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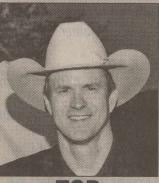
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Wednesday High 79 Low 52 **Partly Cloudy**

Thursday

High 83 Low 50

Sunny

Friday

High 72 **Low 49**

Partly Cloudy Saturday

High 72 Low 50

Few Showers

Sunday

High 76 Low 54

Mostly Sunny

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

Commissioners discuss hiring Long named to FCA attorney for Shannon contract

By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

A new proposal from Shannon Medical Center needs some legal eyes looking out for the county's best interest.

During Monday's commissioners' court meeting, County Judge Fred Deaton said an attorney needs to be hired to look over a new contract Shannon is proposing that would send the county's money to the state, instead of to Shannon. The state would then pool the money and match it with federal money for Medicare and Medicaid.

Shannon would then receive this money and they claim they will use it to better the Ozona clinic, Deaton said.

For Crockett County, this means an increase in liability. Shannon is claiming all responsibility for distributing the money.

Deaton said he is not comfortable at agreeing to a contract without an attorney reading it and advising the county and hospital board.

"I want everybody to go into this with their eyes com- needs to be held in April in pletely open. It's a very win-win Crockett County where TMTC situation for Shannon and the will present the plan. hospital board thinks they can make it win-win for us," Dea- the plan throughout May and then ton said. "I do not think we lose anything. There is going to be a strong push for us to look at this ment of Transportation in June. and I'm not comfortable looking at it without an attorney."

Commissioner Frank Tambunga said at this time he needs more information on this issue and that he is not voting on anything until the information is clearer.

"I don't like to be forced to do anything," Tambunga said. "We just need more answers," added Commissioner Pleas Chil-

Care Center Administrator Benny Gibbs said that the hospital board has been and will continue to meet on this, but that he also believed legal advice was needed.

Deaton said the commissioners and the hospital board will work together on this issue and that it will be addressed at future meetings.

OFF-ROAD VEHICLE PARK

Tony Eads, incoming president of the Texas Motorized Trails Coalition, addressed the latest developments in the offroad vehicle park that is being planned for the southwestern part of Crockett County.

Eads, who is and head of the committee working on master plan for the park, said the park master plan is still being worked on and that a public meeting

Comments will be taken on presented to the Texas Parks and Wildlife and the Texas Depart-

Eads said they are looking at having a fall open house to invite members to come out to a free weekend and check out the area. The real opening is aiming

to be in Spring 2008.

There will be a building for an office and educational use, free-standing set of restrooms at the main parking area, separate set of restrooms and showers and pavilion at the camping/RV area.

Eads said that the eastern end of the 3,400-acre property will be set aside for non-motorized use, such as camping, nature trail use and stargazing.

"We want to sit down with boy scouts and girl scouts because we think there are some good areas for primitive camping," Eads said. "I respect the fact that people need different areas to enjoy the different aspects of the outdoors."

One of the advantages of the Crockett County park is that people will come and stay for multiple-day periods, Eads said.

"The goal of this facility is to create enough activity so that people will want to stay two or three days at a time," he said. "I think this is the right place and the right project. I think we're all going to be surprised at how this can take off."

RAINWATER HARVESTING

Barry Wall with Texas Rainwater Systems spoke about the rainwater harvesting project that will soon begin at the Ozona Chamber of Commerce Visitor

Wall said the 12 by 15 foot roof will collect water to go into a tank for use on watering part of the center's interpretive trail.

Please see COURT page 5

All-Star Football Game

By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

Ozona High School Senior Jordan Long has been chosen to participate in the 8th annual Fellowship of Christian Athletes Myrle Greathouse All-Star Football Classic.

The game will be held June 2 in Abilene's Shotwell Stadium.

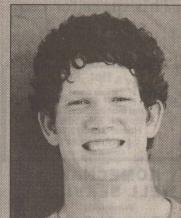
Long, son of Brooks and Debbie Long, is one of 90 area athletes selected for the game, which benefits the Big Country Chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Long led the Ozona Lions Benny Granger. Varsity Football Team to the District 7-2A championship and nominated by their head coachinto two playoff rounds.

passes for 1,198 yards and 12 888 yards and 12 touchdowns.

He was named MVP to the Coaches chose the teams. All-West Texas Team and the He was also named to the All-West Texas Super Team.

but also because of his leadership and ability to represent the Ozona student body in a posia way that will reflect the image has shown he fits this mold with Jim Ned. his past performances and on the nitely be an asset to the All-Star about having him," said Coach the Abilene Civic Center.



JORDAN LONG FCA ALL-STAR TEAM

About 155 players were es for the game, which features Long completed 75 of 142 schools from about a 100-mile radius of Abilene covering 33 touchdowns, and he rushed for counties. A selection committee made up of 12 2007 All-Star

Head coach for the north District 7-2A All District Team. team will be Tim Holt, of Big. Spring. Assistants will be Frank Johnson, Colorado City; Alan "Jordan was nominated ob- Steele, Hamlin; Keith Mulviously for his athletic ability, Iin, Merkel and Tooter Draper, Ranger.

The south squad will be led by head coach Mike Spradlin, of tive manner. You want players Abilene Cooper. His assistants on the field who will compete in will be Ed Pettit, Bangs; Glen Jones, Brady; Rusty Buzzard, of FCA properly. Jordan Long Coleman and Walter Hargrove,

Players from Classes A-5A field behavior. Jordan will defi- make up the teams. The players will be honored at a Victory team and the coaches are excited Banquet at 4 p.m. March 25 at

'CLIPPED: SHEEP SHEARERS AND THE WEST TEXAS WOOL INDUSTRY'

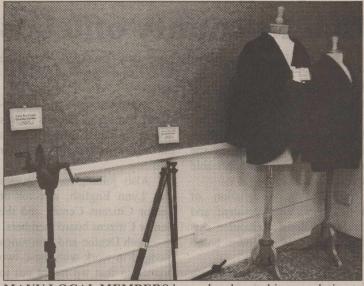


Photos by Melissa Perner

THE CROCKETT COUNTY MUSEUM has a new exhibit from Angelo State University's West Texas Collection featuring the history of sheep shearing and wool in West Texas. The exhibit focuses on the role of the region's sheep shearers, 99 percent of whom were Hispanic, and follows the evolution of the West Texas wool industry from its beginning in the 1870s until the present. The exhibit is on display through the second week in April.



THE CENTERPIECE OF THE EXHIBIT IS A BRONZE SCULPTURE of a sheep shearer by San Angelo artist Raul Ruiz, whose family has been involved in the industry for many generations. The exhibit debuted in July 2006 in Kerrville at the annual meeting of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Asso-



MANY LOCAL MEMBERS have also donated items relating to the sheep shearing and wool industry including the parts of an early day crank sheep shearing machine, donated by Joe and Marolyn Bean, and the two wool and mohair coates, donated by Crystelle ciation. It also features samiples Childress. All school classes are welcome to come and tour the of raw wool and scoured and museum and see the new exhibit. To set up a time, call Camille

Center Visitor hite first anniversary mark

By SHANON BIGGERSTAFF Chamber Executive Director

A year has come and gone since the Ozona Chamber of Commerce hosted a dedication and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony to celebrate the Grand Opening of

a new Visitor Center. Over 200

people joined in the celebration. Former congressman Henry Bonilla congratulated the community on its accomplishment and discussed the importance of Tourism and the impact for rural

communities. TxDOT officials from Austin (funding for the project came in part from the TxDOT Statewide Enhancement Program) discussed the economic impact that Visitor Centers provide communities, and the success of the 12 TxDOT Travel Information Centers located throughout the state. Local individuals and organizations who contributed \$60,000 towards the project, and those involved in the planning and construction were recognized.

A plaque was mounted to the building that reads, "Ozona Visitor Center, dedicated to the Texas Traveler by the community of Ozona, developed in cooperation with the Crockett County Commissioners Court, the Ozona Chamber of Commerce, TxDOT and H.Schmidt Architects".

"In our former location, the Chamber welcomed 809 visitors for the year ending 2005. In 2006, the new Visitor Center welcomed 4,581 visitors, an 82 percent increase in walk-in traffic," said Shanon Biggerstaff, Chamber Executive Director.

"Think of the Chamber of Commerce as the front door, so to speak, of the community.

