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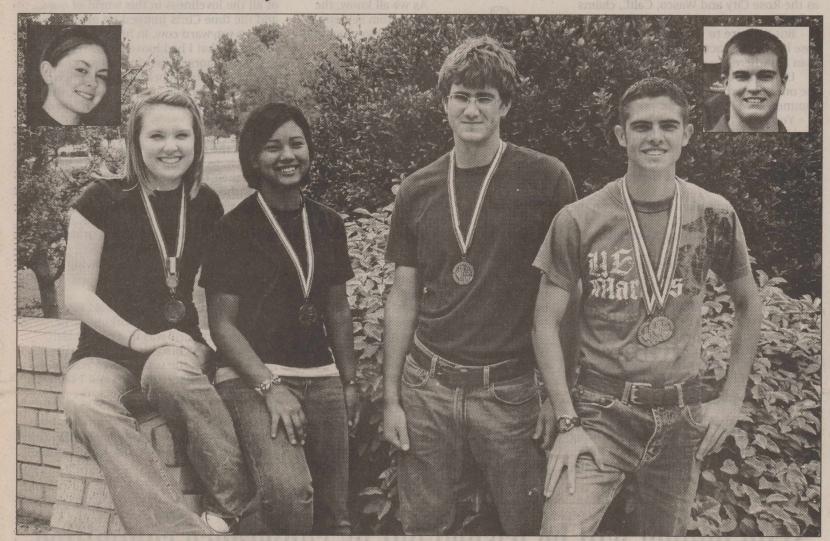
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# **OHS** academic students qualify for state meet



OHS ACADEMIC STUDENTS are headed to Austin for the state meet to be held May 8-9. The Computer Science team of (left to right) Heather Thompson, Clarissa Burciaga, Lane White and Ethan English placed second. Ethan also placed third as an individual, Lane fourth and Heather sixth. Danny Anderson (inset right) placed third in calculator and Barbara Caperton (inset left) placed third in feature writing qualifying them for the state meet.

# Cinco de Mayo celebration Sunday

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a "Cinco De Mayo Tardeada" on Sunday, May 3, at the Rodeo Arena

The celebration will begin with a parade starting from the Knights of Columbus Hall at the corner of Besente and Martinez at 2 p.m.

There will be prizes for best float in three categories: four-wheelers and bicycles, cars and truck with trailers and animals.

There will also be several local musicians along with local DJs providing the entertainment for the afternoon.

The musicians will be collecting donations to raise funds for children needing eye glasses.

The Knights of Columbus, along with the musicians, will be collecting used eye glasses to help our youth receive eve examines and glasses.

Anyone wishing to donate used eye glasses can contribute to any Knights of Columbus member.

Food booths of beef fajitas, sausage, tacitos, French fries, stuffed potatoes, funnel



cakes, tamales and empanadas, sweets, and refreshing drinks. Also fun games and face painting will take place.

Anyone interested in setting up a booth may do so. The booth space is available One item per food booth

will be allowed, and it will be on a first come first serve ba-The Tardeada will be

from 2-7 p.m. So come on and join in the fun this is a celebration for everyone.

For more information, call Frank Tambunga at 392-

# Signs of improvement

### Preliminary TAKS scores show positive results in elementary, middle school grades

BY MELISSA PERNER THE OZONA STOCKMAN

'When we received the results, I was blown away. I am so proud of my students. They have worked very hard for this.'

**AUTUMN BROWN, OZONA ELEMENTARY FIFTH GRADE TEACHER** 

Last year, Ozona Middle School Principal Benny Granger told the Crockett County CCSD School Board that seventh grade TAKS math scores

were "horrible." The class had scored a 30 this year." percent passing rate.

dramatically changed.

Two weeks ago, CCCCSD received preliminary results on the eighth grade math TAKS test. This same class that scored 30 percent last year raised their grades to a 73 percent passing rate for this year.

"We are very proud of the students and teachers," Granger said. "One of our goals is to be above the state average passing rate, which is not available at this time. We always strive to surpass

going. Even if we don't get there, we are still very proud of the ground we made up

A year later, things have students passing, this year's eight grade class had four students that achieved commended performance and six out of the nine special education students passed, Grang-

"This is more than double their performance from last year. Lisa James, OMS eight grade math teacher, has done an exceptional job with these students. Basically, she's worked her tail off," said Superintendent Abe Gott. "These increased scores were also due to the board approvthe state average and keep ing an extra math teacher.

That teacher, Ernie Rivera, along with Ms. James, en-

abled us to 'double dip' these kids in math and really attack Along with the number of the deficiencies. It obviously paid off."

eighth-graders also improved scoring an 87 percent with 18 commended performances. Last year, the school had 81 percent pass with 10 com- are proof of their work, commended performances.

to be above the state average Both Autumn (Brown) and I and keep getting better. I feel we have a great staff in place sults," said Debra Fred, fifth at OMS and I believe things will continue to improve as time goes by," Granger said.

In the elementary school, preliminary results for the fifth grade TAKS test were

also exciting.

Eighty percent of fifthgraders passed the test, which is in the recognized performance range.

"I have said since August On the reading test, the 2008, what a great group of kids this fifth grade bunch is. They have worked hard and stretched themselves in Math. The Math TAKS results mitment to excellence, and "Once again, our goal is determination to succeed. are very pleased with the regrade math teacher.

First year, fifth grade, teacher Autumn Brown had a pass rate of 88 percent in her

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### **Public hearing Tuesday** on hunting fee increases, dove rules

BY STEVE LIGHTFOOT TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT

Parks and Wildlife Department is inviting input on a series of proposals to increase fees and alter dove hunting season frameworks during upcoming public hearings

around the state. TPWD is conducting 21 public hearings to present recommendations seeking a \$2-\$4 bump in license and boat registration/titling fees.

The department says the fee increase is necessary to address critical needs.

The Ozona hearing will take place at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 5, at the Crockett Counthe 2009-10 Texas dove seaty Courthouse.

Under the proposed increase, hunting licenses would go from the current price of \$23 to \$25, while the popular Super Combo allinclusive license would increase from \$64 to \$68. Fishing packages would increase by \$2.

The vast majority of boat owners in Texas would also see only a small increase in boat registration and titling fees under the proposal. Bi-

ennial boat registration for vessels less than 16 feet in length would increase from AUSTIN — The Texas \$30 to \$32 and those in the 16-26 foot range would go from \$50 to \$53.

Two exceptions pertain to larger craft. Those vessels 26-40 feet in length would increase by \$40 and 40-footplus vessels would go up by \$110. These larger increases are necessary because the department has been undercharging for these larger boats for many years in comparison with smaller boats, especially when considering the fee as a percentage of boat size and value.

Changes proposed for son include a 70 day season and 15 bird daily bag statewide, pending adoption of federal guidelines. Additionally, the department is advancing a proposal to move the South Zone opening to the Friday nearest Sept. 20, but no earlier than Sept. 17, which means it will open on Sept. 18 this year if approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in late June.

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR** 

# Sheriff's office is keeping the streets safe for our children

Dear Editor,

As a felon, a mother and a Hispanic I feel compelled to write in regards to the letters that have been published the last couple of weeks.

You see, I myself was like this young man Luis Perez a couple of years ago. I was conducting in illegal activities and was insinuating that the local law enforcement officers were just harassing me, trying to bring

down. The only one doing so was see what I did, where I was and myself.

They were, in reality, only doing the job they swore in to do. That is to "protect and serve."

As I now sit here in my prison cell, doing time for selling drugs, I ask myself "was it worth it?" In all honesty, I can actually say that it wasn't.

I can tell you this, that every day I am thankful that the officers did do their jobs. I now

where I never want to be again. I also see what my children

might of grown up with.

