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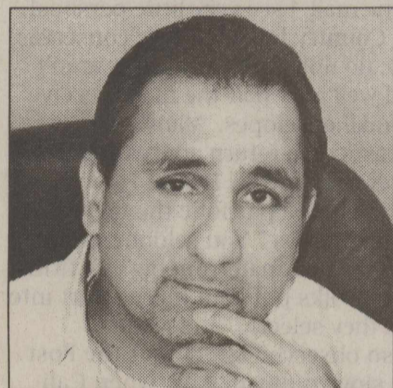
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MEET THE CANDIDATES

Race for Commissioner, Precinct 4



ALFREDO TOBAR

WHAT IS YOUR OCCUPATION, EDUCATION AND FAMILY?

My wife, Lisa, and I have owned Pepe's Café for the past 17 years. We have been married for over 35 years and we have 5 children: Vanessa Guadarrama and her husband, Lalo of San Antonio, Alex Mitchell and her husband Michael of Colorado, T.J., Kenny and Fredo all of Ozona. I'm also a very proud grandpa of Blayk and Briseis. I would also like to take the opportunity to thank my family for all the love and support they have given me these past years. I also appreciate their understanding when I have had to split my duties between the Pepe's and my Commissioner duties.

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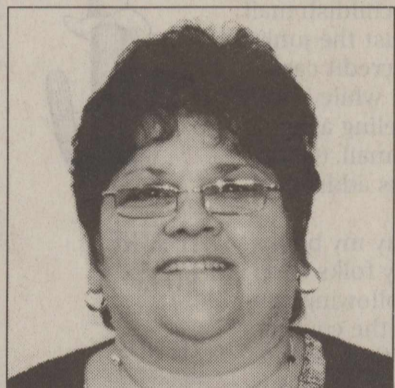
ELIGIO MARTINEZ

WHAT IS YOUR OCCUPATION, EDUCATION AND FAMILY?

Lifelong resident of Ozona in Precinct 4; son of the late Elpidio "Pilo" Martinez and Sulema Martinez, brother of Elpidio (Nune) Martinez and Anna Garza, uncle to Cassandra Martinez, Donika Martinez, Eric James Garza, Cindah Dianne, Michael Fritz Garza and godfather to Dallas Elpidio Martinez.

I am a 1984 Ozona High School graduate and earned an Associates of Music/Video Business with a minor in Copyright Law from the Art Institute of Houston in 1991. I am also a licensed USA Boxing Level II official for West Texas LBC, licensed as a judge, referee, clerk and

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DEE MONTANEZ

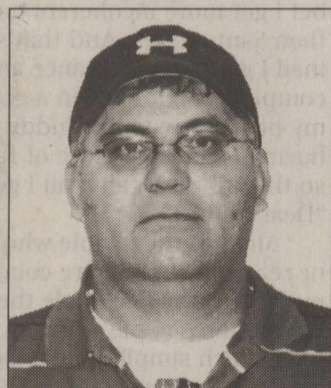
WHAT IS YOUR OCCUPATION, EDUCATION AND FAMILY?

I am 46 years old. I attended Ozona schools and have been married for 20 years to Eliseo Montanez. We have three sons, R.J. and A.J. are both U.S. Marines and Ely is an eighth-grader on the A Honor Roll. He is active in football, basketball and track. I am currently working for Ozona National Bank as a bank teller.

WHAT QUALIFIES YOU FOR THE POSITION YOU ARE RUNNING FOR?

I feel that I am a honest and dependable person wanting to make a difference in my precinct as well as my community. After attending the Building Connection Leadership Class at the

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JESSE DE LA GARZA

Jesse De La Garza is 44 years of age, married to Vickie De La Garza and is the father to 14-year-old Sarah De La Garza.

He was born and raised in Ozona. He has been employed with the Crockett County Road Department and the Texas Department of Transportation, where he received many certifications and awards.

An Ozona Stockman questionnaire was submitted to De La Garza but answers to the questionnaire were not returned.

De La Garza can be reached at (325) 392-2654 or e-mail at lucky73@verizon.net.

Montanez announces candidacy for Commissioner, Precinct 4

I am Diane (Dee) Montanez, and I would like to announce my candidacy for the office of Commissioner, Precinct 4.

I have lived in Crockett County all my life. I have been married to Eliseo Montanez for 20 years. We have three sons. Our oldest son, R.J., is a United States Marine and is married to Erin Castro. Both are attending school at College Station. A.J. is also a United States Marine stationed in Japan. He is married to Raquel Fuentes from Hobbs, N.M. She attends school in Amarillo. My youngest son Ely, is an eighth grader at Ozona Middle School. He is active in football, basketball, track and is an A Honor Roll student.

I was self-employed for 12 years at Dee's Burger Shoppe, and now currently employed at Ozona National Bank. I am a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, and have served on the Justice of the Peace Committee.

I feel that I am a honest and dependable person. I want to make a positive difference in my precinct, as



well as my community. After attending the Building Connection Leadership Class at the Chamber of Commerce, I came to the understanding of the needs of our community and of the people in our county. This leadership class really made a difference in my decision to be your next commissioner.

If elected, I would like to improve the clean-up of our streets and last but not least, be a positive voice for Precinct 4.

I thank you for your support and ask for your vote in the March 2010 Election.

Political advertisement paid for by Dee Montanez, P.O. Box 1401, Ozona, Texas 76943.

Board extends superintendent's contract

BY MELISSA PERNER
 THE OZONA STOCKMAN

The Crockett County CCSD Board of Trustees voted to extend the superintendent's contract one more year during the Jan. 20 regular meeting.

The board met for two hours in executive session to conduct the superintendent's annual evaluation.

Superintendent Chris duBois was hired in June 2009 under a three-year contract.

With the approval of this extension, duBois's contract now goes through to 2013.

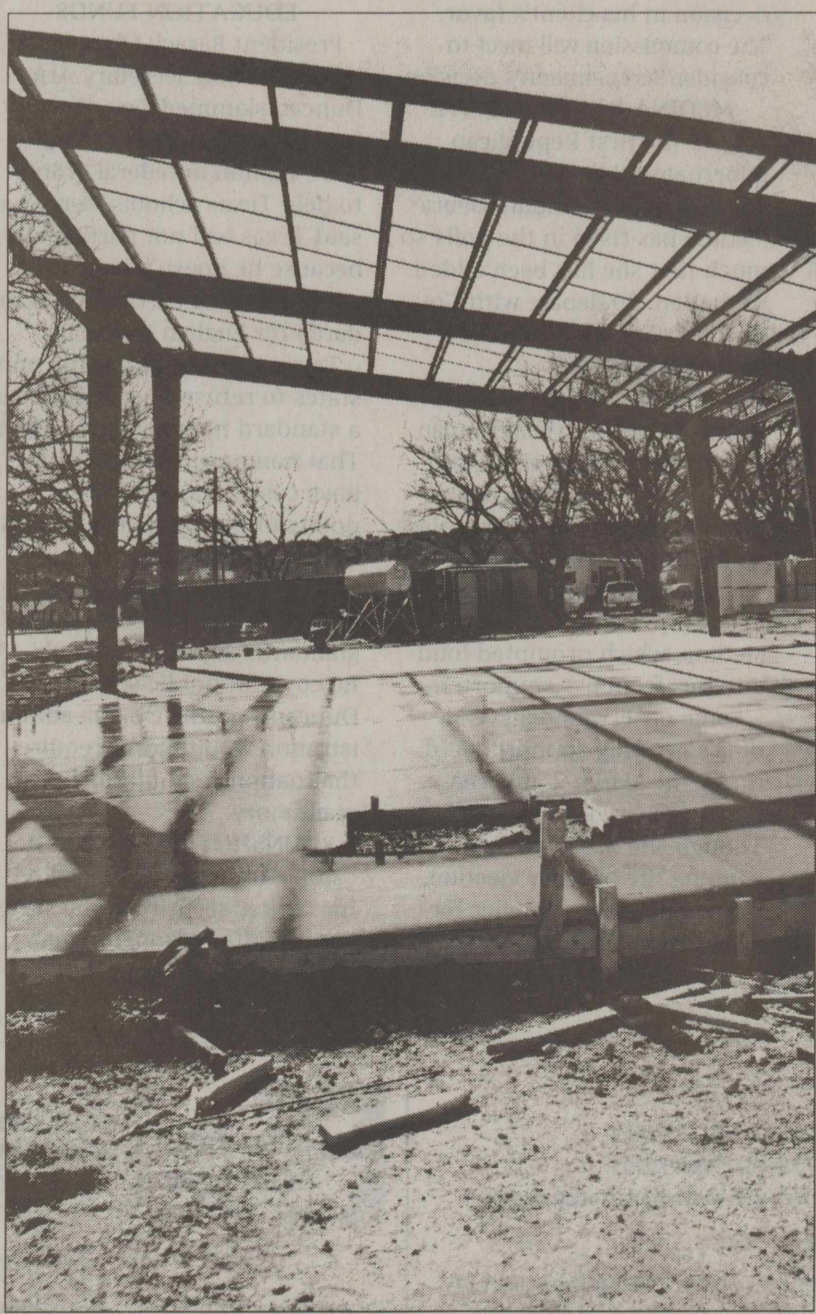
ELEMENTARY CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The steel structure outside the school building facing Monterey Street, near the new gymnasium, will be a covered pavilion with basketball goals to be used for activities.

Architect Douglas Koehne said one of the things the new elementary school will have is a lot of flexibility to have multiple activities in different areas.

"We had a lot of conversation over the site design. One of the ideas was you wanted to give the kids as many different types of areas for activities," Koehne said.

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THIS PAVILION at the new Elementary School is one of the latest additions to the site. The pavilion will be covered and used for activities such as basketball.

