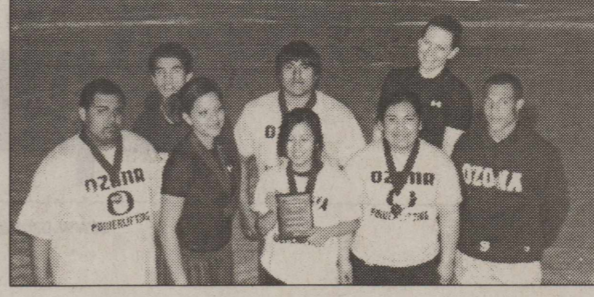


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Deaton, Hearne win races; Tobar, Martinez in April 13 runoff

BY MELISSA PERNER
 THE OZONA STOCKMAN

Precinct 4 voters will go to the polls again in April.

A runoff election will take place April 13 between Incumbent Commissioner Alfredo Tobar and Challenger Eligio Martinez.

In the four-person race Tuesday night, none of the candidates captured the 143 votes needed for a majority in the Democratic Primary Election. Precinct 4 had 284 ballots cast in the election.

Tobar captured the most votes with 97, followed by Martinez at 80, Dee Montanez with 64 and Jesse De La Garza at 43.

Early voting totals showed a different race, with Tobar at 32 votes, Montanez at 29, Martinez 18 and De La Garza with 17.

Totals for Tuesday's voting was Tobar 65, Martinez 62, Montanez 35 and De La Garza 26.

The last day to register to vote for the runoff is March 15. Early voting will be one week, April 5-9.

In other local elections, incumbent candidates led the entire evening.

County Judge Fred Deaton won with 792 votes to Challeng-

er Larry Williams who had 272. Justice of the Peace Jim Hearne defeated Challenger Royce Newton 762 votes to 238.

In statewide races, the Associated Press reported at 10 p.m. that Rick Perry won the Republican nomination and will face former Houston Mayor Bill White in the general election.

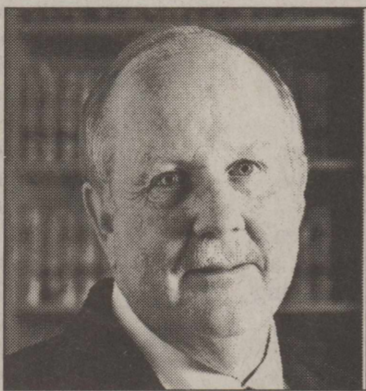
Perry's chief opponent, U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison conceded about 9:30 p.m. Tuesday after Perry's lead in the Republican gubernatorial primary held steady at 52 percent of the vote. Hutchinson won little more than 30 percent of the vote, dashing her hopes of at least getting into a runoff with Perry.

U.S. Rep. Ciro D. Rodriguez led Miguel Ortiz with 83 percent of the vote.

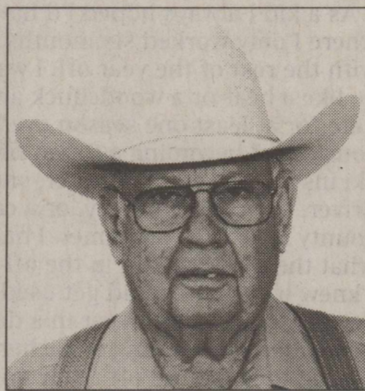
As of press time, the Republican opponent for Rodriguez looked like it was headed for a runoff. San Antonio attorney Francisco "Quico" Canseco and Marshall High School graduate and former CIA agent Will Hurd led the field of five candidates with 36 percent and 30 percent of the vote, respectively.

Fair Oaks doctor Robert "Doc" Lowry was in third place with 21 percent.

CROCKETT COUNTY PRIMARY WINNERS:



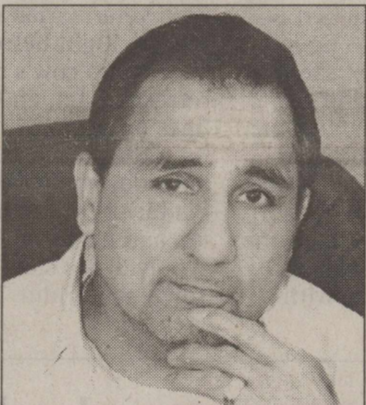
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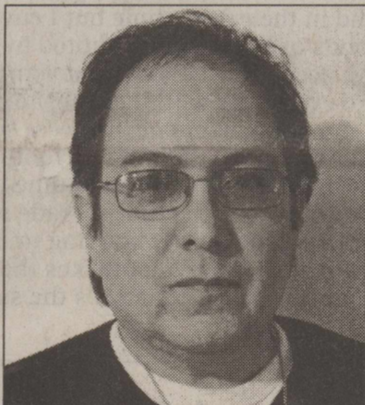
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RUNOFF CONTENDERS:



ALFREDO TOBAR



ELIGIO MARTINEZ

School board approves contract renewals, new elementary furniture

BY MELISSA PERNER
 THE OZONA STOCKMAN

After a lengthy executive session, the Crockett County CCSD Board of Trustees voted to renew one-year administrative contracts for 2010-2011.

The unanimous vote, during the Feb. 24 regular meeting, was for OHS Principal Benny Granger, OMS Principal Houston Hendryx, Ozona Elementary Principal Amanda Jackson, College Readiness Coordinator Susie duBois and ESL Testing Coordinator Tonya Poindexter.

Superintendent Chris duBois said this aligns all administrative contracts to one-year terms, including OHS Dean of Students Matt Gutierrez, Athletic Director Robert Hernandez and Technology Director Keith Harmsen.

NEW ELEMENTARY FURNITURE APPROVED

The board approved a bid from Lone Star School Furnishings of \$326,074 for new furniture, delivery and assembling at the new elementary school.

"This place will look ultra-modern. This is the best looking stuff on the planet," duBois said.

Board members were presented with a sample of a student's desk that is adjustable in height and scratch-resistant.

However, duBois said he

has received offers from TLC Academy in San Angelo and Irion County ISD to buy the used furniture.

"We can use a good third of the current furniture in other areas as well," duBois said. "I'm impressed how well our kids take care of things."

Board Member Dwight Childress said it was time for Ozona to receive something new, since money from the district is sent to other schools in the state.

Everyone around the state is getting new schools, new furnishings and we're paying for it. Why don't we get something new?" he said.

"It's a shame to go into a new building without new furniture," added Board Member Harvey Sanchez.

Construction of the new school continues. The building is close to being able to accommodate tours for teachers and staff, duBois said.

The board gave permission for four more basketball goals in the new gym at a cost of \$29,000. These four goals will be practice goals to go with the two main goals.

"This project is going to finish, unless there is a big, fat weather delay, this project is going to finish on time," duBois said.

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Ozona man found guilty of traffic charges in JP Court trial

BY MELISSA PERNER
 THE OZONA STOCKMAN

An Ozona man was found guilty of three traffic violations, after a short jury trial on Feb. 24.

Phillip Vargas was found guilty of displaying the wrong license plate on a vehicle, failure to maintain financial responsible, such as proof liability vehicle insurance and operating an unregistered motor vehicle.

Vargas' sentence was fines for each charge plus court costs totaling \$945, which is the maximum amount for the charges.

County Attorney Jody Upham, who prosecuted the case, allowed Vargas 10 days to either appeal the case in writing with approved appeal bonds for each charge or pay the fines.

All three charges are class C misdemeanors. It took the jury of five men and one woman 10 minutes to decide on the

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What's that tower?



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

TWO WORKERS hang onto the top of a monopole located behind the CCCSD Administration Building, which will hold an antenna for the district to receive Internet service through the Education Service Center. With the increasing dependence on web-based platforms for operating schools, the ESC has installed this new transmission system in all 44 of its districts. The new system will give CCCSD many times the bandwidth they currently have at about five times the speed. "The districts that got finished first report excellent service and have come nowhere close to maxing out their capacity," said Superintendent Chris duBois. Ozona is on the next-to-last leg of the entire project, and is one of the last school sites installed. ESC Tech staff will be in the district the next few weeks to hook up all the switches and routers.

Black shows reserve champion lamb at San Angelo Stock Show

Ozona students were busy this past week competing in the San Angelo Stock Show.

Allie Black won Reserve Champion Fine Wool. She also placed third in the Heavyweight Fine Wool class and had a second place in the Goat Show.

Also placing in the Junior Market Lamb Show was Brenna Hale with a third place for her Lightweight Fine Wool, Murphey Black second and Lane Hale fourth in the Heavyweight Fine Wool, Kelbie Renfro first in the Medium Lightweight Fine Wool Cross and Kelbie placed second in the Medium Lightweight Medium Wool Class.

Madison Childress placed 12th in the Junior Market Goat Show.

Sabrina De La Garza was ninth and Brandi Glosson 10th in the Junior Market Barrow Show.

In the Creative Arts Competition, Thomas Cruz won a first place in the Youth Foods Category and Jon-Luke Rodriguez placed first



SHOW CHAMPIONS | SUBMITTED PHOTO

ALLIE BLACK won Reserve Champion Fine Wool Lamb at the San Angelo Stock Show last week.

in Youth Toys.

Wesley McGuire, Oscar Lopez and Russel Komechak built a trailer and exhibited it at the San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo Ag Mechanics project this week.

The students ended up with a red ribbon at San Angelo. The trailer was sponsored by Pete Nieri.

There were 296 projects

displayed at San Angelo this week, which is the most in the history of the show.

"These young men did an outstanding job representing our school and community. If you see them please congratulate them on a job well done," said Ag Teacher Rob Phillips.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Former resident tells fond memory about Jess Marley

Dear Editor,

I was upset with the article in your newspaper about Jess Marley. I had read that he had passed away but had no idea how his death came about. I am taking this time to explain my reason for the concern I have. I do not want to judge anyone about the action taken but I have some information to share with you about Mr. Marley.

Forty-one years ago I sat across Mr. Marley's dining room

table. I was a head strong teenager at the time and had gotten a wild hair up you know where. As most teenagers sometime do, I had decided to get married right after I graduated from high school. When my father found out my plans, he tried to talk to me about it. I could only see my dad as the person that did not know anything and just could not understand how I felt. When my dad saw that I would not listen, he took me to Mr. Marley's house. Mr. Marley sat

down in his dining room and listen first to my dad and then he asks me some questions. I was scared and knew how upset my dad was at this point.

Mr. Marley went on to explain to me that I really needed to think "Did I want to be a cheap merchandize or a valuable asset."

The only way for a woman to become valuable was through education. He challenged me to go on to further my education and then come back and

get married. He would guarantee me that I would never regret my decision. I think back, this man did not need to take his time to try to reason with me at the time.

I did as he suggested and went on to marry another person, which I am happy to say it has lasted 38 years. I also was able to become a professional for a large communications company. I feel I went on to succeed as a woman, wife and a professional. All it took was for Mr.

Marley to take time to sit with me as a teenager and help me see there was a better future for me. I will always be grateful to my Dad and Mr. Marley for that night that both were concerned enough to help me.

It is because of this experience that I was sad to read about Mr. Marley's episode. I ask myself, when I die, will there be someone that can say that they remember me for the good I did for them. When I was reading your article it mention that he

was in his front porch with his cigar, during the time back then he sat in his dining room with a cigar in his mouth all the time he was talking to me. I do not know what happen on the day that the law enforcement personnel went to see Mr. Marley, but this man was the same person that took his time 41 years ago to talk to a teenager and changed her life forever.

Chris Rios
Del Rio, Texas

Texas History Quiz

While people were exercising their right to vote Tuesday, many may not have known that it was also Texas Independence Day. For those of you who don't know the meaning of this, it's when Texas gained its independence from Mexico in 1836. March 2 is picked because it was the day the Texas Declaration of Independence was signed.

Test your knowledge on these questions from The Great Texas Quiz, Part II which can be found at the Handbook of Texas Online. Answers are upside down at the bottom.

