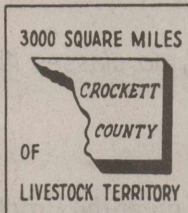


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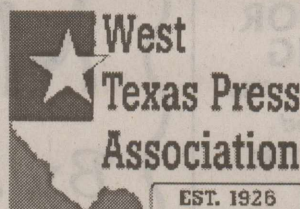
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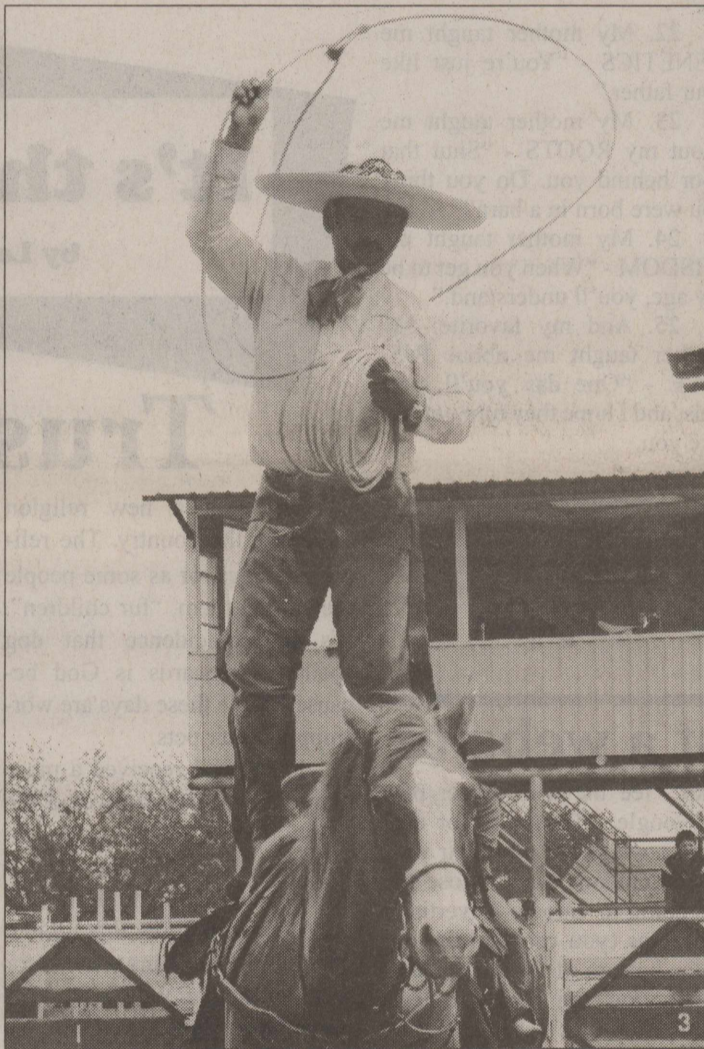
Photo by Melissa Perner
OHS COMPUTER SCIENCE TEAM won back-to-back State UIL Meet Championships this past weekend in Austin. The team had a combined score of 643 points, beating out Refugio, Buna, McGregor and Krum high schools. Levi English was the top individual with a score of 160. Puja Bhakta also placed in the top 10 at eighth place with a score of 74. Team members are: (left to right) Coach Rod Miller, Ethan English, Puja Bhakta, Levi English and Matthew Bullard.

OUTSTANDING ATHLETES



Photo by Joe Hernandez
OHS ATHLETES OF THE YEAR JORDAN LONG AND FRANKIE SKINNER were honored at the Ozona High School Athletic Banquet on May 3 at the Civic Center. More banquet photos, pages 6 and 7.

CINCO DE MAYO FUN



Photos by Joe Hernandez
CINCO DE MAYO CELEBRATION took place this past weekend. **RIGHT:** The event featured a Charreada with Mexican Rope Tricks and Mexican Bullriding. **TOP:** The Cinco de Mayo Princess Anna Hernandez (left) and Queen Alejandra Cruz (right) were crowned Saturday night at the dance in the Parish Hall. For more pictures and a list of winners, see page 5.

Stalcup pleads guilty in Wool Growers case

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

The former bookkeeper of Wool Growers Central Storage Co. has pleaded guilty for taking approximately \$200,000 from the company.

Tonya McGuire Stalcup pled guilty during a May 3 hearing to frauds and swindling and aiding and abetting, court documents stated. The hearing took place at the U.S. Federal Courthouse in Lubbock.

Sentencing for Stalcup is not expected to take place for about six weeks, said U.S. Attorney Roger L. McRoberts.

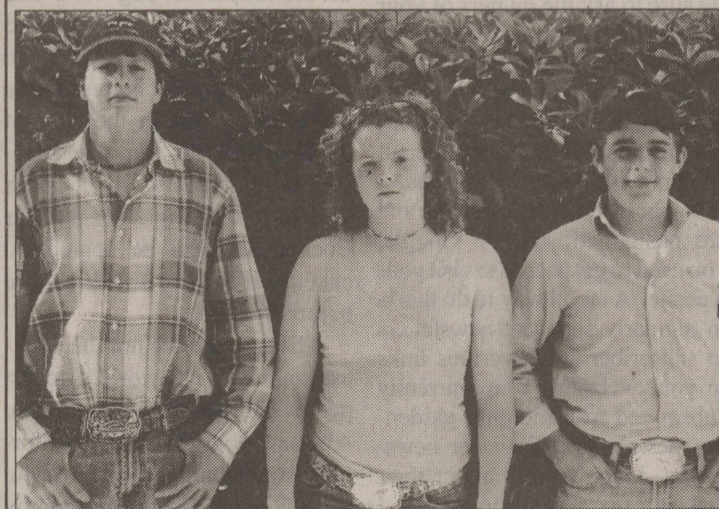
According to the plea agreement filed in federal court, Stalcup is facing a possible prison term of 20 years and a fine to not exceed \$250,000, or a fine not more than twice the amount of the criminally derived property involved in the transaction.

There's also the possibility of an initial term of supervised release of three years, which follows a term of imprisonment, and restitution to the victims or community.

McRoberts said that restitution is more than a possibility as it happens in every case where there is a theft or embezzlement.

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4-H SENIOR DEMONSTRATION TEAM HEADS TO STATE



Submitted photo
THE SENIOR 4-H DEMONSTRATION TEAM competed at district and won first place. The team of (left to right) Lakin Aaron, LuCinda Birkenfeld and Taylor Newton will be representing Crockett County at State 4-H Roundup in College Station with a Power Point Presentation on Embryo Transfer 101.

WOODSHOP STUDENTS WIN AT STATE



Photo by Joe Hernandez
OHS WOODSHOP STUDENTS placed at the state competition in Waco this past weekend. Pictured are: (back row, left to right) Chas Rutherford, Best in State and red ribbon; Kendyll Pilcher, white ribbon and Troy Ramsey, Best in State and Red Ribbon. Front row: (left to right) Nick Perez, two blue ribbons; Lyndsie Crawford, Best in State; Julia Henderson, Best in State and Josh Smith, red ribbon. Not pictured: Toby Ramsey, Blue Ribbon and Red Ribbon and LuCinda Birkenfeld, red ribbon.

Flood plain impedes intermediate school from becoming new jail site

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

During a joint meeting of the Crockett County Commissioners, the School Facilities Committee and the CCCSD, a packed commissioners courtroom discussed future plans of the county and the school district.

County Judge Fred Deaton said that the county is in the preliminary stages of looking at the possibility of a new jail.

The intermediate school property is not a good location for the jail due to it being located in the flood plain. The state jail commission will not allow a jail to be built in the flood plain, Deaton said.

Deaton also said that county officials are planning on meeting with the state jail commission Thursday in Austin due to the commission possibly cutting the jail's limit from 18 beds to 13 beds.

The jail averages 19 beds on daily usage.

The county's immediate plan is to house prisoners out somewhere else.

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What's on My Mind

By Melissa Perner

What my mother taught me

1. My mother taught me TO APPRECIATE A JOB WELL DONE - "If you're going to kill each other, do it outside. I just finished cleaning."
2. My mother taught me RELIGION - "You better pray that this will come out of the carpet."
3. My mother taught me about TIME TRAVEL - "If you don't straighten up, I'm going to knock you into the middle of next week!"
4. My mother taught me LOGIC - "Because I said so, that's why."
5. My mother taught me MORE LOGIC - "If you fall out of that swing and break your neck, you're not going to the store with me."
6. My mother taught me FORESIGHT - "Make sure you wear clean underwear, in case you're in an accident."
7. My mother taught me IRONY - "Keep crying, and I'll give you something to cry about."
8. My mother taught me about the science of OSMOSIS - "Shut your mouth and eat your supper."
9. My mother taught me about CONTORTIONISM - "Will you look at that dirt on the back of your neck!"
10. My mother taught me about STAMINA - "You'll sit there until all that spinach is gone."
11. My mother taught me about WEATHER - "This room of yours looks as if a tornado went through it."
12. My mother taught me about HYPOCRISY - "If I told you once, I've told you a million times. Don't exaggerate!"
13. My mother taught me the CIRCLE OF LIFE - "I brought you into this world, and I can take you out."
14. My mother taught me about BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION - "Stop acting like your father!"
15. My mother taught me about ENVY - "There are millions of less fortunate children in this world who don't have wonderful parents like you do."
16. My mother taught me about ANTICIPATION - "Just wait until we get home."
17. My mother taught me about RECEIVING - "You are going to get it when you get home!"
18. My mother taught me MEDICAL SCIENCE - "If you don't stop crossing your eyes, they are going to get stuck that way."
19. My mother taught me ESP - "Put your sweater on; don't you think I know when you are cold?"
20. My mother taught me HUMOR - "When that lawn mower cuts off your toes, don't come running to me."
21. My mother taught me HOW TO BECOME AN ADULT - "If you don't eat your vegetables, you'll never grow up."
22. My mother taught me GENETICS - "You're just like your father."
23. My mother taught me about my ROOTS - "Shut that door behind you. Do you think you were born in a barn?"
24. My mother taught me WISDOM - "When you get to be my age, you'll understand."
25. And my favorite: My mother taught me about JUSTICE - "One day you'll have kids, and I hope they turn out just like you."

- Happy Mother's Day to all the moms, especially mine.

Community Calendar

- Wednesday, May 9**
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
 - Beginner's Adult Bible Class, 7 p.m. at the Civic Center.
- Friday, May 11**
- Bad Weather Day for Ozona Schools, no classes for teachers or students.
 - OHS Prom at the Civic Center.
- Saturday, May 12**
- Whiz-Bang Qualifier, registration at 8 a.m. at the Crockett County Shooting Sports Complex.
 - Levis and Lace Square Cance, 8 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Sunday, May 13**
- Mother's Day
- Monday, May 14**
- Crockett County Commissioners' Court meeting, 9 a.m. at the courthouse annex.
 - Band Banquet, 7 p.m. at the Civic Center.
- Tuesday, May 15**
- OHS Academic Awards Banquet, 6:30 p.m. at the high school auditorium.
- Wednesday, May 16**
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
 - OHS Guitar Class Concert, 7 p.m. at the Civic Center.
 - Beginner's Adult Bible Class, 7 p.m. at the Civic Center.
 - Crockett County CCSD Board of Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building at 797 Avenue D.

Letters to the Editor

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 e-mail 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 words.

It's the Pitts
by Lee Pitts

Trust Me

There is a new religion sweeping the country. The religion of dogs, or as some people are calling them, "fur children". It's no coincidence that dog spelled backwards is God because people these days are worshipping their pets.

Recently I received a piece of junk mail that answered the question that seems to be on everyone's mind these days... do I need estate planning for my pets? Did you know that up to a quarter of Americans provide for their pets in their wills? (Some of my relatives didn't even make it into mine, let alone my dog!)