Renfroe Reserve Grand Champion at Hill Country Stock Show

Crockett County 4-Hers traveled to Kerrville this past weekend for the Hill Country Junior Livestock Show.

In the lamb show, Kelbie Renfroe won Reserve Grand Champion Overall with her medium wool.

Lane Hale won Reserve Champion Cross.

Murphey Black won second and third place finewool.

Allie Black won third and fifth place finewool.

Wes McGuire won second and sixth place finewool.

Alex Hopper won second place finewool.

Eric Carrizales and Madison Childress each placed 10th in the finewool.

Thomas Cruz placed sixth and Brenna Hale 10th in finewool cross.

Russel Komechak also showed in the lamb show.

In the goat show, Komechak placed second and fourth, Childress and Hopper each placed in the top 10 and Timothy Maldonado placed in the top 20.

"All exhibitors did a great job. Everybody worked hard and had a good day as a group for Crockett County," said Chae McPhaul, extension agent.



KELBIE RENFROE won Reserve Grand Champion Overall Lamb of the Kerrville Hill Country District Livestock Show and the Reserve Medium Wool Breed Champion this past weekend.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Ozona does it again for West Texas Rehab

Ozona, you've done it AGAIN...and West Texas Rehabilitation Center is grateful—AGAIN!

When the final pledge was counted, \$8,555 had been donated by Crockett County residents to Rehab's Jan. 16 telethon—all of which will go into the operations budget of WTRC-Ozona, just as you expect.

All of us at Rehab thank each donor and we add a heartfelt special thanks to Ozona Woman's League mem-

bers who signed solicitation letters, made phone calls prior to the telethon and staffed the phone bank the night of our event. What a wonderful group of young women...how blessed we are to have their friendship and commitment.

Another group we also sincerely appreciate is Crockett County DeerFest Association. For the second consecutive year, that organization—which does so much for many local projects—has given Rehab 10 percent of the admission fee

for DeerFest 2009.

Truly the partnership between Crockett County residents and West Texas Rehab is special because TOGETHER we make a difference in the lives of all who turn to Rehab for help in overcoming disabling illnesses, injuries or birth traumas.

In behalf of the WTRC Board of Directors and staff, I thank you!

Ellen Brown
San Angelo, Texas

Business owners need plan to succeed

When asked what the best form of promotion or advertising is, most small business owners will tell you that word of mouth is the most effective method. Yet, when asked how to generate word of mouth in an efficient and cost-effective way, not everyone knows how to do these functions. Here are some tips to help you with your promotional efforts.

Engaging in network events is a very effective way to generate word of mouth. Understand first that networking is about being genuine and authentic. It requires you to build trust and create actual relationships with those whom you are trying to associate.

You should not enter networking situations with the sole purpose of securing your own gain.

One way to network is to join organizations or committees. Select network groups that best meet the goals that you have established for yourself. Some groups and meetings are aimed at mak-



BUSINESS TIPS

PEDRO RAMIREZ

ing contacts, volunteering, or establishing business contacts and not all of them will further your goals. In addition, if you do decide to join an organization, try to actively participate and take on leadership roles.

If you are trying to meet new people always ask open ended questions to keep conversations going and to actually learn more about them. This means asking questions that ask who, what where, when and how as opposed to simple yes or no questions.

Another powerful networking tool is the ability to establish

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Get informed and vote

It's time again to speak out by coloring in those little circles.

The 2010 Primary Election Day is almost a month away, which means it's time for Crockett County citizens to get out and vote.

Starting this week, The Ozona Stockman will profile the local contested races that Crockett County voters will decide on March 2. Early voting is Feb. 16-26 at the courthouse annex.



WHAT'S ON MY MIND

MELISSA PERNER

There will also be a local candidate debate at 6 p.m. Feb. 11 at the Senior Center.

This is a critical time for voters. Locally, voters will be deciding which Democratic candidate should run for county judge, justice of the peace and Precinct 4 Commissioner.

Local races are where a person's vote is really counted.

Information is the key in determining one's vote. Not only is our paper publishing information about the local candidates, I have seen these candidates visiting with voters.

Many voters often have questions about their right to vote.

It's important to note that the last day to register to vote for the March 2 primary is Monday, Feb. 1. Voter registration can be found at the Crockett County Tax Office in the courthouse annex.

If a voter does not have their voter registration card, they can still vote by using their drivers' license or personal identification card issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety; a form of identification containing the voters' photograph; a birth certificate; U.S. citizenship papers; U.S. passport; official mail address to the voter, by name, from a governmental entity; copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document that shows the voters' name and address or any other form of identification prescribed by the secretary of state.

As a voter, people have the right to cast their vote in secret and free from intimidation. Once the ballots are turned in, no one looks

at them until they are ready to be counted, and most ballots are run through a computer to be counted.

Voters also have rights:

- The right to a ballot with written instructions on how to cast the ballot.
- The right to receive up to two more ballots if a mistake is made while marking the ballot.
- The right to ask the polling place official for instructions on how to cast the ballot, but not for suggestions on how to vote for.
- The right to bring an interpreter to assist you as you qualify to vote if you do not understand the English language.
- The right to assistance while casting your ballot if you cannot write, see the ballot or understand the language in which it is written.
- The right to bring written materials into the voting booth to assist you as you cast the ballot.
- The right to vote at any early voting location in the county for elections conducted county-wide.
- The right to report a possible voting rights abuse to the Secretary of State or to your local election official.
- The right to cast a provisional ballot if your name does not appear on the list of registered voters, or you do not have proper identification.
- The right to file an administrative complaint with the Secretary of State concerning violations of federal and state voting procedures.

For more information on voting, call the Secretary of State's office at 1-800-252-VOTE (8683), e-mail at elections@sos.state.tx.us and by regular mail at: Elections Division, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Texas 78711.

Get informed, and go out and vote.

MELISSA PERNER is the editor and publisher of The Ozona Stockman. Go Vote!

I get a lot of fan mail, most of it addressed to Current Resident or Occupant. I bet I get more incoherent and childish mail than Santa Claus. And that's just the junk mail I get from insurance and credit card companies. But once in a great while I leave my post office with a giddy feeling after having received a piece of fan mail. (Okay, so the only real fan mail I get is addressed, "Dear Idiot.")

Most of the people who buy my books or read my column are country folks and over the years I've made the following generalization: People who live in the country have much simpler addresses than people who reside or work in the big cities of this nation. The closer you get to a metropolis the more complicated the address.

It seems this has always been the case. Theodore Roosevelt owned two ranches and you could send a letter to our Teddy bear of a President either at Elkhorn Ranch, 25 miles north of the railroad, Medora, North Dakota, or Chimney Butte Ranch 8 miles south of the railroad, Medora. And it would get there! Even today I get mail with just a town, zip code and a ranch name like Happy Valley or Whispering Pines Ranch.

Most mail I receive that originates in the country either has a P.O. box number or something like HC 31, Box 1327. For you townies, the HC stands for "Highway Contract," and refers to non-postal service employees who deliver the mail under



IT'S THE PITTS

LEE PITTS

the longer the address the more egotistical the person is, the only exceptions being preachers and inmates. Attorneys have the most highfalutin addresses and they nearly always add "esquire" to their names, which used to mean that the person was a candidate for knighthood. I fail to see how that applies to lawyers of today but I'm sure an attorney will write and tell me. (And I guarantee his or her address will be real long.)

Another thing I've noticed about mail from the country is that either the person writes their return address longhand or has a rubber stamp. You won't believe this but in 25 years of selling books via mail order there were only two handwritten addresses that I could not decipher. Country folks take

contract to USPS. A lot of my mail that comes from Idaho and Utah carries an address like 30 W 20 S, which is a brilliant system for naming streets and roads that I've been told originated with the Mormons. You don't need a GPS to find such an address!

A lot of pride in the disappearing art of writing longhand legibly. Except for the feedlots that send me mail, I see very little personal stationery. Country folks are very conservative, thrifty, do not waste resources, aren't showy, and well over half the mail I receive is sent in small envelopes. Many country folks will paste on a return address sticker that features the Cowboy Hall of Fame, a picture of a bull or a patriotic theme such as "Support Our Troops." You seldom see these types of stickers on mail from big city firms. Also, country folks put a lot more effort into the stamps they select.

I've also observed lately that the Post Office has slowed down. Back when California became a state the joke was that by the time it took the election results to get from Washington DC to San Francisco by mail, a newly elected Senator from California might find his term of office had expired by the time he got to Washington. Considering the politicians from the Golden State lately, one can only hope for a return to the good old days.

I shouldn't pick on the Post Office. For the most part they do a great job. Only recently I heard of an elderly person who, during a senior moment, addressed a letter to a person's e-mail address and used their phone number instead of a zip code.

It got to its intended destination in just three days! Really.

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Judge Keller defeats charge in execution case

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling | Texas Press Association

AUSTIN -- A state district judge has ruled that Sharon Keller, presiding judge of the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, should not be punished for her part in refusing an appeal from a death row inmate in September 2007.

Although defense attorneys for Michael Richard had tried to file an appeal after hours, Keller said the court closed at 5 p.m. Richard was executed that night. But District Judge David Berchelmann Jr. said in a Jan. 20 decision that Richard's lawyers were to blame for not filing Richard's appeal in time and that Keller "did not violate any written or unwritten laws."

The commission that filed the charge against Keller is not bound by Berchelmann's decision.

After considering the judge's ruling, the commission can dismiss the charges, reprimand Keller or recommend she be removed from office.

Keller's attorney, Chip Babcock, said he would be surprised if the commission did anything but dismiss the charges after such a resounding

decision in his client's favor. The commission will meet to consider Berchelmann's decision.