QUESTION 1:

GREAT TEXAS EXPLORERS
The first known explorers of Texas were actually the Clovis people of the Paleo-Indian Stage. They were followed many years later by the early European explorers, including five listed below. One of these explorers was shipwrecked on Galveston Island in 1528. He traveled inland and encountered three of his lost shipmates near what is thought to be the Guadalupe River. They traveled onward through present-day Mexico to the Pacific. His Relacion was composed shortly after the journey ended in 1536, nearly 500 years ago, and effectively became the first literature of Texas. The surname of this prominent explorer literally means "the head of a cow." Which explorer is it?

QUESTION 2:

GREAT TEXAS MISSIONS
The Spanish explorations led to the founding of a series of missions which were an important part of the early settlement of Texas. Texas has focused recently on restoring many of the great missions, including the Alamo, otherwise known as the San Antonio de Valero mission. The following missions have also been restored. Which of these are located in the San Antonio area?

QUESTION 3:

GREAT TEXAS EMPRESARIOS
Stephen F. Austin is certainly the best-known of the Texas empresarios, but he was by no means the only one. The word "empresario" in Spanish means "agent" or "entrepreneur." Under the Mexican Colonization Law of 1823, the empresarios generally received a set amount of acreage in return for settling an agreed number of families. Their role in Texas history is measured not just by the number of families that they attracted to the state, but also by the quality of leadership they provided.

The following five empresarios



WHAT'S ON MY MIND

MELISSA PERNER

os were active in the settlement of Texas. One of the five served initially as a translator and clerk to Stephen F. Austin. For the next thirteen years he was Austin's lieutenant, writing deeds, keeping records, and directing colonial activities during Austin's absences. For his various services he received eleven leagues (49,000 acres) of land, including lands on Oyster Creek and Buffalo Bayou. He was active in raising significant capital for the Texas revolution in 1835 and 1836. Which empresario is it?

QUESTION 4:

GREAT TEXAS COUNTIES
The origin of the Texas county is found in the municipality, the unit of local government under Spanish and Mexican rule. Municipalities were rather large districts embracing one or more settlements and the surrounding rural territory. There were twenty-three of them by 1836, when Texas won her independence from Mexico. Texas has had 254 counties since the organization of Loving County in 1931. The largest county in square miles is located in the Trans-Pecos region of West Texas, and is also the site of Big Bend National Park. Which county is it?

QUESTION 5:

GREAT TEXAS LAKES
The largest lakes in Texas do not rival Lake Michigan or the other Great Lakes of the north, which were generally formed as an aftermath of the last Ice Age. This did not deter some Texans, however, who for a combination of economic, flood control, and water supply reasons set out to build new lakes and reservoirs. In fact, the largest lake or reservoir in Texas is man-made. Construction began in 1964 and was completed in 1969. It is located on the Sabine River and covers about 180,000 acres. Which body of water is it?

BONUS QUESTION:

When was Ozona chosen as the county seat of Crockett County?

MELISSA PERNER is the editor and publisher of The Ozona Stockman. Answers to quiz: 1. Alvar Nunez Cabeza de Vaca; 2. San José y San Miguel de Aguayo; 3. Nuestra Señora de la Purísima Concepción; 4. San Juan Capistrano and San Francisco de la Espada; 5. Samuel May Williams; 6. Brewster County; 7. 1891

People Who Hibernate

As a kid I always hoped I'd have a career where I only worked six months or less, with the rest of the year off. I wanted to be like a bear or a woodchuck and hibernate for at least one season every year. I considered becoming a forest fire fighter, ski instructor, sheep shearer, snow plow driver, tire chain monkey, or a carnay at county fairs in the summer. I had no idea what these people did in the off-season, all I knew was that I could get used to passing several months each year in a deep sleep. I considered becoming a teacher because having the summer off really appealed to me. Until, I realized that I'd have to put up with brats like me for the other nine months.

After daydreaming about hibernation what do I end up doing with my life? I become a writer and a rancher with no time off for good behavior and a deadline constantly looming. I swear, I've not had a vacation in over 20 years.

I had no idea what people who hibernate did in their down time but I envisioned periods of laziness interrupted by 23 hours of sleep. Now I know what some of them do every year with their time off and a "slumber party" doesn't seem so appealing. For example, professional football players seem to spend their downtime in jail and employees in the tourist trade spend their off-seasons mostly starving to death. In the wild, it's hunger that makes the sleeping animals wake up, and it's the same with



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hibernating people. They are forced back to work due to their need for food money.

Lots of folks who work in agriculture hibernate. After stocker-steer operators sell their last feeder cattle they head straight to Arizona where they team rope for three months. Sheep shearers go back to Peru and Mexico to sharpen their blades and custom grain harvesters go home to become reacquainted with their wives and to refurbish their bodies, and those of their equipment. Mostly they live off the fat they acquired during months of intensive labor.

Animals can lose a third of their weight during hibernation and their bodies actually change shape. This is also true of the local veterinarian during preg checking season. Right before he starts shoving his arm up cow's rumps the vet looks refreshed, fat, and happy, with corduroy lines on his face where he'd been resting it on the pillow. But after two weeks of 18 hour days he mopes around in a stupor, his face is as pallid as a lacto-ovo-vegetarian and his irregularly shaped arm hangs limply at his side. There is also a musty smell about him. Then when the last cow is

pregged he goes back into hibernation to regain the strength and feeling in his arm for calving season.

Purebred cattle auctioneers are great examples that the hibernating instinct is not dead in humans. During the Spring and the Fall they travel the auction circuit selling cattle nearly every day. Then they get in their home away from home, their car, and drive all night before falling asleep in their clothes in some foreign motel bed for a few hours of rest. They do this over and over again. They grab empty calories from fast food on the run and by the time they hammer the gavel down on the last auction of the sale season they look more beat up than an empty pinata. Then they go home to get the car serviced and to rediscover the joys of sharing a bathroom with their family. At last, they get to live out of a closet instead of a suitcase. They regain their taste buds and their voice and they hear once more the snores of their spouse as they try to hibernate until the next sale season when they'll do it all over again.

After one such particularly difficult and long sale season I called an auctioneer friend and woke him up to ask, "Are you catching up on your sleep?" "I'm sleeping like an old horse at night," he drowsily replied, "and pretty good right up until lunch, but the Doctor had to give me some sleeping pills so I could sleep in the afternoon."

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New driver's license standards for age group effective March 1

AUSTIN — Starting March 1, Texas driver's license applicants between the ages of 18 and 24 must complete an approved driver education course and a driving skills test.

A Texas Department of Public Safety news release said applicants must submit a certificate proving that they successfully completed a driver education course approved by the Texas Education Agency.

A 2009 state law created the requirement and authorized the development of a six-hour adult driver education course to meet the needs of this group of drivers. Applicants who present proof of successful completion of the approved course will not be required to submit to the written highway signs and traffic laws test required under section 521.161 of the Texas Transportation Code but must still pass the driving skills examination.

A driving safety course or drug and alcohol driving awareness program are not acceptable as driver education courses for this requirement. This change in the law does

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not affect applicants ages 15 to 17 who still are required to complete a driver education course to be licensed, the DPS said.

SWEEP NABS NEARLY 300 INDIVIDUALS

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and its law enforcement partners arrested 284 foreign nationals with criminal records during a three-day enforcement surge throughout Texas, making it the biggest operation of its kind carried out by ICE in the state.

The operation concluded Feb. 25. ICE officers and agents worked in teams with the U.S. Marshals Service, Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service and local law enforcement agencies.

Of those arrested, nearly 160 have violent criminal histories, such as homicide, assault and robbery, and more than 20 have convictions for sexual offenses. Of the total arrested, 18 already have been removed from the country.

TEXAS STANDARDS

ALREADY HIGHER

Texas' English and mathematics college and career readiness standards meet and in some cases exceed national standards, according to an analysis released Feb. 23.

Texas College and Career Readiness Standards adopted in 2008 were compared with the national Common Core College Readiness Standards created by the Council of Chief State School Officers and the National Governors Association.

Examples of standards for Texas students that are not in the national standards:

- Analyze works of literature for what they suggest about the historical period and cultural context in which they were written;
- Use effective reading strategies to determine a written work's purpose and intended audience;
- Identify and analyze the audience, purpose, and message of an informative or persuasive text;
- Geometric reasoning that

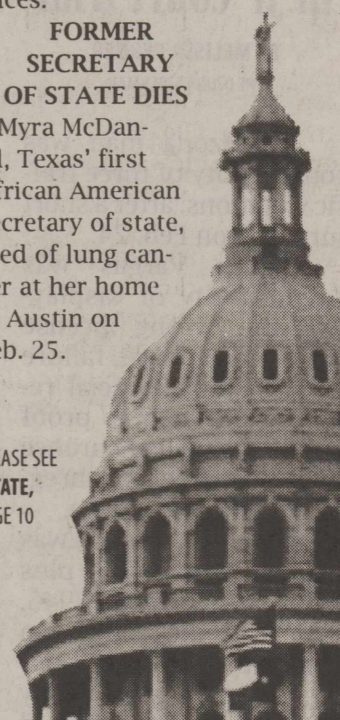
makes connections between geometry, statistics and probabilities;

Connecting mathematics to the study of other disciplines by using appropriate mathematical models in the natural, physical and social sciences.

FORMER SECRETARY OF STATE DIES

Myra McDaniel, Texas' first African American secretary of state, died of lung cancer at her home in Austin on Feb. 25.

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'Soiled Doves' history fascinates crowd at museum dinner

BY MELISSA PERNER
THE OZONA STOCKMAN

What started with a simple e-mail asking about family roots, led to the discovery of some of the most interesting women of history in San Angelo.

At the Crockett County Museum's annual Membership Appreciation Dinner, Suzanne Campbell entertained the crowd with her account of "Annie Black and the Soiled Doves of San Angelo." The dinner was held Feb. 22 at the Circle Bar Restaurant.

Campbell said she received an e-mail from a woman in California wanting to find information about her grandmother and great-grandmother that lived in San Angelo.

After a little digging through documents and old newspapers, Campbell discovered that two ladies had been madams in houses of ill repute.

"We always receive a lot of requests about dead relatives. I often tell people to be prepared for what you find. Despite all the family stories you heard, those relatives may not be as upstanding as you thought," said Campbell, head of the West Texas Collection at Angelo State University.

In the 1860s, San Angelo was a frontier town with saloons, gambling houses and prostitutes, which all catered to the soldiers at Fort Concho. In fact, the first sheriff off Tom Green County was a professional gambler, Campbell said.

With Fort Concho, came the first set of prostitutes. Many of the laundresses that moved with the soldiers would often not have the best reputations and at times would be let go from the fort. So, across the river they went to San Angelo.

"You have to remember that even in these period times, a clerk in store and teachers in school were still all men," Campbell said. "The social standing of women on the frontier was in two classes: those who were soiled doves and those who weren't."

In her program, Campbell spoke of the history of Annie Black, the great-grandmother of the woman who had e-mailed her, and Black's daughter, both of whom would come to own property, run their own houses and marry local



SUZANNE CAMPBELL gives a history of "Soiled Doves of San Angelo" at the Crockett County Museum's annual Membership Appreciation Dinner on Feb. 22 at the Circle Bar Restaurant.

men, including a Texas Ranger, during their lifetimes in San Angelo.

Along with the history of these two women, Campbell spoke on the history of soiled doves of this frontier time period. In the late 1880s, these women were often "rounded up" twice a year and ordered into court to be fined. The women would then pay their fines and this was considered their "occupancy tax" of the day, Campbell said. The punishment fines would range from \$2.50 to \$10.

Most of the information Campbell said that she found on the soiled doves came from reading old newspapers and court cases, where many of the ladies were charged with vagrancy.

"The majority of vagrant charges were either ladies of the evening or professional gamblers," Campbell said. "I am also surprised at how many of these ladies married local men."

Most of the ladies, like Black, had "working names" which differed from their real names in order to protect their family's reputations, she said.

Campbell also made reference to census records in conducting her research, which list family members' names and spouses.

"Most of these people didn't live their lives writing

letters or keeping diaries, so most of the information I've found is from court records," she said.

The census records also included property listings. In 1900, Campbell said she found a listing where a prostitute lived next door to a district judge.

"Soiled doves were encouraged to not mix and mingle with the rest of the population, and no proper lady would dare go into their midst," she said.

Throughout her research, Campbell said San Angelo never dealt "too harshly" on their soiled doves. The boom periods were during Fort Concho days, World War I and World War II.