This is not exactly a new phenomenon. Several years ago the British singer Dusty Springfield left strict provisions for her cat in her will. Nicholas was to be fed imported dog food and Dusty's songs were to be played for him at bedtime. American Tobacco Company heiress Doris Duke left a trust in the amount of \$100,000 for her dog Minnie and it's reported that Oprah Winfrey's will stipulates that her Cocker Spaniels be spared no expense if the she should expire before they do.

Even these are not the craziest examples. The world's richest pet is Gunther the Fourth. The Alsatian dog inherited his fortune from Gunther the Third who in 1992 was left \$120 million by the Countess Karlotta Liebenstein. Through wise investments Gunther the Fourth has increased his fortune by about \$60 million. Gunther is said to live in palatial splendor and is attended to by a butler and a maid, which sure beats the life of Frank O'Neill who was cut out of his wife's will so that Kalu the Chimpanzee could inherit her \$80 million.

How would you like to be passed over for a chimp?

The big problem is who are you going to trust to take care of your pets should you outlive them? The law recognizes pets as property, just like furniture, stocks and jewelry and if you don't make specific provisions for them they will go to whoever you leave your stuff too. Surely you don't want your playboy son forgetting to feed your beloved pooch, forcing it to beg for crumbs while your son is spending your fortune on the worldwide party circuit. Or your asthmatic daughter giving away your car before you are even cold and in the ground.

You could leave your pet, along with \$25,000, to the Texas A & M Animal Life Care Center who will provide care for the rest of his life. Kansas State also offers a Perpetual Pet Care Program for a minimum gift of \$25,000. But you know how college kids are about taking care of pets. Your dear pooch or cat might be forced to live off mice and table scraps. Fortunately for you I have started two new businesses. I'm proud to announce that in addition to my rest home for horses (that can't be disposed of and are backing up like a clogged toilet) I am now taking a small number (1,500 pets) into Lee's Better Than A Cow Ranch, Home for Prosperous Pets.

You can leave me life insurance policies, real estate, appreciated securities, your entire estate or a trust fund that will spin off at least \$3,000 a month for cats, small dogs and goldfish. Or \$10,000 a month for large dogs and reptiles. I specialize in care for turtles, parrots and other pets with a long life expectancy. Your money will be spent on exotic cuisine, medical bills, toys, entertainment, luxury hotels, first class travel, maids, butlers, personal assistants, and grooming. I also promise to spend some on your pet too. If your pet has a significant tax problem due to the size of its trust fund I promise to help you out with that also. Believe me, the last thing you want after you go is for your pet to have financial worries or to be hassled by the IRS.

You can rest assured that every effort will be made to ensure that your pet will live a long, long time. (I'll even put them on life support if I have to.) I'll do everything in my power so that your pet will sire, or give birth to, at least one offspring so that your legacy (and my business) will live long after you are gone.

'Business Tips' BY DARCY MALONEY

More than just a website

Many businesses owners want to start a website believing that this action will expose them to a world wide audience. This is like getting a phone number and doing nothing with that number. Here are a few bits of information to make the average business owner more Internet savvy.

The first step to web ownership is purchasing your "domain name." When you buy a domain name (www.godaddy.com is the most popular and cheapest), be sure to write down your user name and password. It's easy to lose this information if you buy the domain name and keep it for months before building your website.

When it comes to domain names, you have the choice of .com, .net, .org and many more file extensions. Dot Com is the most popular and is what most consumers think about when they go to a website. Do not use any dashes in your site name; these are hard to translate when advertising. Imagine a radio commercial that says "go to www dot darcy dash maloney dot com"... simplify it with "go to darcymaloney dot com."

After getting the domain name, many business owners build a website without thinking about the searchability of the website. Businesses do best when they are searchable on Google, the largest Internet search engine.

In order to make your website search ranking higher, your homepage should be dynamic with as many of your keywords on the homepage as possible. This makes it more "attractive" to the "spiders" that search for WebPages. Also, do not put your business name/logo in a picture file (jpg). Spiders can't find the business name if it is in a picture file.

Now that you have those "easy" things taken care of, how about pushing viewers to your site? Try "Googling" something and look at the ads on the right side banner. Clicking on one of those links generates a "pay per click" fee the web owner pays to Google. They pay for each person who comes to their website by clicking one of those ads. By going to Google Advertising programs (you can find the link at the bottom of the Google.com page), you can read and learn more about AdWords and "cost per click" or CPC. Businesses can pay as little as a nickel per click to their website... budgeting as little as \$30 per month.

To help your website's ability to be found on search engines, add a "my favorite links" page. Be sure to ask the owners of your favorite links to put your link on their page. This reciprocity helps both of you increase your position in Google's search engine by feeding those wonderful spiders with multiple linkages.

Once you have a website and are positioned well on Google, you need to get people to visit your website. A novel way to do this is to regularly send out newsletters to subscribers with various links to your website. I am currently subscribed to a monthly gardening newsletter. Between newsletters, I don't think about their website, but when one comes, I often go to their website and look around. If you send newsletters to your e-customers, change your website around between newsletters; otherwise, why should I go to the site?

This article has only scratched the surface of understanding web sites. Though you will likely hire a web designer, the more you understand about the Internet, the more that designer can help you. The bottom line is that you want an Internet presence and not just a website.

"Business Tips" was written by Ms. Darcy Maloney, Business Development Specialist and Certified Business Advisor I of Angelo State University's Small Business Development Center. For more information on the topic of this article or the services of the ASU • SBDC, contact her at Darcy.Maloney@angelo.edu.

Crockett County Library News by Louise Ledoux

Public perception: how the world sees libraries

"[As a struggling actor on tour.] I was astonished to find that the libraries were free. You just filled the form in and gave your card and you got your book. I did all the libraries up and down the country. From then on I was never without a book."
- Actor Sir Sean Connery on why he is supporting a National Library of Scotland campaign to raise funds for the John Murray Archive, *The Scotsman* (U.K.), Apr. 24.

A host of Scottish celebrities, including actor Sir Sean Connery and author Ian Rankin, have joined the National Library of Scotland's campaign to purchase the John Murray Archive, built up by seven generations of the Edinburgh-born publisher's family, which includes manuscripts and letters. The archive is a treasure trove of some 150,000 items by some of the greatest writers, politicians, scientists and explorers of the late 18th to the early 20th centuries including Dickens, Scott, Darwin, Livingstone, Jane Austen, Disraeli, Babbage and Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.

The National Library in Edinburgh plans to make the archive widely accessible through exhibitions that will travel around the UK, digitization of items from the collection, and a significant education and world outreach program.... BBC News (UK), Apr. 24

Of course, here in Ozona, Texas we don't have a great body of work to pull from like the Archive in Scotland, but we

do have a tremendous historical background in family records, pictures and oral histories that are in danger of being lost with the generations.

The Crockett County Museum and Historical Commission have done many historical programs and collected many hours of oral history, but there is much more that can be collected and saved.

CCPL has begun a Genealogy Collection to preserve family histories and materials. We urge anyone who has family records, business, or civic organizational records that they would like to have preserved to contact the public library. Pictures, documents, and all types of media can be scanned on the computer and saved digitally to CD. These records can then be shared with other family members, copied repeatedly, and archived easily so that precious, delicate materials are not damaged or lost and can be preserved for generations to come.

CCPL has a collection of school annuals and old newspaper microfilm archives, but we are always searching for more copies. Please consider donating to the Genealogy Collection if you have any duplicate or unwanted materials. Please come use our archives to do your own genealogy research. Family history is an addictive hobby, that can lead to fabulous stories and characters from history right on your own family tree. Come check it out!

Nurses honored for special week

The National Association of School Nurses Inc. has chosen May 9 for National School Nurse Day.

On this day of celebration, Karen Huffman, the school nurse for the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District, is to be honored for her dedication to the children of Crockett County.

The Permian Basin Area Health Education Center staff, nominates Ada Castilleja as "Nurse of the Week" during National Nurses Week May 6-12.

Castilleja has worked as Staff Nurse/Director of Nursing at Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital for 16 years and has

served as part time Staff Nurse at various hospitals in Ozona, Eldorado and Eden since 1988.

Since 1990, Ms. Castilleja has been the school nurse for the Sonora ISD in Sonora and in 1994 became the Health Occupations Instructor for Sonora High School in Sonora.

Castilleja has been dedicated board member on the Permian Basin Area Health Education Centers Advisory Board since 2005.

National Nurses Week is celebrated annually from May 6, also known as National Nurses Day, through May 12, the birthday of Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing.

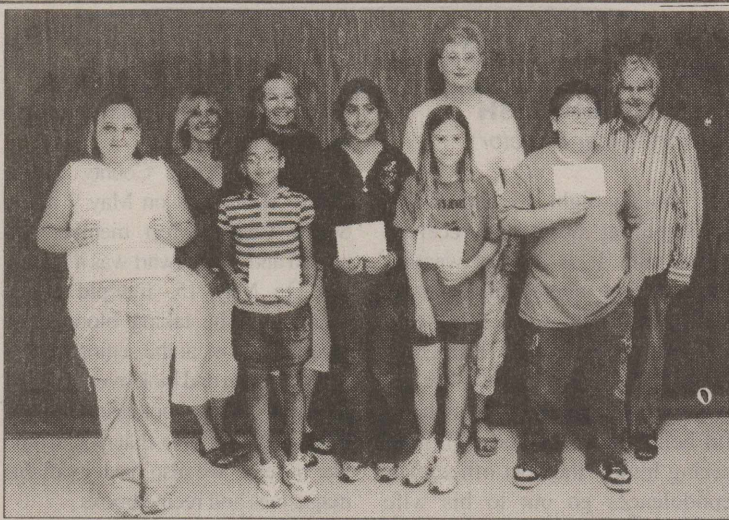


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INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL STUDENTS placed in the Smokey Bear/Woodsey Owl poster contest are: (left to right) Charlie West, second place; Dasis Guerra, third place; Nancy Rodriguez, first place; Katelyn Tidwell, first place and Jonathan Arredondo, first place. Ozona Garden Club members pictured are (left to right) Jeannine Henderson, Jerri Lynn Pierce, Charlotte Harrell and Bobbie Bird. Not pictured: Ruben Soliz, third place and Saul Benson, first place.



Photo by Joe Hernandez

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL STUDENTS placed in the district Smokey Bear/Woodsey Owl poster contest are: (left to right) Amy Quiron, fifth place; Ben Badillo, third place and Chase DeHoyos, first place. Ozona Garden Club members pictured are (left to right) Jeannine Henderson, Jerri Lynn Pierce, Pamela Maresch, Charlotte Harrell and Bobbie Bird.

Raffle for Adison Aaron features a prize of four Schlitterbaun tickets

Four-all day admission tickets to Schlitterbaun Waterparks is the grand prize in a raffle being held to benefit Adison Aaron.

Raffle tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased at The Ozona Stockman, Wool Growers, Triple C Hardware & Lumber, Ozona National Bank and from Gregg or Corba Jones.

The drawing will be held May 15. Need not be present to win.

The event is sponsored by The Ozona Stockman and Gregg and Corba Jones.

The Schlitterbaun tickets are valid from May 15-June 30 & Aug. 15-Sept. 23 at Galveston Island, New Braunfels or South Padre Island Locations.

Whiz-Bang Qualifer 4-H shooting event Saturday

The Ozona Trap and Skeet Club will be hosting a Whiz-Bang Qualifer on Saturday, May 12, at the Crockett County Shooting Sports Complex.

4-H shotgun shooters from around the state will participate in skeet, trap and five-stand. Registration begins at 8 a.m. and the competition will begin at 9 a.m.

A barbecue plate will be

sold at lunch with the proceeds benefitting the 4-H shotgun program.

