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OZONA, TEXAS

'Happy Birthday Jesus'



TUNES Today, Dec. 15: Third (9:15 a.m.), Fourth (10:15 a.m.) and Fifth (11:15 a.m.) Grades perform at Ozona National Bank's Christmas Open House. Third Grade presents "A Christmas Carol" 6:30 p.m. at OHS Auditorium.

CHRISTMAS

75 CENTS

Thursday,

Dec. 16: Kindergarten (12:30 p.m.), First (9:15 a.m.) and Second (1:30 p.m.) Grades perform at Crockett National Bank's Christmas Open House and at the Crockett County Care Center (each grade will perform at CNB first and then

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH CHILDREN'S CHOIR performed "Christmas Spirit? Let's Hear It!" Sunday night as part of the church's Christmas musical. The adult choir performed "One Small Child." Both choirs are under the direction of Nanette Verner, with assistants Debra Fred and Vicky Munoz for the children's choir.

63rd annual Crockett County Stock Show this weekend

The 63rd annual Crockett County Stock Show will take place Saturday, Dec. 18.

The weigh-in is Friday, Dec. 17, and the show is Saturday.

All lambs, goats, swine and rabbits must be in the 4-H Barn at 5 p.m. Friday. Weigh-in of all lambs, goats and swine will be at 5:30 p.m. followed by the breaking of classes.

The show will begin at 8 a.m. Saturday, starting with the Rabbit Show, followed by the Fine Wool Lamb Show, Fine Wool Cross Lamb Show, Angora Mutton Show, Meat Goat Show and Swine Show.

The Buyers Barbecue Lunch and show awards will take place around 1 p.m. at the Fair Park Convention Center.

For more information, call the Crockett County 4-H Office at 392-2721.

Comptroller study rates Ozona Schools two stars

BY MELISSA PERNER THE OZONA STOCKMAN

Two Stars was all Ozona Schools were given after the Texas Comptroller's Office released a report last week that compares school spending to student achievement.

Crockett County CCSD was given a two out of fivestar rating on the Financial Allocation Study for Texas, or FAST. Of the 1,235 school districts and charter schools rated, 879 received higher than Ozona, while 145 had the same rating, according to the comptroller's office. Only 107 received lower rating's.

Statewide, 43 districts came away with five star ratings, the highest awarded in the report, called "Connecting the Dots: School Spending and Student Progress." Veribest ISD, located near San Angelo, was the closest five-star rated school.

The state legislature authorized the study last year to determine a method to compare school districts on a level playing field. The study also determines which districts allocate financial resources in a way that contributes to high academic achievement and cost-effective operations. According to a news release, the report is designed to help trim school spending without sacrificing educational quality.

School districts and

schools were judged on how much money was spent relative to their scores on the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills. Using formulas to link spending with academic progress, the report sought to compare districts in an unbiased way. Student progress was measured with controls for demographics and other characteristics. A spending index was developed using a number of measures including the percentage of spending used for instruction and the ratio of budgeted to actual spending. A district would earn a five star-rating by showing improved academic performance and fiscal efficiency.

Public school spending has increase by 63 percent during the last decade, outpacing both enrollment growth and inflation, the release said.

"These types of performance levels are sobering, and exactly why we have worked hard the last year or so to implement a variety of strategies to begin correcting the course. We have begun initiatives to meet the needs of struggling readers, English Language Learners, bolster capacity in math and science instruction, leverage technology as much and as soon as we can, and begin a culture of high expectations - starting with things like a

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RATINGS FROM AROUND THE AREA:

Veribest ISD Wall ISD and Mason ISD

Water Valley ISD and Alpine ISD

Christoval ISD,

San Angelo ISD, Coleman ISD, Irion County ISD, Schleicher County ISD, Rocksprings ISD and Iraan-Sheffield ISD

Brady ISD, Junction ISD, Menard ISD

and San Saba ISD

Crockett County CCSD, Ballinger ISD, Sonora ISD, Fort Stockton ISD, Kermit ISD and Reagan County ISD

Grape Creek ISD

Crane ISD and McCamey ISD -Source: Texas Comptroller's Office

Commissioners discuss retiring officials

BY MELISSA PERNER THE OZONA STOCKMAN

Replacing retiring officials was discussed at the Crockett County Commissioners' Court final meeting for 2010 Monday.

The commissioners spent the majority of the afternoon discussing and finalizing a job description for the County Road Supervisor and the County Building and Parks Superintendent.

Crockett County Road and Maintenance Superintendent Eddie Moore will be retiring at the end of this month. The commissioners also presented Moore with a plaque for his service.

County Judge Fred Deaton said the commissioners' court has not made a final decision on whether it will be a one or two-person job, but that two sets of job descriptions were discussed for county road superintendent and parks and building.

Ruben Mendez was approved by the commissioners as acting road supervisor until the position is filled.

Advertising for the position is expected to start after the commissioners' Jan. 10 regular meeting.

County Auditor Sandy Stokes also gave his final reports during the meeting. Stokes will also be retiring at the end of the month.

Advertising for his position has already been done. Appointment of a new auditor will be made by 112th Judicial District Judge Pedro Gomez Jr. Stokes will remain in office until Jan. 1.

BURN BAN APPROVED

The Commissioners approved to once again extend the county-wide burn ban for another month due to dry conditions.

A burn ban does not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Natural Resources Commission, such as firefighter training, public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations, planting or harvesting or agricultural crops or burns that are conducted by an approved Prescribed Burning Association, Natural Resource Conservation Service, the Texas A&M Agricultural Experiment Station or certified prescribed burn manager.

All burns need to be reported to the Crockett County Sheriff's Office and the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department prior to commencing.

The band also does not prohibit outdoor cooking in

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go to the Care Center immediately afterwards)



Wednesday, Dec. 15, 2010

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From Tahoka to Hong Kong, Tambunga has lived his dream

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Dear Editor,

The following is a story of how I lived my dream. My advice to all people that have a dream, plan it, work hard and with God's help it will happen, especially the young people. Whatever their goal and dream is, go for it and always have a dream and goal in life.

Put God in front of you, he will lead the way.

I am retired and have plans

to make one more trip to Alaska. Try this, and it's a lot of fun, but with determination and God's help, it's possible.

Thank you for letting me share my dream. Merry Christmas to everybody and may God bless you and your family. **Coy Tambunga** Ozona, Texas

When I was 13 years old, we were working in the cotton fields in Tahoka, Tex-

as. I had a dream to someday go to China. I loved to travel and always loved airplanes. I would look at the skies and only wished, but it never happened.

My dream was always about how people live in China, their customs and ways of living, but only professional football players and/or rich people would fly like that.

But after working for AMI-CO, an insurance company, I qualified for the President's Club National Award. My first trip was to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, followed by a trip to Madrid, Spain, then to Sydney, Australia, in 1983, my last year with the company.

The following trip was to Hong Kong. I said, "This was my dream. I had to make it happen." I knew it was going to be my last year with the company. Most of my fellow employees told me no-

body would make it because it required too many points. I worked seven days a week selling insurance, but I will never forget how I felt when they announced the top qualifiers from the San Angelo district.

I was the only one from the district to make it. I placed eighth in the nation.

My wife, Edna, and I traveled to Hong Kong and I lived my dream for eight days. We have pictures and memories that we will never forget.

I am 70 years old and had a birthday Nov. 21, 2009, where I returned from a deep sea fishing trip in Port Aransas. I caught a big fish, for it being my first time fishing.

In closing, I would like to thank the Lord for all the blessings, for all the opportunities and for letting me share my dream.

God bless you all.

A mother's **letter to Santa**



I've fed, cleaned and cuddled my children on demand, visited the doctor's office more than my doctor, sold 62 cases of candy bars to raise money to plant a shade tree on the school playground.

I was hoping you could spread my list out over several Christmases, since I had to write this letter with my son's red crayon, on the back of a receipt in the laundry room between cycles, and who knows when I'll find anymore free room temperature withtime in the next 18 years.



room" and "Take your

WHAT'S ON **MY MIND**

to be just out of my children's hearing

the living

MELISSA PERNER the dog.

hands off your sister," because my voice seems

range and can only be heard by

If it's too late to find any of these products, I'd settle for enough time to brush my teeth and comb my hair in the same morning, or the luxury of eating food warmer than out it being served in a Styrofoam container. If you don't mind, I could also use a few Christmas miracles to brighten the holiday season. Would it be too much trouble to declare ketchup a vegetable? It will clear my conscience immensely.

After his first 500 days in The White House we thought it was time to check in on Bo, the First Dog. Here's a transcript of our recent chat with Obama's dog.

Q. So Bo, how is life in The White House. A. Well, I'm not exactly livin' like a dog. I don't eat out of cans or sleep under the porch. Just last night I had a scrumptious five course dinner leftover from the Peruvian Ambassador's State Dinner. Although the Sea Bass was a little underdone for my tastes. And I've never been a big fan of arugula.

Q. Being under the media microscope as you are, do you have a personal life?

A. Not much. In the White House there is a constant stream of lobbyists, Congressmen and other undesirables traipsing through who always want to pet me. Sometimes I just want to reach out and take a big bite out of them. Know what I mean? Q. Yes, we do. How about companion-

ship with other dogs?