MEDINA IN GOP DEBATE

After the first Republican gubernatorial debate on Jan. 14, long-shot candidate Debra Medina has risen in the polls so much that she has been added to the Jan. 29 debate with Gov. Rick Perry and U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison.

Medina, the former Wharton County Republican chairwoman who carries a 9 mm pistol with her, crashed through the double-digit polling barrier to win a place on the debate stage in Dallas.

Originally, debate sponsor Belo Corp. did not include Medina, which prompted loud outcries from her supporters.

Some observers believe Medina's growing support could throw the March 2 gubernatorial primary into a runoff. Though she has little chance of winning the primary election, she could prove a spoiler for either Perry or Hutchison.

PERRY HIT FOR

EDUCATION FUNDS

President Barack Obama and U.S. Education Secretary Arne Duncan slammed Gov. Perry for refusing to apply for up to \$700 million in federal grants to help Texas schools. Perry has said Texas will not participate because he doesn't want to adopt national curriculum standards for English and math.

Texas and Alaska are the only states to refuse to participate in a standard national curriculum. That non-participation would have cost Texas significant points in the competition for \$4 billion in education grants.

Perry refused to seek the grants, saying the curriculum standards signal a national takeover of public schools. Duncan said the Obama administration would never require that national standards be mandatory.

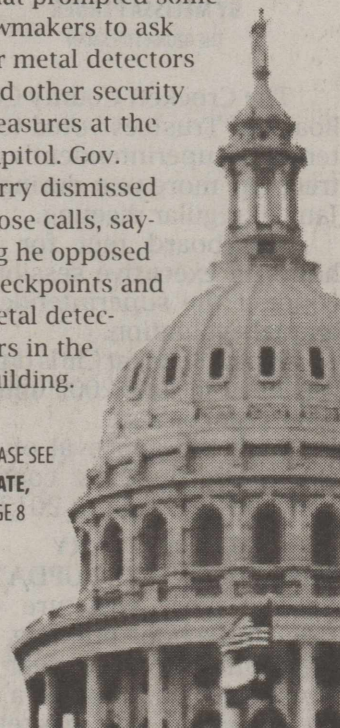
GUNSHOTS AT CAPITOL

Some lawmakers are calling for tighter security at the state Capitol after a Houston man fired several shots in the air

from the building's steps. Fausto Cardenas, 24, was arrested by Texas Department of Public Safety officers as he was trying to reload a pistol. Cardenas had tried unsuccessfully to enter the office of state Sen. Dan Patrick, R-Houston.

That prompted some lawmakers to ask for metal detectors and other security measures at the Capitol. Gov. Perry dismissed those calls, saying he opposed checkpoints and metal detectors in the building.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

We welcome your letters. Not all will be published. To submit a letter, mail us at The Ozona Stockman, P.O. Box 370, Ozona, Texas 76943 or e-mail us at publisher@ozonastockman.com. Please include name, address, phone number and e-mail if available. ALL LETTERS MUST CONTAIN THIS INFORMATION OR WILL NOT BE PUBLISHED. Letters are subject to editing. Defamatory, libelous and/or profane language will reject any letter out of hand. Letters should not exceed 250 words.

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Do Well, Be Well with diabetes classes start Tuesday

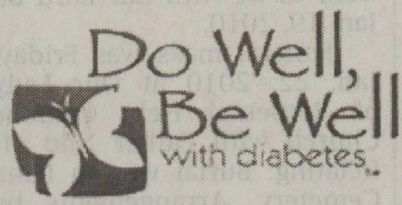
The Texas AgriLife Extension Service & The Wesley Nurse Program will be hosting Do Well, Be Well with diabetes.

Do Well, Be Well with diabetes will teach you how to manage diabetes. You can be well with diabetes.

These classes focus on Type 2 Diabetes. It will be very beneficial to those diagnosed with diabetes and their family, or even those wanting to lower their risk of developing diabetes. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Class topics that will be covered include:

- What is Diabetes?
- Nutrition-First Step to Diabetes Management
- One Diabetes Diet-No Longer the Sole Option
- Managing Your Blood Glucose



- Nutrition Labels
- Diabetes and Exercise
- For Good Measure at Home and Eating Out
- Diabetic Medicines
- Preventing and Managing Complications

Classes will be held on Tuesdays starting Feb. 2 and ending March 2.

The class starts Feb. 2 at 5:30 p.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.

Anyone interested can call to pre-register, Susie Bishop at the Texas AgriLife Extension Service at 392-2721 or E.A. Wadsworth RN, Wesley Nurse Program, at 392-3060.

OHS Financial Aid night Feb. 4

ATTENTION OZONA HIGH SCHOOL PARENTS AND STUDENTS: Ozona High School will be hosting a financial aid information night on Feb. 4 from 6-7 p.m. in the OHS auditorium.

This session will give parents much needed and valuable information on how and when to get financial funding for their students to continue their education beyond high school.

A college or technical school education is possible for all students. Come find out how to get money to help pay for it.

Senior parents - income tax information will be helpful if you can bring it that night, but not necessary.

For more information, call Susie duBois, college readiness coordinator, at 392-5501 ext. 5701.

PADRES y estudiantes de la atención OZONA HIGH SCHOOL: Ozona High School organizará una noche de información de ayuda financiera el 4 de febrero de 6-7 p.m. en el Auditorio de este síndrome. Esta sesión dará a los padres mucha información valiosa y necesaria sobre cómo y cuando a get fondos financieros para que sus estudiantes para continuar su educación más allá de la escuela secundaria. Un Colegio de educación de escuela técnica o es posible que todos los estudiantes. Vienen de averiguar cómo obtener dinero para ayudar a pagar por ello. Los padres Senior - información de impuesto sobre la renta será útil si, puede llevarla esa noche, pero no es necesario. Para obtener más información, llame a Susie duBois, coordinador de preparación para la Universidad, en 392-5501 ext. 5701.

Happy Birthday

Jan. 27 - Diane Peerson, Brandon Payne, Tony Castillo, Chelsea West and Samantha De La Garza

Jan. 28 - Jessica M. Mata, Desiree Galan, JoAnn Fenton, Andrew Birkenfeld, Sabrina De La Garza

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

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

Jan. 31 - Lexi Poindexter

Feb. 1 - Marisa Vargas, Salazar, Michael King, William Phillips, Ashley DeHoyos, Ernesto Borrego Jr. and Dlema Childress

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

Conner Holmsley and Josh Ramos

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OHS All Class Reunion set for July

A group of former Ozona High School students met Jan. 18 to make plans for the upcoming OHS All Class Reunion to take place July 3.

Those attending were Frank Tambunga, Shannon Hunnicutt, Helen Bean, Jeanine Henderson, Lupe Cervantez and Karen Huffman.

Host classes for the 2010 event are the classes of 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978 and 1979.

Officers were elected: Chairman is Helen Bunger Bean; Secretary is Lupe Tambunga Cervantez and Treasurer is Karen Kirby Huffman.

An agenda was tentatively set as follows:

Friday, July 2 - left available for individual class gatherings

Saturday, July 3 - 7:30 a.m. annual G.I. Joe Run; 9 a.m. reunion registration at the Fair Park Convention Center; 10 a.m. tour of schools; 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Independence Day Park activities in the Town Square Park including food, games and entertainment; 1 p.m. class photos and 8 p.m. reunion dance at the convention center featuring Chris Story and the Southern Edge Band.

Sunday, July 4 - 8 a.m. Chuckwagon breakfast; 9 a.m. church service; 8 p.m. Fourth

of July Parade followed by Fourth of July Fireworks Display.

The Knights of Columbus will be organizing the park activities on July 3, as well as the parade and fireworks display on July 4.

Crockett County Veterans will be organizing the annual G.I. Joe Run on July 3.

Tambunga is the coordinator for these events. He can be reached at (325) 392-2827.

Bean will be contacting one person from each class to be the representative for their class. Information will be sent to the representatives, who will then distribute the information to the rest of their classmates.

Anyone interested in helping with this special event, contact Bean.

Anyone interested in making a donation, an account has been set up at Ozona National Bank or contact Huffman.

Information is available on the Ozona Chamber of Commerce website at www.ozona.com, and on Facebook at Ozona High School All Class Reunion.

Bean can be reached by writing to P.O. Box 1908, Ozona, Texas 76943, or by email at classroundup2010@aol.com.

LIBRARY NEWS By Louise P. Ledoux | Crockett County Librarian

Tax forms available at the library

It's that time again! The April 15 deadline is fast approaching. Find all the tax forms you need at the library. CCPL has all the information and schedules you will need to make quick work of the dreaded chore of filing your taxes.

Whether you need the long Form 1040 plus all the schedules for deductions and reporting various income, or whether you can use the short and fast Form 1040-EZ, CCPL has them.

We have the Earned In-

come Credit form and the new Credit for the Elderly or Making Work Pay, and of course, the Application for Automatic Extension of Time to File for all you procrastinators.

We have the information you need on What, When, and Where To File your IRS Tax Forms.

Remember, librarians are not trained tax professionals, but we can help you find the information and forms you need to file your taxes properly. Come check it out!

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, Jan. 27

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

Thursday, Jan. 28

- OHS Tennis Team Duel meet at Big Lake.
- Census Job Testing, 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. at the library.
- Ladies bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Answers on Aging, 2:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Friday, Jan. 29

- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- JV and Varsity Lions and Lady Lions vs. Kermit, 5 p.m. at the Davidson Gym.

Sunday, Jan. 31

- Guadalupana Society Enchilada Dinner, 11:30 a.m. at the OLPH Parish Hall.

