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2011 is Crockett County's driest year

BY MELISSA PERNER
THE OZONA STOCKMAN

It was a year to remember; a dry year.

Since 1931, 2011 is Crockett County's driest year on record. According to data from the Crockett County Groundwater District, the county only received an average of 5.54 inches of rain.

The last time Crockett County saw a yearly average in single digits was 1956 when the county received 9.11 inches.

In fact, the county received more rain per year during the infamous 1950s drought than 2011. In 1951, the yearly average was 7.23 and 1952 saw 8.27 inches.

Since 1995, Crockett County has seen up and down periods with high totals being 34.75 in 2004 and 28.89 in 2007. Prior to 2011, the lowest since 1995 has been 13.02 in 2006.

The wettest month in 2011 for Crockett County was October, which is typically a wet month, with 1.96 inches. The driest month was March with 0.03.

Along with Crockett County, 2011 was the driest calendar year on record for the state, with an average state rainfall total of 14.88 inches, according to the National Weather Service in San Angelo. Previous driest was 14.99 inches in 1917.

The year was also the second hottest on record for the state with the average temperature being

RAINFALL RECORD - CROCKETT COUNTY

	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOTAL
MONTHLY AVERAGE '95	0.23	0.79	0.73	1.89	5.20	0.76	1.14	1.30	2.87	0.95	1.39	0.32	17.58
MONTHLY AVERAGE '96	0.01	0.26	0.09	1.02	1.56	0.55	1.34	5.25	3.90	1.25	2.26	0.19	17.69
MONTHLY AVERAGE '97	0.24	4.06	1.21	2.08	2.50	2.33	0.50	1.25	1.61	0.91	0.82	1.27	18.78
MONTHLY AVERAGE '98	0.63	0.52	1.92	0.05	0.91	1.11	0.35	7.36	0.35	2.58	1.53	0.56	17.84
MONTHLY AVERAGE '99	0.22	0.12	2.93	2.14	1.54	3.44	1.04	0.79	0.37	0.65	0.04	0.04	13.33
MONTHLY AVERAGE '00	0.33	0.23	0.78	0.68	0.81	5.90	0.13	0.00	1.12	5.55	2.51	0.43	18.48
MONTHLY AVERAGE '01	1.63	0.98	1.29	0.98	2.25	0.27	0.64	3.66	0.66	0.82	3.71	0.13	17.01
MONTHLY AVERAGE '02	0.15	0.62	0.96	0.84	0.30	1.24	1.82	0.74	1.15	8.84	0.49	0.57	17.72
MONTHLY AVERAGE '03	0.15	1.94	1.02	0.28	2.26	2.75	1.94	1.76	2.62	3.88	0.30	0.00	18.90
MONTHLY AVERAGE '04	1.57	1.62	3.31	3.17	1.01	2.73	2.10	5.85	2.23	6.10	4.76	0.29	34.75
MONTHLY AVERAGE '05	0.52	1.43	1.33	0.19	4.17	1.42	1.88	2.52	0.24	3.91	0.02	0.15	17.88
MONTHLY AVERAGE '06	0.06	0.38	1.46	0.65	0.40	1.86	0.69	2.62	1.58	1.88	0.00	1.45	13.02
MONTHLY AVERAGE '07	1.63	0.49	4.72	1.43	7.12	4.55	1.83	3.76	1.96	0.50	0.66	0.23	28.89
MONTHLY AVERAGE '08	0.33	0.03	1.76	0.31	0.22	2.59	0.54	3.05	3.73	1.66	0.23	0.10	14.54
MONTHLY AVERAGE '09	1.04	0.34	1.20	2.73	1.13	3.02	1.09	0.65	1.10	1.89	0.30	0.86	14.42
MONTHLY AVERAGE '10	2.66	1.82	0.76	2.14	0.61	2.11	4.01	1.01	0.82	0.83	0.00	0.12	16.72
MONTHLY AVERAGE '11	0.38	0.23	0.03	0.37	0.26	0.30	0.24	0.36	0.45	1.96	0.18	0.91	5.54
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YEARLY AVERAGE FOR 2011:													5.54

Quadrants without totals did not submit figures to Crockett County G.C.D.
** - Totals for month not accurate - Recorder malfunctioned

67.2 degrees. The hottest is 1921 with an average temperature of 67.5, according to the NWS in San Angelo.

The USDA has declared Crockett County a disaster designation related to the 2011 drought. A disaster designation makes agricultural producers in the county eligible for assistance from USDA.

As for the drought ended soon, the county did receive an inch to two inches of rain last week, but that was just a "drop in the bucket," according to officials from the National Weather Service.

"Much of the county has seen below normal rainfall for the first part of

the year. So unfortunately the rainfall will not provide much long term relief from the drought," Nickolai Reimer, meteorologist intern with the NWS in San Angelo.

According to the U.S. National Drought Monitor, the majority of Crockett County and most of West Texas is still listed under

exceptional drought.

The latest U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook shows all of Texas and parts of New Mexico, Arizona, Oklahoma and the southeast to expect the drought to persist or intensify over the next few months. The outlook is through mid-April.

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Special education meeting all about sharing information

BY MELISSA PERNER
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Sharing and gathering information on Ozona Schools' Special Education Services was part of a public meeting last week.

Parents, teachers, administrators and school board members gathered in the Ozona Elementary School Library to discuss how to improve the school district's special education program. Officials from the Region XV Education Service Center in San Angelo and the Menard Special Education Coop hosted the meeting.

"We all have a stake in the success of your child," said Superintendent Chris duBois at the meeting.

Questions from the Texas Education Agency were used to conduct the meeting. The questions touched



KIM WILSON, CCCSD's new director of special and federal programs, talks to parents Eddie and Del Vinton during a Jan. 26 meeting about the district's special education program.

on every level and aspect of the school district and how Crockett County CCSD is meeting students' needs.

Parental involvement, special education students having the same opportunities as all students, training and requirements

of the educational staff, providing services for struggling students and preparing students to succeed beyond high school were topics all discussed during the meeting.

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Black wins Reserve Champion at Fort Worth



ALLIE BLACK won Reserve Champion Finewool at the Fort Worth Stock Show this past weekend. Also placing were: Kelbie Renfro, fifth place goat and Lane Hale, fourth place finewool cross lamb. At the Kerrville Stock Show, Allie and Kelbie placed third and Timothy Maldonado placed fourth. Other participants were: Ethan Criswell, Sydney Flores, Brenna Hale, Lane Hale, Alex Hopper and Weston Seahorn.

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Congratulations, we survived

A few weeks ago, I reader brought me a column that I know many of you have seen.

The column started out stating that, according to today's regulators and bureaucrats, those of us who children in the 1930s, 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s and even the early 80s probably shouldn't have survived.

Following that first sentence, the column highlights many things that I know we all did growing up, such as we rode our bikes, we had no helmets, riding in the back of a pickup truck on a warm day was always a special treat and we drank water from the garden hose. Horrors!

As children, we would ride in cars with no seat belts or air bags. This one I can relate. Every Thanksgiving and summer, we would take a six-hour road trip from Seagraves, Texas to Weatherford, Texas.

I wasn't buckled up in a car seat. I was in the very back of our orange station wagon, surrounded by my "luggage fort" with my toys and books. When dad would slam on the breaks, I had plenty of cushions from suitcases.

The column also states how children growing up in these various time periods ate cupcakes, bread and butter, and drank soda pop with sugar in it, but they were never overweight because they were always outside playing.

Children would spend hours building go-carts out of scraps and then ride down the hill. They would leave home in the morning and play all day, as long as they were back when the street lights came on. No one was able to reach us all day. No cell phones. Unthinkable!

I remember the day we got cable TV at our house. I was so excited because prior to that you had three channels and, as we all know, when the President was on your night was shot. Instead, those were the nights we played board games and read books.

There wasn't any surround sound, personal cell phones, personal computers or Internet chat rooms, but we had friends. We went outside and found them.

We fell out of trees, got



WHAT'S ON MY MIND

MELISSA PERNER

cut and broke bones and teeth, and there were no lawsuits from these accidents. They were accidents. No one was to blame but us. Remember accidents?

We had fights and punched each other and got black and blue and learned to get over it.

We made up games with sticks and tennis balls and, although we were told it would happen, we did not put out any eyes.

We rode bikes or walked to a friend's home and knocked on the door, or rang the bell or just walked in and talked to them.

Little League had tryouts and not everyone made the team. Those who didn't had to learn to deal with disappointment.

Our actions were our own. Consequences were expected.

The idea of parents bailing us out if we got in trouble in school or broke a law was unheard of. They actually sided with the school or the law. The rule in our house was you got in trouble at home.

This generation has produced some of the best risk-takers, problem solvers, and inventors, ever. The past 50 years have been an explosion of innovation and new ideas.

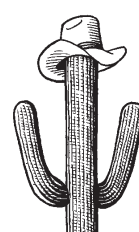
Now, don't get me wrong. I love my cell phone, my computer and the Internet. I'm on Facebook and Twitter where I get to keep up with lots of my friends and colleagues.