In fact, one of San Angelo's top tourist attractions is Miss Hattie's Bordello Museum and Restaurant on Historic Block One of East Concho Avenue.

"You have to dig, but you have to be prepared for what you find when you dig," Campbell said. "There are several families in San Angelo that have some of these ladies in their background, and they may not know it."

The West Texas Collection is located in the Houston Harte University Center at Angelo State University in San Angelo. For more information, call 942-2164.

Wellness Center fund-raiser to feature former State Champion Lady Lions

Members of the former OHS State Championship Lady Lions Basketball Teams are requested to play once again at 2 p.m. March 28 at the Davidson Gym.

The event will be a fund-raiser for the Crockett County Health and Wellness Center.

Admission is \$5 per person.

Teams can sign up to play the girls. Teams can consist of all ages and be co-ed. Cost is \$50 per team.

There will also be door prizes given away at the event.

For more information, call Kristie Williams at 226-2423 or Tina Bean at 392-3334.

The wellness center is now taking memorial donations at: P.O. Box 865, Ozona, Texas 76943.

It's a girl

Khloe Marie Villarreal was born Feb. 22, 2010 at 1:16 p.m. in San Angelo Community Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Welcoming Khloe home are her proud parents, Manuel Villarreal IV and Melinda Cordova.

Tony Borrego, Marisa Cordova, (step) Paul De La Garza and Melissa Vargas (out of Ozona) are her grandparents.

Mariah Cordova (out of San Angelo), Maria Villarreal (out of Ozona) are the aunts. Uncles from Ozona are Tony Cordova, Tevin Cordova and Jack Paul De La Garza.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, March 3

- TAKS Testing at Ozona Schools.
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Lenten Luncheon Series, noon at the Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.
- Little League Baseball Registration, 6-8 p.m. at the baseball field.

Thursday, March 4

- Ladies bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Escondido Draw Recreational Area Announcement, 5:30 p.m. at the Ozona Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center.
- JV Lions Baseball at the Brady JV Tournament.
- Lions Golf at Sonora.

Friday, March 5

- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Lady Lions Softball in the Ozona Tournament.
- OHS Tennis Team at the Regional Team Tennis meet in Big Lake.
- OMS Track Teams in the Ozona Relays at Lion Stadium.
- Little League Baseball Registration, 6-8 p.m. at the baseball field.

Saturday, March 6

- OHS Track Teams in the Ozona Relays at Lion Stadium.
- Lady Lions Powerlifting at the Regional Meet in Monahans.
- OHS Tennis Team at the Regional Team Tennis meet in Big Lake.
- Cub Scouts District Pinewood Derby, 12:45 p.m. at the Davidson Gym.

Monday, March 8

- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Commissioners' Court meeting, 9 a.m. at the courthouse annex.
- Ladies bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- OHS Financial Aid Computer Lab night, 5-7 p.m. at the OHS Computer Lab.

Tuesday, March 9

- Lions Golf at McCamey.
- JV and Varsity Lions Baseball vs. Crane, 5 p.m. at the baseball field.
- Lady Lions Softball vs. Sonora, 5 p.m. at Sonora.

Wednesday, March 10

- TAKS Testing at Ozona Schools.
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Lenten Luncheon Series, noon at the Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.
- Lady Lions Golf at Sonora.

Happy Birthday

- March 3 - Jordan Long, Terry Dickerson, Ruth Hester, Ann Ramos, Diane Anderson, Babe Perez, Alfred Gonzalez, Lloyd Winkley, Harold Thompson, Ricardo Meza and Melanie Miller
- March 4 - Adriene McClanahan, Vanessa Rodriguez, Mia Mendoza, Leigh Ann Galindo and Mary Moran Jr.
- March 5 - Braden Gutierrez, Erika Morales, Joseph Vitela, Martha Williams, Tony Borrego and Evette Longoria
- March 6 - Jaycee Sides, Anthony Ortiz, Evodio Garcia, Jaime Cormier, Justin Maldonado, Crystal Gonzales and Joe Rebelez Jr.
- March 7 - Esmi Barrera, Jim Crowder, Betty Fields, Aaron Pearl, Frances Borrego and Rojelio Longoria
- March 8 - Kim Tambunga, Audrey Gandar, Marie Pierce, Murray Logan, Layla Perez Alexandra Bean, Brooks Long and Anthony Tambunga
- March 9 - Destiny Perez, Sandra Childress, Jeannine Henderson, Teresa Yeager and Noe Alba

Eldorado to host AARP tax preparation March 13

AARP Tax-Aide: free tax preparation will be held from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. March 13 in the Eldorado Public Library at 201 SW Main St. in Eldorado.

Taxes will be prepared one day only by appointment. Residents from Eldorado, Ozona and Sonora may use this service.

Taxpayers need to bring all documentation with them including social security cards, W-2s, 1099s, property taxes, first time homebuyer in 2009 information, college or university credits, new car purchases, energy credits and last year's tax return.

For more information, or to make an appointment, call Patsy at (325) 853-2574.

Patricia and Stuart Brachey celebrate 50th wedding anniversary

Patricia and Stuart Brachey, of Mineral Wells, Texas, recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Weatherford, Texas.

Patricia Witherspoon married Stuart Brachey on Jan. 24, 1960 at the Goodfellow Air Force Base Chapel. Both are currently retired. They have two children, Callie Korth of Brenham and Stuart Jr. of Mineral Wells, and four grandchildren.

Patricia lived in Ozona in 1960 and worked at the Ranch Drug. Stuart was stationed at the Ozona Air Force Station.

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Heart health addressed at 'Go Red' luncheon

BY MELISSA PERNER
THE OZONA STOCKMAN

Easy ways to be "heart healthy" were presented at the annual "Go Red for Women" luncheon held Feb. 23 at the Ozona United Methodist Church.

In conjunction with the Wesley Nurse Program and the American Heart Association, women attending were served a heart healthy lunch of three-herb roasted chicken with grape tomatoes, wheat berry salad, vegetables baked with olive oil and low-fat cherry cheesecake.

Along with the meal, E.A. Wadsworth R.N. presented information in a fun way through playing "heart healthy" bingo.

Some of the information Wadsworth presented included watching the amount of salt eaten during the day, including processed foods.

"If you have cardiac problems then you are often placed on a stricter diet. For the rest of us, it's all about the combination of foods. The key is to use spices and other flavorings besides salt," Wadsworth said.

One ounce of dark chocolate a day is also good, but the chocolate must have 72 percent cacao, Wadsworth said.

"The higher percentage in the chocolate, the more flavor that lingers with you," she said.

Skim milk is good at low-



E.A. WADSWORTH talks about heart health during the "Go Red for Women" luncheon on Feb. 23 at the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

ering cholesterol and olive oil has a neutral effect on cholesterol levels, while saturated fats have the most influence in raising LDL or bad cholesterol. Smaller, more frequent meals helps reduce LDL.

"The biggest risk factor to heart disease can be controlled with diet, which is obesity," Wadsworth said.

To help lower the risk of heart disease, a person should exercise 30 minutes a day for most days of the week.

Other factors about women and heart disease:

- Cardiovascular disease kills approximately 450,000 women each year, about one every minute.
- While 1 in 30 American

women die of breast cancer, about 1 in 3 die from cardiovascular disease.

- More women die of cardiovascular disease than the next five causes of death combined, including all forms of cancer.
- Ninety percent of women have one or more risk factors for developing heart disease.
- Only 1 in 5 women believe that heart disease is her greatest health threat.
- Heart disease is largely preventable. In fact, 80 percent of cardiac events in women may be prevented if women make the right choices for their hearts, involving diet, exercise and abstinence from smoking.

For more information, visit www.goredforwomen.org.

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| MARCH 5
• Cheeseburger, fries, lettuce, tomato, pickle, dessert. | MARCH 10
• Country ham, cornbread dressing, seasoned greens and dessert. |

DEATH NOTICES

Pat Hamilton

Pat Hamilton died Monday, March 1, 2010, at a local care center. Graveside services will be 10:30 a.m. Friday, March 5, at Cedar Hill Cemetery. Full obituary in next week's Ozona Stockman.

Robert M. O'Keefe

Robert M. O'Keefe, 91, died Monday, Feb. 22, in Eldorado. Graveside service was Saturday, Feb. 27, in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Arrangements are by Preddy Funeral Home. Survivors include daughters, Linda Lindsey of Eldorado and Diane Anderson of Ozona.

OBITUARIES

Perry Hubbard

Perry Hubbard, 82, died Monday, Feb. 22, 2010 in San Angelo.

Funeral service was Thursday, Feb. 25, in the Ozona First Baptist Church with burial in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Arrangements are by Preddy Funeral Home.

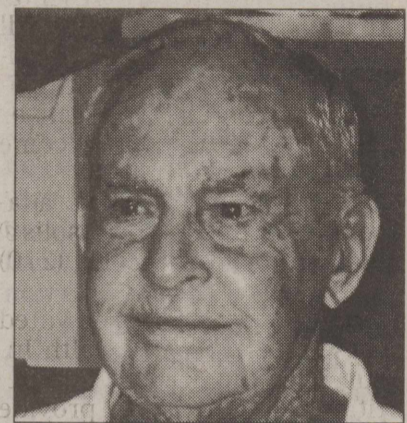
Survivors include his wife, Virginia Hubbard of Ozona; one daughter, Connie Jo Hall, of Ruidoso, N.M.; son, Steven Michael Hubbard of Ozona; sister, Manlyn Summers of Pearland; grandchildren, Rene Rudolph, Marshall Hubbard and wife Abbie of Ozona and Ashley Hubbard of Ozona; great-grandchildren, Maddie Rudolph, Madysen Hubbard, Westyn Hubbard and Adalyne Nehus.

Noble Elton Smith

Noble Elton Smith, 85, of Andover, Kan., died Thursday, Feb. 25, 2010. Born July 13, 1924, in Alex, Okla., to Noble and Willard Smith. He grew up in Ozona and served in the US Army in WWII. As a young man he was a champion calf roper and bulldogger.

He worked for Johnson Testers in the oilfields of Texas, New Mexico and Colorado in the 1950s. He settled with wife Posey and son Mike in Lamar, Colo. in 1960. There he owned an Exxon gas station and a used car business. In 1981 he and Posey moved to Lago Vista, Texas to "play a little golf and do a little business." He built the family business Cedar Park Warehouse and Storage and managed it for 25 years.

Survivors include the only love of his life, his wife of 62 years, Posey; son and daughter-in-law, Mike and Kathy Smith, grandsons Zachary Noble and Matthew Kristian Smith, of Wichita, Kansas; brothers I.E. Smith of May, Texas and Barte Smith of Ingram, Texas.



He was preceded in death by his mother, father, brother Eddie and two infant sisters.

Services to be held Saturday, March 6, at noon, at Lakeside Christian Fellowship, 1922 American Drive, Lago Vista, Texas, with a gathering to celebrate Noble's life immediately following at The Blue Bonnet Room, 2601 American Drive in Lago Vista.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Heart Association. Condolences can be sent to Posey at 2325 KP 159th St. E, Wichita, Kan. 67228.

Doyle Ward Easterwood

Doyle Ward Easterwood passed away on Feb. 22, 2010 in Rockport, Texas.

Doyle was born on Sept. 23, 1926 in Eden, Texas to Joe and Sarah Easterwood. He had been a resident of Aransas Pass for the past 21 years and prior resident of Ozona.

Doyle served his country in the U.S. Army and retired after 50 years as Line Superintendent for Southwest Texas Electric Co-op. He was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church in Aransas Pass.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one son, Doyle West Easterwood.