Fifty-three youth ranging in age from 9-18 and representing 13 counties competed in last year's event. The public is invited to attend and observe these talented young people.

Awards will be presented at the completion of the competition.

Happy Birthday

May 9 - Huey Ingram, Kevin Calloway and Irene Rios

May 10 - Cora Williams, Jasmine Moran, Rick Storms, Mary-Linda De La Garza, Sandra Hernandez, Khalid Omar Valencia and Maria Rios

May 11 - Kyle Webb, Paul C. Perner IV, Linda Anderson, Francisco S. Moran and John Kelley

May 12 - Nancy Forehand, Cathy English and Cora Harrison

May 13 - Charlotte Harrell, Krislyn Borrego, Antonio Carreon and Ebony Ramirez

May 14 - Miguel Camarillo and Sean Alec Gutierrez

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Care Center Chatter

By **ELSA VASQUEZ**
Assistant Activity Director

With our April Showers, we certainly have beautiful May flowers, and with Mother's Day coming up it works out just wonderful.

We have received the most beautiful roses this week. Thank you, it brightens up our life, our day and we feel appreciated. Our staff, all of us, took a resident and we went for a walk around the hospital block. Residents really enjoyed going. A big thanks to all our volunteers who are so faithful and dedicated to serve, looking for no glory for themselves and always ready.

We had a great Cinco de Mayo and birthday party on Friday. Cakes were donated by ONB and El Chato's donated chips and salsa.

We had a special visit from Mr. Romaldo Cervantez, who sang Las Mananitas and Happy Birthday to the residents.

Ann Shaw brought us bingo prizes.

We will be having a Mother's Day party on Thursday at 3:15 p.m. I know we will be having lots of visitors this weekend visiting their mothers, so everyone is welcome. Thanks for everything.

Crockett County Museum Memorials

IN MEMORY OF:
Bill Carson
GIVEN BY:
Gwynell Wells & Janis Almand

IN MEMORY OF:
Ruth Gibbs
Barbara Burnett
GIVEN BY:
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Newby wins award at Howard College

Jessica Newby was recently recognized as the Outstanding Drama Student at Howard College during the Howard College Awards Convocation held on April 17 in Big Spring.

Newby is a 2006 graduate of Ozona High School.

Ozonia Senior Happenings

By **LYNN ENGLISH**
Senior Center Director

Sunday night, we had a thunder/lightning storm and received some rain. It is in our weather forecast that there will be more storms coming our way this week.

We were sad to learn that Dick Kirby passed away. He always greeted people with a cheerful hello and I, for one, will miss seeing him at the post office. Our condolences go out to his wife Shirley, his daughters and their families, also to his many friends.

On April 30, a client of Helping Hands, Stella Murr, was found dead in her home and there has been no word of cause of death. We all will miss seeing Stella about town in her wheelchair.

Charlotte Harrell is back from Virginia and we were all happy to see her. She said she has one more surgery in June, I believe, and after that she should be okay. Charlotte brought a beautiful puzzle back from Virginia and donated it to the Crockett County Senior Center. We are pleased Charlotte is back and thank her for the puzzle.

Also, Sue Arledge was by to visit us last week and brought us two puzzles. Thank you Sue and

come back in the near future to visit again.

The Crockett County Senior Center Board met on May 7 at the Senior Center. Most members attended and Joe Stewart was a visitor.

On May 15, Intrepid Home Health will be taking blood pressures at 11 a.m. at the senior center. Come in and look over the book selection in our bookcase to see if there is one or two that you would like to read. We also have available magazines and recipe books.

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 bridge players come to the Senior Center to play at 1:30 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays. These ladies bring smiles, snacks and enjoy each other's company. Playing bridge last week were Liz Williams, Katherine Russell, Sandy Bebee, Jean Odom, Eileen Childress, Dorothy Friend, Sadie Davidson, Marolyn Bean and Charlotte Harrell.

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

Levis & Lace Square Dance News

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

Thursday night club members Leroy and Carol Adcock, Raul De La Rosa, Renee Padier, Nell Westener, JoAnn Babbitt, Tammi and Danny Monzingo, Lucy Hinde, Jim Couch, Dale Bebee and Tina Jarvis danced at the Care Center.

Saturday, Jim Couch and Tina Jarvis started our first day of calling school. This is Jim's first time and my second, everyone needs some brush up. John Geen a caller from San Angelo was kind enough to come down and teach us the basics of calling. We spent two days learning different modules, get outs, the difference between hash and singing calls. Sunday afternoon club members Carol Adcock, Raul De La Rosa, Lucy Hinde, Renee Padier, Frank Fred, Barbara Jean and Tesla Caperton and John's wife Nora helped by squaring up and letting us practice what we had learned. Jim has good timing and very quickly



learned how to correct a mistake when the dancers or he has made a wrong move, I could learn from him there. I learned how to call patter better which was my weak point. Renee Padier brought up fruit and cinnamon rolls for us both mornings, we would like to thank her for that. Thanks again to John and Nora Geen and Levis and Lace dancers for helping out.

Our next dance will be May 12 at 8 p.m. at the Senior Building, featuring caller Tracey Dowell from McCauley, Texas.

Everyone is welcome to join the fun or just come and watch. Keep it square and happy dancing!

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Obituaries

Richard Chelsea 'Dick' Kirby

Richard Chelsea "Dick" Kirby, 80, of Ozona passed away Saturday, May 5, 2007.

Funeral service was Monday, May 7, at the Ozona United Methodist Church with burial in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Arrangements were by Preddy Funeral Home.

Dick was born on July 16, 1926, and was raised on the banks of the Concho River in Christoval. He graduated from Christoval High School and lived most of his adult life in Ozona. He served in the United States Army from 1950-1952. Dick was a rancher and was appointed the first county auditor for Crockett County in 1955. He retired from that position in 1988. He served with the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department for 20 years. In later years he was an ambassador for the Ozona Chamber of Commerce and was a lifelong member of the United Methodist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Mildred and Richard Chelsea Kirby; his brother, Jack Lee and his sister, Elizabeth Ann.

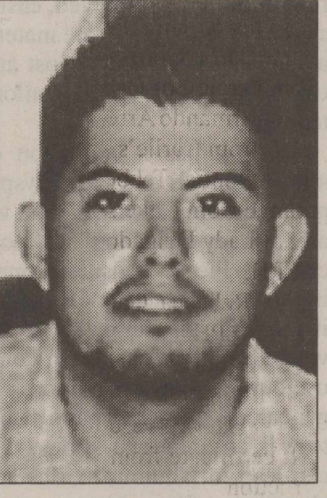
Dick is survived by wife Shirley; daughter Kristi of Dallas; daughter Karen and her husband, Vince of Ozona; granddaughter Hilary; father-in-law Oscar Kost of Ozona; brother Jerry and wife Janis of Junction; brother-in-law Bill Rawls of Christoval; along with many nieces, nephews and cousins.

He will be dearly missed by family and friends.

Pallbearers were Mark White, Jerry Perry, Don Long, Tom Thornton, Ronnie Dorsey, Randy Golsen, Rick Wood and Tommy Stokes.

Donations may be made to the Ozona United Methodist Church Roof Fund.

Fermin Alejos Castillo 1981-2007



Ozonia, Texas. Other survivors include two nieces, Gwen and Cailey Castillo; two nephews, Clint Gonzales and Matthew Castillo; and many aunts and uncles. Fermin also leaves behind his good friends, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis and Tracy Smith and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Tatum, Mr. and Mrs. Barron Meacham and Amy Moreno. Fermin also left behind to cherish his memory his many friends and co-workers in Oklahoma City.

Because of his kind heart and good personality, he was loved by everyone who met him. He was a wonderful son and a great brother — he will be missed dearly.

Accompanying Fermin to his graveside as pallbearers were Barron Beacham of Big Lake, Jesse Stroope of Oklahoma City, Okla., Brad Agee of Gainesville, Texas, Pete Campbell of Oklahoma City, Okla., Brandon Allen of Alpine, Texas, Robert Johnston of Oklahoma City, Okla., Russell Smith of Big Lake and Stephen Staton of Oklahoma City, Okla. Fermin's register book may be read and signed at gutierrezfuneralchapels.com.

Fermin Alejos Castillo, 25, of Oklahoma City, previously of Big Lake, went to be with the Lord on Saturday, April 21, 2007, in Oklahoma City, Okla. Visitation was Monday, April 23, at St. Margaret's of Cortona Catholic Church in Big Lake, Texas. A rosary was recited on Monday, April 23, at the church. Funeral service was Tuesday, April 24, at the church with the Rev. Hillary, the pastor, officiating. Interment will follow in Glen Rest Cemetery. Services were entrusted to the Gutierrez family.

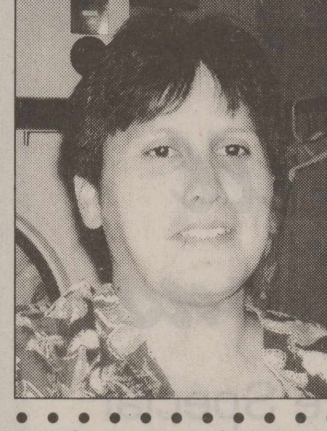
Fermin was born May 11, 1981, in Big Lake, Texas, to Mauro and Esperanza Castillo. He graduated from Reagan County High School in 1999 as a member of the National Honor Society. He was very active in school, playing tennis, playing in the band and he was the school mascot. Fermin went on to attend Howard College in San Angelo for a year. He worked as an assistant manager at La Quinta and was then transferred to Oklahoma City to continue as an assistant manager.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. Mauro and Esperanza Castillo of Big Lake; brothers, Mauro G. and wife Sherri Castillo of Fort Worth, and Conception G. of Bedford, Texas; sister Nicholasa and husband Manuel Castro of San Antonio; and his grandmother, Olivia T. Garza of

Safely Home

I am home in Heaven, dear ones; Oh, so happy and so bright! There is perfect joy and beauty in this everlasting light. All the pain and grief is over; Every restless tossing passed; I am now at peace forever, Safely home in Heaven at last. Then you must not grieve so sorely, For I love you dearly still: Try to look beyond earth's shadows, Pray to trust our Father's Will. There is work still waiting for you, So you must no idly stand; Do it now, while life remaineth- You shall rest in Jesus' land. When that work is all completed, He will gently call you Home; Oh, the rapture of that meeting, Oh, the joy to see you come!

LET US INTRODUCE



NAME: Amy Cervantez
JOB TITLE: Supervisor Housekeeping/Laundry
HOW LONG WITH PRESENT EMPLOYER: 10 years
FAMILY: Children - Alex, junior in high school; Joshua, fourth grade and Vince, two months old
HOBBIES, ORGANIZATIONS, OTHER INTERESTS: Spending time with family, enjoying sporting events, spending time with Phoebe (Shih Tzu)

Card of Thanks

The family of Mauro and Esperanza Castillo would like to thank the people of Ozona for their kindness during the loss of our beloved son Fermin Alejos Castillo would like to thank the people of Ozona for their kindness during the loss of the beloved son Fermin Alejos Castillo. Thanks for the food, flowers, cards, prayers and all their love.

Devotion to St. Jude

May the sacred heart of Jesus be praised, adored, glorified, loved and preserved and glorified throughout the world now and forever. The sacred heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ for the help of your servant St. Jude in listening to my prayers. Say this prayer nine times for nine days. By the end of the eighth, your prayer will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. Thank you St. Jude for prayers answered.
B.Y.D

THEIR SPECIAL

I wish I could but I cannot because she has gone home to be with the Lord. I would like to turn back the clock and tell her I love her and spend a little time with her. I might help her in the kitchen or help clean up the house or just do some little thing that she needed done. I would not let a Mother's day pass by that I didn't get her flowers or a card, call, or take her out to dinner or all of the above. I would also go to Church with her because that pleased her so much, (both my mother and my grandmother). I would try doing something to let her know that she was special and appreciated. God created women special and unique and we are commanded (told to) to give a special place of honor to our mothers, (and fathers, Exodus 20:12). We are told to listen to and not overlook, (1 Kings 19:19-21) their instruction, (Proverbs 1:8 & 6:20). We are also told not to curse, (Exodus 21:17) or despise or rob them, (Proverbs 15:20 & 28:24). It is good that we have a special day to honor mothers but I also think we also need to treat them special the rest of the year. By the way the Bible mentions two people who did not have mothers, (Genesis 1:27).

