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Crockett County Public Library working to keep services despite state budget cuts

"The bodies of dead public programs and eviscerated social services litter the American landscape like casualties of a brutal war. It seems, at times, as though the Great Recession is systematically wiping out institutions that were generations in the making...The Great Recession has changed life as we know it in so many ways. We can't allow it to kill our libraries."

- Editorial, "The Sound of Libraries Suffocating," Santa Maria (Calif.) Times, July 5.

BY MELISSA PERNER AND KELSIE RAMIREZ THE OZONA STOCKMAN

The two-story building encompasses more than just books.

Every day, the staff at the Crockett County Public Library helps visitors expand their minds through the adventures of "Hank the Cowdog" to the magical world of "Harry Potter" to exploring the World Wide Web.

After the Texas Legislature completed their regular session in May, Texas Public Libraries have been left with dents in their funding.

The Texas Legislature approved a 64 percent reduction in the state General Revenue funding for the



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> **BY MELISSA PERNER** THE OZONA STOCKMAN

Crockett County Commissioners will start budget talks during a special called meeting Monday, July 25.

The meeting will be at 6 p.m. at the courthouse annex. It is open to the public.

During their regular meeting last week, each commissioner received a copy of a preliminary budget to study.

County Judge Fred Deaton said the court was waiting on tax revenue estimates.

County Tax Assessor-Collector Rhonda Shaw said tax revenue estimate totals have to be certified by Monday, July 25.

Preliminary figures are down about 12.5 percent in value, Shaw said.

"Those are real preliminary," she said.

Additional items on the meeting agenda:

·Discussion and action on an addition to the court records vault in the courthouse annex.

Texas State Library and Aring in these two divisions will be reduced to \$1.6 million in each year for the 2012-2013 biennium, according to a letter from Peggy D. Rudd, director and librarian of the Texas State Library and Archives Commission.

The state library will also re-

NOEL FIERRO reads to a group of children during the Crockett County Public Library's Summer Reading Program last month. The summer readchives Commission. Fund- ing program is one of the areas hit by state budget cuts in the recent legislative session.

> al Library Services and Technology impacting a child's life forever. Act funding for 2012.

across the state, will be losing millions of dollars that would have continued making the libraries more alceive \$1 million less in the feder- luring to its visitors and possibly

This means the Crockett Coun- Lone Star Libraries Program of state ty Public Library, along with others grants. For the past five to six years, the Crockett County Public Library has received \$5,000 to \$6,000 per year, which has been used for computers, books and shelving.

"Creating the Lone Star Librar-Included in the state cuts is the ies Program is one of my proudest accomplishments as Texas State Librarian. To dismantle this program just as we are beginning to see great returns on this modest investment

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·Discussion and action on appointing Livestock Facilities Board.

·Discussion and action on tub grinder location.

 \cdot Discussion and action on Justice of the Peace staff. \cdot Discussion and action on Radio Tower Lease Agreement with Western Towers.

Drought causing concerns for livestock water availability, quality

BY KAY LEDBETTER

TEXAS AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE

AMARILLO - As the drought continues and temperatures remain above normal, cattle water is becoming a greater concern, especially after recent reports of cattle deaths in or around watering points, according to a Texas AgriLife Extension Service specialist.

The continuing drought and high temperatures are causing cattle water sources to become a greater concern, according to Texas AgriLife Extension Service livestock specialist. (Texas AgriLife Extension Service photo by Steve Byrns)

Dr. Ted McCollum, AgriLife Extension beef cattle specialist, said the location of the deceased cattle suggests the deaths could be associated with water consumption. "Because little or no forage growth has occurred this year, the forage contains



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very low amounts of water," McCollum said. "An average cow grazing green forage normally consumes about 30 to 70 pounds of water daily, or about 3.5 to 8.4 gallons, from the forage she grazes. "This year, as a result of no forage growth and a relatively low intake of dry forage, daily water consumption

from grazed forage is probably around 3 to 5 pounds or 0.4 to 0.6 gallons.'

Couple low water intake from forage with the higher, stressful temperatures this summer, McCollum said, and intake of water from drinking sources takes on greater

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Grant for Heritage Building, modernizing the high school, discussed at board meetings

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A recommendation to wait on a new heating and air conditioning system for the Heritage Building was discussed during a July 13 special meeting of the CCCCSD School Board.

Klip Weaver, vice president of DMI Entegral Solutions Group in Lewisville, Texas, said that the State Energy Conservation Office will be coming out with a grant that the district could apply for to replace the heating and air conditioning system at the Heritage Building.

The grant is expected to be \$25 million to \$50 million statewide and CCCCSD could receive up to around \$2 million if their application is approved. Applications will be sent out later this month and will take about a month to review, Weaver said.

This is also a full grant and not matching, Weaver said.

to see because you could get the Heritage Building fixed for free," Weaver said. "We've agreed to help the district do the application."

If the district receives the grant, Weaver said the new system could be put in over the Christmas holidays.

ing the heating and air conditioning, the board unanimously approved an agreement with Chapman Harvey Architects Inc. of Lubbock. The company has previously worked on the middle school building, Davidson Gym, OHS Band Hall and recently drew up the plans for the new concession stand at Lion Stadium.

The firm's services will include facilities program administration and planning for current projects and the OHS Facilities Evaluation through any possible bond proposal and planning.

Superintendent Chris

"I think it's wise to wait duBois said that since the district is anticipating two and a half to three more years of projects. Plus, duBois said he wanted the firm to get started on evaluating the OHS site and see what can be done to start modernizing the campus.

'Seventeen years ago Along with discuss- I stood in this room and competed with four other firms that led to 12 projects with the district," said Larry Harvey, principal architect with the firm. "To me, if I agree to take it on, I will stick with it. Each project is important to me.'

duBois said Harvey is familiar with the community and there are advantages to working with him due to his previous experience with the district.

"I'm very confident with this choice. He knows small school districts and is very service-minded," duBois said.

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Lizard endangering nation's food supply

There is a quiet war being waged in Washington right now. While many are preoccupied with budget fights and the next presidential election, the administration is slowly brewing up a concoction that, if implemented as planned, will give the federal government control of millions of acres of private property in this nation.

Members of Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association have long been concerned about the Environmental Protection Agency and its plan to regulate everything on



GUEST seems that another fed-**COLUMN** eral agency is setting JOE PARKER JR.

its target on the ranching community.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, an agency within the Department of Interior, has proposed to add the dunes sagebrush lizard to its list of endangered species included in the Endangered Species Act. The lizard lives in the western part of the United States including New Mexico and some parts of West Texas where ranching and oil production takes place.

This is a major issue for the Texas beef industry because if the lizard is listed, much of the ranching land within the habitat range could be off limits to

cattle.

It seems like a simple issue the lizard is endangered of becoming extinct so the government must do whatever it takes to stop that from happening. But that's not really what is going on.

While the ESA may have had good intentions, it has simply become another vehicle used by the federal government to control what you can and can't do on your land.

Less than 1 percent of the land in West Texas was surveyed to determine that the lizard is endangered, and what's more, there is no sound evidence supporting the claim that the lizard population has decreased. The data provided is not strong enough to merit a listing.

FWS will likely list the lizard anyway even without sound scientific proof. Common sense would tell you that before the government implements new regulations that will cost huge losses in the ranching and energy industries, they should at least have strong proof that there is a problem.

It's also important to note that the ESA allows just about anyone to petition for a species to be listed as endangered, and it allows the public to sue the agency if petitions are not responded to within a certain time frame.

Today, the ESA protects more than 1,300 species in the U.S.; however, in the past few years the agency has been bombarded with petitions and lawsuits from environmental groups. Over the past four years the

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Budget cuts does not mean the end of libraries

tle.

ear Mr. Mayor, Do NOT I Repete DO NOT CUT The Librarys Buggets OR Else!!"

Because of this little girl's persistence that there not be a budget cut, the city of New York did not cut the New York Public Library's budget and they did not have to close.

Unfortunately, not every library was lucky enough to have a girl like Tara send a very expressive letter to their elected officials. Our public library is one of the unlucky ones.

The Texas Legislature approved a 64 percent budget cut for the Texas State Library and Archives Commission during the recent legislative session.

