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School board makes public statement on athletics, academic programs

BY MELISSA PERNER THE OZONA STOCKMAN

After two hours in executive/closed session during the March 11 special meeting, the Crockett County CCSD Board of Trustees issued the following statement:

"We the Board of Trustees of the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District affirms unanimously our belief and support of the following: that

· the school district was founded to provide an education to all students based on the state-mandated curriculum - the Texas Essential student academic perfor-Knowledge and Skills;

· our district is judged and accredited by student performance on state-mandated tests, graduation rate, and attendance rate;

student involvement in extra-curricular activities, both school sponsored and demic and athletic programs then that is a necessary connon-school sponsored, have can also only be achieved

educational process; · participation in both school sponsored and nonschool sponsored activities is encouraged, but no law provides the district the avenue to mandate student participation in these events;

 high expectations for mance can only be achieved through requiring a strong, unwavering enforcement of respect for authority and student adherence to a rigorous and consistent discipline to field a team due to lack of management plan;

the potential to enhance the through a commitment of high expectations for respect and obedience to policies,

> rules, and procedures; teachers and coaches have full and unrelenting support in the implementation of these high disciplinary expectations;

· students who fail to meet these expectations should not be allowed to remain a participant or team member in school sponsored, extra-curricular activities;

· if the district is unable the members adhering to the · success in both UIL aca- expectations for discipline,

· the board will not allow the lack of discipline and/or disciplinary expectations to be an excuse for failure;

above all, we are an educational institution and therefore fully support all. personnel employed by the district as they adhere to laws, policies and procedures in order to provide a quality academic and athletic pro-

· finally, success cannot come from sole dependence on employees and curriculum - success can only be fully achieved through community and parental support and involvement in the students' academic and extra-curricular

endeavors."

"The purpose for the public statement is that the board wanted everyone to understand they support our teachers and coaches 100 percent," said Superintendent Abe Gott.

During the executive/ closed session, the board met with all three campus principals and all members of the district's coaching staff.

The board also approved the hiring of two elementary teachers for first and second

The regular board meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. March 25 at the Administration Building.

Superintendent to leave for position in Blackwell

BY MELISSA PERNER THE OZONA STOCKMAN

Superintendent Abe Gott will leave Ozona at the end of the school year.

Last week, Gott said he informed Dr. Marcus Sims, school board president, of his resignation as Superintendent of Crockett County Schools, which will take effect June 1.

Gott has accepted the position of Superintendent for Blackwell Consolidated Independent School District.

"They offered me a deal I could not turn down, and it will make us closer to family," Gott said. "This was an extremely difficult decision. We have good people here."

Blackwell is a town of around 360 people located about 30 miles south of Sweetwater. The school district's enrollment is around 160 stu-

Gott was named CCCCSD Superintendent three years ago, prior to that he was the superintendent in Cherokee.

Sheriff 'I want to make a positive difference'

BY MELISSA PERNER THE OZONA STOCKMAN

This is the seventh in a series of Ozona Stockman question-an-answer articles featuring county and state officials in our community.

Today's article features Crockett County Sheriff Roy Glenn Sutton.

county's top lawman. Along with law enforcement, the sheriff often assists with disaster response and serving warrants or other legal pa-

Sheriff Sutton responded 15 years. to these questions.

RUN FOR YOUR POSITION?

I wanted to make a posi-

Crockett County Sheriff



ROY GLENN SUTTON -68 days in office

Long respected as the county's top lawman, the sheriff has a range of duties that include criminal investigations, traffic enforcement, operation of the jail and other responsibilities.

Duties of the sheriff include:

· Providing security for the operation of county and district courts;

· Enforcing traffic laws, other county ordinances and other state laws;

· Service of process;

· Accepting bail for prisoners in his

· Conducting sales of seized and unclaimed properties; and

 Taking charge of and responsibility for the county jail and prisoners.

- Source: Texas Association of Counties

tive difference in the sheriff's the public. office. I knew that being a sheriff would be a challenge that I was willing to take.

WHAT KIND OF TRAINING, EDUCATION OR EXPERIENCE DID YOU HAVE TO HAVE FOR YOUR POSITION?

Bachelor of science in A county sheriff is the criminal justice from Texas A&M International University; associated of applied science in law enforcement from Laredo Junior College; supervisory special agent for 16 years and special agent for

WHY DID YOU DECIDE TO ABOUT YOUR JOB YOU ENJOY THE MOST?

Serving and protecting

WHAT IS ONE DUTY IN YOUR JOB THAT YOU ENJOY THE

I do not enjoy seeing children separated from their parents when the parents criminal behavior impacts the children.

WHAT IS ONE DUTY THAT YOU PERFORM THAT MOST PEOPLE MAY NOT REALIZE FALLS UNDER YOUR POSITION?

The sheriff has authority over the county where a dangerous wild animal is kept WHAT IS THE ONE THING when the county does not have an animal control offi-

THAT YOU OFTEN GET QUESTIONS ABOUT THAT DO NOT FALL **UNDER YOUR POSITION?**

Civil law.

IF YOU COULD CHANGE ANY-THING ABOUT YOUR POSITION, WHAT WOULD IT BE?

I would not change anything.

WHAT DO YOU WANT THE PEOPLE OF CROCKETT COUNTY TO KNOW ABOUT YOUR POSITION?

1. First and foremost, provide a safe environment for the citizens.

2. Provide a jail that gives adequate protection for inmates and the public.

3. Create a drug-free envi-WHAT ARE SOME DUTIES ronment in Crockett County.

Early fine payments to Irion **County will prohibit arrests**

SUBMITTED BY THE CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Irion County has issued arrest warrants for the following named individuals.

A two week grace period has been set up for these individuals to contact Irion County and set up payments for their fines.

If no attempts have been made with two weeks starting Wednesday, March 18, 2009, those individuals will be sought and arrested.

Contact information to pay these fines through Donna Smith, Justice of the Peace, Irion County Courthouse, Mertzon, Texas (325) 835-4141.

Warrants of arrest: · Valentino Castillo - no valid driver's license, \$309.

· Joanna Mata Dominguez - fail to maintain financial responsibility, \$335; no valid vehicle inspection certificate,

· James Adkins Jr. - no valid driver's license, \$340; fail to appear, \$241.

· Stephanie Jo Castro speeding, \$160; fail to display, \$170; permit unlicensed person to drive, \$230.

· Jim R. Etheridge - speeding 6-9 mph over in 65/70 mph zone, \$229.

· Clifton C. Ford - issuance of bad check, \$627. Michelle Gonzales

speeding, \$165. · Richard R. Gonzales

- speeding 6-9 mph over in 65/70 mph zone, \$203. · Daniel Gonzales - speeding, \$165; allow child under 4

seat belt, \$235. · Romulo Lopez Lozano Jr. - speeding, \$205.

years to ride not secured in

· Molly Munoz - issuance of a bad check, \$627; ride not secured by safety belt, \$165; fail to appear, \$227; no valid driver's license, \$305.

· Lucinda Ann Ortiz - expired driver's license, \$115. · Emilio Flores Porras -

speeding, \$205. · Cynthia Lucile Hodges display expired license plates

(10-03), \$165; display expired vehicle inspection certificate, Beatriz Valencia-Ellison

- allow child under 4 years to ride not secured, \$274.

· Maria Perez - no liability insurance, \$335.

· Stephen Michael Perez speeding, \$205.

· David Torres - speeding, \$161; fail to maintain financial responsibility, \$347.

· Olga Ortiz Borrego speeding, \$205.

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Our democracy's infrastructure is crumbling, just as our roads, water systems and sewers are deteriorating across the country — and we have a unique opportunity now to fix them all

I'll leave the roads and such to the engineers. The infrastructure of our democracy, though, is something I know a thing or two about. You see, more than 16 years ago, I and a few other hearty souls across the country began compiling state-level campaignfinance data and making it available to the public. We created databases by performing thousands of search-and-replace functions on 700-page Word documents that had been input at state agencies.

And, even more time-consuming,

we input donor information from innumerable paper reports that candidates had filed at their state disclosure agencies. And we made all this available to reporters via floppy disc and

net, and we hap-

SUNSHINE WEEK Then along came the Inter-

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pily upgraded our delivery system. But to this day, we still have to type in data by hand, because many candidates still file paper forms with state disclosure agencies. Can you believe it? In this day and age! What a stitute on Money in State Politics, waste of time.

The lack of uniform disclosure for the 50 states is a failure by design. Fragmented campaignfinance reporting means it's more difficult for people to follow the actions of their elected representatives — otherwise known as holding them accountable. Many candidates don't want you getting too familiar with their donor base. And lobbyists certainly don't want you looking over their shoulders, especially when their actions might cost you money as a tax-

We disagree with that. We To them, we tip our hats. think democracy works best when all aspects of campaigns are held up to the light of day. At the nonprofit, nonpartisan National In-

we've compiled campaign-finance data from all 50 states dating back to the 2000 elections, as well as donor information for state party committees and ballot measures. And we've compiled a list of lobbyists registered in the states for 2006 and 2007. We update all our data continuously. In fact, we're on a first-name basis with staff in all 50 state disclosure offices, who for the most part are public servants eager to do good work. They love seeing their work contributed to the data tools and analyses we offer at www.FollowTheMoney.org.

To the candidates who seem to think that funding public disclosure and ethics agencies is optional, we offer a Bronx salute. You

don't have to look far to find examples of a disclosure agency fining a state political party or candidate for bundling or other breach of the public's trust, and you'll likely see the agency's budget on the cutting block next legislative session (Washington state and Alaska offer some sad examples.)

aren't eager to move disclosure into the 21st century, a host of nonprofit organizations are doing the work for citizens and displaying the results for free access. For our part, we built a tool called Lobbyist Link that lets you see which companies hired lobbyists and in which states, and where those companies also made political donations. (For instance, type "Merck' into our search window and you'll

Since lawmakers themselves

see plenty of coordinated lobbying and donations in the states that considered the HPV vaccine for schools.) Our L-CAT feature reveals who gave to specific state legislative committee members, and how much. For example, (big surprise) it turns out that insurance companies are major donors to members of the 2008 Illinois Senate Insurance Committee.

