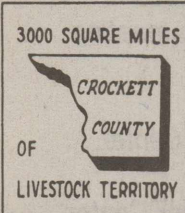


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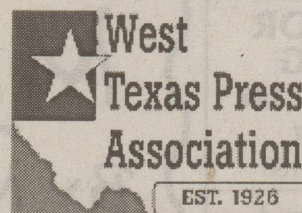
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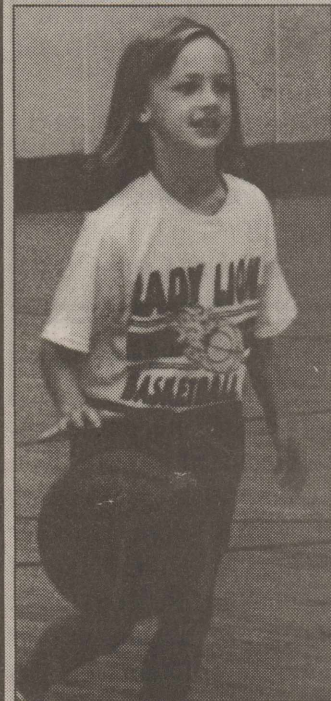
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Partly Cloudy	
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## Local woman arrested as part of area meth ring

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
 Editor and Publisher

An Ozona woman was arrested last week as part of an area-wide methamphetamine ring.

Cynthia Harrison, 47, was taken into custody on July 24 at her residence by Texas Department of Public Safety Troopers and a deputy from the Crockett County Sheriff's Office.

Harrison was then transported to the Tom Green County Jail in San Angelo where she was booked on a charge of engaging in organized criminal activity.

The charge is a first-degree felony, which is punishable no less than 5 years and up to 99

years in prison and a fine not to exceed \$10,000.

Currently, Harrison is remains in the Tom Green County Jail with a bond set at \$150,000.

According to a Tom Green County Grand Jury Indictment, Harrison allegedly participated in delivering methamphetamine around Jan. 15, with two other people involved in the ring.

Billy Jack Horton Jr., 52, of Christoval was also charged with a first-degree felony of engaging in organized criminal activity. His bond has been set at \$400,000.

The other person Harrison was allegedly involved with was Tammy Evans. Evans, also



**CYNTHIA HARRISON**

known as Tammy Payne, 47, Christoval, has also been charged with a first-degree felony of engaging in organized criminal activity. Her bond has been set at \$200,000.

Law enforcement officials are still searching for Evans.

The indictment stated Harrison, Horton and Evans were allegedly working together to share in the profits of selling the drug.

These were three were part of 33 people that are allegedly involved in the distribution of methamphetamine.

Last week many of the suspects were arrested by area law enforcement officials, with some still being sought for arrest.

Charges vary with the suspects, but many of them face the same or similar charges as Harrison, Horton and Evans. Bonds for the suspects range from

\$75,000 to \$400,000.

The grand jury indictments were sealed until July 23. The 33 people have been under investigation since August 2006, according to DPS officials.

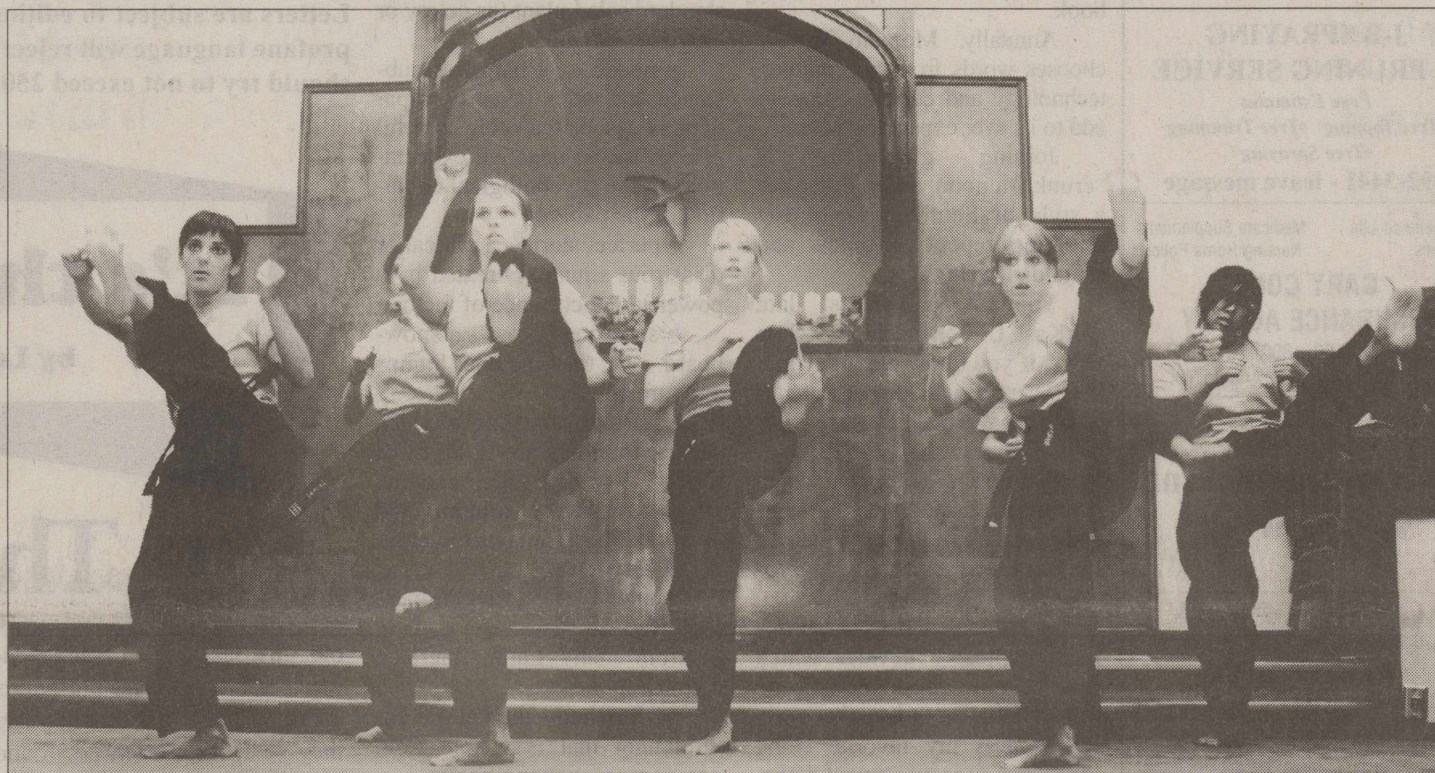
DPS officials also said there are additional federal indictments that will be done in the future.

### THOSE ARRESTED LAST WEEK WERE:

- Gabriel Cervera, 26, Floydada
- Cory Doty, 28, San Angelo
- Melissa Garfias, 23, San Angelo
- Paula Gillit, 45, Sonora
- Christopher Henrickson, 23, Grape Creek

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## KICKING FOR A HIGHER POWER



TOP: MEMBERS OF THE OPEN DOOR BAPTIST TAEKWONDO TEAM demonstrate their kicking abilities during a performance on July 25 at the First Baptist Church of Ozona. ABOVE: ANDREW CROMWELL breaks three boards at once during the breaking part of the performance.

Photos by Melissa Perner

## Taekwondo Team shows off their ability and devotion to God

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
 Editor and Publisher

They kick, punch, yell and break things and that's just the physical action part of their show.

Members of Open Door Taekwondo gave a special performance of their martial and ministry skills on July 25 at the First Baptist Church of Ozona.

The group, which is based out of Raleigh, N.C., was traveling on a mission trip to Esperanza Del Rio Community Church, a church plant of Open Door Baptist Church in Raleigh.

The group has been working with the Del Rio church for three years in bringing the power and ministry of taekwondo to their congregation.

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## No teacher causes school district to look at 'last resort' of virtual learning

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
 Editor and Publisher

A virtual classroom may be in the works for incoming freshmen this year.

During Monday night's regular school board meeting, Superintendent Abe Gott said he has contact a program called Virtual Schools Network to teach Algebra I at Ozona High School this year.

Gott said Crockett County CCSD has advertised for an Algebra I teacher since the end of May and they still haven't found an applicant.

The program starts off with a week teaching students how to use the program Blackboard, which is a "chat room" type program where students will type questions and answers to interact with a teacher located in Houston.

After the first week, the program will identify students who are having trouble grasping the computer skills. Gott said a classroom with a math teacher can be set up for these students.

Unlike the distance-learning program where students see a teacher on a screen, the virtual schoolroom is done through text and typing on the computer.

A teacher will be in the room to monitor the students who are learning and using the computers during the class.

The cost is \$350 per student, which includes a workbook. There are around 45 incoming freshmen this year.

"This is a last resort option. The positive is that the students leave the class with the knowledge of Algebra and lots of computer skills they wouldn't normally get," Gott said.

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## Tax advantages exist in going for a November school bond

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
 Editor and Publisher

Money from a school bond would remain in the district, instead of being sent to the state.

The passing of a school bond would also streamline curriculum and help with district maintenance issues.

These topics were discussed by Superintendent Abe Gott during the Ozona Chamber of Commerce's Membership Luncheon.

Gott's presentation, during the July 24 event, talked about the recent decision made by the School Facilities Committee to build a new Ozona Primary School through the passing of a bond.

The Crockett County CCSD Board of Trustees has until the first week of September to call for a bond election, which would then be held in November.

Gott said there is a tax advantage right now in passing a bond. The school district collects

around \$29 million in taxes each year. Out of this, \$20 million is recaptured by the state under the current Robin Hood Plan.

