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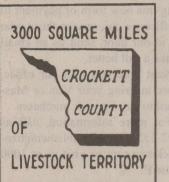


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No decision made on TAKS trips

School board tables issue to February meeting

By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

Despite hearing first-hand about the TAKS trips, the Crockett County CCSD Board of Trustees again tabled making any decision on the

Tornillo Superintendent Paul Vranish, along with members of his ceived his degree in marketing, said staff and students, gave a presentation of their TAKS trips at a Jan. 22 public meeting at the OHS Audito-

The presentation included photos of the trips, as well as testimony from two sixth grade Tornillo stu-

David Gomez, one of the Tornillo students, said he had just returned from Colorado where he visited Pike's Pike.

"I was dizzy and cold up there," he said. "You go have fun and you have taken trips to Los Angeles, learn, but you don't know that you are learning.'

Angel Franco said many people didn't believe that she had been to Hawaii on a school trip, but that her family loved to brag that she had.

Franco said it was "very emohas also been on Tornillo's Texas Cities trip, which covers Austin, spoke in detail about the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

"I'm very grateful to be in Tornillo. I never thought I would get to \$120,000 a year. go to these places," she said.

Franco also said that last year she made a perfect score on her science TAKS test.

said he received a phone call from the Texas Education Agency stating that the state was going to come in and take over the school district due to three years of low-performing

"Except for the grades kids trips until the next meeting in Feb- have to pass, the students don't care," he said.

> Vranish, who originally rehe came up with the trips as a way to motivate all students.

> "Schools are really good at telling us what not to do. We should be in the business of telling people what they ought to do," he said. "I know kids in Ozona learn about the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. Constitution and how our government works, but it makes in how they learn if they have seen them. It changes them.'

> Since 2002, Tornillo students Washington, D.C., New York City, Colorado, Hawaii and throughout Texas. The trips are for fourth-graders on up to high school, Vranish

Vranish said he has also seen the TAKS scores risen to making tional" seeing Pearl Harbor. Franco the district a Recognized district in

Tornillo ISD is a "property-San Antonio and Dallas, where she poor" district, which is the opposite of CCCCSD a "property-rich" district. Vranish said the total for the trips costs the districts around

Also, not every eligible student goes on the trips. Students turn in their deposit on a first-come, firstserve basis. The deposit is then re-On his third day as Tornillo's turned to the student on the trip to superintendent in 2002, Vranish use as spending money.



TORNILLO SUPERINTENDENT PAUL VRANISH speaks about his district's TAKS trips during a Jan. 22 public meeting at the OHS Auditorium. Vranish, along with two Tornillo students and staff members, spoke on their trip program before the Crockett County CCSD Board of Trustees meeting.

Trips are limited to a certain number of students and adults. The he said. "This doesn't only change ery staff member's salary is tied to ratio on most trips is three students our kids but also are teachers." to one adult. Vranish said every adult, from custodians to cafeteria workers to aides and teachers, are eligible to go on the trips. The Tornillo school board requires Vranish to go on every trip.

Vranish said 60 percent of his employees have been on a trip.

Grade levels are kept together, but brothers and sisters are split up to allow students to experience change.

The trips are educational. In the slides, no pictures where shown of students at Disneyland or amusement parks, he said.

"We are teaching all the way,"

Vranish said he wants Tornillo all employees. students to be able to accept appointments to the Air Force Acade-Washington University without the fear of being in new places. Tornillo has around 1,254 students. Vranish broke down his district's demographics stating he had two Caucasian students, three African-American, four Asian and the rest were Hispanic.

"You have to really believe in this love of learning," he said.

Along with the trips, Vran-

teachers and staff. He said that eva teacher and the money is spread to

He also said the district holds "parent chats" once a month. The my or to attend colleges like George lowest turnout has been around 69 with the largest at 632.

At these chats, Vranish said food is served, child care is provided, a group of students give a presentation and suggestions and questions are taken from parents. Since the majority of his parents do not speak English, Vranish communicates to them through Parent Outreach Coordinator Estela Pacheco.

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Commissioners approve hiring human resource investigator

By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

The Crockett County Commissioner's held an emergency meeting on Jan. 22 where they approved the hiring of Richard Baggett as a Human Resource Inves-

The meeting stemmed from a county employee filing a complaint that county officials said needed to be investigated by an unbiased third-party. Baggett is from San Angelo.

"There is very little we can say other than this is part of our personnel policy when a person has a complaint," said County Judge Fred Deaton.

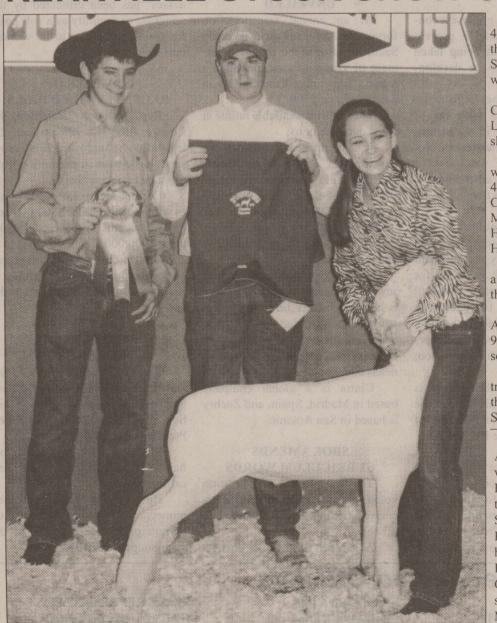
When a county employee has a complaint then the county judge, county attorney and county treasurer all decided if the complaint needs to be investigated.

In this case, the officials decided the complaint warranted an outside investigator, Deaton said.

The commissioners also met during a special meeting Tuesday where they approved an order to change County Road 109 and to close the alley between 13th and 14th streets on Avenue B and transferring the title to the land-

The next regular commissioners meeting will be at 9 a.m. Feb. 9 at the courthouse annex.

KERRVILLE STOCK SHOW



Crockett County 4-Hers competed in the 2009 Kerrville Show last Stock week

Allie Black won Champion Finewool Lamb in the sheep

show. placing Also was Murphey Black, 4th and 8th; Erick Carrizales, 6th; Wes McGuire, 7th; Brenna Hale, 12th and Lane Hale, 12th.

Kelbie Renfroe also participated in the sheep show.

In the goat show, Alex Hopper placed 9th and 12th and Wilson White was 5th.

Local 4-Hers will travel this week to the Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo.

Submitted photo ALLIE BLACK won the Champion Finewool Lamb at the Kerrville Stock Show last week. Pictured with her is her brother Murphey Black and Crockett County Ag Extension Agent Chase McPhaul.

ish also said incentives are paid to Local bank warns customers of credit card security breach

Editor and Publisher

Consumers are being advised to watch their monthly Visa and MasterCard statements closely after Heartland Payment Systems reported that consumer credit card data was exposed in what may be the largest security breach ever last week.

Today, Heartland disclosed on Jan. 20 that intruders cracked the system it uses to process 100 million card transactions per month from 175,000 merchants.

Heartland began investigating late last fall, tipped by Visa and MasterCard; but its tech staff was stumped. Heartland Payment Systems Inc. delivers credit/debit/prepaid card processing, payroll, check management and payments solutions to more than 250,000 business locations nationwide.

The case could turn out to be the largest data breach yet reported. Anyone who used a payment card at one of the restaurants or retailers that rely on Heartland to process card transactions could be at risk, the USA Today article stated.

These merchants include "independent business people in towns and cities across America," including some franchise chains, "but not any corporate names anybody would recognize," said Robert Baldwin, Heartland's President and CFO.

precautions to protect the security of our debit card holders. We respond promptly when notified of fraudulent activity that could effect our customers," said Frank Tambunga, assistant cashier of Ozona National Bank's Debit Card Department. "In response to the notice from MasterCard, we will notify each of our According to an article in USA debit card holders whose accounts may have been compromised as soon as possible. Ozona National Bank understands that cardholders may experience some temporary inconvenience but our actions are to protect the interest of our cardholders, as well as, the Ozona National Bank. Should any of our Debit Card holders have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact our customer service department."

While the Ozona Stockman recently started taking Visa and MasterCard, they are not using Heartland Payment Systems for their credit card processing.

Heartland has been unable to ascertain "a specific start and end date" for the intrusion, and has not been able to determine how many transaction records were stolen, he said.

A consumer website about the breach has been set up by Heartland. According to that website, no merchant data or cardholder Social Security numbers, unencrypted personal identification numbers (PIN),

"Ozona National Bank takes addresses or telephone numbers were involved in the breach. Nor were any of Heartland's check management systems; Canadian, payroll, campus solutions or micropayments operations; Give Something Back Network; or the recently acquired Network Services and Chockstone processing platforms.

> After being alerted by Visa and MasterCard of suspicious activity surrounding processed card transactions, Heartland enlisted the help of several forensic auditors to conduct a thorough investigation into the matter.

> Last week, the investigation uncovered malicious software that compromised data that crossed Heartland's network, the website stated. Heartland immediately took a number of steps to further secure its systems.

> In addition, Heartland will implement a next-generation program designed to flag network anomalies in real-time and enable law enforcement to expeditiously apprehend cyber criminals, the website stated.

Heartland advises cardholders to examine their monthly statements closely and report any suspicious activity to their card issuers.

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What's on My Mind by Melissa Perner

Stockman begins taking credit cards

We have now entered the 21st-Century.

Last week, The Ozona Stockman took what we consider a giant step forward in being able to take Visa and MasterCard.