Please see CHAMBER page 5

Teen charged in fatality accident

By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

A local teen has been charged in the accident that caused the death of 19-year-old David Hensley.

Cody Shane Gotcher, 18, has been charged with manslaughter, according to a report from the Texas Department of Public Safety in Del Rio.

Gotcher was driving the 1999 Ford F250 pickup during the Feb. 24 accident that occurred on Pandale Road.

An earlier report stated that Hensley was driving, but after further investigation, the DPS corrected the report to state Gotcher was the driver.

The pickup was traveling southbound on Pandale Road,

when it was unable to round a curve and struck the east rock embankment, the report stated.

The pickup then struck a large boulder and rolled onto its right side, and then made one half turn and came to a complete stop on its top side facing east, the report stated.

The report also stated that alcohol was a factor in the accident, along with speeding.

Also riding in the vehicle were Toby and Troy Ramsey, 17, and Jackie Pollard, 15.

All three were taken to the Family Health Center of Ozona by Crockett County EMS and treated for minor injuries.

The DPS is still investigating the incident, said Sgt. Joe Duenez, of Val Verde County.

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What's on My Mind By Melissa Perner

Your right to know

Editor's note: March 11-17 is us whole and healthy. When we week.org.

have to go to the county commissioners' meetings or the school board meetings?

We are lucky to live in a country that allows, not only the media, but anyone to attend these public meetings.

We are lucky that the public has access to what is going on in our government, whether it is local, state or national.

This week is "Sunshine Week," a week to remember that as a society we have the right to know what our government is doing.

As a newspaper editor/reporter, I feel that I am obligated to report on our local government and how it is being run.

Since most of us lead busy lives, not everyone can attend these meetings. That's part of my job, to inform John Q. Public how the county and school government is being handled.

I also try to include as much state and national government news as I can in our weekly pa-

Jerry Tidwell, publisher of the Hood County News and President of the National Newspaper Association, said "Sunshine on government is the Vitamin D for democracy. It makes

"Sunshine Week." For more in- know what is going on, we are formation, visit www.sunshine- better able to make wise judgments on those few things that People often ask me, do you need to be confidential for a time in order let our public servants function."

Tom Brokaw, NBC News The response is always anchor, said this about Sunshine Week: "If we present ourselves to the world as patrons of democracy, then we must be vigilant stewards at home of the oxygen that it requires - access to what our government is doing and the right to speak freely about it. The Greatest Generation fought valiantly to preserve and protect those freedoms. It is up to us to ensure during Sunshine Week and all year that their sacrifices were not for naught."

> thing that all Americans should be proud of, including our public gizes for this misunderstanding.

Officials should understand that they will be better trusted if the public knows what they are doing, and they are honest about

It is important that those we elect understand that the voters that put them there want to know they are doing their jobs.

While the media is often criticized for its reporting, it is still the reporter's job to be the eyes and ears of their local community in informing the public of what is going on, especially in their local government.

I'm off to another meeting.

Letters to the Editor

Commissioner's son asks the community to support his father

Citizens of Ozona:

First, I would like to make the community aware of an important fact that has not been discussed. My father was the one who took all of us, including the "victims" to the hospital and never denied us care.

My father is a man who would never turn his back on anyone needing assistance. He has helped displaced Katrina victims, hitchhikers needing a bite to eat and countless people in our town. Never has he asked for anything in return.

He is turning 50 this month and is a first-time grandfather. He is known for always fighting for what is right for the community, never backing down. Say what you will about me but I will not

sit idly by and let anyone smear my father's good name.

To my father:

I am sorry for getting you dragged into this. I know our safety was your number one priority. I am saddened that they have tried to ruin your credibility as a county commissioner and blasted your picture on the front page with these accusations. Anyone that knows you knows that you are an honest man.

To the community:

I ask you to stand behind my father, as our family will, and know he did nothing wrong.

Ozona, Texas

Helping Hands Board thanks county officials

Would like to say a big graciously provided by Judge "thank you" to Crockett County County Judge Fred Deaton and County Commissioner Frank Tambunga for responding to this board's request for information, and definition of some of the rules and regulations applicable to this organization.

With the resignation of Helen Wall, Vice President, and Janet McDaniel, Treasurer, this board lost two executive board members last month.

We have three members with less than a year on the board, so our knowledge of the relationship between this organization and the county is a bit sketchy.

Our request for "need to know" information was very

Deaton and Commissioner Tambunga.

Judge Deaton and commissioner Tambunga, at this boards invitation joined us as guests in our regular board meeting Mar

Also joining us as guests was Lynn English, director of Senior Citizens Center, and the Senior Citizens board members.

Both Deaton and Tambunga pledged to work with these two boards so that we might put to confusion, and I'm sorry to refull use this wonderful building every one worked so hard to

Thank You again. Helping Hands Board Members

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Community Calendar

Wednesday, March 14

 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. Thursday, March 15

· Lions Golf Team at the Sonora Boys Tournament.

 School Facilities Committee meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the OHS Library. Friday, March 16

· Lady Lions Softball Team vs. Van Horn, 5 p.m. at the softball field.

Saturday, March 17

 St. Patrick's Day OHS Track Teams at the Iraan Relays in Iraan.

 Dale and Sandy Bebee 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration, 2-5 p.m. at the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

 St. Patrick's Day Dance, starting at 3 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Monday, March 19

 Lady Lions Golf Team in the Ozona Tournament at Ozona Country Club.

Tuesday, March 20

Lions Golf Team in the Ozona Tournament at Ozona Coun-

 JV Tennis Team at the Lake View Tournament in San An-Lions JV Baseball vs. Reagan County, 4 p.m. at Big Lake.

 Lady Lions Softball vs. Reagan County, 5 p.m. at Big Lake. Lions Varsity Baseball vs. Reagan County, 7 p.m. at Big Lake.

Wednesday, March 21 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.

Correction...

The quote in the article "County Commissioner, son indicted on Open government is some- charges" was meant to be submitted to the Stockman as a Letter to the Editor by Lalo Guadarrama of Severn, Md. The Stockman apolo-



Stampeders

I was rereading a book about cowboys and trail drives by one of my favorite authors when it dawned on me how much modern-day environmentalists, animal rightists and other habitual alarmists are just like stampeding Longhorns. With herds of wild steers and greenie groups all it takes is one member to get all riled up about some threat that may, or may not, be real and before you know it they are all running amuck, trampling and destroying whatever gets in their

The stampeding virus has pretty much been eradicated in cattle these days but now humans seem to have caught the bug. Back in the 1870's and 1880's when cattle were being trailed to towns (cattle were trailed, not driven) stampedes were a cowboy's worst nightmare. And that's usually when they happened, at night and in the dark, which is also when human stampedes begin... when people are in the dark.

Any number of small things could start a cattle stampede: thunder, lightning, the smell of a panther or an Indian, the snapping of a twig, a cow's cough or a human's sneeze. Cowboys rarely wore spurs on trail drives because even the sweet sound of a jinglebob could get the cattle up off their bedground and off to the races. And when one ran, they all did, "one jump to their feet and another jump to hell," said one old time cowboy. Sometimes cattle stampedes were started by people who would profit by the port, that's true of human stam-

pedes too. It also doesn't take much to set off a stampede of fanatics: a government report or a movie by a former Vice President will do it. They are like the eternal pessimist with a sign that says, "The end is near." Flip a switch and off they go. The havoc the herd leaves behind is in no proportion to what

Some professional stampeders just want to make the world

"Like people, cattle are at a better place, God bless 'em, their best when separated from but the odds are high they'll just the mob." - J Frank Dobie make it a bigger mess. They'll leave their spouse and kids at home eating a nuked dinner while they run over a rabbit in their SUV on their way to a meeting to save an endangered animal or to discuss global warming. The world would be a lot better off if they'd just stayed home with their family.

The worst disaster in trail drivin' days would occur when several herds had to hold up outside a cow town for a few days. There might be ten herds within the general vicinity and when one stampeded they all did. It took days to sort out the mess. The same thing happens these days when groups intermingle; you get a human stampede going with animal rightists and those who worship a green God and with their momentum they pick up other herds along the way: religious groups, trade unions and CEO's who use it as a marketing

It's never easy to reason with herd mentality.