This means that the district only keeps 30 cents of every dollar they raise in taxes.

However, if the community of Ozona passes a bond in November, that money will not be subject to recapture, which means it will stay within the district, Gott said.

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Photo by Allen Williams

**SUPERINTENDENT ABE GOTT** discusses the issues involved in why Crockett County CCSD is looking at possibly calling for a bond to build a new primary school during the Ozona Chamber of Commerce's Membership Luncheon on July 24.

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**What's on My Mind**  
By Melissa Perner  
It's a 'ginormous' year for words

It's time to expand our vocabulary in a ginormous way. No, I didn't make up that word. Ginormous, a combination of "gigantic" and "enormous" will become an official word this fall in the 2007 edition of the Merriam-Webster Colligate Dictionary.

According to the dictionary's web site, the word means "extremely large."

As a word person, I'm always looking for ways to describe different things.

I guess now I can say that the Dallas/Fort Worth metroplex has a ginormous amount of traffic, or that the ginormous house was once owned by a multi-billionaire.

Ginormous was not the only word to get its place into the book.

Annually, Merriam-Webster chooses words from pop culture, technology and current events to add to its ever expanding volume.

Joining ginormous is "crunk," a noun which describes a style of Southern rap music featuring repetitive chants and rapid dance rhythms.

Think rap artists like OutKast, Lil Jon or The East Side Boyz, if you know who they are.

There's also the new technology anagram of DVR or digital video recorder and RPG or report program generator, which is a computer language that generates programs from the user's specifications especially to produce business reports.

There's also, IED or improvised explosive devices which have become common with the war in Iraq.

I guess my favorite being added this year was smackdown. A smackdown is a noun which has four meanings: 1. the act of knocking down or bringing down an opponent; 2. a contest in entertainment wrestling; 3. a decisive defeat and 4. a confrontation between rivals or competitors.

Other words being added:

- agnolotti - pasta in the form of semicircular cases containing a filling (as of meat, cheese, or vegetables).
- Bollywood - the motion-picture industry in India.
- chaebol - a family-controlled industrial conglomerate in South Korea.
- flex-cuff - a plastic strip that can be fastened as a restraint around a person's wrists or ankles.
- gray literature - written material (as a report) that is not published commercially or is not generally accessible.
- hardscape - structures (as fountains, benches, or gazebos) that are incorporated into a landscape.
- microgreen - a shoot of a standard salad plant (as celery or arugula).
- nocebo - a harmless substance that when taken by a patient is associated with harmful effects due to negative expectations or the psychological condition of the patient.
- perfect storm - a critical or disastrous situation created by a powerful concurrence of factors.
- snowboardcross - a snowboard race that includes jumps and turns.
- sudoku - a puzzle in which several numbers are to be filled into a 9x9 grid of squares so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9.
- telenovela - a soap opera produced in and televised in or from many Latin-American countries.
- viewshed - the natural environment that is visible from one or more viewing points.

So, while watching a smackdown in a telenovela I decided to play sudoku and listen to some crunk, when a ginormous perfect storm came across my hardscape lawn.

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**Community Calendar**

- Wednesday, Aug. 1**
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
  - Museum Board meeting, noon at the museum.
  - Commissioners Court Budget Workshop meeting, 6 p.m. at the courthouse annex.
- Thursday, Aug. 2**
- Ladies' Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Friday, Aug. 3**
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
  - Nutrition/Food Pantry, 9:30 a.m. at the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.
- Saturday, Aug. 4**
- Museum fabric sale, 10 a.m. at the Crockett County Museum.
- Monday, Aug. 6**
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
  - Ladies' Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
  - Crockett County Senior Center Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Tuesday, Aug. 7**
- Concho Valley Community Action Board, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Senior Center.
  - Open Playday Series, 6 p.m. at the rodeo arena.
- Wednesday, Aug. 8**
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.

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**It's the Pitts**  
by Lee Pitts

**On The Prod**

I'm beginning to feel really old. Just last week I was listening to some toothless old-timers recalling the worst drought years they've ever experienced around these parts and I had to stop myself before I joined right in on the commiseratin'.

Is there anything worse than a drouth? I'll take low prices and scoury calves any day over a "rainy season" that pours less than a cranky bartender. The cattle trucks are hauling stock out of our area just as fast as the hay haulers are bringing the golden grass in. They ought to be hauling the hay in armored cars considering its price.

I'm always amazed at how hard the employees work at the auction yard during drouths. The pen-back riders, clerks, ring men, auctioneers and office crew are working 20 hour days and the auction owners even longer, as they load their future right along with the cows on those trucks headed east.

Every region has taken their turn in the empty rain barrel. I was in the deep south many years ago when they were doing the same thing as we are now. Some of the auctions were hampered by local rules that stipulated that an auction yard could only hold one sale per week, as if all the business they brought to town was somehow bad for the community. But there was a loophole: they could only have one sale a week but after one started it could go until it ended. Some sales lasted 36 hours and longer.

When you have times like these there are always consignors who complain that their cattle get sold too late. They assume that there's not much buying power on the seats at two in the morning.

But, believe it or not, order buyers have human thoughts too, and they'll squint through heavy eyelids while holding back seven cups of coffee if they think there might be a bargain in the wee hours. That's why there's often more buyers sitting on the seats at three am than three pm.

Whenever I hear people complain about the sale order I tell them about Snuffy, as crabby a creature as God ever put on this

earth. Snuffy was a fodder forked with a few head of cattle on the side. He had a face that was as sun dried and shriveled up as any old cow pie, with about the same personality. Every year when he sold his handful of calves he complained that they sold too late in the sale. Mostly he used this as an excuse as to why his sorry calves didn't bring as much as the better ones did. Snuffy was a chronic complainer with a chip on his shoulder. He thought his cattle sold late in the sale because the auction owner gave preferential treatment to the larger ranchers. He didn't know that small operators are the life-blood of any auction.

One year Snuffy decided to apply a little pressure and showed up on sale day after the sale had been going for an hour, thinking his presence would coerce the auction owner into putting his cattle through the ring a little earlier. With each lot that went through the ring without his brand on it, Snuffy got madder. Wanting to give the auction owner a piece of his mind, Snuffy stared daggers at the owner who stayed on the block, as if to avoid contact. Snuffy sat there until 10 pm and still hadn't seen his cattle so when the auction owner briefly got off the block Snuffy got right in his face.

"You treat me like this just because I only have a few calves," sputtered Snuffy.

"What are you talking about?" asked the owner.

"You haven't sold my cattle yet. It's the last time I send them to you!"

"Calm down Snuffy. You're always complaining that your calves sell too late so we started the sale with them today," said the auction man. "I wish we could have waited though. I believe they'd bring a couple pennies more per pound if we sold them now."

Snuffy was speechless. In fact, the only thing I've seen more deflated than Snuffy at that moment was a bean bag chair after my wife's 350 pound friend sat in it. With nothing left to complain about, Snuffy never completely bounced back to his former self either.

# Museum is sponsoring photo contest

The Crockett County Museum is sponsoring an Amateur Photo Contest.

All proceeds from the contest will go toward the library's elevator fund.

**Categories:**  
**YOUTH PHOTOGRAPHY**  
 (Grades 1-4)  
 Black & White/Sepia Color Prints  
 Special Category "Windmills"  
 (Grades 5-8)  
 Black & White/Sepia Color Prints  
 Special Category "Windmills"  
 (Grades 9-12)  
 Black & White/Sepia Color Prints  
 Special Category "Windmills"

**ADULT PHOTOGRAPHY**  
 Section 1 - Black & White/Sepia Color Prints  
 Scenery  
 General Photos (no people, but animals included)  
 People  
 Special Category "Windmills"  
 Section 2 - Color Prints  
 Scenery  
 General Photos (no people, but animals included)  
 People  
 Special Category "Windmills"

**RULES & INSTRUCTIONS**  
(Youth and Adult)

- All entries shall be subject to the general rules and instructions of this contest.
- Entry fee of \$5 per Youth entry and \$10 per Adult entry is required. NO REFUNDS.
- Exhibitors in this contest shall be in one of the following groups:  
 YOUTH, Grades 1-4  
 YOUTH, Grades 5-8  
 YOUTH, Grades 9-12  
 ADULT, includes people 18 and over who are out of high school.
- Photographs in the Youth and Adult categories shall be unretouched photographs.
- Entries must be FRAMED with glass or Plexiglass, equipped with wire hangers or will not be accepted.
- Photographs must be no smaller than 4 x 6 inches, and overall size, including frame, not exceed 8 x 10 inches.
- Entries must be the work of the exhibitor.
- Awards will be given out for Youth and Adult winners.

**ADULT PHOTO AWARDS:**

Best in Show - \$100 gift cert from Petals & Pearls  
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**YOUTH PHOTO AWARDS:**

Best in Show - \$50 savings bond from Ozona National Bank  
 Grades 1-4 - Three 1st place, each is \$10 cash from Rick & Shannon Hunnicutt  
 Grades 5-8 and 9-12 - Six 1st place, each is \$20 gift card from Dairy Queen of Ozona, Inc.

All Ribbons are sponsored by First National Bank of Sonora.

- Photos need to be received by 5 p.m. October 1 at the Museum.
- Winners will be announced Oct. 15.
- Photographs can be picked up by Oct. 22. Photos not picked up by Dec. 1 become property of the Crockett County Museum.

For more information, call the Museum at 392-2837.

# San Angelo to host 'Interpreting Historic Resources' workshop

ABILENE, Texas —The second round of THC Preserve America grant workshops in the 2007 Texas Heritage Trails Program: Helping Communities Reach Their Tourism Potential series features the "Interpreting Historic Resources" workshop.