There is tremendous work being done by nonprofit organizations for Sunshine Week to create an index of all public information held by government agencies, at all levels. Project Vote Smart compiles biographical information about lawmakers, their speeches and voting records for the pub-

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Texas leads in public information, but a new bill could question that

hile many states are stuck in the dark ages when it comes to public information, Texas is leading the way. In celebration of Sunshine Week (March 15-21), a 2009 sur-

vey found that Texas posted online information in all 20 categories. These categories were: death certificates, financial disclosures, audit reports, project expenditures, department of transportation projects, bridge inspection reports, fictitious registration of business names, disciplinary actions against attorneys, disciplinary actions against medical physicians, hospital inspection reports, nursing home inspection reports, child care center inspection reports, statewide school test scores, teacher certifications, school building inspections, school bus inspections, gas pump overcharges, consumer complaints against businesses, environmental citations and campaign finance information.

Still, Texas is not altogether perfect when it comes to providing public information.

Just this past week, State Rep. Doug Miller, R-New Braunfels, has filed a bill that would essentially give any governmental body the ability to file suit against an "abusive requestor" of public information — which is defined as someone who "has made at least five requests for public information" in the past seven years that the government has deemed abusive, harassing or wasting public funds and time of public employees.

The Texas Public Information Act was created so that a person, or organization, could request this information as many times as they asked.

The act states that "the principle that government is the servant and not the master of the people."

"The people, in delegating authority, do not give their public servants the right to decide what is good for the people to know and what is not good for them to know. The people insist on remaining informed so that they may retain control over the instruments they have created."

The purpose of the Public Information Act is to maintain the people's control "over the instruments they have created." The Act requires the Office of the Attorney General to construe the Act liberally in favor of open government.

As taxpayers, we have a right to know what our government is

This is not a difficult concept. Public records that are paid

MY MIND

MELISSA PERNER

for with public

money, compiled for some public purpose and maintained as public property ought to be accessible for public view-

This includes asking for it as many times as neces-

sary. It is difficult enough to understand what is going on in your community by examining records. Spreadsheets, contracts and meeting minutes aren't always easy to decipher for the average person. But residents should be able to see the information

Some leaders want to meet behind closed doors and keep documents from public view.

Governments can make it difficult by denying Freedom of Information requests or other requests for information. There are many examples of government stonewalling -- from the executive branch to local municipalities. Some officials try to wear information-seekers down by denying or delaying requests for information, hoping they'll give up rather than continue the pursuit. Others employ other tactics, such as charging unreasonable fees for copies.

Likewise, some elected officials would like to conduct important business in closed meetings or to keep the business conducted in those meetings private.

So it is important that you continue to fight for openness. Because it is important for citizens to remain informed. The more information they have access to, the easier it is for people to be informed.

News organizations, such as ours, owe allegiance to our readers. That's why we honor Sunshine Week and hope you will as well.

For more, visit www.sunshin-

MELISSA PERNER is the editor and publisher of The Ozona Stockman. So, if she wants to write this column, she has every right to do so.

How To Be Cheap

and you'll be eating like a

king for free! You should

look at a few bulls prior

to escaping before the

also offer a free meal

sale starts. (Unless they

after the sale.) Take a big

doggie bag along to tie

you over during the off

season when there are

seen me up close and

personal will not find it

hard to believe that my

wife and I spend very

Anyone who has

Now that we're officially in a recession economists say we all have to live more cheaply. It just so happens that being cheap is something I'm very good at.

When you don't have any money you learn how to live on less. When my wife and I lived in Australia as struggling college students we lived on \$40 a week because that's all we had. We lived in a trailer, ate a lot of mutton and we cut our napkins in half so they'd last twice as long. Really. We started our married life pinching pennies and never got out of the habit, so, I'm more than qualified to tell you how to be cheap.

The first place the financial experts say to cut back is on eating out, but you don't have to make such a sacrifice. You just have to change the definition of what eating out is. I'm sure in your area there are free barbecues sponsored by livestock pharmaceutical companies and brokerage houses who want to get your business. The downside to eating these free meals is you might have to listen to boring speeches.

You can also eat for free at neighbor's brandings but you might be expected to actually do some work to earn your meal. Although, I never have. You could go to add McDonalds and mix ketchup with hot water to make tomato soup but at some point you're going to need protein. That's where bull sales come in. During the fall and spring there are bull sales nearly every day — cutting back on toilet paper expenses by and all you have to do is ride the grub line — collecting it the day after Halloween when



IT'S THE **PITTS**

LEE PITTS

little on clothes. Our jackets come from auction markets and I have enough free caps to last 20 lifetimes.

fewer sales

To get free jeans just tell all your relatives that you need their old Wranglers and Levis to make pinkeye patches. When they arrive there are sure to be some jeans that fit you. If not, splurge on a pair of

As for shoes, here's a great tip: take longer steps and your shoe leather will last

twice as long. I learned early on that you can spend a lot of money shopping so we avoid that activity at all costs. In addition to cutting your napkins in half you can cut down on consumables by reusing Kleenex® and you can usually find it draped on houses, cars and trees.

I understand that many people have something called entertainment expenses. If you're in the dating scene take your date to see a free lunar eclipse or house fire instead of a movie and, if you do go out to eat, only pick up a check if it's made out to you. Your date will admire your frugality. If at all possible, find a spouse who was born on Feb. 29 and then you'll only have to buy her a birthday gift every four years.

You can save on energy costs by recharging your electrical gadgets at work and taking a hot water bottle to bed at

During the last depression people made their own booze in stills and now, thanks to ethanol, you can make your own booze and gas at the same time.

If the kids want to go on a vacation to eat bad food and sleep in strange beds just go mooch off a relative for a week. Or you could just rent a library book and show them pictures of all the pretty places you didn't go visit. If the kids want to ride thrill rides at an amusement park just let them ride in the car with your 95 years old Grandpa who can't see.

Finally, if you get sick instead of seeing a doctor go to the drug store and read get-well cards. I'd also recommend that you live a long time to cut down on funeral expenses. They can really kill you.

See how simple being cheap can be?

Sen. Shapiro, Rep. Pitts offer plans for state's next two year budget

AUSTIN - Our Legislature is two steps closer to building a state budget for fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, and Rep. Jim Pitts, R- Waxahachie, on March 13 filed Senate Bill 1 and House Bill 1, the general appropriations bills.

SB 1 is scheduled for daily public hearings, March 16-21. HB 1 is scheduled for a hearing in the House Appropriations Committee, chaired by Pitts, on March 17. At these hearings, both versions of the budget will be marked up, voted out of their respective committees and sent to the full Senate and full House for approval.

The usual path to approval includes a stop in a conference committee of House and Senate members, who must reconcile any differences that emerge in the two bills.

The budget would total around \$170 billion, if it runs in parallel with projected needs expressed by the Legislative Budget Board. The current two-year budget, which ends Aug. 31, totaled out

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at \$168 billion.

The state revenue estimate provided by State Comptroller Susan Combs shows that for 2010-11, the state can expect to have \$77.1 billion in funds available for general-purpose spending. This represents a 10.5 percent decrease from the corresponding amount of funds available for 2008-09.

Still to be worked out is potential relief through a \$16 billion federal stimulus package, which the Legislative Budget Board said can be spent on:

The Medicaid match rate, transportation infrastructure, public school facilities, water and energy finance programs, and existing education, health and human services programs, and the Community Development Block Grant.

Also, home energy and weatherization assistance, affordable housing, criminal justice assistance grants, unemployment compensation, food stamps.

Gov. Rick Perry on March 12 rejected the \$555 million chunk of the federal stimulus meant to shore up state unemployment funding. He said the money has strings attached, and accepting it would mean Texas businesses would have to make higher unemployment payments.

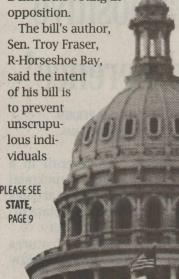
All that, on top of continued uncertainties in the current economy that point to less revenue for the state to work with will make for lively debate over the next few weeks.

DUNNAM FILES TRANSPARENCY MEASURE

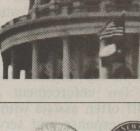
State Rep. Jim Dunnam, D-Waco, chair of the House Select Committee on Federal Economic Stabilization Funding, on March 10 filed HB 2942, the Texas Government Accountability and Transparency Act of 2009. The bill is intended to strengthen legislators' ability to track and audit the use of stimulus money by state agencies and private entities.

COMMITTEE PASSES VOTER ID BILL

The state Committee of the Whole Senate on March 11 passed SB 362, a "voter I.D." bill with all 19 Republicans and the lieutenant governor voting in favor and all 12 Democrats voting in



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DARYL COPELAND (center) cuts the ribbon, his wife Myna Kay to his right, surrounded by family, friends, partners and local citizens for the grand opening of Ozona Body Shop on March 13. The business is located at 598 State Hwy. 163 south. Ozona Body Shop opened for business on Monday, and will be open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 392-3700 or (325) 453-2980.

Mitchel graduates from training

Caleb Mitchel graduated from U.S. Naval training in Great Lakes, Ill. on March 13. He graduated as an E3 earning the National Defense

and Sharp Shooter ribbons. He will be returning to Ozona on Wednesday, March 18, and he and his wife, Anna, will be moving to Charleston, S.C. were he will be attending Nuclear Engineering School.



Tambunga makes **UTPB Dean's List**

Jasmine Tambunga has been named to the Dean's Honor Roll at the University of Texas Permian Basin in

This recognition is accorded to those students who have attained a grade point average of at least 3.5 during the fall 2008 semester.

Jasmine is a 2006 graduate of Ozona High School and is the daughter of Jimmy and Janell Tambunga, of Ozona.