What should we do about the professional stampeders amongst us? The cowboys would sing to them but today the singers and balladeers are more apt to start a stampede than end one. With a trail herd it was almost always the same one or two steers that instigated the trouble. They were chronic stampeders, usually slabsided and brainless and the cowboys would shoot them dead and leave their carcasses to rot in the sun so that they could get a little shuteye instead of risking their lives in the dark. Somehow I don't think that's a viable option these days with human stampeders.

A cattle stampede would usually end, often not far from where it began, when the leaders turned in on the herd and they all started balling up in a tight circle. The only difference between those confused cattle and greenies and animal rightists today is that the cattle almost always turned and circled to the right. These days their human counterparts always circle to the left. The far left.

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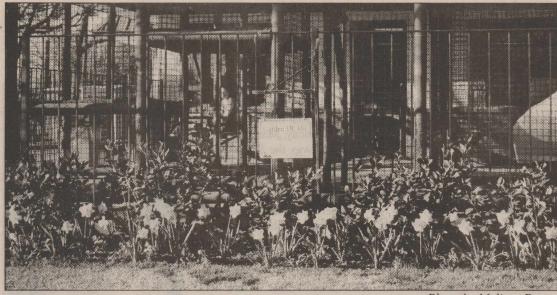
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GARDEN OF THE MONTH is the Dairy Queen for its beautiful yellow daffodils located in front of the playground. The Garden of the Month is chosen by the Ozona Garden Club.



Ledoux presents annual library report

Librarian Louise P. Ledoux chase additional shelving. presented the 2006 Texas State Library Annual Report for the Crockett County Public Library to the joint meeting of the Library Board and the Friends of the Library on March 5, and to the sure all the books can be shelved, Crockett County Commissioners' plus provide space for audiocas-Court on Monday, March 12.

This comprehensive Annual Report covers every aspect of library service from the operating and pleased with the response budget, the collection, programming, staff, equipment usage and everything in between, and the library since 1985. "We is completed by the librarian every year.

"This Annual Report is an excellent review of our library and services. I am always relieved to complete the exhaustive data collection and submit my report every year, and am really glad to be able to present this information to my boards and to Danny and Tammi Monzingo, the county commissioners as a Lucy Hinde, Jim Couch, Nell performance review of the Public Library," Ledoux said.

It was a busy year in 2006 Welty and Tina Jarvis performed and some of the most interesting at the Care Center. statistics included in the report are the totals for patron use.

Total computer usage was to vote in officers: Presidents 6,033, which is an increase over Leroy and Carol Adcock; Vice 2005 of 8 percent. Total attendance President Nell Wester; Secrewas 18,579, also an increase over tary/Treasurer Jim Couch and and we also had members from 2005 of a full 10 percent.

Our patrons checked out a record number of materials in bers Leroy and Carol Adcock, 2006.

Circulation or use of library Babbitt, Nell Wester, Frank materials was 27,116, which is an increase of 9 percent.

Our top reader was LaDawn Adcock with 137 audio books. Second was Jann Miller with 130

books. Third and fourth were Mary Lou Knox and Polly Perner with 126 books and 124 audios.

Fifth and sixth was a tie between Trudy Barrera and Mark Baggett with 113 books each. CCPL salutes all our patrons and we look forward to providing another great year of library service

Anyone interested in obtaining a copy of the Annual Report can pick one up at the library. Come check it out!





Devon Energy donates money to Crockett County Public Library

Levis & Lace Square Pance News

By LOUISE P. LEDOUX Crockett County Librarian

The adult readers at the Crockett County Public Library in Ozona, Texas have a little more space thanks to a \$500 donation from Devon Energy Cor-

The money was donated to Friends of the Library to pur-

Louise Ledoux, library director, said there is no available shelf space in the adult fiction section of the library.

She said the funds will ensettes and CDs.

'We are very thankful for Devon's interest in the library to our shelving appeal," said Ledoux, who has been with

Levis and Lace Square Dancer

Wester, JoAnn Babbitt, Mary

Afterwards, we had a club

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Lucy Hinde, Jim Couch, JoAnn

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CONSTITUTIONAL

AMENDMENT

PROPOSITION 1 (SJR 13)

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tion to authorize the legislature to

adjust the public school ad valorem

tax or tax rates for taxpayers who

are aged 65 or older, or are dis-

abled, and who are owners of an

exempted homestead. The amendment would thereby allow the leg-

islature to provide tax relief to such elderly or disabled taxpayers who

did not receive tax relief as a result

of the school tax rate reduction

passed in the 79th Legislature, 3rd

The proposed amendment will ap-

pear on the ballot as follows: "The

constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for

a reduction of the limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes

that may be imposed for public school purposes on the residence homesteads of the elderly or disabled to reflect any reduction in the rate of those taxes for the 2006 and

Published by Secretary of State Roger Williams.

called session.

2007 tax years.'

meeting about our festival and

P.R. Tina Jarvis.

Thursday night, club mem-

By TINA JARVIS

The Crockett County Public Library is located at 1201 Ave G and employs four staff members, including Ledoux.

The 6,000 square foot library contains an adult section, a children's section and a computer room that is open to the

The latest addition is a genealogy collection which is being continually updated. The library is handicap accessible.

"Devon's donation is just one way we can show our appreciation for the important service the library provides to our community," said Devon Ambassador Cecil Thurmond.

Devon is one of the world's leading independent oil and gas companies and has had operations throughout west Texas for the past 20 years.

Currently, there are 60 Dev- and Rene De La Rosa

Jean and Tesla Caperton and

mainstream and plus calls and

showed us some old calls that

us a chance to visit the past in

Bill's wife Elia, Buster Miller and David Turicchi were our

guests. We had caller John

Geen and his wife Nora as our

guests with members from his

club "The Promenade Squares"

going to Andrews to attend a

Keep it square and happy

workshop and dance there.

Prichard from Eagle Pass.

square dancing.

Concho Squares.

Sonora hospital to 'Sound the Alert' with diabetes screenings on March 20 and 22

March 27, the American Diabetes Association (ADA) will "Sound the Alert" about diabetes, a devastating disease that affects about 1.2 million people in

Beverlee Williams, RN, BSN, Diabetes Educator at Lillian M Hudspeth Memorial Hospital will be conducting risk screenings at the Wellness Center in Sonora on Tuesday, March 20, from 9 to 11 a.m.

She will also offer risk screenings at the Sonora Senior Center Thursday, March 22, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The risk test, in English or Spanish, is available in brochure form by calling the Association toll-free at 1-800-DIABETES (1-800-342-2383) or can be taken online at www.diabetes. org/risk-test.

Among the primary risk factors for type 2 diabetes are being overweight, sedentary, over the age of 45 and having a family history of diabetes. African Americans, Latinos, Native Americans, Asians and Pacific Islanders are at an increased risk, as are women who have had babies weighing more than nine pounds at birth.

Diabetes is the fifth deadliest



March 14 - Anthony Vasquez, Diego Pena and Mark Branyon

March 15 - Tracey Preddy March 16 - Wilton Russell

March 17 - Larry Allen, Angela Damian, Alex Samarripa, Ruth Hester and Joe Don Moran March 18 - Linda Vitela, Ma-

rie Pierce and Lesley Mendoza March 19 - Mike Preddy, Tina Jarvis danced to caller Bill Tiffany Esparza, Braxton Bauerlein, Dennis Newby, Vanessa Santiago and Jadyn Poindexter Bill kept us on our toes with

March 20 - Cesar Villarreal To place a birthday on the



SONORA - On Tuesday, disease in the United States, and sive thirst, most people diagmore than 1.5 million people develop the disease each year. Diabetes cost the country \$132 billion in 2002, up from \$98 billion in 1997, and, despite aggressive research efforts, there remains no cure in sight. Even with this high degree of visibility and vast scope, almost one-third of those affected by diabetes in Texas, or 1.5 million people are not aware that they have the disease.

In addition, approximately 54 million Americans have prediabetes, which means that their blood glucose (sugar) is higher than normal, but not high enough to be classified with diabetes. Without intervention, individuals with pre-diabetes are at a much higher risk for developing type 2 diabetes.