However, I do wish we could return to the days where we weren't so information, communication obsessed and we actually picked up a real phone to talk to someone instead of just sending them a text.

We had freedom, failure, success and responsibility, and we learned how to deal with it all. Something we should pass on to a future generation.

MELISSA PERNER is the editor and publisher of The Ozona Stockman. Anyone for Monopoly?

No-Till Housekeeping



IT'S THE PITTS

LEE PITTS

Just because I wrote a column idea in the dust on a piece of furniture because I didn't have a pencil and paper handy, my wife thought I was making a critical comment about her housekeeping. "If you don't like the way I clean house," she said, "you can just start doing it yourself."

I don't know why women complain so much about cleaning the house. They get to work in comfortable mud-free conditions in which there are no snakes or flies, in most cases. Although it's true that we men don't routinely dust the furniture and wash the dishes that doesn't necessarily mean we couldn't if we had to. It's just that there'd have to be a few changes made. Take vacuuming for example, an activity in which men are much like dogs in that we run and hide whenever we see or hear one. All it would take to make men vacuum enthusiasts is for someone to make a riding vacuum. Of course, houses would have to be redesigned and bumper pads would have to be affixed to furniture, but if we had tractor-like vacuums our wives would soon be yelling, "You're vacuuming the floors again? That's the fourth time this week!"

Naturally, men would tinker with their vacuums to increase their horsepower and pretty soon we'd be racing them. And just think, with wider hallways we could use a Bobcat whenever you needed to flip a mattress or move the furniture!

Our house is hard to clean because it's

big; when it's noon in the kitchen it's three o'clock in the living room. There's a lot of furniture to dust but I came up with another brilliant idea when I bought myself a 33 gallon portable air compressor for Christmas. Now I just blast the dust away. (Note to men: Don't set the compressor at more than 90 psi or you may ruin the patina on your wife's heirloom furniture.) If you don't have

a compressor a leaf blower will also work. The leaf blower actually blows the dust into your neighbor's home, no matter how far away.

Using shop tools men can clean anything. Dishes and clothes can be cleaned in your parts washer, but be careful not to agitate your delicates. And grinders, sanders, or a jackhammer can be used to clean the dirt that builds up in bathrooms during a year's time. What, you don't have a jackhammer? That's the beauty of my idea: wives can never again question your tool purchases because it's for cleaning HER house.

A word about laundry. I'd recommend either getting a laundry hamper the size of a grain silo or leaving dirty clothes for the wife to do after coming home from work.

After all, we still want her to feel a part of the home management team.

When my wife complains about housekeeping I remind her that her forefathers and foremothers had to live in sod houses in which tarantulas and big bugs might drop from the grass ceiling at any minute. This rarely happens in our home. I also tell her that the pioneers often had to share their houses with cows and horses, but she reminds me of all the bumper lambs and orphaned calves who've shared our bathtub. Speaking of pioneers, did you know that when the homes of some tribes of Indians got real dirty they just burned them down and moved. Whenever I hear something like that it reinforces my inkling that I must have some Indian blood coursing through my veins.

With men taking over home management it means wives will be freed up to work more outside the home. Of course, such dramatic change will necessitate some changes in our society. Because real men don't watch soap operas or the Ellen Show, NFL games will henceforth have to be on weekdays so that weekends will be free for us to attend vacuum races, demolition vacuum derbies and tractor/vacuum/car shows.

History will henceforth record that it was I who suggested the use of shop tools to clean house and I will take my rightful place in housekeeping history.

Gentlemen, start your vacuums!

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Attorney General sues to speed approval of voter ID law

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling | Texas Press Association

Attorney General Greg Abbott on Jan. 23 filed a lawsuit in the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals to push the U.S. Department of Justice to approve the voter I.D. law enacted by the Texas Legislature last spring.

The law has not been given the required preclearance by the Department of Justice. Abbott said his intent is to spur a ruling that would allow the new law to take effect. The lawsuit dovetails with the state's efforts in the U.S. Supreme Court and the D.C. Court to have the Texas Legislature's contested House, Senate and U.S. congressional redistricting maps pre-cleared under Section 5 of the U.S. Voting Rights Act in time to meet deadlines for the April 3 party primaries.

On Jan. 20, the Supreme Court said the U.S. District Court Western District of Texas in San Antonio erred in its remedial redistricting plans created last year and ordered the three-judge panel of the San Antonio court to revise the plans. The San Antonio court on Jan. 27 asked opponents in the redistricting cases to work

together and present them with agreed-upon solutions in hopes of speeding the process.

Texas is among several states and other jurisdictions subject to Section 5 because of a history of discriminatory election practices.

Texans, if the law takes effect, would have to show a government-issued photo I.D. along with their valid voter registration card in order to cast a ballot, and those who do not have a driver's license, passport, military I.D. card or other approved form of identification can get a state-issued voter I.D. free of charge from the Texas Department of Public Safety. And anyone who is disabled or over 65 can vote by mail, a method that does not require photo identification.

Supporters of the voter I.D. law said during the legislative process that it would help stop election fraud. Opponents said the legislation, if passed, would discriminate against minorities, the disabled and citizens who live in rural areas of the state.

Abbott last week said the law is not discriminatory and to support his position quoted a U.S. Supreme Court ruling: "The inconvenience of making a trip to the (Bureau of Motor Vehicles), gathering the required documents and posing for a photograph surely does not qualify as a substantial burden on the right to vote, or even represent a significant increase over the usual burdens of voting."

Several other states passed voter I.D. laws last year, but more than 30 states do not have voter I.D. laws.

COMPTROLLER UNVEILS INFO SITE

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs on Jan. 25 announced the launch of TheTexasEconomy.org, a website featuring state revenue and spending data, and more than a dozen economic indicators.

Combs said the site uses info-graphics, video interviews, tables and snapshots of key data to present information on an array of topics, such as

Texas industries and jobs, the effects of drought on the economy and the impact of obesity on businesses and taxpayers.

GRAIN INDEMNITY FUND IS GOAL

Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples on Jan. 26 said a discussion on grain warehouse failures and what can be done to avoid them was the focus of the first meeting of the agency's newly appointed Texas Grain Producer Indemnity Board.

Bryan Black, a spokesman with

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OZONA GARDEN CLUB NEWS

Woodsy Owl, Smokey Bear Poster Contest winners

BY PAMELA MARESCH
OZONA GARDEN CLUB

Winners of the annual Woodsy Owl, Smokey Bear Poster Contest sponsored by the Ozona Garden Club last week at Ozona Elementary School.

Of the children that participated, the four first place winners will advance to the state competition and the rest received certificates of participation.

Thank you to the judges and teachers and staff at Ozona Elementary School for the assistance and help with contest.



FIRST PLACE WINNERS in the Woodsy Owl, Smokey Bear Poster Contest are: (left to right) **Jacqueline Medina, Shelbie Galindo, Jordan Martin and Wendy Mata.** These winners will advance to the state competition. Also pictured is Ozona Garden Club member **Pamela Maresch.**



SECOND GRADE WINNERS: (left to right) **Jacqueline Medina, first place; Kayleigh Hernandez, second and Daniel Hernandez, third.**



FOURTH GRADE WINNERS: (left to right) **Wendy Mata, first; Manuel Torralba, second; Laney Galindo, third; Rae Lee Borrego, fourth.**



THIRD GRADE WINNERS: (left to right) **Shelbie Galindo, first; Reagan Gonzalez, second; Jenna Marshall, third and Marco Rodriguez, fourth.**



FIFTH GRADE WINNERS: (left to right) **Jordan Martin, first; Marisol Medina, second; Adalyne Nehus, third and Isaura Lopez, fourth.**

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- Wednesday, Feb. 1**
- Exercise Classes, 8 a.m. at the Senior Center.
 - Congressional Candidate Pete Gallego meeting, noon at El Chato's Restaurant.
 - Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Friday, Feb. 3**
- OHS Academic Team at Sonora.
 - OHS Tennis Teams at the West Texas Open Championship at San Angelo.
 - JV and Varsity Lady Lions and Lions vs. Brady, 5 p.m. at Brady.
- Saturday, Feb. 4**
- OHS Band members in Solo and Ensemble Contest at San Angelo.
 - OHS Powerlifting team to compete in Grape Creek
 - Yoga, 3-4:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Monday, Feb. 6**
- Exercise Classes, 8 a.m. at the Senior Center.
 - Ladies' Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
 - 4-H Shooting Sports meeting, 6 p.m. at the 4-H Shooting Range.
- Tuesday, Feb. 7**
- Dominos at the Senior Center.
 - JV and Varsity Lady Lions and Lions vs. Wall, 5 p.m. at the OHS Davidson Gym.
 - DeerFest Donation Ceremony, 5:30 p.m. at the Fair Park Convention Center.
 - Levis and Lace Square Dance Lessons, 7 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Wednesday, Feb. 8**
- OHS UIL Debate at Ballinger.
 - Exercise Classes, 8 a.m. at the Senior Center.
 - Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
 - CCCSD Board of Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building.