This workshop is designed for those interested in telling the story of an historic building, site, district, cemetery, downtown, park, artifact or collection.

The San Angelo Convention & Visitors Bureau and the Fort Concho National Historic Landmark will host "Interpreting Historic Resources" on Monday, Aug. 6 from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Fort Concho.

The workshop registration fee is \$25 per person and includes lunch.

Contact Texas Forts Trail regional coordinator Margaret Hoogstra at (325) 676-1762 or at [tft@texasfortstrail.com](mailto:tft@texasfortstrail.com) for workshop registration forms or more information.

The "Interpreting Historic Resources" workshop will be conducted by internationally renowned interpretive planner and trainer John Veverka, who has designed and provided training courses for the National Parks Service's Gateway Program and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Interpretive Services Course.

He has developed and taught interpretive master planning and environmental and cultural interpretation courses for graduate programs at Ohio State and Michigan State Universities. Veverka promises a full day during which workshop participants will become familiar with how visitors learn and remember exhibit information, and the interpretive principles used to develop themes and objectives. Participants will engage in hands-on interpretive program planning sessions.

workshop registration forms or more information.

The Texas Historical Commission (THC) is one of 45 recipients of grant funding through the Preserve America initiative. The funding was used to develop the Heritage Tourism Guidebook and workshop series.

Workshop attendees will receive a copy of the guidebook which provides assistance to communities and individuals interested in developing heritage tourism to preserve historic and cultural resources and boost local economies.

The workshop component is a three-series regional workshop program focused on site improvements for small museums and historic sites.

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# Commissioners to hold budget workshop tonight

By MELISSA PERNER  
 Editor and Publisher

The Crockett County Commissioners will hold a special called meeting at 6 p.m. tonight, Aug. 1, at the courthouse annex.

Only two items are on the agenda. There will be a budget workshop and the commissioners will execute a child welfare contract with the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services.

The commissioners will meet again at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 3 at the courthouse annex for a presentation of S.E.P. check to the commissioners' court by Tony Resendez of RC&D.

The regular monthly commissioners' court meeting will be at 9 a.m. Aug. 13 at the courthouse annex.

To place items on the agenda, call the Crockett County Judge's office at 392-2965.

# Museum to host fabric sale Saturday, quilting class Aug. 11

The Crockett County Museum will host a fabric sale starting at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 4 at the museum.

There is a variety of fabric to choose from. The fabric was donated by the late Benny Gail Hunnicutt.

Proceeds from the sale will go toward the museum's elevator fund.

There will also quilting class from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Aug. 11 at

the museum.

This class is for beginners quilting only.

Cost for the class is \$25. There is limited space, so pre-registration is required in order to have a spot.

The class will be making a pillow. Students will need to bring their own scissors and needle.

For more information, or to register, call 392-2837.

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Ozona Senior Happenings

By LYNN ENGLISH Senior Center Director

Can you believe this summer? We are through with July 2007 with no really hot temperatures and we are still having showers every now and then with more predicted this week.

Filiberto Sanchez is in Shannon Hospital recovering from surgery. Mrs. Sanchez said that he is feeling better since the surgery is over with.

Our Senior Bingo Social was held last Thursday evening. There were about 60 who attended and everyone had a great time.

The Crockett County Senior

Center Board members will meet at 5:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 6, for their regular meeting.

We were delighted to have Charlotte Harrell back with us after being in Virginia for a stay with her daughter.

The Concho Valley Community Action Council will be here from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 7 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.

Come "Walk Two Miles" with us every Monday, Wednes-

day and Friday at 8:30 a.m. This exercise program conditions you to begin your day and everyone who participates testifies that it makes them feel better.

Every Monday and Thursday, the bridge players come to the Senior Center to play. These ladies come in all smiles bringing snacks and enjoy each other's company.

Our activities are for those 50 and over (we are flexible). Come out and join in the activities you are missing.



ERBY CHANDLER, JESS MARLEY and JOE PIERCE rode the private train car "Noman" on the Durango-Silverton Colorado railroad.

Nutrition/Food Pantry program to feature various topics Friday

The Nutrition/Food Pantry program will be held at 9:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 3, in the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

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

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

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

Big Lake to host prison ministry training Aug. 11

Friends For Hope, in Big Lake, will be hosting a one day training for those interested in volunteering in a prison ministry program.

The training will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 11. There will be two sessions.

The first session will be on prison fellowship. This session will cover topics from Biblical foundations for an in-prison ministry, discipleship, getting to know the criminal justice professionals, introduction to the prison environment, community needs, common problem areas for prisoner's families, collaboration, Do's and Don'ts on prison grounds, transitioning to the free world, partnership, facilitating small-groups, leading to listen, and other ministry opportunities.

There is a \$10 registration fee that covers the cost of materials.

The second session will be conducted by TDCJ concerning security and safety training. This session will satisfy the State's requirement to volunteer in a TDCJ prison and state jail. If you are interested in becoming

a state approved volunteer, you will need to fill out an application as soon as possible.

You can stop by the Friends For Hope office at 116 N. Main in Big Lake and pick up an application, or you can call and have an application faxed to you. You will need to complete the application ASAP.

TDCJ will send you a letter indicating your approved status. This letter must be brought with you to class.

When you complete the training from TDCJ, you will be considered "Trained and Approved Volunteers" for in-prison ministry.

If your application is not approved, TDCJ will explain what is necessary to approve or reasons you were not approved and will discuss with you on a personal basis.

If you have any other questions or concerns, you may contact the Friends For Hope office at (325) 884-9804 or (325) 884-2281.

This training is not being funded by any grant associated with Friends For Hope.

Care Center Chatter

By ELSA VASQUEZ Assistant Activity Director

Everything is nice and green with all the wonderful rain. We don't even have to hardly water anymore. We are still proud of the rain we are getting.

Thanks to all our local church groups for coming out to sing and have a good worship service.

Thanks to all our volunteers for their faithfulness and dedication to our Care Center.

On Tuesday, we went to deliver Meals on Wheels with residents Mel Martinez, Elvira Higginbottom, Jo Cox, Helen Stokes. They always enjoy going for a ride.

Maintenance guy Rusty Harris brought watermelons for our residents. They were sweet, good ones. We all loved eating them.

Our July birthday party was great. We had a big turn out.

We will be having a Garage Sale starting at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 11 in the backyard on the north side. Come check it out.

Come see us at the Care Center!



CARE CENTER BIRTHDAY LADIES Phyllis Ingham (left) and Catalina Cardonda. Also pictured is Anna Yruegas.



FERNANDA ARREDONDO reads The Ozona Stockman at the Crockett County Care Center.

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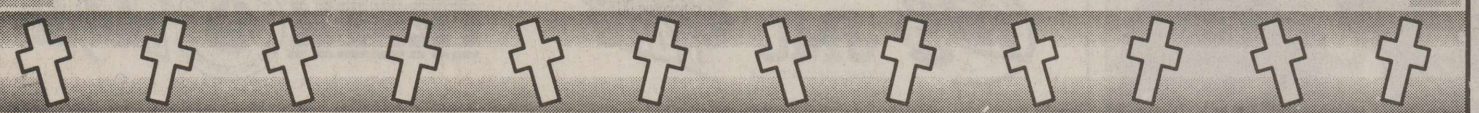
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# Signal light being planned for dangerous Stephenville intersection

**By ANGELIA JOINER**  
Stephenville Empire-Tribune Staff Writer

A signal light will be installed at FM 8 and U.S. Highway 281, a state transportation official said on July 16.

When exactly is another matter entirely.

Contrary to what some may believe, accidents (fatality or injury) do not determine whether or not TxDOT installs a signal

light and installing a light takes a considerable amount of engineering.

Marc McEndree, TxDOT area engineer, says accidents are not factored into the decision to place a light, but there are several "warrants" or conditions that are met during traffic studies to determine if a light will be installed.

"I am concerned about fatality or injury accidents," McEndree said. "I want to know why it happened because we want the

highways to be as safe as possible. As an engineer they get my attention."

The new stop and go signal light that will be installed at this particular intersection has already been in the works for a long time, McEndree said.

"The whole process takes three to four years," McEndree said. "This intersection was started several years ago because the city had a concern and we had a concern."

McEndree said the bid for the light was awarded to Durable Specialties in the Metroplex a while ago but the equipment is not something that can just be bought off the shelf. He said it has to be designed specifically for the intersection and then built.

"It can take several months depending on the complexity of the equipment that has to go in," McEndree said. "Once it is built it has to be tested in Austin for 30 days. You certainly don't

want a malfunctioning signal." Not only do the lights themselves have to be designed and tested, but McEndree said the "strain poles" that actually hold the signal box must also be engineered.

"Because 281 has several lanes it's going to have to be a very long pole that is especially matched," McEndree said. "It's not a component you can just pick up."

After a July 12 accident that

killed 19-year-old Zane Coates, McEndree said he has received at least three phone calls regarding the safety of the intersection. Coates' accident came on the heels of a previous wreck that killed an 18-year-old man from Hico.

"Emotions are very high and I understand that," McEndree said. "While I would like to get it in as soon as possible there isn't anything that can be done to speed up the process."

# Independent Cattlemen's Association of Texas supports M-COOL amendments to 2007 Farm Bill

**By BILL HYMAN**  
ICA Executive Director

LOCKHART, Texas - The officers, directors and members of the Independent Cattlemen's Association of Texas congratulate the House Agriculture Committee for passing the compromise agreement which makes M-COOL one step closer to reality for U.S. beef producers and consumers.

ICA fully supports these changes which are part of the 2007 Farm Bill.

