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## Fire Q&A: Falkner has been chief for 15 years

BY MELISSA PERNER  
THE OZONA STOCKMAN

As part of National Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 4-10, The Ozona Stockman is featuring Ozona Fire Chief Bob Falkner this week.

The Ozona Volunteer Fire Department was founded in 1947 with 19 charter members.

Today's fire department is allotted 40 members and currently the department has 28.

All of the equipment is up to date, and the department doesn't anticipate any new equipment for the next several years, Falkner said.

### HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN FIRE CHIEF?

Fifteen years; been in the department 37 years, plus eight years in Fort Stockton and two years in Alpine.

### HOW DID YOU BECOME THE FIRE CHIEF?

Election of the department.

### WHAT KIND OF TRAINING, EDUCATION OR EXPERIENCE DOES THE FIRE CHIEF HAVE TO HAVE?

Our bylaws simply require we be a member of the department for at least three years. The is the only requirement we have right now.

### WHAT KIND OF TRAINING, EDUCATION OR EXPERIENCE DOES A VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER HAVE TO HAVE?

Firemen are trained through on the job training through the department. The state rates volunteer firemen as basic firefighters, intermediate firefighters and advanced firefighters.



OZONA FIRE CHIEF Bob Falkner on the scene of a vehicle fire in September 2008. Falkner has been chief of the department for 15 years and on the department for 37 years.

We've got five firefighters in the department that are basic, three intermediate and no advance right now.

The reason for that is we did not keep up with our training hours until a few years ago.

We've started working on keeping up with our hours. We get our hours mainly from going to Texas A&M Annual Fire School and regional fire schools.

### WHAT IS THE ONE THING ABOUT YOUR JOB YOU ENJOY THE MOST?

I like fighting fires and the interaction with the firefighters on the job.

### WHAT IS ONE DUTY IN YOUR JOB THAT YOU ENJOY THE LEAST?

Dislike dealing with departmental problems.

### WHAT ARE SOME OF THE DUTIES OF A VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER THAT MANY PEOPLE MAY NOT REALIZE THEY HAVE?

We respond to motor vehicle accidents and it's the risky part of it that many people don't understand, such as using equipment like the Jaws of Life. We respond to the motor vehicle accidents that the Crockett County EMS also responds to. Our duties at the scene of the accident are: 1. to make sure people are removed from the vehicle safely; 2. to protect the scene - traffic wise so EMS personnel are able to do their job safely; 3. extra manpower to the EMS service when needed to assist them with patient transport.

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## Fire-Safety Tips



For more fire tips, visit  
[www.firepreventionweek.org](http://www.firepreventionweek.org)

- Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home. For the best protection, interconnect all smoke alarms throughout the home. When one sounds, they all sound.
- For best protection use both photoelectric and ionization technology. You can use individual ionization and photoelectric smoke alarms or combination units that contain both technologies in the same unit.
- Test smoke alarms at least once a month using the test button.
- Replace smoke alarms every 10 years.
- Make sure everyone can hear the sound of the smoke alarms.
- Have a home fire escape plan. Know at least two ways out of every room, if possible, and a meeting place outside. Practice your escape plan twice a year.
- When the smoke alarm sounds, get out and stay out.
- If you are building or remodeling your home, consider a home fire sprinkler system.
- Keep trash from collecting on your property.
- Remove abandoned vehicles from your property.
- Remove dead branches that could be used as a fuel source.
- Keep lamps, light fixtures, and light bulbs away from anything that can burn, such as lamp shades, bedding, curtains, and clothing.
- Replace cracked and damaged electrical cords.
- Use extension cords for temporary wiring only. Consider having additional circuits or receptacles added by a qualified electrician.
- If you have young children in your home have tamper-resistant electrical receptacles.
- Call a qualified electrician or landlord if you have recurring problems with blowing fuses or tripping circuit breakers, discolored or warm wall outlets, flickering lights or a burning or rubbery smell coming from an appliance.
- Treat a burn right away. Put it in cool water for three to five minutes. Cover with a clean, dry cloth.
- Pay attention to what you are cooking. Stay in the kitchen when you are frying, grilling, or broiling food.
- When you are simmering, boiling, baking, or roasting food, check it regularly, stay in the home, and use a timer to remind you.
- If you must leave the room even for a short time, turn off the stove.
- If you have young children, use the stove's back burners whenever possible.

## Crockett County jury finds Perez guilty on nine counts of child pornography

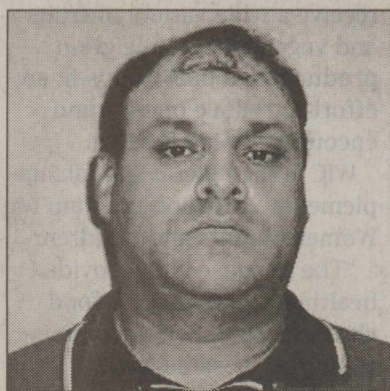
BY MELISSA PERNER  
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An Ozona man was found guilty of child pornography, after a three-day trial held last week at the Crockett County Civic Center.

On Sept. 30, a Crockett County Jury found David Vargas Perez, 44, guilty of nine counts of possession of child pornography.

According to a press release from the 112th District Attorney's office, Perez then withdrew his application for the jury to assess punishment and agreed to accept the maximum sentence of 10 years for all nine counts.

Perez also pleaded guilty to two counts of indecency with a child and accepted 15 year sentences for both counts, the release stated.



DAVID VARGAS PEREZ

Perez also pleaded guilty to two counts of aggravated sexual assault of a child and accepted a 30 year sentence for both counts.

All of the prison sentences will run concurrently and Perez must register as a sex offender, every 90 days, for life, the release stated.

"Cases of this nature are quite difficult to prosecute. The successful prosecution of this case is attributable

to the cooperation of several state and local agencies. I applaud the teamwork exhibited by everyone involved in the investigation and prosecution," said Laurie English, district attorney.

The Attorney General's Cyber Crimes Unit began investigating Perez after the U.S. House Committee on Energy and Commerce identified him as an individual who used credit cards to purchase access to child pornography web sites, the release stated.

Cyber Crimes Unit investigators conducted a forensic analysis of Perez's computer equipment and discovered more than 100 child pornography images and videos.

The indecency and aggravated sexual assault cases were investigated by Tex-

as Ranger Brooks Long and Steve Suriano, of the attorney general's office, after the initial investigation revealed that Perez's computer contained photos of young boys at his home and a victim's family member contacted local law enforcement, the release stated. Both male victims were ages 11-12 years old and lived in Ozona at the time of the offenses.

Perez was arrested in September 2007.

The child pornography case was prosecuted by Assistant Attorney General, Heather Youree, with assistance from First Assistant District Attorney, Steve Smith. Perez was represented by Anthony Cantrell of San Antonio.

Judge Pedro (Pete) Gomez Jr. presided over the case.

## Drive-thru flu shot clinic Oct. 14

Family Health Center will sponsor their popular drive-thru flu shot clinic from 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Oct. 14 at the EMS Building behind the clinic.

Cost is \$20 per flu shot.

Vaccine is free to Medicare patients, and the clinic will also vaccinate county employees and anyone whose company is paying for their vaccine at the drive-thru clinic.

Important - wear short sleeves, participants will need to get out of their vehicle.

The drive-thru clinic is for those 17 and over. Children 16 years and younger will need to go to the clinic during regular hours for their vaccines.

Anyone who cannot attend the drive-thru clinic and any vaccine remains after Oct. 14, flu shots can be received at the clinic from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. every evening, until supply is depleted.