A. Well, I'm neutered, you know, so it's not that big a deal. I have been given complete access to the President, although, I must say he's not much of a dog person at The White House? Q. Can you tell us any dirty secrets of the

Obama White House. A. That's why the Obamas got a dog instead of a parrot... no talking. Listen, I had

AUSTIN - In order to ad-

dress a projected state budget

shortfall that could total more

than \$20 billion, state agencies

must hunt for ways to make

Dewhurst and House Speaker

and sent a letter directing each

ditional 2.5 percent that can be

cut from their original general

revenue and general-revenue-

dedicated appropriations for

the remainder of the 2011 fis-

cal year, which ends Aug. 31.

Perry, Dewhurst and Straus

Nearly a year ago, on Jan. 15,

asked agencies and institutions

of higher education to identify

According to the Dec. 7 letter,

the 82nd Texas Legislature will

adopt a supplemental appropri-

ations bill for fiscal year 2011,

in addition to the previously

requested cuts.

which will apply the 2.5 percent

"While sales tax receipts have

improved since the beginning

of the year, reduced spending

in the current fiscal year will

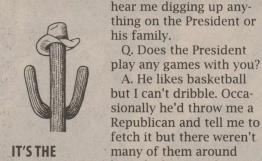
a 5 percent reduction to their

2010-2011 appropriations.

state agency to identify an ad-

Joe Straus on Dec. 7 signed

even deeper cuts.



PITTS

LEE PITTS

A. He likes basketball but I can't dribble. Occasionally he'd throw me a Republican and tell me to

The First Dog

fetch it but there weren't many of them around here the last couple years. Now that the elections are over maybe there'll be a few more to chase around.

Q. Does the President

Q. Bo, what are your goals of your administration?

A. More dog parks and health care for pets. It's a tragic fact but there are millions of dogs and cats in this country without any form of medical insurance. I plan to remedy that situation in the time we have remaining.

Q. Since you brought it up, do you think you have two or six years left on your run

A. The focus for the next two years will be on reelection because if we lose we'll have to move back to Chicago. You ever been to Chicago in the winter with the wind House until I'm dead. Just like Congressmen.

Q. Much was made of the fact, earlier this year, of your extravagant vacation.

A. Which one, we took six this past year? I suppose your talking about the time I flew on my own jet with my handler, Reggie Love, who makes \$102,000 a year. All I can say is that Reggie is a great guy and he does have other responsibilities.

Q. Speaking of that, America's dying to know, does Obama clean up after you? A. You don't really expect the First Fam-

ily to be pooper-scoopers, do you?

Q. Much was made of the fact that you came from Ted Kennedy.

A. I didn't actually come from Ted, he gave me as a gift. Even though I'm a Portuguese Water Dog I don't know how to swim, and I think you'll agree, that wouldn't have been wise to live with Ted without knowing how to swim.

Q. Wasn't your name really Charlie and didn't you actually come from Texas before you came to the White House? And weren't you rejected by the first family you went to st live with because Now were meant, to be angog companion dog for an older female but you kept trying to suckle her?

A. Hey, I was a youngster. And even though I'm a PORTUGUESE Water Dog, yes

Here are my Christmas wishes:

I'd like a pair of legs that don't ache (in any color, except purple, which I already have) and arms that don't hurt or flap in the breeze; but are strong enough to pull my screaming child out of the candy aisle in the grocery store.

I'd also like a waist, since I lost mine somewhere in the seventh month of my last pregnancy.

If you're hauling big ticket items this year I'd like fingerprint resistant windows and a radio that only plays adult music; a television that doesn't broadcast any programs containing talking animals; and a refrigerator with a secret compartment behind the crisper where I can hide to talk on the phone.

On the practical side, I could use a talking doll that says, "Yes, Mommy" to boost my parental confidence, along with two kids who don't fight and three pairs of jeans that will zip all the way up without the use of power tools.

I could also use a recording of Tibetan monks chanting "Don't eat in

It would be helpful if you could coerce my children to help around the house without demanding payment as if they were the bosses of an organized crime family.

Well, Santa, the buzzer on the dryer is ringing and my son saw my feet under the laundry room door. I think he wants his crayon back.

Have a safe trip and remember to leave your wet boots by the door and come in and dry off so you don't catch cold.

Help yourself to cookies on the table but don't eat too many or leave crumbs on the carpet.

Yours Always, MOM ...! P.S. One more thing... you can cancel all my requests if you can keep my children young enough to believe in Santa.

MELISSA PERNER is the editor and publisher of The Ozona Stockman. Check out our annual Santa Letters section next week, in the Dec. 22 edition.

to sign a nondisclosure statement as part of the FBI vetting process before I came to the White House so you're not going to

howling off the lake? I'm hoping for legislation that will make me the permanent First Dog, so win or lose, I could stay in the I was born in the USA. And I can prove it. Let's see, I have my papers here somewhere. www.LeePittsbooks.com

Top 3 prompt state agencies to tighten belts again

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling | Texas Press Association

help prepare for budget reductions that will be necessary to balance the budget for the 2012-2013 biennium," accord-Gov. Rick Perry, Lt. Gov. David ing to the letter.

The 82nd Texas Legislature will convene Jan. 11.

TAX COLLECTIONS UP FOR NOVEMBER

Comptroller Susan Combs on Dec. 8 said November state sales tax revenue totaled \$1.84 billion, up 8.7 percent compared to November 2009.

Sales tax revenue has grown for eight consecutive months compared to year-ago levels, with recent gains above the 5 percent mark, she added. Combs uses sales tax collections as one of more than a dozen "Key Texas Economic Indicators," all of which can be

viewed at www.texasahead.org.

LAWMAKER TO FILE 'TAX HONESTY' BILL State Rep. Richard Raymond, D-Laredo, on Dec. 6 announced he will introduce a constitutional amendment that establishes honesty in taxation and classifies fees, surcharges and other revenue-generating measures as taxes.

Raymond, vice chair of the House Appropriations Committee, said, "It is time we make it harder for politicians to hide the truth from the people, and the truth is, if you raise fees, you raise taxes. We need to make sure all taxes are out in the open; so Texans know when their taxes are being raised."

Raymond said he fears "that a looming deficit of roughly \$25 billion will tempt some lawmakers to try and make up that deficit by raising fees and surcharges without calling them taxes. That would include items like driver's licenses, hunting and fishing licenses and even obtaining a copy of a birth certificate."

TRS FUND NOTCHES BEST EARNINGS The Teacher Retirement System of Texas on Dec. 9 an-

nounced its Trust Fund earned 12.6 percent for the 2010 plan year, which ended Sept. 30.

The performance places TRS first among its public pension fund peers with asset values of \$10 billion or more.

As of Sept. 30, the value of the fund had reached \$100.3 billion - up by more than \$8.9 billion from the same date a year earlier. The trust fund, established to finance member benefits, is the seventh largest public pension plan in the U.S and

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CORRECTIONS

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Wednesday, Dec. 15, 2010



Mr. and Mrs. John Quay Oglesby

Stormi Lee Sessom and John Quay Oglesby were married in a double ring candlelight ceremony on Saturday, November 13,2010, at the Ozona United Methodist Church with the Honorable Brock Jones officiating. The bride is the daughter of Jodie and Jack Baggett, Jr. of Ozona and Eva Jo and Steve Sessom of Eldorado. The groom is the son of Sally and Sterling Harris and the late Mike Oglesby of Ozona.

The altar was flanked by two antique iron candelabra. Each candelabra had thirty-three votive lit branches and was decorated with fall foliage. At the entrance to the aisle were two topiaries draped with a variety of beautiful burgundy, mocha, tangerine and baleria fall blossoms. A special arrangement adorned the altar placed in loving memory of the couple's grandparents and the late Mike Oglesby, father of the groom, and Mitzi Sessom, sister of the bride.

Matron of Honor was Mrs. Staci Lockhart of Eldorado, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Miss Taylor Oglesby of Austin, sister of the groom, Mrs. Haley Forehand of Ozona, Miss Misti Moore of Austin, and Mrs. Melissa Hokit of Ozona. The flower girls were Charli Sessom, daughter of the bride and Stevi Lockhart, niece of the bride.