DeerFest donation ceremony Tuesday

The Crockett County DeerFest Association would like to recognize all the organizations that helped with the annual event with the first donation acceptance ceremony on Tuesday, Feb. 7, at 5:30 p.m. at the Crockett County Convention Center. Each organization is invited to be present.

Over the years, the DeerFest Association has raised enough money to help fund the construction of the Crockett County Convention Center in which the event is now housed. The DeerFest Association has purchased A/V equipment and put a roof on the Ozona Community Center. The association helped finance the construction of the Crockett County EMS Building.

Along with this the DeerFest contributes yearly to the

Crockett County 4-H, Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Youth Ministry, the Ozona Chamber of Commerce, the Ministerial Alliance, the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department, the Cub and Boy Scouts, the Crockett County Youth and Civic Center, Perceptor Mu Chi, YMCA Football, Little League baseball, FFA, West Texas Rehab, Relay for Life, Toys for Tots, Crockett County EMS, Ozona Woman's League, Crockett County Wellness Center, Crockett County Senior Center/ Helping Hands and Ozona Woman's Forum. To date, Crockett County DeerFest Association with help from its generous contributors and sponsors has donated \$442,669.62 back into the community.

LIBRARY NEWS By Louise P. Ledoux | Crockett County Librarian

Media Book Club featuring Mary Ortiz

CCPL has a new program for 2012.

The Media Book Club is a community outreach project for the PEARL Grant Program from the University of North Texas in Denton.

The PEARL Project is funded by the Robert and Ruby Priddy Charitable Trust.

The Priddy Charitable Trust has focused on liberal arts education, pre K-12 public education, community health care, and rural public libraries.

Upon completion of the project, CCPL will receive a \$1,000 grant.

Our Media Book Club will be a series of interviews and book reviews by influential people in our community in the newspaper, on the radio, for the Friends of the Library newsletter and on the CCPL Facebook page and website.

It will be very interesting to find out what our neighbors are reading and enjoy.

Listen to the radio and watch the paper for more info. What are you reading? You might be interviewed next.

This week's reader is Mary Ortiz. Ortiz is a member of the Library Board, avid reader and employee of Village Drug.

Ortiz said Margaret Longoria, at the Crockett County Public Library, helps her make selections on books. She enjoys reading fiction and nonfiction.

Ortiz reads for relaxation.

Her favorite book of all time is the "Outlander Series" by Diana Gabaldon.

She reads both regular books and e-books on her Kindle.

Currently, she is reading "Explosive Eighteen" by Janet Evanovich. Some of her favorite authors are Allana Martin and her books set in Texana, based on Presidio, Texas, Tess Gerritsen's "Rizzoli and Isles" series, Nora Roberts, Sophie Kinsella, Harry Connolly, James Patterson's "Alex Cross" books, J.D. Robb, Iris Johansen's "Eva Duncan" series and Heather Graham.

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OBITUARIES

John David Hohertz

John David Hohertz passed suddenly on Jan. 26, 2012. He was born June 8, 1959 in San Angelo, Texas. He was a 1977 graduate from Ozona High School. Johnny's life's journey took him from Ozona to San Antonio Austin, Brownsville and back to Ozona where he was currently employed by Texas Energy. He loved music, playing the drums, crossword puzzles, The History Channel, studying passages from the Bible, and a cup of coffee.

We will miss our brother's quirky smile, artistic talent, his wit and wisdom.

He is preceded in death by his parents Bob and Joyce Hohertz. He is survived by his brother, Bobby Hohertz of McCamey; sisters, Debbi Hohertz Puckett, Lorelei Hohertz Sorrell, both of Ozona, and Lisa Hohertz Maldonado of Bee Cave, Texas. He also leaves behind five nieces, eight nephews and a host of many friends.

Brother, though we no longer see you, you will always be in our thoughts. Our family chain is broken and nothing seems the same, but as God calls us one by one, our chain will link again.

Graveside service was Sunday, Jan. 29, 2012 in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Arrangements by Preddy Funeral Home.

Joe Louis Martinez

Joe Louis Martinez, age 57, went home to be with our Heavenly Father. He died in the comfort of his home on the estimated date of Jan. 22, 2012.

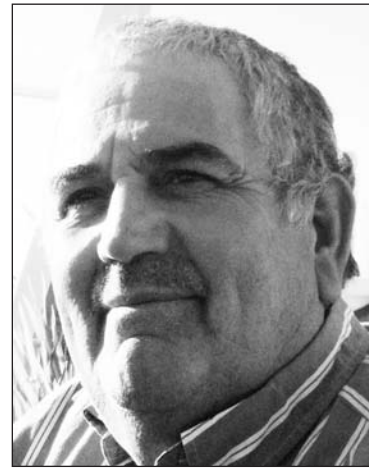
Services were held Friday, Jan. 27, at Templo Siloe Assembly of God with burial at Lima Cemetery, directed by Preddy Funeral Home.

Joe was born in Ozona on April 8, 1954.

Joe was a great man and loving father. Joe had a generous soul and a big heart. He was a very spiritual man and enjoyed spreading the word of God to all that came into contact with him.

He took pleasure in giving to others, especially those who were less fortunate. Joe had a big appetite for life and could always find the good in every situation. He was a hard worker and enjoyed learning new things and always had new interests.

Some of his favorite past times were fishing, finding eccentric treasures, traveling and spending time with his loved ones. Joe was a funny man and always



knew how to make people laugh and feel warm inside. His laugh and zest for life was contagious and will be greatly missed.

He was preceded in death by his brother Abel Martinez III, his father Abel Martinez Jr. and his mother Esperanza Martinez.

He is survived by his two sisters Elizabeth Morgan and Bettina Ortega as well as his two daughters Carly Martinez and Carole Prusinowski.

Deuteronomy 6:4 - Hear O' Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. Joe's beloved scripture from the word of God.

Judge A.O. (Al) Fields

Judge A. O. (Al) Fields passed from this life on the 27th day of January 2012. Funeral services were Monday, Jan. 30, 2012 under the direction of Preddy Funeral Home in the First Baptist Church, Ozona with graveside services in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

He was born May 15, 1913 in Choctaw County, Okla. to James N. and Dolie Fields. He came to Ozona in 1935 as manager of C. G. Morrison Co. The same year, he and Mildred Davis were married and to this union, Barbara (Bobbie) Griffin and Thomas (Tom) Fields were born. He was preceded in death by Mildred to whom he was married for 63 years.

In 1940, He was appointed by Crockett County as Deputy Tax Collector. He served until 1943 when his country called and he entered the armed services. During this time, he served in a CBI unit at Headquarters at New Deli, India and Chungking, China.

Following his army service, he returned to Ozona and joined Frank James Motor as Bookkeeper. In 1950, he was appointed U.S. Postmaster and served for two years. He then returned to James Motor Company. In 1955, he began a series of employments among several businesses in the area.

In 1960, he was appointed Justice of the Peace, Crockett County serving for 23 years. While serving in this elected position, he was never opposed in an election or re-election. In addition, he worked with the School District as Business Manager and Veteran's Service Officer. Across this time, he also served as AAA range Inspector, Borden Milk Distributor, VFW Quartermaster, bookkeeper for Ozona Community Center and the Ozona Methodist Church.

His many other civic activities included Treasurer of the March of Dimes, Treasurer of the Ozona Civic Center and Democratic Committee Chairman.



In 1983, he was appointed Crockett County Judge and served five years. Following a two-year retirement he returned as Judge for an additional year, finally retiring in 1994. In 1986, he was named Crockett County Citizen of the Year and cited for his contributions to the community. The Crockett County Commissioners' Court declared Dec. 19, 1994 as A. O. Fields day in Crockett County.

He was a member of the Methodist Church for many years serving as church treasurer. He was named the First Chamber of Commerce Legacy Award Winner in 2001.

In 2000, he joined the First Baptist Church of Ozona and married Betty Allen in the presence of their family and many friends.

Judge Fields is survived by his wife Betty Allen Fields of Ozona, daughter and son-in-law Barbara (Bobbie) and Johnie Griffin, son Thomas A. Fields, stepson George Allen, grandchildren Gary Griffin and wife Jackie, Nancy Gail (Griffin) Skopak and husband John, Greg and wife Becky Griffin, Bambi Fields and husband Jesus Eyzaguirre, Tiffany (Fields) and husband Richard Reese. Judge Fields is survived by seven great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife Mildred, brother Harold Fields, daughters in law Sondra (Daniel) Fields and Trudy (Bohrer) Fields.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to your favorite charity.

CARE CENTER CHATTER

BY **ODILIA SANCHEZ**
ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR

The Christmas decorations have come down and a new year has begun.

A new year with new opportunities for a better year. Hopefully, we will make the most of each new day we are blessed with.