It is important to note that this flu shot clinic is to vaci-

nate for the regular seasonal flu only.

The vaccine given that day will not protect against the H1N1 (swine flu).

The H1N1 clinics will be held at a later date. Please watch the Ozona Stockman and cable channel 34 for dates and times.

Texas Department of State Health Services officials report that the amount of H1N1 flu vaccine available for the state over the next few weeks will be low and are urging the public and health care providers waiting for it to be patient.

Some 3.4 million doses of the vaccine had been projected for Texas by mid-October, but the latest estimates are that no more than 1.7 million doses will be available by then. Weekly allotments are expected to be larger after mid-October.

For any questions, call the Family Health Center at 392-3788 at any time.

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## The feasibility of starting your own business

This is the second part to the series guiding you through the general process of starting your own business. In the first part we discussed the idea formation process, how to determine your strengths and analyze the holes within your plan.

In this article we will discuss the process of determining the feasibility of starting the business by analyzing the market and costs associated with the venture.

Once you have covered the initial steps of selecting your business venture and analyzing the strengths and holes in your busi-

ness idea, the next step is to determine whether or not it is feasible.

In order to do so, entrepreneurs need to understand the market they are entering. If you have decided to start a day care, it is important to know how many children currently attend



**BUSINESS TIPS**

PEDRO RAMIREZ

Typically each business has a

few key items that directly affect the overall cost of the project. Some examples are location, facilities or equipment. For example, if you are starting a restaurant your location will play an important role in your cost structure. The location must be accessible, have ample parking and be located near homes or businesses to succeed. The building itself will determine what modifications you need to make in order to meet health and fire codes.

By identifying the key items for your venture, you can begin estimating the overall cost of your

business and determine how much the business needs to generate in order for it to survive. Typically, a business also must have enough operating capital to survive the first three months of operation. If your cost analysis determines that in order for the business to survive you need to capture 25 percent or more of a saturated market, you may want to seriously consider entering other alternatives. If for example, it is determined that you only require 5 percent of a fragmented market, then it may be a feasible business.

Up to this point we have cov-

ered the process of generating your idea, analyzing your strengths and the holes in your business venture, covered how to view the market and the costs associated with your business venture. In the next article we will discuss the process of selecting the appropriate location for your business and conducting the appropriate research for your permits or licenses.

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## Time for Newspaper Folks to Fight Back! Here's How

*Editor's note: The following was written by Donna Barrett, President and Chief Executive Officer of Community Newspaper Holdings Inc. (CNHI), and Randy Siegel, President and Publisher of Parade Publications, for National Newspaper Week Oct. 4-10.*



**WHAT'S ON MY MIND**

MELISSA PERNER

O.K., newspaper folks. It's time to pick ourselves off the ground and fight back. There is plenty of time left on the clock, and our fans — more than 100 million loyal readers — are pulling for us to win. So here's how we rally.

First and foremost, we have to ignore those self-proclaimed pundits and cynics who believe that newspapers are dead. They are dead wrong.

Sure, newspaper companies face serious challenges. But we also have serious opportunities to re-engineer ourselves as quality content creators for local print and online audiences that advertisers still desire.

As we are seeing during this punishing recession, overhauling the economics of newspapering while experimenting with new business models is a daunting task, but it's starting to happen in cities and towns all over the country.

The truth is that right now every media company is hurting and under tremendous pressure to innovate and grow, including Google, Yahoo, Microsoft, the broadcast networks, cable giants and radio conglomerates. No one — not even MySpace, Facebook or the latest new media darling — is immune from these severe contractions in the advertising marketplace.

Fortunately, the economy eventually will improve, and businesses will start spending more, even on newspaper ads. The price of newsprint will come down. New print and online revenue models will emerge. Organizational efficiencies will help the bottom line. And well-run newspaper companies will succeed by fighting hard, experimenting and evolving while tuning out those armchair critics who revel in the thought of a society without newspapers or news.

Second, newspaper companies need to capitalize more aggressively on the valuable information that their newsrooms singularly provide their communities and our country.

In the past year, newspaper journalists have blown away their competition with critically important and defining coverage of two wars, a historic presidential election and the worst economic meltdown and financial scandals in our lifetimes. In municipalities from coast to coast, newspapers have excelled in their watchdog role as a protector of the public interest by bringing down corrupt politi-

cians, exposing government waste and fraud, and injecting much-needed accountability in our schools and social-service agencies.

In short, quality content is still king, and newspapers own the best news-gathering operations in their individual markets.

Bottom line: Creating a more attractive experience for newspaper and website audiences enhances advertising revenues.

Third, the newspaper industry needs to reexamine how to protect and monetize its valuable print and online content. While Google CEO Eric Schmidt was quoted recently saying, "All information wants to be free," it's clear that the issue is not so simple—especially as Google continues to sell billions of dollars a year worth of advertising around original newspaper content.

Fourth and finally, newspapers should improve the quality of their sales and marketing operations. While it's easy to blame what ails the newspaper industry on disruptive technologies such as the Internet, newspaper companies need to revitalize their sales and marketing strategies and keep upgrading their personnel in these vital revenue-producing areas. Newspapers too often lag behind their competitors in understanding the ever-changing needs of their customers, whether they are advertisers, readers or nonreaders.

Many newspaper sales forces still are unwilling or unable to sell their value against competing media. In fact, print ads may be poised to see resurgence in value in the advertising community. They aren't skipped over by Ti-Vos and DVRs. They don't scream at you for 20 minutes every hour like commercial radio. They don't cookie you, track your keystrokes and violate your privacy while selling your personal information like many of the more manipulative Internet sites out there.

In our rapidly changing society, newspapers, in print and online, can turn things around, reassert their relevance to readers and advertisers, and stage a comeback. It won't be easy or for the faint-hearted. But it can be done as long as we don't give up. We can't win this tough battle if we don't believe in our mission and in ourselves.

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I'm not a clubby kind of guy. I don't belong to Rotary, Kiwanis, PTA, KKK, John Birch Society or Book of the Month Club. I take pride in the fact that I've been disinclined to join many groups. That's all right with me because I hate meetings.

The only drawback to my antisocial behavior was that for many years I worried that my obituary was going to be skimpy.

For example: "Lee Pitts was assassinated by an angry reader and left no survivors and did not belong to any clubs, hold any offices or do anything noteworthy while he was alive." You'll agree, that's a pretty sad commentary. But now, thanks to modern marketing, I'll have plenty of clubs to list in my obituary. "Lee Pitts, aged 105, passed away peacefully while asleep. He was an active member in good standing with the Costco Club, United Mileage Plus and the Safeway Club, hardware store club and many others too numerous to mention. They all mourn his passing and will miss him." Much better sounding, don't you agree?

There are many advantages to these types of clubs. There are no meetings, you're not asked to serve on a committee, be an officer, wear a funny hat, or go to a costly convention. The biggest drawback, however, is that you have to carry around all the little plastic cards that prove you are a member. I have so many of these cards in my wallet that when I sit down I'm at a 30 degree angle.

I've never understood the concept

## Dismembered



**IT'S THE PITTS**

LEE PITTS

people to do business with them?

Evidently consumers love the idea that they have to pay club dues in order to buy vast quantities of shop rags and toilet paper because when they open the doors at Costco you'd better not dawdle or you'll be run over like hippies at a rock concert. It must be that membership makes people feel like they are VIPs when they have to show a card to enter a store. Whatever the rationale, I think there are ways that we in agriculture can capitalize on the public's willingness to pay to do business with us.