The American Diabetes Association takes the opportunity of "Alert Day" to help identify the undiagnosed and those at risk by educating people about diabetes risk factors and warn-

Unfortunately, people with type 2 diabetes can live for years without realizing that they have the disease. While people with diabetes can exhibit noticeable symptoms, such as frequent urination, blurred vision and exces-

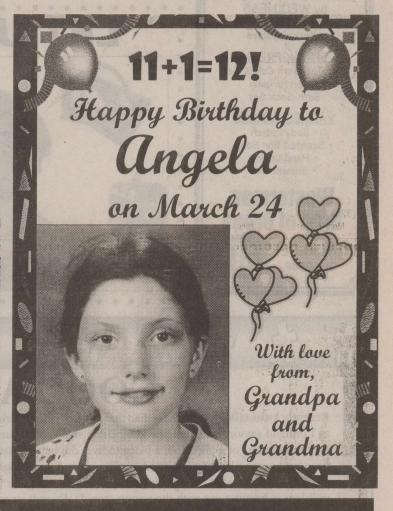
nosed with type 2 diabetes do not show these overt warning signs at the time that they develop the disease. Often, type 2 diabetes only becomes evident when people develop one or more of its serious complications, such as heart disease, stroke, kidney disease, eye damage and nerve damage that can lead to amputations

"With early detection and treatment, diabetes can be managed, and its devastating complications can be prevented or delayed," said Beverlee Williams, RN, BSN, Diabetes Educator with Lillian M Hudspeth Memorial Hospital. "The American Diabetes Association hopes that this Alert Day will help people recognize and act on any diabetes risk factors and warning signs they might discover."

To help people better recognize their own risk for type 2 diabetes, the American Diabetes Association provides a simple, seven-question pencil and paper diabetes risk test.

For more information or assistance with management of diabetes, call Williams, at (325) 387-2521 ext. 107 or by e-mail at bwilliams@sonorahospital.org.

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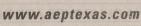
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- Set air-conditioning thermostats to the highest possible comfortable setting and dress accordingly.
- Turn off every appliance you are not using including lights, televisions and radios. Use the "sleep" feature on your computer equipment.
- Only cool rooms that you use. Close vents and doors in unused rooms. Be sure to close closet doors.
- Check your air-conditioning filter every month and replace as needed.
- Keep windows that let the sun in covered when the sun is shining on them.
- Weather strip and caulk around windows and doors to prevent drafts.
- Close your fireplace damper when the fireplace is not being used.
- Use fans to help circulate the air in your house.
- Air-dry dishes in the dishwasher.
- Lower the temperature on your hot water heater to warm during the summer, take short showers and wash only full loads of clothes in the laundry.

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Ozona Senior Happenings

By LYNN ENGLISH Senior Center Director

The wonderful rain was so appreciated. It had become so dry and everyone had been look-

ing for some relief. Bob Hartley chose a teddy bear puzzle to follow the two that were completed last week. It began being rather difficult, but it is beginning to look real good. You made a good choice, Bob.

Audrey Glynn is up and going again after a fall she had recently. It is always a pleasure to see Audrey out and about.

The Angel Food Ministries boxes are son sale until 4 p.m. Thursday, March 15. The distribution day of the boxes is March 31.

New Sound will be here at 9 a.m. Thursday, March 15. Their tech will be checking ears.

This Saturday, the Helping Hands will be having their music fest and dancing starting

at 3 p.m. at the Senior Center. The Helping Hands Board has worked getting this activity going so please come out and support them. There will be no charge but donations will be ac-

Our next Senior Bingo Social will be here at 6:30 p.m. on March 22 at the Senior Center. We will be serving hot dogs with sauerkraut, banana pudding and tea, coffee or water.

Line dancing will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesdays. 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. pressure before the line dancing

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

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 daughters born to Johnny and it makes them feel better. The number of participants walking is growing.

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 Liz Williams, Sandy Bebee, Jean Odom, Katherine Russell, Marolyn Bean, Betty Harrell, Sadie Davidson and

Marilyn Cox. 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

Thursday to help with Beauty

with residents and brought bin-

go prizes. We followed with a

dose of bingo with regular and

Saturday morning to help with

community that makes time for

our residents. God Bless!

Resident Council meeting.

Mexican bingo.

Ann Shaw came by to visit

On Friday, we had a double

Samantha made time on

Thanks to everyone in the

Obituaries

Doris Jane McKnight Vinson

Doris Jane McKnight Vinson, 91, passed peacefully from this life to join her heavenly father on Monday, March 5, 2007.

Doris was the first of three Annie McKnight in Stephenville, Texas on July 11, 1915

She was preceded in death The bridge players come to by both parents; her husband of 62 years, Hewitt Duwain Vinson; and her sister Mildred Burgoon.

She is survived by two sons, H. Duwain Vinson Jr. and wife Sue of Midkiff, Texas; and Eugene Vinson and wife Kathy of Big Lake, Texas; grandchildren Laree Walker and husband Ryon of Deer River, Minnesota; Philip Vinson and wife Lacey of San Angelo; Matt Vinson and wife Kristin of San Leon, Texas; and Emily Vinson of Stephenville; great-grandson Calob Walker of Deer River, Minn.; sister Dimple Ramsey of Odessa; stepbrother John Wesley McKnight and wife Mildred of Odessa; and Terry Don McCoy and wife Barbara of Stephenville; sisters-in-law Bertha Ham, Louise Vinson, and Mary Vinson all of San Angelo; numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins; and many friends.

Doris graduated from high school in Stephenville. In 1935, she met and married the loves of her life, Duwain Vinson on Aug. 25, 1935. While her husband served in the Army during WWII, Doris lived with family members in Eldorado. After returning from the war, Doris and Duwain returned to ranch work, working on numerous west Texas ranches and settled on the Brooks ranch in Crockett County where they stayed for 20 years. In 1977, upon retirement, Doris and Duwain made their home in Sherwood, Texas.

Doris was a dedicated moth-



er and homemaker. She loved cooking, crocheting, and sewing. She was passionate about family and enjoyed entertaining extended family members when they visited the ranch. She was especially proud of her four grandchildren and her only great-grandson.

Doris was a member of the First Baptist Church of Mertzon, and active with the Senior Citizens of Mertzon. Doris always had a cheerful smile; exuded kindness and care, and was loved by all that met her.

Special thanks go to the compassionate care givers at Reagan County Care Center for the care given to mother during her stay there.

A celebration of her life was held March 9 at Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel. Intermentfollowed at Sherwood Cemetery. Pallbearers were nephews: Johnny Ramsey, Larry Burgoon, Jerry McDonald, Paul Millican, Jim Vinson, Bryan Vinson, David Vinson and Wade Vinson.

The family request that in lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to West Texas Boys Ranch of a favorite charity.

By MARTA DELAGARZA **Activity Director**

Our week started with Sunday services given by the Ozona Church of Christ and followed that afternoon by the Ozona United Methodist Church.

By Monday, residents were ready to play bingo, followed by some good reading by E.A. Wadsworth R.N.

Elsa gives residents a good workout on Tuesday mornings with exercises and some dancing music right before lunch.

That afternoon, Brother John Collis and First Baptist Church members had Bible study and some good gospel

On Wednesday, we continued with bingo and worked on table arrangements for spring.

We are in need of some straw hats to make flowers for our hallways. If anyone has some to donate please bring them by the Care Center.

Nell Wester made time on

NAME: Elizabeth Ann (Betty) Castro

Shop.

JOB TITLE: Cook

HOW LONG WITH PRESENT EMPLOYER: 10 years in March

ORGINALLY FROM: Ozona

FAMILY: Four daughters, Steph, Gina, Tori and • Monic; Four grandchildren, Austin and Madison Castro, Shania Fluckers and Maddox Noriega.

TERESTS: I like spending time with my family. I am a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church. I enjoy traveling, cookouts and I have enjoyed my job for the past 10 years.

HOBBIES, ORGANIZATIONS, OTHER IN-

OOD AND BA

Recently I was talking to a young man that is a fairly new Christian and having lots of problems. After accepting Jesus Christ as Lord and savior he started attending Bible study and Church faithfully. He found new friends and they prayed for him. Before long he got a good job, a place to live, did better financially and even felt good about himself. But then something happened some old friends started coming around and hanging out with him. They readily supplied alcohol for him. He started drinking and it led to him getting drunk on a regular basis. He found himself in all kinds of trouble. He said, "My problem is hanging out with the wrong crowd". Friends or who we hang out with can help us or hurt us. The Bible has a lot to say about this. There are many examples of bad friends in the Bible for example Job's friends hurt him when he was suffering and gave him bad advise and God was mad at them for acting the way they did, (Job 42:7-9). Going to the wrong places with the wrong crowd will lead to our downfall, (Proverbs 29:3 and 1 Corinthians 15:33). Paul was comforted and enjoyed being with good Christian friends, (Romans 15:24& 32). Let us make sure we are being the right kind of friend and that we hang out with the right kind of friends. See you in Church next Sunday.