It's a boy

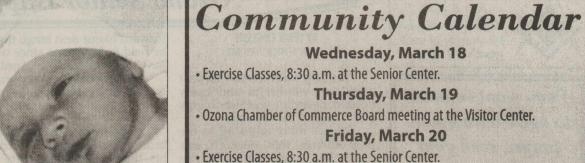
Dempster Ken Campbell was born March 2, 2009 at 4:24 p.m. at Covenant Lake-

side Hospital in Lubbock. He weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces and was 21-inches

Proud parents are Jason and Robin Campbell, of Floydada.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Raleigh Conner Jr. Great-grandparents are Mrs. William Dempster Jones and the late William Dempster Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Raleigh Conner.

grandparents Paternal are Ms. Pollianna Campbell of Floydada and the late Ken Vance Campbell.



· Lions Baseball vs. Presidio, 4 p.m. at the baseball field.

OHS Track Teams at the Cactus Relays in Iraan.

Lady Lions Softball vs. Presidio, 5 p.m. at the softball field.

• Fort Lancaster Turkey Fest, 6 p.m. at the Fort Lancaster State Historic Site.

Friday, March 20

Saturday, March 21

Monday, March 23

OHS Golf Teams at the Christoval meet.

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

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

• OHS One-Act Play Dinner Theatre, 6 p.m. at the OHS Auditorium.

Tuesday, March 24

OHS JV Tennis Team at the Reagan County Invitational at Big Lake.

OMS Track Teams at Big Lake.

Lady Lions Softball vs. Kermit, 5 p.m. at Kermit.

· Lions Baseball vs. Kermit, 7 p.m. at Kermit.

Wednesday, March 25

 Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center. CCCCSD Board of Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building.

Census bureau seeking workers

looking for 2010 Census Takers. completed work and payroll at the Crockett County Civic progress. Center at 10:30 a.m. and 1

households, update address, exceeding 40 hours per week. lists, explain the purpose forms and meet with the crew mean Census Takers must

A representative will be forms, and to discuss your

Census Takers usually p.m. on Friday, March 20. work in their own neighbor-Pay is around \$9 an hour. hoods or communities and Census Takers locate must work varied hours, not

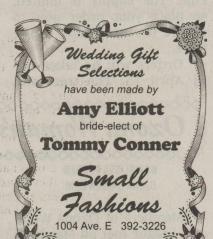
Some operations occur of the census, conduct, in-during regular daylight hours. terviews with respondents, Others, which require personrecord responses on paper ally interviewing respondents,

The U.S. Census Bureau is leader every day to turn in work when people are typically at home, including evenings and weekends.

> Census Taker assignments generally last up to several weeks.

> Other opportunities may include Crew Leaders, Crew Leader Assistants, Recruiting Assistants and Census Clerks.

For more information, call 1-800-861-2010 or visit www.2010censusjobs.gov.



March 18 - Linda Vitela, Marie Pierce, Breann Hale and Lesley Mendoza

March 19 - Mike Preddy, Tiffany Esparza, Braxton Bauerlein, Dennis Newby, Vanessa Santiago and Jadyn Poindexter

March 20 - Cesar Villarreal March 21 - Heather Price, Leandra Benson and Mela Flores March 22 - Abel Rodriquez,

Stella Rodriquez, Sevastian De La Garza, Joaquin R. Meza, Jeannine Fuller, Juan Villarreal, Alex Sanchez and Cynthia Bartley

March 23 - Melissa Hubbard, Tres Perez, Cynthia Flores, Sabastion De La Cruz and Tyra

March 24 - Alfred Enriquez, Vicki Stokes, Zachary Wright, Angela Moore and Austin Borrego

Fort McKavett to host Star Party Saturday

toric Site will host a free Star Party starting at 4 p.m. Saturday, March 21, at the fort.

The public is invited to will be on hand. bring flashlights. A presen-

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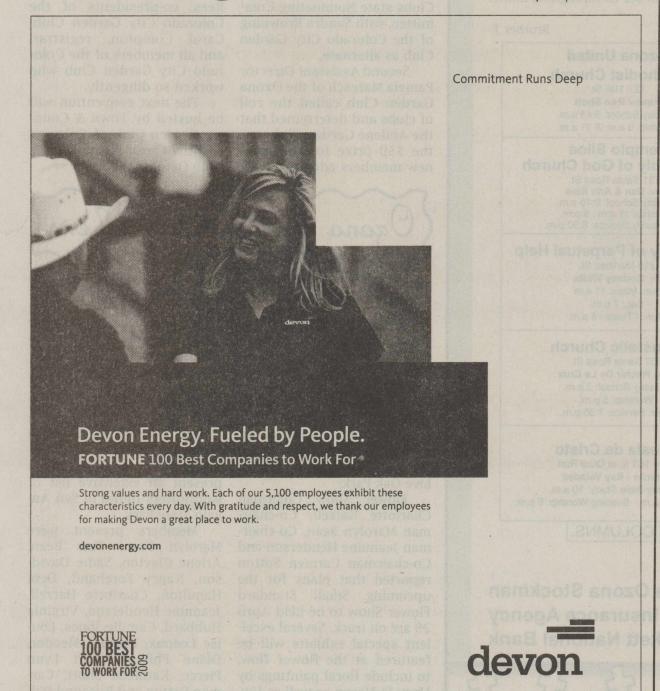
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how difficult it becomes.

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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.

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Worship: 11 a.m, 6 p.m.

Wednesday: 7 p.m.

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Pastor Juan Avila

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Worship: 11 a.m. 6 p.m.

Wed. Service: 6 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church

601 Ave. I

Sunday School: 10 a.m.

Worship: 11 a.m.

Wed. & Sun. Worship: 7 p.m.

New Beginnings Church

Ozona Senior Happenings

BY LYNN ENGLISH SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

The rain we received this past week was wonderful and badly needed. Everyone was very happy and thankful for the rain.

We are more adjusted to the time change this week. It was in an awful accident Saturday at tough last week getting up an

To my delight, we had some visitors Monday. Don Nell and Walter Cunningham from Austin came by for lunch with her father Mutt Carnes. They are a nice couple and I enjoyed my visit with

Also stopping by the Senior Center was a friend of mine, Donald Piekert from Columbus, Texas. He left after a short visit leaving a generous donation to

forward to our next bingo that will keep healthy. be held in May since since we will have our Health Fair on April 21.

Our condolences are sent out to the entire family of Armond Hoover Jr. who passed away March 4.

Also, Jimmy Perez was killed his home. The community is in ular activities: square dance lesshock and mourns along with his family. Another family member was also injured in the accident and his condition is not known at this time.

The Canasta Club will be playing Thursday, March 19, at the Senior Center. These ladies enjoy this game, fun and friend-

The "Walk Two Miles" ladies are still going strong. They meet every Monday, Wednesday and Friday here at the Crockett Coun-Our Senior Bingo Social was ty Senior Center at 8:30 am. Now

Monday and Thursdays 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 regsons 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

We have recently added to our activities a new projector with stand and a screen.

Also for your enjoyment, we have a Wii game and three different simulating games. We are anxious for these games to be used.

Our activities are for those 50 held last Tuesday night. All of us is a good time to join this group years young and older. We will rehad a great time and are looking and get the exercise you need to main flexible as to age.

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ensure the availability of the

available to be picked up on April 18.

For a complete list of Elm Bark, Cedar Elm, Golden trees and prices, call Sharon Arizona Cypress and Afghan and Water Conservation District at 392-2301 ext. 3.

The Crockett Soil and Water Conservation District will also be having a tree and Orders will be taken un- plant sale from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. til April 15. The trees will April 18 on the town square.

Ozona Woman's League News

BY MELISSA PERNER

an's League met on March 10 Members discussed the next at the Crockett Room for a sale to be sometime in June. business meeting.

2010 were elected: President League. Heather Claburn, Vice Presiretary Rachel Bean, Treasurer the Hitchin' Post Restaurant. Jody Upham and Publicity Chairman Melissa Perner

book online to vendors such Audrey Upham.

as Barnes and Noble and Amazon.com.

Volunteers are needed for Members of Ozona Wom- the Krispy Kreme committee.

New member Marie New officers for 2009- Pierce Barrett was voted into

The next League meeting dent Kimber Childress, Sec- will be at 6 p.m. March 24 at

OZONA GARDEN CLUB

monds in the Desert" cook-

Members present: Kimber

Childress, Kayla Davidson, Ra-Members also discussed chel Bean, Jody Upham, Andie allowing Shelly Childress in Richardson, Heather Claburn, pursuing selling the "Dia- Colbey Bunger, Ann Fowler and Melissa Perner. Guest was

Brother J

Jimmy Perez

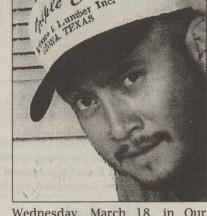
Taken from us too soon, Jimmy Perez was called home by our Lord and Savior on March 14, 2009. Jimmy was born on July 2, 1975 to Helen Perez and Frank Esquivel.

Preceding him in death was his beloved grandmother Angelica Sanchez Perez, step grandfather Roosevelt Fay and grandfather Luis R. Perez.

Leaving to mourn his loss is his best friend and wife Lynette, his mother Helen Perez and companion Ray Borrego; stepson John Rodriguez, stepdaughter Janet and JoLynn Rodriquez; four nephews that he loved as if they were his sons, David Lee, Raven, Keano Perez and Michael Vargas; his sisters Ida and Melissa Perez and a cousin he had a bond with as close as a brother, Luis Perez.

Jim was a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church. He was employed by Triple C Hardware & Lumber. Jim loved life and spending

time with his family. Funeral services are 10 a.m. appreciated.



Wednesday, March 18, in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church with burial in Lima Cemetery. Arrangements are by Preddy

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Pallbearers are Juan Borrego, Frank Tambunga, Ruben Borrego, Russell Crenwelge, Cole Crenwelge and Joe Perez.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Jim Perez Memorial Fund at Ozona National Bank would be

Texas Garden Club News

BY CHARLOTTE HARRELL TEXAS GARDEN CLUB

The 2009 District VIII Spring Convention was held of the Colorado City Garden Club. Friday evening featured a delicious dinner at Bama's Restaurant with Linda Clay saxophone selections.

our convention on Saturday one to Colorado City.

for this town of 4,000.