Best man was Wilson Stokes of San Angelo. Groomsmen were Koby Fenton of San Antonio, Chase Clark of Buie, Adam Raschueber of Austin and Heath Holt of Big Lake. Drew Lockhart, nephew of the bride served as ring bearer. Ushers were Philip Baggett of Austin, Walt Harris of New Braunfels, G.L. Bunger of Ozona, and Jerrod Holt of Big Lake. Greeting guests at the church and handing out programs was Payton Lockhart of Eldorado, niece of the bride.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore the "Milana" bridal gown by Australian designer Maggie Soltero. A vintage look, her slim, sculpted gown was fashioned of champagne lace and illusion tulle over light gold satin. Lavish beading of glass seed beads, tiny pearls, silver bugle beads and sparkling Swarovski crystals highlighted the delicate pattern of the lace. Sheer beaded lace cap sleeves hugged her shoulders and topped the fitted lace bodice to the jeweled band accenting her waistline. A romantic lace-up corsette closure with satin straps enhanced the back of her gown. The fitted silhouette of her lace skirt over satin, flaired from the knee into a spray of illusion tulle, which swept into a Chapel length train. Stormi wore a gold lavaliere and a sixpence, both of which belonged to her great grandmother, Ola Mills, and have been worn by all of the family brides. The traditional borrowed and blue tokens were a pair of pearl earrings surrounded by diamonds and blue sapphires loaned from her dear friend, Camille Jones. Stormi carried a clutch of beautiful ivory and champagne roses. The Matron of Honor and bridesmaids wore long caramel gowns of graceful, flowing tiffany chiffon. Their dresses featured a shirred asymmetrical empire bodice with one shoulder strap captured by a corsage of hand rolled caramel chiffon flowers. They each carried a nose gay of autumn colored peonies, enchantment lilies, and mocha roses. The flower girls wore candlelight satin ballerina-style dresses with a rhinestone embellished flower detail on the waistband that tied in a bow sash in the back. The skirts had a mesh overlay of iridescent sequins. They wore a halo of baby's breath with satin ribbons in their hair and carried baskets of autumn leaves.

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NEWS

Chamber welcomes new business: Rodney's Tender Taste of Texas

for

BY SHANON BIGGERSTAFF CHAMBER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Rodney's Tender Taste of Texas is inviting the public to stop by, today, Dec. 15, between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. for a Ribbon Cutting.

Announcements and Ribbon Cutting will be held at noon.

Owner Rodney Ruthardt cue cooked old style, slow and Ty Allen who oversees the deer processing will be on hand to welcome guests.

There will be a drawing for a free lunch special for

Chamber of Commerce to host Rural Energy

BY SHANON BIGGERSTAFF CHAMBER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Rural Energy for America Program, which provides financial assistance to rural businesses and agricultural producers, will start at 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 17 at the Ozona Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Center Park Conference Room located at the intersection of State Highwy 163 and I-10.

Sponsored by the USDA Rural Development, the meeting will provide information for those interested in pursuing renewable energy or energy efficiency projects.

America Program offers usda.gov/tx/bp.htm.

Elementary school collecting coats

Ozona School is still collecting coats, jackets and sweaters for their Coat Drive.

For more information, two, a sausage and jerky gift call 392-4020.

basket, and a certificate for

10 percent off a catering job

of Texas is located at 1205

Sheffield Road and is open

through Saturday from 11

They offer brisket, ribs, sausage, and pork barbe-

Services offered are full

service restaurant, deer pro-

cessing and catering.

Rodney's Tender Taste

Tuesday

for 30 or more people.

business

a.m. until sold out.

cooked in pit.

for America Program Friday

competitive grants, guaranteed loans and combination grant/guaranteed loans to help agricultural producers and rural small businesses purchase and install renewable systems and make ener-

gy efficiency improvements in rural areas. The program also provides competitive grants to rural small businesses and agricultural producers to help them pay for the cost of

a detailed, professional, independent feasibility study of their prospective renew-

able energy projects. For more information, call USDA Rural Development office at (325) 392-The rural Energy for 2301, ext. 4, or visit rurdev.

> Elementary from the drive from 1-3 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17, at the **OLPH Parish Hall.**

> > For more information.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, Dec. 15

 Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center. Ozona National Bank Christmas Open House featuring performances by Third,

Fourth and Fifth Grade Students.

 Chamber of Commerce Ribbon Cutting, noon at Rodney's Tender Taste of Texas, 1205 Sheffield Road.

• Dominoes, 1:30 p.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.

• Ozona Youth Basketball Sign-ups, 5-7 p.m. at the Davidson Gym.

 Crockett County CCSD Board of Trustees regular meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building.

 Third Grade presents "A Christmas Carol," 6:30 p.m. at the OHS Auditorium. Thursday, Dec. 16

 Crockett National Bank Christmas Open House featuring performances by the Kindergarten, First and Second Grades. Students will also perform at the Crockett County Care Center after their performance at the bank.

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

Ozona Youth Basketball Sign-ups, 5-7 p.m. at the Davidson Gym.

• County Christmas Dinner, 6 p.m. at the Civic Center.

Friday, Dec. 17

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

- Rural Energy for America Program, 11 a.m. at the Chamber of Commerce.
- Early release day, 1 p.m. for all Ozona Schools. Also, end of the 3rd Six Weeks.
- Ozona Elementary Coat Drive Distribution, 1-3 p.m. at the OLPH Parish Hall.
- JV and Varsity Lions vs. Junction, 5 p.m. at the Davidson Gym.
- JV and Varsity Lady Lions vs. Christoval, 5 p.m. at Christoval.

Saturday, Dec. 18

 63rd Annual Crockett County 4-H Junior Livestock Show, 8 a.m. at the 4-H Barn. Dec. 20, 2010 - Jan. 4, 2011

Winter Break for Ozona Schools.

Monday, Dec. 20

- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Ladies Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- JV and Varsity Lady Lions vs. Winters, 11 a.m. at Winters.

Wednesday, Dec. 22

- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Dominoes, 1:30 p.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center.
- Retirement reception for Sandy Stokes, 3-5 p.m. at the Crockett Room.

Happy Birthday

Dec. 15 - Rick Hunnicutt and Trey Fierro Dec. 16 - Anna Marie Fier-

ro, Janina Savala, Manuel Gutierrez Sr., Markaus Galindo, Rianna N. DeLaRosa

Dec. 17 - Helen Owensby, Jolene Hernandez, Zachary Talamantez, Aiden Fierro and Jordan Martinez

Dec. 18 - Celia West, Serenity Kydance Vasquez and Hope Ellington

Dec. 19 - Aiden Cruz Sanchez, Tommy Gray, Nanette Verner, Jodie Baggett, Mandy

Martinez, Sean Austin Fuentes, Terri Price and Thomas Talamantez

Dec. 20 - Rebecca Flores, Christine Lindsey, Lesly Rodriguez, Blanca Garza, Arleen Castillo, Brylee Gutierrez, Jessica Galan, Stormi Lee Sessom Oglesby and Jacinda Villarreal

Dec. 21 - Mia Davidson, Ashley Vargas, Hiram Carrizales, Rhonda Borrego, Cody Bush, Nene Ramos, Yvonne Fay, Tommie Pena-Alfaro, Sabrina Salas, Whitney Wilson, Dorothy Friend and Robin Campbell

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The bridegroom and his attendants wore black tuxedos with matching bronze vests and ties. The groom wore a boutonniere of champagne rose buds and his attendants wore boutonnieres of a variety of fall blossoms.

The mother of the bride was escorted in by Philip Baggett, her stepson, while the mother of he groom was escorted in by her son Quay, the groom. As the grandparents were seated, "Word of God Speak" was being performed by guitarist Jesse Ramirez II and pianist Edward Hernandez, both of Lubbock. The duet performed "Cannon in D" as the bridesmaids entered the church. The congregation stood as the guitarist performed "The Romantic Waltz" as Stormi was escorted down the aisle by her father. Nannette Vernor sang "From this Moment" and after the exchange of vows, Vicki Stokes and Nannette Vernor sang "Forever Young.

Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held at the Fair Park Convention Center. Guests were welcomed into an elegantly transformed ballroom. The ceiling of the entry was a sway of bronze organza with a crystal chandelier hanging over the bronze satin covered registry tables. Portraits of the bride, along with candles and champagne roses completed the registry table. Upon entering the ballroom, a sweeping balloon valance of black satin hung from the ceiling centered with three staggered crystal chandeliers. The surrounding outer walls were formed with black satin draping. The tables were covered with bronze tablecloths topped with bronze organza swirl overlays. Each table was centered with crystal towers of colorful fall blooms complimented by mirrors and crystal candle lit votives. The chairs were covered in black and had love knots tied around them of bronze organza.

The bride and groom's cake tables were covered in an iridescent slate taffeta of rosette design with a large chandelier hanging above. The bride's cake was a three-tiered ivory Italian Creme. Each tier was a different decorative design. On the top tier was the initial 0 covered in swarovski crystals. The groom's cake was a square double layer German Chocolate with marble slab fondant, with the initial 0 on top in chocolate. Both cakes were displayed on gold cake stands. Guests enjoyed a dinner buffet featuring fall wildlife game and danced to music provided by "Free Ride" of Abilene.

Following a wedding trip to Ruidoso, N.M., Stormi and Quay will be residing in Ozona.

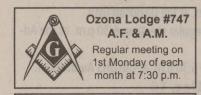


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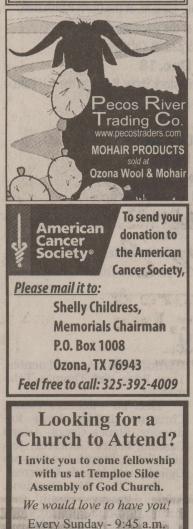
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MELISSA PERNER | THE OZONA STOCKMAN THE FBC LADIES ENSEMBLE of (left to right) Vicki Davis, Katrece Hale, Cathy English and Nanette Verner sang "O Holy Night" during the First Baptist Church's Christmas musical production of "One Small Child."

Toys for Tots applications due Friday, donations being collected through Saturday

Veterans of Crockett County are once again collecting new unwrapped toys and money donations as we enter this holiday season.