Monday, Feb. 1

- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Ladies bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- OMS Lady Lions vs. Crane, 5 p.m. at Crane.
- OMS Lions vs. Crane, 5 p.m. at the middle school gym.
- Senior Center Board meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Tuesday, Feb. 2

- JV and Varsity Lions and Lady Lions vs. Sonora, 5 p.m. at Sonora.
- Helping Hands Board meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Wednesday, Feb. 3

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OZONA SENIOR HAPPENINGS

BY LYNN ENGLISH
SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

Sorry about last week's column. The nerve in my right arm has had me down and out. Our condolences go to Benny Gibbs because of the death of his mother Flora Gibbs last week. Benny Gibbs has been administrator of the Crockett County Care Center for a number of years. The Concho Valley Community Action Council has called that they would not be here in February. They will contact the Senior Center as to when they will be here in March. We now have enough 2010 calendars. I thank each of you for the calendars that were brought in. Doris Hood should return

to Ozona after knee surgery. We are happy to welcome home Doris and we wish you a speedy recovery. The Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley strives to provide information assistance, and services to the older citizens of Crockett County. AAA staff will be available to assist individuals on Thursday, Jan. 28, from 2:30-3:30 p.m. at the Senior Center. The Crockett County Senior Board will meet at 5:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 1, at the Senior Center. The Helping Hands Board will meet at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 2, at the Senior Center. Monday and Thursday at 1:30 p.m. is when the bridge players come to the Senior Center to play their favorite

past time game. These ladies are faithful about coming and always have a fun afternoon. We continue to have our regular activities: square dance lessons and dances, exercise classes, 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 added to our equipment a projector with stand and a screen. Also, for your enjoyment, we have a Wii game and five different stimulating 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.

LEVIS & LACE SQUARE DANCE NEWS

BY TINA JARVIS
LEVIS AND LACE SQUARE DANCER

Saturday night club members Carol Adcock, Jim and JoAnn Couch, Lucy Hinde, Raul De La Rosa, Dale Bebee and Tina Jarvis danced to caller John Geen from San Angelo. John had new songs and dances for us that really kept us going, line dancing was done between tips and of course we had our table of food and great conversation to fill the time between tips also. John and his wife Nora brought a square of Promenade Squares with them to retrieve their banner and succeed in doing so. John had three new dancers with him Tee Jay and Becky Nowell and Linda Wirth and they danced very well. Other guest dancers from promenade squares



were Renee Padier, Wynn Alston, Bud Waller and his guest Nancy, and Charles and Lydia Horton. Becky and Tee Jay's family from Ozona joined us as guests as well as our friend Yetta Masters from Barnhart. Thursday night at 7 p.m. at the Civic Center in the back room Carol Adcock will start lessons. For more information, call Carol at 392-2912. Keep it square and happy dancing!

HELPING HANDS NEWS

JAN. 27
Roast beef, mashed potatoes, Italian vegetables, roll and dessert.

JAN. 28
Tuna casserole, salad, pera, roll and dessert.

MEALS ON WHEELS MENU

JAN. 29
Meatloaf, mixed greens, seasoned carrots, roll and dessert.

JAN. 30
Soup, crackers, fruit and dessert.

FEB. 1
Baked chicken, au gratin potatoes, stewed tomatoes, roll and dessert.

FEB. 2
Pork roast, wild rice, spinach, roll and dessert.

OBITUARIES

Maclovio Fierro Jr.

Maclovio Fierro Jr., 70, went to be with our Lord on Jan. 19, 2010. Funeral mass was Friday, Jan. 22, 2010 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church with Father Nilo officiating. Burial was in Lima Cemetery. Arrangements by Preddy Funeral Home. Mac was born Sept. 4, 1939 in Ozona to Maclovio Sr. and Angelita Fierro. Surviving Mac is his wife, of 50 years, Anadelia Fierro; two daughters, Elda Fierro of Ozona and Elsa Kressler and her husband Jerry of Midland; one son, Eric Fierro Sr. and his wife Anna of Ozona; three grandchildren, Derek Ross Fierro, Ashley Kressler and Eric Fierro Jr.; sisters, Francisca Reynolds of Fort Worth and Antonia Trevino of San Juan, Texas; numerous nieces, nephews and their families. Pallbearers were Luis Martinez, Genaro Reinburg, Zeke Martinez, Blas Vargas, Armando Trevino and Antonio "Tony" Fierro. Honorary Pallbearers were Derek Ross Fierro, Eric Fierro



Jr., Steve Sanchez, Brandon Sanchez, James Fierro, Raymond Sanchez and Chon Fierro Jr.
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to guard and keep me.
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Two to the left
Two Angels by my head,
Two by my feet
Two Angels above and
Two below me
Two Angels to carry me
to paradise
Where Saints and angels
gloriously sing God's praises.
Amen"

2-1-1 Texas Information Fair Feb. 11

2-1-1 Texas of the Concho Valley will host an Open House and Information Fair from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Feb. 11 at the CVCOG Training Center, 2801 W. Loop 306, Suite A in San Angelo.

Frequently referred to 2-1-1 agencies will be showcased and information about their programs will be available. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 2-1-1 or 223-5704.

CARE CENTER CHATTER

BY ODELIA SANCHEZ
ASSISTANT ACTIVITY DIRECTOR

The Christmas decorations are down after a very busy month at the Care Center. Now, it's time to concentrate on the year 2010. Our thoughts and prayers are with the families of the residents that are no longer with us. They were a very important part of the Care Center family and they will be missed. We are back to our routine of daily activities. One Saturday we had a good game of Bingo where we gave out money for Bingo prizes. We had several gold coins that were given out and the residents really enjoyed that. Some talked about saving them and others talked about having them made into necklaces. They really enjoyed looking at them and had good conversation going about them. Those that didn't get one were asking if they could get one. I told them I would look into getting some for them. Joann Williamson enjoyed a game of Canasta with some friends that came to visit her. They had a great time. Most of

our residents really enjoy having visitors come and spend time with them. We are blessed with residents who share their talents with us. James Pagan does a great job of singing for us on Wednesday afternoons. Just recently, we found out that we have another resident that used to play the guitar, but he doesn't have one now. We are hoping that someone might have an acoustic guitar that is no longer being used that might want to share it with our resident. I am sure that after the resident gets comfortable with playing again, he will also share that talent with us. If you know of someone that would like to share their guitar, call Dillie or Marta at the Care Center. We continue to play Bingo on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and we are still needing more Bingo prizes to give to our players. We can also use help on Thursdays when we have Beauty Shop morning. Thanks again to all the people who come and spend time with the residents. They love to have company.

Ozona Boy Scout reunion being planned

In February 2010, the Boy Scout program will be 100 years old. The current troop is planning a reunion for anyone who was in either troop from Ozona. This includes troop leaders. Anyone who was in

troops, or leader of the troops, or if anyone knows of someone who were in the troops, call Linda Conner at (325) 392-8125 with their current address, leave a message if no answer, or email this-momiscrazy2@verizon.net or bsaozona@verizon.net.

Guadalupana enchilada dinner Sunday

An Enchilada Dinner sponsored by the Guadalupana Society will take place at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 31, at

the OLPH Parish Hall. Cost is \$6 per plate for three enchiladas, rice, beans, salad, dessert and tea.

Card of Thanks

We would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank everyone who helped celebrate Jason's graduation during our recent trip to Ozona. The party was truly amazing. We would like to thank Ashlee Ramos aka A.D.R. Designs for the pre-planning, invitations, e-vites, pictures and posters. Thanks to Carmen and Charlie Ramos for getting everything lined-up, including the venue, decorations, food, cooks, and the band. Carmen, the red velvet cake was the perfect color scheme for the Texas A&M-themed party. Thanks to Joe and Hilda Galvan for the special "Jason" cake. Thanks to Crossing Tyler for the music that kept us on the dance floor all night long. Thanks to Mary, Aimee and Aunt Debbie for helping with the set-up and clean-up. To all our friends and family (too many to name individually) - we appreciate y'all and we enjoyed every minute of the celebration. Take care, Jason Galvan and John and Joyce Galvan

Card of Thanks

On behalf of the Lara Family: I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who offered their precious time and effort to support and comfort us during our most difficult and hardest times. We will be forever grateful to God to have been blessed with beautiful and wonderful family and friends like you. We had lost a beloved and special person that we will truly miss and grieving is a process that we all have to take but remember to rejoice at the same time because his absence here on earth reflects his presence with the Lord.

PLAY ACTING

It has been around for thousands of years and is worldwide. It was popular in ancient Egypt over 4000 thousand years ago and during of the Greek and Roman empires. It is still popular in Africa, India, and Japan today. The actors would put on a mask and play out a particular character or sometimes they played several characters. The plays or dramas could last from an hour or up to a whole day. Play acting, hypocrisy, or putting up a fake front goes on in life and even in churches today. If you do not think it is happening today just watch some politicians for a while. It is really dishonesty and can even be in the form of flattery, for instance a woman may tell her friend she thinks her new dress looks so nice but she really thinks it looks horrible. Or we can act like we care about someone very much but we really despise them. The Bible instructs Christians to refrain from it, (Matthew 23:28, Romans 12:1). It can become a way of life and is also contagious to others, (Luke 12:1, Galatians 2:13). It can hinder our relationship to God and stunt our spiritual growth, (1 Peter 2:1-3). In the end times some will be led astray by it, (1 Timothy 4:1-3). Hypocrisy, deception or falsehood does not come from God because God is 100 percent truthful, (James 3:17). See you in Church next Sunday. Brother J

<p>First Baptist Church 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.</p>	<p>Ozona Church of Christ 1002 11th St. Mr. Johnnie Perkins Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.</p>	<p>Ozona United Methodist Church 12 - 11th St. Pastor Ron Shott Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.</p>
<p>Templo Bautista Jerusalem 138 Blas St. Rev. Esequiel Cervantez Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Faith Lutheran Church 802 1st St. Pastor Tom Baden Worship: Sunday - 7 p.m. Bible Class: Sunday - 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church 2121 Santa Rosa St. Rev. Dan & Ann Rios Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Family Service: 6:30 p.m.</p>
<p>Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida Corner of Secretariat & Man O' War Pastor Juan Avila Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Service: 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Iglesia de Dios De La Profecia 102 Man O' War St. 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.</p>	<p>Our Lady of Perpetual Help 219 Martinez St. Fr. Felix Okeke Sun. Mass: 11 a.m. Sat.: 7 p.m. Tues. - Fri.: 6 p.m.</p>
<p>Calvary Baptist Church 601 Ave. I Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Sunday Worship: 6 p.m. Wednesday Worship: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Attend the Church of your choice this Sunday</p>	
<p>New Beginnings Church 701 9th Street Pastor Carlos Cantu Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>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.</p>	
<p>Iglesia de Cristo Hwy 163 S. at Quail Run Interim - Ray Valadez Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m.</p>		

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MARTINEZ: from page 1

and time keeper for amateur boxing matches.