I find it very disturbing that we live in the 21st century and yet we are still trying to use our ethnicity as a scapegoat. This isn't about Mexicans, Whites, Blacks or Asians. Please, give it a rest. This is about a place where we will raise our children.

I think as a community we need to come together in agreement that the sheriff and his officers have a job to do. If that job year of a drug overdose. Instead so happens to be to pass by your house and run your license plate because you are suspected of selling drugs, or doing anything illegal, then so be it.

At least we will know that they are out there trying to keep the streets safe for our children. I know I will be able to sleep better at night knowing they are doing so, and that my children will be in a safer environment.

My brother passed away last of graduating this year, he is laying in a coffin six-feet under because someone in our community sold him drugs. Yes, I know it could have been me who sold him those drugs. I know, I realize

I also realize that if nothing is done about the problem that Ozona has then, just maybe, next time it may be your son, your daughter, your brother or your

It could also be my son or daughter this happens to. This is our youth, our children and our families that the men in badges are trying to protect instead of putting them down. I say let's give them a round of applause for doing their jobs and trying to clean up our town from the drug-infested town that it has become.

> Mona Sanchez Gatesville, Texas

# So much for a simple cell phone

or a person who always just wanted a simple cell phone, I guess you could now say I've gone to the dark side.

This past weekend, while increasing our minutes on our plan, I bought an IPhone. Yes, I have now become one of those people who play with their phone, check their email and have 24/7 access to everything.

It's a hard pill to swallow that I've succumbed to this technology, or that the technology has become so advanced that I had no choice but to succumb to it.

Now, wherever I go, I will be in touch with my office. my friends, my family and everyone else in the world. It's amazing to me how this slim device, that fits in my purse or pocket, has as much technology as the laptop I am using to type up this column.

Throughout the newspaper convention my husband and I attended over the weekend, I noticed people getting out their IPhone, comparing devices, photos and exchanging numbers. I guess I am now one of them.

I've never been a big fan of fancy cell phones. To me a cell phone should be a phone. I have it for emergencies and the convenience of calling my mother while standing in a store and asking her what my dad wants for Father's Day.

Surfing the Internet, checking email, taking photos, none of that belongs on a cell phone, or so I thought. Now, I can do all three plus make calls.

I will admit my new phone is addicting. All weekend I kept looking up ESPN.com to see how the NFL draft was going. I checked my email, talked to my parents and took a photo of my husband for my wallpaper on the phone.

I even used the map to get us to a movie theatre, looked up the movie we wanted to see and found the time it began.

Sunday morning as we were heading back, I used it to find the nearest



WHAT'S ON MY MIND

**MELISSA PERNER** 

Whataburger. We had a craving.

As my husband kept driving, I kept telling him that the blue dot (that's us in the car) was getting close to the red dot (the Whataburger).

I can just predict future vacations because we always have to get lost at least once. Picture it, here I am with my phone telling Paul that the blue dot is not going toward the red dot of our location and he's arguing with me saying things like "you're blue dot is wrong" or "you can't read the blue dot right.

I'll keep readers posted as to when this discussion happens. I already wanted to throw out his handheld GPS unit on one vacation.

We did manage to find the Whataburger very easily.

Convenient? Yes! Necessary, well we did survive without cell phones at one time; it's just hard to remember when that was.

I blame my husband for all this because he got one first and I started playing with it. I admit its addicting being able to have complete access to everything.

It's also mind-bogging to think that no matter where you are, you can't really escape from the world around you. It's still there, in your pocket or in the purse, waiting for you to turn it on and explore.

Technology has come a long way in such a short time. It's amazing to think that at one time no one could phantom a phone like the one I purchased.

Yep, you're stuck with all that information at your fingertips until the battery dies or you find the off button.

> **MELISSA PERNER** is the editor and publisher of The Ozona Stockman. She is currently playing with her IPhone.

# The Sorry Garden

Portland, Ore., is officially recognized as the Rose City and Wasco, Calif., claims to be "the Rose Capitol Of The World."

But I'm here to tell you there are more rose bushes per acre in Gardnerville, Nev., than anywhere I've ever been.

Unlike the roses in Portland or Wasco, the ones in Gardnerville are not grown commercially.

You see, Chris and Faye have an unwritten agreement that whenever they work cattle together and Chris yells at his wife for something that was not her fault she gets to retaliate by purchasing a rose bush or two.

The number of plants depends on the severity of the attack.

That's why everything is coming up roses in Gardnerville.

It really irks Chris when Faye wastes their hard earned money on something as

frivolous as flowers. And you would think that alone would

serve as a deterrent. But over the years Faye has planted about 640 acres in roses, I think, and her plot of beautiful roses has since become known far and wide as "The Sorry Garden." As in... "I'm SORRY dear. I'll never yell at you again, dear."

When you ponder the rose, the most beautiful of all flowers, it is entirely fitting that Faye chose that posy to remind the two love birds of their cherished moments



IT'S THE PITTS

LEE PITTS

As we all know, the rose blossom seldom blooms and to pluck the flower you must risk getting pricked by the ever-present thorns. If that description is not symbolic of married life I don't know what is.

In Faye's garden there are roses on trellises, roses pruned as trees and roses creeping on the ground. When you walk The Sorry Garden with Faye she calls your atten-

tion to the various varieties as if she were a botanist.

Only instead of referring to their genus and species she says things like, "I got that ruddy rose the time we were branding a bunch of cows in the chute and I accidentally branded Chris in the thigh. He had such a hard time keeping a lid on his can of cuss words that day. It's such a beautiful rose don't you think?"

"Beautiful," I sincerely replied. "Do you" plant them in the Spring?"
Not necessarily, said Faye. Just

whenever we work cattle together." "Isn't that an American Beauty?" I asked as we strode through the garden. "It sure is," responded Faye, warming laid on the ground bellering like a newly made steer and the air was colored with the fragrance of roses... and my husband's language." "This pink beauty," said Faye, "was planted the day we were castrating bulls in the chute. My job was to hold their tails

to her subject. "It is such a strong reminder

of all the loveliness in this world of ours...

and the time Chris jumped on my horse to

catch a wayward cow. In his haste he failed

to realize that I had loosened my cinch

to give my horse a break. I swear, Chris

above their backs so they could not kick Chris who was bent down behind them to get closer to his work. I accidentally lost my grip on a tail and poor Chris was as helpless as a cow in quicksand. It was not a

"I get the picture," I said, having experienced a similar scenario myself. "I see there are some new plantings.

"That's very observant," said Faye. 'Just last week we were working cattle together and Chris was in a particularly sour mood. The biscuits I made for breakfast were hard, the veterinarian was late, the cows were cantankerous and I seemed never to be in the right place at the right time. Nothing went well and I became the focal point of my husband's derision once again. Chris yelled at me so much that day I took the 24 foot gooseneck to the nurs-

### State budget will be hashed out by conference committee

AUSTIN - No surprise: On April 24 the Senate refused to concur with House amendments to SB 1, the 2010-2011 proposed state budget.

The next step is for a conference committee on SB 1 to reconcile differences in the \$178 billion House version and the Senate's \$182.2 billion version.

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, who presides over the Senate, appointed five senators to the conference committee:

· Steve Ogden, R-Bryan, chair of the Senate Finance Committee; Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa, D-McAllen, vice chair, Senate Finance Committee; · Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, chair of the Senate Education Committee; · Royce West, D-Dallas, chair of the Senate Intergovernmental Relations Committee; and · Tommy Williams, R-The Woodlands, chair of the Senate Administration Committee.

House Speaker Joe Straus, R-San Antonio, will name five House members to the conference committee.