The Ozona Garden Club various activities during 2008. Garden Club was honored.

ties. Trustee Carol Looney of man. the Breckenridge Garden Cluh gave an update on activities at our Fort Worth headquarters. Charlotte Harrell, as Life Membership.

Mary Sayre of the Breckenridge Garden Club was elected to serve on the Texas Garden Clubs state Nominating Committee, with Sandra Browning Club as alternate.

Pamela Maresch of the Ozona Garden Club called the roll new members added to their Club October 30-31.

club during 2008, as well as the \$25 prize for having the most members in attendance at the convention.

Pamela also presented in Colorado City March 6-7. award certificates earned by Over 50 garden club mem- all the clubs. Charlotte Harbers enjoyed the hospitality rell and Pamela Maresch were the only Ozona Garden Club members able to attend the convention.

Dot Polasck of the Abilene entertaining us with jazz Garden Club installed the new slate of officers for the The Heart of West Tex- 2009-2011 Texas Garden as Museum was the site of Clubs administration, using a honey bee theme: Pawhere Colorado City Mayor mela Maresch of Ozona GC, Jim Baum welcomed every- District Director; Charlotte James of Stamford GC, First We were assured that the Assistant Director; Sandra "Main Street" project is the Browning of Colorado City beginning of a renaissance GC, Second Assistant Director; Winnie Barclay of Breckenridge GC, Third Assistant received the top award for its Director; Arlelle Brininstool of San Angelo GC, Recording Texas Garden Club Member Secretary; Terry Bridgford of the Year from District VIII of Abilene GC, Correspond-Doris Purcell of the Abilene ing Secretary; Jo Ann Denson of Stamford GC. Treasurer; Doris s 92 years young Charlotte Harrell of Ozona and is still going strong as a GC, Parliamentarian Winnie Flower Show Judge and par- Barclay of Breckenridge GC ticipates in the club's activi- will be Scholarship Chair-

Lunch and a silent auction were heartily enjoyed at Mi Ranchito Restaurant. Gaye Houston and Hollis outgoing district president, Gainey presented a program was presented with a Texas on wildflowers, accompanied by beautiful slides taken in Mitchell County.

All credit goes to Margaret Sparks and Margaret Rees, co-presidents of the Colorado City Garden Club, of the Colorado City Garden Carol Compton, registrar, and all members of the Colo-Second Assistant Director rado City Garden Club who worked so diligently.

The next convention will of clubs and determined that be hosted by Town & Counthe Abilene Garden Club won try Garden Club of Coleman the \$50 prize for the most and the Cross Plains Garden

zona Garden

BY CHARLOTTE HARRELL OZONA GARDEN CLUB

Ozona Garden Club met Monday, March 9, at the Crockett Room of Ozona National Bank. Arlene Clayton and Debi Hamilton were hostesses.

reported that work is now un-Live Oak Park

Flower Show Chairman Charlotte Harrell, Co-chairman Marolyn Bean, Co-chairman Jeannine Henderson and reported that plans for the upcoming Small Standard Flower Show to be held April 29 are on track. Several excellent special exhibits will be featured at the flower flow, to include floral paintings by Mary Jo Mason as well as Vivian Childress' photographs liams.

of flowers taken in Russia. Debi Hamilton demonstrated how to prepare a Creative Seventeen members of the Mass Line design in order to assist the new members who will participate in the flower show for the first time.

San Angelo State Assistant Park Superintendent Pat President Jerri Lynn Pierce Bales gave a slide lecture on "Those Bloomin' Wildflowers derway to build the fountain of Texas," which everyone enfor the Butterfly Garden in joyed. He gave all members present an extensive list of wildflowers found in San Angelo State Park.

Members present were Marolyn Bean, Tina Bean, Co-chairman Carmen Sutton Arlene Clayton, Sadie Davidson, Nancy Forehand, Debi Hamilton, Charlotte Harrell, Jeannine Henderson, Virginia Hubbard, Camille Jones, Louise Ledoux, Barbara Meador, Diane Phillips, Jerri Lynn Pierce, Kathleen Shott, Carmen Sutton and Rosalind Wil-

701 9th Street **Pastor Jesse Cardona** Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Tuesday Worship: 7 p.m.

Pastor Mario De La Mora Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 6 p.m. Tues., Thurs. & Fri: 6:00 p.m.

THE OLD WOOLLEY SHEEP

enough to where I could see and there was an old woolly ewe with one of the sweetest looking newborn lambs. We trav-

eled in thick underbrush and at other times climbing up and down the steep rocky hills but she was being very careful to

keep it with her and protect it. As I watched her with her baby lamb that day it reminded me of what the Bible says about

God and man. One is that God loves us very much and wants to take care of us, (Ephesians 2:4). That old ewe would do

anything to protect her lamb and care for it; even to the point of giving her own life (the Bible says Jesus gave his life for

us, Ephesians 5:2, Romans 5:8). By the end of the day, we had moved them to a safer place with more food. I realized that

God (if we put our faith in Jesus and follow him, John 10:27&28) would take care of us. Sometimes life's journey can be

difficult and hard but just remember if we will draw close to God and try to follow him he will see us through no matter

Ozona Church of Christ

1002 11th St.

Mr. Johnnie Perkins

Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m.

Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.

Faith Lutheran Church

802 1st St.

Pastor Tom Baden

Worship: Sunday - 7 p.m.

Bible Class: Sunday - 6 p.m.

Iglesia de Dios De La Profecia

102 Man O' War St.

It was a cold winter morning and we had a long way to go. She kept lagging behind the rest of the sheep. I got close

Attend the Church of your choice this Sunday

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

Ozona United

Methodist Church

12 - 11th St.

Pastor Ron Shott

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

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

Templo Siloe

Assembly of God Church

2121 Santa Rosa St.

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. **Apostolic Church**

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

Iglesia de Cristo Hwy 163 S. at Quail Run Interim - Ray Valadez Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m.

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IRAAN - Legislation to create a Pecos River Authority will not take place this year.

At a March 12 meeting in Iraan, Patrick Tarlton, chief of staff for State Rep. Pete Gal-seen is not going to be purlego, D-Alpine, addressed a sued," Tarlton said. "The lomulti-county crowd.

Tarlton said that no legislation for a Pecos River Auward this year.

"We apologized. We filed a public notice without holding public meetings. This is really a huge private property issue," Tarlton said.

Pecos Enterprise stated that to file a bill on Jan. 29, and a legal notice was published "Come to find out this in the Enterprise and other is not needed. Pete (Gallego) notice.

a new authority that would as counties that make up the 'to be able to tell me that."

was having disagreements held to discuss the matter. with the Red Bluff Author- You all live on this rivcreated following the con- communication." struction of Red Bluff Lake VISV Gallego's office can be Ward Counties, which operate rick.tarlton@house.state.tx.us. from the lake south to Girvin. From Girvin to Amistad Lake, can be found at www.capitol. there is currently no over- state.tx.us.

BY TINA JARVIS LEVIS AND LACE SQUARE DANCER

bers Carol Adcock, Lucy

Hinde, Nell Wester, Jim and

JoAnn Couch, Raul De La Rosa,

Tammi and Danny Monzingo, Frank and Debra Fred and

Tina Jarvis danced to caller

Bill's wife Elia danced with

Bill Prichard from Eagle Pass.

us tonight. Our guest tonight

was John and Nora Geen from

San Angelo, Carol's daugh-

ter Tracye Swindle and my

Saturday night club mem-

sight authority.

Tarlton said the information in the Pecos Enterprise article was "inaccurate" and that "more open governance" is needed in the Red Bluff Au-

"The legislation you have cal papers put out information that was false."

Many at the meeting questhority will be moving for- tioned why Gallego's office placed the notice in the first place, and if the representative plans on pursuing this legislation in the future.

Tarlton said a draft of the bill was drawn up but not A Feb. 18 article from the filed. According to the Texas Legislature Online, nothing Gallego announced his plans has been filed pertaining to a Pecos River Water Authority. newspapers in the affected is an honest, genuine perareas last week. The Ozona son. I don't think he would Stockman did not receive the ever push for any legislation against your will," Tarlton The plan was to create said. "In a way I am very happy this process is happening. control water usage rights. We are willing to help you do along the Pecos in the 17 Tex- the right thing, but you have

river's watershed. (100 of) 11900 Tarlton said that before The article also men- any future Pecos River is purtioned that Gallego's office sued, public meetings will be

ity. Pecos River water usage er. This is your livelihood. If is currently controlled by the there is a concern, you've got Red Bluff Water Power Con- to let me know," he said. "We trol District board, which was want to have an open line of

in 1936. The district sells wa- reached at (512) 463-0566 in ter to the seven sub-districts Austin or (432) 837-7383 in in Reeves, Loving, Pecos and Alpine. Tarlton's email is pat-

The Texas Legislature

celebrated tonight. Bill will

also be calling our festival on

at March 26 Chamber luncheon

"The Benefits of a Diversified Workplace" will be the topic of the March 26 Ozona Chamber of Commerce luncheon.

The event will take place from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Visitor Center.

Cost is \$9 for the lunch catered by Ozona Chatter

Chamber members and non-members are welcome to attend.

The speaker will be Marcie Perlman has over 21 years experience working in the disability field.

Perlman has worked at Workforce Solutions of the Concho Valley for the past 5

Navigator, she develops linkages and collaborates with employers to facilitate employment for persons with disabilities, conducts outreach to agencies/organizations that serve people with disabilities, serves as resources on programs, that with disabilities to enter and remain in the workforce and develops partnerships to the capacity to serve customers with disabilities.

force Solutions, she has pre- fice at 392-3737. # Training the committee of the committe



sented at Texas Workforce Commission conferences on topics including: "Connecting with Employers-Support for a Diversified Workplace", "Creating Employment Solutions-A Learning Disability Story". She has also provided As the Disability Program training (via web ex) to other Workforce Centers on "The ADA and Serving Customers with Disabilities."

Perlman has coordinated and provided employer seminars on: "Substance Abuse in the Workplace", "Identifying Reasonable Accommodations" and "How to Increase impact the ability of persons Retention & Productivity" through learning about hidden disabilities.