At our next branding try charging the neighbors for the honor of helping you work your calves. Instead of feeding them a well deserved barbecue dinner after the work is done, charge them for it. Make

them join your club, pay an annual fee, and if you're really brave, charge them extra for being a member of the ground crew.

I'm also thinking that auction markets could charge for the weekly show they put on. Instead of wining, dining and begging buyers and sellers for their participation, auction market operators should charge them all to join their sale barn club. Anyone entering the building must show their card. Buyers could also be charged for special VIP seating, perhaps with their name on the back of their favorite chair.

If you think it's far fetched to charge people to watch an auction you probably have not been to the Red Bluff Horse Sale where thousands pay \$10 each just to watch. Or the Barrett Jackson car auctions where you must pay to get in. All this proves that auctions have hidden entertainment value. I know one fella who subscribed to Direct TV just so he could watch cattle auctions on his television. He's addicted to them. And he's a hair dresser! Instead of giving away costly catalogs for bull sales, breeders should charge prospective buyers \$30 to \$100 for them like they do at swanky art auctions.

If you are going to try these ideas let me know. I want to be there when an auction market operator tells an old crusty cow buyer that henceforth he has to join a club and pay \$40 a year for the privilege of buying canner cows at his auction. If you survive that suggestion you might also consider charging the buyers for parking.

## H1N1 'swine' flu vaccine to arrive in trickle, not flood

AUSTIN -- Be patient, the state Department of State Health Services urged Texans on Sept. 30, because the supply of H1N1 "swine" flu vaccine over the next few weeks will be low.

"We've been told that we'll have about 15 million doses for Texas after all is said and done, but it won't be available all at once," said Dr. David Lakey, state health commissioner. "The vaccine will trickle in week to week, especially at first. It's a fluid situation driven primarily by how much vaccine the manufacturers produce each week."

Some 3.4 million doses of the vaccine had been projected for Texas by mid-October, but the latest estimates are that no more than 1.7 million doses will be available by then.

### COMPTROLLER COMMENTS ON STUDY

A study by the Selig Center for Economic Growth at the University of Georgia shows Hispanic households contributed more than \$171 billion to the Texas economy in 2008.

The study also shows Texas Hispanics' annual buying power is expected to grow to nearly

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\$252 billion by 2013 — a 47 percent increase in five years.

"We expect to see significant growth in Hispanic-owned businesses," Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said.

Figures compiled by the U.S. Census Bureau show that Texas was home to 8.9 million Hispanics in 2008, 37 percent of the state's population. And, in the 2008 Hispanic Business 500, the Top 20 Hispanic businesses in Texas produced revenues of nearly \$4 billion and employed 14,617 people.

Combs said Hispanic companies can benefit from state certification as Historically Underutilized Businesses.

HUB certification, plus registration on the state's Centralized Master Bidders List, can help businesses win contracts with state agencies which are required to make a good faith effort to purchase goods and services from minority- and woman-owned businesses.

"The nation is currently observing Hispanic Heritage

Month, which celebrates the rich history and culture of Hispanic people," Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said. "Here in Texas, Hispanic Heritage Month is also a time to reflect on the enormous contribution Hispanic families and Hispanic-owned businesses make to our economy."

### PROGRAM'S FOOD LIST IMPROVES

A policy switch took effect Oct. 1 that makes it possible for WIC program participants to receive a wide variety of fruits and vegetables, whole grain products and baby foods in an effort to reduce obesity and encourage breastfeeding.

WIC is the federal Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children.

"The purpose is to provide healthier, more diverse food choices," state health commissioner Lakey said Sept. 28. "The new foods give participants more nutritional variety and value, less fat and more fiber."

Food choices before the policy change included milk,

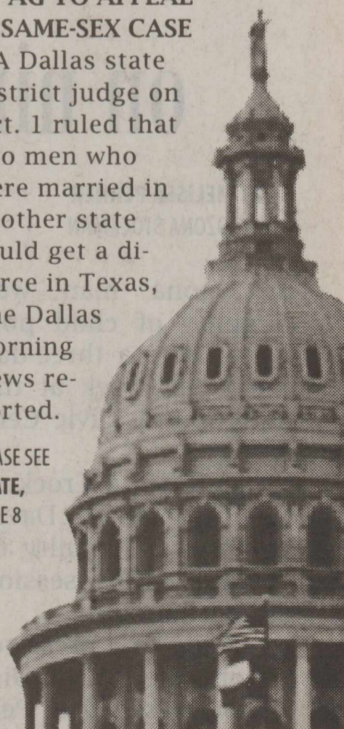
infant formula, cheese, cereals, dried beans, canned tuna, peanut butter, canned or frozen concentrate fruit juice and fresh or canned carrots.

All Texas participants will be transitioned to the new food choices by January.

### AG TO APPEAL SAME-SEX CASE

A Dallas state district judge on Oct. 1 ruled that two men who were married in another state could get a divorce in Texas. The Dallas Morning News reported.

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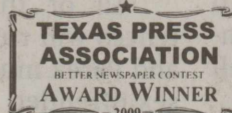
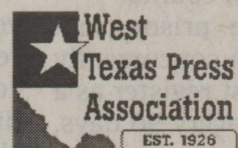
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**OZONA BOY SCOUTS PACK 153** toured the Crockett County Courthouse and learned about the latest renovation project. Pictured with the scouts are Assistant District Attorney Steve Smith and District Attorney Laurie English.

## OZONA MIDDLE SCHOOL PTO HOLDS FIRST MEETING, ELECTS OFFICERS

BY MELISSA PERNER  
THE OZONA STOCKMAN

The first Ozona Middle School PTO (Parent-Teacher Organization) meeting took place on Oct. 1 at the OMS Cafeteria.

OZONA Middle School Principal Houston Hendryx conducted the meeting. Unlike a PTA, a PTO can create its own, local rules, Hendryx said.

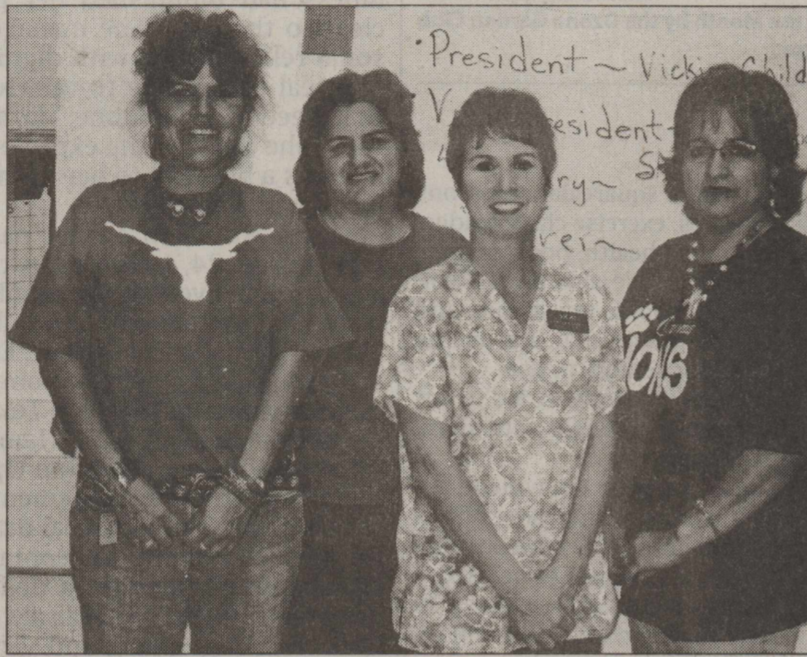
"Our goal for you is to work as a group with the school. We want you involved in the school," Hendryx said.

