

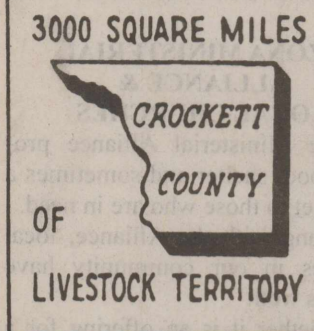
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21st annual Crockett County DeerFest Saturday

By **MELISSA PERNER**
 Editor and Publisher

The 21st annual Crockett County DeerFest will be held at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, at the Fair Park Convention Center.

This year's DeerFest promises to be one of the biggest and best ever.

The Grand Prize will be a 2008 Polaris Ranger 4x4, winner pays sales tax and title fees.

Other prizes include: \$10,000 in Cabela's Gift Cards, a pot-belly blind, feeders and more than 60 guns. For a list of firearms, visit www.deerfest.org.

Winners must have proper identification to claim firearm prizes. A physical address must be on the drivers' license for ID. If a physical address is not on the ID, then a voter registration card or hunting license with a 911 address can also be used with the drivers' license.

Door prize tickets are \$1 each and are available at the Ozona Chamber of Commerce, Ozona Chatter Box, T&C Village Grocery Store, Food Basket, Maness Exxon Little Store, Westerman Drug, Crockett Automotive, The Ozona Stockman, Wool Growers, Ozona

Wool & Mohair, Triple C. Hardware & Lumber, Village Drug, Circle Bar Pitstop Convenience Store, Circle Bar Restaurant, Circle Bar Hotel, Best Western/Ozona Inn, Best Value Inn, Hillcrest Motel, Crockett County Abstract and Pecos River Crossing Store.

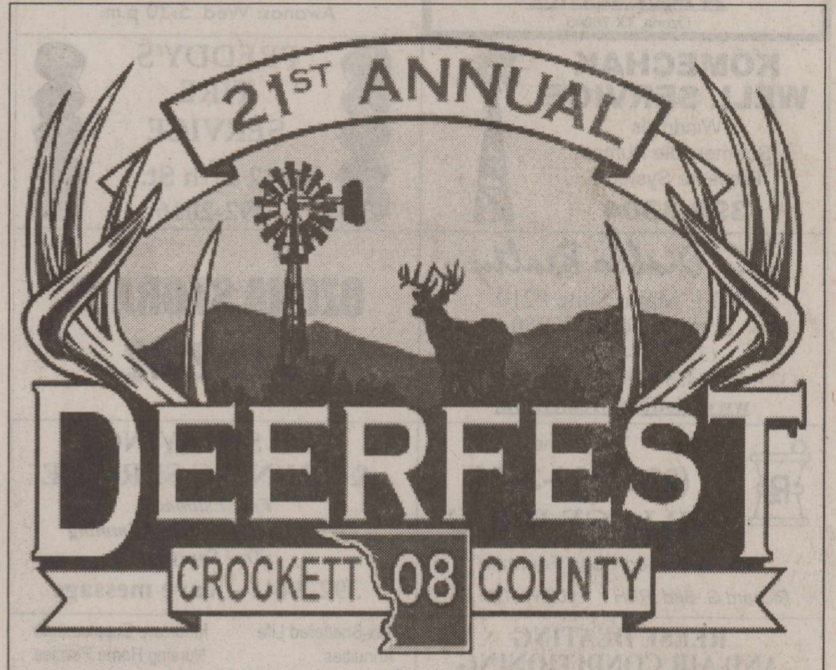
General admission is \$10 per person, which includes a meal of chicken-fried deer, turkey, axis, deer sausage, deer chili, deer tamales and brisket. Starting this year, the DeerFest Association will give 10 percent of the admission proceeds to West Texas REHAB.

The Crockett County DeerFest was created 21 years ago as a community-wide appreciation banquet for hunters.

Typically 1,000 to 1,500 people attend the event and approximately \$40,000 in prizes are raffled.

Over the years, the DeerFest Association has raised enough money to build the Fair Park Convention Center, in which the event is now housed. After construction, the building was donated to the county.

The DeerFest Association has purchased A/V equipment and put a roof on the Ozona Community Center. The association also helped finance the construction of the Crockett County EMS building.



In 2007, the DeerFest contributed to the Crockett County 4-H, Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Youth Ministry, The Ozona Chamber of Commerce, The Ministerial Alliance, Ozona Volunteer Fire Department, The Cub Scouts, Crockett County Youth Center, Ozona Community Center, Perceptor Mu Chi, The Sheffield Boot Camp and the Crockett County EMS.

Justin Maldonado was the re-

ipient of the 2008 Crockett County DeerFest Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.

All monies are raised from the sale of raffle tickets, admission fees and our donor's generous donations.

With the help of MC, Jim Bob Solsbery, the association plans on producing a DeerFest Hunting Camp Recipe Cookbook.

Recipes submitted by the public will be used, along with Jim Bob's humor. Anyone with a recipe

they would like to share, or a funny hunting story, can submit them to the association at www.deerfest.org or to P.O. Box 3163, Ozona, Texas 76943. Submissions will be credited.

"The Crockett County DeerFest would not be what it is today without the foresight of the founding members or the continued community support. We will need your support again this year. It is the people of Ozona who have made DeerFest

what it is," said Ty Williams, DeerFest Association Board Member.

DeerFest Board Members are: President Will Seahorn, Vice Presidents Martin Childress and Ty Williams, Treasurer Clay Engdahl, Secretary Megan Nowell and Board members Cole Crenwelge, Jimmy Nowell, Ward Childress, Matt Mecke, Michael Mitchell and Ryan Bean.

For more information, visit www.deerfest.org.

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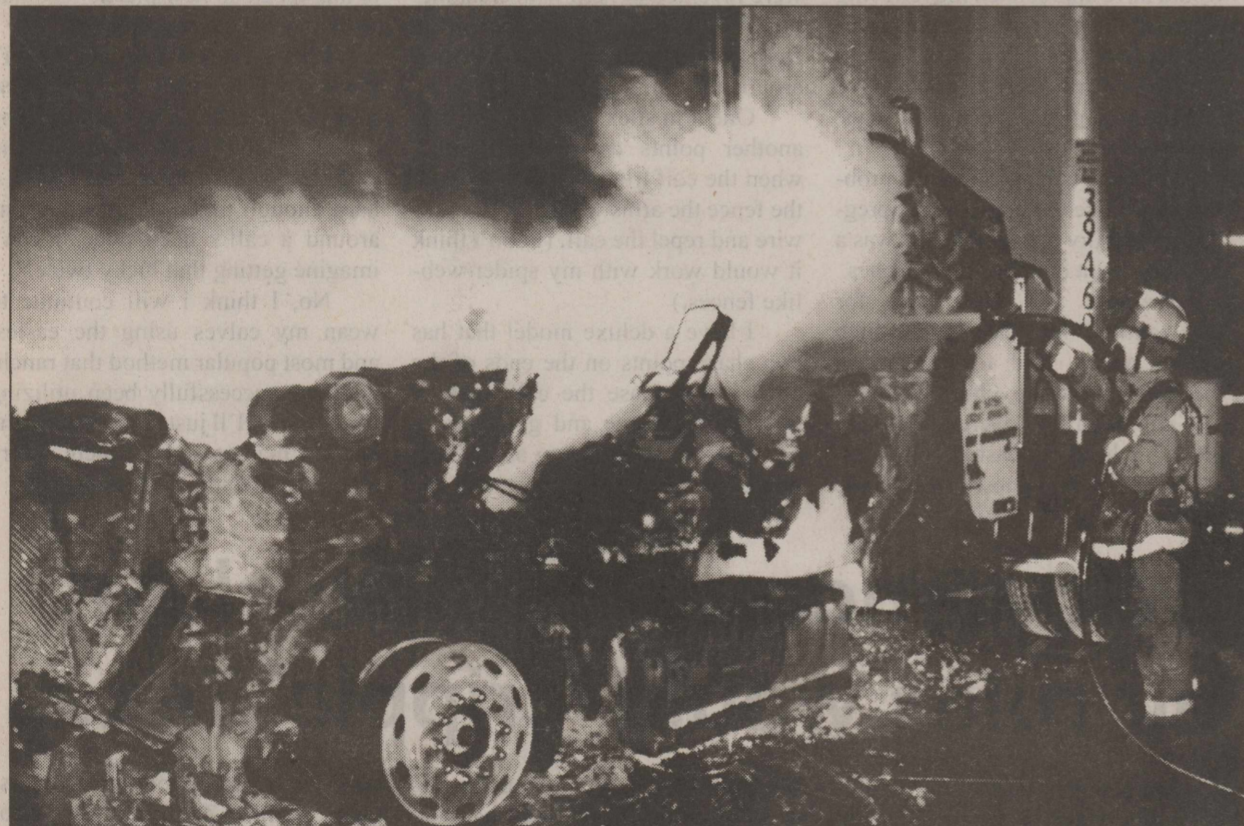


Photo by Joe Hernandez

OZONA FIRE FIGHTER RYAN MASON works at extinguishing an 18-wheeler truck that caught fire on Nov. 29 in the parking lot of the Circle Bar Truck Stop. The truck was fully involved when fire fighters arrived at 4:20 a.m.