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.

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. **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.

Attend the Church of your choice

12 - 11th St Rev. John Fluth Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Ozona United

Methodist Church

Worship: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church 2121 Santa Rosa St.

Rev. Dan & Ann Rios Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Family Service: 6:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help 219 Martinez St.

Fr. Serafin Avenido Sun. Mass: 11 a.m. Sat.: 7 p.m. M. W. F. - 8:30 a.m. Thurs.: 7 p.m.

Apostolic Church

307 Santa Rosa St Rev. Hector De La Cruz Sunday School: 3 p.m. Worship: 5 p.m. Thur. Service: 7:30 p.m

Iglesia de Cristo Hwy 163 S. at Quail Run

Interim - Ray Valadez Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 6 p.m.

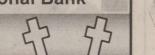
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Helping Hands News

St. Patrick's Day dance this Saturday at the Senior Center

By BETTY BULLARD Helping Hands Board Member ad sandwiches, grilled cheese

Helping Hands for the elderly is happy to bring to you "An Evening of Music" for your enjoyment.

On St. Patricks Day, Saturday March 17, at 3 p.m., the music will start at the Crockett County Senior Center.

First we will have gospel music from 3-4:45 p.m.

This is sing-alongs, Join us in praising our God through mu-

From 5-7 p.m. will be a jam session, with all kinds of mu-

From 7 p.m. until close will be our dance.

If you don't have a partner, come single, and grab a partner when you get there, or better yet, lots of partners.

From 7 to 8:30 p.m. we will be serving light snacks.

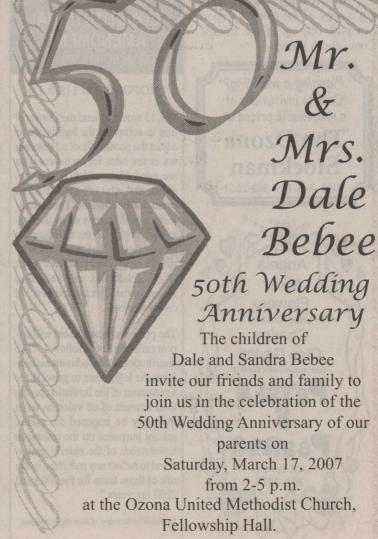
We will have chicken salsandwiches, chips and dips and

All of this is free, no charge, but we would appreciate it if you would donate to our helping hands fund.

Allan Stover is our music coordinator and has arranged for us to have, H. F. Ritchie and Friends from Big Lake, Gregg Jones and company, David Pagan, B.C. Smith, Don Kilgore, Jamie Knox, Bennie Logan, Willena Holden, Marty Noah, Jeanene Frost, Joe Warren Friend, and, of course, Allen Stover himself will be pickin

and singing for us. We hope this event will be one of many we can do, The price is right so those who might not ordinarily get to enjoy an evening of entertainment can come out and join us.

Hope to see you there.



Hilderbran named 'Legislator of the Month' by Texas league

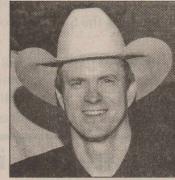
AUSTIN - The Texas Municipal League and its 1,080 member cities announced March 5 that Rep. Harvey Hilderbran, R-Kerrville, has been named its "Legislator of the Month" for February 2007.

Rep. Hilderbran is a strong supporter of state and local parks and is the author of legislation this session (H.B. 6 and S.J.R. 71) that will infuse approximately \$15.5 million per year into our local parks system.

years have relied upon com- of all Texans. It is crucial that petitive state grants to assist we provide appropriate funding with the development and improvement of local parks," said Frank Sturzl, executive director of that funding was eliminated, parks grant program."

a plaque at the Capitol.

"I appreciate this honor League and I hope that it draws tion of cities. It was established Hilderbran said. "Our parks ing the interests of Texas cities.



REP. HARVEY HILDERBRAN

are vital to the economy of this "Texas cities for many great state and to the enjoyment to enhance and develop these great resources."

First elected in 1988, Repof TML. "In recent years, some resentative Hilderbran serves as Chairman of the House Culture, and we sincerely appreciate Recreation and Tourism Com-Rep. Hilderbran's efforts to mittee and is also as a member breathe new life into the local of the House Natural Resources Committee. He also serves at Representatives from TML co-chairman of the legislative presented Rep. Hilderbran with oversight committee for the Edwards Aquifer Authority.

The Texas Municipal from the Texas Municipal League is a voluntary associaattention to the crisis in our in 1913 for the purposes of state and local park funding," serving the needs and advocatWe are a central library of infor- pose of the Visitor Center is to attract visitors off the interstate.

CHAMBER: Half the visitors to the center are travelers

Once inside, the Chamber has an opportunity to direct them to the services available in the community in an effort to generate additional revenue for Ozona and its businesses.

Locals stop in to pick up phone books, maps or inquire about any number of services as

The Visitor Center is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday from noon-4 p.m. Chamber of Commerce operations are Monday through Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

The center features a lobby with information within a 300 mile radius of Ozona. It includes 24-hour restroom facilities.

The Chamber of Commerce Operations and Member Services, Tourism and Economic and Community Development offices are located in the center.

The center also features a Some travelers are in need Conference Center that will accommodate up to 75 people for meetings, training and recep-

For more information call route to their destination. Re- (325) 392-3737 or visit www. gardless of the reason the pur- ozona.com.

Visitor Center Facts:

BUSIEST DAY OF THE WEEK -

Friday

Sunday

BUSIEST MONTH-

SLOWEST DAY OF THE WEEK -

March (Spring Break)

SLOWEST MONTH -September (School has started)

AVERAGE NUMBER OF VISITORS PER MONTH – 382

More Visitors in the PM than the AM TOP FIVE STATES: California, Arizaon,

New Mexico, Colorado and Florida TOP FIVE TEXAS CITIES: San Angelo, San Antonio, Houston, Austin and El Paso

COURT: Commissioners hear about plan to educate the community on the importance of maintaining Johnson Draw from page 1

It will also be an educational

tool for the public, Wall said. The tank can catch 108 gallons per inch, which estimates that if it rains 15 inches in a year then 620 gallons can be collect-

ed, Wall said. Sometime before mid-April is the deadline when the project is expected to be completed and open for public viewing, said Shanon Biggerstaff, chamber

For more on rainwater harvesting, visit www.txrainwatercollection.com.

JOHNSON DRAW

executive director.

Ty Williams with the Crockett Soil and Water Conservation District presented a plan to inform the community on how important it is to maintain Johnson Draw.

Four-wheelers running up and down the draw have caused erosion to start taking place in

The draw was put in place to control flooding after the 1954 flood that caused around \$4 million in damage to Ozona.

"We want the flood control channel to function at its best. This isn't going to happen maybe one out of 10 times, but the time that it does run big you want it to

be ready for it," Williams. The plan included history, educating both adults and children and the possible development of a community pride pro-

"I think if you get the word out and get everybody educated, that may do it," Williams said. "If it's not maintained the possi-

> PAINTBALL & SKATEBOARD PARKS

Deaton said the commissioners should look at the skateboard park in San Angelo on 29th Street, which looks like it was built out of an old swimming pool.

Childress said he would like to visit with someone who has built one of these parks to get estimates and more information.

Tambunga said there is a young group willing to form a paintball association with rules. He said the association will be in charge of making sure the park rules are followed and that those using the park are members

age it and see how it goes," Tambunga said.

A perimeter will be set to establish boundaries to the park, which is being proposed near the rock quarry close to the new softball park and the shooting complex.

JAIL CAPACITY In the sheriff's report, Chief Deputy Nick Richter said they

bility of flooding goes up.'

County Auditor Sandy Stokes said the county has insurance coverage for paintball and skateboard parks.