The budget cut for our public library will affect the technology updates, the amount of new books the library buys and the summer reading program. For the past two years Texas State Library and Archives Commission had budgets totaling \$12.8 million but that will now be reduced to \$1.6 million for the years 2012-2013. The public library has also received the Lone Star Library Grant for the past five to six years. It gave our library about \$5,000-\$6,000 a year which was spent on books, computers and shelving. Sadly, that was the first thing to get cut. "That was the heart breaking part of the Texas State Library and Archives Commission letter," said Louise Ledoux, Crockett County Librarian. "Peggy Rudd (Director and Librarian) was really instrumental on starting Lonestar Libraries Grant. Those things don't seem to come back once they're gone." Along with the books, technology is also be-

EDITORIAL:

BY MELISSA PERNER AND KELSIE RAMIREZ

ing cut. The library will lose their on call computer technician. Crockett County Public Library has 10 public use computers.

In 2010, more than 9,000 people of all ages used these computers to fill out job applications, work on homework, conduct research or to just check email. That's triple the population of Crockett County, which means people outside our town are visiting our library.

Each year, about 220 million Americans attend a sporting event of some kind — compared to 1.4billion visits to public libraries.

Another comparison FedEx ships an average of 8 million packages daily; the nation's public libraries circulate about the same number of materials.

Sometimes a bad habit or trait can be put to good advantage. Take, for example, the case of the horse on the old Tejon Ranch in California that was barn sour. The interesting vaquero writer Arnold Rojas tells the story about a Tejon horse named El Cartero whose name when translated into English means "mail carrier."

It was an appropriate moniker.

The Tejon Ranch is quite a distance away from the nearest big town, Bakersfield, California, and for many years there was no regular mail service to the historic ranch. This lack of mail service was handled in an ingenious fashion, as many problems were back in the old days. Whenever a Tejon vaquero had earned a few days off and a trip to town, El Cartero would be saddled up and the cowboy and the special cow horse would head to Bakersfield. It was a long trip, made more arduous by the fact that with every step El Cartero tried to turn around and head back to the home ranch. According to Rojas, who cowboyed for a time on the Tejon, the horse was as barn sour as they come.

When the pair finally reached town the cowboy would take the horse to the livery stable where'd he'd be fed and watered, and then the cowboy would tie the reins and a full mail pouch to the saddle, slap El Cartero on the rump, and the horse would head towards home. The extra prodding was hardly necessary. It was at this point that another of El Cartero's bad habits actually became an attribute: because the

Barn Sour

horse was extremely hard to catch, it meant that not even a horse thief could detour him.

El Cartero was what the vaqueros called a "Skyliner" and when he wasn't running in a full-out gallop he'd trot at a mile devouring pace. On the same day of his departure, the vaqueros and management back at the ranch would have their mail, and El Cartero would be bedded down in his very own stall with fresh shavings, clean

water and the very best hay. Rojas failed to say how the vaquero got

home after his toot in town was over! My horse, Gentleman, was just like El

Cartero. No, he couldn't run like an antelope but he sure enough was hard to catch and he was definitely barn sour. As long as I was riding in the same direction as Gentleman wanted to go I was a heckuva horseman and we made quite a pair. He was real good at moving slowly through the cows as we rode to the back of the ranch, but I had to make sure I got a good glimpse of the cows on our outward bound journey because on the way home Gentleman ran so fast I only saw the cows in a blur.

I never could figure out why Gentleman wanted to get home so fast. He certainly didn't have his own box stall like El Cartero did, and I sure didn't feed him. I think maybe he was in a hurry to return to his love-interest, a mare named Lady. She was, without a doubt, the poorest specimen of horse flesh on earth. I know, I know, no son of somebody should ride a mare, but Lady came along in a package deal with the ranch we leased.

I never could be too critical of Gentleman for I was a traveling man for 35 years and I was always in a hurry to get home too. And I have the speeding tickets to prove it. There was only one time during the year that I took my time going home and that was during the month of February when my wife was back at the ranch lambing out ewes with a propensity to have triplets, none of whom could recognize their own mother.

My wife was run ragged sorting out the babies and building extra jails to lock the little nippers in, along with their reluctant mothers. For some reason my wife was always a little suspicious as to how my arrival back at the ranch seemed to always coincide with the last day of lambing season. I vowed that I always hurried home because I was barn sour, just like Gentleman.

"There's only one big difference," my wife sarcastically replied, "Gentleman had a Lady at home who was passionately awaiting his return.'

Frankly, I think she's still a little upset about the sheep thing."



LEE PITTS

Although, we cannot change the verdict of our libraries budget cut. We were still inspired, by this young girl from New York, to make a difference.

So, we are encouraging you to help our public library any way you can. Look through your house for books that you don't want anymore and donate them,

Buy books on the second floor of the library (\$.25 paperbacks and \$.50 hardbacks), join the Friends of the Library, if you are in middle school or high school volunteer during the summer reading program held each year or if its easier you can just make a donation to the library by mailing it to P.O. Box 3030 Ozona, Texas 76943.

The next time you go into the library or look at a book think what would Tara do?

MELISSA PERNER is the editor and publisher of The Ozona Stockman. KELSIE RAMIREZ is an intern with The Ozona Stockman. They suggest visiting the library today.

Governor signs 'fracking' transparency bill

AUSTIN — While his fellow governors gathered last week in Salt Lake City for the National Governors' Association convention, Gov. Rick Perry was here in Texas, and he ceremonially signed several bills recently passed by the 82nd Texas Legislature.

One of those bills, House Bill 3328 primarily authored by Rep. Jim Keffer, R-Eastland, addresses the use of hydraulic fracturing to break up substrata to find pockets of oil and gas.

With increased exploration in Texas' natural gas-holding Barnett Shale formation, public concern arose over the possibility of toxic substances leaking into water supplies.

On July 15, Gov. Perry signed Keffer's bill requiring well operators to share with the public the list of chemicals used in the process.

"The bill addresses public concern by providing a more transparent process, which will help Texas continue to protect its resources while allowing oil and gas companies to continue safely using the fracturing process in the state, as they have

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for years," Perry said. On July 11, Texas Railroad Commission Chairman Elizabeth Ames Jones said it is "geologically impossible for fracturing fluid or natural gas or oil to migrate upward through thousands of feet of rock, sometimes miles, to adversely affect ground water."

The energy-regulating Railroad Commission writes administrative rules that the oil and gas industry must, in addition to state law, obey. Jones said in regards to fracking chemicals the agency hopes to finalize a "common sense disclosure policy" by the end of the year.

PERRY BLASTS **FEDERAL GUN RULE**

In other business, Perry criticized new U.S. Department of Justice reporting requirements for multiple purchases of semiautomatic rifles within the four U.S. states bordering Mexico.

On July 13 the governor posted a bulletin saying, "Instead of arbitrarily implementing this misguided and constitutionally questionable policy, the Obama administration should target actual criminals rather than law-abiding citizens and immediately secure our southern border against the northbound and southbound illegal smuggling of drugs, humans, cash, guns, fugitives and stolen vehicles."

Official sets ballot order

Secretary of State Esperanza "Hope" Andrade, the chief elections officer of Texas, on July 13 drew at random to establish the ballot order for 10 proposed amendments (joint resolutions passed by the state House and Senate) to the Texas Constitution.

Summarized here, in order, are the propositions Texans will vote for or against on Nov. 8:

Prop. 1, SJR 14: to exempt from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a 100 percent or totally disabled veteran. Prop. 2, SJR 4: to sell addi-

tional general obligation bonds

by the Texas Water Development Board in an amount not to exceed \$6 billion at any time outstanding.

Prop. 3, SJR 50: to sell general obligation bonds of the State of Texas to finance educational loans to students.

Prop. 4, HJR 63: to sell bonds or notes to finance the development or redevelopment of an unproductive, underdeveloped or blighted area and to pledge for repayment of the bonds or notes increases in ad valorem taxes imposed by the





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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NEWS Knox Floor Covering chosen as June Business of the Month

BY SHANON BIGGERSTAFF CHAMBER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A family owned and operated business, Jamie and Mary Lou Knox began their carpet installation business in 1972.

"We saw the need for our type of business in Ozona. My first job was installing the flooring in the new library. The second was at the Circle Bar Motel. If it hadn't of been for the people of Ozona, our friends and word of mouth, I don't know if we would have made it," said Jamie.