Lights of Love singing, Santa Claus arrives tonight



Photo by Joe Hernandez

NEW CHRISTMAS LIGHT DECORATIONS were hung Monday throughout Ozona. More new decorations can also be seen at tonight's Lights of Love singing in the town square. The decorations were purchased with county funds and donations by the Christmas Lights Committee.

The annual Lights of Love Christmas Lighting will take place at 6 p.m. tonight, Dec. 3, in the town square.

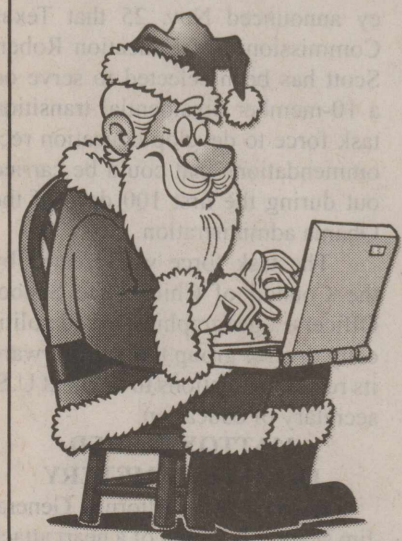
The event is hosted by the Ozona Community Center with help from the Ozona Elementary School and the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department.

Children from Ozona Elementary School, the Ozona Community Center, Ozona Head Start, Del's Little Schoolhouse and the First Baptist Church AWANA group have been invited to sing.

Hot chocolate and wassail will be served. There will also be a special appearance by Santa Claus.

Ozona Community Center is selling a string of lights for \$5 in honor of or in memory of family and friends. A \$20 donation will purchase 5 strings of lights. These listings will be posted in The Ozona Stockman, as well as sending a card to the appropriate people.

Santa Letters due Dec. 12



Letters to Santa Claus need to be in by 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12, at The Ozona Stockman office on 1000 Avenue E.

The letters will be printed in the Dec. 24 edition.

For more information, call the Stockman at 392-2551 or e-mail publisher@ozonastockman.com.

Anyone interested in advertising in our Santa Letters Special Section can call Susan Calloway at 392-2551 or e-mail susan@ozonastockman.com.

Deadline for advertising is also Friday, Dec. 12.

Museum to host Wool & Mohair Style Show Saturday

By **MELISSA PERNER**
 Editor and Publisher

The Crockett County Museum will feature the latest in wool and mohair designs Saturday during the annual Wool and Mohair Style Show.

The show will begin at 2 p.m. and will feature Dolores Vernor of Dolores' Unique Designs. Refreshments will be served.

Vernor has donated an olive green and black coat to be given away at the event. Tickets are \$1 each or \$10 for 12. They can be purchased at the museum, The Ozona Stockman or from any museum board member.

Vernor, a long-time fashion

designer, earned a C.P.A. degree in Tempico, Mexico, where she also hosted her own television show "How to Make Your Own Patterns."

In 1990, she founded Dolores' Unique Designs in Camp Wood after discovering mohair. When she first came to the United States, she had never heard of mohair.

"I cannot believe that this exists," was her reaction to the fiber she proclaims to be a hidden treasure.

She creates coats, dresses, scarves and socks, and feels a strong responsibility to educate people about the fabric created from the hair of an Angora goat.

As part of her educational effort, Vernor travels extensively for

trunk shows.

She said she feels that these shows are her opportunity to tell people about mohair.

After people discovered mohair, which 90 percent of them have never heard of, they realize what a unique fabric it is, Vernor said.

She had designed jackets for former first lady and current senator Hilary Clinton, D-New York, and U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas.

The Texas bomber jacket she designed for the former late Texas Governor Ann Richards is often a requested design.

For more information on the show, call the museum at 392-2837.



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What's on My Mind by Melissa Perner

The season of giving

During this time of giving, let's stop and think about those who may do without this Christmas.

Before buying that new toy that the child or grandchild will probably play with for about five minutes, stop to think how that money can be better used.

Here are a few entities in Ozona that can always need a helping hand.

TOYS FOR TOTS

Frank Tambunga has said that the need has grown larger this year for those who benefit from Toys For Tots.

Drop off locations are set up at the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department, Duckwalls or Dollar General.

Volunteers will also be at the town square Saturdays from 10 a.m.-noon through Dec. 20. On Saturday, Dec. 20, if you give you receive a free hot dog and drink. Monetary donations are also accepted.

ANGEL TREE

Each year, these corner trees bearing ornaments listing clothing needs seems to have more and more.

Trees are located at Crockett National Bank, Ozona National Bank and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church.

The donation is simple. Take an ornament, purchase the items listed and return the gifts by Dec. 15 to any of three tree locations.

Sometimes the greatest gift can be as simple as a warm coat.

For more information, you may

call E.A. Wadsworth, RN, at 392-3060.

SALVATION ARMY

We see the bell ringers in larger cities, but Ozona does have a local Salvation Army.

Lou Morrow, at the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department, is the person in charge.

To learn more about how to help or to make donations, stop by and see Lou at the department or make a monetary donation made out to "The Salvation Army" to P.O. Box 269, Ozona, Texas 76943.

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COMMUNITY CENTER

This organization houses one of the greatest treasures in our town, our children.

In order to keep educating these little ones, donations are greatly needed to help pay salaries, buy supplies and new equipment.

The center also takes old or used printer cartridges and old cellular phones for recycling. They also sponsor the "Lights of Love" in the town square. A string of lights is \$5 in honor of or in memory of family and friends. A \$20 donation will purchase 5 strings of lights.

School supplies are also needed throughout the year, as well as the occasional volunteer.

Monetary donations can be mailed to P.O. Box 41, Ozona, Texas 76943.

The center is located at 1604

Primary St. next to Ozona Primary School.

For more information, you may call E.A. Wadsworth, RN, at 392-3060 or call the center at 392-2710.

CARE CENTER

The Crockett County Care Center needs more than just money, it needs people.

The residents of the Care Center love visitors. Many of these people are looking for fresh ears to talk to. Also, volunteers for beauty shop, entertainment, reading or just to play bingo are welcome.

The Care Center's address is P.O. Box 640 Ozona, Texas 76943.

It is located on Medical Drive next to the clinic.

SENIOR CENTER

The Senior Center is always looking for puzzles, good movies to watch or bingo prizes for their monthly social. Used large print books and old magazines, as well as a visit, are always welcome.

The Senior Center is located on north State Highway 163.

Their mailing address is P.O. Box 1025 Ozona, Texas 76943.

HELPING HANDS

Located in the Senior Center Building, Helping Hands for the Elderly provides meals each day to those who are homebound or who cannot afford a good meal.

This Thursday, Helping Hands is having a fund-raiser arts and crafts show and raffle at the Civic Center.

Donations are also accepted at anytime throughout the year.

Helping Hands mailing address is P.O. Box 944, Ozona, Texas 76943.

OZONA MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE & LOCAL CHURCHES

The Ministerial Alliance provides food, shelter and sometimes a bus ticket to those who are in need.

Along with the Alliance, local churches in our community have needs as well.

Whether it is an offering for a member who fallen ill, or gathering canned goods for missionaries, churches always work to help others.

Sunday School classes could even work at adopting a needy family for Christmas. Help provide Christmas dinner, toys for the children and clothing. Maybe, even offer to do some work on the house.

Hmm...that's an idea that will include many organizations.

While Christmas is the perpetual time of giving, many of these organizations need help year-round. That means giving 12 months, instead of one.

No donation of money or time is too little or too small.

Even the money in a child's piggy bank is just as big as a \$500 check.

The point is, think of others, not only at Christmas, but throughout the entire year.

IT'S THE PITTS BY LEE PITTS

Who's Blabbing Now?

Proud cattlemen are always bragging about the premiums they got for their calves because they were all one color, all natural, had all their shots, or were all age and sourced. In my experience there is one thing you can do to insure that you're calves will ALWAYS fetch more money: wean them from their mommas.

To wean or not to wean... that is the question!

Professors and armchair advisors are always urging ranchers to interrupt the mother/child relationship by weaning their calves. But that's easier said than done. I'd like to see them try to wean calves on some of the places I've leased. Oh, I tried it once, just like I tried eating fried tofu once. It made me sick in both cases.

Years ago I grew some hay with my farmer brother-in-law and, unlike now, you couldn't hardly give the stuff away. Rather than take a big

loss I decided to use my share of the hay to wean my calves. In retrospect, if the hay had all burned up I'd have lost less money... and less sleep. I didn't sleep a wink while all the desperate wailing went on. And that was just my wife, those snot-nosed calves made a lot of noise too.

You'd have thought the cows would have appreciated me relieving them of their parental responsibilities but they huddled up like buffalo in a snowstorm and wouldn't leave the weaning pens for ten long days. And nights!

Weaning calves has been a problem ever since the first cow got pregnant. A century ago a milk cow was a common sight on farms and ranches.

Because her milk was for the family, not her calf, such calves were said to be "hit in the head with the churn dasher."