"I want to let the club man-

have had the state jail inspection and that 15 is now the maximum number the jail can legally hold. This number was brought down from 17 that was previously set.

mation, a resource to residents,

ect was the result of a Strategic

Planning meeting at which the

community recognized it was

not taking advantage of its great-

est asset, I-10. It was also recog-

nized that the community relied

solely on the agriculture and oil

and gas industries and had an op-

portunity to diversify by means

the overall Tourism puzzle that

can be put into place to grow the

Tourism industry for Ozona,"

Center and why? Visitors in-

clude local students brought to

tour the facility and learn about

travelers looking for lodging,

dining, and shopping opportu-

nities. They seek museums and

of repair service, groceries, gas,

stamps, souvenirs, directions or

Some are stopping to rest in

"This is just one piece of

Who stops at the Visitor

Over half of the visitors are

of the interstate.

Biggerstaff said.

the Tourism industry.

historical sites.

The Visitor Center proj-

businesses and travelers".

COURTHOUSE AIR CONDITIONING BIDS

The commissioners also approved the specifications for air conditioning and heating bids for the Crockett County Court-

The specifications call for either a single or dual refrigeration system, along with furnaces that will ventilate up through the roof with PVC pipe.

This is an exact replacement of what we've got, with the exception of the furnaces," Deaton said. 'We'll just have to decide which bid we want to go with."

The bids will be opened at noon on March 30 at a called

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS APPROVED:

· Implementation of grant for Texas Statewide Automated

Victim Notification Service. · Moving an emergency siren from near the Templo Siloe

Assembly of God Church to another location in that area. · Use of the rodeo arena pavilion for music for the Cinco de

Mayo Celebration. · Support letter for the Ter-

rell County Groundwater Conservation District.

· Valerie Sanchez and Mi-

chelle Ramos to the Civic Center Board. · April 23-27 as Spring

Clean-up Week.

Crockett County Museum Memorials

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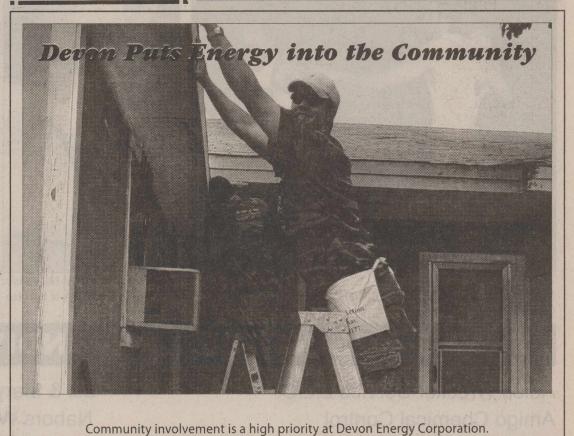


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Submitted Photo

In girls' singles, Henderson

In girls' doubles, Henderson

In boys' singles, Diehl won

and Bhakta won 6-1, 6-1. Her-

4-6. Capps and Bird lost 6-4, 4-6,

6-1. Veloz won 6-0, 6-2. Bull-

Veloz won 6-3, 6-1. Maldonado

Photo by Joe Hernandez

SARA DORROUGH was sixth

in the 400 meter dash at the Ozo-

Kyle Sewell lost 3-8.

and Bullard won 6-0, 6-0.

Bird won 6-0, 6-1.

OHS TEAM TENNIS MEMBERS ARE: (front row, l. to r.) Kyle Sewell, Puja Bahkta, Julia Henderson, Diane Hernandez, Christy Dominguez, Angelic Gutierrez, Kara Bird, Morgan Capps and Lalo Longoria. Back: Coach Brandon Moreno, Matthew Bullard, Freddy Veloz, Ben Flores, Stephen Gillit, Levi Vargas, Justin Maldonado, Devon Diel and Jordan Martinez.

OHS Tennis takes fifth at team regionals

By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

placed fifth at the Team Tennis Stephen Gillit defeated Smith Regional Meet March 2-3 in San and Burkemper, 6-0, 6-1. Vargas Martinez won 6-0, 6-1. Angelo.

In round 1, Jim Ned defeated Rohr, 6-3, 6-6, 7-2. Ozona 10 matches to 7.

derson lost to Briggs, 6-4, 4-6. and Yarbrough, 2-6, 0-6. Puja Bhakta lost to Lambert, 4-6, 6-7. Diane Hernandez lost to K. Junction 10-0. McClure. Cristy Dominguez lost to C. McClure, 6-4, 4-6. Kara Bhakta, Hernandez, Dominguez, Bird lost to Taylor.

In girls' doubles, Henderson matches. and Bhakta lost to Briggs and Lambert, 2-6, 4-6. Hernandez son and Bhakta defeated Waites and Dominguez lost to Taylor and Abilez, 6-4, 6-3. Hernandez Yarbrough, 0-6, 4-6 and Capps and Dominguez defeated Craig and Gutierrez, lost to Burley and and Stapper, 6-2, 6-1. Capps McClure, 1-6, 4-6.

In boys' singles, Devon Rayas, 3-6, 6-4, 10-5. Diehl defeated Acuvedo 6-0, 6-1. Justin Maldonado defeated Rohr, feated Heap, 6-1, 3-6, 11-9. Mal-6-0, 6-2. Freddy Veloz lost to donado defeated Taylor, 6-1, 6-2. Perez, 4-6, 6-4. Levi Vargas de- Veloz defeated Orona, 6-2, 6-1. feated Yarbrough 6-2, 7-5. Mat- Vargas defeated Putnam, 6-0, 6-

In boys' doubles, Diehl and The OHS Tennis Team Wright, 6-0, 6-0. Maldonado and and Gillit won 6-1, 6-0. and Bullard defeated Perez and

In mixed doubles, Bird and In girls' singles, Julia Hen- Jordan Martinez lost to McClure

In round 2, Ozona swept

In girls' singles, Henderson, Capps and Bird all won their

In girls' doubles, Henderand Gutierrez defeated Bolt and

In boys' singles, Diehl dethew Bullard defeated Smith, 6- 2. Bullard won his match 6-0, 6-



Photo by Joe Hernandez CALEB MITCHEL lets the discus fly at the Ozona Relays. He



Photo by Joe Hernandez MATTHEW KOMECHAK (1.) hands off to Fabian Onate at the LALO LONGORIA at the Ozo-Ozona Relays

In boys' doubles, Diehl and won 6-1, 6-0. Bhakta lost 6-7, 7-Veloz defeated Acuvedo and Veloz won 6-4, 6-0. Maldonado 9, 4-6. Hernandez won 6-1, 6-4.

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In round 3, Ozona defeated nandez and Dominguez lost 3-6, Wall JV 15-4.



Photo by Joe Hernandez ELY SILVA placed first in the 200 meter dash at the Ozona Re-



Photo by Joe Hernandez

Softball Meeting March 14

A softball meeting is scheduled for March 14th at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the New Softball Field located on the South end of Ozona by the Cemeteries.

Highlights of the meeting will be forming a Softball Association to help manage the Softball Field and set schedule for Softball League. If you have any questions please call Frank Tambunga at 392-2827

Update on Lions baseball

The Ozona Baseball started the season in good shape.

They began play against long time rival the Sonora Broncos in the Dry Devils River Classic held in Sonora.

The Lions Lead through out the game but allowed the Broncos to tie in the last inning. The Broncos advanced to the winners side of the tournament via the tournament tie breaker.

The Lions defeated the Owls of Big Lake in their second

In the Consolation game of the tournament the Lions faced off with San Saba. The Lions once again had

the lead late in the game then the walls came crashing down. "Jordan Long was on the

mound and looked fantastic," said Coach Ronny Clayton. While throwing a pitch in the 5th inning to the second bat-

ter, Jordan felt a pop in his el-6-0, 6-0. Maldonado won 7-5, bow He was moved to another

ard won 6-2, 6-2. Gillit won 8-6. position to finish the game. The Lions fell behind and it In boys' doubles, Diehl and has been that way ever since.

"What looked very promand Gillit won 6-0, 6-1. Vargas ising for the Lions through the first three games went sour in a

> hurry," Clayton said. Since that 3rd game the Lions have not been at full strength.

> Jordan has been able to play some at short stop but has not pitched since then, Clayton said.

Several starters have also been absent due to different reasons. During this time the team has not fared well, Clayton said. said.

However, several kids have gotten more playing time and the experience from it has been very valuable, Clayton said.

"After Spring Break the Lions should be able to regain the winning form they had in the first three games as everyone should be back and Jordan is almost 100 percent healthy," Clayton said. "There were several bright spots during this span of games."