Workforce Solutions of achieve integrated services, the Concho Valley is an equal systemic change, and expand opportunity employer/pro-

For more information, or While working for Work- to RSVP, call the chamber of-



READ ACROSS AMERICA took place March 10 at Ozona Elementary School. Debbie Gaskill (top) read "The Spider in the Shower," David and Dena Porter (middle) performed "Peter's Song" and Mack Richie read "Knock, Knock

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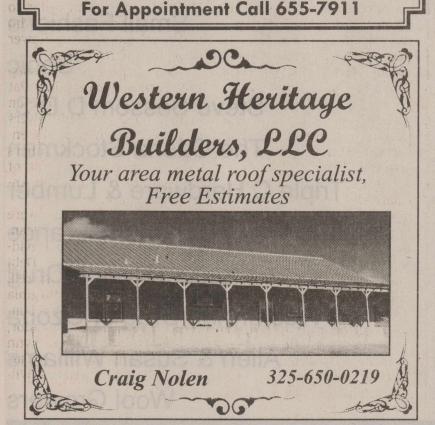
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JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN Christy Rodriguez leans to round up a ground ball as Alysha Lara moves in to assist her in the Lady Lions game against Sonora on March 10,

Lady Lions Start district play with Sonora and Crane

The Lady Lions faced district rival Sonora coming then get the RBI with a sinup short in a hard fought gle to short left field. 2-5 loss on March 10.

Lions was Alex Cruz, who the fifth when Senior Alysha would go the distance al- Lara would Lead off with a lowing three runs on 8 base hit to center, she would hits and walking 7 batters.

The Lady Lions would take an early 2-0 lead after Sanchez would then fol-Senior Alysha Lara would low with a single advancing get on with a hit and be Lara to third, Britni Mitchel driven home by Rae Lynn would then get an RBI on a Arrednond, Britni Mitchel feilders choice that would would also score on a hit score Lara Sanchez would from Lauren Najar.

"We started the game pitch by Crane. off great and made some good plays early. We had take a 3-1 lead into the one bad inning and it cost sixth, with only one out us the momentum and So- and bases loaded the Lady nora was able to get back Lion defense came up big. in the game. We were able Cruz would force a short to get runners on late and pop fly to first and then in scoring position, but strike out the batter. were unable to produce runs," said Coach John Es- the Ladies would handle parza. "I am very proud of themselves in the sixth. the way the girls played We had some errors that they never let up. Anytime allowed them to get runwe play Sonora we never ners on base but they nev-

rain. the Lady Lions travled any runs," Esparza said. to Crane and took home a

hard faught 3-1 victory. take the pitchers circle for the Lady Lions allowing no runs on three hits and walking two for the complete game win.

Crane would send out their ace pitcher and it was a pitchers dule with the then make a great stop at game being scoreless until the forth inning.

get their first run in the ball and throw out the runfourth when RaeLynn Arredondo would get on with a base hit to left Rebecca for us the girls played one Ramos would then follow of their best games. I am with her second double of the game moving Arredon- worked really hard this do over to third.

Jet Specialty

Lauren Najar would

The Lady Lions would Pitching for the Lady get on the board again in then steal second.

> Freshman Adrienme also score after an illegal

The Lady Lions would

"I was proud of the way er hung their heads they After a delay of the came together, made some game on Friday. due to the big plays and didn't give up

The Lady Lions would then make three big plays Alex Cruz would again in the seventh to seal the victory.

The first being Lara from her second base postion nabbing a line drive that could have been extra

Brtini Mitchel would third and throwing out the runner, and for the last out The Lady Lions would Cruz would get a ground ner at first.

> "This was a great win so proud of them they have year," Esparza said.

OHS Drama Club to host dinner theatre on March 23

The Ozona High School Drama Club will perform their One-Act Play during a Dinner Theatre at 6 p.m. March 23.

This year's play is "The Women of Lockerbie" by Deborah Brevoort.

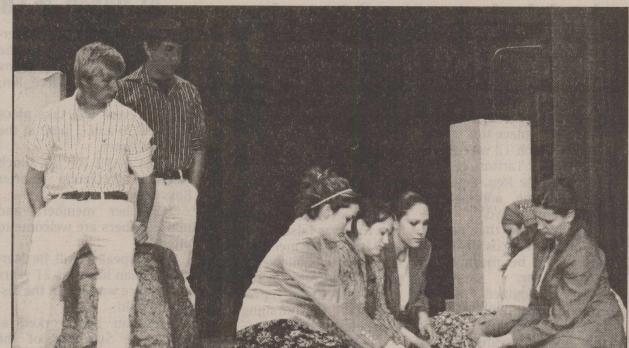
The play is about a mother from New Jersey who roams the hills of Lockerbie, Scotland, looking for her son's remains that were lost in the crash of Pan Am 103.

She meets the women of Lockerbie, who are fighting the U.S. government to obtain the clothing of the victims found in the plane's wreck-

The women, determined to convert an act of hatred into an act of love, want to wash the clothes of the dead and return them to the victim's families.

"The Women of Lockerbie" is loosely inspired by a true story, although the characters and situations in the in the Onassis International play are purely fictional.

a Greek tragedy, it is a poetic New American Plays award.



THE CAST of "The Women of Lockerbie" (left to right) Johnny Kolster, Lalo Longoria, Melissa Miller, Kara Bird, Julie Gutierrez, Adrianna Tijerina and Rebecca Rueffer. The cast will host a Dinner Theatre on March 23.

drama about the triumph of love over hate.

Winner of the silver medal Playwriting Competition and Written in the structure of the Kennedy Center Fund for

fact that we had to change les, deck crew. plays in February. Their dediby the adversity of getting a late start," said Coach Dottie member. De Leon.

Bird, Melissa Miller, Rebecca Rueffer, Julie Gutierrez, Adrianna Tijerina, Lalo Longoria and Johnny Kolster; Michael Medina, Clarrisa Burciaga and Ben Flores are alternates and Duncan Knox, stage manage De Leon at 392-5711

"The students have been er, Jayce Logan, lights, Sarah working very hard, due to the Lott, sound and Erik Carriza-

Tickets are \$8 in advance; cation has been unwavered \$10 at door. Tickets are available from any cast or crew

The cast is also raffeling Cast members are: Kara off an "Every Step Lion Pride" handmade quit. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

> The group will be competing at District at 1 p.m. March 26 in Big Lake.

> For more information, call





Ryan Mayfield steps up to the plate for the JV Lions in their March 10 game.



Youth Center Calendar of Events March 23 - OHS Food Night, 7-10 p.m.

March 24 - OMS Food Night, 7-10 p.m.

OMS Pool Tournament March 10

1. Norberto Quiroz

2. Jeffery Sanchez

3. Christian Perez

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OMS Track Teams compete at Sonora Relays

The OMS Lady Lions and Guerra, 6:13.59. Lions track teams competed at the Sonora Relays last

Due to the rainy weather, no field events were held. Results:

Seventh grade girls

2,400-meter run - 1. Daisy Guerra, 9:38.38; 4. Lexi Poindexter

800-meter run - 3. Nancy Rodriguez; 5. Lexi Poindexter 400-meter relay - 2. An-

gelina Ramos, Lisa Dorrough,

100-meter dash - 6. Jennifer Marquez

200-meter dash - 3. Ange- Seventh grade boys lina Ramos

1,600-meter relay - 4. La- siah Juardo zarae Rodriguez, Lexi Poinsy Guerra

800-meter relay - 3. Angelina Ramos, Lisa Dorrough, Kyann Hernandez, Savannah Rivera

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Eighth grade girls

2,400-meter run - 2. Mayra Rios; 3. Sabrina De La Garza

800-meter run - 2. Arleen Castillo; 6. Kodi Glosson

400-meter relay - 4. Natalia Ortiz, Brianna Certanez, Kodi Glosson, Arleen Castillo 100-meter hurdles - 5. Si-

erra Trevino; 6. Tesla Caper-

400-meter dash - 6. Jessica Borrego

800-meter relay - 3. Nata-Kyann Hernandez, Savannah lia Ortiz, Kodi Glosson, Tesla Caperton, Brianna Cervantez 1,600-meter run - 1. May-

ra Rios, 6:26

2,400-meter run - 3. Jo- Morrow

Vargas

400-meter relay - 3. Daniel Gonzales, Tyler Galindo, Erik Duenes, Eli Monantez

100-meter dash - 2. Erik 1,600-meter run - 1. Daisy Duenes; 4. Tristan Alvarez

200-meter dash - 3. Tristan Alvarez

800-meter relay - 1. Daniel Gonzales, Tyler Galindo, Erik Duenes, Eli Monantez, 1:56.48 1,600-meter run - 1. Saul

Benson; 5. Josiah Jurado 1,600-meter relay - 3. Saul Benson, Tyler Galindo, Eli Montanez, Daniel Gonzales

Eighth grade boys

2,400-meter run - 6. Hector Gonzales

400-meter relay - 3. Tres Perez, Jeffery Sanchez, Cuatro Jones, Jon David De Hoyos

800-meter dash - 6. Hector Gonzales

200-meter dash - 4. Blake

800-meter relay - 3. Alex 800-meter run - 1. Saul Borrego, Blake Morrow, Cudexter, Nancy Rodriguez, Dai- Benson, 2:30.55; 5. Jaylynn atro Jones, Jon David De Hoyos

1,600-meter run - 6. Jason Badillo

1,600-meter relay - 2. Alex Borrego, Blake Morrow, Cuatro Jones, Jeffery Sanchez



Ozona Cub Scouts participated in the District Pinewood Derby on March 7 at the Davidson Gymnasium. Scouts pictured are: (left to right) Josh Knaack, Justin Yeager, Murray Logan, Austin Moran, Marc Flores, Marcus Perez and Kabir Shah. Leaders are: Travis Knaack, Gary Yeager, Benny Logan and Roberta Tanguma, district executive.

District Pinewood Derby held March 7

ewood Derby.

Thirteen Cub Scouts from Ozona and area towns partici-

In Division I, it was an Ozona sweep with Austin Moran winning, followed by Marcus Perez in second and Marc Flores in third.