These donations will be used to provide a gift during Christmas for the children in Crockett County that might not be as fortunate as others.

The Toys for Tots campaign will last until Saturday, Dec. 18, at which time all toys and money collected will be turned over to the Ozona Salvation Army where they will distribute the toys, with the support of the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department.

The Ozona Salvation Army will have applications for the people that need some assistance this holiday.

Applications can be picked up at the Ozona Fire Station. This program is intended for children that will receive nothing for Christmas this year.

Due to a lack of funds, the program is restricting to children ages 12 and under. Deadline for applications is Friday, Dec. 17.

"We do appreciate the good people in our town and want to thanks them," said Lou Marrow, Salvation Army Chairperson.

Crockett County Veterans will be asking everyone to join them in bringing a smile to a local child this holiday season.

Toy containers are located at Ozona Fire Department, Duckwalls, Dollar General, the Ozona Fire Station or Crockett County EMS Building.

Crockett County Veterans have already started collecting toys and will be available at various locations throughout town every Saturday morning from 10 a.m. to noon.

"The veterans are asking you to join us during our 2010 Toys for Tots Campaign. If you would like to drop off a toy or make a money donation come by when you see our volunteers collecting on Saturdays," said Frank Tambunga, coordinator.

For more information, call Tambunga 392-2827 or Morrow 392-2626.

4-H sponsoring Gingerbread House and Decorated **Cookie Contest** Crockett County 4-H is

sponsoring a Gingerbread House and Decorated Cookie Contest.

It is open to everyone and will be held before the stock show this year.

Entry forms can be picked up at the Crockett County Extension Office. Cost is \$5 per entry.

Forms must be turned in by Dec. 14.

Cookies and Houses must be at the Fair Park Convention Center by Dec. 16. Judging on Dec. 17.

For more information, call the Crockett County Extension Office at 392-2721.



It's a boy

Coby Leland Gonzales was born at 5:45 p.m. Nov. 2, 2010 to proud mother Chelsea Gonzales. Coby weighed 8 pounds,

9 ounces.

Grandparents are Connie and Eloy Gonzales, of San Angelo. Great-grandparents are Morris and Betty King and Mr. and Mrs. Aturo Gonzales, of Ozona, and Linda Gonzales, of Iraan.

OBITUARIES Dorothy Drake Friend

Dorothy Drake Friend passed away Dec. 12, 2010 in Ozona at the Crockett County Care Center. Graveside service was Tuesday, Dec. 14, 2010 in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Arrangements by Preddy Funeral Home.

Dorothy was born to Bruce and Faye Kirby Drake on Dec. 21, 1919 in Ozona. She graduated from Ozona High School in the 11th grade, as to 12th grade not existing at that time. She was one of the members who assisted in writing the Ozona school song. She continued her education at Draughons Business College in San Antonio. In 1940 she married Joe W. Friend, eloping with best friends in Kerrville, Spot and Imogene Friend. They lived on the ranch in Ozona. The friendships of the ranching communities of Pandale, Pumpville, Comstock and Dryden were valuable to Joe and Dorothy. A favorite pass time of the family were their fishing trips to the Devils, Rio Grande and Pecos Rivers. He precede her in death on May 13, 1960. Dorothy lived her summers in Ruidoso, N.M., where she had many special friends. A very special friend, Betty Conley of Midland met Dorothy in Ruidoso every year. Proverbs 18:24 reads, She is a friend that sticks closer than a brother; This is how Dorothy described Betty. While in New Mexico Dorothy played bridge four times a week, went to horse races wher she was a member of the Ruidoso Jockey Club. She was also a member of the Ruidoso Womens Club and the Senior Citizens.

Survivors include one son, Joe W. Friend Jr. and wife Katie of Ozona; daughter, Glenda Friend McMullan and husband Kenny of Ozona; five grandchildren, Trip Friend and wife Aimee; Mecca McMullan, Fon-taine Friend Dearth and husband Robert; Whit Friend; Phaedra Friend Troy and husband Patrick Troy Jr.; four greatgrandchildren: Olivia Friend, Chloe Friend, Luke Dearth and Patrick "Baby Trip" Troy and many nieces and nephews.

She was precede in death by her husband Joe, her parents, her sisters, Margaret Fowler and Jean North and grandson Shawn Drake McMullan.

Dorothy was a devoted member of the Ozona United Methodist Church and taught



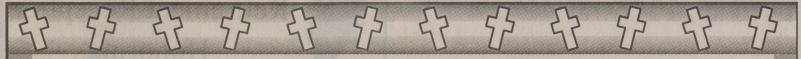
Her pride and joy was the family ranch, where she was an arrowhead hunter and a Christian ranch woman putting up garden produce and fruit. She worked inside the goat and sheep pens when shearing. Treasuring her life every day Dorothy loved needle work and made her children's and grandchildren's Christmas stockings. Loving the holidays, she looked forward to having her family come home to the ranch during Thanksgiving and Christmas.

With honor and pride, Dorothy watched Shawn and Mecca in A.J.R.A., high school, college and Pro Rodeo Association competitions. Shawn went on to The National finals rodeo in Las Vegas in 1992-1995 and Dorothy watched with a big smile. So proud of her grandchildren, she watched Tripp, Fontaine, Whit and Phaedrae as they participated in many swimming and cheerleading competitions. She enjoyed attending her nieces and nephews school and sport activities as well, which included, special nieces Fontaine Fowler Cope and Jan North Smith. Her nephew David North loved to come to the ranch and hunt. Active in attending sport events, Dorothy would make trips to Lubbock, Texas to watch Texas Tech Red Raiders football games.

Dorothy was loved very much by her neighbors at the Holiday Terrace Apartments. They meant so much to her and enjoyed fellowship during their get-togethers.

Many thanks to Crockett County Care Center staff for giving her the care needed and singing the school song with her. Thank you to Rusty Harris for hanging Christmas stockings for everyone to enjoy her handy work.

From the bottom of our



OUR NEW GRANDCHILD

My wife and I were blessed with the arrival of a new grandson several months ago. I enjoyed very much watching mother and new baby together. She got up early in the morning and worked in the kitchen. She had a little crib close by and she talked to him and he made funny little sounds back to her. It is amazing the bond that is developing between them and the love relationship they have. As I watched him in his little crib kicking and smiling I wondered what his future will be? Our newest grandson reminds me of something in the Bible. I wonder what Mary thought when she was informed by the Angel Gabriel that she would have a child? She had lived in a way that pleased God very much and as a result He was going to bless her in a special way, (Luke 1:26-35). She was going to have a baby but no ordinary baby, as He was to be the Son of the Most High, (The Son of God) and His name was to be Jesus, (Matthew 1:18-25). He was going to be a King and would save people from their sins, (Luke 2:10&11). The Bible does not say much about the early years that Mary spent with her son but we know she loved Him and tenderly cared for Him, (Luke 2:7). See you in church next Sunday. Brother J

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Sunday School for many years. Proudly she served as a member of the Ozona PTA, Ozona Bridge Club, and the Ozona mother of the Boy Scouts.

hearts, Thank You so much to hospice, Dr. Sims, Dr. Ike and Dr. Sam Justiss for the excellent and professional medical care. Country Club, as well as den Thanks to everyone for their prayers and kind words.

Alice Jacques Flores

Alice Jacques Flores, 84, of San Angelo, Texas, passed away on Saturday, Dec. 11, 2010 at her residence after a brief illness.

Arrangements are by Robert Massie Funeral Home with a private family memorial/burial service at Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens being planned in the near future.

Alice was born in Miles, Texas to Federico Jacques and Guadalupe Zamarripa on Dec. 1, 1926. She was married to Ernest Enriquez Flores, Sr. on March 28, 1947 in San Angelo, Texas. She was a homemaker and loving mother all her life. Her dedication to her husband, children, grandchildren and mother were above and beyond words. She was an amazing woman with what appeared to be unending strength. She will be greatly missed by all her family.

The following quote embodied the life and character of our mother, Alice: "Love is patient. Love is kind. It does not envy. It does not boast. It is not proud. It is not rude. It is not self-seeking. It is not easily angered. It keeps no record of wrong doing. It does not delight in evil, but rejoices in the truth. It always protects, trusts, hopes, perseveres." (Corinthians 13)

Alice is preceded in death by her husband, Ernest, her parents and her sister Trina Owens.

Alice is survived by her children Celia Wooldridge, Ernest Flores Jr., Rosa Horn and husband Randall, Dalia Flores, Ricardo Flores Sr. and Patsy Flores, all of San Angelo, Texas, sister, Dinazar Perez; grandchildren, Amy Robles and husband Joe of Odessa, Texas, Perez, and Chaplain Ellen King.



