers also mapped people who wouldn't even offer out new territories, helped in building new towns and protect-

"I tell Black youth that there

"Whatever you do, do to what they did. They didn't real-Buffalo Soldiers were many ize they were opening doors to a black man to have a chance of the first African-Americans to their heritage," Cook added.

# Anchors Away

Levi English heads to Naval Academy this summer

By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

Levi English has known for a long time that he wanted to pursue a career in the military.

He has known that he wanted to attend the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, and he realized this when he was in the second

"It's what I've wanted to do since I started thinking about college," he said.

nior not only was accepted into confidence. the Naval Academy, but also the at West Point.

for the son.

emotions about her son leaving



**FUTURE NAVAL CADET** LEVI ENGLISH

home. She said she feels pride, The Ozona High School se- accomplishment excitement and

"He has reached a dream that Air Force and Coast Guard acad- was years in the making. How emies and a letter of assurance many other 18-year-olds do you from the U.S. Military Academy know that set their life course while still in grade school and Parents Ben and Cathy Eng- then never waver in their deterlish are both proud and relieved mination?" she said. "I guess the only negative emotion that I feel Cathy said she has mixed is apprehension. I know that this

#### Please see ENGLISH page 5 School board to discuss contract extensions at tonight's meeting

By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

The Crockett County CCSD Board of Trustees will discuss contract extensions for campus principals, counselors, athletic director, band director and technology director at their monthly meeting.

The meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. tonight (Feb. 21) at the Administration Building on 797 Av-

The contract extensions will be discussed during executive

Also on the agenda for executive session is to deliberate appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties,

a public officer or employee. Any action taken from ex-

ecutive session will be done in open session.

Also on the agenda:

• Maintenance and transportation reports.

• Principals, directors, financial, technology and superintendent's reports.

· Letter of engagement for the district's financial audit for the year ending Aug. 31, 2007 with Eckertt, Ingram, Tinkler, Oliphant, Featherston and Barr

· Campus and district im-

provement plans for 2006-2007.

· Board Policy DEC (Local). · CCCCSD 2007-2008 Official School Calendar (Spring student discipline or dismissal of Break 2008).

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# What's on My Mind By Melissa Perner

# Nothing says love like rubber tires

and teddy bears are all common for Valentine's Day.

Add in dinner at a nice restaurant and you have the perfect

For me, my romantic Valentine's Day present was a set of BFGoodrich Mud Terrain tires.

Nothing says romance as much as five round pieces of rubber so I can go down the dirt road with better traction on my new Jeep.

Unlike flowers, which die after a few weeks, chocolate, which you eat immediately, or jewelry, which can get tarnished or lost, these five pieces of rubber will allow me to have maximized traction and steering control in deep dirt, mud and sand. They will improve wheel and tire protection from off-road hazards, especially during aired down situations (whatever that means, this is just the information I got off the Web site).

These mud terrain beauties also have aggressive good looks, help improve road noise and improve ride smoothness and tire uniformity. Once again, that was from the Web site.

As my husband and I were standing in the tire shop, I felt like everyone around me was speaking Japanese as the tire shop guys and my husband were talking tires. One guy even wheeled out one of my new tires to show us how BFGoodrich tires.

Flowers, chocolate, jewelry changed the tread on these tires.

As the shop guy showed us gifts that we women often get the middle part of the tire, Paul immediately started speaking on how he noticed the difference. It was as if this was a tire breakthrough.

I just stood there feeling inadequate and unknowledgeable. This is how I normally feel when it comes to anything that has to do with vehicles.

When something is broken on my vehicle, I don't want an explanation of what it is or what it does. I just want to know if it can be fixed and how much it is going to cost me.

My husband wants to know all the ends and outs. I'm afraid all the vehicle jargon goes way over my head.

If my husband had his way, he would do more than add new tires and a new bumper to the new Jeep.

If Paul had his way, there would be a lift kit involved, making the Jeep higher off the ground. With my short legs, I don't want the Jeep any higher.

Ten years ago when Paul and I had our first date on Valentine's Day, it was dinner and movie. Tires weren't involved then due to us just dating.

So with my new tires on my Jeep, my Valentine promptly took me out to the movies and to my favorite restaurant.

Guess not much has changed in 10 years, except the

# Letters to the Editor

## Good deeds at the sheriff's office leads to a letter to the governor

Editor's note: the following is a letter written to Governor Rick Perry's office about the Crocket County Sheriff's Department. Below is the response from Governor Perry's office.

Dear Governor Perry,

I have often heard your state referred to as "the great state of Texas" now I know why. My daughter moved to San Antonio two years ago. She caravanned home for the holidays and was returning last weekend. I traveled with her to help with the driving.

Three hours into my shift, I struck a deer and totaled her small car. With the help, advice and calming voice of a dispatcher, Cecil, we limped the car almost 50 miles into Ozona, Texas. We made it to the sheriff's office where we were allowed to make the necessary phone calls to our family and insurance company.

The entire staff, from the trustee to the sheriff, was friendly, sympathetic and helpful. Our insurance company instructed us to contact a car rental agency but none would bring the car that far and Greyhound couldn't take her 50-pound dog, we were stranded.

Deputy Longoria finished his shift, and then offered to drive us to San Antonio on his own time in her personal vehicle. This was far above and beyond the call of duty and we were truly grateful.

Just thought you should know you have good people in Ozona! Nancy J. Rieckhoff Phoenix, AZ

Dear Ms. Rieckhoff,

It is indeed my pleasure to read your kind comments regarding the fine work of Texas law enforcement and the manner in which you were accommodated by the Crockett County Sheriff's Office in

I am certain that Crockett County Sheriff Shane Fenton will agree that the assistance provided to you by Deputy Sheriff Sammy Longoria and the sheriff's dispatching staff is the rule rather than the exception among the men and women serving Texans through their law enforcement public service.

I'm also happy to hear you've made it safely home and hope you'll look forward to the next time you can visit our great state!

Sincerely, Rick Perry, Governor

We welcome your letters. Not all will be published, those that are chosen will be found on page 2. To submit a letter, mail us at The Ozona Stockman, P.O. Box 370, Ozona, Texas 76943 or email us at publisher@ozona.com. Please include name, address, phone number and e-mail if available. All letters must contain this information or will not be published. Letters are subject to editing. Defamatory, libelous and/or profane language will reject any letter out of hand. Letters should try to not exceed 250

# **Community Calendar**

Wednesday, Feb. 21

• Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center. · Line Dancing Classes, 3 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Crockett County CCSD Board of Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m.

at the Administration Building at 797 Avenue D. • Beginner's Adult Bible Class, 7 p.m. at the Civic Center.

Thursday, Feb. 22

 Ozona Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meeting, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Visitor Center. Bingo social, 6:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Ozona JV Tennis Team at the Big Lake Tournament at Big

Lady Lions Softball Team at the Crane Tournament.

 Lions JV Baseball Team at the Wall Tournament. · Lions Varsity Baseball Team at the Sonora Tournament.

Friday, Feb. 23 · Nutrition/Food Pantry class, 9:30 a.m. in the Ozona United

Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. OMS Track Teams at the Brady Meet.

 Ozona Varsity Tennis Team at the Big Lake Tournament at · Lady Lions Softball Team at the Crane Tournament.

· Lions JV Baseball Team at the Wall Tournament and vs. Mc-Camey at 4 p.m. at the baseball field. · Lions Varsity Baseball Team at the Sonora Tournament.

Saturday, Feb. 24 OHS Track Teams at the Brady Meet.

· Ozona Varsity Tennis Team at the Big Lake Tournament at

· Lady Lions Softball Team at the Crane Tournament. · Lions JV Baseball Team at the Wall Tournament.