"We applaud the work of the M-COOL Coalition and the House Agriculture Committee," said ICA President H. A. "Peanut" Gilfillian of Stowell, Texas. "The cow/calf producer soon will have the opportunity

to have their U.S. beef products identified as 'born, raised and processed' in the United States. We have fought a long, hard battle to implement country-of-origin labeling, and we have struggled to maintain simple and workable methods to identify U.S. beef."

The 2007 Farm Bill will be voted on by the entire House in the near future, and the supporters of M-COOL continue to work hard to advance this legislation with the proposed changes to the M-COOL requirements.

Contrary to information released prior to the agreement, the proposed amendments to the existing M-COOL law allow the producer to utilize "existing normal course of business" re-

ports to designate the country-of-origin of their cattle.

According to the proposed rules, beef from cattle born, raised and processed in the U.S. will display a label stating "product of the United States."

Beef from animals born in foreign countries, then raised and processed in the U.S., will bear a label designating it as a product of the U.S. and the foreign country of origin.

All imported boxed beef will have a label stating it is a product of the foreign country of origin.

Ground beef when containing beef from several countries, will display a label depicting all of the countries of origin.

ICA continues to work to keep these amendments as part

of the 2007 Farm Bill. The coalition of state and national cattle producers will not rest until the proposed M-COOL changes are passed into law and U.S. ranchers have the ability to identify their products.

Cattlemen are urged to contact their U.S. Representatives and Senators and to request that they vote to support the M-COOL amendments as passed by the House Agriculture Committee.

The Independent Cattlemen's Association of Texas represents land and cattle owners on legislative and regulatory issues of importance to the cattle industry and agribusiness.

For more information, contact ICA at (512) 620-0162 or visit [www.icatexas.com](http://www.icatexas.com).

# Congressman Rodriguez supports Farm Bill: invests in family farms, renewable energy and fighting hunger

**By ANGELA BARRANCO**  
Press Secretary

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Congressman Ciro D. Rodriguez, D-San Antonio, supported passage of the Farm, Nutrition and Bioenergy Act of 2007 by 231 to 191.

The bill, H.R. 2419, invests in family farmers, renewable energy, and nutrition programs for families in need.

"The Farm Bill represents a fair compromise that will go a long way in sustaining our agricultural system as well as supporting vital nutrition, conservation, research programs and a GAO study I recommended examining wastewater infrastructure along the border," Rodriguez said. "This bill will serve communities across my district, including vegetable farmers in Uvalde, families in need in San Antonio, ranchers in West Texas, and countless others. I thank Chairman Peterson for valuing the experiences of farmers and ranchers in this bill, as well as the need along the border for improved wastewater systems. Communities like Clint, Presidio

and others may face significant public health threats without improved infrastructure and access to clean water and this study will go a long way to resolving this critical issue."

Rodriguez introduced border wastewater infrastructure language that directs the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to conduct a study of wastewater infrastructure along the US-Mexico border where many communities are living with inadequate sewage management systems.

The GAO study will determine what steps the federal government can take to bring inadequate wastewater systems in rural border communities up to date.

H.R. 2419, the Farm, Nutrition and Bioenergy Act of 2007, directs funds to working family farmers, renewable energy, and nutrition programs for families in need.

The bill passed cuts farm subsidies by more than half a billion dollars.

Highlights of the Farm Bill include:

fruit and vegetable programs

- \$2 billion in loan guarantees for the development of refineries that process renewable fuels

- \$1.5 billion for production incentives for ethanol and biodiesel made from agricultural, forest, and waste plant materials

- Expansion of nutrition programs that help 35 million low-income families, including nearly doubling the funding for the Emergency Food Assistance Program, and expanding the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Snack Program to all 50 states.

The Farm Bill is supported by the American Farm Bureau, the National Farmers Union, The Nature Conservancy, Ducks Unlimited, The Wildlife Society and American Farmland Trust, Second Harvest, Voices for America's Children, and the NCS Food Program Association.

The Farm Bill will now proceed through a Conference Committee with the Senate before it can be sent to the President.

Rodriguez is a Member of the House Appropriations Committee.

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## Veterans forum to be held Sunday in Del Rio

By **ANGELA BARRANCO**  
Press Secretary

Congressman Ciro Rodriguez, D-San Antonio, has announced that the Chairman of the House Veterans Affairs Committee, Congressman Bob Filner, will travel to Texas to meet with Del Rio veterans at a Congressional Veterans Forum to be held on Sunday, Aug. 5.

The forum will be from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Ramada Inn Ballroom on 2101 Veterans Blvd. in Del Rio.

Filner, along with Rodriguez, will answer questions and provide an update on recent congressional activity affecting veterans.

Veterans are encouraged to submit questions and comments to be addressed at the forum to: TX-23VetsQuestions@mail.house.gov

"I appreciate Chairman Filner accepting our invitation to come to Del Rio. It is important for the voice of our local veterans to be heard on a national level," Rodriguez said. "Issues like those at Walter Reed always make it into the national media spotlight, but the truth is that veterans all across the country, including many here in Del Rio, are struggling with a benefits and healthcare system that has failed them for too long."

## DPS reminds motorists to stay away from flooding

Submitted by the Texas Department of Public Safety

If you see water running across a roadway, you should immediately turn around and not attempt to go through it, says the Texas Department of Public Safety.

"Many cars will float in only 12 inches of water, and two feet of rushing water will carry off pick-ups, SUVs and most other vehicles," said Col. Thomas A. Davis Jr., director of the DPS. "Six inches of water can be enough to stall a car or cause a loss of control over the vehicle."

Each year, more people die in flash flooding than in any other type of thunderstorm-related hazard.

"You might think that you can easily get across a flooded roadway, but it's not worth the risk. It's impossible to tell the depth of the water—or whether the road or bridge is damaged or missing. Don't endanger yourself or the first responders who may try to rescue you," Davis said.

Bottom line: stay aware and cautious, especially at night, when recognizing dangers can be more difficult. Pay attention to the weather and the road conditions.