In 1984 Knox Floor Covering went into retail carpet sales and installation.

There's no job too large or too small for Knox Floor Covering.

"My son Bobby has helped me throughout the years', and now my grandsons Jayce, Duncan and Nathan have all helped out as well."



JAMIE KNOX, owner of Knox Floor Covering in Ozona.

"We try to compete with bigger cities, so we handle several brands of carpet, tile and laminate," said Jamie.

Knox Floor Covering serves Ozona and surrounding towns like Sonora, Big Lake, Iraan, and remote ranches. "We sell and install all major brands of carpet, soft tile and flooring." laminate wood

Knox Floor Covering is located at 111 Avenue I and is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

informa-For more tion, call (325) 392-2180.

The Chamber of Commerce would like to recognize Knox Floor Covering for their long time service to Ozona. in addition to being an added asset to the local business community.

OHS Class of 1991 reunion in August

Class of 1991 are planning a reunion for Aug. 5, 6 and 7.

Information and contacts are needed from everyone: Natalie Arredondo, Alice Borrego, Ruben Borrego, Maribel Castillo, Emily Cervantez, Edward Chipman, Jenifer Colin, Christy Cotton, Kimberly Coy, Danny DeHoyos, Luis De La Garza, Leticia Dominguez, Aristeo Duenes, Misty Fowler, Valerie Flores, Vivian Flores, Sandra Fuentes, Lee

The Ozona High School Galan, Paula Galan, Selena Victor Trujillo, Ann Trull, Galindo, Eloy Gonzales, Rodrigo Gonzales, Oscar Gutierrez, Angel Hernandez, Janet King, Clint Landon, Angie Marshall, Lonnie Martinez, Cody Morris, Marisa Najar, Edna Olvera, Jamey Parker, John Payne, Domingo Perez, Kelly Porter, Shane Pridemore, Nellie Ramos, Tanya Ramos, Tamie Reagor, Carissa Rhea, Devin Rhea, Gilbert Rico, Albert Talamantez. Teena Tambunga, Armando Trevino,

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Text your address to: (325) 226-5554 or (325) 226-5101. For more information, call Valerie Flores Sanchez at (325) 226-5554 or Maria Villa Perez at (325) 226-5101.

WOW Wednesdays COMMUNITY CALENDAR feeds children

through Aug. 17

WOW! It's Wednesday is a ministry of the Ozona United Methodist Church with help from the OLPH Catholic Church and Crockett County Extension Service. Lunch will be provided to any child age 6 to 18 each Wednesday at the OLPH Parish Hall.

Parents or guardians must complete their child's registration form in order for their child to attend. Registration forms can be picked up at the Ozona United Methodist Church.

The meal will begin at noon and end at 1 p.m. each Wednesday beginning today, July 6, through Aug. 17. Recipes and healthy eating tips will be available for parents to pick up.

Barnhart Centennial

Celebration Aug. 6

The Barnhart Centennial Celebration will be held from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Aug. 6 in Barhart.

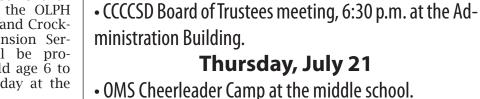
There will be wagons, vendors, music and lots of talk and catching up.

A catered meal at \$10 a plate will be served from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. The OB Trapp led the

livestock to Barnhart shipping pens years ago. The pens are no longer here but memories and history are very much a part of Barnhart.

The U.S. Post Service will host a special cancellation in honor of the event. Pictures and memorabilia will be on display in our newly remodeled community building. Sites will be marked as to what home or business used to be there.

Anyone with any pictures or stories are welcome to bring them. Bring lawn



• Ozona Chamber of Commerce Board meeting, 5:15 p.m. at the Visitor Center.

Wednesday, July 20

• Wow! It's Wednesday, noon at the OLPH Parish Hall.

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

• Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Canasta at the Senior Center.

Friday, July 22

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

Monday, July 25

- Exercise Classes, 8 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Commissioners' court special called meeting, 6 p.m. at the courthouse annex.

Wednesday, July 27

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

- Wow! It's Wednesday, noon at the OLPH Parish Hall.
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.



Nutrition/Food Pantry



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program July 29

The Nutrition/Food Pantry program will be held Friday, July 29 beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

This class focuses on nutritious foods and spending your food money wisely. Recipes will be given.

The class is open to all interested persons.

However, in order to receive a food box, you must pre-register.

For more information, call E.A. Wadsworth, RN at 392-3060.

Happy Birthday

June 20 - Stanton Najar, Sylvia L. Unate, Joe Ybarra, Rick Bachman, Emily Stuart and Carla Barrera

June 21 - Ray Chadwick, Mahly Elizondo, Karin Childress, Steven Dorrough and Tee Jay Nowell

June 22 Megan Vasquez, Paula Maness, Jean Conner and Andrew Galindo

June 23 - Riley Kirsten Wilson and Louise Taliaferro

June 24 - E. Jason Vitela, Leesa Marshall, Tiffany Villarreal, Ryan Cooper, Monica Fernandez, Alexandra Lozano, Johnny V. Rodriquez and Miguel Vergara

June 25 - Armando Arredondo, Nancy Davee, Adrienne De Hoyos, Saul Flores, Austin Gene Castro, Madison Elizabeth Castro, Jose Galvan, Lynda Falkner and Bryan Valdez

June 26 - Hayse Worthington and Lisa Villarreal

A Bank for the Ages

While First National Bank of Sonora is constantly changing banking services to meet the growing need for technological advancement in customer convenience, one thing that never changes is our commitment to you. We know that lifestyles can vary from one household to the next and these differences require a wide range of banking services and opportunities. So, whether you prefer the convenience of technology or the comfort of friendly, personal attention, look to the bank that's been around for over 110 years. We're a bank for the ages.



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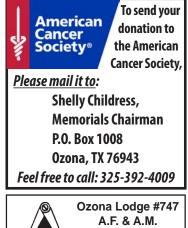
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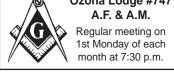
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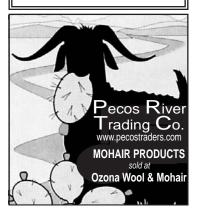
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BY MELISSA PERNER THE OZONA STOCKMAN

It's been a year since Gina Hochreiter sold most of her belongings and headed off to Slovakia.

Now, the former Ozona High School teacher, is planning and raising money for a second year.

"I want to have more conversations with students about their beliefs," she said Sunday night during a presentation at the First Baptist Church in Ozona. "I'm working on my boldness."

Hochreiter showed the church members photos of her trip and talked about teaching Slovakian high school students.

"Teenagers are teenagers everywhere, it doesn't matter where you go," she said.

The school she taught in was private through a church called the C.S. Lewis Bilingual High School.

"They are there to learn English," Hochreiter said of her students. "By the time they graduate they will speak better English than we do."

Many of her students will advance to a university outside their native country, she said.

"They are learning critical thinking skills to be able to contribute to society," she said.

Along with her work at the school, Hochreiter talked about the culture and the spirituality of the country.

A former Communist country, Hochreiter said the people were friendly but "hard to get to know," which is one of the reasons she wants to go back.

"They are proud of the fact they are not Communist. I'm hoping as I get to know them better I can draw out more convention." she said.

The country is mainly Catholic but Hochreiter said most of her students don't attend church on a regular basis. There are many churches trying to raise \$2,000 for her second trip back.

"There is a decent Christian presence and a desire to er@gmail.com. spread the gospel," she said.



in the country, she said.

Teaching, ministry in Slovakia





MELISSA PERNER | THE OZONA STOCKMAN AND GINA HOCHREITER | SUBMITTED PHOTOS TOP: GINA HOCHREITER (right) shows Slovakia pennies to Bob Falkner, Sandra Childress and Lynda Falkner Sunday night after her presentation at the First Baptist Church in Ozona. MIDDLE: A boy's dance troop performs at a Slovakia Festival. BOTTOM: Gina lights a candle at one of the graves on All Saints Day in Slovakia. She is returning to Slovakia in

August for another year of teaching and missionary work.

Hochreiter is currently

For more information, email her at gina.hochreit-

OBITUARIES

Mayra Alejandra Fernandez

Mayra Alejandra Fernandez, 25, passed away July 9, 2011 in a tragic incident that has left us without a friend, a daughter and a sister.