**NINE BILLS HIT GOVERNOR'S DESK** As of April 24, a total of nine STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling | Texas Press Association

bills had been passed by both the House and Senate and had been signed or were ready to be signed by the governor.

· One of the three House bills makes it easier for film studios to get state grant money to do their work in Texas.

· Another bill helps to implement a better security system in and around the Houston Ship Channel.

· And, another amends current law by increasing the number of hours that alcoholic beverages can be delivered wholesale or sold in Harris County or its contiguous counties.

· One of six Senate bills to make it to the governor's desk enhances educational opportunities for the children of military families.

 Another bill preserves citizens' immunization records kept in the state immunization registry past the age of 18.

And, another bill amends the utilities code so that a power company can recover in a timely manner its post-disaster system restoration costs by charging

higher rates to customers.

The governor also has signed a total of 45 House and Senate proclamations and resolutions. most of which are congratulatory or memorial in nature.

### **COMPENSATION BILL APPROVED**

The House on April 24 voted in favor of the Tim Cole Act, HB 1736, legislation to increase lump-sum compensation for persons convicted for crimes they did not commit.

The amount would increase from \$50,000 to \$80,000 per year of incarceration.

Cole died in a Texas prison for a crime he did not commit. **DRIVER'S LICENSE** 

### FORMAT DEBUTS The Texas Department of Pub-

lic Safety on April 22 announced it had switched to a new driver's license format, effective April 15. The size and shape of the

plastic cards are the same, but the cards contain "numerous security features" that the agency announced it would reveal only to law enforcement agencies,

financial institutions and other state agencies.

Current licenses are valid but will be phased out as they expire, the DPS said. **NATURAL GAS FUEL MONEY** 

SOUGHT

Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson on April 21 said the Texas General Land Office will seek \$15 million in federal money to be matched by T. Boone Pickens' Clean Energy Inc. to build natural gas fuel stations across Texas. PLEASE SEE PAGE 8

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OZONA ELEMENTARY STUDENTS celebrated Earth Day on April 22 by wearing "Be Green" green frog T-shirts and making posters. Here the third grade class and teachers show off their Earth Day style.



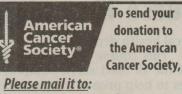
**JAYCI MILLER** is the All Around Cowgirl for Region III High School Rodeo. She also won the Poles and Breakaway for the year and second in Goat Tying. She will graduate in May and attend Weatherford Junior College where she received a full ride to rodeo for them in the fall. She is the great-granddaughter of Eugene Jake Miller.

### **Annual Senior Spring Fling May 7**

The Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley, the City of San Angelo Recreation/Senior Services and the Concho Valley RSVP will be presenting the 22nd annual Senior Spring Fling - "Living Today for a Better Tomorrow'

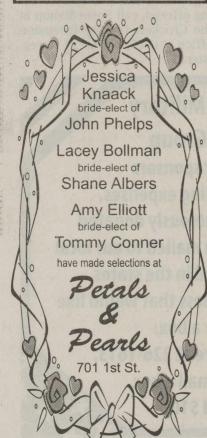
This year, the event will be held at the McNease Convention Center located at 500 Rio Concho Drive.

Cost of admission is \$3. Doors will open at 9 a.m.



Shelly Childress, **Memorials Chairman** P.O. Box 1008 Ozona, TX 76943

Feel free to call: 325-392-4009



of the Concho Valley strives to provide information, assistance, and services to the older citizens of Crockett

AAA staff will be available to assist individuals on Thursday, April 30, from 10 a.m.-11 a.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.

Needing to learn more about services offered?

"Answers on Aging" is designed to provide information about services and programs available to older individuals.

Needing to apply for services? Intake Specialists will be available to assist you with any questions you may have. Programs that are housed in the Area Agency on Aging include Advocacy (Texas Silver Haired Legislature), Benefits Counseling (Medicare Part D), Care Coordination (Prescription & Utility Assistance, Home Modifications), Care-

The Area Agency on Aging giver Support (Respite Care), Foster Grandparent Program (Mentoring Children), Ombudsman Program (Advocates For 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 information 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. We look forward to speaking with

For more information, call Lindsey M. Elliott, Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley at (325) 223-5704 or toll-free at 1-877-944-9666. The Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services funds services of the Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley.

### Concho Valley Community Action Agency to visit May 5

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Do you have high home mined physical or mental condition which is determined to last); households with children under 6 years; households with the lowest income that pay the highest portion of their income for home energy; and households that have been on the weatherization waiting list for 2 or more years.

> The Concho Valley Community Action Agency administers these programs in the Concho Valley.

The CVCAA will be in Ozona from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday, May 5 at the Senior Center.

For more information, call

reason of a medically deter- 325-653-168 or www.cvcaa.org.

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May 5 - Amber Batura and Elma Buckner

April 29 - Karen Webb,

May 2 - Jodi Adcock, An-

### Tuesday, May 5 Ozona Chamber of Commerce hosting Economic Development Peer Group meeting. • Concho Valley Community Action Agency, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Community Calendar

Wednesday, April 29

• Ozona Garden Club Flower Show, 4-5:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. Thursday, April 30 Annual Marty Acton Memorial Sixth Grade Field Day at the Jack

• Food Handlers Course, 9:30 a.m. - noon and 12:30-3 p.m. at the

Friday, May 1

Saturday, May 2

Saturday, May 3

Monday, May 4

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

Fish Camp at 6:30 p.m. at the Ozona High School Auditorium.

Church of Christ Senior Banana Split Party, 6 p.m. at the church.

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

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

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

OHS Track at the Regional Track Meet in Odessa.

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

· Cinco de Mayo Celebration, 2 p.m. at the rodeo arena.

OMS Tennis at the District Meet in Big Lake.

Baggett Jr. Ranch.

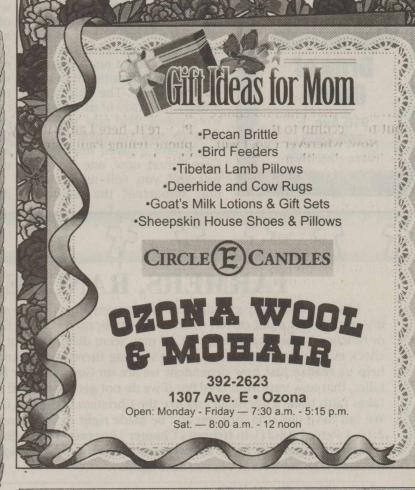
Crockett County Extension Office.

- Helping Hands Board meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- OMS Awards Banquet, 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center.
- Texas Parks and Wildlife Public Hearing, 7 p.m. at the courthouse.

Wednesday, May 6

 Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center. Ozona Garden Club Flower Show, 4-5:30 p.m. at the Civic Center.





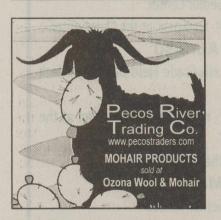


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### **OZONA SENIOR HAPPENINGS**

BY LYNN ENGLISH SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

to the weather forecast.

On Friday, May 1, I will be meeting. This meeting will more information. earn me six CEU hours.

nior Center Board will meet doing this exercise every Mon- our activities a new projector at 5:30 p.m. Monday, May 4, day, Wednesday and Friday with stand and a screen. at 5:30 p.m. All members are here at the Crockett County urged to attend. If you are un- Senior Center at 8:30 am. You we have a Wii game and three able to come, call Lynn English are welcome to join this group different simulating games. We at 392-9094 or another board and get the exercise that you are anxious for these games to

On Tuesday, May 5, the tion Council will be here from players come to the Senior will remain flexible as to age.