Although they weren't actually hit in the head, at least in some cases, that's not to suggest that barbaric

ways of weaning didn't exist. Some rural folks had all the compassion of a rabid skunk and occasionally made a slit down the middle of a calf's tongue with a knife.

Such calves were called "tongue splitters" and they were unable to suck. If PETA and the Humane Society had been around back then they'd have had a field day.

One option has always been to "fence line wean" your calves but ranchers who do this must have much better fences than I do. If I built a six foot high block wall around my corals the little buggers would burrow under it! In the old days doohickies were invented to help with weaning. I have one huge contraption made from two straps of steel that bolted around the calf's neck.

One arm sticks up in the air and another points downward so that when the calf tried to sneak through the fence the arms would hit the barb wire and repel the calf. (I don't think it would work with my spider-web-like fences.)

I have a deluxe model that has two sharp points on the ends of the arms just in case the calf made it through the fence and got back to her mother. In trying to suck these points would hit the udder and the

mother's love look in her eye would vanish faster than a box of donuts at a calf branding.

Can you imagine what a cow must have thought when her calf approached wearing such a device? And just think of a poor bull calf or steer trying to impress the heifers with such an un-cool looking device hanging around his neck!

Blab boards, blabs and spike weaners all worked on the same principle. They attached in the calf's nose like a bull ring and when the calf tried to suck the cow would be jabbed and would kick her calf off. I see now where a company is trying to market an all new plastic blab that works on the same principle.

I bet they work too, but I don't think I will be using them because it means I'd have to rope all my calves twice. Once to put them in and once to take them out. I have a hard enough time getting my twine around a calf's neck once. I can't imagine getting that lucky twice!

No, I think I will continue to wean my calves using the easiest and most popular method that ranchers have successfully been utilizing for decades: I'll just send them to the auction market and let them worry about the precious little darlings!

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HIGHLIGHTS
By Ed Sterling

AUSTIN - Gov. Rick Perry on Nov. 24 urged the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency not to pass a proposed framework that would toughen regulations on greenhouse gas emissions.

Examples of greenhouse gases are carbon dioxide, ozone and methane.

Perry said the EPA is planning to reinterpret the federal Clean Air Act in ways that would "cripple the Texas economy."

Concerned that the EPA will take action before President George W. Bush's term of office ends in January, Perry and a group of other governors scheduled a Dec. 2 meeting with president-elect Barack Obama to discuss regulatory concerns.

Perry on Nov. 24 proposed:

- Making alternative energy technologies less expensive to encourage commercial use.
- Removing barriers to innova-

Governor warns new clean air rules would 'cripple' Texas

tion and competition.

- Modernizing the national energy grid to support wind and solar energy transmission.

- Facilitating investments in the development of carbon capture and sequestration technologies.

- Removing barriers to investment in nuclear generation that would reduce carbon emissions.

- Encouraging competitiveness, innovation and growth in alternative energy sources.

FILING OF EARLY BILLS CONTINUES

Jan. 13 is the start date for the 81st session of the Texas Legislature and March 13 is the deadline for the filing of major bills, so there is plenty of time for every Texan's state rep and senator to attempt to make new laws or repeal or amend existing ones.

As of Nov. 30, Texas lawmakers had filed more than 700 bills to be considered in the coming session. Here are a couple of bills that were filed Thanksgiving week.

SB 321 by Elliot Shapleigh, D-El Paso, would require the filing and posting on the Internet of reports of school board candidates' political contributions and expenditures.

HB 345 by Gary Elkins, R-

Houston, would require businesses to do more to protect sensitive personal information contained in customer records. SB 327 by Leticia Van de Putte, D-San Antonio, is the same as HB 345.

BOARD LIMITS STATE BUDGET

The Texas Constitution requires the Legislature to pass a state budget that does not exceed the projected growth of the state economy.

In mid-November, the 10-member Legislative Budget Board unanimously adopted a rate of 9.14 percent for fiscal 2010-11.

The rate reflects the estimated growth rate in the state economy from the 2008-2009 biennium to the 2010-2011 biennium as projected by the Texas Comptroller.

The LBB is required to meet and set the constitutional spending limit prior to every legislative session. It is co-chaired by Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and House Speaker Tom Craddick, and includes certain automatic appointed members.

They include Steve Ogden, R-College Station, chair of the Senate Finance Committee, Warren Chisum, chair of the House Appropriations Committee, and Jim Keffler, chair of the House Committee on Ways

and Means; and appointed members, Sens. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo, Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock, John Whitmire, D-Houston; and Reps. Dan Branch, R-Dallas, and Sylvester Turner, D-Houston.

TEA CHIEF JOINS TASK FORCE

The Texas Education Agency announced Nov. 25 that Texas Commissioner of Education Robert Scott has been selected to serve on a 10-member presidential transition task force to develop education recommendations that could be carried out during the first 100 days of the Obama administration.

The task force was created by the Council of Chief State School Officers, a geographically and politically diverse group that will forward its recommendations to the next U.S. secretary of education.

MATTOX BURIED IN STATE CEMETERY

Former Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox, 65, died of a heart attack in his sleep at his home in Dripping Springs on Nov. 19. His body lay in repose in the Texas House Chamber on Nov. 24, and thousands paid their respects. Mattox was buried in the Texas State Cemetery in Austin on Nov. 25.

TOYS FOR TOTS

Free hot dogs on Dec. 20 for Toys for Tots donations

Veterans of Crockett County are once again collecting new unwrapped toys and money donations as we enter this holiday season.

These donations will be used to provide a gift during Christmas for the children in Crockett County that might not be as fortunate as others.

Our Toys for Tots campaign will last until Dec. 20 at which time all toys and money collected will be turned over to the Ozona Salvation Army where they will distribute the toys, with the support of the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department.

Crockett County Veterans will be asking everyone to join them in bringing a smile to a local child this holiday season. Toy containers are located at Ozona Volunteer Fire Department, Duckwalls and Dollar General.

Not only are toys needed for

children, but also for teenagers ages 13-17.

Anyone wanting to drop off a toy or a money donation, our volunteers will be collecting at the town square every Saturday from 10 a.m.-noon until Dec. 20.

For donating on Dec. 20, people will receive a free hot dog and drink from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the town square.

The Ozona Salvation Army will have applications for the people that need some assistance this holiday beginning Dec. 1 and continuing through Dec. 15.

These applications are available at the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department.

For more information, call Frank Tambunga at 392-2827 or Lou Morrow 392-9963.

Angel Tree ornaments available, deadline Dec. 15

The Ozona United Methodist Church Wesley Nurse Program is sponsoring this year's Angel Tree program.

This program's purpose is to ensure all Crockett County residents experience the blessings of the Holy Day of Christmas.

It could not be successful without the help of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, Ozona National Bank and Crockett National Bank.

Around 100 children and elderly residents in our community have

been contacted.

Their clothing needs have been placed on ornaments, which are decorating Christmas trees located at OLPH Catholic Church, Crockett National Bank and Ozona National Bank.

Anyone wanting to participate, can go by one of these three locations and pick up the ornament of your choice, purchase the items and return your gift by Dec. 15 at any of the three locations.

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

Happy Birthday

Dec. 3 - Tanáa Hernández, Chelsey Najai, Angelo Vitela, Desi Tijerina Sr., Kelli DeHoyos and Petra Hernandez

Dec. 4 - Jackie Rose Sanchez, Joe Sanchez, Samuel Maskill, Kayla Scott, Levi Bishop, Natalie Hernandez, Casey Mendoza and Rocky Munoz

Dec. 5 - Susan Williams and Megan McDaniel

Dec. 6 - Eddie Moore, Kyle Dean, Matt McGuire, Candace Gandar, Miguel Hernandez, Connie Arredondo, Vince Castro Jackie Sanchez, Joe Sanchez and Andrea Borrego

Dec. 7 - Kaleta Shepperson, Martin Childress, Laney Galindo, Lupe Cervantez, Rachel Mendoza, Ken Sessom, Jose Aguilar, Mikey Burleson and Erik Carrizales

Dec. 8 - Ella Clegg, Joe Brandon Ortiz, Amanda Ramirez, Alma

Longoria and Jimmy Tambunga

Dec. 9 - Artemio Hernandez Sr., Jeremiah Armando Ramirez, Terry Adams, Cade Clark, Margaret Coates, Jeremiah Sanchez and Ida Perez



Submitted photo
TAYLOR OGLESBY killed her first buck on Nov. 26 at the Oglesby Ranch in Crockett County. He was 22-3/4 inches inside. Taylor is the daughter of Sally Oglesby-Harris of Ozona and is a student at Texas Tech University.



Submitted photo
CHELSEA GONZALES (right) pictured with her grandmother, Betty King of Ozona, competed in the Regional Cheerfest in San Marcos as part of the Eighth Grade Glenn Raiders Cheerleaders of San Angelo. The Raiders won first place in their division and will advance to Nationals held in February in Orlando, Fla. Chelsea is the daughter of Eloy and Connie Gonzales of San Angelo and the granddaughter of Morris and Betty King of Ozona, Arturo Gonzales of Ozona and Linda Gonzales of Iran.