This is a decision that was not much on paying with those little, plastic cards we decided it was time to move into the modern age.

Now, when customers walk into our doors they can whip out their card and pay for office supplies, advertising, subscriptions and anything else.

telling all of us to tear up our credit cards this year, we are not panicking. Our little machine also takes Visa and MasterCard Check or Deb-

easy but with society relying so why we have decided to do this. The answer is that we want to be more road of technology. Luckily, as we convenient to our customers.

> A week, often two to three times a day, we receive phone calls asking if we take credit or debit cards.

While economy advisors are their card in hand and nothing else. In fact, right after we figured had our first two transactions.

We are also thankful that the customer service department with Many people have wondering our credit card processing company is very patient as we tackle this new keep our fingers crossed, the company we are using is not one that has been subject of a recent security

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What Would Grandpa

or think about what is going on in this country, although I do wonder what great leaders like Abraham Lincoln, George Washington and Ronald Reagan would say.

I bet that Will Rogers and Mark Twain would write something entertaining and insightful.

While I may not know what these idols of mine might say, I do feel confident they'd be pretty disgusted with us all.

There's another hero of mine that I can say with confidence that I know exactly what he'd have to

While I miss my Grandpa terribly, sometimes I am glad that he's not around to see what's happening to the country he loved.

My Grandpa would look at the billions of dollars in bailouts being handed over to big banks and hold his nose. He'd remind everyone

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HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

Jan. 22 urged lawmakers to add an

amendment to the state constitution

to fortify property owners' rights

Policy Foundation, a conservative

think tank based in Austin, Perry

mentioned legislation already in ef-

made it clear that Texans will not

tolerate taking land for economic

development or giving it to a private

developer. Unless we take action on

these protections, private property

rights in Texas will begin to erode

and undermine the very character of

in 2005 after a U.S. Supreme Court

decision in Kelo v. New London

(Conn.) ruled that government enti-

ties could use eminent domain au-

thority for economic development

projects rather than traditional pub-

of land for non-public use, such as

commercial development or private

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The bill prohibits acquisition

Texas lawmakers passed SB 7

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against abuses of eminent domain.

AUSTIN - Gov. Rick Perry on

In a speech to the Texas Public

"Through Senate Bill 7, we

I don't know quite what to say that these are taxpayer dollars being given to the same companies who couldn't wait to open call centers and database hubs in India and elsewhere, wherever it was cheapest in the world.

The effect was that foreigners got jobs previously held by American taxpayers.

My grandpa would look those. big bankers in they eye and tell them to call a 911 operator in Bangalore and ask them for the cash.

Grandpa wouldn't have much sympathy for those of you who lost money in the stock market either.

He'd want to know why you sent your money back to shysters in New York and trusted your retirement to a bunch of people you don't even know to invest in options, swaps, hedge funds, spiders and a bunch of other gimmicks designed to steal your money.

He'd suggest you shouldn't in- need second homes when they are aren't we?

vest in anything you can't explain.

My grandpa would look at the games played on Wall Street and ask ory. why anyone should be allowed to sell something they don't own.

You wouldn't buy the Brooklyn Bridge would you? Maybe you

He'd say it's criminal for a bushel of wheat to trade 40 times from the farmer to the grocery store and that the man who grew it ought to make more money than the paper rustler who owned it for 20 minutes.

This man who didn't owe anybody anything, would suggest that if you managed to save a little money there's nothing wrong with paying off your house, cars and credit cards and then putting what's left in a savings account at your local bank so that they could invest it in the com-

Like loaning people money to

Speaking of which, he'd remind everyone of the model that worked perfectly well for many decades in this country: you could buy a house if you had 20 percent of the price in cash and your house payments would eat up no more than 25 percent of your income.

If you didn't have the money you rented until you did have it. There's no shame in that.

having trouble paying for one.

My Grandpa had a a good mem-

He vividly remembered that December day when the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor. He had friends that were killed in World War II and he was not about to buy a car made in Japan or Germany.

I never knew him to own anything but a Ford. "We build great cars and trucks," Grandpa would say, "and if more Americans bought them instead of the tin cans from Japan the car companies could continue to pay good wages and benefits to more Americans."

When people say that we must bail out AIG, Freddie, Fannie, and all the rest of the pikers because they are "too big to fail," my grandpa would ask why our government helped them get so big to begin

Grandpa would say that the answer is not to give people another "stimulus" so they can buy more stuff they don't need.

That's what got us in such trouble to begin with. My Grandpa would say that what we need to do is put the crooks in jail, hold the politicians accountable, tighten up our belts, eat more beef and beans and go back to work earning an honest living.

We'll survive this economic He'd also wonder why people mess, after all, we're Americans,

Governor asks lawmakers to support property rights

state Sen. Robert Duncan and Rep. Rob Orr who will propose legislation to fortify property rights, and Susette Kelo, plaintiff in the Kelo v. New London case.

Duncan plans to propose a constitutional amendment to prevent private property from being taken for economic or private development purposes.

If passed by the Legislature, Texas voters would vote for or against the measure in a constitutional amendment election in No-

A constitutional amendment is much harder to undo than a regular

'Government shouldn't use eminent domain to take someone's land without trying to buy it from them first," Perry said. "It is wrong for any government to make a lowball offer, then respond to an owner's righteous refusal by taking the land. The government owes land owners a genuine good-faith negotiation, not a land grab."

In other matters, the governor is scheduled to deliver his State of the State Address to a joint session of the Legislature in the House Chamber on Jan. 27.

The Texas State Constitution compels the governor to "give to the Legislature information, by message, of the condition of the State" as well as to "recommend to the Legislature such measures as he

mencement of each session of the Texas Legislature.

REVISED 'CORRIDOR' PLAN UNVEILED

At an annual transportation forum in early January, Amadeo Saenz, director of the Texas Department of Transportation, unveiled a report, "Innovative Connectivity in Texas / Vision 2009."

The report is available online at www.dot.state.tx.us.

It lists revised guidelines for development of the "Trans-Texas Corridor" and describes the transformation of the original proposed project, a 4,000-mile network of nearly quarter-mile-wide corridors combining toll roads, railroad tracks and utility lines.

says the private firm Cintra Zachry is helping TxDOT on a master development plan that is "a living document that will be updated over the next 50 years as transportation needs change."

Cintra is a global company based in Madrid, Spain, and Zachry is based in San Antonio.

SBOE AMENDS CURRICULUM WORDS

The State Board of Education voted unanimously Jan. 23 on science curriculum changes for public

As a result of the vote, the cur-

The governor was joined by may deem expedient" at the com- rent language "strengths and weaknesses" pertaining to scientific theories of evolution will be replaced with "analyzing and evaluating."

The term "strengths and weaknesses" has been criticized by the scientific community as a soft point for creationist views to be worked into the curriculum.

SAMPLES OF RECENTLY FILED BILLS

Rep. Brandon Creighton, R-Conroe, filed HB 720 on Jan. 22, legislation he said would give more small businesses an exemption from the state business tax.

Current law exempts businesses with revenue under \$300,000 and gives discounts to those who make up to \$900,000.

Under Creighton's bill busi-An excerpt from the report nesses that have under \$1 million in revenue would be exempt from the

STIMULUS IDEA **EVOKES CRITICISM**

Texas stands to receive in the neighborhood of \$30 billion if Congress passes a proposed \$825 billion stimulus package backed by President Barack Obama.

But Gov. Perry and other officials have criticized the proposal, calling it bad policy.

However, if Texas gets the money, it would more than make up current projected shortfalls in the state budget for 2010-2011.

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ALYSSA PEREZ (left) and PAIGE VILLARREAL received letters from Ozona servicemen Daniel Cruz and Jared Espino who are currently serving in Iraq. In November, Alyssa and Paige, along with the rest of Mrs. Peggy Logan's second grade class, studied the parts of a friendly letter by writing to servicemen and women from Ozona.

Former Ozona student places with Tech Wool Judging Team

versity's Wool Judging Team was awarded champion and reserve champion honors Jan. 17 at the National Western Stock Show in Den-

Texas Tech narrowly defeated the competition -winning by two points - to claim the Denver competition for the first time since 1986.

The students have been preparing for the competition since August. Contestants graded one rail of 15 fleeces, placed six classes and presented two sets of oral reasons.

Teams from Texas A&M University and Angelo State University finished third and fourth, respectively. Kansas State University, Colorado State University and New Mexico State University also competed with teams.

Three Texas Tech students supervises the program. placed in the top 10 individuals: Jeffrey Woods finished first, sixth Show in February and at the Housand eighth, respectively.

Team members are: Matthew

LUBBOCK - Texas Tech Uni- Harris, a freshman from Spring; Stormie McClurg, a freshman from Nazareth Katie Rose McCullough, a freshman from Castle Rock, Colo.; Miller, a freshman from Abernathy; Brandon Reeves, a freshman from Staunton, Va.; Nathan Reeves, a freshman from League City; Renfroe, a senior from Ozona; Ethan Schlegel, a freshman from Tribune, Kan.; Troy Tarpley, a sophomore from Fort Stockton; Tyler Vogel, a freshman from Canyon; Trevor White, a freshman from New Home; Woods, a freshman from Sweetwater and Loni Woolley, a freshman from Grandview.