11 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Senior Center to play their favorite

The recent rain was won- May 5, will be the Helping always have a fun afternoon. derful and there is more to Hands Board. They will meet come in the future according at 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Cenregular activities: square dance

going to San Angelo for the planned for Thursday, May health, pool, canasta and puz-Concho Valley Chapter of Ac- 14. Please plan to attend and zles. We also have a collection tivity Professionals quarterly read my column next week for of books, magazines and three

The "Walk Two Miles" la-ternet for seniors to use. The Crockett County Se- dies are still faithful about need to keep healthy.

Monday and Thursdays at

past time game. These ladies Also meeting on Tuesday, are faithful about coming and

We continue to have our lessons and dances, exercise The next bingo social is class, bridge, bingo, home computers that are on the in-

We have recently added to

Also for your enjoyment, be used.

Our activities are for those Concho Valley Community Ac- 1:30 p.m. is when the bridge 50 years young and older. We

### HEALTHY LIVING By Dr. Marcus Sims | Family Health Center of Ozona

### Protect now to prevent decades of damage

It is estimated nearly one in three adults has hypertension or high blood pressure. Many don't know it, though, because high blood pressure often produces no symptoms. But even if there are no symptoms, untreated high blood pressure can damage internal organs, so it's important to be aware of your risks.

Every time your heart beats, it pushes blood into your arteries, creating pressure in them. This is what keeps blood moving through your body. Most of us have probably had our blood pressure measured at some point at a medical exam.

Blood pressure is reported with two numbers. The higher number (systolic) represents the pressure while the heart contracts to pump blood to the body. The lower number (diastolic) represents the pressure when the heart relaxes between beats. The two readings are given, one (systolic) over the other (diastolic) in millimeters (mm) of mercury (Hg), such as 120/80 mmHg.

There are four categories for blood pressure measurements in adults:

Normal - For the average healthy adult, a normal systolic level is under 120 mmHg and a normal diastolic level is under 80 mmHg.

Prehypertension - For otherwise healthy adults, if your systolic number is 120-139, or your diastolic number is 80-89, you have prehypertension. This means that you don't have high blood pressure now but are likely to develop it in the future. You can take steps to improve your high blood pressure by adopting a healthy lifestyle.

Hypertension - If you are an otherwise healthy adult, and your systolic number is higher than 139 or your diastolic number is higher than 89, you have high blood pres-

High blood pressure is further divided into categories: · Stage 1 hypertension

For an otherwise healthy adult, a systolic number of 140-159 or a diastolic number of 90-99 is considered stage 1 hypertension.

Stage 2 hypertension For an otherwise healthy adult, a systolic number over 160 or a diastolic number over 100 is considered stage 2 hyperten-

If you have diabetes or chronic kidney disease, HBP is defined as 130/80 mmHg or higher.

Although high blood pressure or hypertension may not produce any symptoms you can feel, it still causes damage, which is why it's often called the "silent killer."

Left untreated, high blood pressure can damage your 392-3788.

blood vessels, as well as internal organs such as your heart or kidneys. Having high blood pressure also means you have a higher risk of developing heart disease or having a stroke. In addition, studies show that even high-normal blood pressure puts you at an increased risk of disease. The only way to find out if your blood pressure is too high is to have it measured by a healthcare professional.

While we don't know exactly what causes high blood pressure, there are certain things that can put you at a higher risk of having high blood pressure.

They include: · Family and personal medical history - If a close relative has high blood pressure, you yourself may have a higher risk. If you have diabetes or kidney disease, if you smoke, or if you're a woman who's pregnant, you may also

face a higher risk. Age - In general, as we get older, our risk of developing high blood pressure increases.

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· Race - African Americans have a higher risk of developing high blood pressure.

· Obesity - Excess weight increases your risk of high

blood pressure. · Lifestyle - If you don't

get much exercise, you're at a higher risk of having high blood pressure. Drinking too much alcohol can also raise blood pressure.

In addition, in certain sodium-sensitive people, using too much salt may contribute to high blood pressure. Certain medications can also raise blood pressure, so anyone with high blood pressure should make sure they tell their doctor about any prescribed and/or over-the-counter medicines they're taking.

The American Heart Association recommends a blood pressure screening by a healthcare professional at least once every two years. If a screening reveals elevated blood pressure, your doctor will decide on the appropriate follow-up and treatment.

For more information, see your physician or contact the Family Health Center at (325)

### **CARE CENTER CHATTER**

BY ODILIA SANCHEZ ASSISTANT ACTIVITY DIRECTOR

Our community is so blessed in having the Crockett County Care Center. We all care so much for loved ones and we want them to have the best care that is available to them. I know that a lot of us, if financially able, would love to be able to care for our loved ones at home. However, when that is not possible, Crockett County Care Center is the next best thing to being at home.

I have visited the Care Center going on six years. Year after year I become more and more attached to the residents and the staff. The Director of Nurses, Vicki Childress, is a caring, loving person who is loved by the residents and the staff. Daily, she stresses to the caregivers how important it is to give our best in caring for the residents. This is not just a place to work but a commitment to care for the elderly. The older community took care of us when we were young, and now it is our turn to care for them. If you don't have a loved one in the a fun day for the children and Care Center now, one day you will and you will understand how important the residents Appreciation Week. We have tor Marta De La Garza.

care is. If you are an individual that has a heart for the elderly, please come and join us. We are always in need of more caring nurses and certified nurses assistants to come work with us. residents are so blessed by Come join our family.

We try to plan as many activities as possible which directly, or indirectly, involve our residents. On March 30, we had an appreciation meal for Dr. Sims and Dr. Whitten. They are a vital part of our community and especially the residents at the Care Center. We just wanted to say "thank you" and show them our appreciation for all they do in keeping our loved ones as comfortable as possible.

On April 8, some of our residents had fun dying Easter eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt which we had on April 9. Most of the residents were taken outside the front porch to watch the children from the community hunt for Easter eggs which were seen all over the Care Center's front lawn. It was a very colorful day. Inside, we also celebrated with cake and punch for the April birthdays. It was our residents.

a lot of people and organizations that volunteer their time every week at the Care Center. We would like to say "thank you" for all that you do. Our your weekly visits. They look forward to the church services, the singing, the square dancers and many other activities.

We will be celebrating Nurses Week on May 6-12. We will be honoring our nurses. It takes a special person to be a good nurse and the Care Center is so blessed in having a good nursing staff. They are very important in the care of our residents. Next time you see a nurse, give them a hug and tell them how much they are appre-

The following are more activities that are planned for

· The "Mariachi Ladies" are coming from 2-4 p.m. May 8 at the Care Center to sing and dance the evening away. Nursing Home Week May

11-15: Monday is 50s Day; Tuesday Pajama Day; Wednesday Hawaiian Day; Thursday Western Day and Friday Carnival Day. For more information, April 20-24 was Volunteer see Care Center Activity Direc-

### FARMERS, RANCHERS AND RAINFALL

I have watched my grandparents look many times to the skies to see if there were any rain clouds forming. I also saw my grandfather plant cotton when it was dry or no moisture. One problem we face today with fewer people living on farms or ranches is that depending on God may seem distant or not necessary. Maybe we work where we are going to get a paycheck every month and we count on it being there and we know the amount. Being involved in farming or ranching may help us realize just how dependent we are on God. We may have the latest equipment, leveled land, fertilizer and weed killer, that new improved seed but if we do not get the rainfall it is all for naught. It takes faith to Farm or Ranch but it also takes faith to be a Christian and live the Christian life. Jesus chastised the disciples for having little faith, (Matthew 8:26). We can have our sins forgiven and be made right or be in good standing with God by faith, (Romans 1:16&17, Galatians 2:16, 1 Peter 1:18-21). In Hebrews Chapter 11 verses 6 through 31 it talks abut many that pleased God by faith. Look at the number of times, "By faith" are mentioned. Let us see what God has promised and enter into those promises by faith, (Colossians 1:5). See you in Church next Sunday. Brother J

### **First Baptist Church** 901 Ave. D

J.B. Bitner - Interim Pastor Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting - 6:15 p.m. Awanas: Wednesday - 5:30 p.m.