Mayra was born July 14, 1985 in Del Rio, Texas. She was a 2003 Ozona High School graduate. Mayra married and left her family to move to Fort Stockton, where she was employed with Stripes.

She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fernando Fernandez Sr., sister, Irmaelena F. Ortiz and husband, Onecimo and their son, Onecimo Ortiz, III, her pride and joy, sister, Moniqua Elaine Fernandez, brother, Fernando Fernandez Jr. and his daughter Mitzy Fernandez of Eldorado and his son Fernando O. Fernandez III of Bryant, her best friend Belinda Salazar and her Chihuahua, Shaneil.

Mayra was a very loved person by many and is going to be greatly missed. Funeral service was Friday July 15, 2011 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church with burial in Lima Cemetery. Arrangements by Preddy Funeral Home.

Carl 'Al' Biggerstaff

Carl "Al" Biggerstaff, 77 went to his Lord, on Wednesday July 13, 2011 at his residence. The Funeral Service was Saturday, July 16, 2011 at Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow at Belvedere Memorial Park.

Al was born Nov. 15, 1933 in Lebanon, Ind. to Alpha Elice Biggerstaff and Adeline Marie (Gergan) Biggerstaff, both of whom preceded him in death.

Al served in the United States Air Force Reserves at Bunker Hill Air Force Base, Indiana from 1950 to 1953 and on Active Duty in the United States Air Force Security Service from 1953 until his retirement as Senior Master Sergeant (SMSGT) in January 1977. His Overseas tours included Ashiya AB, Japan (1954-1956); RAF Kirknewton, Edinburough, Scotland (1960-1963); Clark AB Philippines (1963-1967) and a second tour (1969-1970); Iraklion Air Station, Crete, Greece (1972-1976). His stateside tours included Lackland Air Force Base, Texas: Keesler Air Force Base, Mich.; Brooks Air Force Base, Texas; McChord Air Force Base, Washington; March Air Force Base. Calif.: the National Security Agency, Fort George Meade, Md.; and three tours here at Goodfellow Air Force Base (1967-1969, 1970-1972, & 1976-1977.) He was very proud of his services with the United States Air Force in the Security Services and Intelligence Fields



Force Sergeants Association.

He was preceded in death by his wife Patsy Jean Biggerstaff. Survivors include his four children: Diana Jean Ross of Las Vegas, Nev., Shanon Lyn Biggerstaff of Ozona, Texas, Dane Allan Biggerstaff of San Antonio, and Kim Elaine Gosart and her husband Tommy Gosart of Rockport, Texas. His brothers; Ted Biggerstaff of Lebanon, Ind., and Tom Biggerstaff and his wife Arcie Biggerstaff of San Angelo, Texas, a stepsister and her husband, Sharon and Toby McDaniel of Rochester, Ill., nephews; Doug Biggerstaff and wife Kim of Indianapolis, Ind., Dave Biggerstaff and wife Sue of Lebanon, Ind. nieces; Kayla Carmichael and husband Tyler Carmichael of Speedway, Ind. and Kara Biggerstaff of Indianapolis, Ind. Grandchildren include Jeremy Wallace of Seguin, Texas and Joshua Gosart of Corpus Christi, Texas, Brittany and Cody Biggerstaff of San Antonio, Texas. He also survived by two great grandchildren. Pallbearers are Dane Biggerstaff, Tom Biggerstaff, Jeremy Wallace, Joshua Gosart, Larry Gilbert, Joe Duncan. Steve Robles. and Patrick Gainey. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Disabled vets and the Humane Society. Family and friends may sign an online register book at johnsons-funeralhome.com.

There are two young people in our church that have gotten sweet on each other and he proposed and she accepted. It is a neat thing what they are about to do, a church wedding, because so many others are doing what God does not approve of, just living together, (Exodus 20:14). It is not only the young people doing this but also older adults. Many say, "we are living together to see if it is going to work out or if we are compatible" Not only, is it the people who do not know Christ but many who profess that they know Christ or are Christians do this. It is a sad day in the United States as we see people moving farther and farther away from the things of God. Yes, there are many fine Christians and Churches that are holding to God's standard and His way of Life. But our culture and the peer pressure of society is capturing untold numbers. Oh yes, it may be fun and many will say, " well everyone else is doing it" but there will be consequences. We can not get away form God, His eyes are everywhere and the things we do good or bad are recorded in books in heaven, (Revelation 20:12-15). The word of God promises a day of accountability, good or bad and we will be rewarded or punished accordingly, (Romans 14:12).

See you in Church next Sunday

Brother I

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Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.					
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After retirement, Al attended Angelo State University (1977-1981.) He was Sales Manager for Big K Cycle and Manager of Pinkies Liquor Store on Arden Road until he retired in 2003.

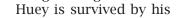
Al was a member of Leonard Wood Lodge No. 105 Philippines, raised to Master Mason June 29, 1965 and received his 32nd degree May 6, 1967 in the Valley of Manila, Philippines. He was also a long term member of the American Legion Post 113, Lebanon Indiana and the Air

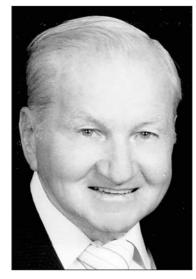
Huey Donovan Ingram

Huey Donovan Ingram passed away in his home July 11, 2011 in Midland, Texas.

Huey was born May 9, 1929 in Chestnut, La. to Clyde and Ruby Ingram their seventh child. Huey grew up in Natchitoches, La. and spent his summers in Chestnut with his grandparents. He graduated from Natchitoches High School in 1947 and attended one semester of college before being drafted into the Army. He worked as an electricians helper in White Sands, N.M. testing captured German rockets. He served in the Army from 1951 to 1953 and 5 more years in the Reserve.

On Aug. 3, 1952 he married Florence Luella Curry. After leaving the Army they lived in San Angelo and then Ozona where they lived for 54 years. He worked as an electrician, then with Ozona National Bank and later the Crockett County Schools. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Ozona and in Midland. He was a loving Christian husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend. He loved his family and was a very giving man who always wanted to do the right thing.





wife of 59 1/2 years Lu Ingram of Midland, his sister Mary Wiseman and husband Bill of Houston, son Donovan Ingram and wife Gene and grandchildren David, Kristin and Mark of Richardson. Son Drew Ingram and wife Laura and grandchildren Stephanie Ingram and Kyle Ingram and wife Kimberly and great grandchild Kale of Midland.

Graveside services will be at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Ozona on Saturday, July 16. Assistant pastor David Johnson of First Baptist Church Midland will officiate. Donations can be sent to First Baptist Church of Midland Building Program or charity of your choice.

Three take a swing at Texas 4-H Golf Challenge

BY SUSIE BISHOP CROCKETT COUNTY 4-H

On July 7, Crockett County 4-H members Kelbie Renfroe, Lane Hale and Alex Hopper participated in the 2nd annual North Region Golf Tournament in Lubbock. The team placed fifth overall out of 19 teams with Alex Hopper winning the "Closest to the Pin contest."

The Texas 4-H Golf Challenge was developed by county Extension agents, 4-H Specialists and others to provide youth the opportunity to compete in an outdoor sporting event. While competing, youth also have the opportunity to gain invaluable knowledge in the areas of sports nutrition, golf course and turf grass management, and the rules and etiquette of golf.

The Texas 4-H Golf Challenge was developed after a number of important statistics were identified.

· Twenty-three UIL sanctioned events give more than one million studentathletes the opportunity to compete.

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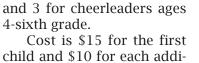
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in athletic events, Texas and the U.S. is experiencing a serious obesity problem in youth, and people must become more aware of how urban sprawl is affecting the land around us and the opportunities that are present as a result of this sprawl.

CROCKETT COUNTY TEXAS 4-H GOLF CHALLENGE PARTICIPANTS: Kelbie Renfroe, Lane Hale and Alex Hopper.

Incorporating an event like the Texas 4-H Golf Challenge will give youth the opportunity to compete in an athletic event while understanding, sports nutrition, the rules and etiquette of golf, learn about the opportunities present in golf course and turf grass man-



held 9 a.m.-noon Aug. 1,2

tional child. Each camper will receive

a camp T-shirt and a spirit bag.

at 8:30 a.m. Aug. 1 at the 6249.