I have been employed by Crockett County Care Center as a Building Maintenance Assistant since 2001.

WHAT QUALIFIES YOU FOR THE POSITION YOU ARE RUNNING FOR?

I am a candidate who shares the same concerns as the people in Precinct 4 and am ready to listen to everyone about their issues. My experience and leadership as a USA Boxing Official in area and state level competitions and a member of the OLPH parish council have given me the skills and discipline to represent the residents of Precinct 4. I am known for making good and fair decisions that have shown great results.

WHAT ARE THREE THINGS YOU WOULD LIKE TO ACCOMPLISH IF ELECTED?

1. Improving property values in Precinct 4 by enforcing clean up laws adopted by the County Commissioners Court related to abandoned buildings, homes, lots and vehicles.

2. Improving drainage after heavy rains in certain parts of Precinct 4 and to provide access to homes for those living in the west section by I-10 and Hwy 163 during major flooding by researching state funded emergency bridges and exits. Currently, if there were to be a medical emergency or structure fire during a flood, EMT's nor firefighters would be able to cross over to those areas.

3. Join with other County Commissioners to explore affordable family health insurance options for Crockett County employees in order to keep local residents in local jobs. The cost of insurance is a major topic for employees who are single parents, married and for those eligible for retirement.

WHAT IS LIKELY THE MOST SIGNIFICANT ISSUE FACING YOUR OFFICE IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS AND WHY?

Once the new school in Precinct 4 is completed, the most significant issue facing parents, surrounding residents, day care center and local businesses will be the increase in traffic and activity.

Safety will be a major concern for parents dropping off their kids and residents getting into the flow of traffic while regular highway traffic continues. Adjusting to new routes and crosswalks will be a challenge for everyone including my office.

ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO VOTERS:

As a current Crockett County employee, I am restricted from campaigning within county property and during working hours compared to other candidates, therefore, I am happy to announce that today I am launching my website eligiomartinez.blogspot.com to support my campaign. Anyone can go 24/7 to my blog to see what I'm saying about issues concerning Precinct 4 as part of this election.

I am committed to maintaining open and on-going communication when I am elected as your next Precinct 4 County Commissioner. Thank you everyone for your encouragement and support.

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Chamber of Commerce, which I would recommend to everyone. I am also a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church and serve on the Justice of the Peace Committee.

WHAT ARE THREE THINGS YOU WOULD LIKE TO ACCOMPLISH IF ELECTED?

I would like to beautify our precinct, with cleaner draws, remove abandoned vehicles from the street and last, but not least, be a proud and positive voice Precinct 4.

WHAT IS LIKELY THE MOST SIGNIFICANT ISSUE FACING YOUR OFFICE IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS AND WHY?

There are many issues to be addressed but the most important are the roads and alleys and solving the drainage problems in our precinct.

ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO VOTERS:

Each vote will be a vote of confidence toward a better tomorrow. If elected I will be honored not only to represent Precinct 4, but the whole community.

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I continued my adult education and have 70-plus hours of Professional and Graduate

Studies credits and 10-plus hours of Civil Rights Education. I have maximized my annual county government continuing education credits which promote active participation in governmental affairs and attended multiple business and seminars.

WHAT QUALIFIES YOU FOR THE POSITION YOU ARE RUNNING FOR?

As the old saying goes "nobody really cares how much you know until they know how much you care." So, the real reason I feel I am qualified to continue for re-election of Precinct 4 is not only because I have the knowledge and ability to do the job but because I truly care about my community. I have made it a point to make the most honest decisions for our community. During my first term I was able to use my business skills and artistic background to make Precinct 4 a better community for our families. This is evident in the South Park. I have listened to my community and worked hard to be their voice when making decisions that would impact them. As stated above, I have taken the required annual county government training in order to keep up with current laws and regulations. I do feel I have made a positive impact in our community and am the most qualified candidate.

WHAT ARE THREE THINGS YOU WOULD LIKE TO ACCOMPLISH IF ELECTED?

Besides putting policies into effect to guarantee the future of a happy, healthy Crockett County my first three priorities when re-elected are:

- 1) Roads and Alleys
- 2) Drainage System
- 3) Continue to rebuild our neighborhood

WHAT IS LIKELY THE MOST SIGNIFICANT ISSUE FACING YOUR OFFICE IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS AND WHY?

The most significant challenge we face in the next few years is having the financial resources to solve some of our issues. Our neighborhoods are deteriorating and our roads/alleys need major work. When making financial decisions for our county, we will not only need honest people, but people with business backgrounds. My business background has helped me ask the tough questions and I feel my honesty has helped me make the best decisions for our community.

ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO VOTERS:

It was an honor and a privilege to represent you these past four years. It was a great experience and a huge responsibility that I accepted proudly. Thank you so much!

I'm now before you once again, asking that you support me in my bid to be your next Precinct 4 County Commissioner. Let my years representing you be my resume' of proven commitment. As always, I can be contacted by email at atobar007@aol.com or by cell at 325-226-3532. I'm asking for your vote, and the vote of your friends and neighbors. Together, we CAN continue to make a difference!

Political candidate debate Feb. 11

All local political candidates in contested and uncontested races are invited to attend a debate at 6 p.m. Feb. 11 at the Senior Center.

The debate will be moderated by Ozona Stockman Editor and Publisher Melissa

Williams Perner and Democratic Party Chairman Sandy Stokes. Refresh-



ments will be served. Voters are encouraged to attend and to bring their questions for local candidates.

For more information, call Sandy Stokes at 392-3131.

The last day to register to vote in the March 2 Pri-

mary Election is Monday, Feb. 1. Voters can register at the Crockett County Tax Office in the courthouse annex.

Early voting will be Feb. 16-26 at the courthouse annex.

Deadline to apply for a ballot by mail is Feb. 23.

Ozona Cub Scouts host Space Derby

The Ozona Cub Scouts held their annual Space Derby Saturday.

Winners in the derby were: Tiger Den - Champion Tate Williams; 1. Cobran Hernandez; 2. Ethan Criswell; 4. Anthony Smith and 5. Michael

Morals. Wolf Den - Champion Peyton Rohan; 1. Jacob Childress; 2. Nate Jackson; 3. Justin Yeager and 4. Austin Moran

Bear Den - Champion Kyle Lewis; 1. David Landen; 2. Jordan Martin; 3. Josh Knaack and 4. Marcus Perez.

Weblo Den - Champion Hunter Smith; 1. Gavin Granis; 2. Marc Flores and 3. Murray Logan.

5th Grade - Champion Bladen Hernandez; 1. Mark Aikman; 2. Jessie Ramos and 3. Greg De Hoyos.

6th Grade - Champion Calib Martinez; 1. Trystian



OZONA CUB SCOUTS held their annual Space Derby on Jan. 23 at the Davidson Gymnasium.

Galindo; 2. Jake Everett; 3. Kabir Shah; 4. Jarred Everett.

Overall winners - Champion Hunter Smith; 1. Bladen Hernandez; 2. Peyton Rohan; 3. Tate Williams; 4. Calib Martinez and 5. Cobran Hernandez.

BOARD: from page 1

Construction crews are grading and getting parking lots ready for paving, as well as pouring sidewalks and continuing masonry work on the west side.

Drywall work continues as well, along with kitchen appliances being installed and work on electrical and heating and cooling.

Waldrop Construction officials said roofing is about 60 days behind due to material deliveries coming in late, but no additional time is needed right now.

"Our goal is to make up that time. We are still going to try and get out of here before the school opens up on Aug. 23," said Bill Baker, project manager for Waldrop Construction.

ARCHIVING RECORDS

The board approved for duBois to begin negotiations into an agreement with JR3 Education Associates Inc., which is a Texas based firm that provides electronic records conversion and retention services through their iCAP server and client software.

duBois said CCCSD has decades and decades of records that are stored without security. With JR3, records will be stored with them, scanned and placed on an Internet server, which only certain school officials will have access.

"We're hanging on to some things that we don't need to be hanging on to," duBois said. "Right now, all we have is a bunch of boxes."

Permanent records will be scanned and kept on the Internet server. The hard copies will also be kept.

Documents that are not considered permanent will be placed on a rotation scheduled to be destroyed. The board will receive a list annually of documents scheduled to be destroyed and then have final decision on them.

Cost will run the district around \$11,000 to \$14,000 for the first year and then \$9,000 to \$10,000 after that. Money has been budgeted for this expense this year.

"I am considering that this company knows the needs of school districts and can do this at a tenth of the cost other firms have quoted us," duBois said.