In January, we celebrated birthdays for four residents. The refreshments were furnished by Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church and we appreciate all their help in making the birthday residents, and all the residents, feel special. Thank you Eva Ramirez for coordinating everything.

The residents continue playing dominoes daily and Bingo on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday morning.

As the weather starts changing, we will start planning outside activities. We will keep you posted on future activities so everyone who wants to can come and join us.

The residents enjoy having company and spending time with their loved ones. Thank you for your continued support. God Bless You!

HELPING HANDS NEWS

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 1

·Country fried steak with gravy, mash potatoes, carrots and dessert.

THURSDAY, FEB. 2

·Lasagna, salad, corn and dessert.

FRIDAY, FEB. 3

·Baked fish, vegetable blend, spinach and dessert.

MONDAY, FEB. 4

·Italian chicken, okra and tomatoes, squash and essert.

TUESDAY, FEB. 5

·Salisbury steak, mash potatoes, three bean salad and dessert.

OZONA SENIOR HAPPENINGS

BY **LYNN ENGLISH**
SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

Another month has flown by and we are finding ourselves in February. Remember February is a short month so it will be gone soon.

We are proud that Bertha Rivera is back working as the director for Helping Hands. We are happy to have you back in the building Bertha.

Our own Al Fields was buried Monday, Jan. 30, here in ozona. I can't begin to say enough good things about Al.

Our condolences go out to Betty, his family, and many friends. Al will be sorely missed.

I will also mention that Al was instrumental in getting our Senior Center built.

I was so surprised when Carlos Lopez came walking in last week with books to donate to the Senior Center. Carlos has not been able to get out in quite awhile.

It was good to see him and we want Carlos to keep getting better. Good seeing you Carlos.

There is still no news concerning Concho Valley Community Action. Watch this column and I will let you know as soon as I know something.

Mridula (Mary Marie) Kamra our yoga instructor and Jan Robinson has changed our yoga lessons to the first and third Saturdays from 3-4:30 p.m. at the Senior Center. There will be no yoga classes on Thursday.

We still do not have enough calendars to send out to the people that Helping Hands deliver meals to. We would greatly appreciate any more extra 2012

calendars that you may have.

Also if you have books that you can donate to the Senior Center book supply it would be greatly appreciated if you did so.

The bridge game will be played on Monday at 1:30 p.m. Those who attend have the best time playing bridge and they appreciate using our Senior Center.

Levis and Lace square dance lessons will be on Tuesdays but will occasionally be on a Monday night. Check with a square dance member to make sure of the day they are giving lessons.

Also Levis and Lace have changed their regular square dances to every second and fourth Saturday from 2-4 p.m.

Tuesdays have been set aside for any of you who would 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 very competitive and have fun playing this exciting game.

We have our regular activities: bridge, bingo, pool, canasta, domino games, and puzzles. We also have a collection of books, magazines, a Wii game, and two computers that have internet for seniors to use.

We also have a projector with stand, a screen, and also have a wonderful key board.

Activities sponsored by the Crockett County Senior Center Board are for adults 50 years old and older.

THE MAD COW

My neighbor called and asked if I saw the cow he left in my pens by the highway. My wife and I and grandchildren were dressed and on our way for a evening swim at the windmill. I had on flip flops and bathing suit anyway to the pens I went. The pens had some high weeds but because she stood calmly in the corner I thought I would move her to a better pen. Well, just as I got inside the pen, closed the gate and turned around here she came madder than a hornet. To boot, she had a pair of the sharpest horns I have ever seen on any Corriente cow. Losing flip flops and pride I made it to the fence on the other side of the pen. It is not easy to lay astraddle of a two inch pipe five feet in the air. That event reminded me of something in the Bible. The word Horn is used especially in the Old Testament and has several meanings. It can mean the horns of a wild ox or the power of God or the power of man or people, good or bad, (Numbers 23:22&24:8). It can also refer to salvation, blessings or deliverance by God for Christians or believers, (2 Samuel 22:3, Psalm 89:17,18,24). Or it can refer to the humiliation and destruction of the disobedient, unbelieving, (Deuteronomy 33:17, Psalm 75:4&5). See you in Church next Sunday. Brothers J

<p>First Baptist Church 901 Ave. D Pastor Chris Johnson Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting - 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Ozona Church of Christ 1002 11th St. Mr. Johnnie Perkins Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.</p>	<p>Ozona United Methodist Church 12 - 11th St. Pastor Jean Reardon Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.</p>
<p>Templo Bautista Jerusalem 138 Blas St. Rev. Esequiel Cervantez Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Faith Lutheran Church 802 1st St. Pastor Tom Baden Worship: Sunday - 7 p.m. Bible Class: Sunday - 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church 2121 Santa Rosa St. Pastor Ruth & Gerson Posadas Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Family Service: 6:30 p.m.</p>
<p>Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida Corner of Secretariat & Man O' War Pastor Juan Avila Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Service: 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Iglesia de Dios De La Profecia 102 Man O' War St. Pastor Maria C. Salcedo Lunes: 6:00 p.m. Domingo: 9:45 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Martes: 6:00 p.m. Jueves: 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Our Lady of Perpetual Help 219 Martinez St. Fr. Nilo Nalugon Sun. Mass: 11 a.m. Tues. - Sat.: 6 p.m.</p>
<p>Calvary Baptist Church 601 Ave. I Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Sunday Worship: 6 p.m. Wednesday Worship: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Attend the Church of your choice this Sunday</p>	
<p>New Beginnings Church 701 9th Street Pastor Carlos Cantu Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Iglesia de Cristo Hwy 163 S. at Quail Run Interim - Ray Valadez Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m.</p>	

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Words cannot express how much we thank all of Joe's friends and family for the expressions of sympathy and all of the help that was provided during this time of sorrow. We are truly grateful for all your support. We want to thank all of his loving family, Pastor Ruth Posada, Pastor Stan Huffty, the Worship Ministry and his best friend Hector Cantu for their loving words. We want to thank the Templo Siloe Assembly of God and the Worship Ministry for the beautiful service and the wonderful food that was provided. A special thank you to all of the Pallbearers: Anthony Ortega, George Morgan, Kirk Morgan, Abel Martinez IV, Adrian Rakowicz and Artur Prusinowski. We also want to thank everyone that provided the beautiful flowers and the cards with words of condolences. Lastly we want to send a big thank you to Preddy Funeral Home for handling all of the arrangements.