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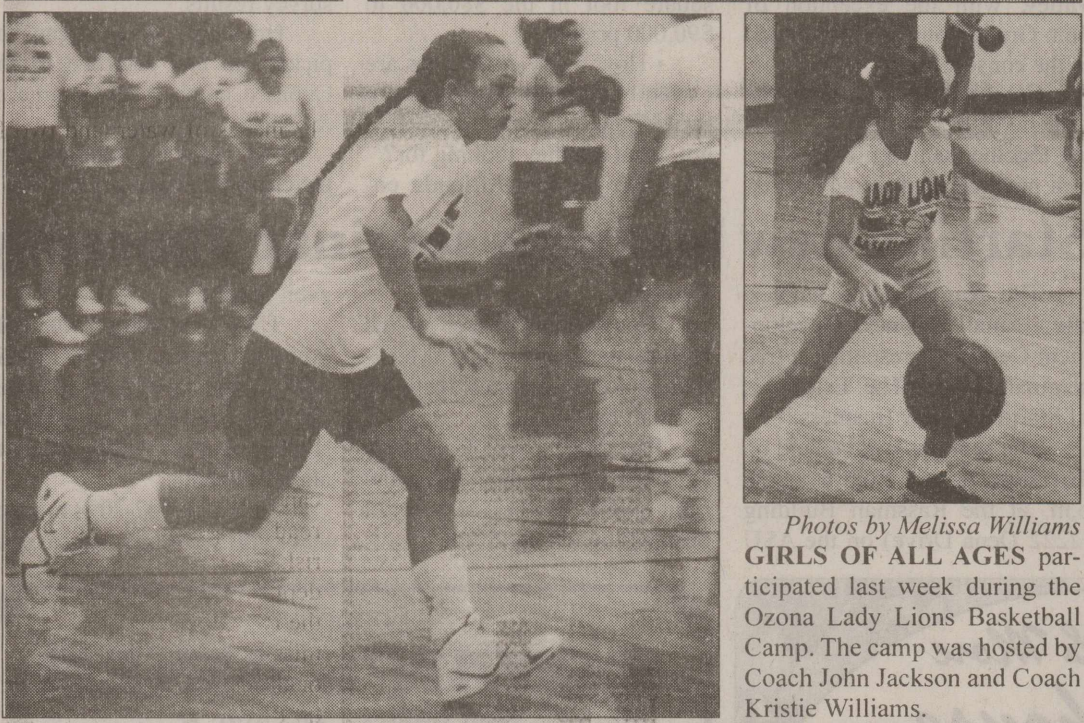
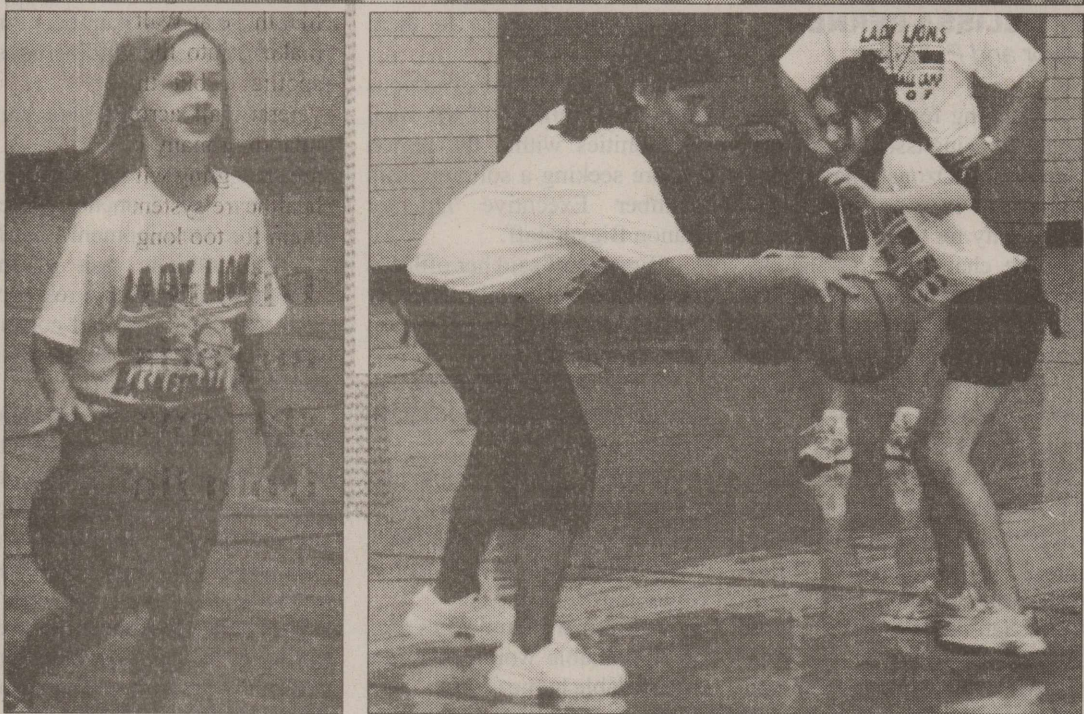
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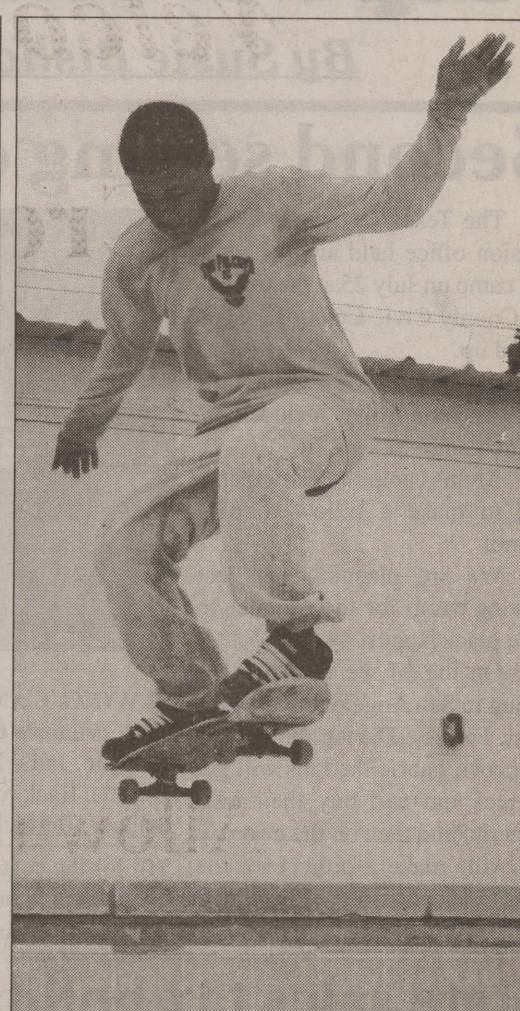
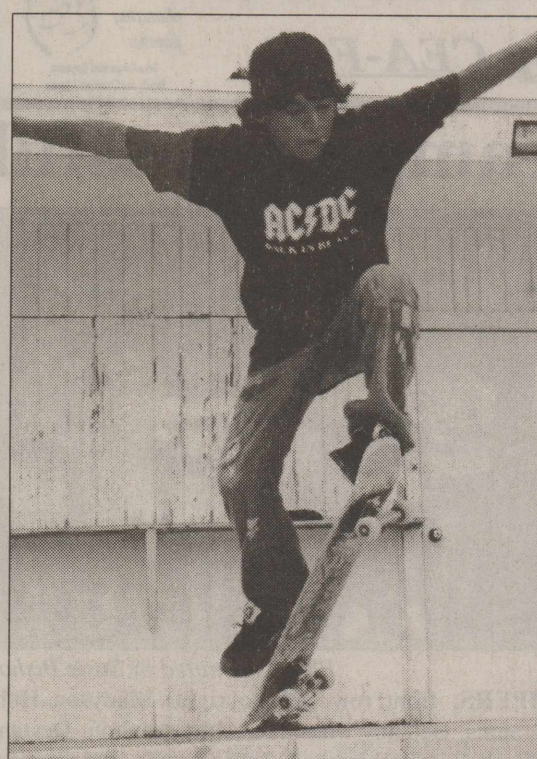
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### OZONA LADY LIONS BASKETBALL CAMP



Photos by Melissa Williams  
GIRLS OF ALL AGES participated last week during the Ozona Lady Lions Basketball Camp. The camp was hosted by Coach John Jackson and Coach Kristie Williams.

### SKATEBOARD PARK NOW OPEN



Photos by Joe Hernandez  
SKATEBOARDERS show off their best tricks at the new skateboard park located off of State Highway 163 south. The park opened last week.

### Athletic Booster Club meeting Aug. 14

The Ozona Athletic Booster Club will have their first meeting on 7 p.m. Aug. 14 at the Ozona National Bank Crockett Room.

We encourage all parents, grandparents, sisters, brothers, aunts, or uncles of any Ozona High School Athlete or any Lion Fan to join the Athletic Booster Club.

The Ozona Athletic Booster Club is an organization that supports all athletes in all sports. In past years we have raised funds to provide \$1,000 per sport.

These are additional funds used by the coach to help provide items to the athletes in which their annual budget might not be enough.

We sponsor the annual Sports Banquet, support the Meet the Lions, local track meets, golf meets and basketball tournaments.

Our young athletes do their best in each sport and I believe they need the support of the community. I am sure there are many other ideas we can use to show our support, here is your opportunity. We need members of our community to get involved.

Please consider showing your support by becoming a member of the Ozona Athletic Booster Club come to the meeting on Aug. 14.

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# Tips from Susie

By Susie Bishop CEA-FCS



## Second sewing camp successful

The Texas Cooperative Extension office held another sewing camp on July 25 at the Crockett County Civic Center for ages 9 and up.

We had another great turn out this month that included 17 participants.

At this camp the participants got to make a pillow to take home.

We are planning one last sewing camp for the summer to take place August 14 and 15.

On the 14 we will take the group to San Angelo to tour Hancock Fabric. During the tour of Hancock Fabric the kids will get to pick out and buy their own material and then on the next day we will make a project for the kids to take home.

The cost of this camp will be



Photo submitted by Susie Bishop

**SEWING CAMPERS:** front row (left to right) Madyson Hubbard,, Victoria Grannis, Bethany Martinez, Abby Newton, Destany Delgado, Jadie Marshall, Julie Marshall, Trace Justiss, and Candace Weddle. Back row (left to right) Kellie Pilcher, Randi Cooper, Lanna Stapper, Tamra Karels, Kelbie Renfro, and Linda Stapper.

\$10 for the cost of their material that they pick out to purchase. Anyone that may be inter-

ested in signing up may call the Texas Cooperative Extension office at 392-2721.

## State sales tax holiday set for Aug. 17-19

AUSTIN —Comptroller Susan Combs announced that the date for the annual sales tax holiday has changed from the first weekend of August to the third weekend of August.

Combs also said backpacks, a standard item on many kids' school supply lists, can now be purchased tax free during the sales tax holiday.

"From now on, the sales tax holiday will occur on the third Friday, Saturday and Sunday of August," Combs said. "This

year, the date is Aug. 17-19."

Since many school districts are now starting their school year later, the 80th Legislature changed the date of the sales tax holiday to move it closer to the first day of school.

During the sales tax holiday, children's and adults' clothing and shoes priced less than \$100 — and now backpacks that cost less than \$100 — are exempt from state and local sales taxes.

"The Legislature responded to parents' requests to add back-

packs to the list of tax-exempt items," Combs said. "Backpacks can be expensive, especially for parents who have to buy them for several children. A tax break helps."

Combs also announced that, starting in May 2008, energy-efficient appliances will be exempt from sales tax during the three-day Memorial Day weekend.

Certain appliances with a federal Energy Star rating will be tax-free, including washing machines, dishwashers, ceiling fans, dehumidifiers, programmable thermostats and incandescent fluorescent light bulbs.

Air conditioners priced at \$6,000 or less and refrigerators priced at \$2,000 or less can also be purchased tax free.

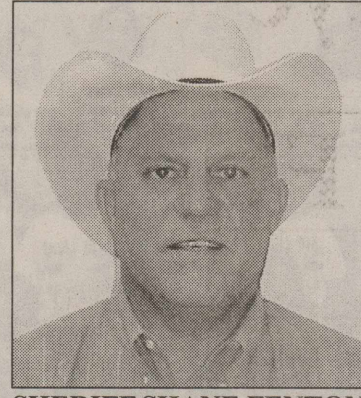
"Texas consumers will save about \$8 for every \$100 they spend on qualifying appliances," Combs said. "Even more importantly, they will reap savings on their utility bills by purchasing energy-efficient appliances, and the demand for electricity will be reduced."

The Comptroller predicts families will save about \$52.1 million in sales taxes during the August sales tax holiday.

More information about the August sales tax holiday for clothing and shoes can be found on the Comptroller's Web site at [www.window.state.tx.us](http://www.window.state.tx.us).

## Sheriff Fenton elected first vice president of association

Submitted by the Sheriffs' Association of Texas



SHERIFF SHANE FENTON

Crockett County Sheriff Shane Fenton was elected first vice president of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas at their 129th annual Training Conference held July 15-18 in Austin.

More than 1,200 participants were in attendance at the Austin Convention Center where they heard outstanding speakers, had opportunities for significant and timely training sessions and visited more than 200 exhibits showcasing some of the latest technology in law enforcement.