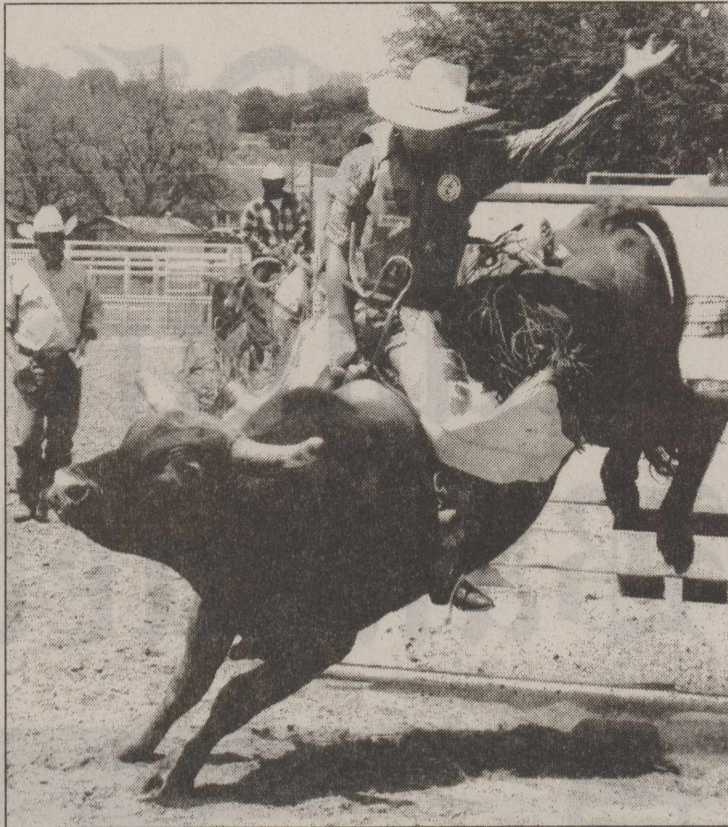
See you in Church next Sunday. Brother J

<p>First Baptist Church 901 Ave. D Rev. John Collis Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting - 6:30 p.m. Awanas: Wednesday - 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Ozonia Church of Christ 1002 11th St. Mr. Johnnie Perkins Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.</p>	<p>Ozonia United Methodist Church 12 - 11th St. Rev. John Fluth Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.</p>
<p>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.</p>	<p>Faith Lutheran Church 802 1st St. Pastor Tom Baden Worship: Tuesday - 7 p.m. Bible Class: Tuesday - 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church 2121 Santa Rosa St. Rev. Dan & Ann Rios Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Family Service: 6:30 p.m.</p>
<p>Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida Corner of Secretariat & Man O' War Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Service: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>Calvary Baptist Church 601 Ave. I Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Wed. & Sun. Worship: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Attend the Church of your choice this Sunday</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>New Beginnings Church 701 9th Street Pastor Jesse Cardona Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Tuesday Worship: 7 p.m.</p>		<p>Iglesia de Cristo Hwy 163 S. at Quail Run Interim - Ray Valadez Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 6 p.m.</p>

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- Laurie Hale and Britney Ramos - \$20 gift certificate each from Pepe's Cafe.
 - Coy Tambunga - \$40 gift certificate from Irma's Nail Salon.
 - Ernie Hernandez, Alexa Cervantez, Antonio Vasquez Jr., Melinda Valdez, Mark Hernandez, Patricia Hernandez - large pizza each from T&C.
 - Maria Hernandez, Spa Gift Set, and Chon Fierro Jr., Teddy Bear Gift Set, from Maria's Design Line.
 - Diego and Kristy Pena - \$50 savings bond from ONB.
 - Ronnie Fierro - two Mudhouse Candles from Baskets & More.
 - Esme Barrera - car wash from Mike's Car Care.
 - Maria Elena Salazar - \$50 gift certificate from Triple C Hardware.
 - Amy Cervantez - starter detail set from Crockett Automotive.
 - Joshua Porras - knife set from Dollar General.
 - Juan Mendez Jr. - prize package from Village Drug.
 - Martha De La Garza - 13-inch television from Preddy's Tire Service.
 - Chita Unata - KC for 2 from the Hitchin' Post.
 - Carlie Goree - MP3 Player from Circle Bar Cable.
 - Armando Arredondo - sand cross from Carlie's.
 - Jomie Tebbets Jr. - oil change from Mike's Car Care.
 - Lady Delgado - cross from OLPH.
 - Rebecca Galvan - basket from OLPH.
 - Andria Castro - fishing pole from Dollar General.
 - Antonio Vasquez Jr. - \$50 gift certificate from Lilly's Construction.
 - Jovita Perez and Armando Ojeda - throw rugs each from Ofelia Ilanes.
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 - Ricky Porras - Kodak Digital Camera and Printer donated by Jesse and Lupe McGuire.
 - Alejandra Cruz - stereo donated by Jose Luis and Lillie Garanzuay.

Thank you for the success of our First Charreada 2007 Cinco de Mayo

It is a blessing to be part of this community, so many help to put on this big celebration. We would like to thank Ruben Cruz Sr., coordinator, Victor Hernandez, Ruben Cruz Jr., Manuel Guitierrez, Triple C Hardware, Emiliano Valdes, Ruben Cantu, Alfred Enriquez, Lalo Garza, Juan Coy, Michael Medina, Feliberto Sanchez, Antonio Vasquez, Juan Mendez, Circle Bar Cable, Miguel Damian Sr., Reynol Aviles, Brian Mendez, Eddie Perez, Junior Luna, Thomas and Alda De Hoyos, Oscar Flores, James and Lisa Talamantez, Jesse and Lupe McGuire, Mr. and Mrs. Jose Luis Garanzuay, David Perez, Connie Arredondo, Mary Ortiz, Albert Talamantez, OLPH Youth Ministry, St. Peter Prayer Group, Mary Magdeline Group, OLPH Group, Rita Vasquez, Knights of Columbus, Valerie Sanchez, Frank Tambunga, Cursillistas, Gualdapanas, Lalo and Margaret Longoria, Lico Fierro, Jimmy Ortiz, Sylvia De Hoyos Longoria, Gabriel and Alma Longoria, Charlie Lopez, Veva Vargas, Chey and Josae Coy, Mario and Evangelina Lopez, of El Paso, Andy and Kim Gutierrez, of Lubbock, the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department, all businesses that donated prizes, Father Serafin Avenida, all the businesses that donated certificates and everyone else for all that were part of our celebration.

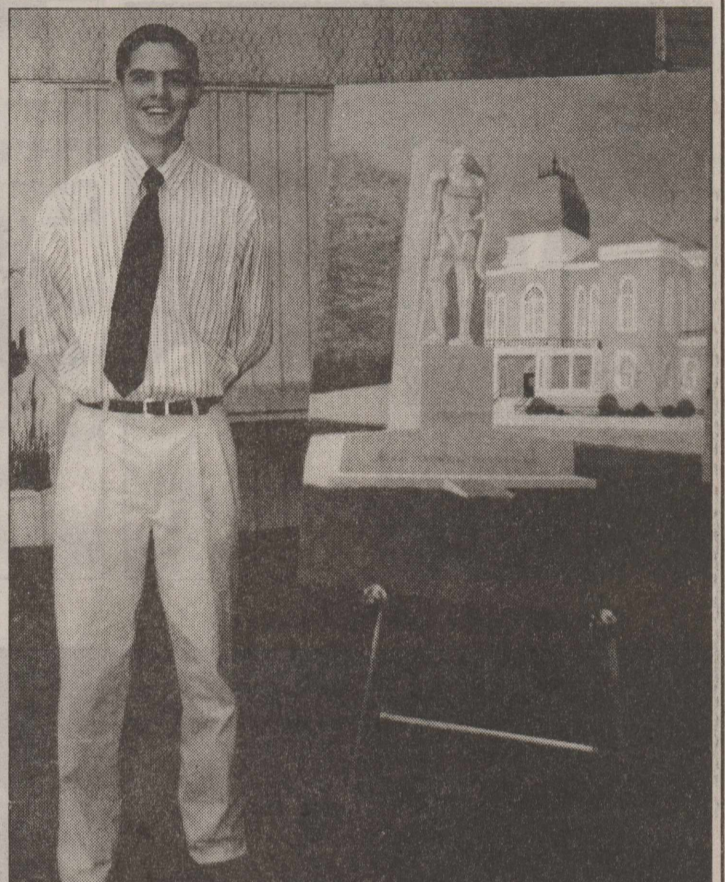
I sincerely apologize if you were not included. Many thanks and blessings (Muchas Gracias)

OLPH Silvia Coy

CHAMBER BANQUET



Photos by Melissa Perner
CHAMBER BANQUET QUEEN and KING Sharon Cash, with Texas Land Sales, and Jay Johnson, with West Texas Rehab, were crowned at the 43rd annual banquet Saturday.



ETHAN ENGLISH painted a portrait of the David Crockett Statue and the Crockett County Courthouse that was auctioned during the Chamber Banquet. The painting was bought for \$200 from The Ozona Stockman and will soon be on permanent display at the Crockett County Museum.

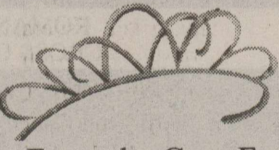
Card of Thanks

On behalf of OLPH Parish Council, thanks to all businesses for all their donations and people for making our Cinco de Mayo so successful!

Veronica Fierro



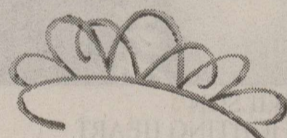
We want to express our sincere appreciation to everyone in the community that contributed to the Cinco de Mayo fundraisers. Also thanks to our family and friends for all their help. Special thanks go to Irma, Frank and Roman Tambunga