In Division II, Martin Wright of Junction came out on top, followed by Clayton De La Rosa of Big Lake and Kabir Shah in third of Ozona.

heavy weight market goats.

um wool lamb show.

Kramer Hall.

Rodrigo De Leon of Big

Cub Scouts gathered at Lake won Best in Show. Austin Best Paint Job Kodee Warriner the Davidson Gymnasium on Moran won Best Detail, Murand Most Patriotic Jacob Ped-March 7 for the District Pin- ray Logan was Most Futuristic, dicord.

Twice a teen,

Lady Lions take third, Lions sixth at Sonora

Team placed third at the golf tournament," Granger March 10 Sonora meet.

Winning the meet was Iraan, followed by Christoval, Brackett, Rocksprings and gelo tournament this past Fri-

Individual results for the Lady Lions were: Melissa Mill- and cold at Bentwood, Granger - 126; Jadyn Poindexter er said. - 114; Kelsie Childress - 124 and Kelbie Renfroe - 129.

individual.

tough going early on due to rain. It was very wet for the first couple of hours and then things dried up. I am very proud of the girls for placing third," said Coach Benny Granger.

The Lions placed sixth at

Sonora. Individual results: Josh Smith 81; Matthew Garza 81; Stefan Wilson 103: Trev Fierro 109 and Ben Flores 117.

Josh and Matthew tied for

fourth place as individuals. "The boys have also been improving. Our short game is much better than at the beginning of the season. Both teams have a lot of room for improvement and our goal is to be in contention for an ad-

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The OHS Lady Lions Golf vancing spot to the regional what, Granger said. said.

Josh and Matthew competed in the two-day San Anday and Saturday.

Friday was miserably wet

Josh shot a 90 and Matthew shot a 91.

Jadyn placed ninth as an Saturday the Lions played Riverside and it was cold

Josh shot an 88 and Matthew shot an 80.

"We go back to Bentwood on March 23 and that will be our final tune-up before district play," Granger said.

4-Hers place at Houston Stock Show

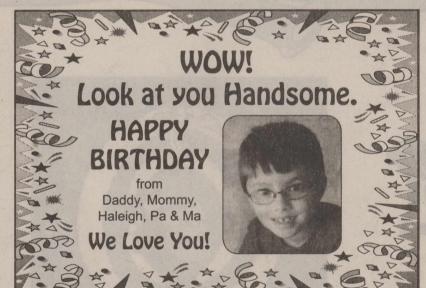
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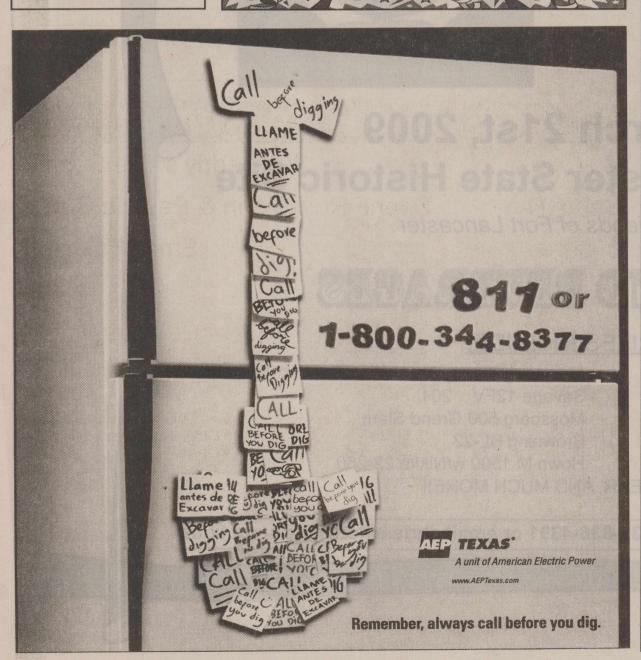
Allie Black placed third in "The girls tournament was early, then warmed up somethe medium weight finewool

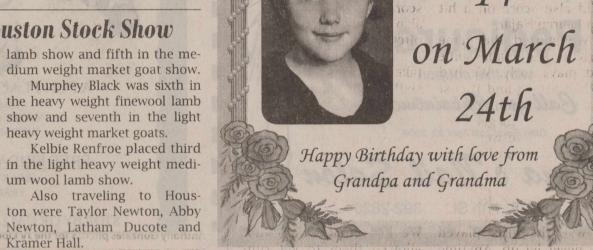
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Texas cattle trichomoniasis program adopted, rules take effect April 1

BY CARLA EVERETT Texas Animal Health Commission

Beginning April 1, breeding bulls entering Texas from reviewed carefully, and adapany other state must be either 24 months of age or younger and certified as a virgin, or be tested negative for cattle trichomoniasis within 30 days prior to entry.

are part of a regulatory package adopted by the commissioners for the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) Feb. 24 to address trichomoniasis, a venereal disease of cattle that causes infertility which costs livestock producers valuable income.

Cattle trichomoniasis is The second phase of the program, which will address in-state movement of Texas breeding bulls, will go into effect Jan. 1, 2010.

significant input into the desioner Coleman Locke, who in the state Hillman said. represents the beef industry on the commission and head-

and individuals regarding the proposed regulations were tations to the proposed rules were made in the adopted regulations to make the program of sexual rest. workable for the producers."

"We have worked for months with industry mem-The entry requirements bers, veterinarians and the working group, to gather information, develop the proposed regulations, and following the conclusion of the comment period, considered all comments to develop a viable, cost-effective program and abortions, and results to address this disease that in extended breeding seasons can drain a cattle producer's and diminished calf crops, profits," added Dr. Bob Hillman, executive director of the TAHC. "At least 15 other states in the western half of not a human health issue. the United States have developed similar trichomoniasis programs to address the disease in their states."

Under the new regulations, Trichomoniasis also be-"Industry members had comes a reportable disease in Texas, which will give us more velopment of these regula- information on where and tions," said TAHC Commis- how much infection already is

"There is no effective treatment or vaccine for bulls,

we received from associations hospitable to the protozoa, perpetuating the infection," he said.

> The majority of infected cows will clear the infection, if they are given 120-150 days

ministered to infected cows to of age entering Texas on and cow herd. Hillman said.

"Producers with infected herds should consult with their veterinarian to determine the most appropriate measures to employ to eliminate the disease from their herds," Hill man said.

The interstate, or state-tostate movement, phase of the trichomoniasis regulations will begin April 1.

Breeding bulls entering Texas must be officially identified, and may come certified as virgins, provided they are 24 months of age or younger, and have not commingled with female cattle.

A breeder's certificate must accompany the virgin breeding bull, signed by the breeder, and the information also must be included on the certificate of veterinary inspection.

tuberculosis or brucellosis entry requirements must be met, depending on the state of origin, or if the bull is a beef or dairy animal.

Non-virgin breeding bulls A vaccine also can be ad- or bulls older than 24 months help control the disease in the after April 1 must be tested negative for trichomoniasis within 30 days prior to entry.

> During the test period and prior to shipment, the bulls must have no contact with female cattle. Like virgin bulls, the non-virgin bulls must be officially identified with a breed registry tattoo or brand, a USDA metal ear tag, official RFID tag, official trichomoniasis ear tag from the state of origin, or other official identification. The animal must be accompanied by a completed trichomoniasis test document, certificate of veterinary inspection and other routine health documents.

The second phase of the Texas Cattle Trichomoniasis Program will begin Jan. 1, 2010, and will require that Texas breeding bulls offered for sale, lease, exchange or otherwise change possession Routine documents also for breeding within the state ed the Trichomoniasis Work- and as they age, the surface are required, including the be certified as virgin bulls or

giving or otherwise changing the possession of a breeding bull. (No test or certification is required for bulls shipped or sold directly to slaughter.)

When the program is implemented, Texas breeding bulls undergoing change of possession must be officially tag, official RFID tag, or breed registry tattoo or brand.

The animals may be cervirgins until the age of 24 birth date recorded on the animals' breed registry papers.

which was requested by commenters, provided the breeder and the herd's accredited veterinarian certify on a breeder's certificate that the bull facility is sufficient to prevent contact with female cattle.

Hillman said that samples for testing must be collected by accredited veterinarians certified to conduct cattle trichomoniasis work, and tests will be run at the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory (TVMDL).

"Seminars will be offered tified, to ensure that the collection methods, paperwork completion, sample submission, disease reporting and management of infected bull herds are uniform throughout the state," Hilman said. "Payment for sample collection and laboratory costs will be the responsibility of the producer."

Bulls of unknown status may be sold for breeding with one negative RT-PCR test or three negative culture tests, the TAHC at (800) 550-8242.

ing Group. "The 74 comments of their organs becomes more certificate of veterinary in- be tested negative prior to each conducted not less than spection, and other applicable selling, loaning, exchanging, one week apart. The breeding bulls must remain separated from female cattle during the testing.

Negative test results will be valid for 30 days, but only if the tested breeding bulls continue to be separated from heifers or cows.

"Infected bulls will be identified with a USDA ear restricted to movement for slaughter only, as there is no effective treatment for this disease," Hillman said. "The retified by the breeder to be maining bulls in the herd will be held, isolated from female months, as indicated by the cattle, until they are tested, at presence of the animal's two least once more by PCR test, permanent central incisors in or twice more by culture, each wear, or more simply, by the culture conducted at least a week apart. If the remaining bulls test negative (each non-The bull's virgin status virgin bull in an infected herd can be extended to 30 months, must have at least two consecutive negative RT-PCR tests or at least three consecutive negative culture tests in order to be classified as negative), they are free to move."