> ate student L.J. Ashorn and Moriah ment of Animal and Food Sciences. Sam Jackson, associate professor,

The team will represent Tex-Aaron Renfroe, Markus Miller and as Tech at the San Antonio Stock ton Livestock Show and Rodeo in March

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with diabetes and their family, or even those wanting to lower their risk of devel-

Class topics that will be covered include:



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HOWARD COLLEGE LIVESTOCK JUDGING TEAM: (front row, left to right) Lakin Aaron from Ozona; LuCinda Birkenfield from Ozona; Jonathan Reyes from Stamford, Texas; Jessica Kimbro from Paradise, Texas; Ross Wyatt from Olney, Texas. Back row: (left to right) Daniel Woolley, faculty and Charlie Hensy from New Kirk, Okla.

Howard College Livestock Team brings home honors

College Livestock Judging team 5th place high individual award. showed their skills in Denver, Colothe Reserve Champion Team award from the Carload Judging Contest at the National Western Stock Show.

students," said Daniel Woolley, Agriculture Faculty and Livestock Judging Director. "They are a great group of students that show discipline and character by working as hard as they do to be successful."

In addition to the team award, The team is coached by gradu- individuals also brought home some top honors as Jessica Kimbro Beyers, a coordinator in the Depart- brought home 3rd place high indi-

BIG SPRING - The Howard vidual and Lakin Aaron snagged the

Competition was steep as the rado this last week and brought home students competed against their peers from 28 other junior colleges from across the nation.

The HC Sophomore Livestock "We are very proud of these Judging Team that competed in the event includes: Lakin Aaron from Ozona; LuCinda Birkenfeld from Ozona; Jessica Kimbro from Paradise, Texas, Jonathan Reves from Stamford, Texas, Ross Wyatt from Olney, Texas and Charlie Hensy from New Kirk, Okla.

For more information about Howard College, visit our website at www.howardcollege.edu.

Levis & Lace Square Pance News

By TINA JARVIS

Levis and Lace Square Dancer

Saturday night club members Carol Adcock, Lucy Hinde, Nell Wester, JoAnn Babbitt-Couch and Jim Couch, Gina Hochreiter, Frank and Debra Fred and Tina Jarvis danced to caller Tom Harrison from Abilene.

Tom had new records to call to and kept us on our toes with them. Leroy Adcock's birthday was celebrated tonight and we missed him and hope he will be able to join us again soon.

Between tips we line danced and ate and talked. Tom's wife Debbie joined our squares and helped complete a square, we always enjoy dancing and visiting with her.

Nadine and Joe De La Cruz and Carol Harbinger also traveled from Abilene with Tom and Debbie to dance with us tonight.

Guests tonight were David Turicchi and my daughter Sherry Martinez and her husband Tim.

We will have lessons at the Civic Center at 7 p.m. this Monday. For more information, call Carol Adcock at 392-2912 or Tina Jarvis at 392-9547. Keep it square and happy dancing!





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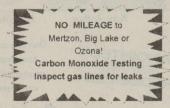
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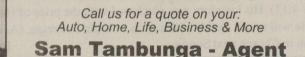
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Community Calendar Wednesday, Jan. 28

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

Thursday, Jan. 29 Answers on Aging, 10-11 a.m. at the Senior Center.

Ribbon Cutting, 11:45 a.m. at West Central Wireless.

· Ladies bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center. Friday, Jan. 30

OHS Health Science class at the HOSA Convention in El Paso.

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

 Nutrition/Food Pantry program, 9:30 a.m. at the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

 OHS Lions and Lady Lions vs. Kermit, 5 p.m. at Kermit. Monday, Feb. 2

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

· Ladies bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

OMS Lady Lions vs. Crane at 5 p.m. at Crane.

OMS Lions vs. Crane at 5 p.m. at Becky Childress Gym.

Crockett County Senior Board meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Tuesday, Feb. 3

OHS Lions and Lady Lions vs. Sonora, 5 p.m. at Sonora.

Helping Hands Board meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Wednesday, Feb. 4

Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center. Do Well, Be Well with diabetes, 10 a.m. at OLPH Parish Hall.

Saturday, Feb. 14

 Wish your sweetheart Happy Valentine's Day with a "Singing Valentine" by the Library Sisters from the Friends of the Library 6 a.m.- noon. Cost is \$20, call 392-3565

Jan. 28 - Jessica M. Mata, De- DeHoyos, Ernesto Borrego Jr. and siree Galan, JoAnn Fenton, Andrew Birkenfeld, Sabrina De La Garza

Jan. 29 - Jean Odom, Kathy Calzada, Juan C. Perez, Mac Fred, Leah De La Rosa and Alma Elizondo

Jan. 30 - Mandy Fierro, Frank Bradley, Steve Sanchez, Lara Harrison and Queta Fierro

Jan. 31 - Lexi Poindexter

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Feb. 2 - Robert Ogle, Terry Dickerson, Gino Tambunga, Matilda Camarillo, Orfelinda Alaniz, Duncan Knox, Lalo Longoria Sr., Philip Dennis, Leland Wellman, Conner Holmsley and Josh Ramos

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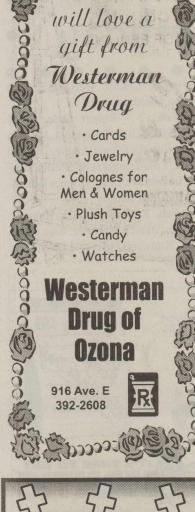
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Ozona Senior Happenings

By LYNN ENGLISH Senior Center Director

spring is not far away. We do have tend. promise of much needed rain this

out. They were at church on Sunday and Betty was at exercise Monday morning. We are so happy to have them out among us.

here from 10-11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. and plan to come. 29, at the Senior Center. They will be

the hospital in San Angelo. We wish been greatly appreciated. them both a speedy recovery.

to have three new board members. We ter at 8:30 am. Now is a good time to main flexible as to age.

Morrow and Veronica Fierro.

The Helping Hands Board will If you haven't noticed, we are meet at 5:30 p.m. Feb. 3 at the Senior p.m. is when the bridge players come

tion Council will be here on Feb. 10 have a fun afternoon. Al and Betty Fields have been from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. This organization helps those who qualify with their utilities.

Our next Senior Bingo Social will be at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 12 at the Se-Area Agency on Aging will be nior Center. Put it on your calendar

Thanks to all of you for the 2009 able to answer questions that seniors calendars that were donated. We now have sent out calendars to all of the activities a new projector with stand No. 1 killer. We recently heard that Asa Bul- elderly that are shut-ins. The calen- and a screen. lard and Melvin Conner have been in dars that have been donated have

The Crockett County Senior still going strong. They meet every Board will meet at 5:30 p.m. Feb. 2 at Monday, Wednesday and Friday here

welcome the Rev. Ron Shott, Georgia join this group and get the exercise you need to keep healthy.

Monday and Thursdays at 1:30 near the end of January and now Center. All members are urged to at- to the Senior Center to play their favorite past time game. These ladies Concho Valley Community Ac- are faithful about coming and always and numerous nieces and nephews.

> 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 comput-

have a Wii game and three different The "Walk Two Miles" ladies are simulating games. We are anxious for these games to be used.

Our activities are for those 50 the Senior Center. Also, we are happy at the Crockett County Senior Cen- years young and older. We will re-

Along with exercising, they also

To close off the week, the resi-

selling

and popcorn. Most of the residents

enjoy visiting with each other and

like to look their best. On Thursday,

they enjoyed being pampered by

dents will really enjoy that.

They are all a blessing.

with visitors.

Frank Sessom

Frank Sessom, 67, died Sunday, Jan. 25, 2009, in a San Angelo hospital. private memorial service will be held at a later date.

Survivors include one son, Johnny Sessom, of San Angelo; two daughters, Sylena Sessom of San Angelo and Kala Sessom of Ozona; one brother, Tommy Sessom of Ozona; eight grandchildren, three great-grandchildren

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American Heart Association Go Red' luncheon Feb. 26

ers that are on the internet for seniors tional movement led by the American Heart Association to raise wom-We have recently added to our en's awareness of heart disease, their

It also helps women learn how Also for your enjoyment, we to lower their risk and live longer,

The Ozona Wesley Nurse Pro-Women" luncheon at noon, Thursday, Feb. 26, in the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. A heart-healthy menu will be 3060.

"Go Red for Women" is a na- served and recipes will be given. There will also be handouts on risk factors and lowering these risk factors.

> The main focus is to gain support from each other in learning and Actually Making the changes that will increase the chances of us living a longer, healthier life.

So, let's all get decked out in gram will be hosting a "Go Red for red, come enjoy a good meal and start a healthier life.

> For more information, or to RSVP, call E.A. Wadsworth at 392-

Monthly Nutrition/Food Pantry program Friday

having their hair styled with fancy The Nutrition/Food Pantry pro- money wisely. Recipes will be giv-"do's." If you are interested in volgram will be held at 9:30 a.m. Friday, en. The class is open to all interested unteering to syle hair, come join us Jan. 30, at the Ozona United Methodat 8:45 a.m. on Thursdays. The resi-

dents enjoyed a time of fellowship tious foods and spending your food Wadsworth R.N. at 392-3060.

persons. However, in order to receive a food box, you must pre-register.

For more information, call E.A.

ist Church Fellowship Hall. This class focuses on nutri-

Answers on Aging Thursday

If you have some spare time during the week, please don't hesitate to the Concho Valley strives to provide scription & Utility Assistance, Home unteer "fitness instructor" E.A. drop in and visit with our residents. information, assistance, and servic- Modifications), Caregiver Support

> AAA staff will be available to Thursday, Jan. 29, at the Crockett County Senior Center.

Needing to learn more about services offered?

"Answers on Aging" is deservices and programs available to older individuals. Needing to apply for services? Intake Specialists will and include the complete contents donation to help preserve Crockett be available to assist you with any questions you may have.