From the Cruz Family

Cinco de Mayo Princess Anna Hernandez

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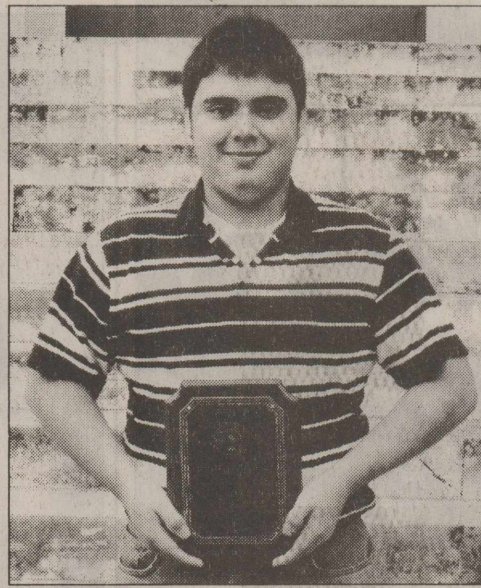
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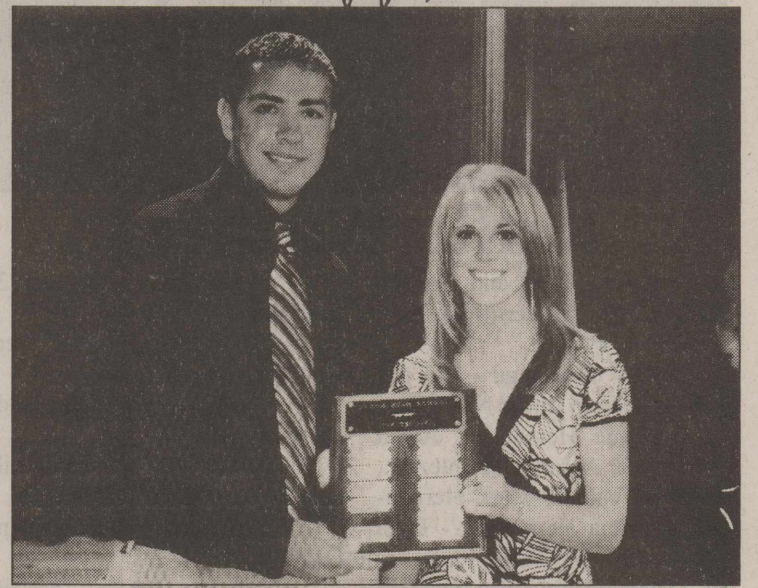
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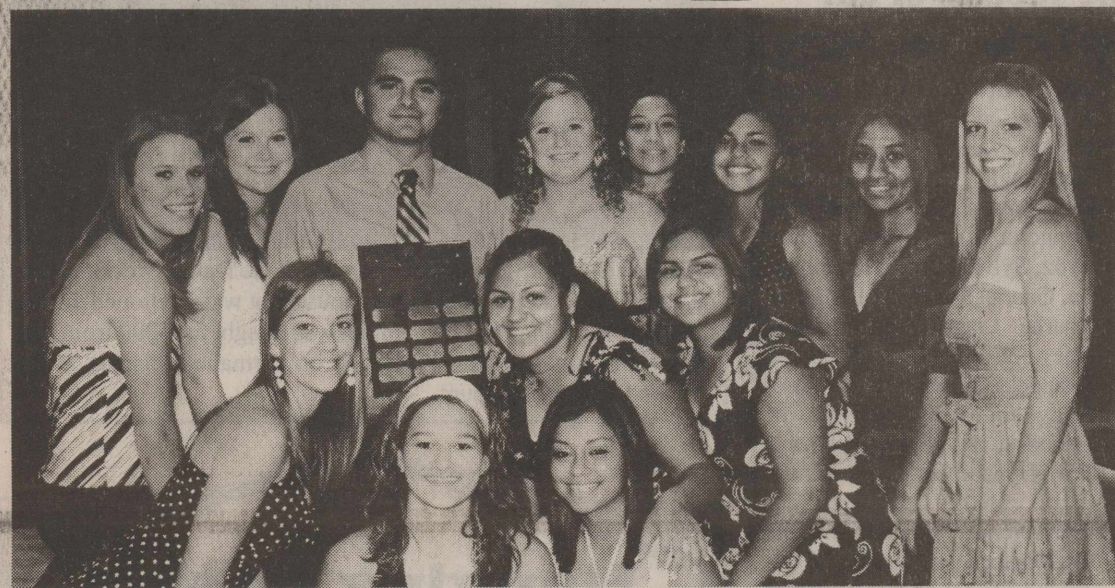
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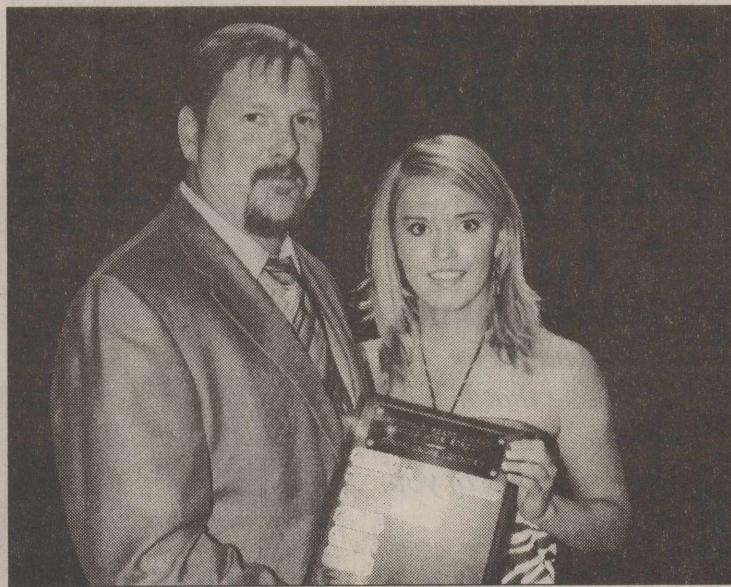
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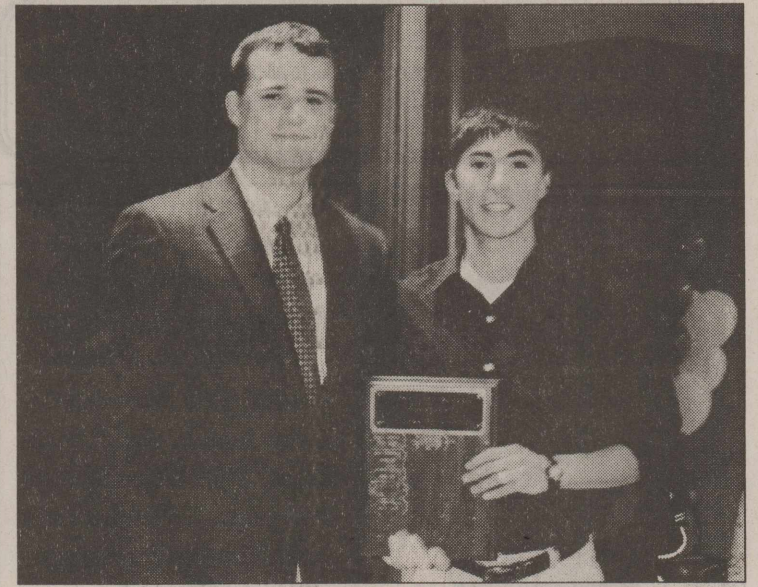
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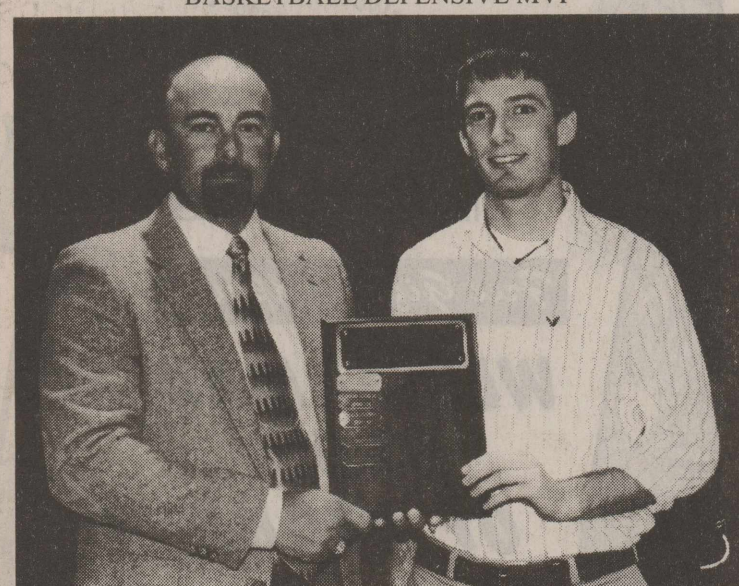
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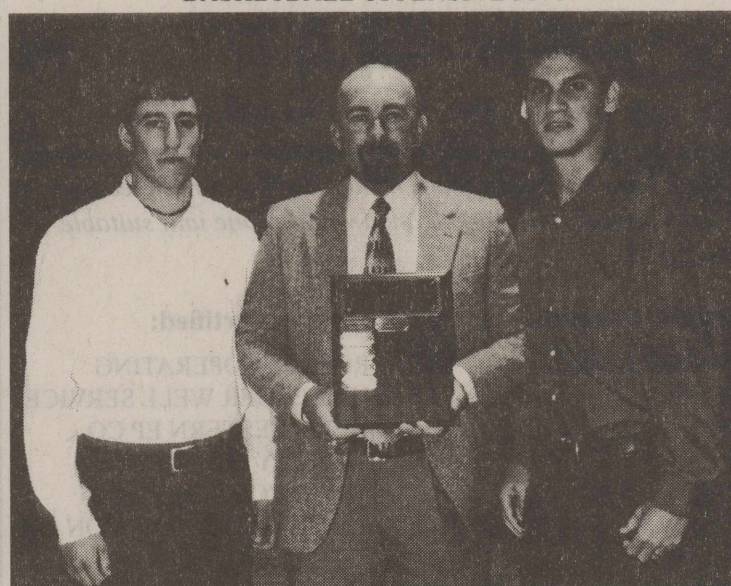
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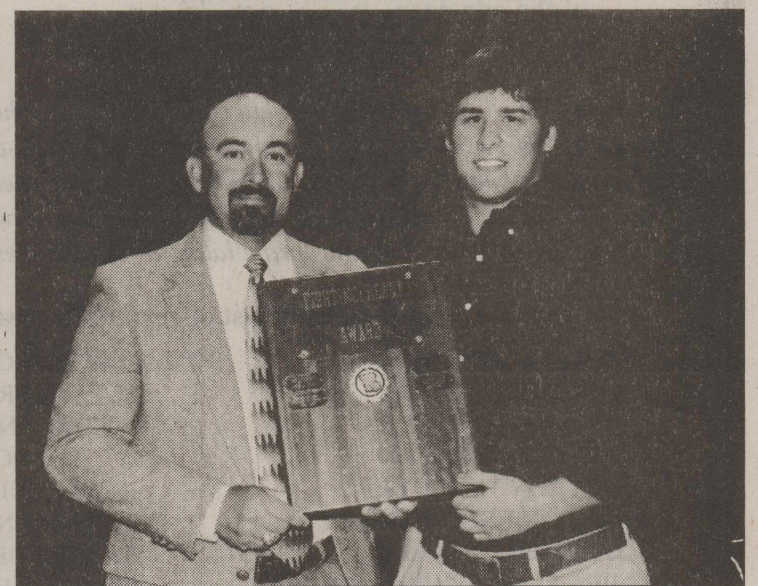
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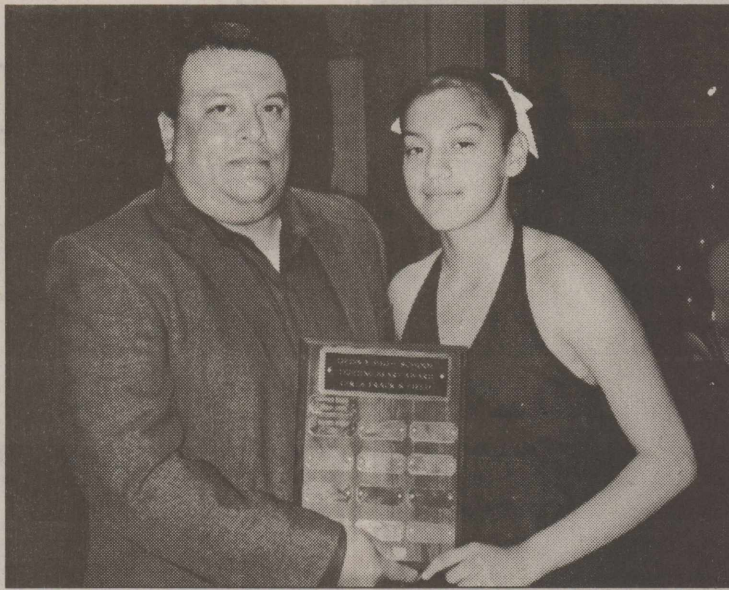
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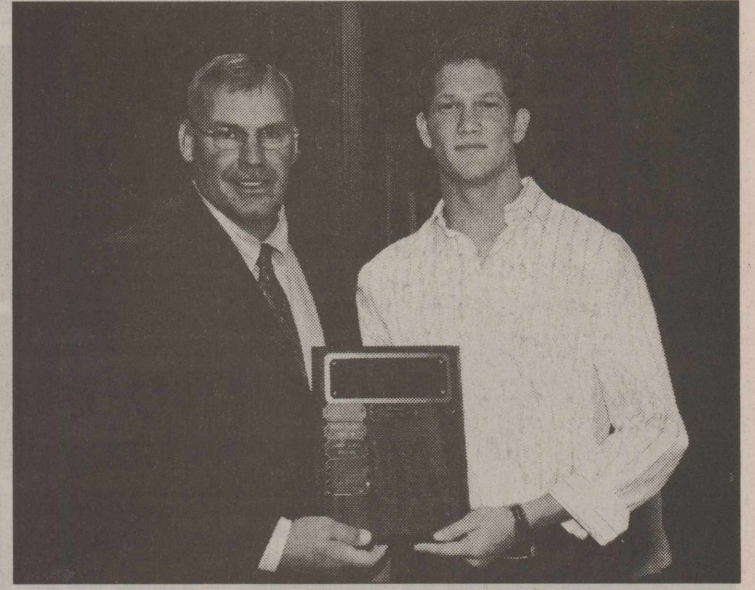