DEADLINE IS NOON MONDAY

Community Calendar

Wednesday, Dec. 3

- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Lights of Love Christmas Singing and Santa Claus arrival, 6 p.m. at the town square.

Thursday, Dec. 4

- OHS Lions and Lady Lions in the Irion County Tournament at Mertzon.
- OHS JV Lady Lions at the Eldorado Tournament.
- Ladies bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Chamber of Commerce Christmas Celebration, 5:15-7:15 p.m. at the Visitor Center.

Friday, Dec. 5

- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- OHS Lions and Lady Lions in the Irion County Tournament at Mertzon.
- OHS JV Lady Lions at the Eldorado Tournament.

Saturday, Dec. 6

- OHS Lions and Lady Lions in the Irion County Tournament at Mertzon.
- OHS JV Lady Lions at the Eldorado Tournament.
- Toys for Tots, 10 a.m.-noon, at the town square.
- Wool & Mohair Style Show, 2 p.m. at the Crockett County Museum.
- DeerFest, 5:30 p.m. at the Fair Park Convention Center.

Monday, Dec. 8

- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Ladies bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- OMS Lady Lions vs. Alpine, 5 p.m. at Alpine.
- OMS Lions vs. Alpine, 5 p.m. at OHS and OMS Gyms.
- "Do Well, Be Well" diabetes classes, 6:30 p.m. at OLPH Parish Hall.
- OHS Guitar Concert, 6 p.m. at the Civic Center.

Tuesday, Dec. 9

- OHS Lions and Lady Lions vs. Christoval, 5 p.m. at the Davidson Gym.

Wednesday, Dec. 10

- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.

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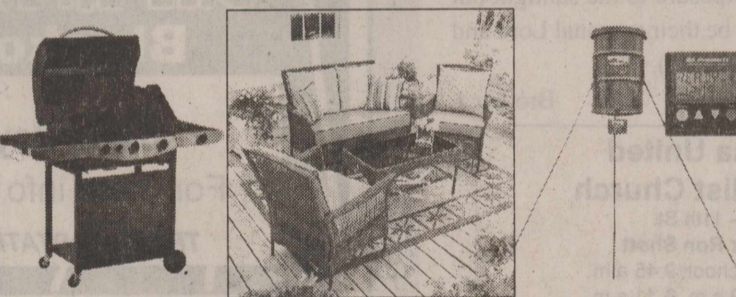
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Ozona Senior Happenings

By LYNN ENGLISH
Senior Center Director

Thanksgiving is over and so is November. I can not believe that Christmas 2008 will soon be here. This is the most hectic and busy time of the year. We need to remember to slow down, take deep breaths and county your many blessings.

I just heard today that Jo Ann Babbitt married Jim Couch on Nov. 26. Congratulations to the happy couple.

Our visitor Rita Jackson has been here at the Senior Center most of November. She is leaving tomorrow for her home in Van, Texas. We will miss you Rita and will be looking forward to your next visit.

Betty and Bob Hartley drove up in a new car last week. The car

is very nice and we are proud for them.

Intrepid Health Care will send a nurse on Tuesday, Dec. 9, to take blood pressures and blood sugar tests. They will be here from 11 a.m. to noon.

There will not be a Senior Bingo Social this month because of conflicting dates. We will resume our bingo games in January.

On Thursday, Dec. 4, the Helping Hands will be having an Arts and Crafts Show at the Civic Center. They will be serving stew, cornbread, cake and tea. The charge for a plate is \$5.

The "Walk Two Miles" ladies are still going strong. They meet every Monday, Wednesday and Friday here at the Crockett County Senior Center at 8:30 a.m. Now is a good time to join this group and get the

exercise you need to keep healthy.

Monday and Thursday at 1:30 p.m. is when the bridge players come to the Senior Center to play their favorite past time game. These ladies are faithful about coming and always have a fun afternoon.

We continue to have our regular activities: square dance lessons and dances, exercise class, bridge, bingo, home health, pool, canasta and puzzles. We also have a collection of books, magazines and three computers that are on the Internet for seniors to use.

You are welcome to drop in and see what we are doing. Our activities are for those 50 and older (we are flexible).

Our activities are for those 50 years young and older. We will remain flexible as to age.

Care Center Chatter

By ELSA VASQUEZ
Assistant Activity Director

We would like to thank all our visitors and volunteers that came this week for your kind words and smiles. They brighten up the place.

Baskets & More brought flower arrangements for the residents tables.

Pre-K classes sang cute, little Thanksgiving songs and brought us a giant basket of fruit.

E.A. Wadsworth R.N. came to read and helped us get our ladies beautiful for the holiday.

Dairy Queen donated ice cream gift certificates for bingo prizes. We can all do great things, not by might nor by power but by my spirit, says the Lord Almighty.

The dewdrop does God's work as much as the thunderstorm, so small or large deeds we thank you.

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Library News

by Louise P. Ledoux

Christmas Tour of Homes Dec. 14

The Friends of the Library Christmas Tour of Homes will be on Sunday, Dec. 14, from 2-5 p.m.

Tour some of Ozona's most beautiful homes decorated for Christmas and end your tour at the Ozona National Bank for refreshments and door prizes.

This year we have the home of Eugene Miller, 902 Avenue H; Katie and Joe Warren Friend, 202 Mesquite; Marolyn and Joe Bean, 802 Angus; Ozona National Bank, 503 11th Street and the Crockett County Public Library at 1201 Ave. G.

At the end of your tour, be sure



to put your ticket in the drawing for beautiful door prizes donated by Baskets and More.

Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the Library or at any of the homes. Mark your calendars now and let us help you get into the Christmas Spirit!

Historical Commission selling Crockett County DVD

The Crockett County Historical Commission is selling DVD copies of Crockett County History.

The DVDs will feature the history that is currently in the green Crockett County History Book.

The book, published in 1976, is primarily a county history told through the lives of individual families.

The Crockett County Historical Society chose to publish this book as its part in celebrating the American Revolution Bicentennial. If we are to build for the future, it is essential to

know something of the past.

These DVDs are a digital format of "A History of Crockett County" and include the complete contents of the original book produced as a joint project of the Crockett County Historical Commission and the Crockett County Public Library Genealogy Archive.

Cost for the DVDs is \$50. Money will be collected when the DVDs are delivered in January.

For more information, or to place an order, call 392-3565.

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Adult -		2nd - \$10.00 and a ribbon
Group - A group of 3 or more people		3rd - \$5.00 and a ribbon

You do not have to be a 4-H member to participate in this contest. Anyone can enter.
Houses will be accepted at the Fair Park Convention Center
December 18th from 8:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.

For more information, rules and entry form, call the Extension Office at 392-2721

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Ages 16 - 18 yrs		3rd - \$5.00 and a ribbon
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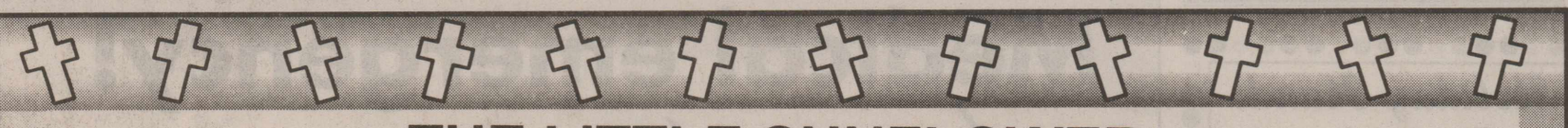
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THE LITTLE SUNFLOWER

My wife has a small concrete area in our back yard where she feeds the birds and sometimes she feeds sunflower seeds. I guess one of those seeds got blown off the concrete pad and fell into a crack in the dirt and sprouted. Anyway, we have one sunflower plant that is about two feet tall. I really did not think it would survive the dogs, lawnmower, weed eater or grandchildren but it has. I have been watching this plant very closely lately and I have observed that in the early morning before the sun rises that the plant is droopy looking, but when the sun comes out, that changes. It seems like the plant stretches upward as high as it can get and it faces toward the sun. The beautiful bright yellow petals are fully opened so as to get every bit of available sunlight. It seems like that little plant lives just to see the sun or be in the sunlight everyday. Watching that little plant reminds me of a wonderful opportunity Christians have. Yes, we may have exposure to the sunlight but what is even better is exposure the Sonlight. That is Jesus Christ. Every one that has called upon the Son of God to be their personal Lord and Savior has this privilege and opportunity, (John 8:12, 12:35, 1 John 1:5-7). Let us bask in the Sonlight daily, (1 John 1:3).