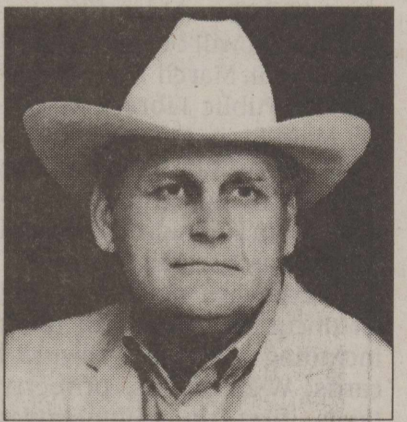
He is survived by his wife, Johnnie Mae Easterwood of Aransas Pass; two daughters, Sharon Sue Carr of Mathis and Lesa Walker of Aransas Pass; brother, Darryl Clary of Brady, Texas; eight grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Visitation was held on Thursday, Feb. 25, at the Charlie Marshall Funeral Home, 2003 W. Wheeler, Aransas Pass, Texas. A funeral service was conducted on Friday, Feb. 26, at the Charlie Marshall Funeral Home Chapel in Aransas Pass. Interment was Saturday, Feb. 27, at the Pilgrim Cemetery.

Louis D. Long Jr.

Louis D. Long Jr. (L.D.) age 65 of Round Rock, Texas passed away suddenly on Monday, Feb. 22, 2010. He was born April 26, 1944 in Burnet to Louis Denton Long, Sr. and Thelma (Coots) Long. L.D. was a salesman most of his life and in his later years worked as a security officer. He was a past Master of T. Neal Porter Masonic Lodge #1354 A.F. & A.M. in Austin and enjoyed his participation in Masonic lodge work. He also enjoyed deer hunting and being with his family and friends.

L.D. is survived by his wife of 46 years, Laurie of Round Rock, daughter and son-in-law Teresa and John Goff of Round Rock, son and daughter-in-law David and Trina Long of Florence, sisters Geraldine Nix of Yuma, Ariz. and Ann Stewart of Georgetown, Texas and brother Leslie Long of Ozona. He is also survived by grandchildren April Schroeder, Amanda Schlapia, Andrea Long, Chance Goff, Ray Long, Shelby Long and



Chaney Goff and by great grandchildren Ashlyn Uresti, Cailyn Uresti, and Riley Schlapia. L.D. was preceded in death by his parents.

Family visitation was held Thursday, Feb. 25, at the Clements-Wilcox Funeral Home and funeral services were held Friday, Feb. 26, at Clements-Wilcox Funeral Home with Masonic graveside service and interment following at Lakeland Hills Memorial Park near Burnet.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to Clements-Wilcox Funeral Home Burnet, Texas.

THE INDIAN HEAD NICKEL

It was minted from 1913 to 1938 and was worth 5 cents. It is also known as the Buffalo Nickel or Bison Nickel. On one side was a profile of an American Indian Chief and on the other side was the profile of the American Buffalo. By 1950 or 1960 most were removed from circulation and today there might be 1 in 25,000 in circulation and they're worth from 35 cents to \$1,200 depending on the coin. Looking at that coin reminded me of something in the Bible. Just as there are two sides to that coin Christians can go through life two different ways and it all depends on our attitude or response. We can be unhappy or dissatisfied with everything. It is called murmuring. It can be toward God and some examples are in, (Exodus 16:8, Psalm 78:17-21, Proverbs 19:3). It can be against spiritual leaders or pastors or preachers, (Exodus 16:2&3, Numbers 16:2&3, 16:41). How about circumstances or just having our way, (Romans 9:19&20)? It can be against others in Church, (Luke 10:40, James 5:9). It can even be against Jesus Christ himself, (John 6:41-43). These things, God is not pleased with. God is pleased when we are thankful or can give thanks just as Jesus did, (Matthew 11:41, John 11:41). We should try to find a way to give thanks always and in everything, (Philippians 2:14&15, 1 Thessalonians 5:18).

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. Wed. Worship - 5 p.m.-Meal, 5:30 p.m.-Study</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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Ozona United Methodist Church

Public meeting on new off-road park Thursday

The newest attraction to Crockett County, the Escondido Draw Recreational Area, will be home to 3,400 acre park for off-road vehicle recreation, and Nature and Eco Tourism activities.

It will be open to all terrain vehicles, motorcycles and full-sized four wheel drive

vehicles. The park will also include primitive and RV campsites, educational centers and cabins. The park will include extensive trails for off-roading, as well as 300 acres of non-vehicle activities such as hiking, biking, camping, birding, star gazing, wildlife viewing

etc.. The park is located approximately 37 miles west of Ozona.

Tony Eeds, President of TMTC will hold a public meeting Thursday, March 4, 5:30 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center Conference Center to announce the

opening date of the park, present the layout of the facilities and outline a construction time-line.

Any persons wanting to volunteer to help with the construction are encouraged to attend the meeting.

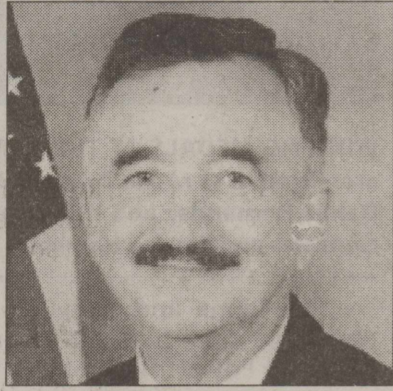
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Congressional field representative to visit March 15

BY MELISSA PERNER
THE OZONA STOCKMAN



CIRO D. RODRIGUEZ

A field representative for U.S. Rep. Ciro D. Rodriguez, D-San Antonio, will be in Ozona on March 15.

Jaime Solis will be available to the public from 1:5 p.m. that day at the Ozona Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center.

Solis is a field representative for Rodriguez's office. All local county officials, business representatives and citizens with specific interests or issues of concern are welcome to stop by.

To contact Solis in advance, e-mail jaime.solis@mail.house.gov or call (210) 561-9421.

Recently, Rodriguez voted on Feb. 24 for the Health Insurance Industry Fair Competition Act, which will provide greater choice to Americans when selecting health insurance.

"Competition and a healthy marketplace have always been the cornerstones of our nation's economy. That's why we have laws in place that keep industries from concentrating too much power and disenfranchising the American people," Rodriguez said. "This bill will subject the healthcare industry to the same anti-trust standards other industries must meet. It's about expanding choices

for consumers, which should improve quality and lower costs in the long-run."

The healthcare industry has been exempt from anti-trust laws for more than six decades and the federal government was prohibited from investigating for evidence of price-fixing and other unfair practices, according to a press release from Rodriguez's office.

In the last 14 years there have been 400 mergers, resulting in 96 percent of all health insurance markets being highly concentrated. This has prevented consumers from choosing between insurance companies and made it easy for companies to fix prices and standardize unfair practices, the release stated.

"If we are asking the American people to be patient while we get our economy back on track, we must pass

laws that put money back into their pockets," Rodriguez said. "This bill will do that."

The Health Insurance Industry Fair Competition Act is supported by the American Hospital Association, the American Nurses Association, the American Academy of Pediatrics, Consumers Union, the Consumer Federation of America, the Center for Justice and Democracy and U.S. PIRG (the federation of state Public Interest Research Groups).

Rodriguez also voted to expand America's intelligence community with additional funding and resources through the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010, which passed the House on Feb. 26.

"Grave threats exist across the world and unless we fully understand where they are generated and how they operate, we can't protect ourselves," Rodriguez said. "I voted for this Act because it will strengthen our nation's intelligence network by providing the resources our intelligence professionals needs to scout out information, assess threats and act upon that intelligence."

H.R. 2701 gives intelligence personnel the tools they need to do their jobs by authorizing funding for the sixteen agencies that constitute the U.S. intelligence community. It specifically increases fund-

ing for intelligence activities in Iraq, Afghanistan and Pakistan to address on-going challenges, according to a release from Rodriguez's office.

The Act will enhance Congressional oversight and create an Inspector General position to eliminate waste and fraud.

Rodriguez lauded the leadership of his Texas colleague, U.S. Rep. Silvestre Reyes, D-El Paso, who chairs the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence.

Reyes said that he is proud of the bill, which will give intelligence professionals the support they need to keep America safe.

In order to fully meet the intelligence needs in the 21st century, the bill would also create a plan to diversify the intelligence community, including an enhanced focus on language, the release stated.

"Growing a cadre of culturally attuned, linguistically diverse intelligence experts will vastly expand America's ability to root out and confront threats and attacks head-on anywhere in the world," Rodriguez said. "With a strong, well-funded intelligence structure in place, we will defend our country from those who would do us harm."

For more information on the bill and the House Intelligence Committee, visit <http://intelligence.house.gov>

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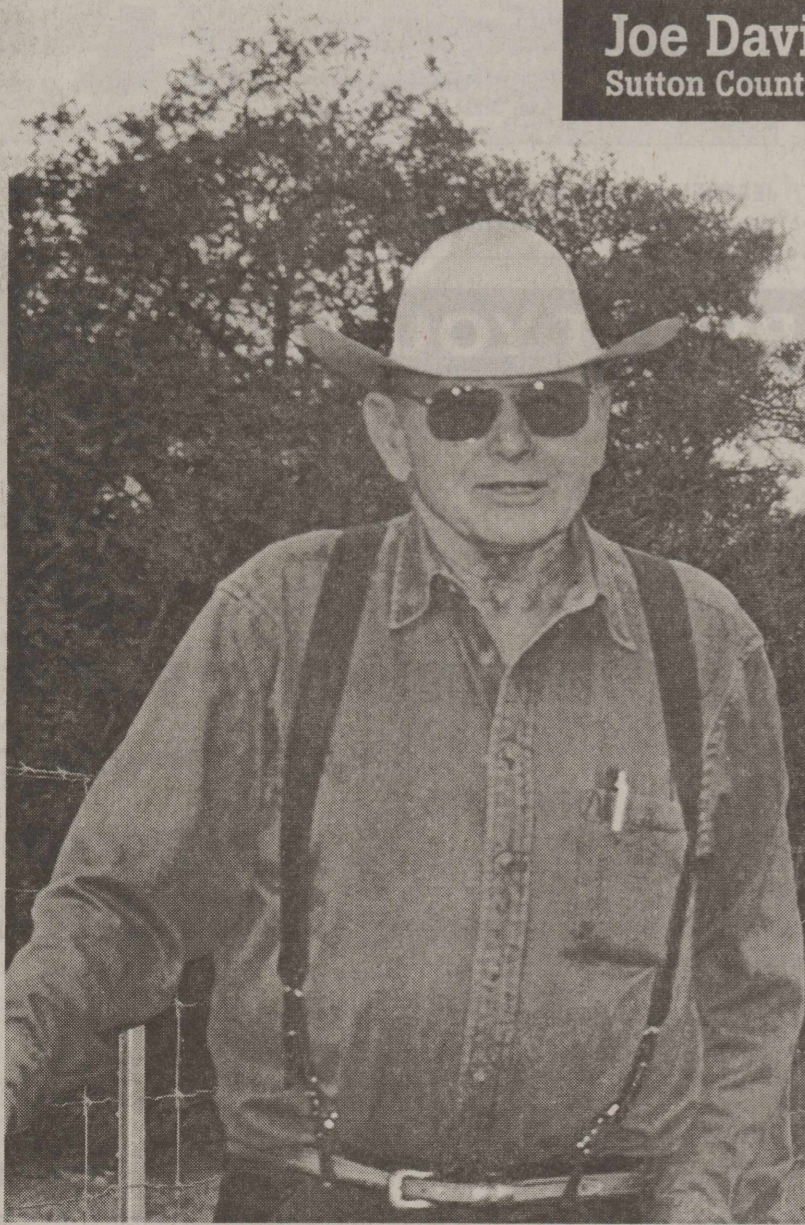
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THE OZONA HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY BOYS WON THE OZONA BASEBALL TOURNAMENT HELD THIS PAST WEEKEND.

Lions start season with Ozona Tournament Championship

The Ozona Lions won the Ozona Baseball Tournament this past weekend.

Ozona defeated Kermit 11-6 in the championship game.

Winning pitcher was Nathan De Hoyos.

Leading players: Andrew Sanchez 3-3 with 4 RBIs; De Hoyos 2-3 with 3 RBIs and four Ks in two innings of work; Jonathan Martin 2-3 with two stolen bases.

"The kids really played well and executed as a team. The Lions played as a unit and never got down on themselves. They fought back and conquered the adversity more than a couple of times in this tournament. Before the game a couple of our kids said 'coach it's time to show this town that Ozona Lion Baseball is back.' It was great to see the smile on our kids faces and see them enjoying the game as it was intended. They played hard and always complemented their teammates not matter what the situation was," said Coach Ray Ramos.