The Family of Joe Martinez

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1932	0.78	1.55	0.5	1.5	4.49	3.1	2.33	4.3	6.65	0.25	0.3	2.35	28.10	11.92	16.18	16.18
1933	0.5	0.3	0.15	0.2	0.31	0	0.18	3.05	0	1.35	1.95	0.15	8.14	1.46	6.68	6.68
1934	1.29	0.1	1.35	0.98	2.1	2.25	0.85	0	0.33	0	0.8	0.25	10.30	8.07	2.23	2.23
1935	0	1.75	0	0.78	2.28	2.4	4.13	0.9	7.53	0.85	1.05	0.63	27.30	12.21	15.09	15.09
1936	0.33	0.4	1.3	1.1	3.83	0	2.47	0	3.84	1.5	0.5	0.5	15.77	6.96	8.81	8.81
1937	0.2	0.4	1.95	1.5	2.1	2.25	1.4	1.4	3.8	1.5	1	2.84	20.34	8.40	11.94	11.94
1938	4.97	0.5	0.4	1.83	2.58	2.43	7.49	0.35	0.7	0.5	0	0.72	22.47	12.71	9.76	9.76
1939	2.23	0	0.47	1.13	2.12	0.47	5.13	2.38	0.47	2.2	2.7	0.95	20.25	6.42	13.83	13.83
1940	0.55	1.24	0.83	1.7	2.15	2.65	0.28	3.95	0.27	2.97	2.95	0.2	19.74	19.07	9.12	10.62
1941	2	1.57	2.58	4.1	2.14	6.2	2.5	3.21	4.78	7.65	0.28	0.98	37.99	18.59	19.40	19.40
1942	0.37	0.55	0	2.08	0.1	0.2	1.6	4.26	1.1	3.91	0.9	1.25	16.32	3.30	13.02	13.02
1943	0.45	0	0.43	0.25	3.13	2.7	1.18	0	3.37	0.25	0.78	1.85	14.39	6.96	7.43	7.43
1944	1.73	1.12	0	0.73	1.68	1.84	13	3.01	5.2	0.22	1.04	137	20.04	7.10	12.94	12.94
1945	0.81	0.86	1.58	1.55	0.67	8.54	5.56	0.63	1.97	3.19	0	0.22	25.58	14.01	11.57	11.57
1946	1.8	0	0	0	3.9	2.7	0.8	0	1.1	3	03	03	14.30	8.40	6.30	6.30
1947	2.7	0	1.8	0	0.5	2.1	0.2	2.8	1.5	0.6	25	1	15.30	7.10	8.60	8.60
1948	0	1.5	0.1	0.7	1.9	0.1	2.3	0.3	0.5	1	0	0.3	8.70	4.30	4.40	4.40
1949	2	1.7	0.2	2.5	4.6	24	1.3	2.5	4.2	7.4	0	1.1	29.90	13.40	16.50	16.50
1950	0.3	0.5	0	2.4	3.7	0.6	2.8	1.6	5.4	0	0	0	17.30	20.06	7.50	9.80
1951	0	0.18	1.26	1.39	1.04	1.31	0.33	1.4	0.05	0.27	0	0	7.23	5.18	2.05	2.05
1952	0	0	0.5	1.61	1.16	0.27	0.9	0	0.82	0	1.04	0.97	8.27	4.54	3.73	3.73
1953	0	0.2	1.26	0.41	1.32	1.73	0.5	4.4	0.17	2.45	0	0.33	12.77	4.92	7.85	7.85
1954	0.18	0.22	0.11	5.95	1.91	12.46	0.22	1.16	0	2.49	0	0	24.70	20.83	3.87	3.87
1955	1.09	0.59	0.13	1.41	2.54	1.55	2.15	1.68	1.24	0	0.63	0	13.01	7.31	5.30	5.30
1956	0.8	0	0	2.81	1.64	0.35	0.43	0.48	0.52	1.63	0.07	0.38	9.11	5.60	3.51	3.51
1957	0.54	2.79	1.26	1.21	7	0.83	0.44	0.3	1.1	4.05	25	1.53	23.55	13.63	9.92	9.92
1958	2.5	2.41	1.18	0.07	2.46	1.31	0.35	4.85	5.69	4.14	0.71	0	25.67	9.93	15.74	15.74
1959	0	1.16	0.12	1.12	2.24	2.82	5.31	0.88	0.53	5.8	1.36	0.98	22.32	7.46	14.86	14.86
1960	2.09	1.52	0.81	0.15	1.38	0.58	4.2	0.56	0.09	2.28	0.2	1.34	15.20	16.18	6.53	8.67
1961	2.81	0.56	0.27	0.04	1.38	5.08	2.99	0.93	3.84	0.44	1.28	0.19	19.81	10.14	9.67	9.67
1962	0.1	0.29	0.64	1.45	0.42	1.59	1.26	1.22	1.07	1.55	0.87	1.19	11.65	4.49	7.16	7.16
1963	0.12	(1.94)	0	2.47	3.26	1.38	0.14	1.25	0.82	0.44	2.92	0.46	14.18	8.15	6.03	6.03
1964	0.75	1.26	0.65	0.75	1.03	2.3	1.13	0.63	4.92	0.87	1	0.22	15.51	6.74	8.77	8.77
1965	0.29	2.38	0.42	0.65	2.76	3.87	0.25	1.14	1.32	1.61	0.08	0.98	15.75	10.37	5.38	5.38
1966	0.61	0.89	0.92	1.08	1.38	2.03	0.2	3.54	5.15	2.37	0	0	18.37	7.11	11.26	11.26
1967	0	0.95	0.86	0.78	0.53	0.53	1.45	1.51	4.18	0.57	1.34	1.38	13.86	3.45	10.41	10.41
1968	2.08	1.12	1.28	2.6	3.06	2.14	3.61	2.09	1.69	0.27	2.38	0.3	22.62	12.28	10.34	10.34
1969	0.02	2.02	1.47	5.93	1.69	3.06	1.18	3.32	1.1	4.2	2.39	1	27.38	14.19	13.19	13.19
1970	0.45	1.7	2.01	0.87	1.44	1.27	0.02	0.16	2.85	0.38	0	0	11.15	17.03	7.34	3.41
1971	0.07	0.08	0	4.46	0.7	2.11	4.2	9.9	6.37	3.41	0.21	0.65	32.16	7.42	24.74	24.74
1972	0.74	0.1	0	0.31	4.66	5.06	0.6	5.19	4.89	2.72	0.18	0.03	24.48	10.87	13.61	13.61
1973	1.23	1.88	1.63	0.77	0.57	0.36	4.7	0.08	4.36	2.74	0.11	0.01	18.44	6.44	12.00	12.00
1974	0.1	0	0.63	2.6	2.85	0.51	0.53	5.59	10.53	3.22	1.5	1.28	29.34	6.69	22.65	22.65
1975	0.6	1.22	0	1.17	3.67	0.53	3.66	1.28	2.37	2.76	4.62	0.59	22.47	7.19	15.28	15.28
1976	0	0	0.74	1.3	1.98	0.56	9.15	0.21	4.78	5.93	0.46	0.33	25.44	4.58	20.86	20.86
1977	0.63	0.25	1.66	3.74	4.29	1.76	0	0.19	0.3	2.07	0.52	0	15.41	12.33	3.08	3.08
1978	0.85	0.62	0.21	1.58	2.22	2.89	1.2	0.95	3.92	0.61	2.83	0	17.88	8.37	9.51	9.51
1979	0.03	1.17	2.5	0.86	1.56	3.76	2.03	2.76	0.85	0.87	0	0	16.39	9.88	6.51	6.51
1980	1	0.39	0.45	0.2	3.06	0.57	0	2.96	4.29	0.21	0.51	1.38	15.02	21.7	5.67	9.35
1981	1.18	0.26	2.37	6.39	4.18	2.65	0.38	1.22	1.78	5.88	0.1	0	26.37	17.03	9.34	9.34
1982	0.43	1.33	0	0.52	6.05	1.43	0.59	1.74	0	1.66	1.13	1.06	15.94	9.76	6.18	6.18
1983	2.43	1.21	1.01	0.61	1.06	2.14	0	1.5	0	6.81	0.87	0	17.64	8.46	9.18	9.18
1984	2.21	0	0.81	0.14	1.06	1.44	0.96	0.2	1.65	3.68	1.7	2.87	16.72	5.66	11.06	11.06
1985	0.54	0.72	1.52	3.14	1.96	5.29	1.83	1.03	5.79	2.55	0.66	0	25.03	13.17	11.86	11.86
1986	0	0.5	0.47	0.59	2.75	3.41	0.31	5.29	0.38	7.73	3.7	2.62	27.75	7.72	20.03	20.03
1987	0.6	2.25	1.37	1.77	4.81	2.71	0.25	5.72	2.2	0.41	0.27	1.4	23.76	13.51	10.25	10.25
1988	0	0.13	0	0.29	1.94	2.45	3.69	0.66	7.35	0	0	0.7	17.21	4.81	12.4	12.4
1989	0.6	3.64	1.26	0.1	1.45	0.49	0.1	0.92	1.66	2.52	0.31	0.1	13.15	7.54	5.61	5.61
1990	0.7	2.49	1.81	1.17	3.76	0	8.1	2.29	6.79	2.8	2.87	0.02	32.80	21.64	9.93	22.87
1991	2.41	0.1	0.22	0.9	2.11	1.92	3.84	0.6	5.23	0.6	0.71	3.58	22.22	7.66	14.56	14.56
1992	1.91	2.55	2	3.84	7.33	2.7	1.76	0.9	0.1	1.21	0.7	0.5	25.50	20.33	5.17	5.17
1993	0.72	1.62	0.61	0.69	2.45	3.21	2.9	2.58	1.85	0.49	0	0.92	18.04	9.30	8.74	8.74
1994	1.65	0.4	0	1.27	3.04	0.65	0.97	0.7	0.81	1.85	1.2	1.3	13.84	7.01	6.83	6.83
1996	0.21	0.69	1.23	3.9	4.77	0.5	1.03	2.01	2.32	0.75	2.27	0.27	19.95	11.30	8.65	8.65
1996	0	0	0.15	1.12	1.17	0.05	0.91	5.42	2.38	1.67	2.39	0.18	15.44	2.49	12.95	12.95
1997	0.3	0.6	0.98	1.73	2.61	2.6	0.1	1.25	0.41	1.11	0.77	1.16	13.62	8.82	4.80	4.80
1998	0	0	2.01	0	0.58	1.11	0.1	8.69	0	0.9	3.06	0.67	17.12	3.70	13.42	13.42
1999	0	0.3	3.65	3.88	1.4	4.61	0.26	1.8	0	1.46	0	0.55	17.91	13.84	4.07	4.07
2000	0.11	0.18	0.67	0.61	0.74	6.29	0.15	0	2.23	4.57	2.56	0.23	18.34	18.201	8.60	9.74
2001	1.83	0.71	3.00	0.37	2.35	0.00	0.52	2.93	0.68	0.44	4.16	0.28	17.27	8.78	9.01	9.01
2002	0.15	0.62	0.96	0.84	0.30	1.24	1.82	0.74	1.15	8.84	0.49	0.57	17.72	4.11	13.61	13.61
2003	0.15	1.94	1.02	0.28	2.26	2.75	1.94	1.76	2.62	3.88	0.30	0.00	18.90	8.40	10.5	10.5
2004	1.57	1.62	3.31	3.17	1.01	2.73	2.10	5.85	2.23	6.10	4.76	0.29	34.75	13.41	21.33	21.33
2005	0.52	1.43	1.33	0.19	4.17	1.42	1.88	2.52	0.24	3.91	0.02	0.15	17.88	9.06	8.72	8.72
2006	0.06	0.38	1.46	0.65	0.40	1.86	0.69	2.62	1.58	1.88	0.00	1.45	13.02	4.81	8.22	8.22
2007	1.63	0.49	4.72	1.43	7.12	4.55	1.83	3.76	1.96	0.50	0.66	0.23	28.89	19.94	8.94	8.94
2008	0.33	0.03	1.76	0.31	0.22	2.59	0.54	3.05	3.73	1.66	0.23	0.10	14.54	5.24	9.31	9.31