Programs that are housed in the mission, P.O. Box 1317, Ozona, Area Agency on Aging include Advocacy (Texas Silver Haired Legis-

The Area Agency on Aging of care Part D), Care Coordination (Prees to the older citizens of Crockett (Respite Care), Foster Grandparent Program (Mentoring Children), Ombudsman Program (Advocates For assist individuals from 10-11 a.m. Long-Term Care Residents), Senior Companion Program (Companions For The Elderly), and 2-1-1 of the Concho Valley (Health & Human Services Information).

A wide variety of printed inforsigned to provide information about mation covering various topics will also be available.

Please feel free to stop by and visit with the Area Agency on Aging staff when we visit your community

For more information, call Lindsey M. Elliott, Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley at (325) 223-5704 or toll-free at 1-877-944-

Care Center Chatter

Our residents and staff enjoyed

By ODILIA SANCHEZ Assistant Activity Director

The residents started the activities for the week playing bingo. Our big winners were Catarino Cervantez, Mrs. Mildred Couch, Mrs. Josephine Cox and Mrs. Cata Cardona.

On Jan. 19, we celebrated a birthday for Socorro Maldonado, one of our new residents. Thanks to her daughter Cuca for providing the cake and cookies. We also had a special fruit punch which was enjoyed by everyone. Mrs. Maldonado was very happy to see a lot of her friends that attended the party.

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cinnamon toast and coffee as we prepared to watch the Presidential Inauguration. The residents, along with everyone in the facility, watched as history was being made. We watched our 44th President take the oath of office. In the afternoon, the residents enjoyed a good game of volleyball. Thanks to Lucy Hinde for being such a good help.

Staying fit and mobile is very important for the residents. They all had a workout time on Wednesday afternoon. Thanks to our vol-Wadsworth R.N.

If we are to build for the future,

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The Crockett County Historical as its part in celebrating the Amerinealogy 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.

Anyone wanting to make a County history can mail them to the Crockett County Historical Com-Texas 76943.

Local historical commission

Commission is selling DVD copies can Revolution Bicentrnnial.

It happened last week and it is estimated that more than 1,400,000 people attended even though it was very cold. It was the inauguration of our 44th president. I was not there but I watched it on the Television. As you looked away from the inaugural stand all you could see was wall to wall people. The event commenced with the different dignitaries or political leaders being introduced and then escorted to the special seat reserved for them. Then came the moment that everyone was waiting for, the president elect came in and thousands upon thousands of people waved flags, cheered and some even cried. The installation of the new president was complete when he took the oath of office with his hand placed on a Bible. That event reminds me of a even greater event that is going to take place in the future and that is when Jesus Christ is crowned Kings of Kings and Lords of Lords and He begins His reign, (Revelation 19:16). When Jesus was on the earth He kept telling people the kingdom of heaven was at hand, (Matthew 4:17). His kingdom was purchased with the price of His blood, (Colossians 1:20-23). His kingdom will never end, (Revelation 5:11-14). He will return visibly to the earth to begin His reign, (Acts 1:11). What a glorious day that will be when His coronation I hope to see. See you in Church next Sunday.

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Tuesday Worship: 7 p.m.

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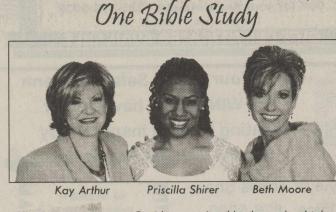
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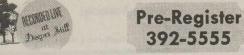


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Witnessing a 'historic moment'

Ozona teacher, student try to keep warm during inaguration

By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

Bundled from head to toe in several layers of clothing, Gina Hochreiter squeezed in with the rest of the more than two million people to witness history on Jan. 20.

In the same crowd, dressed in his first suit, 14-year-old Austin Perez also witnessed history being made at the National Mall in Washington, D.C. as Barack Obama became the 44th President of the United States.

While the Ozona High School teacher and student traveled with different groups, they both said standing in 25-degree weather to see history being made was worth the trip. Neither Hochreiter nor Perez saw each other during their visit.

"It was very cold. I was out there close to two hours," Perez said. "I tried to text my mom but my hands

"The ground was so cold I couldn't get my feet warm," Hochreiter added.

The OHS business teacher traveled as an alumni with the Presidential Classroom, a nonprofit, non partisan program that provides high school students with educational experiences in the capital to prepare them for leadership and service roles. Hochreiter attended the program during the Fourth of July when she was a student at Grape Creek High School.

At the inauguration, Hochreiter and her group were first located in front of the MSNBC booth. She said there is possibly a chance she was on

40 yards away to view a jumbotron before when he was in sixth grade. during the event.

the Super Bowl. You get to be there but you really can't see the game, but you get to be there."

Hochreiter said while she was not necessarily an Obama fan, she didn't think John McCain or any other Republican was going to win she signed up for the trip in July before she even knew who was going

I had the chance. I could get away, so I went," she said.

that Hochreiter found inappropriate ies," he said. was when the crowd "booed" former President George W. Bush. Hochreiter said she saw his helicopter take off on the east side of the Capitol Building, which really "meant something" to her as a Texan.

Perez traveled with the Congressional Youth Leadership's Presidential Youth Inaugural Conference, which had 15,000 high school, middle school and collège students. He was nominated by one of his teach-

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Submitted photo by Gina Hochreiter OHS TEACHER GINA HOCHREITER stands in front of the U.S. Capitol Building on Jan. 20 before the inaguration of President Barack Obma.

At the inauguration, Perez said "It was an awesome experience he had to walk two miles to get to his ence," she said. "It was like being at to spot in front of the reflection pond at the National Mall.

"Those (dress) shoes are not walking shoes," he said. "It was a historical moment and I was glad that I was one of the many kids that

He also came close to not being the election. In fact, Hochreiter said able to take a photo when he realized the batteries in his camera were dead. Fortunately, the nearby Native County history can used them to the Tong one for a most of museum and museum

Along with the Hochreiter visited the Pentagon Sept. 11 Memorial, which just opened a few months ago, and visited with high school students at Georgetown University as part of the Presidential Classroom program.

During the university visit, former President Bill Clinton surprised the audience when he walked on was." stage and started speaking.

Hochreiter said Clinton is "re-

Her small group then ended up Washington, D.C. He traveled once was impressed with the advice he gave to the students: "Dream big but have the courage to fail. If you don't try and if you don't fail at something, then you never can accomplish any-

> "It really had an impact on me as a teacher," she said.

> Perez attended many historic places during his visit, including the concert at the Lincoln Memorial, as well as meeting former Vice President Al Gore, General Colin Powell and Desmond Tutu.

"He was funny," Perez said of of

The evening after the inaugura-"I got really lucky. They told tion, Hochreiter attended a ball for One aspect of the inauguration me they normally don't have batter- the alumni group, which she said was "classy." However, the food at the ball was not as good as the food at the hotel they were staying, she said. In fact, she said no one at her table could figure out what the des-

"It was really pretty but none of us could figure out what it was," she said. "It wasn't cheesecake or chocolate cake. It was great, whatever it

Perez also attended a ball fully dressed in a tuxedo. His ball was at the National Air and Space Museum Ozona Woman's Forum News

By CHARLOTTE HARRELL Ozona Woman's Forum

and featured rock star Daughtry.

'There was some good food," he

At the American History Mu-

"They looked exactly like them,

Perez said his favorite part of the

seum, Hochreiter was touring when

she saw a real-life Abraham Lincoln,

Thomas Jefferson and George Wash-

even down to the wrinkles on their

face," she said. "It was fun seeing

them in their old clothes taking pic-

trip was a play they went to featuring

the three-man team known as the Re-

duced Shakespeare Company. In the

get a lot of time to do on this trip.

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go,"she said

next time," he said.

tures next to a kid in a hoodie."

ington walk up.

larious," he said.

The Woman's Forum met on Jan. 20 at the Crockett County Civic Center. Jean Odom gave the invocation and Charlotte Harrell led members in the pledge to the U.S. flag. Nell Wester conducted the business meeting and Rosalind Williams served as program coordinator. Hostesses were Charlotte Harrell, Betty Harrell, Linda Moore and Louise Taliaferro.

Twenty members and one guest, Dorothy Friend, enjoyed a program about Jewelry Making by Janie Everett. Mrs. Everett uses mainly deer antlers, turquoise, coral and sterling silver beads to make her necklaces and other jewelry.

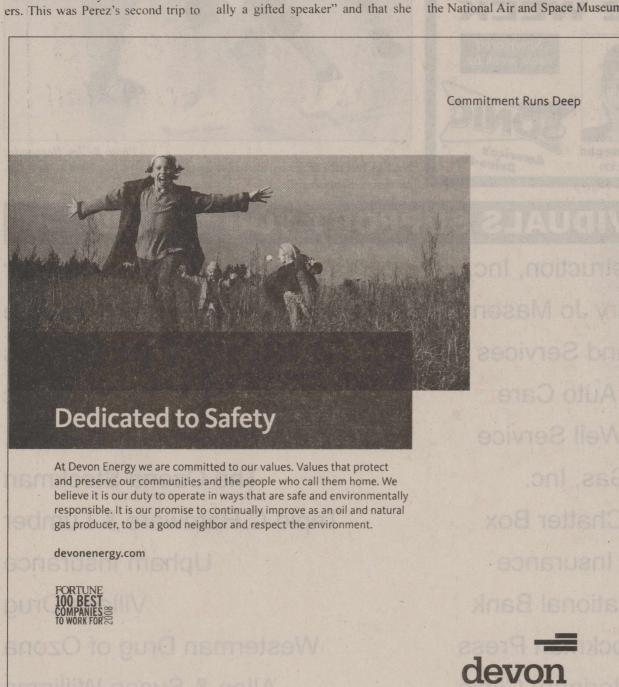
Plans for an April trip to Post were discussed. It was decided to move the date of the trip to April 1 and 2, instead of April 10 and 11. Sandy Bebee, Norma Carson and Rosalind Williams are the trip coordinators.