See you in Church next Sunday. Brother J

<p>First Baptist Church 901 Ave. D J.B. Bitner - Interim Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting - 6:15 p.m. Awanas: Wednesday - 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Ozona Church of Christ 1002 11th St. Mr. Johnnie Perkins Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.</p>	<p>Ozona United Methodist Church 12 - 11th St. Pastor Ron Shott 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: Sunday - 7 p.m. Bible Class: Sunday - 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 Pastor Juan Avila Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Service: 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Iglesia de Dios De La Profecia 102 Man O' War St. Pastores Rainio & Maria Salcedo Domingos: Escuela dominical: 9:45 a.m. Servicio Evangelistico: 5:00 p.m. Lunes a viernes: Oracion - 6:00 a.m. Martes: Servicio evangelistico - 6:00 p.m. Miercoles: visitas a los hogares Jueves: Servicio evangelistico - 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Our Lady of Perpetual Help 219 Martinez St. Fr. Rodney White Sun. Mass: 11 a.m. Sat.: 7 p.m. Mon. - Thurs.: 6 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 style="font-size: 1.2em;">Attend the Church of your choice this Sunday</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.</p>	

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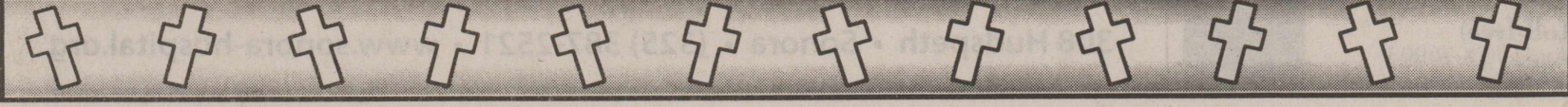




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OZONA and BIG LAKE FIRE FIGHTERS set a back burn to keep a grass fire from spreading 38 miles south on Pandale Road in the Dog Canyon area on Nov. 25. Fire fighters were in service 6 hours and 20 minutes fighting the fire. A burn ban is in effect for Crockett County.

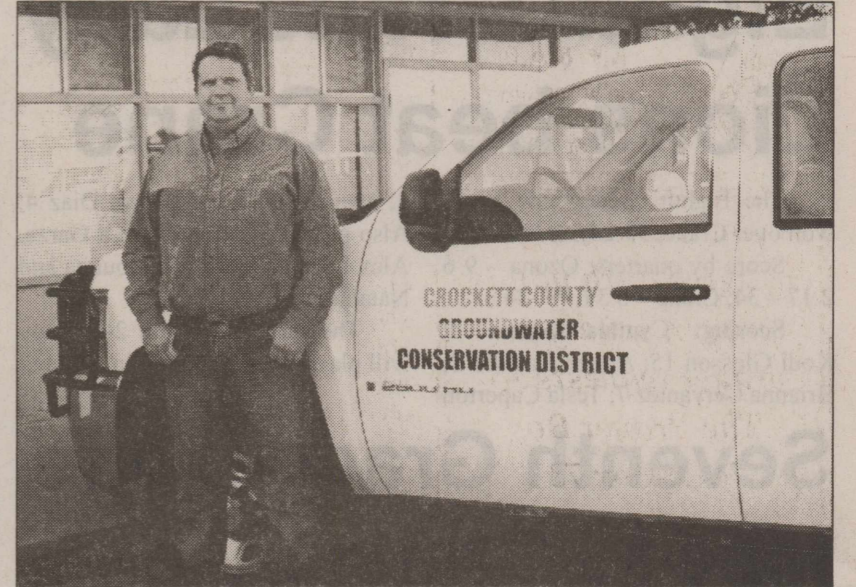


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SLATE WILLIAMS started as the new director of the Crockett County Groundwater District. Williams took over after Dennis Clark retired last month.

Happy 62nd Birthday to Susan Williams



Love, Allen, Melissa & Paul, Michelle, Ray & Desiree' & all your grand-animals

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Parents and grandparents of Kindergarten, 2nd, 3rd and 5th grade students are invited to eat Christmas lunch on Friday, Dec. 19. Kindergarten and 2nd grade's lunch will be at 11:35 a.m. Third grade's lunch will be at 11:15 a.m. and 5th grade's lunch will be at 11:45 a.m. Kindergarten will be eating in the Ozona Middle School cafeteria, while 2nd grade will be in the Ozona High School cafeteria. In order to feed everyone efficiently, we will be pre-selling lunch tickets. The tickets MUST be purchased BEFORE 11 a.m. Dec. 12. Lunch tickets are \$3 per adult and \$3 per child. You can purchase your tickets from Patty Villarreal, OES Secretary. Your receipt will be your ticket. Only adults and children with tickets are going to be allowed to eat so please make sure you have your ticket with you on that day. We look forward to seeing you. Thank you, Faculty of Ozona Elementary School

COMIDA DE CHRISTMAS

Padres de Kinder, Segundo grado, Tercer grado y Quinto grado estan invitados a comer con su hijo/a la comida de Christmas el Viernes, Diciembre 19, 2008. Kinder y Segundo grado comeran a las 11:35 a.m. Tercer grado comera a las 11:15 y Quinto grado comera a las 11:45 a.m. Kinder comera en la cafeteria de Ozona Middle School y segundo grado comera en la cafeteria de Ozona High school. Para poder servir a todos eficiente estaremos pre-vendiendo boletos. Los boletos deben ser comprados antes de las 11:00 a.m. Viernes, Diciembre 12. El costo de los boletos son \$3.00 por adultos y \$3.00 por ninos. Podran comprar los boletos con Patty Villarreal, secretaria de OES. El boleto sera su recibo, no mas serviremos a adultos y ninos con boleto so por favor traiga su boleto el dia de la comida. Le agradecemos mucho su cooperacion y aqui los veremos. Gracias, Ozona Elementary School



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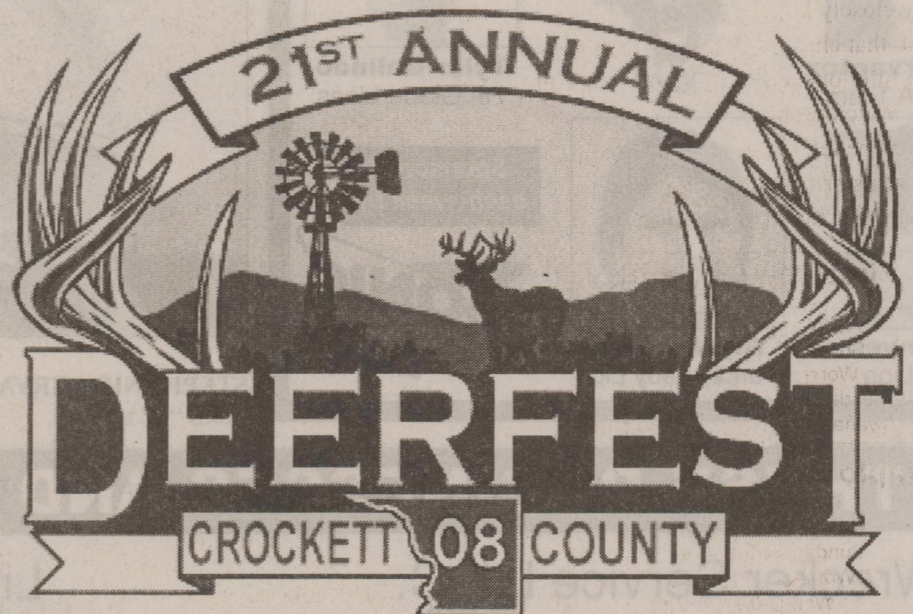
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Wool & Mohair Style Show

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Saturday, Dec. 6

2:00 p.m.

Crockett County Museum

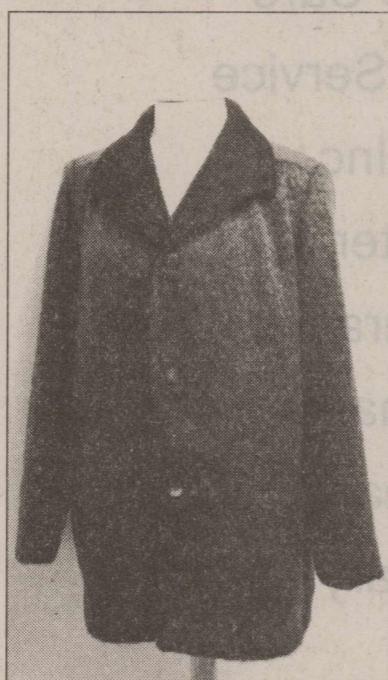
Lots of prizes to be given.

Tickets are available from any board member, at the Museum & The Ozona Stockman!
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Raffle drawing for this beautiful olive green and black wool & mohair coat, designed by Dolores of Dolores Unique Designs, will be after the style show.



Eighth Grade Lady Lions beat Crane

The Eighth Grade Lady Lions won over Crane, 34-24, on Nov. 24. Score by quarters: Ozona - 9 6 2 17 - 34; Crane - 6 3 6 7 - 24. Scoring: Cynthia Garcia 2; Kodi Glosson 15; Arleen Castillo 2; Brianna Cervantez 7; Tesla Caperton

2; Myra Rios 2 and Mayra Diaz 4. Also playing: Sabrina De La Garza, Alex Lozano, Marley Tambunga and Natalia Ortiz. The Lady Lions are 2-1. They will play Alpine at 5 p.m. in Alpine.

Seventh Grade Lions lose to Crane by one

The Seventh Grade Lions lost by one point, 29-28, to Crane on Nov. 24.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 7 4 7 8 - 28; Crane - 2 18 4 5 - 29.