Amanda Rangel of Arlington, Texas, Mark Ahola of Dallas, Texas; Michelle Flores of San Angelo; Timothy Borremans of San Marcos, Texas, Katarina Villalpando and Nicolas Knight of San Angelo; Ricardo Flores Jr., David Flores and wife Yolanda, Joseph Flores and wife Jennifer, all of San Angelo; great-grandchildren Aaron Kyle Haspel of Corpus Christi, Dustin Unger of Arlington, Texas, Cody Barrientes of Victoria, Texas; Aidan Martinez of San Angelo, Jacob Flores and Joseph Tyler Flores both of San Angelo, along with several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be given to Vista Care Hospice of San Angelo. The family of Alice Flores wishes to extend our sincere thanks to Dr. and Ms. Cornelius Chinn, along with the following individuals associated with Vista Care Hospice who made the family's voyage through mother's illness bearable and easier to handle - Dr. Vayden Stanley, Nurses Sherry Scott, Jill McLaughlin, Erin Jones, Carisa Bridges, Hospice Aide Lilia

Card of Thanks

I want to thank everyone at the Crockett County Care Center, Courthouse and Family Clinic for the wonderful retirement gift I received. Thank you so much for the great party. I cannot express how much I have enjoyed working at the Care Center for the last 22 years and how much I will miss it.

> God Bless & Thank You, **Connie Nelson**

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College Readiness office and adding structures like our AVID program," said Super-intendent Chris duBois. "We have also emphasized support to teachers and principals to meet these high expectations with new data and instructional tools, new access to powerful curriculum processes and targeted professional development based on student needs."

The Comptroller's office found the district to have composite academic progress at a 35, which is a percentile ranking of combined math and reading progress.

Ozona's composite adjusted spending per pupil was \$14,798. The district had a "high" spending rating. The rating compares districts against up to 40 "peer" districts of similar size, serving similar stu-dents in similar cost environments.

The FAST ratings are designed to identify districts that produce strong academic growth at a lower cost than their peers. The news release said that districts receiving five stars have a "very high" student progress rating and a "very low" spending rating, whereas one-star districts have very high spending and very low progress compared to their fiscal peers.

duBois said for those really interested in the breakdown of the report, more information is available on the report's website.

"It's certainly worth people's time," he said.

The report shows an average over three years, ending in 2008-2009, during which time CCCCSD was rated academically acceptable by the Texas Education Agency. Last year, TEA rated Ozona a step up as Recognized.

Campus ratings showed Ozona High School with a one star rating and Ozoana Middle School with a errone and a half star rating. The study also did not include Ozona Elementary because the campus was not reported until the 2009-2010 school year due to the school still being split into two campuses, duBois said. This means that data used in the study is at least two years old. Also, in the academic section of the report no allowance was made for districts with high populations of special education, at risk, low socioeconomic or bilingual students. "This doesn't mean we should ignore it," duBois said. "I'm all about this tool and find it very interesting.'

engaged in direct instructional service to students - it's all-hands-on-deck for sure. We have a lot of hard work and shifting in awareness to come, but we will get where we need to be," duBois said.

School districts are being told they should expect to get an estimated \$3 billion to \$5 billion less in the next two-year budget as lawmakers begin wrestling with a \$24 billion revenue shortfall in January.

Public education made up more than 40 percent of the state's \$87 billion general revenue budget approved for 2010-11. Spending per student grew 63 percent during the past decade outpacing both enrollment growth and inflation, said Texas Comptroller Susan Combs.

"Taxpayers are within their rights to expect exceptional academic achievement, and they are also entitled to receive the best value for their tax dollars," Combs said.

Because of the shortfall, schools are not going to es-cape scrutiny, but taxpayers can't be shortchanged either, duBois said.

Along with funding, duBois said the legislature also needs to take into consideration their academic standards and accountability.

"I hope the legislature spends time talking to the people directly involved and realize they are asking us to do more with less," he said.

The Superintendent also said he encourages all taxpayers and citizens to become involved in knowing more about their school district.

"I encourage all parents and community members to become part of a push There is also one open- call (325) 387-3900 or visit for high academic goals ing to fill the remaining two www.texaspecostrail.com. for their students. Come to board meetings where acayears of a three-year term demic results are discussed. of a board member who re-Contact your teachers and signed earlier this year. campus administrators to An applicant should be find out how you can directan individual involved in ly impact your student's heritage tourism, historic achievement and success. preservation, local chamber, We're all in this together, arts education, city manageand there is no good reason ment or local government, why our performance has and economic development. to stay where it has been," Some experience or induBois said. The full report can be read at www.FASTexas.org. Card of Thanks The family of Glenn Burns would like to thank everyone for the calls, visits, cards, food and flowers. Most of all thank you for your thoughts and prayers as we all mourn the loss of our loved one. Dawn Burns, Kyann Kothman Gay, Ken, Sol & Sierra Stokes Irma McCutcheon and Family Card of Thanks I would like to thank ONB for their donation to West Texas Rehab in memory of my husband Desi Tijerina Sr. Olivia Tijerina Card of Thanks Helping Hands of Ozona wants to thank all those involved in making the "Holiday Hands Christmas Arts and Craft Fair" a success the providers and the shoppers! It was a great time to shop for unique gifts, eat a meal, and visit with friends! Helping Hands also wants to thank: the Crockett County Civic Center Board members & Allen Williams for providing the use of the building and services; The Stockman (Melissa Perner), Circle Bar Cable, and KYXX Radio for advertising the fair; the OHS students and Coach Gonzales who volunteered their services (Community Service Program); and, Sonic Restaurant (Mark Rios) for their donation Let us help you find that perfect Gift! Great Western Silhouette Candles •Candle Warmers •Painted Ponies Lodge Cast Iron & Enamel Cookware •Kelly Rae Roberts Collection Purses & Luggage • Jewelry by Amber Tarr Jon Hart Designs
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School board meeting tonight

The Crockett County CCSD Board of Trustees will hold a workshop and their regular meeting tonight (Dec. 15) at the Administration Building.

begin around 6:30 p.m.

Items on that agenda: · Public Hearing: Pub-

lic reporting of progress in meeting Highly Qualified Teacher Requirements 2010-2011.

Public Hearing: Public reporting of the 2009-2010 Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS).

District Spotlight -OMS Invention Convention and OES and OMS Academic UIL Update.

Maintenance Report - vehicle mileage Principals and Athletic

Director's reports. • Financial Report - bills

and board report.

• Superintendent Report enrollment and School Safety Update-REMS/Mapping Grant.

Consider proposals for Light Pole Inspection.

· Consent Agenda - ap-

prove minutes from the Nov. 17 Regular meeting and amendments to the 2010-2011 official budget. · Executive/Closed Ses-

sion - personnel matters for The regular meeting will consideration of new employees, staffing and vacancies.

> Action from Executive/Closed Session.

> · Continuing Education Hours for Board of Trustee members.

> · Elect three members to serve a two-year term on the County Appraisal District Board. Current members to January 2011: Dwight Childress, Veronica Fierro and Tom Anderson.

· Future Business - Jan-Transportation and uary 2011 Regular Board Meeting, Level II Team Building for the Team of Eight, suggested 6-9 p.m. Feb. 17 at Eldorado and Superintendent Evaluation Process.

> A workshop to discuss the district HVAC and energy management issues that was scheduled prior to the regular meeting has been canceled due to more time needed for the presentation and information.



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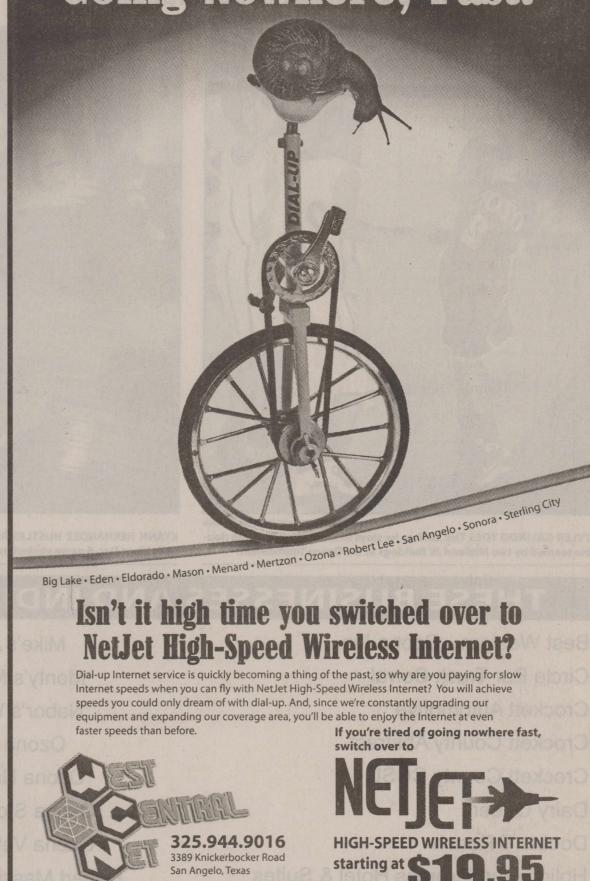
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Along with the Comptroller's report, duBois said the district also looks at other comparative studies for academics and funding.

"We have re-missioned auxiliary staff to put more instructional assistance in front of kiddos. Our Teaching Assistants at OES, for instance, are more heavily





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Lions take fourth in Ozona Basketball Tournament

The Ozona Lions placed fourth during the 80th annual Ozona Tournament last week.

Jerrod duBois was named to the All Tournament Team. The Lions were also led offensively by Abey Lara and Austin Suddreth.