Stevie Vargas leads the team with a .571 batting average.

Caleb Mitchel, Mark Tambunga, Jordan Long and Nick Perez are all hitting over .400.

Mark leads the team in hits and stolen bases. Mark and Alex Ochoa lead the team in runs scored at 10 each.

Jordan leads the team in Runs Batted In at 8.

Alex looks to take charge of the outfield to hold down center-

Josh Santos is doing a great job behind the plate.

"He is fearless and has been super blocking balls in the dirt," Clayton said. "Nick Perez and Mark have seen quite a bit of time pitching and have done very well throwing strikes. Matthew Garza has filled in on the mound as well and has done an exceptional job keeping us in some games. Rylee Ramos has looked very good pitching but has missed several games."

"Even though our record does not show it, things look good for when we do get everyone back and together and playing as a team again," Clayton

Lady Lions softball loses to Junction

The Ozona Lady Lions traveled to Junction and lost 0-17.

Pitching for the Lady Lions was Morgan Glosson.

"Morgan did a great job of putting the ball in play we just didn't do a good job of taking care of her. We made a lot of little mistakes and we had so girls playing positions that they hadn't practiced at. The first inning we just could not and played pretty good over the and Sarah O'Hearn.

next three innings. Offensively we had some opportunities and we just couldn't capitalize on them. We are still going through some growing pains but getting better every game," said Coach John Esparza.

Also playing for the Lady Lions was Alysha Lara (1-2) Cristina Rodriguez (1-2) Peyton Fenton (1-2) Megan McDaniel (0-1) Brandi Glosson (0-1) Alex make plays. We settled down Cruz (0-1) Lauren Najar (1-1)

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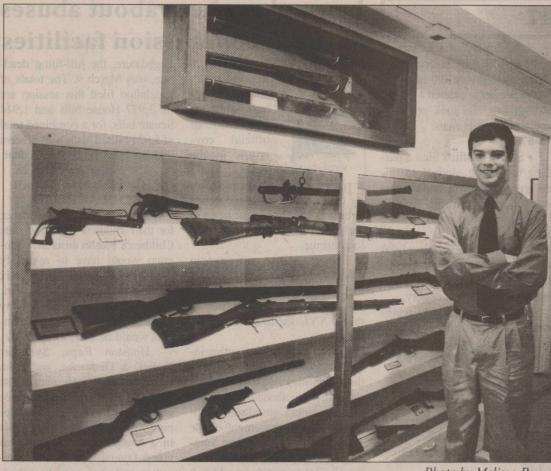


Photo by Melissa Perner

LEVI ENGLISH stands in front of the guns that he researched, named and time lined for the Crockett County Museum this past summer. Levi also helped with new labels for a lot of items on the top floor. The Crockett County Museum appreciates Levi for how talented he is and his assisting the museum. The museum encourages everyone to come visit or volunteer.

The Ozona Athletic Booster Club is taking bids for the annual sports banquet to be held the first week in May.

The menu will be: Main dish: hamburger steak/grilled onions/ brown gravy OR green beans, mashed potatoes, rolls, dessert and tea.

Please call Frank Tambunga at 392-2827 if interested. DEAD-LINE is April 13, 2007.

One Act Play is seeking furniture (

The Ozona High School One Act Play is looking for a 1950s to 1960s style couch or love seat for their upcoming play.

They are also looking for a black, rotary-style telephone they can use as well.

The items can be donated or

lent to the group. For more information, con-

tact director Wendy Justiss at Ozona High School.

The public performance of the One Act Play "Threads" by Jonathan Bolt will be at 3 p.m. March 25 at the OHS Audito-

Intermediate school honor roll

"A" HONOR ROLL THIRD GRADE - Alex Hopper, Jeremy Munoz, Estefania Torralba, Nereyda Vega and Kevin Villarreal

FOURTH GRADE - Justice Adkins, Wade Allen, Jacob Barrow, Meagan Espinosa, Harrison Gott, Bryce Gutierrez, Marissa Held, Jadie Marshall, Tanya Reed, Stormi Rinehart, Yeni Rodriguez, Alan Salazar and Nathaniel Valdes

FIFTH GRADE - Jonatan Arredonado, Lisa Dorrough, Chad Fluth, Lorenzo Hernandez, Desiree Marshall, Vivian Medina, Justin Pullig and Sierra Stokes

"A-B" HONOR ROLL

THIRD GRADE - Annie Adams, Narda Aguilar, Benito Badillo, Kimberly Borrego, Rikki Chavez, Madison Childress, Kristen Fierro, John Gomez, Felipe Irlas, Dakota Lee, Maria Mejia, Lauren Miles, Alyssa Newlin, Kalen Perez, April

Ramoz, Dulce Rodriguez, Jacob Talamantez, Jarrod Tambunga, Reno Thomas, Ashley Vargas and Duston Vargas

FOURTH GRADE - Angel Aguilar, Alexis Aguilera, Justin Badillo, Meagan Bullard, Mariana Camarillo, Alexis Flores, Michael Hill, Melissa Lozano, Bethany Martinez, Janna Munsell, Ben Nelms, Kailey Overdorff, Alexis Perez, Ricardo Porras, Kaylee Ramirez, Jon-Luke Rodriguez, Juan Rodriguez, Abelardo Rodriquez, Loren Talamantez, Dalan Wilson and Dylan Wynns.

FIFTH GRADE - Saul Benson, Tyler Galindo, Logan Glaspie, Daisy Guerra, Victorya Hernandez, Tiger Lewis, Sydney Mendoza, Eliseo Montanez, Abby Newton, Jordyn Poindexter, Amy Quiroz, Isauro Rivas, Lazarae Rodriguez, Robert Sanchez, Ruben Soliz, Katelyn Tidwell, Charli West and Michael Ybarra

Card of Thanks

There are not enough words to express our Thank You's to everyone that helped out with the quenceniera. All the behind the scenes people you know who you are and again anyone that we failed to mention

Thank You, Oscar, Bernice, Jolissa & Raynee Joe & Rachel Ybarra

Card of Thanks

The Ozona Band Boosters would like to thank Nancy Smith, Vicki White, Margaret Longoria, Chris Lara, Moniqua Fernandez, Jazveth Gonzales, Samantha Lara, Sarah Lott, Wilson White, Lane White and Preston Tebbetts for all their help at the Ozona Track Meet Concession Stand. It could not have happened without you! A BIG thank you to Frank Tambunga and the Knights of Columbus who cooked hamburgers for the teams. Once again, ya'll saved the day!

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Jessica Galan on Sul Ross Dean's **Honor List**

Jessica Galan has been named to Sul Ross State University's Dean's Honor List for the Fall Semester, 2006. She ended the semester with a grade point average of 3.8.



Submitted photo MITCHELL THOMPSON, of Lisbon, Ohio, placed 8th in the 119# weight class of the State of Ohio Wrestling Tournament in Columbus, Ohio. We're all proud of you Mitch!

Youth Center Calendar of Events

March 19 - OHS Food Night, 7-10 p.m.

THE CROCKETT COUNTY YOUTH CENTER IS CURRENTLY ACCEPTING DONATIONS FOR ITS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Good Luck to Eric Talamantez

at the Knights of Columbus Free State Free Throw Championship on Sat., March 17 at the San Antonio Convocation Hall. We are so proud of you & love you very much. From:

> Mom, Dad & Brothers Jacob & Zachary





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PEPE'S CAFE **Alfred Tobar** Owner Post Office Box 1337d

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Dear Alfred,

It has always been my thought that if you want or need to say something special...you should put it in writing. With that in mind, it was truly a pleasure to have met you several weeks ago on our trip to Houston. We were the group from California with supplies for the hurricane evacuees. I would like to thank you for you kind hospitality, we have never felt less a stranger in a strange city.

Reflecting back on the noteworthy moments of your good will and generosity, I know that words can only deprecate the true value of my having met persons like yourself who share and understand the spirit and are of our endeavor.

Please convey our thanks and admiration to the entire Pepe's Cafe Family and we'll think of your hospitality with appreciation and pleasure for a long time come.

In closing Alfred, I wish you continued success in all of your endeavors. Once again our gratitude to you for sharing that same contagious enthusiasm and allowing us to be, in this small way, a part of your life. We enjoyed breaking bread with you and the family.