Templo Bautista Jerusalem

138 Blas St

**Rev. Esequiel Cervantez** 

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

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

Wednesday: 7 p.m.

Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida

Corner of Secretariat & Man O' War

Pastor Juan Avila

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

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

Wed. Service: 6 p.m.

**Calvary Baptist Church** 

601 Ave. I

Sunday School: 10 a.m.

Worship: 11 a.m.

Wed. & Sun. Worship: 6 p.m.

**New Beginnings Church** 

701 9th Street

**Pastor Jesse Cardona** 

Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

Tuesday Worship: 7 p.m.

Mr. Johnnie Perkins Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.

**Ozona Church of Christ** 

1002 11th St

**Faith Lutheran Church** 

**Pastor Tom Baden** 

Worship: Sunday - 7 p.m.

Bible Class: Sunday - 6 p.m.

Attend the

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

### Iglesia de Dios De La Profecia **Our Lady of Perpetual Help**

219 Martinez St. 102 Man O' War St. Pastor Mario De La Mora Fr. Rodney White Sun. Mass: 11 a.m. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Sat.: 7 p.m. Worship: 6 p.m. Tues., Thurs. & Fri: 6:00 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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### **Food Handlers Course Thursday**

The Texas Agriife Extension local health department. Service will be offering a Food Handlers Course on April 30.

If interested there will be two classes offered. The first class will be from 9:30 a.m.-noon and the second class will be offered at 12:30-3pm. The cost of the class is \$15 per person. Upon completion of the

Food Handlers course, you will receive a Food Handlers card that is valid for two years. The cost of the course does not cover any fees associated with your

This course is recommended for all food service employees to help promote the service of safe food. It is a basic overview of food safety principals and practices that are necessary to ensure you serve safe food at your establishment.

Anyone interested in taking one of the two classes being offered, call Susie Bishop at the Crockett County Extension office at (325) 392-2721 to reg-

The Ozona Military **Support Group** is looking for sponsors to help with mailing expenses. The community generously donated Girl Scout cookies to be mailed to our local troops overseas and in the states. Any individual or business that would like to sponsor a box, call Allison McGuire at 226-1613.

The price to mail a box

is around \$10.



THE SIGN for the new Holiday Inn Express & Suites went up last week. The new hotel, located across from Ozona Wool & Mohair and Maness Exxon near Interstate-10, is scheduled to open in early June. The hotel has 70 rooms

including 16 suites, full hot breakfast, outdoor pool, excercise room and business center.

### TAKS: Testing continues through Friday

class, and more than half of her students received commended performance.

results, I was blown away. I am so proud of my students. They have worked very hard for this," Brown said. 2985910

Tutorials twice a week with a classroom full of students almost every time, along with reviews, practice tests and

sure students corrected problems and understood all the skills, are some of the things "When we received the Brown has done in her classroom this year.

"They knew exactly what the test would look like and the kinds of questions that would be asked. We also went to the board daily so the students could practice and had daily multiplication facts tests. If

anything," she said.

TAKS testing continues this week with grades fourth, sixth and seventh taking reading and OHS juniors taking exit level math today (April 29).

Grades fifth, eighth, sophomores and juniors will take science and freshmen math on Thursday. The week will finish on Friday with grades eighth, sophomores and juwith being tough on making they can multiple they can do niors taking social studies.

### TxDOT earns state's highest environmental award

ment of Transportation (Tx-DOT) has won the state's highest environmental award, the 2009 Texas Environmental Excellence Award, in recognition Excellence Awards recognize gram; · Wildflower Program of the department's overall en- Texans that are implementvironmental efforts. The Texas ing the most innovative and Commission on Environmen- effective environmental proj- programs, visit http://www. award and TxDOT won in the of these awards were selectgovernment category.

Honorees are selected by a blue ribbon committee of environmental experts from public and private industry, and individuals, businesses and organizations that have created successful programs that conserve natural resources, reduce waste, and prevent pollution are eligible for the honor.

TCEO commissioners will present the award to TxDOT Executive Director Amadeo Saenz, Jr. at their annual awards banquet on Wednes-

AUSTIN - The Texas Depart- day, May 13, 2009, at the Austin Convention Center as part of the annual Environmental Trade Fair and Conference

The Texas Environmental tal Quality (TCEQ) sponsors the ects in the state. The winners ed after a review of more than 200 applications," said TCEQ Chairman Buddy Garcia.

> 'Environmental protection and air quality improvement are among TxDOT's core values. Our environmental programs were created to benefit and beautify Texas communities using innovative approaches to conservation and beautification," said Deirdre Delisi, Texas Transportation Commission chair.

A number of TxDOT environmental initiatives were recognized: · Drive Clean Across Texas; · Clean Air Plan; · Recycling Program; · Compost Program; · Alternative Fuels Program; · TXDOT Bat Proand · Don't Mess With Texas.

txdot.gov/business/contractors\_consultants/environmental/default.htm.

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### Gallego files bill for appointed directors to Red Bluff water district

BY MELISSA PERNER THE OZONA STOCKMAN

A bill to have the board of directors appointed instead of elected for the Red Bluff Water Power Control District was filed last week by State Rep. Pete Gallego, D-Alpine.

Gallego filed House Bill 4807 on April 21. If passed, the bill would allow the governing body of each member district to appoint one director to serve on the Red Bluff board.

The member districts are Loving County Water Improvement District No. 1; Pecos County Water Improvement District No. 2; Pecos County Water Improvement District No. 3; Reeves County Water Improvement District No. 2; Ward County Irrigation District No. 1; Ward County Irrigation District No. 3 and Ward County Water Improvement District No. 2.

A person who holds an elected office of a political subdivision in the Red Bluff District may be appointed to serve as a director of the Red Bluff District without incurring a penalty or forfeiting the office unless the Texas Constitution so requires, the bill stated. If a vacancy occurs on the Red Bluff board, the member district that appointed the director to the vacated position shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy.

Directors will serve staggered terms of six years. The initially appointed directors shall draw lots to begin the staggering so that one or two directors are appointed every two years. A director may not be appointed to or serve more than one term of office, the bill stated.

'We received a good amount of support from members of the irrigation districts that wanted appointed directors," said Patrick Tarlton, Gallego's chief of staff.

The idea of a Pecos River Water Authority was brought up through Gallego's office earlier this year.

Nowhere in House Bill 4807 does it state that any kind of water authority will be

Tarlton said after he met



**PETE GALLEGO** 

will residents in Iraan and Barstow in March, his office saw the concern to not file a bill that created a river authority or any kind of study group.

"I was very clear that if there was an overwhelming support to not file a Pecos Riv-

er Authority bill we would not do so," Tarlton said. "Almost all of the irrigation districts want appointed directors. That's why we filed this bill."

Pecos River water usage is currently controlled by the Red Bluff Water Power Control District board, which was created following the construction of Red Bluff Lake in 1936. The district sells water to the seven sub-districts in Reeves, Loving, Pecos and Ward Counties, which operate from the lake south to Girvin.

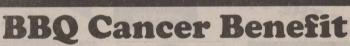
Gallego's office can be reached at (512) 463-0566 in Austin or (432) 837-7383 in Alpine. Tarlton's email is patrick. tarlton@house.state.tx.us.

The Texas Legislature can be found at www.capitol.state.









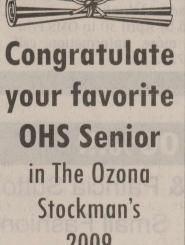
for Anita Gandy, daughter of Arretta Gandy to help pay for medical costs.