In a previous game, the Lions came from behind to defeat Kermit 7-4.

Winning pitcher - Martin
Leading players: De Hoyos 2-3 with 2 RBIs, one run; Kyle Dean 1-1 with 1 RBI, 1 run and 2 stolen bases; Martin 3 Ks in one inning (last inning).

"Kermit put us in an early hole (4-0) but before the fourth inning began I told the kids 'fellas, this is going to be our inning, the game of baseball gives you one inning to make a run and after that it's really hard to create a rally.' They all began to chant this is our inning and as we broke out, I knew something special was about to happen because you could see the determination in the kids' eyes," Ramos said. "The guys played tough and kept smiling the whole time. To score seven runs in the last inning shows a lot about that ball club and the type of kids

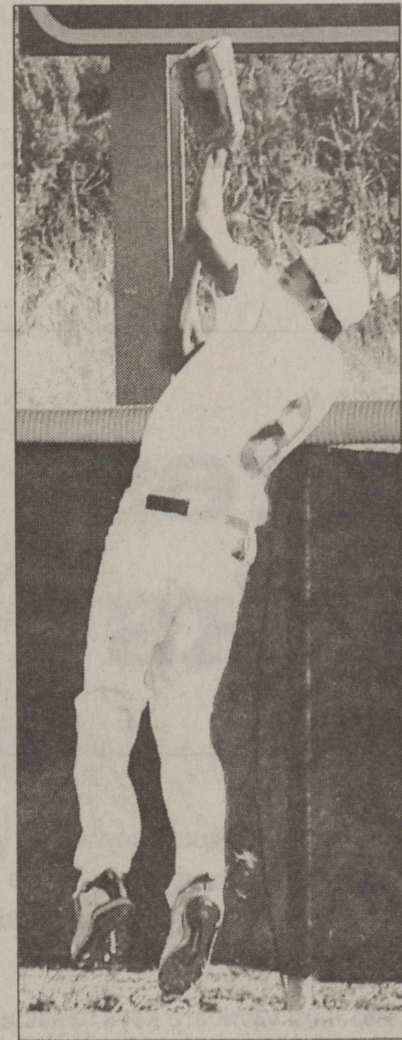
that it has."

The Lions won their first game in three innings 16-3 over Rocksprings.

Winning pitcher - Jaron Vasquez

Leading players: Abey Lara 3-4 with 1 RBI, 1 stolen base and three runs; Alex Borrero 1-1, 4 stolen bases, 1 RBI and three runs; De Hoyos 2-3 with 2 RBIs, two stolen bases and two runs, Vasquez 3 Ks and Austin Suddreth 3 Ks.

"This game was a great way to start off the year. It let the kids know that things were going in the right direction. The first game is always a tough one because you don't know how your kids are going to perform. Our guys went out there and played a perfect game," Ramos said.



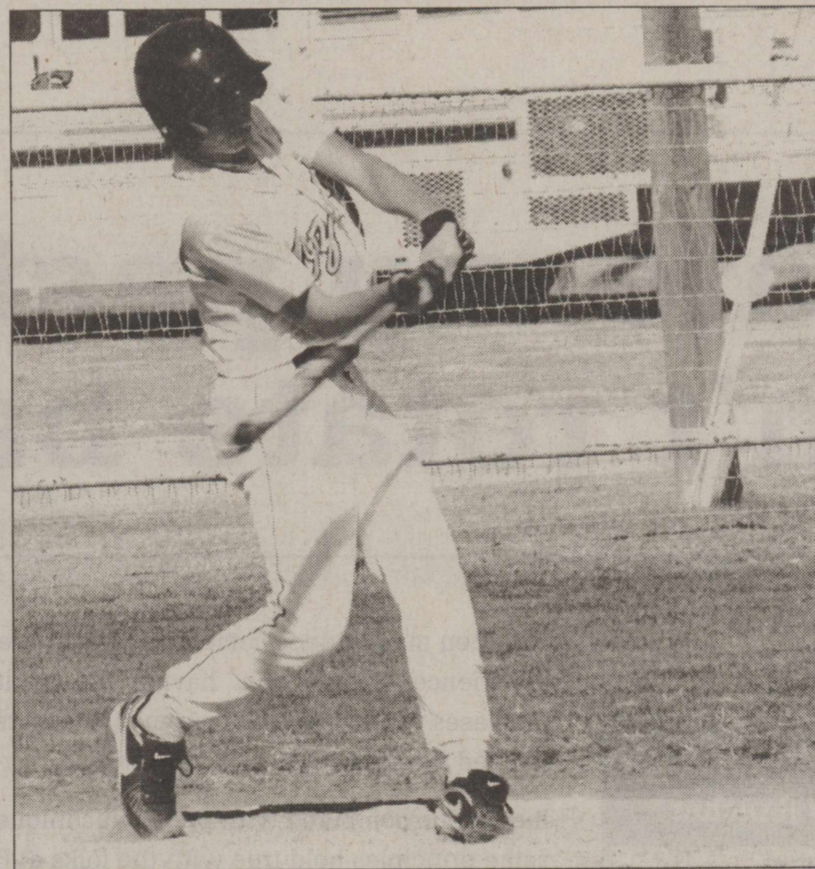
CHRIS FIERRO-WILLIAMS catches a pop fly to center field to keep the championship game tied.



EARNING ALL TOURNAMENT HONORS at the Ozona Baseball Tournament are: (front, l. to r.) Nathan DeHoyos, Andrew Sanchez - MVP, and Abey Lara. Back: Jonathan Martin and Zeth Hernandez.

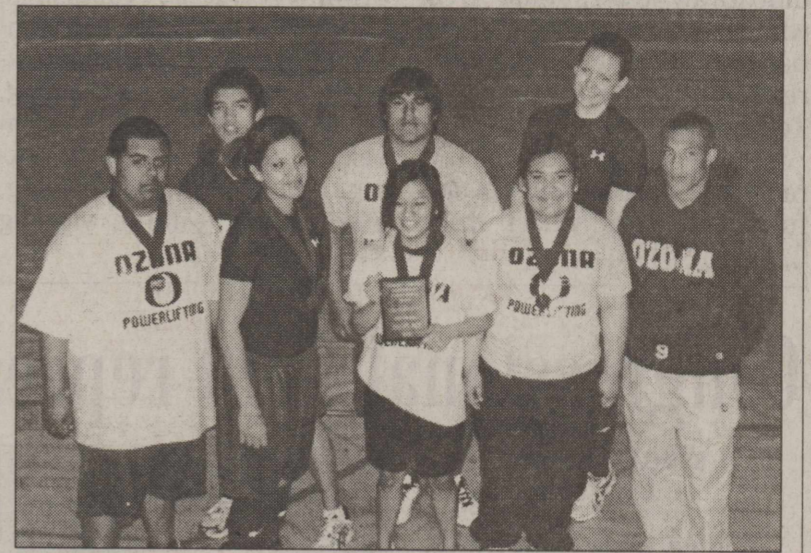


ANDREW SANCHEZ SLIDES INTO HOME PLATE for the varsity Lions.



RYAN MAYFIELD GOT A TWO RBI HOME RUN ON THIS HIT for the JV Lions during the Ozona Baseball Tournament.

Powerlifting teams qualify for regional meet



WINNING MEDALS AT THE REAGAN CO. POWERLIFTING MEET are: (front, l. to r.) Joe Borrego, Rebecca Ramos, Crystal Vasquez, Dahlia Hernandez and Kyle Dean. Back: Tevin Cordova, Anthony Gonzales and Emalee Hamilton.

The Lions and Lady Lions have qualified for the Regional Powerlifting Meet.

Girls took third at Big Lake, and the boys finished fifth.

Placing for the girls were Crystal Vasquez - first 385 pounds; Rebecca Ramos - second 550 pounds; Emalee Hamilton - second 590 pounds and Dahlia Hernandez - fifth 565 pounds.

"This was a great way to end before we go to regionals. All of the girls got personal best in most of their lifts and they all came home with medals," said Coach John Esparza.

The Lady Lions have five who qualified for the regional meet in Monahans this weekend. They are: Crystal Vasquez, Rebecca Ramos, Jennifer Venegas, Emalee Hamilton and Dahlia Hernandez.

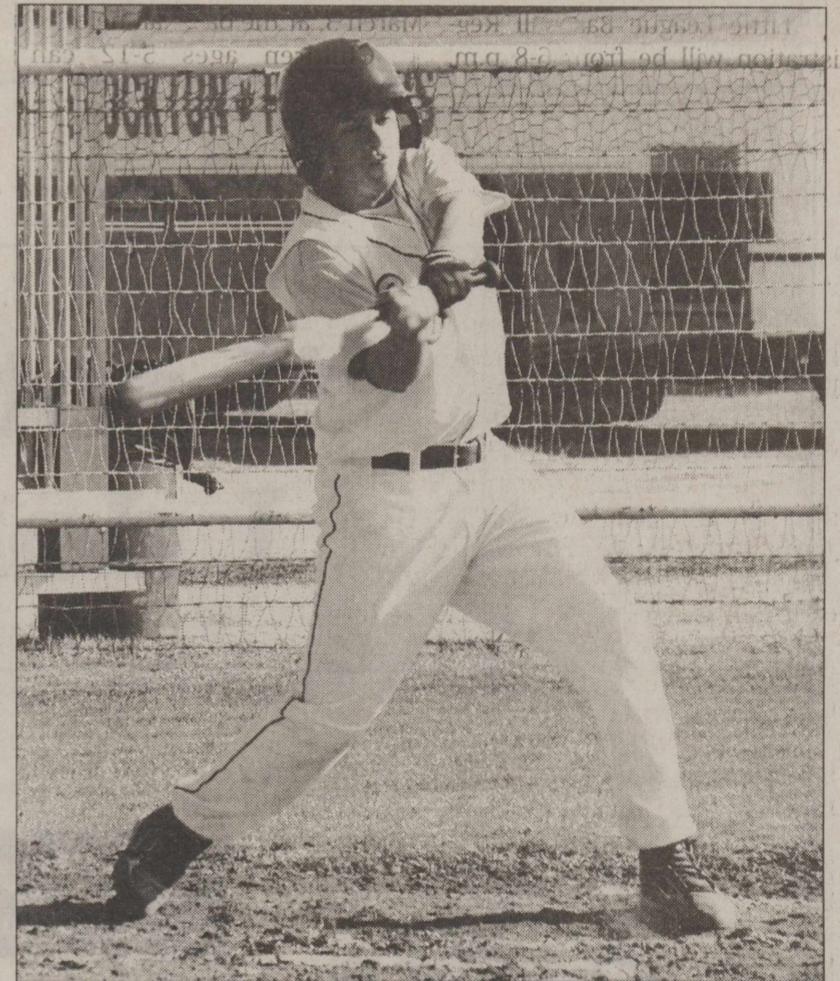
"This was great for us es-

pecially with this being our first year," Esparza said.

Placing for the boys were Noah Tambunga - 10th 650 pounds; Michael Medina - seventh 930 pounds, Tevin Cordova - fourth 580 pounds, Kyle Dean - second 1,015 pounds, Joe Borrego fourth 890 pounds and Anthony Gonzales first 1,130 pounds.

"All of our boys had great days and four of the six that went had personal best in all three of their lifts. I am proud of the way we competed all year. We have showed great improvement and we will only get better in the years to come with the whole team being underclassmen and coming back for next year," Esparza said.

For the Lions, Kyle Dean and Anthony Gonzales qualified for regionals. They will compete in Sundown on March 14.



JEFFREY SANCHEZ GOT SOME GREAT HITS for the JV Lions team in the Ozona Baseball Tournament.