Lion Baseball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	JV	V
Feb. 17	Alpine (Scrim.)	Home		4:30
Feb. 21	McCamey	Away		5:00
Feb. 23-25	S.A. Lakeview Tourn.	S.A. Lakeview		TBA
Feb. 27	Reagan County	Away	4:30	7:00
Mar. 1-3	Crane Tourn.	Crane		TBA
Mar. 5	Sonora (JV Only)	Home	5:30	
Mar. 6	Eldorado	Home		6:00
Mar. 8-10	Reagan Co. Tourn.	Big Lake		TBA
Mar. 13	Menard	Away		5:00
Mar. 15	Midland	Greenwood	11:00	1:00
Mar. 20	Sonora**	Home	4:30	7:00
Mar. 27	Wall**	Away	4:30	7:00
Mar. 30	Brady**	Home	4:30	7:00
Apr. 3	Grape Creek**	Away	4:30	7:00
Apr. 5	Ballinger**	Home	4:30	7:00
Apr. 10	Sonora**	Away	4:30	7:00
Apr. 13	Brady**	Away	4:30	7:00
Apr. 17	Wall**	Home	4:30	7:00
Apr. 20	Grape Creek**	Home	4:30	7:00
Apr. 24	Ballinger**	Away	4:30	7:00

Lady Lion Softball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
(S) Feb. 10	Miles	Miles	V-5:00
Feb. 14	Big Lake	Big Lake	V-5:00
Feb. 17	Ft. Stockton	Ozona	V-5:00
(T) Feb. 24-25	West Texas Classic	Midland	TBA
Feb. 28	McCamey	McCamey	V-5:00
(T) Mar. 1-3	West Texas Girls Fastpitch	San Angelo	TBA
(T) Mar. 8-10	Junction Classic	Junction	TBA
(D) Mar. 13	Grape Creek	Ozona	V-5:00 / JV-6:30
(D) Mar. 16	Ballinger	Ballinger	V-1:00
(D) Mar. 20	Sonora	Ozona	V-5:00 / JV-6:30
(D) Mar. 27	Wall	Wall	V-4:30 / JV-6:00
(D) Mar. 30	Brady	Ozona	V-5:00 / JV-6:30
(D) April 3	Grape Creek	Grape Creek	V-5:00 / JV-6:30
(D) April 5	Ballinger	Ozona	V-5:00 / JV-6:30
(D) April 10	Sonora	Sonora	V-5:00 / JV-6:30
(D) April 13	Brady	Brady	V-5:00 / JV-6:30
(D) April 17	Wall	Ozona	V-5:00 / JV-6:30

(S) – Scrimmages; (T) – Tournaments; (D) – District Games

Lion & Lady Lion Tennis Schedule

Date	Meet	Location	Teams
Feb. 3	W. TX Open Champ	San Angelo	Varsity/JV
Feb. 16	RC Winter Tourn.	Big Lake	JV
Feb. 17-18	RC Winter Tourn.	Big Lake	Varsity
Feb. 24-25	Ft. Stockton Tourn.	Ft. Stockton	Varsity
Mar. 2-3	Regional Team Tennis	Big Lake	Varsity Team
Mar. 5	Eldorado JV Tourn.	Eldorado	JV
Mar. 9-10	State Team Tennis	Round Rock	Varsity Team
March 19	RCHS Inv.	Big Lake	JV
March 23-24	RCHS Inv.	Big Lake	Varsity
March 29	Mason Inv.	Mason	JV
March 30-31	Mason Inv.	Mason	Varsity
April 2 & 5	District Tourn.	San Angelo	Varsity/JV
April 19-20	Regional Tourn.	Odessa	Varsity
May 9-10	State Tourn.	Austin	Varsity

Lion & Lady Lion Golf Schedule

Date	Tournament	Location	Teams
March 5	Wall Invitational	Bentwood Country Club San Angelo	Boys A & B Girls A
March 19	Iraan Invitational	Iraan Country Club	Boys A
March 20	Iraan Invitational	Iraan Country Club	Girls A
March 26	Ozona Triangle Meet	Ozona Country Club	Boys A & B Girls A
April 2	District Golf	Bentwood Country Club San Angelo	Boys A & B Girls A
April 9	District Golf	Quick Sand Golf Course San Angelo	Boys A & B Girls A

Lion & Lady Lion Track Schedule

Date	Meet	Location
Sat., March 3	Sonora Track Meet	Sonora
Fri., March 9	Ozona Track Meet	Ozona
Fri., March 23	Harper Track Meet	Harper
Sat., March 31	Crane Track Meet	Crane
Wed., April 11	District Meet	Sonora
Fri. & Sat., April 27-28	Regional Meet	Odessa
Fri. & Sat., May 11-12	State Meet	Austin



LINDA THOMPSON | OZONA HIGH SCHOOL

THE OHS ACADEMIC TEAM PLACED SECOND OUT OF 12 SCHOOLS at the McCamey Invitational Academic Meet held on Jan. 28.

OHS Academic Team takes second in McCamey

The Ozona High School UIL Academic Team placed second out of 12 schools in the McCamey Invitation Academic Meet on Saturday. Results are: News Writing - 2. Kelsie Ramirez; 5. Jadie Marshall Editorial Writing - 2. Zack Taylor; 3. Cuatro Jones Headline Writing - 6. Kelsie Ramirez Feature Writing - 6. Kel-

sie Ramirez Prose - 5. Kristen Hernandez Poetry - 4. Lexi Poindexter Literary Criticism 2. Chris Cantu; 3. Cris Taylor; First Place Team. Calculator Applications - 2. Vivian Medina in 10th Grade; 3. Lorenzo Hernandez in 10th Grade; 2. Avni Bhakta in 11th Grade; 6. Kramer Hall in 12th Grade;

Third Place Team. Mathematics - 4. Vivian Medina in 10th Grade; 4. Cynthia Garcia in 11th Grade; 6. Jade Carty in 11th Grade; 1. Isabel Ybarra in 12th Grade; 2. Kramer Hall in 12th Grade; Second Place Team. Number Sense - 1. Bryce Gutierrez in 9th Grade; 6. Vivian Medina in 10th Grade; 5. Cynthia Garcia in 11th

Grade; 1. Kramer Hall in 12 Grade; Second Place Team. Science - 6. Lorenzo Hernandez in 10th Grade. Computer Science - 1. Cris Taylor; 2. Jerrod duBois; 3. Erik Carrizales; First Place Team. Current Events - 4. Erik Carrizales; Second Place Team. The OHS Team will compete in Sonora Friday.

NHS sponsoring Teddy Bear Drive

The Ozona High School National Honor Society will be sponsoring a Teddy Bear Drive on Feb. 10 during the basketball games at the OHS Davidson Gym. Students will be collecting new, stuffed animals and then donating them to the local sheriff's department, fire department and

the Texas DPS for them to distribute at accidents and fires to children as a source of comfort during a traumatic experience. Each donor will receive a coupon for free nachos in the concession stand. The NHS members will be set up at both the front and back entrance.

Quiroz scores big for Lady Lions

The Ozona Lady Lions lost to Ballinger, 60-30, on Jan. 27. Score by quarters: Ozona 4 7 9 10 - 30; Ballinger 18 20 11 11 - 60. Scoring: Stacie Quiroz 21, including three 3-point goals; Vivian Medina 6; Lexi Poindexter 2 and Adrienne Sanchez 1. The Lady Lions lost to

Grape Creek, 51-30, on Jan. 24. Score by quarters: Ozona 7 6 8 9 - 30; G.C. 14 18 9 10 - 51. Scoring: Quiroz 9; Sanchez 7; Cynthia Garcia 6; Brianna Cervantez; Poindexter 2 and Natalie Hernandez 1. The Lady Lions will take on Brady at 6:30 p.m. Friday in Brady.