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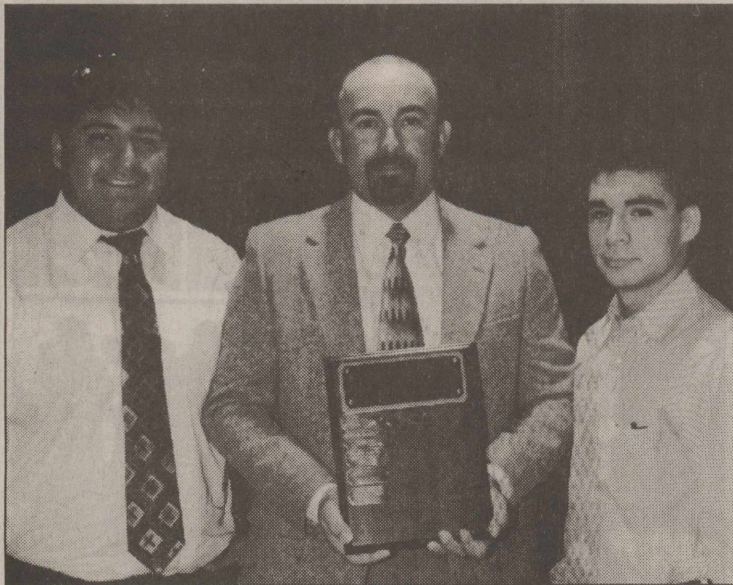
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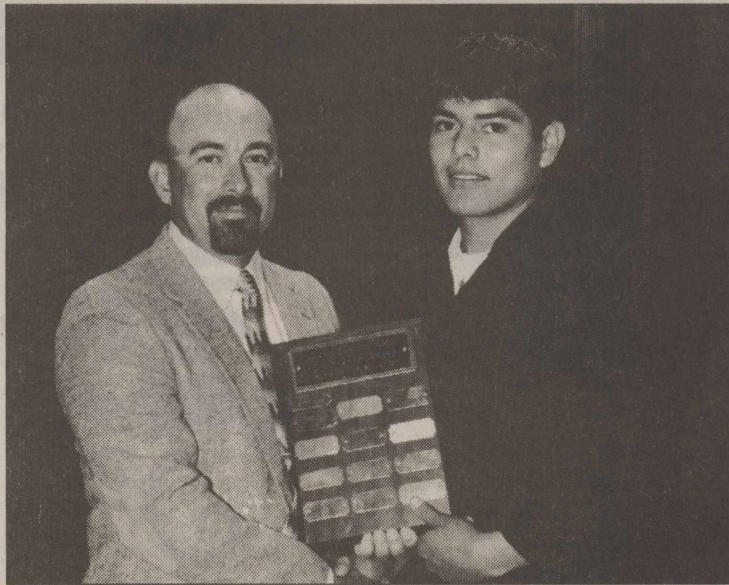
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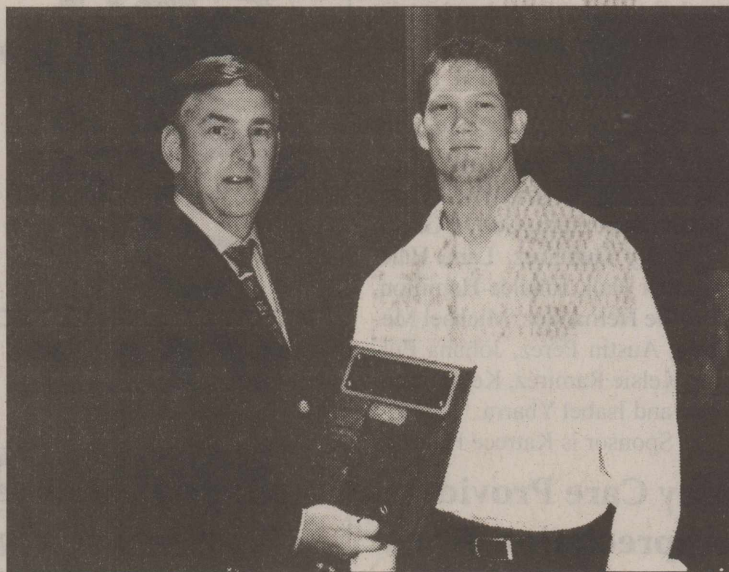
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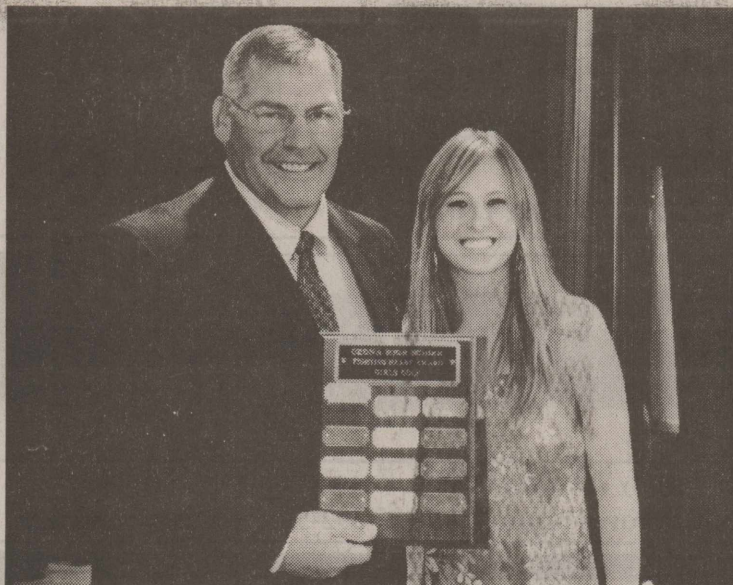
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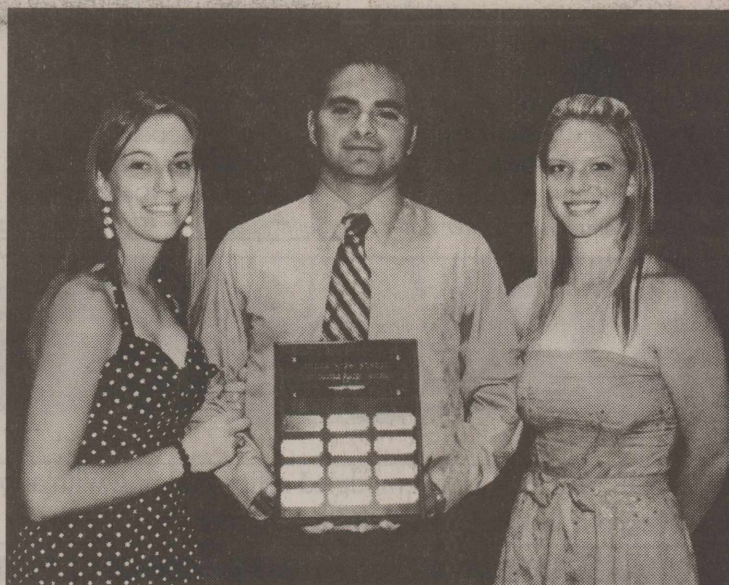
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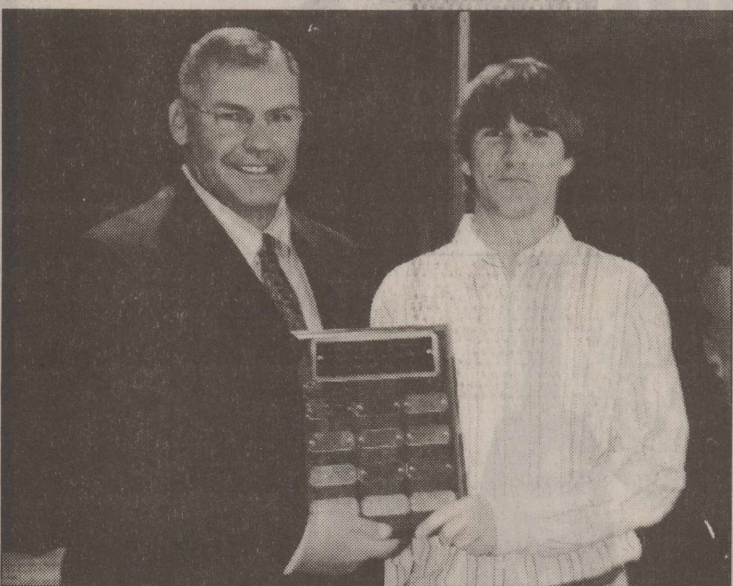
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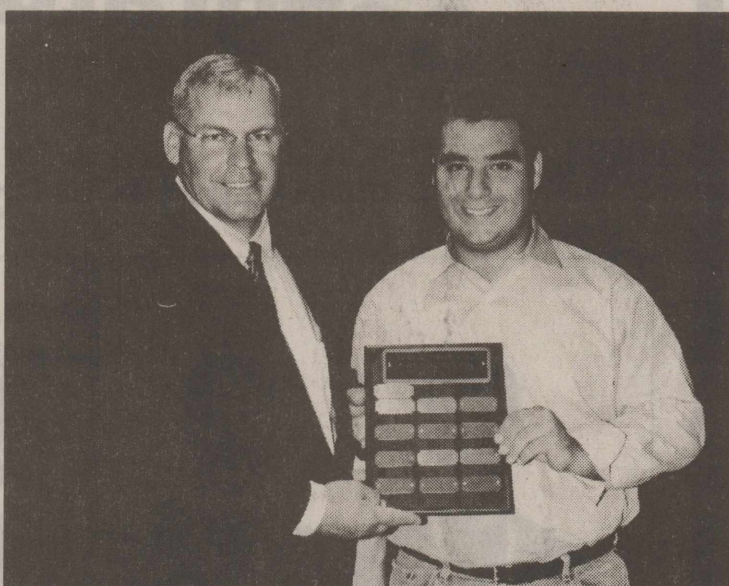
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NINE SIXTH GRADE STUDENTS were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society during a ceremony held April 30 at the civic center. The students are: (left to right) Tesla Caperton, Allie Black, Cynthia Garcia, Jesse Badillo, Josh Tomlinson, Sierra Trevino, Tori Williams, Marley Tambunga, Cuatro Jones and sponsor Katrece Hale.