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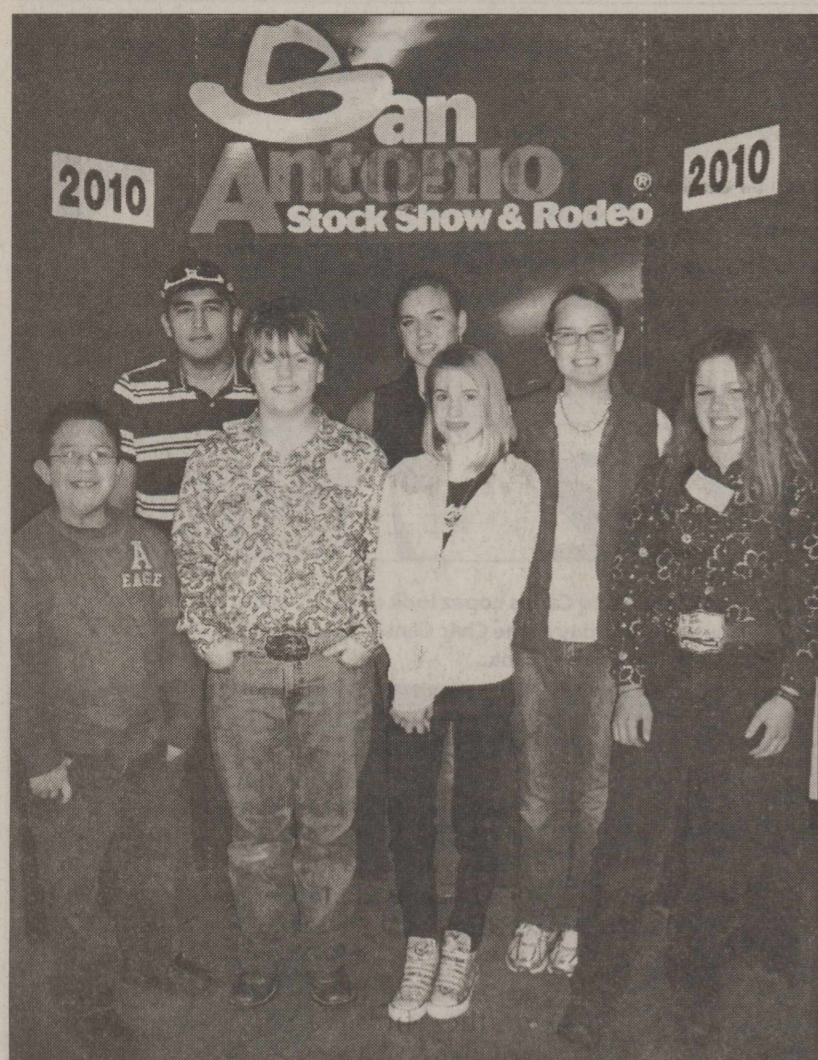
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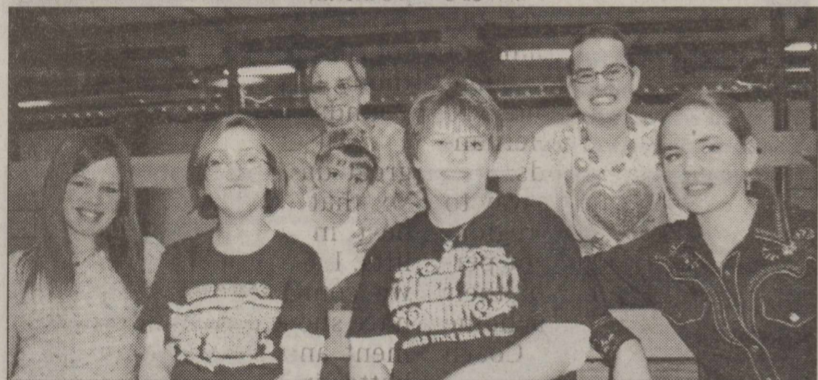
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CROCKETT COUNTY WOOL AND MOHAIR JUDGING TEAMS competed at the San Antonio Stock Show. Pictured are: (left to right) Kevin Villarreal, Erik Carrizales, Jadie Marshall, Linda Stapper, Madison Childress, Lanna Stapper and Kinsey Chandler.



CROCKETT COUNTY WOOL AND MOHAIR JUDGING TEAMS competed at the San Angelo Stock Show. Pictured are: (front, left to right) Kinsey Chandler, Julie Marshall, Jadie Marshall and Linda Stapper; (back, left to right) Adam Hopper, Alex Hopper and Lanna Stapper.

Little League Baseball Registration Wednesday, Friday

Little League Baseball Registration will be from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, March 3, and Friday, March 5, at the baseball field. Children ages 5-12 can participate.

Seventh Grade Lady Lions third, Eighth Grade fourth at Crane

The Seventh Grade Lady Lions placed third in the Crane Relays last week.

Placing for the Lady Lions were:

Long Jump - 3. Kaylenn Elston, 11-feet, 4-inches and 6. Janna Munsell, 10-7.25.

Triple Jump - 4. Nydia Valdez, 21-7.

Discus - 1. Krislynn Harris, 56-8 and 3. Elva Gallardo, 49-0.

High Jump - 1. Janna Munsell, 4-2 and 3. Bethany Martinez, 3-10.

Shot put - 1. Elva Gallardo 23-6 and 2. Krislynn Harris, 22-1.

2,400-meter run - 3. Aliyah Guerra, 12 minutes, 35 seconds and 5. Meagan Espinosa, 13:24.

400-meter relay: 4. Alexis Aguilar, Kaylenn Elston, Janna Munsell and Melissa Lozano.

800-meter dash - 4. Aliyah Guerra, 3:33.

100-meter dash - 5. Alexis Aguilar, 16:32.

800-meter relay - 4. Melissa Lozano, Janna Munsell, Bethany Martinez, Becky Mata.

1,600-meter run - 1. Becky Mata, 6:34.

1,600-meter relay - 3. Melissa Lozano, Janna Munsell, Alexis Aguilar, Becky Mata.

The Eighth Grade Lady Lions placed fourth.

Placing for the Lady Lions were:

Triple Jump - 6. Daisy Gutierrez, 24-10.5.

Discus - 1. Vivian Medina, 70-10 and 5. Amy Quiroz, 49-10.

Shot Put - 2. Vivian Medina, 26-4.5, 3. Amy Quiroz, 23-5 and 5. Jennifer Marquez, 22-1.25.

2,400-meter run - 4. Rebecca Hernandez, 13:30 and 5. Vanessa Quiroz, 16:20.

400-meter relay - 4. Nancy Rodriguez, Jennifer Marquez, Sierra Stokes and Sarah DeLaGarza.

800-meter dash - 2. Daisy Guerra, 2:45

100-meter dash - 4. Sarah DeLaGarza, 15.05, 5. Jennifer Marquez, 15.27 and 6. Angelina Ramos, 15.34.

200-meter dash - 4. Angelina Ramos, 33.22.

100-meter hurdles - 6. Lazarae Rodriguez, 23.22.

800-meter relay - 4. Nancy Rodriguez, Angelina Ramos, Sierra Stokes and Sarah DeLaGarza.

300-meter hurdles - 4. Lazarae Rodriguez, 1:03

1,600-meter run - 1. Daisy Guerra, 6:38 and 2. Lexi Poindexter, 6:47.

1,600-meter relay - 4. Nancy Rodriguez, Sierra Stokes, Lexi Poindexter and Daisy Guerra

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The 4-H Judging teams started off the year by attending both the San Antonio and San Angelo stock shows. Seven kids judged in the San Antonio wool contest: Erik Carrizales, Kinsey Chandler, Madison Childress, Julie Marshall, Linda and Lanna Stapper and Kevin Villarreal.

In a tough, open competition the teams placed ninth and 14th. Erik was the star of the day by placing sixth high individually out of 69 competitors.

At the San Angelo competition, six kids competed in both wool and mohair judging. They were Team #1 of Linda, Lanna and Kinsey and Team #2 of Jadie and Julie Marshall and Alex Hopper.

Team #1 took third in Mohair, fifth in Wool and second Overall. Kinsey was eighth in Mohair, ninth in Wool and fifth Overall, and Linda was second in Mohair, eighth in Wool and second Overall. Team #2 placed seventh Overall.

"The kids are off to a great start," said Coach Carlon Stapper. "They will spend the month of March practicing before they hit the circuit with as many as eight competitions in the 2 1/2 months after Easter."

Lions finish season with win over Owls

The Ozona Lions defeated the Reagan County Owls 48-46 on Feb. 16 in Big Lake.

By defeating the Owls the Lions finished in fourth place in district.

The Lions trailed 31-20 at halftime, but rallied late in the fourth quarter to win the game.

Ozona was led by Zane Hernandez's 26 points and some stiff team defense in the second half.

The Lions finish the season with a 6-6 record in district and a 15-9 record overall.

"We reached many goals this year in our program. Our numbers increased as far as having a freshmen and JV team. We competed for a district playoff position all the way up to the final game, and represented the purple and gold night in and night out. We graduate two seniors and look forward to another year of improvement and competing in a new district," said Coach Ted Rohan.

OMS Honor Roll

FOURTH SIX WEEKS

"A" Honor Roll

Sixth Grade - Narda Aguilar, Madison Childress, Kristen Fierro, Alex Hopper, Maria Mejia, Lauren Miles, Jeremy Munoz, Dulce Rodriguez, Estefania Torralba, Nereyda Vega and Kevin Villarreal.

Seventh Grade - Bryce Gutierrez, Jadie Marshall, Alan Salazar and Dalan Wilson.

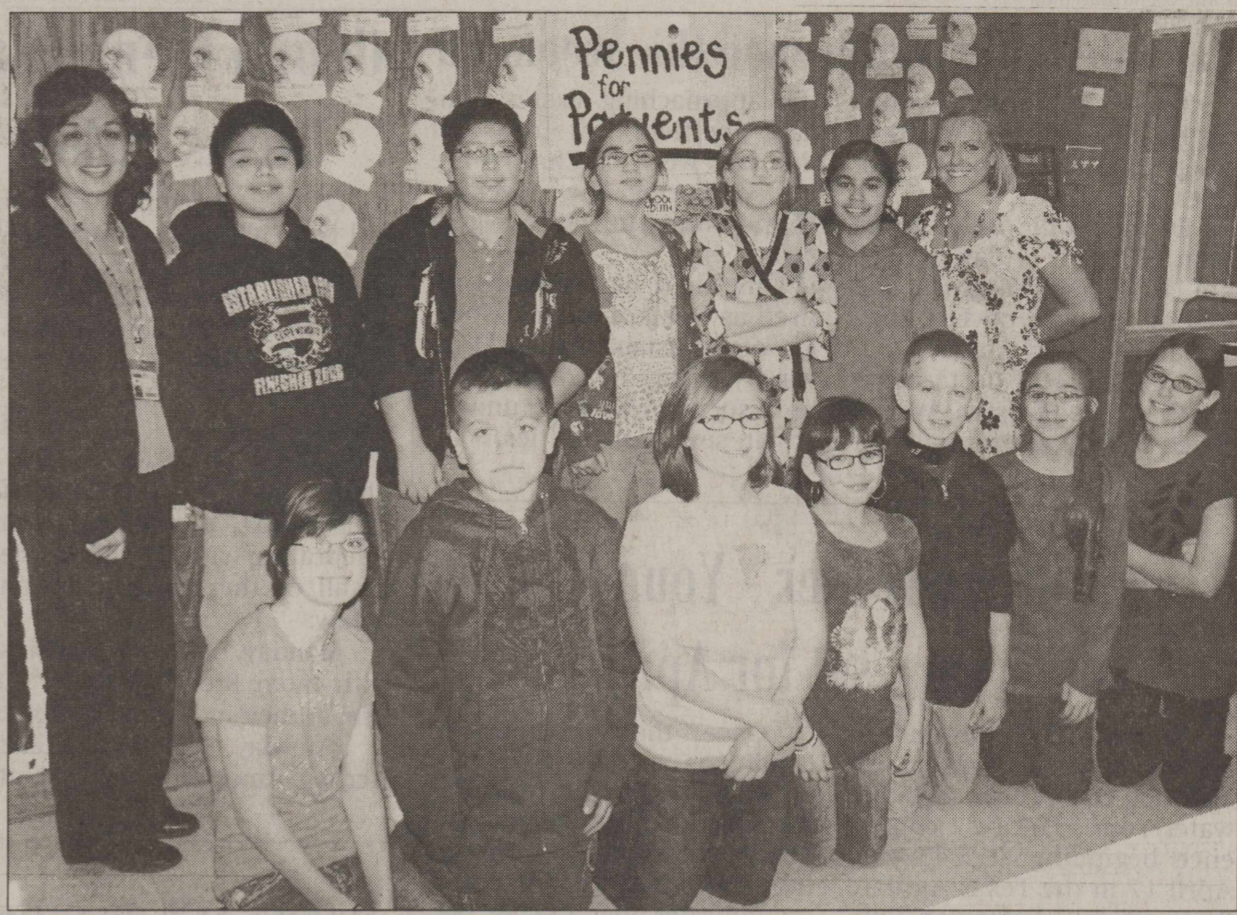
Eighth Grade - Deyanira Hernandez, Vivian Medina, Abby Newton, Jordyn Poindexter, Lazarae Rodriguez, Sierra Stokes and Saul Vargas.