Scoring: Tyler Galindo 10, Saul Benson 7, Daniel Gonzalez 7, Ely Montanez 2 and Ruben Solis 2. Also playing: Eric Rodriguez, A.J. Ramos, Lorenzo Hernandez, Michael Ybarra and Jonatan Arredondo.

"We played very good but needed a little more work on our shooting. We missed too many easy

layups and jump-shots. Our defense let us down in the second quarter by giving up 18 points," said Coach Amaro Villarreal. "We will be ready to play Alpine Monday. We are working hard and improving everyday at practice on our shooting, passing and our defense. Our bench did a great job of keeping us in the game. Thanks to all the people who came out to support us."

The Lions are 2-1. They will face Alpine at 5 p.m. Monday at the OHS or OMS Gym.

Seventh Grade Lady Lions B Team beats Crane 26-7

The Seventh Grade Lady Lions "B" Team defeated Crane 26 -7 on Nov. 24.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 8 2 6 10 - 26; Crane - 0 3 4 0 - 7.

Scoring: Angelina Ramos 2; Savannah Ramos 4; Lexi Poindexter 4; Amy Quiroz 14 and Desiree Marshall 2. Also playing: Rebecca Hernandez.

Eighth Grade Lions lose to Crane

The Eighth Grade Lions lost 42-30 to Crane on Nov. 24.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 2 12 8 8 - 30; Crane - 10 9 14 9 - 42.

Scoring: Tres Perez 7; Blake Morrow 9; Jeffery Sanchez 4; Jon David De Hoyos 10. Also playing: Cuatro Jones, Matthew Galindo, Jaquin Mesa, Brandon Dominguez, Noah Tambunga and Hector Gonzales.

Coach John Esparza. The Lions will take on Alpine at 5 p.m. Monday at the OHS or the OMS Gymnasium.

"This was our best offensive



Photo By Joe Hernandez

KODI GLOSSEN is not intimidated by this Lady Crane in the eighth grade Lady Lions 34-24 win on Nov. 24. Glossen was the high scorer in the game with 15 points.

7th Grade Lady Lions lose to Crane

The Seventh Grade Lady Lions lost to Crane 18-30 on Nov. 24.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 6 4 4 4 - 18; Crane - 4 8 12 6 - 30.

Scoring: Lazarae Rodriguez 2; Kyann Hernandez 4; Nancy Rodr-

guez 2 and Vivian Medina 10. Also playing: Daisy Guerra and Sierra Stokes.

The Lady Lions will play Alpine at 5 p.m. Monday at Alpine.



Photo By Joe Hernandez

STEPHANIE CERVANTES plays good defense for the eighth grade Lady Lions "B" team.

Eighth Grade Lady Lions B Team defeats Crane

The Eighth Grade "B" Team defeated Crane 11-8 on Nov. 24.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 4 4 3 0 - 11; Crane - 0 2 2 4 - 8.

Scoring: Narce Unate 2; Steph-

anie Cervantes 2; Elisa Tambunga 2;

Jaylynn Vargas 3 and Kelsea Perez

2. Also playing: Sierra Trevino, Gaby Aranda, Melynda Cordova and Jessica Borrego.

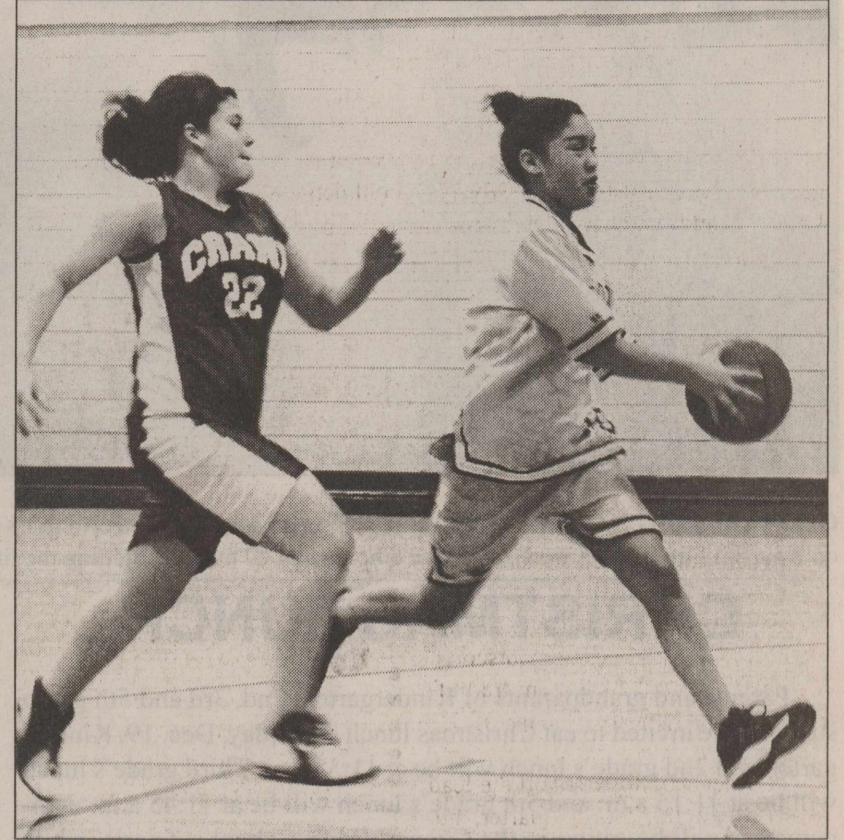


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MELYNDA CORDOVA moves ahead of an eighth grade "B" team Lady Crane.

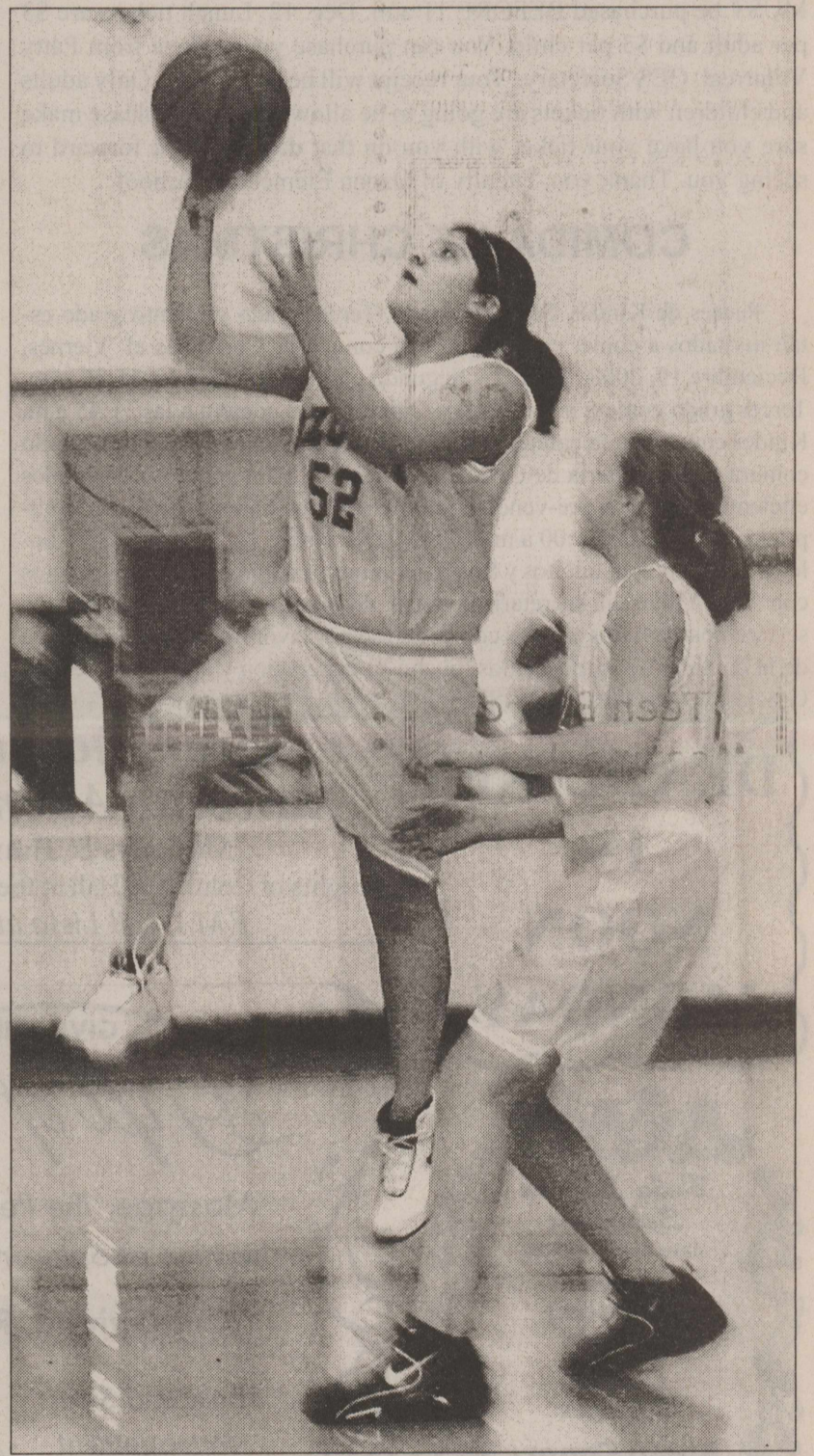


Photo By Chris Lara

AMY QUIROZ SCORED 14 POINTS in the seventh grade Lady Lions "B" team 27-7 triumph over Crane.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Kyann Hernandez
7th Grade A Team



Amy Quiroz
7th Grade B Team



JayLynn Vargas
8th Grade B Team



Briana Cervantez
8th Grade A Team



Tyler Galindo
7th Grade Lions



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Alysha Lara
Varsity Lady Lion

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Lady Lions stomp Comstock 49-24

The Lady Lions dominated in their Nov. 24 game against Comstock, winning 49-24.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 18 13 13 5 - 49; Comstock - 4 7 7 6 - 24.