Friday, May 1 11:00 a.m. - Sold Out **Brisket Plates - \$10.00** Whole Briskets - \$35.00

Plates can be delivered to Downtown Square or pick-up at Ozona Deer Processing at 907 11th St.

Please pre-order whole briskets by Thurs, April 30. Call 325-392-2064, leave message.



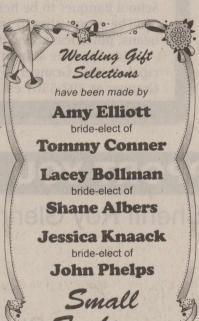


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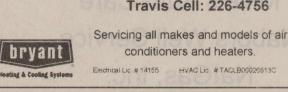
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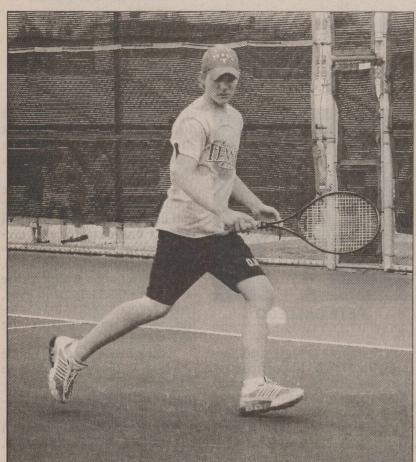
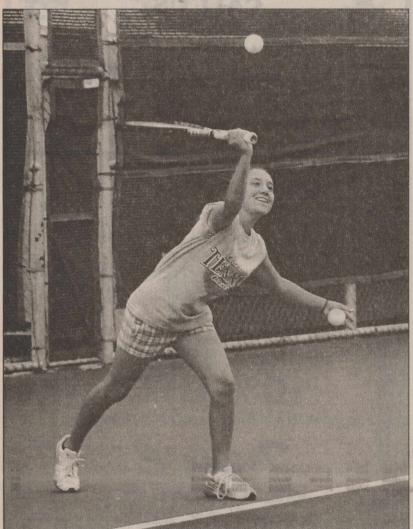


PHOTO BY SUSAN CALLOWAY | THE OZONA STOCKMAN CUATRO JONES goes in for a backhand in the Ozona Middle School Tennis Tournament held April 25 in Ozona.



CHELSEA GONZALES serves with a smile in the Ozona Middle School Tennis



OHS Academic Team

**Lane White** 

OHS Academic Team

Ethan English Heather Thompson

OHS Academic Team



PHOTO BY SUSAN CALLOWAY | THE OZONA STOCKMAN JON DAVID DEHOYOS stretches for the ball in the Ozona Middle School Tennis Tournament held April 25 in Ozona.



TESLA CAPERTON keeps her eye on the ball in the Ozona Middle School Tennis Tournament held April 25 in Ozona.



NOAH TAMBUNGA moves toward the net in JASON BADILLO WAITS for the Ozona Middle School Tennis Tournament held April 25 in Ozona.



a serve in the Ozona Middle School Tennis Tournament.

### Mia Mendoza wins medals at Taekwondo

grand-daughter of Mario and Juanita Mendoza of Ozona, ring, which is a form of conattended her first Taekwondo tournament this past week-

Mia Alexandra Mendoza, they are judged on technique. She then placed third in spartrolled fighting.

Mia is currently a memend in Houston. Mia compet- ber of Southwest Taekwoned in the 11-12 year-old age do in San Angelo under the group in three events. She instruction of Frank Galinplaced second in board break- do. Mia has been enrolled for ing in which the competitors three months and is training break boards with both hands to advance to yellow belt. The and feet.Mia also placed sec- class focuses on self disciond in patterns win which pline as well as self defense.

### Dean, Wilson compete at Regional Tennis

Kyle Dean and Stefan Wilson competed at the Region quarterfinals to Jaron Robert-I-2A Tennis Meet last week in son, of Shallowater, 6-2, 6-3.

Dean won his first round match defeating Max Kopp of Spearman, 6-2, 6-2.

Dean then lost in the

Wilson lost his first round match to Nate Arismendez, of Idalou, 7-6 (5), 6-2.

### **Attention incoming OHS Freshmen**

entation night.

We are Hot on the Trail Dedicating Ourselves to Greatness!

You and your parents are invited to an open house es at that time. event specifically for you.

evening, May 4, at 6:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

School administrators will provide you and your parents

"HOT DOG! You are in with information concern-High School!" is the theme ing current Texas High School for this year's ninth grade ori- Graduation Plans and descriptions of courses being offered for next year.

Parents will be able to view their child's course selections and make any chang-

Also, the OHS cheerlead-Please join us on Monday ers will be on hand to provide guided campus tours. Hot dogs and additional snacks will be served.

We hope to see you there!

### Applications being taken for **Texas State Youth Water Camp**

Applications are being tak- group project work. en for the Texas State Youth

Crockett County Ground-water Conservation District awards two individual \$1,000 scholarships each year to two high school seniors who reside in Crockett County.

quirements for the scholarship is that the students must have attended Texas State Water Camp.

Crockett County Groundwater Conservation Disyear's water camp.

The five-day camp focus-

The camp invites 15 boys Water Camp to be held July and 15 girls from all across 12-16 at the George and Opal the state of Texas. Participants Bentley 4-H Center in Monah must be of high school age and have an interest in water quality and conservation and be willing to participate as a team member during the five-day camp.

This camp is not retricted to 4-H members.

The Crockett County One of the eligibility re- Groundwater Conservation District will pay for the cost of the camp plus \$150 to the travel provider.

Anyone interested in attending the camp can call the Crockett County Groundwater trict will sponsor students from District at 392-5156 or stop by Crockett County to attend this 1102 Ave. I to obtain an application form.

All applications must be es on water quality and conser- turned in by May 15. Youths vation education and features will be informed of their acception field trips, tours and hands-on tance into the camp by June 12.

### Bids being taken for high school athletic banquet

Bids are being taken for the annual Athletic Booster Club Banquet to be held May 7 at the Civic Center. The menu should include hamburger steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, dessert and tea. Bids must be submitted by April 30 to Frank Tam-

bunga at 226-2827 or Patty Villarreal at 226-1900. Bids being taken for Ozona Middle School Banquet

Bids are being taken for the annual Ozona Middle School Banquet to be held May 5 at the Civic Center. The menu should include Chicken strips, green beans, potatoes, gravy, bread and drink.

Bids must be submitted by April 30 to OMS Principal Benny Granger. For more information, call Granger at 392-5501 ext. 5722.

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### **End of School Events Calendar**

May 1-2 - Regional Track Meet in Odessa.

May 4 - Fish Camp 6:30 p.m. at the Ozona High School Auditorium; Senior Banana Spilt Party, 6 p.m. at the Church of Christ.

May 5 - Ozona Middle School Awards Banquet, 6 p.m. at the Civic Center.

May 7 - OHS Athletic Banquet, 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center.

May 8-9 - State UIL Academic Meet in Austin.

May 11 - OHS Guitar Class Concert, 6 p.m. at the Civic Center; Ozona Schools Spring Band Concert, 7:30 p.m. at the Fair Park Convention Center.

May 12 - OHS Band Banquet, 7:30 p.m. at the Fair Park Convention Center.

May 15 - Del's Little Schoolhouse Graduation, 6 p.m. at the Civic Center.

May 15-16 - State Track Meet in Austin.

May 18 - OHS Academic Awards, 6 p.m. at the OHS Auditorium.

May 22 - OHS Senior Class Trip.

May 23 - OHS Prom at the Civic Center.

May 24 - OHS Baccalaureate, 8 p.m. at the OHS Auditorium.