Mini-Cheer Camp will be OMS Gym.

Mini-Cheerleading Camp Aug. 1-3

Performance will be Aug. 3 at 11 a.m.

A silent auction will be Cost is \$15 for the first held Aug. 1 and 2 with highest bidders announced on Aug. 3.

> Cheer socks and bows will also be sold.

For more information, Registration will begin call Tiffany Esparza at 277-

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Crockett County 4-Hers place with recordbooks

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BY SUSIE BISHOP CROCKETT COUNTY 4-H

District 6 4-H Recordbook judging was held July 7 in Fort Stockton.

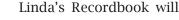
Crockett County had 8 4-Her's participate in the contest this year.

Crockett County submitted the most Recordbooks in the District.

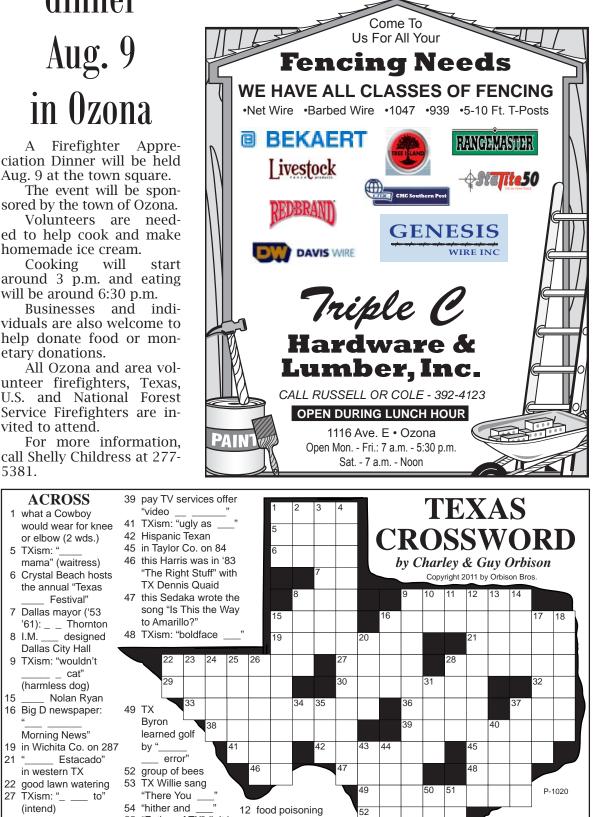
In the Junior Division, Jacob Childress placed third in Sheep.

In the Intermediate division Lanna Stapper placed first in Range Management, Alex Hopper placed second in Sheep, Trace Justiss placed first in Goats, Timothy Maldonado placed fifth in Goats and Thomas Cruz placed second in Swine.

In the Senior Division Abby Newton placed second in Goats, and Linda Stapper placed first in Range Management.









Firefighter appreciation dinner Aug. 9 in Ozona A Firefighter Appre-

agement.

Aug. 9 at the town square. The event will be spon-

sored by the town of Ozona. Volunteers are needed to help cook and make homemade ice cream.

Cooking will start around 3 p.m. and eating will be around 6:30 p.m.

Businesses and individuals are also welcome to help donate food or monetary donations.

All Ozona and area volunteer firefighters, Texas, U.S. and National Forest Service Firefighters are invited to attend.

For more information, call Shelly Childress at 277-5381.

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OZONA SENIOR HAPPENINGS

BY LYNN ENGLISH SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

We still haven't received any rain. The local ranchers have dealt with fires and the drought. We pray that there will be rain soon.

Last Monday, July 11, night we had our Senior Bingo Social and supper. There was a good crowd and everyone had a great time.

Jan Robertson won the big bingo prize. Later Jan donated the prize back to the Crockett County Senior Center. Jan we thank you for your generosity and hope you will continue to come to our bingo games.

My weekly column has not been in our local paper the last couple of weeks because of a fracture in my left knee deemed me unable to get my duties done as quickly as usual. A wheel chair or a walker does slow you down and you don't realize this until you find yourself in this situation. Thank you for you patience.

Jimmy Martin has been out to the Senior Center regularly to eat lunch or to bring puzzles. We are all happy to have you Jimmy and thank you for the puzzles, sent by you daughter Jill Seahorn, that you bring.

Our condolences go out to Lu and family of Huey Ingram who passed away last week. The Ingram family had lived here in Ozona for many years until moving to Midland about 10 years ago because of health problems. Huey will be missed by his many friends here in Ozona.

Dee Keilers came to lunch this week. He has been out for several months because of illness. We were all happy to

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have Dee back with us. He was very weak getting here but he mad it in. It is good having you back Dee.

Community Outreach and Assistance Program (AAA) will be here at the Senior Center on Thursday July 28, 2011. Debra Carter will assist with applications for food stamps, TANF, and Medicaid for children, women, pregnant women and people who are elderly or who have disabilities.

Exercise has started up again. We will begin at 8 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Please come and enjoy a great beginning to your day.

The bridge game will be played on Mondays at 1:30 p.m. Those who attend have the best time playing bridge and they appreciate using our Senior Center. Tuesdays have been set aside for any of you who would like to play dominos. You can play in late am or early afternoon. If you would like to set up a game call Lynn English at 392-9094.

On Wednesday a group meets to play Mexican Train. These players get competitive and have fun playing this exciting game.

We have our regular activities: bridge, bingo, pool table, canasta, domino games and puzzles. We also have a collection of books, magazines, a Wii game and two computers that are on the internet for seniors to use. We also have a projector with stand and a screen and have added a wonderful key board.

Activities sponsored by the Crockett County Senior Center Board are for adults only. You all have a safe and happy July 4.

HELPING HANDS NEWS

We need volunteers to help deliver meals. If you have some time please come by the kitchen at the senior center and sign up.

HELPING HANDS MENU Wednesday, July 20:

•Turkey, cranberry glaze, mashed potatoes, California veg. blend, roll and marble cake

Thursday, July 21:

•Breaded pork chop, Ranch style beans, marinated cucumber onion salad, roll and Jello with peas **Friday, July 22:**

•Submarine sandwich with trimmings, potato wedges and fruit cocktail

Monday, July 25:

•Meatloaf, cheesy red potatoes, broccoli, roll and pudding

Tuesday, July 26:

•Pork tips with gravy, noodles, vegetables, roll and Jell-O

Wednesday, July 27:

•Chicken barbecue, beans, greens, cornbread and cake

OZONA STOCKMAN DEADLINE **IS NOON** MONDAY Tissie Wagoner bride-elect of Nick Perez Mrs. Matthew Komechak née Jayme Begnaud Dana Kabetzke bride-elect of Aaron Forehand Mrs. Zach Medley née



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Wednesday, July 20, 2011

THE 2011-2012 OHS COLOR GUARD: (left to right) Kelsie Ramirez, Janna Munsell, Gaby Gutierrez, captain, Lexi Poindexter, Rebecca Hernandez and Nancy Rodriguez. The girls took park in a week-long camp two weeks ago where they learned new skills from visiting instructor Rebecca Henry.

Summer OHS Band starts Aug. 2

Summer OHS Band schedule

for August 2011: Aug. 2 - 9th grade students and student leaders

only 7-9 p.m. Aug. 4 - 9th grade students and student leaders only 7-9 p.m.

Aug. $\hat{8}$ -9 Full band 7-9 p.m. (Inside-music only). Aug. 11, 15, 16 Full band

7-9 p.m. (Split rehearsal-marching fundamentals/music).

Aug. 18 - Full band 7-9 p.m. (begin show drill/begin music memory) Booster party afterwards.

Aug. 23 Begin Tuesday evening rehearsals 7-9 p.m. Aug. 30 Rehearsal 7-9 p.m.





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LIBRARIES: from page 1 in our state's public libraries

are particularly painful," Rudd said in her letter.

"That was the most heartbreaking part of the whole letter," added Louise Ledoux, Crockett County Librarian. "Those kinds of things don't come back once they're gone."

The Crockett County Commissioners have agreed to budget an additional \$5,000 extra for books and \$5,000 extra for supplies and equipment for 2012.

One of the areas that has Ledoux the most concerned is technology. The library will be losing their on-call computer technician that is provided through the Big Country Library System.