Members were reminded to bring EMS cookies and canned goods for Meals on Wheels to the

February meeting. Members present were Marolyn Bean, Sandy Bebee, Norma Carson, Jimmie Cloudt, Marilyn Cox, Lynn English, Janie Everett, Katie Friend, Bobbie Griffin, Betty Harrell, Charlotte Harrell, Virginia Hubbard, Betty Huffman, Shirley Kirby, Linda Moore, Jean Odom, Diane Phillips, Louise Taliaferro, Nell Wester and Rosalind Williams.







Lady Lions pounce over Lady Bucks on Jan. 23

trict victory over Alpine Friday night. and not giving up," said Coach John Ozona defeated Alpine 45-41.

Score by quarters: Ozona – 12 14 10 9 - 45; Alpine - 15 7 7 12 -

Scoring: Melanie Miller 5; Vanessa Rodriguez 13; Adrienne Sanchez 3; Alysha Lara 10 and Jessica Elston 14. Also playing: Cristi Rodriguez, Brandi Glosson, Stacy Silva and Stacie Quiroz.

"This was a great win for us. We had not won at home in district this year, so this game was a great boost and it got us back to even for district play. I am really proud of the sity this week. We lost Melissa Mill- loss for us," Jackson said. er and Alex Macias to injuries so I brought up two ninth graders (Adri- all and 4-4 in district play. enne Sanchez and Stacie Quiroz) that I thought played really well. I 6:30 p.m. Friday at Kermit.

The Lady Lions pulled out a dis- am proud of all the girls for fighting Jackson.

> Ozona lost to Reagan County 46-42 on Jan. 20.

Score by quarters: Ozona – 11 12 6 13 - 42; Reagan Co. - 9 15 10

Scoring: Melanie Miller 7; V. Rodriguez 4; Glosson 2; Lara 8; Elston 16; Macias 2 and Melissa Miller 3. Also playing: C. Rodriguez.

"We played well for three quarters. Jessica Elston really came through tonight and picked it up on the scoring end. She always plays good defense, but tonight she put together girls for the way we handled adver- a complete game. This was a tough

The Lady Lions are 15-9 over-

They will take on Kermit at

JV Lady Lions fall to Alpine The Lady Lions lost by one, 26- dondo 8; Brenda Venegas 4; Layla

27, to Alpine on Jan. 23.

Scoring: Natalie Hernandez 5; Rebecca Ramos 5: Raelvnn ArrePerez 2 and Emalee Hamilton 2.

The Lady Lions are 10-7.

7th Grade Lady Lions lose to Sonora The Seventh Grade Lady Lions becca Hernandez 2. Also playing:

lost to Sonora 6-44.

20-6; Sonora - 8 10 14 12 - 44.

Eighth Grade Lions lose to Sonora

The Eighth Grade Lions lost to Sonora 38-41 on Jan. 19. Score by quarters: Ozona - 8 6

9 15 – 38; Sonora – 8 13 9 11 – 41. Scoring: Tres Perez 12; Blake

Morrow 9; Cuatro Jones 2 and Alex Borrego 15. Also playing: Matthew Galindo, Jon David Dehoyas, Jeffery Sanchez, Jaquin Mesa Brandon Dominguez and Noah Tambunga.

"We did good things like rebound and not allow second shot opportunities, but we were unable to make our free throws down the stretch and it really hurt us in the end. I am proud of the way the guys played and never backed down. They did a fantastic job and just came up a bit short," said Coach John Esparza.



Photo By Joe Hernandez ANGELINA RAMOS moves the ball down the court for the seventh grade Lady Lions.

Jet Specialty

Daisy Guerra, Lazarae Rodriguez, Score by quarters: Ozona - 4 0 Kyann Hernandez, Nancy Rodriguez, Abby Newton, Savannah Ri-Scoring: Amy Quiroz 4 and Re- vera, Lexi Poindexter, Sierra Stokes, Angelina Ramos and Desiree Mar-

The Lady Lions are 4-9.



Photo By Joe Hernandez SAVANNAH RIVERA keeps the ball safe during the seventh grade KODI GLOSSON was the top scorer with 13 points in the eighth grade Lady Lions game against Sonora.



Photo By Joe Hernandez BRANDI GLOSSON looks for an open teammate in the varsity Lady Lions 45-41 victory over Alpine.



Photo By Joe Hernandez

Lady Lions Jan. 19 game against Sonora.

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Eighth Grade Lady Lions B **Team score to beat Lady Colts**

The Eighth Grade Lady Lions B Team defeated Sonora 12-11 on Jan. 19. Gaby Aranda scored the win-

the clock to win the game. Score by quarters: Ozona – 6 6 enne Lopez. 12; Sonora - 74 - 11.

Scoring: Jessica Borrego 8; Jaylynn Vargas 2 and Aranda 2. Also playing: Sierra Trevino, Narce Unning layup with five seconds left on ate, Melynda Cordova, Stephanie Cerventes, Kelsee Perez and Chey-

The Lady Lions are 6-3.



Photo By Joe Hernandez EIGHTH GRADER ARLEEN CASTRO keeps the ball away from an Lady Colt in the eighth grade Lady Lion 12-11 win over Sonora.

Eighth Grade Lady Lions fall short to Sonora on Jan. 19

lost to Sonora 25-28 on Jan. 19. Natalia Ortiz 2. Also playing: Sabri-66-25; Sonora-6678-28.

The Eighth Grade Lady Lions thia Garcia 3; Brianna Cervantes 5; Score by quarters: Ozona - 49 na DeLaGarza, Arleen Castillo, Tesla Caperton and Marley Tambunga. Scoring: Kodi Glosson 13; Cyn-The Lady Lions are 9-5.



Photo By Joe Hernandez NATALIA ORTIZ passes the ball to an eighth grade Lady Lion in their Jan.

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Cub Scouts host Space Derby



Photo By Joe Hernandez WEBELO II RESULTS ARE: (l. to r.) - 2nd Runner-up Walker Whitten, 1st Runner-up Taylor Absher and Champion Jeremy

Submitted by Benny Logan

The Cub Scouts of Pack 153 held their Space Derby on Jan. 24 at the Davidson Gym.

Winners in each division are:

Tigers - Champion Austin Moran; 1st Runner-up Joseph Vitela and 2nd Runner-up Justin Yeager.

Wolf - Champion Marcus Perez and 1st Runner-up Josh

Bear Den 1 - Champion Hunter Smith, 1st Runner-up Marc Flores, 2nd Runner-up Gavin Grannis and 3rd Runner-up Caleb Bullard. Also competing were Jacob Schroeder and Murray Lo-

Bear Den 2 - Champion Mark Akeman, 1st Runner-up Jessie Ramos and 2nd Runner-up Greg DeHoyos.

Webelo I - Champion Jared Everett, 1st Runner-up Jake Everett, 2nd Runner-up Trystian Galindo and 3rd Runner-up Caleb Martinez. Also competing was Kabir Shah. Webelo II - Champion Jeremy Munoz, 1st Runner-up Tay-

lor Absher and 2nd Runner-up Walker Whitten.

"The boys did a wonderful job making their space derby rockets. It has been about 10 years since a space derby has been

held here by the Ozona Pack, and much was learned during the races by the leaders as well as the boys competing," said Benny Logan.

Pack would like to invite the public to attend the Pinewood Derby at 1 p.m. on Feb. 28 at the Davidson Gym. The District Pinewood Derby will be held March 7, also at the Davidson Gym.



Photo By Joe Hernandez BEAR DEN 2 results are: Champion Mark Akeman, 1st Runner-up Jessie Ramos and 2nd Runner-up Greg DeHoyos.



Photo By Joe Hernandez

BEAR DEN 1 WINNERS are: (r. to 1.) Champion Hunter Smith, 1st Runner-up Marc Flores, 2nd Runner-up Gavin Grannis and 3rd Runner-up Caleb Bullard. Also competing were Murray Logan and Jacob Schroeder.



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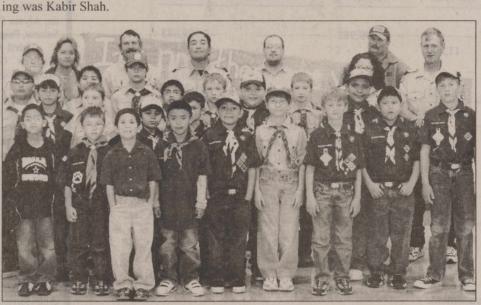


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up Justin Yeager and 1st Runner-up Joseph Vitela.

In Honor of School Board Members Dwight Childress, Grizz Medina, Harvey Sanchez, Tom Anderson, Veronica Fierro, Laurie Hale and Dr. Marcus Sims:

We wish to express our appreciation for your hard work and dedication in the pursuit of providing the best possible education for the students of Ozona.





Photo By Joe Hernandez WOLF RESULTS ARE: (l. to r.) Champion Marcus Perez and 1st Runner-up Josh Knaack

Youth Center Calendar of Events

Feb. 2 - OHS Food Night, 7-10 p.m.

Feb. 3 - OMS Food Night, 7-10 p.m.