"A-B" Honor Roll

Sixth Grade - Kimberly Vargas, Rikki Chavez, Destany Delgado, Michael Graham, Felipe Irlas, Dakota Lee, Gina Marquez, William Martin, Alyssa Newlin, Jose Ojeda, Kalen Perez, April Ramoz, Belinda Rodriguez, Ashley Vargas, Phillip Vargas and Juan Venegas

Seventh Grade - Justice Adkins, Kaylenn Elston, Chellil Gonzales-Longoria, Marissa Held, Michael Hill, Daniel Lombrana, Melissa Lozano, Bethany Martinez, Evan Parker, Ricardo Porras, Ryan Porras, Jon-Luke Rodriguez, Juan Rodriguez, Maira Rodriguez, Abelardo Rodriguez, Loren Talamantez, Zachary Taylor, Nathaniel Valdes, Nydia Valdes and Dylan Wynns

Eighth Grade - Jonatan Arredondo, Josue Damian, Lisa Dorrough, Logan Glaspie, Daisy Guerra, Lorenzo Hernandez, Rebecca Hernandez, Victoria Hernandez, Josiah Jurado, Desiree Marshall, Sydney Mendoza, Amy Quiroz, Angelina Ramos, Isauro Rivas, Nancy Rodriguez, Robert Sanchez, Ruben Soliz, Michael Vargas and Michael Ybarra



MRS. BROWN'S FIFTH GRADE CLASS was the top fund-raising class for "Pennies for Patients," which is a program provided by the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's School and Youth Programs to teach students the importance of helping others as well as fund-raising money. Through coin collection, last year Central Texas schools raised over \$350,000 in money. The money is used for cancer research which includes leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma. This money is also used to provide patients and their families with service programs which will help improve the quality of their life. This campaign began on Feb. 8 and ended on Feb. 26. Ozona Elementary School raised \$3,044.57 and Mrs. Brown's class raised \$580.

Seventh Grade Lions win Crane Relays, Eighth Grade takes second

The Seventh Grade Lions won the Crane Relays gaining 177 points last week.

Placing for the Lions were:
Long Jump - 3. Jayton Rodriguez, 4. Ricky Porras

Triple Jump - 1. Ricky Porras, 3. Nathaniel Valdez and 6. Bryce Gutierrez

High Jump - 1. Jayton Rodriguez

Pole Vault - 6. Ryan Porras

2,400-meter run - 3. Angel Aguilar, 4. Justin Badillo and 5. Justice Adkins

400-meter relay - 1. Ricky Porras, Ryan Porras, Valdez and Lombrana

800-meter run - 1. Bryce Gutierrez and 3. Josh Porras

110-meter hurdles - 2. Daniel Lombrana and 4. Nathaniel Valdez

100-meter dash - 1. Ryan Porras

800-meter relay - 3. Ricky Porras, Ryan Porras, J. Rodriguez and D. Lombrana

400-meter dash - 1. Josh Porras

300-meter hurdles - 2. Jayton Rodriguez and 5. Nathaniel Valdez

1,600-meter run - 1. Bryce Gutierrez, 2. Angel Aguilar and 3. Justin Badillo

1,600-meter relay - 3. Ricky Porras, J. Porras, J. Rodriguez and B. Gutierrez

The Eighth Grade boys took second in the Crane Relays gaining 174 points.

Placing for the Lions were:
Long Jump - 6. Saul Vargas

Triple Jump - 1. Logan Glaspie, 2. Saul Vargas and 4. Tyler Galindo

Discus - 1. Michael Ybarra and 5. Ely Montanez

High Jump - 3. Tristan Alvarez and 5. Daniel Gonzalez

Shot Put - 2. Michael Ybarra, 3. Tristan Alvarez and 6. Ely Montanez

Pole Vault - 2. Michael Vargas

2,400-meter run - 2. Josiah Jurardo and 5. Tiger Lewis

400-meter relay - 3. M. Vargas, T. Alvarez, E.Z. Rivas and Erik Dunes

800-meter run - 1. Saul Vargas

110-meter hurdles - 4. Tyler Galindo

100-meter dash - 1. Erik Dunes and 6. Hazel Damien

800-meter relay - 3. Galindo, Gonzalez, Alvarez and Dunes

400-meter relay - 3. Ely Montanez and 4. Tristan Alvarez

300-meter hurdles - 4. Logan Glaspie and 5. Daniel Gonzalez

200-meter dash - 5. E.Z. Rivas

1,600-meter run - 1. Saul Vargas and 2. Josiah Jurardo

1,600-meter relay - 3. M. Vargas, T. Galindo, D. Gonzalez and S. Vargas

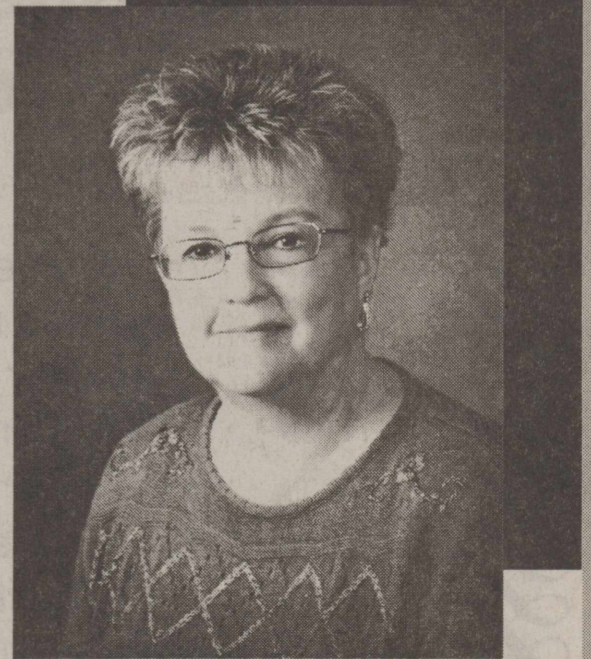


WESLEY MCGUIRE, OSCAR LOPEZ (right) AND RUSSEL KOMECHAK (not pictured) built a trailer and exhibited it at the San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo Ag Mechanics project this week.

Youth Center Calendar of Events

- March 8 - OHS Food Night, 7-10 p.m.
- March 9 - OMS Food Night, 7-10 p.m.
- OHS Pool Tournament Feb. 22
 1. Richard Borrego
 2. Mark Gallardo
 3. Jenny Venegas

First National Bank of Sonora is pleased to announce the promotion of Elaine Donaldson to Vice President/ Human Resources Director/BSA Officer



Elaine has been an integral part of our banking family since 1975. She has worked in all areas of the bank including bookkeeping and proofing. She has been a teller, teller supervisor, and has also worked in our loan department. Elaine has been married to Kyle Donaldson for 47 years. Together they have one daughter, Traci Hart, her husband, Jeff, and daughter, Kendall. They also have one son, Jason Donaldson, his wife, Beth, and their two children, Jaxon and Jordin. Elaine is also an avid gardener.

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Pandale Bible Conference this weekend

A Bible Conference featuring Dr. Bill Sheffield will take place this weekend at Pandale.

Events will take place from 6-8 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Bring a covered dish, on Saturday and Sunday.

Sheffield will be teaching on the "The Passion Week," which is very appropriate for

the approaching Easter holiday. Sheffield will focus on this last week of Christ's life by comparing the coverage of the events in the four gospels.

Sheffield has recently retired as Dean of Biblical Studies of Louisiana Baptist University, where he continues to be associated with the university in several capacities.

'Texas Groundwater - Your Future' conference set for April 17

SAN ANGELO - Groundwater Management Area 7 will conduct the "Texas Groundwater-Your Future" conference beginning at 8:45 a.m. April 17 in the Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center auditorium at San Angelo.

The center is located north on U.S. Highway 87. The meeting is free and open to the public. A noon meal will be served.

"The one issue we'll address that will have an effect on all the people within the area beginning Sept. 1, is the legislative mandate requiring every state groundwater management area to establish goals for the pumping of groundwater," said Allan Lange, Lipan-Kickapoo Water Conservation District General Manager. "By law, the groundwater conservation districts within Area 7 are required to establish the 'desired future conditions' of the aquifers within the area by the Sept. 1 deadline. Currently, that means that the district must set goals for the condition of each aquifer at the end of a 50-year period."

The law requires the groundwater districts to establish "desired future conditions" for all aquifers within their management area, including those areas not located within a groundwater district, Lange said.

Once the recommended conditions are approved, they are submitted to the Texas Water Development Board. The board then notifies each district concerning the amount of groundwater that can be permitted for pumping to meet the 50-year goal. The implemented plans must then be reviewed and updated every five years.

Groundwater Management Area 7 covers 32 West Texas counties and includes 20 groundwater districts, including Crockett County.

Program speakers will include: Dr. Bill Hutchinson, director of groundwater resources for the Texas Water Development Board; Greg Ellis, attorney and executive director of the Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts; Dr. Archie Ruiz, West Texas Weather Modification Assoc. consultant and former State Rep. Bob Turner.

Presentations will include talks on water issues, policy, law, legislation, geology, water quality, weather, riparian areas and brush control.

"By hosting the conference, the groundwater districts hope to give the general public the opportunity to better understand the water issues we're facing now and in the future," Lange said.

For more information, call Lange at (325) 469-3988 or e-mail lkwd@centex.net.

Ozona Elementary to celebrate Texas Public School Week

Ozona Elementary School will be celebrating Texas Public School Week March 8-12.

This is the time of year we invite parents into our schools to see firsthand how we are preparing for the future.

This year's theme is "BUILDING LEADERS: TODAY THEY LEARN, TOMORROW THEY LEAD," please help us in celebrating with attending one or all of the events mention below:

Monday, March 8: Muffins with mom Pre-k-5th 7:15-7:50 a.m. at their individual campus.

Tuesday, March 9: Read Across America Pre-k-2nd at

OIS campus 6-7 p.m. lots of prizes will be given away along with books.

Wednesday, March 10: Donuts with Dad Pre-k-5th 7:15-7:50 a.m. at their individual campuses.

Thursday, March 11: Open House 1st-5th grade. Music program being performed by 4th graders at 6 p.m. at OIS campus then open house will start at 6:30-7:30 p.m. at their individual campus. All invited to attend both.

Friday, March 12: Breakfast with grandparents Pre-k-5th 7:15-7:50 a.m. at their individual campus.

Ozona ACT deadline Friday, computer financial aid night Monday

Parents/legal guardians of OHS 2010 graduates:

Is your senior college bound? If the answer is yes, you and your senior need to first go to the website www.pin.ed.gov and apply for a PIN.

A PIN is a secure passcode that is required to fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). You both must have a PIN to complete the FAFSA.

Why do you need to complete a FAFSA? Because your senior may qualify for free money to assist in paying for college.

What else is needed to complete a FAFSA? The 2009 tax return information of the parent or legal guardian of the senior. (You don't have to have filed your 2009 taxes to complete the FAFSA. You just need the information you will file.)

Ozona High School will have an open computer lab night on Monday, March 8,

from 5-7 p.m.

The computer lab is located in the high school library building. All high school seniors and parents/guardians who have questions about the FAFSA, need help completing their senior's FAFSA, or just need access to the internet are welcome.