In 2010, more than 9,000 people used the 10 public computers at the Crockett County Public Library.

Ledoux said that people of all ages use the machines to fill out online job applications, print information and conduct research, as well as checking email.

"I don't know if we can sustain that," Ledoux said about keeping the 10 computers. "We try to keep the fastest connection we can."

The Big Country Library System is one of 10 regional systems comprising the Texas State Library System. It spans 32 counties, including Crockett County.

With the budget cuts, the staff of six will be reduced to three, Ledoux said. The entire staff of the Crockett County Public Library will remain intact. "I really feel the loss of the people on the staff who have been slashed," she said.

Also in her letter, Rudd stated the 2012 Texas Reading Club and Texas Teens Read programs have already been planned and budgeted, but the Friends of the Libraries and Archives of Texas are pursuing potential sponsors for the 2013 reading programs.

Dawn Krause, manager of continuing education and consulting services at the Texas State Library and Archives Commission, stated in an email that for 2012 all remains the same, but things change in 2013 and beyond.

"We will join the Collaborative Summer Library Program, along with many other states. Texas libraries can purchase materials. We hope to find corporate sponsorship in order to offset the cost to libraries of ordering the usual number of materials. However, at this time, we're unsure of the level of support we'll be able to provide," Krause stated. Each summer, Crock-

Each summer, Crockett County participates in the state reading program. Ledoux said in the future, themes and programs will have to be created by the staff and volunteers of the library.

"We had a bunch of new kids this summer that keep coming back. We want to get them into the habit of coming to the library," she said. With all this reduction

With all this reduction in funding, Ledoux said the Friends of the Library and the Library Board will be working on more fund-raisers, programs and possibly a bigger book sale. "It's something that just

takes everybody working together," Ledoux said. Ledoux said she is also looking into more grants, in-

cluding one from the Massie Memorial Foundation and one from the University of North Texas Pearl Program.

The Pearl grant (Promotions and Enhancing Advancement of Rural Libraries) will assist approximately 105 targeted rural libraries to create a Community Outreach Plan and train library staff in the use of the plan. The project will also create a resource center website, develop an actual and virtual community for peer interaction among rural librarians, and provide two annual workshops for participating librarians along with two annual forums.

Ledoux said she is looking at utilizing the new Crockett County History Book.

Monetary and book donations are also welcome. The library has an endowment fund which is a permanent fund through the Permian Basin Area Foundation in Midland, which has built up around \$30,000.

The library can't use all the money but can use the \$7,000 to \$8,000 in interest, Ledoux said.

"That may be what we have to fall back on," she said.

Donations may be mailed to the Crockett County Public Library, Friends of Library or the Friends of the Library Endowment Fund to P.O. Box 3030, Ozona, Texas 76943.

"We will carry on, maybe not quite as easy," Ledoux said.

BOARD: from page 1

NEW PERSONNEL

After meeting in executive/closed session, the board approved administration recommendations on hiring Eugene Ray Talamantez as the new OHS Baseball Coach, Tiffany L. Arellano as a teacher at Ozona Elementary School and Valerie Moos as special education teacher at OES.

Eugene and Nikki Lafitte and Kristin Bunger resigned two weeks ago. Former OES Special Education Teacher Susan Williams will be taking Bunger's place teaching third grade science.

BOARD GOAL SETTING RETREAT

The board and members of the District Site-Base Commitup with new goals and ideas for the district both in curriculum and in the facilities.

A lot of the facilities suggestions include a high school under one roof, parent center, additional or new teacher housing, larger administration building, extra full-size gymnasiums at OHS and OMS, improvements to the OHS Band Hall and library, improvements to the OMS grounds, covered bus parking and pick-up and drop-off areas, swings at the elementary, better parking at all facilities, vocational building and technology center for teacher and staff training.

Programs suggestions include adult education, more vocational programs, Spanish class for elementary and middle school, more college credit opportunities, more fine arts at lower grades, community-wide wireless Internet access, handheld tablet devices Reports (20 minutes):
transportation; maintenance
stadium improvements and summer maintenance; principals; athletic director; financial
bills and board report and superintendent – update on OIS appraisal, update on maintenance note closing, legislative finance update and preliminary property values 2011.

•Consent agenda (5 minutes): approve minutes from the June 15 regular meeting and June 22, July 6, July 13 and July 18 special meetings and amendments to the 2010-2011 official budget.

•Executive/Closed Session: personnel matters – consider professional resignations and consider new employees, staffing and vacancies.

• Action from executive/ closed session (5 minutes).

• Consider proposals for maintenance projects: housing fencing and housing flooring.

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importance than "normal" years or years with high temperatures but with green forage.

"The lack of water from forage is more important than we credit," he said. "How many people would think of going out to work for a few hours without a jug of water to drink from periodically? The water in the grazed forage is the cow's 'jug of water' that rehydrates her while she is out on the range or pasture."

High temperatures alone may not a problem, but hot temperatures in combination with lack of green grass as is the case this year, is a problem, Mc-Collum said.

"The risk of heat stress is greater because we have high ambient temperatures combined with dry dead forage," McCollum said. "The cow's 'jug of water' is relatively empty this year, and the risk of heat stress and water-related problems is greater."

He said water deprivation, water intoxication and water quality can all play a role. These three may act independently, but often they are interrelated.

Water deprivation occurs when cattle cannot consume an adequate amount of water, McCollum said. Water is a nutrient just as protein, vitamins and minerals. And reduced water intake can result in reduced performance. Water deprivation can be fatal or lead to circumstances that can be fatal.

He said many people immediately associate this with a situation in which a well cannot pump enough water to keep up with cattle needs, the breakdown of a well or watering system, or a pond or creek drying up. These certainly are of great concern, but water deprivation also can occur in circumstances when it is perceived there is an adequate amount of water available.

McCollum said cattle behavior may lead to water deprivation because they develop preferences for grazing sites and loafing areas. If more than one watering point is available, they may develop a preferred watering location in a pasture.

So, a grazing area with multiple watering points may appear to have an adequate supply of water, he said. However, if cattle have a preferred site and that site breaks down, dries up or the water quality declines and reduces consumption, then water deprivation may occur.

Cattle with no familiarity of a grazing area also can suffer deprivation, Mc-Collum said.

"Do not assume cattle will find water. When cattle are moved to new pastures, take them to water and observe their consumption to determine if they are willing to consume the water," he advised.

Water intoxication occurs when cattle over-consume water, McCollum said. It usually occurs following a period of reduced water consumption or increased water loss from the body. The cattle are dehydrated and consume an excessive amount of water. Electrolyte balance in the body is disrupted and water intoxication occurs, which can be fatal.

In cases of acute water intoxication, dead cattle will be found near the watering site, he said. Water intoxication typically follows water deprivation. So, a key to avoiding water intoxication is avoiding water deprivation.

Limiting water intake when cattle are moved to a new water source may be next to impossible, McCollum said. If cattle are dehydrated, it may be worth the effort to allow them to drink, but find a way to limit the amount immediately consumed.

With the concern of water quality, the supply of water may be adequate but the cattle are deprived because they cannot or will not consume enough of the water, he said. Total dissolved solids and total soluble salts are two water quality measures that can lead to poor performance and possibly death.

As the concentrations increase, water intake is reduced. Salinity of water limits intake just as salt in feeds can limit intake, Mclead to failure to thrive, and in some cases, can be fatal, he said. Nitrates in the water may also be of concern.

"Coupled with reduced water intake, these issues can become even more of a concern," he said. "Water quality can indirectly affect performance and health by reducing water consumption, which exacerbates heat stress and can lead to water intoxication once cattle locate or can access palatable water."

Another problem Mc-Collum pointed out is that hot sunny days and warm stagnant water may lead to blue-green algae blooms. Some species of blue-green algae are toxic, so consumption of the algae or the toxins from it can be fatal. As a result, dead animals may be found close to the watering site.

Oftentimes, algae is concentrated on the downwind side of the pond as a result of wave action, he said. Dead rodents, birds or fish along the downwind side of the pond may indicate the presence of bluegreen algae. Limiting access to the downwind side of the pond by cattle may reduce risk of toxicity.

Copper sulfate can be used to limit algae growth, but caution must be exercised because excess copper sulfate can lead to stream pollution and harm fish and plant life, McCollum said.