JR3 currently has around 32 school district as clients, including Big Spring, Grape Creek and a charter school near Brownwood.

campus vision, and setting future desired learning outcomes and activities. Enrollment is 388.

OHS - Enrollment 152; attendance for second six weeks 93.95 percent, a number of students were out with flu or flu-like symptoms during the second six weeks; 86.32 percent passing rate for the second six weeks.

OHS - Enrollment 207; attendance rate is 95.31 percent. Principal Benny Granger said his campus is doing everything they can in the office to get the attendance rate taken care of. The goal is to get past 96.5 percent by the end of the year.

OTHER ITEMS:

Approved budget amendment of \$17,490 to the 2009-2010 official budget for two new school buses.

Approved letter of engagement for the district's financial audit for the year ending Aug. 31, 2010 with Eckert & Company L.L.P. of San Angelo.

Approved the School Health Advisory Council/Coordinated Approach To Child Health Committee members. The committee consists of Karen Huffman, co-chair; Carla De Hoyos, co-chair; Janina Savala; Maria Hendryx; Ludy Vargas; David Porter; E.A. Wadsworth; Tiffany Esparza; Jana Wilson; Millie Grannis; Annalu Gonzales; Maria Ybarra; Margaret Longoria; Shawna Hopper; Christy Cruz; Alexandra Macias; Taylor Newton; Mike Gully and Stacy Mecke.

The board will travel to Sonora on Feb. 18 for a workshop and training meeting. The next regular school board meeting will be 6:30 p.m. Feb. 24 at the Administration Building.

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Lady Lions roll over Alpine

The Lady Lions stomped the Alpine Lady Bucks for a 48-28 district win on Jan. 22.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 4 10 11 23 - 48; Alpine - 11 4 9 - 28.

Scoring: Natalia Ortiz 2; Brandi Glosson 1; Melanie Miller 4; Adrienne Sanchez 5; Stacie Quiroz 4; Vanessa Rodriguez 17; Jessica Elston 6; Alex Macias 2 and Kristen Mendoza 7. Also playing: Raelynn Arredondo and Alex Cruz.

"I am very proud of our bench tonight; they scored 20 of our 48 points with Kristen Mendoza leading the bench scoring with seven. However, we got off to another slow start only scoring four points in the first quarter. It wasn't like we didn't have shots; we just missed shots that we should've made. We battled through that and made up for it in the second half. The defense for the last three

quarters was outstanding. We pressured the ball and got turnovers that sparked our offense. We scored 23 points in the fourth quarter, which nearly doubled our output for the three previous quarters," said Coach John Jackson.

The Lady Lions lost to Reagan County 42-29 on Jan. 19.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 5 9 6 9 - 29; RC - 14 7 13 8 - 29.

Scoring: Ortiz 3; Arredondo 2; Miller 6; Quiroz 4; Rodriguez 5; Elston 2 and Macias 3 and Mendoza 4. Also playing Glosson, Sanchez and Cruz.

"This had to be our worst game of the year. I felt like we had any energy during the game and that we never really got it together. I mean the girls were trying really hard it was just like we were running in the mud," Jackson said.

The Lady Lions are 13-9 and 4-4 in district.



NATALIA ORTIZ (l.) AND ALEX CRUZ (r.) double team a Reagan County Lady Owl as teammate Alex Macias moves into position in the background.

JV Lady Lions annihilate Alpine

The JV Lady Lions defeated Alpine 55-6 on Jan. 22.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 21 9 20 5 - 55; Alpine - 2 0 2 2 - 6.

Scoring: Natalie Hernandez 6; Kodi Glosson 12; Arleen Castillo 6; Brianna Cervantez 5; Tesla Caperton 3; Alex Rodriguez 15 and Britni Mitchel 6. Also playing: Irene Vargas.

"The girls continued to

play hard throughout the entire game. We tried something different in our rotation and the way we subbed and the girls adjusted to it very well. Everyone got a lot of playing time. I am proud of the way they handled themselves during this game," said Coach Jordan Webster.

The JV Lady Lions are 15-3 overall and 7-1 in district play.



ALEX RODRIGUEZ

Lions defeat Owls by one in OT

The Lions won by one point over Reagan County on Jan. 20.

Jose Aguilar scored the winning basket to put the Lions up 44-43.

"If you were not there you missed out. Our defense was outstanding in the fourth quarter," said Coach Ted Rohan.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 13 7 11 13 - 44; RC - 9 10 20 4 43.

Scoring: Zane Hernandez 15; Zeth Hernandez 7; Abey Lara 6; Kyle Sewell 3; Aguilar 5; Eric Talamantez 3 and Alex

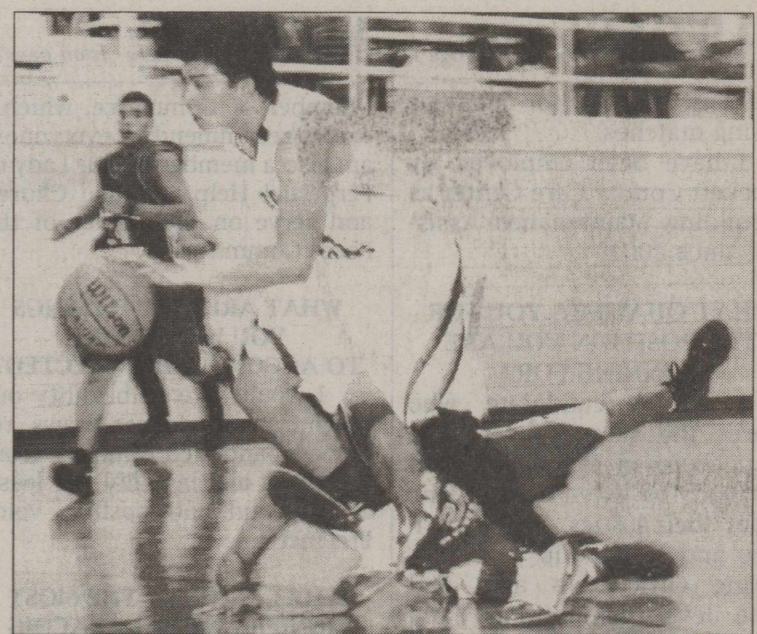
Borrego 5. Also playing: Lalo Longoria.

The Lions lost to Alpine 71-59 on Jan. 22.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 16 15 12 16 - 59; Alpine - 14 18 17 25 - 71.

Scoring: Zane Hernandez 25; Aguilar 14; Borrego 8; Lara 6; Suddreth 3 and Sewell 3. Also playing: Longoria and Talamantez.

"We played well the first two quarters, but experienced serious foul trouble the rest of the way. Four starters fouled out and two others had four fouls," Rohan said.



ZANE HERNANDEZ PLOWS PAST a Big Lake Owl in the Lions 44-43 win.

Lady Lions win medals in first powerlifting meet

Four Lady Lions competed in the Big Spring Powerlifting meet with two bringing back medals.

Emalee Hamilton 485 total

pounds and Dalia Hernandez 475 total pounds placed second and third in their weight classes, with Ingred Silva 470

total pounds and Rebecca Ra-

mos 460 total pounds placing sixth and seventh in their weight classes.

"This was a great meet for us and a great learning experience. We were very proud of how well the girls did since none of them have ever competed before," said Coach John

Esparza.

Lions compete in first powerlifting meet

The Ozona Lions competed in their first powerlifting meet in Big Spring.

"I was very proud of the guys. They lifted hard and did great for their first meet ever. We were all a bit shell-shocked at first but settled down and were able to put up some great lifts, with most everyone putting up at least one personal best. We still have a long way to go but this was defiantly a step in the right direction," said Coach John Esparza.

Powerlifting consists of three lifts squat, bench press and dead lift with the competitor's combined weight giving the total.

There were more than 200 lifters in Big Spring with and average of more than 20 competitors in each weight class, Esparza said.

Ozona results:

- 123 pounds - Tevin Cordova 10th with a total of 530 pounds.

- 148 pounds - Rocky Venegas 15th 615 pounds total; Noah Tambunga 18th 540 pounds total

- 165 pounds - Kyle Dean 7th 960 pounds total.

- 181 pounds - Brandon Dominguez 19th 710 pounds total; Alejandro Mendez 20th 680 pounds total.

- 220 pounds - Michael Medina Jr. 12th 865 pounds total.

- 275 pounds - Joe Borrego 12th 760 pounds total.

The Lions next meet will be Feb. 13 in Fort Stockton.

Ozona sweeps Computer Science competition at Ozona High School UIL Academic Meet

OHS students competed in the local UIL Academic Meet on Jan. 8.

"It was a memorable and adventurous day that included a little snow and a lot of competition. A dozen schools from across West Texas braved the wintry weather to make it an exciting meet," said UIL Coordinator Cathy English.

By the end of the day, our Ozona High School team placed fifth overall and the following students placed individually.

Ozona swept the Computer Science competition taking first through fifth place. Lane White was first scoring more than 200 points. Jayce Logan was second, Duncan Knox third, Clarissa Burciaga fourth and Erik Carrizales fifth.

Other results: Mathematics - Lane White - 2nd place; the team of Duncan Knox, Jayce Logan,

Rebecca Pierce, Lane White and Julie Gutierrez placed second.

News Writing - Sasha Per-

ez 6th place

Headline Writing - Duncan Knox 1st place Feature Writing - Kelsie Ramirez 4th place Ready Writing - Taylor Newton 3rd place Poetry - Cuatro Jones 6th place Social Studies - Taylor Newton 3rd place Spelling - Jenice Elguea 1st place; the team of: Sierra Trevino, Leandra Hernandez, Jenice Elguea, Julie Gutierrez, Andrew Galindo, Katye Hernandez, Leigh Ann Galindo, Tevin Cordova and Lauren Najar placed 1st.