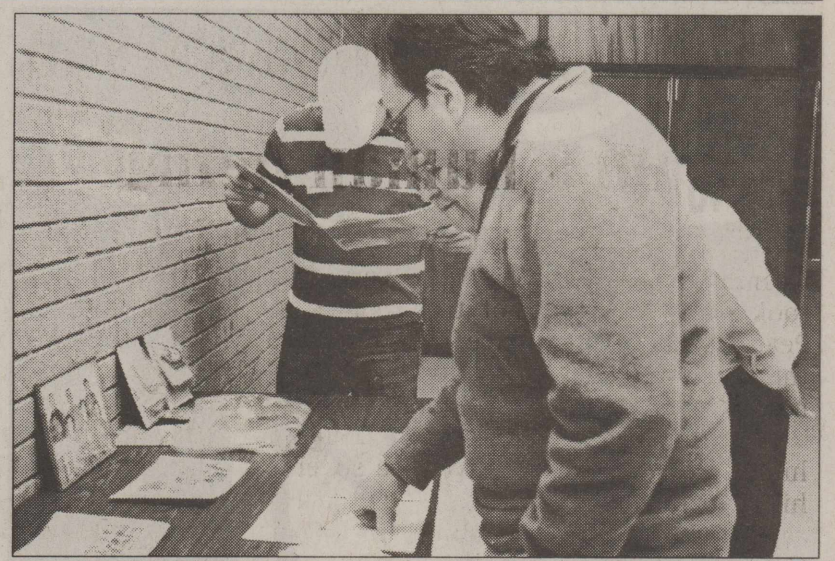
OHS Counselors will be available to answer questions and help.

Also, the April 10 administration of the ACT is being offered at Ozona High School.

The deadline to register at www.act.org is Friday, March 5. All OHS juniors are encouraged to register for this test date.

If you register you will need the following codes: OHS school code - 445290, and OHS test site number - 185630.

For more information, or other college going questions, call Susie duBois, the OHS College Readiness Coordinator at 392-5501, ext. 5701.



ELIGIO MARTINEZ and Carlos Lopez look over Boy Scout documents at the Ozona Reunion Saturday at the Civic Center. Glenn Conner (in the background) reads a 1960s log book.



VICKI AND LANE WHITE look over photos at the Ozona Boy Scout Reunion Saturday. The reunion honored all former Boy Scouts including Eagle Scouts. The event was coordinated by Scout Leaders Melvin and Linda Conner to celebrate 100 years of Boy Scouts.

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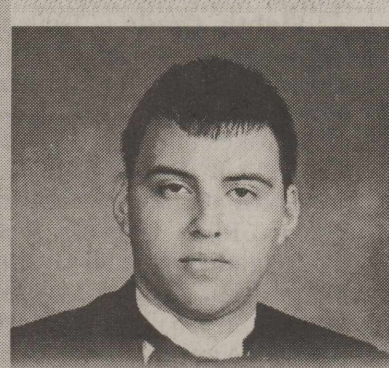
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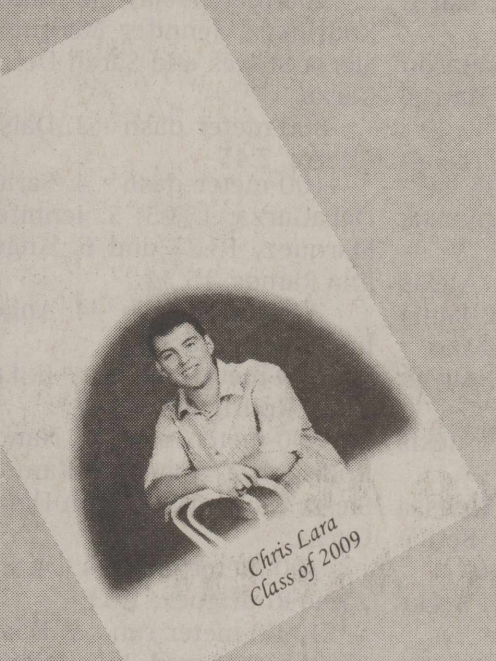
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COURT: 'I am not a person, BOARD: Rainwater harvest project presented for new school

I am a human being'

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unanimous verdict. The trial took place in Justice of the Peace Court with Justice of the Peace Jim Hearne presiding.

Vargas chose to represent himself in the trial and waived his right to an attorney.

During trial testimony, Crockett County Sheriff's Deputy Emilio Tambunga said that on Dec. 2, 2009 he pulled over a gold color Mercedes vehicle in Ozona. Tambunga said the he had received information prior to that day about the vehicle having the wrong license plates.

Tambunga said the Mercedes had license plates on it registered to a Dodge vehicle. Tambunga said informed Vargas about the license plate and that Vargas told Tambunga that he was not required to have a license plate as he was a sovereign citizen.

Tambunga also said that Vargas told him he did not have insurance or registration because he just purchased the vehicle.

"At that point, I determined to arrest (Vargas) for those violations," Tambunga said.

Vargas said he tried to show Tambunga an affidavit of truth stating that he was a sovereign citizen. Vargas also said that by Tambunga not taking him straight to a magistrate and taking him to jail instead, it was "false imprisonment."

During his case, Vargas showed the jury a video of the traffic stop where Tambunga arrested him for the three violations. Vargas kept pointing out in the video how Tambunga would not accept his paperwork.

Vargas then began reading a statement to the jury about the U.S. Constitution and the law. At this time, Hearne said that the court is dealing with the traffic citations Vargas has been charged with.

"You, sir are getting very,

very close to getting out of balance. I will not let you turn this courtroom into a circus," Hearne said. "My patience is running out."

Vargas then stated that as a sovereign citizen, he is not subject to local regulations.

"There is no law that requires me to register my car. I have an affidavit of truth that clarifies that I am not a person, I am a human being," Vargas said. "This affidavit states that I want nothing to do with a corporation, so I'm out. So all those laws, they don't apply to me. It's my right to do this, and I've done it. I'm not a person, I'm a human being. God created a human being."

Vargas said that a person is created by the United States, which is a corporation that tells a person what to do. Vargas also said again that Tambunga would not accept his papers that he tried to show him during the traffic stop.

"When this is all done, I will press charges on everyone who does not accept this," Vargas told the jury while holding the paperwork in question. "It's the law."

During her cross-examination, Upham asked Vargas that since he claims he's a human being and not a person, is he an individual?

Vargas sat on the witness stand a while before answering "I don't know how to answer that."

Upham then asked Vargas if he committed the three violations he had been charged with and he admitted that he had.

Prior to giving the case to the jury, Hearne ruled that Vargas's paperwork claiming him as a sovereign citizen was inadmissible.

"I find nothing in this document that pertains to the case at hand," Hearne told Vargas. "I told you to deal with the case at hand."

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RAINWATER HARVEST

The board approved allowing duBois to present a price on rainwater harvesting for the new elementary school, after hearing a presentation from Gary Bryant of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office and Soil Conservationist Ty Williams.

Bryant said the new school is in the right phase to begin implementing a rainwater harvesting project, and that there is potential to save water and have the system for educational use.

"We can teach these kids to save water and utilize it," Bryant said. "Students can get out there and be hands-on. We're teaching them to use the materials they have."

Cost for the system is estimated to be around \$25,000, but that grants are available to help offset some of the cost, as well as getting donations, Bryant said.

The system could potentially save around \$1,000 a year on water costs, Bryant said. Menard ISD currently uses a system and has used theirs for irrigation and made

garden beds.

"The potential time is now due to the building not having any concrete slabs yet. The land is flat, the buildings are tall, so we could do it with gravity flow," Bryant said.

The project would not affect the school's building schedule. Plus, the 30,000-gallon tank could be architecturally designed to match the building, Bryant said.

"If developed right, this could really become a teaching tool," duBois said.

"It's just crazy not to do it," Childress added.

NEW SCHOOL GRAPHICS

During his report, duBois gave a presentation of EyeFul Art, a company out of Houston that does wall and floor graphic designs.

duBois said the Davidson Gymnasium needs re-flooring this summer and he is wanting to paint and brighten up the inside of the building as well.

EyeFul Art will come in for a month and work on custom graphics for the gym, the gym floor, the new elementa-

ry school and gym, as well as other buildings in the district, duBois said.

The board agreed to allow duBois to pursue a cost for this project. duBois said a minimum of \$31,000 worth of work is needed to get the company to come for the summer.

CALCULATORS PURCHASED

The board verbally approved the purchasing of Texas Instrument Calculators for every Ozona High School student. Cost will be around \$25,000.

Money will come from the OHS Allotment fund. Granger said the proposal came from the OHS Site-Based Committee and the OHS Math Department.

"Currently, we have sets in the classroom. However, when students don't have their own calculator they often don't finish their homework," said Ronny Clayton, OHS math teacher. "I think it will help our kids tremendously. With these calculators, there will be no excuse for them to not finish their homework."

These calculators can also

be used during TAKS tests, as well as in science classrooms, Granger said. The school bus, yellow-colored devices will have barcodes and students will be responsible if they are misplaced.

"I think if we can help our math and sciences out, then we need to do it," said Board Member Tom Anderson.

OTHER APPROVED AGENDA ITEMS:

Shared Services Agreement with Region XV Regional Day School Program for the Deaf.

Purchase of an adapted bus for \$90,804 with federal stimulus money.

2010-2011 Official School Calendar.

Staff Development Waiver 2010-2012 to apply for three additional staff development days for the 2010-2011 calendar.

Campus and District Improvement Plans for 2009-2010.

The next regular school board meeting will be 6:30 p.m. March 24 at the Administration Building.

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LEVIS & LACE SQUARE DANCE NEWS

BY CAROL ADCOCK
 LEVIS AND LACE SQUARE DANCER

Levis & Lace Square Dance Club held their regular end of the month dance on Feb. 27 at the Crockett County Senior Center.

Regular dances are held on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month. Tom Harrison from Abilene was the featured caller.

Members attending were Raul DeLaRosa, Nell Wester, Jim and JoAnn Couch, Frank Fred, Danny Monzingo, Lucy Hinde, Tracye Young and Carol Adcock.

Visitors were Jeremy and Stassi Cross and their son, Ty

from Andrews. Stassi is the daughter of Tracey and granddaughter of Carol. Ty is the grandson of Tracey and great-grandson of Carol.

Also visiting were Debbie Harrison, wife of the caller and Gabe their grandson.

Yetta Masters from Barnhart also visited. Lots of fun dancing and good food was enjoyed by all attending.

The annual festival is ast approaching.

The 24th annual Levis & Lace Square Dance Festival will be held April 9 and 10 at the Ozona Civic Center.

More on all the details will be coming soon.

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FEBRUARY 25 2:24 p.m. - Grass fire 4 miles south State Hwy 163, out on arrival. One unit with three firefighters. Time in service 27 minutes.

Table with columns: OPERATOR, PTD, LEASE, CONTRACTOR/RIG, ACTIVITY-DEPTH. Lists various drilling and lease activities for Crockett, Reagan, and Schleiher counties.

Texas Attorney General attends landmark Second Amendment argument at the United States Supreme Court

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott attended oral argument at the United States Supreme Court, which heard the Second Amendment case, McDonald v. City of Chicago on Tuesday.

The landmark case involves a constitutional challenge to the City of Chicago's prohibitions on handgun possession. Abbott led a national effort to protect all Americans' right to keep and bear arms by forging a 38 state coalition that defended the Second Amendment and argued that Chicago's handgun ban is unconstitutional.

The case before the high court today stems from a legal challenge brought by Otis McDonald, a 76-year-old Army veteran who lives in a high-crime area of Chicago. McDonald was denied a handgun registration certificate by the city.

As a result, he is prohibited from legally possessing a handgun - which he wants to protect himself and his wife in their South Chicago home. "Now, the City of Chicago claims that the Supreme Court's 2008 decision does not apply to local governments - so cities and towns can simply ignore the Second Amendment and pass laws that disregard Americans' constitutionally protected rights.

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Aspen Operating Company, L.L.C., 801 Cherry St., Ste. 810, Unit 23 Fort Worth, TX 76102 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid in the San Andres Formation, Shannon Estate -M-1- Lease, Well Number 21. The proposed injection well is located 11 miles SE of Iraan, Texas in the Olson Field, in Crockett County, Texas. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 1930 to 2900 feet.

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

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

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