Fenton has been sheriff of Crockett County since 1997. He distinguishes himself in his county and throughout the state as he assumes this leadership role in the Sheriffs' Association of Texas.

became a notable part of Texas history.

The sheriffs began annual training conferences in 1878. These training conferences today are the largest composite gathering of law enforcement officers in Texas.

Sheriffs and other county and local law enforcement officers, federal and state officers, and major industry security personnel attend.

In addition to the annual training conferences, the association conducts training throughout the year for law enforcement officers.

The Sheriffs' Association of Texas serves as a liaison with federal, state, county and municipal agencies and associations to promote cooperation, training, education and more efficient services to the citizens of Texas.

## Chamber appeals to the community for help on assessing housing issue

By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

Stepping forward in assessing the housing issue in Crockett County, the Ozona Chamber of Commerce is appealing to the community for their help.

The chamber is asking the citizens of Crockett County to help by completing a housing survey.

The surveys stem from concerns expressed by local residents and businesses and are a result of meetings of the Regional Consortium for Economic Development and Business Support formed by the Concho Valley Workforce Development Board out of San Angelo that includes Crockett County.

All counties in the Concho Valley, with the exception of Tom Green County, are included in the consortium.

Communities within the Concho Valley benefit by coming together as a region to share best practices and resources that

may not be available to them separately.

Housing has become a serious issue for a number of the rural communities within the region that are seeking a solution, said Chamber Executive Director Shanon Biggerstaff.

Biggerstaff said her office is approached on a daily basis by individuals and organizations seeking housing.

A few of the questions that will be asked on the Housing Surveys will be:

- How many employees within your organization commute? If housing were available, would they move to Ozona? Would they rent or buy?
- How many employees rent, but if available would purchase an affordable home (1,200-1,500 square foot in the \$80,000 to \$90,000 price)?
- How many employees are currently renting? Are they happy with their accommodations, if not, what are they looking for?
- Do you know friends, co-

workers or family members that have had difficulty finding housing?

• Are you happy with your current housing?

The surveys will be completed by the Concho Valley Workforce Development Board.

The ultimate task of the consortium is to form a resource team that can assist and consult with communities about their specific housing needs.

Once surveys are complete, it will be up to each community to inventory and bring together their local resources i.e., builders/contractors, infrastructure, availability of land, business partners, incentives, and financial institutes to discuss the possibility of housing development within the community based on survey results.

Housing surveys can be picked up and returned to the Ozona Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center.

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

## Starting new business seminar Thursday

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

The seminar will be held on Thursday, Aug. 2 from 6 - 8:30 p.m. at the Rassman Building (2222 Dena Drive) on the ASU

Campus.

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

Participants will learn how to determine if they have the right qualities to be a successful business owner and if the idea is

even feasible.

This workshop will help potential business owners avoid the pitfalls common to most business owners. Free start-up resource packet will be given to all participants.

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# BOND: Superintendent plans on 'keeping a better eye' on district maintenance issues

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The committee also decided that a \$7.5 million bond to be paid off in five years would probably be best due to 90 percent of the school's taxes are being paid by companies outside the district, which are mainly oil and gas.

"I don't think the state will always let us do a bond and not recapture the money. I don't know how long we can take advantage of something like this," Gott said.

Gott said he would like to be able to keep 51 percent of his budget. CCCSD sends 70 percent to the state.

"I can't justify keeping \$29 million but I can justify keeping enough to fix our schools," he said.

If the bond is passed, the school's tax rate would not increase by that much, Gott said.

Currently, the tax rate is set at 1.37005. For the 2007-2008 school years, the state has mandated the tax rate be set at 1.04005.

If a \$7.5 million bond is passed, the tax rate for a five-year bond from 2008-2012 would be 1.1616.

If a person has a homestead exemption that actual taxes will be less, and if a person is over 65 the taxes are frozen the year they turn 65, said Rhonda Shaw, Crockett County Tax-Assessor Collector.

Shaw also said the county will see a 5 percent overall decrease in property value this next tax year.

## FUTURE SCHOOL TAXES

	Current Tax Rate 1.37005	2007-2008 Rate 1.04005	2008-2012 Bond Rate* 1.1619
<b>HOUSE VALUE</b>			
<b>\$200,000</b>	<b>\$2,740.10</b>	<b>\$2,080.10</b>	<b>\$2,323.20</b>
<b>\$150,000</b>	<b>\$2,055.03</b>	<b>\$1,560.08</b>	<b>\$1,742.40</b>
<b>\$100,000</b>	<b>\$1,370.05</b>	<b>\$1,040.05</b>	<b>\$1,181.60</b>
<b>\$75,000</b>	<b>\$1,027.54</b>	<b>\$780.04</b>	<b>\$871.20</b>
<b>\$50,000</b>	<b>\$685.03</b>	<b>\$520.03</b>	<b>\$580.80</b>

\*Based on a 5-year \$7.5 million bond  
Source: Crockett County CCSD

During the presentation, Gott said the School Facilities Committee decided to concentrate mainly on the primary school due to its severe roof leakage and other roof problems.

The decision was also made to streamline the district to three campuses to help with maintenance issues.

CCCSD currently has four buildings with a total of 14 buildings, along with 35 district-owned houses.

"I'm planning on keeping a better eye (on maintenance) as well as increasing the staff," Gott said. "I don't mind getting up on roofs. I enjoy it."

Gott also said the change to three campuses also comes due to declining enrollment. Currently CCCSD has 770 students, which is the lowest in 20 years.

Gott said he feels the decline has to do with Ozona's housing problem. While people are commuting into the town for jobs, they don't often bring their children due to lack of housing available, he said.

Out of three plans, the committee chose to demolish the current primary school and build a new one in its place that houses grades pre-K through fifth.

Gott said this is the most ex-

pensive option and students will be displaced for about two years, but this option will save the district in salaries over the years as well as align the curriculum with a TAKS test at every campus.

"The primary school has no TAKS test. Until you have a TAKS test on your campus, you don't understand how it goes," Gott said.

Other maintenance issues, such as new school buses and windows for the Heritage Building, were also brought up by the bond committee but were kept out of the bond package due to the district being able to budget for those needs, Gott said.

"The committee said that with bond issues in the past if the bond contained a list of things, the bond failed miserably," Gott said.

As far as the new school building goes, Gott said that he is planning on the structure being able to last 100 years from now, like the high school's Heritage Building.

He also said he plans on being in Ozona to see the building construction through.

"If I move again my kids will tell me to go by myself. They love it here," he said. "I hope my youngest son who is about to start kindergarten will graduate from Ozona High School."

## BOARD: Architect interviews set for Aug. 15

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In the eighth grade, Algebra I will not be offered this year due to new teacher Lisa James not being certified to teach Algebra I.

Also, students who take eighth grade Algebra I miss out on curriculum and lessons that are often on the eighth grade math TAKS test, said Benny Granger, middle school principal. Those same questions and lessons are often found on upper-level TAKS tests when the students move to high school.

Gott said unless the district wants to do a virtual reality for those students who want to take Algebra I, this class may not be offered this year for eighth-graders.

The high school is also still looking for a BCIS teacher, said Carole Allen, high school principal.

### RESIGNATIONS & NEW HIRES

Gott accepted the resignations of Dale Mayfield and Tricia Barrow.

New employees to the district are Ann Daniels, kindergarten; Ailené Myers, kindergarten; Cherokee Bolen, high school; Mary Ann Corley, seventh grade science and Courtney Beck, middle school.

John Esparza has been reassigned to teach middle school PE.

### SCHOOL BOND

The district received five requests from architects to be considered to build a new primary school for the possible school bond.

Gott said he visited with some of the architects and explained to them that CCCSD doesn't want to be on the front page of a magazine with the most expensive school.

"I want something that complements our community," Gott said.

The board set Aug. 15 as a day to interview the architects.

Gott said he is currently having the district's lawyers draft the bond adoption wording.

The board has until the first week of September to call for a bond election that will take place in November.

### OTHER ITEMS APPROVED

Bids for cafeteria products for the school year 2007-2008.

Bid for band instruments for the school year 2007-2008. The bid includes instruments primarily for the middle school.

Bid from TASB for property liability insurance for the school year 2007-2008.

Student Code of Conduct. The board will have a budget workshop Aug. 14 and architect interviews Aug. 15.

The next regular scheduled board meeting will be at Aug. 29. At this meeting the board will look at adopting the budget, setting the tax rate and calling for a bond. All meetings will be held at the Administration Building.

## TEAM: Physical skills are just part of the show

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"We seek to glorify God with what we have. Taekwondo is a defensive martial art. We don't learn this to bully or intimidate anyone," said Dr. William Cromwell. "This gives us an interactive opportunity to worship."

William and his wife Jaime are the senior instructors of a group that is made up of their children, adult and children students from North Carolina, Illinois and Florida. The ages of the 30-plus member group range from 5 to adult.

During their program, the group showed how they spar with each other in practice in order to learn and perfect their taekwondo moves.

Masters Amanda Woolman and Chase Woolman showed how sparring can be fun between a brother and sister. William and Jaime even showed how much fun it is husband and wife.

The group also performed skits featuring weapons, pirates, breaking board and breaking concrete.

Their physical skills were just the icing on the cake compared to the ministry they repeatedly gave to the audience.

"Just like our students practice taekwondo, we do need to practice our Christian walk daily," Jaime said.

In their final skits, the members showed how lust, greed, drugs/alcohol, fighting, no time for God and other worldly things can lead a person astray from their focusing on faith.

Each item was written on a concrete brick which were stacked up at the end of the skit and broken in half by William.

"Weapons won't help us get to heaven. God is the way to help us through," Jaime said.