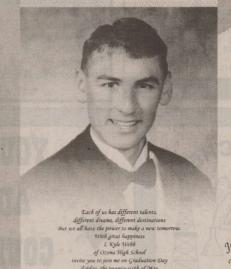
Again, I extend a personal invitation to you to breakbread with the Uncle Darrow's Family, at our eatery in Marina del Rey. Our family once cooked for the world renowned Commander's Palace in the garden district of New Orleans for over 27 years. We also look forward to a long and amicable relationship. Thanks for help keeping the "American

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Sheriff's Office Admin Calls	21	
Sheriff's Jail/dispatch Admin Calls	3	
State/County Road Calls	1	
Suspicious Persons/Vehicle	5	
Welfare Concern for Citizen/Property	2	
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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/ Theft by Check

· Brandon O'Neil, of Barn- bodily injury.

hart, Crockett County Court-Theft by Check

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

· 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.

· Johnny Ray Villarreal, of Ozona, Crockett County Court- Ozona, Crockett County Justice of the Peace, assault causing

depart

The following is the list of runs made by the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department from March

MARCH 4

• 5:24 a.m. - Structure fire on Hillcrest, fire out on arrival. Two units and six fire fighters responded.

• 7:37 a.m. - Assisted law enforcement and wrecker at County Road 310. Two units and four fire fighters responded.

• 11:21 a.m. - Motor Vehicle Accident at State Highway 163 and 13th St., assisted with traffic. Two units and four fire fighters responded

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• 10:07 a.m. - Grass fire on the Brooks Ranch, power line down. Three units and six fire fighters responded.

• 10:18 a.m. - Grass fire off I-10 on the Pecos River, control burn, no action taken.

MARCH 7

• 2:40 p.m. - Small grass fire along the bard ditch, 23 miles north of Ozona on US Highway 190. Out on arrival, did a wet down on the area. Two units and four fire fighters responded.

MARCH 11

• 6:33 p.m. - Lightning hit pole at the 100 block of Avenue B, no action. Two units and six fire fighters responded.

LLS 3-6-07 · Barry J. Schneider, 23, of

San Francisco, Calif., arrested by DPS Trooper for evading arrest in Pecos County. He was transferred to Pecos County.

ARREST REPORT

· Natasha Margot Wilson, 20, of Washington, arrested by DPS Trooper for evading arrest in Pecos County. She was transferred to Pecos County.

· Jonathan Lee Munoz, 22, of Ozona, surrendered into custody at the sheriff's office for a warrant of an assault causing bodily injury. He posted bond and was released. 3-7-07

• Hal Eugene Farmer, 58, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy for resisting arrest and unauthorized use of motor vehicle. He remains in custody pending court/bail.

• Everson Lee Flores, 23, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy for making alcohol available to minors. He posted bail and was released.

· David Benjamin Pena, 17, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy for driving under the influence as a minor. He posted bail and was released. 3-10-07

· Roderick James Tijerina, 21, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy for driving while intoxicated-first offense. He posted bail and was released.

· Alexander Trevino, 25, of San Angelo, arrested by DPS Trooper for violation of a protective order. He posted bail and was released.

INCIDENT REPORTS

· A criminal mischief report was filed by a citizen reporting known person damaged vehicle on Ramos Street. Investigation continues.

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• A burglary of a habitation report was filed by business employee on Highway 290 east. Unknown person(s) entered a fenced area/building and took property. Investigation continues.

· Sheriff's office filed a purchase/furnishing alcohol to minor report against a known person, following a traffic stop on I-10. Two subjects were arrested

· A juvenile runaway report was filed by a citizen on Avenue B. The juvenile was later apprehended in a different county.

· A theft of property report was filed by business employee on Taylor Box Road. Known person had taken property out of a room. Investigation continues.

· A burglary of a vehicle report was filed by citizen on Avenue O. Unknown person(s) took property out of a parked vehicle on 3rd Street. Investigation continues.

· Sheriff's office filed an arson report following a series of fires started along I-10. Investigation continues. 3-10-07

· Sheriff's office filed a driving while intoxicated-first offense report against a known person following traffic stop on Avenue D. Subject was arrested at scene.

· Sheriff's office filed a forgery of financial instrument following recovery of a counterfeit bill at a local business.

· Sheriff's office filed a recovery of stolen firearm - a bag found along a highway was found to contain firearms later determined to be stolen. Investigation continues. 3-11-07

· An unauthorized use of motor vehicle report was filed by a local business owner, reporting a vehicle had been taken out of an enclosed yard. Investigation continues.

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Lawmakers hear about abuses at youth commission facilities



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abuse, beatings and allegations official cover-ups in the Texas Youth

Reports of sex

Commission surfaced in late February, dominated the news in early March, and are expected

Seventy law enforcement officers and other officials under the direction of special master Jay Kimbrough fanned out to the 23 TYC facilities across the

Their mission is to gather information about the goings-on at those facilities and to gather reports alleging abuse of inmates.

The Joint Committee on Operation and Management of the Texas Youth Commission summoned TYC board members to the Capitol to testify in a March 8 public hearing.

This special committee of seven state representatives and seven state senators heard testimony and asked questions to pinpoint wrongdoing, to identify and remove wrongdoers, to correct problems and to prevent future wrongdoing.

One widely reported finding aired at the four-hour hearing was that the TYC hired a convicted sex offender as a guard, and that agency policy allows the hiring of a convicted felon if a top TYC official approves.

Another finding regarded a former TYC official living with a 16-year-old inmate.

The committee also heard about a TYC official who, against a recent order by Kimbrough, shredded official documents.

Committee members took a vote expressing "no confidence" in the TYC board of directors.

Kimbrough, appointed in early March by Gov. Rick Perry to oversee the TYC and manage the investigation, told the panel of lawmakers that he is building a file of complaints from former TYC employees and inmates. The TYC activated 866-

477-8354, a 24-hour, toll-free hotline for people to report allegations of mistreatment of youth in TYC.

The number is available to youth in TYC using dormitory

More than 750 complaints have already been filed.

BILL FILING DEADLINE ARRIVES

Day 60 of the 140-day reg-

ular session of the 80th Texas

Legislature, the bill-filing deadline, was March 9. The totals of legislation filed this session are in: 3,977 House bills and 1,944 Senate bills, for a combined total of 5,921 bills. This is a 13 percent increase over the 2005 bill count.

The session ends May 28. **CHIP BILL MAY ALTER RE-QUAL RULES**

Families that get insurance for their children under the state Children's Health Insurance Program would have to re-qualify once a year instead of every six months under pending legislation.

And, the present 90-day waiting period to receive benefits would be done away with.

Houston Reps. Sylvester Turner, a Democrat, and John Davis, a Republican, and House Human Services committee chairman Patrick Rose, D-Dripping Springs, pooled their skills in a compromise bill that was voted favorably from the committee and soon may be scheduled for House floor debate.

Points of contention may arise over level of family income and other factors.

SENATORS FILE CASINO **LEGISLATION**

The Lone Star State someday might be home to as many as a dozen gambling casinos under a proposed constitutional amendment and enabling legislation filed by Sens. Rodney Ellis, D-Houston, and John Carona, R-Dallas.

The voters of Texas ultimately would decide. The constitutional amendment, if passed by the Legislature, would be on the ballot next fall. Casino opponents have said

gambling establishments attract

Proponents say Texas casinos would lure back home Texan residents who patronize casinos in Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Louisiana and other states. Ellis and Carona estimate the casinos could bring as much as \$45 billion a year in new economic activity.

The legislation has an education "carrot." Casinos would contribute \$1 billion a year to hold tuition costs down at Texas public colleges and universities.

And, the legislation would allow currently illegal video lottery terminals at horse and dog racing tracks.

SENATOR FILES TUITION FREEZE BILL

Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Dallas, filed Senate Bill 100, legislation that would freeze tuition for an incoming freshman enrolled in a four- year degree program at a public university.

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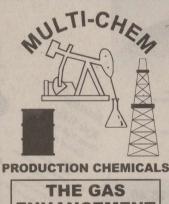
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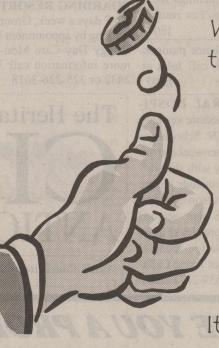


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