Students inducted into junior honor society

By **MELISSA PERNER**
 Editor and Publisher

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Current honor society members led the program and performed the ceremony.

New officers for the 2007-2008 school year are: President Natalie Hernandez; Vice President Lane Hale; Secretary Isabel Ybarra and Treasurer Kelbie Renfroe.



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NJHS OFFICERS FOR 2007-2008: (left to right) President Natalie Hernandez, Vice President Lane Hale, Secretary Isabel Ybarra and Treasurer Kelbie Renfroe.

Eighth Grade NJHS Current Members are: Brenda Venegas, Rebecca Pierce, Trey Fierro, Jennifer Allen, Murphey Black, Sean Davis, Kyle Dean, Leandra Hernandez, Duncan Knox, Russell Komechak, Abey Lara, Jayce Logan, Kristen Mendoza, Chelsea Moore, Layla Perez, Jady Poindexter, Wilton Russell, Austin Suddreth and Stefan Wilson.

Seventh Grade NJHS Current Members are: Aron Aguilera, Erik Carrizales, Craig Fluth, Kent Fluth, Collyn Glaspie, Gaby Gutierrez, Lane Hale, Kramer Hall, Emalee Hamilton, Natalie Hernandez, Michael Medina, Austin Perez, Johnna Pulig, Kelsie Ramirez, Kelbie Renfroe and Isabel Ybarra.

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OZONA COMMUNITY CENTER GRADUATES: (left to right) Ida Perez, Austin Moran and Ashley Moran, were honored during a ceremony on May 4 at the Ozona United Methodist Church.

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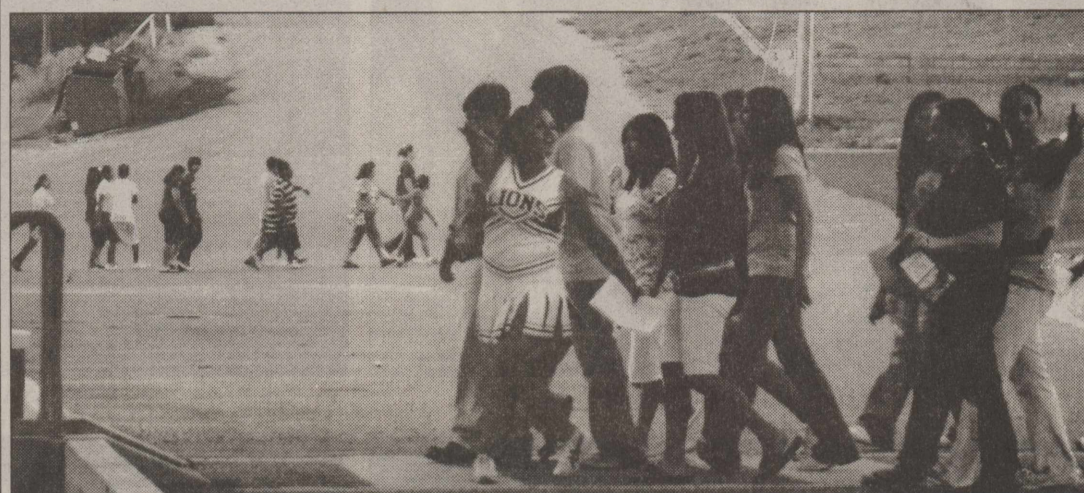


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OZONA HIGH SCHOOL CHEERLEADER CASSANDRA SALAZAR points out some of the sights of the school grounds to eighth-graders and their parents. The cheerleaders gave campus tours during the "Fish Camp" held April 30.



Photo by Melissa Perner
A FISH FRY was also held at the Fish Camp. The camp also featured an orientation for the students who will be entering high school next year. The orientation featured the new "4x4" plan in which next year's freshmen class will be the first to take the new state plan that requires four years of English, Science, Math and Social Studies.

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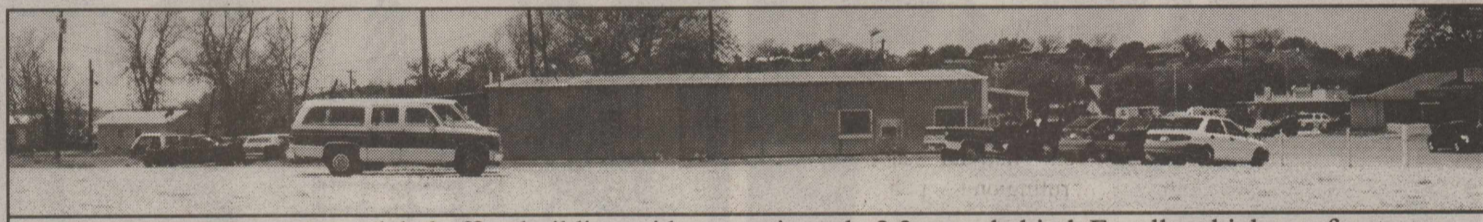
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CRISTY DOMINGUEZ and MELONY MORAN (left to right) are the recipients of this year's Crockett County Youth Center Scholarship.

WOOL: Stalcup bought herself two saddles with company money

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In the plea agreement, Stalcup agreed that the total loss amount is approximately \$200,000 and that she owes restitution.

Also according to the plea agreement, Stalcup waived her right to appeal, and agreed to submit a personal financial statement under oath and submit to interviews by the United States Attorney's Office regarding defendant's capacity to satisfy any fines or restitution.

Stalcup was released on bond after the hearing. Part of Stalcup's bond is to disclose pending case information to her employer if her employment grants her access to any form of financial transactions.

Stalcup was charged with misapplication of fiduciary property over \$200,000 in May 2006, along with former manager Donnie Laughlin, whose case is also pending in federal court.

According to court documents, Stalcup carried on several schemes to defraud and to obtain money and property from Wool Growers. The transactions occurred from August 2001 to April 2006, and totaled approximately \$7,977.85. Stalcup was hired in 1998 to be the bookkeeper of Wool Growers.

Stalcup would place unauthorized orders for goods and products that she represented were to be placed in the inventory of Wool Growers, documents state.

Instead of the items being placed into inventory, Stalcup took the goods and products for her own use and fraudulently

caused Wool Growers to pay for the goods, documents state. Some of the items Stalcup purchased were two saddles from Alamo Saddlery in Brackettville totaling \$1,093.82.

Other expenses include an alleged gastric bypass surgery that Stalcup had in 2005 at the Citizens Hospital in Victoria, Texas.

In an Internet blog posted on www.obesityhelp.com, Stalcup wrote in 2005 that she had scrounged up \$19,700 to have the surgery plus travel expenses.

Stalcup also used her position to write 218 unauthorized checks to pay herself on the Ozona and Sanderson Wool Growers accounts, which totaled approximately \$126,658.43. During that same period, Stalcup also stole cash from Wool Growers funds, the documents stated.

Wool Growers filed for bankruptcy in April 2006. A hearing on the bankruptcy reorganization plan was held May 3 in the U.S. Federal Courthouse in San Angelo.

The majority of creditors have filed to approve the plan, but a group called the Wardlaw Creditors filed an objection and voted against the plan.

The Wardlaw Creditors consist of Jack David Wardlaw, Jesse Lem Wardlaw and Warlaw Brothers, which is composed of Jack David Wardlaw III, Mack Miers Wardlaw and William Chase Wardlaw, all of Sonora.

As of press time Monday, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Robert L. Jones had not issued an opinion, ruling on the plan.

MEETING: Committee still discussing three campus district

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To build a new 48-bed jail, the county would be looking at \$3.2 to \$3.5 million, which could go out on a bond, Deaton said.

"We don't know what will happen. I've tried to figure out what kind of things we would be looking at," Deaton said. "We have not coordinated any kind of plan."

Commissioner Randy Branch said his main goal with the jail commission is to try and keep the jail at a 19-bed rating.

"We don't want to build a jail right now. Building a place for our children to educate their minds is more important than a jail. We can house prisoners some place else," Branch said.

"We're also facing the same issue that the school is, with old buildings. We know that sometime down the future we will have to do something," added Commissioner Frank Tambunga.

Facilities committee member Wade Richardson said that if the county does decide to look into a bond, he encourages the commissioners to exercise fiscal responsibility.

"I think the county should have a tight budget, you should know what you're spending your

money for. I think it's wrong to use these fat tax times we have right now to get money that is easy to get and spend it. I hope this next county budget we see is a tight budget," he said. "We have an opportunity here to make things right in our county."

At their last meeting, the board and the committee voted to cut the school district from four to three campuses.

During Monday's meeting, facilities committee member John L. Henderson explained to the group his idea to make the cut.

Henderson said that the pre-K through third grades can be housed in the intermediate school. A new building to house both seventh and eighth grades or fourth and fifth grades can be built across from the middle school on vacant property the school owns.

Henderson then said the Head Start could be housed in the west side of the primary school that is located under the pitched roof.

Head Start is currently located in one of the school's houses and has 20 students in the small building. The program also has 20 students on their waiting list. That would free up another teacher house.

"I can't image that many little bitty kids in that little bitty house," Henderson said.

Another part of the primary school could be closed up to house the Alternative Education Program, freeing up another teacher house, Henderson said.

Henderson also said that a \$3 million, short-term bond, would be enough for the district to accomplish this.

"We wouldn't have to go to all these great, big expenditures by doing this. Going to three campuses help take care of our maintenance and this would be cost-effective," he said. "We don't need to tear anything down. We might look and see some needs and work on that school in the future."

Superintendent Abe Gott said that if the committee decides to keep the kids in the current schools, while building additional classrooms, then education doesn't have to be disrupted in displacing students.

Gott also said a building housing fourth and fifth grades would be more cost effective.

On the issue of traffic at a new building and with smaller children at the intermediate

school, Henderson said having the county build a street that parallels the draw would allow traffic to be able to go around the intermediate school.

Gott said pick up and drop off areas could be set up for the different grade levels.

Board Vice President Laurie Hale said that maintenance would still have to be done on the primary school or the building will become worse.

Tambunga also said that he is having a hard time closing a whole school down.

"It sounds like we're going to stay with four campuses. If we keep (the primary school) and don't do anything to it, that will create more of a maintenance nightmare," Hale said.

The commissioners will hold their regular monthly meeting at 9 a.m. Monday, May 14, at the courthouse annex.

The CCCSD Board of Trustees will hold their regular monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. May 16 at the Administration Building on 797 Avenue D.

The School Facilities Committee meeting will hold their next meeting at 5:30 p.m. May 17 at the OHS Library.

Golf, softball tournaments in Iraan

The Facilities Improvement Committee is hosting the second annual Invitational Golf Tournament May 19 in Iraan.

Registration starts at 8 a.m. It is a 3-person team tournament.

Cost is \$50 per player, \$150 per team.

Meal is provided for players. Green fee included.

Brisket plates will be \$5 for non-players.

Bring your own golf carts.

For more information, call Santiago Flores at (432) 639-2022,

Luis Morales at (432) 639-2077 or Leticia Ortiz at (254) 495-6664.

There will also be a "Beat the Heat" Softball Tournament May 19 and 20 in Iraan.

The tournament will be open-USSSA.

First place will win \$125 and T-Shirts. Second place will get T-Shirts and third place plaque.

For more information, call John Garza at (432) 639-6174, Luis Morales (432) 639-2077 or C.C. Mendoza at (432) 634-6650.

Donations being taken for Eagle Pass family

Texas Energy is taking donations for the Jose Rodriguez family, formerly of Ozona.

The family now lives in Eagle Pass and their home was damaged in the recent tornado that hit the town.

The family also suffered injuries in the storm. They have three children, under the age of

10 years old.

Monetary donations, clothing and food are needed.