For more information on Open Door Taekwondo, visit [www.opendoortkd.net](http://www.opendoortkd.net).

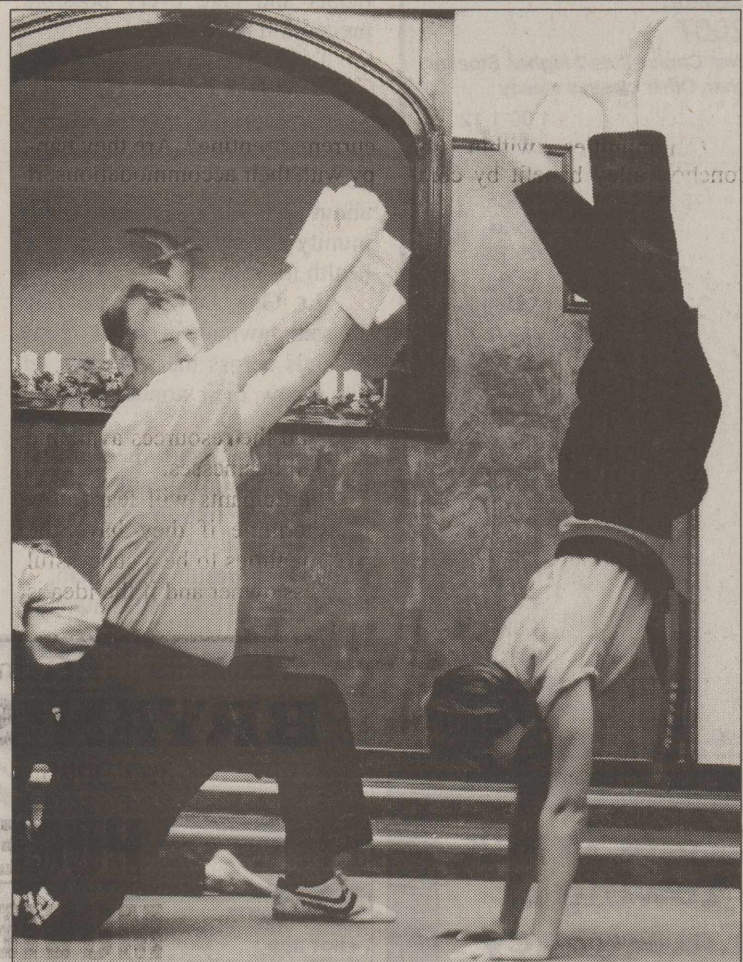


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OPEN DOOR TAEKWONDO MEMBER Sasha Abed breaks a board with her back foot during the team's demonstration.

## METH: DPS requesting help for those still being sought

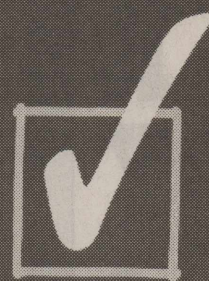
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- Felicia Knight, 26, San Angelo
  - Gabriel Lopez, 22, San Angelo
  - Billy Lowery, 34, Odessa
  - Shelia Lucich, 37, San Angelo
  - Armando Marquez, 37, San Angelo
  - Jose Marquez, 39, Eagle Pass
  - Kyle McDonald, 31, San Angelo
  - Joe Montelongo Perez, 51, San Angelo
  - Libertio Perez, 30, San Angelo
  - Raymond Ramirez, 41, San Angelo
  - John Swinford, 37, Eldorado
  - Jackie Trammell, 30, San Angelo
  - Michael Trammell, 35, San Angelo
  - Carol Warner, 47, Christoval
  - Robert Bledsoe, 41, San Angelo
  - Richard Jasso, 30, San Angelo
  - Nicole Minton, 28, Water Valley
  - Mark Anthony Sanchez, 38, San Angelo
  - Gina Trammell, 28, San Angelo
- STILL BEING SOUGHT:**
- Adam Victor Castillo, 42, San Angelo
  - Norma Castillo, 38, San Angelo
  - Mark Franke, 42, Eldorado
  - Edward McCain, 45, San Angelo
  - Verna Roop, 43, Christoval
  - Rebecca Simmons, 33, Eldorado
- DPS Troopers were assisted in the investigation and arrests by the San Angelo Police Department; the Tom Green County Sheriff's Office; U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement; the district attorney's office in Clayton; and Crockett County, Schleicher, Sutton and Taylor County law enforcement offices.
- The Texas Department of Public Safety troopers request anyone that may know the whereabouts of those still being sought to contact the DPS at (325) 223-6900.

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## Crockett County Sheriff's Report

### CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS REPORT

TYPE OF CALLS	# OF CALLS
Animal control, Livestock Complaints	2
Civil Complaints	4
Civil Service	5
Criminal Complaints, Disturbances, Etc.	21
Gas Thefts	1
Juvenile Complaints	4
Locked Vehicles	11
911 Fire Calls, Admin. calls	3
911 Vehicle Accidents	7
911 Medical calls/ Transfers	3
Motorist Assistance/Gas Welfare	2
Reckless driving/speeding complaints	6
Security Alarms	1
Sheriff's Office Admin Calls	32
Jail/dispatch Admin Calls	6
Welfare Concern for Citizen/Property	2
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
- 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.
- Christine Reyes Arana, of Austin, Crockett County Court - failure to identify.
- Gerilyn Longoria, of Ozona, Crockett County Court - theft by check.

Cynthia Harrison, 47, of Ozona, was arrested by DPS Troopers on a Tom Green County Warrant for engaging in organized criminal activity. Subject was transferred to Tom Green County.

Juan Pedro Garza Jr., 28, turned himself in on a court order sentence to serve four days in jail for driving while intoxicated.

Maat Lee Latimer, 30, of San Antonio, was arrested by sheriff's deputy on Bexar County warrant for driving while license invalid. Subject posted bond and was released.

Saul Sandate Flores, 22, of Ozona, was arrested by DPS Trooper on a Crockett County warrant for motion to adjudicate, subject remains in jail.

Alan Cruz, 26, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on a Crockett County warrant for motion to adjudicate, subject remains in jail.

Noe Valencia Perez, 28, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on a Crockett County warrant for motion to revoke probation, subject posted bond

### ARREST REPORT

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### INCIDENT REPORT

7-28-07

Gustavo Martinez, 33, of Eldorado was arrested by DPS Trooper on a charge of public intoxication, subject was released from jail after paying his fine.

7-30-07

Brian Derrick Hurst, 28, of Ozona was picked up by sheriff's deputy at Brownfield Unit on a bench warrant, subject remains in jail awaiting court.

7-29-07

Augustin Velasquez Abarca, 26, of Mexico was arrested by sheriff's deputy on a charge of driving while intoxicated, subject remains in jail unable to post bond.

Jose Ramirez Villarreal, 38, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on a Crockett County warrant for assault, subject remains in jail awaiting arraignment.

7-24-07

Sheriff's deputy filed a criminal trespass report, complainant advised that person or persons jumped the fence and spray painted water tanks that are located on Owens Street. Investigation continues.

## Fire department runs

The Ozona Volunteer Fire Fighters left July 20 for Texas A&M University to attend the annual fire school.

Fire fighters Ryan Dalton, Bailey Bishop, Andy Coates and Brad Thompson took the Vehicle Extraction class, which was a full week of instruction teaching fire fighters to safely use the Jaws of Life and other tools to extract victims of motor vehicle accidents.

Fire Marshal Steve Kenley instructed in the Fire Prevention section on fire investigation for cause and origin. Assistant Fire Chief Brian Morrow instructed Fire Fighting I Auto Fires.

Fire Chief Bob Falkner instructed Public Safety Emergency Dispatch. The firefighters returned to Ozona on July 27.

The following is a list of runs made by the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department from July 20-29.

JULY 20

10:04 p.m. - tree limb in power line at 11th Street and Avenue J. No action taken. One unit and five fire fighters responded.

JULY 24

7:16 a.m. - motor vehicle accident at mile-marker 345 on Interstate-10. Fire fighters worked traffic. Two units and five fire fighters responded.

JULY 27

10:56 a.m. - small grass fire at mile-marker 374 on I-10. Units were cancelled. One unit and three fire fighters responded.

JULY 29

2:35 p.m. - motor vehicle accident at mile-marker 331 on I-10. Located scene but vehicle was no longer there. Two units and four fire fighters responded.

## Junction Stockyards Market Report

Sheep and Goats  
July 30, 2007

Lambs steady. Slaughter lambs 2-4 higher. Choice kids 2 higher. Stocker nannies 2-4 lower. Billies 2-4 higher. Other classes steady

#1 spring lambs 50-70 lbs.	1.00-1.12
#1 spring lambs 70-90 lbs.	90-1.02
Fat ewes	38-44
Thin ewes	22-35
Bucks	25-34
Baby Tooth Ewes	60-72
Solid Mouth Ewes	38-55
Baby Tooth Angora stocker nannies	60-80
Solid mouth Angora stocker nannies	45-54
Stocker Angora muttons	50-57
Angora Kids	1.05-1.20
Angora Kids-shorn	85-94
Weighing Angoras-shorn (thin)	28-37
Weighing Angoras-shorn (fat) nannies	40-46
Stocker Spanish nannies	67-88
Fat Spanish nannies	45-52
Fat Spanish muttons	85-1.15
Fat Spanish billies	67-84
Fat yearlings	1.05-1.16
Fat Spanish kids	1.02-1.18
Small kids	92-1.16
Thin kids	82-92
Spanish nanny & kid pairs	36-41/hd

Next Sale Aug. 6

## Capital city renames lake for Lady Bird Johnson



HIGHLIGHTS  
By Ed Sterling

AUSTIN - The city council on July 26 voted unanimously to rename Austin's Town Lake "Lady Bird Lake."