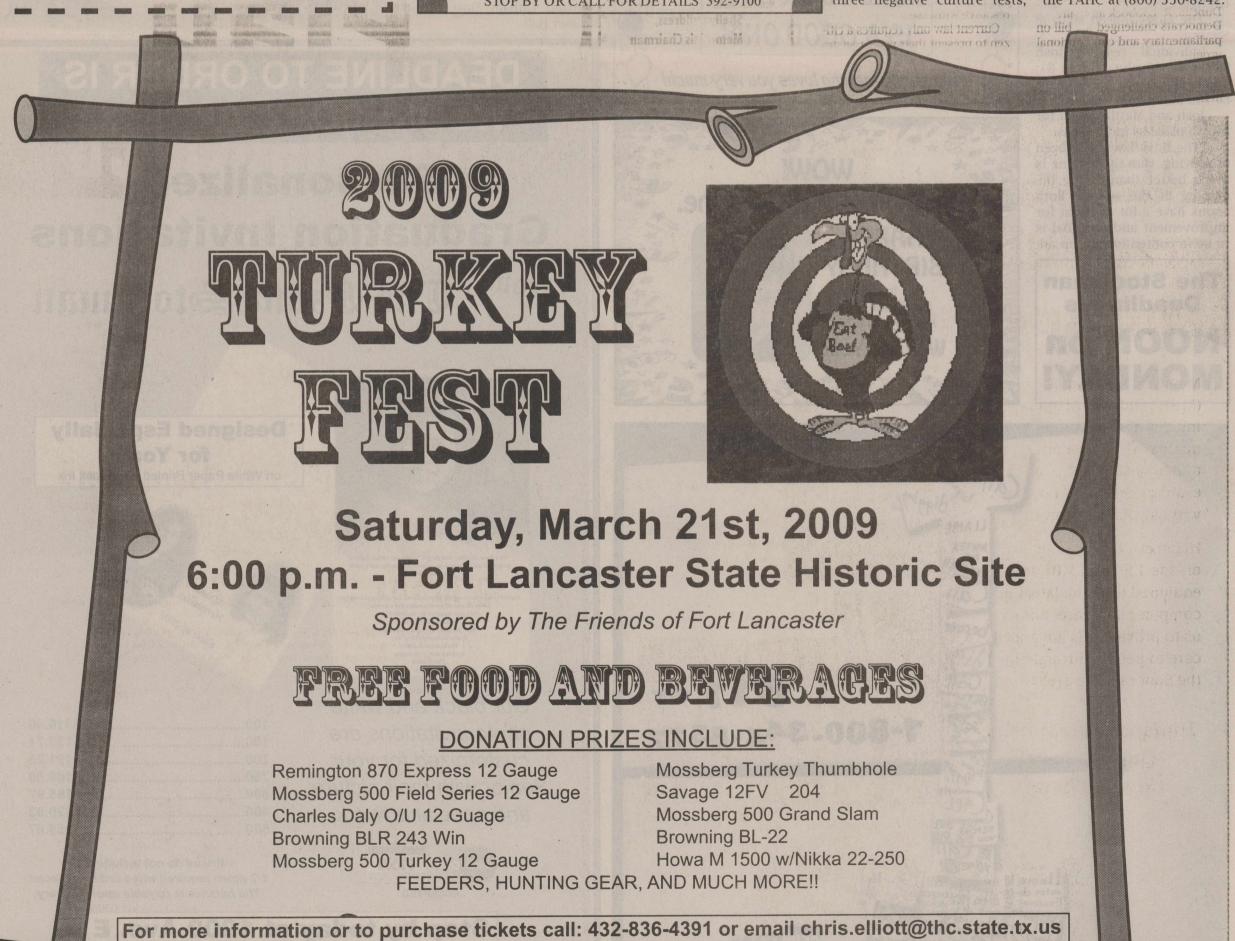
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"Producers who have encountered cattle trichomoniasis in their herd know how devastating this disease can be to their calf crop and production," Hillman said. "This program is directly in response to producer and association requests for help to stop the spread of this insidious disease, and to stop the around Texas for accredited importation of infected bulls veterinarians to become cer- into the state. It is important to note that since this is an industry-requested program, input from the cattle industry is critical to the effective functioning of the program. To this end the rules contain provisions for the program to be reviewed annually by a broad-based Trichomoniasis Review Working Group, which can make recommendations on changes or even abolishment of the program."

For more information, call







USDA Celebrates National Ag Day Thursday

culture is responsible for providing the necessities of every-"day life ... food, fiber, and even Ifuel. That's the message of National Ag Day, which is cel-Diebrated March 20.

According to Jed W. Hruslika, Executive Director of US-DA's Farm Service Agency in Reagan-Upton-Irion-Crockett County - producers, agricultural associations, corporations, universities, government agencies and countless others across America will gather to Ofcelebrate the abundance prosivided by agriculture on this

9 first day of spring. "The National Ag Day pro-9Igram is committed to increastsing public awareness about American agriculture," said Hruska. "As the world popula-6 tion soars, there is even greater more than 130 people in the cil of America.

BIG LAKE - American agridemand for the food, fiber and United States and abroad," said renewable resources that the United States produces."

> The Agriculture Council of America, organizers of National Ag Day, says that every American should understand how food, fiber and renewable resource products are produced and should value the essential role of agriculture in maintaining a strong economy.

> Consumers should appreciate the role agriculture plays in providing safe, abundant and affordable products.

> National Ag Day will focus on educating Americans about the industry, so they may also acknowledge and consider career opportunities in the agriculture, food, fiber and renewable resource industry.

Hruska. "In 1960, that number was 25. Today, more than 15 percent of the U.S. population is employed in farm or farmrelated jobs."

Each year, the National Ag Day program gathers members of the agricultural industry in an effort to promote American agriculture.

Focused on sharing how agriculture provides almost everything we eat, use and wear on a daily basis, the National Ag Day program helps educate millions of consumers each year.

Join this effort to promote American agriculture to everyone during National Ag Week, March 15-21, 2009.

For more information contact your local USDA Service "Today's farmer feeds Center or the Agriculture Coun-

TSGRA meeting Tuesday in Mertzon

Association members in District 2 will meet at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 24, at the Community Building in Mertzon. There will be a business meeting, followed

and Peggy Steger and David and Peggy Wilson. Bob Steger is district chairman and is in charge of local arrangements.

District 2 is made up of the Ward and Winkler.

Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' by the noon meal hosted by Bob counties of Andrews, Borden, Crane, Crockett, Dawson, Ector, Gaines, Glasscock, Howard, Irion, Loving, Martin, Midland, Mitchell, Reagan, Scurry, Sterling, Upton,











SUNSHINE: Obama has committed himself to transparency, accountability from page 1

lic, and makes it all available at Stheir site, www.VoteSmart.org. The Center for Responsive Politics gracks donations to presidential and congressional candidates as well as national party committees at www.OpenSecrets.org. Many others are looking at government "subsidies and contracts, earmarks ⁹ and corporate influence.

bus Unfortunately, we nonprofits bare doing what we as taxpayers are already paying government agencies to do. (And we do realize those agencies often are between a rock and a hard place because of their budgets.)

So, now, when this country is set to invest billions of dollars on infrastructure projects meant to stimulate a horribly mismanaged economy, isn't it time we also invest in bringing the infrastructure of our democracy up to the 21st century? We aren't talking rocket science. We're talking standards that are common in the business world, where accurate, lightningfast transactions are the norm.

President Obama has committed himself to transparency and accountability: He was co-sponsor of a 2006 federal law that created USASpending.org, which provides detailed federal spending lists, and the Strengthening Transparency and Accountability in Federal Spending Act of 2008 that addressed problems at USASpending.

That's a start. And it only makes sense. If we're going to promote democracy around the world, shouldn't we also promote its health at home?

EDWIN BENDER is executive director of the National Institute on Money in State Politics, Helena, Mont.

STATE: Voter ID bill up for debate

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who would submit falsified voter registration applications and re-

Under SB 362, before casting a ballot, each voter would have to present an election clerk working at the poll with an acceptable government-issued identification card and their voter registration el certificate. A list of acceptable of forms of official identification would be posted at each poll.

Floor debate on March 10-11 took 23 hours, with Sen. Robert Duncan, R- Lubbock as chair. Democrats challenged the bill on parliamentary and constitutional grounds to no avail.

Some Republican members who spoke in favor asserted that evience of widespread voter fraud

exists in Texas and in other states. Democrats said there was no ceive voter registration certificates. proof of widespread voter fraud. They alleged the bill was part of

a nationwide voter suppression effort and that if passed SB 362 would discriminate against older Texans, the poor, Hispanics and African-Americans, and in general, against Texans who do not have a driver's license.

An estimated 100 witnesses testified, some in favor, some against, and some neutral, as resource witnesses.

Current law only requires a citizen to present their voter registration certificate to vote.

SB 362 is certain to pass the full Senate and then will move to the

in 2005 and 2007, when Republi-

cans enjoyed more of a majority. But the House is now composed of 76 Republicans and 74 Democrats, leaving the outcome subject to conjecture.

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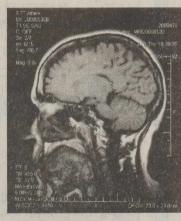
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FOR THE RECORD: Weekly Court Proceedings

COUNTY COURT 3-16-09

Romio Marquez Jr., 25, Odessa, furnishing or purchasing alcohol to a minor, dismissed. · John K. Green, 57, Houston,

theft by check, dismissed. Carmen Villarreal, 41, Ozona, theft by check, dismissed.

Javier Chavez Elizondo, 22, Ozona, driving while intoxicated/ motion to revoke, dismissed. Joyce Elena Caldera, 25,

Ozona, guilty plea to furnishing alcohol to a minor, class A misdemeanor, probation for nine months, \$100 fine, \$304 court costs, \$40 a month to community supervision.

tained from the Crockett County Clerk's Office.

DPS adds two to Top 10 Most Wanted list

SUBMITTED BY THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

The Texas Department of Public Safety has added three fugitives to the Top 10 Most Wanted list. The fugitives on the list are wanted for a wide range of crimes, including homicide, burglary and aggravated assault.

Texas Crime Stoppers will give a \$1,000 cash reward to any person who provides information that leads to the arrest of one of these fugitives. Anyone with information about the whereabouts of any of these fugitives should call 1-800-252-TIPS (8477). The Crime Stoppers hotline is open 24 hours a day. You do not have to give your name when calling.

DPS urges caution around these fugitives.