Some of the school activities Hendryx explained that the PTO will be helping with include chaperoning dances to be held at the school. The dances would be for all OMS students. Hendryx said they plan on having one in the fall, Christmas, Valentine's Day and at the end of school.

Also, Hendryx said the PTO would be helping to making banners during TAKS week to help encourage and boost students and teachers, provide snacks for students and teachers during TAKS week, work on some ideas for Teacher Appreciation Week in May and assist teachers with projects and field trips as needed.

This year's field trips include sixth grade students visiting the cemetery, touring the oil and gas show, going to the Nature Center in San Angelo and the Petroleum Museum in Midland. The seventh grade is planning on touring the missions in San Antonio.

Eighth grade is raising money to travel to Corpus Christi at the end of the year, where they will stay on the USS Lexington and tour the State Aquarium, as well as



**OZONA PTO Officers:** (left to right) Treasurer Cathy Castro, Secretary Shawna Hopper, President Vicki Childress and Vice President Marta De La Garza.

spend a day at the beach. The teachers said the PTO is welcome to help with fundraisers for the eighth grade trip. The class needs \$3,000 for the trip. Recent Krispy Kreme donut sales raised \$2,000 and the school will give \$800, but teacher Leanna Childress said they also want to raise enough for each student to have \$20 in spending money.

OZONA Counselor Maria Hendryx presented a program on "sexting," which is the act of sending sexually explicit messages or photos electronically, primarily between cell phones.

She said that there is a law against sexting now and

that the sender is the person held liable, not the receiver.

"As a parent we don't want to think the worst of our kids, but you need to be aware that there are charges against this," she said.

At future PTO meetings, Houston Hendryx said members can make suggestions for other issues to be presented and that there will also be student programs as well.

Election of officers took place with Vicki Childress elected president; Marta De La Garza vice president; Shawna Hopper secretary and Cathy Castro treasurer.

The next meeting will be at 6 p.m. Oct. 26 at the OMS Gymnasium.

## Care Center fund-raiser Friday

Crockett County Care Center is gearing up once again for their annual fund-raiser.

This year's event will be held Oct. 9 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The day will consist of hot dogs and sodas for 50 cents each. Funnel cakes and a variety of other "goodies" will be available to purchase.

Many door prizes, specialty gift baskets, cake walk and live entertainment from Fort Worth, Texas to fill the air with music.

Raffle tickets are on sale now at the Care Center for the four top raffle prizes: 1. trip for two to Laughlin, Nev., includes airfare and room with \$200 spending money; 2. trip for two to Wendover, Nev., includes airfare and room with \$200 spending money; 3. a \$450 gas grill with propane tank and 4. a \$100 Visa card to spend where you wish.

Plenty of door prizes and fun. Call 392-2671, 392-3096, ask for Benny or Marta for details.

Please come. The money we raise goes strictly to the residents for Christmas and other things of need that arises throughout the year.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- Wednesday, Oct. 7**
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
  - South West Texas Oil & Gas Trade Show Welcome BBQ dinner and trap skeet and 5 stand Fun Shoot, 5:30 p.m. at the Crockett County Shooting Sports Complex.
- Thursday, Oct. 8**
- South West Texas Oil & Gas Trade Show, starting at 9 a.m. at the Fair Park Convention Center. Lunch at 11:30 a.m. at the Civic Center.
  - Ladies bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
  - JV Lions vs. Alpine, 5 p.m. at Lion Stadium.
  - OMS Lions vs. Alpine, 5 p.m. at Alpine.
  - 4x4 Group meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the town square.
- Friday, Oct. 9**
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
  - South West Texas Oil & Gas Trade Show, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Fair Park Convention Center.
  - Care Center Fund-Raiser, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Care Center.
  - Varsity Lions vs. Alpine, 7:30 p.m. at Alpine.
- Saturday, Oct. 10**
- Crockett County Clover 5K and 1 mile fun run/walk, 9 a.m. at the Fair Park (by the rodeo arena).
  - OHS and OMS Cross Country Teams at Wall.
  - Fort Lancaster Western Historical Day, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at Fort Lancaster.
  - Levis and Lace Square Dance, 7 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Monday, Oct. 12**
- Columbus Day
  - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
  - County Commissioners' meeting, 9 a.m. at the courthouse annex.
  - Ladies bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
  - Wellness Center Board meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the library.
- Tuesday, Oct. 13**
- Med Way Home Health, 11 a.m. at the Senior Center.
  - Ozona Athletic Booster Club meeting, 7 p.m. at the Civic Center.
- Wednesday, Oct. 14**
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
  - Drive-thru flu shot clinic, 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. at the EMS Building.

## Happy Birthday

- Sept. 30** - Paul De La Garza, Tom Ben Williams, Michael Garza, Joey Arredondo, Cheyenne Taylor, Guy W. Hester, Elizabeth Upham and Griselda Tambunga.
- Oct. 1** - Leslea B. Fierro, Nancy Gutierrez, Chase DeHoyos, Michael Morelli, Debra Burk and Fay Henry
- Oct. 2** - Jessica Luckie, Crystelle Childress, Lu Ingram, Susan Hester, Mike Miller, Aryn Danre Sanchez, Michael Ybarra Jr. and Brandi Trevino
- Oct. 3** - Marolyn Bean, Lizette De La Cruz, Margaret Longoria, Robert Tambunga, Sue Ellen Crawford, JoLynn Rodriguez and Autumn Gonzales
- Oct. 4** - Christopher Rodriguez, Kurtlan Reyes, Jesus Guerra, Mike Vitela and Ray Ramos
- Oct. 5** - Benita Castellanos, Jose M. Esparza Jr., Avery Sofia Fierro, Orinaldo Meza and Ashlynn Borrego
- Oct. 6** - Ted Cotton, Adam Madrid, Dorothy Perez, Bryce Gutierrez, Baylor Myers, Jose Martinez Jr. and Mary Ybarra

## NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION ESPECIAL)

To the registered voter of the County of Crockett, Texas:  
(A los votantes registrados del Condado de Crockett, Texas):

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., November 3, 2009 for voting in a special election to adopt or reject the proposed Constitutional Amendments as submitted by the 81<sup>st</sup> Legislature, Regular Session, of the State of Texas (Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 3 de Noviembre de 2009, para votar en la Eleccion Especial para adoptar o rechazar la enmiendas propuestas consitucional asi como fueron sometidas por la 81a Legislatura Sesion, Regular, de la estado de Texas.

### LOCATIONS OF POLLING PLACES

- PRECINCT ONE - CROCKETT COUNTY COURTHOUSE (PRECINCTO UNO - CASA DEL CORTE DEL CONDADO DE CROCKETT)
- PRECINCT TWO - CROCKETT COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS BUILDING (PRECINCTO DOS - EDIFICIO DE LOS CIUDADANOS DE MAYOR EDAD DEL CONDADO DE CROCKETT)
- PRECINCT THREE - CROCKETT COUNTY CIVIC CENTER (PRECINCTO TRES - CIVICO CENTRO DEL CONDADO DE CROCKETT)
- PRECINCT FOUR - TEMPLO SILOE A/G CHURCH ANNEX- 2121 SANTA ROSA STREET (PRECINCTO CUATRO - IGLESIA TEMPLO SILOE ANEXO- 2121 CALLE DE SANTA ROSA)

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at:  
(La votacion adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en):

Crockett County Courthouse Annex- 909 Ave D  
(Anexo del Casa del Corte del Condado de Crockett)

Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. beginning October 19, 2009, (entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el 19 de Octubre, 2009), and ending on October 30, 2009 (y terminando el 30 de Octubre, 2009).

Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to  
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran adelantada por correo deberan enviarse a):

Debbi Puckett  
P.O. Drawer C  
Ozona, Texas 76943

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on October 27, 2009.  
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran adelantada por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 27 de Octubre, 2009)

Issued this the 2nd day of October, 2009  
(Emitada este dia 2 de Octubre, 2009.)

*Fred Deaton*  
Fred Deaton  
County Judge  
Crockett County

## 2009 Amateur Photo Contest Crockett County Museum



Cost is \$5 per youth entry  
\$10 per adult entry

Entries are due no later than Friday, Oct. 30 at 4:00 at the Museum

Awards & Prizes will be given in each category

**Adult Color & Black/White/Sepia**  
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October 10, 2009  
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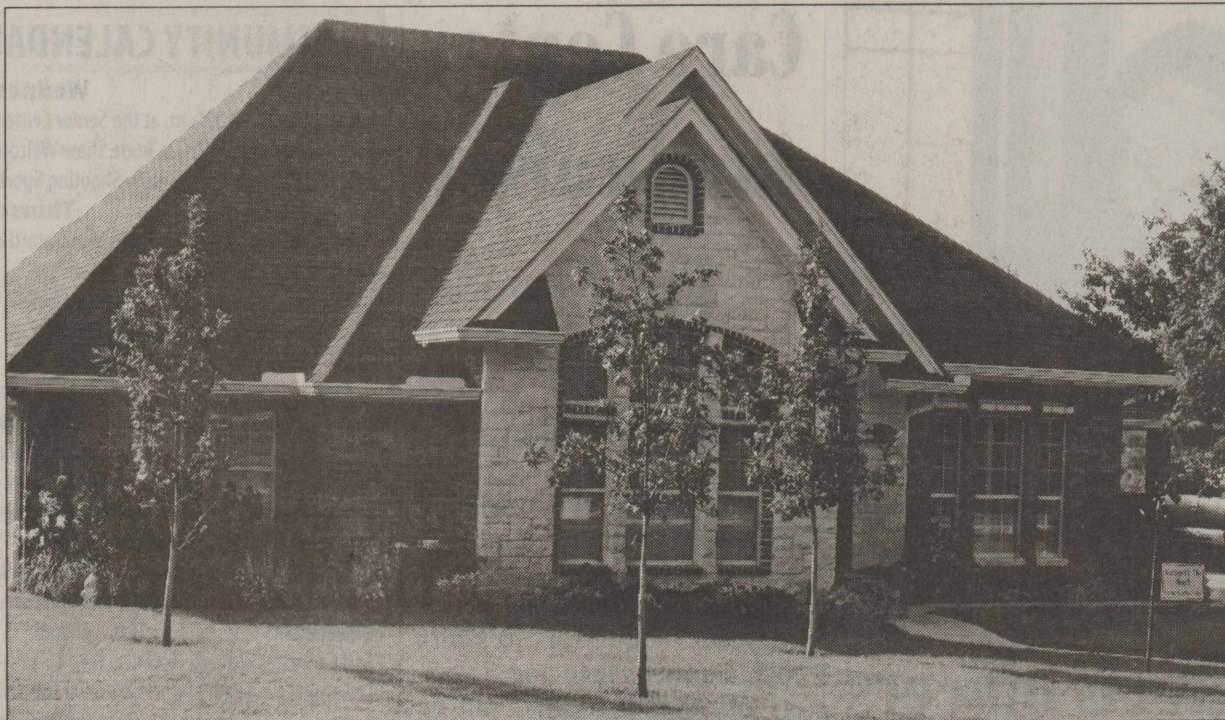
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THE HOME OF RICKY and DAROLYNN WEBSTER has been chosen as the Garden of the Month by the Ozona Garden Club for its beautiful lawn, thriving trees, colorful flower beds and nice landscape design.

**OZONA SENIOR HAPPENINGS**

**BY LYNN ENGLISH**  
SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

It is a welcome relief to know that Royce and Brenda Newton are back in town after being away for a little over two weeks. Levis and Lace Square Dancers will be having a dance here at the Crockett County Senior Center on Saturday, Oct. 10. They are a fun group to watch dance or you can join in with them. Med Way Home Health will be here at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13, at the Senior Center. They will be taking blood pressures and

blood sugar tests. There will be no charge for this service. We will be having our Senior Bingo Social this month on Tuesday, Oct. 27. We will be serving chili with beans, cornbread, dessert and tea, coffee or water. Mark your calendar and plan to come for an evening of fellowship and fun. 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 regular activities: square dance lessons and dances, exercise class, bridge, bingo, home health, pool, canasta and puzzles. We also have a collection of books, magazines and three computers that are on the internet for seniors to use. We have recently added to our equipment a 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 years young and older. We will remain flexible as to age.

**LIBRARY NEWS** By Louise P. Ledoux | Crockett County Librarian

**'Antiques Roadshow' at Oct. 19 library dinner**

Antique Road Show Crockett County Style! The Friends of the Library Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, Oct. 19, at the Civic Center from 5:30-9 p.m. The dinner and program are hosted by the Friends of the Library and everyone is urged to RSVP and attend this exciting presentation by Chandra and Sue of the Concho Confetti Antique Mall in San Angelo. The ladies will present an informative program on Carnival Glass and then will take a look at

whatever antique treasures that you bring with you for dating, appraisal and valuation. The Mexican Buffet dinner will be prepared by the Guadalupeans of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church. Tickets are \$10 and must be purchased in advance by Friday, Oct. 16. Call 392-3565 or come by the Library to RSVP and pick up your dinner tickets. This fun program for all ages is your chance to find out about those antique toys and art pieces, and what those silver candle-

**DEATH NOTICES**

**Emilio Gutierrez**

Emilio Gutierrez, 56, died Monday, Sept. 28, 2008, in a Midland hospital. Service was Thursday, Oct. 1, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church with burial in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Arrangements are by Preddy Funeral Home. Survivors include his wife, Patsy H. Gutierrez of Midland; daughter Sandra M. Sanchez of Mission; sons Sotero H. Fuentes of Midland and Samuel L. Fuentes and Shayne W. Fuentes, both of Odessa; sisters Sara G. Torres and Edna G. Martinez, both of San Angelo, Jannette Macial of San Antonio and Alda Emma Banda of Gillette, Wyo.; and brothers Phillip Gutierrez and Freddie Lozano, both of San Angelo, Joe L. Gutierrez of Big Spring and Bobby Huron of Austin.