Feb. 7 OHS Sweetheart Dance, 8 p.m.midnight

OMS Pool Tournament Jan. 20 1. Emilo Mendez

Galindo 3. E.Z. Rivas

2. Tyler

BAND BOOSTERS NEEDED!

the Davidson Gym.

If you have a student in 8th grade band or High School Band or if you remember your own band days, please help support the band and become a Band Booster. These kids need your support! Band Booster Meetings are at 6 p.m. at the OHS Band Hall on the following days: February 3; March 3; April 7 and May 5.

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CROCKETT COUNTY CONSOLIDATED COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES **GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2008

Data		10 Conoral	60	Other	Total
Control		General Fund	Capital Projects	Other Funds	Governmental Funds
	REVENUES:				Auge
5700	Total Local and Intermediate Sources \$	21,420,274	\$ 8,775	\$ 89,904	\$ 21,518,953
5800	State Program Revenues	4,543,425		124,872	4,668,297
5900	Federal Program Revenues	39,063	-	525,147	564,210
5020	Total Revenues	26,002,762	8,775	739,923	26,751,460
	EXPENDITURES:	ou Print	18 19 19 19 19 19 19 18 19 18 18 19 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18		
C	urrent:				
0011	Instruction	5,206,277		408,591	5,614,868
0012	Instructional Resources and Media Services	16,702		1,277	17,979
0013	Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development	11,632	ar sor ar money	3,994	15,626
0021	Instructional Leadership	a my dang	mitte for Runner-	17,211	17,211
0023	School Leadership	461,046	o tella bulled d	Recording Calc	461,046
0023	Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services	196,422	_	1,512	197,934
0033	Health Services	53,923			53,923
		506,590			506,590
0034	Student (Pupil) Transportation	11,872		468,881	480,753
0035	Food Services	410,399		515	410,914
0036	Extracurricular Activities			313	662,124
0041	General Administration	662,124		18,298	1,656,597
0051	Facilities Maintenance and Operations	1,638,299		10,290	
0052	Security and Monitoring Services	72,462			72,462
0053	Data Processing Services	21,536		-	21,536
0061	Community Services			1,795	1,795
D	Debt Service:				
0073	Debt Service - Bond Issuance Cost and Fees		120,953	1:10.6:11	120,953
	Capital Outlay:			Action to the second	
		4,648	506,439	4	511,087
0081	Facilities Acquisition and Construction	7,070	500,457		
li	ntergovernmental:	15 005 441			15 025 441
0091	Contracted Instructional Services Between Schools	15,025,441	-07	**************************************	15,025,441
0093	Payments to Fiscal Agent/Member Districts of SSA	128,960	-	7.7	128,960
6030	Total Expenditures	24,428,333	627,392	922,074	25,977,799
1100	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)	1,574,429	(618,617)	(182,151)	773,661
acián	Expenditures		300 SERVICE IN	and the sec	108 018
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):		0.000.000	er tan bib aroi	9,999,983
7911	Capital Related Debt Issued (Regular Bonds)		9,999,983	COT TOTAL	The state of the s
7912	Sale of Real and Personal Property	11,800			11,80
7915	Transfers In	4	-	200,133	200,13
7916	Premium or Discount on Issuance of Bonds	1 1 200	120,970	4	120,97
8911	Transfers Out (Use)	(200,133)	17 100 200	(200,133
7080	Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(188,333		200,133	10,132,75
	22/19/19/2012 Total				
1200	Net Change in Fund Balances	1,386,096		17,982	
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	7,352,076		20,546	7,372,62
	Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	(425,123)	SEE A LE	(425,12
1300	increase (Decrease) in Fund Darance				
3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 8,313,049	\$ 9,502,336	\$ 38,528	\$ 17,853,91

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Steven Silva selected to play football in Australia

Ozona Lion Steven Silva has been selected to play football as part of the Texas Team in the 2009 Down Under Sports program in Australia this July.

The 11-12 day trip includes seven days competiting and sight-seening on the Gold Coast of Australia and three-four days in Hawaii.

The Down Under Bowl, sponsored by International Sports Specialists Inc., is the largest American Football Championship Tournament held outside the United States. The first Down Under Bowl was inaugurated in 1989.

Silva will be wearing his Ozona Lions helmet during the games.

Each athlete must be nominated by their high school coach, or the

STEVEN SILVA

der to participate. Some prior standouts of the Down Under Bowl include Jake "The Snake" Plummer past

ISSI state coach or se-

lection committee in or-

quarterback for the Denver Broncos and Ahman Green, running back for the Houston Texans. Many top universities also have Down Under

Bowl Alumni. Silva and his family are currently working on fund-raisers to help with the \$4,495 trip cost. More details on those fund-raisers to come at a later date.

Donations are also being accepted at an Ozona National Bank account in Steven's name.

For more information, call Sandra Reyes at (325) 387-4490

THIRD SIX WEEKS "A" HONOR ROLL

First Grade - Jacob Childress, Avery Edinburgh, Chole Edinburgh, Matthew Galindo, Grant Gott, Valyssa Hartman, Alec Lara, Roslynn Mendez, Alexandra Montgomery, Carlie Ramos, Lazaro Rodriguez, Peyton Rohan, Alycia Tambunga, Humberto Torralba, Manuel Torralba, Davien Vasquez and Tyler

Second Grade - Andrea Cortez, Xavier Coward, Jacqueline Guerra, Jazmin Hernandez, Mark Hernandez, Josh Knaack. Isaura Lopez, Karina Marmolejo, Coulter McWilliams, Yasmin Ojeda, Kameron Ortiz, Alyssa Perez, Destiny Perez, Spencer, Salazar, Paige Villarreal and Caleb Webb.

Third Grade - Kassidy Gonzales, Matthew Gunnels, Brenna Hale and Murray Logan.

Fourth Grade - Jahnvi Bhakta, Edgar Damian, Vanessa De La Rosa, Austin Elguea, Weston Fay, Abby Gott, Asia Lara, Kamryn Lozano, Timothy Maldonado, Julie Marshall, Jose Martinez, Rachel Mendoza, Jonathan Posas, Elizabeth Rodriguez, Emmanuel Sarabia, Kabir Shah and Jasmine Talamantez

Fifth Grade - Alex Hopper, Maria Mejia, Kalen Perez, Dulce Rodriguez, Estefania Torralba, Nereyda Vega and Kevin Villarreal.

"A-B" HONOR ROLL

First Grade - Jade Borrego, Raelee Borrego, Esmeralda Castillo, Jaden Fay, Laney Galindo, Georgina Garcia, Cameron Harrison, Osiel Hernandez, Nathaniel Jackson, Gabrielle Longoria, Cristina Mata, Austin Moran, Rayne Payne, Raven Ramos, Kayla Sarabia, Thomas

Talamantez, Jaedin Tambunga, Kaitlyn Tambunga, Mylinda Vasquez, Miranda Villarreal, Joseph Vitela and Justin Yea-

Second Grade - Isaac Gonzales. Edgar Guajardo, Alannah Harger, Austin Hokit, Hagen Lagrone, David Landin, Johnathon Lewis, Jordan Martin, Austin Martinez, Carlos Martinez, Marisol Medina, Marcus Perez, Micaela Perez, Adrian Posas, Ebony Ramirez, Esperanza Ramirez, Carlos Soto, Oscar Valadez, Christian Valdes, Adrianna Vargas, Adrian Villa, Ivan Villarreal, Jesse Villarreal, Justin Weddle and Riley Williams.

Third Grade - Gregorio De Hoyos, Kristian Gabaldon, Rodrigo Gonzales, Andy Hernandez, Alyssa Molina, Kaelan Savala, Jacob Schroeder, Hunter Smith and Samantha Torralba.

Fourth Grade - Bobbie Benson, Thomas Cruz, Jake Everett, Aidan Fierro, Madison Galindo, Timothy Hardy, Garry Held, Madyson Hubbard, Maiah Jurado, Trace Justiss, Caleb Martinez, Ornaldo Meza, Anthony Perez, Jadon Perez, Sidney Perez, Amery Robison, Alberto Rodriguez, Juan Tambunga, Azaylea Tovar and Gabriela Treto.

Fifth Grade - Joseph Absher, Narda Aguilar, Javier Barrera, Phillip Benson, Kimberly Borrego, Rikki Chavez, Madison Childress, Mitchel Cox, Kristen Fierro, John Gomez, Maria Guerrero, Travis Gunnels, Dakota Lee, Tyra Longoria, Bryce Martin, Lauren Miles, Jeremy Munoz, Alyssa Newlin, Jose Ojeda, April Ramoz, Belinda Rodriguez, Ashley Vargas, Duston Vargas, Megan Vasquez, Juan Venegas, Dalton Weddle and William Whitten.

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BOARD: Ozona was recognized in three subject areas on TAKS testing from page 1

Small gifts, such as Wal-Mart

gift cards, are also given away during the chats, he said. "This is probably not correct

for everybody, and I'm not here to tell you I'm right about everything," Vranish said. "Our teachers, principals and staff have made this all happen."

During their meeting, Superintendent Abe Gott showed the board the TAKS scores for CCCCSD. The district was recognized in reading, writing and social studies and academically acceptable in math and science, meaning it came very close to being a recognized district, he

"If the school does not want out into this, then we have to realize this is what we're going to get," TAKS scores. "If you don't start doing anything different, we can't expect anything different."