The Lions won their final game against Midland JV, 53-41.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 15 13 8 17 - 53; Midland JV - 4 12 10 15 - 41.

Scoring: Jose Aguilar 8; Lara 14; Suddreth 8; Alex Borrego 5 and duBois 18. Also playing: Saul Vargas, Luis Soto, Richard Borrego and Ryan Mayfield.

The Lions defeated Irion County in their third game, 41-20.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 13 9 12 7 - 41; Irion County - 6 4 3 7 - 20.

Scoring: Aguilar 8; Lara 14; A. Borrego 4; Soto 1; duBois 12 and Mayfield 2. Also playing: Suddreth, Vargas and R. Borrego.

"This was one of our better defensive games we have had this year. I was proud of the way we rebounded from losing a close game with Sonora. You never know how the players will respond when you play your heart out and lose a close one. We are still learning to play with new teammates and work together to get things accomplished," said Coach Ted Rohan.

The Lions lost to Sonora in the second game, 48-44. Score by quarters: Ozona – 13 12 12 7 – 44; Sonora – 15 12 8 13 – 48.

Scoring: Aguilar 4; Lara 2; Suddreth 15; A. Borrego 6; Vargas 4; duBois 13. Also playing: Soto, R. Borrego and Mayfield.

"We learned that we could play with Sonora. Although we did not win, we are making significant strides in getting ready district play," Rohan said. In the first game, Ozo-

na lost to Kermit 51-42.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 11 11 16 6 - 42; Kermit - 16 13 12 10 - 51. Scoring: Aguilar 13;

Lara 11; Suddreth 7; A. Borrego 3; Soto 2; duBois 16. Also playing: Vargas, R. Borrego and Mayfield.

"We played hard for three quarters against one of our old district rivals. We played much better than we did in Ingram. We are still learning how to play four quarters," Rohan said.

The Lions are 3-8 overall heading into Friday's game against Junction. Games will start at 5 p.m. at the Davidson Gym. Lady Lions defeat Junction, place third at Irion County

The Ozona Lady Lions defeated Junction, 77-53, on Dec. 7.

Scoring: Kristen Mendoza 22; Melanie Miller 19; Stacie Quiroz 12; Britni Mitchel 10; RaeLynn Arredondo 8 and Natalia Ortiz 6. Other key players: Adrienne Sanchez, Layla Perez, Makayla Badillo, Alex Rodriguez and Brenda Venegas.

The Lady Lions also competed in the Mason Tournament over the weekend.

Ozona lost to Mason, 59-40, in their first game. They then won again over Junction, 65-25, and over Llano 58-34. The Lady Lions then lost to San Saba 76-42 in their final game.

"The girls played hard and had some good things happen. The Llano game was the most complete game we have played all season. Our press looked good, we attacked the basket offensively and every player contributed," said Coach Cristy Isenhower. "If we can continue to gain confidence, I think we will be able to surprise some people, including ourselves. When we get after people and settle down, these girls are really fun to watch. This is a good group and will continue to get better."

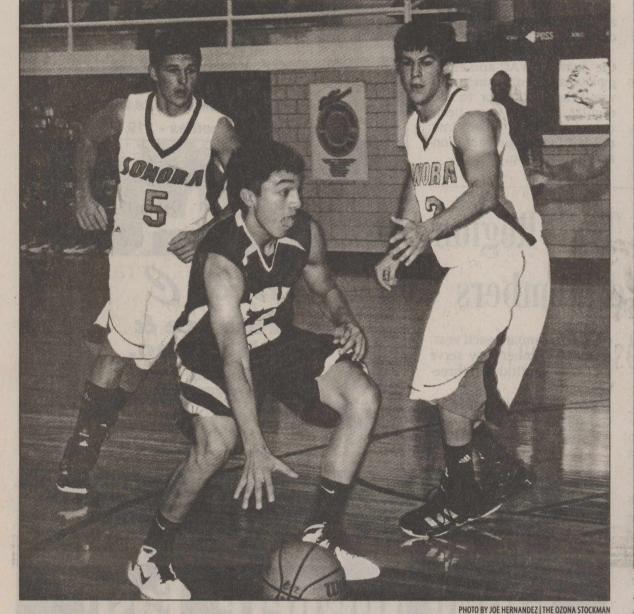
The Lady Lions also placed third at the Irion County Tournament held Dec. 2-4.

Arredondo and Quiroz were selected to the All Tournament Team.

In their first game, the Lady Lions defeated Menard 50-43. They then defeated Rocksprings 48-20. Ozona then lost in overtime to Paint Rock 53-55. The Lady Lions improved against Irion Co from first game of the season but lost 44-62.

"The girls are playing hard and working together. As we cut down on turnovers, we will see more positive results," Isenhower said.





ALEX BORREGO maneuvers between two Sonora Broncos in the Varsity Lions game in the Ozona Tournament.

PHOTO BY JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN JERROD duBOIS was named to the All-Tournament Team at the Ozona Tourney held this past weekend.

RAELYNN ARREDONDO was selected to the All-Tournament Team at the Irion County Tournament held Dec. 2-4

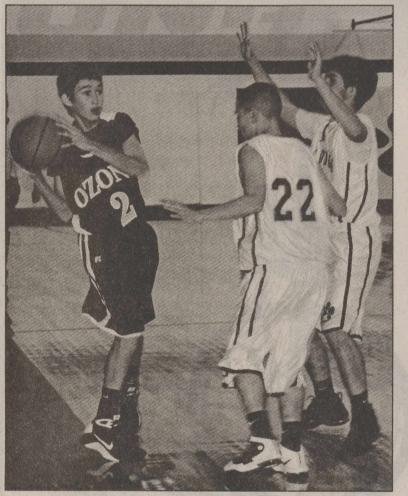


PHOTO BY JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN TYLER GALINDO TOES THE LINE as he stays in-bounds while being double teamed by two Midland JV Bulldogs in the Ozona Tournament.



PHOTO BY JOE HERNANDEZ [THE OZONA STOCKMAN KYANN HERNANDEZ HUSTLES AFTER A LOOSE BALL in the Freshman Lady Lions Dec. 6 game against Iraan. LADY JES JUDIS

PHOTO BY JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN STACIE QUIROZ was selected to the All-Tournament Team at the Irion County Tournament held Dec. 2-4

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OMS takes second at UIL Academic Meet

Ozona Middle Students competed in the District UIL Academic Meet on Dec. 6 in Wall.

Ozona placed second overall as a team. Individual results -

Art: Sixth Grade - 2. Ozona; 4. Austin Elguea, individual

Seventh Grade - 2. Ozona; 3. Alyssa Newlin, individual

Eighth Grade - 3. Ozona. **Calculator Application:** Sixth Grade - 1. Kamryn Lozano and 2. Rachel Mendoza and Julie Marshall

Seventh Grade - 1. Dulce Rodriguez; 4. Nereyda Vega and 5. Jeremy Munoz

Eighth Grade - 4. Keyanna Perez; 5. Jayton Rodri-guez and 6. Dylan Perez

Dictionary Skills: Sixth Grade - 5. Asia Lara

Eighth Grade - 5. Jadie Marshall

Editorial Writing: Sev-enth Grade – 1. Alex Hopper and 2. Jeremy Munoz

Eighth Grade - 1. Jadie Marshall

Impromptu Speaking: Seventh Grade - 5. Madison Childress

Listening: Sixth Grade -5. Garry Held

Seventh Grade - 3. Bryce Martin and 6. Noel Fierro

Maps, Graphs & Charts: 1. Julie Marshall and 5. Dacie Taylor

Seventh Grade - 2. Noel Fierro Mathematics: Sixth

Grade - 3. Garry Held Eighth Grade - 4. Bryce

Gutierrez and 6. Jadie Marshall

Modern Oratory: Seventh Grade - 5. Estefania Torralba Eighth Grade - 2. Jadie

Marshall Music Memory: Sixth

Grade - 3. Ozona; 4. Thomas Cruz, individual

Number Sense: Sixth Grade - 5. Kabir Shah

Seventh Grade - 5. Maria Mejia

Elementary shines at UIL Academic Meet

Eighth Grade - 1. Bryce

Gutierrez and 5. Alan Sala-

zar Oral Reading: Sixth Grade - 1. Trace Justiss; 4. Julie Marshall and 5. Madison Galindo

Eighth Grade - 6. Megan Bullard Ready Writing: Seventh

Grade - 6. Maria Mejia Science: Seventh Grade

- 5. Belinda Rodriguez Eighth Grade - 4. Bryce

Gutierrez Social Studies: Seventh

Grade - 1. Bryce Martin; 2. Alex Hopper and 6. Kevin Villarreal Eighth Grade - 1. Alan

Salazar

Spelling: Sixth Grade -3. Kamryn Lozano

Seventh Grade - 2. Alex Hopper and 6. Maria Mejia

The Team Also Competed At The Crane Math And Science TMSCA Meet On Nov. 20.