Lions defeat Bulldogs, fall to Hawks

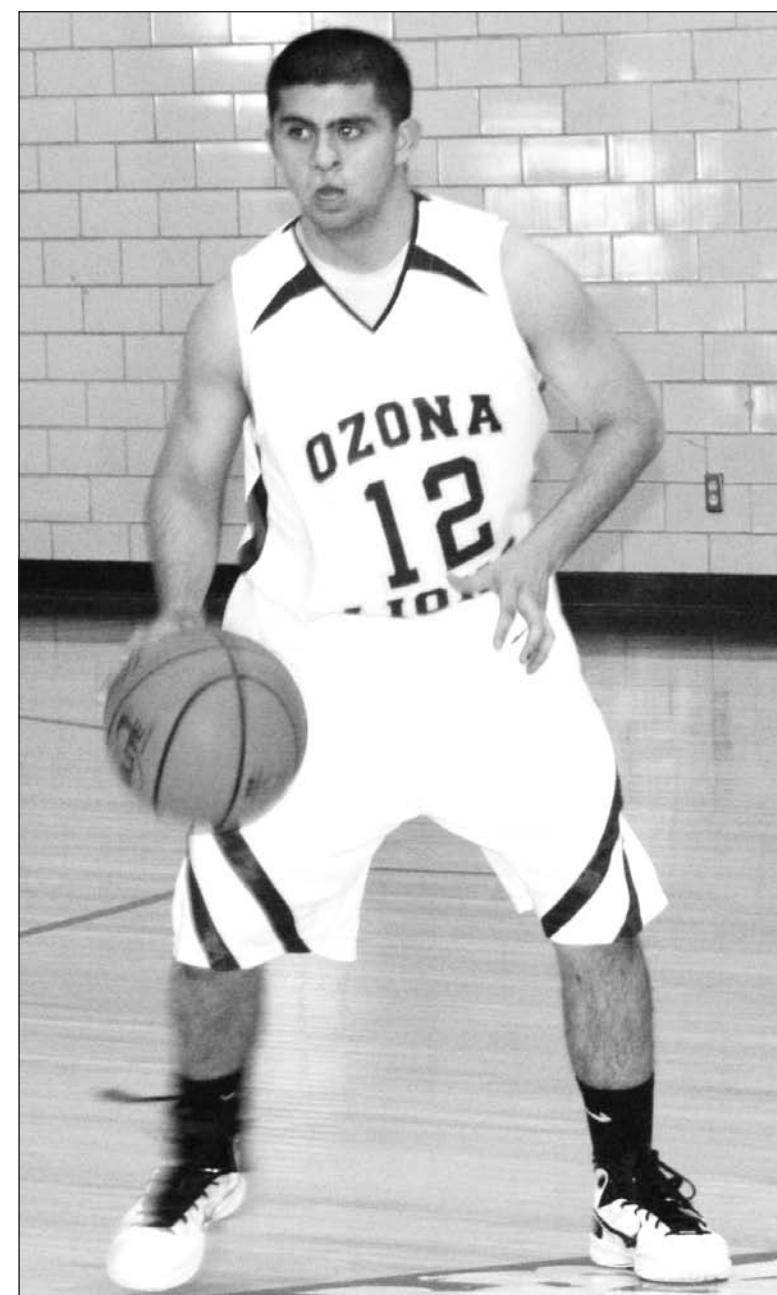
The Ozona Lions defeated Grape Creek, 59-54, on Jan. 24. Score by quarters: Ozona - 16 10 15 18 - 59; Grape Creek - 13 16 14 11 - 54. Scoring: Alex Borrego 4; Jerrod duBois 22; Ryan Mayfield 16; Glen Tinney 3; Jayton Rodriguez 12 and Alejandro Mendez 2. Also playing: Noah Tambunga, Saul Vargas and Kramer Hall. The Lions to Ballinger,

62-46, on Jan. 27. Score by quarters: Ballinger - 15 14 15 18 - 62; Lions - 16 12 12 6 - 46. Scoring: Borrego 7; Mendez 5; Rodriguez 5; Vargas 6; duBois 9; Tinney 7; Mayfield 7. Also playing: Tambunga and Hall. The Lions are 10-14 overall, 2-3 in district play. Ozona will take on Brady at 8 p.m. Friday in Brady.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

SIERRA STOKES PASSES THE BALL TO THE INSIDE in the Ozona Lady Lions Jan. 27 game against Brady.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

JEFFREY SANCHEZ WORKS THE BALL TOWARD THE BASKET for the JV Lions in their Jan. 27 game against Brady.

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SINGING THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER AT THE VARSITY BASKETBALL GAMES ON FRIDAY, JAN. 27 WERE THE FOURTH GRADE CLASSES OF MR. GULLY AND MS. ARELLANO AND ALL OF THE STUDENTS IN THE THIRD GRADE.



THE INTENSITY OF THE GAME DOESN'T CURB ALEX HOPPER'S MOOD as he races down the court in the Eighth Grade B Lions game against Brady on Jan. 23.

Eighth Grade B Lions show great effort against Brady

The Eighth Grade B Lions lost to Brady 45-33 on Jan. 23.

Scoring: Walker Whitten 14; Johnny Venegas 10; Felipe Irlas 8; Calib Villa 1. Also playing: Kevin Villarreal, Anthony Garza, Erby Blanco and Alex Hopper.

"We played one of our toughest games all year and battled hard. We fell behind

early but fought back and kept on coming. We played great defense and our post did a great job of rebounding and limiting Brady's second shot opportunities. They also did a great job of scoring our post scored 90 percent of our points. I was proud of the effort and the way that they played as well," said Coach John Esparza.

Eighth Grade Lady Lions fall to Brady

The Eighth Grade Lady Lions lost to Brady 32-9 on Jan. 23.

Scoring: Madison Childress 3; Brianna Sanchez 2; Alyssa Newlin 2; Kim Borrego 2. Also playing: McKenna Moses, Alondra Rodriguez, Estefania Torralba, Nereyda Vega, Lauren Miles, Maria Mejia

"I was impressed with my girls coming out and playing hard for four quarters. It is very hard to win a game when we are having a tough time making baskets. We will continue to work on our shooting game and focus on the fundamentals of the game," said Coach Autumn Brown.

Eighth Grade A Lions lose heartbreaker to Brady

The Eighth Grade Lions lost a close match to Brady, 31-30, on Jan. 23.

Scoring: Kalen Perez 7; Ben Badillo 1; Bryce Martin 2; Michael Graham 12; Jose Ojeda 7; Javier Barrera 1. Also playing: Dakota Lee and Alan Landa.

"This was a tough loss to a very good team. We played hard and had plenty of opportunities that we were unable to take advantage of. We did a good job

in the first half of not giving them any fast break opportunities and that is what Brady likes to do is get out an run," said Coach John Esparza. "Our post did a good job of rebounding and we were in it till the last second. We need to get better at finishing games when we have the chances to. Overall, I was very proud of the effort this is a team that had beaten us 20 earlier in the year and we played them

OMS B Lady Lions take on Brady

The Seventh Grade B Lady Lions defeated Brady 26-2 on Jan. 23.

Scoring: Erika Vasquez 3; Madye Hubbard 6; Bobbie Jo Vargas 13. Also playing: Meagan Shook, Paige Lewis, Gabby Flores, Gabby Treto, Elizabeth Rodriguez, Maiah Jurado, Cameron Rutherford.

The Lady Lions are 6-3.

The Eighth Grade B Lady Lions lost to Brady, 24-16, on Jan. 23.

Scoring: Daisy Cantu 2; Destany Delgado 1; Ashley Vargas 6; Gina Marquez 3; Dulce Rodriguez 2; Pricila Rodriguez 3. Also playing: Megan Vasquez, Taylor Luna, April Ramos.

The Lady Lions are 2-7.

4-H Shooting Sports meeting Monday

The first meeting of the Crockett 4-H Shooting Sports will be held at 6 p.m. Monday, Feb. 6, at the 4-H Shooting Range.

Anyone interested in participating is welcome to attend.

For more information, call 392-2721.

Seventh Grade Lady Lions fall to Brady

The Seventh Grade Lady Lions lost to Brady 30-15 on Jan. 23.

Scoring: Madison Galindo 5; Kamryn Lozano 4; Ra-

chel Mendoza 4; Asia Lara 1 and Kelly Sewell 1. Also playing: Azaylea Tovar, Julie Marshall and Dustine Perez.

The Lady Lions are 6-3.

Seventh Grade Lions lose to Bulldogs

The Ozona Seventh Grade Lions team hosted the Brady Bulldogs on Jan. 23.

The Bulldogs wasted no time as they came out running and raced out to a first quarter lead by a margin of 11-4.

In second quarter action, the Lions slowed the Bulldogs somewhat by allowing only 9 points, but managed to only score 2 points.

This would make the score at halftime, 20-6 in favor of Brady.

The Lions scored 2 points in the third quarter and Brady put up 7 to

stretch the lead to 27-8.

In the fourth quarter, the Lions kept playing hard and scored 7 points while Brady put up 10 of their own.

This would make the final score: Brady-37, Ozona-15.