Gott also told the board that if the trips are approved the board is taking a big step in a direction in that they start assuming the role as a

"I don't think our teachers can work any harder than we are now. As a board you need to decide are we doing our job at the best we can do," he said. "You don't know what's going on inside that kid's house. You don't know what's going on in their private life. I feel like our teachers are doing the best they can do. Our scores are not bad. However, if you don't do something different, you can't expect to get different results."

Board President Dr. Marcus Sims said as a board member he has never received a parent complaint about the academic programs. He said that the mission of the district should be educating students and she said. "I don't know if the trips not trying to make professional ath- will work. The worst-case scenario

feel like our teachers are doing the best they can do. Our scores are not bad. However, if you don't do something different, you can't expect to get different results." - Abe Gott, superintendent CCCCSD

letes out of them.

"I'm in favor of the trips and know it costs money. Life is that there will be some that will not grasp that academic material. Maybe we need to learn some real life lessons because life is not easy and it's not fair. I think the first few years you don't have that many, but after the first year or two you will to do anything different or venture see kids who do want to go and try to," he said.

Board member Laurie Hale re-Gott said referring to the district's minded the board that the district currently has several costly projects, including a new elementary school and finishing a field house that caught fire.

> 'There is so much more value if you can actually look at that (historic) building. The value of taking (students) somewhere and seeing things, if it is done instructionally and correctly, is a wonderful thing to do," said Amanda Jackson, OHS Counselor.

Elementary Principal Dan Webb said his teachers liked just the idea of putting an incentive out to the students to help push them. He also said with students now being forced to take four years of math and science at the high school level students have a tendency to rebel due to the harder subjects.

At the high school, tutoring is available before, throughout and after the school day, said Carole Allen, high school principal.

"I don't know what else to do,"

much money."

"If it does work, it puts the pressure on the student and their family, and not the teachers. Our teachers are worn out. Even if we say something positive about raising the TAKS scores, I don't think the message is conveyed to them is that we are on their side," Webb added.

Board member Veronica Fierro said she is willing to try the trips and believes the district will see right off if it works for Ozona's stu-

students that show interest in it, then it may not work," she said.

"Looking at the turnout we had tonight, I think community thinks it's acceptable," added Dwight Childress, board member.

Gott said whatever decision the board eventually makes, scores from this year's TAKS tests will not be used and goals will have to be set in place before anything happens.

"This is going to evolve into something else. There is apathy here replace the weight room and the rest and I think it's hard for us to accept it. There is apathy toward education, apathy toward making your child do things, and I don't know how to fix bid for the flooring. that," he said. "These trips come very close to us taking on the role of a parent. Do we see that need to take that role on judging by what we have here?"

CONSTRUCTION BIDS APPROVED

Officials from Waldrop Con-

is that it is not going to cost you list of bids for the new elementary

The board approved the bids at the guaranteed maximum price, which total around \$11.2 million. Also included in the bids was the addition of \$4,263 for acoustical batt insulation in all walls separating classrooms to help control sound and an addition of \$8,420 for hardwood lumber millwork in the library circulation desk.

These bids do not include roofing material and technology. The board also approved advertising to "If we don't have an amount of seek data and technology bids for the new elementary school.

The district will make their first bond payment on Feb. 14. The payment will be \$2,285000 in principle and \$181,766.67 in interest.

FIELD HOUSE FLOORING

The board rejected all bids for flooring for the field house at Lion Stadium due to only receiving two

One bid received was \$89,980 from Carpet World from Lubbock to of the field house. The second bid did not include the weight room.

The board said they would re-

Gott said insurance covered \$77,177 for the cleaning of the field house after a fire. This leaves \$32,000 for the floor of which the school district can apply for \$11,000 more, Gott said.

DRINK MACHINES

Advertising for bids for drink struction presented the board with a machines and coolers for campuses

and concession stands was approved by the board.

Dr. Pepper/Pepsi is breaking their contract with the district since they claim the district doesn't sell

Gott said he asked Coca-Cola about a contract, in which they told him they would do a year-to-year agreement to furnish the machines and provide Coca-Cola products.

However, Coca-Cola officials told Gott that if they found one Dr. Pepper in a Coke machine the agreement would be voided. Gott said Dr. Pepper is the best-seller at the concession stands.

After some discussion the board decided to look into buying their own machines so the district could stock whatever drinks they decided.

POLICIES CHANGE, STAY THE SAME

The board approved several policy changes during the meeting:

The Texas Education Agency now requires that the minimum four-week period no longer has to be consecutive for a student to be eligible for general education homebound instruction.

A superintendent is no longer required to submit evaluations for the board to consider when voting to propose nonrenewal of an employee. While the law requires a board to consider the most recent evaluation, if relevant, before voting to non-renew an employee's contract, it does not require consideration of evaluations before voting to propose will be at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 18 at the nonrenewal.

It is now required that representatives of brokers/dealers to be in good standing with the newly created Financial Industry Regulatory Authority in order to handle investments on behalf of a district.

Current Education Code provisions require a district to post a summary of its proposed budget online or in the central administration office. Therefore, a district is no long required to make the entire proposed budget available to the public on request.

Information on school bus safety precautions has been deleted from the student transportation policy, since the material is more appropriately addressed in driver safety training and administrative proce-

Some of the policies the board voted to stay the same including the district's cell phone policy and the disposal of school property.

OTHER ITEMS APPROVED:

· Extend the contracts of OHS Band Director Gretchen Bloebaum and OHS Counselor Amanda Jackson to 2011 and offer Cynthia Webb a twoyear contract as a counselor at OHS.

· Approved a board resolution authorizing the conveyance of district owned playground equipment to Crockett County in exchange for the South Pool tract of land and authorizing the superintendent of schools to execute agreements to accomplish the exchange.

· A \$900 bid from Annette Badillo for a Chevy Lumina and a \$1,100 bid from Anna Martinez for a suburban.

• Seeking bids for fire alarms.

Appointment of Dwight Childress, Tom Anderson and Veronica Fierro to continue serving on the County District Appraisal Committee.

The next school board meeting Administration Building.

Independent Cattlemen's Association of Texas to hold informational meeting Feb. 3 in Lockhart

LOCKHART - The Indepen-

All interested cattle prodent Cattlemen's Association of ducers and land owners are wel-Texas announced today that they come to attend. ICA will provide a

Bodenchuk, state director of the cattle production in drought. Texas Wildlife Services Program.

The invited speakers are Mike Paschal, will present a program on

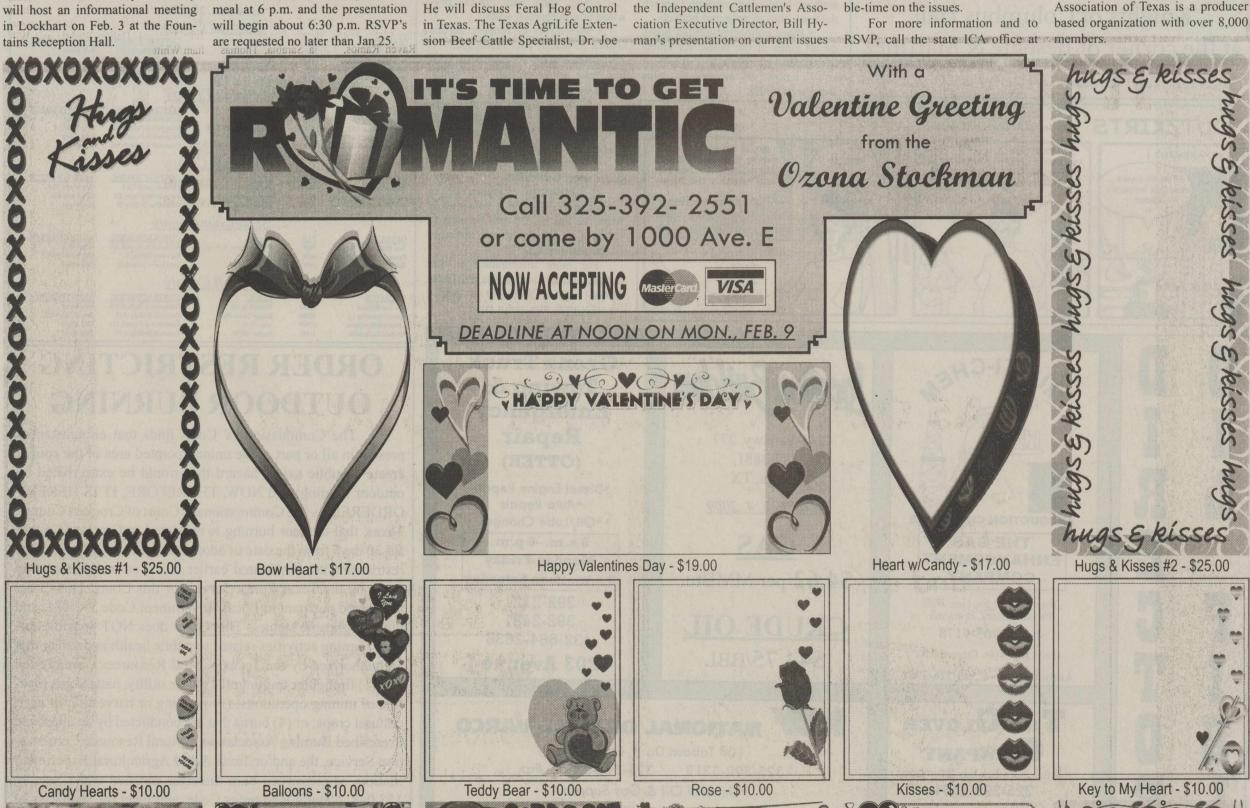
The evening will conclude with

facing the cattle producer.