For more information on specific fugitives or the crimes they are accused of, please contact the local police department in the area where the fugitive was last seen. Here is a list of the Top 10

Robert Barrera, DOB 9-26-82, last known address: Austin. Wanted for obstructing police, es-

cape and burglary of a habitation. Dennis Wayne Capps, DOB 6-30-54, last known address: Corpus Christi. Wanted for failure to appear

on a capital murder warrant. Waco. Wanted for two counts of list.

aggravated robbery with a deadly

The above information was ob-

· Shawn Michael Shoemaker,

24, Ohio, driving while intoxicat-

ed, dismissal after pre-trial diver-

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weapon and robbery by threat. Gaspar E. Loya III, DOB 6-20-74, last known address: Weslaco. Wanted for indecency with a child, burglary, failure to register as a sex offender, escape and unlawful flight.

Rene Morales Munoz, DOB 12-19-67, last known address: Laredo. Wanted for homicide, probation violations and possession of cocaine.

Mauricio Geovany Rosales, DOB 5-26-85, last known address: El Paso. Wanted for two counts of murder, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and aggravated · Harold Monroe Sharp, DOB

3-9-66, last known address: Joshua. Wanted for assault, evading arrest and possession of a firearm by a felon.

· Leeroy Suarez, DOB 6-2-83, last known address: New Braunfels. Wanted for homicide, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and unlawful flight. Esequiel Rio Villareal, DOB

12-2-66, last known address: Houston. Wanted for two counts of homicide. · Francisco Villela-Andrade,

DOB 7-10-85, last known address: Houston. Wanted for homicide.

DPS investigators work with local law enforcement agencies Binus Jackson IV, DOB to select fugitives to be featured 7-31-68, last known address: on the Texas Top 10 Most Wanted

People should have had more respect

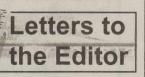
Dear Editor.

This week brought about a horrific accident in Ozona where a man lost his life at his home in front of his wife

What is really sad is when ing pictures.

What type of people parking and watching this as it's a movie? Was this entertaining for you?

It's pretty sad when a man loses his life and everyone is calling or texting the rest of the town to make sure every-



one knows.

Did one of you stop to you have a parking lot full of consider the feelings or emopeople watching this and tak- tional trauma this family was experiencing? Did you care?

We really hope that if this choose to spend this time ever happens to your family that people will offer you the respect that we did not receive.

Enough said.

Annette Vargas Leander, Texas

Sheriff's office clears sexual assault case

SUBMITTED BY THE CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

with the arrest of Lewis Manuel Tijerina, 20, of Ozona.

tion revealed that he was al-subject to prosecution. legedly intimately involved with a 15-year-old eighth- could be forthcoming.

The offices' of the sheriff and the district attorney want On March 10, the Crockett to send a clear and concise

County Sheriff's Office final- message to those adult predized a two week investigation ators that target children for their sexual gratification. An additional warning

Tijerina was charged with goes out to those parents who sexual assault of a child after allow their children to become the sheriff's office investiga- involved with adults, are alse

Other arrests in this case

· Hector Castro Medina -

Jacklyn Ann McKin

· Jerry A. McGinnis - ride

· Eriberto Savalas Marti-

display expired vehicle, \$117

ney - display expired vehicle

inspection certificate (8-02)

not secured by safety belt

nez - display expired license

plates, \$157; fail to maintain

financial responsibility, \$330.

Jonathan Ray Hill

speeding, \$170; driving while

under the influence of alcoho-

· Andrew K. Hill - speed

· Abel Hernandez Her

· Jesus D. Garza - expired

· Edward Galindo - speed

Armando Flores Jr.

· William Dean Fierro

expired vehicle inspection

\$155; no valid driver's license

license plates, \$178; posses

open container of alcoholic

beverage, \$203; fail to appear

speeding, \$161; fail to appear

change of address on driver's

license, \$155; fail to appear

\$223; ride not secured by

vantez - fail to stop for school

· Emily Martinez Cer-

safety belt-driver, \$165.

fail to appear, \$223.

by minor, \$330.25.

mph zone, \$203.

ing, \$151

\$207.

to display, \$327.25.

fail to appear, \$207.

driver, \$204.

LIST: from page 1

· Mckenzie Jesse Fred ride not secured by safety belt, \$195; fail to appear, \$227. Dean Anthony Tambun-

ga - speeding, \$165. · Abel Rodriguez Jr. - no liability insurance, \$340.

Carol Lozano Ramirez display expired license plates (5-04), \$165; speeding, \$195; allow child under 4 years to ride not secured, \$265; allow child under 4-14 years to ride not secured, \$265; allow child under 4 years to ride not secured, \$265.

Anthony S. Dominguez no liability insurance, \$347.

Macedonio Lopez Aviles - no liability insurance, \$343. · Anna Borrego Lara speeding, \$151; fail to appear, ing 10-14 mph over in 65/70

· Tiffany Rose Tinney - no driver's license, \$171; ride not nandez - fail to appear, \$197 secured by safety belt- driver, \$140; fail to appear, \$207; speeding, \$175.

· Dora A. Scheel - expired license plates, \$178.

· Thomas D. Sertain Jr. speeding 10-14 mph over in 65/79 mph zone, \$167. · Marisol Lopez Sanchez

- fail to maintain financial re-

sponsibility, \$235. · Felix Rivera - fail to maintain financial responsi-

bility, \$315. · Michael D. Ramirez - ex- speeding, \$166; fail to report pired license plates, \$174; no liability insurance, \$343.

Eric L. Ramirez - no valid vehicle inspection certificate, \$193; expired license plates, \$174; no liability insurance, \$343; speeding 15- bus, \$345; ride not secured by 19 mph over in 65-70 mph safety belt - driver, \$160; fail zone, \$244.

Roberta Grace Ortiz fail to maintain financial responsibility, \$104.12.

· Charles Derek Nichols - to appear, \$177. speeding 10-14 mph over in 65-70 mph zone, \$239.

pired license plates, \$160; fail to appear, \$227.

Randy Munoz - fail to

to appear, \$223. · Maria Guadalupe Cas

torena - speeding, \$161. · Norma Gean Bonzo - fail

· Erin Lee Barber - speed

ing, \$120.

· David Alexander Arre identify, \$477.25; display ex- dondo - speeding, \$205; fail

· Local run - patient trans-

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MARCH 11 · Local run - patient no trans-

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MARCH 15

· Local run - patient Transported to Family Health Clinic.

Fire department runs MARCH 10

·7:15 p.m. - Motor vehicle accident, two vehicle 1st St. and Avenue G, assist with traffic. A unit with five fire fighters. Time in service 20 minutes. · 9:15 p.m. - Motor vehicle accident, 372 mile-marker on I-10,

assist with traffic. Four units, 13 fire fighters. Time in service 1 hour 58 minutes.

MARCH 11

· 4:40 p.m. - Motor vehicle accident, 372 mile-marker eastbound on I-10. Four units, 10 fire fighters. Time in Service 1 hour 34 minutes.

MARCH 13

· 3:15 p.m. - Motor vehicle accident 1/2 mile south Texas 163, traffic control. Four units, seven fire fighters. Time in service 44

MARCH 14

· 5:50 p.m. - Electrocution in 900 block 3rd Street, one fatal, one injured. Two units, 13 fire fighters, EMS 1 EMS 2 2 AEP crews and CRT'S crew. Time in service 2 hours 57 minutes.

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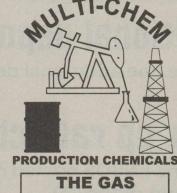
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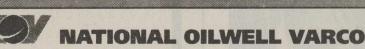
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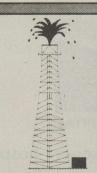


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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR [COMMERCIAL] **FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT**

Aspen Operating Company, L.L.C. 801 Cherry St., Ste 810, Unit 23, Ft. Worth, TX 76102 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the San Andres, Noelke "20" Lease, Well Number 4. The proposed injection well is located 15 miles East of Iraan in the Olson Field, in Crockett County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2250' to 2900' feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen (15) days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792).

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the CHESAPEAKE OPERATING, INC., [RRC Operator No. 147715] has made application for a spacing and density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 and 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37 and 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE and DISTANCE BETWEEN WELLS requirements of Rule 37, and the DENSITY requirement of Rule 38, for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec.11, Bk. OOO, GC&SF RR CO Survey, A-3800, MILLER (ELLENBURGER) and MILLER (STRAWN)Fields, CROCKETT County, being 24 miles S direction from OZONA, Texas.

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

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Apr 2, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. IF-NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

FIELD: MILLER (ELLENBURGER)

-Lease/Unit Name: MILLER RANCH GAS UNIT Lease/Unit Well No.: 4 Lease/Unit Acres: 640.0

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As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 4 additional fields: (1) HUPPLER (DEVONIAN), (2) MILLER (CANYON), (3) WILDCAT, (4) MILLER (MONTOYA). No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for these fields.

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows: MILLER (ELLENBURGER): GAS Special Rules 1320/3725, 640.0 acres. MILLER (STRAWN): GAS Special Rules 1867/3735, 640.0 acres.

HUPPLER (DEVONIAN): GAS Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres. MILLER (CANYON) · GAS Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres. WILDCAT: Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

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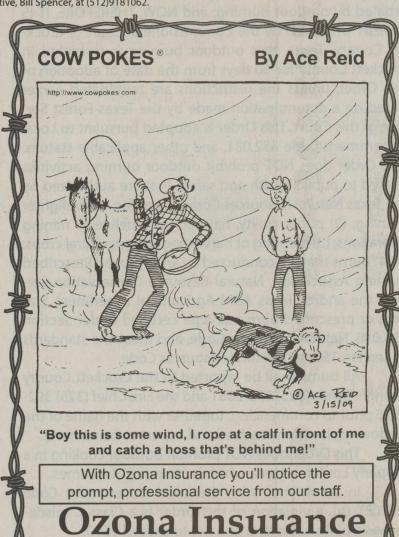
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All burns shall be reported to the Crockett County Sheriff's Office (325) 392-2661 and the Fire Chief (325) 392-2626 prior to commencing, together with the name of the landowner, location involved and expert to be on hand.

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

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