The Lions were led by Thomas Fay who scored 10 points. Preston McCutcheon and Austin Elguea each tallied 2 points while Raven Perez chipped in with 1 point. Other 7th grade basketballers were: Cade Hardy, Gary Held, Adrian Rodriguez, Kabir Shah, Anthony Perez, Thomas Cruz and Orinaldo Meza.

Youth Center Calendar

OHS Food Night
Mondays 7-10 p.m.

7th and 8th Grades Food Night
Every other
Tuesday 7-10 p.m.

7th and 8th Grades Hours:

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Congressional candidate Pete Gallego visiting Ozona today

State Representative and candidate for U.S. Congress Pete Gallego, D-Alpine, is stopping in Ozona today (Feb. 1) to meet with the public and the Crockett County Commissioners.



The informal meeting will be at noon at El Chato's Restaurant. The meeting is open to the public.

Gallego is a native of Alpine, graduate of Sul Ross State University and the University of Texas School of Law and has served as State Representative since 1990.

Now, Gallego is running in the Democratic Primary for U.S. Representative of District 23, currently held by Republican Francisco "Quico" Canseco.

Gallego is being challenged in the primary by John Bustamante, of San Antonio.

In a press release Monday, Gallego announced his strong support for banning members of Congress from insider trading, saying it was simply common sense to hold Congress accountable to the same laws as everyone else.

Gallego announced his support of the Stop Trading On Congressional Knowledge, or STOCK Act, that

would impose that ban.

A recent "60 Minutes" exposé revealed that Members of Congress were engaging in insider stock trades—all completely legally since Congress exempted itself from the federal law against the practice.

"I am for making it illegal for Congress to engage in insider trading and so is 99.9 percent of everyone else on Earth. The only ones against making insider trading for Congress are a few Members of Congress like Congressman Canseco," said Gallego. "This is why this is the most unpopular Congress in our history, and it's also why we need a new Congressman."

For more information, visit <http://petegallego.com>.

Al-Anon meetings start Thursday

Weekly meetings of Al-Anon will begin Thursday, Feb. 2.

The Al-Anon program is based on the 12 steps of Alcoholics Anonymous.

The purpose of Al-Anon Family Groups is to help family and friends affected by some-

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proposed plan; and of course, and most commonly - I am asked how soon we could start, and how long a facilities program aimed at modernizing OHS would take. I would like to address some of these issues in this week's installment. Going forward, installments in this series will be offered as consideration to such matters has been deliberated by your School Board, or by the school administration team at their direction.

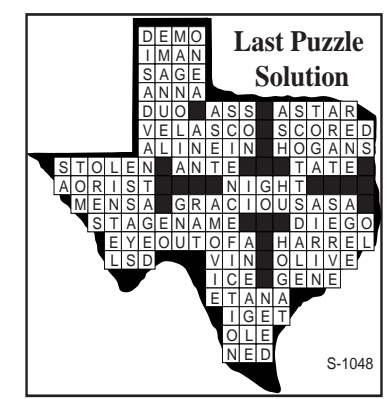
In even the last week, I have received official opinions from both CCCSD legal counsel and state elections officials to verify that although the board of trustees had discussed the feasibility of perhaps conducting a bond election even as soon as this May (CCCSD's last bond election was in May 2008) to take advantage of positive financial conditions - that due to changes in election laws enacted by the legislature recently, since we must rely on the services of county election officials, CCCSD is limited to November elections in even-numbered years. Accordingly, we now know that the soonest any bond election that might support a building program could occur would be the general election date this November. However, your board could determine that to ensure due attention to this concern without complications of other ballot issues in November, that we should postpone such a referendum until a later date. May 2013 is an option for them to consider as well. In either case - we recognize that we do not have to be in any rush, and can manage processes carefully enough to gain voter confidence that enough time has been afforded to inform the public and plan carefully.

Economic conditions for possible bond sales may certainly be different than current circumstances after a later-date election, but that territory has been defined for us now.

Next - given your board's instruction to me, architects and advisors to continue discussions and planning consistent with the conceptualizations shared last month - we expect to move forward with real square footage and cost estimates for further deliberation and financial planning. We will also soon assemble a community advisory panel and hold information-sharing sessions to gather impressions and begin the process of narrowing the scope and impact of desired improvements. As explained in previous installments in this series, there are other capital concerns for the district to plan for in addition to modernizing OHS. A thorough examination of such concerns is warranted to define the scope of financing efforts required. If the board authorizes an election for November or May, we will be more than ready. These activities will be accompanied by exploration of district financial projections, market indicators and every possible financial structure that can benefit our community and district. Careful attention to economic factors is the role of Financial Advisors, and we will engage in such briefings and discussions soon.

Lastly for this installment, I would like to report regarding possible time frames for all of this. Detailed floor plans and construction documents cost money to produce. Incurring these costs makes no sense until we are sure we have a viable project to offer for proposals after an authorizing election. It is at this point focus groups across all district and campus concerns will be involved in development of a detailed working plan. These processes take several months, and we expect that required engineering studies, clearances, design, drafting, and bidding processes would take many months. It is reasonable to assume that ground would not break for perhaps as many as 12 or 15 months after a successful election. In the meantime, bond sales would be planned and scheduled according to sound advice to get some cash flowing to pay planning and design costs and perhaps start earning some interest on deposits. Realistically, if there were an election authorized for November this year - we would not see material movement on any real construction process until at least the late summer of 2013 or even early spring of 2014. Further, considering the scope of desired revisions and restorations at OHS - a full rehabilitation of the high school site would extend through at least five years. Certainly OHS students would begin benefitting from improved classroom spaces and infrastructure in perhaps 18 months to two years after the start of construction, but that landmark would still be projected conservatively to fall perhaps sometime just before the 2015-2016 school year. Other possible bond-supported improvements would be made more quickly, but if the principal goal of our planning is to modernize the entire OHS site, community members should plan on waiting through perhaps 2018-2019 to see the final product.

Please continue to monitor deliberations about capital improvements in CCCSD closely. And as always, please feel free to contact me at any time with questions or concerns.



EMS DEPARTMENT RUNS

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1/26/2012
-911 call - Transport and treatment Family Health Clinic

1/27/2012
-911 call - Transport and treatment Shannon Medical Center

1/29/2012
-911 call - No treatment, no transport
-911 call - No treatment, no transport
-911 call - Transport and treatment Shannon Medical Center
-911 call - Transport and treatment San Angelo Community Med Ctr

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the Texas Department of Agriculture, said that the word "failures" in this context means bankruptcies caused by grain market volatility. The board is looking at ways to set up a grain indemnity fund that would help cover losses for producers caught up in a warehouse bankruptcy, he said.

A grain warehouse operator who is unable to cover the open contracts he or she has purchased can get caught in margin calls. "With the amount of grain some of these warehouses trade, one or two big margin calls can sink them pretty fast," Black said.

Previously, any person who provided information that led to the arrest of one of the listed sex offenders received \$1,000 cash. According to the DPS, since the Texas 10 Most Wanted Sex Offenders program began in July 2010, 12 arrests have been made, with seven arrests coming from tips, and the governor's office has paid out a total of \$13,300 in rewards.

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On or about 2/21/2012 Crockett County will submit a request to the Texas Department of Agriculture - Office of Rural Affairs (TDA-ORA) for the release of Texas Community Development Block Grant funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development act of 1974 (PL. 93-383), as amended, to undertake a Sewer System Improvements project known as 711149, to install 2,400 LF of 6" sewer line, 6 manholes, 34 service reconnects, pavement replacement, and all associated appurtenances at 3rd St from alley between Ave E and Ave F to Ave D, Ave D from Fairview Drive to 70 LF north of Young St, Young St from Ave D to eastern end of Young St, RR 2398 from Ave J to 1,800 LF southwest of Ave J, in Ozona. Alternately, install an additional 700 LF of sewer line on Ave J from 11th St to Sheffield Rd. Crockett County has been awarded \$200,000 in grant funds and shall contribute \$65,000 in match funds.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
Crockett County has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the Crockett County Courthouse, 909 Avenue D, Ozona, Texas 76943 and may be examined or copied weekdays from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
Any individual, group, or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the project may submit written comments to the Office of the County Judge. The local comment period begins on 2/2/2012 and ends on 2/17/2012. All comments received by 2/17/2012 will be considered by Crockett County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Commentors should specify which part of this Notice they are addressing.

RELEASE OF FUNDS
Crockett County certifies to TDA-ORA that Fred Deaton in his capacity as County Judge consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. TDA-ORA approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows Crockett County to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS
TDA-ORA will consider objections to its release of funds and Crockett County certification received by 3/7/2012 or a period of fifteen days from its receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer or other officer of Crockett County approved by TDA-ORA (b) Crockett County has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the project have committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by TDA-ORA; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. The anticipated state comment period is 2/21/2012 through 3/7/2012. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58) and shall be addressed to The Texas Department of Agriculture - Office of Rural Affairs at P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711. Potential objectors should contact TDA-ORA to verify the actual last day of the objection period. Fred Deaton, County Judge

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