With the legislature in session this year, ICA will be working dou-

(512) 620-0162 or email tica@ica-

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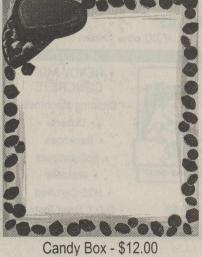




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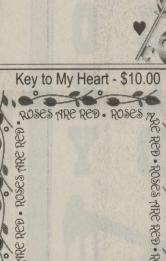


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Ribbon Balloons - \$12.00



Roses Are Red - \$12.00

FOR THE RECORD: Weekly Court Proceedings

1-22-09

- · Phillip Demille Mack II, Calif., possession of marijuana less than two ounces, misdemeanor, \$4,000 bond. · Gabriel Cortez, San Antonio,
- possession of marijuana less than two ounces, misdemeanor, \$4,000 bond. · Jesus Enriquez, Ozona, driv-
- ing while intoxicated/open container, misdemeanor, \$4,000 bond. 1-24-09
- · Sandra Reyes, Ozona, driving while license invalid/suspended, misdemeanor, \$4,000 bond.

COUNTY COURT-AT-LAW 1-5-09

- · Joseph Forrest McDowell, revoke probation 30 days in jail for driving while intoxicated - second. 1-6-09
- Eduardo Hernandez, \$194 fine and \$304 court costs on failure to appear unsafe turn. 1-15-09
- · Jose A. Govea, a charge of theft by check, dismissed paid restitution and court costs.
- 1-19-09 • Oscar Alexander Argueta, \$194 fine and \$304 court costs on failure
- to appear speeding. · Raymond Clayton Ashlock, \$194 fine and \$304 court costs on failure to appear speeding.
- year pre-trial diversion for driving. while intoxicated - first.
- Pedro Wayne Barker, \$300 fine, \$304 court costs, 24 community service hours, 6 months probation for driving while intoxicated - en-
- · Louis Flores De La Garza, one year pre-trial diversion and \$145.75 restitution for theft more than \$50 and less than \$500.

WHAT'YA READIN'?

THE BY-LAWS

FOR OUR WOMEN'S

112th DISTRICT COURT Judges Brock Jones and Pedro Gomez Jr. presiding **Criminal Docket**

· Jesse Castillo Villarreal, 37, Ozona, pleaded guilty to a charge of felony driving while intoxicated, third-degree felony. He was sentenced to seven years in prison suspended for five years of community supervision, \$1,000 fine, 160 hours of community serivice, \$429 for court costs, 10 days in the Crockett County Jail and drivers' license suspended for two years.

· Luciano Medellin Escamilla, 64, Ozona, pleaded guilty to felony ducted at USDA's Farm Service driving while intoxicated, second-degree felony. He was sentenced to 12 years in prison and \$404 court costs.

· Corey Edward Galindo, 22, Ozona, pleaded guilty to sexual assault of a child, second-degree feloregister as a sex offender.

· Javier Castellanos Perez, 33, gram for one year under the direction of the community supervision officer.

GLOSSARY OF LEGAL TERMS:

ordinated assistance in personal and fice where the person owns or rents grams. group counseling, drug and alcohol rehabilitation and other community agencies appropriate to their needs.

The above information was obtained from the Crockett County Clerk's Office.

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NOT PERMITTED

WOMEN'S GROUP

OUTZKIRTS By: David & Doreen Dotson

USDA sets date for lamb referendum

Department of Agriculture today announced that it will offer lamb producers, feeders, and first handlers the opportunity to vote in a nationwide referendum on whether to continue or terminate the Lamb Promotion, Research, and Information Order, authorized under the Commodity Promotion, Research, and Information Act of 1996.

Feb. 2-27, 2009.

The referendum will be con-Agency (FSA) county offices. To be eligible to vote, persons must certify and provide documentation, such as a sales receipt or remittance form, which shows they have been engaged in the production, feeding, ny. He was sentenced to nine years or slaughtering of lambs during the in prison, \$650 restitution and must period, Jan. 1, 2008, through Dec.

Beginning Feb. 2, and continu-Ozona, a charge of assault on a public ing through Feb. 27, persons eligible servant, voluntary agreement to partic- to vote should obtain form LS-86 ipate in the pre-trial intervention pro- from a county FSA office either in person, by mail, fax, or via the Internet at: http://www.ams.usda.gov/ Ismarketingprograms.

Persons must vote in the referendum at the County FSA office • Pre-Trial Diversion - a diver- where their administrative farm re-· Michael Patrick Delaney, one sion program which is offered to cords are maintained. For those percertain offenders who qualify for sons not participating in FSA proparticipation as an alternative to grams, the opportunity to vote will prosecution. Participants receive co- be provided at the County FSA of-

Form LS-86 and supporting documentation must be returned in person, by mail, or by fax to the appropriate county FSA office.

The form and documentation returned in person or by fax must be received in the appropriate county office prior to the close of business on Feb. 27.

The form and documentation re-The referendum will be held turned by mail must be postmarked no later than midnight on Feb. 27 and received in the county FSA office by March 6.

USDA monitors activities of the American Lamb Board. The mandatory program is financed by producers, seedstock producers (breeders), feeders, and exporters who are assessed one-half cent (\$.005) per pound when live ovine animals are sold. The first handler, primarily packers, pays an additional 30 cents per head on ovine animals purchased for slaughter.

Notice of the referendum will be published in the Dec. 16, 2008, Federal Register.

Copies of the Final Rule and Notice are available from the Marketing Programs Branch; Livestock and Seed Program, AMS, USDA; STOP 0251 - Room 2628-S; 1400 Independence Avenue, SW; Washington, D.C. 20250-0251; tel. (202) 720-1115; or via the Internet at www.ams.usda.gov/lsmarketingpro-

AUSTIN - Wildland fires pose a threat throughout Texas, especially your neighborhood. when dry weather conditions combine with high winds and extreme temperatures. Whether you live near open grassland, in a suburban area on the edge of town or in a forested area, fire can threaten your home.

When weather conditions make wildland fires more likely, take the

· Keep fire fighting tools handy, such as: ladder long enough to reach the roof, shovel, rake and buckets.

· Place connected garden hoses on all sides of the house for emer- within 15 feet of your residence.

· Know all emergency exits

· Learn all routes leading out of

the following actions:

Shut off gas at the meter. Only

turn the gas back on.

· Place combustible patio furni-

· Seal vents with pre-cut plywood or commercial seals.

Wet down the roof.

· Close interior doors and win-

For more information on fire danger and advisories, see the Texas Forest Service Web site at: http://

OPERATOR

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As fires actually approach, take

· Park your car facing the direc-

a qualified professional can safely

• Turn off propane tanks.

 Wet down or remove shrubs · Place lawn sprinklers on roof and near above-ground fuel tanks.

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If you have not signed up at the extension office by Feb. 12, 2009 by 5 p.m. then you will be asked to move your horses by the local sheriff's department and then your stall will become available to others needing a stall. No EXCEPTIONS.

Crockett County 4-H horse project members must also register at the extension office by Feb. 12. One stall is allowed per person. Once everyone has signed up by Feb. 12 then the stalls leftover will be assigned as a first come first serve basis.

If you have any question or would like a copy of the rules please come by the extension office or call 392-2721.

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ORDER RESTRICTING OUTDOOR BURNING

The Commissioners' Court finds that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area of the county create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning; and NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners' Court of Crockett County, Texas, that outdoor burning is restricted in Crockett County for 30 days from the date of adoption of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service or this Court. This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code 352.081, and other applicable statues. This Order does NOT prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Natural Resources Commission for: (1) firefighter training; (2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations; (3) planting or harvesting or agricultural crops; or (4) burns that are conducted by an approved Prescribed Burning Association, Natural Resource Conservation Service, the and/or Texas A&M Agricultural Experiment Station, or prescribed burn manager certified under Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of Section 153.047, Natural Resources Code.

All burns shall be reported to the Crockett County Sheriff's Office (325) 392-2661 and the Fire Chief (325) 392-2626 prior to commencing, together with the name of the landowner, location involved and expert to be on hand.

This Order does NOT prohibit outdoor cooking in a properly contained area which is attended at all times.

In accordance with the Local Government Code 352.081 (h), a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.

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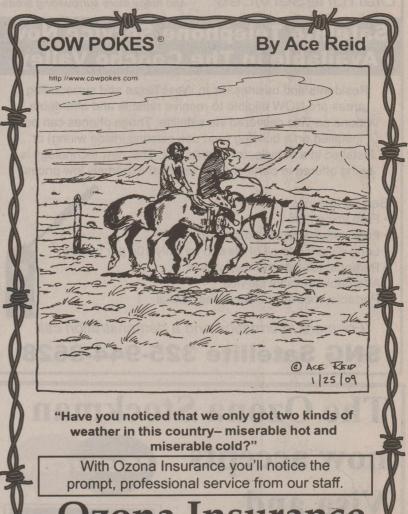
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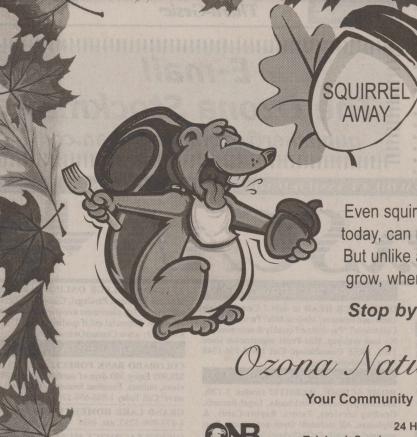
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