 Lions Varsity Baseball Team at the Sonora Tournament. Levis and Lace Square Dance, 7 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Monday, Feb. 26 • OHS Golf Teams at the Brownwood Boys and Girls Tournament. Tuesday, Feb. 27

Ozona Lions JV Baseball Team vs. Junction, 4:30 p.m. at

· Ozona Lions Varsity Baseball Team vs. Junction, 7 p.m. at · Ozona Lady Lions Softball Team vs. Eldorado, 4 p.m. at El-

Wednesday, Feb. 28

dorado.

• Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center. • Line Dancing Classes, 3 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Beginner's Adult Bible Class, 7 p.m. at the Civic Center.

It's the Pitts by Lee Pitts

# May He Rest In Pieces

Laugh if you will, but being a writer is very dangerous work. In the telling of tales the author must often weigh the reader's satisfaction against the possibility that the author may be putting someone's life in danger. As in this case.

In many parts of the wild West there is a growing scourge upon the land in the form of wild hogs who denude the landscape and plow up the ground as if they were D-9 Cats. In an effort to rid the landscape of these pests many ranchers have leased out hunting rights to guides who offer pig hunts to sportsmen faced with fewer places to hunt. These wild pig hunts have become popular amongst hunters who lack the money to go on safari or the necessary skill to shoot pheasants and quail. One of my friends is a guide

so good he can track bees in a blizzard or follow a mountain goat over solid rock. That's why he has a long list of clients who sign up for his pig hunts. On one such hunt he was guiding two urban hunters who wanted a trophy hog. Consequently, though they saw numerous wild hogs, they'd taken no shots. It was getting late in the day on their last day when the guide motioned for his clients to hit the ground and be very quiet. As they crept through the underbrush, guns poised at the ready, they saw in a clearing a most magnificent beast. Standing not twenty yards away, his shiny black coat reflecting the late afternoon sun, was a huge boar, with tusks as long as an elephant's. Missing his tail, and part of an ear, the boar was so big he could shade a horse! Surely here was a hog worthy of a taxidermist's talent.

Suddenly, the boar caught sight of the trio, but instead of running away he began grunting and running towards the men. One hunter rapidly aimed his gun and pulled the trigger, felling the giant beast before he could kill them.

Next to the ranch where the hog had been killed lived an old lady everyone called Mad Mary. Mary lived on an acre of ground in a little hovel and barely spoke to anyone, except the animals that filled her world. Although

she'd nurse a fawn, Mad Mary wouldn't offer a cup of coffee to a human. Especially a hunter. When she stopped the hunters in their old truck she warned, "If you shoot my Geronimo I'll skin you alive." "What are you talking

about," said the guide. "Who is Geronimo?" "He's my wild boar pet,"

said Mary. "I've fed him corn twice a day for years.'

With a growing sense of dread the guide knew that one man's meat is another one's pet. How would he explain Geronimo's death? That the big boar just jumped in the back of the truck and committed suicide? No, the less said the better. "What does this Geronimo look like?" the guide asked as if he didn't already know.

"He's mostly black with huge tusks and he's missing his tail," replied Mad Mary.

At that point one hunter nearly spilled the beans but before he could tell Mad Mary that her pet was a pig-in-a-blanket in the back of the truck the guide elbowed him in the ribs. "We'll be on the lookout for Geronimo," the guide said as they made their escape.

Instead of making Geronimo a trophy the men turned the fatted pig into sausage and buried his head and hide in several different locations. The sausage was further proof that Mad Mary would be minus a pet and Geronimo would be off his feed for awhile. Instead of the gamey taste you'd expect, the pork tasted like corn-fed.

In telling you this story I realize that I'm putting my friend in danger of revenge by Mad Mary. But to prove that I have a conscience I'd like to say to Mad Mary that I've been asked to inform you that the guide is now in a witness relocation program, one of the hunters was killed in a hunting accident on the African veldt and the trigger man who shot your beloved hog became so remorseful that he sold his guns, quit the NRA, joined PETA, became a vegetarian and formed The Geronimo Foundation, dedicated to the care and feeding of wild hogs.

So you see Mad Mary, Geronimo did not die in vain.

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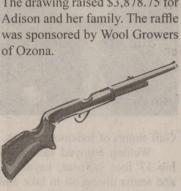
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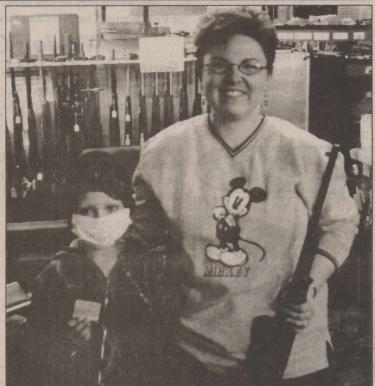
# WOOL GROWERS RIFLE DRAWING



Photos by Melissa Perner and Mike Edinburg

TOP: ADISON AARON holds up the winning ticket as her mom Stacy holds the tub full of tickets and stepdad Mark Gibson holds the Marlin 1894 Classic .218 Bee Lever Action rifle with a 3-9x32 Simmons Scope. RIGHT: ADISON is pictured with Melissa Perner, owner of The Ozona Stockman and winner of the rifle. The drawing raised \$3,878.75 for Adison and her family. The raffle was sponsored by Wool Growers of Ozona.





Marketing

The ASU Small Business

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ducting a seminar entitled, "Six

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#### Levis & Lace Square Pance News

By TINA JARVIS Levis and Lace Square Dancer

Tuesday night club members Carol and Leroy Adcock, Jim Couch, Nell Wester, JoAnn Babbitt, Tammi and Danny Monzingo, Renee Padier, Lucy Hinde and Tina Jarvis had a plus, the fun.

ing to discuss our plans for the 21st annual Festival on April 13

Saturday night at 7 p.m. we will dance to caller Ed Hart from Bronte at the Senior Center.

Everyone is welcome to come and join us or just to watch

Keep it square and happy

#### Afterwards we had a meet- dancing Hilderbran named as alternate to the border legislative conference

AUSTIN - On Feb. 16, Speaker Tom Craddick, R-Midland, appointed Representative Harvey Hilderbran, R-Kerrville, to represent the Texas House of Representatives on the Border Legislative Conference (BLC) as an alternate.

"Harvey's impressive political history will undoubtedly benefit the Border Legislative Conference," Speaker Craddick said. "His legislative achievements and personal work ethic will serve him well in this capacity."

Conference allows state legisla-

tors from the U.S.-Mexico border states to address challenges and opportunities common to both countries. The BLC serves as a mechanism for sustained dialog and collaboration among its members. Its goal is to strengthen legislative institutions and empower state legislators to develop effective public policy for the border region.

"This appointment gives me the opportunity to foster relationships across borders," Hilderbran said, "I appreciate the chance to The Border Legislative serve the border region and its

#### Financing seminar Tuesday

The ASU Small Business Development Center is presenting "Financing Options for Your ·Business" from 6 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 27 in Room 100 of the Rassman Building on the ASU Campus. This seminar is free.

This seminar will focus on finding sources of financing for startup or existing businesses.

Topics include: • Sources of start up funding; • Stages of financing; • Forms of bank financing; • Loan application process and . Local funding opportunities.

Speaker is the ASU SBDC Director, Dave Erickson.

For more information, call (325) 942-2098 to register.

# By ALICE BREWER

Ozona Garden Club

Ozona Garden Club

Valentine decorations adorned the formal serving table filled with heart cookies and all things good. The meeting was held in the home of Carmen Sutton with co-hostess Lana Chandler's help.

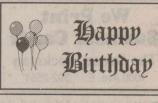
The guest speaker, Nan Markland, of Coleman, began her probram by exhibiting handmade props relating to the 1950s, and explaning the difference in designs, color and form for different eras. Nan is a Master Judge for flower shows, and was acommpanied by a good friend Jane Padgitt.

then held; hearing the reading Markland and Jane Padgitt.

of last meeting's minutes; reviewing a copy of the treasurer's report presented by treasurer Pamela Maresch; a review of the thy Montgomery and a discussion of the future club flower show titled "Down Memory Lane 'the 50s," to be held in

Members attending were: Marolyn Bean, Tina Bean, Alice Brewer, Charlotte Harrell, Judy Jones, Pamela Maresch, Dorothy Montgomery, Jerri Lynn Pierce, Carmen Sutton, Vivian rina and Tammy Bunger Childress, Esther Williams and Sharon Williams.