**OBITUARIES**

**Erma Stokes Hamilton**

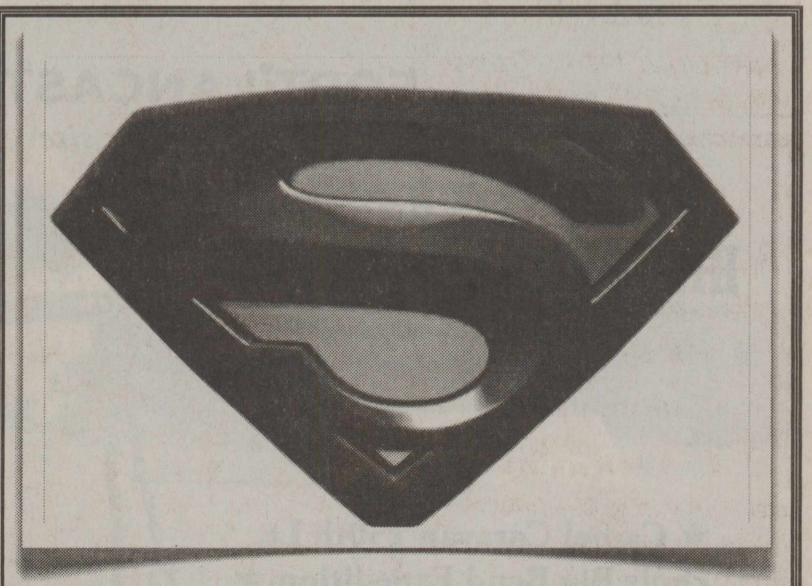
Erma Stokes Hamilton of Big Spring, Texas, age 97, passed away on Oct. 2, 2009, at home after a lengthy illness. Although illness had diminished her physical abilities, her mind was clear to the end. She managed her business affairs and personal relationships with dignity and grace, never allowing her physical limitations to interfere with her completing any job that needed to be done. Erma was very meticulous in everything she did and she expected no less from those around her. She was a blessing to her friends and family and will be missed by all who knew her. Erma was born on her parents' homestead in Lea County, N.M. on Jan. 24, 1912, just two weeks after New Mexico became a state. She lived on the family farm in Lovington, and in Lubbock. She graduated from Lubbock High School and attended Texas Technological College. Erma was the first female to graduate with a double major from Texas Tech and was the first female to graduate from the Texas Tech School of Engineering. She married Dr. Allen Hamilton in Big Spring in 1940, where Allen established Hamilton Optometric Clinic. Erma was an integral part in the management of Dr. Hamilton's clinic and she assisted with the technical drafting required in the application for various patents for contact lenses and sports glasses for Dr. Hamilton. She was a dedicated caregiver for her parents until their deaths and was always very active in the First Baptist Church of Big Spring and various garden and civic groups in Big Spring. She was an avid gardener and an accomplished artist. She also loved traveling with Allen to various cutting horse competitions. Dr. Hamilton was a well known cutting horse breeder, trainer and rider.

Erma Hamilton was preceded in death by her parents, John E. and Hetta Pearl Stokes of Big Spring, her brother, W T Stokes of Ozona and her beloved husband, Dr. Allen Hamilton in 1986. She is survived by her close friends, Ed and Lek Covington, Millie Armstrong, Edna Faye and Steve Smith. She is also survived by her brother-in-law, Les Tye of San Antonio; nephew, Joe Cowen and wife, Melinda of Beeville; niece, Anne Scales of Lewisville; nephew, John Murph and wife, Linda of Houston; niece, Beverly Roth and husband, Frank of Tuscaloosa, Ala.; nephew, Richard Tye and wife, Judith York of San Antonio; nephew, Kenneth Tye and wife, Janis of Krum. Great-nephews, Russell Cowen of Austin, and Christopher Cowen of Copperas Cove; great-nieces, Malinda Naymik of New Braunfels and Mory Randel of Dallas; great-nephews, Marcus Murph of Plano, Matthew Murph of Flower Mound, Timothy Tye of Fort Worth, Jared Tye of McKinney, Jeffrey Tye of Denton, Kevin Tye of Denton, and Andrew Tye of Denton; great-nieces Jennifer Roth-Burnette of Tuscaloosa, Ala., Amy Roth Simian of Atlanta, Ga. and Catherine Roth Baker of Fayetteville, Ark.

Mrs. Hamilton is also survived by sister-in-law, Madeline Stokes of Ozona; nephew, Tom Stokes and wife, Jo Nel of Ozona, nephew, John Stokes and wife, Vicki of Ozona; great-nephews, Ken Stokes of Ozona, John Tom Stokes of Lampasas, Andy Stokes of San Antonio, John Austin Stokes of San Angelo and Wilson Stokes of Ozona. Services were Monday, Oct. 5, at the First Baptist Church of Big Spring with the Rev. Mark Lindsey, pastor, officiating. Interment followed at Trinity Memorial Park of Big Spring. Memorials may be sent to the First Baptist Church of Big Spring, 705 W. FM 700, Big Spring, Texas 79720 or any charity of your choosing. "Fight the good fight of faith, grabbing hold of the life that continues forever." 1 Timothy 6:12. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

**Card of Thanks**

The board of the Crockett County Deerfest Association would like to extend a BIG thank you to everyone who attended the first annual DeerFest Rain Dance on Oct. 3, 2009. Your attendance was invaluable as we are trying to get started. We hope that you enjoyed the dance and that you will consider coming back year after year. Thank you again for taking the time to come out, dance and listen to some great live music. Sincerely, Crockett County Deerfest Association



**The Power to Do or Not Do It All**

**Ladies Luncheon**  
When: Saturday, October 24, 2009  
Noon-2:00 p.m.  
Where: First Baptist Church of Ozona  
Hoover Building  
Guest Speaker: Candi Finch  
Cost: \$15.00 (\$20.00 the week before)  
Pre-register with Lauren or Nanette  
Call 325-5555 for more information.

**CHEWING THEIR CUD**

No, I am not talking about chewing tobacco but cattle, sheep or goats chewing their cud. I do not think there is a prettier sight than seeing livestock laying down in green grass and peacefully and contentedly chewing their cud. Seeing them that way reminds me of something in the Bible. God provides for everyone good or bad or as some say, "it rains on the just and the unjust" But for those who have entered into that special relationship that God has made available to us, there is the promise of some special blessings. To have those special blessings we must have repented from our sins and put our faith in Jesus Christ. Then we have the privilege of receiving those special blessings. Sadly to say many think those blessings are just more dollars or that is all they are looking for, (Romans 14:17). The forgiveness of our sins, (Matthew 26:28, Luke 24:47, Acts 10:43) is one of the greatest blessing and another is that new relationship to God. Moreover, there is the promise of eternal life with God, (1 John 5:11&12). We also receive peace of mind, (John 14:27) and joy in our hearts, (John 15:11, Acts 13:52) and the hope of a wonderful future, (Acts 26:18). Is our life filled with unhappiness, turmoil, and no inward peace? It does not have to go that way. Try Jesus. See you in Church next Sunday. Brother J

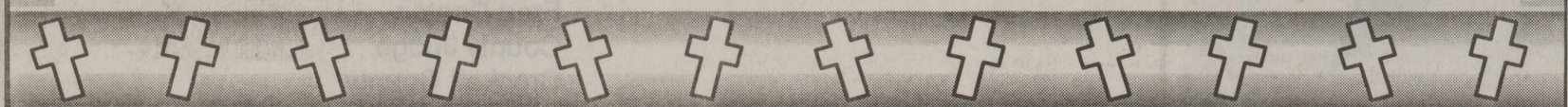
<b>First Baptist Church</b> 901 Ave. D Pastor Chris Johnson Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting - 6 p.m. Awanas: Wednesday - 5:30 p.m.	<b>Ozona Church of Christ</b> 1002 11th St. Mr. Johnnie Perkins Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.	<b>Ozona United Methodist Church</b> 12 - 11th St. Pastor Ron Shott Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.
<b>Templo Bautista Jerusalem</b> 138 Blas St. Rev. Esequiel Cervantez Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m, 6 p.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m.	<b>Faith Lutheran Church</b> 802 1st St. Pastor Tom Baden Worship: Sunday - 7 p.m. Bible Class: Sunday - 6 p.m.	<b>Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church</b> 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.
<b>Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida</b> 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.	<b>Iglesia de Dios De La Profecia</b> 102 Man O' War St. Pastor Maria C. Salcedo Lunes: 6:00 p.m. Domingo: 9:45 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Martes: 6:00 p.m. Jueves: 6:00 p.m.	<b>Our Lady of Perpetual Help</b> 219 Martinez St. Fr. Felix Okeke Sun. Mass: 11 a.m. Sat.: 7 p.m. Tues. - Fri.: 6 p.m.
<b>Calvary Baptist Church</b> 601 Ave. I Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Sunday Worship: 6 p.m. Wednesday Worship: 7 p.m.	<b>Attend the Church of your choice this Sunday</b>	
<b>New Beginnings Church</b> 701 9th Street Pastor Jesse Cardona Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Tuesday Worship: 7 p.m.	<b>Iglesia de Cristo</b> Hwy 163 S. at Quail Ru. Interim - Ray Valadez Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m.	