"Also, don't rule out toxic plants that may be present around watering locations. The immediate area around ponds and tank-overflows is disturbed, and the moisture profile in the soil is better than out in the pasture," he said.

"Even though drought conditions exist, disturbance and moisture are conducive to weed growth. Pigweed, kochia, Russian thistle, dock, buffalo burrs, etc. can grow in these areas, and they are green and may be attractive to cattle. If cattle deaths are occurring, see what has been grazed off around the watering area."

For more information on water quality for live-

their second goal setting retreat.

In a State of the District report, duBois stated that preliminary Texas Education Agency ratings are Academically Acceptable in OES and OHS and Academically Unacceptable in OMS due to science. Final ratings will be out next week. He also talked about other areas in the district including curriculum and making students ready for the new STAAR standardized testing coming up this year.

Technology and students having school email and more tablet books being used was also discussed in his report.

"Math and science support will continue as we face challenges," he said. "We have included attention to STAAR readiness standards."

On facilities, duBois said the district is working more to pay attention to grounds and "pretty up" the campuses and facilities.

"We know we are in tough times financially and throughout the state we know we are going to have to work with less money," said Bill Henderson, representative from the Region 15 Education Service Center. Members of the service center helped conduct the retreat.

The district is also still working on budget numbers due to the impact of the recent legislative session, duBois said.

At the retreat, the board members and committee came

for students and teachers, create a technology committee, golf at OMS, two schools nurses district-wide, differentiated training for staff and teachers, fully stocked science labs and gifted and talented program

overhaul. duBois said he also wants to include students in looking at the suggestions as well.

"This process gives you input and gets you thinking about what people are thinking in the district," said Sue Van Hoozer, of Region 15 Education Service Center. "You obviously have kids at heart in your programming."

All of these items are taken as suggestions and will be looked at throughout the year, duBois said.

Van Hoozer told the group to not get discouraged of all of the items can't be accomplished in one year.

"It's not all going to happen overnight, but we are working on a lot of items," duBois said. "Be patient, we may not be able to do it super, super fast."

REGULAR MEETING TONIGHT

The board will hold their regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. tonight (July 20) at the Administration Building.

Items on the agenda: •Open forum/public comments

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone that was there to support us with the tragic loss of our brother. Your thoughts and prayers have meant so much to us. We would also like to thank everyone that helped by providing meals, paper products, breads, ice and drinks. We love each and everyone of you.

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•Consider Cafeteria Prices for 2011 (15 minutes).

•Future business: called meeting – redistricting overview, Powell & Leon and August regular board meeting. Collum said. Hence, water quality can lead to water deprivation.

Also, high consumption of sodium, calcium, magnesium salts and sulfates can stock the publication "Water quality: Its relationship to livestock" can be found at http://animalscience.tamu. edu/images/pdf/beef/beefwater-quality.pdf.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT RUNS

JULY 13

·2:14 p.m. - Possible vehicle fire State Highway 163 north, area of Irion County line. Vehicle located, no fire.Barnhart FD helped change a trailer tire. A unit with four firefighters, Barnhart unit with two firefighters.

JULY 14

·8:08 a.m. - Unknown type fire northwest of Ozona. Transmission gas line break and fire, heavy H2S. Gas company notified. Line

FIRE DEPARTMENT DONATIONS:

 Those who want to help are encouraged to donate directly to their local volunteer fire department: Ozona VFD, P.O. Box 269, Ozona, Texas 76943.

• Texas Forest Service has established the VFD Emergency Assistance Fund to help volunteer fire departments. You can also make a tax-deductible donation earmarked for a particular department, county or region. All proceeds (100 percent) will be distributed to volunteer fire departments via grants for firefighting expenses. If you would like to donate to this fund or if you have guestions about how you can help, email HelpingTexas@tfs.tamu.edu.

EMS DEPARTMENT RUNS

 $\cdot 911$ call - Transport and treatment Family Health Clinic ·Emergency transfer -Transport and treatment

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agency has received more than 1,200 petitions. That's almost as many species that have been listed since the law was created 38 years ago.

Texas has 90 species that are currently listed and another 19 waiting to be on the list, including the lizard. The lizard was petitioned to be listed by the Center for Biological Diversity, which stated that it will refuse to let the dunes sagebrush lizard be another casualty of cattle grazing and the Bush energy policies.

Ranchers aren't opposed to helping endangered species and, in fact, many ranchers have implemented pasture management and conservation programs to promote healthy habitats for wildlife and cattle.

action taken. Two units, four firefighters, Big Lake two units with three firefighters. Time in service 1 hour 42 minutes. •9:11 a.m. - Investigation possible grass fire

will be bled down and re-

paired. No fire department

County Road 406. Nothing found, may have seen smoke from earlier fire. A unit with two firefighters, Sheffield unit with two firefighters. Time in service 1 hour 19 minutes.

Shannon Medical Center

Shannon Medical Center

·Non-emergency transfer

Transport and treatment

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Ranchers work to pro-

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we can't continue to do this

if our land is controlled

by someone else. And that

seems to be the goal of the

federal government. First

our water, then our air, and

now our land through un-

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The lizard is just one

example of many pro-

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USDA invites applications for value added producer grants

BY DANIEL TORRES USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT

TEMPLE, Texas - Deputy Agriculture Secretary Kathleen Merrigan today announced that applications are being accepted for grants to provide economic assistance to independent producers, farmer and rancher cooperatives and agricultural producer groups through the Value-Added Producer Grant Program.

"By creating value-added products, farmers and ranchers can expand economic opportunities, create jobs and keep wealth in rural communities," Merrigan said. "These funding opportunities will promote business expansion and entrepreneurship by helping local businesses get access to capital, technical assistance and new markets for their products and services."

"Investing in the ideas of rural Texans is a direct route to the economic recovery of our rural communities," said Paco Valentin, USDA Rural Development Texas State Director. "I urge rural Texans to take advantage of this funding opportunity to increase the value of their agricultural products and create jobs in their communities.

The application deadline is Aug. 29, 2011.

For further details about eligibility rules and application procedures, visit http:// www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/ FR-2011-06-28/html/2011-16121.htm or the June 28, 2011, Federal Register.

Value-Added Producer Grants may be used for feasibility studies or business plans, working capital for marketing value-added agricultural products and for farm-based renewable energy projects.

Eligible applicants include independent producers, farmer and rancher co-

operatives, and agricultural producer groups. Valueadded products are created when a producer increases the consumer value of an agricultural commodity in the production or processing stage.

In June, the President signed an Executive Order establishing the first WHRC chaired by Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. To better coordinate Federal programs and maximize the impact of Federal investment, the White House Rural Council will work throughout government to create policies to promote economic prosperity and a high quality of life in our rural communities.

The Obama Administration has set goals of modernizing infrastructure by providing broadband access to 10 million Americans, expanding educational opportunities for students in rural areas, and providing affordable health care.

In the long term, these unparalleled rural investments will help ensure that America's rural communities are repopulating, selfsustaining, and thriving economically.

USDA, through its Rural Development mission area, administers and manages housing, business and community infrastructure and facility programs through a national network of state and local offices. Rural Development has an existing portfolio of more than \$150 billion in loans and loan guarantees. These programs are designed to improve the economic stability of rural communities, businesses, residents, farmers and ranchers and improve the quality of life in rural America.

For more information, call the USDA Rural Development Ozona office at 392-2301 ext. 4 or visit http:// www.rurdev.usda.gov.

TxDOT kicks off 'Buckle Up in Your Truck' campaign AUSTIN - The Texas De- unless they are buckled up."

artment of Transportation's Buckle Up in Your Truck campaign kicks off this month to remind pickup truck drivers and their passengers about the importance of using seat belts every time they get in a vehicle. While seat belt use across the state is seeing record highs among people in cars, people in pickup trucks are still not using their seat belts regularly. TxDŎT is launching a summer campaign focusing on those pickup truck drivers and passengers to ensure that all Texas motorists are buckled up.



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However, Americans need to ask themselves if moving forward with policies based on lax science is worth severely damaging an industry that provides them with food. This is the



county on property in the area without increasing ad valorem tax rates.

Prop. 5, SJR 26: to allow cities or counties to enter into interlocal contracts with other cities or counties without the imposition of a tax or the provision of a sinking fund.