Guests were: Crystelle Chil-The business meeting was dress, Charlene Heatly, Nan



Feb. 21 - Corey Galindo, "Lone Star Gardener" by Doro- C.J. Graves and Onecimo Ortiz Feb. 22 - Gloria Onate, Trinity Collis, Henry Delgado and Kabri Preddy

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

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

Feb. 25 - Jazveth Gonzales, John D. Ramirez III, David Tije-

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

Feb. 27 - Paula Ramirez To place a birthday on the birthday list, call 392-2551

## Glenn Rodriguez voted boot camp Employee of the Month

By JANE HARBER Community Relations Coordinator

Glenn Rodriguez has been voted Employee of the Month for the month of January 2007.

This contest, which takes place every month at Sheffield Boot Camp, is a way for Sheffield Boot Camp peers to honor those they feel are exceptional. Voting takes place at the beginning of the month for the previous month's outstanding employee.

Glenn Rodriguez was born in Alpine. Since his young years, he has lived in Fort Stockton; Pomona, Calif. and then back to

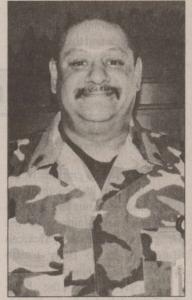
Rodriguez has worked in the gas station business, as well as having managed a water store.

In 1995, Rodriguez made his way to Texas Youth Commission (TYC), where he has remained to this day. He is currently a juvenile corrections officer (JCO)

IV in the Security Unit at Sheffield Boot Camp.

Rodriguez is the father of three children; two boys, Glenn and Manny, and a daughter, De-

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## Ozona Senior Happenings

By LYNN ENGLISH Senior Center Director

Valentine was a cold week and wearing heavy coats was a must, especially in the mornings.

Our faithful volunteer Helen Owensby had a birthday on Saturday, Feb. 17. We hope you had a really happy day.

I would like to correct a printing error from last week. Rick Storms made a beautiful frame (not from) for one of our puzzles that was glued together. We are enjoying that picture so very much. Please come by and see it.

The Ozona Woman's Forum met here on Tuesday. The meeting went well and was enjoyable for all who attended.

The Senior Center was closed on Monday in observance of President's Day.

Our line dance lessons will be at 3 p.m. Wednesday. E.A. Wadsworth R.N. and company will be instructing. We had four here last week and they had a fun time. E.A. checks your blood pres-

By ELSA VASQUEZ

Assistant Activity Director

We had had a glorious week,

no doubt about it. New things to

come and residents are excited

about our new games like the

Dancing Chicken and Mexican

Bingo thanks to Betty Castro

ily Council had a bingo for our

residents with money prizes and

strawberry shortcake for the

snack. It was the talk of the day.

Valentine's Day and February

birthdays. Our birthdays are

Ketan Shah and Connie Powell.

Crowning King and Queen for

Valentine's Day were Pete Solis

Glynn, Ruby Rodriguez and staff

Borrego, Lucy Hines, Audrey really sweet.

and Elvira Higginbottom.

Tuesday night, the Fam-

Wednesday, we celebrated

who donated it to us.

sure before the line dancing starts.

Our Senior Bingo Social will be at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22 at the Senior Center. We will be serving baked potatoes with at least five toppings, cherry cobbler for dessert and tea, coffee or water. Come out and join us as we do have a good time.

The Levis and Lace Square Dance Club will be having a square dance on Saturday, Feb. 24 at the Senior Center. This group doesn't mind if you would like to come and watch them and enjoy their dancing.

The Angel Food Ministries food boxes will be distributed from 3-5 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 24 at the Senior Center. Remember to bring a container for your food and if you do not pick up your food it will be donated to a needy family.

We have a computer here for your use. It has DSL. Please feel free to come in and use it even if you only want to play computer games.

Care Center Chatter

We have a number of books

to select from in our bookcase. We also have magazines and a few recipes. If you bring any books in to lend, please bring them to my office to be labeled so that we may keep track of them.

Come "Walk Two Miles" with us at 8:30 a.m. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. This exercise program conditions you to begin your day and everyone who participates testifies that it makes them feel better. The number of participants walking

The bridge players come to the Senior Center to play at 1:30 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays. These ladies have such fun. They bring smiles and snacks with them. Playing bridge last week were Sandy Bebee, Jean Odom, Katherine Russell, Marolyn Bean, Diane Phillips, Eileen Childress and Celia West.

Our activities are for those of you over 50 years of age. (We are flexible). Come out and see us soon and see what you are

Submitted photo

for a beautiful and delicious Val-

entine's cake.

Angelo to Jewel Clarence Day parents divorced in May 1942. Hubert Weldon Baker.

His maternal great-grand-County, Tenn.

County, Texas.

Weldon had a lot of friends, including his three cousins, Jean Ann, Carol Lee and Betty Lou Baker. He enjoyed spelunking with his high school buddies and going fishing with his granddad, Otis Sims and his cousin, Clay Adams. At 14 he developed an interest in ham radios which continued throughout his life. As an adult he attained from the FCC the highest license level possible for Amateur Radio Operator of which he was extremely proud. He was a member of various amateur radio clubs including the Port Lavaca Amateur Radio Club. His call sign number was KC5KQN.

Weldon graduated in the Class of 1960 from Ozona High School, after which he joined the United States Navy going to boot camp at the Navy Training Base, now Camp Pendleton, San Diego, Calif. He was assigned to the U.S.S. Summit, a Landing-Ship-Tank (LST #1146). Their primary work was to provide amphibious training for U.S. Marines and Army troops. His LST took him to Hawaii, Seattle and Johnston Island, where he participated in three atomic bomb air-bursts. Weldon made Electrician Mate 3rd Class Petty Officer. His active duty service lasted from July 30, 1960 through July 29, 1964. He was relieved of duty only five days before the U.S.S. Summit went to Vietnam. Weldon maintained his ties to his Navy days as a member of the United States LST Association the rest of his life and was very proud of his Navy service. He was a member of the American

After the Navy, Weldon at-

#### **Obituaries**

#### **Ernest Grady Downs**

Ernest Grady Downs, 71, of Kosciusko, Miss., retired owner of Discount Furniture, died Feb. 6, 2007 at Montfort Jones Memorial Hospital in Kosciusko.

Funeral services were held Feb. 11 at Jordan Funeral Home Chapel with burial in Parkway Cemetery with the Rev. Barry Corbett will

Mr. Downs, a member of First Baptist Church, was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force. He was preceded in death by his parents, James Steven Downs and Agnes Ramage.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Downs of Kosciusko; a son, Webb Downs of Texas; four step-sons, Eddie Hodge of Tupelo, Danny Hodge of Kosciusko, Terry Hodge of Goodman and Junior Burnley of McAdams; two daughters, Lynetta Rodriquez of Ozona, Texas, and Anette Vargas of Texas; a step-daughter, Sondra Cain of Sallis; three brothers, Glenn Downs of Vaiden, Toby Downs of Winona, and Ricky Downs of Vaiden; 15 grandchildren and nine great-grandchil-

Memorials may be sent to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or First Baptist Church of Kosciusko

#### Weldon Oran Day September 14, 1941 - February 13, 2007

Weldon was born Sept. 14, 1941 at Shannon Hospital in San and Lola May Sims Day. His Weldon, along with his sister, Beverley, and their mother made their home with his maternal grandparents. They settled in Ozona close to his aunt and uncle, Lottie Lee Sims Baker and

parents, James Thomas Sims and Molly Wade Keeton Sims, came from Llano and began ranching near San Angelo in 1884. Their son, Otis Lee Sims married Lula Mary Scott from Henderson County, Texas. Her parents, Elbert Patterson Scott and America Lea Scott, were from McNairy

His paternal great-grandparents, Rufus M. Day and Louisa Eliza Jane Daugherty Day, came from Arkansas and settled in Rockwall, Texas. Their ancestors can be traced back to Ireland. Their son, Clarence Monroe Day, married Florence Odella Weatherford from Limestone County, Ala. Her parents, Harris Martin Weatherford and Mary Virginia Harvey moved the family from Limestone County to Rockwall

While growing up in Ozona,

Legion for the past 23 years.

tended Sul Ross State University in Alpine, then went on to join the Texas Department of Public Safety as a Communications Officer for the Texas Highway Patrol. He worked in El Paso and Lampasas, retiring after 25 years of service at the age of 55 to the Funeral Home in Llano.