May 27 - PPCD, Pre-K, Kindergarten, First and Second Grade Awards, 9-10:30 a.m. at the intermediate school gym; Ozona Head Start Graduation at the Civic Center.

May 28 - Third, Fourth & Fifth Grade Awards, 9-10:30 p.m. at the intermediate school gym. May 29 - OHS Graduation, 8 p.m. at Lion Stadium.

- if you would like add an event to the calendar, call 392-2551.

### Ozona Elementary School honor roll

**5TH SIX WEEKS** 

"A" HONOR ROLL First Grade - Raelee Borrego, Esmeralda Castillo, Jacob Childress, Sebastian De La na McGrath, Roslynn Mendez, driguez, Dulce Rodriguez, at ddlott2@yahoo.com. Austin Moran, Ilene Ramoz, Lazaro Rodriguez, Thomas Talamantez, Jaedin Tambunga, Humberto Torralba, Manuel Torralba, Deven Vasquez, Tyler Webb and Justin Yeager

Second Grade - Xavier Coward, Edgar Guajardo, Jacqueline Guerra, Jazmin Hernandez, Mark Hernandez, Josh Knaack, David Landin, Isaura Lopez, Carlos Martinez, Dillon McGrath, Coulter McWilliams, Yasmin Ojeda, Kameron Ortiz, Alyssa Perez, Destiny Perez, Micaela Perez, Ivan Willarreal, Paige Villarre al and Caleb Webb

Third Grade - Kassidy Gonzales, Brenna Hale and Andy Hernandez

Fourth Grade - Jahnvi Bhakta, Austin Elguea, Abby Gott, Asia Lara, Kamryn Lozano, Timothy Maldonado, Julie Marshall, Jose Martinez, Rachel Mendoza, Kabir Shah and Azaylea Tovar

Fifth Grade - Alex Hopper, Maria Mejia, Estefania Torralba and Kevin Villarreal

### "A-B" HONOR ROLL

First Grade - Austin Damian, Krista Dominguez, Jaden Fay, Georgina Garcia, Cristina Mata, Gerardo Mata, Alexandra Montgomery, Holly Munsell, Alyiah Ortiz, Rayne Payne, Carlie Ramos, Peyton Rohan, Precious Samario, Kayla Sarabia, Kendra Sarabia, Alycia Tambunga, Jaez Tambunga, Kaitlyn Tambunga, Joseph Vitela and Adrian Whitby

Second Grade - Andrea Cortez, Isaac Gonzales, Isaiah Gonzales, Karina Marmolejo, Jordan Martin, Austin Martinez, Kassidy McCutcheon, Marisol Medina, Marcus Perez, Zackery Polk, Adrian Posas, Ebony Ramirez, Esperanza Ramirez, Spencer Salazar, Carlos Soto, Christian Valdes, Arianna Vargas, Adrian Villa and Riley Williams

Third Grade - Alejandra Camarillo, Josae Coy, Gregorio De Hoyos, Roman Esparza, Bladen Hernandez, Murray Logan, Toni Parker, Jennifer Rodriguez, Kobe Rodriquez, Jacob Schroeder, Hunter Smith and Samantha Torralba

Fourth Grade - Bobbie Benson, Luis Contreras, Thomas Cruz, Edgar Damian, Vanessa De La Rosa, Weston Fay, Madison Galindo, Garry Held, Madyson Hubbard, Maiah Jurado, Trace Justiss, Jennifer Lewis, Caleb Martinez, Sidney Perez, Jonathan Posas, Amery Robison, Elizabeth Rodriguez, Pricila Rodriguez, Emmanuel Sarabia, Jasmine Talamantez, Juan Tambunga, Gabriela Treto and Autumn

Fifth Grade - Joseph Absher, Narda Aguilar, Javier Barrera, Phillip Benson, Kimberly Borrego, Madison Childress, Mitchel Cox, Kristen Fi-Cruz, Avery Edinburgh, Chloe erro, Dakota Lee, Tyra Longo-Edinburgh, Matthew Galindo, ria, Bryce Martin, Olivia Mata, Grant Gott, Valyssa Hartman, Lauren Miles, Jeremy Mu-Osiel Hernandez, Nathan-noz, Alyssa Newlin, Jose Ojeiel Jackson, Alec Lara, Han- da, Kalen Perez, Alondra Ro-

Duston Vargas, Nereyda Vega and Juan Venegas

### Photos needed for **Band Banquet**

Photos are needed for the annual slide show at the May 12 OHS Band Banquet at the Fair Park Convention Center.

Email photos to Diane Lott

### Youth Center Calendar of Events

May 4 - OHS Food Night,

7-10 p.m.

May 5 - OMS Food Night, 7-10 p.m.

OMS Pool Tournament April 21

1. Christian Perez

2. Hazael Damian

### Youth Center Scholarship Donations Being Accepted

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### **MEETING: Dove season changes** to be discussed

The proposed dove season the option to adjust a portion in the North and Central Dove Zones would run Sept. 1-Oct. 25 and reopen Dec. 26-Jan. 9, with a 15-bird bag and not more than two white-tipped doves.

Also during the public comment period, TPWD will be scoping calendar options for the additional 10 days of hunting in the North Zone for the 2010-11 season.

The proposed South Zone dove season would run Sept. 18-Nov. 3, reopening Dec. 26-Jan. 17 with a 15 bird bag and not more than two white-tipped doves. Possession limit is twice the daily bag for all migratory game birds except light geese which currently does not have a possession limit.

The Special South Texas Whitewing Area would open to white-winged dove afternoononly (noon to sunset) hunting Sept. 5-6 and 12-13 and reopen Sept. 18-Nov. 3 and again from Dec. 26-Jan. 13. The daily bag limit is 12 birds, not more than four mourning doves during the first two weekend splits and two whitetipped doves. Once the general season opens the aggregate bag limit will be 15.

ing a proposal to give TPWD tpwd.state.tx.us.

of the boundary of the special whitewing area. This potential change would remove portions of Jim Hogg and Starr counties. These areas are not as high a quality white-winged dove habitat as other portions of the area. If removed, these portions would fall under the South Zone dates and bag. TPWD plans to hold a public hearing prior to the May 27 commission meeting to evaluate public support of this proposal.

TPWD is proposing no changes to other early migratory game bird seasons other than to reflect calendar shifts.

If Texas gets a 16-day September teal season, the dates would be Sept. 12-27, while a nine-day season would run Sept. 19-27.

The proposed season for rail and gallinule is Sept. 12-27 and Oct. 31-Dec. 23; for snipe, Oct. 31-Feb. 14; and for woodcock, Dec. 18-Jan. 31.

The public is invited to comment on these proposals by visiting the TPWD Web site or by writing TPWD Public Comment, attn. Robert Macdonald, 4200 Smith School Rd., Austin, TX 78744 The service is also review- or email robert.macdonald@

### STATE: Attorney general files suit against California business

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Patterson said natural gas vehicles emit about 25 percent less greenhouse gases than vehicles powered by gasoline.

The public-private effort also has a goal to increase the size of natural gas vehicle fleets. AG FILES SUIT

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4-20-09 David G. Burleson, Fort Stockton, unlawful carrying of a weapon, Class A misdemeanor, \$5,000 PR Bond. 4-21-09

· Heather Ybarra, San Angelo, criminial mischief more than \$1,500 and under \$20,000, state jail felony, \$10,000.

· Joshua Mendoza, Ozona, possession of marijuana more than four ounces and less than five pounds, felony, \$10,000; driving while intoxicated, misdemeanor, \$2,000. 4-24-09 · Samantha Lucas, Scotts-

dale, Ariz., possession of marijuana less than two ounces, misdemeanor, \$2,000. · Charles Anthony Piccini,

Biloxi, Miss., possession of marijuana less than two ounces, misdemeanor, \$2,000.