Number Sense: Sixth Grade - 8. Kabir Shah

Seventh Grade - 2. Maria Mejia; 8. Narda Aguilar and 10. Belinda Rodriguez Eighth Grade – 2. Bryce Gutierrez; 6. Zack Taylor;

8. Dalan Wilson and 9. Alan Salazar Calculator: Sixth Grade

- 2. Kamryn Lozano; 3. Julie Marshall; 5. Elizabeth Rodriguez and 6. Rachel Mendoza

Seventh Grade - 3. Nereyda Vega; 4. Dulce Rodriguez; 6. Jeremy Munoz and 7. Noel Fierro

Eighth Grade – 2. Key-anna Perez; 4. Jayton Rodriguez; 6. Nathan Valdes and Marisa Held

Math: Sixth Grade -6. Kabir Shah and 9. Gary Held

Seventh Grade - 9. Jose Ojeda

Eighth Grade - 4. Bryce Gutierrez; 5. Jadie Marshall and 8. Justice Adkins

Science: Seventh Grade - 1. Jeremy Munoz and 10. April Ramoz

Eighth Grade - 8. Alan Salazar and 10. Bryce Gutierrez

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2010 Ozona Youth Basketball sign-up

Sign-ups for the 2010 Ozona Youth Basketball will be held

at the Davidson Gym. The program is for boys and girls in first through sixth grades. For more information call Eddie Lozano at 325-226-9262

Seventh Grade Lady Lions fall to Lady Hawks

The Seventh Grade Lady Lauren Miles. Lions lost to Wall, 44-7, on Dec. 9.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 2 2 2 1 - 7; Wall - 12 11 11 10 - 44.

Scoring: Estefania Torralba 3; Madison Childress 2; Alyssa Newlin 2. Also playing: Brianna Sanchez, Lauren Miles, Nereyda Vega and Kim Borrego.

The Seventh Grade Lady Lions also competed in the Comstock Tournament held Dec. 2-4.

In their first game, the Lady Lions won 21-11 over Comstock.

Scoring: Brianna Sanchez 4; Madison Childress 4; Estefania Torralba 2; Alyssa Newlin 1. Also playing: Alonda Rodriguez, Maria Mejia, Kim Borrego and

In their second game, the Lady Lions defeated Sacred Heart 35-13.

Scoring: Childress 13; Borrego 8; Newlin 6; Sanchez 4; Torralba 4. Also playing: Rodriguez, Miles and Mejia.

Game three was a battle of Ozona. The Seventh Grade Lady Lions lost by only two baskets, 24-20, to the Eighth Grade Lady Lions.

Scoring: Borrego 11; Sanchez 4; Childress 2; Newlin 2; Torralba 1. Also playing: Miles, Rodriguez and Mejia.

"Thank you to all of the parents that helped us out with the 'tree crisis' on the way home from the Comstock Tournament," said Coach Dedra Rohan.



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Ozona Elementary Students competed in the District UIL Academic Meet in Wall on Dec. 6.

Ozona placed fourth as a team. Team results -1. Wall, 524; 2. Ballinger, 334.3; 3. Sonora, 155.6; 4. Ozona, 116.3; 5. Grape Creek, 101; 6. Brady, 75.5. Individual results:

Second Grade Creative Writing – 2. Tate Williams Second Grade Spelling

- 5. Lianna Blanco Second Grade Oral Reading - 7. Jenna Mar-

shall Third Grade Ready

Writing - 2. Manuel Torral-

ba and 6. Alec Lara Third Grade Oral Reading – 6. Nate Jackson

Third Grade Spelling -6. Manuel Torralba

Fourth Grade Oral Reading - 6. Jackie Guerra Fourth Grade Number

Sense - 3. Chantz Elliott Fourth Grade Music Memory - 4. Isaura Lopez Fifth Grade Number

Sense - 2. Emily Marlatt Fifth Grade Music Memory - 1. Brenna Hale and 4.

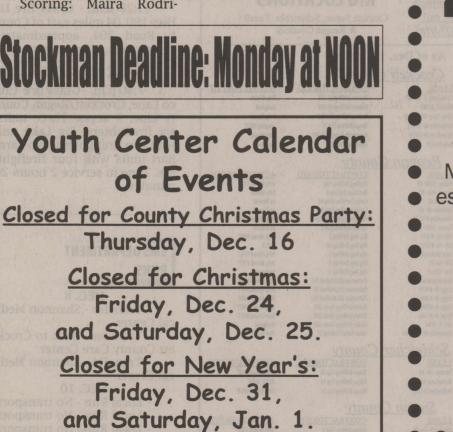
Alejandra Camarillo Fifth Grade Oral Read-

ing - 6. Murray Logan Fifth Grade Social Studies - 5. Caleb Martinez

Wall flies over Eighth Grade Lady Lions

The Eighth Grade Lady Lions lost to Wall, 44-6, on Dec. 9.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 0 0 2 4 - 6; Wall - 18 11 5 10 - 44. Scoring: Maira Rodriguez 2; Janna Munsell 2; Becky Mata 2. Also playing: Keyanna Perez, Bethany Martinez, Melissa Lozano, Kaylenn Elston, Kaylee Ramirez and Elva Gallardo.



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Wednesday, Dec. 15, 2010





PETTY OFFICER THIRD CLASS CALEB MITCHEL (center left) stands with his wife, Anna, and Master Chief Coles (left) and Captain Bailey, after successfully completing the Naval Nuclear Power Training Program.

Mitchel completes Naval Nuclear Power Training Program

Caleb Mitchel has successfully completed the Naval Nuclear Power Training Pro-

Mitchel began Nuclear Power A School in April 2009, where he received the Commanding Officers Personal Excellence Award upon graduation from A School in September 2009. Shortly thereafter, Mitchel began Nuclear Power School, the second of three schools in the Nuclear Training

March 2010. In May 2010, he began training at Nucle-

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a properly contained area which is attended at all

Violation of the burn ban is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not

POST OFFICE DISCUSSED

A discussion on proposing a letter to request to the United States Postal Service to provide mail delivery to physical addresses in Ozona, and to provide a better location for the local post office took place among the commissioners. Commissioner Frank Tambunga had a request from Shelly Childress to have the item placed on the agenda for the commissioners to send a letter to Francisco "Quico" Canseco, who was recently elected U.S. Representative for District 23 which includes Crockett Tambunga also said many people have been having problems with mail being sent back or returned if it contains a physical address and not a P.O. Box ad-"We have already been through all this with Congressman Rodriguez. Hopefully, Canseco will send somebody by here to let us know how to touch base with him. It shouldn't make any difference. They have your physical address at the post office and they should be able to convert that and put it in your box," Deaton Commissioner Randy Branch said the U.S. Post-

Petty Officer Third Class ar Power Training Unit, a moored submarine in Goose Creek, S.C.

Finally, on Nov. 12, 2010, Mitchel graduated from NPTU, completing the Naval Nuclear Power Training Program.

Mitchel and his wife, Anna, and son Ian will be living in Virginia Beach, Va. while he serves his country on the USS George H.W. Bush.

Mitchel is the son of Arvin and Drucilla Mitchel of Ozona and the grandson Mitchel graduated from of Lou Hardin of Menard. Nuclear Power School in Anna is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hernandez Sr. of Ozona.

> al Service leases the post office building and that if someone was willing to build a new post office then that could be a possibility

for a new building. "I think we're a little bit early because the new elected official is not in office," said Commissioner Pleas Childress III.

The commissioners took no action on the request but will possibly look at it again during a future meeting.

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

APPROVED:

Counties meet requirements for livestock assistance

BY JED W. HRUSKA COUNTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR **REAGAN-UPTON-IRION-CROCKETT**

Nineteen additional counties have met the trigger requirements for the Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP). Counties recently determined eligible for native and improved grasses are Bandera, Brazos, Crockett, Dimmitt, Grimes, Houston, Kinney, Leon, Madison, Maverick, Milam, Robertson, San Jacinto, Terrell, Trinity, Uvalde, Val Verde, Walker and Zavala.

The following counties were granted a sign-up extension until March 1, 2011: Bandera, Brazos, Crockett, Dimmit, Edwards, Grimes, Houston, Kerr, Kimble, Kinney, Leon, Madison, Maverick, Milam, Real, Robertson, San Jacinto, Sutton, Terrell, Trinity, Uvalde, Val Verde, Walker and Zavala.

LFP provides payments to eligible livestock producers that have suffered livestock grazing losses due to qualifying drought or fire. Fire losses apply only to federally managed rangeland. Eligible livestock under LFP include beef cattle, alpacas, buffalo, beefalo, dairy cattle, deer, elk, emus, equine, goats, llamas, poultry, reindeer, sheep and swine. For losses due to drought, qualifying drought ratings are determined using the U.S. Drought Monitor located at http://www.drought. unl.edu/dm/monitor.html.

"It is imperative that livestock producers meet their deadline for disaster assistance

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among the 20 largest funds in the world. Nearly 1.3 million public education and higher education employees and retirees participate in the system, TRS said.

ANTI-BULLYING **LEGISLATION FILED**

State Sens. Wendy Davis, D-Fort Worth, Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo, and John Whitmire, D-Houston; and state Reps. Richard Raymond, D-Laredo, Mark Strama, D-Austin; Ryan Guillen, D-Rio Grande City, and Carol Alvarado, D-Houston, each have filed bills to curb bullving that occurs particularly among school children.