Gulf shores of Indianola, Texas.

Weldon enjoyed sailing on his 37 foot sailboat, kayaking, and scuba diving all in lake and open water, flying glider planes, archery, freelance photography, and always enjoyed reminiscing and telling a good tale. The last several years, using his ham radio, he was a spotter at Sea Drift for the 260 mile Texas Safari Canoe Race held each June. He also enjoyed working on family genealogy with his nephew, Clay Hooper. Together they transcribed the 1880 through 1930 Federal Census records for Crocket County, Texas.

For the last two years he courageously fought malignant melanoma, returning to the hill country of Llano County for his final days.

Weldon passed away Feb. 13, 2007 in the family home of his cousin, Pris Baker Pakkila-Gage, attended by his family, Beverley, Clay and Jean. Graveside services were Saturday, Feb. 17, 2007, at the family plot in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Ozona.

Weldon is survived by his sister, Beverley Hooper of Tulsa, Okla.; nephew, Clay Hooper of San Francisco; three nieces and their husbands: Leslie and Dan Wright of Tulsa, Terri and Brian Lowther of Alexander, Ark., Sydney and Jim Aldag of Tulsa; three grand-nieces: Sara and Amanda Brown, Jenny Aldag; two grandnephews: Luke and Max Aldag; great-grandniece, K'Leigh Barrett; great-grandnephew, Aiden Barrett all of Tulsa; first cousins and their families: Jean and Ollie Sudduth of Bluffton, Texas, Carol and Kirby Bryant of Denham Springs, La., Lou and Bob Bixby of Acworth, Ga.; Mary Lou and Chris Holley of Burleson, Texas, Ronnie and Brenda West, Gerald and Diane West of Fort Worth, Linda Hunter of Weatherford, Texas, Larry and Grace Day, Sandra and Larry Fenn of Fort Worth, Denise and Gayle Lacy of Haslet, Texas, Angela and Cliff Larison of Fort Worth; Bonus/Step family: sister, Lucille Cribbet of Scottsdale, Ariz., nieces and their families: Mary Ferrill of Oakdale, Calif., Emilie and Milt Krieger of Hobart, Okla., Irene and Ken Edward of Carmel, Calif., nephew, Steve Cribbet of Scottsdale, Ariz. and numerous friends and e-mail buddies.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: Hope Harbor Children's Home, Claremore, OK, Medina Children's Home, Medina, Texas, or Cherokee Children's Home, Cherokee, Texas.

Arrangements are by Waldrope, Hatfield & Hawthorne

#### **Nutrition/Food Pantry class Friday**

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

This class will focus on nutritious foods and spending your food money wisely. Recipes will

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

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

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Mrs. Williams class, Jessica cards. Thanks to you all, that was

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# A YOUNG MOTHER'S APOLOGY

Recently a young mother and her year and a half old son were visiting our Church. They sat in the pew directly behind us. The baby made a little noise and moved around somewhat during the worship service but it was not disturbing. One thing I observed was that this young child was already listening to and obeying his mother, (Ephesians 6:1-3). After the service, she came up to me and started apologizing for the disturbance. I told her that she did not need to apologize and that I was glad that she was bringing her young son to Church. I thought she was doing the right thing by starting him off in life in the things of God. As she walked out the Church I prayed a silent prayer that her young child would always want to be there and he would grow up to have a wonderful relationship to the Lord Jesus, (2 Timothy 3:15). I cannot think of a better place or way for a child to grow up. I wish our churches had children all over the place, babies crawling on the floors and then maybe our drug problems, crime rates would be down and the youth prisons would not be so full. The Bible teaches that children are a gift from God, (Psalm 127:3) but parents are given the responsibility of teaching them about the things of God, (Deuteronomy 11:18-20, Proverbs 6:20-23). See you in Church next Sunday. Brother J

**First Baptist Church** 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.

**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.

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.

**Calvary Baptist Church** 601 Ave. I

> Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Wed. & Sun. Worship: 7 p.m.

**New Beginnings Church** 

701 9th Street **Pastor Jesse Cardona** Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Tuesday Worship: 7 p.m

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## 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.

**Faith Lutheran Church** 802 1st St.

**Pastor Tom Baden** Worship: Tuesday - 7 p.m.

Bible Class: Tuesday - 6 p.m.

Church of God of Prophecy 102 Man O' War St. Pastor Mario De La Mora

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 4:30 p.m. Tues. & Fri: 6:00 p.m

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Rev. Hector De La Cruz

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# WOOL: Objection states directors should submit Hunting Contest winners announced financial statements of their personal property

Their cases are still under investigation with the FBI.

Wool Growers reserves the right to prosecute any claims or file a lawsuit against Laughlin and Stalcup, the documents state. However, the directors have chosen not to pursue this right now.

The objection also states that the directors should submit personal financial statements of their personal property.

the right to object. However, the \$2.25. amount of money the directors (the directors) are willing to come out of pocket is quite admirable. The liability money is not as cut and dry as the Wardlaw group thinks."

According to the disclosure statement, the order of the pay-Wool Growers and the committee, the accounts for Wool Growers and the committee and the ing out for themselves," Bass consultant and disbursing agent said. "They may never get paid, for Wool Growers. Documents ever. This further shows their state that this amount should not exceed \$150,000.

Funds will then be distributed to trade creditors or supply companies totaling \$218,121.42.

The rest of the money will be distributed to the producer

claims, which totals \$3.5 to \$3.6

The price for determining the amount of individual claims for mohair will not be higher than the established market price on April 28, 2006. April 28 is the day the bankruptcy was filed. Prices quoted at that time were adult \$4.20 per pound, fine adult \$4.50, 12-month adult \$3.50, average kid \$6.50, spring kid "(The Wardlaw group) has \$6.50, fall kid \$7.50, and stain

Payouts to Crockett Counare putting up is quite remark- ty for \$11,691.47 and Terrell able," Bass said. "The fact that CAD for \$2,737.95 for taxes and to Ford Motor Credit for \$24,208.29 are being paid through the operations revenue of Wool Growers and not from the directors' funds.

The directors also agreed that their claims, which total out starts with Administrative \$517,009.11, will be subordinate Claims, such as court counsel for to the claims of the other unsecured creditors.

> "It's not like they were lookgood faith in the deal."

The lawsuit that was filed in Tom Green County District Court states that Laughlin, Allison, Black, Bunger and Edinburgh are personally liable for the debt created when Wool

TRIAL: Cardenas testified that

Growers breached its contract to honor the Wardlaw's requests to sell its mohair and remit the pro-

The lawsuit also seeks punitive damages in that Laughlin, Stalcup and Edinburgh acted with malice.

Morris Reese, attorney for Bunger, Black and Allison, said they are hoping the lawsuit can be resolved in the bankruptcy.

"We're not sure which direction to go, frankly," Reese said. "We are in the process of analyzing where we are with the bankruptcy.'

A March 1 court date has been set in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in San Angelo.

At the hearing, a judge will decide on the objection filed by the Wardlaw group and whether the disclosure statement is good.