The name change honors Lady Bird Johnson, who died at age 94 on July 11. She was the widow of the late President Lyndon B. Johnson.

City council members said the renaming is a fitting way to honor the former first lady's life because of her personal efforts to improve the lake, its surrounding trails and greenbelts.

### WEATHER PROMPTS PREPARATIONS

Weather experts are saying a 10-year drought appears to be over in all but a few sections of the state. And the rain keeps on falling in areas that have had more than their share.

With Gov. Rick Perry out of state on July 26, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst exercised his official authority to beef up and position Texas military forces in preparation for continuing severe weather and flooding.

"I will continue to monitor this situation closely and work with the governor's office and state emergency coordinators to ensure the state is doing everything necessary to keep Texans safe," Dewhurst said.

For San Antonio-Martindale Airfield, Dewhurst called for 30 more personnel, 10 more vehicles and three more helicopters and crew.

Also, for Camp Mabry in Austin, he called for 30 more personnel and 10 more vehicles, including Humvees and so-called "high profile vehicles."

Dewhurst asked all Texans to heed the warnings of local officials and take every possible precaution to stay safe.

### FUNDING VETO PROMPTS ACTION

One of Gov. Perry's line-item vetoes in the \$151 billion 2008-2009 state budget was about \$154 million to fund community college employees group health insurance.

Lt. Gov. Dewhurst on July 25 said lawmakers and college officials across the state had let him know their concerns about the veto.

Dewhurst said he doesn't want community colleges to have to raise tuition or limit enrollment or have local taxes increased as a result of the veto.

In his June 15 veto statement

Perry said money appropriated from general revenue may not be expended for employee benefit costs, and that community colleges wrongly have been using such funds to pay the benefits on non-state paid employees.

Dewhurst said he wants the matter addressed right away and plans to bring it up in a fall meeting of the 10-member Legislative Budget Board. The board has the power to reauthorize the vetoed funding.

Meanwhile, Dewhurst said, he plans to meet with Sens. Zafirin, Hinojosa, Shapiro, Duncan, Ogden, other interested lawmakers, the governor's office and state agencies to work out a solution before the year's end.

### TEEN BIRTH RATE RANKS HIGHEST

Texas currently has the highest teen birth rate in the nation: 63 births per 1,000 females ages 15-19.

Nationally, there are 41 births for every 1,000 teens.

The data comes from the KIDS COUNT Data Book, a national state-by-state report released by the Annie E. Casey Foundation and reported July 25 by the Austin thinktank, Center for Public Policy Priorities.

CPPP said the report is a precursor to the fall release of The State of Texas Children 2007, which will provide child well-being data for every county in Texas.

### SENATE PASSES BORDER FUNDING

The U.S. Senate on July 25 passed an amendment to the Department of Homeland Security appropriations bill that would provide \$3 billion in emergency funding for border security.

The amendment includes a provision drafted by U.S. Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas, to allow the money to be used for enforcing immigration laws, including electronic employment verification improvements and increased removal and detention of visa overstays.

### UT TOWER LIGHTS OUT FOR WEEKEND

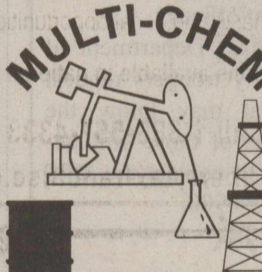
To control invading crickets, the University of Texas at Austin did not turn on the burnt orange lights that illuminate the UT Tower Friday night July 27 through Sunday night July 29. The insects are attracted to the lights.

### FORMER HEALTH AGENCY CHIEF DIES

Dr. Robert Bernstein, who served as head of the Texas Department of Health from 1980 to 1991, died July 23. Bernstein was 87.

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Rig Locations For Crockett, Sutton, Terrell and Reagan counties

As of July 27, 2007

### Crockett County

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Big America Prod/Mid	12300	Brown Bassett Pecos Unit #2	Helmerich & Payne/A 214	Drig Ahead
Fin Natural Res	13900	Kenley #2-178	Patterson Drilling/A 169	Drig Ahead
New Encore Operating Lp	9300	J.L. Henderson Jr. - B - #8-20	Nabors Drilling (O) 709	Drig Ahead
Approach Operating	9000	Cinco Terry - A - #902	Nabors Drilling (O) 353	Drig Ahead
New Approach Operating	9000	Cinco Terry - A - #902	Nabors Drilling (O) 353	Assigned
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	8975	Balle #152	Patterson Drilling/A 710	Drig Ahead
Rodessa Operating	8500	Clayton - 2 - #5	Patterson Drilling/A 742	Drig Ahead
New Anadarko E & P Co Lp	8300	Hill Harris #1	Ringo Drilling I Lp 5	Drig Ahead
New Anadarko E & P Co Lp	8200	Meybin - C - #1513	Heart Land Drilling 8	As Directed
Soc Oil Company Inc	6800	Davidson #3508	Patterson Drilling/A 38	Drig Ahead
New Fin Natural Res	5500	Mann - 45 - #1	Patterson Drilling/A 40	Drig Ahead 2580'
Bleegrass Energy Inc	4800	Phillips - A - #88	Heart Land Drilling 5	Drig Ahead 2800'
Mic Operating	4500	Simpson Canyon - 1013 - Unit #1	Patterson Drilling/A 721	Drig Ahead
		Bouscaren #9557	Amerimax Drilling 1	Drig Ahead 997'

### Sutton County

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	9975	Thorp - 30 - #2	Patterson Drilling/A 39	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	9250	Duke Wilson - 189 - #18	Patterson Drilling/A 122	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	8995	Mayer - 208 - #15	Helmerich & Payne/S 303	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	8975	Shurley - 166 - #24	Patterson Drilling/A 125	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	8950	Shurley - 165 - #15	Patterson Drilling/A 120	Assigned
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	8700	Mayer Ranch - Non152 - #2	Helmerich & Payne/S 302	Drig Ahead
New Dominion Ok Tx E&P	8250	Edwin S Mayer Jr. - #5	Helmerich & Payne/S 301	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	7725	Shurley - 141 - #28	Patterson Drilling/A 115	Drig Ahead
New Dominion Ok Tx E&P	7450	Hitt #1273	Patterson Drilling/A 105	Drig Ahead
New Dominion Ok Tx E&P	7375	Shurley - 141 - #28	Patterson Drilling/A 115	Drig Ahead

### Reagan County

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Pioneer Natural/Trv	9975	Eisner-Christy - 10 - #4	Patterson Drilling/A 474	Drig Ahead 8385'
Pioneer Natural/Trv	9500	University 10-9 #5	Mattlock Drilling 2	Drig Ahead 6515'
Pioneer Natural/Trv	9500	University 1-24 #2	Patterson Drilling/A 472	Drig Ahead 8237'
Prime Operating/Mid	9000	Weatherby - 1216 - #3	Adobe Drilling/Mark	Drig Ahead 8527'
New Mariner Energy	8650	Ricker - 25 - #88m	Lariat Services/Ode 15	Drig Ahead 5752'
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OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
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### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

**THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF CROCKETT COUNTY, TEXAS,** will receive quotes for the mowing season of 2007-2008 for Crockett County Parks. The bids will be received no later than 2:30 p.m. August 13, 2007. Any bid received after opening time will be returned unopened. Bid sheets and specifications may be picked up at the County Auditor's Office or the County Road Department. Road Department is located at 224 State Highway 163 North and the County Auditor's Office is located at the County Annex. Interested persons may call 392-3020 for information. Bids should be mailed or delivered to Crockett County Auditor John Stokes, P.O. Box 989, Ozona, Texas 76943. The Commissioners' Court reserves the right to accept or reject any part or all of the bid. John Stokes, Crockett County Auditor Ozona, Texas. 2c27

## RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 7C  
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jul 19, 2007

Rule 37 Case No. 0252634  
Status/Permit No. 636192

### AMENDED NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the BLUEGRASS ENERGY, INC., [RRC Operator No. 076848] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line distance requirement because the Applicant is less than the required Rule 37 lease line distance to an unleased or non-pooled interest within the subject unit for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 23, BK. HH, G646F RR CO Survey, A-3302, BLUEGRASS (WOLF-CAMP) and WILDCAT fields, CROCKETT County, being 4.1 miles NE direction from IRAMAN, Texas. The location and identity of the well is as follows:

**FIELD: BLUEGRASS (WOLF-CAMP)**

Lease/Unit Name	:	SIMPSON CANYON 1023 UNIT
Lease/Unit Well No.	:	1ST
Lease/Unit Acres	:	320.0
Nearest Lease Line (ft)	:	50.0
Lease Lines	:	605.0 F S L, 2288.0 F W L
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Wellbore Profile(s): Directional Sidetrack

Bottom Hole: BHL

Lease Lines:	1320.0 F S L
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Lease/Unit Well No.	:	1ST
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Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

**BLUEGRASS (WOLF-CAMP):**

OIL Special Rules	467/1200, 160.0 acres.
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Rule 37 Case No. 0252634 (Dist. 7C)

**WILDCAT:** Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 8000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Tom Douglass, at (512)4956300.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted without a hearing if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with the cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512)463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission at (512)463-6701.

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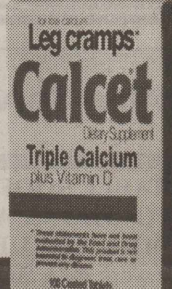
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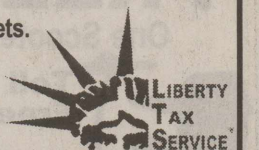
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