Christopher Ryan Espinoza, Lubbock, possession of a controlled substance more than four grams and less than 200 grams, felony, \$15,000; possession of marijuana more than four ounces and less than five pounds, felony, \$5,000.

Ginny Everett, Ozona, failure to identify, misdemeanor, \$2,000; resisting arrest, misdemeanor, \$5,000; evading arrest, misdemeanor. \$2,000; drinking alcohol after hours, misdemeanor, \$1,100.

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(d) Proof that an alcoholic beverage was possessed with intent to consume in violation of this section requires evidence that the person consumed an alcoholic beverage on that day in violation of this section.

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Daniel Torres Rubio, Iriving, Texas, assault causing bodily injury, Class A misdemeanor, \$5,000.

**COUNTY COURT** Michelle Romero, 30, Odessa, failure to appear, case dismissed.

Robert Mark Robinson, 50, Kemah, Texas, driving while intoxicated, one year pre-trial diversion.

The above information was obtained from the Crockett County Clerk's Office and the Justice of the Peace Office

### Fire department runs WEATHER NOTE:

· 12:28 p.m. - Vehicle fire I-10 mile-marker 348 eastbound. No fire, blown turbo on a truck. Two units, three fire fighters. Time in service 42 minutes.

APRIL 26

5:55 p.m. - Motor vehicle accident at I-10 35 mile-marker. was going to be very dangerous On arrival found a minor acci- due to large hail being reported dent. A unit with one fire fighters. Time in service 28 minutes. ers. Time in service 28 minutes.

· 6:23 p.m. - Motor vehicle accident reported at I-10 milemarker 350, was not a accident. A unit with one fire fighter. Time in service 8 minutes.

Ozona Firefighters were al-

ready out watching the weather when the above calls on April 26 were received. During the weather watch, and working with the National Weather Service in San Angelo, it was felt that a storm approaching Ozona at the station, and with the EMC who was in his mobile, to sound the sirens as a safety concern. The storm did pass south of Ozona and continued into Sutton County.

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### **LEGAL NOTICE:**

This Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off game will close on May 7, 2009. You have until November 3, 2009, to redeem any tickets for this game: #1027 Weekly Grand (\$2) overall odds are 1 in 3.91. This Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off game will close on May 23, 2009. You have until November 19, 2009, to redeem any tickets for this game: #1135 Hearts On Fire (\$2) overall odds are 1 in 3.93. This Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off game will close on June 1, 2009. You have until November 28, 2009, to redeem any tickets for this game: #839 Monthly Bonus (\$5) overall odds are 1 in 3.80. These Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off games will close on June 10, 2009. You have until December 7, 2009, to redeem any tickets for these games: #1040 \$1 Million Double Action (\$20) overall odds are 1 in 2.88, #1094 \$130,000,000 Platinum Payout (\$50) overall odds are 1 in 2.77. This Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off game will close on July 1, 2009. You have until December 28, 2009, to redeem any tickets for this game: #1118 Texas \$50 Million Club (\$20) overall odds are 1 in 2.88. The odds listed here are the overall odds of winning any prize in a game, including break-even prizes. Lottery retailers are authorized to redeem prizes of up to and including \$599. Prizes of \$600 or more must be claimed in person at a Lottery Claim Center or by mail with a completed Texas Lottery claim form; however, annuity prizes or prizes over \$999,999 must be claimed in person at the Commission Headquarters in Austin. Call Customer Service at 1-800-37LOTTO or visit the Lottery Web site at www.txlottery.org for more information and location of nearest Claim Center. The Texas Lottery is not responsible for lost or stolen tickets, or for tickets lost in the mail. Tickets, transactions, players, and winners are subject to, and players and winners agree to abide by, all applicable laws, Commission rules, regulations, policies, directives, instructions, conditions, procedures, and final decisions of the Executive Director. A Scratch-Off game may continue to be sold even when all the top prizes have been claimed. Must

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### NOTICE OF DRAFT FEDERAL OPERATING PERMIT **DRAFT PERMIT NO.: 02542**

APPLICATION AND DRAFT PERMIT. DCP Midstream, LP, 10 Desta Drive, Suite 400 West, Midland, Texas 79705, a Natural Gas Liquids facility, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal and revision of Federal Operating Permit (herein referred to as Permit) No. O2542, Application No. 12042 to authorize operation of the Ozona Gas Plant. The area addressed by the application is located by leaving from Ozona and going south on State Highway 163 for approximately two miles. The main office will be on the right. Turn right at the office and continue to the plant approximately one mile in Ozona, Crockett County, Texas 76943. This application was received by the TCEQ on May 28, 2008.

The purpose of a federal operating permit is to improve overall compliance with the rules governing air pollution control by clearly listing all applicable requirements, as defined in Title 30 Texas Administrative Code § 122.10 (30 TAC § 122.10). The draft permit, if approved, will codify the conditions under which the area must operate. The permit will not authorize new construction. The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and has made a preliminary decision to prepare a draft permit for public comment and review. The TCEQ Executive Director recommends issuance of this draft permit. The permit application, statement of basis, and draft permit will be available 'for viewing and copying at the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Central Office, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building E, First Floor, Austin, Texas; the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality San Angelo Regional Office, 622 South Oakes Street, Suite K, San Angelo, Texas 76903-7035; and the Crockett County Library, 703 12th Street, Ozona, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. At the TCEQ Central and Regional Offices, relevant supporting materials for the draft permit, as well as the new source review permits which have been incorporated by reference, may be reviewed and copied. Any person with difficulties obtaining these materials due to travel constraints may contact the TCEQ Central Office file room at (512) 239-1540.

PUBLIC COMMENT/NOTICE AND COMMENT HEARING. Any person may submit written comments on the draft permit. Comments relating to the accuracy, completeness, and appropriateness of the permit conditions may result in changes to the draft permit.

A person who may be affected by the emission of air pollutants from the permitted area may request a notice and comment hearing. The purpose of the notice and comment hearing is to provide an additional opportunity to submit comments on the draft permit. The permit may be changed based on comments pertaining to whether the permit provides for compliance with 30 TAC Chapter 122 (examples may include that the permit does not contain all applicable requirements or the public notice procedures were not satisfied). The TCEQ may grant a notice and comment hearing on the application if a written hearing request is received within 30 days after publication of the newspaper notice. The hearing request must include the basis for the request, including a description of how the person may be affected by the emission of air pollutants from the application area. The request should also specify the conditions of the draft permit that are inappropriate or specify how the preliminary decision to issue or deny the permit is inappropriate. All reasonably ascertainable issues must be raised and all reasonably available arguments must be submitted by the end of the public comment period.

If a notice and comment hearing is granted, all individuals that submitted written comments or a hearing request will receive written notice of the hearing. This notice will identify the date, time, and location for the hearing

Written public comments and/or requests for a notice and comment hearing should be submitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, or electronically at www.tceq. state.tx.us/about/comments.html received within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.

A notice of proposed final action that includes a response to comments and identification of any changes to the draft permit will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments, a hearing request, or requested to be on the mailing list for this application. This mailing will also provide instructions for public petitions to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to request that the EP A object to the issuance of the proposed permit. After receiving a petition, the EPA may only object to the issuance of a permit which is not in compliance with the applicable requirements or the requirements of 30 T AC Chapter 122.

MAILING LIST. In addition to submitting public comments, a person may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address above. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Chief Clerk for this application.

INFORMATION. For additional information about this permit application or the permitting process, please contact the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of Public Assistance, MC-108, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or toll free at 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at www.tceq.state.tx.us Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

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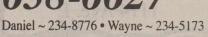
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