Scoring: Brandi Glosson 2; Melanie Miller 3; Vanessa Rodriguez 8; Jessica Elston 7; Alysha Lara 27 and Kristen Mendoza 2. Also playing: Cristi Rodriguez, Alex Macias and Melissa Miller.

"We shot the ball a little better this game. Alysha Lara was on fire she was 11 or 16 from the floor

and 5 of 8 from the three-point line, which is really good," said Coach John Jackson. "We have a real tough stretch coming up, and we are going to need to shoot well each time we step on the floor and play really tough defense. This game I hope went a long way to us regaining our confidence scoring the ball."

The Lady Lions are 5-2. They will play in the Irion County Tournament Thursday-Saturday in Mertzon and then take on Christoval at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Davidson Gymnasium.



Photo by Joe Hernandez

WINNERS of the 2008 Sixth Grade Invention Convention held Nov. 25 at Ozona Middle School.

Sixth Grade hosts Invention Convention

The Sixth Grade held their annual Invention Convention on Nov. 25 at Ozona Middle School.

The following is a list of the winners:

First Place: the Toboglarf I 4-in-1 Winter Warmer by Jadie Marshall.

Second Place: the Trash-Attack!!! by Nathaniel Valdes, and Dалан Wilson

Third Place: the Rolling Thunder by Bryce Gutierrez, Jaramie Martin and Alan Salazar

Fourth Place: the Water Pillow by Megan Bullard, Bethany Martinez and Marissa Held

Fifth Place: the Dog - A - Rama by Omero Rodriguez and Juan Rodriguez

Sixth Place: TIE = The Jacked Jacket by Chase DeHoyos, Ricky Porras and Jayton Rodriguez; The Safety View by Evan Cole Parker and The Hot Wheels Alarm by Michael Hill and Kino Rodriguez

OHS students place third at Tech Prep Fair

Ozona High School students placed third at the Tech Prep Fair on Nov. 19 in San Angelo.

The team competed in the Technology Operations category with their project "How to Set up a Gam-

ing Network."

Team members are: Cheyenne Coy, Teresa Cervantes, Sarah Lott, Fabian Onate and Hunter Perez. They were coached by Gina Hochreiter.

Lions fall short to Panthers

The Ozona Lions lost to Comstock 48-45 on Nov. 24.

The Lions trailed at half by a score of 23-8.

A full court press in the second half in which the Lions outscored Comstock 20-8 helped them trail after three quarters by a score of 31-28.

Ozona actually grabbed the lead at 41-40 in the fourth quarter, but was unable to hold the lead.

The Lions were led in scoring by both Steven Silva and Kyle Sewell who scored 16 points.

The Lions will play Thursday-Saturday in the Irion County Tournament in Mertzon, and then against

Christoval at 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Davidson Gymnasium.

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Dec. 3 - Teen Board Meeting, 5 p.m.
Youth Center Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m.

Dec. 8 - OHS Guitar Christmas Concert, 6 p.m.

Donations for the Youth Center Scholarship Fund will be accepted.

OHS Nov. 24 Pool

Tournament Winners:
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OHS Nov. 25 Pool

Tournament Winners:
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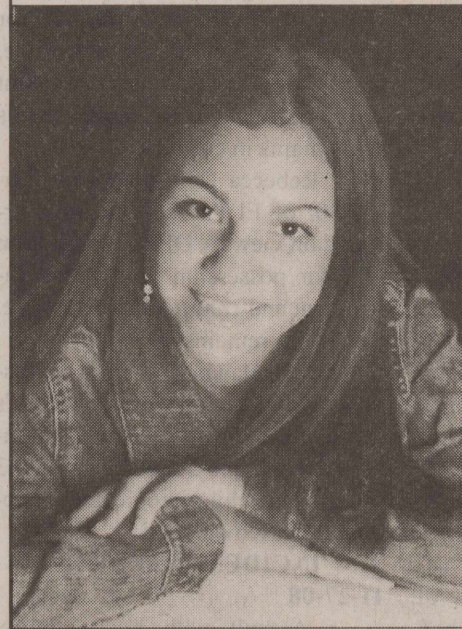
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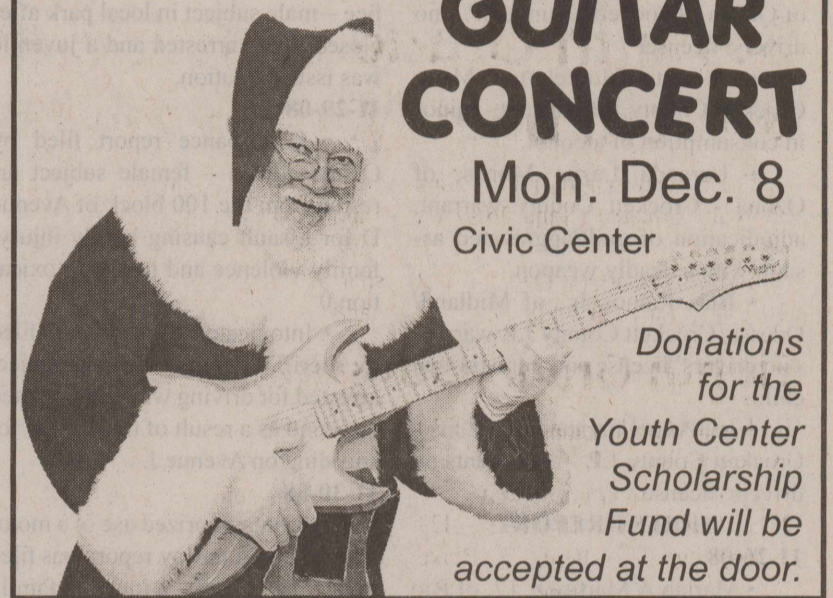


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Crockett County Sheriff's Report

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.

• Timothy Edward Beseril, of Ozona/Midland - Crockett County District Court warrant for burglary of a habitation.

• Jamie Valasquez Blanco Jr., of Ozona - failure to appear/forgery and criminal mischief/failure to appear.

• Brittany Aline Chandler, of Ozona - Crockett County warrants (2), motion to revoke/furnishing alcohol to a minor and motion to revoke/making false report.

• Frederick J. Christensen, of Sonora, Crockett County Court, theft by check.

• John Mansell Clark, of Ozona - Crockett County Court bail jumping/unlawful restrained of a minor, motion to revoke/burglary of a habitation, indictment/unlawful restraint of a minor - CAPTURED IN PHOENIX, ARIZ. on Dec. 1.

• Christopher Lashaun Johnson, of Ozona - Crockett County J.P. - no drivers' license.

• Gilberto Montelongo Mata, Crockett County J.P. warrant - minor in consumption of alcohol.

• Luranda Lazue Morris, of Ozona - Crockett County warrant, adjudication of guilt/aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

• Blas Ramos Jr., of Midland/Odessa, Crockett County J.P. warrant - no drivers' license and unrestrained child.

• Joe Angel Salinas, of Ozona - Crockett County J.P. - two counts no drivers' license.

ARREST REPORT

11-26-08
• Mariah A Martinez, 17, of Rio Rancho, N.M., was arrested on I-10 by Crockett County Constable on a New Mexico warrant for possession of marijuana less than one ounce. Case dismissed by New Mexico court and she was released.

11-27-08
• Abel Munoz Rodriguez, 43, of Ozona, was arrested on view by sheriff's deputy for assault causing bodily injuries/family violence from the 1900 block of Mulberry Street. Released on bonds with conditions.

• Louis Alan Lumbreras, 21, of Barnhart, was arrested on view by sheriff's deputy from a local park for driving while license suspended and purchasing/furnishing alcohol to a minor. Released on bonds.

11-29-08
• Kelsie Ann Marie Haire, 17, of Ozona, was arrested on view by sheriff's deputy from the 100 block of Algerita for assault causing bodily injuries and public intoxication. Released on bonds.

• Walter Horacio Humphrey, 37,

of Harrisburg, Pa., was arrested on view by DPS Trooper from I-10 for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, possession of criminal instrument and credit/debit card abuse. Bonds set, remains in custody.

• Rebecca Denise Munoz-Daniel, 30, of El Paso, Texas, was arrested on view by DPS Trooper from I-10 for possession of criminal instrument and credit/debit card abuse. Bonds set, remains in custody.

• Misti Dawn Moore, 28, of Austin, was arrested on view by sheriff's deputy from the intersection of Monterey Street and State Highway 163 for driving while intoxicated - second. Released on bond.