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# FIRE: from page 1

WHAT IS ONE DUTY THAT THE FIRE CHIEF PERFORMS THAT MOST PEOPLE MAY NOT REALIZE FALLS UNDER YOUR POSITION?

I am also the administrator of the department and overall supervisor of fire scenes.

WHAT ARE SOME DUTIES THAT YOU OFTEN GET QUESTIONS ABOUT THAT DO NOT FALL UNDER YOUR POSITION OR THE POSITION OF A VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER?

Home inspections, investigations of fire scenes are left to the Fire Marshal and not to the Fire Chief. The Crockett County Fire Marshal is Steve Kenley.

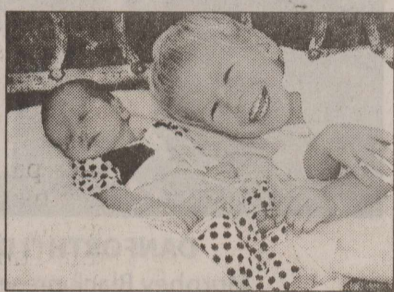
ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD:

We are very thankful to the Crockett County Commissioners' Court for their support financially of the fire department and to the citizens and businesses of Ozona who are Proud Supporters of the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department.

For more on the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department, visit [www.ozonafire.com](http://www.ozonafire.com) or find them on Facebook. The department's number is 392-2626.



LEVIS and LACE SQUARE DANCERS danced at the State Fair on Sept. 25 in Dallas. Along with Ozona residents, the members included friends from Big Lake, San Angelo, Dallas and Midland.



## It's a girl

Kaden Kimbriel would like to announce the birth of his baby sister, Kydie Brooke Kimbriel. Kydie was born Aug. 30 at

8:39 p.m. at Hill Country Memorial Hospital in Fredericksburg. She weighed 7 pounds and was 19.5 inches long. Parents are Wade and Summer Kimbriel of Mason. She is also welcomed by her grandparents Hank and Teresa Kimbriel of Mason, Jeffery and Ronda Stuart of Ozona, and by great-grandparents Raymond and Odessa Kimbriel, Rosa and Lindy Lange, both of Mason and Jerry and Jackie Hopkins of Roosevelt. Aunts and uncles Chuck and Pepper Kroll, Kaci Kimbriel, David and Jason Stuart.

## Air Force Warren Wranglers seeking donations

The Warren Wranglers are scheduled to compete for the Mid West/West Coast Championships in Reno, Nev. Oct. 7-12.

The Warren Wranglers are made up of Active Duty/Retired United States Air Force members from across the USA that are stationed at FE Warren AFB in Cheyenne, Wyo.

SSgt. Ernesto A. Hernandez from Ozona will be traveling with the team to compete in the Mid/West Coast Championship.

Hernandez is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Natividad Hernandez Sr. The team is always looking for donations for both this year and next year.

If you have any questions or would like to help out these USAF members you can contact SSgt Hernandez.

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October 10, 2009

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 October 10, 2009

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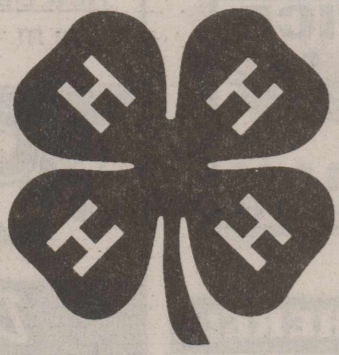
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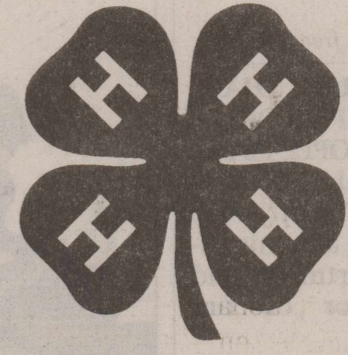
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# 2009 CROCKETT COUNTY 4-H AWARDS BANQUET



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Jadie Marshall



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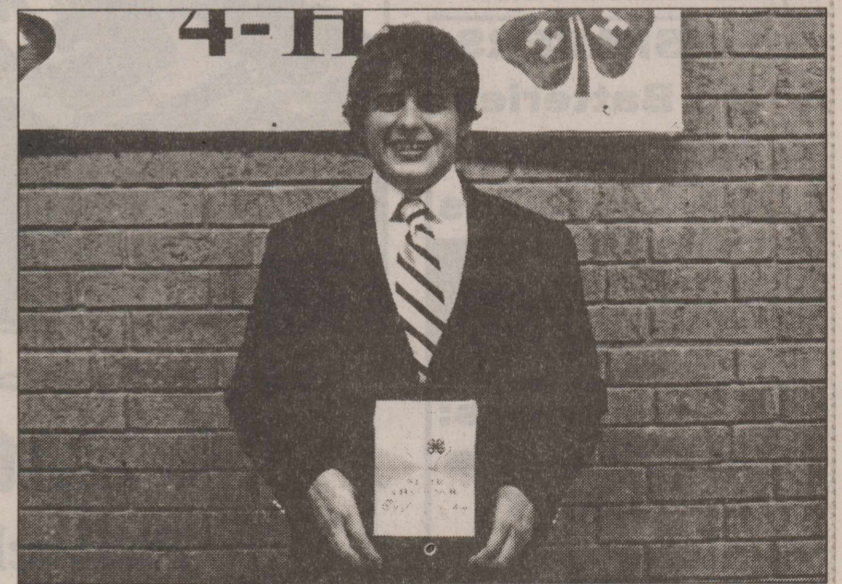
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**LEADERSHIP AWARD**  
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# OHS Lady Lions win, Lions second at Mertzon

The OHS Lady Lions won the Spring Creek Invitational this past weekend in Mertzon.

The Lady Lions defeated Wall, Iraan, Rankin, Irion County, Paint Rock, Comstock and Miles.