The bills would prohibit oldfashioned bullying, "cyber" bullying, harassment and intimidation, all of which can take many as Workforce Commission said

as there are no late file provi-sions for LFP," said Hruska. "To insure a smooth application process, producers should have all required supporting documentation with them at the time they visit our office to apply for benefits."

In order for an LFP applicant to qualify for program benefits, the applicant must have purchased insurance coverage through FSA's Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) or the Pasture, Rangeland and Forage Insurance-Rainfall Index for Grazing (PRF-RI) program offered through the Risk Management Agency (RMA).

Producers who meet the requirements of a socially disadvantaged, limited resource, or beginning farmers or ranchers, as defined in the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990, Section 2501 (e) (7 U.S.C. 2279(e)), do not have to meet this Risk Management Purchase Requirement (RMPR).

LFP program applicants should note that in addition to risk management provisions, certain payment limitation and adjusted gross income eligibility requirements must be met in order to qualify for livestock disaster program benefits.

For more information or to apply for LFP and other USDA Farm Service Agency disaster assistance programs, please contact the Reagan-Upton-Irion-Crockett County FSA office at (325) 884-3753. Information can also be obtained on line at http://www.fsa.usda.gov.

forms.

Some of the legislation calls for the creation of anti-bullying hotlines for victims and witnesses to call.

UNEMPLOYMENT TAX RATES ARE SET

The standard minimum unemployment insurance tax rate paid by Texas employers in 2011 will be 0.78 percent, up from 0.72 percent in 2010, the **Texas Workforce Commission** announced Dec. 7.

The taxes replenish the Texas **Unemployment** Compensation Trust Fund, which provides unemployment insurance for Texas workers who lose their jobs through no fault of their own.

The tax rate increase was necessary to offset two years of higher Unemployment Insurance benefit payments, the Tex-

· Luis Mata, Ozona, theft

Crockett County Clerk's Office.

The above information

was obtained from the

· Advertising for blds on paving rock.

· Closing of 5th Street alley from Avenue E to Avenue D.

• To install Tobar Street to connect with Heraclico as a one-way street to the south. Commissioner Branch voted against the motion.

• Bid from Shannon Medical Center for lease of Family Health Center of Ozona at \$.75 per squarefoot, around \$5,900 per month.

· Amendments and lineitem changes to the 2010 Budget.

· Retirement Rate For 2011 at 8.65 percent employer rate.

Bid from McCray Company of \$17,795 for installment of courthouse doors. The next regular com-

missioners' court meeting will be 9 a.m. Jan. 10 at the courthouse annex.

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FOR THE RECORD: WEEKLY COURT PROCEEDINGS

PR Bond.

BAIL BONDS

·Leslie Brem, Penwell, Texas, possession of marijuana, less than \$50, class C misdeclass B misdemeanor, \$2,000 meanor, \$1,100 PR Bond. PR Bond.

Molly Thornhill, Ozona, false report to a peace officer, class B misdemeanor, \$2,000

FIRE DEPARTMENT RUNS

DEC. 7

Hwy 163 north 1.5 miles south

of US Hwy 190, 5 acres. Two

units, three firefighters, Barn-

hart unit with two firefighters.

Time in service 1 hour 45 min-

DEC. 8

cident 16 miles north on State

Hwy 137, one vehicle, worked

traffic. A unit with four fire-

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Lariat Service

· 2:26 p.m. - Motor vehicle ac-

utes.

As of Dec. 10, 2010

Crockett County

Reagan County

Schleicher County

Sutton County

• 11:02 a.m. - Grass fire State

2 minutes.

DEC. 10 · 10:02 p.m. - Motor vehicle accident at 347 mile-marker I-10, one vehicle, worked traffic. Four units, eight firefighters. Time in service 1 hour 27 minutes.

DEC. 12

· 4:17 p.m. - Reported grass fire on old 290 east near county line. Investigated, found to be a rig drilling. Four units, seven firefighters. Time in service 1 hour 26 minutes.

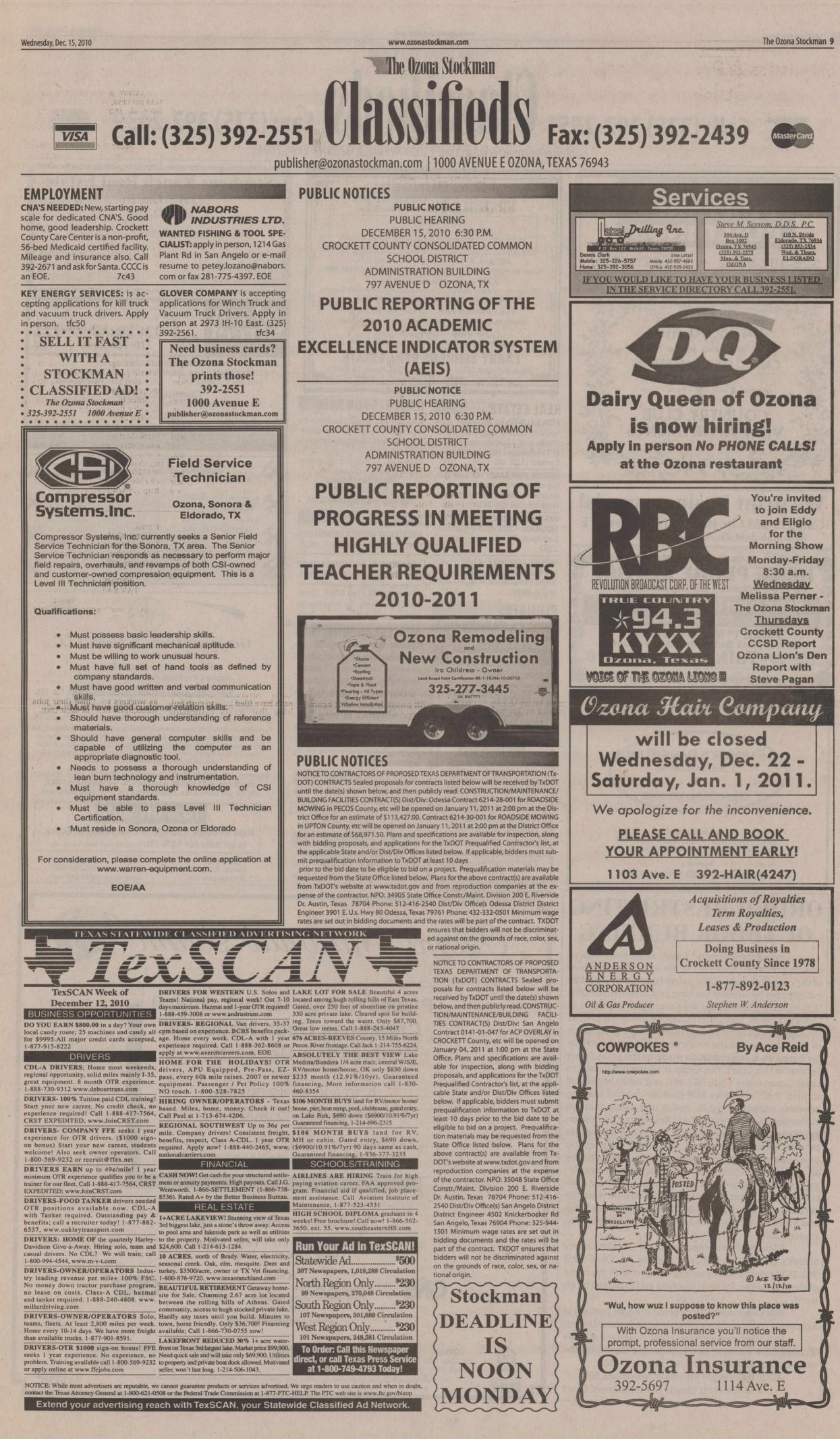
DEC. 13

· 11:20 a.m. - Grass fire US Hwy 190.04 miles east of County Road 204, approximately three acres. Three units, five firefighters, Crockett County Blade. Time in service 3 hours.

• 7:40 p.m. - Grass fire Chi-co Lane, Crockett/Regan County Line, 3 acres. Three units, six firefighters, Big Lake unit with two firefighters, two Barnhart units with four firefighters. Time in service 2 hours 20 minutes.

EMS DEPARTMENT		
RUNS		
DEC. 8		
Transfer - Shannon Medi-		
cal Center		
 Transfer - Back to Crock- 		
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DEC. 10		
· Local Run - No transport		
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of the county create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning; and NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners' Court of Crockett County, Texas, that outdoor burning is restricted in Crockett County for 30 days from the date of adoption of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service or this Court. This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code 352.081, and other applicable statues. This Order does NOT prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Natural Resources Commission for: (1) firefighter training; (2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations; (3) planting or harvesting or agricultural crops; or (4) burns that are conducted by an approved Prescribed Burning Association, Natural Resource Conservation Service, the and/or Texas A&M Agricultural Experiment Station, or prescribed burn manager certified under Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of Section 153.047, Natural Resources Code.

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

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

In accordance with the Local Government Code 352.081 (h), a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500. ADOPTED this the 8th day of November, 2010. - Crockett County Commissioners' Court

Please join us for our annual **Christmas Open House on** Wednesday, December 15 from

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