Reese said the creditor's committee is expected to send a summary to all the creditors of the reorganization plan and the from page 1 disclosure statement.

"The next 50 to 90 days will be critical in this case," Bass

Wool Growers plans to go forward with its retail, consignment and commission sale business in both Ozona and Sanderson locations, documents stated.

**By SHANON** BIGGERSTAFF

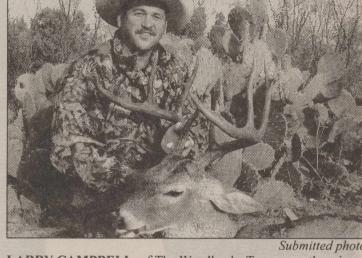
Chamber Executive Director

In recognition of the economic impact out of town hunters bring to Crockett County, loçal individuals and businesses sponsored a Hunter's Appreciation Drawing and Photo Contest, coordinated by the Ozona Chamber of Commerce.

In a random drawing, two gift certificates valued at \$500 each were given to one adult and one 14 years and younger hunter towards a purchase of gun of their choice.

One ton of corn from Ozotwo at the Café Nextdoor and a night's stay at the Super 8 motel were awarded to the Photo Contest winner.

Winner of the 14 years and younger category was Bethany Caitlin Bagley, 10 years old, very excited and wish to thank of San Antonio. Adult winner the following sponsors: Tony was Patrick Boudreaux of Wil- Allen, Carmen Sutton, Joe and



LARRY CAMPBELL, of The Woodlands, Texas, was the winner na Wool & Mohair, a dinner for of the Ozona Chamber of Commerce's Hunter's Appreciation Photo Contest. Larry killed this deer on the Myer Lease on the Kenny Gage Ranch.

> lis, Texas. Winner of the Photo Contest was Larry Campbell of The Woodlands, Texas.

All of the winners were

Marolyn Bean, Mark and Patsy White Ranch, Mark White Insurance, Dr. Gary and Nancy Vannoy, Louis and Tammy Bunger, Jack and Jodie Baggett, Ray and Sherri Hill, Sally Oglesby-Harris, Care Nextdoor, Super 8 Motel.

# their recommendations for both ENGLISH: Admissions to the Naval Academy are high

choice to serve will almost cer- that much desire to learn a hard tainly put him in harm's way science only come around once eventually. But...Levi knows 'every few years." why he is joining. His main goal it will be a good one. He knows that the only real reason to join He looks forward to doing that 1,220 cadets admitted. with honor and distinction."

with about him is not his many accomplishments, but rather the young man he has matured into. Levi has grit, intelligence, determination and a keen sense of what is right and wrong. He is not easily dissuaded and is as principled a young man as you will ever find," added Ben.

In order to achieve this goal, sixth grade year. That was when he started writing his U.S. Con-

From there, the combination of grades, scores from the ACT test, letters of recommendation Ben. and extra-curricular activities have all added up to this moment.

the hours spent on scouts, school down, Levi can expect his days and church, all the times we made to be filled with academics, leadsure that homework was finished and chores were done. It was all worth it," Cathy said.

Academy are high.

According to the academy's Web site, the graduating class of 2009 started out with 11,259 applications.

Out of that, 4,320 received official nominations. Levi received his from U.S. Senator John Cornyn.

Getting his acceptance was his own. He said he had helped from many people, including high school principal Dan Webb and several of his teachers.

In fact, Webb wrote Cornyn requesting that he consider nominating Levi.

"I wish I could take credit 19, which covers Bandera, Bexar, for some part in his appointment, but the truth is that students like Levi will get in to great institutions with or without help," Webb said. "I hope that I helped him most by serving as his chemistry teacher. I enjoyed teaching him; he is obviously bright and inquisitive. Students that have

knows he will continue that into Annapolis and beyond.

However, a congressional is not for the education, though nomination is not a guarantee,

From that 4,320 the class of the service is to serve his country. 2009 slowly whittled down to

Out of those 1,220 cadets, "The thing I am most happy 81 percent are in the top fifth of their graduating high school class and 91 percent participated in varsity athletics. Levi falls into both of these categories.

"Academy graduates are picked up nationwide. The main focus of the academy is not so much academics as it is a leadership education," Levi said.

"The education he will re-Levi has been working since his ceive is very important to him, but much more so is the opportunity to serve his country. Levi knows the only reason to have our military is to defend our nation and our way of life," added

Life at the Naval Academy is one that Levi said he looking "All the miles traveled, all forward to. From sun up to sunership and athletic training.

In fact, Levi has already experienced part of this during the Admissions to the Naval Summer Seminar in June 2006. There he spent a week at the academy and going through the routine like a real cadet.

"I'm looking forward to everything. It's a completely different world. For the first time in my life I will have more stuff to do than I can accomplish," he

Cathy said her son is known for giving his all when it comes to accomplishing tasks, and she

"Since he is determined to , serve, I am glad that he is planning to give it all he has, and to use his talents to the very utmost. So, I will worry, but not very much," Cathy said.

Academy life will start for Levi pretty quickly after he graduates this May. He will spend his summer as part of Plebe Summer, a seven-week program that is the equivalent of military boot camp, along with learning the traditions of academy life.

As a student, a cadet's education is fully paid for through a scholarship. Cadets also receive a monthly salary.

Going into the academy, cadets start out with the rank of Midshipman Fourth Class.

Studying aeronautical engineering or system engineering is the area Levi said he wants to pursue, as well as being in as many activities he can.

"I want to stay as high in my class as I can and get the best education as possible. I want to get the most out of it," he said.

By the time Levi graduates the academy, he will be an ensign in the Navy or a second lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps. Levi said he is thinking

hard of going into the marines. Levi will have a five-year military commitment as an active duty commissioned officer when he graduates. From there, he can choose to reenlist or move to the reserves for five years.

"There are so many people that have helped me and I'd like to thank everyone for their help, it's been a community accomplishment," he said.

#### she is not pregnant at this time CPS then removed the ing pill, one half a muscle re-At the time, the CPS worktwo remaining children from laxer and a Tylenol, documents er also interviewed Gaytan.

Cardenas' care and placed them with their father's family, documents state.

Court documents also state that children born in 1991 and 1993 were removed from the home immediately and later were adopted.

Xanex, Loritabs and Tamazapan, a muscle relaxer, before fire, she said she took a sleep- court documents state.

she did not know why the death and that she "looked too children did not run out of the relaxed" and was not "crying house, and could not explain like she should have been,' why they were found dead in documents state. their beds, documents state.

In an interview, with a son Felipe had access to can- am going to keep having chil-CPS worker, Cardenas said she dles and would light one in the dren until CPS lets me keep usually took a combination of bedroom, despite her telling one to raise," documents state. him not to, documents state.

going to bed at night, docu- the worker why she did rid the nant at this time.

Gaytan said that he had seen Cardenas also stated that Cardenas after the children's

On the day of Faith Eliz-Cardenas stated that her abeth's birth, Cardenas said "I

During the trial, Cardenas Cardenas could not tell testified that she is not preg-

#### Texas parks near place on 100th anniversary

By Carlos I. Uresti State Senator District 19

Our Texas Parks System, ter a century of providing healthy, outdoor opportunities for Texans, the parks system is ranked 49th report "The Economic Contribuamong the 50 states in per capita tions of Texas State Parks" exspending.

I am working with my Sen- on our state parks. ate colleagues to change that during the 80th Regular Session. I have co-authored Senate Bill 252, which will increase the amount of A&M researchers found that these Medina, Pecos, Presidio, Real, funds going to the TPWD from non-resident visitors brought in an Reeves, Sutton, Terrell, Uvalde, Texas' sporting goods sales tax.

been diverted to other budget items for many years, and it is ated an estimated 11,928 jobs. time to return those funds to their original purpose.