INCIDENT REPORTS

11-27-08
• Assault with bodily injury (family violence) two-counts - report filed by sheriff's office following a disturbance at 1900 block of Mulberry Street - male subject arrested for physically attacking two female family members.

• Purchasing alcohol for minors and driving while license suspended reports filed by sheriff's office - male subject in local park after closed hours arrested and a juvenile was issued citation.

11-29-08
• Disturbance report filed by Ozona citizen - female subject arrested from the 100 block of Avenue D for assault causing bodily injury/family violence and public intoxication.

• Intoxicated driver report filed by sheriff's deputy - female subject arrested for driving while intoxicated - second as a result of traffic stop for speeding on Avenue J.

11-30-08
• An unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and runaway report was filed by Ozona citizen - a juvenile family member ran away from home at the 2000 block of Willow Street taking the family vehicle. With cooperation from Mexico Law enforcement, the minor and vehicle were located in Acuna, Mexico.

CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS REPORT

TYPE OF CALLS	# OF CALLS
Abandoned/impounded vehicles/property	4
Livestock/Wild Animal Complaints	4
Domestic Animal Calls	7
Civil complaints	2
Civil Service	2
Courtesy Transports	2
Criminal Complaints, Disturbances, Etc.	18
Gas Thefts	1
Juvenile Complaints	3
Locked Vehicles	12
911- Fire, Medical, Vehicle Accidents	2
Motorist assist, gas/food welfare	1
Reckless driving/speeding complaints	4
Security Alarms	4
Assist other Law or county Agencies	1
Sheriff's Office Admin Calls	25
Jail/dispatch Admin Calls	31
State/County Road Calls	1
Suspicious Persons/Vehicle/Activity	1
Welfare Concern for Citizen/Property	2
Utility Services/complaints	2
Minor vehicle accident	3
Traffic Citations Issued	8
Prisoners Currently in custody/Ozona	9
Prisoners Housed in other counties	5
Inmate Transfers/transports	2

NOTICE:

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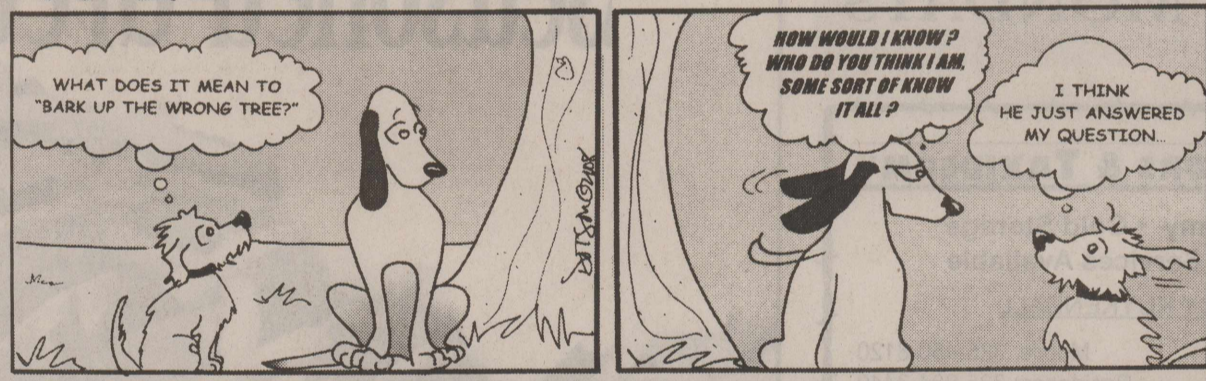
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Fire department runs

NOVEMBER 25
• 2:06 p.m. - Grass fire 38 miles south on Pandale Road in the Dog Canyon area. Five units, seven fire fighters; one unit and two fire fighters from Big Lake. Time in service 6 hours and 20 minutes.

NOVEMBER 26
• 5:11 p.m. - Motor vehicle accident 4 miles north on State Hwy 163, worked traffic and assisted EMS. Four units, seven fire fighters. Time in service 1 hour 4 minutes.

NOVEMBER 29
• 6:06 p.m. - Motor vehicle accident 11th Street just north of 15th Street, three vehicles involved, worked traffic and assisted EMS. Four units, eight fire fighters. Time in service 48 minutes.

NOVEMBER 29
• 4:20 a.m. - Vehicle fire at the truck stop parking lot. Truck was fully involved, trailer saved. Five units, nine fire fighters. Time in service 1 hour 32 minutes.

Local EMS runs

NOVEMBER 19
• Local run - patient transported to Family Health Clinic.
• Transfer - patient transported to Shannon Medical Center.
• Local run - patient transported to Family Health Clinic.

NOVEMBER 20
• Local run - no transport.

NOVEMBER 22
• Transfer - patient transported to Shannon Medical Center.

NOVEMBER 23
• Local run - patient transported to Family Health Clinic.

NOVEMBER 24
• Local run - no transport.

NOVEMBER 26
• Local run - Four patients transported to Family Health Clinic.
• Local run - Patient transported to Family Health Clinic.
• Transfer - Patient transported to Shannon Medical Center.

NOVEMBER 27
• Local run - Patient transported to Family Health Clinic.

NOVEMBER 29
• Local run - No transport.
• Transfer - patient transported to Shannon Medical Center.

NOVEMBER 30
• Transfer - Patient transported to Shannon Medical Center.
• Local run - Patient transported to Family Health Clinic.
• Local run - Transported patient to intercept with Air Med 1.

Burglars target unattended vehicles during holiday shopping season

By MICHELLE LANHAM
Texas Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority

DALLAS - This holiday season, auto burglars will shop the easy way - by stealing gifts, purses, wallets, packages, electronics, or other valuables left in plain sight inside vehicles. Every two minutes, a vehicle is burglarized in Texas and the contents stolen. These crimes escalate during the holiday season when people shop more often. And unfortunately, drivers often don't take necessary precautions to avoid becoming burglary victims.

The Texas Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority (ABTPA), a division of the Texas Department of Transportation, offers three basic safety tips to motorists to help prevent vehicle crimes during the holidays and throughout the year: hide belongings from view, lock vehicles, and take keys. Last year, thieves committed over 262,000 acts of vehicle burglary and stole over 94,000 vehicles in Texas. In some jurisdictions, more than half of reported thefts occurred because vehicle doors were unlocked and keys were left inside.

"We want everyone to enjoy the holiday season and not experience the violation and frustration of having their vehicles burglarized or stolen. We encourage all vehicle owners and operators to help prevent such crimes from happening by practicing simple theft prevention measures," said Charles Caldwell, interim director of the Texas ABTPA.

When vehicles are stolen, thieves have easy access to everything left inside, including items such as ga-

rage door openers, house keys, and personal information, which can all lead to additional and more serious crimes as well as further victimization of the vehicle owner.

"We know that auto burglars scout malls, shopping centers, and other retail parking lots this time of year looking for the perfect opportunity to break into vehicles. Within seconds, these criminals can get inside a car, steal the contents, and be on their way from the scene. And experienced thieves can steal a vehicle without keys in less than a minute," said Michelle Lanham, program coordinator for ABTPA's Reduce Auto Theft in Texas (RATT) public awareness task force at the University of North Texas Caruth Police Institute in Dallas. "Texas drivers need to understand that carelessness with items left inside vehicles actually helps thieves carry out their crimes more efficiently and potentially engage in further criminal activity."

The Texas Auto Theft Prevention Authority (ATPA) was created by the Texas Legislature in 1991 to fund programs to reduce vehicle thefts. The passing of House Bill 1887 in 2007 expanded the scope of the agency to include automobile burglary prevention and added the term "burglary" to the Authority's title.

For more information on the ABTPA, auto burglary, vehicle theft, prevention, statistics, contacts for any of ABTPA's 29 Texas vehicle crimes task forces, public service announcements, or to schedule an interview with task force personnel, call 800-CAR-WATCH or visit the ABTPA website at www.txwatchy-ourcar.com.

Junction Stockyards Market Report

Sheep and Goats
Dec. 1, 2008
Total receipts 845 head.
Muttons and Buck lambs sold 3-8 higher. Other lambs steady.
Bucks 5 higher. Ewes steady. Choice kids 3-6 higher.
Nannies 3-5 higher, except thin nannies steady.
Billies 5-10 higher.

#1 spring lambs 50-70 lbs.	98-1.13 few up to 1.20
#1 spring lambs 70-90 lbs.	95-1.12
Fat ewes	30-40
Thin ewes	12-22
Bucks	28-40
Baby Tooth Angora Stocker Nannies	45-79
Solid Mouth Angora Stocker Nannies	30-45
Angora Kids-shorn	1.00-1.15
Weighing Angoras-shorn (thin)	15-30
Weighing Angoras-shorn (fat nannies)	35-55
Stocker Spanish nannies	60-90
Fat Spanish nannies	40-55
Thin Spanish nannies	12-28
Fat Spanish billies	80-1.19
Fat Spanish muttons	90-1.17
Fat yearlings	1.05-1.17
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Small kids	1.06-1.30
Thin kids	85-1.03

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