Way to go, Lions! Keep up all the good work!



OZONA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS competed in the Ozona High School Literary Academic Meet on Jan. 8.

Ozona High School Boys & Girls Tennis Schedule

Date	Tournament	Location	Varsity/JV
Jan. 28	Team Dual	Big Lake	Varsity/JV
Feb. 4	West Texas Champ.	San Angelo	Varsity
Feb. 18th	Big Lake Tourn.	Big Lake	JV
Feb. 19-20	Big Lake Tourn.	Big Lake	Varsity
Feb. 26-27	Ft. Stockton Team	Ft. Stockton	Varsity Team
Mar. 5-6	Regional Team Tennis	Big Lake	Varsity Team
Mar. 12-13	State Team Tennis	Round Rock	Varsity Team
Mar. 19-20	Reagan County Invit.	Big Lake	Varsity
Mar. 23	Reagan County Invit.	Big Lake	JV
Mar. 26	Ozona Invitational	Ozona	Varsity
April 1-3	Mason Invitational	Mason	
April 5 & 8	District Tournament	Big Lake	Varsity/JV
April 23-24	Regional Tournament	Odessa	Varsity
May 5-6	State Tournament	Austin-UT	Varsity

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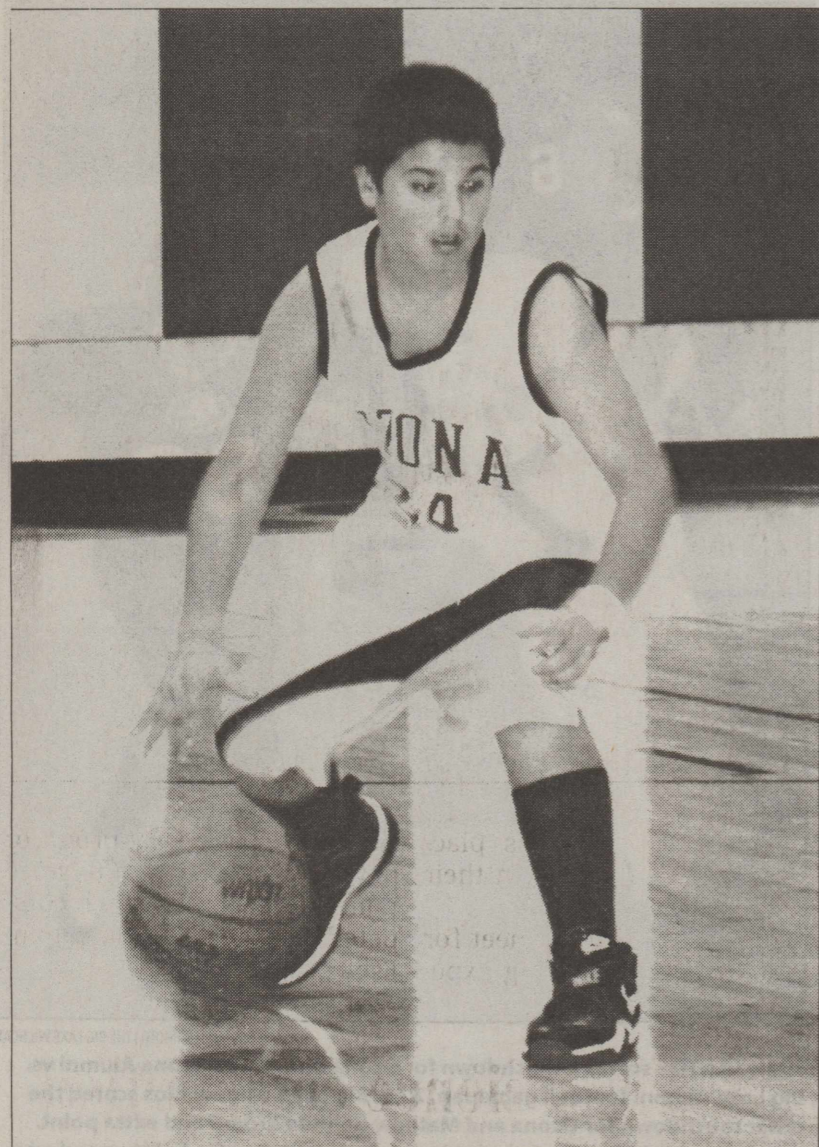
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CHASE DEHOYOS WORKS THE BALL down the court for the Seventh Grade Lions in their 24-21 win over Alpine.

Seventh Grade Lady Lions get first win in Crane Tourney

The Seventh Grade Lady Lions lost to Alpine 32-9 on Jan. 18.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 0 5 4 0 - 9; Alpine - 6 8 10 8 - 32.

Scoring: Marissa Held 2; Bethany Martinez 2; Keyanna Perez 3 and Becky Mata 2. Also playing: Janna Munsell, Alexis Aguilar, Megan Bullard, Kaylenn Elston and Chellil Gonzales.

The Lady Lions also competed in the Crane District Tournament on Jan. 16.

The Lady Lions lost to Reagan County 18-12 in the first game.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 2 2 5 3 - 12; RC - 8 2 2 6 - 18.

Scoring: Held 2; Martinez 2; Mata 2; Elston 2; Gonzales 2 and Maira Rodriguez 2. Also playing: Munsell, Aguilar, Bullard and Perez.

"We were down 10 to 4 at halftime and just couldn't pull it off in the second half. We played hard down to the last second of the game. The game was a lot closer than when we played them last time," Rohan said.

The Lady Lions lost to

Presidio 29-22 in the second game.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 10 4 2 6 - 22; Presidio - 11 6 7 6 - 29.

Scoring: Held 4; Martinez 8; Mata 4; Rodriguez 2; Perez 2 and Aguilar 2. Also playing: Munsell, Elston and Gonzales.

"This is the most points that we have scored in a game so far this year. We were down at half time 16 to 17. We had a chance and couldn't pull it off. We fought down to the last second," Rohan said.

The Lady Lions defeated Iraan 19-16 in their third game.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 4 2 3 10 - 19; Iraan - 4 3 4 5 - 16.

Scoring: Martinez 8; Mata 4; Rodriguez 2; Perez 2; Aguilar 1 and Gonzales 2. Also playing: Munsell, Elston and Held.

"This is the A team's first win. It was a hard fought game. We never gave up. We are so excited to finally win a game. I am so proud of the girls for playing hard to the end of each game and never giving up," Rohan said.

Eighth Grade Lady Lions lose to Alpine

The Eighth Grade Lady Lions lost to Alpine 30-16 on Jan. 18.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 4 5 4 3 - 16; Alpine - 9 6 6 9 - 30.

Scoring: Vivian Medina 6; Lexi Poindexter 5 and Sierra Stokes 5. Also playing: Daisy Guerra, Kyann Hernandez, Lazarae Rodriguez and Amy Quiroz.

"We just came out flat this game. We had an injured player early on and it changed the momentum of our game. The girls that scored had very good games. I just needed a few more players putting points up. The score really doesn't do my girls justice. They played hard and continue to take their play to the next level. I continue to be extremely proud of them," said Coach Jill Koerth.

The Lady Lions also competed in the Crane District Tournament on Jan. 14.

In game one, the Lady Lions lost to Iraan 25-13.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 0 0 4 9 - 13; Iraan - 6 5 9 5 - 25.

Scoring: Poindexter 4; Stokes 4; A. Quiroz 3 and L. Rodriguez 2. Also playing: Nancy Rodriguez, Guerra, Angelina Ramos, Hernandez, Stephanie Salinas, Vanessa Quiroz and

Rebecca Hernandez.

In game two, the Lady Lions lost to Presidio 18-16.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 3 2 9 2 - 16; Presidio - 5 2 10 1 - 18.

Scoring: A. Quiroz 6; Medina 4; N. Rodriguez 2; Guerra 2 and Poindexter 2. Also playing: Ramos, K. Hernandez, Salinas, V. Quiroz, Stokes and R. Hernandez.

In game three, the Lady Lions won 17-16 over Crane.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 4 4 4 5 - 17; Crane - 8 2 4 2 - 16.

Scoring: A. Quiroz 8; Stokes 3; N. Rodriguez 2; K. Hernandez 2 and Medina 2. Also playing: Guerra, Ramos, Poindexter, Salinas, V. Quiroz and R. Hernandez.

Seventh Grade Lions dominate over Bucks

The Seventh Grade Lions squeaked by Alpine 24-21 on Jan. 18.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 5 6 4 9 - 24; Alpine - 2 2 10 7 - 21.

Scoring: Jayton Rodriguez 11; Chase De Hoyos 2; Daniel Lombrana 4; Bryce Gutierrez 2; Dylan Perez 1 and Ricky Porras 4. Also playing: Zac Taylor, Ryan Porras and Nathaniel Valdez.

"We played a really smart game from start to finish. We made great passes and played some of the best defense we have all year to start the game. Our guards made great decisions and our post did an awesome job rebounding and making plays in the paint. We were also able to put free throws in down the stretch making 7-8 in the fourth quarter and 12-15 for the game. They played great and I am very proud of the effort," said Coach John Esparza.

The Seventh Grade Lions competed in the Crane District Tournament on Jan. 16.

In their first game, the Lions defeated Sonora 29-17.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 9 10 2 8 - 29; Sonora - 5 6 2 4 - 17.

Scoring: Rodriguez 12; De Hoyos 3; Lombrana 2; Gutierrez 2; Perez 6 and Taylor 4. Also playing: Ricky Porras, Ryan Porras and Valdez.

"This was a great way for us to start the tournament.