Senate Bill 252 would distribute seventy-four percent of the sporting goods tax proceeds to our state parks; place 15 percent in our recreation and parks account; devote ten percent to our large municipalities recreation and parks account; and invest one percent in the TPWD capital account.

With the sporting goods tax proceeds estimated to bring in \$108,396,000 during the 2007

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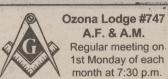
fiscal year, S.B. 252 will provide are not only sentimental, but ecomuch needed funds to our state nomic, as well. parks system.

operated by the Texas Parks and our natural environment accessi-Wildlife Department (TPWD), ble to Texans, but they also bring this session. has turned 100 years old. But af- important economic benefits to our state and local communities.

parks, looking only at the economic impact of non-resident visitors. estimated total of \$793 million in The sporting goods tax has sales, made a \$456 million impact on residents' income, and gener-

Millions of Texans treasure their memories of visits to our beautiful state parks.

But we must continue to invest in our parks to ensure that these resources are available for generations to come. The benefits



DIXON MAHON, LONG-TIME ATTORNEY IN OZONA, HAS MOVED TO GRANBURY. HIS PRACTICE WILL BE LIMITED TO PRIVATE MATTERS IN OIL AND GAS MATTERS IN WEST TEXAS AT P.O. BOX 1627, **OZONA, TX 76943** TO ESTABLISHED CLIENTS.

I am always interested in your State parks protect and make opinion regarding this or other issues before the Texas Legislature not something Levi could do on

Please feel free to contact my Capitol office at 512-463-0119 or Texas A&M University's my San Antonio District Office at 210-932-2568.

State Senator Carlos I. Uresti plains why we need to spend more represents State Senate District The report examined 80 state Brewster, Crockett, Culberson, Edwards, El Paso, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Kinney, Loving, Maverick, Val Verde, Ward and Winkler

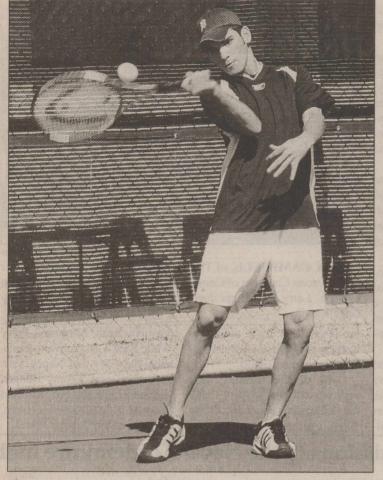


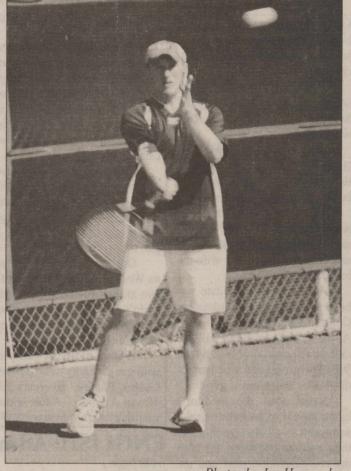


Diehl and Henderson singles

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### Maldonado, Gillit win doubles in Ozona Tourney





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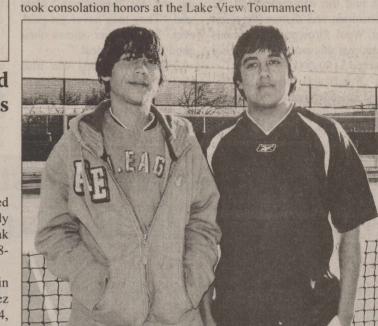
JUSTIN MALDONADO AND STEPHEN GILLIT (r.) WON THE BOYS DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP at the Ozona Tennis Tournament held this past weekend.

#### JV Lady Lions end Reagan County's winning streak By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

The JV Lady Lions tamed ended the Reagan County Lady Owls 14-game winning streak on Feb. 6 with an impressive 28-

The Lady Lions were led in scoring by Vanessa Rodriguez with 19 points, Melissa Miller 4, Brandi Glosson 2, Alex Macias 2 and Shelby Ortiz with 1.

in the last game of the season to build momentum for next season. I look forward to many of these girls contributing on the varsity next season as we say goodbye to five great seniors. Our program is on the upswing and it is due to all the great girls we are blessed to coach and from all the support from their parents and the community. Thanks for a great season and come out and support the kids as they compete in track, softball, baseball and tennis this spring," said Coach



**DEVON DIEHL AND JULIA HENDERSON** (r.) were the boys and girls singles champions at the Ozona Tennis Tournament. Henderson also placed first in the West Texas Champs Tournament. Diehl

Photo by Jeannine Henderson "It was great to get a win FREDDY VELOZ AND JORDAN MARTINEZ (r.) won consulation in boys doubles during the Ozona Tennis Tournament held Feb.

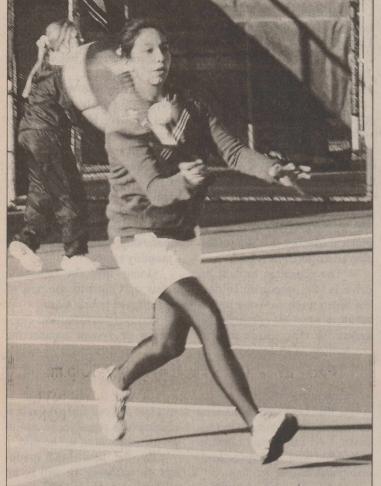
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DIANE HERNANDEZ at the Ozona Tennis Tournament on Feb.

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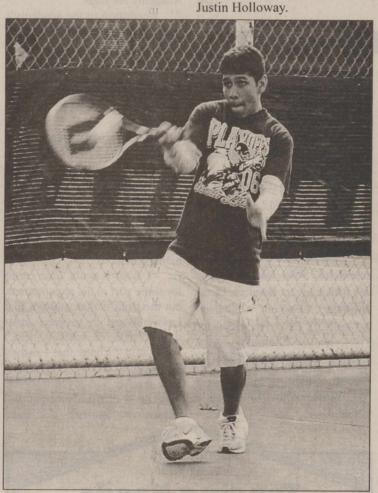
Tennis Tournament on Feb. 16-17.





ALEX MACIAS AND BEN FLORES (r.) PLACED THIRD IN MIXED DOUBLES at the Ozona

Photos by Joe Hernandez KARA BIRD SERVES THE BALL at the Ozona Tennis Tournament on Feb. 16-17.



Photos by Joe Hernandez LALO LONGORIA KEEPS HIS EYE ON THE BALL when COREY KELLEY RETURNS THE BALL during the JV division competing in the Ozona Tennis Tournament.

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# Undefeated Eighth Grade **Boys District Champions**



Photo by Joe Hernandez

THE EIGHTH GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM AND THEIR COACH JOHN ESPARZA celebrate their district championship after they finished their undefeated season with a 31-27 win over Reagan County on Feb. 8.

# **Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest winners**



Amy Jo Quiroz, Eric Talamantez, and Saul Benson. Not pictured is Briana Lara.

Photo by Joe Hernandez KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW WINNERS from the Feb. 18 competition held at Da-

We had 27 youth competing in the Annual Knights of Columbus Free Throw competition on Feb. 18 at Davidson gym.

The winners in the girls' division are: 10 years-Briana Lara, 11 years-Amy Quiroz, 12 years-Kodi Glosson, 13 years-Rebecca Ramos and 14 years-no one com-

The boys' division winners are: 10 years-Josua A Porras, 11 years-Khalid Valencia, 12 years-Saul Benson, 13 years-Abey Lara and 14 years-Eric Talamantez.

The winners will represent our Ozona Council in the district competition that will be held in Ozona on Sunday, Feb. 25 at the Davidson Gym at 2:00 p.m. The winners from district will compete in the regional competition on March 4 in Wall.

We appreciate parents allowvidson Gym are: (l. to r.) Kodi Glosson, Khalid Valencia, Rebecca Ramos, Joshua Porras, Abey Lara, ing their children to participate in our Free Throw contest.