Prop. 6, HJR 109: to clarify references to the permanent school fund, allowing the General Land Office to distribute revenue from permanent school fund land or other properties to the available school fund to provide additional funding for public education, and providing for an increase in the market value of the permanent school fund to allow increased distributions from the available school fund.

dustry. TSCRA will continue to work against these and any other regulations that would stifle the cattle industry and ultimately endanger the vitality of our nation's food supply.

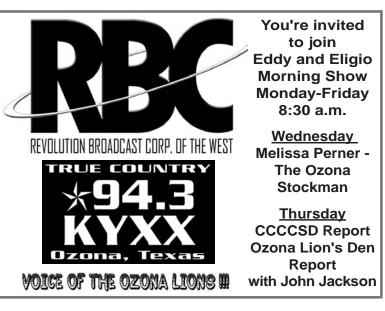
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Prop. 7, SJR 28: to authorize the legislature to permit conservation and reclamation districts in El Paso County to issue bonds supported by ad valorem taxes to fund the development and maintenance of parks and recreational facilities.

Prop. 8, SJR 16: to provide for the appraisal for ad valorem tax purposes of openspace land devoted to waterstewardship purposes on the basis of its productive capacity.

Prop. 9, SJR 9: to authorize the governor to grant a pardon to a person who successfully completes a term of deferred adjudication community supervision.

Prop. 10, SJR 37: to change the length of the unexpired term that causes the automatic resignation of certain elected county or district officeholders if they become candidates for another office.



Safety officials attribute lower seat belt use among truck drivers and passengers to a false sense of security in larger vehicles and the incorrect belief that seat belts aren't necessary for short trips.

"Pickup truck drivers and passengers tend to be younger and male, and they are not getting the message that seat belts save lives," said Carol Rawson, TxDOT's Traffic Operations Division Director. "In fact, crashes involving pickup trucks can be particularly deadly because of the tendency for the trucks to roll over and for occupants to be thrown from the vehicles

Studies have shown that wearing a seat belt reduces the risk of fatal injury by 45 percent in passenger cars. That number increases to 60 percent for pickups due to their likelihood of rolling over in a crash. According to TxDOT, one out of every two pickup truck drivers killed in a traffic crash was not buckled up.

Despite an overall downward trend in fatalities between 2003 and 2009, traffic crashes remain the leading cause of death for those between one and 44 years of age in Texas. On average, the number of trucks involved in fatal crashes exceeded the number of passenger cars by 20 percent. In 2009 in Texas, more than 3,000 people died in fatal collisions on Texas streets and highways, and just under half were not buckled up.

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FOR THE RECORD: WEEKLY COURT PROCEEDINGS

BAIL BONDS

·Randy Ramos, Ozona, resisting arrest or transport, misdemeanor, \$5,000. ·Noe Guerra, Ozona, as-

sault family violence, misdemeanor, \$5,000.

•Marvin Taylor, Killeen, Texas, driving while license suspended/invalid/ enhanced, misdemeanor, \$5,000.



·Lloyd Hunt, Bastrop, driving while license suspended/invalid/enhanced, misdemeanor, \$2,000.

DISTRICT COURT

·Brian Alan Pawlowski, 37, Humble, Texas, pled guilty to fraudulent use or possession of identifying information, second-degree felony, eight years community supervision, \$2,000 fine, 240 hours community service, \$338 court costs.

·David A. Rideout, 28, Kermit, pled guilty to two counts intoxicated assault, third-degree felony, 10 years community supervision, no fine, \$30,596.60 restitution, 160 hours community service, \$446 court costs.

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tration Office or RC Care Center Business Office, 805 N. Main, Big Lake, TX 76932. Resumes may be faxed to 325-884-2891. Reagan Hospital District is an

EOE.

PUBLIC NOTICES

Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a renewal of a Private Club Registration Permit by Hunter's Camp Inc. dba Hunter's Camp, to be located at 1301 Sheffield Road. Ozona, Crockett County, Texas. Officers of said corporation are Stacy L. Mecke - President, Parker B. Hamilton - Vice President and Debra K. Hamilton -Secretary/Treasurer.

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John Deere Harrow for a riding lawn mower, jewelry, antiques, teenager girls clothes, women's clothers and miscellaneous.

GARAGE SALE

Saturday, July 23, 8 a.m.-noon at 202 Cenisa St. Girls clothes size 10-14, baby boy clothes, boy clothes all sizes, household items and lots of toys.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/ BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S) Dist/Div: San Angelo Contract 0907-00-159 for CURB RAMPS TO MEET TAS AND ADA STANDARDS in TOM GREEN County, etc will be opened on August 10, 2011 at 1:00 pm at the State Office. Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 37234 State Office Constr./Maint, Division 200 E. Riverside Dr. Austin, Texas 78704 Phone: 512-416-2540 Dist/Div Office(s) San Angelo District District Engineer 4502 Knickerbocker Rd San Angelo, Texas 76904 Phone: 325-944-1501 Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S) Dist/Div: Lubbock Contract 6230-53-001 for REMOVE AND REPLACE SPEED LIMIT SIGNS - WESTERN in LUBBOCK County, etc will be opened on August 10, 2011 at 1:00 pm at the State Office for an estimate of \$1,367,385.39. Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/ or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 37098 State Office Constr./Maint. Division 200 E. Riverside Dr. Austin, Texas 78704 Phone: 512-416-2540 Dist/Div Office(s) Lubbock District District Engineer 135 Slaton Lubbock, Texas 79408-0771 Phone: 806-745-4411 Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

Crockett County Consolidated Common School District is soliciting proposals for the 2011-2012 school year for the following: Motor Fuel; Property & Casualty including Boiler Insurance; Catalog Proposals for: Athletic Supplies and Equipment; Office Supplies, Band Supplies and Equipment; and Instructional Materials - General. Sealed proposals shall be delivered to CCCCSD by mail, courier or hand delivery. Sealed proposals shall be submitted in an envelope marked on the outside with the bidder's name, address and an appropriate proposal description. E-mailed or faxed proposals will not be accepted. Proposals received after the published time and date cannot be considered. Proposals will be opened at the Administration offices, 797 Avenue D, Ozona, 76943 at 4:00 PM, Wednesday, August 10, 2011. Proposals may be negotiated after receipt. All proposals must remain open for ninety (90) days from the proposal date pending acceptance by CCCCSD. Details or specifications may be obtained by contacting Cynthia Hokit at (325) 392-5501 during the office hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Successful proposals will be identified on the basis of the best value, experience, qualifications and ability to complete scope of work that is in the best interest of the District, and any other factor as stated in Texas Education Code Section 44.031(b).





Company Benefits include Medical, Dental & Vision Plans Paid Vacations Opportunity for advancement and or relocation.

PUBLIC NOTICES

LOCAL PUBLIC NOTICE

On June 30, 2011, an application was filed by Panther Communications LLC for a new FM station at Ozona, Texas on 102.9 mHz. The application is for s Class C3 station at 8 KW power at the coordinates: Latitude 30 degrees, 46 minutes, 49 seconds; Longitude 101 degrees, 14 minutes, 46.5 seconds, with an antenna height above ground level of 90 meters. The sole principal of Panther Communications LLC is Juana O. Aguilar. A copy of the application, any amendments thereto and related materials are available for public inspection during normal business hours at Crockett County Library, 703 12th Street, Ozona, Crockett County, Texas.





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ORDER RESTRICTING OUTDOOR BURNING

The Commissioners' Court finds that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area 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 13th day of June, 2011. - Crockett County Commissioners' Court

Modifications to Cafeteria Entry and Drive, Ozona Middle School Sealed proposals shall be delivered to CCCCSD by mail, courier or hand delivery. Sealed proposals shall be submitted in an envelope marked on the outside with the bidder's name, address and an appropriate proposal description. E-mailed or faxed proposals will not be accepted. Proposals received after the published time and date cannot be considered.

tiple Units).

Proposals will be opened at the Administration offices, 797 Avenue D, Ozona, 76943 at 4:00 PM, Wednesday, August 3, 2011. Proposals may be negotiated after receipt.

All vendors must be able to document Davis-Bacon Act compliance regarding prevailing wages.

All proposals must remain open for ninety (90) days from the proposal date pending acceptance by CCCCSD.

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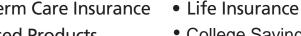
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