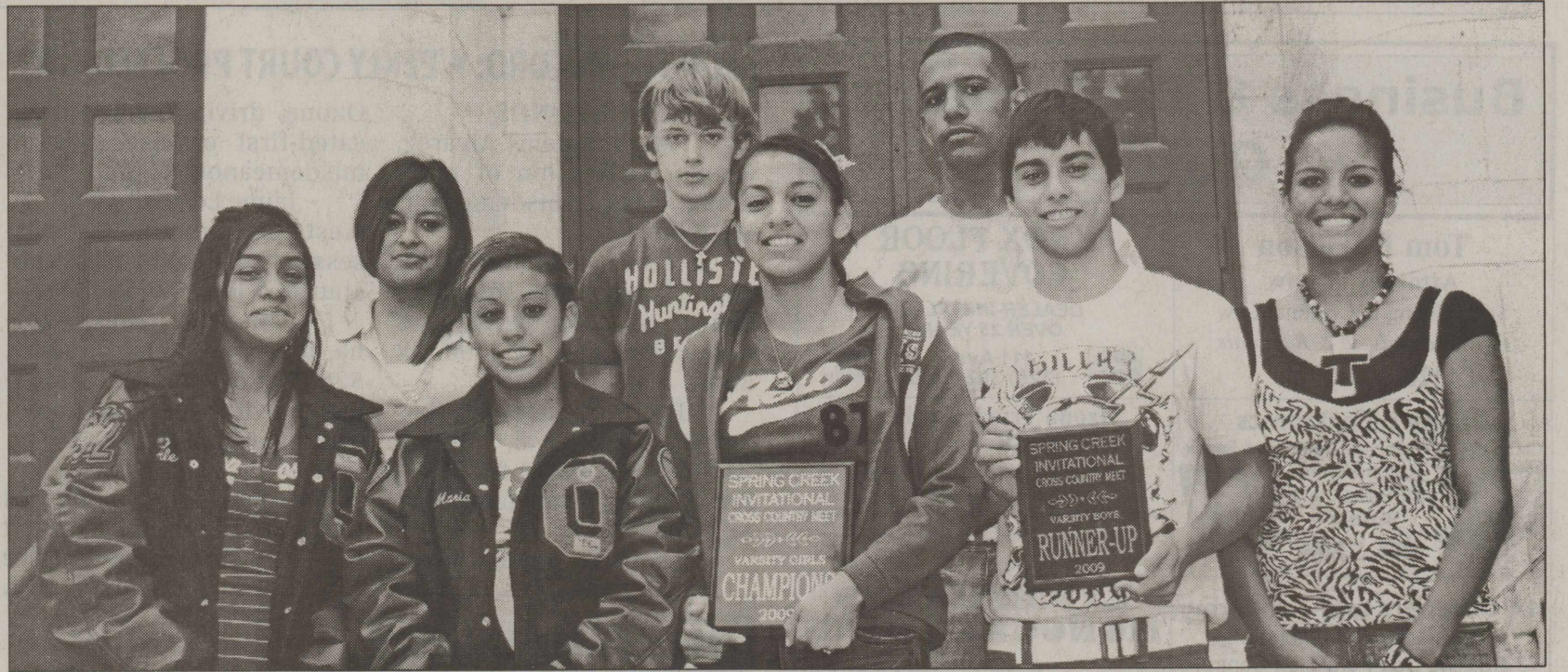
Rebecca Ramos won the meet with a time of 13:08.3; Maria Villarreal came in third at 13:24.1; Alex Rodriguez fifth 13:34.4; Vanessa Rodriguez sixth 13:38.7 and Crystal Vasquez 13th at 13:50.4. Also running was Melanie Miller, Sabrina De La Garza, Clarissa Burciaga and Brianna Cer-

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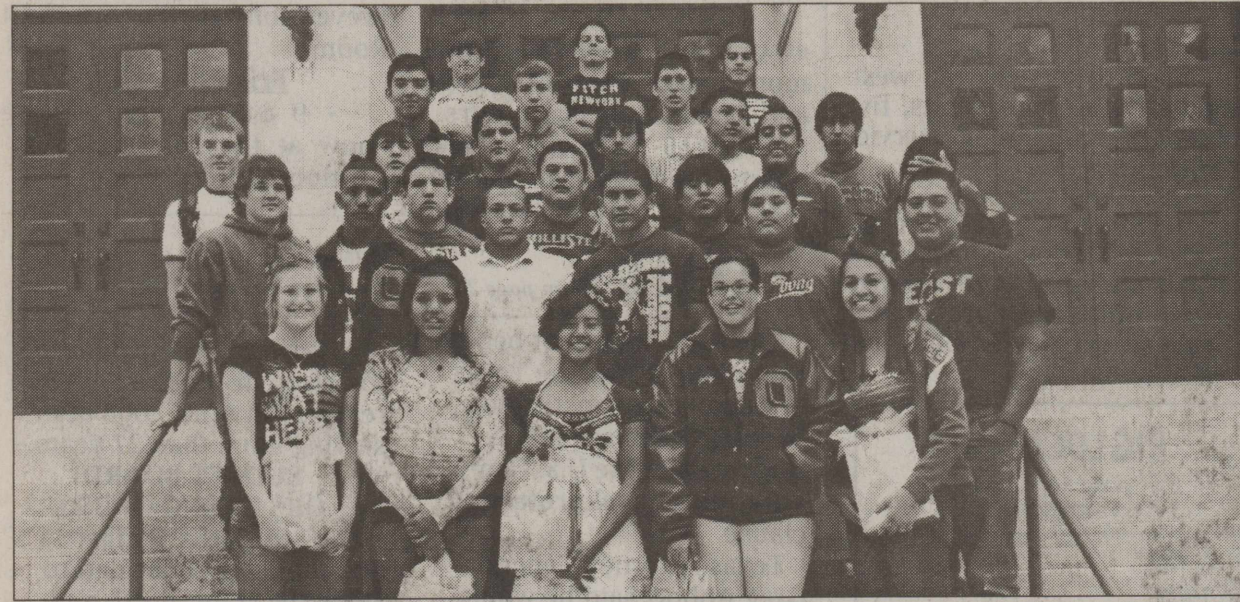
The Lions took second at the meet, placing behind Comstock but above Stanton, Crane, Paint Rock, Sterling City, Irion County and Eldorado.

Stefan Wilson was fourth at 17:42.2; Jesse Badillo 13th at 18:31.4 and Chris Fierro-Williams 18th at 18:51.9. Also running was Matthew Galindo, Tevin Cordova, Noah Tambunga and Brenden Perez.

The OHS and OMS Cross Country Teams will compete Saturday at Wall.



THE LADY LIONS BROUGHT HOME THE CHAMPIONSHIP PLAQUE from the Mertzon Cross country meet. The Lions placed second.



THE OZONA LIONS WANT TO EXPRESS THEIR APPRECIATION to the varsity cheerleaders for their hard work and dedication preparing the goodie bags for the players each week.



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EMS DEPARTMENT RUNS

OCTOBER 2 Transfer Shannon Medical Center.

FIRE DEPARTMENT RUNS

OCTOBER 1 8:53 p.m. - Grass fire Owens ranch, five acres, possible transmission lines. Four units, seven firefighters, Barnhart Fire Department a unit with two firefighters. Time in service 3 hours 2 minutes. 10:02 a.m. - Grass fire, westbound I-10, mile-marker 375, north side of the westbound lane. Three units, five firefighters. Time in service 43 minutes. OCTOBER 4 2:40 p.m. - Grass fire 9th and Ave H, down power line, stand by until AEP arrived. Three units, nine firefighters. Time in service 3 hours and 18 minutes.

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STATE: from page 2 The legal argument behind the ruling is that the Texas law and state constitution banning same-sex marriage violate the U.S. Constitution's equal protection clause. Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott said he would file an appeal to the ruling, saying, "The laws and constitution of the State of Texas define marriage as an institution involving one man and one woman." LONG-IMPRISED MAN IS PARDONED Gov. Perry on Sept. 30 granted a pardon for innocence to James Lee Woodard after DNA testing proved he did not sexually assault or murder Beverly Ann Jones in 1980. Woodward was sentenced to prison in 1981. He was released in April 2008 after serving more than 27 years. BUDGET BOARD OKS HIRING OF 250 The Legislative Budget Board on Oct. 3 decided to allow the state Health and Human Services Commission to hire 250 more workers at an annual cost of \$11 million to process food stamp applications. Current enrollment stands at 2.8 million in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, but applications have increased dramatically in the current economic downturn.

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Public Hearing for: Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) Report Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Report.

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