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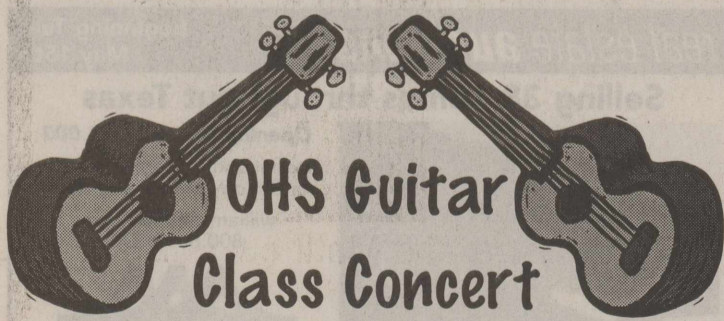
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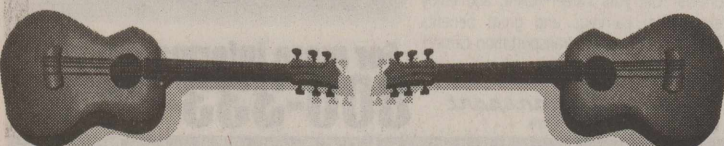


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CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS REPORT

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Abandoned/imponded vehicles	3
Animal control, Livestock Complaints	11
Civil Complaints	1
Civil Service	4
Criminal Activity Complaints	14
Disturbances, Domestic, Loud Noise etc.	11
Gas Thefts	2
Juvenile Complaints	5
Locked Vehicles	5
911 Fire Calls	1
911 Vehicle Accidents	5
911 Medical calls	4
Motorist Assistance	8
Reckless driving/speeding complaints	5
Security Alarms	3
Sheriff's Office Admin Calls	25
Sheriff's Jail/dispatch Admin Calls	16
State/County Road Calls	1
Suspicious Persons/Vehicle	1
Welfare Concern for Citizen/Property	6
Welfare/gas/food	2
Minor Vehicle Accidents	1
Traffic Citations Issued	8

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
- Lacy Fleming, of Odessa/Ozona, Crockett County Court-Theft by Check
- Brandon O'Neil, of Barnhart, Crockett County Court-Theft by Check
- 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.
- Blas Ramos Jr., Crockett County J.P. warrant - no drivers' license and restrained child.
- Jason Parker, Taylor County warrant - theft by check.
- Gilberto Montelongo Mata, Crockett County J.P. warrant - minor in consumption of alcohol.
- Reymundo Borrel Villar-

real, Crockett County Court - assault causing bodily injury.

- Rosie Ramirez Cervantes, Crockett County District Court - assault on a public servant.
- Miguel Rivas Jr., Justice of the Peace Court - disregarding a stop sign.
- Arthur Jason Smith, Crockett County Court - motion to adjudicate/DWI two counts.

ARREST REPORT

5-01-07

- Jason Dimas Rodriquez, 24, of Sheffield/Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy on a warrant for failure to register as a sex offender. He remains in custody pending bail or court.
- John Daniel Ramirez, 30 of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy with warrants of release of surety on delivery of a control substance and use of a false identification. He posted bail and was released.
- Betty Gillette Newberry, 39, of Big Lake, arrested by DPS Troopers for evading arrest/detention with vehicle. She was transferred to Reagan County.
- Evangeline Patricia Vasquez, 17, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy for possession of marijuana under 2 ounces. She remains in custody pending bond or court.
- Luis Manuel Perez-Rodriquez, 17, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy with a warrant for evading arrest and possession of marijuana (2 counts). He remains in custody pending bond / court.
- Jonathan Lee Munoz, 22, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy for driving while intoxicated second offense and making alcohol available to a minor. He remains in custody pending bail or court.
- Edward Mendoza Jr., 27, of Ozona arrested by sheriff's deputy for public intoxication. He posted fine and was released.

Local citizen filed an assault with bodily injuries report. Victim was assaulted at a trailer park on Avenue J by known person. Case is under investigation

Local citizen filed an assault with bodily injury report. Victim was assaulted at a residence on Avenue J. Case is under investigation.

Local business manager on Taylor Box Road filed a theft of property report. A known customer removed property from business without authorization. Investigation continues.

Sheriff's office filed an abandoned vehicle report for a vehicle left partially blocking an alley between Walnut and Mulberry streets. Vehicle was impounded.

Sheriff's office filed a possession of marijuana under 2 ounces report following an arrest of a known person on 14th Street.

A person at a local motel filed a criminal mischief report. Victim stated that sometime over the night of May 5 a parked vehicle was damaged. Investigation continues.

A local citizen filed an assault causing bodily injury report. Victim reported that a known person, on Avenue H caused the assault. Investigation continues.

INCIDENT REPORTS

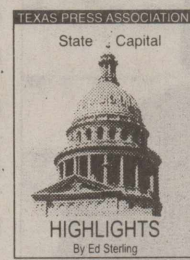
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Sheriff's office filed a failure to register as a sex offender, report against a known person, who was living in Ozona. Warrant was issued and arrest was made of suspect.

5-02-07

Sheriff's office filed a possession of marijuana and evading arrest reports following a welfare concern check at a residence on Mulberry Street. One person was arrested at scene. A warrant was issued for second known person who fled scene. Suspect was arrested at later date.

Governor signs tax cut for disabled, seniors



HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Steiner

AUSTIN - Gov. Rick Perry signed legislation reducing the amount of property tax that a school district may impose on the home residence of Texans who are over 65 or disabled.

The legislation, HB 5 by Rep. Leo Berman, R-Tyler, is a one-time tax cut that expires on Sept. 1, 2008.

HB 5 stipulates that the state will make up the revenue school districts will lose to the tax cut, estimated at \$15 billion.

The money to make up the lost revenue would come from HB 1, the general appropriations bill, but HB 1 has not passed.

A conference committee of 10 lawmakers must work out a final version of HB 1 agreeable to both the House and Senate.

Conferees are Reps. Warren Chisum, R-Pampa; Dan Gattis, R-Georgetown; Ryan Guillen, D-Rio Grande City; Lois Kolkhorst, R-Brenham; and Sylvester Turner, D-Houston; and Sens. Steve Ogden, R-College Station; Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo; Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock; John Whitmire, D-Houston; and Tommy Williams, R-The Woodlands.

House passes 'Under God' bill

The House voted 124-5 to put the words "under God" in the pledge of allegiance to the state flag. HB 1034, authored by Rep. Riddle, would change the wording to "I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God and indivisible." The current language is "I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one and indivisible." The Senate has yet to consider the measure.

Before the bill came to a final vote, Rep. Scott Hochberg, D-Houston, asked Riddle if she would accept an amendment adding the words "and justice for all" to the bill, because if the intent was to mirror the U.S. pledge of allegiance, it would include those additional words. Riddle declined.

SMOKING DEBATE TO CONTINUE

The House spent hours in debate May 4 over HB 9, legislation to ban smoking in all workplaces and public places, authored by Rep. Myra Crownover, R-Denton.

Debate was interrupted many times by points of order charging that parts of the official analysis of the bill were inaccurate.

Further consideration was postponed to May 9.

CASINO GAMBLING MEASURE FAILS

A bill to allow casino gambling on the federally recognized Tigua and Alabama-Coushatta Indian reservations narrowly failed in a House vote on May 4. The vote was a tie at 66-66. One more vote would have sent the measure, HB 10 by Rep. Norma Chavez, D-El Paso, to the Senate for consideration.

JESSICA'S LAW GOES TO CONFERENCE

The House and Senate did not agree on elements of HB 8, the Jessica's Law legislation championed by Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and authored by Rep. Debbie Riddle, R-Houston, five joint authors and 23 cosponsors.

Dewhurst named conferees to meet with House members in a conference committee: Sens. Bob Deuell, R-Greenville; Kim Brimer, R-Arlington; Juan Chuy Hinojosa, D-McAllen; Steve Ogden, R-Bryan; and Florence Shapiro, R-Plano. House conferees are Reps. Riddle; Gattis; Aaron Pena, D-Edinburg; Jerry Madden, R-Richardson; and Joe Deshotel, D-Beaumont.

COMBS OFFERS LIMITED TAX AMNESTY

State Comptroller Susan Combs announced she is offering a 60-day tax amnesty to businesses with overdue state taxes and those that may be operating without required tax permits.

From June 15 through Aug. 15 taxpayers can come forward, file past-due tax reports and pay their taxes in full, and the comptroller will waive penalty and interest charges normally added to delinquent taxes, according to a news release from Combs' office.

The tax amnesty applies to taxes and tax reports originally due before April 1, 2007.

"We're calling the amnesty period 'Project Fresh Start' because taxpayers have a unique, limited-time opportunity to clear up unpaid, underreported or overdue taxes without fear of penalty or interest and get a fresh start with the state," Combs said.

The amnesty does not apply to assessments already identified by the comptroller, taxpayers currently under audit or review, and taxpayers the comptroller has already contacted about an audit or possible tax deficiency, Combs said.

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MAY 4

- 8:50 a.m. - Motor Vehicle Accident in the median of mile-marker 365 on I-10, worked traffic and fire fighter EMT assisted EMS. Three units and five fire fighters responded.
- 10:10 p.m. - Motor Vehicle Accident 13 miles south of Big Lake on State Highway 137, assisted EMS and worked traffic. Three units and 11 fire fighters responded, along with Big Lake fire fighters and two EMS.

MAY 5

- 7:25 a.m. - Motor Vehicle Accident at mile-marker 368 on I-10. On arrival we found it was a vehicle with blown tires and no accident. One unit and four fire fighters responded.

MAY 6

- 4:48 p.m. - Motor Vehicle Accident at the exit ramp of mile-marker 378 on I-10. No injuries and road not blocked, so units released.
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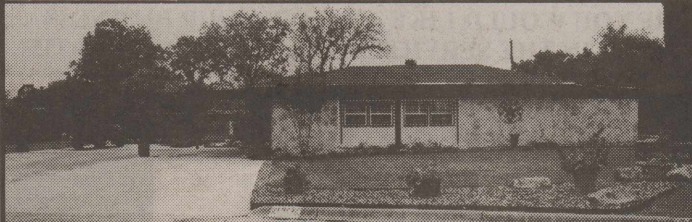
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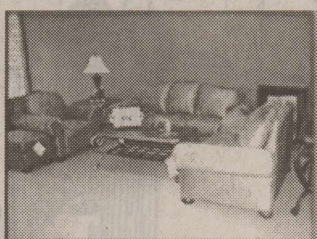
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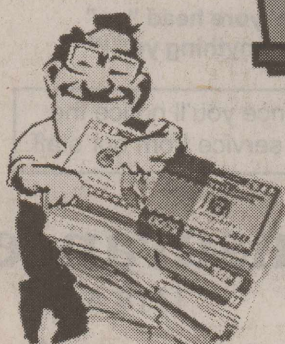
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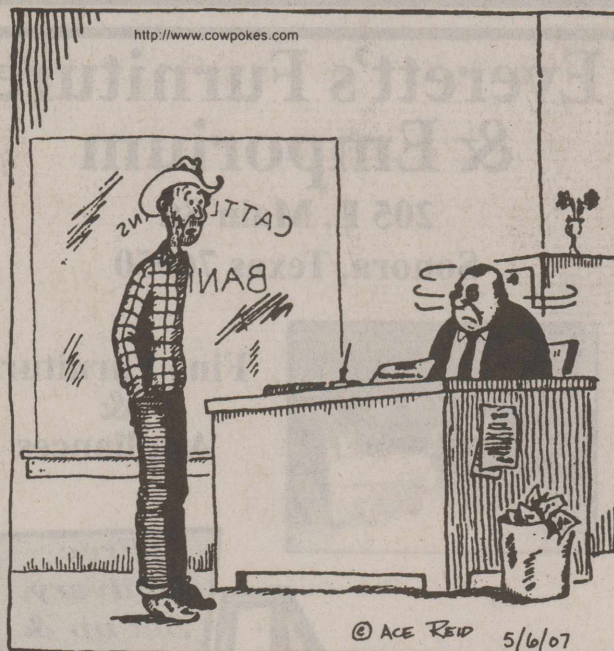
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