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#### JULIA HERDERSON returns a volley during her winning run in the girls' singles at the Ozona Tennis Tournament. Wheelchair basketball game Sat. at **Sheffield Boot**

A charity wheelchair basketball game will take place at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24 at Sheffield Boot Camp.

Camp

Larry Evans, director of home medical equipment with West Texas Rehab Center in San Angelo, and his team will challenge Sheffield Boot Camp ca-

dets. Donations only. All proceeds go to the Sheffield Community Resource Council, to be used for the benefit of the cadets incarcerated at the boot camp.

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# Cub Scouts Pinewood Derby Race Saturday

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The Cub Scouts of Pack come enjoy the reaces which

Boys from the Tigers, Wolves, Bears and Webelos dens The public is invited to will participate in the races.

# Youth Baseball League meeting Monday, Feb. 26

The Crockett County Youth ing or participating in this year's Baseball League will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 26 at the baseball field.

Ozona Tennis Tournament

Anyone interested in help- 392-3211.

program is welcome to attend.

No children at this meeting. For more information, call



Photo by Joe Hernandez DEVON DIEHL WINDS UP TO SMASH A BACKHAND exhibiting the style that earned him the boys' singles championship in the

Johnny J. Gonzalez & Family

IN CONCERT Sunday, Feb. 25

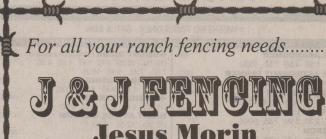
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# Youth Center Calendar of Events

Feb. 26 - OHS Food Night, 7-10 p.m.

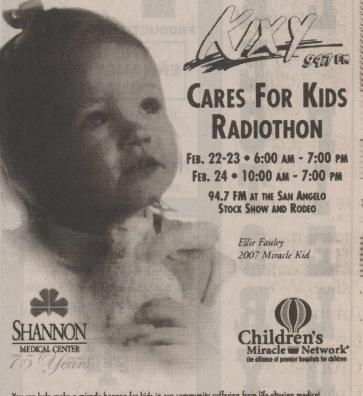
Feb. 27 - OMS Food Night, 7-10 p.m.

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Ci	vil Service	8	
Co	ourtesy Transports	1	
Cr	riminal Activity Complaints	10	
Di	sturbances, Domestic, Loud Noise etc.	9	
- Ju	venile Complaints	3	
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W	elfare Concern for Citizen/Property	1	
	elfare/gas/food	5	
Tr	affic Citations Issued	9	
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· Valentino Castillo, 23, of

Ozona, surrendered into custody

at Crockett County Sheriff's Of-

fice for County Court warrants of

evading arrest and furnishing al-

cohol to minors. Subject remains

Conroe, Texas, was transferred

from Montgomery County on a

district court bench warrant. He

was returned to Montgomery

County upon completion of dis-

was detained by DPS Troopers

for immigration charges. He was

picked up by border patrol agents.

of Hobbs, N.M., arrested by

sheriff's deputy for several jus-

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· Abel Demone Adams,

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charges and was released.

• Joe Nunez, 48, of Mexico,

Misty Renee Cox, 28,

· Lashuandra Yunae Brown,

• Toby Brown 31, of Hous-

trict court hearing.

in custody

**WEEKLY NEWS REPORT** 

The following persons have outstanding Crockett County Warrants. It is recommended that these persons surrender into custody at the Crockett County Sheriff's Office as soon as possible.

Rhonda Cerda, of Ozona, Crockett County Court-Theft by Check

· Jack Grannis, of Ozona, Crockett County Justice of the Peace-Theft by Check.

· Lacy Fleming, of Odessa/ Ozona, Crockett County Court-Theft by Check

· Brandon O'Neil, of Barnhart, Crockett County Court-Theft by Check

· John Mansell Clark, of Ozona-Crockett County Felony Warrant of Burglary of a Habitation.

· Apolonio Morales Damian, of Ozona- Tom Green County Warrant for driving under the influence of liquor.

· Fernando Nino Fernandez, of Ozona/Midland-Attorney General's warrant for failure to appear/child support.

#### ARREST REPORT 2-13-07

· Albert Escalante Ramos, 30, of Ozona, was transferred from Tom Green County on a district court bench warrant. He was returned to Tom Green County on completion of district

31, of Houston, arrested by DPS Trooper for possession of controlled substance penalty group 1 and possession of marijuana. Subject posted bail and was released.

· Noah Dean Frazier, 42, of Houston, arrested by sheriff's deputy for criminal trespass. He posted bail and was released.

· April Dominguez, 22, of Del Rio, Texas was arrested by sheriff's deputy for Crockett County Court warrant of theft of service. She posted bail and was

· Johnny T. Alexander, 25, of San Antonio, arrested by DPS Trooper for possession of marijuana and possession of stolen property. He posted bail and was

· Naomi Pochia Alexander, 26, of San Antonio, arrested by DPS Trooper for possession of marijuana and possession of stolen property and a warrant from Bexar County for theft. She posted bails and was released.

• Evangelina Vasquez, 17, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy for justice of the peace court warrants of contempt of court. She posted bail and was Mark Shane Loerch, 45, of released

Jose Luis Narvaez, 24, of Houston, arrested by DPS Trooper for a warrant from Fort Bend. Subject posted bail and was released.

• Davil Leon Fowler, 17, of Montel, Texas, arrested by sheriff's deputy for possession of marijuana. He posted bail and was released.

· Kenneth Ray Rodriquez, 17, of Sheffield, arrested by sheriff's deputy for possession of marijuana. He posted bail and was released.

· Derek Hernandez, 17, of Sheffield, arrested by sheriff's deputy for possession of marijuana. He posted bail and was

Jason Dimas Rodriquez, 23, of Sheffield, arrested by sheriff's deputy for possession of marijuana. He posted bail and was released.

· Chris A. Tomerlin, 21, of Montel, Texas, arrested by sheriff's deputy for possession of marijuana. He posted bail and was released.

· Brandon Andre Stewart, 25, of Houston, arrested by DPS Trooper for a warrant out of Fort Bend County. Subject posted bail

#### **INCIDENT REPORTS**

and was released.

· Sheriff's office filed an incident report of unauthorized use of motor vehicle, after a local business on State Highway 290 east reported a vehicle taken off the lot during the night. Investigation continues.

• Sheriff's office filed a theft of property report. A large item was removed from a trailer at business lot on State Highway 290 east. Investigation contin-

· Sheriff's office filed a criminal mischief report, following a security alarm at a closed down business building on U.S. Highway 163 south. Investigation continues.

· Sheriff's office filed a possession of marijuana under ounces report that was filed following request for assistance from a Pecos County Officer at a rest area on State Highway 190. Several subjects were arrested at the scene.

· Sheriff's office filed an assault with bodily injuries report, after a citizen reported being assaulted by several subjects on Willow St. Investigation continues.

· Sheriff's office filed an unauthorized use of motor vehicle report. A vehicle was taken off a property on County Road 307. Investigation continues.

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# Lawmakers put property

### tax cut on fast track



Sen-Texas ate on Feb. 14 passed a resolution to break the state's constitutional spending cap.

This was done in order to move a step closer to delivering school property tax relief required by legislation passed a year ago in the 3rd called session of the 79th Texas Legislature.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 20 by Sen. Steve Ogden, R-College Station, establishes that the existing need for lower school district property taxes constitutes an emergency for the people of Texas.

so state tax revenues not dedicated by the Texas Constitution for fiscal years 2008 and 2009 may be in an amount not to exceed \$14.2 billion more than autho-

and with none of the usual floor debate that regular legislative bills receive, the resolution quickly moves property tax relief ahead of other items on the

Once passed by the full Senate, SCR 20 shifted over to the House for consideration.