We started off hot and were able to get the ball inside. We played great team defense and did a fantastic job rebounding especially offensively and were able to get some back-side scoring," Esparza said.

In the second game, the Lions lost 33-20 to Kermit.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 5 4 2 9 - 20; Kermit - 14 2 6 11 - 33.

Scoring: Rodriguez 12; De Hoyos 3; Ricky Porras 2; Lombrana 2 and Perez 1. Also playing: Taylor, Ryan Porras, Gutierrez and Valdez.

"We played hard we were just unable to put the ball in the bucket. The boys never gave up and fought back and stayed positive. It was a tough loss," Esparza said.

The Lions won their final game, 32-28, over Reagan County.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 4 6 10 12 - 32; RC - 5 8 5 10 - 28.

Scoring: Rodriguez 13; De Hoyos 5; Lombrana 3; Ryan Porras 2; Perez 2; Taylor 2 and Ricky Porras 4. Also playing: Gutierrez and Valdez.

"This was a great game and a good way for us to bounce back from the loss earlier in the day. We came out a bit slow and missed some easy baskets, but we came together at halftime and played some great defense to start the third quarter and never looked back," Esparza said.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

SAUL VARGAS TAKES A JUMP SHOT in the Eighth Grade Lions game against Alpine on Jan. 18.

Seventh Grade Lady Lions B Team shutout Alpine

The Seventh Grade Lady Lions B Team defeated Alpine 6-0 on Jan. 18.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 2 4 - 6; Alpine - 0 0 - 0.

Scoring: Maira Rodriguez 2; Nydia Valdez 2 and Krislynn Harris 2. Also play-

ing: Meagan Espinoza and Melissa Lozano.

"This is the B team's first win. I am so proud of them for playing hard down to the last minute, especially with five players and no rest," said Coach Dedra Rohan.

Eighth Grade Lions take fourth at Crane Tourney

The Eighth Grade Lions placed fourth in the Crane District Tournament on Jan. 16.

In their first game, the Lions won 32-26 over Sonora.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 13 9 7 3 - 32; Sonora - 7 3 2 12 - 26.

Scoring: Tyler Galindo 10; Daniel Gonzales 6; E.Z. Rivas 10 and Saul Vargas 6. Also playing: Tristan Alvarez, Ely Montanez, A.J. Ramos, Michael Ybarra and Logan Glaspie.

In game two, the Lion lost to Alpine 45-33.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 14 4 5 10 - 33; Alpine - 14 16 5 10 - 45.

Scoring: Galindo 1; Rivas 10; Vargas 10; Montanez 2; Ybarra 6 and Glaspie 4. Also playing: Alvarez and Ramos.

In their final game, the Lions lost to Crane 54-37.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 11 11 7 9 - 37; Crane - 14 13 14 13 - 54.

Eighth Grade Lady Lions B Team falls to Alpine

The Eighth Grade Lady Lions B Team lost to Alpine 26-18 on Jan. 18.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 0 4 6 8 - 18; Alpine - 8 8 6 4 - 26.

Scoring: Nancy Rodriguez 6; Angelina Ramos 6; Vanessa Quiroz 2; Stephanie Salinas 2 and Rebecca Hernandez 2.

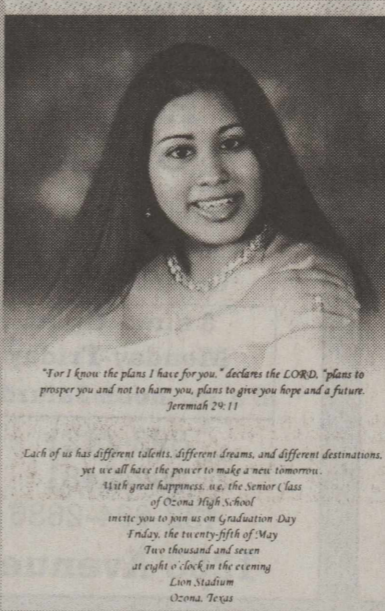
"These girls put a lot of points on the board and played a great game. We just couldn't catch up," said Coach Jill Koerth.

Youth Center Calendar of Events

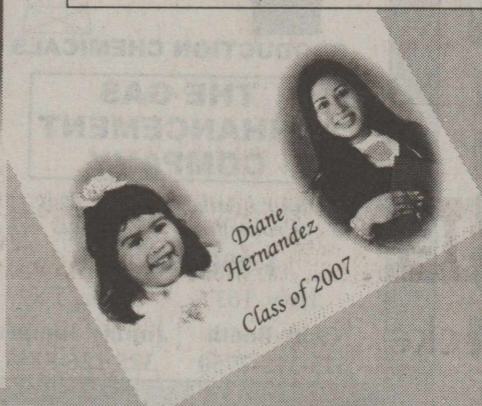
Feb. 1 - OHS Food Night, 7-10 p.m.

Feb. 13 - OHS Sweetheart Dance 8 p.m.-midnight (semi-formal; photo packages available)

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DR. ROBERT LOWRY (left) talks to Dr. Marcus Sims and Randy Verner during a stop Tuesday morning at the Cafe Next Door. Lowry is seeking the Republican nomination for Congressional District 23, which includes Crockett County. For more information, visit www.drlowryforcongress.com.

FOR THE RECORD: WEEKLY COURT PROCEEDINGS

BAIL BONDS

- Jimmy Dale Patterson, Tularosa, N.M., possession of marijuana less than two ounces, \$2,000, class B misdemeanor; unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon, third-degree felony, \$20,000.
- Jimmy Longoria, Ozona, assault causing bodily injury family violence, misdemeanor, \$5,000.

DISTRICT COURT
Hon. Brock Jones & Hon. Pedro (Pete) Gomez Jr. presiding

- Martha Jean Williams, 38, Ozona, motion to dismiss injury to the elderly due to being found guilty of voluntary manslaughter and sentenced to 10 years in prison.
- Jesus Rodolfo Gonzales, 31, Crystal City, Texas, pled guilty to prohibited substance in a correctional facility, third-degree felony, two years deferred adjudication, \$750 fine, \$1,400 restitution, 160 hours community service and \$354 court costs.
- Jorge Luis Aranda, 26, Ozona, pled guilty to failure to comply with sex offender registration (three counts), third-degree felony, sentenced to three years in prison.
- Manuel Galindo Villarreal III, 44, Ozona, pled guilty to felony driving while intoxicated, third-degree felony, five years community supervision, \$1,000 fine, 160 hours of community service, \$479 court costs, 10 days in the Crockett County Jail, driver's license suspended for five years.
- Saul Terrell, 26, Inglewood, Calif., amended conditions of community supervision by adding two years.

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



SUBMITTED PHOTO | THE BIG LAKE WILDCAT
JOSH SANTOS scores a touchdown for Ozona during the Ozona Alumni vs. Big Lake Alumni football game Jan. 22 at Big Lake. Miguel Rios scored the other touchdown for Ozona and Mathew Galindo kicked and extra point. Ozona lost 30-13 but Big Lake had two players ejected for fighting and one player transported to the hospital with a broken leg.

EMS DEPARTMENT RUNS

JANUARY 19

- Transfer - Patient transported to Shannon Medical Center
- Local Call - No Patient

JANUARY 22

- Local Call - Patient transported to Family Health Clinic

JANUARY 23

- Transfer - Patient transported to San Angelo Community Hospital

JANUARY 21

- Transfer - Patient transported to Crockett County Care Center
- Local Call - Patient transported to Meet Air Med 1

FIRE DEPARTMENT RUNS

JANUARY 23

- 6:42 p.m. - Possible structure fire 108 11th St., was a small grass fire behind 202 11th St. Four units, nine firefighters. Time in service 27 minutes.

JANUARY 24

- 9:36 a.m. - Alarm at the Circle Bar reported by alarm company. Check with motel advised no fire, OVFD alarm cancelled, trucks did not leave the station. Time 4 minutes.
- 3:25 p.m. - Grass fire along the fence line 25 miles south County Road 101. Fence building crew on scene, 0.01 acre. Three units, five firefighters. Time in service 2 hours 17 minutes.

Corrections...

BAIL BONDS: Francisco Antonio Vasquez, Ozona, burglary of a building, felony, \$10,000; not Francisco Vargas. This information was incorrect in last week's Stockman.

Martha Jean Williams and Rafael Benson were married. This information was incorrect in an article in last week's Ozona Stockman.

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UT TUITION HIKE URGED

A panel studying tuition at the University of Texas has recommended a 3.95 percent tuition increase for 2010-11 and again for the 2011-12 school year. The higher tuition is necessary to keep UT from cutting staff and programs, according to the panel composed of UT students, faculty and administrators.

Without higher tuition, the school would be forced to trim more than \$30 million from its budget over the next two school years. If adopted, tuition and fees would rise to \$4,709 in 2020-11 and \$4,895 in 2011-12. The report now goes to the UT Board of Regents for consideration.

DMV HEAD NAMED

Edward Serna has been named the first executive director of the new Texas Department of Motor Vehicles.

Formerly assistant executive director for support operations at the Texas Department of Transportation, Serna headed the team that shifted motor vehicle services from TxDOT to the new DMV.

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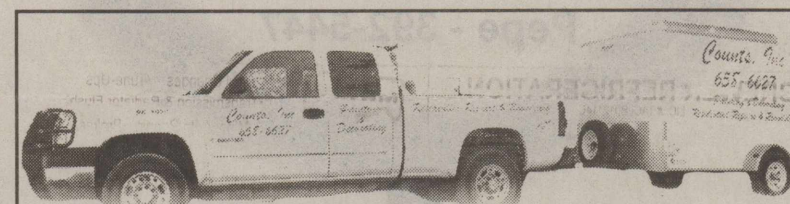
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