The House Appropriations the resolution is subject to a vote san Combs recommends that the of the full House on Feb, 20. It is predicted to pass on a Republican party line vote, or something close to it.

#### \$14 BILLION SURFACES **OVER & OVER**

Fourteen billion dollars keeps popping up here and there in the world of state finance.

As previously mentioned, via SCR 20, the Legislature is close to giving itself permission to spend \$14 billion more in the next budget cycle.

In early January, newly installed state Comptroller Susan Combs pegged the state budget surplus at more than \$14 billion.

The third reference to \$14 billion: Gov. Rick Perry says Coleman, D-Houston, called for financial experts put a conservative estimate of the sale price of the Texas Lottery at \$14 billion.

If sold for \$14 billion, Perry said, the money may generate about \$1.3 billion annual interest based on an average return of 9 percent, or \$300 million more than the Lottery currently returns, per year.

Perry said he would use the annual interest to create trust

AUSTIN-The funds for cancer research, public education and an assistance program for Texans with no health insurance.

#### SENATE TO CONSIDER **JESSICA'S LAW**

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst on Feb. 14 announced the filing of Senate Bill 5, the Texas version of Jessica's Law, part of his Texas Children First plan.

SB 5, sponsored by Sen. Bob Deuell, R-Greenville, who also is a medical doctor, would do the following:

Require mandatory 25 years to life sentences for a first-time violent sexual offense against a child under age 14;

· Require lifetime GPS monitoring for child sex offenders;

· Allow prosecutors to seek The resolution also makes it the death penalty for a second sexually violent offense against a child under age 14; and

> • Double the statute of limitations on sexual crimes against children from 10 to 20 years.

Jessica's Law is named for On a simple majority vote 9-year-old Floridian Jessica Lunsford. In March 2005, she was abducted from her Florida home, raped and murdered by a convicted sex offender. Since then, more than two dozen states have enacted toughened sex offender laws in memory of Jessica.

#### **TEXAS TOMORROW FUND UPDATE**

A new report commis-Committee approved it too. Next, sioned by state Comptroller Su-Texas Tomorrow Fund remain closed to enrollment. The prepaid college tuition

program begun under then-Comptroller John Sharp in 1996 has been closed to enrollment since 2003. The size of the fund will be

\$3 billion short of the demand on it in 20 years, and with today's leaping tuition costs, a much greater shortfall is possible. Combs said funds contribut-

ed by the 158,000 families who are already enrolled are safe. LAWMAKER ADDRESSES

#### **HIGH TUITION**

In the wake of Comptroller Combs' report, state Rep. Garnet an end to tuition deregulation. Coleman said that since tu-

ition deregulation was enacted by the Legislature in 2003, tuition has gone up an average of 37 percent at Texas' 35 public colleges and universities. He said unless something is

done, families that already have invested in the fund cannot be guaranteed the money will be there when their kids need it.

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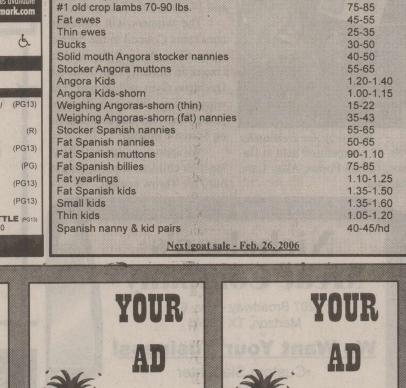
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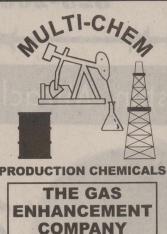
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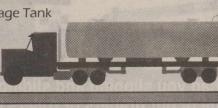
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HELP WANTED: Full-time, part-time apply at Mr. D's from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday at 216 Highway 277 North and ask tfc14 for Linda.

MAID NEEDED: Bilingual, \$6.50 per hour, apply in person at Hillcrest Inn.

**EMT COORDINATOR WANT-**ED: Ozona is seeking full-time EMS coordinator. Needs to be EMT certified. Applications may be picked up with Melissa Ybarra at the Crockett County Care Center business office job description is available with applications. No phone calls please. Crockett County EMS is an EOE. 2net03

VAN DRIVER NEEDED: I need a van driver with an excellent driving record. This position requires a valid Texas driver's license (operators) and will be a "as needed" basis. A retiree or someone with an extra amount of free time would be ideal. Transporting residents to and from Dr's appointments in San Angelo would be the main job description. See Benny for details. No phone calls please. Applications taken until 11-15-06. Crockett County Care Center @ 103 N. Ave. H is an EOE

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**GARAGE SALE** Saturday, Feb. 24 at 210 Avenue K Clothes, swing, art desk and toys!

HELPING HANDS GOING OUT OF BUSINESS SALE Helping Hands will be having a giant garage sale

over the next three weekends. We will be selling everything out of our garage sale store. Sale will start at 9 a.m. Feb. 22, 23 and 24. Third weekend March 1, 2 and 3 Come shop early with us and get the best buys. If you see something you like, make an offer. The Helping Hands Board Members would like to gratefully acknowledge Buster Miller for his donating the use of his building for many years. Thank you Buster.

#### **Public Notices**

**BID NOTICE** 

The Crockett County Consolidated Common School Dising experience and a CDL are trict will be taking bids for the roofing of the High School Library, Band Hall, Wood Shop, Ag Shop Classroom area, and roofing repairs to High School Main Building, Fitness Center Building and Ag Shop Metal Building. Bids will be accepted until Monday March 14. 2007 at 3 pm at the Administration office located at 797 Ave D. The bids can be mailed to P.O. box 400 Ozona, TX 76943 or faxed to 325-392-5177. The bid award announcement will be made at the regular board meeting on March 21, 2007 by the School Board of Trustees. Crockett County Consolidated Common School District reserves the right to accept and/or reject any and all bids as they may appear advantageous to the district. For more information. Contact RAY DON MYERS. Crockett County Consolidated Common School District. P.O. Box 400 Ozona TX. 76942 Telephone (325) 392-5501 Extension # 5710.

#### **BID NOTICE**

The Crockett County Water Control & Improvement District No. 1, 511 Eleventh St., P.O. Box 117, Ozona, Texas 76943-0117 will receive sealed (not faxed or emailed) bids for ONE Trailer-Mounted Hydraulic Sectional Sewer Cleaner until Monday, March 12, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. CST. Bid specifications can be obtained by contacting Crockett County WCID#1. personal time off and mileage Any bid received after the above mentioned date and time will be returned unopened.

#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Lucille H. Littleton, were issued on February 13, 2007, in Cause No. 1109, pending in the County Court of Crockett County, Texas, to Mary Geniece Hardberger Childress and Charles Grady Childress Sr. Claims may be presented in care of the attorney for the Estate addressed as follows: Mary Geniece Hardberger Childress and Clay Grady Childress Sr., Independent Co-Executors, Estate of Lucille H. Littleton, Deceased, c/o John A. Hay Jr., P.O. Box 271, San Angelo, Texas 76902-0271. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. DATED February 14, 2007 By John A. Hay Jr. of Hay, Wittenburg, Davis, Caldwell & Bale L.L.P.

**Public Notices** 

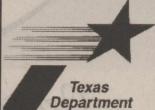
Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Private Club Registration Permit by Ozona Country Club, to be located at 207 Country Club Lane, Ozona, Crockett County, Texas. Officers of said corporation are Charles Michael Williams, President; William James ren Taliaferro, Secretary/Treasurer.

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of Transportation

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Ozona Maintenance Office 230 SH 163 North (325) 392-2505

Applications will be accepted during this time for two Transportation Maintence Tech I positions with a salary range of \$10.00 - \$12.05 per hour. Duties include roadway maintenance work and operation of light/heavy equipment. The hiring supervisor and human resources staff will be on hand, and interviews may be conducted on the spot.

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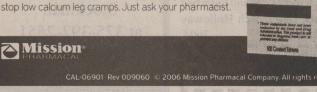




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